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# Academic Personnel Short Profile / Short CV

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| **University:** | University of Nicosia |
| **Surname:** | Nisiforou |
| **Name:** | Efi |
| **Rank/Position:** | Assistant Professor |
| **Faculty:** | School of Education |
| **Department:** | Department of Education |
| **Scientific Domain: *** | Distance Education |

** Field of Specialization*

## Academic qualifications (list by highest qualification)

| Qualification | Year | Awarding Institution | Department | Thesis title (Optional Entry) |
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| PhD | 2016 | Cyprus University of Technology | Multimedia | "Assessing Online Learners' Differences in Field-Dependence Independence Cognitive Ability Using Multi-Metric Methods" |
| PGCert | 2015 | University of Wales Trinity Saint David | Technology | |
| MEd | 2009 | The University of Manchester | Education | "Metacognition and Learning Styles: Teachers', Parents' and Students' views" |
| BEd | 2008 | National and Kapodistrian University of Athens | Education | |

| Employment history in Academic Institutions/Research Centers – List by the three (3) most recent | | | | |
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| **Period of employment** | | **Employer** | **Location** | **Position** |
| **From** | **To** | | | |
| 11/2022 | Present | University of Nicosia | Nicosia | Assistant Professor (tenured) |
| 09/17 | 11/2022 | University of Nicosia | Nicosia | Lecturer |
| 05/16 | Present | Center for the Advancement of Research and Development in Educational Technology - CARDET | Nicosia | Scientific Collaborator |

| Key ***refereed*** journal papers, monographs, books, conference publications etc. List the five (5) more recent and other five (5) selected –(max total 10) | | | | | | |
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| **Ref. Number** | **Year** | **Title** | **Other authors** | **Journal and Publisher / Conference** | **Vol.** | **Pages** |
| 1 | 2024 | Transforming higher Education Teaching through the integration of Virtual and Augmented Reality | P Kosmas, C Vrasidas | INTED2024 Proceedings | 2024 | 2604-2612 |
| 2 | 2022 | Assuring the quality of online learning in higher education: Adaptations in design and implementation. | Konstantinidou, A. | Australasian Journal of Educational Technology | 38 | 127-142 |
| 3 | 2022 | The Digitalization of Teaching Practices in K-12 Education: | P Kosmas, D Michael, C Vrasidas | European Conference on Technology Enhanced Learning | 2022 | 145-158 |

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| | | Insights from Teachers' Perspective. | | | | |
| 4 | 2022 | Impact of COVID-19 pandemic on pre-service teacher's practices and readiness. | Evagorou, M. | A retrospective of teaching, technology, and teacher education during the COVID-19 pandemic | 137 | |
| 5 | 2021 | Emergency remote teaching during COVID-19 pandemic: Lessons learned from Cyprus. | P Kosmas, C Vrasidas | Educational Media International | 58 | 215-221 |
| 6 | 2021 | Instructional design using gamification and ARCS model of motivation. | Konstantinidou, A. | INTED2021 Proceedings | 2021 | 4020-4028 |
| 7 | 2021 | Reflections on the Application of a Gamified Environment to Foster Young Learners' Digital Competencies. | Vrasidas, C. | Smart Pedagogy of Game-based Learning | 2021 | 167-178 |
| 8 | 2020 | Creativity thinking skills promoted through educational robotics. | Eteokleous, N., Christodoulou, C | Educational Robotics in the Context of the Maker Movement | 2020 | 55-68 |
| 9 | 2020 | Engaging Pre-service Teachers in an Online STEM Fair during COVID-19. | Evagorou, M. | Journal of Technology and Teacher Education | 28 | 179-186 |
| 10 | 2019 | Virtual Reality in EFL classroom: educational affordances and students' perceptions in Cyprus. | Karageorgakis, T. | The Cyprus Review | 30 | 381-396 |

| Research Projects. List the five (5) more recent and other five (5) selected (max total 10) | | | | |
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| **Ref. Number** | **Date** | **Title** | **Funded by** | **Project Role*** |
| 1 | 2024-2027 | TINKER “an auThentIc learNing and gender inclusive frameworK for tEaching infoRmatics in schools across Europe” | ERASMUS-EDU-2023-PI-FORWARD | Local PI / Researcher (R) |
| 2 | 2023-2026 | INFINITE “artIficial iNtelligence For professIonal aNd pedagogIcal pracTices in Higher Education” | Erasmus+, KA220-HED | Local PI/ Researcher (R) |
| 3 | 2023-2025 | VHEalthLab: “Development of Open Access Virtual Labs for teaching STEM: Biology and Health Sciences" | Erasmus+, KA2 | Researcher (R) |
| 4 | 2022-2024 | LEADER AI: “LEAarning analytics and AI for personalized lEaRning" | Erasmus+, KA2 | Local PI/ Researcher (R) |
| 5 | 2022-2024 | VRinHE: “Integrating Virtual and Augmented Reality in Higher Education Curricula” | Erasmus+, KA2 | Researcher (R) |
| 6 | 2022-2025 | ICSEFactory: “ICSE Science Factory” | HORIZON-WIDERA-2022-ERA-01 | Researcher (R) |
| 7 | 2020-2023 | STEMkey: “Teaching standard STEM topics with a key competence approach” | Erasmus+, KA2 | Researcher (R) |
| 8 | 2020-2022 | Generation AI: Teaching kids about Artificial Intelligence (GENERATION-AI) | National Agency Erasmus+ | Researcher (R) |
| 9 | 2019-2021 | STEAMitUP: Preparing teachers and students for a digital world | National Agency Erasmus+ | Researcher (R) |
| 10 | 2018-2020 | Boosting Virtual Reality Learning within Higher Business Management Education (VRinSight) | National Agency Erasmus+ | Researcher (R) |

| Academic Consulting Services and/or Participation in Councils / Boards/ Editorial Committees. List the five (5) more recent (Optional Entry) | | | | |
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| **Ref. Number** | **Period** | **Organization** | **Title of Position or Service** | **Key Activities** |
| 1 | upcoming | National Bioethics Committee | Member of the national committee on the subject “Students' Perception of ChatGPT” | Jointly collaborate and coordinate efforts with another Cyprus-based institution to compile a European CNBC application. |
| 2 | 2022 - Present | European Commission, Cyprus | Member of EPALE community of learning professionals on adult learning | Act as external evaluator and reviewer |
| 3 | 2019 - Present | School of Education, University of Nicosia | Member of the e-Learning Expert Faculty, Board member | e-Learning expert, trainer |
| 4 | 2016 - Present | Association for Computing Machinery (ACM & ACM - W) and womENcourage ACM-W Cyprus. | Board member and National representative | Reviewer, Social Media Chair |
| 5 | 2016 - Present | Department of Education, University of Nicosia | Act as a board member of the Postgraduate Students Examining Committee | Act as President and member of the examining committee, Supervision of PhD and Master Students |