

Applied Learning Online (ALO) modules teach core competencies that align with certain federal acquisition certifications. See below for more information.

FAC-C		FAC-COR	FAC-P/PM
Earn Certification?	No	Level I: Yes (2012) Level II: Yes Level III: Yes	Partial
Certification Electives?	Yes	N/A	N/A
Certification Continuous Learning (CLPs)?	Yes	Yes	Yes
What's Required?			
Certification:	Prescribed DAU Equivalent Coursework w/Electives	Competency Based: Level I: 8 hours (COR roles & responsibilities and fund. contract rules & regs) Level II: 40 hours Level III: 60 hours	Competency Based: "minimum competencies that are considered essential for successful p/pm"
Continuous Learning:	80 hours of continuous learning every 2 years	Every 2 years: Level I: 8 hours Level II: 40 hours Level III: 40 hours	80 hours of continuous learning every 2 years
Stretch Your Training Budget Earn 10X the CLPs with Your Same Training Budget Customized Training Targeted Learning Personalized Service			

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FAC Continuous Learning:

All ALO modules earn Continuous Learning Points and Continuing Education Units. These count toward the maintenance of any certification, as DAU/FAI equivalency is not required for maintenance or continuous learning, and DAU/FAI does not certify units for maintenance or continuous learning.

Quoted from the FAI FAC-C OMB Memo, http://www.fai.gov/pdfs/fac_contracting_program.pdf

Civilian agencies shall generally follow the guidance provided by DoD on how CLPs can be earned. DAU equivalency is not required for continuous learning. Agencies are encouraged to use continuous learning opportunities to assist individuals in obtaining core competencies, maintaining critical acquisition skills, and acquiring agency-specific training. Continuous learning activities include, but are not limited to, the following:

- training activities, such as teaching, self-directed study, mentoring;
- courses completed to achieve certification at the next higher level;
- professional activities, such as attending/speaking/presenting at professional seminars/symposia/conferences, publishing, and attending workshops; or
- educational activities, such as formal training, and formal academic programs.

	Certification	Continuous Learning and Refresher Training
FAC-C	<p>A FAC-C Certification cannot be earned <u>exclusively</u> by taking ALO modules. ALO does not meet “DAU equivalency” requirements. Each elective required for FAC-C should equal 16 hours of learning (e.g., 16 hours of ALO learning).</p> <p>Elective Requirements: Level I: 1 Elective (or 16 hours of elective coursework) Level II: 2 Electives (or 32 hours of elective coursework) Level III: 2 Electives (or 32 hours of elective coursework)</p> <p>As agreed to by the employee and supervisor, electives may be any training opportunity related to the employee’s job, those necessary for career development, or those used for cross training. Electives may include no-cost distance learning, assignment-specific courses, or other training opportunities. Employees are encouraged to take courses that add to their knowledge base or enhance existing skills; electives should generally be increasingly more complex throughout an employee’s career progression. There are no DAU equivalency requirements for electives.</p>	<p>ALO can be used to meet the FAC-C continuing education requirements—80 hours of continuing education every two years.</p>
FAC-COR	<p>“DAU equivalency” is not required for completion of the FAC-COR curriculum, so the ALO can be used to meet the required certification competencies. The ASI Training Institute has developed recommended FAC-COR Levels I, II, and III curriculums, mapping them to COR essential competencies. Agencies can elect to use the ALO library to satisfy their FAC-COR certification requirements. It’s always a good idea to ensure our recommended curriculum and online format aligns with your individual agency’s requirements.</p> <p>“Initial training for new CORs must include, at a minimum, a course covering COR roles and responsibilities as well as fundamental contract rules and regulations. In addition, it is strongly recommended that this training be provided in a classroom setting. For other COR, any combination of classroom or online training required by agency policy and the agency’s Acquisition Career Manager (ACM) is acceptable. Individual CORs should consult with their supervisor and the Contracting Officer to determine their specific training needs.”</p>	<p>80 CLPs are required every two years. ALO can be used for any and all FAC-COR continuous learning requirements.</p>
FAC-P/PM	<p>ALO offers some courses which can be used toward certification. However, a complete curriculum, such as what is provided for the FAC-COR, is not available through ALO. DAU equivalency is not required for any courses taken toward FAC-P/PM certification.</p> <p>The FAC-P/PM does not prescribe a specific curriculum (like the FAC-C). Instead, the FAC-P/PM describes core, minimum competencies that are considered essential for successful program and project management. FAC-P/PM certification is based on attaining these competencies.</p> <p>All three levels of the FAC-P/PM can be earned through successful completion of suggested training, completion of comparable education or certification programs, or demonstration of knowledge, skills, and abilities. Additional guidance can be found at www.fai.gov or through your agency Acquisition Career Manager.</p>	<p>80 CLPs are required every two years. ALO can be used for any and all FAC-P/PM continuous learning</p>