



October 13, 2025

ADDENDUM VIII

PURCHASE OF CREDIT MOBILITY SOLUTION RFP-2025-0075

I. In response to questions received:

- A. **Question:** Can you provide an example of the transfer articulation guide?
Response: If you are referring to “Transfer Advising Guides” (TAGs), examples can be found at: <https://myalamocatalog.alamo.edu/content.php?catoid=284&navoid=23235>;
- B. **Question:** What are the manual processes involved in the generation of the transfer articulation guide?
Response: The process of generation Transfer Advising Guides includes reviewing university catalogs, reviewing THECB assets, reviewing ACD assets, working with University POCs for approval, then publishing on Alamo college District’s website.
- C. **Question:** Can you provide a representative example of an approved course equivalency rule or policy used by a partner university to determine course matching under the Texas Common Course Numbering System (TCCNS)?
Response: Please visit tccns.org then select the “Compare” option and select one of the Alamo Colleges as the “Transfer From” and Compare to a University Partner as the “Transfer To” institution. Sometimes universities provide TCCNS equivalents within their course descriptions or have a TCCNS listing provided in their catalog.

UTSA Course Description Example:

BIO 1201. Biosciences I Laboratory for Science Majors. (0-3) 1 Credit Hour. (TCCN = BIOL 1106)

Prerequisite: Completion of or concurrent enrollment in one of the following: [STA 1053](#), [MAT 1023](#), [MAT 1073](#), or higher.

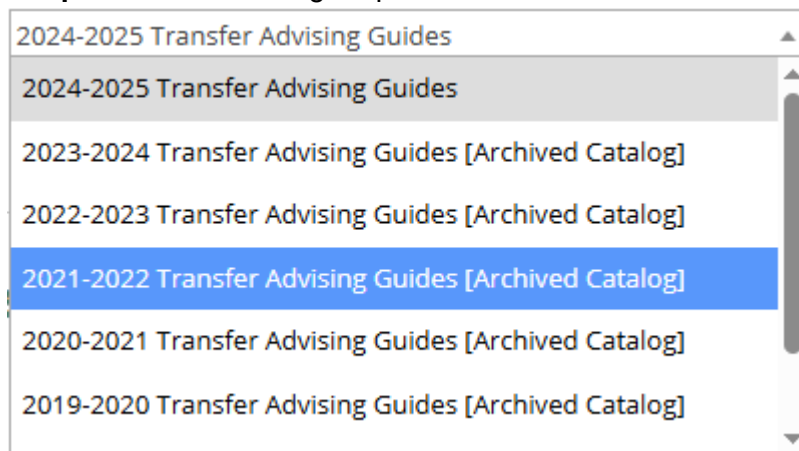
Corequisite: [BIO 1203](#) for biology majors. This laboratory-based course accompanies [BIO 1203](#), Biosciences I for Science Majors. Laboratory activities will reinforce the fundamental principles of living organisms, including physical and chemical properties of life, organization, function, evolutionary adaptation, and classification. Study and examination of the concepts of cytology, reproduction, genetics, and scientific reasoning are included. Course Fees: IUB1 \$10; L001 \$30; LRS1 \$15; STSI \$7.

UTRGV Catalog TCCNS info: <https://utrgv.smartcatalogiq.com/en/2025-2026/undergraduate-catalog/bachelors-degree-program-regulations/texas-common-course-numbering-system-2025>



- D. **Question:** How should versioning be managed for Transfer Advising Guides (TAGs) to ensure that students, advisors, and institutions are always referencing the most up-to-date and accurate guide?

Response: The Catalog drop down link should differentiate between Catalog years.



- E. **Question:** Does the scope confine to getting course details of the new university from its Catalogue sites?

Response: Yes, or the University POC will provide additional departmental information

- F. **Question:** Is the margin of error in NLP and GPT, expected to be rectified through manual intervention during approval process?

Response: Yes, any AI generated content should be rectified by human intervention.

- G. **Question:** Please elaborate on the following point from RFP. Is this point referring to a technical scope where in you are expecting the AI solution to be solely NLP driven and not having any additional Machine Learning Algorithm capacity? Or are you referring to the users of the proposed system?

“Natural Language AI Services: A suite of AI services capable of applying natural language processing algorithms to the data without requiring advanced expertise in math, data science, or machine learning.”

Response: The solution should not require the end users to have advanced expertise in math, data science or machine learning.

- H. **Question:** Should Offerors propose hosting, or will you provide infrastructure?

Response: Alamo Colleges District’s Information Technology Services Department can provide on-premises hosting if needed. This would not include AI processing.



- I. **Question:** What encryption-in-transit/at-rest standards must we meet?
Response: All Alamo data should be encrypted in-transit and at-rest
 - J. **Question:** How should change summaries or alerts be delivered to your team?
Response: If this refers to system alerts, then alerts status should be sent to our IT Security and Applications teams.
 - K. **Question:** Is there an existing CI/CD pipeline or process that the solution needs to integrate with?
Response: Software development should follow our Change Control Process.
 - L. **Question:** There is a significant amount of off-shore work that will be done. Do you consider that a disqualifying factor?
Response: No, that is not a disqualifying factor.
- II. Additional questions will be answered via Addendum IX.
- III. Please acknowledge receipt of this Addendum VIII, with your proposal.

REMINDER:

The deadline to submit a proposal for this project is no later than 2:00 p.m. (CT), Tuesday, October 28, 2025.

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