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# **INTERNATIONAL COUNSELLING DEVELOPMENT: UNDERSTANDING THE CHANGING LANDSCAPE OF GLOBAL MENTAL HEALTH FOR COUNSELLING PROFESSIONALS**



**14TH JANUARY, 2022**  
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#### LEARNING OBJECTIVES

- Identify themes surrounding the development of the counselling profession across cultures
- Clarify the status of current research initiatives for international counselling development
- Understand resources available to support counselling development throughout the world

#### RATIONALE

- The internationalization of counselling continues to advance with new developments taking place to enhance the level of awareness, education, and practice that occurs throughout the world. The International Association for Counselling (IAC) remains a solid collaborative leader in the development of the profession globally, and ongoing studies have helped provide insight into ways mental health counselling can meet the needs of a variety of individuals, families, and groups of people.
- The webinar will explore the various ways in which the literature addressed a need for culturally competent counsellors, who exhibited various valued characteristics that include flexibility, creativity, tenacity and vision, as well as cultural humility, a desire to learn, and a willingness to step away from a traditional ethnocentric view of counselling as often demonstrated in Western counselling strategies. Current research endeavours will be described related to international counselling, with careful attention to specific studies that addressed ways of conceptualizing the most valued traits counsellors possess across cultures, the values experienced in counselling across cultures, and the insights international counselling professionals are able to provide.

#### ABOUT THE SPEAKER

- Dr. Nate Perron, PhD serves as a Clinical Assistant Professor with a Masters degree counselling program since 2015, where he teaches full-time in the Counseling@Northwestern program through The Family Institute (TFI) at Northwestern University. Dr. Perron has remained active in clinical practice since 2005, serving individuals, couples, and families in a variety of states in the United States (US). Dr. Perron has focused on clinical specialties that include law enforcement wellness, children and adolescents, and faith issues in counselling. He also remains actively involved in academic research with areas including international counselling, child and adolescent counselling, faith in counselling, and first responder support and wellness. Dr. Perron has been involved with the International Association for Counselling (IAC) in a variety of ways since 2015. He has contributed to the Executive Council leadership as a member at large since 2018, and now as Secretary since 2019.

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