

EASTERN EUROPEAN GENEALOGY

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Hidden Gems in the Polish Archives	Webinar	NE Indiana Jewish Genealogy Society	Link to register	09 Feb 2pm ET	Genealogist, Jakub Czuprynski, lives in Poland, owns his own business, and works closely with the Jewish Community Centre in Krakow and JRI-Poland.	Free
Ten Things Every Eastern European Genealogist Should Know	Webinar	Fiske Genealogical Library	Link to join class at scheduled date and time No registration needed	12 Feb 10am PT (1pm ET)	Speaker: Lisa Alzo <i>No additional information is available currently.</i>	Free
Researching My Slovaks	Hybrid meeting	Computer Assisted Genealogy Group of Northern Illinois	Link to register	15 Feb 10:30am CT (11:30am ET)	This talk will explore the available records, research sites, and societies that will prove helpful to anyone researching Czechs, Slovaks, Hungarians, and nearby populations.	Members free Nonmember \$5
Comparison of vital records in the Austrian partition of Poland with records of Upper Silesia under German Administration	Webinar	Polish Genealogy Society of America (PGSA)	Link to register	16 Feb 2pm CT (3pm ET)	Presentation comparing how records were written in German-administered Upper Silesia against records in the Austrian Partition of Poland: key similarities, differences, advantages, disadvantages, and cautions to be exercised when creating a family history from these regions.	Members free Nonmember \$15
A Demographic Study of Siroke, Slovakia in the 1800s	Webinar	Fiske Genealogical Library	Link to join class at scheduled date and time No registration needed	19 Feb 10am PT (1pm ET)	Speaker: Mike Koscik <i>No additional information is available currently.</i>	Free

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Non-Vital Records – New Sources	Lecture Series (virtual)	Polish American Foundation of Connecticut	Link to register	22 Feb and 08 Mar 12n – 4pm ET	Lecture Topics – 22 Feb • Hope for Kurpie Research • Slavs, their Faith, and Folk Culture • Polish exiles in Tengeru • Kingdom of Poland Heraldry Institution Lecture Topics – 08 Mar • Ukrainian Online Records • Polish Genealogy databases - Represjonowanych and Straty.pl • Community Collections and Portal Genealogy • Polish State Repatriation and Genealogy	\$25 for full series
Introduction to East European Genealogy	Webinar	Winnipeg Public Library	Link to register	26 Feb 6pm CT (7pm ET)	Successful eastern European genealogical research depends on correctly identifying the ancestral village. Learn genealogy basics, useful resources, and get tips for confirming the village name.	Free
Researching Eastern European Family History	Virtual Seminar	New York Genealogical & Biographical Society	Link to register	26-27 Feb 1-6pm ET each day	Online seminars are held over two days. • Understanding Eastern European Geography: Borders, Peoples, and Histories • Finding Families in Eastern Europe: Census Records and More • Eastern European Ancestry in the Big Apple • Identifying Place of Origin of Polish Immigrants • Understanding Eastern European Records • Getting Around the Language Barrier: Translation Aids for Polish Genealogy • Did My Great-Grandmother Have a Family? A Documents and DNA Case Study	Member: \$215 Nonmember: \$259

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RootsTech	Virtual and In-person Conference	FamilySearch	<u>VIRTUAL: Link to register</u> <u>IN-PERSON: Link to register</u>	06-08 Mar 10am-10pm ET	2025 schedule, virtual and in-person available at https://www.familysearch.org/en/rootstech/schedule - Some workshops require pre-registration and have an additional fee	Virtual: Free In-person: \$79/day \$129/3-days
Researching Germans from Poland	Webinar	Montgomery County Chapter of the Ohio Genealogical Society	Contact Publicity@MCC-OGS for a link to the Zoom meeting.	8 Mar 1:30 pm	The speaker has done extensive research in records from Poland and Prussia. She will present resources and search methods that are specific to the Posen region but are applicable more broadly to Germans from Poland. <u>Download: Flyer for the Meeting</u>	Free
Polish Genealogy Research	Hybrid presentation	Midwest Genealogy Center	<u>Link to register</u>	15 Mar 2pm CT (3pm ET)	Did your ancestor come from Russian Poland, Galicia-Austria, or East or West Prussia? These regions may now be within the present boundaries of Poland. Learn basic techniques, resources available, how to deal with foreign records, and more.	Free
An Introduction to Polish Genealogy Grandma Said She Was from Pozna?	Webinar	Hamilton East Public Library	Registration opens 06 Feb	19 Mar 6:30pm ET	Julie Szczepankiewicz will share research strategies and resources to uncover Polish ancestors. Julie is a family historian with 30 years of experience.	Free
5 Resources for Eastern European Research	Virtual	East European Genealogical Society	Not yet available	19 Mar Time is not yet available	Not yet available	Not yet available

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Retracing Jewish Journeys: Moving from Lithuania and Galicia to America Before 1914	Hybrid meeting	Jewish Genealogical Society of Illinois	<u>Link to register</u> Single registration for both webinars on 23 Mar	23 Mar 1pm CT (2pm ET)	This talk will explore the actual journeys of Jewish and non-Jewish migrants from Eastern Europe. Why did migrants have to hire smugglers to get across the Russian border with Germany? Why did so many migrants from the Russian and Austro-Hungarian Empires travel through Bremen and Hamburg? What was the role of Jewish aid associations? How long did the journey take and what happened if migrants got sick or were rejected at Ellis Island?	Free
Closing Doors and Permanent Transit: Migrant Journeys After 1914	Hybrid meeting	Jewish Genealogical Society of Illinois		23 Mar 2:30pm CT (3:30pm ET)	America's restrictive national origins quota bills were designed to not so implicitly exclude Jewish migrants from Eastern Europe. What options did "normal" Jewish migrants have? And how did they travel through Europe? How did Jewish migrants manage to reach the United States, and which alternatives existed?	Free
Holocaust Research	Virtual program	Northeast Indiana Jewish Genealogy Society	Registration is not yet open	06 Apr 2pm ET and 3:30pm ET	2pm: "The Arolsen Archives and Other Sources for Holocaust Research" 3:30pm: "Case Study of Holocaust Research."	Free
Piecing Together History: Using Maps and Directories to Rediscover Eastern European Towns	Virtual	Santa Cruz Jewish Genealogy Society	Not yet available	06 Apr Time is not yet available	Not yet available	Not yet available

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Using Genealogia w Archiwach	Hybrid	Polish Genealogical Society of New York State (PGSNYS)	Zoom link provided to members To join PGSNYS, email membership@pgsnys.org (\$30/year)	10 Apr 7pm ET	<i>LOCATION: Erie 1 BOCES, 355 Harlem Road, West Seneca, New York.</i> Genealogia w Archiwach is a unique Polish historical records repository that is a significant source of digital images from collections in the state archives of Bydgoszcz, Inowrocław, Toruń, and Włocławek. These archives cover territory in the present-day provinces of Pomorskie, Kujawsko-Pomorskie, Warminsko-Mazurskie, and Wielkopolskie, and the digital images at this site are not found in Szukaj w Archiwach. Learn how to use this wonderful resource to find the records that will enable you to further your genealogical research goals!	Members free
Understanding the History of Pomerania and How to Research Your Pomeranian Ancestors	Webinar	Germanic Genealogy Society	Link to register	17 Apr 1pm ET	This seminar will begin by summarizing the history of "1000 years of Pomerania". In addition, it covers the Pommerscher Greif website and how it will lead you to sources in the following locations: various archives, on the internet and/or how to contact organizations holding the original records. The focus of the presentation will be on Protestant church books and civil registers.	Free
Polish Research in Michigan	Webinar	Polish Genealogy Society of Michigan	<i>Not yet available</i> Open to the public	26 Apr 2pm ET	This webinar given by Valerie Koselka on "Polish Research in Michigan" No additional information is available currently.	Free

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How to Conduct Ukrainian Genealogy Research Online	Hybrid meeting	Jewish Genealogical Society of Illinois	Link to register	27 Apr 2pm CT (3pm ET)	Presentation will focus on specific databases such as the Ukrainian Martyrologist of the 20th Century, Memory of a Nation 1941-1945, and Babyn Yar Archives, and how to use the resources without knowing Ukrainian and Russian with Google Translate. The presentation also will cover the best forums for Ukrainian genealogy.	Free
Ohio Genealogical Society's Conference	In-person Conference	Ohio Genealogical Society	Early Bird registration ends 07 Mar	30 Apr- 03 May	LOCATION: Kalahari Resort and Convention Center, Sandusky, OH Presentations include... - Guidelines for Finding Polish Records - History and Geography: Tools for Eastern European Research - Shedding Light on Eastern Catholic and Orthodox Churches and Their Records - Back to the USSR: Tracing Your Russian Roots - Journey to the Old Country: Shedding Light on Research in the Former Austria-Hungary - Researching Ancestors from Poland and Ukraine	\$105+
Using Cadastral Maps of Galicia	Hybrid meeting with presentation	Polish Genealogical Society of New York State (PGSNYS)	Zoom link provided to members To join, email membership@pgsnys.org (\$30/year)	08 May 7pm ET	LOCATION: Erie 1 BOCES, 355 Harlem Road, West Seneca, New York Details not yet available	Members free

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Research in Galicia	Virtual personal / private research class	JewishGen	<i>Not yet accepting enrollments</i>	04-25 May	Downloadable self-paced lessons combined with ZOOM demonstrations and online class forum - Jewish names - Researching your town, maps for your town, resources for information about your town - JewishGen's resources for Galician research - Jewish History in Galicia - Vital Records in Galicia and using the major databases online - Historical Geography - Archival institutions for Galician Research and how to contact them - Military records, War and Holocaust records pertaining to Galicia - Census directories, newspapers, secondary records pertaining to Galicia	\$150 for 3 weeks
Our Galician Ancestors	Hybrid	Polish Genealogical Society of Greater Cleveland	Zoom link provided to members only <u>Link to membership application</u> (\$24/year)	03 Jun 7pm ET	Presentation description not provided.	Member: free
FEEFHS 2025 Conference	Virtual conference	Foundation for East European Family History Studies (FEEFHS)	<i>No additional information currently</i>	06-08 Aug	Online workshops may be offered 05 Aug	TBD

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2025 IAJGS Annual Conference	In-person Conference	International Association of Jewish Genealogical Societies (IAJGS)	Link to more information Register here for a virtual information session 2 Feb 2pm ET	10-14 Aug	Grand Wayne Convention Center and Hilton, Fort Wayne, IN The local host is the Northeast Indiana Jewish Genealogy Society.	TBD
Research in Belarus	1-on-1 personal mentoring class	JewishGen	Not yet accepting enrollments Application required This is an intermediary class that requires a surname and town in Belarus	17 Aug – 21 Sep	Introduction to sources for Belarus towns in the Vilnius, Grodno, and Minsk Archives. What kinds of records were created? What types of information do they contain? How to send for them or hire a researcher to obtain them for you. Link to requirements & course details.	\$150 for 3 weeks
PGSM 47th Annual Genealogical Seminar	Hybrid Seminar	Santa Cruz Jewish Genealogy Society	Not yet available	18 Oct Time is not yet available	Not yet available	Not yet available
2025 CGSI 20th Genealogical/Cultural Conference	In-person Conference	Czechoslovak Genealogical Society International	Early bird registration begins 1 May Hotel reservations open now	28 Oct – 01 Nov	DoubleTree Hotel, Overland Park, KS Link for more information.	TBD
Reading Metrical Records from the Russian Empire	Virtual meeting	Orange County Jewish Genealogical Society	Link to register Link to pay for virtual attendance	23 Nov 1pm ET	Details not yet available	Virtual free to members Nonmember: \$5

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Research in Old Hungary	Multi-week course	JewishGen	This is an intermediate-level series that requires a surname and town in Hungary. Application required. Link to apply	On request 3-week course	Learn how to research records from modern countries within Old Hungary, and the major online databases and offline resources. This is a Personal Research Class with an instructor. It is taught in a private forum. It has downloadable self-paced lessons combined with ZOOM demonstrations and online class forum.	\$150 for 3 weeks