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GENERAL CONDITIONS OF THE CONTRACT FOR CONSTRUCTION

GENERAL CONDITIONS

These General Conditions, the Supplementary Conditions and Special or other Conditions made part of this specifications by incorporation or reference, are applicable to all Divisions and Sections of the Specifications; and it is the Contractor's responsibility to so inform all parties who should be influenced thereby.

ARTICLE 1.00

CONTRACT DOCUMENTS

1.1 DEFINITIONS

1.1.1 THE CONTRACT DOCUMENTS

The Contract Documents consist of the following:

- (a) The executed Agreement Between Owner and Contractor
- (b) Conditions of the Contract (General, Supplementary, and Special Conditions) and Attachments thereto
- (c) Performance Bond
- (d) Labor and Material Payment Bond
- (e) Drawings
- (f) Specifications
- (g) Addenda issued prior to execution of the Contract
- (h) Modifications issued after execution of the Contract

1.1.2 THE CONTRACT

The contract will be executed on Attachment One (1) to these General Conditions, titled Agreement between Owner and Contractor. The Contract Documents form the Contract. The Contract represents the entire and integrated agreement between the parties hereto and supersedes all prior negotiations, representations, or agreements, either written or oral, including the bidding documents. The Contract may be amended or modified only by a Modification as defined in Subparagraph 1.1.5.

1.1.3 THE PROJECT

The Project is the total construction to be built on the site as designed by the Architect.

1.1.4 THE WORK

The work is defined as all labor, materials and equipment to be incorporated into the Project under the terms of this contract.

Said work shall constitute either the whole or a part of the Project.

1.1.5 MODIFICATION TO THE CONTRACT

A Modification may be made only after execution of the Contract, and is one of the following:

- (a) A written Amendment to the Contract signed by both parties;
- (b) An executed Change Order;
- (c) A written interpretation issued by the Architect pursuant to Subparagraph 1.2.8 of the General Conditions;
- (d) A written Field Order for a minor change in the Work and issued by the Architect pursuant to Paragraph 12.3 of the General Conditions.

1.2 EXECUTION, CORRELATION, INTENT AND INTERPRETATIONS

1.2.1 The Contract Agreement shall be signed in not less than triplicate by the Owner and Contractor for distribution to the Owner, Contractor and Architect.

1.2.2 By executing the Contract, the Contractor agrees that he has carefully examined the Contract Documents together with the site of the proposed Work as well as its surrounding territory, that he is fully informed regarding the conditions affecting the work to be done and the labor and materials to be furnished for the completion of the Work.

1.2.3 The Contract Documents are complementary, and what is required by any one shall be as binding as if required by all. The intention is to include all labor, materials, supplies, equipment and tools necessary for the proper execution and completion of the Work. It is not intended that Work not covered under any heading, section, or division of the Specifications shall be supplied unless it is required elsewhere in the Contract Documents or is reasonably inferable therefrom as being necessary to produce the intended results. Words which have well-known technical or trade meanings are used herein in accordance with such recognized meanings.

1.2.4 Drawings and Specifications are intended to be complementary and to provide for a complete work.

The Contractor acknowledges that the Contract consideration includes sufficient money allowances to make his Work complete and operational and in compliance with good practice and he agrees that inadvertent minor discrepancies or the failure to show details or to repeat on any part of the Contract Documents, the figures or notes given on another, shall not be the cause of additional charges or claims.

Where contradictions occur within the specifications or the drawings, with regard to the quantity, quality or method of installation of a particular item, the Contractor shall include in his bid the cost for furnishing the more expensive item or installation of the greater quantity without exception.

The following shall be given preference - in the order hereinafter set forth to determine what work the Contractor is to perform. 1) Addenda (later dates to take precedence over earlier dates), 2) Modifications, 3) Agreement, 4) Specifications, 5) Schedules, 6) Large Scale Detail Drawings, 7) Small Scale Plan and Section Drawings.

Dimensioned Drawings shall govern over scaled drawings.

Existing conditions, including dimensions, shall be verified by the Contractor before laying out the Work.

1.2.5 Much of these specifications are written in an abbreviated form and may include sentence fragments. Omissions of words or phrases as "the Contractor shall", "in conformity with", "shall be", "as noted on the Drawings", "according to the plans", "a", "an", "the", and "all" are intentional. Omitted words and phrases shall be supplied by inference in the same manner as they are when a "note" occurs on the Drawings.

1.2.6 Where such words as "as shown", "as indicated", "as noted", or words of similar import are used, they shall refer to the Drawings. Where references are made to "sections" and "divisions" it shall mean sections and divisions of the Specifications unless otherwise stated. Where such words as "as selected", "as approved", "acceptable" or "approved" occur, they shall have reference to the selection and approval of the Architect unless otherwise stated. Where sentences contain verbs such as "provide", "install", and "furnish", they shall mean that the Contractor shall "furnish and install or cause to be furnished and installed" complete, the material or item specified, excepting those materials indicated to be Owner furnished and Contractor installed.

1.2.7 The organization of the Specifications into divisions, sections and articles, and the arrangement of Drawings shall not control the Contractor in dividing the Work among the Subcontractors or in establishing the extent of Work to be performed by any trade.

1.2.8 Written interpretations necessary for the proper execution of progress of the Work, in the form of drawings or otherwise, will be issued with reasonable promptness by the Architect for such interpretations. Such interpretations shall be consistent with and reasonably inferable from the Contract Documents and shall be promptly rendered by the Architect.

1.3 **COPIES FURNISHED AND OWNERSHIP**

1.3.1 The Contractor will be furnished, free of charge, copies of Drawings and Specifications as provided in the Supplementary Conditions.

1.3.2 All Drawings, Specifications and copies thereof furnished by the Owner are and shall remain his property. They are not to be used on any other project, and, with the exception of one contract set for each party to the Contract, are to be returned to the Owner on request at the completion of the Work.

ARTICLE 2.00

ARCHITECT

2.1 **DEFINITIONS**

2.1.1 The Architect-Engineer shall be the firm listed in "Instruction To Bidders" of the ITB Solicitation and shall act as defined below either directly or through duly authorized personnel.

2.1.2 Contractor shall schedule regular project meetings at the project site with the Owner and the A/E of record where the Contractor shall take meeting minutes and publish meeting minutes to all meeting attendees within 48 hours of the meeting. The Architect and Owner will review the meeting minutes for accuracy and respond back to Contractor with any discrepancies that are discovered. The Contractor will amend the meeting minutes accordingly for distribution and acceptance at the next scheduled project meeting.

2.2 **ADMINISTRATION OF THE CONTRACT**

2.2.1 The Architect will provide general Administration of the Construction Contract, including performance of the functions hereinafter described.

2.2.2 The Architect will be the Owner's representative during construction and until final payment. The Architect will have authority to act on behalf of the Owner as Owner's representative to the extent provided in the Contract Documents, unless otherwise modified by written instrument which will be shown to the Contractor. The Architect will advise and consult with the Owner, and all of the Owner's instructions to the Contractor shall be issued through the Architect.

2.2.3 The Architect and the Owner shall at all times have access to the Work wherever it is in preparation and progress.

2.2.4 The Architect will provide on-site surveillance to check the quality and progress of the Work and to determine in general if the Work is being installed in accordance with the Contract Documents.

The Architect shall periodically visit the job site to check the quality of the Work being installed.

On the basis of his on-site observations, the Architect shall keep the Owner informed on the Progress of the Work and will endeavor to protect him against defects and deficiencies in the Work of the Contractor.

The Architect will not be responsible for construction means, methods, techniques, sequences or procedures of construction, or safety precautions and programs in connection with the Work, and he will not be responsible for the Contractor's failure to carry out the Work in accordance with the Contract Documents.

2.2.5 Based on the above on-site observations and the Contractor's Application for Payment, the Architect will determine the amounts owing to the Contractor and will issue Certificates for Payment in amounts consistent with the approved Schedule of Values (Reference 9.2.1).

The Architect shall, to the best of his ability, determine that the work installed is in conformance with the construction documents.

The Architect must certify on each Application for Payment that such Payment is due before any payment is made.

Such certification by the Architect does not in any way relieve the Contractor of his final responsibility for conformity with plans and specifications.

2.2.6 The Architect will be the interpreter of the requirements of the Contract Documents and the judge of the performance thereunder by the Contractor. The Architect will, within a reasonable time, render such interpretations as he may deem necessary for the proper execution and progress of the Work.

2.2.7 Claims, disputes and other matters in question relating to the execution or progress of the Work or the interpretation of the Contract Documents shall be referred initially to the Architect and the Owner for a decision which will be rendered in writing by the Architect within a reasonable time.

2.2.8 All interpretations and decisions of the Architect shall be consistent with the intent of the Contract Documents.

2.2.9 The Architect's decision in matters relating to artistic effect will be final if consistent with the intent of the Contract Documents.

2.2.10 Any Claim, dispute or other matter that has been referred to the Architect, except those relating to artistic effect as provided in Subparagraph 2.2.9 and except any which have been waived by the making or acceptance of final payment as provided in Paragraph 9.7, shall be subject to arbitration upon the written demand of any party, in accordance with Paragraph 7.9. However, no demand for arbitration of any such claim, dispute or other matter may be made until the earlier of:

- (a) the date on which a written decision has been rendered, or,
- (b) the tenth day after the parties have presented their evidence to the Architect or have been given a reasonable opportunity to do so, if no written decision has been rendered by that date.

2.2.11 If a decision is made in writing and states that it is final but subject to appeal, no demand for arbitration of a claim, dispute or other matter covered by such decision may be made later than thirty days after the date on which the party making the demand received the decision. The failure to demand arbitration within said thirty days period will result in the Architect's decision becoming final and binding upon the Contractor. If a decision is rendered after arbitration proceedings have been initiated, such decision may be entered as evidence but will not supersede any arbitration proceedings unless the decision is acceptable to the parties concerned.

2.2.12 The Architect will have authority to reject Work which does not conform to the Contract Documents or has been damaged prior to approval of final payment. Whenever, in his reasonable opinion, he considers it necessary or advisable to insure the proper implementation of the intent of the Contract Documents, he will have authority to require special inspection or testing of the Work in accordance with Subparagraph 7.8.2 whether or not such Work be then fabricated, installed or

completed. However, neither his authority to act under this Subparagraph 2.2.12, nor any decision made by him in good faith either to exercise or not to exercise such authority, shall give rise to any duty or responsibility of the Architect to the Contractor, any Subcontractor, any of their agents or employees, or any other person performing any of the work.

2.2.13 The Architect will review Shop Drawings and Samples as provided in Paragraph 4.13.

2.2.14 The Architect will prepare change orders in accordance with Article 12.

2.2.15 The Architect will conduct inspections to determine the dates of Substantial Completion and Final Completion, will receive and review written guarantees and related documents required by the Contract and assembled by the Contractor and will recommend a Final Certificate of Payment to the Owner.

2.2.16 The duties, responsibilities and limitation of authority of the Architect as the Owner's representative during construction as set forth in Articles 1 through 15 inclusive of these General Conditions will not be modified or extended without written consent of the Owner, Contractor and Architect.

2.2.17 The Architect will not be responsible for the acts or omissions of the Contractor, any Subcontractors or any of their agents or employees or any other persons at the site or otherwise performing of the Work.

2.2.18 In case of the termination of the employment of the Architect, the Owner shall appoint an Architect whose status under the Contract Documents shall be that of the former Architect.

ARTICLE 3.00

OWNER

3.1 DEFINITION

3.1.1 The Owner is the District Board of Trustees of the Florida State College at Jacksonville, a Body Politic, identified as such in the Agreement and is referred to throughout the Contract Documents as if singular in number and masculine in gender. The term Owner means the Owner or his authorized representative.

3.2 INFORMATION AND SERVICES REQUIRED OF THE OWNER

3.2.1 The Owner through the Architect shall furnish all surveys describing the physical characteristics, subsurface conditions, legal limits and utility locations for the site of the Project including investigative reports, all of which have been relied upon by the Architect in preparing Drawings and Specifications.

3.2.2 Should conditions encountered below the surface of the ground vary to an unreasonable extent from the conditions indicated by the Drawings and Specifications, the Architect shall be notified by the Contractor and instructions shall have been received from the Architect prior to the Contractor's proceeding with the Work involved. Core boring data, including ground-water elevations or conditions, if shown on the Drawings or attached to these Specifications, are presented only as information that is available indicating certain conditions found and limited to the exact locations shown. Neither the Owner nor the Architect shall be responsible for variations found to exist between the data referred to and actual field conditions that develop through the period of construction. The Contractor shall be responsible for making his own determination of water table variations prior to bidding and shall not assume that any water levels shown by the aforesaid core boring data will necessarily be maintained at the level indicated.

3.2.3 The Owner shall secure and pay for easements for permanent structures or permanent changes in existing Facilities.

3.2.4 Information or services under the Owner's control shall be furnished by the Owner with reasonable promptness to avoid delay in the orderly progress of the Work.

3.2.5 The Owner shall issue all instructions to the Contractor through the Architect.

3.2.6 The foregoing are in addition to other duties and responsibilities of the Owner enumerated herein and especially those in respect to Payment and Insurance in Articles 9 and 11 respectively.

3.3 OWNER'S RIGHT TO STOP THE WORK

3.3.1 If the Contractor fails to correct defective Work or persistently fails to supply materials or equipment in accordance with the Contract Documents, the Owner may order the Contractor to stop the Work, or any portion thereof, until the cause for such order has been eliminated. The Contractor will not be entitled to a time extension of the contract completion time in the event the Owner exercises his rights under this paragraph.

3.4 OWNER'S RIGHT TO CARRY OUT THE WORK

3.4.1 If the Contractor defaults or neglects to carry out the Work in accordance with the Contract Documents or fails to perform any provision of the Contract, the Owner may, after seven (7) days written notice to the Contractor and without prejudice to any other remedy he may have, make good such deficiencies. In such case an appropriate Change Order shall be issued deducting from the payments then or thereafter due the Contractor the cost of correcting such deficiencies, including the cost of the Architect's additional services made necessary by such default, neglect or failure. The Architect must approve both such action and the amount charged to The Contractor. If the payments then or thereafter due the Contractor are not sufficient to cover such amount, the Contractor shall pay the difference to the Owner.

ARTICLE 4.00

CONTRACTOR

4.1 DEFINITION

4.1.1 The Contractor is the person or organization identified as such in the Agreement and is referred to throughout the Contract Documents as if singular in number and masculine in gender. The term Contractor means the Contractor or his authorized representative who is licensed to do business by the laws of the City of Jacksonville and the State of Florida.

4.2 REVIEW OF CONTRACT DOCUMENTS

4.2.1 The Contractor shall carefully study and compare the Contract Documents and shall at once report to the Architect any error, inconsistency or omission he may discover. The Contractor shall not be liable to the Owner or the Architect for any damage resulting from any such errors, inconsistencies or omissions in the Contract Documents provided they are reported as outlined above. The Contractor shall do no Work without Contract Documents.

4.3 SUPERVISION AND CONSTRUCTION PROCEDURES

4.3.1 The Contractor shall supervise and direct his Work, using his best skill and attention. He shall be solely responsible for all construction means, methods, techniques, sequences and procedures and for coordinating all portions of the Work under the Contract.

4.4 LABOR AND MATERIALS

4.4.1 Unless otherwise specifically noted, the Contractor shall provide and pay for all labor, materials, equipment, tools, construction equipment and machinery, transportation, and other facilities and services necessary for the proper execution and completion of the Work.

4.5 WARRANTY

4.5.1 The Contractor warrants to the Owner and the Architect that all materials and equipment furnished under this contract will be new unless otherwise specified, and that all Work will be of good quality, free from faults and defects and in conformity with the Contract Documents. All work not so conforming to these standards at the time of acceptance or at the time of inspections, tests or approvals, shall be considered defective. If required by the Architect, the Contractor shall furnish satisfactory evidence as to the kind and quality of material and equipment.

4.6 TAXES

4.6.1 The Contractor shall pay all sales, consumer, use and other similar taxes required by law.

4.7 PERMITS, FEES AND NOTICES

4.7.1 The Contractor shall secure and pay for all permits, governmental fees and licenses necessary for the proper execution and completion of the Work, which are applicable at the time the bids are received. Contractor shall submit a current copy of your Professional License(s) with your bid. Educational facilities are exempt from assessments of fees for building permits, ordinances, and impact fees or service availability fees as set forth in Florida Statute 235.26(1).

4.7.2 The Contractor shall give all notices and comply with all laws, ordinances, rules, regulations and order of any public authority bearing on the performance of the Work. If the Contractor observes that any of the Contract Documents are at variance therewith in any respect, he shall promptly notify the Architect in writing, and any necessary changes shall be adjusted by appropriate Modification. If the Contractor performs any Work knowing it to be contrary to such laws, ordinances, rules and regulations, and without such notice to the Architect he shall assume full responsibility therefore and shall bear all costs attributed thereto.

4.7.3 Contractor shall save harmless the Owner and Architect against any claim or liability arising from or based upon the violation of law, ordinance or regulation, whether by himself, his employees, or any subcontractor.

4.7.4 Contractor shall pay all connection charges for utilities and inspection charges of public and private bodies.

4.7.5 Florida State College at Jacksonville issues its own Building Permits and performs its own Building Inspections in accordance with the Florida Building Code. Currently there is no charge to the Contractor for the Building Permit, Project Plan Review or the Building Inspections. The quantity and types of project inspections are job specific in the general areas of Demolition, Building, Plumbing, Heating and Air Conditioning, Fire Protection, and Civil. It is the Contractor's responsibility to request all inspections. A re-inspection fee of \$50.00 per re-inspection will be

charged to the contractor if a contractor requests/ schedules an inspection on a project and it is not ready for inspection and a return re-inspection visit is required.

4.8 CASH ALLOWANCES

4.8.1 No cash allowances are specified in the project. Submitted bids with allowances not specified will be cause for considering your bid non-responsive.

4.9 SUPERINTENDENT

4.9.1 The Contractor shall employ a competent superintendent and necessary assistants who shall be in attendance at the Project site during the progress of the Work. The Superintendent shall be satisfactory to the Architect and shall not be changed except with the consent of the Owner, unless the Superintendent proves to be unsatisfactory to the Contractor and ceases to be in his employ. The Superintendent shall represent the Contractor and all communications given to the Superintendent shall be as binding as if given to the Contractor. Important communications will be confirmed in writing. Other communications will be so confirmed on written request in each case.

4.10 RESPONSIBILITY FOR THOSE PERFORMING THE WORK

4.10.1 The Contractor shall be responsible to the Owner for the acts and omissions of all his employees and all Subcontractors, their agents and employees, and all Sub-subcontractors, their agents and employees, and all other persons performing any of the Work under a contract with the Contractor.

4.10.2 The Contractor shall at all times enforce strict discipline and good order among his employees and shall not employ on the Work any unfit person or anyone not skilled in the task assigned to him. The Owner may require the removal of disorderly employees.

4.11 PROGRESS SCHEDULE

4.11.1 The Contractor, immediately after being awarded the Contract, shall prepare and submit for the Architect's approval an estimated progress schedule for the Work. The progress schedule shall be related to the entire Project to the extent required by the Contract Documents. This schedule shall indicate the dates for the starting and completion of the various stages of construction and shall be revised as required by the conditions of the Work, subject to the Architect's approval.

4.11.2 Within five (5) working days after the commencement of any condition which is causing or may cause delay in completion, the Contractor must notify the Architect and the Owner in writing of the effect, if any, of such conditions on the time progress schedule, and must state why and in what respects, if any, the condition is causing or may cause such delay.

4.12 DRAWINGS AND SPECIFICATIONS AT THE SITE

4.12.1 One set of Drawings, marked to record all changes made during construction, shall be delivered to the Architect for the Owner upon completion of the Work.

4.13 SHOP DRAWINGS AND SAMPLES

4.13.1 Shop Drawings are drawings, diagrams, illustrations, schedules, performance charts, brochures and other data which are prepared by the Contractor or any Subcontractor, manufacturer, supplier or distributor, and which illustrate some portion of the Work.

4.13.2 Samples are physical examples furnished by the Contractor to illustrate materials, equipment or workmanship, and to establish standards by which the Work will be judged.

4.13.3 Within ten (10) working days of the date of contract award, the Contractor shall furnish to the Architect a schedule of shop drawings and samples to be submitted for review. This schedule shall indicate an estimated total number of drawings and samples and a timed sequence for their submission and approval. When approved by the Architect this shop drawing schedule shall be incorporated into the overall schedule.

4.13.4 The Contractor shall review, stamp with his approval and submit in accordance with the above schedules, all Shop Drawings and Samples required by the Contract Documents. Shop Drawings and Samples shall be identified in a manner acceptable to the Architect. At the time of submission the Contractor shall inform the Architect in writing of any deviation in the Shop Drawings or Samples from the requirement of the Contract Documents.

4.13.5 The Contractor shall submit to the Architect seven (7) copies, or at the Architect's option, one (1) reproducible copy and one (1) print, of all Shop Drawings required for the Work of the various trades.

Of these, three (3) copies, or the reproducible copy, will be annotated as appropriate by the Architect and returned to the Contractor with appropriate action indicated thereon. The Contractor shall reproduce and transmit three copies of the returned reproducible drawing to the Architect.

Shop Drawings shall be forwarded to the Architect using a letter of transmittal acceptable to the Architect.

4.13.6 By approving and submitting Shop Drawings and Samples, the Contractor thereby agrees that he has determined and verified all field measurements, field construction criteria, materials, catalog numbers and similar data, or will do so, and that he has checked and coordinated each Shop Drawing and Sample with the requirements of the Work and of the Contract Documents.

In checking his Shop Drawings prior to submittal, the Contractor is requested to note his corrections or comments on the Drawings in orange pencil.

4.13.7 The Architect will review and approve Shop Drawings and Samples with reasonable promptness so as to cause no delay, but only for conformity with the design concept of the Project and with the information given in the Contract Documents. The Architect's approval of a separate item shall not indicate approval of an assembly in which the item functions.

4.13.8 Drawings returned to the Contractor will be stamped either "Approved", "Approved as Noted", "Returned for Corrections", or "Not Approved". Those drawings stamped "Approved as Noted" need not be returned for further approval if the notations are acceptable to the Contractor and Subcontractors. Drawings stamped "Returned for Corrections" or "Not Approved" shall require new submission.

4.13.9 The Contractor shall make any corrections required by the Architect and shall resubmit the corrected copies of Shop Drawings or submit new samples until approved. The Contractor shall direct attention in writing to revisions other than the corrections requested by the Architect on previous submissions.

4.13.10 Appropriate catalogue cuts may be submitted for approval by the Contractor where applicable.

4.13.11 The Architect's approval of Shop Drawings or Samples shall not relieve the Contractor of responsibility for any deviation from the requirements of the Contract Documents unless the Contractor has informed the Architect in writing of such deviation at the submission and the Architect has given written approval to the

specific deviation, nor shall the Architect's approval relieve the Contractor from responsibility for errors or omissions in the Shop Drawings or Samples.

4.13.12 No portion of the Work requiring a Shop Drawing or sample submission shall be commenced until the submission has been approved by the Architect unless the Architect specifically in writing cancels this requirement.

4.14 **USE OF SITE**

4.14.1 The Contractor shall confine operations at the site to areas permitted by law, ordinances, permits and the Contract Documents and shall not unreasonably encumber the site with any materials or equipment.

4.14.2 The Contractor shall be responsible for any encroachments on rights or property of the public or adjoining property owners and shall hold the Owner and Architect harmless because of any encroachments which may be a result of his lack of proper layout. In this regard he shall, without extra cost to the Owner, remove any Work or that portion of any Work that encroaches on the property of others, or that is built beyond legal building or setback limits, and he shall rebuild the affected Work or portion of Work at the proper location and in full compliance with the Contract Documents.

4.15 **CUTTING AND PATCHING OF WORK**

4.15.1 The Contractor shall be responsible for any cutting, fitting and patching that may be required to complete his Work except as otherwise specifically provided in the Contract Documents. The Contractor shall not endanger any work of any other contractors by cutting, excavating or otherwise altering any work and shall not cut or alter the work of any other contractor except with the written consent of the Architect.

4.16 **COMMUNICATIONS**

4.16.1 The Contractor shall forward all communications to the Owner through the Architect. All communications will reference the "COLLEGE File No." of the Work.

4.16.2 Contractor shall schedule regular project meetings at the project site with the Owner and the A/E of record where the Contractor shall take meeting minutes and publish meeting minutes to all meeting attendees within 48 hours of the meeting. The Architect and Owner will review the meeting minutes for accuracy and respond back to Contractor with any discrepancies that are discovered. The Contractor will amend the meeting minutes accordingly for distribution and acceptance at the next scheduled project meeting.

4.17 **INDEMNIFICATION**

4.17.1 To the full extent permitted by law, the Contractor shall indemnify and hold harmless the Owner and the Architect and their agents and employees from and against all claims, damages, losses and expenses, including but not limited to attorneys' fees, arising out of or resulting from the performance of the Work defined in the ITB, addenda and all specifications without exception, provided that any such claim, damage, loss or expense (1) is attributable to bodily injury, sickness, disease or death, or to injury to or destruction of personal property including the loss of use resulting there from, and (2) is caused in whole or in part by a negligent act or omission of the Contractor, any Subcontractor, anyone directly or indirectly employed by any of them or anyone for whose acts any of them may be liable, regardless of whether or not it is caused in part by the negligence of a party indemnified hereunder. Such obligations shall not be construed to negate, abridge, or otherwise reduce any other right or obligation of indemnity which would otherwise exist as to any party or person described in this Paragraph 4.17.

4.17.2 In any and all claims against the Owners or the Architect or any of their agents or employees by any employee of the Contractor, any Subcontractor, anyone directly or indirectly employed by any of them or anyone for whose acts any of them may be liable, the indemnification obligation under this Paragraph 4.17 shall not be limited in any way by any limitation on the amount or type of damages, compensation or benefits payable by or for the Contractor or any Subcontractor under workers' or workmen's compensation acts, disability benefit acts or other employee benefit acts.

4.17.3 The obligations of the Contractor under this Paragraph 4.17 shall not extend to the liability of the Architect, his Agent or employees, arising out of (1) the preparation or approval of maps, drawings, opinions, reports, surveys, change orders, designs or specifications, or (2) the giving of or the failure to give directions or instructions by the Architect, his Agents or employees provided such giving or failure to give is the primary cause of the injury or damage.

4.18 **CLEANING UP**

4.18.1 The Contractor at all times shall keep the premises free from accumulation of waste materials or rubbish caused by his operations. At the completion of the Work he shall remove all his waste materials and rubbish from and about the Project as well as all his tools, construction equipment, machinery and surplus materials, and shall clean all glass surfaces and leave the Work "broom clean" or its equivalent, except as otherwise specified.

4.18.2 If the Contractor fails to clean up, the Owner may do so and the cost thereof shall be charged to the Contractor as provided in Paragraph 3.4.

4.18.3 If a dispute arises between the separate contractors as to their responsibility for cleaning up as required by paragraph 4.18.1, the Owner may clean up and charge the cost thereof to the several contractors as the Architect may determine to be just.

ARTICLE 5.00

SUBCONTRACTORS

5.1 **DEFINITION**

5.1.1 A Subcontractor is a person or organization who has a direct contract with the Contractor to perform any of the Work at the site. The term Subcontractor is referred to throughout the Contract Documents as if singular in number and masculine in gender and means a Subcontractor or his authorized representative who is licensed to do business by the laws of the City of Jacksonville Florida. It shall be the contractor's responsibility to provide the College the current license number of each subcontractor and to confirm their license is still valid.

5.1.2 A Sub-subcontractor is a person or organization who has a direct or indirect contract with a Subcontractor to perform any of the Work at the site. The term Sub-subcontractor is referred to throughout the Contract Documents as if singular in number and masculine in gender and means a Sub-subcontractor or an authorized representative thereof who is licensed to do business by the law of the place where the Project is located.

5.1.3 Nothing contained in the Contract Documents shall create any contractual relation between the Owner or the Architect and any Subcontractor or Sub-subcontractor.

5.1.4 The Owner retains the right and privilege to reject any Subcontractor or Sub-subcontractor and further retains the right and privilege to approve any and all Subcontractors or Sub-subcontractors.

5.2 AWARD OF SUBCONTRACTS AND OTHER CONTRACTS FOR PORTIONS OF THE WORK

5.2.1 The Supplementary Conditions include a requirement for the identification of specified Subcontractors.

5.2.2 The Contractor shall not make any substitution for any Subcontractor or person or organization who has been accepted by the Owner and the Architect, unless the substitution is acceptable to the Owner and the Architect (per Florida Statute 255.0515).

5.3 SUBCONTRACTUAL RELATIONS

5.3.1 All work performed for the Contractor by a Subcontractor shall be pursuant to an appropriate agreement between the Contractor and the Subcontractor (and where appropriate between Subcontractor and Sub-subcontractors) which shall contain provisions that:

5.3.1.1 preserve and protect the rights of the Owner and the Architect under the Contract with respect to the Work to be performed under the subcontract so that the subcontracting thereof will not prejudice such rights;

5.3.1.2 require that such work be performed in accordance with the requirements of the Contract Documents;

5.3.1.3 required submission to the Contractor of applications for payment under each subcontract to which the Contractor is a party, in reasonable time to enable the Contractor to apply for payment in accordance with Article 9;

5.3.1.4 required that all claims for additional costs, extensions of time, damages for delays or otherwise with respect to subcontracted portions of the Work shall be submitted to the Contractor (via any Subcontractor or Sub-subcontractor where appropriate) in sufficient time so that the Contractor may comply in the manner provided in the Contract Documents for like claims by the Contractor upon the Owner;

5.3.1.5 waive all rights the contracting parties may have against one another for damages caused by fire or other perils covered by the property insurance described in the Supplementary Conditions, Paragraph 8, except such rights as they may have to the proceeds of such insurance held by the Contractor as trustee under Paragraph 11.1 and

5.3.1.6 obligate each Subcontractor specifically to consent to the provisions of this Paragraph 5.3.

5.4 PAYMENT TO SUBCONTRACTORS

5.4.1 The Contractor shall pay each Subcontractor, upon receipt of payment from the Owner, an amount equal to the percentage of completion allowed to the Contractor on account of such Subcontractor's Work, less the percentage retained from payment to the Contractor. The Contractor shall also require each Subcontractor to make similar payment to his Sub-subcontractors.

5.4.2 If the Architect fails to issue a Certificate for Payment for any cause which is the fault of the Contractor and not the fault of a particular Subcontractor, the Contractor shall pay the Subcontractor on demand, made at any time after the Certificate for Payment should otherwise have been issued, for his Work to the extent completed, less the retained percentage.

5.4.3 The Contractor shall pay each Subcontractor a just share of any insurance monies received by the Contractor under Article 2, and he shall require each Subcontractor to make similar payment to his Sub-subcontractors.

5.4.4 The Architect may, on request and at his discretion, furnish to any Subcontractor, if practicable, information regarding percentage of completion certified to the Contractor on account of Work done by such Subcontractors.

5.4.5 Neither the Owner nor the Architect shall have any obligation to pay or to see to the payment of any monies to any Subcontractor except as may otherwise be required by law.

5.4.6 Subcontractors, forty-five (45) days after satisfactory completion of their work on the Contractor's project, can invoice the Contractor for the remainder of unpaid work, including the full value of the retainage related to their work, less the value of any item contested in accordance with the terms and conditions of the construction contract. The Subcontractor shall include a partial release of lien and all appropriate warranties and closeout documentation with this final payment invoice to the Contractor. The Contractor must include this subcontractor payment request in the next Application for Payment in the pay application cycle to the Architect following the receipt of the subcontractor payment request, if deemed to be complete and in compliance with this section. The owner shall process the payment request within 20 days of receipt of the Certificate for Payment from the Architect, and shall include payment of the retainage, less the value of any contested item, in its next payment to the Contractor. When a Contractor receives payment from the Owner for labor, services, or materials furnished by subcontractors and suppliers hired by the Contractor, the Contractor shall remit payment due to those subcontractors and suppliers, less the value of any item contested in accordance with the terms and conditions of the construction Contract, within ten (10) days after the Contractor's receipt of payment.

When the Contractor receives payment from the Owner for labor, services, or materials furnished by subcontractors and suppliers hired by the Contractor for the project, the Contractor shall remit payment due to those subcontractors and suppliers, less the value of any item contested in accordance with the Contract, within 10 days after the Contractor's receipt of payment from the Owner. When the payment due the subcontractor is for final payment, including retainage, the subcontractor must include with the invoice for final payment a conditional release of lien and all appropriate warranties and close out documentation. When the subcontractor receives payment from the Contractor for labor, services, or materials furnished by subcontractors and suppliers hired by the subcontractor, the subcontractor shall remit payment due to those subcontractors and suppliers, less the value of any item contested in accordance with the Contract, within ten (10) days after the subcontractor's receipt of payment.

This provision shall not be construed to create a contractual relationship of any kind (1) between the Architect and Contractor, (2) between the Owner and Subcontractor or Sub-subcontractor (et al.), (3) between the Owner and Architect or (4) between any persons or entities other than the Owner and Contractor.

ARTICLE 6.00

SEPARATE CONTRACTS

6.1 OWNER'S RIGHT TO AWARD SEPARATE CONTRACTS

6.1.1 Prior to and during the progress of the Work, the Owner reserves the right to award other contracts relating to the Project or in connection with other work within the boundaries of the Project.

6.1.2 When separate contracts are awarded for different portions of the Project, "the Contractor" in the Contract Documents in each case shall be the contractor who signs each separate contract.

6.2 **MUTUAL RESPONSIBILITY OF CONTRACTORS**

6.2.1 The Architect shall coordinate the Work of the Contractor with that of other Contractors on the site. The Contractor shall cooperate fully with the Architect in this activity and shall afford other Contractors reasonable opportunity for the introduction and storage of their materials and equipment and the execution of their Work, and shall properly connect and coordinate his Work with theirs.

6.2.2 If the project will be constructed using phased design and construction methods, the Work of the Contractor will depend upon proper execution and results of the Work of another Contractor.

The Contractor shall inspect and promptly report to the Architect any apparent discrepancies or defects in such Work that render it unsuitable for such proper execution and results. Failure of the Contractor to inspect and report shall constitute an acceptance of the other Contractor's Work as fit and proper to receive his Work, except as to defects which may develop in the other separate Contractor's Work after the execution of the Contractor's Work.

6.2.3 Should the Contractor cause damage to the Work or property of any separate Contractor on the Project, the Contractor shall, upon due notice, settle with such other Contractor by agreement or arbitration, if he will so settle. If such separate Contractor sues the Owner or initiates an arbitration proceeding on account of any damage alleged to have been so sustained, the Owner shall notify the Contractor who shall defend such proceedings, and if any judgment or award against the Owner arises therefrom the Contractor shall pay or satisfy it and shall reimburse the Owner for all attorney's fees and court or arbitration costs which the Owner has incurred.

ARTICLE 7.00

MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS

7.1 **GOVERNING LAW**

7.1.1 The Contract shall be governed by the law of the State of Florida and all local ordinances and codes.

7.2 **SUCCESSORS AND ASSIGNS**

7.2.1 The Owner and the Contractor each binds himself, his partners, successors, assigns and legal representatives to the other party hereto and to the partners, successors, assigns and legal representatives of such other party in respect to all covenants, agreements and obligations contained in the Contract Documents. Neither party to the Contract shall assign the Contract or sublet it as a whole without the written consent of the other, nor shall the Contractor assign any monies due or to become due to him hereunder, without the previous written consent of the Owner.

7.3 **WRITTEN NOTICE**

7.3.1 Written notice shall be deemed to have been duly served if delivered in person to the individual or member of the firm or to an officer of the corporation for whom it was intended, or if delivered at or sent by registered or certified mail to the last business address known to him who gives the notice.

7.4 **CLAIMS FOR DAMAGES**

7.4.1 Should either party to the Contract suffer injury or damage to person or property because of any act or omission of the other party or of any of his employees, agents or others for whose acts he is legally liable, claim shall be made

in writing to such other party within a reasonable time after the first observance of such injury or damage.

7.5 PERFORMANCE BOND AND LABOR AND MATERIAL PAYMENT BOND

7.5.1 Performance Bond and Labor and Material Payment Bond, in the penal sum of not less than 100 percent of the Contract amount, with a Surety Company satisfactory to the Owner and licensed to conduct business in the State of Florida, will be required of the Contractor for any resulting contract in excess of \$200,000 guaranteeing that the Contract, including the various guarantee periods thereunder, will be faithfully performed; and that the Contractor will promptly make payment to all persons supplying him labor, materials, supplies and services used directly or indirectly by the Contractor in the prosecution of the Work provided for in the Contract. The Bonds, along with the appropriate power of attorney, shall be delivered to the Owner simultaneously with Contractor's execution of the Agreement. The Bonds shall extend as a Guarantee Bond for one (1) year after acceptance of the Project.

7.5.2 In the event that Surety Company becomes bankrupt, insolvent or unsatisfactory to the Owner, the Contractor shall substitute additional or new Bonds in the same or lesser penal sum, satisfactory to the Owner and to be conditioned as above required. Upon the Contractor's failure to furnish such additional or new Bonds within five (5) days from the date of written notice to do so, all payments under this Contract shall be withheld until such additional Bonds are furnished.

7.5.3 The Bonds required in Paragraphs 7.5.1 and 7.5.2 shall be executed on A1A Form A311, and, prior to delivery to the Owner, shall be recorded in the public records of the county where the work is to be performed pursuant to FS 255.05(1)(a).

7.6 RIGHTS AND REMEDIES

7.6.1 The duties and obligations imposed by the Contract Documents and the rights and remedies available thereunder shall be in addition to and not a limitation of any duties, obligations, rights and remedies otherwise imposed or available by law.

7.7 ROYALTIES AND PATENTS

7.7.1 The Contractor shall pay all royalties and license fees. He shall defend all suits or claims for infringement of any patent rights and shall save the Owner harmless from loss on account thereof, except that the Owner shall be responsible for all such loss when a particular design, process or the product of a particular manufacturer or manufacturers is specified, but if the Contractor has reason to believe that the design, process or product specified is an infringement of a patent, he shall be responsible for such loss unless he promptly gives such information to the Architect.

7.8 TESTS

7.8.1 If the Contract Documents, laws, ordinances, rules, regulations or orders of any public authority having jurisdiction require any Work to be inspected, tested or approved, the Contractor shall give the Architect timely notice of its readiness and of the date arranged so the Architect may observe such inspection, testing or approval. The Contractor shall bear all costs of such inspections, tests, and approvals unless otherwise provided.

7.8.2 If after the commencement of the Work the Architect determines that any Work requires special inspection, testing, or approval which subparagraph 7.8.1 does not include, he will, upon written authorization from the Owner instruct the Contractor to order such special inspection, testing or approval, and the Contractor shall give notice as in subparagraph 7.8.1. If such special inspection or testing reveals a failure of the Work to comply (1) with the requirements of the Contract Documents or (2), with respect to the performance of the Work, with laws, ordinances,

rules, regulations or orders of any public authority having jurisdiction, the Contractor shall bear all costs thereof, including the Architect's additional services made necessary by such failure; otherwise the Owner shall bear such costs and an appropriate Change Order shall be issued.

7.8.3 Required certificates of inspection, testing or approval shall be secured by the Contractor and promptly delivered by him to the Architect.

7.8.4 If the Architect wishes to observe the inspections, tests or approval required by this Paragraph 7.8 he will do so promptly and, where practicable, at the source of supply.

7.8.5 Neither the observations of the Architect in his administration of the Construction Contract, nor inspections, tests or approvals by persons other than the Contractor shall relieve the Contractor from his obligations to perform the Work in accordance with the Contract Documents.

7.9 **ARBITRATION**

7.9.1 Any controversy between the Owner and the Contractor arising out of or relating to this Agreement or the Breach thereof shall be settled by arbitration. The parties agree that there shall be three (3) Arbitrators to determine such controversy, one of whom is to be selected by the Owner, the second by the Contractor, and the third by the two (2) Arbitrators so selected. In all other respects such Arbitration shall be in accordance with the rules then obtaining of the American Arbitration Association.

7.9.2 Notice of the demand for arbitration shall be filed in writing with the other party to this Agreement within thirty (30) days after the claim, dispute, or other matter in question has arisen. In no event shall the demand for arbitration be made after the date when institution of legal or equitable proceedings based on such claim, dispute, or other matter in question would be barred by the applicable statute of limitations and such statute of limitation shall apply to any right to arbitration herein.

The award entered by the arbitrators shall be final, and judgment may be entered in accordance with Florida Statutes by rule of court in any court having jurisdiction thereof.

7.9.3 The Contractor shall carry on the Work and maintain the progress schedule during any arbitration proceedings, unless otherwise agreed by him and the Owner in writing.

7.10 **EQUALITY AND SUBSTITUTIONS**

7.10.1 In general, the preparation of the Drawings and Specifications has been based upon sizes, loads, and requirements of specific items of materials or equipment and, as such, it is the basis of bidding without exception. Therefore, all substitutions must be in accordance with the following provision:

7.10.2 In all instances where a particular system, product, or material is identified by one or more brand or trade names, one of such systems, products or materials, at the option of the bidder, shall be considered as the basis for bidding. Should a bidder wish to propose an equivalent system, product or material of a different manufacturer, he should submit a request, accompanied by substantiating technical data to the Architect at least ten (10) days prior to the date set for receipt of bids. If the proposed equivalent is acceptable to the Architect such will be acknowledged in an Addendum. If an addendum is not issued, bids submitted shall be in strict adherence to the specifications

7.11 **PRECONSTRUCTION CONFERENCE**

7.11.1 Before starting any construction work on the project, a conference including the Architect will be held at a place as designated by the Owner and coordinating with the Architect for the purpose of verifying general procedures, expediting and handling of Shop Drawings and Schedules and to establish a working understanding between the parties concerned with this project. Present at the conference shall be a responsible representative of the Contractor, the Contractor's Job Superintendent and representatives of the Architect and Owner. If Contractor so desires, he may have present with him representatives of major subcontractors. The date and time of the conference shall be agreed upon by the Owner, Contractor and Architect.

7.12 **REFERENCED SPECIFICATIONS AND DOCUMENTS**

7.12.1 Documents, materials, systems or operations specified by reference shall be provided in compliance with the requirements of the specified reference, except as modified by the requirements of the Contract Documents. Unless a particular edition is called for, the reference used shall be the latest published edition on the date of the Project Specifications.

7.12.2 In case of conflict between references and the Project Specifications, the Project Specifications shall govern. In case of conflict between references, the references having the more stringent requirement shall govern.

ARTICLE 8.00

TIME

8.1 **DEFINITIONS**

8.1.1 The Contract Time is the period of time allotted in the Contract Documents for completion of the Work.

8.1.2 The date of commencement of Work is the date established in the Notice to Proceed.

8.1.2.1 If there is no Notice to Proceed, commencement of the Work shall be the date of the Agreement or such date as may be established therein.

8.1.3 The Date of Substantial Completion of the Work or designated portion thereof is the Date certified by the Architect when construction is sufficiently complete, in accordance with the Contract Documents, so the Owner may occupy the Work or designated portion thereof for the use for which it is intended.

8.1.4 The term day as used in the Contract Documents shall mean calendar day.

8.2 **PROGRESS AND COMPLETION**

8.2.1 All time limits stated in the Contract Documents are of the essence of the Contract.

8.2.2 The Contractor shall begin the Work on the date of commencement as defined in Subparagraph 8.1.2. He shall carry the Work forward expeditiously with adequate forces and shall complete it within the Contract Time.

8.3 **DAMAGES FOR DELAY (SEE PARAGRAPH 14.2)**

8.3.1 Where the Architect and the Contractor cannot agree that the delay in the prosecution of the Work is justified, liquidated damages will be assessed in accordance with Paragraph 14.2 "TERMINATION FOR DEFAULT-DAMAGES FOR DELAY-TIME EXTENSIONS".

ARTICLE 9.00

PAYMENTS AND COMPLETION

9.1 CONTRACT SUM

9.1.1 The Contract Sum is stated in the Agreement and is the total amount payable by the Owner to the Contractor for the performance of the Work under the Contract Documents.

9.2 SCHEDULE OF VALUES

9.2.1 Within one (1) month after the Contract is executed, the Contractor shall submit to the Architect a schedule of values of the various portions of the Work, including quantities aggregating the total Contract Sum, divided so as to facilitate payments to Subcontractors in accordance with Paragraph 5.4 prepared on Attachment Two (2), Schedule of Values and Work in Place, as the Architect and the Contractor may agree upon, and supported by such data to substantiate its correctness as the Architect may require. Each item in the schedule of values shall include its proper share of overhead and profit. This schedule when approved by the Architect shall be used only as a basis for the Contractor's Applications for Payment.

9.3 PROGRESS PAYMENTS

9.3.1 Not less than thirty (30) days after the previous application, the Contractor shall submit to the Architect an itemized Application for Payment, supported by such data substantiating the Contractor's right to payment on Attachment Three (3) to these General Conditions, an original and three (3) copies shall be forwarded to the Architect for distribution as follows: Owner, original and two (2) copies; Architect, one (1) copy.

9.3.2 At the discretion of the Owner payment will be made on account of materials and equipment not incorporated in the Work but delivered and suitably stored at the site or at some other location agreed upon in writing. Such payments shall be conditioned upon submission by the Contractor of bills of sale or such other procedures satisfactory to the Owner to establish the Owner's title to such materials and equipment or otherwise protect the Owner's interest including applicable insurance and transportation to the site.

9.3.3 The Contractor warrants and guarantees that title to all Work, materials and equipment covered by an Application for Payment, will pass to the Owner upon receipt of such payment by the Contractor, free and clear of all liens, claims, security interest or encumbrances, hereinafter referred to in this Article 9 as "Liens"; and that no Work, materials or equipment covered by an Application for Payment will have been acquired by the Contractor or by any other person performing the Work at the site or furnishing materials and equipment for the Project, subject to an agreement under which an interest therein or an encumbrance thereon is retained by the seller or otherwise imposed by the Contractor or such other person.

9.4 CERTIFICATES FOR PAYMENT

9.4.1 If the Contractor has made Application for Payment as above, the Architect will, with reasonable promptness but not more than seven days after the receipt of the Application, issue a Certificate for Payment to the Owner, with a copy to the Contractor, for such amount as he determines to be properly due, or state in writing his reasons for withholding a Certificate as provided in Subparagraph 9.5.1.

9.4.2 The issuance of a Certificate for Payment will constitute a representation by the Architect to the Owner, based on his observations at the site as provided in Subparagraph 2.2.4 and the data comprising the Application for Payment, that the Work has progressed to the point indicated; that, to the best of his knowledge, information and belief, the quality of the Work is in accordance with the Contract Documents (subject to an evaluation of the Work for conformity with the

Contract Documents Substantial Completion, to the results of any subsequent tests required by the Contract Documents correctable prior to completion, and to any specific qualifications stated in his Certificate); and that the Contractor is entitled to payment in the amount certified. In addition, the final Certificate for Payment will constitute a further representation the conditions precedent to the Contractor's being entitled to final payment as set forth in Subparagraph 9.7.2 have been fulfilled. However, by issuing a Certificate for Payment, the Architect shall not thereby be deemed to represent that he has made any examination to ascertain how or for what purpose the Contractor has used the monies previously paid on account of the Contract Sum.

9.4.3 After the Architect has issued a Certificate for Payment, the Owner shall make payment in the manner provided in the Agreement.

9.4.4 No certificate for a progress payment, nor any progress payment, nor any partial or entire use or occupancy of the Project by the Owner, shall constitute an acceptance of any Work not in accordance with the Contract Documents.

9.5 PAYMENTS WITHHELD

9.5.1 The Architect may decline to approve an Application for Payment and may hold his Certificate in whole or in part, to the extent necessary reasonably to protect the Owner, if in his opinion he is unable to make representations to the Owner as provide in Subparagraph 9.4.2. The Architect may also decline to approve any Applications for Payment, or, because of subsequently discovered evidence or subsequent inspections, he may nullify the whole or any part of any Certificate for Payment previously issued, to such extent as may be necessary in his opinion to protect the Owner from loss because of:

9.5.1.1 defective Work not remedied or completed Work that has been damaged requiring correction or replacement,

9.5.1.2 third party claims have been filed or there is reasonable cause to believe such will be filed,

9.5.1.3 reasonable evidence of the failure of the Contractor to make payments properly to Subcontractors for labor, materials or equipment,

9.5.1.4 reasonable doubt that the Work can be completed for the unpaid balance of the Contract Sum,

9.5.1.5 damage to another contractor,

9.5.1.6 reasonable indication that the Work will not be completed within the Contract Time, (withholding sufficient funds to cover the anticipated assessment of liquidated damages), or

9.5.1.7 unsatisfactory prosecution of the Work including failure to furnish acceptable submittals and adhere to the provision of the Special Conditions appended hereto.

9.5.2 When the above grounds in Subparagraph 9.5.1 are removed, payment shall be made for amounts withheld because of them.

9.6 SUBSTANTIAL COMPLETION

9.6.1 When the Contractor determines that the Work or a designated portion thereof acceptable to the Owner is substantially complete, the Contractor shall give written notice of such to the Architect. When the Architect determines by an inspection that the Work is substantially complete, he will then prepare a Certificate of Substantial Completion which shall establish the Date of Substantial Completion; shall state the responsibilities of the Owner and the Contractor for maintenance, heat, utilities, and insurance, and shall fix the time within which the

Contractor shall complete any remaining work shown therein. The Certificate of Substantial Completion shall be submitted to the Owner and the Contractor for their written acceptance of the responsibilities assigned to them in such certificate.

9.6.2 The Contractor shall cooperate with the Owner if it is the Owner's desire to occupy a substantially completed structure or portion of a structure. When such occupancy takes place the applicable warranty periods for the occupied portion shall be as provided in the Certificate of Substantial Completion.

9.6.3 The assessment of liquidated damages, if any, shall terminate on the Date of Substantial Completion.

9.7 **FINAL PAYMENT**

9.7.1 Upon receipt of written notice from the Contractor that the Work is complete and ready for final inspection and acceptance, the Architect will make a final inspection and will notify the Contractor in writing of all particulars in which this inspection reveals the work to be incomplete or defective. The Contractor shall immediately take such measures as are necessary to remedy such deficiencies.

9.7.2 After the Contractor has corrected all deficiencies and delivered all Maintenance and Operating Instructions, Record Drawings, Guarantees, Bonds, Certificates of Inspection and other documents - all as required by the Contract Documents, he may make Application for Final Payment following the procedure for progress payments. The Application for Final Payment must be accompanied, in addition to the supporting data and schedules submitted with progress payments, by submittals as follows: (a) An Affidavit, sufficient to establish compliance with the provisions of the Mechanics Lien Law (Chapter 713 - Florida Statutes), stating, if that be the fact, that all lienors have been paid in full, or if the fact be otherwise, showing the name of each lienor who has not been paid in full and the amount scheduled to become due each for labor, services, or materials furnished; (b) Consent of surety, if any, to final payment; and (c) If required by the Owner, other data establishing payment or satisfaction of all obligations, such as receipts, releases, and waivers of liens arising out of the Contract to the extent and in such form as designated by the Owner. If any Subcontractor, material man, fabricator or supplier fails or refuses to furnish a release or waiver in full the Contractor will furnish a Bond or other collateral satisfactory to the Owner to indemnify him against any lien. If any lien remains unsatisfied after all payments are made, the Contractor shall refund to the Owner all monies that the latter may be compelled to pay in discharging such lien, including all costs and reasonable attorneys' fees.

9.7.3 If, on the basis of his observation and review of the Work during construction, his final inspection, and his review of the final Application for Payment - all as required by the Contract Documents, The Architect is satisfied that the Work has been completed and the Contractor has fulfilled all his obligations under the Contract Documents, he will within ten (10) days after receipt of the final Application for Payment, indicate in writing his approval thereof and issue a final Certificate of Payment to the Owner. Thereupon the Architect will give written notice to the Owner and the Contractor that the work is acceptable subject to the provisions of Paragraph "Waiver of Claims". Otherwise he will return the application to the Contractor, indicating in writing his reasons for refusing to approve final payment, in which case the Contractor will make the necessary corrections and resubmit the application. The Owner will within thirty (30) days after receipt by him of both an approved final Certificate of Payment from the Architect and an approved Certificate of Final Inspection by the Florida Department of Education pay the Contractor the full amount of the Contract Sum, less the aggregate of all previous payments and any assessment of liquidated damages.

9.7.4 The making of final payment shall constitute a waiver of all claims by the Owner except those arising from:

9.7.4.1 unsettled claims,

- 9.7.4.2 faulty or defective Work appearing after Substantial Completion,
- 9.7.4.3 failure of the Work to comply with the requirements of the Contract Documents, or
- 9.7.4.4 terms of any special guarantees required by the Contract Documents.
- 9.7.5 The acceptance of final payment shall constitute a waiver of all claims by the Contractor except those previously made in writing and still unsettled.

9.8 MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS

9.8.1 Unless otherwise provided or agreed upon, the amount certified for payment on each certificate, except the final payment certificate, shall ninety percent (90%) of the amount approved under Article 9.4.2 less previous amounts certified for payment until 50-percent completion has been achieved substantial completion.

9.8.11 At substantial completion, ninety five percent (95%) of the amount certified for payment on each certificate, with retainage reduced to five percent (5%) upon request with proper documentation.

9.8.2 Certificate for Payment shall be on the prescribed form as provided in Attachment Three (3).

9.8.3 Pursuant to paragraph 9.7.3, and for the purpose of obtaining final payment, the Contractor shall execute and submit the Contractor's Affidavit to Owner on Attachment Four (4) to these General Conditions.

ARTICLE 10.00

PROTECTION OF PERSONS AND PROPERTY

10.1 SAFETY PRECAUTIONS AND PROGRAMS

10.1.1 The Contractor shall be responsible for initiating, maintaining and supervising all safety precautions and programs in connection with the Work.

10.2 SAFETY OF PERSONS AND PROPERTY

10.2.1 The Contractor shall take all reasonable precautions for the safety of, and shall provide all reasonable protection to prevent damage, injury or loss to:

10.2.1.1 all employees on the Work and all other persons who may be affected thereby;

10.2.1.2 all the Work and all materials and equipment to be incorporated therein, whether in storage on or off the site, under the care, custody or control of the Contractor or any of his Subcontractors or Sub-subcontractors and;

10.2.1.3 other property at the site or adjacent thereto including trees, shrubs, lawns, walks, pavements, roadways, structures and utilities not designated for removal, relocation or replacement in the course of construction.

10.2.2 The Contractor shall comply with all applicable laws, ordinances, rules, regulations and lawful orders of any public authority having jurisdiction for the safety of persons or property or to protect them from damage, injury or loss. He shall erect and maintain as required by existing conditions and progress of the Work, all reasonable safeguards for safety and protection, including posting danger signs and other warnings against hazards, promulgating safety regulations and notifying owners and users of adjacent utilities.

10.2.3 When the use or storage of explosives or other hazardous materials or equipment is necessary for the execution of the Work, the Contractor shall exercise the utmost care and shall carry on such activities under the supervision of properly qualified personnel.

10.2.4 All damage or loss to any property referred to in Clauses 10.2.1.2 and 10.2.1.3 caused in whole or in part by the Contractor, any Subcontractor, any Sub-subcontractor, or anyone directly or indirectly employed by any of them, or by anyone for whose acts any of them may be liable, shall be remedied by the Contractor, except damage or loss attributable to faulty Drawings or Specification or to the acts or omissions of the Owner or Architect or anyone employed by either of them or for whose acts either of them may be liable, and not attributable to the fault or negligence of the Contractor.

10.2.5 The Contractor shall designate a responsible member of his organization at the site whose duty shall be the prevention of accidents. This person shall be the Contractor's superintendent unless otherwise designated in writing by the Contractor to the Owner and the Architect.

10.2.6 The Contractor shall not load or permit any part of the Work to be loaded so as to endanger its safety.

10.3 **EMERGENCIES**

10.3.1 In any emergency affecting the safety of persons or property, the Contractor shall act, at his discretion, to prevent threatened damage, injury or loss. Any additional compensation or extension of time claimed by the Contractor on account of emergency work shall be determined as provided in Article 12 for Changes in the Work.

ARTICLE 11.00

INSURANCE

11.1 **CONTRACTOR'S LIABILITY INSURANCE** (See Paragraph 7 in the Supplemental Conditions.)

11.2 **PROPERTY INSURANCE** (See Paragraph 8 in the Supplemental Conditions.)

ARTICLE 12.00

CHANGES IN THE WORK

12.1 **CHANGE ORDERS**

12.1.1 The Owner, without invalidating the Contract and without notice to the sureties, may order Changes in the Work within the General scope of the Contract consisting of additions, deletions or other revisions, the Contract Sum and the Contract Time being adjusted accordingly. All such Changes in the Work shall be authorized by Change Order, and shall be executed under the applicable conditions of the Contract Documents.

12.1.2 A Change Order is a written order to the Contractor signed by the Owner and the Architect, issued after the execution of the Contract, authorizing a Change in the Work or an adjustment in the Contract Sum or the Contract Time. A Change Order will also be signed by the Contractor if he agrees to the adjustment on the Contract Sum or the Contract Time. The Contract Sum and the Contract Time may be changed only by Change Order.

12.1.3 The cost or credit to the Owner resulting from a Change in the Work shall be determined in one or more of the following ways:

- 12.1.3.1** by mutual acceptance of a lump sum properly itemized;
- 12.1.3.2** by unit prices stated in the Contract Documents or subsequently agreed upon; or
- 12.1.3.3** by cost and a mutually acceptable fixed or percentage fee.
- 12.1.4** If none of the methods set forth in 12.1.3 is agreed upon and the Owner and Architect deem it necessary that the added work in question be performed without delay, the Contractor shall promptly proceed with the added work in question. The cost of such Work shall then be determined by the Architect on the basis of the Contractor's reasonable expenditures and savings, including, in the case of an increase in the Contract Sum, a reasonable allowance for overhead and profit. In such case, and also under Clause 12.1.3.3 above the Contractor shall keep and present in such form as the Architect may prescribe, an itemized accounting together with appropriate supporting data. Pending final determination of cost to the Owner, payments on account shall be made on Certificate for Payment approved by the Architect. The amount of credit to be allowed by the Contractor to the Owner for any deletion or change which results in a net decrease in cost will be the amount of the actual net decrease as confirmed by the Architect. When both additions and credits are involved in any one change, the allowance for overhead and profit shall be figured on the basis of net amount, if any. Change Orders extending Contract Time for completion will not automatically entitle the Contractor to increased costs for overhead during the extended period unless specifically allowed in the Change Order.
- 12.1.5** If the Architect, the Owner and the Contractor agree that the unit costs set forth in the Contract Documents are not applicable to the quantities of added work in question, they shall not be utilized.
- 12.1.6** If the Contractor claims that additional cost is involved because of (1) any written interpretation issued pursuant to Subparagraph 1.2.8, (2) any order by the Owner to stop the Work pursuant to Paragraph 3.3 where the Contractor was not at fault, or (3) any written order for a minor change in the Work issued pursuant to Paragraph 12.3, the Contractor shall make such claim as provided in Paragraph 12.2.
- 12.1.7** When the amount of cost or credit is to be based on mutual acceptance of a lump sum (Clause 12.1.3.1), whether such an amount is an extra, a credit, or no-change-in-contract price, the Contractor shall submit a change order estimate on forms furnished by the Owner which shall be substantiated by a complete itemized breakdown (including breakdowns from each Subcontractor on the same form) showing all direct costs for the change or changes in the Work. The breakdown shall list quantities and unit prices for materials, labor, equipment and other items of cost when the amount of cost is to be based on actual direct cost plus overhead and profit (Clause 12.1.3.3). The Contractor shall submit receipts or other evidence as the Architect may direct, showing actual direct costs and his right to the payment claimed.
- 12.1.8** The following factors shall be applicable to all methods of arriving at extra or credit for Change Orders except where unit prices (Clause 12.1.3.2) are stated in the Contract Documents:
- 12.1.8.1** for all Work done by his own organization, the Contractor may add ten percent (10%) of his net increase in direct costs for combined overhead and profit;
- 12.1.8.2** for all change order Work done by Subcontract, the contractor may add ten percent (10%) of the net increase in direct costs for combined overhead and profit above Subcontractor's direct cost for his overhead and profit (as defined herein).
- 12.1.8.3** where changes involve the Contractor and one or more Subcontractors, the breakdown shall itemize the above percentages separately, by use of individual change order estimate forms;

12.1.8.4 overhead and profit percentages will be deducted on items which have a net decrease;

12.1.8.5 when both additions and deductions are involved in any one item, the overhead and profit shall apply to the net amount, if any;

12.1.8.6 subcontractor direct costs shall include labor, materials, Worker's Compensation, taxes, health and retirement benefits, social security, and the expense of work performed after regular working hours to the extent authorized by the Owner;

12.1.8.7 contractor supervision, clean-up services, insurance, contractor incremental performance and payment bond cost, proportionate necessary transportation, traveling and subsistence expenses of Contractor's employees incurred for the Project; materials, supplies and temporary facilities, including Project office expenses; equipment rental by agreement approved by Owner with advice of Architect, including transportation and unloading; telegrams, postage, telephone service at the site and other normal overhead expenses as approved by Owner shall be included in the Contractor's 10% compensation for overhead and profit. Contractor is authorized on change orders to submit for reimbursement incremental pre-approved dumpster rental at cost. Contractor is not authorized to invoice the College for subcontractor performance and payment bond cost as Florida statutes only require the contractor to bond the College for work > \$200,000.00

12.1.9 The above added percentages are defined to include all overhead and additional costs resulting from the change in scope of work including any time extensions.

12.1.10 Notwithstanding any other provisions of this Contract it is mutually understood that the time extensions for changes in the work will depend upon the extent, if any, by which the changes cause delay in the completion of the various element of construction. The change order granting the time extension may provide that the contract completion date will be extended only for those specific elements so delayed and that the remaining contract completion dates for all other portions of the work will not be altered and may further provide for an equitable readjustment of liquidated damages pursuant to the new completion schedule.

12.2 CLAIMS FOR ADDITIONAL COSTS

12.2.1 If the Contractor wishes to make a claim for an increase in the Contract Sum, he shall give the Architect written notice thereof within twenty (20) days after the occurrence of the event giving rise to such claim. This notice shall be given by the Contractor before proceeding to execute the Work, except in an emergency endangering life or property in which case the Contractor shall proceed in accordance Subparagraph 10.3.1. No such claim shall be valid unless so made. If the Owner and the Contractor cannot agree on the amount of the adjustment in the Contract Sum it shall be determined by Arbitration, Paragraph 7.9. Any change in the Contract Sum resulting from such claim shall be authorized by Change Order.

12.3 FIELD ORDERS

12.3.1 The Architect may issue written Field Orders which interpret the Contract Documents in accordance with Paragraph 12.1.4 without change in Contract Sum or Contract Time, a copy of which shall be forwarded to the Owner. The Contractor shall carry out such Field Orders promptly.

ARTICLE 13.00

UNCOVERING AND CORRECTION OF WORK

13.1 UNCOVERING OF WORK

13.1.1 If any Work should be covered contrary to the request of the Architect, it must, if required by the Architect, be uncovered for his observation and replaced, at the Contractor's expense.

13.1.2 If any other Work has been covered which the Architect has not specifically requested to observe prior to being covered, the Architect may request to see such Work and it shall be uncovered by the Contractor. If such Work be found in accordance with the Contract Documents, the cost of uncovering and replacement shall, by appropriate Change Order, be charged to the Owner. If such Work be found not in accordance with the Contract Documents, the Contractor shall pay such costs unless it be found that this condition was caused by a separate contractor employed as provided in Article 6, and in that event the Owner shall be responsible for the payments of such costs.

13.2 CORRECTION OF WORK

13.2.1 The Contractor shall promptly correct all Work rejected by the Architect as defective or as failing to conform to the Contract Documents whether observed before or after Substantial Completion and whether or not fabricated, installed or completed. The Contractor shall bear all costs of correcting such rejected Work, including the cost of the Architect's additional services thereby made necessary.

13.2.2 If, within one (1) year after the date of the approval of the Certificate of Final Inspection by the Florida Department of Education or by the terms of any applicable special guarantee required by the Contract Documents, any of the Work is found to be defective or not in accordance with the Contract Documents, the Contractor shall correct it promptly after receipt of a written notice from the Owner to do so unless the Owner has previously given the Contractor a written acceptance of such condition. The Owner shall give such notice promptly after discovery of the condition.

13.2.3 All such defective or non-conforming Work under Subparagraph 13.2.1 and 13.2.2 shall be removed from the site if necessary, and the Work shall be corrected to comply with the Contract Documents without cost to the Owner.

13.2.4 The Contractor shall bear the cost of making good all work of separate contractors destroyed or damaged by such removal or correction.

13.2.5 If the Contractor does not remove such defective or non-conforming Work within a reasonable time fixed by written notice from the Architect, the Owner may remove it and may store the materials or equipment at the expense of the Contractor. If the Contractor does not pay the cost of such removal and storage within ten (10) days thereafter, the Owner may upon ten (10) additional days' written notice sell such Work at auction or at private sale and shall account for the net proceeds thereof, after deducting all the costs that should have been borne by the Contractor including compensation for additional architectural services. If such proceeds of sale do not cover all costs which the Contractor should have borne, the difference shall be charged to the Contractor and an appropriate Change Order shall be issued. If the payments then or thereafter due the Contractor are not sufficient to cover such amount, the Contractor shall pay the difference to the Owner.

13.2.6 If the Contractor fails to correct such defective or non-conforming Work, the Owner may correct it in accordance with Paragraph 3.4.

13.3 **ACCEPTANCE OF DEFECTIVE OR NON-CONFORMING WORK**

13.3.1 If the Owner prefers to accept defective or non-conforming Work, he may do so instead of requiring its removal and correction, in which case a Change Order will be issued to reflect an appropriate reduction in the Contract Sum, or, if the amount is determined after final payment, it shall be paid by the Contractor.

ARTICLE 14.00

TERMINATION OF THE CONTRACT

14.1 **TERMINATION BY THE CONTRACTOR**

14.1.1 If the Work is stopped for a period of thirty (30) days under any order of any court or other public authority having jurisdiction, or as a result of an act of government, such as a declaration of a national emergency making materials unavailable, through no act or fault of the Contractor or a Subcontractor or their agents or employees or any other persons performing any of the Work under a contract with the Contractor, or if the Work should be stopped for a period of thirty (30) days by the Contractor for the Architect's failure to issue a Certificate for Payment as provided in Paragraph 9.5 or for the Owner's failure to make payment thereon as provided in Paragraph 9.5, then the Contractor may, upon seven (7) days' written notice to the Owner and the Architect, terminate the Contract and recover from the Owner payment for all Work executed and for any proven loss sustained upon any materials, equipment, construction equipment, tools, and machinery, including reasonable profit and damages.

14.2 **TERMINATION FOR DEFAULT-DAMAGES FOR DELAY-TIME EXTENSIONS**

14.2.1 If the Contractor persistently or repeatedly refuses or fails, except in cases for which extension of time is provided, to prosecute the Work, or any separable part thereof, with such diligence as will insure its completion within the time specified in this Contract, or any extension thereof, or fails to complete said work within such time, the Owner may, upon seven (7) days written notice to the Contractor, and his surety, if any, terminate his right to proceed with the Work or such part of the Work as to which there has been delay. In such event the Owner may take over the Work and prosecute the same to completion, by contract or otherwise, and may take possession of and utilize in completing the work such materials, appliances, and plant as may be on the site of the Work and necessary therefore. Whether or not the Contractor's right to proceed with the work is terminated, he and his sureties shall be liable for any damage to the Owner resulting from his refusal or failure to complete the Work within the specified time.

14.2.2 If fixed and agreed liquidated damages are provided in the Contract and if the Owner so terminates the Contractor's right to proceed, the resulting damage will consist of such liquidated damages until such reasonable time as may be required for final completion of the work together with any increased costs occasioned the Owner in completing the work.

14.2.3 If fixed and agreed liquidated damages are provided in the Contract and if the Owner does not so terminate the Contractor's right to proceed, the resulting damage will consist of such liquidated damages until the work is completed or accepted.

14.2.4 The Contractor's right to proceed shall not be so terminated nor the Contractor charged with resulting damage if:

14.2.4.1 The delay in the completion of the work arises from unforeseeable causes beyond the control and without the fault or negligence of the Contractor, including but not restricted to, acts of God, acts of a public enemy, acts of the Owner in its contractual capacity, acts of other Contractor in the performance of a contract with the Owner, fires, floods, epidemics, quarantine restrictions, strikes, freight

embargoes, unusually severe weather conditions not reasonably anticipated based on Weather Bureau five (5) year averages for the contract period, or delays of subcontractors or suppliers (at any tier) arising from unforeseeable causes beyond the control and without the fault or negligence of both the Contractor and such subcontractors or suppliers; and

14.2.4.2 The Contractor, within ten (10) days from the beginning of such delay (unless the Owner grants a further delay of time in writing before the date of final payment under the Contract), notifies the Architect in writing of the causes of delay. The Architect shall ascertain the facts and extent of the delay and, with agreement of the Owner, extend the time for completing the Work when, in his judgment, the findings of facts justify such an extension. A Change Order will be executed pursuant to Article 12 to reflect the change in Contract Time.

14.2.5 If, after notice of termination of the Contractor's right to proceed under the provisions of this Paragraph, it is determined for any reason that the Contractor was not in default, or that the delay was excusable, the Contract shall be equitably adjusted to compensate for such termination and the Contract modified accordingly. Failure to agree to any such adjustment shall be resolved in arbitration pursuant to Paragraph 7.9 ARBITRATION.

14.2.6 The rights and remedies of the Owner provided in this Paragraph are in addition to any other rights and remedies provided by law or under this Contract.

14.3 TERMINATION FOR OTHER REASONS

14.3.1 If the Contractor is adjudged bankrupt, or if he makes a general assignment for the benefit of his creditors, or if a receiver is appointed on account of his insolvency, or if he persistently or repeatedly refuses or fails to supply enough properly skilled workmen or proper materials, or if he fails to make prompt payment to Subcontractors for materials or labor, or persistently disregards laws, ordinances, rules, regulations or orders of any public authority having jurisdiction, or otherwise is guilty of a substantial violation of a provision of the Contract Documents, then the Owner, upon certification by the Architect that sufficient cause exists to justify such action, may, without prejudice to any right or remedy and after giving the Contractor and his surety, if any, seven (7) days' written notice, terminate the employment of the Contractor and take possession of the site and of all materials, equipment, tools, construction equipment and machinery thereon owned by the Contractor and may finish the Work by whatever method he may deem expedient.

14.4 FURTHER PAYMENTS

14.4.1 In the event of termination under Paragraphs 14.2 and 14.3 the Contractor shall not be entitled to receive any further payment until the Work is finished. If the unpaid balance of the Contract Sum exceeds the costs of finishing the Work, including compensation for the Architect's additional services, such excess shall be paid to the Contractor. If such costs exceed such unpaid balance, the Contractor shall pay the difference to the Owner. The costs incurred by the Owner as herein provided shall be certified by the Architect.

14.5 ABANDONMENT OF THE PROJECT

14.5.1 Upon seven (7) days' written notice to the Contractor and the Architect, the Owner may, without cause and without prejudice to any other right or remedy, elect to abandon the Project and terminate the Agreement. In such case, the Contractor shall be paid for all Work executed and any expense sustained, plus a reasonable profit.

ARTICLE 15.00

EQUAL OPPORTUNITY

15.1 EQUAL OPPORTUNITY

15.1.1 All jobs let based on bids received or contracts negotiated will be guaranteed by the individual Contractor or Subcontractor or Sub-subcontractor as to compliance with any and all applicable laws, rules and regulations relating to equal employment opportunity, and any Federal, State and Local Laws, rules and regulations pertaining hereto. The Contractor shall execute the certificate as provided in Attachment Number 5 as evidence of such compliance and file it with the Owner simultaneously with the Contractor's execution of the agreement.

15.1.2 Pursuant to Florida Statute 112.313(7) and COLLEGE Board Rule # 6Hx 7-2.9(4), College Employees, while acting in a private capacity, are not allowed to do business with the College. This also applies to the buying or selling of goods or services to the College from any business entity of which the employee or their spouse or child is an officer, partner, director, or proprietor or otherwise has a material interest. This may include private instructional services provided to the College from a full time or adjunct faculty member.

As such does your company have any employee or their Spouse that owns >5% of your company and is also a FSCJ full-time/part-time/adjunct employee of the College?

Yes _____ No _____ (If Yes, define below the name of the employee and/or Board member as well as detail their relationship with your company and the College).

ARTICLE 16.00

PROTEST

16.1 PROTEST OF BID/PROPOSAL

16.1.1 Any notice of protest involving the specifications, the terms and conditions or any other aspect of the Invitation To Bid must be filed within 72-hours after the receipt of the solicitation, however protests will not be considered if the notice of protest letter is not delivered prior to 72-hours after the solicitation was issued (Saturdays, Sundays and state holidays shall be excluded in the computation of the 72-hour time periods). The formal written protest shall be filed within 10 days after the date of the notice of protest is filed. Failure to file a notice of protest within the time prescribed shall constitute a waiver of proceedings under Chapter 120, Florida Statutes.

"Failure to file a protest within the time prescribed in section 120.57(3), Florida Statutes, or failure to post the bond or other security required by law within the time allowed for the filing a bond shall constitute a waiver of proceedings under chapter 120, Florida Statutes".

16.2 POSTING OF BID TABULATIONS

16.2.1 Bid tabulations with recommended awards will be posted for review by interested parties at <https://www.fscj.edu/discover/governance-administration/purchasing/bids-schedule> on or about **Month Day Year**, unless the date is extended by letter of notification or as soon as a determination has been made, and will remain posted for a period of 72-hours (Saturdays, Sundays and state holidays shall be excluded in the computation of the 72-hour time periods). Their content will be made public for the information of bidders and others interested, and those who may be present either in person or by representative on the College's Purchasing Department website located at <https://www.fscj.edu/discover/governance-administration/purchasing/bids-schedule> for a 72-hour period.

Any notice of protest of award or recommendation of award shall be filed in writing within 72-hours with a protest bond amounting to (1) Twenty-five Thousand dollars (\$25,000) or Two percent (2%) of the lowest accepted bid, whichever is greater, for projects valued over \$500,000; and (2) Five percent (5%) of the lowest accepted bid for all other projects (as defined in section 255.0516 Florida Statutes) after the posting of the bid tabulation and a formal written protest shall be filed within 10 days after date the notice of protest was filed. Failure to file a protest and protest bond within the time prescribed shall constitute a waiver of proceedings under Chapter 120, Florida Statutes.

ATTACHMENT TO THESE GENERAL CONDITIONS

The following forms and informational sheets are attached hereto as acceptable guides for various submittals called for herein:

Agreement Between Owner and Contractor	Attachment No. 1
Application and Certificate for Payment	Attachment No. 2
Contractor's Affidavit to Owner	Attachment No. 3
Equal Opportunity - Certificate of Compliance	Attachment No. 4
Supplementary Conditions	Attachment No. 5

FLORIDA STATE COLLEGE AT JACKSONVILLE

JACKSONVILLE, FLORIDA

AGREEMENT BETWEEN OWNER AND CONTRACTOR

THIS AGREEMENT, made this _____ day of _____ in the year _____ and BETWEEN the Owner: The District Board of Trustees of the Florida State College at Jacksonville, a body politic, and the Contractor: _____, with its principle address of _____ (Federal ID# _____) is for the Project which, for purposes of this Agreement, is defined as:

PROJECT NAME
ITB #

The Architect/Engineer for this Project is: ARCHITECT/ENGINEER NAME

ARTICLE 1

THE CONTRACT DOCUMENTS

The Contract Documents consist of this Agreement, Conditions of the Contract for Construction (General, Supplementary and other Conditions as defined in solicitation), Drawings, Specifications, All Addenda issued prior to execution of this Agreement, and All Modifications issued subsequent thereto without exception. These form the Contract and all are incorporated by reference as fully a part of the Contract as if attached to this Agreement or repeated herein.

ARTICLE 2

THE WORK

The Contractor shall perform all the Work required by the Contract Documents for 20XXC-XX: PROJECT NAME

ARTICLE 3

TIME OF COMMENCEMENT AND COMPLETION

Where substantial completion is not achievable by no later than **XXXX** number of calendar days on **XX/XX/XX** the Contractor and his Sureties shall be liable for and shall pay to the Owner the following sums as liquidated damages/penalty for each calendar day of such delay until the Work is substantially completed:

\$ _____ per Calendar day

ARTICLE 4

CONTRACT SUM

The Owner shall pay the Contractor for the performance of the Work, subject to additions and deductions by Change Orders as provided in the Conditions of the Contract, in current funds, the Contract Sum of:

_____ **Dollars** _____

ARTICLE 5

PROGRESS AND FINAL PAYMENTS

Upon Application for Payment submitted by the Contractor to the Architect/Engineer and Certificates of Payments based thereon issued by the Architect, the Owner shall make progress payments on account of the Contract Sum and a final Payment to the Contractor as provided in the Conditions of the Contract and as follows:

- 5.1** In not more than twenty(20) days after receipt of a Certificate of Payment approved by the Architect, and the Uniform Building Code Inspector (UBCI) the Owner shall make a progress payment to the Contractor in the amount provided in such Certificate; provided such payment in addition to all previous payments does not exceed ninety percent (90%) of the portion of the Contract Sum properly allocable to labor, materials and equipment incorporated in the Work plus ninety percent (90%) of the Contract Sum properly allocable to materials and equipment not incorporated in the Work but delivered and suitably stored at the site or at a bonded warehouse located in Jacksonville, Florida when agreed upon by the parties in writing, up to five days prior to the date on which the Application for Payment is submitted.

- 5.2** At such time as the Contractor has substantially completed his Work, the Architect and Owner's Uniform Building Code Inspector have prepared the Final Punch List, and the UBCI has approved the punch list, retainage may be reduced to an amount equal to 5% of the gross amount due but not less than \$500.00. When all final punch list items have been completed to the Owner's satisfaction, final payment may be made.

The Contractor has 30 calendar days from the date the Owner accepts the work as substantial completion to complete all "punch list" items for the project. If all punch list items are not completed and accepted by the Architect and the Owner by XX/XX/XX, liquidated damages/penalty for each calendar day of such delay will be assessed at \$_____ per calendar day. The contractor and his Sureties will be liable for and shall pay the Owner such amount.

- 5.3** The Application for Payment for the final payment under the contract shall include the following forms:

- a. Contractor's Affidavit to Owner stating that all lienors have been paid in full, or stating the name of each lienor who has not been paid in full and the amount expected to become due for labor, services, or materials furnished. If any Sub-contractor, material man, fabricator or supplier fails or refuses to furnish a release or waiver in full, the prime Contractor will furnish an Indemnity Bond for release of lien to the Owner, or other collateral satisfactory to the Owner, to indemnify the Owner against any lien.
- b. Consent of Surety to Final Payment on AIA Document G707.
- c. Contractor's Affidavit of Release of Liens on AIA Documents G706 and G706A certifying that the prime Contractor, all Subcontractors, all suppliers of materials and equipment, and all performers of work, labor or services on the project release or waive any lien against the Owner arising in the construction project.

- 5.4** The College may occupy the facilities prior to the completion of all punch list items; however, retainages specified will remain in force.

ARTICLE 6

MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS

6.1 Terms used in the Agreement which are defined in the Conditions of the Contract shall have the meanings designated in those Conditions.

6.2 The Contract Documents as listed in Article 1 shall constitute the entire Agreement between the Owner and the Contractor, except for Modifications issued after execution of this Agreement, and shall include the following Alternatives:

THIS AGREEMENT executed the day and year first written above.

OWNER

**THE DISTRICT BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE
FLORIDA STATE COLLEGE AT JACKSONVILLE**

By: _____
Randi Brokvist
Its: Executive Director,
Purchasing and Auxiliary Services

ATTEST: By: _____
Audrey B. Monroe
Its: Purchasing Construction Contracts Coordinator

CONTRACTOR

By: _____
Its: _____
Print Name

Title

ATTEST: By: _____
Its: _____
Print Name



APPLICATION & CERTIFICATION FOR PAYMENT

Application for Payment No. _____
 For Period Ending _____
 Project _____
 FSCJ Bid No. _____

Application is made for payment, as hereinafter shown, in connection with this contract:

Original Contract Sum	\$ _____
Change Orders (Net)	\$ _____
Contract Sum to Date	\$ _____
Balance to Finish	\$ _____
Complete to Date – see attached schedule	\$ _____
Material Suitably Stored	\$ _____
Gross Amount Due	\$ _____
Less _____% Retainage	\$ _____
Less Previous Applications	\$ _____
Less Materials Directly Purchased by Owner	\$ _____
Amount Due This Application	\$ _____

The undersigned Contractor hereby swears under penalty of perjury that (1) all previous progress payments received from the Owner on account of work performed under the contract referred to above have been applied by the undersigned to discharge in full all obligations of the undersigned incurred in connection with work covered by prior Applications for Payment under said contract, being Applications for Payment numbered 1 through _____ inclusive; and (2) title to all work, materials and equipment covered by this Application for Payment, whether incorporated in the Project or not, will pass to the Owner upon receipt of such payment by the Contractor, free and clear of all liens, claims, security interests and encumbrances.

Dated _____
 COUNTY OF _____)
 STATE OF _____) SS _____
 By _____
 (Name and Title)

Before me on this _____ day of _____, 20____ personally appeared _____ known to me, who being duly sworn, did depose and say that he/she is the _____ of the Contractor above mentioned; that he/she executed the above Application for Payment and statement on behalf of said Contractor; and that all of the statements contained therein are true, correct and complete.

Notary Public: _____
 My commission expires: _____

ARCHITECT/ENGINEER'S CERTIFICATE FOR PAYMENT	
In accordance with the contract and this application for payment, this is to certify that the Contractor is properly entitled to payment in the amount shown above.	
Architect: _____	By: _____
Date: _____	(Name and Title)

CONTRACTOR'S AFFIDAVIT TO OWNER

STATE OF _____)
COUNTY OF _____)

Before me, the undersigned authority, personally appeared _____
_____, who, being by me first duly sworn, on oath depose(s) and say(s):

1. He is (They are) _____ of _____
_____ (a corporation) (a partnership) (an individual) doing business
as _____, hereinafter called "Contractor".

2. Contractor heretofore entered into a contract with the District Board of
Trustees of the Florida State College at Jacksonville, hereinafter called "Owner", to
furnish material, labor and services for the construction of
_____ located at Jacksonville, Duval
County, Florida.

3. Contractor has fully completed construction in accordance with the terms of the
contract and all lienors have been paid in full, except:

Name of Lienor	Amount Due and Unpaid
	\$

4. All Worker's Compensation claims have been settled and no liability claims are
pending, in connection with, arising out of or resulting from, the contract.

5. Receipt by the Contractor of the final payment, under the aforementioned
contract, shall constitute a full release and discharge by the Contractor to the
Owner of any and all claims of the Contractor against the Owner, arising out of,
connected with, or resulting from performance of the obligations of the Contractor
pursuant to the Contract Documents.

6. The term "lienor" as used in this affidavit means any person having a lien or a
prospective lien, under the Mechanics Lien Law of Florida, on the land and property
of the Owner referred to in Paragraph two of this affidavit.

7. This affidavit is given pursuant to the provisions of Section 713.06,
Florida Statutes.

Signed and sealed in the presence of:

_____ (SEAL)

(Contractor)
By _____ (SEAL)

Sworn to and subscribed before me this _____ day of _____, 20_____.

Notary Public State of Florida at Large
My Commission Expires: _____

EQUAL OPPORTUNITY

CERTIFICATE OF COMPLIANCE

PROJECT TITLE: _____

This is to certify that the undersigned contractor on subject project does now and will during the entire length of this project comply with all applicable laws, rules and regulations relating to equal employment opportunity, and any Federal, State, or Local laws, rules, or regulations pertaining thereto; and further certifies compliance specifically with Executive Order 11246 originally issued by the President of the United States on September 24, 1965, as amended from time to time thereafter, including:

1. The Contractor does not discriminate in any manner in its employment policies as to race, color, religion, sex or national origin; and,

2. The Contractor does maintain an affirmative action plan to recruit, employ, and promote qualified members of groups that may have been formerly excluded because of race, color, religion, sex or national origin.

Contractor: _____

By: _____

Title: _____

Date: _____

SUPPLEMENTARY CONDITIONS

1. **Conditions of the Contract** - General Conditions, these Supplementary Conditions and Division I are applicable to all divisions and sections of the specifications and it is the Contractor's responsibility to so inform all parties who should be influenced thereby.
2. **Applicable Specifications/Drawings** - The specifications/drawings applicable to this work are titled:

PROJECT TITLE ON SPECIFICATIONS AND DRAWINGS:Dated: XX/XX/XXXX

Prepared by: _____

The drawings accompany these solicitation documents and specifications and become a part hereof. In case of dispute, the Architect will identify the various sheets comprising the drawings. The applicable drawings consist of the following sheets:

DRAWING SHEET NAMES/NUMBERS LISTING: _____

The Contractor will be furnished 1 set of drawings, specifications and other Contract Documents for this work. It is the Architect's judgment that this is a reasonable number for this project, however, should the Contractor desire additional copies, he may purchase them from the Architect or Owner by payment of reproduction costs.

3. **Contract Time** -

- It is the intent to publicly open bids at 2:00 p.m. EST on XX/XX/XXXX and post recommendation of award on or about XX/XX/XXXX for a period of 72-hours pursuant to Chapter 120 F.S.
- It is further the owners intent to provide the apparent low bidder/recommended contractor a "Notice of Intent" memo at that time on XX/XX/XXXX that shall make the contractor aware of the College's intent to submit to the College's Board of Trustees meeting on XX/XX/XXXX a recommendation of award to their firm. The Notice of Intent shall provide the contractor advance notice of the colleges requirements they provide the college by no later than XX/XX/XXXX (date established to be no less than 10 days as stated in Instruction To Bidders, Paragraph 16) the following fully completed and executed documents:
 - A. Signed Contract #20XXC-XX.
 - B. If cumulative contract award is > \$200,000 a 100% performance and payment bond that was issued by a surety licensed to do business in the State of Florida that meets the requirements defined in F.S. 255.05.
 - C. If cumulative contract award is > \$200,000 evidence the 100% Performance and Payment Bond was recorded with Duval County.
 - D. A certificate of insurance listing COLLEGE Board of Trustees as additionally insured in the amounts as defined in ITB #20XXC-XX.
 - E. Evidence of statutory Worker's Compensation insurance.
 - F. Copies of Duval County Occupational Business Tax Receipt and State licenses of all subcontractors disclosed at bid opening and proposed for this project.

- **Contractor guarantees owner "Substantial Completion"** of this project (inclusive of any awarded alternate specified herein) shall by no later than XXXX number of calendar days on XX/XX/XXXX and "**Final Completion**" by no later than 30 calendar days thereafter on XX/XX/XXXX regardless if they are late to return to the college the #A through F required submittals noted above.
- Upon receipt of "**ALL**" the required submittals noted above it is the College's intent to sign Contract **#20XXC-XX** and issue a Purchase Order within two (2) work days after receipt of #A through F and issue a Notice To Proceed at that time.

4. **Liquidated Damages** - Since actual damages for delay are impossible to determine, the fixed, agreed and liquidated damages described in Article 8, Paragraph 8.3.1 of General Conditions shall be for each calendar day beyond the specified Contract "**Substantial Completion**" date of XX/XX/XXXX and/or beyond the "**Final Completion**" date of XX/XX/XXXX as follows:

\$ _____ per Calendar day

\$ _____ per day Calendar for Punch List Completion
(30 calendar days following Substantial Completion)

5. **List of Designated Subcontractors** - The Contractor shall submit with his Proposal a list of the names, addresses, and minority type/values with license numbers of the Subcontractors he proposes to use on this project.

a) This list shall be submitted with the intent that the Contractor shall employ these Subcontractors for the trades noted. Should the Owner voice an objection to any of the listed firms, the Contractor shall submit for the Owner's approval and selection, the name or names of other Subcontractors which may be employed in lieu thereof and shall at the same time indicate the change to the price or prices on his Proposal for each selection. If the Owner's selection of Alternates should affect this list, the Contractor shall be prepared, upon request, to submit the names of Subcontractors which he proposes to use for the given selection of Alternates upon which the Contract may be awarded.

b) This list shall be placed in a white letter-size envelope, sealed and marked "List of Subcontractors". This envelope shall then be placed with the Proposal in a larger sealed envelope. Their content will be made public for the information of bidders and others interested, and those who may be present either in person or by representative, if requested as defined in FS 119.071, the date of posting (defined herein) or 30 days after bid opening (whichever is earlier).

6. **Notice to Owner** - If a subcontractor or supplier files a Notice to Owner in any acceptable form under the Florida Mechanics Lien Law, the Owner will use reasonable efforts to notify the Contractor of its receipt. Any payment request delivered subsequent to receipt of that Notice to Owner that contains payment in full or in part for that subcontractor or supplier shall require a Partial Release of Lien or Final Release from each subcontractor or supplier so affected.

7. CONTRACTOR'S WORKERS COMPENSATION AND LIABILITY INSURANCE

Pursuant to Senate Bill 50A and FS Chapter 440: During the Contract term, the Contractor at its sole expense shall provide commercial insurance of such a type and with such terms and limits as may be reasonably associated with the Contract, which, at a minimum, shall be: Workers' Compensation And Employer's Liability insurance in accordance with Chapter 440 of the Florida Statutes with minimum Employers' Liability limits of \$100,000 per accident per person, and \$500,000 policy aggregate. Such policy shall cover all employees engaged in any Contract work.

Pursuant to Florida Statutes, effective 1/1/2004 employers who have employees who are engaged in work in Florida must use Florida rates, rules and classifications for those employees. In the construction industry, only corporate officers of a corporation or any group affiliated corporations may elect to be exempt from workers' compensation coverage requirements. Such exemptions are limited to a maximum of three per corporation and each exemption holder must own at least 10% of the corporation. Independent contractors, sole proprietors and partners in the construction industry cannot elect to be exempt and must maintain worker' compensation insurance.

a) The awarded Contractor shall purchase and maintain with a company or companies licensed to do business in the State of Florida and acceptable to the Owner and his Risk Manager such insurance as will protect him from claims, some of which are set forth below, which may rise out of or result from the Contractor's operations under the Contract, whether such operations be by himself or by any Sub-contractor or by anyone directly or indirectly employed by any of them, or by anyone else for whose acts any of them may be liable. The specific delineation of coverage in this paragraph is a minimum guide only, it being the specific intent of the Owner that it shall be fully and completely protected and indemnified from any and all claims which may arise out of Contractor's operation under the Contract; including among others those checked below:

- a)i** claims under workers' compensation, disability benefit and other similar employee benefit acts;
- a)ii** claims for damages because of bodily injury, occupational sickness or disease, or death of this employees;
- a)iii** claims for damages because of bodily injury, sickness or disease, or death of any person other than his employees;
- a)iv** claims for damages by usual personal injury coverage including but not limited to libel, slander, and false arrest which are sustained (1) by any person including, but not limited to, a Contractor, Subcontractor or Sub-subcontractor or their employees as a result of an occurrence directly or indirectly related to the employment of such person by the Contractor, or (2) by any other person;
- a)v** claims for damages because of injury to or destruction of tangible property, including loss of use resulting therefrom;
- a)vi** claims resulting from explosion, collapse, or underground accident, (X-C-U coverage required) and other on-premises operations.
- a)vii** claims resulting from owned, hired and non-owned motor vehicles and equipment;
- a)viii** claims for damage resulting from the actions or inactions of independent Contractors;
- a)ix** claims arising under products and completed operations insurance.

b) The insurance required by Subparagraph 7.a) shall be written for not less than the limits of liability specified below, or required by law, whichever is greater, and shall include contractual liability insurance as applicable to the Contractor's obligations under Paragraph 4.17 in the General Conditions.

b)i A - Workers' Compensation Coverage per Florida Statutes including All States Endorsement

B - Employers' Liability:

\$100,000.00	Limit Per Accident
\$500,000.00	Disease Policy Limit
\$100,000.00	Limit for Employee

b)ii Comprehensive Automobile Liability - including Employers' Non-Ownership and Hired Car Coverage:

A - \$ 1,000,000.00 combined Single Limit for Bodily Injury and Property Damage.

b)iii Comprehensive General Liability Coverage \$ 1,000,000.00 combined Single Limit for Bodily and Personal Injury and Property Damage. This insurance shall name the District Board of Trustees of Florida State College at Jacksonville as an additional insured.

Commercial General Liability Coverage - Occurrence Form Required

Coverage A shall include bodily injury and property damage liability for premises, operations, products and completed operations, independent contractors, contractual liability covering this agreement, contract or lease, broad form property damage, and property damage resulting from explosion, collapse or underground (x,c,u) exposures.

Coverage B shall include personal injury.

Coverage C, medical payments, is not required.

b)iv Excess umbrella liability **\$2,000,000** per occurrence and in the aggregate.

b)v Coverage to be certified by the Contractor (and their Subcontractors) shall include, but not be limited to the following:

- x Workers' Compensation
- x Automobile owned, hired and non-owned
- x Premises
- x Operations
- x Contractual
- x Personal injury - Hazards, A, B and C with employee exclusion removed
- x Broad Form Property Damage
- x Removal of X, C and U exclusions
- x Products and Completed Operations
- x Independent Contractors

- c) A Certificate of Insurance, executed on a standard ACORD form, shall be filed with the Owner simultaneously with the Contractor's execution of the Agreement. The certificate shall contain a provision that coverages afforded under the policies will not be cancelled until at least thirty (30) days prior written notice has been given to the Owner. The Certificate of Insurance will include the following statement: "Interest of the Certificate Holder is included as an Additional Insured."

8. PROPERTY INSURANCE

- a) Until the Work is completed and accepted by the Owner, the contractor shall purchase and maintain property insurance upon the entire Work at the site to the full insurable value thereof. This insurance shall include the interest of the Owner, the Contractor, Subcontractors and Sub-subcontractors in the Work and shall on an all risk special form. Coverage shall include damages, losses, and expenses arising out of or resulting from any insured property including fees and charges of Architects, Engineers and Attorneys.
- b) The Contractor shall purchase and maintain such steam boiler and machinery insurance as may be required by the Contract Documents or by law. The insurance shall include the interest of the Owner, the Contractor, Subcontractors and Sub-subcontractors in the Work.
- c) The Contractor shall file a copy of all policies with the Owner before an exposure to loss may occur, but not later than the first Application for Payment.
- d) The Owner and Contractor waive all rights against each other or damages caused by fire or other perils to the extent covered by insurance provided under this Paragraph, except such rights as they may have to the proceeds of such insurance held by the Owner as trustee. The Contractor shall require similar waivers by Subcontractors and Sub-subcontractors in accordance with Clause 5.3.1.5. In waiving rights of recovery under terms of this Paragraph the term "Owner" shall be deemed to include his employees and the Architect, and its employees as the Owner's representative.

9. SAFETY CLAUSE

The Contractor by submitting a bid response agrees that it shall be solely responsible for supervising its employees, that it shall comply with all rules, regulations, orders, standards and interpretations promulgated pursuant to the Occupational Safety and Health Act of 1970, including but not limited to training, recordkeeping, providing personal protective equipment, lockout/tagout procedures, Material Safety Data Sheets and labeling as required by the right to know standard, 29 CFR 1910.1200.

10. **FLORIDA BUILDING CODE PLAN REVIEWS AND INSPECTIONS**

The State Board Of Education requirements adopted pursuant to Chapter 120 FS to implement the State Uniform Building Code for Public Educational Facilities Construction in Chapter 1013, FS, are contained in Section 423 of the Florida Building Code and the Department of Education current publication of the "State Requirements for Educational Facilities" Plan Reviews and Building Inspections or the most current in accordance with the Florida Building Code will be performed by the College to ensure compliance with Florida State Statutes. Qualified individuals will be properly assigned to each project and properly licensed to perform these tasks. The College Staff is to assume neither the contractor's responsibility for the project nor the Architect's/Engineer's responsibility for the design or contract administration of the contract documents or project.

11. **PERMITS, INSPECTIONS AND RE-INSPECTIONS**

Florida State College at Jacksonville issues its own Building Permits and performs its own Building Inspections in accordance with the Florida Building Code. Currently there is no charge to the Contractor for the Building Permit, Project Plan Review or the Building Inspections. The quantity and types of project inspections are job specific in the general areas of Demolition, Building, Plumbing, Heating and Air Conditioning, Fire Protection, and Civil. It is the Contractor's responsibility to request all inspections. A re-inspection fee of \$50.00 per re-inspection will be charged to the contractor if a contractor requests/ schedules an inspection on a project and it is not ready for inspection and a return re-inspection visit is required.

12. **COLLEGE POLICY COMPLIANCE**

The Contractor acknowledges and understands that the services are being performed on public property owned by Florida State College at Jacksonville, which may at various times during the completion of the project/job be occupied by students, faculty and College administrators. Accordingly, in order to secure the property, and otherwise comply with applicable law, the Contractor agrees to the following provisions and also agrees that the failure to comply with any of these provisions may result in the termination of this Contract.

- The Contractor **shall** immediately remove from the job site, for the duration of the job, any person making an inappropriate religious, racial, sexual or ethnic comment, statement or gesture toward any other individual.
- The Contractor, Subcontractors, and their employees will refrain from using foul, abusive, or profane language on College property. The College as of March 1, 2013 is a 100% Tobacco Free on all College grounds. Smoking, use of any tobacco products or carrying firearms/weapons or illegal drugs is prohibited on College property, including all buildings, grounds and parking lots.
- The Contractor **shall** enforce strict discipline and good order among their employees at all times. Contractor's personnel shall have absolutely no contact with students or staff, other than administrative personnel or designated representatives, with the exception of emergency situations.
- Contractor and Sub-contracted employees **shall** wear a uniform identifying the firm they represent. The College reserves the right to exclude anyone from entry into College proper for noncompliance with this requirement.

Florida State College at Jacksonville is a member of the Florida College System and is not affiliated with any other public or private university or college in Florida or elsewhere.

Florida State College at Jacksonville does not discriminate against any person on the basis of race, disability, color, ethnicity, national origin, religion, gender, age, sex, sexual orientation/expression, marital status, veteran status, pregnancy or genetic information in its programs, activities and employment. For more information, visit the [Equal Access/Equal Opportunity](#) page.

Florida State College at Jacksonville is accredited by the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools Commission on Colleges to award the baccalaureate and associate degree. Contact the Commission on Colleges at 1866 Southern Lane, Decatur, Georgia 30033-4097, or call (404) 679-4500 for questions about the accreditation of Florida State College at Jacksonville. The Commission is to be contacted only if there is evidence that appears to support an institution's significant non-compliance with a requirement or standard.