Degree is important than skills

[Name of the Writer]

[Name of the Institution]

**Introduction**

 Survival in this world becomes easy when people acqire the basic things that help them to compete in the world they live in. Education is considered to be the main weapon that is needed for conquering the world. Parents used to be concerned about the future of their children. They, from the initial years of their life are trained to be focused about their education. Education is the only thing that creates difference among people. The fact cannot be denied that education is an important medium for acquiring essential skills and knowledge. Skills cannot be developed just by reading books. Skill is something much more than merely reading and absorbing books. Society constantly remains in a continued flux and keep on changing their views about a degree and skills when they have to choose one or the other. It is important for an individual to get education and learn skills, so that depending upon the need of the hour any of the two things could be used for solving issues of the society and securing a bright future.

**Discussion**

 Since ages students are being made confused between degree and skill. It has been seen that students are being pushed for getting good grades that would earn them a valuable degree. Education plays a vital role in shaping up the life of future leaders. This fact cannot be denied that education and skills are the two sides of the same coin. To succeed in life, students need to have skills as well as education. A degree without skill could be of no use. There comes a stage when one has to choose between a degree and skills. Generally, parents want their children to choose a degree over skills. Decision of choosing a degree over skill looks quite logical when students take a look at their surrounding world where for a job one must have a valuable degree. In this world, skill comes after the degree if one has a degree only then he would be given the opportunity to show what skills he/she have. There could be seen various evidences which supports the idea that degree is more important the skills. Degree is an authentic certificate that a person can give while applying for a job. A Certificate of the degree is proof that the applicant has the required ability for managing the tasks for justifying the post. Skill is important for accomplishing specific tasks but a degree makes an individual more competent and confident in his approach for doing anything. A degree is more important than skills. Importance of degree could be looked upon by revealing a fact that there is a specific time in which a student can get a degree and after that specific time, getting a degree becomes difficult, while on the other hand, it has been seen that skills could be learned whenever one wants. So investing time in things that are time bound is more important than doing things that could be learned without any time restriction.

 For example, educational institutions offer a study program for a specific time and students interested in that degree being offered, have to apply for it in the given time. Furthermore, it has been seen that in the given time period students have to complete that degree as well. Whereas skills could be learned whenever one wants to learn. Evidence show that degree is more important than skills for surviving in this world (Brockett, et, al,2018). Skill only teaches a person how to handle certain things. Skill can restrict a person to specific things whereas a degree can make an individual more polite and humble. These are the things that would help him in all the fields. Degree is important for making a person wiser and it is important for climbing the ladder of success. A degree holder can learn the skills but developing attribute like humbleness and politeness would be very difficult without having a degree in hand.

 For living a standard and quality life, it is important to get a degree. A degree is the only thing that would earn a person respect and reputation which skill cannot provide in most of the cases. There is a general perception that people are judged by his/her qualification. A degree is the accredation that reflects the qualification of an individual. When it is about making a career or earning a position in the world the fact cannot be denied that degree is more important than the skills as evidences claim that the more valuable degree one has, better career opportunity he/she would get. A degree is the proof of the notion that one has theoretically learned something. Undoubtedly degree means theoretical and abstract knowledge and for applying that abstract knowledge into practice, skills are needed but unless one has a valuable degree he won’t get career choices that he/she wants.

 People mostly argue that an industry does not require all degree holder workers rather it needs skillful workers, but the thing could not be overshadowed that any industry needs degree holders in the first place who by making use of their theoretical knowledge and learning of various theories would form into a policy and the main framework of the industry.

 Skill teaches an individual to solve only field related issues but degree teaches how he/she handle different situations by inculcating in individual a sense that he/she during the academic years has learned. Degree also instills how to cope with undesired situations as people spend unpredictable years for earning a degree. Solving problems are the greatest challenge that limits one from growing but having the right attitude towards problems can lead a person towards the best solution (Chisholm, et, al,2019). The attitude that is required for solving problems is taught by the degree which let the people know how to solve issues. According to Rob Franek, “college is not the right place for everybody that’s true but forecasting for job creation does not lie and students are going to graduate with degrees that they need to take on the job in the next ten, fifteen or twenty years”. Degree is the right foundation for students for having a bright future in front of them. The only thing that matters for having a successful life is narrowing the gap by building a bridge that matters for building our strengths.

 In the present age, no one can deny the importance of a degree. In the technical fields, degrees overshadow skills. For example, for curing a disease a doctor must have a medical degree. Degree gives an individual the power of knowledge. An engineer cannot build dams without having a degree. One of the main things that one must take into account is that degree polishes what lies beneath so if one has some spark in him/her, he or she must be encouraged for acquiring a degree. If one has the skill but no degree that would polish his/her skill then one won’t be able to perform well. One cannot take full advantage of his skills unless he seeks the help of any educational institute where his skills are going to be polished.

 Taking a look at the present situation the fact cannot be denied that students must have all the things that are going to help them for surviving in such competitive environment where people are focusing more on becoming multitalented. Just relying on skills is not at all a good option, as evidence show that more than eighty percent of the world population relies on the jobs. This means that the ratio of people who need jobs is much more than the people who would create jobs. History provides the evidence that there are few people who are being given the opportunity for writing their own fortune (Leonhardt, et, al,2011). For example, taking a look at the logical basis it has been seen that not every individual is going to be steve jobs. Mostly people who claim that degree is nothing, rather it is the skill that matters the most, quote Steve Jobs and other people who left their studies and used their skills for making the history. Though there would be many students who are going to be the role models for coming generations but keeping in consideration the fact that more abilities one have, better opportunities he/she would get.

**Conclusion**

 In such a competitive environment where we live in, value of earning a good degree cannot be undermined. Unless one acquires a degree, it would become difficult for him to get a good career. Degree along with skill would be the best thing for jumping into a good future and for securing a better tomorrow .One of the most important thing that supports this claim that degree is better than skill is that “skills transferring” is more important than anything else and for transferring skills degree (education) plays a significant role. Secondly, importance of degree could be seen by taking a look at the number of people who are enrolling them in education institutes. Concerns of parents also provide strong evidences that degree is more important than skills, but having two positive things at the same time (degree and skill) would be the best combination for achieving the set goals.

References

Leonhardt, D. (2011). Even for cashiers, college pays off. *New York Times*.

Chisholm, A. E., Qaiser, T., Williams, A. M., Eginyan, G., & Lam, T. (2019).Acquisition of a precision walking skill and the impact of proprioceptive deficits in people with motor-incomplete spinal cord injury. *Journal of neurophysiology*.

Brockett, R. G., &Hiemstra, R. (2018). *Self-direction in adult learning: Perspectives on theory, research, and practice*. Routledge.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=jhneIe_7oGs>

<https://www.quora.com/What-is-more-important-Education-or-work-experience>