

# **UNC Charlotte Prospective Vendor Technical Questionnaire**

**Project Number**

**Project Name**

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## Introduction

When considering any IT software solution, due diligence must be taken to ensure that we have done all that we can to protect our investment and UNC Charlotte assets.  
(Please answer the questions as applicable to your project)

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## 1 Project Information

- Project Name -
- Requester Name -
- Project Sponsor -
- Vendor Name -
- Vendor Contact -
- Vendor Email -
- Vendor Phone -

## 2 Infrastructure

2.1.1 Is the solution Cloud Based or hosted on UNC Charlotte Infrastructure?

Vendor-hosted      Hosted on-premise UNC Charlotte Infrastructure      Co-Hosted by Vendor and UNCC

2.1.2 If vendor-hosted, does the vendor use their own servers or a cloud provider (AWS, Azure, etc.)?

2.1.3 Who will manage the system if hosted at UNC Charlotte? <please explain>

## 3 Product

### 3.1 Accessibility Requirements

3.1.1 Does vendor comply with Section 508 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, as amended, or WCAG 2.0 AA with respect to accessibility for individuals with disabilities?      Yes      No

3.1.2 Does the product support UNC Charlotte branding standards?      Yes      No

[UNCC Website Conventions and Style Guide](#)



4.1.4 What data are needed from other systems (student/staff/faculty)? *<Please explain >*

4.1.5 As a project sponsor, do you have appropriate approvals from the data owners? Yes No  
 (e.g., staff/faculty = HR, Student = Registrar)

4.1.6 At what frequency to do you need this data?  
 Real Time Daily On Demand Other *<If Other, please explain >*

4.1.7 Is there a need for custom API development? Yes No

4.1.8 Does UNC Charlotte have the technical expertise to develop the custom API? Yes No  
 ITS Business

## 5 IT Security

### 5.1 Regulatory Compliance *<This is a Required Section>*

5.1.1 Will the application store, process, and/or transmit any of the following regulatory compliance data?

- |   |     |    |
|---|-----|----|
| • Social Security Numbers (SSN)                                 | Yes | No |
| • Protected Health Information (PHI)? E.g. HIPAA                | Yes | No |
| • Credit Cardholder Data (CHD)? E.g. PCI-DSS                    | Yes | No |
| • Personally Identifiable Information (PII)?                    | Yes | No |
| • Personally Identifiable Student Education Records? E.g. FERPA | Yes | No |
| • Clinical Research Data? E.g. FDA CFR 21 Part 11               | Yes | No |
| • Federally Funded or Contracted? E.g. FISMA                    | Yes | No |
| • Personally Identifiable Financial Information? E.g. GLBA      | Yes | No |

### 5.2 Auditing and Reporting

5.2.1 Does the application support audit/logging capabilities to a syslog/SIEM solution? Yes No

5.2.2 Are there any audits to verify or reports on access? Access by: Yes No  
 UNCC affiliated staff/faculty/students The vendor The public

**\*\*To be completed by Vendor\*\***

**5.3 Data Encryption** <This is a Required Section>

5.3.1	Does the vendor have any rights to use and share UNCC data (aggregated or not)?	Yes	No
5.3.2	Is there a provision that the service provider holds UNCC data “in trust” for us, making it a legal fiduciary?	Yes	No
5.3.3	Does the vendor have policies and procedures in place to ensure that their own staff do not have access to UNCC data?	Yes	No
5.3.4	Does the vendor have policies and procedures in place to detect, prevent and mitigate identity theft? <If Yes, please explain>	Yes	No
5.3.5	Will the application data be encrypted at rest using modern day encryption standards? <If NO, provide compensating controls>	Yes	No
5.3.6	Will the application data be encrypted in-transit using SSL, TLS or VPN? <If NO, provide compensating controls>	Yes	No
5.3.7	Does the application leverage back-end database? (Oracle, MS-SQL, MySQL, etc.)	Yes	No
5.3.8	If yes, can the database be encrypted at-rest?	Yes	No
5.3.9	Will the software be integrated with other UNC Charlotte systems like Banner?	Yes	No

5.3.10 If the solution has data integration options available, please describe the types of data integration options utilized (e.g., APIs, .csv import/export).

## 5.4 Support

5.4.1 Does the application use an embedded support tool that communicates in/outbound (e.g., GoToMyPC, Team Viewer, VNC, etc.)? Yes No  
<If Yes, name the support tool>?

## 5.5 Access Controls and Security

5.5.1 Does the vendor support login methods by Shibboleth? Yes No

5.5.2 For web-based solutions, can it leverage UNCC ITS SAML Based Authentication? Yes No  
<If NO, provide description of authentication mechanism and its security controls>

5.5.3 Does the vendor support CAS-based authentication? Yes No

5.5.4 Does the vendor have its own authentication? <If Yes, please explain> Yes No

5.5.5 If the vendor has their own Authentication, please explain password complexity rules and how often they need to be reset.

5.5.6 Does the vendor support login methods through Two Factor Authentication? Yes No

5.6 Cloud Specific Compliance <This is a Required Section>

5.6.1 Can the vendor provide a third party audit report describing the security features in place at the organization? E.g. Service Organization Control (SOC) 2 Report or equivalent attestation report?

Yes No

*<If you or your infrastructure provider are working towards any of these certifications please state that and gives us a timeframe by which this certification will be accomplished>*

5.6.2 Who is the vendor's Cloud Service Provider (CSP)?

5.6.3 What is the vendor's Cloud Computing Architecture?

SaaS Single – Tenancy

SaaS Multi–Tenancy

PaaS

IaaS

5.6.4 How is UNCC data secured and segregated from that of other customers?  
< Please explain >

5.6.5 In which country (or countries) will the data reside?

USA

Other, Please Indicate:

5.6.6 Upon termination of the contract, will the vendor's process completely purge University information from their organization's /infrastructure provider's systems and backups?

Yes No, explain:

5.6.7 Do we have the right to audit, annual site visit?

Yes No, explain:

## 6 Infrastructure and Operational Considerations

6.0 At a high level, please list the elements and versions of your technical stack.

### 6.1 Data Center *<This is a Required Section>*

6.1.1 Does the vendor have a Data center? Yes No

6.1.2 Can the vendor provide external certification in the form of a SAS 70 Type 2 Audit? Yes No

6.1.3 Is the vendor's data center certified? Yes No  
*< If Yes, please provide all data center certifications (SOC2, SOC3, ISO, etc.)>*

6.1.4 Is the Data center owned and operated by the vendor or outsourced to a third party such as AWS or a hybrid? *< Please explain>* Yes No

### 6.2 Business Continuity and Disaster Recovery

*<This is Required Section>*

6.2.1 Does the vendor have a clearly defined, documented and formally approved Business Continuity Plan Policy? Yes No

6.2.2	Does the vendor have dedicated resources with assigned responsibilities for the BCP?	Yes	No
6.2.3	Has the vendor defined critical business functions that must be recovered in case of an emergency? <i>&lt;If Yes, please explain&gt;</i>	Yes	No
6.2.4	Does the vendor have defined strategies to ensure the protection and recoverability of UNC Charlotte's key information records, application and data. Please describe the means and time frame at which these may be restored or replaced (physically or electronically?)	Yes	No
6.2.5	Has the vendor provisioned for testing their BCP annually?	Yes	No
6.2.6	Has the vendor provisioned for testing their Disaster Recovery plans annually?	Yes	No
6.2.7	Will UNC Charlotte staff and students be able to have continued access to the assets shortly after an emergency or interruption?	Yes	No
6.2.8	Does the vendor have clearly defined back up procedures for key applications, hardware and data? <i>&lt;If Yes, please explain&gt;</i>	Yes	No

6.2.9	Does the vendor review and update their plans annually? <If Yes, please explain>	Yes	No
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6.2.10	Where applicable, has the vendor established pre- designated alternate sites, located a prudent distance from primary sites? <If Yes, please explain>	Yes	No
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### 6.3 Network Standards

6.3.1	Are there any network or telephone connections used by the system?  <If Yes, please explain what type of network or telephone connection is required. Will it require a connection to the internet? If the equipment is connected to the UNC Charlotte network or telephone system, where will it be located?>	Yes	No
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### 6.4 Email Standards

6.4.1	Does the solution need to send email?	Yes	No
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6.4.2	If yes, will it send email from a @uncc.edu email address?  <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-around; width: 100%;"> <span>to campus</span> <span>to external people</span> <span>to both</span> </div>	Yes	No
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6.4.3	Does your application send email to university constituents that originates from a third-party server or that will spoof the uncc.edu email domain? If so, are you able to generate Domain Key Identified Mail (DKIM) signatures, customize the return-path domain to match the spoofed uncc.edu domain, or utilize the university's trusted email relay to send email on behalf of the university? <If Yes, please explain>	Yes	No
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## 7 Support Model *<This is a Required Section>*

7.1.1 Is the vendor available for support 24X7? Yes No

7.1.2 Is the 24X7 response based on urgency levels? Yes No

7.1.3 What is the escalation process to vendor's management team?  
*< Please explain>*

7.1.4 How will known issues be communicated to UNC Charlotte?  
*< Please explain>*

7.1.5 What is the vendor's SLA policy?  
*<Please explain different response times and resolution goals based on the severity of the issue. What determines Severity1 vs 2 vs 3.etc.>*

7.1.6 Is there monitoring in place? Yes No  
*<Please explain what kind of monitoring is in place.>*

7.1.7	Is there scheduled maintenance in place which will cause the system to be unavailable? If so, how will UNC Charlotte receive advance notifications? <i>&lt;Please explain when the vendor conducts scheduled maintenance on the system and how it is communicated to customers.&gt;</i>	Yes	No
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7.1.8 What is the vendor’s upgrade cycle and process  
*<Please explain.>*

## 8 Licensing and Contract

### 8.1 Licensing

8.1.1	Can UNC Charlotte leverage the existing licenses, including any consortium agreements that may be in place?	Yes	No
8.1.2	Does the product require other software products to be acquired? E.g. Windows or Red Hat OS, Tomcat, Microsoft Visual Studio, reporting tools, Oracle, SQL Server, Apache, Acrobat Pro, etc.? <i>&lt;If Yes, please explain&gt;</i>	Yes	No

8.1.3	Is the licensing concurrent? <Please explain how usage will be tracked>	Yes	No
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## 8.2 Contract

8.2.1 How can the contract be terminated and what are the penalties?  
<Please explain >

8.2.2	Upon termination of the contract, will data be transitioned back to UNCC in a usable format? How does UNC Charlotte get back its data after termination? <Please explain >	Yes	No
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8.2.3	If the system is custom developed, does UNC Charlotte own the application code base? <Please explain how the software will be maintained, enhanced, supported and patched for the lifetime of the application>	Yes	No
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- 8.2.4 If the vendor company goes bankrupt, what happens to the application code base and UNC Charlotte's data? How can UNC Charlotte continue use the application?  
<Please explain >

## 9 Signature

Checklist Information provided By (Vendor):

Print Name:

X

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Vendor

## 10 Glossary

Term	Description
HIPAA	Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act
CHD	Card Holder Data
PCI DSS	The Payment Card Industry Data Security Standard
PII	Personally Identifiable Information
FERPA	Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act
FDA CFR 21 Part 11	US Food and Drug Administration Code of Federal Regulations Title 21 Part 11. The regulations in this part set forth the criteria under which the agency considers electronic records, electronic signatures, and handwritten signatures executed to electronic records to be trustworthy, reliable, and generally equivalent to paper records and handwritten signatures executed on paper
FISMA	The Federal Information Security Act
GLBA	Gramm-Leach –Bliley Act – is a federal law enacted in the US to control the ways financial institutions deal with the private information of individuals
SIEM	Security Information and Event Management. Provide real-time analysis of security alerts generated by network hardware and applications
Syslog	Syslog is a way for network devices to send event messages to a logging server
AES -128	Advanced Encryption Standard
RSA – 3072	RSA is an algorithm used by modern computers to encrypt and decrypt messages
SHA -256	Secure Hash Algorithm
SSL	SSL (Secure Sockets Layer) is the standard security technology for establishing an encrypted link between a web server and a browser
TLS	Transport Layer Security
VPN	Virtual Private Network
SAML	Security Assertion Markup Language
ADFS	Active Directory Federation Services
Shibboleth	Federated Identity Management Solution
SOC	Report on Controls at a Service Organization Relevant to User Entities'
SaaS	Software as a Service
PaaS	Platform as a Service
IaaS	Infrastructure as a Service
SAS 70 Type 2 Audit	Statement of Auditing Standards
AWS	Amazon Web Services
BCP	Business Continuity Plan
API	Application Program Interface
ADA	Americans with Disabilities Act