Department: Computer Science and Information Systems
Program Name: Data Science
Program Level: Undergraduate
College: Business and Economics
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According to the Higher Learning Commission, “Faculty teaching in graduate programs should hold the terminal degree determined by the discipline and have a record of research, scholarship or achievement appropriate for the graduate program.” Several qualifications are considered assets for hire either as an instructional/academic staff or tenure-track faculty member in the Data Science at the University of Wisconsin – River Falls.

Candidates for graduate faculty status have earned a terminal degree (i.e. earned credential), that is in the faculty member’s teaching area (e.g. data science).

In addition, they have a record of research, scholarship, and achievement that includes:

- A record of academic contributions directly related to the teaching area.
- Graduate faculty must, in addition to the above qualifications, also have a current record of research, scholarship or high level achievement or professional experience.
- Also consult the College of Business and Economics Faculty Handbook for specific details.

Qualified applicants who are approved using “tested experience” typically must also have:

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<td>A masters’ degree related to the area of teaching (e.g. data science)</td>
<td>1. professional experience related to the area of teaching that is significant in duration and level of responsibility</td>
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