IGOR GONTCHAROV

Igor Gontcharov is a research methods expert, specializing in public policy, risk regulation, UX/UI research, program evaluation and development within the health care, research & education, and justice system sectors. In 2019, he founded Rigor, a research & consulting firm dedicated to delivering original, innovative, and evidence-based solutions for a diverse clientele.

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EDUCATION

Ph.D. in Law
Osgoode Hall Law School
2017

Justice System Administration Diploma
York University 2017

LL.M.
Osgoode 2010
M.A. in Political Science
Brock University 2002
M.A. in Sociology
Central European University 1998

B.A. (hon.) in Sociology Department of Economics
Novosibirsk State University 1997

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Founder, Research Lead & CEO, Rigor
since 2019 https://withrigor.com
Toronto, ON, Canada

Ontario Regulatory Colleges, **Private and Public Agencies**, 2020-present
UX research & Consulting, R&D Consulting, Program Evaluation & Development, Policy Analysis, Qualitative Methods, Surveys, Data Analysis, Reporting, Publishing, Conference Presentations, Knowledge Translation and Mobilization, Research Ethics

Consultant to: College of Dietitians of Ontario (CDO), College of Traditional Chinese Medicine Practitioners and Acupuncturists of Ontario (CTCMPAO), College of Occupational Therapists of Ontario (COTO), College of Medical Radiation and Imaging Technologists of Ontario (CMRITO), among others

Post-Doctoral Fellow 2017-2019
Gilbrea Centre for Studies in Aging, McMaster University. AGE-WELL NCE (Canada's Aging and Technology Network of Centers of Excellence)

Senior Fellow 2012-2014, ***Fellow*** 2011-2012
Critical Research Laboratory in Law & Society (CRL), Collaborative Urban Research Laboratory (CURL), Digital Media Laboratory (DML), Comparative Research in Law and Political Economy (CLPE) Program, Osgoode Hall Law School, Toronto

Visiting Scholar 2010-2011
Columbia University School of Law, New York

TRAINING (SELECTED)

AGE-WELL EPIC **Innovators of Tomorrow** Certificate. Toronto (2018)
Designing **Assistive Technology** That Cares. Waterloo (2017)
Association of **Transnational Law** Schools (ATLAS) AGORA. Australia, Singapore, Spain (2011, 2012, 2014)
Global **Legal Education** Forum, Harvard, Cambridge (2012)
Osgoode **Syllabus Design** Workshop (2011)
Postgraduate Studies in **Philosophy**. York University, University of Toronto (2003-2008)
C++ Programming and **Unix** Administration Kharkov (2001)

SKILLS

Passionate researcher

Empathetic problem-solver

Clear and **effective communicator**

Versatile analyst, adept in qualitative and quantitative research

Agile thinker & **multimodal** expert

Meticulous **documenter**

Inspiring leader and **collaborative** team player

Course Director 2008-2010, *Teaching Assistant and Seminar Leader*
OCAD University and York University, Toronto
HUMN 4B02 'Mental Health, Culture and Society', Teaching Assistant for 'Theories of Criminology', 'Technology & Ethics', 'Human Rights in a Socio-Legal Context', 'Social Theory' and others.

Researcher 2011-2012
Mount Sinai Hospital, Toronto
Project "Best Practices in Research Governance"

SERVICE TO COMMUNITY (SELECTED)

Member of Advisory and Executive Committees

Research Ethics Board Member 2011-2018
University Health Network (UHN) Rehabilitation Medicine and Science Research Ethics Board

Reviewer 2019-present
Journal of Empirical Research on Human Research Ethics; BMC Medical Ethics; Routledge, Taylor and Francis

Convener and Conference Organizer 2011-2020
multiple institutional and international events

Popular Science Educator 2014-present

CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS & ACADEMIC PUBLICATIONS

Actively participated in academic conversations, presenting his research at various conferences worldwide, in Canada, the USA, Australia, New Zealand, Spain, Germany, Israel, and Singapore. Publications in areas of standard setting, ethics, and the sociology of law and knowledge production.

COMPUTER SKILLS

Advanced Knowledge of Computer Systems and Productivity Software – MS Office, Google Suite, Adobe Suite, Web Design and Applications, Database Management, SQL, R, and Python (in progress)