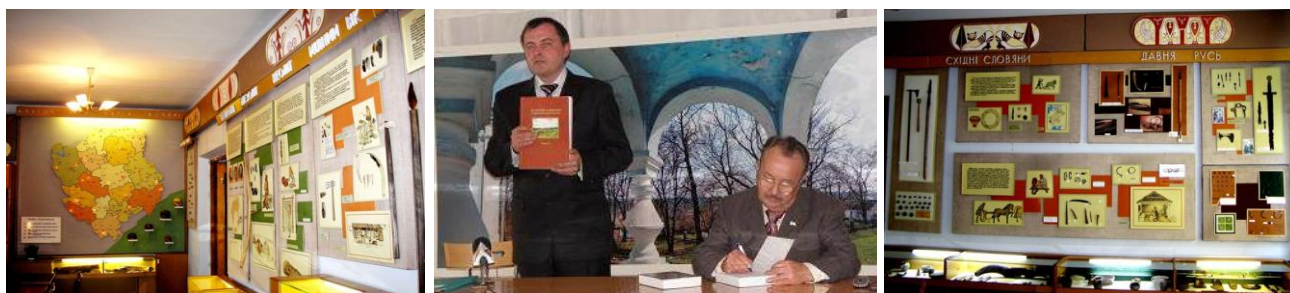


VOLYN ARCHAEOLOGY



Director of the school – Mykhailo Kuchynko, Ph. D., Doctor of History, Full Professor in the Department of Archaeology and the Ancient and Medieval History of Ukraine at LUEENU. Dr. Kuchynko is a laureate of the Oleksandr Tsynkalovskiy regional art prize (2009) and a recipient of the Certificate of Distinction for Excellence in Education. Professor Kuchynko has been awarded Certificates of Distinction from the Ukraine Ministry of Education and Science and from the Volyn Regional State Administration Department of Science and Education. He was awarded the medal “Distinguished Professor of Volyn State University”, with the Lesya Ukrainka golden badge. Dr Kuchynko is a member of the council of the Ukrainian National Committee of the International Union of Slavonic Archaeology. He is a member of the specialized research council for the defense of Ph. D. theses at LUEENU and at the Ivan Krypiakevych Institute of Ukraine Studies of the National Academy of Science of Ukraine.

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Areas of scientific research: archaeology in Volhynia, Chelm Land, and Podlachia [the latter two regions situated within present-day Poland]; problems of the Rus-Polish border region from the 9th to the 12th centuries; and ethno-cultural processes within the territory of western Pobuzhzhia during the Middle Ages.

Scientific output of M. Kuchynko. During the course of his scientific and pedagogical career approximately 300 research papers, including 17 monographs and textbooks have been published.

Research supervision of the following Ph. D. theses:

Panyshko S. The Formation of Volhynian Territories from the 12th to the beginning of the 14th centuries (1997).

Zhuk O. The Topography of Lutsk over the Course of History (10–18th centuries) (2000).

Summary. Archaeological research into existing monuments of Volyn Region is being conducted, as well as the search for new artifacts which belong to the cultural heritage of the region. This research school deals with the development of problems relating to: a) historical reconstructions based on an analysis of archaeological materials; b) the history of archaeological research in the Volyn Region, in

Chelm Land and in Podlachia in particular; c) the historical topography [check this] of the cities of Volyn, especially Kremenets in the period from the twelfth to the eighteenth centuries; d) the political history of Western Volyn, Chelm Land and Podlachie from the tenth to the fourteenth centuries. The scientific themes of the school reflect the top-priority directions of archaeological science in Ukraine.

Scientific activity of the school. The doctoral dissertation “The territory of Volyn from the tenth to the first half of the fourteenth century”, in which over 800 archaeological monuments have been considered and scientifically analysed, including cities, ancient settlement sites, villages, burial grounds and treasures. Within the research school, three Ph. D. [Kandydat] dissertations have been prepared by S. Panishko, V. Petrovych and O. Zhuk; the theme of the dissertation by postgraduate student T. Yacechko has been approved. The historical topography of the cities of Lutsk and Volodymyr from the tenth to the seventeenth centuries has been investigated.

Hundreds of Volyn archaeological sites of different periods have been investigated. Their dates and ethno-cultural setting have been determined. A complete register of previously known and newly-discovered sites has been created for the settlements in the Lutsk district. The investigation of the

development of settled communities in the western Volyn Region, Chelm Land and Podlachie has been carried out on the basis of numerous sources, as well as the ethnic composition of the population and the tribal and territorial borders between east Slavs and their neighbours in the early medieval period, and the military and political history of the area from the tenth to the fourteenth centuries.

Representatives of the school have published more than 120 scientific works in scientific journals and in conference materials of different levels. The results and achievements of the school have been incorporated into the educational process and are used by teachers and students in their research work.

Members of the School

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Areas of scientific research: the historical topography and history of Lutsk from the 10th to the 20th centuries, and the peculiarities of the city's political, socio-economic, and cultural development.

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Areas of scientific research: the historical topography of the city of Kremenets from the 10th to the 19th centuries, and the history and activities of the Museum of Archaeology at the LUEENU.

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Area of scientific research: the study of the spiritual culture of the inhabitants of Volhynia from the 10th to the 14th centuries as evidenced in archaeological sources

