

CON 090: Federal Acquisition Regulation (FAR) Fundamentals

FAR Fundamentals is a four-week, resident, foundational course for new hires that provides a total immersion into the Federal Acquisition Regulation (Parts 1-53) and the Defense Federal Acquisition Regulation Supplement (DFARS). The course will prepare the 21st century acquisition workforce to operate successfully in a web enabled environment. CON 090 is a limited lecture, research-intensive, exercised-based curriculum. Participants will analyze contracting business scenarios developed through research of the FAR and its supplement DFARS. The course is presented in four modules: Contracting Overview using the FAR and DFARS; Contract Acquisition Planning; Contract Formation; and Contract Management/Administration. Students are expected to become familiar with FAR Parts 1-53. Students will be quizzed daily on FAR part knowledge, lecture/lesson content, and homework. Students should be prepared to dedicate 2-3 hours per evening for homework. Classroom laptop computers will be provided for each student.

Learning Objectives

- Locate, cite, interpret, and Determine the applicability of policies and procedures in the FAR, DFARS, DFARS PGI, and DoD class deviations.
- Determine the requirements of the acquisition planning process as mandated by law and implemented by regulation.
- Determine the policies and procedures for acquisitions from required and preferred sources of supplies and services
- Determine the competition requirements for a given acquisition.
- Determine a permissible method of contracting for a given acquisition.
- Describe the types of contracts that may be used in acquisitions.
- Determine the policies and procedures for describing agency needs.
- Determine the policies and procedures for publicizing contract opportunities.
- Determine the applicability of socioeconomic programs to a given acquisition.
- Identify the legal principles used by courts and boards of contract appeals to Determine whether the Government has entered into a relationship involving one or more enforceable promises.
- Determine the policies and procedures for soliciting offers.
- Determine the policies and procedures for evaluating bids.
- Determine the policies and procedures for evaluating competitive proposals and having exchanges with offerors after receipt of proposals.
- Determine the policies and procedures for making contract awards.



- Determine the policies and procedures for protests.
- Determine the policies and procedures for the use of simplified acquisition procedures.
- Determine the policies and procedures for the initiation of work.
- Determine the policies and procedures for managing contractor performance.
- Determine the policies and procedures for preparing and processing contract modifications.
- Determine the policies and procedures for payment.
- Determine the policies and procedures for processing contract disputes and appeals.
- Determine the policies and procedures for terminating and closing out Government contracts.

Course Details

- *Course Length* 19 Days (4 weeks)
- Continuous Learning Points (CLPs) 152
- *Graded Materials Include*: Pre-Class Assignments, Attendance of all Instructional Hours, Course Exercises, Homework, and Course Exams/Quizzes



