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Spartan Speaks on COVID-19

As I approach the end of my undergraduate career, I find it funny to think about everyone who said it would fly by and how they were entirely correct. College has really flown by and its crazy to think about some of the good and bad things that have happened since I have been at SJSU. Just like the entirety of our lives, college has been a rollercoaster and as of right now it seems that holds true. I never thought I would be graduating with a public health degree when I came to college or that we would be facing a public health pandemic in my last year, so I guess some things are just coincidences but that also means that I have a role to play in some way. The coronavirus has shaken humanity at its core, revealing some terrible truths about our primitive selves. Survival is not uncommon during this period at all, and people have latched on to the idea of me versus you, and us versus them. During a time of uncertainty and complete chaos, the media controls our fears, people have stopped caring and politics is looking more dissolute every day. This pandemic has truly pulled the curtain back on some nasty parts of human nature. Very often during times of crisis in the past, the United States has come together, and I wish I could say the same now. Upon leaving college, our class will be entering the worst economic recession since the 1920s. Things are not looking so peachy right now, which basically means graduate school is inevitable. Despite all the bad going on, I still have hope that we will come out of this better overall and I am excited to begin working towards a better future as I start my professional career.