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Leadership & Entrepreneurship *Accelerator Program.*

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*The future won't be handed down — it will be built by the few
who dare to start now.*

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Program Details

THE ESSENTIALS AT A GLANCE



DELIVERED AT

United International Schools
Al Khoud



PROGRAM FEE

OMR 175 per student



PROGRAM DATES

15 – 17 August 2026



DURATION

3 consecutive days

Day 1 & Day 2: 9:30 am – 2:30 pm
Day 3: 09:30 am – 12:30 pm



ELIGIBILITY

Grades 8 – 12/
Ages 14 – 19



CERTIFICATE

TEO + HPAIR dual certificate

Co-signed by Harvard Business Impact Faculty



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About the Program

LEARN AI • LAUNCH STARTUPS • LEAD THE FUTURE

*A three-day immersive program that introduces high school students to the **real world of startups**.*

Leadership & Entrepreneurship Accelerator Program is a first-of-its-kind immersive experience designed for ambitious students in **Grades 8–12** who want more than textbook knowledge. Over three transformative days, students work alongside **Dr. JoJo** — a Harvard-affiliated faculty member, executive coach, and certified entrepreneurship educator — to discover their leadership identity, build a real venture idea, and develop the mindset that separates future founders from the crowd.

This is not a passive seminar. Every session is hands-on — students brainstorm, debate, prototype, pitch, and reflect. They leave with a **certificate**, a **developed venture concept**, and a set of leadership tools they can use immediately — in school, in competitive applications, and in life.

BY THE NUMBERS

100%

Hands-on, applied learning

1 *venture*

Pitch-ready, per team

3 *days*

Idea to investor pitch

What Students Walk Away With

Outcomes you can *point at*, not just describe.

01

A founder's mindset

Students learn to spot real-world problems, think in opportunities, and move from idea to action — the core mental shift every entrepreneur makes.

02

Personal leadership clarity

Through Gallup Strengths and coaching tools, each student builds a clear picture of their unique leadership style and how to use it.

03

A developed venture concept

Teams leave with a real idea built using Design Thinking — problem defined, solution prototyped, market considered, pitch delivered.

04

Communication & executive presence

From strategic storytelling to pitching under pressure, students develop the presence to command any room — at any age.

05

Resilience & high-performance habits

Science-backed frameworks on growth mindset, decision-making, and mental resilience — tools that serve students far beyond the program.

06

Certificate of completion

Issued by Learn with Leaders — a credential students can add to university applications, portfolios, and LinkedIn profiles.



Program Schedule

"The best way to predict the future is to build it"

—ALAN KAY

DAY 1

The Leader Within

Self-discovery • Strengths • Mindset

Masterclass

- Opening Keynote: What makes a leader? — Harvard stories, myth-busting, and why leadership is a learnable skill, not a personality type.

Workshop

- Gallup Strengths Discovery Workshop — Every student explores their top strengths and learns how to lead from what they already have.

10:45 am – 11 am – Break

Workshop

- Growth Mindset & Resilience Lab — Carol Dweck's research applied to real academic and personal challenges.

12:30 pm – 1:15 pm – Prayer & Lunch Break

Masterclass

- The Entrepreneur's Lens — How founders see the world differently and why great businesses start with a problem.

Team Activity

- Team Formation & Idea Seeding — Teams form around shared interests and pick a real-world problem to solve.

DAY 2

Build the Venture

Design Thinking • Strategy • Teams

Workshop

- Design Thinking Sprint — The full Stanford d.school process: Empathise → Define → Ideate → Prototype.

Masterclass

- Decision-Making Under Uncertainty — A Harvard case-study framework for high-stakes calls with incomplete data.

10:45 am – 11 am – Break

Workshop

- High-Performance Teams Lab — Psychological safety, trust, conflict resolution, and leading peers without a title.

12:30 pm – 1:15 pm – Prayer & Lunch Break

Workshop

- Stakeholder Influence & Negotiation — Practical tactics to communicate with influence, not just information.

Coaching Rounds

- Venture Refinement with Dr. JoJo — Table-
rounds coaching to sharpen each team's
idea before pitch day.

DAY 3

Pitch and Lead

Storytelling • Executive Presence • Pitch Finals

Masterclass

- Strategic Storytelling & Executive Presence — How leaders structure ideas, own the room, and make people care.

Workshop

- Pitch Workshop: Build your 5-Minute Deck — Problem, solution, market, team strengths, and the ask.

Masterclass

- Personal Brand & Future Career Strategy — How to present yourself to universities; draft a personal leadership statement.

Pitch Day

- Founders Horizon Pitch Finals — Each team pitches to Dr. JoJo and school faculty. Live Q&A, real feedback, scoring.

Closing Ceremony

- Closing Ceremony & Leadership Commitment — Certificates awarded; each student makes a personal leadership commitment out loud.

One faculty lead. *Twenty years of building* leaders who **ship**.



**Dr. Jojo
O'Driscoll-Kearney**

HARVARD BUSINESS
IMPACT FACULTY

Harvard Business Impact Faculty and Hult Professor. Former **Chief Learning Officer at Meta and Majid Al Futtaim**, with two decades of board, government, and C-suite advisory experience across five continents.

Designed and delivered leadership programmes for **50,000+ leaders** worldwide — from Fortune 500 boards to government cabinets to founder cohorts navigating scale.

Combines **organisational psychology, brain-based coaching, and evidence-led practice** to drive measurable behaviour change. **World Economic Forum Council Member** and GCC Government Advisor.

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WEF Council Member	GCC Government Advisor	GALLUP Strengths Coach	ICF Executive Coach

■ SPECIALIST AREAS

Executive & Board Leadership

Human-Centred Design & Innovation

Organisational Psychology

Cross-Cultural Global Teams

Change & Enterprise Transformation

Evidence-Based Practice

TEACHING PHILOSOPHY

*"Young people don't need more lectures. They need someone to hand them the tools, name the problem, and **step out of the way**."*

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Build something in three days that *exists* when we leave.



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