



STUDY RELEASED BY NCPPC: Identifying Position Domains in Public Sector Procurement

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The National Council for Public Procurement and Contracting (NCPPC) is pleased to publish the results of its study, **Identifying Position Domains in Public Sector Procurement: Towards the Establishment of Standardized Job Descriptions for the Profession**. The results of this study provide an analytical framework for identifying standardized position classifications within the industry.

The NCPPC hired Drs. Eric Prier and Clifford McCue, Associate Professors at Florida Atlantic University, to explore commonalities of job functions based on the 2012 Universal Public Procurement Certification Council (UPPCC) job analysis survey. To complete their survey, the UPPCC compiled responses from nearly 3,000 subject matter experts from a variety of locations, work settings and experiences, as well as career and education levels. Input was received from 48 states in the U.S., 7 provinces of Canada, and from 10 other nations.

In their analysis, the professors were able to identify and establish a standardization of job descriptions for the public procurement industry within Procurement Administration, Sourcing, Negotiation Process, Contract Administration, Supply Management, and Strategic Procurement Planning.

The complete study, as well as an overview describing the methodology used, is available for free by visiting the [NCPPC](#) website.

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