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Dr Nikoletou holds a PhD in Applied Linguistics, University of Birmingham, UK; MA in Education (TEFL) Teaching English as a Foreign Language, University of Birmingham, UK; a BA (Hons) in English Language Teaching, University of Greenwich, UK and a BA in European Civilization from Hellenic Open University, Greece. Giota's expertise lies with international students from different ethnic backgrounds, and with communicative strategies in foreign language teaching as a result of her research focus. She is a Lecturer in Applied Linguistics of the BA (Hons) English Language and English Language Teaching of University of Greenwich UK offered at NYC. She has been also teaching Academic English Language classes and Professional and Academic Skills for the University of Bolton UK and the Empire State University of New York at NYC, whilst she continues her research on individual differences and the psychology of the language learner in second language acquisition. She has presented in various conferences in both Greece and abroad and she is a certified Senior Oral Examiner for the University of Michigan English Language Examinations and a Cambridge Assessment Specialist/Assessor and Moderator in the IGSE Exam as well as in A & AS levels.

Local Tutors

Dr Evanthia Diakoumakou

Dr Evanthia Diakoumakou, after receiving her B.A. degree in Greek Literature (Linguistics major) from the National and Kapodistrian University of Athens, studied in the United States where she received her M.A. and Ph.D, degrees in Linguistics from Wayne State University and the University of Michigan respectively. While studying in the States and after completing her graduate work she taught both at the University of Michigan and at Oakland University. Her area of specialization is Phonetics and is particularly interested in speech perception, the phonetics/phonology interface and psycholinguistics. She has published in peer-reviewed journals and has participated in Linguistics and Phonetics conferences. At New York College she has been teaching Foundations of Linguistics, Applied Linguistics and Research Methods courses, and has been supervising undergraduate and graduate dissertations.

Dr Efi Gavriil

Dr Gavriil holds a PhD in Communication and Tourism Media (H.F.R.I. scholar) from University of Macedonia, Greece. She has also obtained her Master's Degree in Theoretical and Applied Linguistics from Aristotle University of Thessaloniki. Since 2013 she works as a medical interpreter and a certified translator (projects/collaborations with European Commission, Greek National Tourism Organisation, IKEA Greece, Nielsen Hellas, and University of Athens). She is collaborating as an editor with several publishers in Greece and abroad (Kyriakidis Publications S.A, Edizioni Universum and more). Her research interests include Advertising translation, Tourism Multimedia and Communication. At New York College, she teaches "Translation Principles and Strategies" at the BA program and "Perspectives of Translation" at the MA program.

Dr Renos Georgiou

Dr Georgiou holds a PhD in Theoretical Linguistics at the University of Patras. He has studied Speech and Language Therapy (B.A.) and he holds an MA in Theoretical Linguistics. He has received scholarships from the State Scholarships Foundation of Greece (IKY) and Cyprus (IKYK) for his undergraduate and postgraduate studies and an award by the Greek State Scholarships Foundation for his academic performance. His area of specialization is Syntax and the Syntax-Semantics interface. His research areas are the syntactic and the semantic representation of movement in Greek, the comparison between Standard Modern Greek and Cypriot Greek as well as language disorders. He has participated at international Linguistics conferences and contributed as author to the proceedings of international conferences. He is a member of the research team for the project 'MiLA' whose goal is the development of a German – Greek toolkit for Theory of Mind and Language in Autism. At New York College of Athens he teaches 'Advanced Structure and Meaning' for the undergraduate program 'English Language and English Language Teaching' and 'Syntax and Semantics' for the postgraduate program in 'Applied Linguistics'.

Dr Yiannis Papargyris

Dr Papargyris is an education management professional with over 15 years' experience in the fields of English-medium Higher Education, Qualification Development and Educational Assessment. Yiannis completed his PhD at the University of Birmingham where he also taught for several years. He is also a Chartered Educational

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Mrs Alexandra Green

Mrs Green holds an MA in Management of Language Learning, University of Greenwich, UK; BA in French and Italian with German; Since 2008 she has been working as the Academic Director in a large Educational Group and her job primarily involves teacher training, the evaluation and selection of new technologies and conducting seminars on teaching practices and methodologies to teachers within the network, for learners of all ages. She is also a speaking examiner for the Cambridge examinations and the IELTS and an author of a selection of books related to language learning.