PERSONAL INFORMATION



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ORK EXPERIENCE

2017 - to date

Greek Language Ass/Lecturer & (2022) Foreign Language Center, FFL

University of Tirana, Faculty of Foreign Languages, Department of Greek Language, Tirana, Albania http://www.unitir.edu.al/ https://fgjh.edu.al/qendra-e-gjuheve-te-huaja/ Lecture planning, research and improvement of teaching syllabuses; Supervision of student progress during the teaching-research process

Teaching fields: morphology/syntax, lexicology, text analysis, didactics, literature, translation.

2016 - 2023

Greek Language Ass/Lecturer & (2021) Didactic Coordinator of Greek Language

University College Logos, Logos Foundation, Tirana, Albania

http://www.kulogos.edu.al/al/academic-staff-ofthe-languages-department.html & http://www.kulogos.edu.al/al/single-news.html?id=614b0c556706272687b1cd00

Lecture planning, research and improvement of teaching syllabuses; Head of the Test Evaluator Exam during the Greek Language Certification

Member of the Interdepartmental Admissions Commission (FHLC); Member of the Standing Committee for Student Relations (FHLC); Member of the Ad-hoc commissions for the recruitment of new academic staff (FHLC); Member of the Internal Evaluation Group during the Accreditation process of the Greek Language and Civilization program (FHLC); Member of the Working Group during the Marketing Campaign of KU LOGOS; Member of the Career Office; Member of the Internal Evaluation group; Translator/ Editor;

Teaching fields: morphology/syntax, lexicology, didactics, translation.

2008 - 2016

Greek Language Teacher

Greek-Albanian College Arsakeio of Tirana, Philekpaideutiki Etaireia, Tirana, Albania http://www.arsakeio.gr/en/

Teaching planning, research and improvement of teaching syllabuses; Organization of

school activities; Translator/Interpreter/Editor; Test Evaluator Exam during the Greek Language Certification.

2008 – 2012 Greek Language Teacher

Hellenic Foundation for Culture, Condor Business Centre, Tirana, Albania

http://www.hfc-tirana.com/wmt/webpages/index.php?lid=2&pid=1

Teaching planning, research and improvement of teaching syllabuses; Translator / Interpreter/Editor; Test Evaluator Exam during the Greek Language Certification

2008 – 2008 Greek Language Teacher

Non-public school "Protagonists", Tirana, Albania

http://www.protagonistschool.org/?lang=en

Teaching planning, research and improvement of teaching syllabuses

COLLABORATION

2019 - to date

Radio Ngjallja - Radio Resurrection - Autocephalous Orthodox Church of Albania, Author of Broadcasting

(2019-2020) Learn Greek I & II (Mësojmë greqisht I & II)

https://www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PLjZc-dBxW9EB5A83SJiMdrUnYO3nl7_5U & https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=RywRo4wsTa0&list=PLjZc-

dBxW9ECFhrN2oA4_IKZpKDCFnH2g&index=9&ab_channel=RADIONGJALLJA

(2020-2021) Between Greek and Albanian poetry (Mes poezisë greke dhe shqiptare)

https://www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PLjZc-

<u>dBxW9ECIdaoFPJoCkIVTLBZdI1AA&fbclid=IwAR1Y06YisdretXNlNBf9rVsSYq1wN5kj</u> <u>00feeBb9su2FxuMpRCQmgmftvS8</u>

(2022-2023) Landscapes of writing. Greek prose writers on Albanian radio (Peizazhe të shkrimit. Prozatorët grekë në radion shqiptare)

2018 - to date

Certified Translator (Albanian/Greek)

Ministry of Justice, Directorate of Foreign Jurisdictional Relations, Sector of Official Translations, Albania https://www.drejtesia.gov.al/wp-content/uploads/2023/10/NDRYSHIM-URDHRI-PER-MIRATIMIN-E-LISTES-dhe-LISTA-E-PERKTHYESVE-ZYRTARE-PER-VITIN-2023-E-KORRIGJUAR.pdf

2016 - to date

Translator/ Editor (Albanian/Greek)

Ministry of Education and Sports, Diaspora and Minority Sector, Albania

http://www.arsimi.gov.al/

2014 - to date

Exam Writer and Drafter

Agency for Quality Assurance of Pre-University Education, Ministry of Education, Sports and Youth https://www.ascap.edu.al/

Drafter of the Fundraising Questionnaire for the Teacher Certification Test in the preuniversity education system for the Greek Language; Test Evaluator of the Teacher Certification Test in the pre-university education system for the Greek Language; Drafter of the Teacher Certification Test in the pre-university education system for the Greek Language.

EDUCATION AND TRAINING

2022 - to

Proc. Dr. Linguistics/Applied and Comparative Linguistics

date

University of Tirana, Faculty of Foreign Languages, Department of Greek Language, Tirana, Albania

http://www.unitir.edu.al/

Learning strategies of the Greek lexicon in higher secondary education in Albanian-Greek bilingual schools (PhD supervisor Prof. Asoc. Dr. Sofia Delijorgji)

2011-2016

M.Sc. Linguistics

Albanian Academy of Albanological Studies, Institute of Linguistics, Tirana, Albania

http://www.qsa.edu.al

The vocabulary features of Albanian and Greek speaking children (age 6-12 years) (MSc supervisor Prof. Asoc. Dr. Enkeleida Kapia)

2004 - 2008

University Degree - Bachelor of Science - Greek Language Specialist

University of Tirana, Faculty of Foreign Languages, Department of Slavic and Balkan languages, Tirana, Albania

http://www.unitir.edu.al

Translation (Albanian – Greek) "Ne të tre", Fatos Kongoli (BSc supervisor Dr. Eneida Mataj)

CONFERENCES & PUBLICATIONS

• Delijorgji, S. & Zoto, A. (2023) *Cultural values and heritage of Dropulli* - International conference on the theme: "How to make our cultural heritage speak?" – Creativity and mediation in the recognition of cultural heritage" – **Published** in the conference proceedings ISSN 2664-7346 https://feut.edu.al/lajmerime/1858-konference-

- nderkombetare-me-teme-si-ta-bejme-trashegimine-tone-kulturore-te-flase-kreativitet-dhe-ndermjetesim-ne-njohjen-e-trashegimise-kulturore
- Zoto, A. & Metaj (Foçi), I. (2023) Albanian and greek socio-cultural terminology influences on the customs and traditions for new year and Christmas "The terminology of human fields and its reflection in dictionaries";
 Tirana Published in the conference proceedings ISBN 9789928470744 https://fgjh.edu.al/konference-shkencore-nderkombetare-terminologjia-ne-fushat-humane-dhe-pasqyrimi-i-saj-ne-fjalore/
- Zoto, A. (2023) *The role of the translator in intercultural communication* International scientific conference "Translation and communication, International challenges and advantages"; Tirana
- Delijorgji, S. & Zoto, A. (2022) On the borrowings of the Albanian language in the lexicon of the Greek language

 International scientific conference "Issues of language, literature and literary translation"; Gjakova Published
 in the conference proceedings and in the newspaper ExLibris (2022) ISSN 2708-4876 https://exlibris.al/wp-content/uploads/2022/08/EXLIBRIS_196.pdf?fbclid=IwAR1mlfl6_3MipUXAm4ze2aaKIPnlsBB-EX77_9M_CTdos0erDQFpKz6SNQ
- Zoto, A &. Basoucou, L. (2022) "Tou giofyriou tis Artas ("The bridge of Arta"): A teaching scenario of Modern Greek Literature for foreign language students - International Conference on "Education in the 21st Century: Contemporary Challenges and Concerns", Greece Published in the conference proceedings https://conf2022.ptde.uoi.gr/wp-content/uploads/2022/06/teyxos_perilipsewn.pdf
- Zoto, A &. Delijorgji, S. (2021) Teaching foreign languages through Radio: The case of the Greek language International conference. Re-dimensioning of teaching and scientific research in the dynamics of a new reality. FGJH, UT.

 Published in the conference proceedings ISBN 978-9928-4706-8-3 https://fgjh.edu.al/wp-content/uploads/2021/12/Programi-KONFERENCE-SHKENCORE-NDERKOMBETARE-RIDIMENSIONIMI-I-MESIMDHENIES-DHE-KERKIMIT-SHKENCOR-NE-DINAMIKAT-E-NJE-REALITETI-TE-RI.pdf
- Zoto, A. (2021) Foreign Language Learning- Hobby or Necessity? 16th Annual International Conference,
 "Education and Culture in Contemporary Society", Albania
 https://www.sociology.al/sites/default/files/16th%20International%20Conference%20Proceedings%20UNIKO%2
 02021.pdf
- Zoto, A. (2021) "Bilingualism From childhood to adulthood" (ISSN 2664-7316), FGJH, Scientific Journal of the Faculty of Foreign Languages, Albania https://fgjh.edu.al/revista-2/
- Delijorgji, S. & Zoto, A. (2021) *The cultural heritage of the Dropulli* International scientific conference "How much and how is cultural heritage highlighted through communication?"; Universiteti i Tiranës, Ambassade de France en Albanie dhe Agence Universitaire de la Francophonie. **Published** in the conference proceedings
- Zoto, A. (2021) Vocabulary learning strategies of Modern Greek as a second / foreign language International Interdisciplinary Conference: "Comparative Studies in Contemporary Society; Balkans in European and Global Context" University of Prizren Ukshin Hoti, KOSOVO https://www.sociology.al/sites/default/files/15th%20International%20Conference%20Proceedings%202020-

2021 0.pdf

- Zoto, A. (2019) "Foreign language didactic methodologies grammar-translation methods"- 12th International Conference: New Dimensions And Approaches In English Studies, Faculty of Foreign Languages, Tirana
- Zoto, A. (2019) Religious tourism. Orthodox religious property in Albania (ISSN 2308-2208), Publication in Scientific Journals KËRKIM, Vol. 16. Bot. Ngjallja, Shqipëri https://www.facebook.com/libraria.e.katedrales.orthodhokse/photos/a.937922909552740/2499239800087702/?type=3
- Zoto, A. (2018) Childhood bilingualism: The lexical features of the Albanian-Greek speaking children (6-12 years old) (ISBN 978-9928-211-16-3) International Conference Education, Psychology and Society, Faculty of Social Sciences, University of Tirana https://drive.google.com/file/d/1eRwekhu7t7XfYCp-DahCwd1ZOKz9f0E9/view
- Zoto, A. (2018) Alternative forms of tourism in Albania, Education tourism. (ISBN: 978-9928-266-00-2), 2nd
 International Conference: Current Developments and New Perspectives in Applied Sciences and Economy, Logos University, Tiranë http://www.kulogos.edu.al/en/second-international-conference.html Member of the Editorial Board
- Zoto, A. (2018) *On the borrowings of the Greek language from English* (ISSN 2308-2208), **Publication** in Revista Shkencore LOGOS, Vol. 5. Bot. Ngjallja, Shqipëri http://www.kulogos.edu.al/al/logos-journals.html
- Zoto, A. (2017) *Deep learning through Transformative Pedagogy* (ISSN 2308-2208), **Publication** in Revista Shkencore LOGOS, Vol. 4. Bot. Ngjallja, Shqipëri http://www.kulogos.edu.al/al/logos-journals.html
- Zoto, A. (2017) The study of morpho-syntactic and lexical features of Albanian and Greek-speaking children, through new research methods (Sentence Repetition Test and Vocabulary Measurement Test) Scientific conference: Methodology and scientific research: tradition and innovation, Youth Academy of Albania, Tirana Published in (2019) in the conference proceedings http://akad.gov.al/ash/pdf/akad_rinjve/Libri%20i%20Abstrakteve.pdf
- Zoto, A. (2017) Educational Technology And Multimedia, Teaching with multimedia and hypermedia tools (ISSN-P 2304-473X) International Conference: Education and Cultural Heritage, Association of Heritage and Education, Association Culturelle Konitza, Bruksel Published in the conference proceedings https://storage.googleapis.com/wzukusers/user-29792704/documents/5bd2b66b5ec610VbCqMx/ICECH%20-%201%20Conference%20Proceeding%20Book.pdf
- Zoto, A. (2017) *Borrowings of the Greek language from English morphological analysis -* 10th International Conference: New Dimensions And Approaches In English Studies, Faculty of Foreign Languages, Tirana
- Zoto, A. (2017) Distance learning (e-learning) as a factor of development of economy in Albania. (ISBN: 978-9928-4425-1-2), 1st International Conference: Current Developments and New Perspectives in Applied Sciences and Economy, Logos University, Tirana http://www.kulogos.edu.al/en/first-international-conference.html

TRANSLATIONS & EDITS

- Gaitanos, G. (2021) Rrymat e mendimit filozofik (ISBN: 978-9928-4594-2-8), Department of Theology and Culture,
 KU
 Logos
 https://www.academia.edu/46658975/Rrymat_filozofike_t%C3%AB_mendimit_modern_per%C3%ABndimor_P
 hilosophical Currents of Modern Western Thought
- Gaitanos, G. (2020) Shkrim akademik (ISBN: 978-9928-4594-2-8), Department of Theology and Culture, KU
 Logos https://www.academia.edu/43455591/Shkrim Akademik
- Gaitanos, G. (2020) Fetë e botës (ISBN: 978-9928-4594-2-8), Department of Theology and Culture, KU Logos https://www.academia.edu/42177743/Fet%C3%AB e bot%C3%ABs
- Gaitanos, G. (2019) Hyrje në studimet religjioze (ISBN: 978-9928-266-12-5), Department of Theology and Culture, KU Logos https://www.academia.edu/40512036/Hyrje_n%C3%AB_studimet_religjioze
- Mersinllari. M., Rota. T., Minxuri. D., Kostrista. E., Gavani. V., Buzo. S. (2017): Manual Kërpudhat helmuese dhe të ngrënshme në Shqipëri (ISBN: 9789928442536), Bot. Ngjallja, Shqipëri
- (2017- 2023): Student Journal *Logos* (ISSN: 2523-0859), Bot. Ngjallja, Shqipëri
- (2017- 2023): Revista Shkencore *Logos* (ISSN: 2308-2208), Bot. Ngjallja, Shqipëri http://www.kulogos.edu.al/al/journals.html
- (2011): Kristo S. Zoto Vështrim historik, Kakavia, Shqipëri
- (2008–2016): Arsakeio e Tiranës. Journals, brochures and school calendars

TRAININGS/ WORK-SHOPS/ SUMMER SCHOOLS/ ERASMUS+

- 2023 (W) *Microfiction*. The Nikos Kazantzakis Museum (Yannis Farsaris).
- **2023** (**T**) *Modern Greek spelling issues: spelling in practic*. The Institute of Modern Greek Studies (M. Triantafyllidis Foundation) of A.P.Th.
- 2023 Erasmus+ DUTH (Blended Intensive Programme) (teaching 25 hours) Department of Greek Philology, Department of International Relations Komitini, Greece, Democritus University of Thrace
- **2023 (T)** *Developments in artificial intelligence: the case of ChatGPT,* The Laboratory of Digital Humanities Studies "Psifis" of the Faculty of Philosophy, AUTH
- 2023 (T) *Problems with the spelling mistake*, The Institute of Modern Greek Studies (M. Triantafyllidis Foundation) of A.P.Th.
- **2022** (**T**) *Teaching of modern Greek* (25 hours), Department of Greek Language and Civilization of LOGOS University College
- 2021 Erasmus+ DUTH Department of Greek Philology, Department of International Relations Komitini, Greece, Democritus University of Thrace

- 2021 Erasmus+ *DUTH* International Week: a five-day online training programme.

 Department of International Relations Komitini, Greece, Democritus University of Thrace
- 2021 (SS) Multilingualism in educational contexts: Evidence from research outcomes International Linguistic Spring School University of Cologne & Aristotle University of Thessaloniki http://ling-lab.lit.auth.gr/files/Spring_School_2021_program.pdf
- 2021 (T) Education and Certification in the Teaching of Greek as a Language of Cultural Heritage for Teachers of the Greek Diaspora (420 hours), Democritus University of Thrace
- 2021 (WSH) Constructing valid language tests & relating existing tests and examinations to the CEFR - ASCAP, Council of Europe & European Center of Modern Languages (ECML)
- 2021 (SS) 2nd Small Summer University "Greek Language, Culture and Media" Laboratory
 for the Study of Social Issues, Media and Education of the Pedagogical Department of
 Kindergarten Teachers of the School of Education of the University of Ioannina
 https://summerschool.ac.uoi.gr/wp-content/uploads/2021/08/2o-mikro-therino-programma.pdf
- 2021 (WSH) Strategji, metoda dhe teknika për të mësuarin me në qendër nxënësin –
 Planifikimi i kurrikulës Vlerësimi i të nxënit Situatat e të nxënit (54 hours) KART &
 ASCAP
- 2021 (T) The teaching of the Greek language Theoretical and pedagogical perspectives.

 Omonia Youth & Embassy of Greece
- 2021 (T) The teaching of modern Greek as a foreign language / as a language of cultural heritage (25 hours), Aristotle University of Thessaloniki and KU LOGOS
- 2020 (WSH) Greek language teaching in the Albanian education system (Acquisition of a second language), Faculty of Foreign Languages, UT
- 2019 (SS) Byzantine Summer School of Language, History and Civilization, Byzantine
 Cultural Heritage, Faculty of History and Philology. University of Tirana
 https://www.fhf.edu.al/shkolla-verore-e-gjuhes-historise-dhe-civilizimit-bizantin-trashegimia-kulturore-bizantine-dhe-pabizantine-ne-shqiperi/
- 2018 (T) American English Webinar Series 7, Office of English Language Programs, U.S.
 Department of State
- 2018 (WSH) Ethics and academic writing, the first step towards success in scientific research, Academy of Sciences of Albania
- 2016 (T) Modern Greek language teaching reading comprehension Guidelines, Christos Merentitis, Ministry of Education, Athens
- 2016 (T) Professional ethics / School as a community center / Violence and its impact on children's behavior / Change of Albania starting from a classroom / Contemporary and

Effective Methods of Teaching / Leadership and Integrity, International School Project, Tirana

• 2011 (T) Teaching Greek language as a second or foreign language), Center for Intercultural Education, University of Patras

PROJECTS

- 2022-2024: Learning strategies of the Greek vocabulary in higher secondary education in Albanian-Greek bilingual school. University of Tirana, Faculty of Foreign Languages, Department of Greek Language https://fgjh.edu.al/wp-content/uploads/2022/12/STRATEGJITE-E-NXENIES-SE-LEKSIKUT-TE-GREQISHTES-NE-ARSIMIN-E-MESEM-TE-LARTE-NE-SHKOLLAT-DYGJUHESHE-SHQIPTARO-GREKE.pdf
- 2007-2013 (Albanian/Greek translator): Tourism in Synergy with Energy Efficiency: Creating Eco-Sustainable Tourism Destinations. Territorial Cooperation Programme "Greece Albania 2017-2013 https://keep.eu/projects/16543/Tourism-in-Synergy-with-Ene-EN/
- 2021 -2026 Research Area: Second Language teaching and Learning CA22149 Research
 Network for Interdisciplinary Studies of Transhistorical Deliberative Democracy
 (CHANGECODE) Institute IRRIS for Research, Development and Strategies of Society,
 Culture and Environment https://www.cost.eu/actions/CA22149/

PERSONAL SKILLS AND COMPETENCIES

| Mother tongue | Albanian |
|----------------------|--|
| English | C1 |
| | Aptis, British Council |
| | University of Cambridge, ESOL Examinations, BULATS; |
| | University of Tirana, Faculty of Foreign Languages, Albania; |
| | University of Michigan, English Language Institution; |
| | Aristotle University of Thessaloniki, PALSO |
| Greek | C2 |
| Italian | A2 |
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