



**Request for Proposal/Quote  
“Notice to Proposers”  
Learning Management System**

**RFP Number:** 2023-13  
**Date Posted:** 05/26/23  
**Closing Date:** 06/12/23  
**Email Address:** [purchasing@wsutech.edu](mailto:purchasing@wsutech.edu)  
**Website:** <https://wsutech.edu/purchasing/>

**Project Name:** Learning Management System

**Purpose of Purchase:** To provide a comprehensive Learning Management System (LMS) for the faculty, staff and students of WSU Tech

**Agency:** WSU Campus of Applied Sciences and Technology (WSU Tech)  
4004 North Webb Road, Gateway Bldg., Wichita, KS 67226

**Guarantee:** No Monetary Guarantee Required

**Scope Summary:** The successful vendor will provide a cloud based, operational LMS along with one year of maintenance and support. The LMS must be completely operational by the first week in. Deployment options need to support a minimum of 3,500 FTE, 6000 headcount, and 6,000 annual course shells. The college currently supports 82 full-time faculty and 251 part-time and affiliate faculty. The selected system must be able to scale as course content is generated. That is, content storage is not limited; or there is a pre-determined price for additional storage beyond a pre-determined quantity. The current system utilizes nearly 2 TB of content storage and 100 GB of database storage. WSU Tech anticipates growth meeting or exceeding these quantities. The content must be accessible and retrievable for an unlimited period. The selected system must have a guaranteed up-time of 99% and provide safeguards (backups and redundancies) in the event of catastrophic failure. Access to backed up course content must be made available on-demand and restored within 24 hours if necessary.

**READ THIS REQUEST CAREFULLY**

**From this point forward, all Contractors and Vendors shall be referred to as “Contractor”.** Failure to abide by all the conditions of this Request may result in the rejection of your proposal/quote. Inquiries about this



Request should indicate the RFP number and title and be directed to the **Purchasing Team** via email address above.

This notice to Contractors is intended to be used in conjunction with the Request for Proposal and all terms and conditions.

**Solicitation Reference Number:** The above number has been assigned to this Solicitation and **MUST** be shown on all correspondence or other documents associated with this Solicitation and **MUST** be referred to in all verbal communications. All inquiries, written or verbal, shall be directed to the **Purchasing Team** via email address above.

Failure to notify the Purchasing Team of any conflicts or ambiguities in this Solicitation for Proposal may result in items being resolved in the best interest of **WSU Tech**. Any modification to this Request shall be made in writing by addendum and mailed to all bidders who received the original request. Only written communications are binding.

**Sales Tax Determination:** This Project has been determined by the Kansas Department of Revenue to be exempt from Kansas Sales Tax(es). The cost of said tax must be EXCLUDED FROM all Bid and Contract prices. Sales tax includes all applicable state, county, and city sales tax. If needed, **WSU Tech** will provide the Contractor with a tax exemption number for their use.

**Contact:** For technical information regarding the project specified in this solicitation and to arrange for a site visit, contact:

**Purchasing Team** – [purchasing@wsutech.edu](mailto:purchasing@wsutech.edu)

**Any correspondence by potential bidders, with WSU Tech, must be documented in writing and submitted to the Purchasing Team, to be considered for any possible addenda, and/or in the evaluation of the proposal/quote. Any change in specification shall be authorized only by the Purchasing Team and will be issued by written addendum.**

WSU Tech also reserves the right to waive minor informalities and reserves the right to:

1. Reject any and all proposals received in response to this RFP.
2. Select a proposal for contract negotiation other than the one with the lowest cost.
3. Negotiate any aspect of the proposal with any Vendor.
4. Terminate negotiations and select the next most responsive Vendor for contract negotiations.
5. Terminate negotiations and prepare and release a new RFP.
6. Terminate negotiations and take such action as deemed appropriate.

Any decision to cancel or reject any and all proposals is in WSU Tech's sole discretion. WSU Tech also reserves the right to change the evaluation criteria or any other provision in this RFP by posting notice of the change(s) on the [Purchasing](#) section of WSU Tech's webpage. Vendors should check the



site daily for updates (e.g. amendments, responses to questions) and are expected to review information on the site carefully before submitting a final proposal. Such changes or updates above constitutes written notice to each Vendor.

### Scope of Work/Specifications

**Description:** WSU Tech is requesting interested vendors to provide proposals on a Learning Management System (LMS) that is compatible with Ellucian BANNER, as outlined within the attached specifications. WSU Tech has composed a task force of 22 individuals who will select the top three vendors responding to the bid proposal who meet specifications. The selected vendors will be requested to provide product demonstrations upon request.

**Background:** WSU Tech has been using Blackboard since 2012. Currently, WSU Tech is using Blackboard Original SaaS (3900.65.0-rel.17+fc3b8f5) and Banner/Ellucian.

**Vendor Qualifications:** The successful vendor must have a minimum of four years continuous active participation in the applicable industry, providing equipment/services comparable in size and complexity to those specified herein. Vendor product does not rely on or utilize a Software as a Community.

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#### Product Qualifications:

##### Content Migration

- Ability to migrate content from our Blackboard Original to your LMS
- Ability for instructors to import/export/copy content between courses.

##### User Interface

- Administrative settings that lock down the look and feel of the user interface.
- Supports role impersonating or masquerading for faculty and students



- System check for users to identify operating system browser, and plug-in issues. If the system is not capable of this, it must integrate with an existing user-developed customization.

- Support multiple languages/language packs, including, but not limited to English, Simplified Chinese, and Spanish.

#### Mobile Learning Applications

- Support mobile learning on Android and iOS devices.

#### Class Management & Gradebook

- Team/Group management feature with the ability of group grading.

- Instructors can share content with other instructors.

- Instructors can create a custom learning path for students by controlling access to materials and tests.

- Instructors can preview student view of course and/or preview/test student user.

- Gradebook must be designed with points and/or weights/percentages.

- Track attendance tool is available.

- Gradebook results for students must be available in letter grades, scores, percentages, and text format

- Provide submission dates for assignments in gradebook.

- Selective release of assignments based on grades and membership.

- Gradebook must be capable of dropping the lowest scores, highest score, and average score (quizzes, assignments, etc.).

- Gradebook assignments must be able to be rearranged and reordered.

- Handle extra credit and automatic zeros along with supporting minus (-) scores.

- Gradebook must provide first, highest, and average grade submissions.

- Include a roster tool. Also needs to support photos and/or avatars.

- Submissions need to trigger feedback alerts to faculty for assignments and quizzes.

- Support of attachments from students and instructors for assignments and quizzes.

- Support batch downloading and uploading of assignments and assignments with attachments.

- Support notifications for status-to-date noting only assignments currently due/graded.

- Support notifications for status-to-date based on total points available for course.

- Signal the student to view instructor feedback for assignments and quizzes.

- Gradebook export in a spreadsheet format of both .xls and .csv.

- Gradebook export a single student's scores in .xls and .csv.

- Gradebook support categories for assignments and scores.
- Gradebook items can be reorganized.
- Ability to view/edit scores in a category.
- Ability to exclude lowest scores within a category of calculations.
- Supports various criteria in calculating scores, excluding both the highest and lowest scores.
- Supports weighted scores.
- Allow including/excluding scores in calculating either course or category grade.
- Calculate student statistics for an item by average, mean or media while showing/not showing students.
- Grade entry by individual student assignment or class.
- Grade entry with detailed feedback with and without attachments.
- Grade entry with sufficient feedback detail. Written feedback per student entry must be a minimum of 140 characters.
- Use of rubrics and outcomes that can be attached to offline assignments and visible to students.
- Peer evaluation, both anonymous and double-blind.
- Peer grading/ranking of discussion posts.
- Instructors can utilize pools and random blocks of questions. Random blocks can be drawn directly from other tests.
- LMS supports a predictive “What If” grade feature.

#### Assessment & Rubrics

- Allow proctored passwords to ensure assessment security.
- Customization by adjusting time and number of attempts for individual students.
- Randomize quiz answers.
- Randomize quiz questions.
- Randomize questions from a pool of questions.
- Display of questions one at a time or all at once.
- Navigation control and correct feedback.
- Re-grade assessments.
- Supports NCLEX assessment types, including Bowtie.
- Embed videos and graphics into assessments or into question responses.

- Provide item analysis of assessment questions.
- Instructors can create rubrics with highlighted matrixes.
- Instructors can tie rubrics to learning outcomes.
- Instructors copy rubrics between semesters and courses.
- Instructors can create rubrics with points or percentage base rows and criteria.
- Instructors can provide written feedback for why they selected each criteria/level of achievement.

#### Content Organization and Course Calendar

- Include content areas and learning modules.
- Supports assignment checklists in each learning module.
- Support multiple file types including standard video, office application and PDF.
- Instructors can share files between class sections.
- Support drag-and-drop course building.
- File upload feature including one file at a time or zipped files all at once.
- Web linking and video embedding.
- E-textbooks can be integrated into course content.
- Academic and course calendar can feed from Outlook Calendar and Google Calendar.
- Ability to subscribe to external calendar.
- Calendar automatically adds events from any tool assigned or due dates.
- Calendar integrates with Outlook Calendar and Google Calendar.
- Support a Learning Objects Repository (LOR).

#### Communication & Collaboration tools

- Native communication & collaboration tools that integrate with add-on tools.
- Integrated whiteboard feature.
- Integrated chat tool.
- Integrated video (camera capture) for submissions and feedback.
- Instructors can set up collaboration groups inside the LMS to have students work on group projects.
- Supports posting of course announcements.
- Supports multimedia integration in the discussion board.
- Supports grading of discussion board using rubrics.



- Instructor can moderate the discussion thread.
- Supports anonymous discussion posts.
- FERPA-compliant and secure email feature such as blind copying, etc.
- Supports course messaging self-contained to each course that is included in the course archive and can be retrieved via database queries or API.
- Support multiple e-mail addresses.
- Forwarding to email client through LMS messaging tool.
- Responses from email client forward back to LMS messaging.
- Administrative-based announcements, such as scheduled downtime, can be delivered system-wide.
- Integrate with third-party social networking applications.
- Supports YouTube and Vimeo integrations and/or other comparable streaming video technologies.
- Student roster images within course discussions.

#### Student Portfolio

- Standard video, office application and PDF files supported in a student e-portfolio.
- Support avatars.

#### Accessibility

- Meets ADA/Section 508 compliance using Voluntary Product Accessibility Template (VPAT®2).
- Meets WCAG 2.1 Level AA.
- Supports the integration of Anthology ALLY.
- Support the use of screen readers (e.g., JAWS).
- Provide additional assessment time allocation for individual students with disabilities.

#### Departments and Organizational Resources

- Provide group open/self-enrollment.
- Support for departmental collections of resources (course templates, outcomes, rubrics, and test banks).
- Provides course shells for student organizations, academic departments, students services, etc.
- Admin ability to create role-based hierarchy for admin, faculty, and student college-wide, division, department and course level access to courses, tools, and applications.

#### Integration with BANNER

- Integrate with Ellucian BANNER, must be a partner product.



- Midterm grades and final grades sync between the LMS and Ellucian BANNER. Account, Course, and Enrollment Creation and Updates pushed to LMS from Ellucian BANNER via a minimum of a feed file and/or ILP.

- Gradebook can be locked once final grades are submitted/transferred to SIS.

- Gradebook can be unlocked by Admin role/permissions.

- Organization and Observer Creation and Updates pushed to LMS from Ellucian BANNER via feed file.

#### Integration with Third Party and Web Services

- Administrators can block faculty and students from installing third-party tools prior to security audits.

#### Architecture

- SCORM/AICC and Tin Can support.

- Provide support for Learning Tools Interoperability 1.3 and Advantage (LTI) and Question and Test Interoperability (QTI) that allows remote tools and content to be integrated.

#### Infrastructure and System Administration

- Ability to scale up capacity quickly when needed.

#### Audits and Security Features

- Encrypt backups and traffic of data to redundant sites/servers.

### **Duration of Offer**

All proposal responses must indicate they are valid for a minimum of one hundred eighty (180) calendar days from the date of the proposal closing unless extended by mutual written agreement of both parties. Prices and terms of the proposal as stated must be valid for the length of the resulting contract.

### **RFP Terms and Conditions**

This RFP includes and incorporates the Contract Provisions form. Contractors should be aware that these terms and conditions in preparing responses to this RFP. Much of the language reflected in any resulting contract with WSU Tech is required by statute. If you take exception to any of the language in the terms and conditions, you must indicate those exceptions in your response to the RFP; certain exceptions may result in your proposal being disqualified from further review and evaluation. Only those exceptions indicated in your response to the RFP will be available for discussion or negotiation.



**Proposal Form**

**Lump Sum Contract Proposal for:** \$ \_\_\_\_\_ **DATE:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Proposer:** \_\_\_\_\_

**ADDRESS:** \_\_\_\_\_

Base Bid: In compliance with the Instructions to Proposers and subject to all conditions thereof, the undersigned hereby proposes to furnish all material and equipment and to perform all labor for and incidental to the entire Work for the Project, all in accordance with the Drawings, Specifications and Contract Documents.

WSU TECH IS TAX EXEMPT BY STATE STATUTE. THE SUCCESSFUL CONTRACTOR WILL BE RESPONSIBLE FOR ANY AND ALL STATE AND LOCAL TAXES AND WILL NOT PASS SUCH ONTO WSU TECH.



### Proposed Timeline of Project

The undersigned agrees to complete all Work within agreed upon date of written Notice to Proceed.

Liquidated damages may be assessed at the rate of \$100 per day if the Contractor exceeds the contracted number of days for completion.

**Proposed Timeline for project completion:**

**Subcontractors:**

The undersigned proposes to use the following Subcontractors for this Project:

Mechanical Work: \_\_\_\_\_

Electrical Work: \_\_\_\_\_

Other: \_\_\_\_\_

**References:**

1)

2)

3)



## SIGNATURE SHEET

**RFP Number:** 2023-13      **Closing Date:** 6/12/23, 4:00 pm

By submission of a bid and the signatures affixed thereto, the bidder certifies all products and services proposed in the bid meet or exceed all requirements of this specification as set forth in the request and that all exceptions are clearly identified.

**State Tax:** The undersigned attests this Proposer is not in arrears in taxes due the State of Kansas.

**Legal Name of Firm or Corporation**

\_\_\_\_\_

**Mailing Address** \_\_\_\_\_ **City & State** \_\_\_\_\_ **Zip** \_\_\_\_\_

**Phone** \_\_\_\_\_ **Local** \_\_\_\_\_ **Cell** \_\_\_\_\_ **Fax** \_\_\_\_\_

**E-Mail** \_\_\_\_\_

**Signature** \_\_\_\_\_ **Date** \_\_\_\_\_

**Typed Name** \_\_\_\_\_ **Title** \_\_\_\_\_

**Items required with your Proposal/Quote:** The items below, that are checked, must be submitted with your proposal for your offer to be considered responsive to the Request for Proposal.

- Proposal Form
- Proposed Timeline, Subcontractors, & References
- Signature Sheet
- Certification Immigration & Reform
- Disable Vet, Minority/Women Owned
- Contractual Provisions
- End-User Features and Tools Questionnaire Addendum
- Current W-9



**CERTIFICATION REGARDING  
IMMIGRATION REFORM & CONTROL**

All Contractors are expected to comply with the Immigration and Reform Control Act of 1986 (IRCA), as may be amended from time to time. This Act, with certain limitations, requires the verification of the employment status of all individuals who were hired on or after November 6, 1986, by the Contractor as well as any subcontractor or sub-subcontractor. The usual method of verification is through the Employment Verification (I-9) Form. With the submission of this bid, the Contractor hereby certifies without exception that Contractor has complied with all federal and state laws relating to immigration and reform. Any misrepresentation in this regard or any employment of persons not authorized to work in the United States constitutes a material breach and, at the College's option, may subject the contract to termination and any applicable damages.

Contractor certifies that, should it be awarded a contract by **WSU Tech**, Contractor will comply with all applicable federal and state laws, standards, orders and regulations affecting a person's participation and eligibility in any program or activity undertaken by the Contractor pursuant to this contract. Contractor further certifies that it will remain in compliance throughout the term of the contract.

At **WSU Tech's** request, Contractor is expected to produce to **WSU Tech** any documentation or other such evidence to verify Contractor's compliance with any provision, duty, certification, or the like under the contract.

Contractor agrees to include this Certification in contracts between itself and any subcontractors in connection with the services performed under this contract.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature, Title of Contractor

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date



## ***Disabled Veteran, Minority and Woman Owned Business Declaration***

Proposer hereby declares that it is a Minority/Woman Owned Business Enterprise by virtue of the following:

**Type of Business: Check applicable block(s)**

"Service Disabled Veteran"

"Black American" includes persons having origins in any of the Black racial groups of Africa.

"Woman-Owned Business Enterprise".

"Hispanic American" includes persons of Mexican, Puerto Rican, Cuban, Central or South American, or other Spanish cultures or origins, regardless of race.

"Native American" includes American Indians, Eskimos, Alaskan Indians, Aleuts and Native Hawaiians.

"Asian-Pacific Americans" includes persons whose origins are from Japan, China, Taiwan, Korea, Southeast Asia, the Philippines, Samoa, Guam, the U.S. Trust Territories of the Pacific, and Northern Marianas.

*Note: MBE and WBE are defined by Federal Register 49 CFR, Part 23, as a business firm which as at least fifty-one percent (51%) owned by minority or women group members, or in the case of a publicly owned business, at least fifty-one percent (51%) of the stock of which is owned by the minority or woman. The minority or woman ownership must exercise actual day to day management and control of the business.*

Proposer: \_\_\_\_\_

Certified by (name of Public Entity, if applicable): \_\_\_\_\_

City: County: \_\_\_\_\_

State: Zip Code: \_\_\_\_\_

Certificate Number: \_\_\_\_\_

(Attach copy)

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

*Minority and Woman Owned Businesses (M/WBE) shall complete this page and return with their submittal.*



## CONTRACTUAL PROVISION ATTACHMENT

Wichita State University Campus of Applied Sciences & Technology (WSU Tech)  
DA-146a (Rev. 02.20)

The parties agree that the following provisions are hereby incorporated into the agreement to which it is attached and made a part thereof:

1. **Terms Herein Controlling Provisions:** It is expressly agreed that the terms of each and every provision in this attachment shall prevail and control over the terms of any other conflicting provision in any other document relating to and a part of the agreement in which this attachment is incorporated. Any terms that conflict or could be interpreted to conflict with this attachment are nullified.
2. **Kansas Law and Venue:** The agreement shall be subject to, governed by, and construed according to the laws of the State of Kansas, and jurisdiction and venue of any suit in connection with the agreement shall reside only in courts located in Sedgwick County, Kansas.
3. **Termination Due To Lack Of Funding Appropriation:** If sufficient funds are not appropriated to continue the function performed in this agreement and for the payment of the charges-hereunder, the University may terminate this agreement at the end of its current fiscal year. The University agrees to give written notice of termination to contractor at least 30 days prior to the end of its current fiscal year, and shall give such notice for a greater period prior to the end of such fiscal year as may be provided in this contract, except that such notice shall not be required prior to 90 days before the end of such fiscal year. Contractor shall have the right, at the end of such fiscal year, to take possession of any equipment provided under any contract for which it has not been paid. The University will pay to the contractor all regular contractual payments incurred through the end of such fiscal year plus contractual charges incidental to the return of any such equipment. Upon termination of the agreement by the University, title to any such equipment shall revert to Contractor at the end of the University's current fiscal year. The termination of the contract pursuant to this paragraph shall not cause any penalty to be charged to the agency or the contractor.
4. **Disclaimer of Liability:** No provision of this contract will be given effect that attempts to require the State of Kansas or the University to defend, hold harmless, or indemnify any contractor or third party for any acts or omissions. The liability of the State of Kansas and the University is defined under the Kansas Tort Claims Act (K.S.A. 75-6101 et seq.).
5. **Anti-Discrimination Clause:** Contractor agrees: (a) to comply with the Kansas Act Against Discrimination (K.S.A. 44-1001 et seq.) and the Kansas Age Discrimination in Employment Act (K.S.A. 44-1111 et seq.) and the applicable provisions of the Americans With Disabilities Act (42 U.S.C. 12101 et seq.) (ADA), and Kansas Executive Order No. 19-02, and to not discriminate against any person because of race, color, gender, sexual orientation, gender identity or expression, religion, national origin, ancestry, age, military or veteran status, disability status, marital or family status, genetic information, or political affiliation that is unrelated to the person's ability to reasonably perform the duties of a particular job or position; (b) to include in all solicitations or advertisements for employees, the phrase "equal opportunity employer"; (c) to comply with the reporting requirements set out at K.S.A. 44-1031 and K.S.A. 44-1116; (d) to include those provisions in every subcontract or purchase order so that they are binding upon such subcontractor or vendor; (e) that a failure to comply with the reporting requirements of (c) above or if the contractor is found guilty of any violation of such acts by the Kansas Human Rights Commission, such violation shall constitute a breach of contract and the agreement may be cancelled, terminated or suspended, in whole or in part, by the contracting state agency or the Kansas Department of Administration; (f) if it is determined that the Contractor has violated applicable provisions of ADA, such violation shall constitute a breach of contract and the agreement may be cancelled, terminated or suspended, in whole or in part, by the University or the Kansas Department of Administration.

**Contractor agrees to comply with all applicable state and federal anti-discrimination laws.**

The provisions of this paragraph number 5 (with the exception of those provisions relating to the ADA) are not applicable to a Contractor who employs fewer than four employees during the term of such contract or whose contracts with the contracting State agency cumulatively total \$5,000 or less during the fiscal year of such agency.

6. **Acceptance:** The agreement shall not be considered accepted, approved or otherwise effective until the statutorily required approvals and certifications have been given, including, but not limited to the signature of an authorized representative of the University, as defined in University policy.
7. **Arbitration. Damages and Warranties:** Notwithstanding any language to the contrary, no interpretation of this contract shall find that the State or the University have agreed to binding arbitration, or the payment of damages or penalties. Further, the University does not agree to pay attorney fees, costs, or late payment charges beyond those available under the Kansas Prompt Payment Act (K.S.A. 75-6403), and no provision will be given effect that attempts to exclude, modify, disclaim or otherwise attempt to limit any damages available to the University at law, including but not limited to the implied warranties of merchantability and fitness for a particular purpose.



8. **Representative's Authority To Contract**: By signing this contract, the representative of Contractor thereby represents that such person is duly authorized by Contractor to execute this contract on behalf of Contractor and that Contractor agrees to be bound by the provisions thereof.
9. **Responsibility for Taxes**: The State of Kansas and the University shall not be responsible for, nor indemnify a Contractor for, any federal, state or local taxes which may be imposed or levied upon the subject matter of this contract.
10. **Insurance**: The University/College shall not be required to purchase any insurance against loss or damage to property or any other subject matter relating to this contract, nor shall this contract require it to establish a "self-insurance" fund to protect against any such loss or damage. Subject to the provisions of the Kansas Tort Claims Act (K.S.A. 75-6101 et seq.), Contractor shall bear the risk of any loss or damage to any property in which Contractor holds title.
11. **Information**: No provision of this contract shall be construed as limiting the State of Kansas Legislative Division of Post Audit from having access to information pursuant to K.S.A. 46-1101 et seq.
12. **Confidentiality**: As a state agency, the University's contracts are generally public records. Accordingly, no provision of this contract shall restrict the University's ability to produce this contract and/or any corresponding documents in response to a lawful request or from otherwise complying with the Kansas Open Records Act (K.S.A. 45-215 et seq.)
13. **The Eleventh Amendment**: The Eleventh Amendment is an inherent and incumbent protection with the State of Kansas and need not be reserved, but prudence requires the State and the University to reiterate that nothing related to this contract shall be deemed a waiver of the Eleventh Amendment.
14. **Campaign Contributions / Lobbying**: Funds provided through a grant award or contract shall not be given or received in exchange for the making of a campaign contribution. No part of the funds provided through this contract shall be used to influence or attempt to influence an officer or employee of the University or any State of Kansas agency or a member of the Legislature regarding any pending legislation or the awarding, extension, continuation, renewal, amendment or modification of any government contract, grant, loan, or cooperative agreement.
15. **Privacy of Student Records**: Contractor understands that the University is subject to the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (20 U.S.C. § 1232g) (FERPA) and agrees to handle any student education records it receives pursuant to the contract in a manner that enables the University to be compliant with FERPA and its regulations. Contractor agrees to protect the privacy of student data and educational records in a commercially reasonable manner and shall not transmit, share, or disclose any data about a student without the student's written consent, except to other University officials who seek the information within the context of his/her professionally assigned responsibilities and used within the context of official University business. Contractor shall promptly report to the University any request for or improper disclosure of University's student educational records.
16. **Export Control**: Contractor agree to comply with all U.S. Laws relating to the transfer, export, or re-export of technology and technical data, as defined in the export controls under the International Traffic in Arms Regulations (ITAR) 22 Code of Federal Regulations Parts 120-130 or the Export Administration Regulations (EAR) 15 Code of Federal Regulations Parts 730-774. The release of information to any employee or other person, who is not a U.S. Citizen or permanent resident, as well as to corporations or to any other entity, organization, or group that is not incorporated or otherwise organized to do business in the United States may require advanced written authorization from the appropriate U.S. agency. Contractor shall notify University in writing prior to disclosure of any technical data or other items subject to EAR or ITAR and identify the export controlled items at issue and the applicable categories and subcategories of the United States Munitions List and/or Export Control Classification Number(s). University reserves the right to decline to accept any items or information controlled under ITAR or EAR.
17. **Certification**: Contractor certifies that to the best of its knowledge neither it nor any of their principals are presently debarred, suspended, proposed for debarment, the subject of an indictment involving the criminal statutes enumerated in 22 Code of Federal Regulations §120.27, or otherwise declared ineligible for the award of contracts by any Federal agency. Contractor shall provide immediate written notice to the University if at any time it learns that this certification was erroneous when submitted or has become erroneous by reason of changed circumstances.
18. **Facility Access**: To the extent Contractor is required to be on the University's premises in the performance of any contract, Contractor and its representatives will adhere to the University's reasonable safety and security policies and procedures, and will use commercially reasonable efforts not to interfere with the University's regular operations. Contractor further agrees to, upon request, include the University as an additional insured on its general liability insurance policy on a primary and non-contributory basis and provide the University with a certificate of insurance.
19. **Electronic Signature**: The parties agree that the contract may be signed with electronic signatures. If an electronic signature is used, the parties agree that it is the legally binding equivalent to the signing party's handwritten signature. Whenever either party executes an electronic signature on the contract, it has the same validity and meaning as a handwritten signature. The parties agree that neither party will, at any time in the future, repudiate the meaning of an electronic signature or claim that an electronic signature is not legally binding.



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Signature

Date