

Joe Gazzarato

Michigan Swimming, Inc.



USA Swimming (National) Positions Held

- Registration/Membership Committee Athlete (September 2016 – present)
- AEC Convention Planning Task Force (January 2017 – present)
- AEC Athlete Leadership Task Force (May 2017 – present)
- AEC Restructuring Task Force (September 2017 – present)
- Board Convention Task Force Athlete (Early 2018, project completed)

LSC Positions Held

Michigan Swimming, Inc.

- Senior, Junior, and At-Large Athlete Representative (October 2015 – present)
- Chairman of the Athletes' Committee (November 2015 – present)
- Legislative Coordinator & Parliamentarian (January 2016 – present)
- Chairman of the Executive Director Search Task Force (January 2017 – present)
- Technical Planning Committee Non-Board Athlete (May 2013 – October 2015)

Swimming Experience

- Utica Shelby Swim Club – MI (September 2006 – July 2016)
- SWAM at the University of Michigan – College Club Swimming (September 2016 – present)

Volunteer, Professional, Educational Experience

- University of Michigan, Stephen M. Ross School of Business
 - Bachelor of Business Administration (September 2016 – May 2020)
 - Phi Beta Lambda Professional Business Fraternity, University of Michigan Chapter
- University of Michigan, College of Literature, Science and the Arts
 - Bachelor of Science in Biomolecular Science (September 2016 – May 2020)
- London School of Economics and Political Science – London, UK (January 2019 – April 2019)
- United States Aquatic Sports, Volunteer (June 2018 – present)
- Union Americana de Natación, Special Projects Manager (January 2017 – present)
- The Pharmacy Shop, Lead Pharmacy Technician, Manager, and DMEPOS Coordinator (May 2015 – August 2018)
- Macomb Township Department of Parks and Recreation, Lifeguard (February 2014 – September 2014)

Personal Statement

It has been, and always will be, my belief that it is my job to leave our swimming community better than I found it. I cannot even begin to put into words everything that the community has done for me, but it suffices to say that my life would be very different without the sport. Because of this belief, I feel called to serve on the AEC. The AEC can be a true force for positive change for all levels of athlete – national team members to the first-year novice swimmer. The AEC must continue representing athlete interests at home while advancing relationships and interests with our counterparts abroad. The AEC needs to develop closer relationships with the LSCs and mentor the next generation of upcoming leaders in the sport. Finally, the AEC will be required to work closely with USA Swimming staff to help the organization reach its ultimate goals. Through a strategic plan, the AEC can balance these demands and be the premier athlete body within the United States and across the world. We are incredibly fortunate to have the right to have a voice in these elections in the US; it isn't necessarily that way across the world. Use your voice – make yourself heard. This is our sport. Let's own it. Together we drive the athlete movement to places we never thought possible.