Request for Proposal

Feasibility & Design Services for a New Academic Building

RFP 18-03

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Administrative Information

All questions must be submitted via email, with the bid title subject heading:

“RFP 18-03 Feasibility & Design Services for a New Academic Building”

Questions or inquiries regarding bidding information should be sent to: bids@rowan.edu. All questions submitted will be answered on the Office of Contracting & Procurement website, on the date indicated below in the Schedule of Events Timetable.

Questions regarding opening any documents or accessing items on the website should be sent to:

Robert Yufer  
Office of Contracting & Procurement  
E-mail: yufer@rowan.edu

Schedule of RFP Events

Due Date:

Bids must be received no later than August 3, 2017 at 2:00 p.m. - Please refer to the Submissions Requirements section of this document for details.

Invitation for Bid Timetable

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<td>Site Visit*</td>
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<td>July 26, 2017</td>
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<td>Answers Posted to Website</td>
<td>July 27, 2017</td>
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<td>Bids Due *</td>
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*Attending the Site Visit is not mandatory; however, vendors are encouraged to be present. The selected vendor shall assume sole responsibility for the complete effort as required for this project.

*Attending the Bid Opening is not mandatory.

For both the Site Visit and Bid Opening, interested parties can meet at Office of Contracting & Procurement, located on the Glassboro, NJ Campus, in Bunce Hall Suite 208.

In order to be considered for the award, all information must be received by the required date and time. Any bid not received on time may be rejected.
**Required Procurement Documents**

The documents below are Procurement documents mandated by State regulation and University policy. All documents as listed must be included with your submission package in order for your proposal to be deemed responsible for this offering.

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Project Overview

Rowan University invites proposals from qualified, licensed firms to provide all services related to the Programming, feasibility, design, bidding and construction administrative services for a new building to be located on its main campus in Glassboro, New Jersey.

I. BACKGROUND
Rowan University has evolved from its humble beginning in 1923 as a school with a mission to train teachers for South Jersey classrooms, to a comprehensive public research university with a strong regional presence and reputation. The university’s main campus is now spread over approximately 225 acres, bifurcated by Rt. 322 in Glassboro New Jersey. The two sides of the campus are referred to as the South and North Campus and are 70 and 155 acres respectively. For the most part, the North campus is the hub for academic and the South for administrative functions.

Today, Rowan's over 16,000 students can select from bachelors, Masters and doctoral degree programs in colleges and schools across four campuses. The University is one of only 56 institutions in the country with accredited programs in business, education, engineering and medicine.

Sporadic changes in needs over time has resulted in the allocation and reallocation of space with several academic and administrative departments being separated and dispersed across the campus in various buildings with variable degrees of suitability for the functions being housed. In many cases, campus facilities are not being utilized effectively and efficiently, creating barriers to maximizing the quality, affordability, and availability of educational opportunities.

The Rowan campus will experience significant growth in the foreseeable future. The projected growth has resulted in a need for additional space and increased efficiency for the use of existing space on campus. The expansion and addition of various academic and research programs and associated support departments has exerted pressure for the organization of academic and administrative space across the campus.

Several capital improvements and building projects are being planned and developed to support the projected growth and need for additional space, the largest of which is the construction of a new academic and administrative facility on campus.

Additional plans and campus background information may be found on the Facilities Web Site.

II. PROJECT GOALS

A. Maintain the intent of the Long Range Master Facilities Plan.
B. Maintain the integrity of Rowan’s storm water and Landscape Master Plan
C. Fulfil the current and projected need for additional Academic Space
D. Create a Home for the new School of Earth and the environment.
E. Locate the building to enhance the Universities image.

III. PROJECT DESCRIPTION

A. Recent development on the Rowan Campus calls for thoughtful and strategic approach to the planning and location of new facilities on decreasing developable parcels on campus. Rapid increases in the student population in 2016, and 2017 has put additional strain on limited academic space and forecasts for the future show that existing facilities will not be sufficient to absorb projected growth that includes a home for the New School of Earth and Environment.
B. The New Academic Building project consists of two parts:
   1. The first is to assess and compare the feasibility of 3 developable parcels on campus to decide on the optimum location for a new academic facility. (Appendix 1) Part of this assessment is the formulation and quantification of the projected programmatic need for additional academic space. Both the site feasibility and programming services are to occur simultaneously.
   2. The second is to design and construct a facility based on the findings of the first part, which at minimum will include additional laboratories, classrooms and permanent space for the staff and faculty of the School of Earth and Environment.

C. The following appendices are attached for the facilities associated with the project. - Appendix 1: Alternative sites proposed for development of the Academic Building. The university takes no responsibility for the accuracy of data and the consultant is expected to verify the same.

IV. SCOPE OF SERVICES
The selected consultant shall provide all services necessary for the completion of the project as described including, but not limited to, the following:

A. Part A (Two Months to Complete)
   1. Site Assessment and Feasibility (for each site)
      a. Prepare surveys of all three sites to the extent needed to completely and accurately deliver the scope of services described in this section.
      b. Site Analysis Including:
         ● Opportunities and constraints
         ● Physical conditions
         ● Circulation and connectivity
         ● Storm water management
         ● Access, Ingress and egress
         ● Developable area
         ● Utilities
         ● Etc.
   2. Building Programming
      a. The consultant will define a process to assess the University needs by leading programming meetings with the various departments that will be involved in the project using current space and design standards established by the University.
      b. Documentation of existing academic space, use allocations and analysis of spatial needs and projected faculty for the University, based on enrollment projections over the next 7 years
      c. Develop a spatial and use program for the new facility, based on the above.
   3. Building Feasibility and Recommendation
      a. Develop options for building placement on all three sites.
      b. Prepare order of magnitude Cost Estimates for options.
      c. Assess impact to the rest of the campus including parking and circulation.
      d. Assess Compatibility with the campus with respect to massing and landscape.
      e. Assessment of pros and cons for each site.
      f. Provide recommendation for preferred option
      g. Prepare Conceptual Rendering of preferred option
B. **Part B (Six Months to Complete)**

1. Building Design
   a. Schematic Design: During this Phase, the consultant shall prepare alternative concepts for the building to be located on the preferred site. Additionally, they would prepare an analysis, including Phasing, schedules and availability of swing space, if necessary, and further develop the cost to construct the building.
   b. Design Development
   c. Construction Documents,
   d. Cost Estimates at each Phase

2. Bid / Contract Documents Preparation

3. Construction Administration

V. **MEETINGS**

The Design Professional shall include meetings, some of which can be Go-to meetings, with the University as follows:

A. **Part A**

1. The Design Professional will schedule with the University meetings as necessary to meet with all the stakeholders to research and develop the space needs for the project. The Design Professional will schedule with the University meetings every two weeks to review progress of the space needs research, identification of possible locations and the development of a final program.

2. It is anticipated that there will also be a minimum of two (2) to the Project stakeholders.

B. **Part B**

1. During the Schematic Design Phase, the University anticipates 2 progress meetings to review progress and reconcile the estimate, confirm the Project Schedule, present the plans, and to identify open items prior to progressing with the next phase of the project.

2. During the Design Development Phase, the University anticipates two review meetings for the review of the progress of the Work and for the DD Review Meeting to reconcile the estimate, confirm the Project Schedule, present the updated design renderings and plans, and to identify open items prior to progressing with the next phase of the project.

3. During the Construction Documents Phase, the University anticipates two review meetings for the discussion with University Facilities to conform the building systems and their adherence to standards, and for the 95% Completion Review of Work, reconcile the estimate, confirm the Project Schedule, and resolve any last items prior to completion for permitting and bidding.

4. During the Bidding and Contract Award Phase, the University anticipates a Pre-bid Meeting and a Bid Opening Meeting.

5. During the Contract Administration Phase, the University anticipates a Pre-construction Meeting, bi-weekly progress construction meetings, monthly end-user meetings and a minimum of one day per week of on-site representation by a primary member of the design team; one punch list inspection and one final inspection for completed punch list.

6. During the Project Close-out Phase, the University will require the Design Professional to schedule an 11-month Warranty Review Meeting with the University and the Contractor

VI. **DELIVERABLES**

A. It is anticipated that the deliverables will include, but not be limited to drawings, specifications, samples, presentations, project schedules, and cost estimates in hard and digital copy. Electronic versions of the deliverables are as follows:

1. Drawings – AutoCAD and PDF
2. Specifications – MS Word and PDF
3. Schedule – MS Project and PDF
4. Cost Estimate – Excel and PDF
5. Presentations and Renderings – PDF
6. Calculations – PDF
7. As-built documents – AutoCAD and PDF
8. All designs must comply with the Utility and Space Design Standards.

B. Programming Phase
1. Document identifying final needs, spatial and other programming elements with any supporting materials
2. Statement of probable costs and conceptual estimate.
3. Bar Chart Schedule for all phases of design, permitting, bidding and construction.
4. Diagrammatic sketches showing any specialized conditions, programming information, adjacency analysis, etc.

C. Schematic Design Phase (SD) Submission Requirements
1. Written and graphic description of the project intent, design conditions, space requirements and concept design of the site plan, building floor plan(s), building elevations, and three dimensional representation of the building situated on the site.
2. Statement of probable costs and conceptual estimate.
3. Bar Chart Schedule for all phases of design, permitting, bidding and construction.
4. Diagrammatic sketches showing any specialized design spaces, conditions, etc.
5. Outline specification indicating material and type of systems proposed. Include a description of each including design parameters of equipment and utilities, (e.g., mechanical, electrical system design concepts).
6. Submission drawings should be progress prints made from partially finished contract drawings.
7. Points on interconnection to existing utility infrastructure systems.
8. Systems Analysis (mechanical and electrical) addressing the following for alternative systems:
   a. Code impact
   b. Operating costs (including utility costs)
   c. Maintenance Costs
   d. Construction costs
   e. System life expectations
   f. Impact on existing utility infrastructures. Must investigate existing support systems to ensure capacity is available.
   g. Meeting Minutes from all Programming Meetings with University stakeholders.
   h. Energy Use Index

D. Design Development Phase (DD) Submission Requirements
1. Written and graphic description of the project intent, design conditions, space requirements and concept design of the site plan, building floor plan(s), building elevations, and three dimensional representation of the building situated on the site.
2. Revised Cost Estimate; outline of proposed Alternates, Unit Prices, Allowances.
3. Revised Project Schedule (same format as schematic design).
4. 50% complete technical specifications including a detailed sequence of operation of all mechanical and electrical equipment.
5. 50% BIM Diagram in a format readable to the University without benefit of proprietary software.
7. 50% complete contract drawings including:
8. Cover Sheet including all required code information
9. Site/Civil and Landscaping Plans
10. Structural Foundation and Framing Plans
11. Utility Plans
12. Floor Plans
13. Elevations
14. Sections/Details
15. Structural Plans and Calculations
16. HVAC Drawings including the routing of ductwork, piping and accurate ATC, airflow and piping diagrams. Ductwork shall not be single lines at this stage. They shall be depicted with a few key sections for clearance reviews.
17. Plumbing plans including riser diagrams
18. Fire Protection Layout
19. Life Safety Systems Layout
20. Electrical Plans including single line diagrams and basic panel schedules
21. Security
22. Tele/Data
23. AV and Security
24. Furniture and Equipment Layouts
25. Interior Finishes and Presentation Boards
26. Drawings shall indicate all necessary equipment service clearances.
27. Specific manufacturers’ catalog cuts giving a complete description of all proposed equipment. Determine if connection points and rough-in of existing utilities should include present loads, available capacities or material change from the previous submission.
28. Meeting minutes from Design Development coordination meetings.

E. Construction Documentation Phase (CD) Submission Requirements
1. Final project cost estimate indicating construction costs, FF&E costs, AV costs, design costs, permit fees, contingencies, escalation estimates and a cost for each anticipated alternate.
2. Revised Project Schedule and a written description of cases forcing changes to the project schedule.
3. 100% complete bound project manual complete with general and technical sections which have been reviewed for proper coordination between trades. (General Sections including Instructions to Bidders, General Conditions, Division 0 and 1 Sections, etc. will be provided by the University to be incorporated into the overall Project Manual)
4. 100% complete BIM diagram in a format readable to the University without benefit of proprietary software.
5. 100% complete contract drawings which will detail the installation of all equipment and materials to the affect a functional system in accordance with the intent of the program. Multiple sections showing design intent shall be included.
6. 100% DCA permit and plan review fee calculation sheets
7. Final design drawings must include schematics of:
   a. Air Flow, Water flow, Temperature Control PID Diagrams may be combined with above schematics; Electrical single line showing the service entrance, distribution system panels, motor control centers, conversions to mechanical equipment, fire alarm system, zoning, smoke/heat detectors, etc.

F. Permitting Phase Requirements
1. Provide the University one (1) set of signed and sealed PDF drawings, specifications, calculations, etc. for DCA plan review and permitting submission. The University will file the applications to the DCA for plan review via the DCA’s eFile service.
2. Provide the University one (1) hard copy set of the DCA plan review documents.
3. Responses to all DCA comments until Permits are acquired in a timely manner.
4. Upon approval of the DCA approval of the permit application documents, provide the University one PDF and hard copy set of the approved permit documents.
5. The Design Professional will be responsible for filing any and all applications and providing the required documents to the remaining Authorities Having Jurisdiction in order to fully permit the project. The Design Professional will provide hard and PDF copies of all applications documents to the University.

G. Bidding and Contract Award (BCA) Phase Requirements
1. Prepare and distribute meeting minutes from the Pre-bid Meeting.
2. Prepare addenda, clarifications and sketches as required.
3. Review and address questions.
4. Provide cost analysis of bids in comparison to the University’s Budget after Bid Opening Meeting.
5. Provide a Letter of Recommendation of Contract Award to the University.
6. Prepare a conformed set of contract documents for the University and the Contractor prior to the start of Construction.

H. Construction Administration Phase (CA) Requirements
1. Chair project Pre-construction Meeting, bi-weekly construction progress meetings, and contractor required pre-installation meetings.
2. Prepare and distribute meeting minutes. Minutes must be distributed for consumption within 96 hours after meetings.
3. Respond to all requests for information and other contractor job specific questions. If questions cannot be addressed via email, fax or over the phone, etc., have appropriate consultants attend progress or pre-installation meeting to address issues in person.
4. Provide all required sketches, architects supplemental instructions, bulletins, etc., as required to insure clarity of design intent to contractor.
5. Review and approve contractors Schedule of Values Continuation Sheet Unit Breakdown.
6. Along with University Facilities Designated Representative:
   a. Review and approve contractors application for payment
   b. Review and approve contractors progress schedule
   c. Review and approve allowance authorization or change order requests
7. Review and approve contractor submittals and shop drawings
8. Review and confirm test reports for compliance with Contract Documents
9. Submit bi-weekly field evaluation reports
10. Assist University Commissioning Agent

I. Project Phase Close-Out (PCO) Requirements
1. Develop punch list.
2. Verify correction of punch listed items.
3. Prepare a record set of contract as-built drawings, specifications, shop drawings, etc., (provide both hard and electronic copies in AutoCAD and PDF format).
4. Prepare a final conformed set of contract drawings (should include all design modifications which occur after the project is bid in PDF format)
5. Review, approve, and secure all close-out documentation required from the contractor, including all maintenance and operating manuals, guarantees, warranties, testing and balancing reports, equipment testing certificates, etc.
6. Assist University and contractor in acquiring final DCA inspections.
7. Along with University Project Manager, review and approved contractors invoice for final payment, consent of surety any lien waivers, or other required final release documentation and extended insurance certificates.
8. Support/Defend the University in any claims as a result of the project.
9. Schedule an 11-month Warranty Meeting with the University Project Manager and the Contractor, to walk the building, identifying any open warranty items that need to be addressed prior to the expiration of the Contractor’s Warranty.

VII. SUPPORTING INFORMATION
   A. Budget: The total development cost for this project is $50,000,000.00
   B. Schedule
      1. Part A: Two months after letter to proceed
      2. Part B: Six months after letter to proceed
      3. It is anticipated that the letter to proceed will be issued on August 17

VIII. PRICING
   A. Cost proposal for the services described herein shall be based on a Lump Sum Fixed Fee. The fee proposal shall be itemized by the prime consultant and each sub-consultant for each phase of the project, along with an upset limit for reimbursable costs and an itemized reimbursable cost schedule. The fee shall include all reimbursable costs such as, but not limited to, postage, reproduction, travel, consultants and sub-consultants and presentations.
   B. Pricing must be all-inclusive. All services and labor must be represented on the Proposal Form.
   C. No proposal may be withdrawn for ninety (90) days.
   D. Use the format provided on the Proposal Page of this RFP.

IX. TERM OF CONTRACT
   A. Contract will be for the amount of time necessary to complete all the requirements of this RFP as determined by the documents and contract provided by the Rowan University Facilities Planning & Construction Department.
   B. The University reserves the right to terminate the awarded contractor's services for cause or convenience at any time during the term of the contract.
   C. In the event that the University terminates services, written notice will be provided thirty (30) days in advance of termination date.

X. PROCEDURAL REQUIREMENTS & AMENDMENTS
   A. The awarded vendor will comply with all procedural instructions that may be issued from time to time by the Contracting Officer of the University or her designee.
   B. During the contract period, no change is permitted in any of its conditions and specifications unless the awarded vendor receives written approval from the Contracting Officer or her respective designee.
   C. Vendors must supply Rowan University with all applicable warranty information, whether expressed or implied.
   D. Should the awarded vendor find, at any time, that existing conditions make modification in requirements desirable, it shall promptly report such matters to the Contracting Officer or designee of the University for consideration and decision.
   E. During the period of contract or any extension thereof, the University reserves the right to add or delete specific services.
   F. Rowan University may make changes in the general scope of the contract services provided by the vendor by written notice. The vendor shall promptly comply with the notice and shall bring all subsequent services in conformance with the notice.
G. If any such changes causes a material increase or decrease in the vendor’s cost of operation or the time required for attainment of required service level agreements specifying time parameters for response time, system upgrades and troubleshooting, along with service level commitments, an equitable adjustment in the contract cost or time allotted for fulfillment of the contract shall be negotiated and the contract modified accordingly. Any change, alteration or modification of any contract will be valid and binding only if a submittal of a proposal, vendor hereby agrees to negotiate on good faith.

H. The awarded vendor’s engagement partner and/or manager might be required to meet periodically with the Contracting officer or her representatives to discuss services.

XI. INSURANCE REQUIREMENTS

A. Vendor agrees to obtain and maintain, at its sole expense, the insurance coverage described below. All insurance must be placed with an insurance company licensed to conduct business in the State of New Jersey and maintaining an A.M Best Rating of “A” or better with a financial size rating of Class XI or larger. All insurance required herein shall be written on an Occurrence basis, unless otherwise noted, shall contain a waiver of subrogation in favor of Rowan University and the State of New Jersey, and will be in effect no later than 12:01 A.M. at the start of the day of the contract and must remain in effect for the duration of the contract, including any extensions.

B. Vendor agrees that no insurance policy will be cancelled, reduced, or revised without thirty (30) days prior written notice to Rowan University. In addition, required insurance will be primary to any other insurance available and any limitations of Vendor’s insurance will not relieve the Vendor of its indemnification responsibilities to Rowan University and the State of New Jersey per Section IX. Indemnity.

C. Insurance Required:
1. Workers’ Compensation Insurance with statutory limits applicable to the laws of the State of New Jersey and any other State or Federal jurisdiction required to protect the employees of Vendor who will be engaged in the performance of work under this contract.
2. Employers’ Liability Protection with a limit of liability not less than one million dollars ($1,000,000) bodily injury, each occurrence; one million dollars ($1,000,000) disease, each employee; and one million dollars ($1,000,000) disease, aggregate limit.
3. Commercial General Liability written on a current ISO Occurrence Form or equivalent. The General Liability policy will include, but not be limited to, coverage for bodily injury (including death) and property damage arising from premises and operations liability, products and completed operations liability, personal injury and advertising liability, sexual abuse and molestation, contractual liability, and fire legal liability. Vendor agrees to maintain the following general liability limits of coverage:
   - Per occurrence: $1,000,000
   - Products/completed operations aggregate: $3,000,000
   - Personal and advertising injury: $1,000,000
   - General aggregate: $3,000,000
4. A “per location or Project endorsement” shall be included so that the general aggregate limit applies separately to the Rowan location or Project.
5. Comprehensive Automobile Liability insurance written on an occurrence basis covering owned, non-owned, and hired vehicles. The limits of liability shall not be less than a combined single limit of one million dollars ($1,000,000) per occurrence.
6. Excess Liability, umbrella insurance, follow form, applying excess of the commercial general liability, commercial automobile liability and employer’s liability insurance in minimum amounts of one million dollars ($1,000,000) per occurrence, one million dollars ($1,000,000) general aggregate, and one million dollars ($1,000,000) products/completed operations.
7. Pollution Legal Liability insurance policy, if applicable to the services performed under this contract, in minimum amounts of two million dollars ($2,000,000) per occurrence. If this policy is written on a claims-made policy form, Vendor agrees that upon termination of the claims-made policy a retroactive reporting policy (tail policy) will be purchased to provide coverage for losses that occurred during, or as a result of, the provision of Vendor’s services under this contract, but are not discovered until after completion of services under this contract.

8. Professional (Errors & Omissions) Liability insurance, if applicable, in minimum amounts of five million dollars ($5,000,000) per claim. If this policy is written on a claims-made policy form, Vendor agrees that upon termination of the claims-made policy a retroactive reporting policy (tail policy) will be purchased to provide coverage for losses that result from the professional services provided during the term of this contract regardless of when a claim is made.

D. The General Liability and Automobile Liability policies shall each name Rowan University and the State of New Jersey as additional insureds.

E. Vendor shall bear all costs of all policy deductibles.

F. Vendor may, if they so desire, include with their proposal the applicable certificates of insurance. This will expedite the contract award process for the awarded vendor.

G. Within ten (10) days after receipt of notice of intent to award contract, and if applicable, annually thereafter until contract termination, Vendor will furnish Rowan University with Certificates of Insurance evidencing all required insurance.
   1. Certificates must evidence the Additional Insured language.
   2. Certificates will be submitted to the Senior Director of Contracting and Procurement, Rowan University, 201 Mullica Hill Road, Glassboro, NJ 08028.

H. The awarded vendor shall assume all responsibility for its actions and those of anyone else working for it while engaged in or traveling to or from any activity connected with this agreement. The successful proposer agrees to defend, indemnify, and hold harmless Rowan University and its officers, agents, staff members and employees, from all actions, claims, and demands whatsoever that may be asserted by, or on behalf of anyone, against the University, its officers, agents, staff members and employees because or as a result of, any accident, injury or illness that may occur to or be sustained by any person, agency, or company that arises out of the activities conducted under this RFP by the proposer, their employees or anyone acting on the proposer’s behalf.

I. Rowan University, as a State funded University, will not indemnify vendors in any form.

XII. **COMPLIANCE LAWS**

A. The vendor must comply with all local, state and federal laws, rules and regulations applicable to this contract and to the work to be done hereunder. Including, but not limited to:
   1. Vendors are required to comply with the requirements of N.J.S.A. 10:5-31 et seq. and N.J.A.C. 17:27.
   2. If awarded a contract, winning vendor will be required to comply with the requirements of N.J.S.A. 10-5-31 et seq. and N.J.A.C. 17:27.
   3. Rowan University is committed to affirmative action and equal opportunity in all areas of operation. Those submitting proposals must certify that their vendor has an updated affirmative action/equal opportunity program.

B. All vendors submitting proposals must not be barred or otherwise suspended from doing business with government entities as evidenced by the System for Award Management (SAM) database.

C. All vendors shall be able to comply with the requirements of Public law 2005, Chapter 51, N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.13-25 (Formerly Executive Order 134) and Executive Order 117 (2008).
XIII. **REPRESENTATIONS & WARRANTIES**

In submitting a proposal for this offering, the vendor expressly warrants that:

A. The vendor has legal capacity to execute and perform any Agreement arising from this RFP.
B. Any Agreement arising from the award of this RFP is a valid and binding Agreement, enforceable against the vendor according to its terms.
C. The execution and performance of an Agreement by the vendor does not and will not violate or conflict with the terms of any existing Agreement or understanding of which the vendor is a party.
D. The execution and performance of an Agreement by the vendor does not, and will not, violate or conflict with any law, rule, regulation, judgment or order of any court or other adjudicative entity binding the vendor.
E. The vendor knows of no reason, or is any way physically, legally, or otherwise precluded from performing the obligations under an Agreement arising from this RFP, in accordance with its terms; including without limitation those relating to health and safety.
F. Such warranties shall survive and shall not be deemed waived by delivery or acceptance of, or payment for the goods and services.
G. The proposer warrants and represents that the items, when delivered, shall meet or exceed all applicable standards as mandated by State and Federal regulation.

XIV. **INDEMNITY**

A. The awarded vendor agrees to indemnify, protect, save harmless, and defend Rowan University, its governors, officers, employees, and agents from and against any and all claims, losses, costs, damages, and expenses, including legal costs and attorney fees, and demands of any kind whatsoever, whether for bodily injury, including death, damage to property, including the loss of work performed by the Proposer, its agents or employees, alone or with others, or resulting from or arising out of services provided jointly by the Proposer, its agents or employees or servants.
B. Vendor shall reimburse, and make good to the University all monies, which the University or its representatives shall pay, or cause to be paid, or become liable to pay, by reason of such claims, or in connection with any litigation, investigation or other matters connected therewith.
C. This indemnification obligation is not limited by, but is in addition to the insurance obligations contained in this agreement.

XV. **DEFAULT**

In case of failure to deliver goods or services in accordance with the contract(s) terms and conditions, Rowan University, after due oral or written notice, may procure substitute goods or service from other sources and hold the contractor(s) responsible for any resulting purchasing and administrative costs. This remedy shall be in addition to any other solution, which Rowan University may have.

XVI. **VENDOR PERSONNEL**

A. While on University property:
   1. All personnel shall observe all rules and regulations in effect at Rowan University governing safety and personal conduct.
   2. Vendor employees shall be subject to control of the University, but under no circumstances, shall such persons be deemed employees of the University.
B. Vendor personnel shall not represent themselves or be considered as employees of Rowan University or the State of New Jersey.
C. **CRIMINAL BACKGROUND CHECKS ARE MANDATORY** for all non-university personnel performing work on the Rowan University Campus. Vendors, consultants, contractors and subcontractors are required to take all reasonable steps to assure that their employees do not represent a threat to the campus community. Failure to comply with this requirement may result in immediate termination of any award or contract.
D. The bidder shall be solely responsible for all damage or unauthorized destruction to any Rowan University buildings, equipment, premises or facilities; lease, lent, or in the care, custody or control of the University or State.

E. The Vendor shall remove from the Rowan University work place, any of its employees who are found to be unacceptable by the University. Such requests will not be unreasonable.

F. At all times, vendor personnel shall be in professional attire with clear identification of the company’s name, logo, and person’s name.

G. All vendor motorized vehicles shall be identified with the company’s name and/or logo in clear view.

XVII. **SALE OR BANKRUPTCY OF BUSINESS**

A. If during the life of this Agreement, the awarded vendor disposes of its business by sale, transfer, force of law or by any means to another party, all obligations are transferred to such purchaser.

B. In the event of the institution of any proceedings by or against the awarded vendor, voluntarily or involuntarily, in bankruptcy or insolvency, or under the provisions of the Federal bankruptcy Act, or for the appointment of a receiver or trustee or an assignee for the benefit of creditors of the property of the vendor, Rowan University shall have, in addition to the rights previously stated, the right to cancel this agreement forthwith.

XVIII. **GENERAL**

A. Rowan University may need to issue one or more addenda related to this RFP. Such addenda shall be added to the original RFP document and posted on The Office of Contracting & Procurement website. It will be the responsibility of the prospective contractors and other interested parties to familiarize themselves with the web site and visit it regularly during the RFP process for updated information or addenda related to this RFP.

B. Short procedural inquiries may be accepted by telephone by the buyer noted for this project. However, oral explanations or instructions given over the telephone shall not be binding upon the University. Bidders shall not contact any person within the University directly, in person, or by telephone, other than the assigned buyer, concerning this project.

C. If a joint venture is submitting a bid, the agreement between the parties relating to such joint venture shall be submitted with the joint venture’s proposal.

D. The vendor(s) shall not sell, transfer, assign or otherwise dispose of this contract to any third party for the performance of work.

E. Rowan reserves the right to negotiate the terms and conditions of the contract to obtain the most advantageous situation for Rowan. In addition, Rowan reserves the right to suspend or terminate the procurement process described in this RFP at any time (in its sole discretion). If terminated, Rowan may determine to commence a new procurement process or exercise any other rights provided under applicable law without any obligation to the Respondents.

F. **Patents:** The Suppliers shall hold and save the University, its officers, agents, and employees harmless from liability of any nature or kind, including cost and expense for or on account of any patented or unpatented invention, article, or applicable manufacturer or use in materials and forms of construction as will satisfy the University’s requirements.

G. Any modification(s) to the bid documents prior to award may invalidate the entire submission

H. **Submission as Public Information and Property of Rowan**

   1. The information in each submission may be subject to public disclosure pursuant to State and Federal law.

   2. All submissions will become the property of Rowan. Submitted packages will not be returned to respondents.
3. Submissions will be held confidential during the bid process until such time as the final contract is executed, upon such time the bid submittals may be subject to the Open Public Records Act for non-proprietary information.

4. **It is the responsibility of the prospective vendor to indicate what submitted information is proprietary.**

   I. In submitting a bid, the Vendor agrees, unless specifically authorized in writing by an authorized representative of Rowan University on a case by case basis, that it shall have no right to use, and shall not use, the name of Rowan University, its officials or employees, or the Seal of the University:
   1. In any advertising, publicity, promotion;
   2. To express or imply any endorsement of agency’s services;
   3. To use the name of the State, its officials or employees or the University seal in any manner (whether or not similar to uses prohibited by (a) and (b) above) except only to manufacture and deliver in accordance with this agreement services as are hereby contracted by the University.

J. The preparation of a bid shall be at the expense of the respondent. Rowan University will not reimburse firms for any costs associated with the preparation or submittal of a response.

K. By responding to this RFP, firms acknowledge and consent to the conditions set forth herein relative to the submission, review and consideration of your response.

L. Submissions which, in the sole judgment of Rowan, fail to meet the requirements of the RFP or which are in any way conditional, incomplete, obscure, contain additions or deletions from requested information, or contain errors may be rejected.

M. Rowan University will not accept jurisdiction in any State except New Jersey.

N. The vendor shall be solely responsible for all damage or unauthorized destruction to any Rowan University buildings, equipment, premises or facilities; lease, lent, or in the care, custody or control of the University or State.

O. Rowan University reserves the right to reject any or all submissions or to award in whole or in part if deemed in the best interest of the University to do so.

P. Unless specifically noted within this RFP, [Rowan’s Standard Terms and Conditions](#) take precedence over any special terms and conditions contained in this RFP.

Q. This RFP is not binding on the University.

R. No party, including any respondent to this RFP, is granted any rights hereunder.

S. Rowan University does not allow payment of attorney fees for litigation regardless of disposition of matter.

T. The proposal submitted by the vendor shall be binding on the vendor.

U. Bidders assume sole responsibility for the complete effort required in this RFP. No special consideration shall be given after bids are opened because of a bidder’s failure to be knowledgeable of all the requirements of this RFP. By submitting a bid in response to this offering, the bidder represents that it has satisfied itself, from its own investigation, of all the requirements of this RFP.

V. Rowan University has the option, in its sole discretion, to reduce the scope of work for any task or subtask called for under this contract. In such an event, the Senior Director of Contracting and Procurement (Senior Director) shall provide advance, written notice to the vendor.

W. Upon receipt of such written notice, the vendor will submit, within five (5) working days to the Senior Director of Contracting & Procurement, an itemization of the work effort already completed by task or subtasks. The vendor shall be compensated for such work effort according to the applicable portions of its cost proposal.
X. The Senior Director may, for valid reason, issue a stop order directing the vendor to suspend work under the contract for a specific time. The vendor shall be paid until the effective date of the stop order. The vendor shall resume work upon the date specified in the stop order or upon such other date as the Senior Director may thereafter direct in writing. The period of suspension shall be deemed added to the vendor’s approved schedule of performance. The Senior Director and the vendor shall negotiate an equitable adjustment, if any, to the contract price.

Y. Rowan University reserves the right to cancel this contract with thirty (30) days written notice to the consultant(s) with or without cause.

Z. Protest of restrictive specifications or improprieties in the solicitation, by an interested party, must be received by the Procurement Department in writing not less than ten (10) working days before the closing date for receipt of proposals.

AA. The vendor will be responsible for any additional costs incurred by the University in utilizing any replacement firm because of the Vendor’s failure to perform under the resulting contract.

XIX. **SUBMISSION REQUIREMENTS**

A. In order to be considered, vendors must submit a complete response to this RFP.

B. Submissions should be concise and shall be organized in a manner so the selection committee may quickly access pertinent information.
   1. Every effort should be made to avoid duplicating the information presented in the submission.
   2. Each team’s RFP must include an index and be organized by discrete sections corresponding to the criteria and in the same order as listed below.
   3. Submissions in any other format will be considered informal and may be rejected.
   4. Conditional submissions will not be considered.

C. **Submission Format:**
   1. **Table of Contents**
   2. **Cover Letter**
      a. Submittal responses must have a cover letter on a letterhead signed in ink by all persons required under the applicable organizational documents in order to bind the Proposer on the submittal response. At minimum it should include:
         - Identification of the prime consultant and the team members.
         - A high level summary of your team’s relevant qualifications.
         - Acknowledgement that you have reviewed any addenda issued to the RFP, as posted on the University’s website.
         - The name and contact information of the individual in your firm that the University should contact
   3. **Organizational Information**
      a. Describe the organization of your proposed team. Indicate the composition and number of staff, facilities available and experience of your firm/team, sub consultants etc.
      b. In no more than 200 words, explain why your organization is uniquely qualified to provide professional services for Rowan University. Include any other information, which you feel would be helpful in the selection of your firm on for this project.
      c. **Scope of Services**
      d. Include a detailed Scope of Work Statement describing all services that could/would be provided for the project and/or University. Clearly identify additional services/scope, if any, that you feel may be of added value to the project.
      e. List/Describe Project Deliverables for the scope of services above.
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5. Projects
   a. Provide 3 examples of related projects, preferably of similar scope and size that would best assist in assessing if your firm/team is the most suitable to provide design services for this project. Projects that reflect the use of sustainable principles, wherever possible, are preferred. Renderings and other illustrations, if applicable, should be included.
   b. Indicate if services provided were as the prime consultant or sub consultant. If as a sub consultant, please identify the Prime consultants

   a. Work plan, Strategy and Approach that demonstrates a clear understanding of the project and sequence of tasks. Inclinations of a design approach to addressing the problem and a proposed delivery methodology are strongly encouraged.
   b. Clearly indicate why any additional services/scope that you may have identified, you feel may be of added value to the project.
   c. A projected bar chart schedule indicating the start and end of each phase of the project. Also indicate specific milestones described in the RFP or projected by the Proposer.

7. Fees
   a. Fee proposal itemized by each sub-consultant, for each phase of the project, along with an upset limit for reimbursable costs and an itemized reimbursable cost schedule.

8. Appendices
   a. Resumes, references, qualifications appropriate certification and licenses for all key team members.
   b. Indicate which team (members) will be responsible for review and submission of permits. Provide names of those team members which have specific knowledge of and experience with the approval and permit processes of the State of New Jersey Department of Community Affairs, Department of Environmental Protection and other applicable area regulatory agencies, and with the administrative review processes and requirements with other applicable NJ State public agencies.
   c. Provide hourly fees for key members principal, associate, project manager, administrative etc.
   d. Proof of all discipline required certifications and licensing.

9. Required Procurement Documents: Proposals should include all information requested on the Required Procurement Documents page of this RFP.
Evaluation and Selection Criteria

Selection of the awarded vendor(s) shall be based solely on the Review Committee’s evaluation of the submissions and the criteria set forth above. Rowan reserves the right to interview the respondents. Rowan also reserves the right to negotiate the terms and conditions of the contract to obtain the most advantageous situation for Rowan. In addition, Rowan reserves the right to suspend or terminate the procurement process described in this RFP at any time (in its sole discretion). If terminated, Rowan may determine to commence a new procurement process or exercise any other rights provided under applicable law without any obligation to the Respondents.

Submission of a Proposal against this RFP is your acknowledgement that subjective criteria will be used in the evaluation of proposals. Award shall be made to the responsible proposer that is determined to be the most advantageous to the University.

By responding to this RFP, firms acknowledge and consent to the conditions set forth herein relative to the submission, review and consideration of your response.

Requests for Clarification by the University: The University may request that any proponent clarify or supplement any information contained in any Proposal. Proposers are required to provide a written response within two (2) business days of receipt of any request for clarification by the University.

The award of this RFP will be based upon a review and analysis of all proposals to determine which proposal/proposals best meet the University’s needs. The contract award will be based on a points-earned matrix derived from a service and financial evaluation:

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Note:

- If a vendor submits a proposal that does not provide detailed and coherent information regarding a specific scoring category, the vendor will be granted zero (0) total points for that category.

- The University reserves the right to conduct reference checks.
Instructions:

NOTE: THE UNIVERSITY IS ONLY ACCEPTING ELECTRONIC BID SUBMISSIONS FOR THIS OFFERING. ELECTRONIC SUBMISSIONS WILL BE CONSIDERED AS ORIGINALS AND WILL BE UTILIZED AS THE OFFICIAL DOCUMENTATION FOR EVALUATION AND CONSIDERATION BY THE UNIVERSITY. EVERY REASONABLE EFFORT SHOULD BE MADE SO THEY ARE COHERENT AND EASILY VIEWABLE. ALL REQUIRED DOCUMENTS PERTAINING TO THIS OFFERING MUST BE INCLUDED IN THE ELECTRONIC SUBMISSION.

In order to be considered for the award, Vendor must proceed with one of the following submission options by the appropriate date and time:

Submission Option #1: Submit bid via email to bids@rowan.edu
   • Enter the Bid Name and Company Name in the Subject Line

Submission Option #2: Mail an envelope to the office of Contracting & Procurement with a USB drive or CD enclosed containing the bid submission (Note: The University is not responsible for USB or CD drives that contain no information or fail upon use). This option is required if the bid file is too large to email.
   • Clearly label submission packaging with the Bid Name and Company Name.
   • Contracting & Procurement address:
     Bunce Hall, Suite 208
     Rowan University
     201 Mullica Hill Road
     Glassboro, NJ 08028

Note: Submissions will be accepted based on the time they are received by the University, and not the time they are submitted. This will apply for both email and delivery of a USB/CD.

ALL ELECTRONIC SUBMISSIONS, WHETHER EMAILED OR SENT ON A USB OR CD, MUST BE IN PDF FORMAT AND PERFERABLY AS A SINGLE FILE.

Respondents are cautioned that reliance on the US Postal Service, other mail delivery, and/or courier service for timely delivery of submissions, is at their risk. Mailing submissions should allow for normal mail delivery time and internal circulation within the University to ensure the timely delivery to the Office of Contracting & Procurement. The University will not be responsible for submissions which do not meet the scheduled deadline.

Evaluation and Selection Criteria:

An initial screening of all submissions will be conducted to determine overall responsiveness. Submissions determined to be incomplete or non-responsive may be disqualified. Submissions must include all information requested on the Required Procurement Documents page of this RFP.
PROPOSAL PAGE

The undersigned firm, in response to Rowan University’s RFP 18-03 Feasibility & Design Services for a New Academic Building, having carefully examined the RFP documents and being familiar with the requirements therein, hereby submits the following bid to provide such services and materials meeting the requirements outlined in this RFP.

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Part B

Fee Based on A percentage of Construction Cost (determined upon completion of Part A of this RFP) %

Note: The fee structure is lump sum payable based on percent complete. Design professional can receive 100% payment on Design Services only after receiving final release from NJ DCA plan review.

Vendor Name

(Please Print Clearly)

Bidder’s Signature

Print Name & Title

Address

Phone

Email

Bidders must initial and date any and all changes to their bid amount. No corrections will be accepted without Bidder’s initials and date next to any and all corrections.

Primary Contact for Project

Name

Phone

Email

Location of Office Serving This Project:
Appendix 1
Alternative Sites for Location of New Academic Building