

**CERTIFICATION STANDARDS & CORE PLUS DEVELOPMENT GUIDE
BUSINESS – COST ESTIMATING LEVEL III**

Type of Assignment	Representative Activities	
Cost Estimator	Performs analyses and estimates for a variety of programs and takes on management activities to ensure cost analysis is conducted properly	
Core Certification Standards (required for DAWIA certification)		
Acquisition Training	Acquisition Training identified at level II must have been completed	
Functional Training	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Functional Training identified at Level II must have been completed ● BCF 302 Advanced Concepts in Cost Analysis (R) ● CLB 023 Software Cost Estimating ● CLB 029 Rates 	
Education	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Baccalaureate degree (any field of study) ● 3 semester credit hours from a calculus course ● 21 semester credit hours in any combination of the following fields of study: operations research, economics, mathematics, chemistry, physics or other sciences where the utilization of advanced mathematical skills in geometry, trigonometry, statistics, probability, and/or quantitative analysis 	
Experience	7 years of acquisition experience in cost estimating	
Core Plus Development Guide (desired training, education, and experience)		Type of Assignment
Training		Cost Estimator
ACQ 450 Leading in the Acquisition Environment (R)		✓
ACQ 451 Integrated Acquisition for Decision Makers (R)		✓
ACQ 452 Forging Stakeholder Relationships (R)		✓
PMT 352A Program Management Office Course, Part A		✓
PMT 352B Program Management Office Course, Part B (R)		✓
Education		
Graduate degree in engineering, statistics, or other Math intensive field of study		
Experience		
7 years of acquisition experience in Cost Estimating		

Notes:

1 The Core Certification/Training Standards section lists the training and/or education and experience REQUIRED for certification at this level or training for this career path within 24 months of assignment.

2 "(R)" following a course title indicates the course is delivered as resident-based instruction.

5 When preparing your IDP, you and your supervisor should consider the training, education, and experience listed in the Core Plus Development Guide at this and the lower level(s) if not already completed.