Get Involved in Your Community:
Presentation about the N.E.E.D.S. Inc by Aric Goodbrandson

https://youtu.be/855sYotoKTw

2023 LECTURES:

Civilian Volunteering in the Context of Russia’s Full-scale Invasion of Ukraine by Dr. Nataliia Stepaniuk

https://youtu.be/iY6YhfopQGU

My Ukraine is here: The Politics of Cultural and Intellectual Production of the Ukrainian Diaspora in Canada (1945-1991) by Elisa Lucente

https://youtu.be/PtBmnPMDgJU

Thank you for participating in the CUCS 2022-2023 events. We would like to inform you that we will be awarding letters of participation to eligible candidates in September 2023. We greatly appreciate your involvement and look forward to having you join us again in the upcoming academic year.

Enemy Archives by Dr. Lubomyr Luciuk

https://youtu.be/uubr2lr6oOo
CUCS awards its annual course monetary prizes in conjunction with St. Andrew’s College for exemplary academic achievements in the study of Ukrainian Canadiana to the top three students in each of the courses in the Ukrainian Canadian Heritage Studies. Students are nominated for these awards by the instructors.
Scholarships that require applications from the students

The Ukrainian National Home Association Scholarship

To apply for the Ukrainian National Home Association Scholarship you must:

- Be enrolled as a full-time student in an undergraduate or graduate program at UM.
- Have achieved a minimum grade point average of 3.0 or a graduate student, a minimum grade point average of 3.5 based on the last 40 credit hours of study (or equivalent).
- Preference will be given to students conducting research related to the Ukrainian Canadian Heritage Studies.
- Students are nominated for these awards by the instructors.

Your application must consist of the following:

- A copy of your most recent academic transcript
- A statement of interest
- The names of two references

Submission deadline: July 1 annually

Applications can be emailed to cucs@umanitoba.ca

Michael and Grace Hykawy Essay Prize

Selection criteria:

- One essay, 2,000-2,500 words in length
- Applicant must be a registered, full-time student at a recognized Canadian university or college
- Preference is given to candidates that have been registered in the Ukrainian Canadian Heritage Studies program, faculty of Arts, UM in the previous academic session

All essays, together with a letter from the student describing their academic status (i.e., program, year, university), should be emailed to cucs@umanitoba.ca

Submission deadline: July 1 annually

The winning essay is submitted to a local publication for possible publication.

Anne Smigel Scholarship

To apply for the Anne Smigel Scholarship you must:

- Have completed at least 30 credit hours at UM in any faculty or school (undergraduate or graduate) or in university I.
- Be enrolled in any faculty or school in University I.
- Have completed at least one course (3 credit hours) in Ukrainian Canadian Heritage Studies.
- Have achieved a high cumulative grade point average (a minimum of 3.5).
- Be enrolled as a full-time or part-time student in at least one course (3 credit hours) in Ukrainian Canadian Heritage Studies for the year in which this scholarship is awarded, in any faculty or school at UM.
- Exemplify an interest and promise in the study of Ukrainian Canadian Heritage Studies, as demonstrated by a combination of a statement of purpose from the applicant and a letter of reference.

Your application must consist of the following:

- A brief statement of your interest in the study of Ukrainian Canadian Heritage Studies and the reasons as to why you are interested in this particular area
- A current academic transcript
- A letter of reference from a professor at a post-secondary institution and
- Letters of reference from at least two people who can provide relevant information

As a rule when the awards on the basis permit, two or more scholarships may be offered, upon the discretion of the selection committee

Submission deadline: July 1 annually

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Vitaly Butenko Assistance Award

To apply for the Vitaly Butenko Assistance Award you must:

- Be a citizen of Ukraine.
- Be enrolled as a full-time student in an undergraduate, graduate or post-graduate program.
- Be enrolled in the Faculty of Management, Faculty of Law, Faculty of Arts (Economics), Faculty of Science, or MBA at the University of Manitoba.
- Have demonstrated financial need.

Your application must consist of the following:

- A UM general bursary application.
- A resume.
- A statement of future goals related to the field of study you have elected.

Submission deadline: July 1 annually

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During the Petro Jacyk Post-Doctoral Fellowship, Nataliia Stepaniuk engaged in research, publication, educational, and community activities. In particular, Nataliia revised and submitted a book manuscript to McGill University Press, in fulfilment of her advance book contract. The book manuscript is currently undergoing the peer-review process.

Nataliia’s book manuscript titled: Wartime Volunteer Communities and Social Change during the Donbas war, Ukraine chronicles the efforts of civilians to assist the Ukrainian military and displaced individuals. It presents an ethnographic study of 95 civilian volunteers who assisted poorly equipped combatants to engage in warfare and provided emergency assistance to internally displaced persons. By documenting the tasks undertaken by ordinary residents in three cities bordering the war zone, namely Kharkiv (Eastern Ukraine), Dnipro (Central Eastern Ukraine), and Odesa (Southern Ukraine), the book manuscript paints a rich portrait of their experiences of war and discusses who got engaged, how and why. By paying close attention to practical and ethical preoccupations of wartime volunteers, it sheds light on changing forms of bonding that arose out of war and discusses the substance of these war-forged solidarities.

Nataliia also delivered two lectures at the Center for the Ukrainian Canadian Studies, the University of Manitoba. Her first lecture titled Civilian Volunteering during the Donbas War explored the micro-level dynamics of civilian mobilization in 2014-2015, focusing on the demographic profile of civilian volunteers, their motivations to join and pathways to engagement. Nataliia’s second lecture titled Civilian Volunteering in the context of Russia’s full-scale invasion of Ukraine built on the previous lecture looking at the ways civilian mobilization during Russia’s full-scale invasion drew on the networks which formed during the Donbas war, and discussed new realities of civilian volunteering post 24 February, 2022.

Nataliia also organized and co-moderated a lecture titled The Gifts of the Truth and Reconciliation Commission. The lecture was delivered by Dr. Kevin Lamoureux from the University of Winnipeg, Manitoba, in partnership with the CUCs and UCC Ottawa. It focused on the Truth and Reconciliations Calls to Action, the painful history that proceeded these Calls, and the responsibilities that all people residing in Canada (including newcomers) have in regards to Indigenous Peoples. With hundreds of thousands of Ukrainians arriving to Canada, the lecture intended to familiarize newcomer Ukrainians with Indigenous histories and start a conversation on the role of newcomers in supporting the work of reconciliation.

In addition to academic and education-related activities, Nataliia has been involved in community work. She has served as Vice President of the Ukrainian Canadian Congress (Ottawa Branch) and participated in various events, activities, and fundraisers aimed at supporting displaced Ukrainians in Ottawa and people in Ukraine.
STAY TUNED FOR THE FALL 2023 EVENTS!

Ukrainian Canadian Reading Club
Current read:
Without the State: Self Organization and Political Activism in Ukraine
by Emily Channell Justice

Ukrainian Canadian Reading Club
Current read:
Kalyna's Song
by Lisa Grekul

Ukrainian Canadian Reading Club

Documentary Screening and Q&A with the Film Director, Mr. Guto Pasko

September 28th, 7 PM - 9PM
Location: St. Andrew's College Cafeteria