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## **NATIONAL AND CULTURAL ACHIEVEMENTS OF CANADIAN UKRAINIANS**

In 2018, the Ukrainian Diaspora of Canada celebrates its 127th anniversary of the settlement in this country. During more than a hundred years of residence in Canada, Ukrainians have proven themselves as worthy citizens of that country. Having created a significant network of non-governmental and political organizations, they did not easily experience significant success in all spheres of public life.

The aim of our article is to analyze the outstanding national and cultural achievements of the Ukrainian diaspora in Canada.

The Canadian diaspora was formed by four waves, which largely coincide with the waves of emigrants to the United States (before the First World War, in the interwar period, after the Second World War, at present). As in the United States, Canadian Ukrainians live a full-fledged sociocultural, religious, economic and political life. They are deeply integrated into civil society. The social and political life of the Ukrainian diaspora in Canada is well organized. There is the center of the World Congress of Ukrainians (UWC), the Ukrainian National Association, the League of Liberation of Ukraine and the Association of Ukrainians of Canada. There are many professional associations of doctors, lawyers, businessmen, etc [1].

Ukrainians get primary education in private elementary schools, in special Ukrainian courses, and as for higher education there are universities and colleges in

the country. Ukrainian Studies Department was opened at Toronto University and the Canadian Institute of Ukrainian Studies in Edmonton. The UGCC has the Ukrainian Catholic Seminary of the Holy Spirit. The Canadian Institute of Ukrainian Studies (CIUS), which conducts research and publishing activities, also plays a significant role. The institute was founded at the University of Alberta in 1976 at the initiative of the prominent Ukrainian scholars in Canada. There is also the Center of the Study of the Ukrainian History named after Petro Jacyk, that published Mykhailo Hrushevsky's "History of Ukraine-Rus" in English.

The Scientific Society named after Taras Shevchenko, which brings together leading scientists of various branches of science, functions in Canada. Also, it's worth mentioning the well-known people in Canada who work there: Bogdan Havrylyshyn (an economist, member of the Club of Rome and International Academy of Management), Petro Savarin (a public and political activist, a well-known lawyer, one of the famous developers of the concept of multiculturalism, a founder of the Canadian Institute of Ukrainian Studies), Orest Subtelny (Doctor of Philosophy and History, the author of the textbook "History of Ukraine", popular in Ukraine in the early 1990s), Leonid Molodozhanin (a sculptor and an artist, the author of the monuments to Taras Shevchenko in Washington D.C. and Buenos Aires, who was awarded the Order of Canada), Ivan Ohienko (a prominent scientist and scholar, historian, educator, political, civic and church leader, who translated Scripture into Ukrainian) and others.

Thus, Ukrainians successfully integrated into the Canadian multi-ethnic environment, became full-fledged citizens of the new country and a part of the Canadian society, but at the same time they managed to preserve their national identity, culture and traditions.

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