



Are elite university graduates aiding China's transition to an innovation-based economy? Results from a career choices survey among would-be innovators in China and the USA

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Abstract

This paper reports on a **survey** conducted **among** more than 800 engineering students at **elite universities** in **China** and the USA. **Results** from the **survey** reveal that US and Chinese students are roughly equivalent in their desire to form or join start-up ventures. Far more US students, however, plan on actually doing so. In contrast, Chinese students are more likely to join the