

A native of Youngstown, Ohio, Asim understood the value of family, hard work, and education from an early age. Aspiring beyond his immediate surroundings, Asim excelled in the classroom and on the playing field, earning an athletic scholarship to attend The University of Illinois in Champaign-Urbana. Through the support of his family and the embrace of his community, Asim went on to become the first in his family to attend and graduate college.

In 2000, Asim began his professional career in Miami, Florida working in mental health and special education. Recognizing a down-shift in the landscape of education in underserved communities, Asim later joined Florida International University serving as director of The Education Effect, a partnership with Miami-Dade County Public Schools designed to increase positive pathways for students to enter and graduate college and begin successful careers.

Asim is a board member at Power U, a non-profit organization working to strengthen communities through civic engagement, a proud member of Omega Psi Phi Fraternity, Inc., and Big Brothers Big Sisters of Miami.