

Position description

Monash Rudewych Postdoctoral Research Fellow in Ukrainian Studies

Department/Unit	Ukrainian Studies
Faculty/Division	School of Languages, Literatures, Cultures and Linguistics, Faculty of Arts
Classification	Level B
Work location	Clayton campus

Organisational context

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The **School of Languages, Literatures, Cultures and Linguistics** is one of the largest Schools in the Faculty of Arts. The School has 15 academic programs and centres. Its members conduct research in the disciplines of literary and cultural studies, linguistics and applied linguistics, history and the social sciences, as well as in several interdisciplinary fields. The School's Programs offer studies at undergraduate, honours and postgraduate levels. A variety of in-country programs and short courses are available to students. The School has a wide network of international connections, engages in international research projects, and is involved in collaborative teaching with partner universities abroad.

The **Mykola Zerov Centre for Ukrainian Studies** is located within the School of Languages, Literatures, Cultures and Linguistics. Much of the research conducted within the Centre has focussed on Ukrainian literary and cultural studies informed by postcolonial studies. Interdisciplinary work and research carried out by candidates for higher degrees have inquired into Ukrainian subject matter from the perspective of other disciplines (e.g., history, religious studies, migrant and diaspora studies and linguistics). Research conducted within the Centre has been published in such journals as *Slavic Review*, *Slavonic and East European Studies*, and *Slavic and East European Journal*. The research activity of the Centre has attracted significant grant support, including an Australian Research Council Discovery Project grant ("Bilingualism and Multilingualism in a National Project: Ukrainian Writers in the Nineteenth Century"). The Centre has an undergraduate program in Ukrainian language and culture.

The **Ukrainian Studies** Support Fund of the Association of Ukrainians in Victoria, from which the Centre derives many of its research grants, received a benefaction of \$1.52 million from Mr Victor Rudewych and Ms Maria Rudewych. This Postdoctoral Fellowship is offered in fulfilment of one of the conditions of that donation.

Position purpose

The Monash Rudewych Postdoctoral Fellow will conduct research into topics related to Ukraine and Ukrainian communities outside Ukraine within the discipline of Ukrainian literary and cultural studies, one of the research fields represented in Monash University's School of Languages, Literatures, Cultures and Linguistics. Proposals to conduct research within related humanities or social sciences disciplines will also be considered. The preferred commencement time of the Fellowship is July 2017, but this may be subject to negotiation.

Key result areas and responsibility

Specific duties will include:

1. The conduct of research in the field of Ukrainian literary and cultural studies, or on Ukrainian subject matter in adjacent disciplinary or interdisciplinary fields, under the supervision of Professor Marko Pavlyshyn and the production of publications, whether a monograph, conference papers or seminar papers on the basis of that research
2. Contribution to the preparation or, where appropriate, individual preparation of research proposal submissions to external funding bodies
3. Involvement in professional activities including, subject to availability of funds, attendance at conferences and seminars in the field of expertise
4. Administrative functions primarily connected with the Fellow's area of research
5. Some contributions to the teaching program within the field of the staff member's research
6. Co-supervision or, where appropriate, supervision of major honours or postgraduate research projects within the field of the staff member's area of research
7. Attendance at meetings associated with research or the work of the organisational unit to which the research is connected and/or at departmental, school and/or faculty meetings and/or membership of a limited number of committees

Key selection criteria

Educational/skill requirements

1. A PhD in Ukrainian literary or cultural studies, or another humanities or social sciences discipline. A "Candidate of Sciences" degree may be regarded as the equivalent of a PhD for purposes of this application. The degree must have been conferred on or after 1 January 2011
2. A record of peer-reviewed scholarly publication, preferably including publication in English
3. An outstanding research proposal covering the duration of the Fellowship
4. Excellent written and oral communication and presentation skills in English and Ukrainian
5. Ability to work effectively in research teams, as well as independently, on multiple projects
6. Ability to obtain external grants for research

Legal compliance

Ensure you are aware of and adhere to legislation and University policy relevant to the duties undertaken, including Equal Employment Opportunity, supporting equity and fairness; Occupational Health and Safety, supporting a safe workplace; Conflict of Interest (including Conflict of Interest in Research); Paid Outside Work; Privacy; Research Conduct; Staff/Student Relationships