

Review of: "Research of Competitive Pressure on Undergraduates' Intention to Study Abroad in Chinese Non-elite Universities"

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This is a fascinating area of academic exchange.

The abstract could be more insightful regarding the research problem and gap.

It also needs to be made clear who the informants were. For example, were these undergraduate or postgraduate students?

The introduction could have been more robust. More literature is needed to situate the research. Some parameters regarding the nature of the students and what the research refers to as 'study abroad' would be very useful. I would also have expected to see a clear research gap and related question or questions. This would have strengthened the arguments underpinning this work.

The literature review could have been more robust. This would have allowed the reader to see how the hypotheses were generated.

The methodology is relatively weak and lacks depth. This would have been useful in understanding the results of this research. For example, which provinces were targeted, what about the nature of the respondents, and the justification of the research tools used? How was the data analyzed?

The weaknesses in the methodology, as well as the lack of a clear research problem, have weakened the quality of the outcomes of this work.