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EDUCATION

Degree studies

University of Oxford, MSt in Diplomatic Studies (2023, Merit)

- Successfully completed the following taught courses: Diplomatic Practice, International Politics, Public International Law, International Trade and Finance
- **Dissertation (Merit):** *Law Not War. Ensuring Individual Criminal Responsibility for the Crime of Aggression against Ukraine*

National University of “Kyiv-Mohyla Academy”

MA in Political Science (2022, Diploma with honours), Programme track: European Affairs

BD in Political Studies (2016, Diploma with honours)

- **Thesis (Excellent):** *Policing Protest in the Context of the Law Enforcement Agencies Reform in Ukraine (1990-98)*

Non-degree studies

Certificate of participation in the Diplomatic Training Programme for the Ukrainian Diplomats, Diplomacy Academy of the MFA of the Republic of Türkiye, 09/2019

Certificate of participation in the Seventh International Specialised Seminar on Energy Diplomacy, Bulgarian Diplomatic Institute, 10/2018

Certificate in International Protection of Human Rights, Faculty of Law, **National University of “Kyiv-Mohyla Academy”**, 09/2013 – 06/2016

WORK EXPERIENCE

Teaching experience

09/2025-current: Senior Lecturer, International and European Law Department, Faculty of Law, **National University of “Kyiv-Mohyla Academy”**. I teach *Lawfare and Misuse of International Law* (in ENG) and *History of International Law*. I designed a course *Law Not War: Insights from International Politics and Public International Law* (scheduled for opening for enrolment in 2026)

05-07/2025: I taught *European Integration* for an MA programme in Public Policy and Governance, **Private University “Kyiv School of Economics”**

09-12/2024: I taught *EU Policy-Making*, Andriy Meleshevych Kyiv-Mohyla School of Governance, Faculty of Law, **National University of “Kyiv-Mohyla Academy”**

Policy analysis, diplomacy and project management experience

12/2024-11/2025: Project Coordinator, CMI - Martti Ahtisaari Peace Foundation

Since 11/2023: Provided **consultancy** on national minorities to the Council of Europe

09/2020 – 09/2022: Chief Analyst, Department for Policy Analysis and Strategic Planning, State Service of Ukraine for Ethnic Affairs and Freedom of Conscience

10/2019 – 09/2020: Advising Assistant to a Member of Parliament of Ukraine, Verkhovna Rada of Ukraine

01/2018 – 10/2019: Policy Analyst, Centre for International Studies, Hennadii Udoenko Diplomatic Academy at the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Ukraine

SKILLS

Language skills: Ukrainian (mother tongue), English (C1), Romanian (A2), Russian (C1)

Digital skills: Microsoft Office, STATA (basic knowledge through training in social sciences)

Organisational skills:

- **2024** Coordinated the “**KMAcademic Talks: International Law and the War**” project as well as launch of the certificate programme for international students “**From Warfare to Lawfare: Legal Responses to Atrocity Crimes and Other Violations of International Law**”, Faculty of Law, National University of “Kyiv-Mohyla Academy”
- Organised **Ukraine’s Ambassador’s to the UK full-day visit to the University of Oxford (9 March 2023)**. The visit consisted of closed meetings and a **public discussion** in the prestigious Oxford Union, which I comoderated
- **2018-2019** Founded and moderated the “**Student Diplomatic Laboratory**” project at the Hennadii Udoenko Diplomatic Academy at the MFA of Ukraine

SELECTED CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

Presentation title: “*The Genocidal War or the War of Conquest? Several Questions on Personal Scope of the Crimes of Aggression and Genocide Arising from Discussions on the Causes of War*”, [Lemkin Reunion workshop](#) “Genocide and Genocidal Intent in Ukraine? Taking Stock of Three Years of Legal and Political Debates” at **Central European University**, 24 June 2025 p., Vienne, Austria

SELECTED ACADEMIC AND SCIENCE POPULARIZATION ENGAGEMENT

Journal articles

- Back to the Future? The Factor of National Minorities in Bilateral Relations Between Ukraine and Its Western Neighbours, *UA Foreign Affairs*, Issue 6–7, 2019
- Ukrainian Policy towards Central Asian States: Which Bridges Do We Need?, *UA: Ukraine Analytica*, Issue 1(15), 2019, pp. 23–30

Book review

- [Bringing the Gun Back In](#). Review of the *State-Building in Putin’s Russia. Policing and Coercion after Communism*, by Brian D. Taylor, Cambridge University Press, 2011, *Ukraina Moderna*, Issue 27, 2020

Public lectures

- “When International Relations Meet Data: Where to Find and How to Use Data in International Relations”, Hennadii Udoenko Diplomatic Academy at the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Ukraine, 5/05/2019
- “‘Law is a Quantitative Variable.’ Why and How to Conduct Socio-Legal Research”, National University of “Kyiv-Mohyla Academy”, 26/11/2018

SELECTED PUBLIC ENGAGEMENT

Public interest publications

- [Orban’s Funhouse Mirror](#). Explaining Why Ukraine Should Not Implement Some of the Hungary’s Demands, *European Pravda*, 2024
- [Ethnic Separatism and the War against Ukraine](#): How Do no Harm by Terminological Misuse, *Ukrainska Pravda* (The Ukrainian Truth), 2022
- [Expert Front Line](#) of the So-Called “Civil War” in Ukraine. Why do Some Western Academic Institutions Still Classify the War Against Ukraine as Civil War, *Dzerkalo Tyzhnia* (Mirror of the Week), 2020

Radio commentary

- “[Does the West Believe that Ukraine Is at War with “LDNR”?](#)”, Invited guest at the “Donbas Realities” of the Radio Free Europe/Radio Liberty, 2020
- [Radio podcast](#) on the Hromadske Radio devoted to the International Day of UN Peacekeepers, 2019