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## EDUCATION:

**University of Ioannina, Greece**  
PhD Candidate in Computational Linguistics  
September 2023-

**University of Massachusetts, Boston, MA.**  
M.A. in Applied Linguistics, June 2001.  
Specialization in computer-assisted language instruction and  
foreign language pedagogy.

**National and Kapodistrian University of Athens, Greece.**  
B.A. in German Language and Literature, October 1993.  
*Magna cum laude*  
Thesis: *Mutter Courage und ihre Kinder*.

## CURRENT FACULTY POSITION:

**Head of Modern Greek**  
**Master Lecturer in Modern Greek**  
September 2022-

**Visiting Lecturer in Modern Greek**  
**National and Kapodistrian University of Athens**  
Summer 2022

**Senior Lecturer in Modern Greek (Boston University)**  
September 2015-2022

**Lecturer in Modern Greek (Boston University)**  
September 2010 to 2015

**Visiting Lecturer in Modern Greek**  
DEREE College—American College of Greece, Athens, Greece  
Summer 2013-2021

**ADMINISTRATIVE  
EXPERIENCE:**

**Head of Modern Greek Language Program**  
Responsible for curriculum oversight and development, recruitment and training of part-time lecturers, providing them with syllabi and teaching materials. Coordinating student placement in appropriate language levels, and collaborating with CAS advising in determining native-level proficiency.

**Study in Greece**  
Ambassador/Partner of **Study in Greece** in the U.S.  
Spring 2022-

**Examiner** of the Certification in Greek Language/Ellinomatheia  
Roslindale, May 2019-

**External Reviewer** Hellenic College Holy Cross (2015)  
Conduction of review of Modern Greek academic Program

**Co-Director** Boston University Philhellenes Summer Study  
2013- 2019

**HELPIS** Charitable Social Network, Board Member

**ACTFL( American Council on Teaching of Foreign Languages)**  
2021 Convention Proposal Reviewer in Modern Greek

**Director** Boston University Summer Program  
2020-Development of curriculum, excursions, and  
management of program for annual summer study in Athens

**Leading Faculty**

Additional leading faculty of the Spring program at Emmanuel  
College, “In the steps of Thucydides.”  
Spring 2018

**Board member-Treasurer, Circle of Hellenic Academicians**  
2018- 2021

**Chaperon** Boston University School of Hospitality  
Culinary and hospitality trip to Greece, March 2011

**TEACHING  
EXPERIENCE:**

**Greek:**

*Beginning Modern Greek I, II (CG 111, CG  
112) Continuing Modern Greek  
Review and Progress in Modern Greek  
Intermediate Modern Greek I, II (CG 211,  
212) The Modern Greek Short Story (CG 350)  
The Modern Greek Novel (CG 356)  
Modern Greek Culture and Film  
(CG357) Cavafy and History (CG 359)  
(CG 101) Beginning Modern Greek Language, Culture and Literature*

**German:**

First and second Semester German (LG 111, LG 112)  
Third and fourth Semester German (LG 211, LG 212)  
Intensive Beginning German  
High School German, grades 9 to 12  
Elementary School German, grades 3 to 6

## **SERVICE**

To the Department:

Study Abroad: 2017

Major Fair: Fall 2023

### **To BU:**

Faculty Council: 2022-

Chaperone Boston University School of Hospitality, Culinary and hospitality trip to Greece, March 2011

### **To the Profession:**

ACTFL (American Council on Teaching of Foreign Languages), 2021 Convention Proposal  
Reviewer in Modern Greek

Examiner of the Certification in Greek Language/Ellinomatheia, Roslindale, 2019-present

Board Member –Secretary, Treasurer, Circle of Hellenic Academicians 2020-2022

At the Board Committee of Hellenic College Holy Cross, Malotis Cultural Center 2020-present

Faculty and Chaperone of the Spring Break Program of Emmanuel College, “In the steps of Thucydides.” Trip to Greece, Spring 2018

External Reviewer Hellenic College Holy Cross, 2015, conducted review of Modern Greek academic Program.

### **To the Community**

HELPIS Charitable Social Network, Board Member 2016-2018

## **RESEARCH:**

**Associate in Hellenic Studies,**  
**Center for Hellenic Studies, Harvard University**  
In the projects of

1. “Cavafy, Diglossia and History”
2. “Cavafy and the Corona-Virus: A Voice for the Age of Pandemics”

June 2019-January 2021

## **CURRICULUM**

### **DEVELOPMENT I: NEW COURSES DESIGNED**

*The Modern German Cinema Experience*

University of Massachusetts, Boston

*Modern Greek Culture and Film* (CG 357)

Boston University

*Cavafy and History* (CG 359)

New Course developed with L. J. Samons for Boston University

*Modern Greek Language, Culture & Literature* (CG101)

Boston University

## **CURRICULUM**

### **DEVELOPMENT I: COURSES REVISED at Boston University**

**Created new syllabi (with new readings, assignments and assessments) and developed and applied technology assisted units:**

Beginning Modern Greek I (CG111 and CG112)

*Intermediate Modern Greek I* (CG 211 and CG212)

*Advanced Modern Greek and Literature*

*The Greek Short Story* (CG 350)

*The Greek Novel* (CG 356)

### **CURRICULUM DEVELOPMENT II: Courses Created at Boston University**

*Modern Greek Culture and Film* (CG 357)

*Cavafy and History* (CG 359: with L. J. Samons)

## **PROFESIONAL**

### **DEVELOPMENT:**

**Camtasia Short Course-Mini Grant** on creating instructional videos

Boston University, 2020

**New England Modern Language Association**, Boston, MA, March 5-8, 2020

**MIT mini-seminar** “Sapphic Tales Re-Making Sappho through Comparative Media”, Fall 2019

**MGSA** Conference in Sacramento, CA November 2019

**NECTFL Conference**

Marriott Copley Place, Boston, March 27-30, 2014

Teaching with Technology festival, Boston University, October 2019

**ACTFL, OPI (Oral Proficiency Interview)**

Workshop at Boston University, February 2014

**BALC** (Boston Area Language Consortium)

Mini-conference at Boston University, November 4, 2013

**ADVISORY**

**DUTIES:**

Advisor at the Advisory Committee of Hellenic College Holy Cross 2020-

Advisor of Boston University Philhellenes (BUPh), September 2012 to present

Advisor of BU Hellenic Association, September 2006 - June 2012

NHSA (National Hellenic Student Association) Convention  
Boston University, Fall 2011 (mentoring at this student event).

**DISTINCTIONS:**

**Award in Greek Culture** from EXALEIPTRON women’s organization in Athens

**Co-Founder of the Boston University Philhellenes Project**  
(2012)

**Co-Director of the BUPh Summer Study in Greece** at  
DEREE College—American College of Greece

*Gynaika*, featured in the supplement to *Ethnikos Kyrikas* devoted to

prominent women in the Greek community

**FUNDRAISING/ OUTREACH and EVENTS:  
EVENT ORGANIZER AT BOSTON  
UNIVERSITY:**

***Zorba the Greek***

Movie screening

Department of Classical Studies, (4/2/2007)

***Echoes of the Hellenic Musical Heritage***

A concert featuring the Greek Music Ensemble

Tsai Performance Center, (9/22/2010)

***From Ancient to Modern Greek: Myths and Realities about Languages***

Presentation by Prof. Panayiota Gounari (Dept. of Applied Linguistics, UMass Boston)

Department of Classical Studies, (4/28/2011)

***Manos and Mikis***

A concert in tribute to Manos Hadjidakis and Mikis Theodorakis

Featuring the Greek Music Ensemble

Tsai Performance Center, (10/27/2011)

***A Writer's Odyssey***

A lecture by award-winning author and journalist Nicholas Gage

Department of Classical Studies, (3/30/2012)

***Help Greek Children in Need***

A fundraising event to benefit SOS Children's Villages and the Ark of the World in Greece

(4/26/2012 and 4/27/2012)

***Plato's Apology of Socrates Now***

By Yannis Simonides and the Hellenic Theater of New York

GSU Conference Auditorium, Dec. 5, 2012

***Greek Music through the Ages***

A fundraising concert event to benefit the BUPh Summer Study in Greece

Featuring the Greek Music Ensemble

TSAl Performance Center, April 8, 2013

***The Golden Greek—The Harry Agganis Story***

A film screening and fundraising event to benefit the BUPh

Summer Study in Greece  
TSAI Performance Center, October 9<sup>th</sup> 2013

***Lectures in Modern Philhellenism***

Lectures in honor of the National Day of Greece  
Organized in concert with the Greek Consulate in Boston  
2014 -2018

***Visit of Vice Minister of Foreign Affairs, Mr. Terens Quick***  
October 2017, January 2019

**Lalaounis fundraising event: Hellenic Beauty: Ancient and Modern**  
November 8, 2018

**Master of Ceremonies** at the Dinner Gala of the Federation  
Of Hellenic-American Societies of New England  
**Greek Independence Day**, March 25 2019

**Event/Meeting at BU with Greek Reporter and former Vice  
Minister of Foreign Affairs Mr. Terens Quick**, Spring 2019

**Meeting at BU with Minister of Tourism Mr. Haris Theoharis**, Fall  
2019

**Participation at the Conference of University of Yiannena,**  
International Summer University, May 2,2020

**Organizer for Study in Greece and Vice Minister of Education, Mr Apostolos  
Dimitropoulos** two days visit to Boston.  
Spring 2022

**Event at Boston University**  
**Inspiring Greek Women Writers and the Importance of their Translation**  
Photonics Center, October 28, 2022

**Ambassador/Partner of Study in Greece in Tampa, Florida**  
Presentations: University of Tampa and University of South Florida  
November 16-18, 2022

**MEDIA:**

“Η φωνή του Καβάφη στην εποχή του κορωνοϊού”

Article in *Kathimerini*, Feb.16,2021

<https://www.kathimerini.gr/society/561265972/k-polychronioy-i-foni-toy-kavafi-stin-epochi-toy-koronoioy/>



“Cavafy and the Corona-Virus- A Voice for the Age of Pandemics”,  
Article in *The National Herald*, Jan 9,2021

[https://www.thenationalherald.com/archive\\_guest\\_columnists/article/cavafy\\_and\\_the\\_corona\\_virus\\_a\\_voice\\_for\\_the\\_age\\_of\\_pandemics-1541362/?fbclid=IwAR3nJny4G9T59\\_2cdhrQSMXpBONYHizFm1gonxlhzznGzD\\_7ZM598f0uFWg](https://www.thenationalherald.com/archive_guest_columnists/article/cavafy_and_the_corona_virus_a_voice_for_the_age_of_pandemics-1541362/?fbclid=IwAR3nJny4G9T59_2cdhrQSMXpBONYHizFm1gonxlhzznGzD_7ZM598f0uFWg)

**Open TV Greece**, at The Morning Show, Fall 2019

“A Unique Program of Hellenism and Philhellenism in Boston,”  
article in *The National Herald*, October 2017

“Ilias Lalaounis BU Philhellenes fundraising event,” **Greek TV, Boston** -Interview

“BU Philhellenes and the Summer Study in Greece,” interview  
for an article in *BU Today* about the BU Philhellenes Project and  
the Summer Study in Greece, November 24, 2014.

“BU Philhellenes to Host First Greek Night,” interview for an  
article in *The Daily Free Press* about the BU Philhellenes  
Project, the Summer Study in Greece and the Greek Night  
event on November 12, 2014.

<http://dailyfreepress.com/2014/11/12/bu-philhellenes-to-hostfirst-greek-night-to-promote-greek-culture-athens-summer-studyprogram/>

“Greek Night and the Boston University Philhellenes,” radio  
interview for **WTBU radio**, November 11, 2014.

“Philhellenism,” interview on **Grecian Echoes** radio program  
(hosts Ted Demetriades and Stamatis Astra), **WNTN 1550**, Boston,  
to discuss Philhellenism on the occasion of the National Day of  
Greece and BU Philhellenes Summer Study in Athens, March 25,  
2014.

“Greek Studies at Boston University,” interview for **Greek  
Television (ERT)** with Katerina Thanasoula, scheduled to air 2011.

“Teaching Greek,” interview on **Greek 4 Kids radio program** (host:  
Kleanthi Mavrogiannaki) **WNTN 1550**, Boston, to discuss Greek  
Language and Bilingualism, November 2011

## **PREVIOUS**

## **UNIVERSITY POSITIONS:**

**Lecturer in Modern Greek (part-time)**

Department of Classical Studies

**Boston University**, September 2006 to 2010

**Lecturer in German (part-time)**

Department of Modern Languages & Comparative Literature

**Boston University**, September 2003 to 2010

**Lecturer in Modern Greek and German (part-time)**

Department of Modern Languages

**Northeastern University**, Spring 2008 to 2012.

**Lecturer in German (part-time)**

Department of Modern Languages

**University of Massachusetts, Boston**, Summer 2007 to 2010.

**Lecturer in German (part-time)**

Department of German, Russian and Asian Languages and

Literatures, **Tufts University**, September 1999 to June 2000.

**OTHER TEACHING POSITIONS:**

**Longy School of Music**, Cambridge, MA

*Lecturer in German*, September 2007 to June 2008

**Goethe Institut**, Boston, MA

*Lecturer in German (part-time)*

September 1999 to June 2000 and September 2006 to June 2007.

**German Saturday School**, Boston, MA

*German Teacher*, September 1997 to June 2006.

**The Waldorf High School**, Lexington, MA

*German Teacher*, September 2000 to June 2003.

Designed and implemented lesson plans for German Language and Literature (Grades 9 to 12).

Served as an advisor of students and co-sponsor of 11<sup>th</sup> grade.

Prepared students for the SAT II German Test and the nationwide German High School Test administered through the American Association of Teachers of German (AATG)

**Boston Language Institute**, Boston, MA

*German and Greek Instructor*, Sept. 1998 to September 2006.

**Cambridge Center of Adult Education**, Cambridge, MA  
*German Instructor*, September 1998 to September 2001.

**Inlingual and Global Mind**, Boston, MA  
*German Language Translator and Interpreter*  
September 1997 to September 2000.

**Plato Private Elementary School**, Athens, Greece  
*Full-time German Instructor*, September 1993 to June 1996.  
Taught German to grades 3 to 6.

**N. Vlachos Language Institute**, Athens, Greece  
*German Instructor*, September 1994 to June 1995.

**Cararigas Language Institute**, Athens, Greece  
*German Instructor*, September 1993 to June 1994.

**Durdurekas Language Institute**, Athens, Greece  
*German Instructor*, September 1993 to June 1996.

**PUBLICATION:** Principal author of the CD entitled *German* that includes 15 German lessons published by the Transparent Language, Inc., NH (1999).

**PROFESSIONAL  
MEMBERSHIPS:**

Modern Greek Studies Association  
American Association of Teachers of German (AATG).

**AWARDS:** University of Massachusetts Scholarship (2000).

**Award in Greek Culture** from EXALEIPTRON women's Organization in Athens

**LANGUAGES:** Native proficiency in *German* and *Greek*; near-native proficiency in *English*