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Centre for  
Ukrainian  
Canadian  
Studies

## Seasons Greetings from the CUCS Coordinator

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Similar to the rest of the Ukrainian community around the world, the Centre's year was shaped by Russia's atrocious invasion of Ukraine. We, at the Centre and throughout all of Ukraine, continually attempt to inform the world truthfully and accurately about what is transpiring in the homeland.

The Centre was identified as one of the important points of contact for local and national media outlets at the University of Manitoba regarding the Russian invasion of Ukraine; dozens of interviews and comments were provided by myself and the CUCS Policy Council members to various media outlets in attempts to heighten understanding of the plight of our country.

I have also participated in numerous panel discussions such as

Russia's Buildup Near Ukraine: What are Canada's Interests and Options (Institute for Peace and Diplomacy); Talking Peace: the Russia-Ukraine Crisis (Peace and Conflict Studies Program at the University of Manitoba); Debunking Myths and Managing Expectations (Centre for Defense and Security Studies at the University of Manitoba); Crisis in Ukraine (Brandon University); Russia's War in Ukraine: Historic Background and Canada's Response (Canadian International Council), along with presentations to local schools and organisations.

Due to Russia's full-scale invasion of Ukraine, the University of Manitoba is hosting twenty Ukrainian scholars within the Faculty of Arts, Faculty of Sciences, Faculty of Law, College of the Medicine and other units. The Centre organised a welcome event for the scholars in collaboration with St. Andrew's College that took place on December 1, 2022. Welcoming remarks were extended by the university administration and community leaders. The scholars were given an opportunity to introduce themselves and share their stories. Several community organisations were invited to set up informational booths to inform the attendees of their offerings and various volunteering opportunities. We hope that this event helped enhance opportunities for interdisciplinary research and collaboration between the academia and the community.



Ms. Yuliia Ivaniuk



The Centre was the first unit within the Faculty of Arts to get approval and successfully launch a letter of participation program. Participants are required to attend a combination of lectures and (or) reading club meetings in order to be eligible to obtain the letter of participation. The lecture series takes place from September until May and covers a wide range of Ukrainian and Ukrainian Canadians topics. Reading club meetings take place on a bimonthly basis and involve a discussion of a new Ukrainian/Ukrainian Canadian book at each session. Thank you to the Canadian Foundation of Ukrainian Studies for their support of our programming.

**The following lectures were organised/ co-organised by the Centre in the course of 2022:**

- Civilian Volunteering During the Donbas War in Ukraine by Dr. Nataliia Stepaniuk, Centre for Ukrainian Canadian Studies (13 December, 2022), [Online](#).
- Book presentation and discussion: “Winterkill” by Ms. Marsha Skrypuch, Centre for Ukrainian Canadian Studies, HREC (17 November, 2022), [Online](#).
- Gender and Violence in Ukraine: Changing How We Bear Witness to War by Dr. Orysia Kulick, Centre for Ukrainian Canadian Studies (13 October, 2022), [Online](#).
- Book presentation and discussion: “Talking to Ukrainians: An Outsider's Perspective” by Mr. Alexandre Fontaine, Centre for Ukrainian Canadian Studies (14 September, 2022), [Online](#).
- “Sharing Stories and Envisioning Peace with Young People in Ukraine: A PAR Project in Lviv, Ukraine” by Ms. Alexandra Kozelko, Centre for Ukrainian Canadian Studies (17 June, 2022), [Online](#).
- Book presentation and discussion: “Military Alliances in the Twenty First Century” by Dr. Alexander Lanoszka, Centre for Ukrainian Canadian Studies and Centre for Defence and Security Studies (31 March, 2022), [Online](#).
- “Internationalization of Higher Education in Ukraine” by Dr. Yuliya Zayachuk, Centre for Ukrainian Canadian Studies (January 27, 2022).
- “Implications of the Armenia-Azerbaijan War in Nagorno-Karabakh” by MGen (Ret’d) Denis Thompson, Centre for Ukrainian Canadian Studies and Centre for Defence and Security Studies (14 December, 2021), [Online](#).
- “The Impact of Ukraine’s Informal Economy on Women: Mobilising Transnational Communities for Growth and Opportunity During Crisis” by Dr. Milana Nikolko, Centre for Ukrainian Canadian Studies (1 December, 2021), [Online](#).





**As part of the reading club meetings we've been discussing the following books:**

- "Good Citizens Need Not Fear" by Maria Reva (15-16 December, 2022)
- "A Loss: The Story of a Dead Soldier Told by His Sister" by Olesya Khromeychuk (20-21 October, 2022)
- "Voices from Chernobyl" by Svetlana Alexievich (14 April, 2022)
- "Detachment: An Adoption Memoir" by Maurice Mireau (10 February, 2022)
- "Voroshilovgrad" by Serhiy Zhadan (9 December, 2021)

Dr. Maureen Flaherty and myself have transferred the audio recordings from our study related to the experiences, hopes and dreams of Ukrainian newcomers in Canada to the UM Libraries. We have presented our findings at the conferences in Canada, Ukraine and Germany. Thank you to Dr. Flaherty for allowing myself and the Centre to be a part of this important community project.

We're also extremely pleased to launch the University of Manitoba's first Petro Jacyk Post Doctoral Fellowship Program at the Centre and to welcome Dr. Nataliia Stepaniuk as the 2022-23 Petro Jacyk Post-Doctoral Fellow to the CUCS. Thank you to the Petro Jacyk Education Foundation for your support!

**The following courses will be offered in the course of Winter 2023 term:**

- POLS 3720 - Politics, Government and Society in Ukraine
- HIST 3910 - Ukrainians in Canada
- ECON 2510 - Economy of Ukraine

With assistance from the Faculty of Arts we are looking to continue working on transferring the Centre's website to a new format. Follow the CUCS on Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, and YouTube to stay tuned for future events. Email us at [CUCS@umanitoba.ca](mailto:CUCS@umanitoba.ca) to sign up for the CUCS mailing list.

I would like to express special gratitude to the Petro Jacyk Education Foundation, Canadian Foundation for Ukrainian Studies, and the Ukrainian Canadian Foundation of Taras Shevchenko for their support of our programming and research. Finally, I would like to thank Ms. Rina Orlov and Mr. Ivan Zhovnych for their assistance. Thank you to the leadership and the staff of St. Andrew's College for your warm and continuous support. And thank you to the members of the CUCS Policy Council for all of your hard work, as well as all of our donors, students and community members for being a part of the CUCS family.

On behalf of the CUCS team we would like to wish you a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year! May your home be filled with warmth and peace. Слава Україні!

Best, Yuliia Ivaniuk





# CUCS SCHOLARSHIPS

## Nicholas and Annie Dawyduk Scholarship in Ukrainian Studies

For a full-time student in any Faculty or School at the University of Manitoba who has completed at least one year of study and has achieved the highest grade point average on at least 12 credit hours of courses with significant Ukrainian cultural content and/or Ukrainian Canadian content, in fields such as History, Political Studies, Slavic Studies, & Ukrainian Studies, and based first on courses within the Ukrainian Canadian Heritage Studies program.

## Andrew & Nellie Pawlik Scholarship

For a student doing either a project or internship in the area of Ukrainian Canadian Studies or Ukrainian Heritage Studies at an approved institution who has achieved high academic standing at the University of Manitoba or St. Andrew's College.

## Michael & Grace Hykaway Essay Prize

For the best essay in Ukrainian on any topic in the area of Ukrainian Canadian Studies.

## John Magrega Memorial Scholarship

For a full-time student in any Faculty or School at the University of Manitoba who has completed at least one year of full-time studies in any degree program in good academic standing who has, in the preceding two academic sessions, achieved the highest combined average on courses offered within the Ukrainian Canadian Heritage Studies program.







# CUCS SCHOLARSHIPS



## Anne Smigel Scholarship

For a student enrolled in any faculty of school who has completed at least one course in Ukrainian Canadian Heritage Studies with high academic standing and demonstrated an interest and promise in the study of Ukrainian Canadian Heritage Studies.

## Vitaly Butenko Assistance Award

For citizens of Ukraine who are enrolled full-time in an undergraduate, graduate or post-graduate program in either the Faculty of Management, Faculty of Law, Faculty of Arts (Economics), Faculty of Science, or MBA program with financial need.

**Application Deadline: July 1, 2023. For further details contact [cucs@umanitoba.ca](mailto:cucs@umanitoba.ca)**





## CUCS NEWS



CUCS Policy Council Members  
Dr. Orest Cap and Dr. Stella Hryniuk  
receiving Ukrainian Canadian Congress  
Manitoba Provincial Council 150  
Awards presented by Her Honour the  
Honourable Anita R. Neville.



Our Coordinator, Yuliia Ivaniuk, and Policy  
Council Member, Orest Cap, are honoured to  
have had an opportunity to address the 1  
Canadian Air Division on the topic of the  
Contentious History of Russia-Ukraine  
Relations.



### Winter 2023 Courses

- ♦ POLS 3720 - Politics, Government and Society in Ukraine
- ♦ HIST 3910 - Ukrainians in Canada
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# EARN A LETTER OF PARTICIPATION IN Ukrainian Canadian Heritage Studies

SEPTEMBER 2022 - MAY 2023

The mission of the Centre for Ukrainian Canadian Studies is to create, preserve and communicate knowledge related to Ukrainian Canadian culture and scholarship.

**Letters of Participation** in Ukrainian Canadian Studies will allow students and members of the Ukrainian community to further their knowledge of Ukraine and Ukrainian Canadiana.

## ACTIVITIES

The **monthly lecture series** runs September 2022 - May 2023. Lectures cover a wide range of Ukrainian and Ukrainian Canadian topics. \*Viewing lectures on YouTube after the session has taken place will not count toward the minimum requirements.

**Reading club meetings** take place every two months featuring a new Ukrainian/Ukrainian Canadian book at each session.

## REQUIREMENTS

### Entrance Requirements:

Any individual that resides in Canada who is interested in Ukraine or Ukrainian Canadiana is welcome to pursue the Letter of Participation in Ukrainian Canadian Heritage Studies. Expressions of interest can be submitted to [cucs@umanitoba.ca](mailto:cucs@umanitoba.ca).

### Participation Requirements:

Participants are required to attend a minimum of seven lectures or a minimum of five lectures and two reading club meetings to be eligible to obtain the letter of participation.

### Performance Requirements:

Participants will be evaluated based on attendance. Participation in the discussions and Q&A sessions is recommended.

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## CUCS Lecture Series

### CUCS LECTURE SERIES:

#### GENDER AND VIOLENCE IN UKRAINE

CHANGING  
HOW WE BEAR  
WITNESS TO WAR

**Dr. Orysia Kulick**

Assistant Professor, Political Studies &  
German and Slavic Studies

**Gender and Violence in  
Ukraine: Changing How  
We Bear Witness to War**  
by Dr. Orysia Kulick



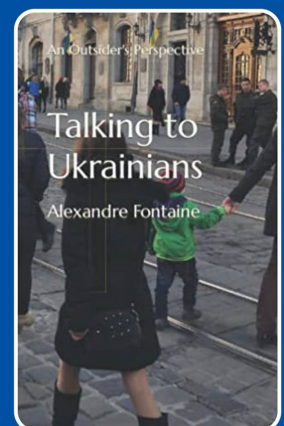
**Talking to Ukrainians |  
Book Presentation by  
Alexander Fontaine**



### BOOK PRESENTATION AND DISCUSSION:

#### TALKING TO UKRAINIANS: AN OUTSIDER'S PERSPECTIVE

BY ALEXANDRE  
FONTAINE



Opening remarks will be provided by  
**Senator Donna Dasko**







## CUCS Lecture Series



**Ms. Alexandra Kozelko | Sharing Stories and Envisioning Peace with Young People in Ukraine**



**Dr. Alexander Lanoszka | Military Alliances in the 21st Century: Book Presentation & Discussion**



### BOOK PRESENTATION AND DISCUSSION **MILITARY ALLIANCES IN THE TWENTY-FIRST CENTURY**

**Dr. Alexander Lanoszka**

Assistant Professor of International Relations, University of Waterloo. Dr. Lanoszka studies alliance politics, theories of war, and European security.

**THUR MAR 31, 2022  
1:00 - 2:30 PM CST**

Co-organizers:  
Centre for Defence and Security Studies  
and Centre for Ukrainian Canadian Studies

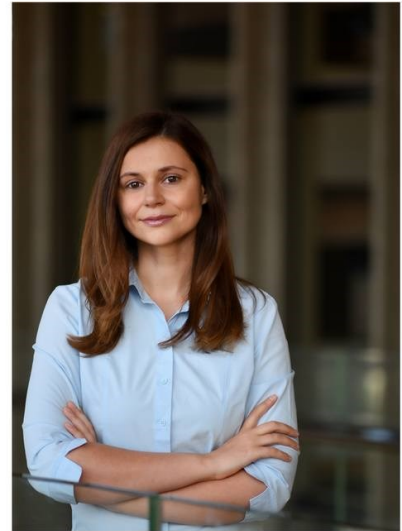


**Follow the CUCS on YouTube to see more lectures.**





**We're pleased to welcome  
**Dr. Nataliia Stepaniuk**  
as the 2022-2023 Petro  
Jacyk Post-Doctoral Fellow  
to the Centre for Ukrainian  
Canadian Studies**



**Nataliia Stepaniuk** did her doctoral studies in Political Science at the University of Ottawa, Canada. Her research focuses on the rise of civilian volunteer networks amidst war in Donbas, Ukraine. Nataliia's broader research interests include postcommunist politics, civil society, gender politics, citizenship studies, and (de)militarization. Nataliia also holds an MA from the University of Ottawa's Graduate School of Public and International Affairs, and an MA from the National Academy of Ostroh University. Outside academic work, Nataliia is actively involved in community work, volunteering for the Ukrainian Canadian Congress - Ottawa Branch, and participating in various community-led initiatives.

Dr. Stepaniuk can be reached at  
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## Scholars From Ukraine Welcome Event



**HAPPY HOLIDAYS !**