



Request for Proposal

KK022720 Digital Assessment and Evaluation Software and Related Services

Addendum #2

March 16, 2020

To: All Prospective Bidders

From: Kathleen Kearney, Research Category Manager

The following are clarifications or revisions to RFP# KK022720 Digital Assessment and Evaluation Software and Related Services:

Question / Answer

- 1 Requesting extension to 4/9/20:
Yes we will be extending to April 9, 2020 per addendum 1 published 3/26/20
- 2 For plagiarism detection for student papers, does the University use Blackboard's SafeAssign?
Yes UConn uses SafeAssign
- 3 Will you confirm whether this RFP seeks a Learning Management System (like a Canvas, Blackboard, D2L)? Or perhaps an assessment platform that would work in conjunction with a Learning Management System?
We do not seek a LMS. We are currently a Blackboard school. An assessment platform that works in conjunction with Blackboard is in-line with what we need.
- 4 Is UCONN looking for software for the entire student population (undergraduate and graduate) or is UCONN seeking software for specific programs offered by the institution?
 - a. If the institution is seeking software to support only specific programs, which programs will be included? And what is the scale of these programs (i.e. what is the student population in each of these programs)?
 - b. Are these programs run centrally or are they offered/run independently by the regional campuses?
 - c. If these programs are offered/run by the regional campuses, which campuses offer them and what is the student population enrolled at each campus?We are looking for university-wide option
- 5 How many total students does UCONN anticipate accessing and using the software?
Estimate is not available, implementation will be on a dept. by dept. basis. Also refer to question 11
- 6 Will the institution be implementing for all students in a single year or will the institution be scaling student usage?
Estimate is not available, implementation will be on a dept. by dept. basis. Also refer to question 11
- 7 If UCONN will be scaling student usage, how will usage be scaled in each Year by campus?
Estimate is not available, implementation will be on a dept. by dept. basis. Also refer to question 11
- 8 Does this RFP seek to replace an existing assessment system or systems? If so, which system(s)?
RFP does not seek to replace existing system, but to identify what is available in the market and leverage enterprise agreement model.

- 9 Where the RFP states that "it is the University's intention to make an award for each category which will result in a multi-vendor contract" do the bullets listed below represent the categories?
- Enabling faculty members and TAs to more efficiently grade assignments and focus on more hands-on work in classroom instruction and research agendas
 - Allowing faculty and TAs to track consistency in grading from student to student
 - Giving faculty members and TAs greater insight into assessment and assignment data, allowing for the analysis of trends for their students and courses
 - Supporting accreditation activities for Schools at the University, including assessing achievement of student learning outcomes and continuing improvement

Or are the categories represented by 4.1.1 through 4.1.5?

The individual bullets do not represent separate categories but rather the totality of what we seek

- 10 Please clarify what is meant in section 3.22 Award, perhaps with an example. "Within each manufacturer's offering, three (3) separate (yet interconnective) lines of products are desired in a Good (A-), Better (A), and Best (A+) ranking"

Replace section 3.22 in its entirety with the following:

Award: A contract will be awarded to the Proposer(s) whose proposal(s) are deemed to be the most advantageous to the University, in accordance with the criteria set forth within the RFP, taking into account the quality of the goods or services to be supplied, their conformance with specifications, delivery terms, price, administrative costs, past performance, warranty and financial responsibility. In order to best meet the needs of the University and the financial requirements of the various end users, an exclusive contract may not be issued as a result of this RFP. The University may:

3.22.1 Reject the proposal of any Proposer who is in default of any prior contract or is guilty of misrepresentation or any Proposer with a member of its firm in default or guilty of misrepresentation;

3.22.2 Correct inaccurate awards resulting from clerical or administrative errors in accordance with and pursuant to the Regulations of Connecticut State Agencies;

3.22.3 Make an award contingent upon the successful Proposer's execution of the applicable required State of Connecticut certifications and affidavits; or

3.22.4 Award by item, groups of items or total bid; to reject any and all proposals in whole or in part, and to waive any informality or technical defects if, in its judgment, the best interests of the University will be served.

- 11 Please clarify 4.8.1.1, "Pricing should be based on the aggregate counts across all participating accounts across at the beginning of each year of the term."

The University seeks an enterprise pricing model that considers volume discounts based on the aggregate user base across the University at the beginning of each year of the term. Where pricing for new requests should consider the University wide user base (i.e. at of the beginning of each year) to determine pricing and discounts applied. These discounts should be tiered to increase based on the size of the aggregate user base.

- 12 Regarding "Form 7, can UConn provide a link to ensure we're completing the appropriate form? All other forms are linked directly.

Link to the forms: <https://portal.ct.gov/OPM/Fin-PSA/Forms/Ethics-Forms>

or visit the website ct.gov and search on "Ethics Forms"

Proposers must indicate on *8.0 Form of Proposal* receipt of this Addendum 2 with your submission.

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