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## Top Skills

Microsoft Office  
Customer Service  
Microsoft Excel

## Languages

English (Full Professional)  
Ukrainian (Native or Bilingual)  
Russian (Native or Bilingual)  
Dutch (Limited Working)

## Publications

Honderd jaar eenzaamheid :  
De herinnering aan Russische  
krijgevangenen  
Koning van Thule : Tussen Ieper  
en Oekraïne Gesprek met Roman  
Nekoliak, Oekraïens student in In  
Flanders Fields Museum  
Portfolio of published papers

# Roman Nekoliak PhD LLM

Coordinator of International Relations at the Center for Civil Liberties  
Brussels, Brussels Region, Belgium

## Summary

I am a legal expert in the field of human rights, a member of the Center for Civil Liberties, Civic Solidarity Platform and an adviser for several NGO's. My areas of expertise include Human Rights, European Law, Media Law, IHL, Criminal Law and International Law.

I have spent the last years, on a personal level and career-wide, advocating for change and pushing forward Rome Statute ratification, fighting impunity, promoting the international criminal justice system and IHL compliance, and implementing legal mechanisms of the future court processes on Russian war crimes committed in Ukraine.

A great share of the work I have been performing at a Nobel Peace Prize-winning NGO focusing on advocacy, lobbying and policy making. In the last years, I have been conducting extensive research and have written several articles and policy papers on a variety of topics within the field of human rights.

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## Experience

### Center for Civil Liberties

3 years 9 months

#### Coordinator of International Relations

January 2023 - Present (2 years 2 months)

Kyiv, Ukraine

As the Senior International Relations Officer I have developed a deep understanding of Ukraine's political landscape, particularly in the areas of legislative processes, human rights, and civil society engagement. My role involves close monitoring of political developments, legislative changes, and advocacy at both national and international levels. This experience has honed my ability to provide sharp analyses and timely updates, which are crucial for informed decision-making. Throughout my career, I have been

involved in organizing and coordinating a variety of events, from workshops and conferences to international visits.

### Project Manager

June 2021 - December 2022 (1 year 7 months)

I work on the "Promoting Internet Freedom in Ukraine" project. The project idea originated from the American Bar Association Rule of Law Initiative (ABA ROLI) initiative. My work aimed at strengthening the knowledge and capacity of cross-sector Internet freedom (IF) actors to advocate for laws and policies that promote freedom and online freedom of expression (FOE) in Ukraine.

The Center for Civil Liberties is Kyiv based think tank established in 2007. The activities of the Center are aimed at protecting human rights and promoting democracy in Ukraine and the OSCE region. The organization is known for its work on improving legislation, implementing public control practices, conducting educational activities and protecting persecuted people in the occupied territories of Crimea and Donbas. The organization widely engages ordinary people in human rights work through its human rights campaigns and volunteer initiatives.

### Council of Europe

#### Internship Trainee

September 2020 - January 2021 (5 months)

Eastern Partnership & Russian Federation Unit, Human Rights, National Implementation Division, Human Rights Policy and Co-operation Department, Directorate General Human Rights and Rule of Law (DGI)

### Embassy of Ukraine in the Kingdom of Belgium

#### Trainee

October 2019 - November 2019 (2 months)

Brussels Area, Belgium

As a legal trainee, I support different activities of the Embassy with regard to cultural diplomacy, event organization, research on various topics of international and Ukrainian law, analyses of the media with regard to different political aspects of EU-Ukraine cooperation as well as reporting to authorities in Kiev.

### Universiteit Gent

#### Student Representative of the LLM program

September 2018 - September 2019 (1 year 1 month)

Gent Area, Belgium

Nominated by his peers, LLM student representative is a volunteer worker who brings together the students community and administrative staff in order to solve any problems that may occur. Both with the regard to efficiency of the studying process and to everyday life.

LLM student representatives are attentive team players responsible for ensuring the climate of mutual help, understanding and personal development in University environment free from bureaucracy and close-minded thinking.

As an LLM representative, I participate in committee meetings with the board of Directors and staff members where I aim to enhance students' experience and assist with problem-solving. In particular, I endeavor to improve the assessment feedback. The greatest challenge is to raise situation awareness (SI) for admin staff of the University life realities.

### NGO "Poruch"

event manager

February 2016 - September 2018 (2 years 8 months)

Kiev, Ukraine

As a volunteer, I actively participate in open discussions, workshops, public intellectuals meetings regarding modern politics, history, cultural diplomacy, and civil society in Ukraine. I write report papers for "Poruch" in order to share acquired knowledge and skills. I have participated and reported more than 80 public events.

### Research Centre "In Flanders Fields Museum"

Research Intern

January 2017 - July 2017 (7 months)

Ieper, Flemish province of West Flanders, Kingdom of Belgium

The museum research center is powerful think-tank dedicated to studies in the social and cultural history of modern warfare. As an intern I both study the First World War history and complete assignments given me by supervisors (compiling the "Name List" project in particular), help to organize cultural events to mark the anniversary of the First World War.

As well as to contribute to the activities of the research team and Museum as required; carry out any other duties, which commensurate with the grade and purpose of the post, including assistance in organizing public events, execution of general office tasks when needed.

Shevchenkivskyi District Court in Kiev

Intern

March 2014 - May 2014 (3 months)

Kyiv, Ukraine

Administration of Justice in The City of Kyiv

Intern

January 2013 - March 2013 (3 months)

Kyiv, Ukraine

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## Education

Universiteit Gent

Master of Laws - LLM, International and European Law · (2018 - 2019)

Koretsky Institute of State and Law of National Academy of Sciences of Ukraine

Doctor of Philosophy (Ph.D.), 12.00.07 Адміністративне право і процес; фінансове право; інформаційне право · (2014 - 2018)

"Constitutional Law: Democracy in Progress" seminar of the 18th Annual America Studies Institute. August 29-31, 2018

"Eastern Partnership Leaders for Change" project. Konrad Adenauer Stiftung Ukraine, June 4 - 6, 2018

Summer school "Politics of Memory. East and West European Experience"

politics of memory, historical policy, memory policy