

# Michel Chossudovsky: Biography

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*Below is a biographical summary focussing on Chossudovsky's academic and professional activities, including publications and awards (as well as [his contribution to the Encyclopedia Britannica](#))*

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## Biographical summary

**Michel Chossudovsky** is an award-winning author, Professor of Economics (emeritus) at the University of Ottawa, Founder and Director of the Centre for Research on Globalization (CRG), Montreal, Editor of Global Research.

### Citizenships

Canada, Republic of Ireland, United Kingdom

### Education

Ecole internationale, Geneva, Maturité fédérale suisse, type scientifique (C), 1962

BA (Econ) Honours, Department of Economics, University of Manchester, UK, 1965

Diploma in Economic Planning, [International Institute of Social Studies \(ISS\)](#), The Hague, Netherlands, 1967, The ISS is now part of Erasmus University, Rotterdam.

Ph.D., Department of Economics, University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill, NC, USA. 1971

Chossudovsky was a student of social anthropologist Prof. Max Gluckman at the University of Manchester, of Nobel Laureate in Economics Prof. Jan Tinbergen at the Institute of Social Studies (ISS), The Hague and of mathematical statistics Prof Harold Hotelling at the University of North Carolina (UNC).

**Languages:** Fluent in English, French, Spanish, German. Knowledge of Portuguese, Chinese (Mandarin), Dutch (Netherlands), Thai, Russian, Melanesian (Papua New Guinea).

He has undertaken field research in Latin America, China, India, Southeast Asia, the Middle East, sub-Saharan Africa, the Pacific and has written extensively on the economies of developing countries with a focus on poverty and social inequality.

He has also undertaken research in Health Economics: Canadian International Development Agency (CIDA), UNFPA, [UN Economic Commission for Latin America and the Caribbean \(ECLAC\)](#), [CEPAL -ILPES -UNICEF](#), Government of Venezuela, John Hopkins [International Journal of Health Services](#) (1979, 1983).

His recent research focusses on economic and social policy, health economics, geopolitics, globalization.

### **Academic, Research and Advisory positions:**

Professor of Economics, emeritus, University of Ottawa, Department of Economics, (First academic appointment in 1968-)

Professor, National Autonomous University of Nicaragua (UNAN), Managua, Centre for Development Studies Miguel d'Escoto Brockmann (CEDMEB), Founding Member of CEDMEB (2019- )

Visiting Professor, Postgraduate Program in Geopolitical Analysis, Faculty of Humanities and Social Sciences, Autonomous University of the City of Mexico (UACM) (2022)

Visiting Professor, University of the Philippines, Cebu, Faculty of Social Sciences (2015, 2016, 2017, 2018).

Visiting Scholar and Lecturer, [The International University of People's Institutions for Peace \(IUPIP\)](#), Rovereto, Italy (2003, 2004),

Directeur de recherche invité, Visiting Research Fellow, Lecturer. L'Ecole des hautes études en sciences sociales (EHESS), Paris (1993)

Associate, Saint Mary's University, International Development Studies, Halifax, Nova Scotia, (1990s)

Associate Fellow, Centre for Developing Area Studies, McGill University, Montreal, (1990s)

Visiting Research Scholar, Chulalongkorn University, Department of Economics, Bangkok, (1991, 1992)

Visiting Professor, Catholic University of Peru, Department of Economics, Lima (1989-90, 1991)

Visiting Professor and Research Scholar, Kohn Kaen University, Department of Social Sciences, Khon Kaen, Thailand (1987-88), under contract with CIDA.

Policy Adviser, Rural and Social Development, Department of Economic and Technical Cooperation (DTEC), Prime Minister's Office, Royal Thai Government, Bangkok (1986-87), under contract with the Canadian International Development Agency (CIDA)

Visiting Professor, University of Papua New Guinea (UPNG), Department of Economics. Lecturer, School of Medicine and Health Sciences, UPNG, Port Moresby, 1985

Honorary Research Fellow, University of Hong Kong (1981-82), Centre of Asian Studies (CAS), Faculty of Social Sciences, Also Lecturer, HKU Economics Department, Lecturer,

Department of Extra-Mural Studies (School of Professional and Continuing Education).

Carleton University, School of International Affairs, Ottawa, Part Time Lecturer (1977)

University of Sherbrooke, Quebec, Department of Economics, Part Time Lecturer (1979-80)

Visiting Professor, National University of Cordoba, Argentina (1976), Social Policy Institute. Under ILO-UNDP Contract

Visiting Scholar and Lecturer, Central University of Venezuela, Caracas (1976), Development Studies Centre (CENDES)

Research Scholar and Lecturer, UN African Institute for Economic and Social Planning (IDEP), Dakar. (1976)

Senior Economic Adviser to the Minister of State for Planning, and Research Director (Interdisciplinary project on poverty), Ministry of Planning (CORDIPLAN), Government of Venezuela, Caracas, 1975-76.

Catholic University of Peru, Department of Economics, Visiting Professor (1974)

Catholic University of Chile (1973), Institute of Economics, Visiting Professor and Teaching Fellow, Fletcher School of Law and Diplomacy.

Teaching Assistant, Department of Economics, University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill, 1967-68.

Research Assistant, Applied Experimental Design Techniques and Nonlinear Programming, Department of Economics and Department of Mathematical Statistics, University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill, 1966-68

### **Consultancies**

Consultant to the UNDP and the Government of Rwanda, Analysis of Rwanda's External Debt, Kigali. Missions in 1996, 1997.

Consultant, African Development Bank (ADB), country-level missions, economic and social analysis, post evaluation of macro-economic reforms (1991-1995), missions to Kenya, Morocco, Guinea Bissau, Gambia, Botswana on behalf of ADB.

Consultant, North South Institute, Ottawa: research on country-level macro-economic reforms (Peru Research Project) on behalf of CIDA. 1990-1992.

Lecturer, World Bank, Economic Development Institute (EDI) Training Program, Workshop on Macro-Economic Reform, Harare, Zimbabwe, 1991

Consultant, United Nations Population Fund (UNFPA), Missions to Nigeria, Rwanda, Tanzania, 1988, 1989

Consultant, World Health Organization (WHO), Organization and Coordination of African Workshop on Health Planning, Lecturer, Dakar, Senegal. 1976

Consultant, UN Economic Commission for Latin America and the Caribbean (ECLAC) ([Research on poverty, social indicators](#) and [health policy](#)), Santiago, Chile, 1978-1979

TV Ontario, Educational Television, Researcher and interviewer, Five part series on the Canadian Economy (1978-79) (interview with former PM Jean Chrétien)

Canadian International Development Agency (CIDA): Missions to Mali (1982-83), Peru, University Cooperation Programme (1977-79), Thailand 1986-88, Consultant to CIDA on Health and Development in Latin America, 1991, Lecturer, CIDA's staff training programme, Economic Strategies and Development Policies, Ottawa, 1970s and 1980s.

He is a past president of the Canadian Association of Latin American and Caribbean Studies (ACELAC) and a former member of the Senate of the University of Ottawa.

### **Lectures and presentations at more than 100 universities, research institutions, parliamentary committees, etc.**

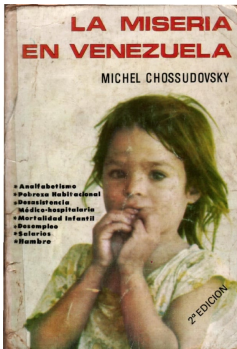
Lecture, Committee of the European Parliament on the 9/11 Attacks, Brussels (2002), Testimony, Joint Senate-House of Commons Committee (Canada), Economic Affairs and International Trade Committee (December 1989), Testimony, Joint Senate-House of Commons Committee (Canada), Canada's International Relations (1986), World Summit for Social Development (1995), Member of the Drafting Committee of "The Copenhagen Alternative Declaration" on behalf of 800 NGOs (1995), House of Representatives, Philippines, Testimony on the impacts of the 2008 Economic Crisis, (2009), Literaturhaus, Munich (2003), The Latin American Parliament, Caracas (2008), Belgrade Forum, (2000, 2009, 2022, 2024), Stanford, UNC, Wisconsin, Yale, University of Havana, The International Federation of Operational Research Societies (IFORS). Madrid, Operations Research Society of America (ORSA) New York, (1966-1967), etc.

Lectures at Foreign Correspondents Club of Japan (2013, 2017), Rosa Luxemburg Conference, Berlin (2014), Humboldt University (1999), Mexican Press Club, Malaysia Chamber of Commerce, Malaysia Academy of Sciences, Science for Peace Conference (2016), Perdana Global Peace Foundation (Kuala Lumpur) (several lectures, 2005-2017), Public Lecture chaired by Egypt's Minister of Finance, Cairo (1991), Keynote Lecture, conference held at Korean Parliament (ROK), Seoul, Chinese Academy of Social Sciences (2012, 2019), Wuhan University (1982, 1984), Tsinghua University School of Journalism, Beijing, Media Conferences, People's Daily (Beijing), Keynote Address. Firenze Peace Conference, No War, No NATO (2019). etc.

**Interviews/Conversations with (former) heads of State, heads of government:** Jean Chrétien (Canada), Luis Inacio da Silva (Brazil), Fernando Enrique Cardoso (Brazil), Manmohan Singh (India), Pasteur Bizimungu (Rwanda), Fidel Castro Ruz (Cuba), Ricardo Alarcon (Cuba), Tun Dr. Mahathir Mohamad (Malaysia), Atef Ebeid (Egypt), Hugo Chavez (Venezuela), Victor Haya de la Torre, APRA (Peru), Georgios Papandreou (Greece).

### **Publications**

He is the author of:



Thirteen books including several international best-sellers

[La Miseria en Venezuela \(1978\)](#), Caracas

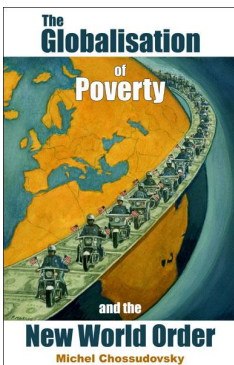
Is the Canadian Economy Closing Down, (1979) (co-author),

Towards Capitalist Restoration? Chinese Socialism after Mao (1986), London, Macmillan

The Globalization of Poverty and The New World Order (1997, 2003) (published in 13 languages),

America's "War on Terrorism" (2005) (published in 10 languages),

The Global Economic Crisis, The Great Depression of the Twenty-first Century



(2009) (Editor),

Towards a World War III Scenario: The Dangers of Nuclear War (2011) (published in 4 languages),

The Globalization of War, America's Long War against Humanity (2015) (published in 4 languages)

The US-NATO War of Aggression against Yugoslavia (2021), Belgrade. (published in Serbian and English)

The Worldwide Corona Crisis: Global Coup d'État against Humanity. (2022), E-Book pdf format. Print version forthcoming. Also published (print) in Japanese (2022)



The 2015 Kuala Lumpur launching by Tun Dr. Mahathir Mohamad, Former PM of Malaysia of Michel Chossudovsky's book entitled *The **Globalization of War***

### **Scholarly publications:**

[Kyklos](#), [Metron: International Journal of Statistics](#), [Canadian Journal of Development Studies](#), [Économie Appliquée](#), [Southern Economic Journal](#), [L'Actualité Économique](#), [Review of African Political Economy](#), [Development in Practice](#), [Co-Existence](#), [International Journal of Health Services](#) (John Hopkins), [Studies in Political Economy](#), [Indian Journal of Quantitative Economics](#), [World Affairs: The Journal of International Issues](#), [Canadian Journal of Latin American Studies](#), [Yale University Lecture Series on Post-Allende Chile](#), [Journal of Peace Research](#), [El Trimestre Económico](#), [Bulletin of Peace Proposals](#), [The Journal of Quantitative & Technical Economics \(JQTE\)](#), [Beijing](#), Chinese Academy of Social Sciences (CASS), etc.

Chapters in Books. Reports published by national and international organizations (ADB, UNFPA, UNDP, CIDA, UNECLAC, North-South Institute, Royal Thai Government).

Conversations with **Fidel Castro Ruz**: *The Dangers of Nuclear War*, (October 11-15, 2010, available in several languages in print and online, chapter in book).



Chossudovsky's writings have also appeared in [Le monde diplomatique](#) (Paris), [The Journal of International Affairs](#) (New York), the International Herald Tribune and [New York Times](#), Third World Resurgence, [The Ecologist](#) (London UK), the South China Morning Post (Hong Kong), The Nation (Bangkok), Dagens Nyheter (Stockholm), La Presse (Montreal), [Junge Welt](#) (Berlin), [Hankoreh](#) (Seoul, ROK), Cuba Debate (Havana), Global Times (Beijing), People's Daily (Beijing), Frontline (Chennai), [Comercio Exterior](#) (Mexico), [Economic and Political Weekly](#) (Mumbai), World Affairs (New Delhi), GeoPolitica (Bucharest), Peace Magazine

(Toronto), etc.

Press interviews and TV interviews with (among others) CTV, CBC, RT, BBC, TVO, CCTV (Beijing), Global, Radio Canada, Tele Quebec, TV Ontario (Education TV) (five part series on the Canadian Economy), CNN, TV France 5, RTBF (Belgium), Press TV, TeleSur, MBC (ROK, Seoul), Malaysian TV, Peru TV, Portugal TV, Havana TV, Nicaragua National TV, Pacifica, WBAI, Community radio in US, Canada, etc.

He is a contributor to [the Encyclopaedia Britannica. EB Article on the World Bank](#)

His writings have been published in more than twenty languages.

### **Kuala Lumpur War Crimes Commission**

Michel Chossudovsky is a signatory of the 2005 Kuala Lumpur Declaration to Criminalize War under the helm of Tun Dr. Mahathir Mohamad, former Prime Minister of Malaysia



Signatories of the 2005 Kuala Lumpur Declaration. From Left to Right: Francis A.Boyle, Helen Caldicott, Denis J. Halliday, Tun Dr. Mahathir Mohamad, Hans-Christof Von Sponeck, Michel Chossudovsky, Imam Feisal Abdul Rauf

Michel Chossudovsky was a member of the Kuala Lumpur War Crimes Commission (KLWCC) (2007- 2018) under the helm of Dr. Mahathir Mohamad, former PM of Malaysia.

### **Awards**

Michel Chossudovsky is the recipient of:

The Human Rights Prize, Society for Civil Rights and Human Dignity, ([Gesellschaft zum Schutz von Bürgerrecht und Menschenwürde](#), Berlin (2002),





“Best Books in Germany” (media ranking), German edition of Chossudovsky’s Globalization of Poverty, ([Global Brutal, Der entfesselte Welthandel, die Armut, der Krieg](#)), “Media Ranked no 2. best non-fiction titles in Germany” (2002),

Project Censored Award, State University of Sonoma, California, (1999- 2015, 10 awards).

Professor of the Year Award, University of Ottawa, Faculty of Social Sciences (2001).  
[Excellence in Teaching Award](#)

Mexican Press Club award to Michel Chossudovsky and Global Research, “*Primer Premio de Periodismo*”: “*Premio Internacional de Periodismo por el Mejor Portal de Investigación Internacional.*” “[First National Prize for the best research website](#) at the international level” (2008).

[The Gold Medal for Merit of the Republic of Serbia](#) (Government House, [Awards to Canadians](#)) for his writings on NATO’s war of aggression against Yugoslavia (2014).



From Left to Right Prof. Y Dissou Chairman, Economics Department, HE Serbia’s Ambassador Mihailo Papazoglu, Prof. Michel Chossudovsky, Prof. Marcel Merette, Dean, Faculty of Social Sciences, University of Ottawa (2014)

Doctor Honoris Causa in Humanities, National Autonomous University of Nicaragua (UNAN), Managua (2016)



National Autonomous University, Managua, Nicaragua, 2016

### **Fellowships and Research Grants:**

Research Fellowship, International Development Research Centre (IDRC),  
Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council of Canada (SSHRC) awards.  
Canada Council award,  
Fellowship of the Netherlands University Foundation for International Cooperation  
(NUFFIC),  
Latin American Teaching Fellowship of the Fletcher School of Law and Diplomacy and  
Fellow of Tufts University.  
University of Ottawa Faculty of Social Sciences Research Grants.  
Research grant from SSHRC- Chinese Academy of Social Sciences (CASS), field research  
in China,  
Conference Board of Canada -Chinese Academy of Social Sciences (CASS), Collaborative  
Field Research in China with CASS Institute of Quantitative Economics.

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