

**Basic Principles of Local Government Purchasing**

UNC School of Government  
*Held In-Person (Room 2603) and Virtually (via Zoom)*

Monday, January 26 – Wednesday, January 28, 2026

*Course Agenda*

**Monday, January 26**

**Live Sessions**

**Day 1: The Big Picture** (4.0 hours total time; 3.5 hours instruction time)  
**Monday, January 26**

1:00 p.m. to 1:15 p.m.	Introduction and Outline of Requirements for CLGPO and CEIO certification <i>Crista M. Cuccaro, UNC School of Government</i>
1:15 p.m. to 2:30 p.m.	Basic Legal Requirements for Public Contracting <i>Crista M. Cuccaro, UNC School of Government</i>
<b>2:30 p.m. to 2:45 p.m.</b>	<b>Break</b>
2:45 p.m. to 3:45 p.m.	Local Government Law Overview <i>Robert P. Joyce, UNC School of Government</i>
<b>3:45 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.</b>	<b>Break</b>
4:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.	North Carolina Competitive Bidding Requirements <i>Crista M. Cuccaro, UNC School of Government</i>
<b>5:00 p.m.</b>	<b>Adjourn</b>

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*Tuesday, January 27*

*Day 2: State Law Specifics* (6.5 hours total time; 5.0 hours instruction time)  
*Tuesday, January 27*

- 9:00 a.m. to 10:15 a.m. Exceptions to North Carolina Competitive Bidding Laws  
*Crista M. Cuccaro, UNC School of Government*
- 10:15 a.m. to 10:30 a.m. Break**
- 10:30 a.m. to 11:45 a.m. Basic Legal Requirements for Public Construction Contracting  
*Crista M. Cuccaro, UNC School of Government*
- 11:45 a.m. to 12:45 p.m. Lunch and Networking**
- 1:00 p.m. to 2:00 p.m. Purchasing Ethics, Conflicts of Interest, Gifts & Favors  
*Crista M. Cuccaro, UNC School of Government*
- 2:00 p.m. to 2:15 p.m. Break**
- 2:15 p.m. to 3:30 p.m. Basic Legal Requirements for Surplus Property Disposal  
*Crista M. Cuccaro, UNC School of Government*
- 3:30 p.m. Adjourn**

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**Wednesday, January 28**

**Day 3: Federal Rules and Putting It All Together** (5.75 hours total time; 4.25 hours instruction time)  
**Wednesday, January 28**

9:00 a.m. to 10:00 a.m.      How to Find What You Need to Know—Locating Statutes and Other Resources  
*Crista M. Cuccaro, UNC School of Government*

**10:00 a.m. to 10:15 a.m.      Break**

10:15 a.m. to 11:15 a.m.      Procurement Pursuant to the Uniform Guidance (2 C.F.R. Part 200)  
*Crista M. Cuccaro, UNC School of Government*

**11:15 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.      Break**

11:30 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.      Introduction to the North Carolina Association of Governmental Purchasing  
*Julia Faircloth, President*  
Assistant Deputy Chief Financial Officer, Cape Fear Public Utility Authority

**12:00 p.m. to 1:00 p.m.      Lunch**

1:00 p.m. to 2:30 p.m.      Recap Using Case Problems  
*Crista M. Cuccaro, UNC School of Government*

2:30 p.m. to 2:45p.m.      Introduction to Knowledge Check and Time for Questions  
*Crista M. Cuccaro, UNC School of Government*

**2:45 p.m.      Adjourn**

***Attendance Policy***

In order to receive a course completion certificate, participants must attend all sessions and be accessible for questions. Failure to satisfy this requirement may result in the denial of a course completion certificate.

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