

Global Youth Leadership Conference 2026 – Abu Dhabi



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LEADERSHIP COLLECTIVE



The background of the slide is a photograph of a Harvard University building, featuring a prominent golden dome and classical architectural elements. The building is set against a clear blue sky with some light clouds. In the foreground, there is a well-manicured green lawn. The text is overlaid on a semi-transparent white rectangular box.

WHAT IS THE YOUTH LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE?

Premier 7-Day Online Leadership Immersion Experience

The Youth Leadership Conference is a prestigious 7 seven-day leadership conference led by experienced Harvard mentors. Participants engage in tackling complex social issues, developing a full-fledged Capstone project, and building leadership skills through a series of immersive, hands-on modules.

Soft Skill Mastery & Unparalleled Networking

Beyond traditional leadership teachings, our conference 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.

CONFERENCE DETAILS



(Sample Certificate)

On Completion, students get a **Certificate of Achievement** from HGSE - GELC signed by **Harvard Mentors**.



26th - 30th December 2026



TBD



GEMS School - Abu Dhabi



GRADE 8TH TO 12TH



500 USD



How does it work?

7 Days Immersion Experience

The course offers a unique online 7-days immersive experience where students participate in various activities and sessions designed to enhance their leadership skills and knowledge in an online setup.

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.

Harvard Mentor -led sessions

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



Since 2008



40+
CONFERENCES

12k+
Alums

12+
COUNTRIES

The conference 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.



My child truly grew at the camp. The hands-on projects and teamwork were invaluable. Their newfound confidence is evident.

Samira, Parent, YLC'23



MEET YOUR Harvard Mentors

The Global Youth Leadership Conference taught by Harvard mentors brings fresh and relatable perspective. These mentors are approachable and enthusiastic, breaking down age barriers to build strong connections with students. They are passionate about teaching and learning, evolving alongside participants throughout the program. Their guidance ensures an engaging and supportive environment, forming lasting mentorship bonds that extend beyond the conference.

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 conference through formal and informal mentorship opportunities.

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THE CURRICULUM

Module 1:

- Defining Modern Leadership
- Strategic Leadership Analysis
- Case Study #1
- Stakeholder Perspectives
- Power of Persuasion
- Team Activity: Leadership Scenarios
- Social Impact Project: Ideation

Module 2:

- Adapting Leadership for the Digital Age
- Personality Types and Leadership
- Personal Leadership: Self-Reflection Exercise
- Root Cause Analysis
- Conflict Resolution
- Mastering Collaborative Problem-Solving
- Team Activity: Problem Solving
- Social Impact Project: Activation

Module 3:

- Introduction to Data-Driven Decision-Making
- Art of Negotiation
- Applying Data Insights
- Leadership panel #1
- Case Study #2
- Social Impact Project: Prototype

At the Youth Leadership Conference, 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.

THE CURRICULUM



The Mentors know so much - be it women's rights or biomedical or computer science - I loved speaking and learning from them!

Anoushka Tandon
Grade 9, Dhirubhai Ambani School

Module 4:

- Core Concerns Framework
- Case study #3
- Forum Theatre for Leaders
- Mastering the Dynamics of Change
- Social Impact Project: Final Draft

Module 5:

- Mastering the Elevator Pitch
- Strategising Personal and Organisational Branding
- Reflective Journey and Program Synthesis
- Leadership Panel #2
- Final Presentations

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

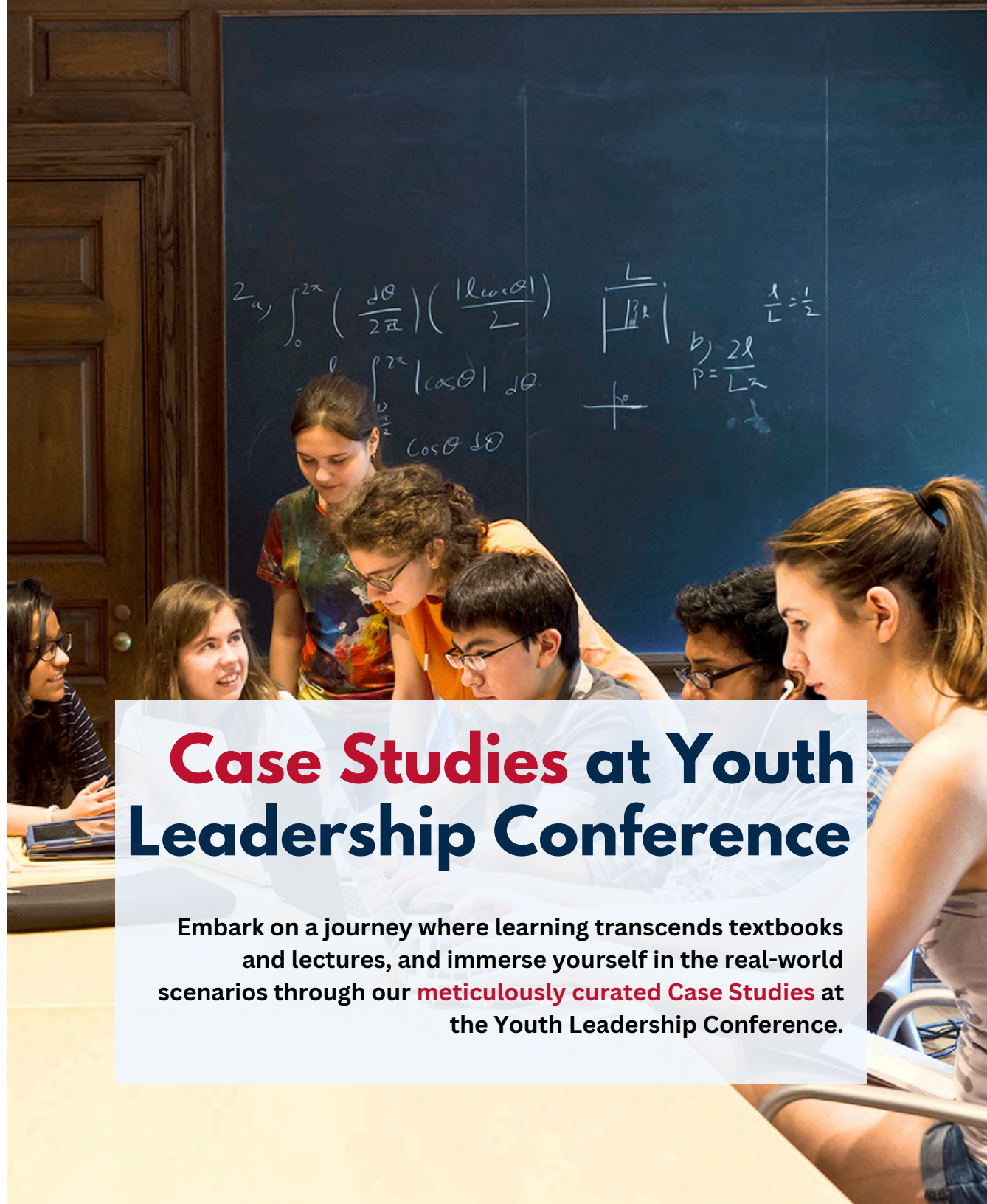
Step into Real Scenarios: Case studies bridge theory and real-world application, enabling students to apply classroom knowledge to practical scenarios.

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 Youth Leadership Conference

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 Youth Leadership Conference.



Social Impact at the Youth Leadership Conference

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 Youth Leadership Conference, 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

led by

**Leadership
Conference
Trainees**



MORE THAN
40,000 USD+
were raised by 100+ trainees

This initiative helped provide more than 4000 underprivileged school children in Bulandshahr, Uttar Pradesh with a unique back-to-school kit.

The campaign made education more accessible for underprivileged children.

Veerangana has conducted workshops in various cities across the nation, spreading awareness about **violence against women** to over thousands of people.



Project Veerangana's curriculum aims to provide women with **knowledge about laws and rights for women.**

Samvaad

Spreading awareness about sexual
and domestic violence

Becoming Veerangana-
Empower the Youth!



Teens4Teens has created a safe space for teenagers to voice out their mental health issues



With
**100+ Volunteers and
50+ Writers,**
they have helped teens across India cope effectively.

Teens4Teens

Teenagers supporting teenagers to overcome mental health issues

For Teenagers,
By Teenagers!



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