

ONYMS AND PATOIS OF WESTERN POLISSIA AND THE WESTERN PART OF VOLYN



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Areas of scientific research:

- proper-name onyms in the patois of western Polissia and the western part of Volyn;
- social dialects (forms of jargon and argot);
- usage of dialects in fiction;
- library of recordings of cohesive texts by speakers of the dialect;
- onyms (proper names) and their functioning in the patois of western Polissia and Volyn;
- the Polissia patois in fiction.

Scientific output of H. Arkushyn. Approximately 200 research works have been published, including two monographs, two atlases of linguistic geography, and two editions of “The Dictionary of the Western Polissia Patois” (2000; 2016). The following onomastic dictionaries and atlases have been compiled.

Research supervision of the following Ph. D. theses:

Omelkovets R. Plant Nomenclature in the Patois of Western Polissia (2004).

Zinchuk R. Modified Forms of Nouns in the Patois of Western Polissia (2010).

Shulska N. Unofficial Names of Native Residents of Western Polissia (2011).

Shust L. Entomological Lexis in the Patois of Western Polissia (2011).

Matziuk Z. Individuals and their Existence in the Phraseology of Western Polissia (2011).

Masiuk Z. Literary Proper Names in Works Relating to the Destiny of Chelm (using texts by Y. Strutsiuk as source material) (2014).

Yavorskyi A. The Realization of the Polissia Patois in Modern Fiction (2015).

Summary. The scope of the school’s research includes the following areas:

- investigating the patois and the -onyms of western Polissia and the western part of the Volyn region;
- preparing and editing various lexicographical works; publishing atlases of linguistic geography;
- enriching the onomastic dialectological centre (dialect words, family names and nicknames, name variants, zonyms, and microtoponyms);
- compiling a phonological reader of the western Polissia and western Volyn;
- carrying out textography (making recordings of the spontaneous dialectal speech of regions such as Volynian Polissia, and the districts of Berestechko and Podlachia) and the specialized language of craftsmen and prisoners (argots); idiolects of local residents;
- dialects which appear in works of fiction.

Scientific activity of the school. Scholars have described various layers of the vocabulary of western Polissia (including terminology used by hunters, and in botany and entomology), phraseology, word-form inflections and the formation of nominative

parts of speech, and pronouns derived from adverbs. Members of the school have published more than 400 research works, and have participated in international scientific conferences held in Ukraine and Poland. Eight Ph. D. theses have been defended.

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Areas of scientific research: patois of western Polissia and neighboring regions, Polissian patois in fiction, patois of western Polissia and the language of local folklore.

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Area of scientific research: unofficial names of individual native residents of western Polissia.

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Area of scientific research: phraseology in western Polissia.

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Area of scientific research: Western Polesian anthropomastics.

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Area of scientific research: the Polissian patois in modern fiction texts.

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Area of scientific research: literary onomastics in works dealing with the fate of immigrants from Chełm Land.

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