

UPSKILLING A NEW GENERATION OF WORKERS

Future Skills prepares employees and leadership for the future of work.

Led by career futurist and author, Nicolle Merrill, Future Skills specializes in teaching workers, managers, and executives how to learn in-demand skills and adapt to a new world of work.

Future Skills transforms workforces into agile employees who put life-long learning into action.

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Future Skills

FOUNDER. SPEAKER. AUTHOR.

Nicolle founded Future Skills to upgrade learning and development for the future of work. She's the author of *Punch Doubt in the Face: How to Upskill, Change Careers, and Beat the Robots.* In her book, she translates the headlines about job-stealing robots into a guide to help employees learn new skills and adapt to the future of work.

As the former Associate Director of the Career Development office at Yale School of Management, she coached hundreds of international MBA students, launched over 15 new interactive career workshops, and taught digital communication skills to global executives.

Nicolle's human-centered approach to the future of work, combined with emerging career trends, leaves audiences with a clear path forward. Her training and talks infuse storytelling, data, and anecdotes from agile employees to show employees how to upskill and remain relevant in a fast-changing workplace.

Nicolle has spoken across the US, as well as in Canada and Ireland. Her work at Future Skills spans audiences, ranging from global executives to higher education professionals to machine learning engineers, software engineers, and data scientists.









POPULAR TOPICS

Upskill Now: Creating agile employees in an age of automation

The Skills that Beat the Robots: A soft skills bootcamp

Leadership Challenge: Developing leaders who walk the lifelong learning talk (*executive and leadership only*)



AUDIENCE LOVE

SPEAKING TESTIMONIALS



"Nicolle is a brazen, energetic beacon of light that literally makes the room around her shine. Not only did she keep the audience absolutely spellbound every time she was on stage but she also was able to tap into each individual audience member to make them feel valued and appreciated.

Beth Santos, Founder, Wanderful & Women in Travel Summit

"Nicolle's energy and passion for her subject matter invigorates participants, and gets them immediately involved in active learning. She is skilled in blending strong visuals, hands –on learning tasks, engaging direct presentation and inspiring co-created action items that participants are able to walk out the door and immediately put it in action."

> Elizabeth Moon, Associate Director, Career Development University of California, Davis – Graduate School of Management

"Nicolle took us out of our comfort zone, pushed us to aim higher."

Lucy L (via Twitter)

"Great to hear Nicolle speak at Yale Global Executive Leadership Program yesterday. She bring lots of energy to the class!"

Nagendra B.(via twitter)

VIDEOS

Adapting to the Age of the Agile Worker



What is upskilling?



Upskilling in the age of automation



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UPSKILLING DURING A PANDEMIC SPARK PODCAST/KXSF.FM IN SAN FRANCISCO

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HOW TO CONQUER DOUBT AND <u>PURSUE NEW CAREER OPPORTUNITIES</u> HOW TO BE AWESOME AT YOUR JOB PODCAST

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"This interview is a must listen. If you never listen to another podcast episode in your life, this needs to be it. Nicolle is fearless, authentic and so inspirational."

Nicolette Richardson, The Grown Up Millennial Podcast



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PUNCH DOUBT IN THE FACE:

HOW TO UPSKILL, CHANGE CAREERS, AND BEAT THE ROBOTS



The days of sticking with a single career path until our golden years of retirement are gone. In the last ten years, the world of work has changed significantly. But the career advice you've been given since you were a kid hasn't.

In *Punch Doubt in the Face: How to Upskill, Change Careers, and Beat the Robots,* Nicolle translates the headlines about robots taking jobs into a roadmap to a better career. She shows readers how to learn the skills that employers demand for the future of work.

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