Policy

Related Activities: The primary mission of UW-River Falls is the creation and dissemination of knowledge. In carrying out this mission, it is often desirable for the institution and its affiliated units to provide goods and services for fees which enhance, promote, or support its instructional, research, and public service functions (including co-curricular activities) in order to meet the needs of the students, faculty, staff and members of the public participating in institutional events.

Business activities shall be established and carried on only pursuant to and in accordance with an authorization and statement of purpose approved by the institution's governing board and/or chief executive officer. Each business activity shall meet the three following conditions:

- The activity is deemed to be important in the fulfillment of the institution’s instructional, research, or public service mission, without regard to profit;
- The activity is needed to provide an important good or service at a reasonable price, on reasonable terms, and at a convenient location and time; and
- The activity is carried out for the primary benefit of the campus community, but with sensitivity to the total community.

In accordance with Regent Policy Document 12-1, the Competition Review Committee shall provide guidance to the Chancellor to determine whether products and services provided to students, faculty, staff, private organizations, or the public at large might compete with similar products or services offered by the private sector. All major new potentially competitive activities will be referred to the institutional competition review committee for approval.

Unrelated Activities: Business activities not falling within guidelines established above may be unrelated business income activities. The institution should comply with applicable laws and regulations pertaining to such activities.

Authority

The University responsibility for this policy lies with the Vice Chancellor for Business and Finance and the University Controller.

The UW-River Falls Chancellor issues this policy in accordance with the Administrative Policy process.
The VCBF is responsible for the administration of this policy. To request an exception to this policy, mailto: administrative-policy@uwrf.edu.

Sanctions and Appeals Process
Failure to adhere to the provisions of this policy may result in appropriate disciplinary action as provided under existing procedures applicable to students, faculty, and staff, and/or civil or criminal prosecution.

University Responsibilities
Vice Chancellor for Business and Finance
Controller

Related Documents

Regent Policy Document 12 -1 Competition with the Private Sector-
https://www.wisconsin.edu/regents/policies/competition-with-the-private-sector/

Contact
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