AI and the Future of Work

Where Do I Go From Yale? Alumni Panel ~ March 29, 2025

Interested in artificial intelligence (AI) and its impact on the future of work? Join alumni leaders from Humana, L'Oréal, and Vonage as they share their career journeys and advice for aspiring professionals. Explore diverse AI career paths—from research and strategy to corporate venture capital. Gain valuable insights on navigating the dynamic AI landscape and network with alumni leaders driving innovation in this rapidly evolving field.

Vishal Agrawal '96 BS, '96 MS (MB&B), '02 MD



After 3 Yale degrees, Vishal broadened his perspectives through work at McKinsey, the Carlyle Group, and leadership roles in national healthcare organizations like Humana. He is passionate about connecting alumni in industry back with Yale. He is co-founder of Friends of Yale From Industry (FYI), a group that strives to create bridges between Yale and its alumni in the public, private and social sectors to help scale ideas to meaningful impact.

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Seyma Aslan '12 PhD (Chemical Engineering)



Dr. Seyma Aslan leads a team of scientists for innovation in product formulation at L'Oréal Research & Innovation Laboratories and is responsible for a Global Innovation Platform which focuses on North America, South America & Africa Zone. She received her PhD, Masters of Science, Master of Philosophy, and Postdoctoral Training from Yale University.

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Shah Karim '81 BA, '07 MPhil (Economics)



Mr. Karim serves on industry boards at American Chemical Society, CME, and the 72-country International Energy Forum; as well as at Yale University, University of Chicago, and Columbia University. His purpose is to increase human potential through service, value creation, and thought leadership. He is a keynote speaker on leadership, energy markets, and artificial intelligence in North America, Europe, and Asia. He is a judge for the MacArthur Foundation's \$100 million prize for global social innovation.

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Vinod Lala '90 BS (Mechanical Engineering and Economics)



Vinod Lala is the Chief Strategy Officer of Vonage, where he led the M&A strategy that transformed Vonage from a residential VoIP provider into a global cloud communications platform leader, culminating in its sale to Ericsson for \$6.2 billion. At Ericsson, Vinod is facilitating its network platform buildout. Previously, Vinod was a Managing Director at Deutsche Bank. Vinod earned a J.D. from Harvard Law School and B.S. in Mechanical Engineering and Economics from Yale University.

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Moderator: Paul Turner PhD



Paul Turner is the Rachel Carson Professor of Ecology and Evolutionary Biology at Yale University. Dr. Turner studies evolutionary genetics of viruses and researches the use of phages—the viruses of microbes—to treat antibiotic-resistant bacterial diseases. He is also involved in science-communication outreach to the general public and helps faculty collaborate with K-12 teachers to improve STEM education in public schools.

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