Masters Program Agreement by and between

University of Wisconsin – River Falls

and

Seshadripuram Academy for Global Excellence

Seshadripuram Academy for Global Excellence (SAGE) and University of Wisconsin – River Falls, enter into this agreement to facilitate the exchange of students.

Admission Requirements
Graduate students from SAGE can participate in this program with the College of Business and Economics at University of Wisconsin – River Falls (UWRf), to obtain the Master degree from the University of Wisconsin – River Falls. Students in good standing from SAGE, who are in their first year of graduate study at SAGE, may apply for admission to the MBA or MSCS program at the University of Wisconsin – River Falls. Students who successfully complete degree requirements of the University of Wisconsin – River Falls will be awarded either a Master of Business Administration (MBA) or a Master of Science in Computer Science (MSCS) by the University of Wisconsin – River Falls.

ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS:

1. Bachelor's degree from an accredited university.

2. The students from SAGE must have obtained at least SECOND class in their undergraduate degree.

3. GMAT score (MBA students) (For GMAT information, please go to www.mba.com. The UWRf code is QPD-X0-93.) UWRf will accept a MAT score of 500 in place of the GMAT.

Application process

- Application for Admission
  Students from SAGE must complete the UWRf application form and pay the

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application fee.

- Two Letters of Recommendation
  Two letters of recommendation from SAGE faculty which refer to the character, maturity, academic ability, and English language skills of the student.

- Statement of Purpose
  A letter in English which explains why the student wishes to study in the United States for their MBA orMSCS at the University of Wisconsin – River Falls.

- Certificate of English Ability (only if BS degree was not offered in English)
  Submission of an official score report from the International English Language Testing System (IELTS).
  - IELTS 6.5 or higher, then applicant qualifies for full admission to the MBA or MSCS program
  - For scores of IELTS 6.0, the applicant qualifies for conditional admission as a graduate student in the MBA or MSCS program. The conditional status is removed after a student demonstrates language proficiency either through (1) resubmitting qualifying test scores or (2) successful completion of the English Language Transition (ELT) Program.

- Proof of financial support available to the student and dependent/s to cover all expenses to study and live in the US.

- Academic Transcript in English
  Students must submit one official English language copy of academic transcript from SAGE. UWRF will accept an electronic copy of the student’s academic transcript from an official at SAGE.

- Foundation Requirement
  Students accepted to the MBA or MSCS program must have met the appropriate UWRF foundation requirements.

  MBA students will have met the foundation requirements by having studied Business Administration or a related field, or the student has completed the
undergraduate business core (demonstrated with academic transcript) of accounting, economics, finance, management, marketing, and statistics.

MSCS students will have met the foundation requirements by completing at minimum a bachelor’s degree in Computer Science or a related field. If a student’s bachelor’s degree was completed in an unrelated field, the student is required to have significant work experience in a computer science related field. Upon review of the student’s academic and work experience, they may be asked to complete the undergraduate computer science core, or any deficit part, including Programming I, Programming II, Object Oriented Programming, Database Management, and Software Engineering.

If a student does not meet either of these conditions, the student must complete an approved undergraduate business or computer science core, or deficient part, at UWRF or at SAGE.

Completion of the required MBA prerequisites at SAGE, including Marketing Management, Principles of Accounting, Business Statistics, Economics, Principles of Management, and Principles of Finance will satisfy the foundation requirements for students entering the MBA program.

Successful completion in the following UWRF courses (or their equivalents) will meet the MBA foundation course requirements:

- Statistics – Economics 226
- Economics – Economics 201
- Accounting – Accounting 231
- Management/Organizational Behavior – Management 300
- Marketing – Marketing 310
- Finance – Finance 345

Successful completion of the UWRF Computer Science and Information Systems courses (or their equivalents) or significant work experience will meet the MSCS foundation course requirements:

- Programming I – CSIS 161
- Programming II – CSIS 162
- Object Oriented Programming – CSIS 235
- Database Management – CSIS 333
- Software Engineering – CSIS 343
For admitted students the UWRF-College of Business and Economics will evaluate the academic record and determine prescribed curriculum for graduation at the time of admission. **UWRF will work with SAGE to determine what courses at the home university meet the requirement.** **UWRF will transfer up to 9 hours of graduate credit for the courses completed in India that are pertinent to the MBA or MSCS curriculum at UWRF.**

**Grading System and Official Transcripts**

The grading scale of SAGE:

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<th>Class</th>
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<tr>
<td>First Class</td>
<td>60% or higher</td>
<td>(equivalent to a grade of A)</td>
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<td>Second Class</td>
<td>50-59%</td>
<td>(equivalent to a grade of B)</td>
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<td>Pass Class</td>
<td>40-49%</td>
<td>(equivalent to a grade of C)</td>
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60-and above: A 4.0
50-54: B 3.0, 55-59: 3.5
40-44: C 2.0, 45-49: 2.5

The grading scale of University of Wisconsin – River Falls:

- **A** = Excellent (4 honor points per credit hour)
- **A-** = Excellent (3.667 honor points per credit hour)
- **B+** = Good (3.33 honor points per credit hour)
- **B** = Good (3 honor points per credit hour)
- **B-** = Good (2.667 honor points per credit hour)
- **C+** = Average (2.333 honor points per credit hour)
- **C** = Average (2 honor points per credit hour)
- **F** = Failure (0 honor points)

The official transcript of UWRF will use the UWRF grading scale.

**Tuition and Fees**

Tuition and room and board are the responsibility of the student. These costs may change with each new academic year. The most current costs can be found at [https://www.uwrf.edu/studentbilling/TuitionFees/Graduate-Programs-with-Special-Costs.cfm](https://www.uwrf.edu/studentbilling/TuitionFees/Graduate-Programs-with-Special-Costs.cfm)
2016-2017 Estimated Annual Fees (Fees are likely to change annually)

Graduate Expenses (Estimated) Tuition & Fees $18,947
Room and Board (9 Months) $8,058
Medical Insurance $1,498
Personal Expenses (Excluding Travel to USA) $4,000
Total $30,503

**Mandatory Medical Insurance**

All international students and their dependents must have medical and repatriation insurance with a minimum level of coverage set forth by the U.S. Department of State. In addition, the University of Wisconsin-System requires international students and their dependents to have a certain level of coverage. As noted above, the 2016-17 estimated annual cost for one student without dependents is $1,498. Students from SAGE will be required to enroll in the insurance plan provided through UWRF unless an approved alternative is available.

**Graduation Requirements**

Students from SAGE University are expected to meet all graduation requirements for the University of Wisconsin – River Falls. The UWRF – CBE will evaluate the student’s transcript from SAGE and determine appropriate transfer of credits. They must be graduate courses, taught by faculty with a PhD in the field they teach. It is a maximum of 9 graduate credits.

- **Degree Requirements:**
  Students must complete the requirements of UWRF. To obtain their Master of Business Administration from URF, students must complete 33 graduate-level credits through the prescribed courses in the MBA program. To obtain their Master of Science in Computer Science from UWRF, students must complete 30 graduate-level credits through the prescribed courses in the MSCS program. Students must maintain a minimum GPA of 3.0 or greater.

- **Transferred Courses:**
  Up to nine credits may be accepted in transfer, if approved by the graduate faculty of the
CBE.

The following courses at SAGE may be transferred to UWRF for MBA students; the course grade must be A or B.
1. Corporate Accounting 3 credits to meet required course
   UWRF-Managerial Accounting (ACCT 734), 3 credits.
2. Organizational Behavior 3 credits to meet required course
   UWRF-Organizational Theory & Behavior (MNGT 700), 3 credits.
3. Marketing Strategy 3 credits to meet required course
   UWRF- Strategic Marketing Management (MKTG 702), 3 credits

The following courses at SAGE may be transferred to UWRF for MSCS students; the course grade must be A or B.
1. Organizational Behavior 3 credits to meet required course
   UWRF-Organizational Theory & Behavior (MNGT 700), 3 credits.
2. Marketing Strategy 3 credits to meet required course
   UWRF- Strategic Marketing Management (MKTG 702), 3 credits

- Study Plan:
SAGE students can study in Bangalore for their first semester, complete the required courses (9 MBA credits and 6 MSCS credits can transfer to UWRF) and then go to UWRF for the remaining 24 credits required for either the Master of Business Administration or Master of Science in Computer Science degree.

Effective Date
This Agreement shall become effective from the date of signing by both parties, for a period of five (5) calendar years and shall be subject to renewal after a review at the end of this period. This agreement may only be altered in writing and signed by both parties. If either party wishes to terminate this agreement prior to its end date, a written notice of at least one year must be provided and provision made for all students enrolled in SAGE to seek admission and transfer to UWRF.

October 31, 2016
Effective Date 31 October 2016

Dean Van Galen, Chancellor
University of Wisconsin – River Falls

Date: 10/31/16

Dr. M. Prakash, Principal
Seshadripuram Academy for
Global Excellence

Date: 11/30/2016