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DAYTON, Ohio, February 19, 1988--In a new book entitled Soviet Ukrainian Dissent: A Study of Political Alienation, a University of Dayton assistant professor of political science uses the life histories of eight Ukrainian dissidents and data for 210 other case histories to present a study of political alienation in Soviet Ukraine.

Jaroslaw Bilocerkowycz's book, published this month by Westview Press, is a detailed study of the Ukrainian ethnic group, its struggles with political alienation and the prospects for change in the Mikhail Gorbachev era.

"This part of the Soviet Union has never been studied," said Bilocerkowycz, a Kettering resident whose interest in the subject stems from his ancestral roots and the lack of attention given to the protests of the Ukrainian dissenters.

As research for the book, Bilocerkowycz spent more than three years interviewing Ukrainian dissidents living in the United States and reviewing underground literature. The book focuses on the period from 1963 to 1985.

Bilocerkowycz completed his doctoral dissertation on the subject in 1983 at the University of Washington. He received a B.A. in political science from Eastern Illinois University in 1973 and an M.A. in political science from the University of Washington in 1975.

"The book stands on its own," Bilocerkowycz said. "It was an ultimate challenge to write it."

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