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To: Don Betz, Chancellor
116 North Hall
University of Wisconsin-River Falls

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

RE: UW-RF Faculty Senate Motion 2007/2008/28

At the February 6, 2008 meeting of Wisconsin-River Falls Faculty senate, motion 2007-2008/28 was passed. This motion is forwarded for your action

Motion from the General and University Requirements committee to revise the Behavioral Sciences and Humanities and Fine Arts criteria and outcomes.

✓ Approved

_____ Disapproved


Don Betz, Chancellor

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Current version

GOAL TWO

Demonstrate knowledge of past and present human endeavor.

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- 3) describe the nature and development of ideas, beliefs, literature, language and the arts in historical and contemporary culture.

To fulfill this goal, students are required to earn 6 credits under each designation for a total of 12 credits. All courses must be taken from different disciplinary prefixes (e.g. ART, MUS, SCTA).

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Criteria:

- a. Courses designated HF emphasize philosophical, moral, and aesthetic principles that are part of the human experience.
- b. Courses designated HF concentrate on the relationships between a culture and its creative expression.

Outcomes:

- a. Students will recognize, analyze, and interpret human experience in terms of personal, intellectual, and social contexts.
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Approved March 2, 2004

Revised April 28, 2005

Revised May 2, 2007

Proposed revision to HF outcomes

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