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New UGG-NCR Website

We have two great announcements to make!

The first is to let you know that we're celebrating the 25th anniversary of the UGG-NCR with the start of our 2024-2025 season. Look for the logo!



Secondly, the long-awaited update to our website is now available to all members, coincident with the start of our 25th anniversary year. This total rewrite comes with a simplified and easy to remember internet address (URL): <https://uggncr.org/>

Don't forget to "Bookmark" our new site and place it in your "Favourites" list!

Our new website is easy to navigate—even for the novice computer user. Information on all our meetings and newsletters is now at your fingertips. Even better, our site is fully searchable.

For those looking for specific genealogy research tools and tips, check our new "Resources" page. Hopefully you'll find a new pointer or two to help in your efforts. Populating this new section will remain a 'work in progress' for the next few months, so do check back from time to time for new additions.

We will look forward to all comments and suggestions. Please forward them to: uggncr1@gmail.com

May UGG-NCR Webinar

Ukrainian Immigration to Canada: A Comprehensive Analysis of Recent Trends, a presentation by Ihor Michalchyshyn

As CEO and Executive Director of the Ukrainian Canadian Congress (UCC), Ihor Michalchyshyn is responsible for the overall leadership and management of the UCC operations, including government relations and community programming. He implements the UCC strategic plan and supports its programming, events, and educational programs.



Ihor Michalchyshyn - our May speaker

In this presentation Ihor discussed the sixth wave of arrivals from Ukraine as a result of the Russian invasion, in particular, the composition of this wave, levels of education, areas of settlement and their integration into the Ukrainian Canadian community.

The presentation was made as a series of slides with maps, charts and diagrams. The information is based on data and sources provided by the Secretariat formed with Operation UkraineSafehaven

(Ukrainesafehaven.ca), the federal, provincial governments, immigrant aid associations in cooperation with the UCC. This data was acquired through interviews with the recent arrivals that provided information on their place of origin, arrival in Canada, and reasons for coming to Canada. The UCC used these data for discussion purposes and policy analysis.

From about one million applicants, 295,139 Ukrainians arrived in Canada and requested one or more services as of April 13, 2024. The program Employment Services Canada provided a one-time payment and settlement services. Ihor explained access to settlement services by Canada-Ukraine Authorization for Emergency Travel (CUAET), temporary hotel stays and distribution by cities across Canada. Ihor provided a statistical summary of the settlement history by provinces and cities.

Information on the Ukrainian arrivals was included according to language levels, that is, English and French levels, by age groups and education levels by gender. Statistical information was provided on employment and workforce participation; occupation; full and part-time employment, self employment status; job search duration. Also included were statistics on reasons for unemployment.

The services by province included employment support, temporary housing, information on life in Canada, language training, and translation services. Ihor spoke on reasons for return to Ukraine that were mainly due to difficulty finding employment and housing.

He mentioned the assistance provided by the UCC Working Group on Displaced Persons and Refugees. The new arrivals received information by 'Expert Insights' webinars in the Ukrainian language on various issues and from Resource Guides and Tax Guides for Newcomers, Committee and Working Groups on Displaced Persons and Refugees in Ukrainian and English.

Ihor summarized each segment with 'Quick Facts'. The presentation was followed by a 'question-and-answer' session.

The video recording of Ihor's Webinar presentation can be found on the Ukrainian Genealogy Group webpage at <https://uggncr.org/meetings> and also the recording of the Introductory and Q&A segments from that evening.

Danyliw Seminar

When: Thursday, Sept 26 to Saturday, Sept 28
Where: University of Ottawa

After two successful post-pandemic seminars in 2022-23, the Danyliw Research Seminar on Contemporary Ukraine will be back on 26-28 September 2024. The Seminar is hosted by the Chair of Ukrainian Studies at the University of Ottawa with the support of the Danyliw Foundation in Toronto.

Since 2005, the Danyliw Seminar has provided an annual platform for the presentation of some of the most influential academic research on Ukraine — from scholars, including doctoral students, based in Ukraine, the rest of Europe, the United States, Canada, or anywhere in the world. The 2024 Seminar will be in-person only. The Seminar, as always, is committed to including a significant number of scholars from Ukraine, including those still in Ukraine and those displaced abroad.

For more information, go to:
<http://www.danyliwseminar.com>