1.1 INTRODUCTION: The University of Washington (University or UW) is soliciting Statements of Qualifications (SOQ) from qualified design-build teams (which may include joint ventures) to design and construct the UW Tacoma Learning Commons & Engineering Renovation project.

This project has two focused scopes of work: 1) The Learning Commons and 2) The Engineering Renovation. The Learning Commons is a joint effort of the Library, Teaching and Learning Center and the Center for Equity and Inclusion. The renovation will take place in the Snoqualmie, Tioga Library and Tioga buildings. This will be a phased project with Phase 1 fully scoped; potential additional phases to follow as approved by Campus Leadership and dependent on funding. The Engineering Renovation creates Mechanical and Civil Engineering labs and support spaces for the School of Engineering and Technology. This renovation includes the Garretson Woodruff Pratt, Birmingham Block, Birmingham Hay & Seed and West Coast Grocery buildings.

In accordance with RCW 39.10.300, et seq., the UW will utilize a progressive design-build approach for the procurement and delivery of the project, meaning that the Design-Builder will be selected primarily on the basis of qualifications. This approach does not require design or a complete project price proposal during the selection process. The selected Design-Builder will work collaboratively with the UW in the complete development and delivery of the project.

The UW fully embraces the principles of collaboration and integrated project delivery that emphasize a cooperative approach to problem solving. Toward that end, the UW expects the design-build team, as part of the project team, to deliver this project by creating a culture of open and honest communication, utilizing Lean principles efficiently and effectively, and establishing a collaborative environment where the project team contributes its best efforts for the benefit of the project as a whole.

1.2 BASIS FOR UTILIZATION OF THE DESIGN-BUILD PROCESS: The University is utilizing the Design-Build alternative public works contracting procedure authorized under chapter 39.10 RCW. This project delivery method is appropriate for this project because it meets the following criteria listed in RCW 39.10.300:
1.3 PROJECT DESCRIPTION:

1) Learning Commons
   This project brings together the Snoqualmie, Tioga Library, and Tioga Buildings as one complex focused on UWT values of academics, scholarship and diversity. Together with access to cutting edge technology, these buildings will form a foundation for a new, integrated model of learning that seeks to maximize student success in the form of a Learning Commons. The aim is to create a transformative learning environment that will maximize student success by providing exceptional, integrated, technology-rich services and connecting scholars at every level. Please refer to Attachment 5, the SNO/TLB/TIO Predesign Report, dated July 18, 2019, for more information.

   This will be a phased project with Phase 1 fully scoped; potential additional phases to follow, dependent on funding, and as approved by University Campus Leadership. The University may use the selected design builder for future phases if approved.

   Phase 1 spaces to be Renovated (GSF)
   Tioga Library Building (TLB) Level 1: 7,130
   Snoqualmie Level 1: 10,820
   Snoqualmie Level 2: 8,120
   **Total Preferred Phase 1: 26,070**

   Potential Future Phases (2022-2023 biennium)
   Tioga Library Building Ground: 2,670
   Tioga Library Building Level 3: 9,645
   Tioga Building: 23,919

   **Totals (GSF)**
   Total Snoqualmie Building: 23,090
   Total Tioga Library Building: 38,600
   Total Tioga: 23,919
   **All Phase Total Tenant Improvement: 85,609**

2) Engineering Renovation
Mechanical and Civil Engineering are new programs to be offered by School of Engineering and Technology that will be delivered by Fall 2021 and 2022 respectively. Attachment 6, UW Tacoma ME/CE Temporary Accommodation Study, dated September 30, 2019, outlines the program and estimates that approximately 9,000 square feet is required. The program includes:

1. ME Fluids and Thermal Dynamics (CE Fluids)
2. ME Materials and Mechanics (CE Geotech, Materials Testing, Soils)
3. Computer Aided Design (CAD) Lab (CE CAD Lab)
4. Fabrication Lab
5. Storage and Prep Lab (CE Surveying and Storage/Prep)
6. CE Senior Design Lab

This programming is to be delivered within the ground floors of several adjacent and connected buildings; Garretson Woodruff Pratt (GWP), Birmingham Block (BB), Birmingham Hay and Seed (BHS), West Coast Grocery (WCG). There are existing retailers in these spaces currently and UW Real Estate is working through relocation options with them; all spaces will be available January 1, 2020 for construction to start. Walk-through of the spaces will be possible previous to that date.

**Goals**

The UW wants to engage with a design-builder in a robust goal-setting process at the beginning of the project. This early work is very critical, as all choices throughout the building process will be made on the basis of whether they further the realization of project goals.

**Learning Commons Phase 1**

- Create a welcoming centrally located ‘Campus Hub’ to support an integrated model of learning that enhances the student experience to maximize student success.
- Create vibrant and student-centered active learning spaces.
- Provide technology-rich resources with high-level services.
- Maximize various size group study rooms and flexible spaces to connect learners at every level.
- Align with campus strategic visioning statement: the University seeks to “foster a thriving and equitable society by educating diverse learners.”
- Align with UWT's commitment to being a place respectful of its historical and social context.
- Establish clear pathways and sightlines to services from main entries.
- Create visibility of the main spine connecting the two buildings in the complex for navigation and celebration.
- Create a new security bubble for the entirety of the complex at the entrances from Jefferson Street to Tioga Library Building, the main quad into Snoqualmie, and the Grand Staircase into the Powerhouse.
- Provide 24/7 access to the Powerhouse and technology areas utilizing Husky Card access points and cameras.
- Provide a sense of safety and belonging for all students on campus.

Engineering Renovation
- Deliver Mechanical Engineering lab spaces by August 2021
- Deliver Civil Engineering lab spaces by August 2022
- Provide collaborative space for Engineering students
- Work collaboratively with Retailers to maintain their success
- Confirm lab spaces as identified are what is most needed to be successful

BUILDING INFORMATION MODELING
To the extent that it will serve the project, it is the Owner’s intent to use Building Information Modeling (BIM) to reduce errors within design documents as well as conflicts between trades. The Owner will work with the design builder during the preliminary agreement phase to determine the extent of BIM modeling required and establish a BIM execution plan. Any developed BIM model(s) will be updated at the end of construction to reflect the actual, “as-built” conditions.

Project Governance
The UW, as an owner, intends to be active and collaborative participant and provide clear leadership and direction. We have established a project governance structure to ensure sound decisions are made in a timely fashion throughout the course of the project. Please see Attachment 1 of the RFQ for a complete description and organizational chart.

Anticipated Project Schedule

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<td>Closeout</td>
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Phase 1 Budget
The project budget is $6.5 million. The University’s target budget for all work to be provided by the Design-Builder under the design-build contract is $5 million exclusive of Washington State sales tax.
1.4 PRE-SUBMISSION MEETING: A representative from each design-build firm that intends to submit a SOQ is strongly encouraged to attend and sign-in at the pre-submission meeting scheduled as follows:

1. November 13th at 11am
   Garret Woodruff Pratt (GWP) 320
   1754 Pacific Avenue
   Tacoma, WA 98402

A campus map is located at: https://www.tacoma.uw.edu/campus-map/campus-map

1.5 SOLICITATION PROCESS SCHEDULE: The anticipated schedule for the solicitation process is indicated below:

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<td>3. Pre-Submission Meeting</td>
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<td>4. Last day for request for information</td>
<td>Nov. 14 2019</td>
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<td>5. Last Addendum Issued for RFQ</td>
<td>Nov. 15 2019</td>
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<td>6. SOQ Due at 3:00 pm</td>
<td>Nov. 26 2019</td>
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<td>7. Firms’ Professional References Contacted</td>
<td>Dec. 2 – Dec. 6 2019</td>
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<td>8. Scoring of SOQ and Finalists Selection Completed</td>
<td>Dec. 10 2019</td>
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<td>9. Notification to Firms of Finalists Selected</td>
<td>Dec. 10 2019</td>
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<td>10. Issue Request for Proposals</td>
<td>Dec. 11 2019</td>
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<td>11. Last Request for Information due from Finalists</td>
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<td>13. Proposals Due at 3:00 pm</td>
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<td>14. Office Tour/Meeting Session with the Evaluation Committee</td>
<td>Jan. 8 – Jan. 15 2020</td>
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<td>15. Ranking of Proposals and Notification of Selection Decision</td>
<td>Jan. 16 2020</td>
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<td>18. Execution of Preliminary Agreement</td>
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1.6 SELECTION PROCESS: Firms submitting a SOQ will be evaluated based on the criteria described in this Request for Qualifications (RFQ) by the Project Executive Committee (PEC), whose members include representation from the UW Facilities’ Project Delivery Group (PDG), the Library, Center for Equity and Inclusion, the Teaching and Learning Center and the School of Engineering and Technology. A maximum of three Finalists (the Finalists) will be short-listed. The Finalists will proceed to the second step of the selection process and receive a Request for
Proposals (RFP). Finalists submitting a proposal will be evaluated by the PEC, as described in this RFQ and in the RFP. The highest-ranking Finalist will be awarded the contract under authority delegated by UW Tacoma Campus Leadership.

The steps involved in selecting the Design-Builder for this project are set forth in greater detail below:

A. Request for Qualifications

The evaluation will be based on weighted criteria identified later in this document. Based on the SOQ evaluations, the University will identify a maximum of three Finalists to proceed to the next step in the selection process. Points from the SOQ evaluation will be considered only for the purpose of determining which firms will be named as Finalists and will not carry forward beyond the RFQ stage.

B. Request for Proposals (RFP)

Each Finalist will be invited to respond to the RFP. The submitted proposals will be evaluated based on weighted criteria, described later in this document.

C. Interaction with Finalists

After issuance of the RFP but before final ranking of the proposals, the evaluation committee will schedule an Office Tour and Meeting with each Finalist to be held at the Finalist’s office. Each Office Tour and Meeting session will not be more than 3 hours in length in total. The project team proposed in the SOQ shall be in attendance. The Finalists may choose to present their qualifications and experience, but the focus should be on their proposed approach to delivering the project, the criteria set forth in Section 1.7B, below, and any additional questions provided in the notification letter to the Finalist. The Evaluation Committee will consider each tour/meeting session in conjunction with the submitted Proposals according to the criteria set forth in the RFP to develop its ranking of the Proposals.

D. Contract Award Determination

The Finalist with the highest-ranking proposal will be selected to enter into contract negotiations with the University. If the University and the highest ranked Finalist cannot agree on terms, the University may enter into negotiations with the next highest ranked Finalist.

E. General Information

1. Content of RFP: The RFP will include additional project information including, but not limited to: The Form of Contract and Division 01 Sections.
2. **Basis of Design-Build Award:** The *Preliminary Agreement Between Owner and Design-Builder* and the potential follow-on agreement to complete the project shall be awarded based on the procedure outlined in RCW 39.10.330 (5) (a) and the criteria identified in this document. Each Finalist submitting a proposal in response to the RFP must be in compliance with RCW 39.04.350 and Chapter 18.27 RCW at the time of submittal.

3. **Honorarium and Rights:** The selection process is based on qualifications supplemented with descriptions of the approaches that will be taken on various aspects of project delivery, demonstrating this project can be completed within the allowable budget and participation in an Office Tour and Meeting, and submittal of a Price Factor. Based on the required level of effort to prepare for the Office Tour and Meeting, a $5,000 honorarium will be paid to each unsuccessful Finalist.

4. **Rejection of Proposals:** The University reserves the right to reject any and all proposals at any time for any reason. In the event the University does so, it shall provide its reasons for rejection in accordance with RCW 39.10.330(2).

5. **Appropriate Contact During Solicitation Process:** Proposers are cautioned that only the contact person listed at the end of this RFQ shall be contacted regarding this project. Any contact by Proposers with any other individual(s), including, but not limited to individuals from any of the organizations represented on the evaluation committee, could result in the Proposer’s elimination from this selection process.

6. **Evaluation Committee(s):** The evaluation committee for the RFQ and RFP phase will be the PEC as noted in 1.6 above.

7. **References:** The University may conduct reference checks for all firms and individuals during the selection process. In the event that information obtained from the reference checks reveals concerns about a firm’s or individual’s past performance or its ability to successfully perform the work to be executed the University may, at its sole discretion, determine that the firm or individual is not qualified to perform the work and deem the proposer not eligible for further consideration. The University also reserves the right to check references from projects and/or organizations not identified by the firm. Reference information will be shared with the evaluation committee and will be considered in the scoring.

### 1.7 EVALUATION CRITERIA

A. **RFQ Evaluation Criteria – 100 points:** The SOQ submitted by firms must include information documenting how the proposed team meets the evaluation criteria below, and will be evaluated based on these criteria and weighting. Each firm’s SOQ must include a Table of
Contents and be organized by discrete sections corresponding to the criteria and in the same order shown below. Submittals will not be returned. Statutory evaluation factors from RCW 39.10.330 are listed in parentheses next to each criterion to which those factors are relevant. Statutory evaluation factors may also be addressed in other criteria at the discretion of the respondents.

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<td>1</td>
<td><strong>How Your Team Will Be Organized (Capacity to Perform):</strong> Describe your team’s availability to perform the work of this project. Identify how the resources of your team will be integrated into a cohesive Design-Build team, including a description of the management strategies, internal communication protocols, coordination tools, planning efforts and QA/QC plan that you will employ to ensure an effective project. Describe how your team will work with the University’s project governance structure, as described in Attachment 1. Describe how leadership of the design-build team and point of contact with the University will be provided during the project. Explain who will provide overall project leadership and communication with University representatives. Provide an organization chart showing the staffing proposal for the key team members (as specified in Criteria 2 below) to be assigned to the project and disciplines you propose to include on the team. Do not identify the disciplines by firm name. If not already provided in the response to Criteria 2 below, include a copy of the resume annotated as described in Criterion 2 below of each key individual proposed to provide this management expertise to the project.</td>
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<td><strong>Who Your Team Members Are (Technical Qualifications):</strong> Describe your key team members’ individual specialized experience and technical expertise in similar projects. Work performed while team members were employed at other firms may be included, but should specifically be indicated as such. Clearly state the team member’s role on all projects listed. Experience in the following areas is especially of interest: renovating occupied spaces, working in a progressive design-build or similar project delivery culture, and utilization of Target Value Design and other Lean principles. Describe the strengths and innovative approach your team will bring to the project.</td>
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The following key individuals shall be identified from the design-builder contracting entity:

- Corporate executive dedicated to the project
- Architecture Principal
- Architect Design Lead
- Preconstruction/design manager
- Architect Project Manager
- Construction project manager
- Superintendent
- Cost estimator
- VDC lead/manager
- Safety officer
- Business equity lead.

No consultants or trade contractors should be included in the proposal; these team members will be selected in consultation with the University after the contract is awarded.

Include a copy of the resume of each key individual proposed to fill these positions on this project. Each resume is limited to one page per person (i.e. two resumes per sheet, one on the front and one on the back). Each resume must indicate each key individual’s specific roles and responsibilities for each past project listed, and include three professional references with phone and email contact information. Please alert professional references that a representative will be contacting them during the selection process.

### How Your Team Members Have Been Successful on Past Projects (Technical Qualifications)

Provide examples of how your team has worked within a progressive design-build or similar integrated project delivery model to achieve the project goals. Projects delivered within a public work design-build contract are valued but not required; relevant private sector work is welcome. Examples of reducing cost or duration and maximizing value while still achieving recognized design quality (including, but not limited to, awards or publication) should be provided. Demonstration of excellence in similar facilities and increasing value through collaboration and eliminating waste, with a clear explanation of
how those outcomes were realized, will be highly valued. Describe the role of the trade partners in helping to realize the successful examples you note.

The role of key team members proposed for this project should be clearly indicated with each project shown. Inclusion of projects on which proposed key team members had little or no role is discouraged. For each project shown, please include the following:

1) a description of the project,
2) key issues addressed,
3) the date and duration of construction,
4) the final cost (clearly indicate whether construction cost or project cost),
5) an Owner’s Reference with telephone number and email address, who is familiar with your proposed team’s performance in completing the project. Please alert professional references that a University representative will be contacting them during the selection process.

| 4 | **Construction Site Safety:** Describe the safety and accident prevention record of the Construction members of your team. If the Construction member is a joint venture, submit the requirements of this section for each member firm of the joint venture.

Complete the University of Washington’s *Safety and Health Qualification Statement* and submit it with your Proposal. A copy of the *Safety and Health Qualification Statement* is included in this RFQ as Attachment 3. If the firm is a joint venture, a Safety and Health Qualification Statement shall be submitted for each member of the joint venture. |

| 5 | **Business Equity (proposers past performance in utilization of BEE):** Discuss your team’s past performance in the utilization of BEE (see definitions of these terms in Section 1.10 Business Equity) *within the last five years, in the state of Washington, on a minimum of three (3) projects of a similar size and scope to this RFQ*, regardless of delivery method. Firms that do not have state of Washington experience may provide relevant experience from other states. | 10 |
For each project, include the following:

- Name of project;
- Date of substantial completion;
- Name of owner and contact person, including email and phone;
- Final contract value;
- Owner’s utilization goals (if any) and/or your goals for the project; and;
- The overall percentage of final contract value paid to BEE and actual reported utilization (even if the Owner did not have utilization goals).
- Any distinct strategies you implemented to meet/exceed the stipulated utilization goals.

The Owner is most interested in your firm’s past performance in business diversity inclusion with subcontractors on projects of similar scope and size. The consideration is not necessarily regarding the Owner’s own past projects. If you have worked for the Owner we know. Scopes and technical items that are most correlative to this project are most valuable. Please do not restate your commitment to BEE inclusion. It may be useful to use the projects identified in Criteria 3

6 Bonding and Insurance (ability to provide performance and payment bond): The proposal shall respond to the following criteria:

(a) Ability to provide performance and payment bonds for the project for at least the amount of the target Design-Build budget ($6.5 million) plus Washington State Sales Tax. The Proposer must submit a letter from its bonding company (surety) or its bonding agent indicating that the Proposer has the requisite bonding capacity in order to provide the required bonds.

(b) Insurability: Statement from the Proposer’s insurance carrier indicating that the insurance requirements of the contract can be met by the Proposer.

Failure to provide the letters required by items (a) and (b) may result in elimination of the Proposal from further consideration in the selection process.

Maximum RFQ Points ➔ 100 points
B. RFP Evaluation Criteria: The University will approach evaluating the proposals based on which firm we believe to be the “best fit”, and therefore the most likely to deliver the highest quality of project. The qualification submitted by the Proposers must include information responding to the evaluation criteria below, and will be ranked based on those responses. Each criterion will note a priority order to aid in preparation of responses; priority 1 will signal the University’s highest priority.

Statutory evaluation factors from RCW 39.10.330 are listed in parentheses next to each criteria to which those factors are relevant.

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<td><strong>Project Team Formation and Project Definition (management plan to meet time and budget requirements):</strong></td>
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<td>• Using your Team Organizational structure submitted with your SOQ, present a management approach. Be sure to discuss how your team proposes to work with the University, and its various campus partners, to develop the project and to complete your Design-Build team, including the role of consultants vs. that of trade partners.</td>
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<td>• Discuss the methods and/or successful practices used to work together as a high-performing team, and establish and maintain a cohesive team culture. How will these tools work for this project?</td>
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<td>• Address your approach to developing a delivery program for the various project components and how that will support the project goals.</td>
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<td>• Describe how you propose to interact with the various University stakeholders who will occupy this building, and how you communicate cost and benchmarking information to stakeholders who may have varying levels of experience with design or construction.</td>
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Priority Ranking: 2

*Note: Proposals may be ranked higher for those teams that clearly present a management plan that demonstrates how all stakeholders, partners, and University personnel, or similar, will be incorporated as a team member and given the direction/tools to be successful in defined roles and responsibilities and given space to meaningfully contribute to the project.*

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<td>• Describe how your team proposes to manage development of the design up to a point when the University and Design-Builder determines that the scope is defined well enough to allow execution of the second contract.</td>
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<td>• Describe how your team will collaborate with the University as joint team members during this phase. Describe how your team performed in the past using this approach on similar projects.</td>
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<td>• Describe how the Design-Builder will collaborate with University stakeholders as joint team members in the design process.</td>
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<td>• How will the Design-Builder assure effective communication among team members and with the University?</td>
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<td>• Describe your process for integrating out of area consultants to the team, as well as team members who may join the project later than others.</td>
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Priority Ranking: 1

*Note: Responses may be ranked higher if there is a clear connection, with a practical application, to the building blocks of integrated project delivery; also, succinctly describing past practices and how they will translate to this project, or how teams will take those past practices to the “next level.”*

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<td>• Describe how your team proposes to manage start up, and conduct commissioning and training of University staff.</td>
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<td>• Explain what role the individuals tasked with commissioning will play in the design process, if any.</td>
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|   | How will the Design-Builder assure that the transition to occupancy is as seamless and effective as possible?  
|   | Address how data generated during the design and construction process can be efficiently conveyed to the campuses facilities personnel for their use to optimize the life cycle costs of the facility and integrate into their current Computerized Maintenance Management System. |

Priority Ranking: 2

*Note: The Owner is in the process of integrating our facility operating and space management data process so that the way we operate and maintain will inform our life-cycle, keep operations costs down and predictable, etc. A higher-ranked team will present a holistic approach to design excellence and operational efficiency, helping the University set up better ways to bring new buildings on-line, operate them efficiently and keep current on maintenance.*

|   | Construction Site Safety (summary of accident prevention program and overview of its implementation) |
|   | Summarize the firm’s Accident Prevention Program and describe the firm’s philosophy on and approach to accident prevention. |
|   | **Safety at the Project Interface:** Describe your experience with past projects of similar scope, in an urban environment, and how your team addressed safety outside the fence and at project interfaces where adjacent space is occupied. Summarize your planning and controls, and how the responsibility was assigned among your team and how was it overseen? Topics may include maintaining ingress and emergency egress, emergency services access, security, falling objects, traffic control, wayfinding, shutdowns, hazard communication, regulated building materials (asbestos/lead) odor control/mitigation and business continuity (e.g. no false alarms in adjoining facilities). |
|   | **Operational Safety of Built Environment:** Describe how your team will address occupational hazards and risks to the eventual occupants and personnel who will service and maintain the building, and how your approach will minimize costly redesign and retrofitting. Summarize management systems and standards that will be implemented and used to reduce injuries and incidents during post development operations. Example topics include confined space, fall protection, safe access, loading, lifting, hazardous materials exposure, local ventilation systems (e.g., labs and shops), hazardous energy control, machinery safety, and the commissioning of safety related systems and equipment. Describe your philosophy and process during design and construction for design safety reviews and utilizing the knowledge, skills, experience, insight, and creativity of employees close to the hazards and risks. |
Priority Ranking: 1

| 5 | **Acceptance of Contract:** Compliance with proposed contract. Each Proposer must affirm that the terms and conditions of these documents are acceptable, or if the Proposer takes exception to the documents the Proposer must specifically describe the reasons for the exceptions and provide alternative language for consideration by the University. The University makes no commitment that it will modify any of the terms of the contract.

Failure to respond result in elimination of the Proposal from further consideration in the selection process.

This Criteria is unranked. |

| 6 | **Price Factor:** Provide the fee of the firm or joint venture that would be the contracting entity as a percentage of all direct costs. A price factor proposal form will be issued with the RFP.

The evaluation of this criterion will be based on the difference between the percentage proposed and the lowest conforming percentage received by the University. Scores will be based on how far above the lowest value any proposed value is. This difference will be expressed as a percentage according to the following formula and the result will be evaluated using the table below.

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\text{Percent above low value} = \left( \frac{\text{Proposed Value} - \text{Lowest Value}}{\text{Lowest Value}} \right) \times 100
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Example: Let 0.5% = the lowest value, and let 0.65% = the proposed value. Then the percent above lowest value is:

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\left( \frac{0.65 - 0.5}{0.5} \right) \times 100 = 30\%
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[then, according to the table below, a low ranking]

Ranking for this criterion is as follows:

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Priority Ranking: 3
Note: Design-Build is about best value; value to the University will come from the right team with the best approach and experience, with an acceptable price. The University, as a public agency, is required to consider pricing in evaluating teams.

7 Business Equity Inclusion Plan:

Using your experience on past projects of similar scope and size, submit a proposal for including BEEs on the project that, at a minimum, addresses the following:

A. **Voluntary Goal:** State an overall BEE utilization goal you are proposing for this project and the rationale for that goal. Discuss why this meets, does not meet, or exceeds the project’s aspirational goal identified by the UW. Defend those goals.

B. Discuss your initial thinking for “packaging” or breaking down all work which will likely be “risk/reward” and the approximate percentage of the project value.

C. Discuss your initial thinking on “design” work scopes which are likely to be performed by sub-consultants, including those scopes you anticipate will offer substantial opportunity for BEE participation.

D. Discuss your initial thinking on “construction” work scopes which will likely be subcontracted to trade partners, including those scopes you anticipate will offer substantial opportunity for BEE participation.

E. Discuss your initial thinking on services, supplies, and consumable scopes that will likely be available for suppliers or service providers, including those that you anticipate will offer substantial opportunity for BEE participation.

F. Discuss any scope/industry specific strategies you intend to draw upon in finding new opportunities of the BEEs on the project. What “traditionally” underrepresented scopes will you be looking to grow?

G. Review any opportunities and/or challenges you have identified, including how you would optimize those opportunities and mitigate those challenges.

Priority Ranking: 2
| **Note:** Please focus on specific opportunities. The highest ranked Inclusion Plans should be specific to this project and intentional, relying upon meaningful, project relevant strategies that remove barriers to participation, support the engagement of BEE’s, and incorporate business processes and practices that optimize opportunities for success. Common business practices such as event attendance, community group involvement, or mass-marketing strategies will not be considered for project specific strategies. Goals that are restating the Owner’s general goals and not specific to the work of the project will be not be considered “best.” |

1.8 CONTRACTING PROCESS: The UW will utilize a preliminary agreement between the University and the Design-Builder for the establishment of final project criteria and development of design to a mutually agreed upon point at which time the Design-Builder will provide a cost proposal for the completion of the project; and a guaranteed maximum price contract to complete design and construct the project. The form of compensation for work under the preliminary agreement will be by “time-and-materials” based on a work plan to be negotiated between Design-Builders and UW. If, at any time during the term of the preliminary agreement, the University and Design-Builder are unable to agree on a price to complete the project, the University, at its sole discretion, may terminate the agreement and not proceed to execute the follow-on contract with the Design-Builder. Potential additional phases of work will establish a new preliminary agreement and follow the same process described above.

1.9 FORM OF SUBMITTAL AND DEADLINE: The SOQ shall be submitted in a sealed envelope or package, containing responses to the RFQ requirements.

The length of the SOQ is limited as follows:

- The SOQ are limited to twenty (20) 8”x11” sheets. The 20 sheets may be printed on the front and back for a maximum of forty (40) page sides, and a font of no less than 10 point shall be used.
- Covers, Table of Contents, and Tabs or other section dividers are not included the 20-sheet limit and must not contain significant content.
- 11x17 sheets (Z-folded) may be substituted for 8x11 sheets for figures, tables and/or similar content requiring them, but they may only be printed on one side and count as one (1) sheet.
- The bonding letter and insurance letter are not included in the 20-sheet limit.
- The Safety and Health Qualification Statement (Attachment 3) submitted in response to Section 1.7 A.4 (Safety criterion) is not included in the 20-sheet limit. However, other information submitted in response to this criterion is included in the 20-sheet limit.
- The resumes submitted in response to the criteria in Sections 1.7 A.1 and A.2 are not included in the 20-sheet limit for the SOQ. Each resume is limited to one page side per person (i.e. two resumes per sheet, one on the front and one on the back).
One original in a standard three-ring binder, one (1) hard copy in easily removable binders (no spiral or comb bindings) and one electronic copy (PDF) of the SOQ on its own flash drive must be received at the University Facilities Building no later than 3:00 p.m. on December 2 2019. Submittals sent by mail or courier shall be sent to the address below (use box number for U.S. Postal Service (USPS) delivery only). Faxed or e-mailed submittals will not be accepted. Contractors are responsible for ensuring receipt of the SOQ at the University Facilities Building by the deadline stated above, and should take into account internal UW delivery times once USPS delivers a submittal to the box number indicated, and other delays that may occur when using a delivery service. Delivery directly to the University Facilities Building is encouraged. Submittals received after the deadline will not be considered.

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Facilities, Project Delivery Group
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Seattle, WA 98195-2205

Any addenda issued for this RFQ will be published on the PDG website. To access addenda, click the following link: https://cpd.uw.edu/project-delivery/current-solicitations/construction. Contractors are responsible for checking the PDG website for any addenda prior to submission of qualifications and proposals. If you are unable to download the addenda, you may contact the individual noted at the end of this RFQ.

1.10 BUSINESS EQUITY ENTERPRISES: The University is committed to affording the maximum practicable opportunities for Business Equity Enterprises of all types at all tiers. The University has an organizational Inclusion Goal of 20%, inclusive of 15% minority and women owned business, on all forms of procurement. This organizational goal does not necessarily represent goals on each project. Project specific inclusion goals should reflect an inclusive culture that truly represents opportunities, goes beyond standard efforts, and is authentic practice in any aspect of the project.

For firms proposing, or submitting responses, please indicate if you, or any of your subcontractors, suppliers, vendors, etc. identify as a small businesses, minority-owned businesses, women-owned businesses, and other historically marginalized businesses, herein referred to as Business Equity Enterprises (BEE). BEE include any entity licensed, regardless of size or certification, to do business in the State of Washington, including a corporation, partnership, sole proprietorship, or other legal entity that meets any of the following:

Certified Business Enterprise (CBE): Any business certified with the Washington State Office of Minority and Women’s Business Enterprises. (OMWBE Certification #
Small Business Enterprise (SBE): A sole proprietorship, corporation, partnership, or other legal entity that:

Can attest that it is owned and operated independently from all other businesses and,
Conforms to the U.S. Small Business Administration Size Standards of the North American Industry Classification System (NAICS) Codes in which it is to be engaged at the UW; or

Is certified with the OMWBE. (OMWBE Certification # _________________________)

Veteran's Business Enterprise (VBE): Certified with the Washington State Department of Veteran’s Affairs (DVA Certification # _________________________)

Minority Business Enterprise (MBE): More than 50% owned and controlled by at least one person who is a member of one or more of the following minority groups:

- Asian Pacific American
- Black American
- Hispanic American
- Native American
- Subcontinent Asian American

Minority Women's Business Enterprise (MWBE): More than 50% owned and controlled by at least one woman who is a member of one or more of the above minority groups. Women's Business Enterprise (WBE): More than 50% owned and controlled by one or more women.

Lesbian/Gay/Bisexual/Transgender Business Enterprise (LGBTE): More than 50% owned and controlled by at least one person who is a member of the LGBT community.

The term “minority” means a person of Asian, African-American, Hispanic and/or Native American racial or ethnic heritage.

Prior to the execution of the contract, the Design-Builder will finalize the Inclusion Plan and submit it to the Owner for review and final approval.

**1.11 APPRENTICESHIP UTILIZATION REQUIREMENTS:** Mandatory apprentice utilization of at least fifteen percent (15%) of the total labor hours worked on the Contract is required. Apprentices must be registered as apprentices with the State Apprenticeship and Training Council. Design-Builder shall comply with the requirements of the Contract Documents related to apprenticeship. Proposers may contact the Department of Labor & Industries, Apprenticeship
Program at 360-902-5320 to obtain information on apprenticeship programs.

1.12 PROTEST PROCEDURE:
In order to be considered, protests of the selection decisions made pursuant to Section 1.6 (A), (B) and (C) must be received by the University no later than four (4) business days from the date of email notification to the proposers/Finalists, as appropriate, of the selection decision as set forth in RCW 39.10.330(3) and (6). Protests must be in writing, and addressed to:

University of Washington
Facilities Operations
Attention: John Chapman
University Facilities Building
Box 352205
Seattle, WA 98195-2205

Protests shall include the name, email address, and phone number of the protestor’s authorized representative, the specific grounds for the protest, all supporting documentation, and the specific relief requested.

Upon receipt of a timely written protest, the Owner shall review the protest, consider all available facts, and issue via email a final protest decision. The University may not advance to the next phase of selection and may not execute a contract with the selected firm until two (2) business days after the final protest decision is transmitted to the protestor.

1.13 ATTACHMENTS AND ADDITIONAL INFORMATION: Please note the following additional information that is part of this RFQ:

Attachment 1 –Project Governance Structure
Attachment 2 –Campus Map with project sites identified
Attachment 3 –University of Washington Safety and Health Qualification Statement
Attachment 4 – Insurance Requirements
Attachment 5 – SNO/TLB/TIO Predesign Report, dated July 18, 2019
Attachment 6 – UW Tacoma ME/CE Temporary Accommodation Study
Attachment 7 – Preliminary Agreement Template
Attachment 8 – Cost Plus GMP Agreement Template
Attachment 9 – General Conditions Between Owner and Design-Builder

COMMUNICATIONS: All communications regarding this RFQ should be addressed to Melony Pederson, Project Manager, University of Washington Project Delivery Group, (253) 692-4340 or melonyk@uw.edu.

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