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## Business Justification Letter - PA Program - Exam Master purchase

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Academic Manager (for PA Programs) Based on 2019 NCCPA Blueprint Exam Master Online (for PA Programs Based on 2019 NCCPA Blueprint

Exam Master Online – A system for enabling student self-study, testing and review that contains a powerful exam engine, a content selection system, and detailed diagnostic reporting.

Offers four levels of content selection.

Offers test, study, review and learning modes.

Provides a "user-created" flash card module.

Permits students to submit direct (to publisher) feedback on each question.

Offers the ability to annotate questions.

Academic Manager – A system for enabling faculty to create quizzes, exams and study blocks for students, and includes an exam manager, a content manager, a class manager and a reporting module.

Allows faculty to edit Exam Master-provided content.

Provides a full set of available item types including the advanced multiple response item type and free response item type with grading and mapping rubrics.

Enables both faculty and program collaboration and sharing of content.

No other academic testing system integrates with the XComP competency assessment platform.

Offers a complete set of exam statistics

Offers detailed diagnostic scoring on a per user and per class basis.

Offers complete item analysis.

Includes an integrated electronic monitoring solution.

Allows exams to be assigned in a study or review mode only.

While some features of <u>Academic Manager</u> and <u>Exam Master Online</u> may be found in other resources, to our knowledge there is no other platform that offers all of these features together.

Unique Attributes of both systems working together

Few if any academic testing systems allow faculty to see results from both assigned examinations and student-created tests and quizzes.

Includes a proprietary set of 3600+ USMLE Step 1 and Step 2 test questions developed exclusively by Exam Master

## Total cost for 3 years: \$8,392.80

This cost is inline with other PA Programs that have good results using this platform and is in accordance with budgeted costs for the USM PA Program.

The program director has been part of the design, teaching and testing of students in three Physician Assistant programs and has experience Exam Master, Blackboard and Canvas in creating exams, and with Exam Master and Blackboard in administering grading and analyzing exams to PA students. Neither the Blackboard or Canvas platforms provide the range of capabilities or the focus on Physician Assistant Programs that Exam Mater provides.