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EDUCATION:

University of Yiannena, 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

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 Philhellens (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
TSAI 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 9th 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 11th 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

Excellence in Teaching Award, Boston University 2020

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