

Faculty of the BSc Psychology, Psychotherapy and Counselling programme

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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 counselor-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 Georgina Angelopoulou (PhD candidate)

Georgina is a clinical neuropsychologist. She holds two undergraduate degrees; from the Department of Philosophy, Pedagogy, Psychology and from the Department of Psychology, National and Kapodistrian University of Athens. She also holds a master's degree in special and Inclusive Education from the Institute of Education, University College London and a master's degree in clinical Neuropsychology from the Faculty of Medicine, National and Kapodistrian University of Athens, School of Medicine/Montreal Neurological Institute, McGill University. She is currently about to complete her PhD at the National and Kapodistrian University of Athens, 1st Department of Neurology. Her doctoral dissertation is focused on neural substrate of cognitive deficits in post-stroke aphasia. In 2017, she got the Doctoral Dissertation Visiting Research Scholarship from Fulbright Foundation and she spent six months in Boston University to conduct part of her doctoral research, where she was trained in several neuroimaging methods. Her research interests include several areas in the field of Clinical Neuropsychology, as post stroke aphasia and neurodegenerative diseases. She has extended experience in neuropsychological assessment of stroke patients, individuals with neurodegenerative diseases, and children with developmental disorders. She is currently involved in a series of research projects on post-stroke aphasia and healthy adults, as a research associate at the Neuropsychology and Language Pathology Unit, 1st Neurology Department of Eginition Hospital. She has co-authored several research papers, book chapters, and conference abstracts. Georgina teaches biopsychology classes and supervises undergraduate research projects.

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 research methods classes and supervises undergraduate research projects.

Ms Mary Christopoulou (PhD candidate)

Mary holds a Masters degree in Positive Psychology from Panteion University, Athens, Greece. She also holds a degree in Mass Media and Communication from the National and Kapodistrian University of Athens, a BSc in Psychology and an MSc in Organizational Psychology from the University of Hertfordshire (UK) and is a graduate member of the British Psychological Society. She is currently involved in research activities in the field of Positive Psychology and has recently published a systematic review on the new concept of "grit". She has worked as a freelance research assistant at EPIPSY, for the purposes of the European School Survey Project on Alcohol and Other Drugs (ESPAD Greece). Mary teaches Statistics and Research Methods in Psychology at undergraduate level, supervises research projects and teaches the MSc module "Foundations of Positive Psychology", which introduces the main concepts of Positive Psychology to students, familiarizing them with new insights, avenues and cutting-edge research in the field. Mary teaches statistics classes and supervises undergraduate research projects.

Dr. Katerina Karageorgou

Katerina holds a PhD in Political Psychology at Panteion University of Social and Political Sciences. She gained her first Masters (Professional) in Clinical Psychology & Psychopathology from Paris V-Descartes University, a second Masters (Research) in Clinical Sociology & Psychosociology from Paris VII-Diderot University and a Bachelors in Psychology from Panteion University. She is a licensed psychologist both in Greece and France. Katerina has worked amongst others with children in numerous public and private settings in Paris and Athens. She teaches the first year class Psychology of Adjustment on the SUNY BS programme and Reading Modern Society and Exploring Psychology on the University of Bolton BSc programme. Katerina teaches the introductory classes Reading Modern Society and Exploring psychology.

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 the advanced undergraduate classes in Abnormal Psychology, Therapeutic Process and Applications of Counselling Skills.

Ms. Nefeli Koskina

Nefeli hold a BSc in Psychology from the University of Crete, Postgraduate diploma in Practice-based Play Therapy from Canterbury Christchurch University, PGDip. in person centred counselling and MA in Counselling Psychology from the University of Athens. Nefeli works in Private Practice as a Play Therapist working with children and adolescents, and as a Counselling Psychologist with individual adult clients. She is the author of a book on Developmental Psychopathology, with a focus on autism, ADHD, conduct and anxiety disorders in children. Until recently she worked for the Institute of Education and Lifelong Learning (I.NE.ΔI.BI.M.), affiliated to the Ministry of Education as a “Trainer”, leading parent groups in schools, offering guidance and empowering parents. In addition, she has published journal articles and presented at conferences on eating disorders, attachment status and resilience in children. She teaches the introductory Applied Psychology and Self-reflection counselling classes, and the more advanced personality, developmental psychology and counselling skills courses.

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 social, cognitive, general and counselling 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. Vasiliki Varela

Vasiliki holds a BSc (Hons) in Psychology at the University of East London, MSc in Social Psychology at the London School of Economics (LSE). In 2007, Vicky completed her Ph.D. at University College London’s Institute of Cognitive Neuroscience, researching episodic memory retrieval in young eyewitnesses. She completed her post-doctoral training at the prestigious University of Cambridge (in Developmental Psychology) and has since been working as a university lecturer on the subjects of Developmental, Cognitive, Forensic Psychology and Neuropsychology, as well as Research Methods and Statistics. Her research interests include: cognitive neuroscience, decision-making, models, systems and pathologies of memory, attentional processes, language acquisition and disorders, applications of psychology in forensic settings and music perception. Vasiliki supervises undergraduate research for the final year Honors’ Project.