Department: Plant and Earth Science  
Program Name: Environmental Science  
Program Level: Graduate  
College: Agriculture, Food, and Environmental Science  
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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 Environmental Science program at the University of Wisconsin – River Falls.

Candidates for graduate faculty status have earned a terminal degree (i.e. earned credential), that is a Ph.D. in a field closely related to Environmental Science including, but not limited to, any of the Earth Sciences and Environmental Engineering.

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

- Published research related to environmental science in a peer-reviewed scientific journal within the past 3 years OR
- Presented research results related to environmental science at a professional scientific meeting or conference in the past 3 years OR
- Attendance at a professional conference or workshop related to environmental science annual for the past 3 years.