# **Scope of Work**

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#### I. SCOPE OF SOLICITATION

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While we need to assure that we have excellent programs, faculty, research, and facilities commensurate with a high-quality program, we need to pursue a brand identity and advertising plan that distinguishes us from the highly competitive nature of the adult learning market. The marketing campaign needs to spread the word that the College of Health, Education, and Human Development offers top quality programs and graduates top quality students.

The anticipated final products include:

• An awareness and recruiting mixed-media advertising campaign targeted at the Greenville, SC market including billboards, print advertisements, radio advertisements, event sponsorship, a social media plan, and other marketing opportunities as needed

The successful vendor awarded this contract will be the vendor on contract with Clemson University for any HEHD

- Development and printing of branded program brochures
- National/international marketing campaigns to launch and maintain online programs
- Development, maintenance, and analytics associated with program web sites

A nationally recognized brand compatible with University standards

#### **Future Marketing Work:**

related marketing for the duration of this contract. See maximum contract period clause on Page 2 of this document.

The contract will be managed through the College of Health, Education, and Human Development Office of Distance Education in conjunction with Clemson University Procurement Services.

#### MAXIMUM CONTRACT PERIOD - ESTIMATED

- Start date: 03/06/2012 End date: 03/05/2017. Dates provided are estimates only. Any resulting
- 52 contract will begin on the date specified in the notice of award.

Deadline for Receipt of Questions: All questions must be emailed to Tammy Crooks at duncant@clemson.edu prior to Thursday, January 26, 2012, 12:00 Noon ET.

#### **Timeline for Project:**

Successful Offeror must immediately begin working on this project upon contract award.

#### II. INSTRUCTIONS TO OFFERORS

1. **DESCRIPTIVE LITERATURE** – **LABELLING**:Include Offeror's name on the cover of any specifications or descriptive literature submitted with your proposal.

2. SUBMITTING YOUR PROPOSAL: Regardless of specific requirements below or in this document, Offerors are required to submit their proposal electronically through the Clemson University online bidding system. To do so you must login (registering first) at <a href="https://sciquest.ionwave.net/prod/default.aspx?company=clemson">https://sciquest.ionwave.net/prod/default.aspx?company=clemson</a>, and follow specific instructions for this solicitation. Do NOT simply email or mail in proposals based on this scope of work document. You must attach your complete proposal response as two separate .pdf files in the online bidding system - one file as a technical only (i.e. no cost information) and one file as a cost proposal. Submit any additional files if required as redacted proposals. These attachments must address all the specific requirements outlined in Section II, Instructions to Offerors, as well as Section III, Scope of Work/Specifications.

3. **INFORMATION FOR OFFERORS TO SUBMIT** - In addition to information requested elsewhere in this solicitation, Offerors should submit the following information for purposes of evaluation:

## A. Cover Letter

Offeror's shall provide a cover letter that contains a commitment to provide the product/services described in this solicitation. The cover letter must include the name and signature of a representative of the Offeror who is authorized to negotiate a contract with the University and should summarize the overall benefits to selecting your company and what your company considers to be the most important factors involved in the selection of a marketing and advertising campaign.

#### **B.** Offeror's Qualifications

Include an overview of the company, qualifications of personnel working on the project, and examples of similar work for other organizations.

### C. Technical Proposal

Provide a technical proposal with a detailed description of how your product/service meets the requirements documented in Section III/Scope of Work/Specifications and address how you will perform this scope. Offeror's proposed solution must describe and identify all products/services to fulfill the scope of this RFP document which must be identified as Offeror's "base solution". It is the intent of Clemson University to acquire the best base solution possible and for evaluation purposes, it is imperative that Offeror's completely and carefully word and convey all of the information Offers should be prepared simply and economically, providing a straightforward, concise description of Offeror's capabilities to satisfy the requirements of the RFP. Emphasis should be on completeness and clarity of content. Offeror's must demonstrate a thorough understanding of the project purpose, scope, activities, requirements and responsibilities. Technical Proposal responses must be complete and detailed, must address each section using identical section titles, and must follow the order and use the numbering scheme contained in the RFP Purpose and Scope of Work. Offeror's must discuss their approach and methodology for each of the activities and deliverables in the proposal and identify key dates.

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Again, the base solution **must** describe/identify/include all products/services to fulfill the scope of this RFP document. However, there may be additional products/services/enhancements/add-ons that have **not** been requested in the scope of the RFP document but will be required for Offeror's product/service to fulfill the If this is the case, Offeror's must scope of the RFP document. identify/describe/include these additional products/services in their technical proposal as the "base solution". Any additional products/services/enhancements/add-ons Offeror requires in the base solution to fulfill the scope of the RFP must also be identified/included in the Offeror's Cost Proposal as the cost of the "base solution". If your offer includes any additional enhancements and/or add-on components or services that is **not required** to fulfill the scope of the RFP, these products/services must be identified and described in your Technical Proposal as well as your Cost Proposal documents and labeled in each proposal as Appendix A so that Clemson University can easily and clearly identify what is included in your technical base solution and what is included in your cost base solution. Including a separate appendix for products/services **not** included in the base solution will aide in our evaluation process along with providing a complete understanding of your offer Offers which include either modifications to any of the solicitation's contractual requirements or an offeror's standard terms and conditions may be deemed non-responsive and not considered for award.

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### D. Selection of Media

Provide a proposed plan for selection of media and other components of a comprehensive plan.

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#### E. Forms or Agreements

Include any forms or agreements.

i.e. Service Level Agreements (SLA) to include performance commitments.

## F. Cost Proposal

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The cost of the proposed products/services must be itemized by Offeror in the Technical Proposal as well as the Cost Proposal, addressing the requirements listed throughout proposal document. Offeror's proposed solution must describe and identify all products/services to fulfill the scope of this RFP document which must be identified as Offeror's "base solution". It is the intent of Clemson University to acquire the best base solution possible and for evaluation purposes, it is imperative that Offeror's completely and carefully word and convey all of the information requested. For each requirement, the Offeror's response to the item must be presented, along with which product/service addresses the requirement. At the end of the document in the Cost Proposal, the Offeror must present all products/services identified as necessary to fulfill the requirements of the RFP document and the cost of each must be listed separately as the "base solution". Again, the base solution must describe/identify/include all products/services to fulfill the scope of this RFP document. However, there may be additional products/services/enhancements/add-ons that have **not** been requested in the scope of the RFP document but will be required for Offeror's product to fulfill the scope of the RFP document. If this is the case, Offeror's must identify/describe/include these additional products/services in their Cost Proposal as the "base solution". If your offer includes any additional enhancements and/or add-on components or services that is **not required** to fulfill the scope of the RFP, these products/services must be identified and described in your Cost Proposal and labeled as Appendix A so that Clemson University can easily and clearly identify what is included in your cost base solution. Including a separate appendix for products **not** included in the base solution will aide in our evaluation process along with providing a complete understanding of your offer contents. All costs must be included in the Cost Proposal. Cost Proposal must be separate from the Technical Proposal as stated above in RFP Submittal section. Do not include cost in Technical Proposal. These should be submitted as two separate documents via .PDF attachments in the online bidding system Total cost to fulfill requirements specified herein must also be indicated in Bid Line Item Pricing in online bidding system.

#### Services to be priced in offer include:

- 1. Total firm fixed price for all products/services for the 2011-2012 academic year as outlined in above Scope of Work and any other costs involved to complete Offerors proposed technical solution for the 2011-2012 academic year based on scope. This firm fixed price will be used for evaluation purposes. Travel, meals, lodging and all expenses must be included.
- 2. Hourly rate for future consulting services to include travel, meals, lodging and all expenses for future work in 2012-2013, 2013-2014, 2014-2015, 2015-2016 academic years throughout contract term must be specified.
- 3. Media rates may be negotiated with successful vendor throughout contract term for campaigns awarded after 2011-2012 academic year. If available, please include detailed listings of type(s) of media, other components and

rates for future work that may be negotiated at a later date throughout contract term.

#### III. SCOPE OF WORK / SPECIFICATIONS

### 1. Overview

The vendor will develop and implement a mixed media branding and advertising plan for HEHD programs offered for off-campus students, specifically at the University Center of Greenville and through distance education technologies for the 2011-12 academic year. The vendor will develop and implement mutually agreed upon advertising and branding plans for programs targeted at off-campus populations through the 2015-2016 academic year. Evaluation will be based on the firm fixed cost for the 2011-12 academic year.

#### 2. Background

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## 3. Requirements

A. The vendor will propose, develop, produce, and implement a mixed media branding and advertising plan to include print and electronic media, radio, public events, and social media targeted at the Greenville community in the 2011-12 academic year. The campaign will include analytics of response rate when available. Analytic data will be submitted to HEHD Office of Distance Education monthly.

B. The vendor will also propose, develop, produce, and implement branding and advertising plans targeted at the online community.

C. Vendor will submit a detailed budget and timeline for this plan. Vendor will also agree to develop future plans targeted at the off-campus student community at a pre-determined consulting rate plus media costs.

# 4. <u>Implementation/Installation/Setup</u>

Vendor will be responsible for negotiation of media rates, development of design, production, and implementation of media campaigns. Vendor will be responsible for

| 233 |          | identification and negotiation of rates for public events. Design of Internet and social    |
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| 234 |          | media materials will include analytics of response rates.                                   |
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| 236 | 5.       | Project Timeline  |
| 237 |          | Initial campaign is for the 2011-12 academic year. Future campaigns will continue           |
| 238 |          | through the 2015-16 academic year.  |
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| 240 | 6.       | <u>Invoicing</u>  |
| 241 |          | Vendor will submit a detailed monthly invoice to the HEHD Office of Distance                |
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| 244 | 7.       | <u>Clemson's Responsibilities</u>   |
| 245 |          | Clemson University will provide content, collaborate on design and media selection,         |
| 246 |          | approve all branding and advertising materials, and participate in public events and social |
| 247 |          | media campaigns. HEHD Office of Distance Education will track telephone, electronic,        |
| 248 |          | and personal responses and inquiries.   |
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| 251 |          | inquiries from HEHD Office of Distance Education personnel within 72 hours.                 |
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- 1. <u>Minimal Required Qualifications:</u> Knowledge and experience with branding and advertising campaigns targeted at markets in higher education
- 2. **AWARD CRITERIA:** Offers will be evaluated using only the factors stated below. Evaluation factors are stated in the relative order of importance, with the first factor being the most important. Once evaluation is complete, all responsive Offerors will be ranked from most advantageous to least advantageous.
  - A. Demonstration of knowledge of higher education, adult learners, and distance education markets, the Clemson University HEHD programs, and higher education in the Greenville, SC community. (50 points)
  - B. Demonstration of experience in designing similar branding and advertising materials for the identified markets (25 points)
  - C. Cost within available budget (25 points)

V. APPENDICES TO SCOPE OF WORK

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