

Harvard Youth Lead The Change

A life-changing 3-day in-person conference for
high school change-makers

In collaboration with:

the Leadership Institute
at Harvard College 



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Conference Details



28th - 30th Dec 2022
8:00 AM to 4:00 PM



Ages 13 - 17
Grades 8 - 12



GEMS New Millennium School
Al Khail, Dubai

Fee 3750 AED



FINAL Deadline: 21 Dec '22



On Completion of the conference, get a Certificate from Leadership Institute at Harvard College



All students get 1 Year Free Mentorship from Harvard mentors after the conference



About the Program

Youth Lead the Change (YLC) is a leadership development program created by professors of the Harvard Business School, Harvard Law School, and the Harvard School of education, and held by Harvard students.

Over the 3 day course, students step away from the theoretical view on leadership and gain skills in public speaking, negotiation, presentation, and collaboration through engaging, interactive and fun activities.

Students work in a group to understand a global issue and develop a social change project to address it. On finishing the program, students receive mentorship for an entire year, to implement their project.

Harvard YLC helps students gain the confidence, leadership skills, and global perspective they need to lead change within local and global community.

SAVE YOUR SPOT

Since 2008

28+
CONFERENCES

8+
COUNTRIES

2000+
YLC Alums

Our conference is in extremely high demand and has traveled across the world to places like Japan, Myanmar, Colorado, Dubai, and Puerto Rico.



Our Approach



3-day leadership camp teaching leadership principles to inspire and empower youth

Collaborative problem-mapping bonds students into project teams eager to address relevant social problems



Students advance prototype projects within the camp and receive continued YLC mentorship after the camp

Tons of out-of-the-box thought-provoking activities to invigorate students unique thought process



DAY-TO-DAY Takeaways

Harvard YLC conference is a novel, fun and engaging take on leadership, full of quirky activities and eye-opening sessions. Our approach to leadership doesn't just rely on building skills, but on an understanding of ourselves and the world around us.



Defining Leadership

VALUES

Self-reflection, Confidence, Encouragement

SKILLS

Defining & Understanding Leadership, Servant Leadership & Leadership Styles



Teamwork

VALUES

Empathy, Self-awareness, Trust & Positive Attitude

SKILLS

Teamwork, Team Dynamic Analysis and Ethnography



DAY-TO-DAY Takeaways



Solve Problems | Innovate

VALUES

Creativity, Innovation, Discernment, Vision, Focus,
Organization & Planning

SKILLS

Design Thinking; Mission, Vision & Project
Mapping.



Leading Alongside Others

VALUES

Courage, Cohesion, Clarity, Vision, Confidence

SKILLS

Negotiation, Communication, Leadership



Harvard Mentors

YLC 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 teaching team constantly learns from the students, adapts to their interests and needs, and builds lasting relationships that continue after the program through formal and informal mentorship opportunities.



AFIYA QURYSHI '24



AYSHA EMMERSON '22



ISHAAN PRASAD '23



ETHAN TAOTAFI '23



JESSICA AUSTIN '23



ROHAN SHETH '23



TREY SULLIVAN '24



ETHAN KEE '23

Social Impact led by YLC Trainees

MORE THAN

AED 45,000

were raised by 39 Harvard YLC trainees

This helped provide more than 100 underprivileged school children in Bulandshahr, Uttar Pradesh, India with a unique **back-to-school kit.**

Their campaign made **education more accessible** for underprivileged children.



YLC Projects That Went Live!

Project Drakht



Started by Taahira Bhalla and Sia Bishnoi of The Shri Ram School, Mousari – both from YLC 2016 – Project Drakht was set up to provide Ferozepur Meo, an underprivileged village in Haryana, India with access to clean water.

Project Drakht has helped nearly 2,200 people from 300 families and is an example of how you can turn your budding ideas into full-fledged social change at Harvard YLC!

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Teens4teens



Teens4Teens is a mental health, nonprofit organisation for teenagers, by teenagers with the aim to spread awareness about mental health and the problems faced by every teenager.

The idea for teens4teens originated at Harvard YLC 2016 and now, they have a following of over 9,000 and are doing exceptional work in the field of mental health.



Hear Why Our Participants Love YLC



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One small step to a big impact

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)



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YLC has made me feel empowered

The YLC conference is very action-provoking. It has taught me that if I'm passionate about something I must push harder and try and be an achiever even at an early age. That way, YLC has made me feel empowered.

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

YLC In News

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The Harvard dream: UAE students get tips from Ivy League mentors

Young minds soak up Harvard's 'Youth Lead the Change' workshop in Dubai

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Harvard Professors Gave Lectures To Students In the UAE

AUGUST 29, 2017



This year's edition of the Youth Lead the Challenge program (YLC) has ended this weekend in Dubai. 51 young adults from 19 schools in Abu Dhabi, Dubai, and Sharjah, had the rare chance to listen to lectures on leadership and entrepreneurship from Harvard Business School's professors.


Asked about his impression of the local youth, Harvard's Jonathan Iyamdemye replied:

“Students here are much more aware of the world around them and are a lot more receptive to new ideas than what we have come across in many other parts of the globe. And I think that's possible because of the cosmopolitan culture that the UAE has.

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Class XII student organises menstrual hygiene awareness drive for domestic help

Ananya Jain

Class XII student organises menstrual hygiene awareness drive for domestic help

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New Delhi (India), April 17 (ANI/NewsVoir): Ananya Jain, a grade XII student at Lotus Valley International School Gurugram, organized a menstrual hygiene awareness and menstrual cup distribution drive for domestic help at her

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