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Education

2015 – PhD in Sociology (field of methodology and methods of sociological research), Institute of Sociology, the National Academy of Science of Ukraine.

2012 – 2015 – PhD program, Institute of Sociology, the National Academy of Science of Ukraine. Supervisor – Prof. Dr. Eugenii Golovakha.

2011 – 2012 – MA in Sociology, Ivan Franko National University of Lviv, diploma cum laude. Supervisor – Prof. Dr. Natalia Chernysh.

2006 – 2011 – Bachelor of Sociology, Ivan Franko National University of Lviv, diploma cum laude.

2007 – 2011 – Multi-Institutional Individual Humanity Studies at Ivan Franko National University of Lviv, Ukrainian Catholic University, and University of Warsaw.

2009 – 2010 – UGRAD – Global Undergraduate Exchange Program in Eurasia and Central Asia – academic year of non-degree coursework at Berea College, KY, USA.

Additional education:

August 2019 – co-tutoring ResearchLab and participation in "Viadrinicum. Transsectoral UrbanLab. Participatory Urbanism Beyond Metropoleis", Frankfyrt/Oder

June 2018 – Ninth International Social Science Summer School in Ukraine, Zaporizhzhia.

September 2017 – Summer school "History Takes Place – Dynamics of Urban Change," Belgrade and Sarajevo.

July 2009 – "Discover Management Program", IEDC-Bled School of Management.

Employment

2022 – present – sociologist, research fellow with focus on war documentation, Center for Urban History of East Central Europe, Lviv.

2016 – present – sociologist, research fellow with focus on planned urbanity in socialism and beyond, Center for Urban History of East Central Europe, Lviv.

2013 – present – coordinator of the "Urban Stories" oral history archive in Urban Media Archive, Center for Urban History, Lviv.

Teaching

2025 – course "Urban Sociology for Management Decisions", Kyiv-Mohyla School of Professional and Continuing Education.

2023 – 2024 – course "Methodological Strategies in Cultural Research", Cultural studies program, Ukrainian Catholic University.

2023 – module "Material culture and home", Kharkiv school of architecture.

2023 – seminar "Planning Expertise for the Future. Knowledge to Rebuild" / Transsectoral Summer School Viadrinicum. "Learning Cities. Beyond the Classroom", Frankfurt/Oder.

2022 – lectures "Housing in the USSR" and "Cities in Ukraine after 1991"/ Summer School 2022 "The Socialist City: Planning, Transformation and Aftermath", Leibniz Institute for Research on Society and Space, Erkner.

2021 – course "Neighbours and Strangers: Introduction to Urban Sociology" funded by Ukrainian cultural foundation, online.

2021 – lecturer, Locus school of qualitative methods "Strategies of Analysis", Kyiv.2019 – co-tutor of ResearchLab, "Viadrinicum. Transsectoral UrbanLab. Participatory Urbanism Beyond Metropoles", Frankfurt/Oder.

2018 – co-tutor of research studio, "Urban Summer School: Open Form", National Institute of Architecture and Urban Planning, Lublin-Szumin-Warsaw.

2017 – coordinator of International Urban Summer School "Sykhiv: Spaces, Memories, Practices" and public lectures program "Sykhiv by Night", Lviv.

2017 – tutor of research studio, the Sixth Minsk architectural forum, Minsk.

2015 – 2016 – co-tutor of research studios, International Urban Summer School "Visions and Experiences", Lviv and Slavutych.

2016 – guest lecturer at Martin Luther University Halle-Wittenberg, Alexander Bruckner Center for Polish Studies.

Scholarships

October 2024 – September 2025 – UNET researcher, ZOiS, Berlin.

November 2024 – visiting scholar, C2DH, University of Luxembourg.

October 2024 – International Scholarship award to participate in the OHA Annual Meeting "Oral History: Bridging Past, Present, and Future", Cincinnati, OH.

October 2024 – Dr. Ivan Iwanciw and Dr. Myroslawa Mysko-Iwanciw Award from CIUS to participate in OHA Annual Meeting "Oral History: Bridging Past, Present, and Future", Cincinnati, OH.

May 2024 – Grant from Fulbright Ukrainian Circle to participate in the 28th Annual World Convention of the Association for the Study of Nationalities, New York.

May 2024 – visiting scholar, KonKoop program, ZZF, Potsdam.

November 2023 – visiting professor, CERCEC-EHESS, Paris.

June 2023 – visiting scholar, Research Center for Contemporary History in Hamburg.

2022 – 2023 – Fulbright visiting scholar, Columbia University, New York.

2019 – 2023 – junior research fellow, "Legacies of Communism? Post-Communist Europe from Stagnation to Reform, between Autocracy and Revolution", ZZF Potsdam.

Projects

International projects:

2024 – present – principal investigator from Ukraine, U-CORE "Researching the Collecting, Preserving, Analyzing, and Disclosing of Ukrainian Testimonies of the 2022 War" / Center for Urban History; Institute of Philosophy and Sociology, Polish Academy of Sciences; Center of Contemporary and Digital History, University of Luxembourg.

2024 – present – researcher in LivArch, "Documenting Russia's war against Ukraine: The challenges of living archives for historical knowledge production" / Herder institute.

2022 – 2023 – principal investigator, "24 February 2022, 5 am" documentation initiative, collaboration between Center for Urban History; Institute of Philosophy and Sociology, Polish Academy of Sciences; University of Saint Andrews; Center of Contemporary and Digital History, University of Luxembourg.

2017 – 2019 – coordinator of quantitative and qualitative sociological research in Ukraine, "Historical Cultures in Transition: Negotiating Memory, History and Identity in the Contemporary Central and Eastern Europe", Collegium Civitas.

2017 – 2019 – interviewer, "Social Anthropology of filling the Void: Poland and Ukraine after World War II", Institute of philosophy and sociology PAN.

2012 – 2015 – project assistant, interviewer, moderator, "Region, Nation and Beyond. An Interdisciplinary and Transcultural Reconceptualisation of Ukraine", Saint-Gallen University.

2012 – 2014 – interviewer and researcher, "The Memory of Vanished Population Groups in Today's East and Central European Environments", Lund University.

Ukrainian projects:

2023 – coordinator, "The Voices of Euromaidan in Global Protest and Solidarity Studies", Lysiak-Rudnytskyi Ukrainian Studies Support Program.

2020 – coordinator, "Quarantine Experiences" story competition.

2019 – 2020 – coordinator, quantitative study "Quality of life of LGBT-people in Lviv".

2018 – 2020 – co-coordinator, quantitative and qualitative sociological research, monitoring for the 2025 Strategy of culture in Lviv.

2015 – 2016 – coordinator of quantitative and qualitative sociological research, Community Involvement in Urban Spatial Planning project by PPV Knowledge networks, Ladyzhyn, Ternivaka, and Dobropillia.

2013 – 2014 – co-coordinator, "Voices of Resistance and Hope: Kyiv-Lviv-Kharkiv".

2011 – 2012 – assistant, moderator, "Stereotypes, Tolerance, and Strategies of History Teachers (based on focus group discussions)", Center for Urban History.

Selected publications

Edited books:

Розмови з тими, хто питає про війну / Ред. Н. Отріщенко. – Львів: Центр міської історії, 2024.

Сихів: простори, пам'яті, практики. Результати третьої міської літньої школи / Упоряд. Н. Отріщенко. – Львів: ФОП Шумилович, 2018.

Journal articles:

Otrishchenko, N., Kharchenko, A., & Shevchenko, V. (2025). Ukrainian Researchers in a War Documentation Project. Intertwined Experiences and Methodologies. Communist and Post-Communist Studies, 1-21.

Otrishchenko, N. (2024). Urban planners assessing professional autonomy during (and after) state socialism / Moderne Stadtgeschichte Bd. 55 Nr. 2: Die Stadt als Ort der Erinnerung an den Nationalsozialismus und seiner Verbrechen, 156–74.

Otrishchenko, N. (2023). Urban planners between secrecy, automation, and human-centered design: visions of environment management in late Soviet city / Special issue "Communist Parties in East Central Europe: Frameworks of Knowledge Acquisition and Dissemination 1945–1989", European Review of History 30.2, 257–77.

Shumylovych, B.; Makhanets, O.; Nazaruk, T.; Otrishchenko, N.; Brunow, D. (2022). Preserving the now! Mediating memories and archiving experiences in Ukraine. NECSUS European Journal of Media Studies. #Materiality, 11 (2), 126–49.

Otrishchenko, N. (2022). Looking Forward, Looking Back: Ways of Re-Connecting Urban Planning Education in Lviv. Studia Historiae Scientiarum 21, 485–514.

Otrishchenko, N. (2022). From Frame to Environment: Discussing the Development of Lviv during the 1980s. After Socialist Modernism. Architecture, Urban Design and Planning 1980s; City: History, Culture, Society 1 (13), 198–213.

Otrishchenko, N. (2019). Between Anonymity and Attachment: Remembering Others in Lviv's Pidzamche District / Journal of Soviet and Post-Soviet Politics and Society 5:2 Special Issue: Remembering Diversity in East-Central European Cityscapes, 87–120.

Otrishchenko, N. (2019). Exploratory Fieldwork on Balconies as Threshold Spaces on the Juliusz Słowacki housing estate in Lublin. Ask: Research and Methods. Volume 28, Issue 1, 61–80.

Otrishchenko, N., Sklokina, I. et al. (2019). Slavutych: Urban Practices, Memories and Imagination Research Report of the Studio at the Summer School "The Idea of the City: Reality Check". Zeitschrift für Ostmitteleuropa-Forschung / Journal of East Central European Studies. Bd. 68, Nr. 3: Polesia: Modernity in the Marshlands. Interventions and Transformations at the European Periphery from the Nineteenth to the Twenty-first Century, 477–99.

Otrishchenko, N. (2018). (In)visible Traces: The Presence of the Recent Past in the Urban Landscape of Sarajevo. Місто: історія, культура, суспільство 1 (5), 235–44.

Otrishchenko, N. (2017). (Re)defining Places for Community in Sykhiv Housing Estate. Folia Geographica Socio-Oeconomica 30, 27–37.

Отріщенко, Н. (2017). Колекції інтерв'ю Центру міської історії. Принципи організації та можливості використання у громадських проектах. Вісник Львівського університету. Серія філологічна. Випуск 66, 245–55.

Отріщенко, Н. (2014). Досвід революції: від цінностей до повсякденних практик, Соціологія: Теорія, методи, маркетинг 3, 148–58.

Book chapters:

Otrishchenko, N. (2023). The time that was taken from us: Temporal experiences after the full-scale Russian invasion of Ukraine, 25–44. / In: C. Wanner, (Ed.). Dispossession: Anthropological Perspectives on Russia's War Against Ukraine (1st ed.). Routledge.

Otrishchenko, N. (2022). Different "Versions" Of One City: How Should We Write the Story of Lviv?, 143–52. In: K. Atamanchyk, A. Lastouski, I. Ramanava (eds.). Places of Memory: A European Perspective on Overcoming Past Trauma. Wilfried Martens Centre for European Studies and Konrad-Adenauer-Stiftung Belarus.

Otrishchenko, N. (2021). Scholar, Organizer, Witness, and More: Multiple Roles of History Teachers in Contemporary Ukraine, 104–19. In: T. Stryjek, J. Konieczna-Sałamatin (Eds). The Politics of Memory in Poland and Ukraine. From Reconciliation to De-Conciliation. Routledge.

Отріщенко, Н. (2021). Публічні усноісторичні проєкти в України: між "наданням голосу" й інструменталізацією, 59–75. Іп: Г. Грінченко (ред.). Слухати, чути, розуміти: усна історія України XX–XXI століть. Київ: ТОВ «АРТ КНИГА».

Otrishchenko, N., Kozlova, I. (2020). (Not) Our Heritage: Cultural Milieu and Urban Space of Lviv, 151–70. In V. Mihaylov (Ed). Urban spaces of conflicts and divisions in Central and Eastern Europe. Springer. The Urban Book Series.

Отріщенко, Н. (2020). Горизонти соціального часу: в очікуванні майбутнього, 111–24. ln: Ю. Головач, Я. Грицак, Б. Новосядлий (ред.). Обрії науки ІІ. Історії часу. Львів: Український католицький університет.

Отріщенко, Н. (2017). "Куда людям хочется идти": публічні простори в українських малих містах, 284–97. Іп: С. Шліпченко, та І. Тищенко (ред.). (Не)Задоволення публічними просторами. Урбаністичні студії ІІІ (Представництво Фонду ім. Гайнріха Бьолля в Україні. Центр урбаністичних студій НаУКМА). Київ: Всесвіт.

Otrishchenko, N. (2015). Beyond the Square: The Real and Symbolic Landscapes of Euromaidan, 147–62. In: D. R. Marples, & F. V. Mills (Eds.). Ukraine's Euromaidan: Analyses of a Civil Revolution. Stuttgart: ibidem-Verlag.

Otriščenko. N. (2014). "Šios vietos dvasia teikia stiprybės": ukrainiečių protestai Kijevo Nepriklausomybės aikštėje, 295–318. In: R. Čepaitienė, (Ed.). Vietos Dvasios Beieškant. Kolektyvinis straipsnių rinkinys. Vilnius: LII.

Selected presentations (2019-25)

April 2025 – "Від швидких реакцій до утриваленого дослідження: творення архіву усних свідчень війни" / "Джерело як вибір", Center for Urban History, Lviv.

March 2025 – "From Narrators' Ideas on Sensitivity to the Creation of a New Metadata Field within the U-CORE Project" (with Machteld Venken) / "Real-Time History: Engaging with Living Archives and Temporal Multiplicities," German Historical Institute, Washington.

January 2025 – "Envisioning Archive: How Do the Interviewees See the Future of Their Testimonies?" / Prague Visual History and Digital Humanities Conference, Charles University, Prague.

November 2024 – "History and Beyond: Frames for Sense-Making during the War" KIU-Vorlesungsreihe "War in Ukraine. Destruction of Heritage – Mastering Legacy" / Grimm-Zentrum, Berlin.

October 2024 – "Recording the Stories of Russo-Ukrainian War: Challenges, Risks, and Methodological Approaches" / OHA Annual Meeting "Oral History: Bridging Past, Present, and Future", Cincinnati, OH.

June 2024 – "Between Scylla of Emotions and Charybdis of Expectations: International Documentation Projects during the War", organizing panel "Points of resonance, points of divergence.

(Non)Overlapping experiences in the war documentation projects" / RUTA Annual Conference "Re(kn)own: Region(s) from Within", Zakarpattia.

May 2024 – keynote "From Euromaidan to Full-Scale Russian Invasion: Archiving Ukrainian Society's Experiences" / "Working with war-time testimonies: Practical workshop in digital humanities", Charles university, Prague.

May 2024 – "Documentation from Within: Emergency Archiving Projects at the Center for Urban History" and "New Avenues of Methodology and Research. Selected Testimonies from the First Wave of Interviewing for the "24.02.22, 5 am: Testimonies from the War" Project" / (Para-)Military Violence, War Crimes in Post-Soviet Conflicts and Narratives of the Russo-Ukrainian War, Pilecki Institute, Berlin, ZZF, Potsdam.

May 2024 – "Assessing the Experiences of War from Within: Entangled Positionality of Ukrainian Academics" / 28th Annual World Convention of the Association for the Study of Nationalities, Harriman Institute, Columbia University, New York.

March 2024 – keynote "Living inside history: On motivations to give a testimony amid the war" / Netzwerk Oral History "Nähe und Distanz in der Arbeit mit mündlichen Quellen", Erfurt University.

February 2024 – "Бути суб'єктом історії: Дослідження зсередини Революції гідності і документування війни" / Цикл лекцій до Дня Героїв Небесної Сотні, Solomiya Krushelnytska Music and Memorial Museum, Lviv.

December 2023 – "Майбутнє, яке не настало: експертиза, планування, пізньорадянське місто" / Програма "І буде місто…", Center for Urban History, Lviv.

September 2023 – "War of the present, war of the past. Ukrainian and German Perspectives on the War in Ukraine" / FernUniversitaet, Hagen.

June 2023 – "Documentations' possible futures: On long-lasting outcomes of rapid responses" / "Witnessing the War in Ukraine: Vectors of Reflection, Practices of Documentation" summer institute, Cracow.

June 2023 – keynote "The Story with No Ending: Conducting Interviews in Ukraine after February 24, 2022" i discussiom "Trauma: (How) Is Healing Possible?" / "Trauma and Healing: Storying Lives, Literary Engagements, Entangled Memories", Tartu university, Tartu.

February 2023 – "Towards a New Design of Ethical Committee" / "Witnessing the Now: Challenges of Emergency Documenting and Archiving in a Comparative Perspective", IFiS PAN, Warsaw.

December 2022 – "«The war gave everyone a role—what's yours?»: Documenting Stories Amid Crisis"/ MacMillan Center for International and Area Studies, Yale university, New Haven.

December 2022 – "End of Professional Autonomy? Lviv Urban Planners between State, Private Investors, and City Inhabitants" / SKAT Seminar, Columbia University, New York.

November 2022 – "Before and After 'the Fracture': Positioning of Lviv Urban Planners" / 54th ASEES Convention, Chicago.

October 2022 – "Being a Sociologist during the War in Ukraine: Documentation, Research, and Volunteering" / The Boyd Public Sociology Series, Berea College, Berea.

October 2022 – "24/02/22, 5 am Documentation Initiative: Preserving the War Everydayness while Living Through It" / The Danyliw seminar on Contemporary Ukraine, the Chair of Ukrainian Studies, University of Ottawa, Ottawa.

October 2022 – "Testimonies from the War. An International Project at Center for Urban History in Lviv" / "Den Krieg dokumentieren: Ukraine 2014-2022", Zurich University, online.

October 2022 – "Narrating the War Everydayness" / Harriman institute, Columbia University, New York.

July 2022 – "Facing new challenges in the field after February 24, 2022: Ethical dilemmas and possible solutions" / Oral-history and interview-based research Summer Institute "Witnessing the War in Ukraine", Jagellonian University, Cracow.

May 2022 – "Negotiating expertise after 1991: Case of Lviv Urban Planners" / 5th International Oral History Conference, Greek Oral History Association "Narrating Working Lives: Ruptures, Turning Points, Trajectories", University of Crete, Rethymno.

October 2021 – "From Frame to Environment: Discussing Development of Lviv during 1980s" / "After Socialist Modernism", State Scientific Architectural and Civil Engineering Library named after Volodymyr Zabolotny, Kyiv.

September 2021 – "Designing Future during Social Changes: Urban Professionals and City Planning Ideas after State Socialism" / 15th ESA Conference "Sociological Knowledges for Alternative Futures", Barcelona, online.

July 2021 – "Participatory oral history projects in contemporary Ukraine: Towards inclusive historical culture" / Memory Studies Association Fifth Annual Conference "Convergences", Warsaw, online.

June 2021 – "'Some Kind of Numbness': 1990s in Professional Biographies of Lviv Urban Planners" / "Transformation Narratives Beyond Winners and Losers: Deep Stories in Central and Eastern Europe", Vilnius university, online.

May 2021 – "City Turns West: Mobility and Collaborations of Lviv Architects during 1990s" / "City and Cityness in Central Eastern Europe", Wroclaw university, online.

September 2020 – "Connections and Continuance: Urban Planning Education in (Post-) Socialist Lviv"/ "Agency versus/with Structure: On the Question of how Transformation is Enacted", Leibniz Centre for Contemporary History Potsdam, online.

February 2020 – "The Rise and Fall of Underground Tram in Socialist L'viv" / "Cities in the USSR and the Eastern Bloc: Urbanization, Ecology and the Municipal Economy (1917-1991)", University of Erlangen-Nuremberg, Erlangen.

January 2020 – "Bringing Stories to Locations: The Fortunoff Archive and Oral Histories in/about Lviv" / Prague Visual History and Digital Humanities Conference, Malach Centre for Visual History, Prague.

November 2019 – "One Plan to Rule Them All: Architects and the Visions of Urban Development in Late Soviet Lviv" / the Danyliw seminar on Contemporary Ukraine, the Chair of Ukrainian Studies, University of Ottawa.

September 2019 – "Crossing the Boundaries of Media: A Case of the Digital Interview Collection" / "Living Archives", Digital cultures, Warsaw.

June 2019 – "'Living in Historical Times' or 'Distancing from the Past'? Assessments of History in Ukrainian Society" / ASEES Summer convention, Zagreb University, Zagreb.

May 2019 – "Reclaim positions and reimagine the city? Lviv urban experts since the late 1980s" / "Three Decades of Post-socialist Transition", TU Darmstadt, Darmstadt.

April 2019 – "'People Who Own the Territory': Expert Knowledge and Urban Planning in Lviv during the 1970s–80s" / "Communist Parties in East Central Europe: Frameworks of Knowledge Acquisition and Dissemination 1945–1989", Central European University, Budapest.

March 2019 – "Curating Oral History Archive in Contemporary Ukraine: Various Publics and Formats of Communication" / "Oral history in action", Jagellonian University, Cracow.

Awards

December 2021 – the First prize named after Natalia Panina at the competition "The Best Young Sociologist", Kyiv.

June 2019 – the Third prize in the nomination "Popular Science Literature" from the Lviv City Council for the book "Sykhiv: Spaces, Memories, Practices".