

## WINTHROP UNIVERSITY

Notice of Intent to Sole Source Procurement Officer: Phone: E-Mail Address:

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In accordance with §11-35-1560 (A) of the SC Consolidated Procurement Code, it is the intent of Winthrop University (Winthrop) to award without competition a sole source contract in accordance with Regulation 19-445.2105 (B) (5) where more than 5,900 courses authored by our more than 300 academic and industry partners.

From Coursera on the basis of:

Winthrop University intends to Sole Source Coursera due to they are the sole provider of more than 5,900 courses authored by a minimum of 300 academic and industry partners, delivered in pedagogical format and learning platform that is proprietary to Coursera. Coursera is the sole provider this type of learning platform.

**ESTIMATED VALUE:** \$100,000 through 11/27/2028

**QUESTIONS/RESPONSES/ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:** Shall be addressed to the email address of the Procurement Officer indicated above.

**PROTESTS** If you are aggrieved in connection with the award of the contract, you may be entitled to protest, but only as provided in Section 11-35-4210. To protest an award, you must (i) submit notice of your intent to protest within five (5) business days of the date the award notice is posted, and (ii) submit your actual protest within fifteen days of the date the award notice is posted. Days are calculated as provided in Section 11-35-310(13). Both protests and notices of intent to protest must be in writing and must be received by the appropriate Chief Procurement Officer within the time provided. The grounds of the protest and the relief requested must be set forth with enough particularity to give notice of the issues to be decided.

Any protest or notice of intent to protest must be addressed to the Chief Procurement Officer, Materials Management Office, and submitted in writing (a) by email to: <a href="mailto:protest-mmo@mmo.sc.gov">protest-mmo@mmo.sc.gov</a> or (b) by post or delivery to: 1201 Main Street, Suite 600, Columbia, SC 29201.

Unless otherwise suspended or canceled, Winthrop will enter into a contract for these services. Contractor should not perform work on or incur any costs associated with this notice prior to the receipt of a purchase order. Winthrop assumes no liability for any expenses incurred prior to issuance of a purchase order.