

Harvard Youth Lead The Change, Winter 2024, Dubai

In Collaboration with :

the Leadership Institute
at Harvard College



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WHAT IS THE HARVARD YOUTH LEAD THE CHANGE ?

Premier Four-Day Leadership Immersion Experience

The Harvard Youth Lead the Change is a prestigious and highly selective four-day leadership workshop designed by renowned Harvard professors and taught by experienced Harvard mentors. Students will be asked to tackle complex social issues, create a full fledged CapStone project and learn leadership through numerous experiential modules.

Soft Skill Mastery & Unparalleled Networking

Beyond traditional leadership teachings, our workshop delves deep into comprehensive soft skill development, refining skills like effective communication, critical thinking, and emotional intelligence. Connect with peers, Harvard undergraduates, and industry professionals, laying the groundwork for lifelong success.

Become A Harvard Trained LEADER

CONFERENCE DETAILS



On Completion, students get a **Certificate of Achievement** from **Harvard Youth Lead the Change**, signed by the Harvard Mentors



27th - 30th Dec 2024



9:00 am to 5:00 pm GST



University of Birmingham,
Dubai, United Arab Emirates



Ages 13 - 17



AED 5,000 + VAT



Early Bird Deadline:
30th Sept 2024



A special course fee of AED 4,000 + VAT is available exclusively for Early Bird Applicants

How does it work?

Application Process

To join the program, high school students will have to fill out an application form & are selected based on the quality of their responses.

4 Days Immersion Experience

The course offers a unique 4-day immersive experience where students participate in various activities and sessions designed to enhance their leadership skills and knowledge.

Harvard Mentor - led sessions

Led by Harvard youth leaders, this workshop offer hands-on leadership guidance through a tailored curriculum covering all aspects of modern leadership and project management.

Project-Based Portfolio Development

Guided by Harvard mentors, you'll transform ideas into action with community projects, elevating your college portfolio and showcasing your commitment to positive change.



[Enroll Now!](#)

Since 2008



40+
CONFERENCES

12k+
YLC Alums

12+
COUNTRIES

The Harvard Youth Lead The Change has garnered **immense global demand**, having been hosted in various prestigious locations around the world.

Our Approach

Experiential Learning Journey: We prioritize hands-on, interactive activities that transcend traditional rote learning, immersing students in real-world scenarios that challenge and inspire.

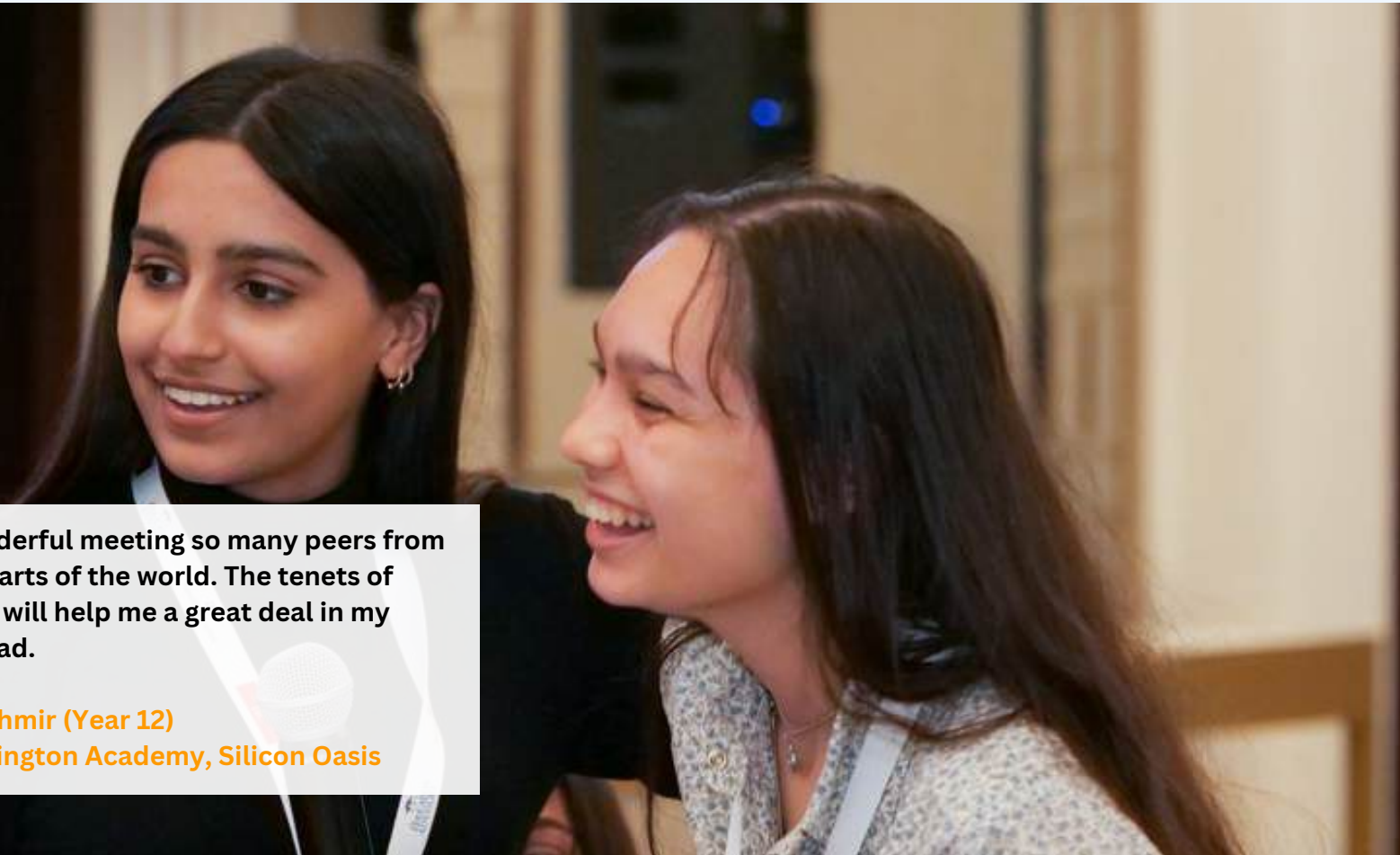
Collaborative Project Endeavors: Our curriculum is rooted in team-based projects, fostering a collaborative environment where students harness the power of collective intelligence to address pressing challenges.

Cultivating Critical Thinkers: Through our learner-centric approach, we design activities that not only engage but also stimulate critical thinking, empowering students to analyze, innovate, and lead with confidence and vision.



It was wonderful meeting so many peers from different parts of the world. The tenets of leadership will help me a great deal in my career ahead.

Shizah Kashmir (Year 12)
Gems Wellington Academy, Silicon Oasis



KNOW YOUR Harvard Mentors

Harvard Youth Lead the Change is led by Harvard undergraduate students who are leaders in their own communities. Differentiating this program are the student teachers and their **youthful perspective on leadership development**. Reliable and relatable, the teachers serve as advisors and friends to the students, breaking down intimidating age-based authority structures.

With tremendous enthusiasm for both teaching and learning, the mentors constantly learn from the students, adapt to their interests and needs, and build lasting relationships that continue after the program through formal and informal mentorship opportunities.

Please note that the Mentors shown on the side are from the previous cohorts of Harvard YLC.



Elizabeth Ogolo
Conc. in Neuroscience



Donia Elmansy
Conc. in Government +
Near Eastern Languages



Behruz Mahmudov
Conc. in Chemistry and Human
Developmental Regenerative
Biology



Emily Sanchez
Conc. in
Integrative Biology



Edona Cosovic
Conc. in Government



Jonada Shukarasi
Conc. in Government

Module 1:

- Defining Leadership
- Strategic Leadership: Leadership styles + Case Study+ Jumping Ship Activity
- Leadership Behaviors
- Growing Goals Activity
- Team Pact Exercise & Introduction to Project Work
- Leadership Through Service
- Root Cause Analysis + Generating Solutions
- Application to Project Work
- Spaghetti Tower with a Twist

Module 2:

- 10 Things in Common
- Intro to Personality Test + Activity
- Problem Solving
- Application to Project Work Plan (Stage 2)
- Types of Challenges Leaders Face + The Concept of Adaptive Leadership
- Case Study + Application to the Social Change Project
- Mentor Panel

At Harvard YLC, we believe in the **power of hands-on experience**.

Gone are the days of monotonous rote learning. Here, we immerse our students in a **dynamic learning environment** interactive activities and team exercises.

We delve deep into **real-world case studies**, encouraging students to analyze challenges and strategize solutions.





Module 3:

- Leadership in the Digital Age
- Crowd Funding
- Presentation Skills + Elevator Pitch
- Project work
- Applying Presentation Skills to Social Change Projects
- Story Game

Module 4:

- 1 Minute in Defense Of
- Persuasion + Negotiation + Role Plays
- Presentation Skills - Effective Delivery
- Shark Tank Curtain Raiser
- Project Presentation Practice
- Shark Tank
- Shark Tank Reflections & Debrief



Module 5:

- Letter to Self
- Mentor Hotseat
- Mentor Mapping
- Final Presentation Practice
- Farewell Messages
- Parent engagement



This workshop has taught me that in order to do something big in life, one need not start with a huge impact. You can start with something small and yet go on to make a big impact.

RadhiVeer Vohra (Year 11)
Dubai College

Engage Actively: Students are not passive learners; they actively engage, solve problems, and make decisions in their education.

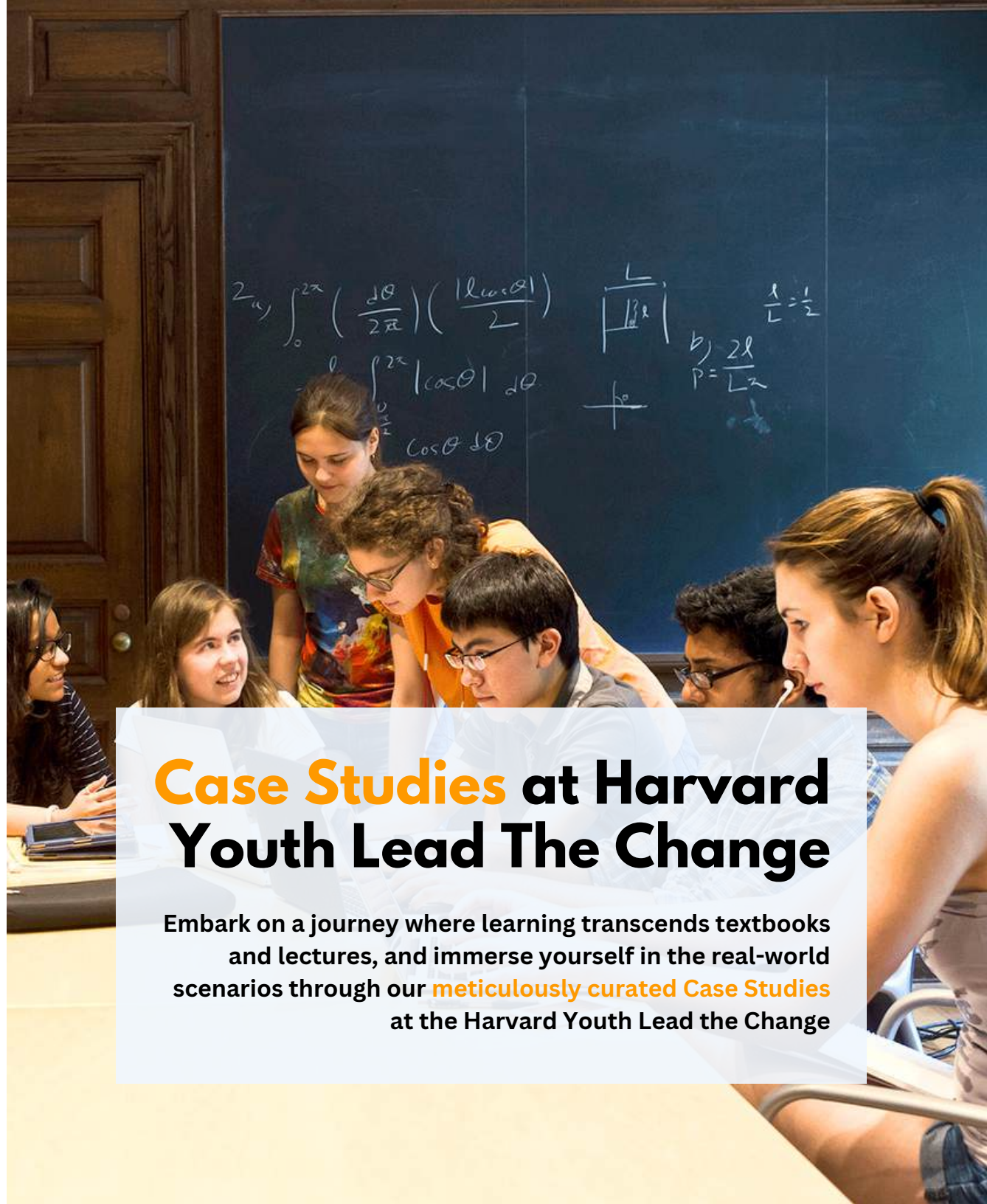
Step into Real Scenarios: Case studies bridge theory and real-world application, enabling students to apply classroom knowledge to practical scenarios.

Boost Critical Thinking: Beyond comprehension, case studies involve analysis, solutions, and informed decision-making, honing critical and problem-solving skills.

Collaborate and Conquer: Often a group activity, case studies promote collaboration, effective communication, and teamwork.

Real-World Prep: Through these studies, students step into real-world challenges, prepping them for future leadership positions.

Navigate the Gray Zones: In the real world, not everything is black and white. Case studies, often without clear solutions, teach students to navigate gray areas with poise.



Case Studies at Harvard Youth Lead The Change

Embark on a journey where learning transcends textbooks and lectures, and immerse yourself in the real-world scenarios through our **meticulously curated Case Studies** at the Harvard Youth Lead the Change



Social Impact at the Harvard Youth Lead The Change

THE GAMECHANGER

Participants are charged with the creation of a social impact project, tackling significant community challenges.

This venture is more than a mere assignment; it represents a deep exploration into the realm of social entrepreneurship.

In team settings, students meld varied viewpoints to architect solutions with real-world impact.

Through the journey from brainstorming to the final showcase, students navigate the complexities of concept development and project orchestration.

But the adventure extends beyond the program.

Armed with the skills and methodologies learned at Harvard Youth Lead the Change, students can enhance their academic portfolios and continue to grow their projects, demonstrating not only their acquired expertise but also their dedication to effectuating change.

Social Impact Projects

led by

YLC Trainees



Provided aid to

2 Schools

consequently impacting the lives of

90+ Students

This initiative helped distribute water purifiers to schools and positively impacted the lives of students by raising awareness about water-related concerns.

SOCIAL IMPACT PROJECTS



Empower Ed
Educate and Employ



Aim is to use skill development to allow people to find employment. It hopes to lift people out of poverty by helping them develop skills for basic jobs

Focuses on Rural Education and Skill Based Learning

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UAE: Harvard mentors guide students in region on how to prioritise and tackle real-world issues

The initiative is part of Harvard Youth Lead the Change programme

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When Learning and Life Come Together

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EDUCATION

UniHawk brings prestigious Harvard Youth Lead the Change program to GCC

Students from 21 schools representing 12 nationalities join highly selective social change initiative

Press Release

January 10, 2023

Dubai, UAE: Students representing 12 nationalities from 21 schools, 10 cities, and 4 countries across the GCC have received life-changing mentoring from Ivy League college students, as part of the Harvard Youth Lead the Change (YLC) program, staged recently in Dubai. Organized by university admissions counselling institute, UniHawk, it was the first time that the highly selective youth leadership development conference has been held in the region, following 28 previous editions across 8 different countries.

The group of 67 young, aspiring leaders took part in the prestigious three-day event,



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