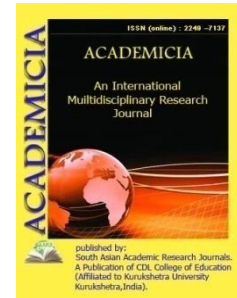




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**THE IMPERATIVES FOR VOCATIONAL AND ENTREPRENEURIAL
 EDUCATION: THE NYSC PERSPECTIVE**

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ABSTRACT

With the growing rate of unemployment in Nigeria, there have been concerns as to how it can be abated. An important direction towards solving this problem is through Vocational and Entrepreneurial Education. This study examines the need for vocational and entrepreneurial education in the face of limited 'white-collar jobs'. The paper takes a cursory look at the history of vocational and entrepreneurial education in Nigeria. It also examines Vocational and Entrepreneurial Training of the NYSC Skill Acquisition and Entrepreneurship Development (SAED). It considers some of its marked achievements, as well as shortcomings. It also offers some important recommendations including the proposal that Vocational and Entrepreneurship Education be prioritized at the grassroots of the education system, preferably at the primary level.

KEYWORDS: *Vocational Education, Entrepreneurial Educations, NYSC, Unemployment, White Collar*

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