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Please address submittals to:

Via Us Mail:

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Executive Director of Design & Construction
University of California, Merced
5200 North Lake Road
Merced, CA 95343

Via Overnight Delivery:

Allison Costa
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Campus Background

The University of California, Merced, is the newest of the University of California system's 10 campuses and the first American research university built in the 21st century. With nearly 8,000 undergraduate and graduate students, UC Merced offers an environment that combines a commitment to diversity, inclusion, collaboration and professional development. With bachelor's, master's and doctoral degree programs, strong research and academic partnerships, and community involvement, the UC Merced campus is continually evolving and requires talented, knowledgeable and dynamic educators, researchers, management and staff.

Ranked among the best public universities in the nation by U.S. News and World Report, UC Merced is uniquely equipped to provide educational opportunities highly qualified students from the San Joaquin Valley and throughout California. The campus enjoys a special connection with nearby Yosemite National Park, is on the cutting edge of sustainability in construction and design, and supports the economic development of Merced and the region.

In Fall 2016, UC Merced broke ground on a \$1.3 billion public-private partnership that is unprecedented in higher education. The Merced 2020 Project will nearly double the physical capacity of the campus by 2020, enhancing academic distinction, student success and research excellence. In 2018, UC Merced opened the Downtown Campus Center, a \$33 million, three-story administrative building located in the heart of Merced.

Project Background and Description

The University of California, Merced is seeking a qualified testing and special inspections firm for the Campus Backfill Projects which will involve approximately 8 buildings on campus over the next 3 years to perform a variety of studies to determine the feasibility or reuse of the reconfigured space for academic lab, offices or meeting spaces. These studies are an analysis of functional, structural, and code issues and provide information to the University in development of program and design. The University will negotiate a contract with the selected firm immediately upon selection and services are expected to begin Mid-July 2019.

Scope of Service

The scope of services to be provided will comply with the California Code of Regulations – Title 24 Requirements, and all other related applicable codes and standards. The focus of this scope is code analysis and upgrades required due to occupancy changes or code updates as they apply to the space or building. Reports shall describe the investigations and identify the areas of noncompliance with reference to corrective action or provide code reference to be used to quantify compliance.

Typical studies requested:

- Overall building suitability and adaptability for the proposed use (e.g., area on each floor, column bay sizes, floor-to-floor heights, and vibration and acoustical control).
- Capacity, suitability, and adaptability of the existing engineered system (e.g., electrical, HVAC, fire protection, and plumbing).
- Vertical load bearing capacity (e.g., slabs, beams, girders, and columns).
- Earthquake resistance and lateral load capacity (e.g., shear walls and frame bracing).
- Accessibility to the disabled.
- Fire and life-safety systems.

- Energy issues.

Qualifications

The University is seeking a testing and special inspection firm with the following experience and qualifications:

- Experience with performing code analysis of existing buildings and reporting.
- Demonstrated technical excellence in working on space or building renovations.
- Experience with multi building work.
- Experience with University of California policies and procedures is desirable.
- Demonstrated adhering to schedule and budget.

Schedule

The Testing & Special Inspection services start date is anticipated to be Mid-July 2019. The overall Backfill project completion is Summer 2022.

Joint Ventures/Associations

By campus policy, proposals for joint or associated ventures will not be considered for this project. If two firms wish to combine in a project team, one firm must be proposed as a sub-consultant to the other.

Selection Criteria

The University is seeking an experienced, testing & special inspection team with skills consistent with its vision for the UC Merced campus. The Screening and Selection Committees will be interested in teams that:

- Have demonstrated firm experience in the code analysis of an existing building.

- Have demonstrated within the firm, a strong team comprised of the project manager, and project support that has worked together on relevant or similar University projects.
- Have proven firm and consultant team capability to provide creative, functional, flexible, and technologically sound code and feasibility studies and provide solutions with an economy of means and within the project budget.
- Have demonstrated firm capability to respond creatively and sensitively to an existing architectural context.

Selection Process

This Request for Statements of Qualification and attachments will be available at:

<http://www.ucmerced.edu/rfp-rfq> Monday, May 20, 2019. Written Statements of Qualification should be in accordance with the attached Submittal Format. Submittals must be delivered to the address below no later than **1:00 pm, Tuesday, June 11, 2019**. One copy of the submittal is required - in bound form and one USB flash drive. In addition, please fill out the attached non-mandatory Registration Form and email it to Fran Telechea, ftelechea@ucmerced.edu no later than **1:00 PM, Wednesday, June 5, 2019**. The University will use the Registration Form to notify firms of any changes or updates. Firms that submit the Registration form will receive notification if any changes are made to the RFQ or schedule. The University reserves the right to make changes and adjustments to this Request for Statements of Qualifications at any time. Please watch the website for any updates. Failure to register with the University may result in firms not receiving notification of updates to the RFQ, should any be issued. The University shall not be responsible for a firm's failure to incorporate any updates that are issued.

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Note: UC Merced's internal mail is not delivered daily so it is recommended that the proposal be delivered via overnight or hand delivered to the overnight location to insure meeting the deadline.

The University will convene a Screening Committee to review submissions and select a firm. The Screening Committee anticipates notifying all firms the selection outcome in mid- June 2019.

The University reserves the right to request any further documentation that it deems appropriate and necessary for the screening and selection process. Please direct any questions to Fran Telechea, Executive Director of Design & Construction at ftelechea@ucmerced.edu.

Every effort will be made to ensure that all persons have equal access to contracts and other business opportunities with the University within the limits imposed by law and University policy.

Insurance Requirements

The University requires evidence of insurance coverage, to be presented only after the successful firm is selected to provide services. Submittal of insurance information is not required as part of the Statement of Qualifications.

General Liability, Professional Liability Insurance, Business Automobile Liability, and Worker's Compensation will be required in the following amounts:

1. General Liability:
Comprehensive or Commercial Form:

- | | |
|---|-------------|
| (1) Each Occurrence | \$1,000,000 |
| (2) Products/Completed Operations Aggregate | \$2,000,000 |
| (3) Personal and Advertising Injury | \$1,000,000 |
| (4) General Aggregate (Not applicable to Comprehensive Form) | \$2,000,000 |

If the above insurance is written on a claims-made form, it shall continue for three years following termination of this Agreement. The insurance shall have a retroactive date of placement prior to or coinciding with the effective date of this Agreement.

2. Business Automobile Liability Insurance for owned, scheduled, non-owned, or hired automobiles with a combined single limit not less than one million dollars (\$1,000,000) per occurrence.
3. Workers' Compensation as required by California State law.
4. Professional Liability Insurance:

| | |
|-----------------------|-------------|
| (1) Each Occurrence | \$1,000,000 |
| (2) Project Aggregate | \$2,000,000 |

If the above insurance is written on a claims-made form, it shall continue for three years following termination of this Agreement. The insurance shall have a retroactive date of placement prior to or coinciding with the effective date of this Agreement.

5. Such other insurance in such amounts which from time to time may reasonably be required by the mutual agreement of the University and Architect, Engineer, Consultant, or Construction Project Manager against other insurable hazards relating to the work to be done.

Submittal/Selection Process and Schedule

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Submissions received later than this date and time may be rejected and returned unopened.

The University will screen and select a firm within a week of the submittal date. All firms will be notified of the final selection.

The University reserves the right to request any further documentation that it deems appropriate and necessary for the screening and selection process.

UC Policy on Equal Opportunity in University Business Contracting

It is the policy of The Regents of the University of California that race, religion, sex, color, ethnicity, and national origin will not be used as criteria in its business contracting practices. Every effort will be made to ensure that all persons regardless of race, religion, sex, color, ethnicity and national origin have equal access to contracts and other business opportunities with the University. The University will establish effective outreach programs to assure equal opportunity in business contracting.

UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA, MERCED SUBMITTAL FORMAT

*Firms submitting their qualifications for the project must follow the format below. Material must all be in 8-1/2 x 11 inch format—no foldouts. Use of the University of California seal, or any University of California logo, is prohibited. Submittals shall include divider tabs labeled with the boldfaced headers below; e.g., the first tab would be entitled “Cover Letter”, the second tab “Qualifications”, etc. Double-sided printing is encouraged. **PROVIDE One (1) BOUND COPY, 1 USB flash drive.***

1. **COVER LETTER** (*maximum of 1 page*)
 - _ identify team
 - _ provide name of contact person, phone and fax
 - _ summarize qualifications most relevant to this project

2. **RELEVANT QUALIFICATIONS** (*maximum of 2 single-sided or one double-sided page*)
 - _ provide in summary format only
 - _ do not include general information
 - _ offer short, focused paragraphs by topic (i.e., building type; technical aspects; sustainability/LEED™; etc.)

3. **RELEVANT PROJECT EXPERIENCE** (*maximum of 4 single-sided or 2 double-sided pages*)
 - _ briefly state relevance for each project

- _ specify role of the firm or individual if work was not exclusively by the firm (i.e., joint venture, association); ***if work was done by individuals on the project team while with other firms, this must be clearly stated***
- _ provide a list of the following for each project:
 - project name and location
 - beginning and ending dates of project (including construction)
 - square footage
 - main program elements
 - owner name with name of contact person

Note: Projects that are currently in design or under construction are acceptable, but completed projects may carry more weight in the evaluation.

4. **PROJECT TEAM SUMMARY** (*maximum of 2 single-sided or one double-sided page, not including the matrix*)

- _ identify key team members, including sub-consultants, and state their qualifications relevant to programming services and the scope of this project.

5. **APPENDIX**

- _ Firm brochure/history/background, reprints, etc. (*optional*)
- _ Key team member resumes
- _ UC Statement of Qualifications (per attachment)
- _ UC Request for Supplemental Information (per attachment)

**UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA, MERCED
STATEMENT OF QUALIFICATIONS**

1. Firm's Name: _____
2. Business Address: _____
3. Firm Established (year) _____ Telephone No: _____

4. Type of Organization (check one):
- a. Individual b. Partnership c. Corporation

5. Principals and Associates (check P or A for each):

| | Name | P | A | Degree or Certificate | Institution |
|----|------|---|---|-----------------------|-------------|
| a. | | | | | |
| b. | | | | | |
| c. | | | | | |
| d. | | | | | |

6. Average staff employed in home office: (average of past five years):

- | | |
|-------------------------------|-------------------------------|
| a. Architects _____ | e. Drafting Technicians _____ |
| b. Engineers _____ | f. Clerical _____ |
| c. Landscape Architects _____ | g. Programmers _____ |
| d. Interior Designers _____ | h. Others _____ |

7. List five major projects constructed within the past five years:

| | Project | Owner | Year | Building Cost |
|----|---------|-------|------|---------------|
| a. | | | | |
| b. | | | | |
| c. | | | | |
| d. | | | | |
| e. | | | | |

8. References:

- a. _____
- b. _____
- c. _____

9. (Optional) Where do you normally look for information about proposed University of California projects?

Signed: _____

Date: _____

UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA, MERCED
PRIVACY NOTIFICATION

The State of California Information Practices Act of 1977 requires the University to provide the following information to individuals who are asked to supply information about themselves:

The principal purpose for requesting the information on this form is for use in the selection process for Design Professionals commissioned by the University. University Policy authorizes maintenance of this information.

Furnishing all information requested on this form is mandatory—failure to provide such information will delay or may even prevent completion of the action for which the form is being filled out. Information furnished on this form will be used by Physical Planning in the screening and selection process for awarding commissions to Design Professionals.

Individuals have the right to access this record as it pertains to themselves.

The official responsible for maintaining the information contained on this form is the Campus Architect for the Merced campus of the University of California.

UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA, MERCED
REQUEST FOR SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION

Please submit the following information together with the SOQ and other required submittal material by the date noted in the Request for Statements of Qualifications. Failure to respond may affect consideration of your firm for this project. Responses may be listed on separate pages.

- 1) Please separately list each pending unresolved claim for professional negligence and each current arbitration, mediation or litigation in which professional negligence or breach of professional services agreement is alleged or indemnity is being sought (because of such alleged negligence or breach of contract) using the following claimant categories:
 - a) The Regents of the University of California against your firm or any principal of your firm (indicate campus, medical center, or Department of Energy (DOE) Laboratory and name of project). If none, indicate none.

 - b) Any owner, person or entity against your firm or any principal of your firm (indicate project, location and owner). If none, indicate none.

 - c) The Regents of the University of California against any of your proposed major consultants (i.e. structural engineer, mechanical engineer, and/or any other major consultant on your proposed project team. Indicate campus, medical center, or Department of Energy (DOE) Laboratory and name of project). If none, indicate none.

 - d) Any owner, person or entity against any of your proposed major consultants (indicate project, location and owner). If none, indicate none.

- 2) Please separately list each resolved (settled, arbitrated, litigated) claim for professional negligence or breach of professional services agreement or for indemnity (because of such alleged negligence or breach of contract) during the last 5 years using the following categories:
 - a) The Regents of the University of California against your firm or any principal of your firm (indicate campus, medical center, or Department of Energy (DOE) Laboratory and name of project). If none, indicate none.

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DECLARATION

The undersigned declares under penalty of perjury that all of the information submitted is true and correct and that this declaration was executed in

_____ County, California, on _____ (date)

(Name and Title – Printed or Typed)

Signature

Firm Name

(Address)

(City, State, Zip)

(Telephone Number)

(Email Address)

UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA, MERCED

**REGISTRATION FOR SUBMITTAL OF STATEMENT OF QUALIFICATIONS FOR
CONSULTANT SERVICES**

**For
Campus Backfill Testing & Special Inspection**

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Firm Name: _____

Business Address: _____

Street Address (for deliveries): _____

Telephone Number: _____

E-mail: _____

Principal-in-Charge (print name): _____

Principal-in-Charge (signature): _____

Date: _____

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Received by UC Merced Design& Construction:

Name

Date