

CURBING GRADUATE UNEMPLOYMENT IN NIGERIA THROUGH ENTREPRENEURSHIP EDUCATION

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ABSTRACT

Nigeria is faced with a high rate of graduate and youth unemployment with its attendant spill-over effects in the form of poverty, increased crime rate, depression, violence, etc. The problem of unemployment demands an urgent and a lasting strategy to eradicate or atleast reduce the menace. It is on this background that this paper examines the role of entrepreneurship education in curbing graduate unemployment. The paper explained the concepts of unemployment, education, entrepreneurship, and entrepreneurship education. It looked at the objectives of entrepreneurship education, challenges hindering the success of entrepreneurship education was analysed. It was recommended among others, that there should be collective efforts by the government and private organizations in promoting entrepreneurship education.

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