

# NICOLLE MERRILL

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## PEOPLE > ROBOTS

The world of work has changed dramatically from our parent's generation. My talks add clarity to an ambiguous future of work while offering practical career advice for all audiences.

Drawing on insights from my new book, **Punch Doubt in the Face: How to upskill, change careers, and beat the robots**, I upgrade career advice for our new world of work.

My human-centered approach to career changes, combined with a lively audience engagement style, has led to speaking engagements across the US, as well as in Canada and Ireland.

## 2020 TALKS & WORKSHOPS

My talks and workshops prepare participants to navigate a changing world of work, one in which career ladders are dead, new technology is disrupting career paths, and upskilling is the norm. I specialize in artificial intelligence in the workplace, hybrid jobs and soft skills, choosing an upskill experience, and how to change careers to get ahead of it all.

### UPSKILL NOW: ADAPTING TO THE AGE OF THE AGILE WORKER

This talk upgrades career advice for the new world of work. I'll take your audience on a wild ride into the near future. We'll explore hybrid jobs and identify the in-demand skills that employers want now. Your audience will identify a path to upskill in 2020 and leave with the motivation to do it. I'll show your audience how to think like a mini-futurist and adapt to the age of the agile worker.



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## UPSKILLING LEADERSHIP: ADAPTING TO AUTOMATION IN THE WORKPLACE

**More than two-thirds of workers, specifically 64 percent, trust robots more than their managers - Oracle/Future Workplace survey**

Get management up to speed on the impact of automation in the workplace. I teach leadership how to create learning environments in rapidly changing workplaces. Participants will understand the basics of AI and automation in the workplace. They'll learn the cross-functional skills that employees need in agile organizations. Managers and leadership will leave with a plan to analyze their skill gaps, their team's talent needs, and improve learning and development opportunities inside their organization..



## SOFT SKILLS: BUILD THE SKILLS THAT BEAT THE ROBOTS

The future of work is interdisciplinary. This interactive workshop teaches teams how to improve their soft skills and build influence in the workplace. Covering public speaking, relationship building, conversational inquiry, and creativity, this two-day workshop gives participants a chance to apply their skills throughout the workshop. Participants learn how to build strong conversational skills, challenge assumptions, ask curious questions, and build relationships that break down silos.



## CURIOS ABOUT OTHER TOPICS?

With over 15 years of workshops and talks, I have quite the arsenal of topics. Contact me to talk about custom workshops and talks for your audience.



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## PRIOR SPEAKING EVENTS

Machine Learning 4 All Conference  
Women in Travel Summit  
Ladies Night PDX / Airbnb  
UC Davis  
Boston University  
Cornell University  
AQKA  
Code Writers Workshop  
Yale Executive Education  
International Career Services Roundtable  
NAFSA  
MBA CSEA  
Out Women In Business

## SPEAKING VIDEOS

I love bringing fun and curiosity to all my audiences. My speaking style engages audiences while reframing new and popular career topics to motivate your audience. Get a glimpse of my speaking style.

**Preparing employees for the future of work**  
[https://youtu.be/63PcD\\_Cdsos](https://youtu.be/63PcD_Cdsos)

**Leadership needs to upskill**  
<https://youtu.be/xzfyxJSRs7c>

**Upskilling in the Age of Automation**  
[https://youtu.be/b\\_oleWonnBk](https://youtu.be/b_oleWonnBk)

**Instigating a snowball fight from stage:  
Women in Travel Summit - Quebec**  
<https://youtu.be/ZpaTKf8H4qY>

## STAY IN TOUCH



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## TESTIMONIALS

**I get your audience talking, online and off.  
Here's a sample of what audience members  
say about my talks.**

**"Rock on Nicolle! Great talk at the woman's  
event for healthcare executives!"** - Heather G.  
(via Twitter)

**"Great to hear you speak at Yale Global  
Executive Leadership Program yesterday. You  
bring lots of energy to the class!"** - Nagendra  
B. (via twitter)

**"I just need to mention that Nicolle is a  
phenomenal MC. Come back and visit us again  
and bring your enthusiasm back to  
Milwaukee!"** - Emily T (via Twitter)

**"Nicolle took us out of our comfort zone,  
pushed us to aim for a higher salary range  
than we think we deserve"** - Lucy L (via Twitter)