Several qualifications are considered assets for hire either as an instructional/academic staff or tenure-track faculty member in the History and Social Studies (History Emphasis) program at the University of Wisconsin – River Falls.

Candidates for undergraduate faculty status have earned a degree (i.e. earned credential) in History.

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

- Participation in academic conferences in the field of their research and teaching expertise
- Publication of book reviews and research papers in peer-reviewed journals directly related to their research expertise
- Although not required, publication of a book/monograph in their field of training and specialization is preferred.

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).

Qualified applicants who are approved using “tested experience” should also have 18 credits of graduate work in the disciplinary area, and/or other skills, experiences, credentials, and so on: This cannot be applied to the faculty and staff members in the History and Social Studies (History Emphasis) program.