



Inspiring future entrepreneurs: The effect of experiential learning on the entrepreneurial intention at higher education

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Abstract— *The purpose of this study is to measure the influence of experiential learning on the entrepreneurial intention at higher education. To enable the research to measure experiential learning, the researchers used three dimensions as independent factors (empirical learning, Cognitive loading, and Self-efficacy) and on the other hand entrepreneurial intention at higher education as dependent factor. The study was carried out at private universities in Erbil. The researchers employed quantitative research method via adapting questionnaire from academic source and publish it online to gather information from participants. The questionnaire was distributed randomly among 120 academic and administrative staffs of private universities. The participants of the present study were 103 participants from different private universities in Kurdistan region of Iraq. The study developed three research hypotheses, the findings revealed that, as for the first research hypothesis found that an empirical Learning strongly predicts entrepreneurial intention, implying that empirical Learning would have a clear beneficial relationship with entrepreneurial intention. As for the second research hypothesis, it was found that a cognitive loading strongly predicts entrepreneurial intention, implying that cognitive loading would have a clear beneficial relationship with entrepreneurial intention, and lastly as for the third research hypothesis, it was found that self-efficacy strongly predicts entrepreneurial intention, implying that Floatation would have a clear beneficial relationship with entrepreneurial intention.*

Keywords— *Experiential Learning, Empirical Learning, Cognitive Loading, Self-Efficacy, Entrepreneurial Intention.*

I. INTRODUCTION

Entrepreneurship has been celebrated as a catalyst of revolution in the outlook of the new world economy (Khan & Abdullah, 2019). Challenges in work security due to strong competition (Mueller, 2011) and job insecurity (Sukavejworakit et al. 2018) have led developing and industrialized nations to pursue entrepreneurship in order to achieve fiscal development and personal objectives (Anwar, 2017). Intrinsically, entrepreneurship is seen as a vital element in order to level competition in a competitive market environment and enhance economic well-being for nations. As a result of this attention, academic researchers have increased their research efforts on entrepreneurship, in

particular their contributions and significance (Ozaralli & Rivenburgh, 2016). Lately, amid the opposition of the coalition of developing countries, Malaysia has seen a decline in the total number of entrepreneurships produced. Despite a range of government-initiated schemes encouraging entrepreneurship and instilling a sense of entrepreneurship among young people and young adults, there has been a stalemate in the founding of new companies and a low number of new business developments. In comparison, entrepreneurial schooling in the nation is considered to be inadequate in influencing students on the road to entrepreneurship and entrepreneurship (Sukavejworakit et al. 2018). This is confirmed by the results of Aries et al. (2020), who found that just 45% of all

university graduates of entrepreneurship studied were entrepreneurs following completion of their studies. Motivational perspective is a crucial factor that should be explored in order to explain the tendency of university graduates to be unable to pursue careers in entrepreneurship (Prabhu et al. 2020). Notwithstanding the results of many studies suggesting a favorable relationship between entrepreneurship education and entrepreneurship, several studies such as Anwar, (2016) supported by Tan et al. (2020) argued that entrepreneurship education is unenthusiastic. Abdullah et al. (2017) have argued that while there is some evidence that entrepreneurship education plays a positive role in student entrepreneurship, the influence of university entrepreneurship education has been debated in particular as to the effect on students' transition to graduate entrepreneurship. It is important to note that experiential Learning in Entrepreneurship Education stimulates students' ability to see socio-economic challenges as an obstacle. This may lead them to articulate entrepreneurial behavior as a reaction to the socio-economic problem found (Bell & Bell, 2020). This is especially significant because the expression of the entrepreneurial purpose of university students confirms that they are ready for a future in entrepreneurship. To this end, this research suggests that the presentation of entrepreneurial intent by university students, inspired by successful experiential learning, increases the tendency of postgraduates to participate in entrepreneurship even after graduation (Othman & Abdullah, 2016). The key problem here is that the presentation of entrepreneurial purpose by university students should be the primary objective of the university entrepreneurship curriculum, so that experiential learning in entrepreneurship education can help move forward and accomplish this aim (Anwar, 2017). Universities are known to be incubators of entrepreneurship projects of every Thus, the focus of society must be on the adoption of experiential learning methods in order to promote a common perspective on the communication of entrepreneurial purpose by graduates (Youssef et al. 2021). As a result, studies such as Abdullah & Abdul Rahman, (2015) on educational entrepreneurship in university education have suggested the creation of demanding learning experiences to inspire entrepreneurship. Creation of innovative problem-solving skills to enhance students " Entrepreneurship plans. However, taking into account the pivotal role of experiential learning in promoting the entrepreneurial growth of university students, there is one factor. The degree to which it is experiential is of great importance that many researchers have overlooked. Learning motivates university students to demonstrate an entrepreneurial goal in the service of an entrepreneurial future in graduation (Qazi et al. 2020).

II. LITERATURE REVIEW

Experiential Learning

Many scholars claim that the principle of experiential learning (EL) has been around for at least Dewey's work (Hameed & Anwar, 2018) conclude that, according to some descriptions, EL's existence dates back only to the T-groups of the 1950s and 1960s. In any case, EL and its various derivatives and variants continue to be a subject of much study and relevance to this dissertation. The participants in this study are students, instructors, administrators and industry partners of two schools whose programs can be described as experiential in nature. Anwar & Ghafoor, (2017), stated that not all students can find the EL methodologies they need. When EL makes use of peer reviews, some students feel that the mechanism is stressful, both getting criticism of others and getting negative feedback about their own opinions and suggestions may be unsettling. Similar anxiety was observed in the setting up of the working groups. Students were not sure how to treat the members of the party who did not complete their activities. This dissatisfaction was felt by both performing and non-performing students. While significant in both conventional and EL settings, the perception of a positive atmosphere is much more critical in the EL environment. Prabhu et al. (2019) stated that, "If students perceive the atmosphere as unsupportive (for example, "This teacher seems aggressive to women in engineering"), they will threaten perceptions of achievement and undermine motivation" (Tierno et al. 2020). Because EL continues to have a larger range of characters who can affect the community, colleagues, teachers, managers, and future outside collaborators, it is important that we track for a constructive, inclusive environment. Students are not the only ones required to transform the world of EL. Teachers may also have a particular position to play. The position of the source of information shall be replaced by a tutor or facilitator. Bazan et al. (2020) stated this metamorphosis rather eloquently, On the opposite, this modern model poses far more obstacles to school administrators and teachers because their primary roles have changed from instilling prescribed material in students through well-established standardized processes to creating an instructional atmosphere that gives children the ability to live a positive and engaging educational life. (Anwar & Qadir, 2017). Questions often occur in relation to the mastery demonstration method. Adjustments to the learning process are likely to have to be made to reflect local, state and federal requirements; these modifications are outside the reach of this article. Teachers will obviously be stressed in the EL environment; some will find it very rewarding and satisfying, while others will feel disenchanting enough to abandon the EL program (Anjum et al. 2020).

Entrepreneurial Intention

EI is also understood as human attitudes toward the consequences of consequential decisions and their desirability of belief, self-efficacy, and probability of responding to opportunities (Yi, 2020). This takes into account ambition, unwavering commitment and the desire to be self-reliant. Although these traits are widely recognized as habits, a broad body of research in EI literature has mostly studied behaviors that influence motive. Despite being recognized as a widely-researched field (Anwar & Shukur, 2015), other researchers argue that there is still a shortage of literature findings in the EI, especially in developing countries that cover issues facing entrepreneurship practices that have yet to be clarified (Anwar & Surarchith, 2015). To a large degree, the essential role assumed by the EI in the implementation of entrepreneurship efforts has been investigated (Abdullah & Othman, 2019). Researchers also use socio-psychological constructs to examine the EI and to investigate related behaviors and determinants (Prabhu et al. 2020). These models have been shown to be powerful in explaining the interaction between personality variables and the EI. In addition, these models are used to analyze expected and deliberate actions in entrepreneurship (Anwar & Abd Zebari, 2015). Gaining an awareness of the EI is also undeniably important, since the purpose forms the center for individuals to embark on an entrepreneurial path and contribute to the realization of business projects (Dijinira et al. 2020). Literature on EI mostly employed tertiary-level students as subjects of study (Abdullah & Othman, 2016). A survey of Norwegian business students found that three TPB variables had a substantial impact on the EI (Dijinira et al. 2020).

Many of the research cited below ties those learning experiences to the enhancement of entrepreneurial purpose. This linkage may be achieved by developing an understanding of what entrepreneurs are doing, which may lead to an increase in perceived viability or an understanding of the advantages of entrepreneurship, which may lead to an increase in the impact of social expectations and perceived desirability. One way to develop this kind of awareness is through the use of effective advisors and champions, teachers as an example. However, Zulfiqar et al. (2021), described another approach, and even better are growth experiences that include resources for mastering of these competencies (Fayolle et al. 2020). Exposure of diverse life and work environments broadens the scope of what they see as possible. This behavioral modeling will work either vicariously using reputable consultants or directly by providing participants with hands-on experience in secure environments (Naz et al. 2020). Again, literature confirms the possibility that openness to an entrepreneurial

phase could have an effect on expectations of viability, desirability or both. Khan & Abdullah, (2019) address the capacity of education to alter profound conceptual models that may lead people to see more possibilities or to see themselves as entrepreneurs. While Mueller, (2011) reminded us in their earlier work that, "Teaching people about the realities of entrepreneurship may increase their entrepreneurial self-efficacy, but at the same time reduce the perceived desirability of starting a company" (Sukavejworakit et al. 2018). Demonstrating students the obstacles and dangers of starting a company may deter others from following an entrepreneurial lifestyle, but learning this will allow learners to think about proper awareness mechanisms (Anwar, 2017). The previous segment concentrated on experiential and project-based learning as a tool for providing students with exposure to a broad range of opportunities, some of which could help develop their entrepreneurial intentions (Ozaralli & Rivenburgh, 2016). Conventionally, Entrepreneurship Education (EE) has been characterized as an education that provides appropriate skills for the establishment of a new enterprise. Despite this, the optimal mode of distribution has been widely debated in the literature. A number of methods exist to deliver EE, based on various goals (Sukavejworakit et al. 2018). When the aim of the EE is to enrich entrepreneurship awareness, the best approach is to disseminate information through mass media, including online or offline media, seminars and lectures. This has been seen to be successful in targeting target markets in a short timeframe. When the goal of the EE is to prepare learners with entrepreneurship skills, the best approach is to employ industrial training. In the meantime, if the goal of the EE is to create entrepreneurs, the optimal approach is to use market simulation or to play a role in facilitating experiments. Irrespective of the different methods used to meet a variety of goals, learning institutions have a key role to play in facilitating the transfer of EAs to students (Aries et al. 2020). In the meantime, other (Prabhu et al. 2020) had their own views on the EE. Primarily, these researchers contrast between traditional management education and the EE, seeing the former as an obstacle to the development of entrepreneurial content and qualities. This means that the EE has to be addressed in a distinct way. In order to emphasize the usefulness of the EE, it must be linked to based learning (Anwar, 2016), work-related learning (Tan et al. 2020), entrepreneurship training and experiential learning (Abdullah et al. 2017). Training to start up a new company focuses on learning to combine experience, expertise and skills. In general, EE must be capable of educating learners to understand the goal of a company, an organisation and a partnership between business and the economy and society. More precisely, EE should be capable

of exchanging skills that may be delivered within the confines of learning institutions, enabling individuals to make new and creative ideas (Bell & Bell, 2020). Researchers also proposed the adoption of the EE at the early stages of individual schooling (Othman & Abdullah, 2016). Based on an investigation by Anwar, (2017), the researcher found that EE school students had a strong interest in contemplating setting up their own company after graduation. Meanwhile, in Hong Kong, students have been seen to be increasingly knowledgeable of business and to acquire related personal qualities from exposure to EE in their secondary schools (Youssef et al. 2021). In view of the promising interaction between the EE and influences linked to the growth of entrepreneurship, multiple nations have begun to implement the EE, which encompasses a comprehensive level of education structures (i.e. universities, colleges and schools) (Qazi et al. 2020).

III. METHODOLOGY

The purpose of this study is to measure the influence of experiential learning on the entrepreneurial intention at higher education. To enable the research to measure experiential learning, the researchers used three dimensions as independent factors (empirical learning, Cognitive loading, and Self-efficacy) and on the other hand entrepreneurial intention at higher education as dependent factor. The study was carried out at private universities in Erbil. The researchers employed quantitative research method via adapting questionnaire from academic source and publish it online to gather information from participants. The questionnaire was distributed randomly among 120 academic and administrative staffs of private universities. The participants of the present study were 103 participants from different private universities in Kurdistan region of Iraq.

Conceptual framework

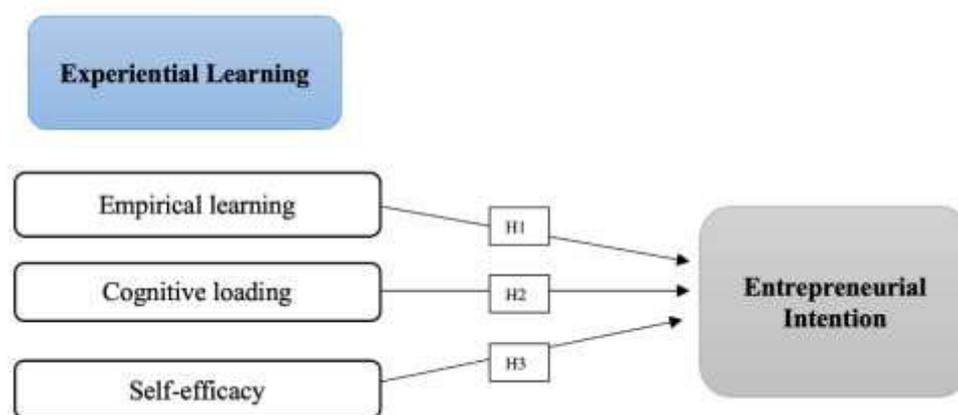


Fig.1: Conceptual Framework

Research Hypotheses

Hypothesis one: There is a significant relationship between empirical learning as element of experiential learning with entrepreneurial intention.

Hypothesis two: There is a significant relationship between Cognitive loading as element of experiential learning with entrepreneurial intention.

Hypothesis three: There is a significant relationship between Self-efficacy as element of experiential learning with entrepreneurial intention.

Findings

The current research focused on assessing the impact of social media (empirical learning, Cognitive loading, and Self-efficacy) on entrepreneurial intention. In order to measure social media and its impact on entrepreneurial intention, the researchers set three independent variables as self-leadership skills, these variables are (empirical learning, Cognitive loading, and Self-efficacy) on the other hand entrepreneurial intention as dependent variable. The researchers applied simple regression analysis to measure the influence of each independent variable separately on entrepreneurial intention.

Table.1: KMO and Bartlett Sphericity Test of Self-rating Items

No	Factors	N of items	Sample	KMO	Bartlett test	
					Chi-Square	Sig
1	Empirical learning	8	103	.801	4211.4	.000
2	Cognitive loading	7	103			
3	Self-efficacy	7	103			
4	Entrepreneurial intention	8	103			

As we can see in table (1), the outcome of KMO is .801 which is higher than .001 this indicates that the sample size used for the current study was more than adequate. Furthermore, the result of Chi-Square is 4211.4.3 with the significant level .000.

Table 2: Factor Analysis

No	Components	Number of Items	N	Eigenvalue	Rotation Sums of Squared Loadings	
					% of Variance	Cumulative
1	Empirical learning	8	103	1.2891	16.021	11.201
2	Cognitive loading	7	103	5.021	12.233	21.225
3	Self-efficacy	7	103	1.933	12.252	17.322
4	Entrepreneurial intention	8	103	1.52	12.363	18.222

Table (2) demonstrates three independent variables social media (Empirical learning, Cognitive loading, and Self-efficacy) and a dependent variable (Entrepreneurial intention). As for empirical learning as first element of social media, which had eight item explained 16.021% of the total variance. As for Cognitive loading as second

element of social media, which had seven items explained 12.233% of the total variance. As for Co Self-efficacy as third element of social media, which had seven items explained 12.252% of the total variance. And finally, as for Entrepreneurial intention as dependent variable, which had eight items explained 12.363% of the total variance.

Table 3: Reliability Test

Reliability Statistics			
Factor	N	Cronbach's Alpha	N of Items
Empirical learning	103	.739	8
Cognitive loading	103	.792	7
Self-efficacy	103	.787	7
Entrepreneurial intention	103	.771	8

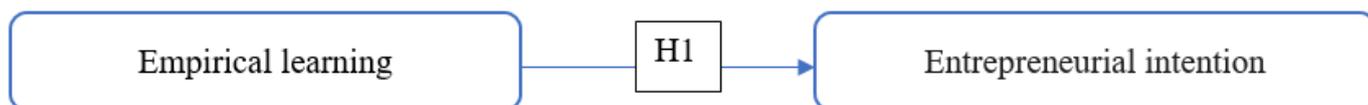
As seen in table (3), the reliability analysis for 30 items used to measure the influence social media (Empirical learning, Cognitive loading, and Self-efficacy) to measure the influence on Entrepreneurial intention. The above 30 questions were distributed as follow; eight items for empirical learning, seven items for cognitive loading, seven items for self-efficacy, and eight items for Entrepreneurial intention. The researchers applied reliability analysis to find

out the reliability for each factor, the findings revealed as follow: as for experiential learning was found the Alpha to be .739 for eight questions which indicated that all eight questions used to measure experiential learning were reliable for the current study, as for cognitive loading was found the Alpha to be .792 for seven questions which indicated that all seven questions used to measure cognitive loading were reliable for the current study, as for self-

efficacy was found the Alpha to be .787 for seven questions which indicated that all seven questions used to measure Self-efficacy were reliable for the current study, and as for entrepreneurial intention was found the Alpha to be .771 for

eight questions which indicated that all eight questions used to measure entrepreneurial intention were reliable for the current study.

First Research Hypothesis



Hypothesis one: There is a significant relationship between empirical learning as element of experiential learning with entrepreneurial intention.

Table 4: Correlation analysis

Correlations			
Variables	Pearson Correlation	Entrepreneurial Intention	Empirical Learning
Entrepreneurial Intention	Pearson Correlation	1	.674**
	Sig. (2-tailed)		.000
	N	103	103
Empirical Learning	Pearson Correlation	.674**	1
	Sig. (2-tailed)	.000	
	N	103	103

** . Correlation is significant at the 0.01 level (2-tailed).

As it can be seen in table (4), the correlation analysis between empirical learnings to measure its influence on entrepreneurial intention. The finding revealed that the value of Pearson correlation ($r = .674^{**}$, $p < 0.01$), this indicated that there is positive and strong correlation between empirical Learning as self-leadership skill and entrepreneurial intention.

Table 5-Model Summary

Model Summary				
Model	R	R Square	Adjusted R Square	Std. Error of the Estimate
1	.617	.602	.578	.21471
a. Predictors: (Constant), Empirical learning				

Regression analysis is the study of interactions between variables. $Y = f(x_1, x_2, \dots, X_c)$ The aim of regression analysis is to determine how Y can affect and alter X. The Affective Learning approach is treated as an independent variable in this section, while entrepreneurial intention is treated as a dependent variable. The volatility of a comparative advantage will be used to calculate its total difference. The variations are determined by calculating the sum of the squares of the expected competitive advantage values by the

overall mean divided by the number of participants. After dividing the variance by the overall variance of comparative benefit, the researcher discovered the sum or percentage of total differences or variances that are compensated for using regression analysis. The number can range from 0 to 1 and is defined by R Square. The value of R square = .578 as seen in Table (5), indicating that 57 percent of total variation has been clarified.

Table 6-ANOVA

ANOVA						
Model		Sum of Squares	df	Mean Square	F	Sig.
1	Regression	104.128	1	131.211	214.174	.000 ^b
	Residual	311.214	528	.028		
	Total	415.342	529			
a. Dependent Variable: Entrepreneurial Intention						
b. Predictors: (Constant), Empirical learning						

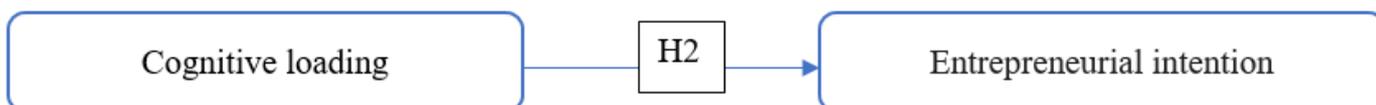
Table (6) shows that the F value for experiential Learning as an independent variable =214.174, indicating that there is a significant relationship between experiential learning and entrepreneurial intention (214.174, >1).

Table 7-Coefficients Analysis

Coefficients						
Model		Unstandardized Coefficients		Standardized Coefficients	t	Sig.
		B	Std. Error	Beta		
1	(Constant)	.144	.027		2.591	.000
	Empirical learning	.631	.019	.634	19.391	.000
a. Dependent Variable: Entrepreneurial intention						

Table (7) shows the implications of the first hypothesis: Empirical Learning strongly predicts entrepreneurial intention (Beta is weight .634, p.001), implying that empirical Learning would have a clear beneficial relationship with entrepreneurial intention.

Second Research Hypothesis



Hypothesis two: There is a significant relationship between cognitive loading as element of experiential learning with entrepreneurial intention.

Table 8: Correlation analysis

Correlations			
Variables	Pearson Correlation	Entrepreneurial intention	Cognitive loading
Entrepreneurial intention	Pearson Correlation	1	.641**
	Sig. (2-tailed)		.000
	N	103	103
Cognitive loading	Pearson Correlation	.641**	1
	Sig. (2-tailed)	.000	
	N	103	103
**. Correlation is significant at the 0.01 level (2-tailed).			

As it can be seen in table (8), the correlation analysis between cognitive loading as an experiential learning to

measure its influence on entrepreneurial intention in private hospitals in Kurdistan region of Iraq. The finding revealed

that the value of Pearson correlation ($r = .641^{**}$, $p < 0.01$), this indicated that there is positive and strong correlation

between cognitive loading as an experiential learning t and entrepreneurial intention.

Table 9-Model Summary

Model Summary				
Model	R	R Square	Adjusted R Square	Std. Error of the Estimate
1	.699	.674	.611	.17525
a. Predictors: (Constant), Cognitive loading				

Regression analysis is the study of interactions between variables. $Y = f(x_1, x_2, \dots, X_c)$ The aim of regression analysis is to determine how Y can affect and alter X . The Cognitive loading approach is treated as an independent variable in this section, while entrepreneurial intention is treated as a dependent variable. The volatility of a comparative advantage will be used to calculate its total difference. The variations are determined by calculating the sum of the squares of the expected competitive advantage values by the

overall mean divided by the number of participants. After dividing the variance by the overall variance of comparative benefit, the researcher discovered the sum or percentage of total differences or variances that are compensated for using regression analysis. The number can range from 0 to 1 and is defined by R Square. The value of R square = .674 as seen in Table (9), indicating that 67 percent of total variation has been clarified.

Table 10-ANOVA

ANOVA						
Model		Sum of Squares	df	Mean Square	F	Sig.
1	Regression	19.521	1	111.21	17.252	.000 ^b
	Residual	17.554	399	.036		
	Total	37.075	400			
a. Dependent Variable: Entrepreneurial intention						
b. Predictors: (Constant), Cognitive loading						

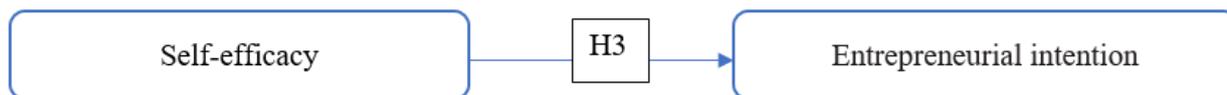
Table (10) shows that the F value for Cognitive loading as an independent variable = 17.252, indicating that there is a significant relationship between Cognitive loading and entrepreneurial intention ($17.252 > 1$).

Table 11-Coefficients Analysis

Coefficients						
Model		Unstandardized Coefficients		Standardized Coefficients	t	Sig.
		B	Std. Error	Beta		
1	(Constant)	.362	.028		2.114	.000
	Cognitive loading	.633	.021	.636	2.128	.000
a. Dependent Variable: Entrepreneurial intention						

Table (11) shows the implications of the second hypothesis: Cognitive loading strongly predicts entrepreneurial intention (Beta is weight .636, $p = 0.001$), implying that cognitive loading would have a clear beneficial relationship with entrepreneurial intention.

Third Research Hypothesis



Hypothesis three: There is a significant relationship between Self-efficacy as element of experiential learning with entrepreneurial intention.

Table 12: Correlation analysis

Correlations			
Variables	Pearson Correlation	Entrepreneurial intention	Self-efficacy
Entrepreneurial intention	Pearson Correlation	1	.621**
	Sig. (2-tailed)		.000
	N	103	103
Self-efficacy	Pearson Correlation	.621**	1
	Sig. (2-tailed)	.000	
	N	103	103

** . Correlation is significant at the 0.01 level (2-tailed).

As it can be seen in table (12), the correlation analysis between Self-efficacy as an experiential learning to measure its influence on entrepreneurial intention in private hospitals in Kurdistan region of Iraq. The finding revealed that the

value of Pearson correlation ($r= .621^{**}$, $p<0.01$), this indicated that there is positive and strong correlation between Self-efficacy as an experiential learning and entrepreneurial intention.

Table 13-Model Summary

Model Summary				
Model	R	R Square	Adjusted R Square	Std. Error of the Estimate
1	.591	.539	.581	.1366

a. Predictors: (Constant), Self-efficacy

Regression analysis is the study of interactions between variables. $Y=f(x_1, x_2, \dots, X_c)$ The aim of regression analysis is to determine how Y can affect and alter X. The Self-efficacy is treated as an independent variable in this section, while entrepreneurial intention is treated as a dependent variable. The volatility of a comparative advantage will be used to calculate its total difference. The variations are determined by calculating the sum of the squares of the expected competitive advantage values by the overall mean

divided by the number of participants. After dividing the variance by the overall variance of comparative benefit, the researcher discovered the sum or percentage of total differences or variances that are compensated for using regression analysis. The number can range from 0 to 1 and is defined by R Square. The value of R square =.539 seen in Table (13), indicating that 53 percent of total variation has been clarified.

Table 14-ANOVA

ANOVA						
Model		Sum of Squares	df	Mean Square	F	Sig.
1	Regression	101.21	1	10.363	17.522	.000 ^b

	Residual	14.252	458	.091		
	Total	115.462	459			
a. Dependent Variable: Entrepreneurial intention						
b. Predictors: (Constant), Self-efficacy						

Table (14) shows that the F value for floatation as an independent variable =17.522, indicating that there is a significant relationship between Self-efficacy and entrepreneurial intention (17.522>1).

Table 15-Coefficients Analysis

Coefficients						
Model		Unstandardized Coefficients		Standardized Coefficients	t	Sig.
		B	Std. Error	Beta		
1	(Constant)	.124	.031		2.114	.000
	Self-efficacy	.639	.028	.644	19.227	.000
a. Dependent Variable: Entrepreneurial intention						

Table (14) shows the implications of the third hypothesis: Self-efficacy strongly predicts entrepreneurial intention (Beta is weight .644, p.001), implying that Floatation would have a clear beneficial relationship with entrepreneurial intention.

IV. CONCLUSION

This study contributes to our understanding of social entrepreneurship education by providing the first quantitative pre/post study of how experiential social entrepreneurship education affects social entrepreneurial intentions and their antecedents. It shows that such education can affect intentions, social-entrepreneurial self-efficacy, and perceived social support. The results are robust, as evidenced by the second sample, which comes to the same conclusions as the first sample, despite drawing on a much more diverse sample in terms of age, culture, and educational background and also using a different delivery mechanism (online education rather than classroom teaching). Our aptitude to develop social entrepreneurs through business school education depends on our evolving understanding of how business school education can impact the intentions and behavior of students. In this light, it is to be hoped that future research will carry out more intervention studies like this one. Moreover, replication in different contexts would be a valuable step in further addressing the underlying question of this paper. The study developed three research hypotheses, the findings revealed that, as for the first research hypothesis found that an empirical Learning strongly predicts entrepreneurial intention, implying that empirical Learning would have a clear beneficial relationship with entrepreneurial intention. As for the second research hypothesis, it was found that a cognitive loading strongly predicts entrepreneurial intention, implying that cognitive loading would have a

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