

Review of: "Selection of an engineering institution: Students' perceptions of choice characteristics and suitability under the COVID-19 pandemic"

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Review comments

Title of the Article: Selection of an engineering institution: Students' perceptions of choice characteristics and suitability under the COVID-19 pandemic

The following statements were given in the first paragraph of Introduction

"Despite the fact that demand for engineers remains relatively high, few students are willing to pursue engineering education. Notwithstanding the way that demand for engineers remained high, there are few aspirants willing to pursue engineering education".

Both of these statements are of same meaning and hence one of these statements can be deleted.

In literature section, each paper is separately quoted in brackets. For example,

"Although ample successful studies such as (Chapman, 1981) (Hossler et al., 1989) (Paulsen, 1990) (Han, 2014)".

The relevant literature can be placed in a common bracket like.... (Chapman, 1981; Hossler et al., 1989; Paulsen, 1990 & Han, 2014). Follow this format throughout the document.

The full form of "STEM" should be mentioned where it appeared first time in the document.

In section 2.2.4,

"Godwin et al. (2016) (Evans et al., 2020) (Phelps et al., 2018) (Moakler & Kim, 2014) predicted that performance in science and mathematics subjects during the pre-college period is important in engineering study".

Please change the statement as "Godwin et al., 2016, Evans et al., 2020, Phelps et al., 2018 and Moakler & Kim, 2014 predicted that performance in science and mathematics subjects during the pre-college period is important in engineering study. Similar type of correction is required at many places where literature is cited.

In section 2.4.4, "(UNESCO, 2020) judges that in times of crisis,"

Please avoid brackets at the starting of the statement. You can write it as “UNESCO, 2020 judges that in times of crisis,”.