

**MSc Psychology and
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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. Antonia has been head of the Psychology Department since 2015. Before that she 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). In addition to teaching and conducting research, Antonia is a licensed Psychologist and Dance Movement Therapist specialising in the 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. She also teaches Positive Psychology in Practice

Dr Georgina Angelopoulou

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. In 2022 she completed 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 neuropsychology classes and supervises postgraduate research projects.

Ms Mary Christopoulou (PhD candidate)

Mary holds a Masters degree in Positive Psychology from Panteion University, Athens, Greece and is currently a PhD candidate of the same department. 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 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, and also supervises postgraduate research projects.

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 advanced classes in developmental psychology, therapeutic counselling and positive psychology in practice

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 Institute for Contemporary Psychotherapy Athens. 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. Dimitris joined the NYC faculty in 2015 and he currently teaches the undergraduate course Applied Experience (Internship) and is also involved in the clinical supervision of postgraduate students in the department of psychology.

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

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