**Q&A #2**

**RFP #R583908**

**EFP Independent Advisory & Oversight Services**

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1. Question: Which institutions are supported currently by the listed systems including POISE, Banner, Colleague, Peoplesoft, and the in-house developed mainframe system?

Answer: See chart below.

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| **Institution** | **System** |
| University of Arkansas, Fayetteville | Basis (home grown) and Peoplesoft for student |
| University of Arkansas Division of Agriculture - Research |  |
| Arkansas Archelogical Survey |  |
| University of Arkansas Clinton School of Public Service |  |
| University of Arkansas, Little Rock | Ellucian Banner |
| University of Arkansas, Monticello | Oracle Peoplesoft |
| University of Arkansas, Pine Bluff | Ellucian Colleague (Unidata) |
| University of Arkansas, Fort Smith | Ellucian Banner |
| Phillips Community College of the University of Arkansas | Ellucian Collegue (SQL) |
| University of Arkansas Community College at Hope | POISE |
| University of Arkansas Community College at Batesville | Ellucian Colleague (SQL) |
| University of Arkansas Community College at Morrilton | POISE |
| Cossatot Community College of the University of Arkansas | POISE |
| University of Arkansas Division of Agriculture - Cooperative Extention | Ellucian Banner |
| University of Arkansas System - eVersity | Ellucian Banner |

1. Question: Is the University System looking for two separate RFPs - one for the acquisition of the software and a separate one for implementation and integration series?

Answer: Yes, along with the other requirements outlined in this RFP, there is the requirement that vendor selected will work with the U of A System to draft two separate RFPs. There will be one RFP for the acquisition of software and one for implementation and integration services of the selected software.

1. Question: Does the University System foresee having an overall vendor Project Manager for this project along with Project Managers staffed from each institution to collaborate with the System level Project Manager?

Answer: It is expected that the vendor selected would recommend and provide adequate project management resources for a project of this scope.

1. Question: What is the driving impetus for the University System to consider this initiative at this time?

Answer: There is recognition that consolidating from multiple systems to one common platform will improve efficiency, reporting, and analytics for the entire system.

1. Question: Are all of the existing ERP systems under recurring maintenance contracts currently?

Answer: Yes.

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