RETURN BID TO:
THE UNIVERSITY OF MARYLAND BALTIMORE COUNTY
DEPARTMENT OF PROCUREMENT
1000 HILLTOP CIRCLE, RM 301, ADMIN. BLDG.
BALTIMORE, MD 21250

REQUEST TO BID No. BC-20679-P
Delores R. Perteet: 410-455-3915

Lecture Hall II - Media Projection System

**THIS IS NOT AN ORDER**

If address shown here is not address to which an order should be directed indicate such address.

In event of this bid being accepted, a purchase order will be issues. This solicitation is subject to all terms and conditions contained herein (see attached pages 2 & 3)

Vendor Bid No. ______________________
(If any)

**ALL BIDS ARE DUE NO LATER THAN 2:00 P.M.**

**THIS BID MUST BE RECEIVED NO LATER THAN 2:00 P.M. ON:**

**THURSDAY, JULY 15, 2010**

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<td>The University of Maryland Baltimore County (UMBC) is requesting bids for the purchase of equipment and the installation of a lecture hall media projector system per the attached documents: Bid Price Cover Form Exhibit-1- Equipment and Specifications</td>
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**THIS SPACE TO BE FILLED IN BY BIDDER**

Shipment will be made in _________ days from receipt of order

F.O.B. ____________________________

Material is F.O.B. Receiving Platform, University of Maryland, 1000 Hilltop Circle, Baltimore, MD 21250, unless otherwise stated.

**TERMS:** NET 30 UNLESS OTHERWISE STATED.

All bids submitted must be reviewed and signed by an authorized officer or agent of the firm submitting the bid and are to be returned on these forms.

(SIGNED) (DATE)

(PRINT OR TYPE NAME) (TITLE)

(VENDOR'S FEDERAL IDENTIFICATION NO.) (PHONE NO.)
EXHIBIT – 1

UMBC SCOPE OF WORK FOR PROVIDING MEDIA PROJECTION SYSTEM FOR LECTURE HALL II

June 30, 2010

SCOPE OF WORK:

UMBC intends to contract for the purchase and installation of a turnkey Audio Visual system for a university lecture hall. All parts and labor are to be included.

LOCATION OF WORK:

The Lecture Hall II is located in the Meyerhoff Chemistry Building. See the campus map at http://www.UMBC.edu and click on the “maps” tab at the top right-hand side of the page. A secure storage room will be made available to the contractor immediately next to the work site.

PRE-BID MEETING:

A Pre-Bid Meeting will be held on July 7, 2010 at 1:00 p.m. in Lecture Hall II. This is the same room in which the equipment will be installed. The Manager of Classroom Technology may provide additional pertinent information/documents at the pre-bid meeting. Interested proposers must attend the pre-bid meeting to obtain the documents. Attendees of the Pre-Bid Meeting may arrange additional site visits with their engineering staff prior to the bid closure at the discretion of the Procurement Officer.

REQUIREMENTS:

A. The Contractor will coordinate and schedule the project in advance with the Manager of Classroom Technology, providing a start and completion date.

B. The anticipated date of award of the contract is mid-July, 2010. However, the target completion date for the project is late August, 2010.

C. The installation and equipment shall be warranted for a period of 3 years from the date of installation.

D. The Contractor must be an authorized reseller for the parts that are specified. No substitutions are permitted for required items. Substitutions of equal function and quality may be made on parts listed as suggested.

E. The Contractor must be either Infocomm or CEDIA certified. Installation work shall follow Infocomm established Best Practices.

F. The Contractor shall insure that:

1. The equipment and materials are not faulty, imperfect or used and that there is no imperfect, careless, or unskilled workmanship;

2. The equipment, and materials shall be adequate for the use to which they are intended, and shall operate in a satisfactory and efficient manner; and

3. They will re-execute, correct, repair, or remove and replace with proper work, without cost to the University, any work found not to be as guaranteed set forth above.
LH II STATEMENT OF EXPECTATIONS
The AV Contractor shall supply, install, and program a turnkey Audiovisual System for a university lecture hall. The AV Contractor shall participate in a progress meeting with the Classroom Technology Manager within two weeks of bid award. Delivery and installation of materials and equipment must be coordinated through the Classroom Technology Manager or his designate.

LH II TIMELINE
July 26, 2010 Onsite work can begin
August 24, 2010 System commissioning
August 27, 2010 Punch list complete

LH II EQUIPMENT/SPECIFICATIONS:
The Lecture Hall II Media Projection System is a “custom” system based on the components below. Bidders will be provided with the following at the pre-bid site meeting:
1. Major equipment list
2. Signal Flow diagram
3. Basic Touch Panel Layout

Presentation System Description
Infrastructure - The University will provide a presentation console with rack mount rails. Conduit runs extend from the console to the booth projector location. AC power is provided by at the console, projector, and speaker locations. Network connections are available at the projector and console locations.

Audio systems – The AV Contractor will provide the audio system. The primary use of the audio system is speech reinforcement but will also carry program audio sources. The audio amplification system and wireless microphone equipment shall be securely mounted in the console. Remote volume control will be extended to the console. Microphone and program sources shall have discrete control.

Video Inputs - All video and audio sources and inputs shall be securely installed in the AV console. Laptop computers (OFE) and video/audio source (OFE) can be connected to the system and displayed via an Extron Touch Link interface panel located in the console. A Blu Ray player and VHS/DVD player will be housed in the console and will be connected to the system and controlled via the Touch Link interface panel. An OFE computer will be installed by the owner in the console.

Switching and Control - All video sources shall be routed directly to an Extron IN1508 Scaling Presentation Switcher which is controlled by a desktop mounted Extron Touch Link interface panel (audio follows video). The system shall be programmed to turn on the projector and default to the built-in PC input upon pressing ON. The system should turn OFF (when in the PROJECTOR ON state) when inactive for more than 2 hours. The system shall send an alert via email to the Classroom Technology Manager if the projector or system gear is malfunctioning or disconnected. The system will be connected to UMBC’s existing Extron Global Viewer Enterprise server.
Owner Furnished Equipment (OFE)
The Owner shall provide:
1. Custom credenza for instructor console (Marshall, Inc.). This unit will be available prior to the AV install.
2. Electrical service to the floor panel under the console, data projector, and speaker locations.
3. Campus network connection to floor panel under the console for Extron equipment monitoring.
4. Campus network connection at the projector.
5. Large painted surface projection screen.
6. Dell PC in tower case with 17” LCD monitor.
7. Samsung Digital Document Camera

Project Execution
All work shall follow current construction code requirements. AV system installation shall follow industry best practices established by Infocomm International.

System Commissioning
Testing will be performed with the owner to determine that the A/V system satisfies both the manufacturer’s performance specifications and the functions required by the owner.

Project Documentation
A project book will be delivered upon project completion. It will include:
1. A quick start guide to operation intended for the end user – paper and PowerPoint file.
2. All product manuals and software.
3. As built wiring diagram
4. As built rack drawing
5. Uncompiled system configuration and programming files. UMBC reserves the right to use and modify such files for internal use only.
6. Installer warranty, name of lead technician, and company contact information.
Lecture Hall II Media Projection System Equipment List

The following details are meant to inform the design and bid submission for a turnkey Audiovisual System for a University lecture hall. This equipment list is by no means complete and will require additional components to enable the system to function (such as amplifiers, distribution, lengths of cable, trim work, mounting, etc.). No substitutions will be accepted on items that are labeled “Required” under the Specification column unless otherwise noted. All items necessary to complete a fully functioning system should be included in the bid submission. Items listed as OFE are provided by owner and are included for informational purposes only.

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The audio system allows for some flexibility. The speakers will fulfill both speech reinforcement and program source needs. Two different column type speaker systems are being considered:

Option A - Tannoy Qflex powered speakers
Option B - Full range Community Entasys speakers with compact dual 8-inch VLF208 subwoofers.

There should be two speakers per column for a total of four full range speakers and two subwoofers. They should be powered by a professional energy efficient Class D type amplifier. Excessive heat generation and energy consumption by the amplifier is a concern.

Complete and return the Bid Price Cover Form with both audio options and note any clarification that may be needed.
UNIVERSITY OF MARYLAND, BALTIMORE COUNTY
PURCHASE ORDER TERMS & CONDITIONS

1. A separate invoice in TRIPlicate for this purchase for each shipment thereon shall be rendered immediately following shipment. All copies of invoices must be forwarded directly to the University of Maryland, Baltimore County, Accounts Payable Department, Administration Building, 1000 Hilltop Circle, Baltimore, MD 21250.

2. The vendor's contractor's Federal Identification Number or Social Security Number must be included on each invoice. Questions concerning invoices should be referred to (410) 455-3638.

3. This purchase order number must be shown on all related invoices, delivery memoranda, bills of lading, packages, and/or correspondence. FAILURE TO COMPLY WITH THESE TERMS WILL RESULT IN THE INVOICE BEING RETURNED TO YOU OR SHIPMENTS BEING REJECTED.

4. Tax Exemption The State is generally exempt from Federal excise taxes, Maryland sales and use taxes, District of Columbia sales taxes, and transportation taxes. Exemption of certificates shall be completed upon request. Where a contractor is required to furnish and install material in the construction or improvement of real property in performance of a contract, the Contractor shall pay the Maryland Sales Tax and the exemption does not apply. NOTE: THE UNIVERSITY OF MARYLAND IS EXEMPT FROM THE FOLLOWING TAXES: 1) State of Maryland Tax by Certificate No. 3002563; 2) District of Columbia Sales Tax by Exemption No. 806-08864-06; and 3) Manufacturer's Federal Excise Tax Registration No. 52-730123K.

5. Incorporation by Reference All terms and conditions of the solicitation, and any amendments thereto, are made a part of this contract.

6. Specifications. All materials, equipment, supplies or services shall conform to federal and State laws and regulations and to the specifications contained in the solicitation.

7. Delivery and Acceptance. Delivery shall be made in accordance with the solicitation specifications. The University, in its sole discretion, may extend the time of performance for excusable delays due to unforeseeable causes beyond the Contractor's control. The university unilaterally may order in writing the suspension, delay, or interruption of performance hereunder. The University reserves the right to test any materials, equipment, supplies or services delivered to determine if the specifications have been met. The materials listed in the bid or proposal shall be delivered FOB the point or points specified prior to or on the date specified in the bid or proposal. Any material that is defective or fails to meet the terms of the solicitation specifications shall be rejected. Rejected material shall be promptly replaced. The University reserves the right to purchase replacement materials in the open market. Contractor failing to promptly replace materials lawfully rejected shall be liable for any excess price paid for the replacement, plus applicable expenses, if any.

8. Non-Hiring of Employees. No employee of the State, or any department, commission, agency or branch thereof whose duties such employee include matters relating to or affecting the subject matter of this contract shall, while so employed, become or be an employee of the party or parties hereby contracting with the State or any unit thereof.

9. Non-Discrimination in Employment. The Contractor agrees not to discriminate in any manner against an employee or applicant for employment because of race, color, religion, creed, age, sex, sexual orientation, marital status, national origin, ancestry, or physical or mental handicap unrelated in nature and extent so as reasonably to preclude the performance of such employment and to post and to cause subcontractors to post in conspicuous places available to employees and applicants for employment, notices setting forth the substance of this clause.

10. Financial Disclosure. The Contractor shall comply with State Finance and Procurement Article, §13-221, Annotated Code of Maryland, which requires that every business that enters into contracts, leases or other agreements with the State and receives in the aggregate $100,000 or more during calendar year shall, within 30 days of the time when the $100,000 is reached, file with the Secretary of State certain specified information to include disclosure of beneficial ownership of the business.

11. Political Contribution Disclosure. The Contractor shall comply with the provisions of Election Law §§14-101 through 14-108, Annotated Code of Maryland, which require that every person that enters into contracts, leases, or other agreements with the State of Maryland, or a political subdivision of the State, including its agencies, during a calendar year under which the person receives in the aggregate $100,000 or more, shall file with the State Administration Board of Election Laws, a statement disclosing contributions in excess of $500 made during the reporting period to a candidate for elective office in any primary or general election.

12. Anti-Bribery. The Contractor warrants that neither it nor any of its officers, directors, or partners nor any of its employees who are directly involved in obtaining or performing contracts with any public body has been convicted of bribery, attempted bribery, or conspiracy to bribe under the laws of any state or of the federal government or has engaged in conduct since July 1, 1977, which would constitute bribery, attempted bribery, or conspiracy to bribe under the laws of any state or the federal government.

13. Registration. Pursuant to §7-201 et seq. of the Corporations and Associations Article of the Annotated Code of Maryland, corporations not incorporated in the State shall be registered with the State Department of Assessments and Taxation, 301 West Preston Street, Baltimore, Maryland 21201, before doing any interstate or foreign business in this State. Before doing any intrastate business in the State, a foreign corporation shall qualify with the Department of Assessments and Taxation.

14. Contingent Fees. The Contractor warrants that it has not employed or retained any person, partnership, corporation or other entity other than a bona fide employee or agent working for the Contractor, to solicit or secure this agreement, and that it has not paid or agreed to pay any person, partnership, corporation or other entity other than a bona fide employee or agent, any fee or any other consideration contingent on the making of this agreement.

15. EPA Compliance. Materials, supplies, equipment, or services shall comply in all respects with the Federal Noise Control Act of 1972 where applicable.

16. Occupational Safety and Health Act (O.S.H.A.). All materials, supplies, equipment or services supplied as a result of this contract shall comply with the applicable U.S. and Maryland Occupational Safety and Health Act standards.

17. Termination for Convenience. Upon written notice to the Contractor, the University may terminate this contract, in whole or in part, whenever the University shall determine that such termination is in the best interest of the University. The University shall pay all reasonable costs associated with the termination of the contract. However, the contractor may not be reimbursed for anticipatory profits. Termination hereunder, including the determination of rights and obligations of the parties, shall be governed by the provisions of the University System of Maryland Procurement Policies and Procedures.
18. **Termination for Default.** When the contract has not performed or has unsatisfactorily performed the contract, payment shall be withheld at the discretion of the University. Failure on the part of a Contractor to fulfill contractual obligations shall be considered just cause for termination of the contract and the Contractor is not entitled to recover any costs incurred by the Contractor up to the date of termination. Termination hereunder, including the determination of the rights and obligations of the parties, shall be governed by the provisions of the USM Procurement Policies and Procedures.

19. **Disputes.** This contract shall be subject to the USM Procurement Policies and Procedures. Pending resolution of the claim, the Contractor shall proceed diligently with the performance of the contract in accordance with the procurement officer's decision.

20. **Changes.** This contract may be amended only with the written consent of both parties. Amendments may not change significantly the scope of the contract (including the contract price).

21. **Multi-Year Contracts Contingent Upon Appropriations.** If the General Assembly or other funding source fails to appropriate funds or if funds are not otherwise made available for continued performance for any fiscal period of this Contract succeeding the first fiscal period, this Contract shall be canceled automatically as of the beginning of the fiscal year for which funds were not appropriated or otherwise made available; provided, however, that this will not affect either the University's rights or the Contractor's rights under any termination clause in this Contract. The effect of termination of the Contract hereunder will be to discharge both the Contractor and the University from future performance of the Contract, but not from their rights and obligations existing at the time of termination. The Contractor shall be reimbursed for the reasonable value of any non-recurring costs incurred but not amortized in the price of the Contract. The University shall notify the Contractor as soon as it has knowledge that funds may not be available for the continuation of this Contract for each succeeding fiscal period beyond the first.

22. **Intellectual Property.** Contractor agrees to indemnify and save harmless the University, its officers, agents and employees with respect to any claim, action, cost or judgment for patent infringement, or trademark or copyright violation arising out of purchase or use of materials, supplies, equipment or services covered by this contract.

23. **Contractor’s Invoices.** Contractor agrees to include on the face of all invoices billed to the University, the Purchase Order number and its Taxpayer Identification Number, which is the Social Security Number for individuals and sole proprietors and the Federal Employer Identification Number for all other types of organizations.

24. **Pre-Existing Regulations.** The regulations set forth in USM Procurement Policies and Procedures in effect on the date of execution of this Contract are applicable to this Contract.

25. **Indemnification.** The University shall not assume any obligation to indemnify, hold harmless or pay attorneys' fees that may arise from or in any way be associated with the performance or operation of this contract.

26. **Conflicting Terms.** Any proposal for terms in addition to or different from those set forth in this purchase order or any attempt by the Contractor to vary any of the terms of this offer by Contractor’s acceptance shall not operate as a rejection of this offer, unless such variance is in the terms of the description, quantity, price or delivery schedule, but shall be deemed a material alteration thereof, and this offer shall be deemed acceptable by the Contractor without the additional or different terms. If this purchase order is an acceptance of a prior offer by the Contractor, the acceptance is expressly conditioned upon Contractor's assent to any additional or different terms contained herein. The Contractor understands and agrees that the terms and conditions of this purchase order may not be waived.

27. **Drug and Alcohol Free Workplace.** The contractor warrants that the contractor shall comply with COMAR 21.11.08 Drug and Alcohol Free Workplace, and that the contractor shall remain in compliance throughout the term of this purchase order.

28. **Retention of Records.** The Contractor shall retain and maintain all records and documents relating to this Contract for three years after final payment by the University hereunder or any applicable statute of limitations, whichever is longer, and shall make them available for inspection and audit by authorized representatives of the University, including the procurement officer or designee, at all reasonable times.

29. **Maryland Law Prevails.** This Agreement shall be governed by and construed in accordance with the laws of the State of Maryland, without regard to its conflicts of law or choice of law principles. Any legal proceeding arising out of or relating to the Agreement shall be brought in and heard by the courts of the State of Maryland, and the parties voluntarily consent to the exclusive jurisdiction of the courts of this State for any such proceeding.

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MANDATORY BID TERMS AND CONDITIONS

1. Confidentiality/Proprietary. Bidders/Offerors should give specific attention to the identification of those portions of their bids/proposals that they deem to be confidential, proprietary or trade secrets and provide justification why such materials, upon request, should not be disclosed by the University under the Access to Public Records Act, State Government Article, Title 10, Subtitle 6, Annotated Code of Maryland. A statement in a header or footer on each page or contained in a preface or opening paragraph indicating that the entire bid or each page is deemed confidential is not adequate. Bidders/Proposers must clearly indicate each and every section that is deemed to be confidential, proprietary, or a trade secret. By submitting a response to this solicitation, the Bidder consents to release of all bid documents with the exception of those specific provisions that are noted confidential, proprietary or a trade secret as defined and set forth in the Access to Public Records Act, State Government Article, Title 10, Subtitle 6, Annotated Code of Maryland.

2. Bid Bond Notice. A bid bond is required for all construction contracts reasonably expected to exceed $100,000. All other solicitations on all University contracts in excess of $100,000 shall require, if so noted, the submission of bid security in an amount equal to at least 5 percent of the total amount of bid, at the time bid is submitted. If a contractor fails to accompany its bid with the required bid security, the bid shall be determined non-responsive.

3. Minority Business Enterprise Participation. Minority Business Enterprises are encouraged to respond to this solicitation. If so noted in the specifications that an MBE subcontract participation goal has been established by this procurement, by submitting a response to this solicitation, the bidder agrees that the established amount of the contract will be performed by minority business enterprises.

4. Arrearages. By submitting a response to the solicitation, a vendor shall be deemed to represent that it is not in arrears in the payment of any obligation due and owing the State of Maryland, including the payment of taxes and employee benefits, and that it shall not become so in arrears during the term of the contract if selected for contract award.

5. Bid/Proposal Affidavit. The attached Bid/Proposal Affidavit must be signed and returned with all bids. Bids returned without a signed affidavit shall be deemed non-responsive.

6. Acknowledgments. The Bidder must acknowledge in writing the receipt of all amendments, addenda, and changes issued concerning this solicitation.

7. Reservations of Rights. This solicitation implies no obligation on the part of the University. The University reserves the right to increase or decrease the quantities of any materials, equipment, supplies or services. The University reserves the right to award by item, groups of items, or total bid and to waive any technical or minor irregularities.

8. Bid Validation and Rejection. The unit price shall be considered as the price bid. Separate unit prices shall be submitted for each item: extensions shall be indicated where applicable and total bid price shown when requested. In the event of a discrepancy between unit price and total, unit price shall prevail. Bids may be modified or withdrawn by written notice prior to the time and date set for opening. The University reserves the right to accept or reject any and all bids in part. Unless otherwise provided in this solicitation, prices are irrevocable for a period of 90 days following bid opening.

9. Small Business Set-Aside. In accordance with COMAR 21.11.01.01B, the University shall give 5% bid preference or a predetermined percentage preference to reflect different industry characteristics for a small business set-aside.

10. Terms. Prompt payment discounts offered for payment within less than 30 calendar days will not be considered in evaluation offers for award. However, offered discounts of less than 30 days will be taken if payment is made within the discount period, even though not considered in the evaluation for award.

11. Discounts. Discount time will be computed from the date of your delivery to the carriers when F.O.B. is shipping point or from the date of delivery at destination when F.O.B. point is destination, or from date corrected invoice is received in the Accounts Payable Office when such invoice was necessary. Payment is deemed to be made for the purposes of earning the discount, as of the date appearing on the check.

12. Sales and Use Tax License. By submitting a response to this solicitation (if it involves the sale of personal property to the University), the Bidder/Offeror certifies that it possesses a valid sale and use tax license.

13. Routing. All material must be forwarded by the route taking the lowest transportation rate or in accordance with special shipping instructions; otherwise the difference in freight rate and extra cost of cartage will be charged to your account.

14. Samples. The University reserves the right to request and be furnished samples at no expense to the University, prior to or after the award, for the purpose of quality and specification evaluation. Samples shall be returned, upon request, at the Contractor's expense. The University does not guarantee that samples returned will be in the same condition as submitted.

15. Submittal of Terms and Conditions. The Purchase Order issued by the University shall constitute the contract between the parties. Terms and conditions submitted by a bidder after solicitation closing date shall not be accepted. Any proposed terms and conditions, including any for contracts which the bidder proposes to use, shall be submitted by the solicitation closing date as a part of the bid. Any proposal for terms in addition to or different from those set forth in this bid or any attempt by the Contractor to vary any of the items of this bid by contractor's acceptance shall not operate as a rejection of this bid, unless such variance is in terms of the description, quantity, price or delivery schedule but shall be deemed a material alteration thereof, and this bid shall be deemed acceptable by the Contractor without the additional or different terms.

16. Reciprocity. A preference under this section shall be identical to the preference that the other state gives to its residents. When the State of Maryland uses competitive sealed bidding to award a procurement contract, the state may give a preference to the resident bidder who submits the lowest responsive bid if: 1) the resident bidder is a responsible bidder; 2) a responsible bidder whose principle office is in another state submits the lowest responsive bid; 3) the other state gives a preference to its residents; and 4) a preference does not conflict with a federal law or grant affecting the procurement contract. A preference includes a percentage preference, an employee residency requirement or any other provision that favors a resident over a non-resident. A resident bidder is a bidder whose principle office is located in the state. In accordance with state law, state finance & procurement article 14.401. A non-resident bidder submitting a bid/proposal for a state project shall attach to the bid/proposal a copy of the current statute, resolution, policy, procedure, or executive order of the resident state of the non-resident bidder that pertains to the state’s treatment of non-resident bidders.

17. Cancellation Policy. The University may cancel this solicitation, in whole or in part, for any reason.