Entrepreneurship education is a powerful phenomenon in academic institutions and research outlets around the world (Fayolle, 2010; Neck & Greene, 2011; West, Gatewood, & Shaver, 2009). This interest has recently spilled over to South Asia, which is one of the world’s most dynamic, fastest-growing and populous regions in the world (Bloom, 2012; Ghani, 2010; Khilji, 2012; World Bank, 2010). As a result, many new approaches are being implemented in South Asia to educate students about and engage them in entrepreneurship (Frederick, 2007; Muhammad, Akbar, & Dalziel, 2011). This special issue serves to inform the field of ‘entrepreneurship education’ by exploring it from institutional, structural, and individual perspectives within the South Asian context. We define entrepreneurship education as any knowledge-based activity designed to provide a learning or practical opportunity for students to engage with entrepreneurial behavior. Broadly speaking, the purpose of this special issue is to focus on entrepreneurship education in South Asia and inform entrepreneurship education practice, policy and research globally. More specifically, the purpose of this special issue is to highlight the practice of and strategies behind entrepreneurship education in South Asian universities, and the effectiveness of those practices and strategies.

Current, Western methods of teaching entrepreneurship are considered dated and not always economically or technologically feasible in the South Asian context (e.g., Neck & Greene, 2011). We thus solicit research that generates a comprehensive understanding of the domain of entrepreneurship education within the South Asia context by extending key debates and beginning new debates with provocative questions.

This special issue will benefit the field by addressing the following types of research questions. Theoretical and empirical (qualitative and quantitative, longitudinal, etc.) submissions, essays, interviews, and other contributions covering these or related research questions are welcome:

- What is the new paradigm of entrepreneurship education? How does it apply to South Asia?
- What economic and cultural factors influence the development and implementation of entrepreneurship education programs in South Asian universities?
- How can we effectively teach entrepreneurship, which focuses on the heroic figure, in collectivist South Asian economies?
- What perspectives (i.e., ethics, sustainability) should be integrated for developing a holistic approach to entrepreneurship education (in South Asia and globally)?
• Should entrepreneurship education programs lead the way in integrating issues concerning social and environmental stewardship into curriculum?
• Can passion for entrepreneurship be taught using a holistic pedagogy that integrates intellectual learning with physical and emotional/spiritual learning?
• What non-business disciplines should entrepreneurship educators collaborate with to produce practical and value-added educational experiences for students and future entrepreneurs?
• What are the transformative ways entrepreneur practitioners can be integrated into the classroom?
• How do we identify an entrepreneurship programs’ impact, to understand the optimal composition of the program components to promote entrepreneurship in South Asia?
• Can we (if yes, how) develop entrepreneurship education programs that are transferable to indigenous entrepreneurial ecosystems across South Asia and other regions of the world?

**Deadlines:**
Abstracts (3 pages) should be submitted by Sept 10, 2012 to any one of the following guest editors. Abstracts will be reviewed by the editorial team, and selected authors would be invited to write a full paper.

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