The collegium, or as it is called today, a college, is an educational institution or an integral part of it. These colleges are educational establishments where people dedicate a particular period of time in order to obtain degree certificates after completing their studies. Vocational training is also offered, and many people attend colleges for this particular reason. Colleges were initiated so as to offer people higher education and a chance to further expound on their selected career fields. It means that such scholastic institutions are the final stepping stone towards achieving one’s career dreams. However, there have been endless and inconclusive debates on the issue of college education as an institution in its holistic form. Such arguments range from the basic prices of college education, their essence in attaining future jobs and how mandatory they are to a person. Although a college degree is one of the factors that could give a person the most desirable job, not everyone has to attend college if they feel they can achieve their goals without it. Conducted research has been able to indicate that we can succeed in life without college through blue-collar jobs. This essay discusses the significance of college education and the role it plays in the future success of a person.

According to Wilson (2012), colleges, polytechnics, universities and other institutions of higher education are held with high esteem in the society as a whole. Even the most illiterate persons in our neighborhoods are aware of the fact that we have to attend colleges. This is an ideological line of thought that has been passed down from the preceding generations all the way to our current times. However, the global environment is changing and individuals are more
enlightened on the latter option of doing without a college education. Not everyone should attend college.

Research shows that the success people attain in life is not associated to educational degrees. Wilson (2012) questions that even if it is essential to have a college degree, a master’s degree or a PhD degree, but does it really contribute to a person owning a franchise or generally succeeding in life? According to the tenfold research, survey and analysis of various prominent and insignificant people in the community, the success the people achieve in life cannot be determined by merely attaining a college degree.

There are several aspects that can make a person become successful in life. The best example of such aspects is offered by Welch who is an established entrepreneur. Welch argues that even though he lacked a college degree, it did not prevent him from becoming successful in life. He became prosperous because he marched forward and never looked back. Welch points out that there are some aspects that might not be taught in college but can help one to become successful. These aspects include determination, self-motivation and persistence.

Possessing a degree does not essentially mean that a person can become a successful entrepreneur. For instance, Litelien, a consultant in the franchise sector, argues that the majority of people who venture into the world of business or other investments that do not agree with their academic qualifications experience difficulties. This is because they get themselves involved in activities with the thought that they can become successful in anything. However, spending money on a franchise expert is the wisest thing such people could do.

Wilson (2012) argues that there are several mistakes that prevent people from achieving success in life. One of such mistakes is becoming completely dependent on their education level. There is a considerable number of people who fail to succeed in life despite the fact that they
have college degrees. The education they obtain from the institutions can only help them to a certain limit, and the rest collide with the practicality and reality of life.

According to Stephens Dales, writer of the New York Times, college education is usually best if one seeks to study a particular field that he or she takes a profound fancy for. This is a view shared by several scholars and commoners, as well. Also, this idea can be proven with the works of the early scholars, researchers and innovators who sought further insight on areas of study that they were devotedly interested in from a personal level. The enthusiasm that they had for their respective studies drove them to serve the common public by presenting them with information that has proved to be instrumental to this day.

The study principle of the scholars can apply to college education, where in many cases people pursue studies that seem to be easily absorbed in the job market. As the recently graduated high school seniors look forward to receiving acceptance letters from their chosen dream institutions, let it be in their minds that college works out best for those doing the things they are keen on (Stephen 2013). It is never enough to simply have a college degree in something that seems applicable, easy or difficult; the decision should essentially be based on predilection for a particular course. It has never paid off to partake in activities that you lack personal interest in (Stephen 2013). The importance of undertaking a course that interests you promotes the feeling of sense actualization as far as college is concerned.

The majority of people have joined the fray recently initiated by president Obama. The fray starts a trend that calls for high quality preschool and more affordable higher education that is universal (Wilson 2012). The current trends in education beg the question; is education the answer to the current economic inequality? Answering the question, many have shared differing ideas, all of which have a commendable basis and are of sound reasoning. Higher education has
increasingly become expensive, leading to the adoption of alternative options that do not require one to pursue higher education. This has led to the promotion of blue-collar jobs, which are among the most famous jobs in the community that we cannot do without.

Blue-collar jobs are vital towards the development of the society. Even though they are referred to as low-wage jobs, they constitute an increasingly higher percentage of the total revenue in the local and state governments and the general GDP of the country (Stephen 2013). The advantage of blue-collar jobs is that they do not require its employees to have a college degree. However, those with college degrees can still partake in the jobs. These jobs have become an instrumental sector in the market greatly increasing employment opportunities. Soon, more people will realize their significance and learn to appreciate them more.

In conclusion, there are several debates that have risen on the need and importance of college education, and the role it plays in the future success of a person. From this essay, it can be concluded that in spite of some people becoming successful without a college degree as compared to those with a college degree, it is vital to have a higher education diploma. This is because a college degree brings about more opportunities to a person due to its versatility. If anything, all the current animosity and debates against having college degrees have been created by the influx on college education prices. If this can be addressed appropriately, then everyone will have the opportunity to seek higher education, which can guarantee a proper adaptation of skills while they pursue their respective dream.
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