



May 7, 2024

Dear Omar,

I am delighted to let you know that you have been named the 2024 Alfred H. Bloom Scholar for Global Liberal Arts.

This scholarship honor was created in 2022 to celebrate the legacy of NYUAD's first Vice Chancellor, Al Bloom, whose vision of building an inclusive and peaceful world profoundly shaped our institution. Each year, the Alfred H. Bloom Scholarship is conferred on a student who shares his commitment to intercultural communication and is passionate about understanding people through psychology, languages, or the humanities more broadly. The prestigious Bloom Scholarship will continue to support your financial aid, and also comes with a special award of \$1,000.

The committee praised your academic excellence, including maintaining a perfect 4.0 GPA. The committee also applauded your first authorship of a published paper, your work in three research assistantships, and your software engineering internship at Google. The members also noted the accolades you have garnered in coding competitions and hackathons and your passion for developing software and apps for social good, such as the platform to help post-stroke patients in their recovery and an app that helps NYUAD students seek mental and academic help, among others.

We are very proud to designate you as a Bloom Scholar and we hope you will take pride in this honor named for one of our most inspiring founders. As you are studying away in New York currently, I would be delighted to meet with you via Zoom to mark this significant achievement. My office will be in touch to schedule a time.

Warmly,