DOCUMENTATION OF UNDERSTANDING

By signing below, I am indicating I have read and I understand the program and policy handbook for the School Psychology Training Program at UW-RF. I know I am responsible for reviewing and knowing all handbook information throughout the program. I am also indicating I clearly understand the following:

- The program is designed to be four years in length and courses are primarily evening-based.
- Throughout the UW-RF school psychology program, I will be challenged to explore my own thoughts, feelings, beliefs, and attitudes about persons from diverse backgrounds and about issues associated with various aspects of human diversity. Areas of diversity to which I will be exposed and about which I will be challenged to learn and expand my zone of comfort and understanding will include but are not limited to race, ethnicity, gender and gender expression, sexual orientation, class, religion/spirituality, age, and physical and mental ability/disability. Furthermore, I will be expected to build competence in my ability to work in a sensitive, effective, and responsive manner with persons from diverse backgrounds. Opportunities to build this competence outside of coursework include the required practica and internship experiences.
- I will need to reduce other work obligations in which I may be engaged during the practicum year (i.e., 3rd year of training). The fourth year of training is the internship year (a full-time work and training commitment that is often paid).
- UW-RF school psychology faculty members cannot guarantee I will be able to secure an internship placement in the vicinity of UW-RF, including western Wisconsin, eastern Minnesota, and the Twin Cities metropolitan area. It is possible I may have to seek internship opportunities in areas other than those listed here.
- Many courses are offered only one time per year. One missed course can potentially delay my progress by one year. See the required course sequence for details.
- Electronic correspondence between candidates and faculty will occur primarily via the UW-RF e-mail system, meaning communications originating from the program will be sent to my UW-RF e-mail account. I understand I will need to check my UW-RF email account frequently, regardless of other personal or professional e-mail accounts I may have and use.
- I must purchase and maintain NASP candidate membership and professional liability insurance offered through the Forrest T. Jones Company throughout my entire tenure in the school psychology program.

I have had my questions answered about these requirements. I will meet with my advisor at least once a semester throughout the program to review my progress and discuss any additional questions that I may have. I understand this signed form will be collected at the orientation meeting and placed in my candidate file.

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Candidate’s Printed Name

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Candidate Signature  Date

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Program Director Signature  Date