UC Hastings Bidding Guidelines for All Funding Sources					
Category	\$0 - \$14,999.99 *	\$15,000 - \$49,999.00	\$50,000 - \$100,000	> \$100,000	
Goods	For APO and PCard engagement  Purchasers responsible for determining price reasonableness  For Procurement engagement	One (1) Formal Quote required  If department does not provide quote, buyer will obtain *  May leverage GPO  Buyer determines	Two (2) Formal Quotes required **  RFP Recommended, may be appropriate depending on complexity and opportunity  If department does not provide quotes, buyer will	RFP or Formal Bid, May Leverage GPO (if CompetitivelyBid) **	
Services				Award will be made by th following: - Lowest Cost - Cost per Quality Point	
Capital Equipment	Informal Quote  Buyer verifies price if necessary	price reasonableness	obtain *  May leverage GPO  Buyer determines price reasonableness	- Best Value	
Professional Services - Consultants	Buyer determines price reasonableness	Competed at the discretion of the CFO			

<sup>\*</sup> Note: To expedite, department should provide quote(s). Increased processing time is required if buyer obtains quote(s).

The Source Selection & Price Reasonableness Justification Form is found at PLACE HASTINGS WEBLINK HERE
Sole Source Requests must have the Department Head/Budget Manager signature and be approved by the Director of Business
Services, CFO, respective Division Head, and General Counsel.

All KFS procurement documents (PO / PA) must include supporting documentation to demonstrate policy compliance [Quotations, RFP attachments, GPO attachments, etc.) in the electronic file at the time of issue.

## **Definitions:**

Formal Quote	A proposal with price/delivery/terms provided on company letterhead or company stationary. Typically, formal quotes will include a quote number, payment terms, delivery terms, expiration date of quote, terms and conditions, etc.		
Informal Quote	A proposal with pricing/terms provided verbally (e.g. phone) or in writing (including eMail).		
GPO / Purchasing Cooperative	An entity that is created to leverage the purchasing power of a group of businesses to obtain discounts from vendors (usually competed) based on the collective buying power of the GPO members, i.e., E&I, US Communities, NASPO and others.		
Factors Determining Price Reasonableness:			
Price comparison	A buyer has obtained and documented quotes or offers within the last 12 month period from other responsible suppliers, which provides evidence that a price obtained is deemed fair and reasonable.		
Catalog or Market Pricing	The price offered is supported by an established and verifiable catalog or market pricing media issued by a responsible supplier and/or through an established reputable forum. In addition, the pricing structure provided is one that a prude buyer would accept as a reasonable representation of existing market value.		
Controlled Pricing	The price offered is set by law or regulation; competitively bid master, statewide contracts and Purchasing Cooperativetc.		
Historical Pricing	A buyer is able to demonstrate that other transactions occurring in the past (within a 12 month period) exist that she that historical prices for similar acquisitions have yielded no material change in cost.  Note: The definition of "material" for this technique is deemed greater than a 15% increased difference between cur and historical pricing.		

<sup>\*\*</sup> Note: In lieu of competition, the department may submit a Sole Source Justification