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Dr. Simon Mak, the Founding Vice Chancellor of Universal AI University (UAI). I recently relocated from Dallas Texas USA because I wanted to be part of an exciting new university which is India's 1st AI university. We are in the green rolling hills of Karjat, a short one-and-a-half-hour drive from Mumbai, which is ideal for academic studies — close enough to the big city but far enough to focus on studies.

Built on the foundation of the flagship School of Management, the vision of Universal AI University as a newly established university is to groom global citizens who will positively impact the world using AI. We will differentiate ourselves from other universities in three areas:

- The curriculum 100% AI. All graduates will either be AI developers or AI power users. For example, we offer one of the world's first BBA in AI, which means that we are teaching our students to solve business problems using AI. We also focus on experiential learning, which means we are a hands-on university.
- The student experience We will incorporate USA/Texas college traditions with existing traditions to enhance the student experience, giving students a more global perspective. For example, I plan to introduce American football, the #1 sport in Texas and in the US, to students. I also want to build an enduring school spirit so that alumni of UAI can stand proud of their alma mater, and when they meet other alumni in the marketplace throughout the world.

• Campus-wide innovation and entrepreneurship – I will bring the best practices from the US and Silicon Valley to create campus-wide entrepreneurship programs for students across all schools. Whether your career goal is to start a company that can IPO and create maximum economic impact, such as jobs, or work as a corporate employee, we will teach you how to be an entrepreneur, or an intrapreneur inside of an existing corporation to help your employer create new businesses.

Only in our first year as a university, we have rapidly expanded into five schools of study:

- School of AI & Future Technologies
- School of Design
- School of Social, Liberal Arts & Behavioral Sciences
- School of Management
- School of Music, Sound & Cinematics

As the university grows, we will launch additional future schools where AI can have an outsized impact.

If you are considering UG/PG-MBA studies, I would ask that you consider the curriculum, the student experience, and the campus location in your decision. Should you honor us with your attendance at UAI, we promise you an experience beyond your imagination, and an education foundation to help you prosper as an entrepreneur, or as a corporate employee and leader, and as a global citizen.