

WHAT IS LIHC?



The Leadership Institute at Harvard College (LIHC) is a student-run organization that aims to build a movement to promote personal, professional and service leadership at Harvard and beyond. LIHC aims to inspire, empower, and enable students to exercise their leadership potential at Harvard, in their communities, and in our world.

OUR STRUCTURE

LDI

Leadership Development Initiative

LDI is the main event planning arm of LIHC, hosting a wide variety of activities, including speaker events, panels, workshops, and discussion forums with leading professionals. The speaker events comprise what we call “The Biography Series,” a per-semester, large-scale event with a prominent leader in his/her respective field. The most recent speakers include: David Gergen, Editor-at-large for U.S. News and World Report and the Senior Political Analyst for CNN, Ray Mabus, US Secretary of the Navy, Nitin Nohria, Dean of Harvard Business School, George Bennet, co-founder of Bain Consulting. In addition, LDI organizes “Applied Leadership Panels,” focusing on the unique application of leadership in different fields.

SO TEACH

Social Outreach Teaching

The Teaching program of SO seeks to instill in youth the requisite values, skills and confidence to be leaders and accomplish positive change in their schools, communities, and the world. SO currently teaches in local Cambridge middle schools, but has recently begun expanding the program to high school students across Boston. Aside from classroom instruction, SO members also work with community institutions to develop social entrepreneurship projects for young people. This initiative has grown into the Youth Lead the Change (YLC) and Teen Change Makers (TCM) Programs.

SO YLC/TCM

Social Outreach

Created and taught by top Harvard undergraduates, Youth Lead the Change (YLC) offers high school students within the United States and internationally the opportunity to better understand their world and their capacity to make an impact as a leader. YLC is a rigorous, one-week youth leadership conference for outstanding students. The program is offered annually in Boston on Harvard Campus and has been conducted in Bhutan, Japan, and Myanmar. Teen Change Makers (TCM) Program, is a seed funding and mentoring program for Boston teens. Between teaching and mentoring, SO puts leadership into action by engaging with the community and the next generation of leaders.

HLM

Harvard Leadership Magazine

HLM advances the LIHC mission by providing students and young professionals with leadership guidance and perspectives from successful leaders around the world. We produce a professional bi-annual publication containing profiles and interviews of individuals including a co-founder of Bain & Company, the CEO of Intel, and the former Secretary of Labor. This year, we started our own magazine website harvardleadershipmag.org to expand and our reader base. We have more than tripled our distribution and grown our staff from a meager 2 to over 25. We are currently the only magazine serving undergraduates on the subject of leadership, and we see an opportunity to grow into one of the most respected and well-known publications on campus.

SD

Strategic Development

SD connects LIHC with the outside world and builds resources to fulfill the LIHC mission. SD is engaged in fundraising, connecting with alumni and other LIHC affiliates, and developing partnerships with organizations at Harvard and beyond. For instance, SD brokered the partnership and financial relationship with the Ivy Council, which is a consortium of student governments and distinguished student groups from all eight Ivy League universities. SD is currently focusing on building LIHC's social media presence through Facebook and Twitter, as well as generating fresh blog content on the HLM online publication. In addition, the committee finds and applies to relevant grants and other funding opportunities.

HL

Harvard Leads

Harvard Leads is a five-week program designed to equip students with fundamental and necessary leadership skills that are applicable to almost any career. The program is targeted towards Harvard undergraduates with the goal of filling the void of leadership education on campus. Our program participants are selected through a strict application process, aiming to select the most talented group of young individuals. Past speakers for workshops have included Harvard Business School professors, student entrepreneurs, and CEOs.

The Board of Advisors Program



YOUR INVOLVEMENT

Your primary engagement will be with individual mentorship. LIHC members are highly ambitious students with current leadership roles and challenges in addition to a desire to improve their leadership style. As Harvard graduate school students, you are perfect candidates to provide leadership development and career advice to our members. We ask that you meet with your mentee at least 3 times per semester. This will entail coffee chats or lunches under the LIHC budget.

You will also advise our committees on various challenges and initiatives. Many of our past BoAs have gone beyond the traditional mentor-mentee relationship and became involved in advising whole committees and projects in LIHC, such as serving as a keynote speaker for our annual Harvard Forum for Leadership Initiatives conference, or helping develop the curriculum for our youth leadership development programs.

Finally, we want you to be part of the LIHC community! We ask that BoAs attend at least 2 events per semester including BoA dinners with members, LIHC Final Dinner, speaker events, workshops, study breaks, etc.

This is a 1-year commitment and you will be asked to renew your membership every year if you are interested in continuing with the program.

WHAT WE LOOK FOR

We are looking for individuals from any of the graduate schools who are interested in leadership development and are willing to commit some time to pass down lessons from their own experience to advise undergraduates and the organization as a whole.

To get involved, please complete the application form by following this link: www.harvardleaders.org/board-of-advisors-program/ and send a copy of your resume to info@harvardleadership.org. We will invite you for an interview after reviewing your application. For questions, please contact Kyi Thant at kyithant@college.harvard.edu.

WHAT YOU WILL GAIN

- Coaching on leadership issues
- Personal mentoring for an undergraduate student
- Access to LIHC events
- Being a part of a fun community!

LIHC SUPPORTERS

