

## **Faculty of the BS Concentration in Psychology programme**

### **State University of New York – Empire State University**

#### **Head of the Psychology Department**

##### **Dr. Antonia Svensson Dianellou**

Antonia holds a PhD in Developmental Psychology and BSc (hons) in Psychology from Goldsmiths University of London (Unit for School and Family Studies), an MSc in Health Psychology from the University of Surrey, UK and a PGDip in Dance Movement Therapy from the University of Hertfordshire, UK. Apart from heading the Psychology Department since 2015, and her teaching and management responsibilities at NYC, she is a member of the International Advisory Board of the ISPS, a global organization promoting psychotherapy for psychosis. Antonia has conducted research on intergenerational relationships at the National School of Public Health in Athens (funded by the 5th Framework of the European Commission) and at Anglia University, Cambridge (funded by the European Social Fund). Antonia is a licensed Psychologist under Greek law and an experienced counsellor-Dance Movement Therapist specialising in work with children, women and vulnerable populations. She oversees the running of the NYC Student Counseling Service and coordinates placements and internships for psychology students.

#### **Local Tutors**

##### **Ms. Chryssanthi Andronoglou (PhD candidate)**

Chryssanthi has a BSc Psychology, MSc in Clinical Neuropsychology from the Medical School- Kapodistrian University of Athens, MSc in Developmental Neuropsychology from the University of Essex. Chryssanthi is currently studying for her PhD with the University of Nicosia, and is a licensed Psychologist, Developmental and Clinical Neuropsychologist in private practice, and an experienced lecturer focusing on Neuropsychology, Therapy, Intervention and Special Needs. She teaches Statistics & Experimental Design and Research Methods with SPSS, for which she has developed a relevant practice manual. She also teaches biological psychology classes. She is a Member of the International Neuropsychological Society and Member of the Greek Society of Neuropsychologists. Chryssanthi teaches biopsychology classes.

##### **Dr. Marsha Koletsi**

Marsha has BA in Psychology from the University of Crete, PhD from the University of Sheffield. Marsha specialized in Cognitive Behavioural Therapy and completed her post-doctoral fellowship at the Psychiatric Department of the Medical School of St. George's Hospital in London, UK. She worked as a psychologist in the National Health Service (UK), at the Counselling Centre of the University of Sheffield and in the Eating Disorders Unit for the Medical Centre of the University of Sheffield. She has extensive research and clinical experience and is a licensed psychologist-psychotherapist in private practice. Dr Koletsi is an accredited clinical supervisor from the British Psychological Society and since 2015 she supervises the University of Bolton MSc CBP students' clinical training. She is an Associate Fellow of the British Psychological Society, Member of the Eating Disorders Association,

Member of the Greek Psychological Society and the Hellenic Psychological society. Marsha teaches classes in psychopathology and clinical psychology.

### **Mr. Dimitris Panagiotopoulos**

Dimitris holds an MA (Hons) in Philosophy from the University of St Andrews, Scotland, and MSc in Counselling Studies at University of Abertay Dundee, Scotland. He also holds a Postgraduate Certificate in Consciousness and Transpersonal Psychology, and is currently undergoing further training in this field, which is one of his main areas of interest and research. Dimitris has been teaching at NYC for a number of years and is a core member of the NYC faculty. He teaches a wide variety of courses, covering the fields of counselling, social, cognitive and developmental psychology. His passion for teaching, as well as the individual attention he gives to his students make him one of the most popular instructors within the Psychology Department. In 2018 he won a faculty award for Teaching Excellence, for the second time.

### **Dr. Ntaniella Roumpini Pylarinou**

Ntaniella is a Chartered Forensic Psychologist (British Psychological Society). She completed her BSc in Psychology and her MSc in Investigative Psychology at the University of Huddersfield, UK. Ntaniella completed her PhD in 2021 at the University of Huddersfield and her thesis examined Stalking: Victimization, Perpetration and Stalking Myth Acceptance in Greece and the United Kingdom. She was an invited speaker at the District Safeguarding Officers annual event for the Methodist Church to give a seminar on Stalking and has created training material for them with regards to stalking. Ntaniella has also worked as a researcher on different projects within the University of Huddersfield on topics relating to crime and criminal behaviour. She has published articles related to the field of Investigative Psychology. Her other research interests include different types of online harassment such as cyberbullying and cyberstalking, cross-cultural studies, revenge porn, coercive control, modern slavery, and sex trafficking. Dr Pylarinou joined NYC in 2021 and was previously a part-time Lecturer at the University of Huddersfield, UK. At NYC she teaches a range of introductory psychology classes as well as research methods in Psychology classes.

### **Mr. Dimitris Tsiakos**

Dimitris has a BSc in Psychology from the University of Crete, and numerous other degrees including an MSc in Basic and Applied Cognitive Science and a Postgraduate Certificate in Clinical Supervision from the University of Derby. Dimitris is the owner and Clinical Director of the Center for Contemporary Psychotherapy & Psychoanalysis in Palaio Faliro. He is an experienced psychotherapist, trainer and clinical supervisor, practicing individual Cognitive Analytic Therapist and group psychotherapist. He has completed training in group therapy at the Yalom Institute of Psychotherapy in the USA. He teaches the undergraduate courses Essentials of Group Psychotherapy and Psychological Testing. Dimitris is also involved in providing internship placements for students.