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**Why I chose Wesleyan:**
As an international student, I was often looked at as something exotic and foreign. Questions about my home country were all that mattered to those who met me. However, at Wesleyan, the students I met were interested in learning who the real me is. They looked beyond my home and started conversations that I was happy to be a part of. This was what drew me to Wes.

**Academic Interests:**
Psychology and Middle Eastern Studies

**Favorite classes at Wes:**
Arabic

**Current Classes:**
- Arabic
- Introduction to Religion
- Introduction to Sociology
- Hopelessness Photography

**Why I want to be a tour guide:**
I wanted to be a tour guide because it is an opportunity for me spread my experiences and my opinions of Wesleyan. This is a meaningful job that allows me to influence and help students make one of the hardest choices in their lives. More importantly, I hope that this will give me an opportunity to help future international students feel welcomed.

**Outside the Classroom:**

**Extracurriculars:**
Woodrow Wilson Middleschool Tutor
IRAP Coordinator

**Favorite Activity at Wes:**
Enjoying the fabulous food trucks on campus during the weekends

**Favorite moment at Wes:**
Celebrating my French friend’s birthday by introducing her to America by bringing her to Five Guys, A Gas station and Walgreens

**Favorite movie(s):**
Finding Nemo
Saving Private Ryan

**Favorite songs:**
“At Last” — Etta James
“Alors On Danse” -- Stromae

**Fun Fact:**
I once fell and got a dishwasher dish divider prong up my nose.