

# Judah Abusalah

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## EDUCATION

Wayne State University - College of Liberal Arts and Sciences

Detroit, MI

Bachelor of Arts

Major: Political Science Minor: Business Administration

GPA: 3.87

Honors/Awards: Member, Irvin D. Reid Honors College, Dean's List Fall 2024 - Winter 2025

Expected Graduation: May 2028

## EXPERIENCE

Dearborn Aquatics

Dearborn, MI

Head Guard & Swim Lesson Coordinator

Jul 2022 – Present

- Supervise and support 15+ swim instructors and lifeguards by monitoring daily operations, enforcing regulations, and reducing safety incidents
- Teach swimming techniques and water safety to 200+ students of all ages, improving skills and building confidence that led to stronger retention
- Manage parent communication by coordinating scheduling needs, ensuring a positive and supportive experience for all families and swimmers
- Coordinate 9 different levels of swim lessons ranging from 20-50 students per session by scheduling classes, assigning instructors to students

Detroit Aging and Memory Project (D-AMP)

Ann Arbor, MI

Community Influencer & Research Assistant

Feb 2024 – Oct 2024

- Recruited over 150 participants aged 65+ from diverse backgrounds including MENA, Black, and White communities for longitudinal studies
- Conducted door-to-door outreach and local engagement events to encourage study participation in the Metro Detroit area, recruiting participants
- Organized and presented Alzheimer's awareness events for community members, creating presentations, facilitating Q&A sessions, and panels
- Assisted with administering neuropsychological assessments, carefully recording data, organizing participant files, and supporting researchers

## LEADERSHIP & VOLUNTEER EXPERIENCE

American Legion Boys State

Grand Rapids, MI

Summer camp counselor & Senior Education Staff

Jun 2023 – Present (Seasonal)

- Provide individualized mentorship to groups of 20 students, giving feedback and helping delegates apply lessons to practical leadership growth
- Selected as 1 of 4 former delegates of Boys State 2023, invited back by the American Legion annually to mentor future Boys State participants
- Develop and facilitate workshops on leadership, negotiation, and public speaking, helping 30+ students strengthen confidence and civic skills
- Direct groups of up to 30 high school senior students each summer through simulations in state and local government, law, and policymaking

Dearborn Homecoming Festival Blue Hands United All-Stars Day

Dearborn, MI

Volunteer

Aug 2022 – Present (Seasonal)

- Assist in organizing Dearborn All-Stars Day for individuals of all ages with special needs, providing a friendly environment to enjoy the festival
- Check in 500+ families and participants at the entrance, confirming details, ensuring safety, and maintaining accurate attendance with tracking
- Support carnival operations by monitoring flow, assisting families with needs, resolving concerns quickly, and keeping a positive environment
- Ensure logistics and accessibility accommodations were fully addressed, coordinating with staff to guarantee safety, comfort, and Inclusion

Islamic Center of Detroit

Detroit, MI

Volunteer

Mar 2023 – Present

- Volunteer at religious gatherings by setting up spaces, serving meals, and assisting with iftar dinners uniting together 135+ community members
- Assist with organizing monthly food drives serving 100+ families, improving access to essential resources and strengthening community support
- Support community events with 1,000+ attendees such as Eid fairs and youth programs, coordinating logistics to promote community and unit
- Facilitate youth participation in cultural and educational programs, encouraging involvement that strengthens belonging, identity and purpose

The Michigan Center for Contextual Factors in Alzheimer's Disease (MCCFAD)

Ann Arbor, MI

Community Influencer & Research Assistant

Nov 2023 – Apr 2024

- Supported the Research Volunteer Directory (RVD) survey process by distributing, reviewing, and collecting surveys in both English and Arabic
- Welcomed and registered up to 60 community members at monthly Alzheimer's education events, ensuring accurate records and overall comfort
- Coordinated raffle entries and explained incentives to encourage survey participation, boosting completion rates and strengthening engagement
- Explained study goals and opportunities to participants, fostering informed engagement that improved trust and boosted participant retention

## OTHER SKILLS & INTERESTS

Technical: Microsoft Office Suite (Word, Excel, PowerPoint), Google Workspace (Docs, Sheets, Slides, Drive)

Language: Arabic (Proficient speaking; basic reading and writing)

Interests: Cheesecake enthusiast, Detroit Lions football, Law, Public Policy, Navy blue, Swimming, The Stranger Things series, Traveling