



## ASN FOUNDATION UNDERGRADUATE DIVERSITY RESEARCH FELLOWSHIP

The ASN Foundation Undergraduate Diversity Research Fellowship (UDRF) were created to promote diversity in the field of nutrition through long-term change. The UDRF is designed to provide direct funding for undergraduate research projects that may have an impact to the broader field of nutrition. This award competition will give historically underrepresented undergraduate students research and travel funding to participate in a poster competition on their completed research project at the American Society for Nutrition's annual flagship meeting, NUTRITION. In addition to funding to conduct research, the UDRF will also provide travel funding to allow fellowship awardees to present, participate, network, and learn at NUTRITION.

Five (5) UDRF grants will provide each recipient with \$1,000 in research funding, up to \$500 in reimbursement for travel for ASN's annual flagship meeting (applies to in-person meeting only), waived abstract submission fees, annual meeting registration fees, and undergraduate student member dues for all awardees (approximately \$125 value). In addition, the top three award competition winners will receive a cash award between \$100 and \$300. Thus, the total individual UDRF grant will be worth up to approximately \$1,625 USD.

UDRF Fellowship recipients will be announced in conjunction with NUTRITION, ASN's annual flagship meeting with the research activities following thereafter. The Review Committee will evaluate applications for the significance, feasibility, communication, and clarity, as well as the overall scientific technical quality of the proposed research project.

Any questions, please contact [awards@nutrition.org](mailto:awards@nutrition.org).

### Intended Recipients

Undergraduate students (Juniors and Sophomores) from any historically underrepresented groups (e.g., Black or African American, Hispanic or Latino, American or Native Alaskan, Native Hawaiian or other Pacific Islander, person with disability, and LGBTQIA+).

### Application and Selection Process

All applications must be submitted via the [ASN Foundation Portal](#). Incomplete or late applications will not be considered. Confidential selection juries are appointed each year.

### Eligibility

Applicants must:

- Be an ASN member residing in the United States
- Be enrolled in an undergraduate program in nutrition, dietetics or food science within the United States.
- Receive counsel and direction from a faculty advisor or faculty mentor identified by the applicant who is an investigator or clinical educator

### Mentor or Faculty Advisor

An established investigator or clinical educator must support the applicant's application. By supporting an application, the mentor or faculty advisor provides verification that the applicant is an exceptional student who should be considered for this ASN fellowship.

### Application Guidelines

The following information will be required during the application process. *Please note that ASN recommends the Statement text first be written and saved in a Word document and then copied and pasted into the appropriate boxes during the application process.*

- Applicants contact information
- Mentor or faculty advisor contact information
- Program director contact information
- Application information
  - Confirmation of ASN membership status
  - Date applicant's current undergraduate work began
  - Degree and date expected by the applicant (e.g., B.A., Nutritional Sciences, 2023)
  - Proposed research project information:
    - Proposed research project title (150-character limit without spaces)
    - Statement or research proposal (with or without methods) explaining the contribution of the proposed research to knowledge in nutrition. Tables, images and/or graphs should not be included or referenced in the Statement. (3,500-character limit without spaces, approximately one single-spaced typewritten page).
- Required upload (PDF required):
  - [Completed certification form](#) (to be signed by applicant, mentor or faculty advisor, and program director)
  - Letter of recommendation from applicant's undergraduate program faculty advisor or another faculty member
  - Current transcript



## CERTIFICATION FORM ASN FOUNDATION UNDERGRADUATE DIVERSITY RESEARCH FELLOWSHIP

ASN Foundation Undergraduate Diversity Research Fellowship (UDRF) Applications must include a completed certification form. Please make sure that the information below is completed by the applicant, faculty advisor, and program director. Once completed, the certification form should be uploaded during the application submission process on the ASN Foundation Portal where directed.

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### APPLICANT

I certify that:

- I am a student enrolled in a U.S. undergraduate program in nutrition, dietetics, or food science.
- I am a member of the American Society for Nutrition (ASN)
- The proposed research project described in my ASN Foundation Undergraduate Diversity Research Fellowship application is my original work

Applicant's Name (please print or type): \_\_\_\_\_

Applicant's Institution (please print or type): \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Date:

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### MENTOR OR FACULTY ADVISOR

I certify that studies substantially similar to those described in this student's ASN Foundation Undergraduate Diversity Research Fellowship application may be carried out by the student while fulfilling his/her degree requirements.

Mentor or Faculty Advisor's Name (please print or type):

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Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Date:  \_\_\_\_\_

## PROGRAM DIRECTOR

I certify that the above applicant is enrolled in a U.S. undergraduate program in nutrition.

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Director's Name (please print or type):

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Date:  \_\_\_\_\_