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New Covid case at the UAS Grisons: We all need to act responsibly

Dear students, dear colleagues

The number of new Covid infections in Switzerland reported by the Federal Office of Public Health has risen steadily in recent days. The currently reported 7-day average as of 7.10.2020 is 40 infected persons per 100,000 inhabitants. In the canton of Grisons, which was relatively unaffected for a long time, a sharp increase is now also expected. Not only visitors to bars and discos are affected, but educational institutions at all levels within and outside our canton have had to close down or switch to distance learning. The UAS Grisons also has another Covid case in its ranks. We wish the sick person a speedy and complete recovery. The persons concerned have already been informed.

The FHGR-team is making every effort to continue the hybrid teaching. Nevertheless, in crisis management, we must again deal with the scenario of distance learning. All of us are challenged and are responsible for our behaviour!

The increasing number of cases shows us that distance and hygiene measures continue to be of undiminished importance. The consistent implementation of the measures of the protection concept of the UAS Grisons by all members of our university means that fewer people are affected by any quarantine regulations. In addition, if the number of cases continues to rise, the crisis management of the UAS Grisons must consider further measures, such as extending the general obligation to wear masks to classrooms and offices.

Within and also outside the UAS Grisons the AHA! formula protects us:

- Distance: Keep your distance to other people (1.5 meters). This also applies outside the buildings of the UAS Grisons.
- Hygiene: Wash your hands thoroughly.
- Masks: Wear a mask outside the classrooms and offices. We only take it off when we sit down and put it on again before getting up.

If you experience symptoms (fever/feverish feeling, sore throat, cough (usually dry), shortness of breath, muscle ache, sudden loss of sense of smell and/or taste; less frequent symptoms: conjunctivitis, headache, gastrointestinal symptoms, rhinitis), then please put yourself in quarantine and contact your doctor and notfall@fhgr.ch.
With AHA! we protect not only ourselves, but also our fellow students, employees, relatives and friends. It is time again to show solidarity!

I thank you for your help.

Best regards and stay healthy!

Yours, Jürg Kessler
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