

Some People say that in all levels of education, from primary schools to universities, too much time is spent on learning facts and not enough on learning practical skills.

Do you agree or disagree?

It is true that the overwhelming majority of teaching modules are theory based especially in the first year of study while the students should prepare themselves for the job market. In my view, both of them play a crucial role in an effective educational system.

On the one hand, the theories are the infrastructure of every science which cannot be excluded from compulsory modules. The students should acquire a basic knowledge to comprehend the complicated realities. Therefore, these years could be a proper time to develop the essential concept in academic subjects and prepare them for further learning. For instance, the focus on memorizing the math formulas as a fundamental form of knowledge (skill) may be considered unnecessary while being familiar with some ~~an~~ accounting software may play an effectively essential role for an employee, but (nonetheless) if an individual does not recognize the basics of problem-solving, he will not be able to employ these tools either. Consequently, this expertise will be quite ~~quite~~ inefficient in the company.

On the other hand, efficient skills are absolutely crucial in order to master a field. The undergraduates who are not familiar with such skills will need supplementary training to become adapted in a specific carrier which means they have wasted their time in universities. An accountant who just knows the mathematical formulas on the paper to calculate the payment salary can hardly find a proper job due to lack of information in the modern accounting software domain. In my opinion, the best solution to have an effectively positive education system is to balance theory and practice during the teaching process in all levels and run the training course at the last few years to prepare the students for the workplace.

In conclusion, although it seems academic subjects ~~has~~ have dedicated the majority of teaching hours in the schools, while the practical skills may be more useful in a job, the theories are the infrastructure of every science which should be considered simultaneously to provide a professional qualification.