



Shaping Entrepreneurial Intention Through Education among Business Undergraduates in an Underdeveloped Economy: Evidence from Yemen

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Abstract

Education plays a significant role in developing entrepreneurial mindset among undergraduate students. However, regarding the aspect of lower income economies, research has not fully paid attention to its exploration. Hence, this study aims to identify the role of entrepreneurial education in shaping entrepreneurial intention among undergraduates in Yemen, an underdeveloped economy. With the help of data collected from 247 students in two universities in Yemen, the results indicate a significant impact of entrepreneurial education on intention among business undergraduates. Further, the results indicate a partial mediation of entrepreneurial attitude and background in the relationship between entrepreneurial education and intention, and no mediating role is observed with entrepreneurial skills in the same relationship. This research adds to the scant literature relevant to underdeveloped economies and therefore could be a useful resource for policy makers to pay more attention to developing entrepreneurial programs focusing on talent and skill development in higher education, which can improve the harmonization between universities and the industrial sector and further entrepreneurship development.

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INTRODUCTION

Human development is a crucial component that contributes toward achieving sustainable development goals, especially in developing economies (Conceição, 2019). Firms and companies become global firms because of the knowledge and innovation they embrace to develop and contribute to economic development (Conceição, 2019). These advancements put pressure on firms and companies to focus more on human and skills development to keep pace with the changing business environment.

Learning by doing, active learning, and action learning are activities that should be merged with traditional pedagogy to become effective tools for encouraging and developing entrepreneurial skills (Gibb, 2002a; Gibb, 1993). Educational resources play a crucial role in developing and improving the outcome of educational institutions, and a lack of such contributions from educational institutions causes a serious barrier to entrepreneurship development (Kelley et al., 2012).

Interest in entrepreneurial education is increasing because of the role that it plays in economic development (Audretsch et al., 2011). Research indicates that schools in Europe adopt the methodology of learning by doing, as reported by the Eurobarometer survey, in which 23% of students participated in entrepreneurship courses during their school years (Eurobarometer, 2007).

Research is directed toward sustainable entrepreneurship in developing countries (El-Gohary et al., 2023) especially with the adoption and use of technology (Dabbous & Boustani, 2023)

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and more particularly with regard to the orientation among business students (Elnadi & Gheith, 2023). This leaves the aspect of lower income economies as an untapped area for further exploration, which also leads to raising questions about the case in developing and, more particularly, least developed countries such as Yemen and how universities (rather than schools) are participating in entrepreneurship and entrepreneurial skills among undergraduates. Therefore, this study aims to identify the role of entrepreneurial education in developing entrepreneurial intention among undergraduate students in Yemen. Further, it aims to identify the mediating role of entrepreneurial attitudes, background, and skills in the relationship between entrepreneurial education and entrepreneurial intention among students.

LITERATURE REVIEW

This section highlights previous research pertaining to entrepreneurial intention and its antecedents among undergraduate students.

Entrepreneurial education

Entrepreneurship and entrepreneurship education have gained due attention in the literature (Katz, 2003; Kuratko, 2005; Ruiz et al., 2016). Entrepreneurship is thought of as possible to be taught according to one school of thought in the literature (Block & Stumpf, 1990; Katz, 2003; Meyer, 2001; Solomon et al., 2002), and it cannot be taught or cultivated according to another school of thought (Busenitz et al., 2003; Fiet, 2001b, 2001a). Regardless of this debate, entrepreneurship and entrepreneurship education have progressed and developed to be considered as influential factors (Finkle et al., 2006; Solomon, 2007; Solomon et al., 2002).

Even though the role of universities in contributing towards entrepreneurship development is still in dispute (Fayolle & Klandt, 2006), the interest in entrepreneurship development and entrepreneurship education has been growing globally (Kuratko, 2003). Research also indicates that the role of universities and educational institutions is the base for the success as well as the development of entrepreneurship, especially in developed economies (Allen et al., 2007; Bosma et al., 2008; Eurobarometer, 2007), because universities contribute to developing entrepreneurial leadership and entrepreneurial thinking among students by adopting entrepreneurship education (Davey et al., 2016).

Education can lead to developed and improved entrepreneurship, as entrepreneurship covers the gap between higher education and the business sector needs (Bécharde & Grégoire, 2005). Therefore, institutionalizing entrepreneurship education can lead to spreading entrepreneurship curricula, and therefore, colleges other than business schools contribute toward the development of entrepreneurship education (Karimi et al., 2016; Kwong & Thompson, 2016). More than three thousand universities and educational institutions worldwide offer degrees, courses, mini courses, and concentrations in the field of entrepreneurship (Morris et al., 2013). Entrepreneurship education has been used as a predictor of entrepreneurship intention among individuals. In our study, we hypothesize that:

H₁: Entrepreneurship education impacts entrepreneurial intention through the mediation of entrepreneurial skills, background, and attitudes.

Entrepreneurial skills

Skills are investigated in the literature as soft as well as hard skills, as they complete each other (Saleh & Manjunath, 2022). Skills are relevant to the individual as well as the organizational levels (Prochno, 2001). Skill development has gained attention in scholarly research and in higher education in particular (Roy & Das, 2016) because skills are obtained to cope with business

environments as a strategic management tool (Nyhan, 1998) and in entrepreneurship in general (Bell, 2009; Chiekiezie et al., 2016; Enu-Kwesi, 2012; Leroux & Lafleur, 1995; McIntosh, 2008; Pilch & Shimshon, 2007; Vakili et al., 2016).

Entrepreneurial skills can be acquired in many ways, such as educational and training classes, workshops, seminars, and development programs (Odia & Odia, 2013). According to Drucker (1985), entrepreneurial skills can be learned and obtained through practices and discipline. For this study, we hypothesize that:

H₂: Entrepreneurial skills mediate the impact of entrepreneurship education on entrepreneurial intention.

Entrepreneurial background

Entrepreneurial knowledge and background are associated with entrepreneurial intention because individuals who obtain entrepreneurial knowledge tend to have a higher entrepreneurial intention (Aslam et al., 2012). The association between entrepreneurial background and entrepreneurial intention has been widely investigated (Malebana, 2014; Miralles et al., 2016). Research indicates that individuals' intentions are highly affected by their exposure to business experience (Zaman et al., 2021). However, entrepreneurial intention is sometimes observed among individuals without entrepreneurial education (Ni & Ye, 2018).

Research also indicates a positive association between the entrepreneurial background of individuals and their entrepreneurial intentions (Hattab, 2014; Wu & Wu, 2008), and a positive impact of entrepreneurship education on entrepreneurial background as well as entrepreneurial intention has been reported in the literature (Arshad et al., 2018; Fayolle & Gailly, 2015; Mohamad et al., 2015). In our study, we hypothesize that:

H₃: Entrepreneurial background mediates the impact of entrepreneurship education on entrepreneurship intention.

Entrepreneurial attitude

Individuals tend to start their business for a better future, independence, to make money, and for the need to achieve (Walstad & Kourilsky, 1998). Attitudes are considered a better approach to investigate or measure entrepreneurship (Robinson et al., 1991). Business exposure and experience in the family affects the attitude of individuals (Matthews & Moser, 1996; Scott & Twomey, 1988), as the choice to establish a business or work for an employer is affected by family background (Terfa, 2007). Attitude has been used as a successful predictor of intention in the literature (Doanh & Bernat, 2019; Malebana, 2014; Nasar et al., 2019). However, it has also been used as a successful mediator in the relationship between entrepreneurial knowledge and entrepreneurial intention (Farani et al., 2017), the relationship between personal values and intention (Cai & Shannon, 2012), and other relationships (Olsen, 2003; Wan & Shen, 2015). Hence, we hypothesize that attitudes mediate the relationship between EE and EI.

H₄: Entrepreneurial attitudes mediate the relationship between entrepreneurship education and entrepreneurial intention.

Subjective Norms

Family support plays a significant role in determining a person's decision (Sidratulmunthah, 2018), as the intention of an individual is associated with relational support

(Gelaidan & Abdullateef, 2017). This support can be in the form of emotions or capital for venturing (Baughn et al., 2006). Research has investigated subjective norms as a predictor of individuals' intentions. Subjective norms have been reported to be the least predictor of intention compared with other factors (Arafat et al., 2020; Autio et al., 2001; Malebana, 2014; Nasar et al., 2019; Nguyen, 2015). They are not a successful predictor according to some studies (Cheon et al., 2012; Collins et al., 2011; Doanh & Bernat, 2019; Gredig et al., 2007). However, authors such as Aloulou (2016) reported subjective norms as the highest predictor of intention among students. Hence, we hypothesize that,

H5: subjective norms have a positive effect on entrepreneurial intention.

Entrepreneurial intention

Entrepreneurial intention is defined as the state of mind leading to attention, experience, and action among entrepreneurs (Bird, 1988). The intention to create a new enterprise is an entrepreneurial intention since entrepreneurship is defined as the creation of new enterprises (Low & MacMillan, 1988). It is also defined as "the vocational decision process in terms of the individual's decision to enter an occupation as a self-employed individual" (Katz, 1992). It is a conscious state of mind that directs one toward a specific goal or decision (Bird, 1988). Research into entrepreneurship indicates that individuals' intentions are influenced by their personal history and social context (Katz, 1992). It is determined by an individual's attitude toward a certain behavior, perceived social norms, and self-efficacy of behavior control (Krueger Jr, 2003).

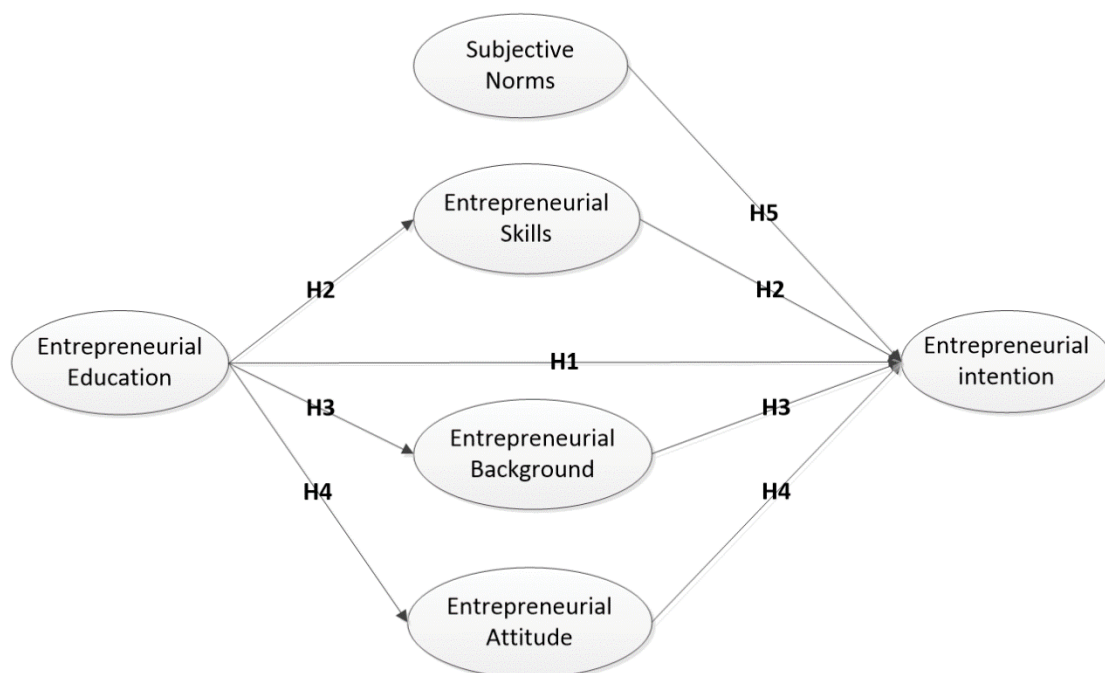


Figure 1. Theoretical Model

RESEARCH METHOD

This cross-sectional study adopts a descriptive analytical methodology to describe and

investigate the role of entrepreneurship education in impacting intention among business undergraduates as well as the mediating role of entrepreneurial skills, background, and attitude in the same relationship.

Participants

Following random sampling, the study sampled business undergraduates from two universities in Sana'a city in Yemen. The study targeted business undergraduates as they are a bit closer to deciding their career path, and business and entrepreneurship education is supposed to be more oriented in business colleges. As shown in the table below, the majority of participants are males, single, and in the age group of less than 25 years old. Further details are presented in Table 1 below.

Table1. Demographic Characteristics of the Respondents

Variable	Category	Frequency	%
Gender	Male	151	61.1%
	Female	96	38.9%
Age	Less than 25 Years	214	86.6%
	26 to 30 Years	33	13.4%
Status	Single	231	93.5%
	Married	16	6.5%
High school major	Science	202	81.8%
	Literature	45	18.2%
University	Public University	148	59.9%
	Private University	99	40.1%
Collage major	Management	36	14.6%
	Accounting	43	17.4%
	Marketing	57	23.1%
	Economics	26	10.5%
	Finance and Banking	33	13.4%
	Tourism	52	21.1%
Collage year	Third Year	85	34.4%
	Fourth Year	162	65.6%
Business experience	No	179	72.5%
	Yes	68	27.5%
Family Business experience	No	55	22.3%
	Yes	192	77.7%

Measurement

Entrepreneurship intention was measured by six statements, entrepreneurial attitude was measured by five statements, and subjective norms were measured by three statements. These statements are adopted from (Liñán et al., 2013; Liñán & Chen, 2009). Entrepreneurship education items are adopted from Walter and Block (2016). Entrepreneurial skills items are adopted from Liñán (2008). Finally, entrepreneurial background items are adopted from Liñán et al. (2013) and Roxas (2014). All data (other than the demographic characteristics) are gathered based on a seven-point Likert scale, where one indicates strongly disagree and seven indicates strongly agree. All data analysis is carried out in the Lavaan package in RStudio, which is a robust tool for running covariance-based structural equation modeling (Rosseel et al., 2017).

FINDINGS AND DISCUSSION

Descriptive statistics

As exhibited in Table 2, the mean ranges from 3.77 to 5.17 out of 7, indicating moderate

agreement on the statements across variables. Furthermore, the standardized loadings of factors range from 0.637 to 0.977, which indicates satisfactory output of the confirmatory factor analysis. As far as reliability is concerned, Cronbach's alpha is found satisfactory (>0.8), convergent reliability values are found to be higher than 0.7, and the values of average variance extracted (AVE) are found to be higher than 0.5, which all show the establishment of the reliability in this model according to the collected data.

Table 2. Descriptive Statistics Along with Reliability Measures

Items	Mean	S. D.	Std Factor loading	Cronbach's alpha	CR	AVE
Entrepreneurial Background						
EB1	4.61	1.791	0.817			
EB2	4.87	1.735	0.866			
EB3	4.71	1.747	0.864			
EB4	4.83	1.660	0.843	0.937	0.912	0.606
EB5	4.52	1.798	0.854			
EB6	5.17	1.565	0.723			
EB7	4.41	1.938	0.856			
Subjective norms						
SN1	4.52	1.895	0.932			
SN2	4.28	1.861	0.835	0.932	0.92	0.794
SN3	4.38	1.872	0.918			
Entrepreneurial skills						
ES1	4.64	1.853	0.797			
ES2	4.43	1.853	0.894			
ES3	4.55	1.581	0.740	0.896	0.863	0.559
ES4	4.46	1.640	0.777			
ES5	4.56	1.724	0.637			
Entrepreneurial attitude						
EA1	4.80	1.807	0.888			
EA2	4.84	1.640	0.912			
EA3	4.83	1.809	0.785			
EA4	4.55	1.860	0.831	0.933	0.924	0.672
EA5	4.90	1.677	0.745			
EA6	4.55	1.703	0.752			
Entrepreneurial education						
EE1	4.02	1.799	0.838			
EE2	4.15	1.708	0.861			
EE3	3.85	1.800	0.796			
EE4	4.02	1.755	0.785	0.941	0.932	0.664
EE5	4.13	1.710	0.808			
EE6	3.99	1.900	0.821			
EE7	3.77	1.828	0.860			
Entrepreneurial intention						
EI1	4.17	2.193	0.977			
EI2	4.00	1.840	0.838			
EI3	4.11	1.928	0.725	0.93	0.911	0.674
EI4	4.16	1.824	0.811			
EI5	3.87	2.030	0.796			

The statistics related to discriminant validity show satisfactory output, as the value of the under root of the average variance extracted is higher than the values of interrelated correlations.

This indicates that discriminant validity is established in the model, which also means that respondents are able to distinguish the statement in each construct in the model, which makes it reliable and valid for measuring what it is used to measure (Table 3).

Table 3. Discriminant validity of constructs

#		MSV	MaxR(H)	1	2	3	4	5	6
1	Entrepreneurial Background	0.389	0.934	0.779					
2	Entrepreneurial Attitude	0.364	0.936	0.557***	0.820				
3	Entrepreneurial Education	0.284	0.935	0.513***	0.533***	0.815			
4	Subjective Norms	0.389	0.925	0.624***	0.547***	0.443***	0.891		
5	Entrepreneurial Intention	0.330	0.927	0.532***	0.439***	0.509***	0.575***	0.821	
6	Entrepreneurial Skills	0.364	0.871	0.576***	0.603***	0.510***	0.482***	0.468***	0.748

Note: ***= significant al 0.001.

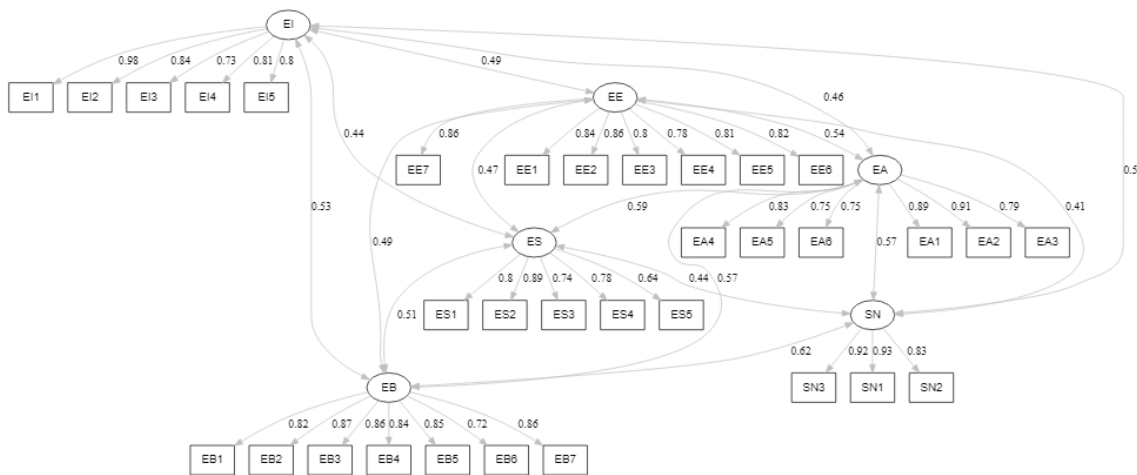


Figure 2. measurement model with standardized factor loadings

Note: EI = entrepreneurial intention, EE = entrepreneurial education, EA = entrepreneurial attitude, ES = entrepreneurial skills, EB = entrepreneurial background, and SN = subjective norms

Figure 2 shows the relationships among variables along with standardized values. As seen in the figure above, the model fits the data very well where goodness of fit indices are satisfactory according to the values extracted in the table below where goodness of fit indices (CFI = 0.994, GFI = 0.988 and NFI = 0.986) and badness of fit indices (RMSEA = 0.057 and SRMR = 0.062) are all found satisfactory, which indicates that the model fits the data as referred to by studies in the previous literature (Table 4).

Table 4. Model fit indices

Index	Cut-off values	References	model fit
χ^2	-	-	870.071
df	-	-	480
χ^2/df	-	-	1.813
p	> 0.5*	Awang (2012), Forza and Filippini (1998)	0.000

TQM GFI		Baumgartner and Homburg (1996), Doll et al. (1994), Forza and Filippini (1998), Greenspoon and Saklofske (1998)	0.988
AGFI	> 0.8		0.982
CFI	> 0.9	Awang (2012), Hair et al. (2010)	0.994
NFI	>0.8	Forza and Filippini (1998)	0.986
SRMR	< 0.08		0.062
RMSEA	< 0.05	Awang (2012), Hair et al. (2010)	0.057

* = the p value is sensitive to sample size where it is rare to find a higher p value with a high sample, therefore, it is considered satisfactory.

Assessment of relationships across variables

As shown in Table 5, it is found that entrepreneurial intention is correlated significantly with entrepreneurial attitudes ($r = 0.439$, $p < 0.01$), which is consistent with studies in the literature (Krueger Jr, 2003). Attitudes explain a large portion of variance in intention which is up to 50 percent (Kim & Hunter, 1993). Moreover, it is also found significantly correlated with entrepreneurial skills ($r = 0.468$, $p < 0.01$), this is also consistent with previous research as (Vega-Gómez et al., 2020) that reported a moderate correlation between entrepreneurial skills and intention. It is also observed that Entrepreneurial Intention is significantly correlated with subjective norms ($r = 0.575$, $p < 0.01$) and this is inconsistent with previous studies that reported that subjective norms are the least correlated variable with entrepreneurial intention (Arafat et al., 2020; Autio et al., 2001; Malebana, 2014; Nasar et al., 2019; Nguyen, 2015), and it is also inconsistent with other research that reported lack of relationship between subjective norms and entrepreneurship intention (Cheon et al., 2012; Collins et al., 2011; Doanh & Bernat, 2019; Gredig et al., 2007).

Further, Entrepreneurial education is found significantly correlated with entrepreneurial intention ($r = 0.509$, $p < 0.01$) as well as attitudes ($r = 0.532$, $p < 0.01$) which is consistent with previous literature (Li & Wu, 2019; Vega-Gómez et al., 2020). Research indicates that the best way and most effective tool to develop knowledge, skills and attitudes among students is through action learning (Jones & English, 2004; Jones-Evans et al., 2000; Pittaway & Cope, 2007). This means that there is a significant role played by entrepreneurship education and more particularly the learning activities that are related to generating and implementing business ideas (Autio et al., 2001). Further, EE is found significantly correlated with entrepreneurial skills ($r = 0.510$, $p < 0.05$) which is consistent with the notion of a high association of entrepreneurial education with entrepreneurial skills (Lucas Jr, 1978; Van Praag & Cramer, 2001).

Even though research indicates the primary focus of entrepreneurship education is developing skills, knowledge and competences among students (Duval-Couetil, 2013), as it refers to the programs or courses that provide students with these skills and competences to pursue entrepreneurial career (Clouse, 1990; Fayolle et al., 2006; Keat et al., 2011). The case differs when it comes to an underdeveloped economy like Yemen where the role of education is still limited in this regard. However, entrepreneurial education has a significant relationship with subjective norms ($r = 0.443$, $p > 0.05$) which is inconsistent with previous studies reporting that female students perceive entrepreneurship as irrelevant to their personalities (Kim & Hunter, 1993).

The educational system is an effective tool to instill entrepreneurial skills, knowledge and attitudes which is considered a priority environment for development just like other tools such as political stability as well as effective regulations (Brixiová & Égert, 2017). The role of entrepreneurship education is to exceed the normal business conventional context by equipping young students with the required skills and knowledge that encourage students to deal with the uncertain business environment (Gibb, 2002a).

Table 5. Correlation coefficients among variables

#		1	2	3	4	5	6
1	Entrepreneurial Background	1					
2	Entrepreneurial Attitude	0.557**	1				
3	Entrepreneurial Education	0.513**	0.533**	1			
4	Subjective Norms	0.624**	0.547**	0.443**	1		
5	Entrepreneurial Intention	0.532**	0.439**	0.509**	0.575**	1	
6	Entrepreneurial Skills	0.576**	0.603**	0.510**	0.482**	0.468**	1

** : Correlations are significant at 0.01 level of confidence

Path analysis

Table 6 shows the statistics related to the direct effects of independent variables on entrepreneurial intention in the path coefficients. It is found that all the independent variables are significantly impacting entrepreneurial intention among business undergraduates in Yemen. The least impact on entrepreneurial intention is observed by entrepreneurial skills ($\beta = 0.100$, $p < 0.01$) which is consistent with the previous literature (Arafat et al., 2020; Autio et al., 2001; Malebana, 2014; Nasar et al., 2019), and a negative impact by subjective norms ($\beta = -0.138$, $p < 0.01$), however, this differs from previous studies which did not identify subjective norms as influential factors (Cheon et al., 2012; Doanh & Bernat, 2019; Gredig et al., 2007). This indicates that the social support mainly from family and friends plays a negative role among business undergraduates in changing their intention to undertake entrepreneurship activities which can be attributed to the belief in tradition as well as the cultural values in the society.

The highest impact on entrepreneurial intention is related to entrepreneurial attitudes ($\beta = 0.503$, $p < 0.01$) which is commonly consistent with the previous literature (Arafat et al., 2020; Ferreira et al., 2012; Malebana, 2014; Nasar et al., 2019). Further, entrepreneurial background is impacting entrepreneurial intention higher than the rest of variables ($\beta = 0.330$, $p < 0.01$) which is consistent with previous studies indicating a significant and positive impact of entrepreneurial background on entrepreneurial intention (Hattab, 2014; Wu & Wu, 2008).

Furthermore, for the other direct effects, entrepreneurship education is significantly impacting entrepreneurial background ($\beta = 0.433$, $p < 0.01$) and entrepreneurial attitude ($\beta = 0.482$, $p < 0.01$), but less impact is observed on entrepreneurial skills ($\beta = 0.153$, $p < 0.01$). It seems that respondents did not want to attribute skills acquisition to their university education. Research indicates that entrepreneurship education plays a significant role when it comes to generating as well as implementing business ideas (Autio et al., 2001). By exposing students to life applicable practices and issues, entrepreneurship education is supposed to boost their confidence and risk-taking capabilities (Dakung et al., 2017). However, due to the role of teachers in achieving the desired goals, then the level of background and skills is relevant because educators play as role models of entrepreneurial behavior (Gibb, 2002b).

The amount of variance in entrepreneurial intention explained by the independent variables is 70%. ($R^2=0.704$). this indicates that seventy percent of the entrepreneurial intention of graduates is explained by the five independent variables included in this model.

Table 6. Path coefficients (direct effects)

Path	Estimate	Standardized estimate	p value
EE -> ES	0.153	0.125	0.036
ES -> EI	0.100	0.136	0.000
EB -> EI	0.330	0.362	0.000

EA -> EI	0.503	0.486	0.000
EE -> EI	0.169	0.189	0.000
SNs -> EI	-0.138	-0.141	0.000
EE -> EB	0.433	0.441	0.000
EE -> EA	0.482	0.557	0.000

Mediation analysis (Indirect and total effects)

We followed the procedure described by (VanderWeele & Vansteelandt, 2014) which suggests running mediation analysis in all mediators at once. Further we assessed the mediation analysis based on the procedure described by (Hair et al., 2016). All direct effects are found significant ($p < 0.05$). In the second step, the first indirect effect through entrepreneurial skills is found insignificant therefore, the mediation analysis cannot be taken further to the third stop. However, for the second and third indirect effects describing the effect of entrepreneurial education on entrepreneurial intention through Entrepreneurial background as well as entrepreneurial attitude is found significant ($p < 0.05$) therefore, it can be taken further for assessing the total effect in the third step. Then the direct effect is assessed with the presence of the mediators which was also found significant

This indicates that entrepreneurial background as well as entrepreneurial attitudes partially mediate the relationship between entrepreneurship education and entrepreneurial intention which also means that hypotheses (H3 and H4) are supported. While entrepreneurship skills are not mediating the relationship between entrepreneurship education and entrepreneurship intention, this means that the second hypothesis (H2) is rejected. Hence, H1 is partially rejected.

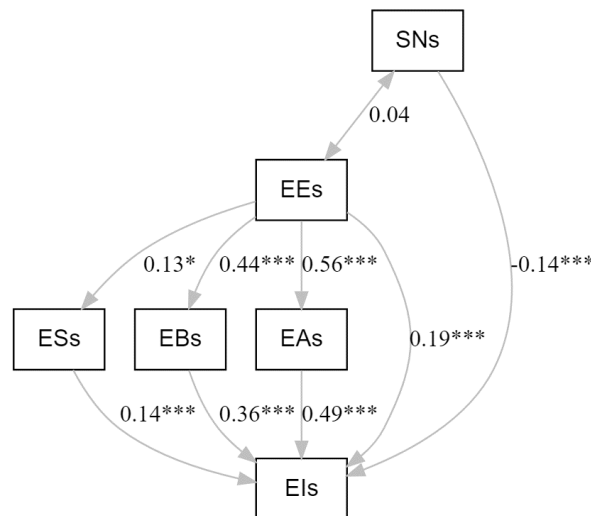


Figure 3. Path analysis with standardized values

Table 7. Indirect and total effects

Effect	Estimate	p
Indirect effect of EE on EI via ES	0.015	0.145
Indirect effect of EE on EI via EB	0.143	0.000
Indirect effect of EE on EI via EA	0.242	0.000
Total indirect effect via mediators (EB and EA)	0.385	0.000
Total effect of EE on EI	0.554	0.000

Based on this discussion, our study suggests paying attention to updating entrepreneurial

programs in higher education which aim to develop talents and skills among undergraduates in business schools – and beyond business schools, which will lead to preparing graduates equipped with the required skills and background.

The novelty of this study is summarized by touching base to explore the nature and extent of entrepreneurial education in lower income countries. Hence, educational institutions are in need to realize the contribution expected to ensure undergraduates are equipped with the required knowledge and skills.

CONCLUSIONS

There is a need for more efforts in developing the role of entrepreneurship education which can be taken through focusing more on the subjects related to entrepreneurship in the curricula in universities and colleges. Exposing students for active learning and action learning will increase the amount of exposure of students towards entrepreneurship and entrepreneurship ecosystem.

The results discussed provide answers to the research questions by exhibiting the role that can be played by entrepreneurship education in mitigating the effect of entrepreneurial education in developing and shaping the entrepreneurial intention of undergraduate students.

The implication of this study is summarized by being a source of information to policy makers in respect to paying more attention to the role of the education system as well as educators in the country in developing and improving the entrepreneurial intention among business undergraduates to boost their confidence and their abilities.

LIMITATION & FURTHER RESEARCH

This study relied on a sample of business graduates, so further research could compare a wider sample of students from different majors, or public and private educational institutions, or female and male students.

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