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## The Art of Leadership:

from the Ancient Chinese

Ancient Chinese philosophers and thinkers widely subscribed to the importance of good leadership. A review of the major Chinese schools of thought reveals great emphasis on the importance of wisdom and virtue in a good leader, as well as the belief that a good leader is built on a foundation of moral authority.

Designed using the principles of Activity-Based Learning, participants will gain a deeper understanding of Chinese culture, and what it means to be a great leader through an integrated study of the classics and the philosophies of great thinkers such as Confucius, Mencius, and Laozi.

## Session 1

- Overview of Chinese Philosophy and Leadership:
  - What is wisdom?
  - Introduction to the 3-level leadership model and its application
- The Legalistic Approach:
  - Concept of discipline
  - Rules and regulations
  - Organizational authority and structure
  - Reward and punishment system
- Characteristics of a Weak/Poor Leader

## Session 2

- The Humanistic Approach:
  - Confucian ethics
  - Principle of humanism
  - Human relationship
  - Doctrine of moderation
- Behavioural Traits of a Great and Wise Leader
- The Naturalistic Approach:
  - An altruistic leader
  - A paradoxical leader
  - The Athena doctrine of a leader
  - The law of subtraction
  - The principle of relative
- Characteristics that Make a Great Leader
- How to Nurture a Great Leader through Self-Cultivation
- Discover Your Leadership Approach

**Target Audience** 

- Executives from middle to senior management.
- Individuals and entrepreneurs who wish to conduct business in China or understand and apply leadership philosophies from ancient China.

**Entry Requirement** 

- Minimum C6 grade in GCE 'O' Level English (or its equivalent).
  - Other applicants with more than 2 years of working experience will be considered.

Duration

Total 2 sessions, 7 hours

Time

6:30pm - 10pm

Medium of Instruction

English (Available for customisation in Mandarin)

SkillsFuture Credit (SFC)\* Payable with SFC

Singapore Citizens ≥ 25 years old

National Silver Academy (NSA)\* 50% NSA subsidy of the course fee Singapore Senior Citizens ≥ 50 years old

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