

Curriculum Vitae

Education

September 2020

PhD in Cognitive Linguistics: A Cognitive Linguistics approach to Dimensional Adjectives: the case of *big*

Aristotle University of Thessaloniki, School of English, Department of Theoretical & Applied Linguistics.

1998 – 1999

**MA in Sociolinguistics
University of Essex, UK.**

1993 – 1998*

**BA in English Language & Literature
Aristotle University of Thessaloniki, School of English**

Research Projects

September 2012 – today

Research Group in Cognitive Linguistics

<http://www.enl.auth.gr/tclr/index.htm>

<http://www.enl.auth.gr/tclr/members.htm>

December 2015 – December 2016

Cognitive Modelling (CogMod) Research Project

<http://www.enl.auth.gr/tclr/projects.htm>

March 2013 – June 2015

MetBib on-line platform

<http://www.enl.auth.gr/tclr/projects.htm>

<https://benjamins.com/online/met>

Talks

1. Going figurative; metonymy and metaphor in big + N constructions. FTL4, Braga, Portugal, October 2018.

2. When *big* is not big; an Active Zone approach to the one dimensionality of *big*. FTL 3, Osijek, Croatia, April 2017. Young Researchers Award.

3. From Literal to Figurative language; the case of *big*. FTL 2, Pavia, Italy, October 2015.

4. Overall Size in English: *big* and *large*. FTL1, Thessaloniki, Greece, 2014.

5. It is a big deal! Conceptual metaphor and conceptual metonymy in the use of the English Dimensional Adjective *big*. 21st Symposium of Theoretical & Applied Linguistics, Theme Session on Cognitive Linguistics Thessaloniki, April 2013.

Papers

Syrpa, Giota (2017). From Literal to Figurative language; the case of *big*. In Annalisa Baicchi & Erica Pinelli (eds.), *Cognitive Modelling in Language and Discourse across Cultures*, 91-103. Newcastle Upon Tyne. Cambridge Scholars Publishing.

(2016) How to explain the difference between synonyms *big* and *large*. *TESOL E-Bulletin*. Issue 58.

Professional Experience

September 2003 – today*

English Language Teacher in Primary School.

September 2021 – today

International Hellenic University – Department of Accounting & Finance
Teaching English for Accounting & Finance.

February 2020 - today

International Hellenic University - Department of Business Administration.
Teaching English for Business Administration.

*September 2017 – September 2018

Second Chance School – Nigrita Detention Facility. ESL Teacher.

*September 2015 – August 2016

Aristotle University of Thessaloniki, School of English.

Fall / Spring Semester 2015-2016.

Courses: a. Computer Literacy b. Introduction to Research Paper.

1999 - 2003

ESL Teacher for Private Schools / Institutes.

1999 - 2000

ESL Teacher in Public Institutes of Vocational Training.