Several qualifications are considered assets for hire either as an instructional/academic staff or tenure-track faculty member in the Modern Language programs at the University of Wisconsin – River Falls.

Candidates for undergraduate faculty status have a degree (i.e. earned credential) that is an M.A., M.S., D.Ed. or Ph.D. in the language, culture, or linguistics of the target language or in teaching the target language or the candidate is a native speaker of the target language and has earned an M.A., M.S., D.Ed. or Ph.D. in any of the above areas or in any area of humanities, language arts, journalism, linguistics, cultural studies, or social science.

According to the Higher Learning Commission, “faculty teaching in undergraduate programs should hold a degree at least one level above that of the program in which they are teaching” (e.g. at least a master’s degree or equivalent).