

Identification and Validation of Entrepreneurial University Model Indicators for the University of Tabriz

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1. Round 1

1.1. Reviewer 1

Reviewer:

The introduction starts with a statement from Honnon et al. (2006). It would be beneficial to briefly explain who Honnon et al. are and why their opinion is significant in this context. This would provide the reader with better context and authority of the source.

"No comprehensive research has been conducted in this regard concerning the University of Tabriz," should be supported by a brief review of existing literature, highlighting the gap your research aims to fill.

The sentence, "The research methodology is a mixed-methods approach," should specify what types of mixed methods were used (e.g., sequential, concurrent) and why this approach was appropriate for this study.

Clarify the criteria used for selecting the 14 individuals in the qualitative section. This will enhance the transparency and reproducibility of your sampling process.

"Data collection tools included researcher-constructed open-ended questions" - Please include an example of these questions in an appendix for readers to understand the scope and depth of the qualitative inquiry.

The description of the Kolmogorov-Smirnov test for checking normality is good, but it would be more informative if you could also provide the results of this test to confirm the normality assumption.

The table lists major categories, main components, and sub-components. Consider adding a brief narrative explaining how these components were derived from the data and any patterns observed during the coding process.

The statement, "A total of 92 initial codes were extracted from the interview texts," could be supported by a brief description of how these codes were refined and categorized into the final components.

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1.2. Reviewer 2

Reviewer:

"Recently the heightened attention of researchers and policymakers to entrepreneurship has caused some concern." - Please clarify what specific concerns have arisen and provide citations for these concerns to add depth and specificity to your argument.

The sentence, "Entrepreneurship, considering its significant impacts on economic growth, social development, and ensuring innovation and competition in business, has long been recognized as the backbone of a country's social development," could be enhanced by providing specific examples or case studies that illustrate these impacts.

You mention various international university rankings. It would strengthen your argument to briefly explain the methodologies of these rankings and why they are relevant to the entrepreneurial university model.

When presenting descriptive statistics, including confidence intervals for the means would provide a more comprehensive understanding of the data variability.

You state that your findings align with the model by Clark (2005). Provide a brief summary of Clark's model to help readers understand the significance of this alignment.

The comparison of your findings with those of Seifi et al. (2024) and other researchers is very useful. Consider adding a comparative table that visually illustrates these alignments and differences.

When discussing the alignment with Jameson & O'Donnell (2015), it would be helpful to specify which elements of "Strong Command and Organization" and "Financial Resources" are particularly relevant to your study.

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2. Revised

Editor's decision after revisions: Accepted.

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