

The Future of Business in a Technological Age
Session 2: Disruption of Technology
How to Face the Uncertain Future (in Business and in Education)

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Abstract: The revolutions caused by robotics, artificial intelligence and social media are transforming the way business can be done, and is being done. Such technological disruptions lead to two disruptions in education: First, we cannot keep teaching like we did before; the future will be radically different, and we must prepare our students accordingly. Second: we do not need to teach like we did before; technological changes offer us opportunities to do things differently. With so much in flux, it is both possible and necessary to bring a Christian perspective to bear on how we build the way forward. Based on experiences of teaching entrepreneurship to “Generation Z” university students, this talk will consider the needs and possibilities for educating entrepreneurs of the future.

Readings:

All readings are taken from the standard course texts:

- “Generation Z in the Workforce”
Anne Boysen in *The Future of Business* (pp.169-176).
- “Education 2025 – Building a Generation of Problem Solvers”
Alberto Rizzoli in *The Future of Business* (pp.177-181).
- Chapter 7: “Redemption”
John Dyer in *From the Garden to the City* (pp. 98-114).



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