Academic Personnel Short Profile / Short CV

University:	UNIC Athens
Surname:	Geka
Name:	Vassiliki (Bessy)
Rank/Position:	Lecturer
Faculty:	School of Humanities and Social Sciences
Department:	Department of Languages and Literature
Scientific Domain: *	Linguistics; Construction Grammar; Corpus and Applied linguistics, English for Specific Purposes (ESP)

** Field of Specialization*

Academic qualifications (list by highest qualification)

Qualification	Year	Awarding Institution	Department	Thesis title (Optional Entry)
Postdoctoral research in Linguistics	Ongoing (2027 expected)	National and Kapodistrian University of Athens	English Language and Literature	Cognition Verbs Revisited from a Corpus-Based Diachronic Perspective
PhD in Linguistics	2021	National and Kapodistrian University of Athens	English Language and Literature	The contribution of constructions to dialogicity and discourse unit delimitation: A corpus-based analysis of BELIEVE (YOU) ME, BELIEVE IT OR NOT, THINK AGAIN and MIND YOU
MA in Applied Linguistics	2011	National and Kapodistrian University of Athens	English Language and Literature	A Cognitive Linguistic Treatment of Idiomaticity in an EFL Context
BA in English and Greek Language and Literature	2009	National and Kapodistrian University of Athens	English Language and Literature	---

Employment history in Academic Institutions/Research Centers – List by the three (3) most recent

Period of employment		Employer	Location	Position
From	To			
Feb 2026	Present	UNIC Athens	Athens, Greece	Lecturer
Mar 2024	Jul 2026	University of West Attica	Athens, Greece	Adjunct Lecturer (intermittent appointments)

September 2023	September 2026	Hellenic Air Force Academy	Athens, Greece	Lecturer

Key *refereed* journal papers, monographs, books, conference publications etc. List the five (5) more recent and other five (5) selected –(max total 10)

Ref. Number	Year	Title	Other authors	Journal and Publisher / Conference	Vol.	Pages
1	2026 (in print)	Genres, Influential Texts and Language Change: Exploring Cross-Fertilising Effects	N. Lavidas, K. Nikiforidou (co-editors)	(edited volume) De Gruyter Mouton	In print	In print
2	2026 (in print)	Tracks to the past and genre dynamics in zero/that complementation of cognition verbs.	-----	(edited volume) Mouton de Gruyter	In print	In print
3	2026	Affective meaning as creative force: Multimodal perspectives in online discourse	A. Piata	Journal of Internet Pragmatics	9(1)	67-104
4	2026	Constructions on the rise: Insights from multimodality in Modern Greek	A. Piata	Journal of Greek Linguistics	26(1)	68-98
5	2026 (to appear)	From Meme Cycles to Meme Spirals: A Multimodal Construction Grammar Perspective	A. Piata	Proceedings of the 17th International Conference on Greek Linguistics	n/a	n/a
6	2025	Imperative-based dialogic constructions and discourse units	-----	John Benjamins (monograph)	n/a	n/a
7	2023	Atypical Imperative constructions: The case of YOU DO THAT	-----	Constructions	15(2)	1-33
8	2022	Teacher evaluation in HyFlex settings: Observation practices in focus through a case study approach	-----	Journal of Applied Languages and Linguistics	6(1)	26–41
9	2020	Dialogic constructions and discourse units: The case of THINK AGAIN	S. Marmaridou; K. Nikiforidou	Review of Cognitive Linguistics	18(2)	480–518
10	2017	Mental state verbs in dialogic constructions	S. Marmaridou	Online Proceedings of UK-CLA	4	88–110

Research Projects. List the five (5) more recent and other five (5) selected (max total 10)				
Ref. Number	**Date**	**Title**	**Funded by**	**Project Role***
1	2024–2025	A Corpus-Based Valency Lexicon for a Contrastive and Diachronic Study of Ancient and Medieval Languages	Hellenic Foundation for Research and Innovation	Postdoctoral Researcher; research team member
2	2013–2014	English for Young Learners (EYL/PEAP): development and implementation	ESPA	Research associate
3	2011–2013	Differentiated, integrated and adaptive national foreign language assessment tools	ESPA	Research associate
4	23/5/2016 – 30/6/2016 & 10/10/2016 – 10/11/2016	Development of Research and Education in the Department of English Language and Literature; assignment: identifying linguistic features of orality, retrieving linguistic data, analysing a statistically valid sample of specific grammatical structures, and recording preliminary observations	ESPA	Research associate
5	1/3/2015 – 30/4/2015	Research in electronic language corpora	NKUA	Research associate
6	2008-2014	Project 1: Developing assessment and certification tools for foreign language competence: Preparing assessment tools measuring English language competence; responsible for quality control, EPEAEK II (1/2/2008 – 15/12/2008) Project 2: Differentiated & Integrated National Foreign Language Competence Exams: Differentiated, Integrated and Adaptive Assessment Tools measuring English language competence for all levels and different types of learner groups (both targeted and general), ESPA (1/7/2011 – 28/2/2013) Project 3: New policies for foreign language learning at school: The English for Young Learners (EYL/PEAP) Project – Development & Implementation, ESPA (1/3/2013 – 30/11/2013 & 8/1/2014 – 30/4/2014) Project 4: Differentiated & Integrated National Foreign Language Competence Exams – Appraisal of the Organisation and Administration of the National Foreign Language Exams (KPG), ESPA (8/1/2014 – 30/4/2014 & 1/10/2014 – 31/12/2014)	ESPA	Research associate (RCeL)
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**Project Role: i.e. Scientific/Project Coordinator, Research Team Member, Researcher, Assistant Researcher, other*

Academic Consulting Services and/or Participation in Councils / Boards/ Editorial Committees. List the five (5) more recent (Optional Entry)				
Ref. Number	**Period**	**Organization**	**Title of Position or Service**	**Key Activities**
1	2025–present	NKUA postgraduate programmes	Seminar organizer and coordinator	Annual seminars in linguistics and translation
2	2025	Athens Digital Glossa Chronos / NKUA	Workshop organizer * Member of the Research Team	Corpora and Diachrony Delphi Workshop
3	2019	Hellenic Police Headquarters	Assessment Committee Member and Scientific Advisor	Assessment of English language competence for liaison officer appointments
4	2010–2012	TESOL Greece	Vice-Chair	Organized seminars and an international conference
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Awards / International Recognition (where applicable). List the five (5) more recent and other five (5) selected. (max total 10) (Optional Entry)			
Ref. Number	**Date**	**Title**	**Awarded by:**
1	2016	First Prize for Best Poster Presentation, 6th International Cognitive Linguistics Conference	Conference organizers, Bangor, UK
2	2015–2016	Young Leaders Fellowship Fund scholarship for doctoral research	Nippon Foundation / Tokyo Foundation for Policy Research
3	2009 -2011	Scholarship and first-in-cohort distinction	Greek State Scholarships Foundation (IKY)
4	2009 -2011	Pantia Ralli Bequest scholarship and commendation	National and Kapodistrian University of Athens
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