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**ADOPTED-BOARD OF TRUSTEES**  
**COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT NO. 508**  
**DECEMBER 4, 2025**

**BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT NO. 508**  
**COUNTY OF COOK AND STATE OF ILLINOIS**

**CAREER EXPLORATION PLATFORM**  
**SHI INTERNATIONAL CORP**  
**ECONOMIC MODELING, LLC**  
**OFFICE OF STUDENT EXPERIENCE**  
**DISTRICT WIDE**

**THE CHANCELLOR RECOMMENDS:**

that the Board of Trustees authorizes the Chair, upon final approval of the General Counsel as to the legal form of such agreement, to authorize the execution of an agreement with Economic Modeling, LLC and SHI International Corp. for the Career Exploration Platform for the period beginning no sooner than December 4, 2025 and continuing through June 30, 2028, at a total cost not to exceed \$135,825

**VENDOR:** SHI International Corp.  
290 Davidson Avenue  
Somerset, NJ 08873

Economic Modeling LLC  
232 N. Almon Street  
Moscow, ID 83843

**USER:** District Wide

**TERM:**

The term of this agreement shall commence no sooner than December 4, 2025, and continues through June 30, 2028, with an option to renew for an additional two (2) year period.

**SCOPE OF SERVICES:**

SHI will provide CCC with access to Economic Modeling LLC Software Career Coach. This is a student-facing, career exploration platform grounded in real-time labor market intelligence. Built to complement career advising, it helps learners make informed career decisions by aligning their interests, skills, and educational pathways with local job market realities.

The scope of service is across the student lifecycle, from early exploration through employment, with staff access to monitor progress and support students more effectively.

**BENEFIT TO CITY COLLEGES OF CHICAGO:**

**For students:** Empowers learners to self-discover career paths, save time, and avoid guessing what's next. Delivers context of salary, job trends, and skills in one place for smarter decisions. Simplifies resume building and applying to jobs, making career readiness more accessible. The platform is for an unlimited number of students. We are going to start marketing it with credit students to begin, but all students can have access.

**For the institution:**

Advances equity by ensuring all students, including those who may not seek help on their own, have access to structured career support. Strengthens program-to-career alignment using current regional market data. Support guided pathways; students can see how academic choices connect to real outcomes.

**VENDOR SELECTION CRITERIA:**

The contract being utilized as part of Omnia Partners (formerly National IPA) approved under Board Report #29816 and #32583. SHI International Corp. was awarded in accordance with the procurement procedures as detailed in RFP #2024056 dated November 16, 2023, and approved under Omnia Partners contract #2024056-02 dated July 2, 2024.

**MBE/WBE COMPLIANCE:**

The Office of Procurement Services has reviewed the proposed compliance plan and has determined that the vendor has complied with the Board Approved MBE/WBE Contract Participation Plan with a recommended (7%) waiver of the (WBE) goal.

<b><u>Vendor</u></b>	<b><u>MBE or WBE</u></b>	<b><u>%</u></b>	<b><u>Participation</u></b>	<b><u>Certifying Agency</u></b>
SHI International Corporation 290 Davidson Avenue Somerset, NJ 08873	MBE	100	Direct	New Jersey Minority Supplier Development Council

**GENERAL CONDITIONS:**

Inspector General – It shall be the duty of each party to the agreement to cooperate with the Inspector General for City Colleges of Chicago in any investigation conducted pursuant to the Inspector General’s authority under Article 2, Section 2.7.4(b) of the Board Bylaws.

Ethics – It shall be the duty of each party to the agreement to comply with the applicable provisions of the Board’s Ethics Policy adopted January 7, 1993, and as amended by the Board.

Contingent Liability – Pursuant to Section 7-14 of the Illinois Public Community College Act, all agreements authorized herein shall contain a clause that any expenditure beyond the current fiscal year is subject to appropriation in the subsequent fiscal year.

**FINANCIAL**

**Total:** \$135,825

**Charge to:** Academic Affairs/Office of Student Experience

**Sources of Funds:** Capital Fund/Operating

**Budget Line:** 530000/540000-92015-0023003-80000-9010126xx  
530000/540000-00003-0023003-80000

**Respectfully submitted,**

**Juan Salgado  
Chancellor**

**December 4, 2025 – Office of Student Experience**