

Strategic Plan

CIUS

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Building
Ukrainian
Studies
for a **Better**
Future



CANADIAN INSTITUTE OF
UKRAINIAN STUDIES





OUR MISSION

Building on the foundation of past achievements, we are committed to the creation, preservation, and mobilization of expert knowledge about Ukraine and Ukrainians in Canada and worldwide. As the world continues to change, we shall attain our vision through critical dialogue and sustained engagement with partners and researchers around the globe.

OUR JOURNEY

Established in 1976, the Canadian Institute of Ukrainian Studies (CIUS) is a global leader in the field of Ukrainian Studies. In support of the University of Alberta and Faculty of Arts mission and values, the Institute is dedicated to the production, preservation, and dissemination of expert knowledge about Ukraine and Ukrainians in Canada and worldwide.

Located in Edmonton and Toronto and with an office in Lviv, Ukraine, CIUS facilitates sustained scholarly engagement and cooperation between Canada and Ukraine, partner institutions and researchers around the globe, as well as between diverse ethnic and cultural groups in Canada.

Multidisciplinary in its work, CIUS integrates the humanities and social sciences in its scholarly agenda. Over the last four and a half decades, CIUS has provided scholars and researchers an unparalleled experience - an environment where emerging scholars can come together with established scholarly experts in their respective disciplines, to explore, network, collaborate and disseminate a diverse knowledge about Ukraine, Ukrainian Canadians, and Ukrainians around the world.



OUR VALUES

We respect academic freedom

We believe that scholarship comes with responsibility

We pursue scholarship that responds to and addresses societal and community needs

We believe in the power of dialogue

We value equity, diversity, and inclusivity

We value reciprocal relationships between the academic world and communities

We are committed to good stewardship for the future of CIUS

OUR TEAMS

CIUS implements innovative programs through the framework of 11 multidisciplinary centres and programs across Canada, Ukraine and around the world. Our teams consist of staff, affiliates, visiting fellows and researchers



THE CONTEMPORARY UKRAINE STUDIES PROGRAM & THE KOWALSKY PROGRAM FOR THE STUDY OF EASTERN UKRAINE

works within the broader context of European, Eurasian, Slavic, and post-Soviet studies. Through cross-disciplinary and collaborative research, scholarly publishing, and community engagement projects, CUSP advances contemporary Ukrainian studies in Canada and internationally. Within the program, the online [Forum for Ukrainian Studies](#) provides English-language readers access to excellent research and analysis about contemporary Ukraine.

CIUS PRESS

connects with the world by reaching out to current and new audiences through the publication of academic and literary projects. It is the world's largest publisher of English-language books about Ukraine, Ukrainians in Canada and in the world. In addition, CIUS Press disseminates knowledge about Ukraine and Ukrainians through the online [Internet Encyclopedia of Ukraine](#), world's leading English language scholarly encyclopedia and knowledge base on Ukraine, and open-access scholarly journal [East/West Journal of Ukrainian Studies](#).

THE DANYLO HUSAR STRUK PROGRAM IN UKRAINIAN LITERATURE

sponsors research, scholarly writing, translations, and an annual lecture promoting Ukrainian literature in the English-speaking world

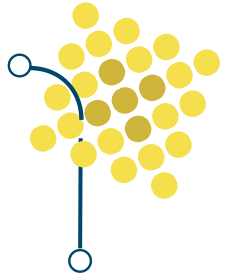
CIUS ARCHIVES

integrates the institute's historical collections, printed publications, audio interviews, video recordings, and other multimedia materials, into a digital platform disseminating scholarship to a global audience. Collaborating with other digital libraries and archive platforms around the world, CIUS Archives continues to build the knowledge base in Ukrainian studies.



THE HOLODOMOR RESEARCH AND EDUCATION CONSORTIUM

organizes a wide range of innovative programs in its Holodomor research and education streams, supporting and promoting research, study, and understanding of the Great Famine of 1932–33 in Ukraine. A world-recognized leader in Holodomor and genocide studies, HREC generates unmatched knowledge mobilization in these fields, including by means of conferences, seminars, publications, and the **Temerty Post-doctoral Fellowship in Ukrainian Studies**. HREC Education works closely with the Holodomor Research and Education Centre in Ukraine and the Ministry of Education and Research of Ukraine to develop history curriculum resources that will shape Ukraine's future generations.



PETER JACYK CENTRE FOR UKRAINIAN HISTORICAL RESEARCH

leads in fundamental research and publication of scholarly work on Ukrainian history in both English and Ukrainian. Engaging with the world through conferences, webinars, collaborations, and the provision of research grants, PJC expands the knowledge base of Ukrainian studies. A strong investment in emerging and established scholars in Ukraine is made through support of projects carried out under the aegis of the **Lviv-based Petro Jacyk Program for the Study of Ukrainian History and Society**.

THE KULE UKRAINIAN CANADIAN STUDIES CENTRE

engages in and supports scholarly research, documentation, and publications on the history of Ukrainians in Canada, contemporary Ukrainian-Canadian life, and Ukrainian diaspora studies. The centre disseminates its findings across communities of scholars, students, authors, filmmakers, and interested members of the general public.

THE UKRAINIAN LANGUAGE EDUCATION CENTRE

promotes research and best practices in Ukrainian language teaching at the elementary, secondary, and post-secondary levels, including in public and community schools across Canada and around the world. ULEC distributes resources in print and online, and advocates for quality Ukrainian-language education in the community and educational institutions.

THE RESEARCH PROGRAM ON RELIGION AND CULTURE

builds on the research and the legacy of eminent church historian Bohdan R. Bociurkiw, and examines the role of religion and culture in Ukrainian identity and lifeways of Ukrainian communities around the globe. The program organizes an annual Bohdan Bociurkiw Memorial Lecture.



OUR **PILLARS**

SCHOLARSHIP

Building the Knowledge Base

Be the frontrunner in the emerging paradigm shift in Slavic Studies and in the global humanities and social sciences

Lead in fundamental research as a key strategy to advance expert knowledge about Ukraine and Ukrainians around the world

Integrate the multi disciplinary and collaborative approach to our scholarship

In Dialogue with the World

Increase the CIUS's ability to be responsive to emerging issues

Mobilize Ukrainian studies within diverse and inclusive scholarly audiences

Expand current and create new partnerships in Canada, Ukraine and globally

Scholarship of Engagement & Reciprocity

Build dynamic partnerships, reciprocal relations, share expert knowledge with broader constituencies

Develop the tools to disseminate scholarship of interest to a wider audience

Broaden the scope of engagement with educators

Mobilizing Knowledge

Inform, empower and mobilize current and emerging knowledge brokers

Reach out to current and new audiences through rigorous academic publishing and ongoing publication projects

Expand CIUS digital platforms to share new knowledge and research

Recognizing Research Excellence

Invest in the future of Ukrainian studies by supporting emerging and established scholars and educators around the world through robust CIUS funding programs

ENGAGEMENT

SUSTAINABILITY

Strategic Philanthropy

Raise awareness and financial support for emerging funding needs

Enhance our donor relations model to inspire new funding partners and provide excellence in stewardship, securing the future of the Institute

Operational Efficiency

Maintain an Institute wide shared framework for workflow and administrative processes to maximize efficiency and effectiveness

Support a vibrant Institutional culture based on shared values



Together we will continue to guide the shifting paradigms in Ukrainian Studies

To learn more about how you can get involved with building a better future for Ukrainian studies, visit cius.ca or call us at (780) 492-2972 to discuss how we can work together



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