

UMass Amherst - KSE Virtual Scholar Welcome Isenberg School of Management

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Virtual Scholar Welcome

Привіт! Дуже Вам Дякую!

I would like to welcome you to this event introducing the Virtual Scholars in Ukraine, placed with Faculty Hosts at the Isenberg School of Management, as part of the UMass Amherst - Kyiv School of Economics (KSE) partnership.

The major invasion of Ukraine, a sovereign nation in Europe, by Russia on February 24, 2022, with the war continuing to this day, has wrought Ukrainians great hardship, suffering, losses, and damages with global impacts. Ukraine became an independent nation in 1991.

The UMass Amherst - KSE Partnership



UMass Amherst signed a series of memoranda of agreement with KSE to assist scholars and students affected by Russia's war on Ukraine.

The agreements were finalized between March and July 2022 by KSE President Tymofiy Mylovanov and Rector Tymofii Brik and John McCarthy, now Emeritus Provost and Senior Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs for UMass Amherst.

Thank You!

Deepest thanks to all those who made the UMass Amherst - KSE partnership a reality, from the group of UMass faculty who wrote a letter to Chancellor Subbaswamy in March to the Task Force on Ukrainian Scholars (Professors Ina Ganguli, Bogdan Prokopovych, and Lauren McCarthy), with special thanks to Kalpen Trivedi, the Director of the International Programs Office and the Vice Provost for Global Affairs, as well as to Provost Emeritus John McCarthy, and Isenberg School Dean Anne P. Massey.

Many thanks also to KSE President Tymofiy Mylovanov and to KSE Rector Tymofii Brik.

I acknowledge with gratitude the Isenberg School Virtual Selection Committee: Professor Nikunj Kapadia, Associate Dean George Milne, and Professor Bogdan Prokopovych.

The Kyiv School of Economics (KSE)

The Kyiv School of Economics was founded in 1996 by the Economics Education and Research Consortium (EERC) and the Eurasia Foundation as a Master's Program in Economics. KSE is now a leading world academic institution currently offering degrees in programs including economics, business analytics, urban development and public policy. It also offers an MBA and a PhD in agrifood economics.

Its graduates work as academics, consultants, and policy practitioners across Europe. KSE faculty and graduates are major influencers on Ukrainian economic policy and have also been engaged in significant fundraising and humanitarian activities during the war. They are often interviewed by the international media and faculty have continued teaching during the war as well as offering innovative lecture series, such as Global Minds for Ukraine.

The University of Massachusetts Amherst

The University of Massachusetts Amherst was founded in 1863 and is a public research, land-grant university.

It is the largest public research university in New England, with more than 28,000 students and over 200 distinct academic programs – including highly ranked programs in business, computer science, health care and the social sciences.

The Isenberg School of Management is the business school at UMass Amherst and was founded in 1947. It was named in 1998 and has now 4,000+ undergraduates, 1,700+ graduate students, 171 faculty in 7 departments, and over 48,000 alumni. Several alums are current or former CEOs of Fortune 500 companies.

The Virtual Scholars and Their Faculty Hosts

Congratulations to the 8 Virtual Scholars matched with Isenberg faculty and thanks to their 6 Faculty Hosts in 5 different departments!

Scholar / Institution	Faculty Host / Department
Nina Chala / National University of the Kyiv Mohyla Academy	Alicia Johnson / Marketing
Yuriy Dyachenko / Volodymyr Dahl East Ukrainian National University and National University of Kyiv Mohyla Academy	Muzzo Uysal / Hospitality and Tourism Management (HTM)
Iuliia Kuntsevych / KSE	Nora Junaid / Operations and Information Management (OIM)
Pavlo Martyshev / KSE	Anna Nagurney / OIM
Viktor Maziarchuk / The Accounting Chamber of Ukraine	Anya Mkrtychyan / Finance
Maksym Obrizan / KSE	Ina Ganguli / Management and Economics
Pavlo Prokopovych / KSE	Anna Nagurney / OIM
Elena Besedina / KSE	Anna Nagurney / OIM

Thanks to the Department Chairs of Departments of the Faculty Hosts: Professors Nikunj Kapadia of Finance, Liz Miller of Marketing, Bruce Skaggs of Management, Senay Solak of OIM, and Muzzo Uysal of HTM.

Remarks from Isenberg Dean Anne P. Massey

Hello, I am sorry I could not join you today to kick off the partnership between UMASS Amherst, the Isenberg School of Management, and KSE.

On behalf of the Isenberg school, I would like to welcome all the KSE Scholars. I know our faculty are looking forward to working with you and advancing academic interests.

As a school, we appreciate the significant challenges you, your colleagues, friends and families have faced over these too many months. As we continue to hope for better days, I hope our partnership helps even in a small way.

With warm regards,



**Anne P. Massey, PhD
Dean of the Isenberg School of
Management
Thomas O'Brien Endowed Chair
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