



UNIVERSITY OF SOUTH ALABAMA  
Engineering, Design and Construction

**REQUEST FOR QUALIFICATIONS (RFQ)**

24-26 University Hospital Façade Replacement



**Qualifications**

Applicant firms will be selected based on their professional qualifications and successful experience with similar project types based on the following criteria:

- Experience designing and phasing a mid-rise whole façade replacement on a Healthcare facility while the facility continues to operate.
- Qualifications of project team including the following healthcare experienced lead architect, building envelope consultant, structural engineer, and other required consultants.
- Project Team Process
- Interview evaluation demonstrating the ability to cooperatively work with USA Engineering Design and Construction to deliver a successful project.



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### About Our Project

USA Health University Hospital located at 2451 University Hospital Dr, Mobile, AL is an acute care facility serving as the major referral center for southwest Alabama, southeast Mississippi and portions of northwest Florida. We offer centers for Level I trauma, burn, stroke, cardiovascular disease and sickle cell disease. As a teaching and research facility for the Frederick P. Whiddon College of Medicine at the University of South Alabama, University Hospital plays a key role in the development of new technology, treatments and training of future healthcare professionals. The hospital also includes outpatient care services such as cardiology, medicine and surgery.

This project will require complete removal and replacement of the façade including all walls panels, brick and glazing. The new façade must be designed and phased to allow the Hospital to continue to operate during construction.

**Minimum Code of Alabama Requirements** (current Code of Alabama available at <https://www.legislature.state.al.us/legacy/CodeOfAlabama/1975/Coatoc.htm>)

§41-4-133 of the Code of Alabama, 1975, Competitive Sealed Proposals

§41-16-82 of the Code of Alabama requires a disclosure statement to be completed and filed with all qualifications, proposals, bids, contracts, or grant proposals submitted to the State of Alabama in excess of \$5,000.00.

§31-13-1, et seq. of the Code of Alabama (Alabama Immigration Law) imposes conditions on the award of state contracts. Firms must agree to fully comply with the Immigration Reform and Control Act of 1986, as amended by the Immigration Act of 1990, and the Beason-Hammon Alabama Taxpayer and Citizen Protection Act. Architects and engineers should review and adhere to these guidelines as appropriate to their project type.

§41-16-5 of the Code of Alabama imposes conditions on the award of state contracts. The firm must certify that it is not currently engaged in, and will not engage in, the boycott of a person or an entity based in or doing business with a jurisdiction with which this state can enjoy open trade.

### RFQ Submission

Interested firms should submit the questionnaire to:

Trent Davis, Assistant Director of Engineering Design and Construction at [trentdavis@southalabama.edu](mailto:trentdavis@southalabama.edu)

- **The questionnaire shall be emailed no later than 2:00 PM, June 21<sup>st</sup>, 2024.**
- **Shortlisted firms will be notified on June 28<sup>th</sup>, 2024.**
- **Interviews will be held during the week of July 8<sup>th</sup>, 2024.**



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**QUESTIONNAIRE FOR ARCHITECT SELECTION**

Thank you for your interest in University of South Alabama's Project 24-26 University Hospital Façade Replacement. Please provide a Cover Letter and completed Questionnaire Submittal (sent via email only) and a Disclosure Statement by the required deadline. Submittals shall be a single PDF file of no more than 35 pages and 20 MB maximum. Submittals should be in either 8 ½ x 11 format. The file should be named as follows: "24-26 University Hospital Façade Replacement \_firm name.pdf".

**Section 1 – Primary Design Firm Information**

Provide the following information:

1. Firm Name
2. Address
3. Phone
4. E-mail
5. Primary Person to contact
6. Secondary Person to contact
7. Name and Alabama Registration Number of Architect whose seal will appear on the documents
8. Year Present Firm was Founded
9. List successor firms and years of operation
10. Is the location of the applicant a home office or branch office?
11. How many total employees at the applicant location?
12. How many registered professionals at this location?
13. Form of Business

**Section 2 – Similar Project Experience**

Provide the following information on no more than five (5) relevant Healthcare projects and at least (1) similar façade replacement completed by the applicant firm within the past ten (10) calendar years. Note which project team members on each relevant project are proposed for this project – see section 3.

- Project Name
- Location
- Client name and contact information
- Registered Professional Design Team Members & Roles
- Date of Completion
- Total Construction Cost and Cost/SF
- Total Number of Change Orders and % of Change Orders
- Project Design and/or Construction Drawings/Images, as appropriate to illustrate the project



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### **Section 3 – Proposed Project Team**

At a minimum, the following consultants shall be included within the team's qualifications (additional consultants may be required at the owner's request). Provide the following information:

- Building Envelope Consultant
- Structural Engineer
- Mechanical Engineer
- Electrical Engineer
- Fire Protection Engineer
- Estimating/Cost Consultant

Provide one-page resumes for the design team members indicated below, highlighting relevant project experience.

- Project Manager
- Project Architect

### **Section 4 – Project Team Process**

Team qualifications should detail how your combined experience and expertise in designing related facilities makes you the most qualified team.

- Describe key design elements of façade replacement from your experience and critical steps to help develop a successful project.
- Describe how you will successfully accomplish the management of the project schedule to meet milestones and owner reviews and approvals.
- What is your team's strategy for estimating and managing the budget throughout the design process?
- Describe your experience in understanding how to phase a project so the building operations can continue during construction.

**END OF QUESTIONNAIRE**