

UW-River Falls expresses gratitude for new state investments

July 8, 2021 – The University of Wisconsin-River Falls will benefit significantly from funding in the 2021-23 Wisconsin state budget, which was signed into law today by Governor Tony Evers.

“My deep appreciation goes to our legislature and to Governor Evers for their understanding of the value of UW System and UW-River Falls as evidenced in the 2021-23 biennial budget,” said UWRF Interim Chancellor Connie Foster. “Our students, faculty, staff and the employers in our region all stand to benefit from the support that the State of Wisconsin has provided.”

UW-River Falls will especially benefit from the \$111 million in capital funds for the Science and Technology Innovation Center (SciTech). This project promises to be transformational for the campus and will allow UWRF to continue contributing to the growth of its thriving economic region. The campus will also benefit from funding for initiatives such as the Freshwater Collaborative and funding for ag extension agents, in addition to a state pay plan that foresees two 2% increases.

UW-River Falls is grateful for the advocacy and support provided by members of campus as well as business and community leaders while budget deliberations were underway throughout the past several weeks. The campus also wishes to acknowledge the hard work of our elected officials, including those who represent River Falls in the state legislature, Representative Shannon Zimmerman and Senator Rob Stafsholt.

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