

## 01 10 00 Unit Prices and Alternates

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### **Purpose:**

The Architect and/or Engineer shall incorporate the Rice specific requirements indicated in this standard's section into their design. The Architect and/or Engineer shall further produce project specifications in line with industry standards that are updated to reflect these Rice specific requirements.

### **1. General requirements**

- a. Allowances - It is the preference of the University to avoid the use of Allowances by making all necessary project systems products, materials and finish selections prior to bid of the complete project scope.
  - i. If Allowances are used, they are to be clearly identified by the Architect and Contractor, in writing, to the Rice Project Manager.
- b. Unit Prices - Prior to the issue of Contract Documents for bids or final pricing, the Architect shall review with the Rice Project Manager areas of the project where there may be benefit to the Owner to establishing unit prices due to the possibility of an increase, decrease or other changes in the project scope. The Architect will further work with the Rice Project Manager to clearly define the components of each unit price (i.e., cost of material, freight, installation, insurance, overhead, and applicable taxes that will best protect the University's interests).
- c. If the University requests formal pricing of alternate scopes of work, the Architect and his consultants will work with the Rice Project Manager to determine which scope of work would be best as the base scope and which as the alternate. Alternate pricing shall represent complete costs associated with the change, including fees, overhead, profit and general conditions.
  - i. Decisions regarding Alternates should be made as early as possible and Alternates should not be called out on drawings submitted for permit.