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Good morning Joseph Filippi,

I'm writing in regards to the debate to mandate Covid vaccinations for undergraduate students at UNR. As a Teaching Assistant and a Graduate Student at UNR, I am full-heartedly in favor and hope that the Board of Health will choose to trust science and protect the student body (and those we come in contact with) by mandating the Covid vaccine for all students. I would feel highly uncomfortable and not be able to do my job as a TA as well knowing students may not be vaccinated. As vaccinations for other diseases are mandatory, it does not make sense NOT to mandate this vaccination as well.

Please urge the Board of Health to make this right decision to mandate Covid vaccinations for all students.

Thank you,

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