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Just read a thought provoking article by [Sam Alemayehu](#) on how AI is quietly transforming elite professions.

The End of Prestige: How AI Is Quietly Dismantling the Elite Professions: <https://lnkd.in/dNZmiYyM>

One quote that really stuck with me:

"Once something becomes teachable, it becomes learnable by machines. Once it becomes learnable, it becomes replaceable."

This perfectly captures the shift we're seeing. If a task is codifiable/broken into steps, standardized, documented with checklists and we have data for both inputs and outputs, machines can learn it. Whether it's engineering, governance, medicine, law, consulting, finance, or even sports, AI can take over more than we think.

While there's always value in human intuition and expertise, many professionals still operate like machines, following fixed procedures. That raises the question: how different are we from the systems we create?

The takeaway? Strive to be unique. Develop what Naval Ravikant calls "Specific Knowledge", something that can't be easily taught or replicated. It comes from deep insight, hands-on experience, and learning under a master.

In this new AI-powered world, being irreplaceable means being original.

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