# SPEAKER. PODCASTER. AUTHOR.



# **PEOPLE > ROBOTS**

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

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

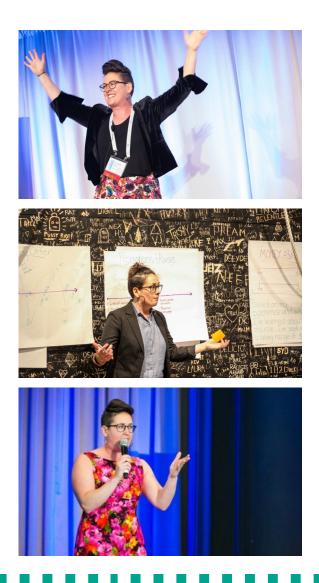
Nicolle's human-centered approach to career changes, combined with a lively audience engagement style, has led to speaking engagements across the US, as well as in Canada and Ireland.

## **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: NAVIGATING THE FUTURE OF WORK

This is the talk that answers the big question: Will robots take our jobs? The career ladder is dead and traditional career advice is outdated. This talk upgrades career advice for the new world of work. This workshop takes you on a wild ride that covers the in-demand skills that employers want now, hybrid jobs and emerging careers, and how to find an upskill path that works for your next career move.



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#### **POWERSKILLS: BUILD THE SKILLS THAT BEAT THE ROBOTS**

Emotional intelligence is the secret to beating the robots and staying relevant in a changing workplace. This interactive workshop teaches you how to improve your power skills and build influence in the workplace. Covering public speaking, relationship building, curious conversations, negotiation, creativity, and self-promotion, this two-day workshop gives participants a chance to try them out during the workshop.

## THE FUTURE IS FLEXIBLE: GO REMOTE IN 2020

The secret is out: remote work really is that good. And it's the future of work. This talk takes participants through the new world of remote work. I cover how to find remote companies, how to make yourself a competitive candidate for remote jobs, and how to negotiate workplace flexibility with your boss, alongside personal stories and learnings from my own adventures navigating three different remote jobs.

#### ESCAPE FROM THE PROFESSIONAL SILO: HOW TO HAVE CURIOUS CONVERSATIONS

The future of work is interdisciplinary. Drawing on my own interdisciplinary background in digital ethnography, crosscultural communication, and soft skills training, I take teams and leaders through the process of conversational inquiry during this workshop. Participants learn how to build strong conversational skills, challenge assumptions, ask curious questions, and build relationships that break down silos.





## **CURIOUS 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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### **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.

Goal setting to take action: Women in Travel Summit - Quebec https://youtu.be/43zmEbE3izk

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

Curious conversations at work: Machine Learning for All Conference https://youtu.be/DbwGZjm1DHE

## **STAY IN TOUCH**



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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

### **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)