

## Dr Olena Herasymivna Fimyar

Post-Doctoral fellow  
Freie Universität Berlin  
Center for Area Studies  
Goßlerstr. 2-4 - Raum K04 -  
14195 Berlin, Germany

Mobile: +49 (0)176 884-78392  
Fax: +49 (0)30 838-52873  
[olenafimyar@zedat.fu-berlin.de](mailto:olenafimyar@zedat.fu-berlin.de)  
[olena.fimyar@cantab.net](mailto:olena.fimyar@cantab.net)  
[www.fu-berlin.de/cas/](http://www.fu-berlin.de/cas/)

### Education

- 2005 – 2010 **University of Cambridge, Faculty of Education – PhD in Education –**  
TNK-BP Kapitza Scholarship Alumna  
(Thesis submitted Oct 2010, viva passed Jan 2011, degree awarded Jul 2011)  
Thesis title: Educational Policy-Making in Post-Communist Ukraine: Policies,  
Rationalities, Subjectivities, Power, A Foucauldian Perspective  
<http://ulmss-newton.lib.cam.ac.uk/vwebv/holdingsInfo?bibId=33647>
- 2004 – 2005 **University of Cambridge Faculty of Education, – MPhil – Course: Politics,  
Democracy, Education –** FCO-OSI Chevening Scholarship Alumna  
Dissertation title: Educational Policy-Making in Post-Communist Ukraine: The  
Impact of External and Internal Factors on Curriculum Choice and Assessment  
Policy in Secondary-Level Education (Dissertation grade A)

### Research

- Dec 2011 **Point - DRS Fellow**, Center for Area Studies, Freie Universität Berlin, Germany  
Present Research Project: 'Return Academic Migration in Post-Communist Europe'
- Oct 2011 **DAAD (German Academic Exchange Service) Fellow** at Johan Wolfgang  
Dec 2011 Goethe University Frankfurt am Main, Germany  
Research Project: 'Post Communist Policy Actors in Neo-Liberal Times'
- Sep 2011 **Visiting Scholar** at the School of Education, University of Nottingham, UK  
Oct 2011 Research Project: 'Return Academic Migration'
- Mar 2011 **Junior Post-Doctoral Fellow** at the Collegium Budapest Institute for Advanced  
Jul 2011 Study, Hungary, Research Project: 'Sociology of Post-Communist Intellectuals'

### Teaching

- Mar 2011 **Black Sea University, Mykolayiv, Ukraine** OSI/HESP AFP Returning  
Jun 2011 Scholar and a Course Instructor on 'Getting Published and Getting Funded in the  
Academy' – two-week training course
- Aug 2010 **Kyiv-Mohyla Academy Kyiv, Ukraine, Political Sciences Department**  
Dec 2010 OSI/HESP AFP Returning Scholar and a Lecturer - part-time  
Course syllabus developed: Corruption and State Governance
- Dec 2000 **Tsyurupynska Gymnasium**, Kherson region, Ukraine - English Language  
Sept 2004 teacher - full time permanent post
- Sept 1999 **Tsyurupynska Secondary School No.4**, Kherson region, Ukraine - Ukrainian  
June 2000 Language Teacher - full time permanent post

## Publications

### Articles in academic Journals:

- \*Fimyar O. (2011) A Manifesto of a Post-Communist Post-Structuralist Researcher: Post-Viva Voce Reflections, *European Education Journal*, 43 (2), pp. 74-97.
- \*Fimyar, O. (2009) (reprint of 2008b) Governamentalidade como Ferramenta Conceitual na Pesquisa de Políticas de Educacionais, *Educação & Realidade*, 34(2), mai/ago, 35-56
- \*Fimyar, O. (2008a) Educational Policy-Making in Post-Communist Ukraine as an Example of Emerging Governmentality: Discourse analysis of selected curriculum choice and assessment policy documents (1999-2004), *Journal of Education Policy*, Vol. 23, No. 6, 571–593.
- \*Fimyar, O. (2008b) Using Governmentality as a Conceptual Tool in Education Policy Research, *Educate ~ The Journal of Doctoral Research in Education*, available online at [www.educatejournal.org](http://www.educatejournal.org), 3-18.

### Chapters in edited Volumes:

- \*Fimyar, O. (2010a) Policy Why(s): Policy Rationalities and the Changing Logic of Educational Reform in Post-Communist Ukraine (1991-2008), in I. Silova (ed.) *Post-Socialism is not Dead: (Re)reading the global in comparative education*. Bingley: Emerald Publishing.
- \*Fimyar, O. (2010b). The (Un)Importance of Public Opinion in Educational Policy-Making in Post-Communist Ukraine: Education Policy 'Elites' on the Role of Civil Society in Policy Formation. In S. Fischer & H. Pleines (Eds.), *Civil Society in Central and Eastern Europe: Successes and Failures of Europeanisation in Politics and Society*, Changing Europe Book Series (Vol. 7, pp. 157-173). Stuttgart: Ibidem Publishers. Retrieved from [http://www.changing-europe.org/download/Summer\\_School\\_2009/Fimyar.pdf](http://www.changing-europe.org/download/Summer_School_2009/Fimyar.pdf)

\* peer-reviewed publications

### Book reviews:

- Fimyar, O. (2012) Politics, Modernisation and Educational Reform in Russia: From Past to Present, by D. Johnson (ed.) (2010) in *COMPARE: A Journal of International and Comparative Education* (forthcoming)
- Fimyar, O. (2012) Borderlands into Bordered Lands: Geopolitics of Identity in Post-Soviet Ukraine by T. Zhurzhenko (2010) in *Ab Imperio* (to be submitted Feb 2012)

### Articles Submitted:

- \*Fimyar, O. (2012) Post-Communist Policy Actors in Neo-Liberal Times: A Study of Subjectivities, to *International Political Sociology Journal*

### In preparation:

- \* Fimyar, O. (2012) Policy How(s): Seeing and Conceptualising Power in the Field of Education,

Actors' Perspectives' – to be submitted to *Comparative Education Review*

- \* Fimyar, O., et al. (2012) *Sociology of Return Migration* to be submitted to *Annual Review of Sociology*
- \* Fimyar, O. (2012) *Return Academic Migration in Post-Communist Europe: Focus of Actor Subjectivities* to be submitted to *International Migration Review*
- \* Fimyar, O. (2013) *Educational Policy-Making in Post-Communist Ukraine: Policies, Rationalities, Subjectivities, Power, A Foucauldian Perspective* – PhD thesis to be published as a *book monograph*

## Invited Seminars

- Apr 14 **Fellow Seminar at the Collegium Budapest** 'Sociology of Post- Communist  
2011 Intellectuals: A Re-Freshing Look at the Field and Actor Subjectivities'
- Jan 24 **CamCREES (Cambridge Committee for Russian and East European Studies)**  
2012 Seminar 'Ukraine's Education under a Foucauldian Gaze: Reporting the Findings of a Recently Completed PhD'

## Volunteering

- Apr 2011 **Infinite Family - video mentor** <http://www.infinitefamily.org/>
- May 2009 **Action Aid - child sponsorship** <http://www.actionaid.org.uk/>

## Languages

English – near native  
Ukrainian – native  
Russian – native  
German – beginner (A2)

\* CV updated Jan 2012