

Jobs of the Future will Focus on Intellectual Capitalism

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"The jobs of the future will be those that focus on intellectual capitalism, not commodity capitalism," said Futurist, Physicist and Bestselling Author [Michio Kaku](#) during the recent [2017 EDUCAUSE conference](#) keynote, held in Philadelphia, PA.

This was the big reveal to the thousands of EDUCAUSE attendees ranging from college and university faculty to CIOs, and from some of the world's leading tech companies to some of the country's most prominent higher ed provosts and presidents—all anxiously awaiting what the crystal ball of the postsecondary future had to say through Kaku's educated guess.

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Kaku began his keynote by addressing what he says is the number one question he's asked about higher education: 'Is it worth it?'

"I'm happy to tell this crowd that the numbers show that of the 30 percent of the population that has a college degree, those 30 percent also have the white-collar jobs with livable salaries." So society as it stands today still values the college degree, he explained.

But...the way of things is changing, mainly due to affordability issues and the rapidly shifting economy. And if colleges and universities want to survive this adaptation, the skills today's students are required to learn must begin adapting as well.

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"In the future, where knowledge is everywhere and accessed instantaneously, and where robotics and AI can perform a variety of functions once held by humans, intellectual capital will be valued over commodity capital," Kaku explained. "In other words, the ability to reason, to think outside-the-box, and to be creative will be the skills most valued." Michio Kaku