

# TEXAS HIGHER EDUCATION COORDINATING BOARD

## Request for Offers (RFO) Course Sharing Technology Platform

**RFO No. 781-4-30055**

### **Questions and Answers**

April 12th, 2024

1. 9.02, Organization of the Proposal for Submission, #2, second bullet point - Vendors are instructed to respond to "Scope of Work under section 3. and its subsections." What information is expected in the vendor's response to subsection 3.03, Acceptance Criteria?

**RESPONSE:** "Applicants should acknowledge their ability to successfully complete deliverables outlined in 3.02. Section 3:03 - Agree and Acknowledge that you will adhere to the listed Acceptance criteria."

2. 9.02, Organization of the Proposal for Submission, #2, third bullet point - Vendors are instructed not to use "THECB or any individuals employed by THECB" in their three references. May vendors use Texas institutions that are part of THECB Pilot Program as references?

**RESPONSE:**

Vendors may use other institutions that were part of PoC as reference. It is always better to find and provide other references, who do not have any THECB connection.

3. 1.0, Introduction, first paragraph - The introduction states that THECB "seeks to expand" the pilot program to "include additional institutions." Can THECB clarify how many additional institutions will be included in the expanded program? Will these be 2-year institutions, 4-year institutions, or a mix of both?

**RESPONSE:** Both 2- and 4-year institutions.

4. 1.0, Introduction, first paragraph - Can THECB clarify the readiness of the institutions to be included in the expanded program?

**RESPONSE:** Participating institutions complete a Course Sharing Readiness Assessment in order to identify operational, administrative, technical, and financial aspects necessary for successful implementation of the course sharing program and to address change management strategies.

5. 3.01, Technical Requirements, question #6 - Can THECB provide examples of the specific data points required to "enable data-driven decisions" on platform usage?

**RESPONSE:**

Data points allowing institutions to measure usage of platform in support of their course sharing needs such as reports on keyword searches, reports on enrollment and registration attempts and completions, reports on courses most/least in demand on the platform.