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I. CURRENT POSITION

2023-today Associate Professor – Lexicology and Teaching of Greek Language
Director of the Research Laboratory on Language and Literature in Education
Department of Primary Education, Faculty of Education Sciences, University of Crete, Greece

II. PREVIOUS POSITIONS

2015-2023 **Assistant Professor – Lexicology and Teaching of Greek Language**
Department of Primary Education, Faculty of Education Sciences, University of Crete, Greece
2018-2020 **Coordinator and teaching staff**
Postgraduate program "Linguistics for teachers" Hellenic Open University, Greece
2012-2015 **Lecturer – Lexicology and Teaching of Greek Language**
Department of Primary Education, Faculty of Education Sciences, University of Crete, Greece
2007-2010 **Adjunct Lecturer-Greek Language**
University of Aegean, Greece
1995-1999 **Adjunct Lecturer-Teaching Greek to foreigners**
University of Crete, Greece

III. EDUCATION

2001-2006 Department of Philology, University of Crete, Greece, PhD in Linguistics. [with scholarship]
Dissertation Title: "Collocations in Modern Greek as a foreign language" [in Greek]

1999-2000 Department of Linguistic Science, University of Reading, United Kingdom, Master of Arts in Applied Linguistics.
Dissertation Title: "Vocabulary acquisition and learning in Modern Greek as a foreign language" [in English]

1995-1998 Department of Philology, University of Crete, Greece. Master of Arts in Theoretical Linguistics.
Title: "Correlations between verb, noun and adjective valency. Valency reproduction and transformation in Modern Greek" [in Greek]

1990-1994 Department of Philology, University of Crete, B.A. IN Greek Philology.

IV. RESEARCH PROJECTS

	Project Title	Funding Source	Role
2026	Bridging in school and out of school literacy practices: a useful online toolkit for the teacher	Ingenium (Education Lab)	Member of Research team
2025-2026	Online Dictionary of Greek Phraseologisms	Special Account of Research, University of Crete	Coordinator
2022-2024	Global Teacher Education	Erasmus+ KA220-HED programme, European Union	Member of the research team as a partner
2022-2024 2021-2022 2018-2019	Teach for Integration capacity building programme & Teacher training for refugees	Unicef	Coordinator of module Greek as a second language: Learning and teaching, trainer

2020-2023	Compilation of a thesaurus of phrasal patterns of Greek	University of Crete, Special Account of Research University of Crete	Coordinator
2015-2017	Phraseology realization in a Modern Greek language corpus	Special Account of Research	Coordinator
2013-2014 2011-2012	Ελληνόγλωσση Πρωτοβάθμια και Δευτεροβάθμια Εκπαίδευση στη Διασπορά (Teaching Greek to Greek Diaspora)	Education and Lifelong Learning NSRF: National and European funds	Developer of online teaching material Developer of an online dictionary
2006 2002-2004 1998-1999	Παιδεία Ομογενών (Greek Diaspora Education)	Education and Lifelong Learning NSRF: National and European funds	Developer of teaching books

V. ORGANISER OF CONFERENCES AND WORKSHOPS

2026 Coordinator of the thematic session: Bridging theory with practice: useful tools for Language Education, Research Laboratory of Language and Literature in Education, Rethymno 18 June 2026

2025 Coordinator with Vassilaki, Oikonomakou, Efthymiou, Magoula of the thematic session: Linguistics and Language Education for teachers", 17th International Conference of Greek Linguistics, Cambridge 23-26 September 2025

2023 Coordinator with G. Xydopoulos of the thematic session: 'Linguistic theories and Lexicography', 16th International Conference of Greek Linguistics, Thessaloniki, 14-17 December 2023.

2023 Coordinator with Vassilaki, E., Magoula, E., Oikonomakou, M. of the working group "Linguistic modules in Pedagogical Departments. International Conference of Greek Linguistics, Thessaloniki 14-17 December 2023.

2023 Chair of the Organizing committee: Teaching Greek: The new Curriculum for the Primary School, Rethymno, University of Crete, 24 May 2023.

2022 Member of the organizing committee of the workshop "Languages as tools for developing global citizenship", Centre of Intercultural and Migrant Studies, University of Crete, 13-16 October 2022.

2018 Member of the organizing committee: 5th international conference Crossroads of Languages and Cultures, Rethymno, University of Crete, 1-3 June 2018.

VI. SURERVISION OF GRADUATE STUDENTS AND POSTDOCTORAL FELLOWS

2023-today Two (2) PhD students, University of Crete, Greece
2016-2022 Ten (10) Master students, University of Crete and Hellenic Open University

V. RECENT INDICATIVE PUBLICATIONS

[2026] **Paraskevi Thomou** & Lena Papadopoulou, *Dictionary of contemporary phraseologisms of the Greek language*. Pedio. [in Greek]

[2025] **Paraskevi Thomou**. Animal-related proverbs in Greek: The concept of DOG in Greek. *Cognitive Linguistics Studies 12*/1, 107-129, https://doi.org/10.1075/cogls.22012.tho

[2024] Christos Christodoulakis & **Paraskevi Thomou**. Investigating metaphor comprehension strategies of young second language students of Greek, *Review of Cognitive Linguistics*, (published online 16 December 2024). https://doi.org/10.1075/rcl.00212.chr

[2024] **Paraskevi Thomou** & Christos Christodoulakis. Metalinguistic awareness: a crucial factor in language learning and teaching. In N. Martinez-Leon, A. Andugar & B. Cortina-Perez (Eds.), *Multilingual pedagogies for early years. Theoretical insights and innovative approaches* (pp. 75–96). Peter Lang Verlag. https://doi.org/10.3726/b22160

[2024] **Paraskevi Thomou** & Dionysia Kontogianni. Language education for migrants and refugees: The case of reception classes. *Journal of Applied Linguistics*, 37, 20-45. https://doi.org/10.26262/jal.v0i37.10393 [in Greek]

[2024] Eleni Lykaki & **Paraskevi Thomou**. Learning and teaching of vocabulary to bilingual pupils of high school. In S. Tsiplakou & E. Ioannidou (Eds.) *Multilingualism, Variation, Spaces of Literacy. Selected Papers from the 6th International Conference "Crossroads of Language and Cultures" (CLC6),* (pp. 382-393). (2-5 September 2021).

[2023] **Paraskevi Thomou**. *Lexical issues of the Modern Greek language: theory and applications*. Athens: Pedio. [in Greek]

[2022] **Paraskevi Thomou** & Marilena Koutoulaki. From usage patterns to meaning construction: evidence from ear and eye figurative constructions. *Review of Cognitive Linguistics*, 20(2), 305-329. https://doi.org/10.1075/rcl.00113.tho

[2022] Dionysia Kontogianni & **Paraskevi Thomou**. Cultural and linguistic diversity in the Greek school: The case of Reception classes. *Dialogues: Theory and practice in Education Sciences 8*, 190-210. https://doi.org/10.12681/dial.31789

[2021] Aspasia Chatzidaki, Dionysia Kontogianni, Theodosia Michelakaki & **Paraskevi Thomou**. Raising language awareness and intercultural sensitivity in mixed classrooms. In Isaak Papadopoulos & Smaragda Papadopoulou (Eds.), *Applied Linguistics Research and Good Practices for Multicultural and Multilingual Classrooms* (pp. 55-75). New York: Nova.

[2020]. **Paraskevi Thomou**. Towards a constructional account of multi-word units in Modern Greek: a corpus-based study. In S. Markantonatou & A. Christofidou (eds.), *Multi-word expressions: Drawing on data from Modern Greek and other languages* (pp. 305-331). Athens: Academy of Athens.

[2020] **Paraskevi Thomou.** A Cognitive Approach to Learning and Teaching Vocabulary in Greek as a Second Language: The Case of Metaphorical Expressions. Στο Aspasia Chatzidaki, Paraskevi Thomou, Dionysia Kontogianni, Theodosia Michelakaki & Maria Argyroudi (Eds), *Selected Papers from the 5th International Conference "Crossroads of Languages and Cultures: Languages and cultures at home and at school"* (pp. 285-293). (Rethymno, 1-3 June 2018) [in Greek]

[2016]. **Paraskevi Thomou**. Metaphor and metonymy interaction patterns in Modern Greek. *Cognitive Linguistic Studies 3:2*, 300-316. https://doi.org/10.1075/cogls.3.2.06tho

VI. Invited speaker

2026 Invited lecture 'Metaphor: analysis, learning and teaching' at the Colloquium of Linguistics, Democritus University of Thrace

2026 Invited lecture 'Dictionary of contemporary phraseologisms of the Greek language': from awareness to use', University of Aegean

2025 Invited lecture 'Raising metalinguistic and cross-linguistic awareness of bilingual and multilingual students', Research center in Multiculturalism and Plurilingualism, University of Iceland

2025 Invited lecture 'Language and culture awareness in the multilingual classroom' at the MA class 'Pedagogy and organization of support', Faculty of Education, University of Iceland