November 17, 2016

To: Dean Van Galen, Chancellor
    116 North Hall
    University of Wisconsin-River Falls

From: Mialisa Moline, Chair
      Faculty Senate
      University of Wisconsin-River Falls

Re: UWRF Faculty Senate Motion 2016-17/54

The following motion was approved unanimously with 19 in favor, 0 opposed, 0 abstentions, by the Faculty Senate on November 16, 2016:

A motion from the Academic Standards Committee (Imtiaz Moosa, Chair), as amended by the Executive Committee, to approve the following addition to the UWRF Faculty and Staff Handbook, Chapter 9, Section 2 – Academic Standards:

9.2.34 Evaluation and Application of Undergraduate Prior Learning Assessment Transfer Credits

Prior learning transfer credit is defined as credit awarded for college-level prior learning assessment, military experience, or credit by examination. Prior learning credit must be earned at institutions or agencies accredited by a regional or national accrediting organization recognized by the Council for Higher Education Accreditation (CHEA) and assessed by a faculty member subject matter expert. No more than 60 credits required for graduation at the undergraduate level may be earned through prior learning transfer credit assessment.

Upon receipt of an official transcript or a third party transcript evaluation and a Prior Learning Assessment Transfer Review Form, an internal evaluation will be completed by a faculty member subject matter expert. The faculty member subject matter expert will review the official transcript or evaluation and all relevant supporting documents provided by the student. Prior learning assessment transfer courses must be similar in nature, level, and content to a course in our undergraduate curriculum and applicable to one of our academic programs; this includes courses that are technical or vocational in nature. Prior learning assessment credit that is remedial, graduate-level, or doctrinal in nature is not transferable as undergraduate credit. Prior Learning Assessment credit which does not match with specific courses may be accepted as general elective credit, and may be allowed to substitute for specific requirements.
with approval of the appropriate Academic Department Chair and/or Academic Dean. Faculty Advisors, Department Chairs, and Academic Deans work with transfer students to help them best apply their prior learning assessment transfer credit toward the UWRF degree.

☑ Approved

☐ Disapproved

Dean Van Galen, Chancellor

Date

11/30/14