



THE UNIVERSITY OF BRITISH COLUMBIA

Department of Central, Eastern & Northern European Studies  
(CENES)

# POLISH & UKRAINIAN LANGUAGE FOUNDATIONS

## UKRN 125

### Beginning Ukrainian

Have you been following the war in Ukraine? Do you have a connection to Ukrainian and Eastern European cultures? Are you curious about Ukrainian music, film, media and cultural knowledge? Do you believe language learning gives you access to new worlds and new perspectives on the world?

UKRN 125 introduces students to all aspects of Ukrainian culture and languages today. Taught in an inspiring, joyful and supportive way by an expert from Eastern Ukraine, this 6-credit course gives you the foundations to understand, speak, write and read in this rich and melodious language!

### First-semester Polish

Meant for beginners or those with a little exposure to Polish, this course introduces students to the basics of Polish culture and language through a communicative and exploratory language curriculum.

### Second-semester Polish

A continuation of POLS 101, this course deepens your exposure and practice in Polish language, introducing students to a wide range of real-world themes, cultural questions and useful expressions that help you integrate into Polish-speaking communities.

## POLS 101

## POLS 102

- No traditional, high-stakes tests or long, tedious, scary exams
- Focus on spoken language, using various video media for assessment and practice
- Portfolio-building helps you see how far you've come and what your own personal goals and horizons are
- Learning materials are interactive, easy to use, frequently online, multimedia, accessible, and focused on diverse real-world experiences

**How are you  
marked (graded)?  
What course  
materials do we  
use?**

**Learning  
language is  
about joy,  
meaning &  
community.**

Get to know Ukrainian and Polish cultures using a variety of learning strategies in a low-stress environment to develop your speaking, listening, reading and writing skills. Step by step, improve your ability to express your own ideas, and enjoy interacting with others meaningfully in real-life contexts. Explore diverse ethnic, social, gender and regional experiences of today's Ukrainian and Polish cultures, together with other students in a small, friendly and inclusive class.