



Indiana University - Bloomington

Graduate & Professional Student Government

Resolution to Protect Graduate Student Health in the Classroom and Small Group Settings

Whereas, Indiana University lifted the mask mandate on Friday, March 4, 2022;

Whereas, graduate and professional students serving as associate instructors (AIs), student academic appointees (SAAs), and research associates (RAs) must interact in close proximity with other students, faculty, and staff at Indiana University, potentially putting them at risk for increased exposure to SARS-CoV-2;

Whereas, some graduate and professional students serving as AIs, SAAs, and RAs or their family members are at increased risk for SARS-CoV-2 exposure (e.g., immunocompromised, children or family members unvaccinated); and

Whereas, many AIs, SAAs, and RAs are neither an instructor of record in the classroom, nor a principal investigator or group leader of a small group setting.

Therefore, be it resolved by the Graduate and Professional Student Government Assembly that –

- (1) Indiana University administration allows graduate and professional students at increased risk, or with family members at increased risk, for SARS-CoV-2 serving as AIs, SAAs, and RAs to teach and work remotely in their positions; and
- (2) Indiana University administration sets guidelines that require instructors of record, principal investigators, and small group leaders to consult with graduate and professional students serving as AIs, SAAs, and RAs about their level of comfort with working in-person or unmasked when making decisions that affect their risk for SARS-CoV-2.

Crafted and sponsored by the GPSG COVID-19 Task Force.

Respectfully submitted to and passed by the Graduate and Professional Student Government Assembly on this 1st day of April, 2022.

Valentina Luketa

GPSG President

04-01-2022

Date