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| Book Name: | **Contemporary Issues in Business and Management** |
| Manuscript Number: | **Ms\_BPR\_3337.5** |
| Title of the Manuscript:  | **The Role of University Education in Promoting Entrepreneurship in South Africa: A Case of Durban University of Technology Student Entrepreneurs** |
| Type of the Article | **Book Chapter** |

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| PART 1: Review Comments |
| Compulsory REVISION comments | Reviewer’s comment | Author’s Feedback *(Please correct the manuscript and highlight that part in the manuscript. It is mandatory that authors should write his/her feedback here)* |
| **Please write a few sentences regarding the importance of this manuscript for the scientific community. Why do you like (or dislike) this manuscript? A minimum of 3-4 sentences may be required for this part.** | This manuscript provides a significant contribution to the understanding of how university education can influence entrepreneurial intentions and success among students, particularly in a developing economy like South Africa. By focusing on the DUT, the manuscript highlights practical challenges and successes in promoting entrepreneurship. This focus is particularly useful for policymakers, educators, and institutions aiming to foster a more entrepreneurial mindset among students. The manuscript is valuable in contributing to the ongoing discourse on entrepreneurship education, which is a key driver of economic development and job creation in regions with high unemployment rates. |  |
| **Is the title of the article suitable?****(If not please suggest an alternative title)** | The title is generally suitable, but it could be made more concise for better clarity. A suggestion might be: *"The Role of University Education in Fostering Student Entrepreneurship: The Case of Durban University of Technology, South Africa."* This revised title maintains the focus but streamlines it. |  |
| Is the abstract of the article comprehensive? Do you suggest the addition (or deletion) of some points in this section? Please write your suggestions here. | The abstract provides a good overview but can benefit from more specific details regarding the methodology and key findings. Currently, it is somewhat broad and lacks clarity on the actual impact of entrepreneurship education. Consider highlighting specific findings, such as the percentage of students who felt motivated to pursue entrepreneurship due to university programs, or the major challenges faced by student entrepreneurs. Additionally, it would be helpful to mention the use of SPSS for data analysis and thematic analysis for qualitative data. |  |
| **Are subsections and structure of the manuscript appropriate?** | The structure is logical but could be improved by introducing clearer subheadings, especially in the results and discussion sections. Breaking these sections into smaller, thematic parts (e.g., “Impact of Entrepreneurship Education on Business Success” and “Challenges Faced by Student Entrepreneurs”) would improve readability and allow readers to follow the argument more easily. |  |
| **Please write a few sentences regarding the scientific correctness of this manuscript. Why do you think that this manuscript is scientifically robust and technically sound? A minimum of 3-4 sentences may be required for this part.** | The manuscript is scientifically sound, with a solid theoretical foundation and a mixed-methods approach that strengthens the validity of the findings. However, there are areas where further elaboration would enhance the rigor of the study. For instance, the literature review could benefit from a more critical analysis of existing studies on entrepreneurship education, particularly those that focus on the African context. Additionally, more discussion on the limitations of the study would strengthen the credibility of the research. |  |
| **Are the references sufficient and recent? If you have suggestions of additional references, please mention them in the review form.****-** | The references are generally sufficient and relevant, but some are slightly outdated (e.g., sources from 2010-2013). It would be beneficial to incorporate more recent studies, especially given the evolving nature of entrepreneurship education. This could include newer reports from the Global Entrepreneurship Monitor or recent research on entrepreneurship education in South Africa or other developing countries. |  |
| Minor REVISION commentsIs the language/English quality of the article suitable for scholarly communications? | The language is generally suitable for scholarly communication, but there are some grammatical issues and awkward phrasing throughout the manuscript. For example, the sentence in the abstract, “It is functional to accept that entrepreneurship would be reflected as the succeeding career option…” could be rephrased for better clarity. Additionally, the manuscript could benefit from a thorough proofreading to eliminate minor errors and improve sentence flow. |  |
| Optional/General comments | **Figures and Tables:**The inclusion of figures and tables helps in understanding the results; however, the presentation could be enhanced by better labeling and more descriptive titles. For example, instead of *“Table 1,”* a more informative title such as *“Motivation to Start a Business among DUT Students”* would be helpful.**Discussion of Challenges:**The discussion on the challenges faced by student entrepreneurs (e.g., lack of access to finance, saturated markets, and infrastructure issues) is valuable, but it could benefit from further exploration. For instance, the section on access to finance could include more detail on potential solutions or government policies aimed at addressing this barrier. The role of mentorship programs could also be expanded, especially in terms of how they might mitigate these challenges. |  |

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| **PART 2:**  |
|  | **Reviewer’s comment** | **Author’s comment** *(if agreed with reviewer, correct the manuscript and highlight that part in the manuscript. It is mandatory that authors should write his/her feedback here)* |
| **Are there ethical issues in this manuscript?**  | *(If yes, Kindly please write down the ethical issues here in details)* |  |

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