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To: Jessica Cattelino, Chair, UCLA Academic Senate

From: James Bisley, Chair, Graduate Council

**Re: (Systemwide Senate Review) Presidential Policy - University of California - Policy on  
Vaccination Programs**

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At its meeting on October 14, 2022, the Graduate Council reviewed and discussed the *(Systemwide Senate Review) Presidential Policy – University of California – Policy on Vaccination Programs* and offers the following observations for the Executive Board's consideration:

Some members expressed concern over pregnancy being labeled as a disability. Members noted that the policy does not mention breastfeeding and that proposers should consider including breastfeeding for exemption or deferral.

As an aside, members were interested in the origin and rationale for the flu vaccine mandate. There was a concern that the Seasonal Influenza Vaccination Program grew out of an executive order during the COVID-19 pandemic and that there was no consultation and justification for retaining this new standard.

We appreciate the opportunity to express our views on this matter. If you have any questions, please contact us via Graduate Council's Analyst, Estrella Arciba, at [earciba@senate.ucla.edu](mailto:earciba@senate.ucla.edu).