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Doctor of Philosophy degree in Economics

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CURRENT ACADEMIC APPOINTMENT

Oct 2022 - present – Research Fellow of the Modern Studies Department at the A. Yu. Krymskyi Institute of Oriental Studies, NAS of Ukraine

RESEARCH AREAS

Chinese Economy | China Studies | Chinese Foreign Policy and Diplomacy | China–Ukraine Relations | Chinese Nationalism | Ethnic Policy | China’s Approach to the Russo-Ukrainian War

EDUCATION

2010 – Ph.D. Institute of World Economy and International Relations of the National Academy of Sciences of Ukraine (World Economy and International Relations)

1999 – M.A. International Economic Relations Department of Taras Shevchenko National University of Kyiv, Institute of International Relations, 1999 (International Economic Relations)

1998 – B.A. International Economic Relations Department of Taras Shevchenko National University of Kyiv, Institute of International Relations, 1998 (International Economic Relations)

Additional Study

2021 – Aspen Institute, Kyiv (Business and Society)

1998 – Mandarin Training Center, National Taiwan Normal University (Intensive Chinese)

ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS

July 2025 - July 2026 – Visiting Adjunct Instructor at the the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill

Nov 2023 – June 2025 – Visiting Scholar at the Carolina Asia Center, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill

PUBLICATIONS

Book

- “Dual Face of Chinese Nationalism in Xi Jinping Era: Conflict and Peace in Xinjiang.” Odesa: Publishing “Asiatica”, 2026. — 430 p. ISBN 978-617-8310-13-4.

Chapters in Edited Volumes

- “Tracing the Path of Sino-Ukrainian Relations: From the Post-Soviet Era to the Russo-Ukrainian War.” In *Chinese Foreign Policy in the Era of Great Power Competition: Global Engagement and Strategic Entanglement*, edited by Suisheng Zhao. London and New York: Routledge, 2026. <https://doi.org/10.4324/9781003784449>.

- “Uyghur Muslims and State Policy in Xi Jinping’s Era.” In *Islam and Muslims in the System of State-Confessional Relations: European and Asian Dimensions*, edited by D. Radivilov. Kyiv: Publishing “Asiatica”, 2024. ISBN 978-617-8310-10-3 (in Ukrainian).

Peer-Reviewed Journal Articles

- Golod, V., & Mudrenko, N. (2026). China’s UN Diplomacy on the Russo-Ukrainian War. *Journal of Contemporary China*, 1–16. <https://doi.org/10.1080/10670564.2026.2699729>
- Golod, V., & Drobotiuk, O. (2025). Tracing the Path of Sino-Ukrainian Relations: From the Post-Soviet Era to the Russo-Ukrainian War. *Journal of Contemporary China*, 1–22. <https://doi.org/10.1080/10670564.2024.2449029>
- Golod V. (2025). “*The Dual Dimensions of Chinese Nationalism: From Civilizational Discourse to State Discipline under Xi Jinping*.” *Cultural and Religious Studies*, November 2025, Vol. 13, No. 11, 632-642 [doi:10.17265/2328-2177/2025.11.003](https://doi.org/10.17265/2328-2177/2025.11.003)
- Golod V. (2023). “Muslim Identity in Contemporary China Through the Lens of Chinese Nationalism” // *Cultural and Religious Studies*. Volume 11, Number 2, February 2023 (Serial Number 99). pp. 91-98. [Access](#).
- Golod V. (2023). “Uyghur issue” From The Kazakhstan Perspective” // *Cultural and Religious Studies*, September 2023, Vol. 11, No. 9, pp. 429-443 [Access](#).
- Golod V. (2023) Sinicization of Islam through the historical evolution // *Chinese studies*. 2023, №2, pp. 32-41. [Access](#).
- Golod V. (2022). “China’s Northwest economic importance for stability in Central Asia” // *Chinese studies*. A. Yu. Krymskyi Institute of Oriental Studies, NAS of Ukraine. №3. pp.96–104. [Access](#).

Conference Proceedings and Published Abstracts

- Golod V. (2025). “*China’s “Principled Neutrality” at the United Nations during the Russo-Ukrainian War*” // Thesis to the XIX academic conference “Chinese civilization: traditions and modernity,” Lviv-Torun: Liha-Pres, 2025, pp. 43-36. DOI: <https://doi.org/10.36059/978-966-397-561-0-10>
- Golod V. (2025). “Teaching China’s Global Conflict Resolution Strategy through the Russo-Ukrainian War: A Case-Based Syllabus in Practice” // Thesis to the XXVIII A. Krymskyi memorial conference on oriental studies. PP. 77-80. [Access](#).
- Golod V. (2024). “Observing the Uyghur Identity through Kashgar” // Thesis to the XXVII A. Krymskyi memorial conference on oriental studies. [Access](#).
- Golod V. (2024) “Ethnic survival strategies of Korean Chinese in June Hee Kwon’s “Borderland Dreams” // Thesis to the XVIII academic conference “Chinese civilization: traditions and modernity.” pp. 31-34. [Access](#).
- Golod V. (2023). “The civilizing project by China state: Xinjiang case” // Thesis to the XXVI scientific conference “A. Krymskyi Readings in Oriental Studies”. November 30. pp. 159-162. [Access](#).
- Golod V. (2023). “XUAR development landscape in the contemporary China” // Thesis to the XVII scientific conference “Chinese civilization: traditions and modernity”. pp. 239-242. [Access](#).
- Golod V. (2022). “Chinese Nationalism and Muslim Identity in China in the Xi Jinping era” // Thesis to the XXV scientific conference “A. Krymsky Readings in Oriental Studies”. November 10. pp. 110-114. [Access](#).
- Golod V. (2022). “The role of the Chinese Islamic Association in Contemporary China” // Thesis to the XVI scientific conference “Chinese civilization: traditions and modernity”. 2022. pp. 98-100. [Access](#).

WORKS IN PROGRESS

- Chinese Diplomacy in the Shadow of the Russo-Ukrainian War – three-year project initiated by the A. Yu. Krymskyi Institute of Oriental Studies, NAS of Ukraine, as part of the three-year research project *“The Russo-Ukrainian War and New Security Realities in Asian Countries and Regions.”*
- China’s Military Rise and Technological Influence in the Russo-Ukrainian War — article under the peer review in the Statistics, Politics & Policy (submitted on January 15, 2026 to the special issue *“China– Politics and Policy”*).
- The Global South as Diplomatic Battleground: China’s Peace Rhetoric and Ukraine’s Counter-Narrative– article under the peer review in the Pacific Review (submitted on July, 2026).

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Spring 2025 and Spring 2026 – Designed and taught the original course “Chinese Diplomacy and Conflict Resolution: The Russo-Ukrainian War as a Case Study,” Curriculum in Peace, War, and Defense, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill.

2024-2025 - Guest lecturer at National University of Kyiv-Mohyla Academy (Ukraine)

2012-2014 - Guest lecturer at Kyiv National Economic University (Ukraine)

FELLOWSHIPS AND AWARDS

2026 – Stipend from the Curriculum in Peace, War and Defence (PWAD), UNC–Chapel Hill

2025 - Award of the Board of the Ukrainian Association of Sinologists for Significant Contribution to the Development of Ukrainian Sinology

2025 - Stipend from the Center for Slavic, Eurasian and East European Studies, UNC–Chapel Hill

ACADEMIC SERVICE AND LEADERSHIP

- Peer Reviewer for the Journal of Contemporary China, Taylor & Francis Group
- Peer Reviewer for the “Chinese Studies” journal
- Peer Reviewer for Asia Europe Journal, Springer Nature
- Peer Reviewer for Humanities and Social Sciences Communications, Springer Nature
- Peer Reviewer for the “History Pages” journal
- Co-organizer of the public talks on the Ukrainian Platform for Contemporary China
- Chair of the Board, Ukrainian Association of Sinologists (2019-2024)

Master’s Thesis Committee Service

2025 - Served as a committee member for two UNC MA defenses:

- **Natalya Ryan**, *Autocracy vs. Democracy: Russia and the United States Through the Lens of Public Order Violations*, Global Studies, The Graduate School.
- **Julia Rose Arciola**, *Erasing Cultures, Resisting Erasure: Cultural Genocide and Resistance in Xinjiang and 20th Century Genocides*, Asian Studies, College of Arts and Sciences.

Editorial Service

- Editorial board member of [Ukraine-China journal](#)

Academic Platform Leadership

- Co-founder of the [Ukrainian Platform for Contemporary China](#)

SELECTED CONFERENCE PARTICIPATION

- **Oct 2026** New York Conference on Asian Studies (NYCAS) (the U.S.A.)
- **Jan 2026** The 65th Annual Meeting of the Southeast Regional Conference of the Association for Asian Studies (the U.S.A.)
- **Nov 2025** The XIX International scientific conference “Chinese Civilization: Traditions and Modernity” (Ukraine)
- **June 2025** XXVIII A. Krymskyi Memorial Conference on Oriental Studies (Ukraine)
- **April 2025** Asia Scholar Network Conference (the U.S.A.)
- **Nov 2024** XVIII International scientific conference “Chinese Civilization: Traditions and Modernity” (Ukraine)
- **June 2024** XXVII A. Krymskyi Orientalist Conference (Ukraine)
- **March 2024** The 60th Meeting of the Southern Conference on Slavic Studies University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill (the U.S.A.)

INVITED TALKS AND PUBLIC LECTURES

- February 2023. UNC-Chapel Hill: Introduction to Xu Weixin’s Project “Ukraine. Every. Day.”
- March 2024. UNC-Chapel Hill: Introduction to Kaiser Kuo’s Lecture “The limits of a ‘no limit’ partnership: how Washington can work with Beijing on Ukraine” [Access](#)
- May 2025. The Ukrainian Institute of America: Introduction to Xu Weixin’s Project “Ukraine. Every. Day.” [Access](#)

SELECTED PUBLIC SCHOLARSHIP AND MEDIA

Authored Public Scholarship

- Golod V. (2026). What the Latest China-Russia Summit Means for Ukraine? *The Diplomat*, May 29, 2026. [Access.](#)
- Golod V., Burtsev D. (2026). China’s Drone War in Ukraine. *The Diplomat*, January 23, 2026. [Access.](#)
- Golod V. (2025). Sino-Ukrainian Relations: Strategic Trade and Geopolitical Balancing. *China Observers in Central and Eastern Europe (CHOICE)*, October 13, 2025. [Access.](#)
- Golod V., Yefremov D. (2025). How Ukraine views its relations with China. *The Diplomat*, September 27, 2025. [Access.](#)
- Burtsev D., Golod V. (2025). Taiwan’s Civil Society is not Ready for War. *The Diplomat*, August 4, 2025. [Access](#)
- Golod V. (2025). What Trump’s Tilt Toward Russia Means for China. *The Diplomat*, February 21, 2025. [Access](#)
- Golod V. (2024). *Which model for peace in Ukraine will win out?* *SCMP*, December 05, 2024. [Access](#)
- Repnikova M., Medeiros E., Bērziņa-Čerenkova, U.A., Golod V. (2024) The Future According to Xi and Putin, *China File*, May 28, 2024. [Access](#)
- Golod V. (2024). Ukraine still has a window to boost common ground with China, *SCMP*. May 28, 2024. [Access](#)

- Golod V. (2024). Is China Sincere About Peace in Ukraine? *Foreign Policy*, January 2024. [Access](#)
- Golod V. (2023). Why does Zelenskyy accept China's 'neutrality'? *The China project*, November, 2023. [Access](#)

Selected Interviews and Profiles

- Ertunç, B. "Ukrainian Sinologist Vita Golod: 'China's "Principled Neutrality" Is a Flexible Diplomatic Strategy Rather Than a Fixed Doctrine.'" Interview with Vita Golod. *Ankara Center for Crisis and Policy Studies (ANKASAM)*, August 18, 2026. [Access](#).
- Vita Golod: Si mozhe natysnuty na Putina i prypynyty viinu, ale u KNR nemaie motyvatsii dlia tsoho [Vita Golod: Xi Could Pressure Putin and End the War, but China Has No Motivation to Do So], *Kp.ua*, May 22, 2026. [Access](#).
- Kytaiezhnavytsia Vita Golod – pro kytaiskyi natsionalizm, maibutnii parad i rol Pekina u viini [Sinologist Vita Golod on Chinese Nationalism, the Upcoming Parade, and Beijing's Role in the War], *Kp.ua*, September 01, 2025. [Access](#)
- Bandurski, D. "Telling Ukraine's Story of the Russian Invasion." Interview with Vita Golod. *China Media Project*, August 21, 2023. [Access](#)
- "Vita Golod – chairwoman of the Ukrainian Association of Sinologists", *Table. China*, October, 2023. [Access](#)

Podcasts and Long-Form Discussions

- Dyplomatiia pustych sliv: Tramp i Putin u Pekini. Chomu Ukraina stala "zaivoiu" dlia Kytaiu? Diplomacy of Empty Words: Trump and Putin in Beijing. Why Has Ukraine Become "Superfluous" for China?, *Ruslan Bortnik YouTube Channel*, May 27, 2026. [Access](#)
- China Global Podcast Episode #104- ft. Vita Golod. *The German Marshall Fund of the United States*, June 24, 2025. [Access](#)
- Trump 2.0 and His "America First": A Greater Opportunity for China? *Sinica Podcast*, June 05, 2025. [Access](#)
- *Interesy Kytaiu v Ukraini. Pekin–myrotvorets. Antyamerykanizm u politytsi KNR. Stratehichni tsili Kytaiu.* China's Interests in Ukraine. Beijing as a Peacemaker. Anti-Americanism in PRC Policy. China's Strategic Goals, *Ruslan Bortnik YouTube Channel*, March 24, 2025. [Access](#)

Selected Broadcast and Expert Commentary

- Raptovo os takyi shok! Kytai vyishov iz terminovym zvernenniam do Trumpa. Detali vas pryholomshat" [Suddenly, a Shocking Development! China Issues an Urgent Appeal to Trump: The Details Will Astonish You], August 22, 2026. WeUkraine TV. [Access](#).
- Lider KNR yide do SShA. Shcho chekaty Ukraini [China's Leader Is Traveling to the United States: What Should Ukraine Expect?] August 21, 2026. Radio NV. [Access](#).
- China's Strategy in the Ukraine War and the Shaping of a Post-Conflict Order, Asia Society Policy Institute, March 02, 2026. [Access](#)
- How China forgot promises and 'debts' to Ukraine, and backed Russia's war, Al Jazeera, September 08, 2025. [Access](#)
- Spershchu – sanktsii, teper – zatrymannia «shpyhuniv». Ukraina staie zhorstkishoiu shchodo Kytaiu? First – sanctions, now – the detention of "spies." Is Ukraine getting tougher on China?, Radio Svoboda, July 12, 2025. [Access](#)
- «Kytai – u naikrashchii pozytsii za try roky viiny». Chomu Si Tszinpin pryikhav na parad Putina do Moskvyy? Sim zapytan do kytaiezhnavytsi Viti Golod ["China is in the best position in three years of war." Why did Xi Jinping come to Putin's parade in Moscow? Seven questions for China scholar Vita Golod], *Forbes Ukraine*, May 10, 2025. [Access](#)
- Yak Kytai dopomahaie Rosii u viini proty Ukrainy [How China is helping Russia in the war against Ukraine], *BBC Ukraine*, April 10, 2025. [Access](#)

- Golod V. (2025). Friedenstruppen aus Peking? „Die meisten Ukrainer sehen China als feindlich gesinnten Staat“ [Peacekeepers from Beijing? "Most Ukrainians see China as a hostile state"], Die Presse, March 15, 2025. [Access](#)
- *China-Russia relations: What is Xi Jinping prepared to pay for Putin's war?* BBC China. May 15, 2024. [Access](#)

Additional television, radio, and press appearances are available upon request.

OTHER PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

2003 – Sep 2022 – Commercial Director, LLC Trade House “Campus Cotton Club”

2001 - 2003 – Deputy Director, Center for the Development of Ukraine-China Relations

1999 - 2001 – Senior Economist, PSC “Prominvestbank”

LANGUAGES

Ukrainian, Russian, English, Chinese (Mandarin), French