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#### **ABSTRACT**

The present study aimed at investigating the effect of an e-mentoring model on developing EFL student teachers' self-efficacy and emotional intelligence. The study adopted the pre-experimental one group pre-post administration design. Study was applied to a voluntary group (N = 19) from third year, English Department (basic education), Faculty of Education, Ain Shams University during their practicum in three different public schools. The following instruments were used in the study: semi-structured interview questions, Teacher's Sense of Efficacy Scale (long form), Trait Emotional Intelligence Questionnaire (short form), and an observation checklist. The sessions of the e-mentoring model were developed with mentee's booklet and mentor's guide. The e-mentoring model was administered to participants in a tenweek practicum block. Paired Samples Wilcoxon Test was used to compare the mean scores of the study participants' before and after the administration of the e-mentoring model. Also, Fritz, Morris and Richer's equation was used to measure the effect size of the e-mentoring model. Results of the study revealed that the e-mentoring model was effective in developing pre-service teachers' self-efficacy as well as emotional intelligence. Eventually, recommendations and suggestions for further research were presented.

*Key words:* Mentoring, E-Mentoring, Self-Efficacy, Emotional Intelligence, EFL Student-teacher, Egypt

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## **List of Abbreviations**

Classroom Management Self-Efficacy	CMSE
Community of Practice	СоР
Emotional Intelligence	EQ/EI
English as a Foreign Language	EFL
English as a Second Language	ESL
Ohio State Teacher Efficacy Scale	OSTES
Second Language Teacher Education	SLTE
Self-Efficacy	SE
Short Form	SF
Social Cognitive Theory	SCT
Social Learning Theory	SLT
Teacher Self-Efficacy	TSE
Teacher Sense of Efficacy Scale	TSES
Trait Emotional Intelligence	TEQ
Trait Emotional Intelligence Questionnaire	TEIQe

#### **Chapter One: Background and Problem**

#### 1.1. Introduction

The over-growing body of knowledge and its perpetual availability for younger generations on social media and online resources makes teachers' job more challenging. Besides their ordinary tasks: teaching and assessment, they need to be efficient in dealing with students, parents, supervisors, and colleagues of different beliefs and attitudes with the ability to manage difficult situations and demotivated students. Additionally and most importantly, teachers need to believe in their ability to succeed in carrying out all these duties and under various stressors.

Consequently, an extra burden is put on the teacher training institutions; they need to exceed the level of providing pre-service teachers with knowledge to the level of equipping them with the practical skills related to situations that happen in the real classroom (Carroll et al., 2003). In order to balance between knowledge and practical skills, pre-service teachers need to formulate positive self-efficacy beliefs and high level of emotional intelligence along with their knowledge of language and pedagogy.

In positive psychology, self-efficacy is defined as the optimistic belief in one's competence or ability to succeed in accomplishing a given task with the best outcome (Akhtar, 2008). Self-efficacy is originally rooted in Albert Bandura's Social Cognitive Theory. Based on the theory, it is not enough for the individual to acquire the necessary knowledge for performing a task; rather that individual needs to believe in his ability to successfully perform this task under challenging circumstances (Artino, 2012). Individuals' perceptions of opportunities from the outer world, their choice of activities to make progress, and the duration of their effort exerted in facing obstacles are all determined by their self-efficacy beliefs (Bandura, 2006, as mentioned in Nikoopour et al., 2012).

In the context of education, a teacher's efficacy refers to his own judgment of his abilities to bring about the intended results of students' learning and engagement even among difficult or unmotivated students (Tschannen-Moran & Hoy, 2001). It has been found that a

teacher's positive beliefs of self-efficacy are positively correlated with his students' achievement and motivation (Mojavesi & Tamiz, 2012). Moreover, Liaw (2009) established a mutual relationship between teachers' self-efficacy and students' performance; for him, self-efficient teachers can improve their students' performance, which, in turn, increases teachers' level of efficacy.

To find out how pre-service teachers build their efficacy beliefs, scholars such as Poulou, Tschannen-Moran, and Woolfolk Hoy (2007), conducted research and have reached a number of factors that contribute to the formation of pre-service teachers' self-efficacy beliefs. Among these factors are: self-perceptions of teaching competence, personal characteristics, nature and components of the preparation program as well as the emotional and pedagogical support from fellow pre-service teachers.

For Nugroho (2017), many pre-service teachers lack the needed level of self-efficacy to start the practicum or to live real classroom teaching experience for the very first time of their life. This insufficient self-efficacy is not attributed to shortage of knowledge or skills; rather it is due to the lack of exposure to real teaching experience and the absence of a supportive community that provides encouragements for them (Swanson, 2013). That is why teacher training institutions need to pay more attention to duilding communities of support for preservice teachers to help build their self-efficacy beliefs early in their career as teachers (Liaw, 2009).

Since emotional support is considered one of the factors that contribute to the existence of positive self-efficacy beliefs, pre-service teachers need also to acquire high level of emotional intelligence (EQ). EQ is defined as the ability to recognize the meaning of emotions and the relationships between them. This involves reasoning and problem-solving based on emotions as well as understanding and managing the information of these emotions (Mayer et al. 1999, p. 267). In the 90s, scholars reached different taxonomies of EQ that included the ability to understand and process emotions. Mayer's (1999) definition refers to the ability model of EQ which is based on reasoning in four areas: perceiving emotions, facilitating thought, analyzing emotions, and managing emotions. In 1995, Daniel Goleman identified five domains of EQ: a) knowing one's emotion, b) managing emotions, c) motivating oneself, d) recognizing emotions in