

# Uber driver who filmed Michigan frat boy calling him a 'minimum wage f\*\*\*\*\*' is FIRED following claims he

- Artur Zawada, 50, was let go by the company after the footage surfaced
- He filmed Jake Croman harassing him during a confrontation on March 20
- Student goes into a foul-mouth tirade after driver refused to pick him up
- Zawada said he has refused to take his fare before after bad experiences
- But some of Zawada's passengers have accused him of anti-Semitism
- He is a Polish immigrant who has lived in the United States for 30 years
- Police and university officials are still investigating the confrontation

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Uber has fired the driver who filmed a University of Michigan student calling him a 'minimum wage f\*\*\*\*\*', following claims he made anti-Semitic remarks to other passengers.

Artur Zawada, 50, was let go by the company after he recorded Jake Croman, a member of the Tau Kappa Epsilon chapter mocking him because he had to work during a shocking confrontation near the Ann Arbor campus on March 20.

The former student at the \$45,000-a-year Columbia Prep school in New York launched into a foul-mouthed tirade after the driver turned down their fare - prompting the university and police to investigate.

But Zawada, a Polish immigrant who has been in the United States for 30 years, has been dropped by Uber as a result.

When the video of his clash with Croman was posted on YouTube, some users commented that they had suffered anti-Semitic insults at the hands of Zawada and had stopped using him as a driver as a result.

But he strongly denied the claims in an interview with the [Michigan Review](#), and insists he has no idea why he was fired.

University of Michigan frat boy filmed harassing Uber driver



He told the student newspaper: 'They do whatever they want. No call, no email, no legal doc. I'm losing money everyday, and I did nothing wrong.'

'It's depressing and frustrating. I want them to take a lie detector test. It's unfair because they have the resources.'

He added that he has Jewish friends, one of which is a professor at the University of Michigan.

'Don't strip me of my dignity. I'm not above you, and I'm not below you. My job is to take you from point A to point B,' he added.

Croman, whose father is millionaire New York landlord Steven Croman, accused

Zawada of anti-Semitism in his response to the shocking video.

In the footage, the vitriolic student, tells him: They [Uber] don't give a s\*\*\* about you. They don't give two f\*\*\*\*. There are fifty of you, and there is one of me, who spends the most money, you little f\*\*\*.

The rider then called the driver a 'little f\*\*\*\*\* f\*\*\*' and a 'little piece of s\*\*\*'. He then says 'You're an Uber driver, go f\*\*\*\*ing drive you little f\*\*\*. Minimum wage faggot. Go f\*\*\* yourself.'

As he walks away, he turns to the driver again and says 'While you're working all day, guess what? I'm going to sit on my a\*\* and watch TV. F\*\*\* you.'

Zawada told [The Michigan Tab](#) that he knew the customer from previous trips, and had told him he couldn't ride with him again after several bad experiences.

He said: 'I pulled in I didn't even say anything to the guy, and that happened. So I pulled out my cell phone and recorded him. He should just have cancelled before I came over.'

'They were looking for trouble. They were hoping I would lose my cool.'

Zawada, who is from Poland but has lived in the United States for 30 years, says it is the worst treatment he has experienced.

But since the video surfaced, Croman has released a different version of events. He told the student newspaper that the video 'shows one side of an argument I had with an Uber driver'.

He says the driver made an anti-Semitic remarks and 'refused to pick me up on the basis of my religion'.



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He added: 'I am not proud of my reaction to his discrimination and I regret my choice of words. Shortly after the verbal altercation, I filed a complaint with the Ann Arbor police department and they are now dealing with the issue

A university spokesperson told [The Tab](#): 'We have seen the video. Our dean of students has talked with both the Uber driver and the students.

'We are extremely disappointed in the behavior depicted in this video. No one should be treated with such disrespect.'

A spokesman for the national body of Croman's fraternity told [Daily Mail Online](#): 'Tau Kappa Epsilon has begun our investigation into the video which allegedly contains one of our members. We are extremely disappointed by the individual's demeaning words.

'As an organization founded on the personal worth and character of the individual, our members come from a wide range of diverse backgrounds of race, creed, and orientation.

'At the conclusion of our swift, thorough investigation, we will handle the situation with appropriate action. Depending on the details of the investigation, this could include the expulsion of membership.'

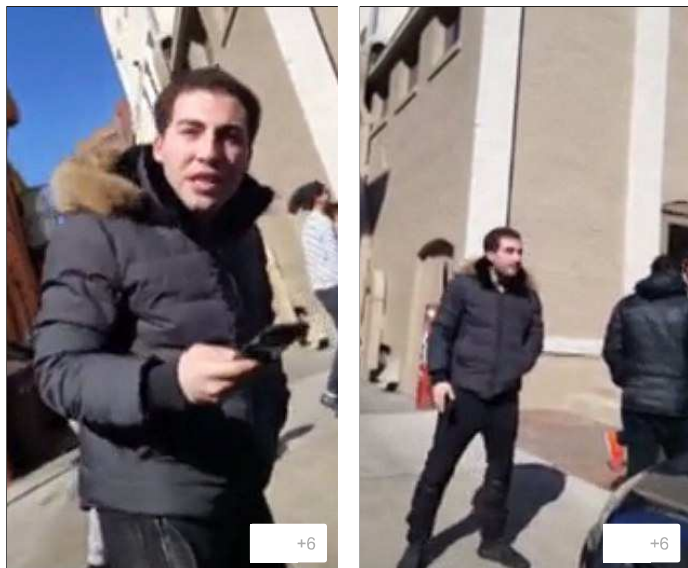
All of his social media accounts have been taken down.

His father Steven Croman, is one of the most notorious names in New York real estate.

According to the [New York Daily News](#) he's been under investigation since 2014 for allegedly using illegal tactics to cast out residents from some of the rent-stabilized Manhattan properties owned by his company, 9300 Realty.

There is a group dedicated to campaigning against him: Croman Tenants' Alliance.

Daily Mail Online have contacted Uber for comment.



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