The purpose of the **Doreen J. Putrah Travel Fellowship** is to accelerate humanity's progress toward finding a cure for cancer. To this end, Putrah Travel Fellowships support student attendance at national or international professional conferences that have the potential of affecting that student's professional trajectory in science or mathematics.

Recent developments have shown when humanity finds a cure for cancer, it will be found through the efforts of an interdisciplinary team of professionals from a wide variety of fields, so each **Putrah Travel Fellowship** will be awarded to an individual who is an enthusiastic student of science or mathematics and who exhibits the potential to make future contributions to their field. Students doing work in the area of biotechnology or cancer-related research are especially encouraged to apply.

**Eligibility:**
To be eligible for a **Putrah Travel Fellowship**, a student must

- be an undergraduate or graduate student at CSU Channel Islands,
- be nominated by a CSU Channel Islands faculty member(s), and
- be working with a faculty mentor who is on the faculty of CSU Channel Islands or who mentors through a program recognized by CSU Channel Islands (e.g., a summer REU).

**The Award**
The award provides funds to pay for costs related to conference attendance. Allowable costs include but are not necessarily limited to travel, accommodations, meals, and conference registration cost. Awards have the following limitation:

- a maximum fellowship award of $1,000 per student per year, and
- a maximum total of $2,000 of fellowship support to any one faculty member’s research group or laboratory by nomination per calendar year.

**Selection criteria:**
Preference will be given to candidates who

- will present their research at the proposed conference, and
- have been productive in their CSU Channel Islands lab or course work.

With this said, the **Putrah Travel Fellowship** program seeks to catalyze advances in science and mathematics; applicants who are otherwise likely to reap long-term benefits from participation at the conference will be considered for the fellowship.

**Commitment:**
As a condition of accepting a Putrah Travel Fellowship, each awardees shall agree to
• summarize their conference experience in the form of a one-page letter to the donor that will be delivered by the Research and Sponsored Programs office, and
• present a “Meeting Review” to CI community in an appropriate venue.

Failure to agree to and follow through on these commitments jeopardizes future support from the Doreen J. Putrah Cancer Foundation for fellowship travel stipends.

**How to apply:**

To apply for a **Putrah Travel Fellowship**, the mentoring faculty member should send the following documents as e-mail attachments to Jason Miller, Senior Research Officer, at jason.miller@csuci.edu:

1. A letter of nomination from a faculty member in science, mathematics, or a related field. The letter should indicate why the students is a good candidate for the fellowship and why the conference will be good for the candidate.
2. A one-page **Curriculum Vitae** for the candidate that highlights their achievement to date.
3. A complete application form at https://csuci.qualtrics.com/SE/?SID=SV_8kqg9zlLHUPRqZ

Applications will be accepted at any time and reviewed as long as fellowship funds are available. Fellowship funds are awarded on a meritorious basis and will go directly to awardee students. Fellowship awards shall be in addition to any financial aid package from the University.

**Review Process:**

Applications will be reviewed on a rolling basis by the Senior Research Officer and a sub-committee of the Student Research Steering Committee. Applicants and their nominating faculty member will be notified by email after the review is complete.

Fellowship funds may be used to pay for conference-related costs in advance (e.g., registrations, travel, hotel), to provide travel advances for meals, or to reimburse for costs.