Ethel McDonald Ellis was a faculty member at River Falls Normal School from 1916 to 1918. In 1963, she established a fund through the UWRF Foundation to provide short-term loans to students.

The Ethel McDonald Ellis Loan Fund is administered by First National Bank of River Falls on behalf of the UWRF Foundation. Short-term, no interest loans are available for qualified purposes:

- To graduate students to bridge payment of tuition and fees, books and other expenses related to enrollment;
- For students studying abroad who need short term assistance with expenses such as travel costs and upfront expenses.

Loan funds are available for an amount up to $1,000 and must be repaid within 12 months of loan disbursement. While there is no interest charged, there is a small administrative fee in addition to the loan amount.

Employment is not a required criteria to receive a loan. The loan is a legal obligation. By receiving a loan, the student is certifying that they will have funds available through work or qualified financial aid to repay the loan in full by the due date.

Contact Information:

UWRF Graduate Studies
104 North Hall

UWRF Global Connections
102 Hagestad Hall
Application and Promissory Note

Section 1: Applicant Information

Name: _____________________________________
Permanent Address: _________________________
___________________________________________
Campus Address (if different): _________________
___________________________________________
Home Phone: _______________________________
Cell Phone: _________________________________
E-mail (UWRF): _____________________________
Email (personal): ____________________________
W Number: _________________________________
Class Standing: ______________________________
Social Security Number: ______________________
___________________________________________
Employer (if applicable): ______________________
___________________________________________
Amount requested (max $1,000): _______________
Loan Purpose (describe):

Section 2: For graduate students, to be completed by Graduate Studies Office (104 North Hall). For study abroad students, to be completed by Global Connections (102 Hagestad).

We certify that the applicant is a student in good standing at UWRF and intends to use the funds for the purpose described.

Name: ____________________________________
Signature: _________________________________
Date: _________________________________

Section 3: Promissory Note

Instructions to Applicant: Upon completion of Sections 1 and 2, present this application to First National Bank of River Falls, in the University Center, along with two valid forms of identification.

FOR VALUE RECEIVED, the undersigned Maker promises to make payments at First National Bank of River Falls, University Center serving as administrator for the UWRF Foundation, Inc., (the Holder), the principal sum of $___________ from this date until maturity with monthly payments of twelve equal installments of $___________ with the first payment being due on ________________, 20____, and monthly thereafter on the ___ day of each month until paid in full on ___________________________. If not paid in full by said date, the Maker agrees to pay all costs of collection, including to the extent not prohibited by law, reasonable attorney’s fees. Without affecting the liability of the Maker, the Holder may, without notice, grant renewals or extensions or accept partial payments. All terms, conditions, covenants, warranties and promises herein shall be binding upon and inure to the benefit of the heirs, legal representatives, successors and assigns of the parties herein. The Maker may pre-pay the loan in full at any time without penalty.

The Maker also agrees to pay an administrative fee of $20 at the time of origination to First National Bank of River Falls.

_____________________________  _______________________________
Applicant Signature Date  First National Bank of River Falls Date