



ICF's Digital IT Acquisition Professional (DITAP) Offering

Keeping pace with a constantly evolving technology landscape is a challenge – especially when it comes to acquiring digital services. To transform how the government acquires digital services, the Office of Federal Procurement Policy (OFPP), in consultation with the U.S. Digital Service, [recently released the FAC-C core-plus specialization in digital services \(FAC-C-DS\) certification](#) for the acquisition workforce. ICF's Digital IT Acquisition Professional (DITAP) program is the first training program to offer the FAC-C-DS certification. DITAP provides motivated, trailblazing acquisition professionals with the knowledge and skills they need to earn this certification, helping acquisition professionals not only learn how to design innovative and flexible procurements for digital services, but also how to serve as change ambassadors within their organizations.

From 2015-2017, ICF collaborated with USDS and OFPP to build and test pilot versions of the DITAP program. ICF, USDS, and OFPP identified the key knowledge and skills required to successfully acquire digital services and crafted a learning program that allowed acquisition professionals to gain those knowledge and skills. ICF is now offering an updated version of this learning program in support of the FAC-C-DS certification. We are the first government-certified DITAP vendor.

Successful completion of our six-month program will result in the receipt of the FAC-C core-plus specialization in digital services (FAC-C-DS) certification.

Section	Details
PROGRAM DATES¹	August 14, 2018 to March 19, 2019
TIME COMMITMENT	<ul style="list-style-type: none">15 hours of webinars across 6 months9 full days of classroom instruction on the following dates: Aug. 28-30, 2018; Nov. 6-8, 2018; Feb. 5-7, 2019. You must attend all 9 classroom days in person.Additional 12 hours per week to read articles, participate in online discussions, contribute to group activities, and work on a live digital assignment
CONTINUOUS LEARNING POINTS (CLPs)	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Participants earn up to 80 CLPs based on their level of achievement in the program.
TRAVEL REQUIREMENTS	<ul style="list-style-type: none">While most of the program can be completed remotely, participants are expected to travel to Washington, D.C. for three, three-day classroom sessions. Travel is not covered by program tuition.
TUITION COSTS	<p>\$6300 per participant. Includes:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">Guidance and facilitation by qualified facilitators and digital services acquisition experts in webinars, in the classroom, and onlineCourse materials, assessments, and program supportAccess to online learning platformCollaboration and networking opportunities <p>Agencies can use their purchasing cards to pay tuition via our e-commerce site or arrange another payment approach as needed.</p>
HOW TO APPLY	Complete the online application by August 7, 2018
PRE-REQUISITES	Level II or Level III FAC-C and interest in being a digital service change ambassador ²
QUESTIONS	Contact DITAP@icf.com .

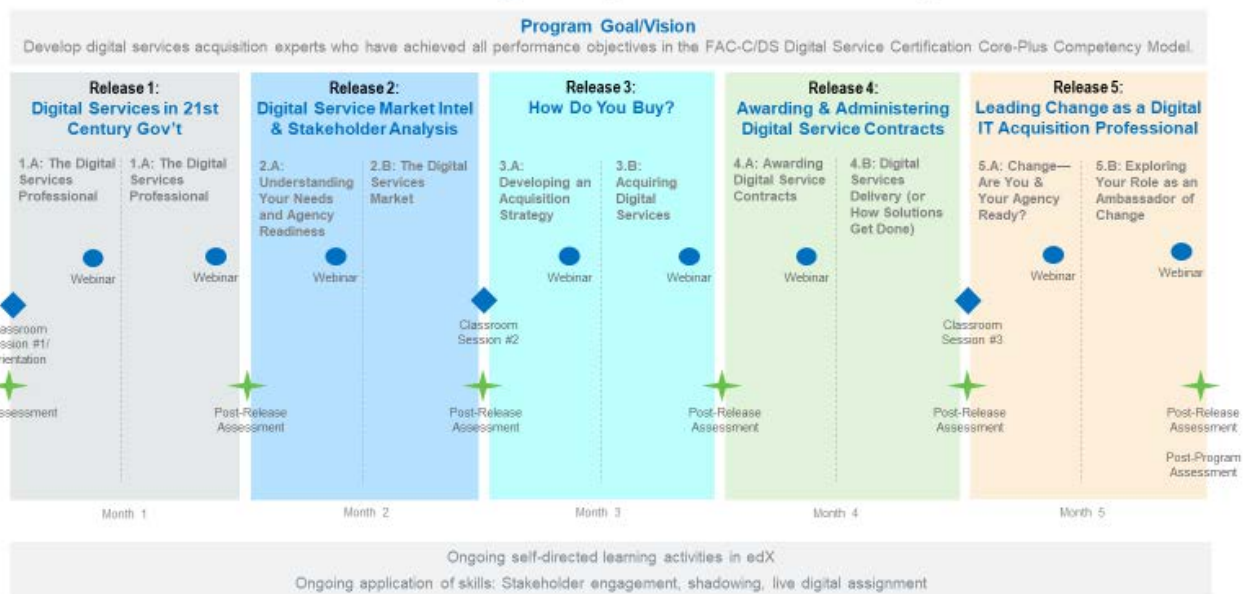
¹ Each program requires a minimum class size of 25 participants. These program run dates are contingent upon meeting this minimum.

² If you do not have a Level II or Level III FAC-C certification, you may still apply, provided you can supply a summary of your acquisition experience and a strong rationale as to why this certification would be valuable to your current and/or future roles. We want to ensure you have the acquisition knowledge and skills needed to discuss and complete program assignments that are advanced in nature.

Here's an overview of the experience you'll have participating in ICF's DITAP offering.



ICF DITAP Learning Experience Map



As shown in the experience map, the program features a mix of self-directed, guided and applied learning, classroom instruction, case studies, guest speakers, and a live digital assignment for hands-on knowledge and skill development. You'll have access to our Open edX-based learning portal where you can learn and collaborate with your cohort and program faculty from any device. Not only will you gain the knowledge and skills you need to succeed as a digital acquisition professional, you will build connections with other motivated acquisition professionals like yourself who can support you on your learning journey. We've trained 53 contracting officers from over 20 agencies, but the digital revolution is just beginning! This program will help position you on the leading edge of the government's digital transformation.

Don't take it just from us, though. Previous participants in ICF's program have had the following to say when they completed the program:

- "I have a **new level of satisfaction and enjoyment with my career**, and feel like I've had the 'ceiling' removed and am not constrained in my approach to new ideas or techniques and the value I can provide."
- "I try to look at new IT and digital requirements through the agile lens, or at least **see if there is a way something different can be done this time around.**"
- "I am **questioning** more whether traditional procurement strategies are the best route for certain acquisitions."
- "Specifically the leadership and inspiring change portions of the training have influenced my work. I feel **more empowered** to speak up and present my ideas."

In addition, to date, 70+% of program participants saw a change in their job behaviors and/or role as a result of the program and 100% of participants have said the program was a worthwhile investment of time.

Let us help you change the world, one innovative and effective digital services acquisition at a time.