



Globalization, internationalisation and Occupational Therapy

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Abstract: The process of globalization has been going on for centuries, however the decades it has become easier and easier to cross borders, get in touch with other cultures and share knowledge (globalization, n.d.). However, when it comes to occupational therapy, we tend to focus our education mainly on the country or region we reside in. Internationalization of our profession is vital for future development of occupational therapy, this starts within education (Costa et al., n.d). So how can we, as occupational therapist, use globalization to our advantage and what is our role within the global health sector? Why should we internationalize our education programs and what role can students have within this process?

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