December 12, 2013

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

From: David P. Rainville, Chair
       Faculty Senate
       University of Wisconsin-River Falls

Re: UWRF Faculty Senate Motion 2013-14/38

At the December 11, 2013 meeting of the University of Wisconsin-River Falls Faculty Senate, motion 2013-14/38 was passed and is effective immediately. The motion is forwarded to you for you action.

A motion from the Academic Standards Committee (Terry Ferrris, Chair) to
set the UWRF admission standard for undergraduate English Language
Ability at 78 IBT or 6.0 IELTS. This motion does not change the graduate
admission standard. See attached Requirements from Other Area
Institutions.

Motion: The UWRF admission standard for undergraduate English Language
Ability be set at 78 IBT or 6.0 IELTS. The graduate requirements should remain at the
current scores of IBT 80 and IELTS 6.5.

Rationale: This change will align UWRF standards more with peer institutions (see support document below - Language Proficiency Requirements for multiple institutions). The alignment is important for recruitment purposes. UWRF now has an English Language Transition program in place to support incoming students that have scores on the lower end of the scale, this program was not in place when the current requirement of scores were originally established.

Supporting Background Information: The recommendation for this change in policy came from a consensus agreement and recommendation developed by Provost Delgado, Associate Vice Chancellor for Enrollment and Student Success - Kris Anderson, CAS
Dean Caskey, Director of the English Language Transition Program - Petree, and Marshall Toman,

The changes in policy should be included in the Admissions Procedures Document held in the Admissions Office.

Approved ✓

Disapproved

Dean Van Galen, Chancellor

12/14/13

Date
### Language Proficiency Requirements for Unconditional Admission at Other Area Institutions

Prepared by Conan Kmitcik  
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| UW Stevens Point     | 73*      | 6.0***   | 80/91***   |         |         | 6.5/7.0***| *13 in Speaking & Writing subtests  
|                      |          |          |            |         |         |           | *4.5 in all IELTS subtests  
|                      |          |          |            |         |         |           | *Same of Communications requires the higher score |
| Wartburg College     | 58       | 5.5      |            |         |         |           |          |