Department: Plant and Earth Science
Program Name: Geology
Program Level: Graduate
College: Arts and Sciences
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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 Geology 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 Geology, Geoscience, Earth Science, Geophysics, Geochemistry, Geo-biology, or related fields.

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

- Published research related to geology in a peer-reviewed scientific journal within the past three years or
- Presented research results related to geology at a professional scientific conference within the past three years or
- Attended a professional conference or workshop related to geology annually for the past three years.