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Re: Resident Assistants at the University of Wisconsin at Eau Claire

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Sent by U.S. Mail and Facsimile (608-267-2779)

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Dear Attorney General Lautenschlager:

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When FIRE first exposed this policy to the public, it contrasted UWEC's ban on RAs' holding Bible studies in their own dorms or dorm rooms with the public praise from officials of UWEC's Department of Housing and Residence Life for an RA who had hosted for three years an official hall production of the controversial feminist play *The Vagina Monologues* (a UWEC student newspaper article containing this praise is attached to this letter). FIRE also pointed out that UWEC's own job description for RAs gives them the responsibility "[t]o help organize and promote educational, recreational, social, and cultural activities that the students want and need," and asks them to "actively assist" in the "political" programs of the dorm. The job description

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "D French".

David French
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