

Maria Tsitoura

EDUCATION

- 2016-2019 **MA in Linguistics**
Department of English Language and Literature, Aristotle University of
Thessaloniki
- 2017-2021 **BA in Education**
Department of Pedagogy and Primary Education, Aristotle University of
Thessaloniki
- 2011-2015 **Bachelor of Arts (Honours) in English Language and Literature**
Aristotle University of Thessaloniki, Greece

WORK EXPERIENCE

- 2022-present: Adjunct **Lecturer** at the University of Western Macedonia
Department of International and European Financial Studies
School of Economic Sciences
- 2020-present: **English Language Teacher**, Secondary Education
- February 2017-June 2017: **Research Assistant** at the Phonetics Laboratory, School of
English, Aristotle University.

CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS, WORKSHOPS, SEMINARS

CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

1. **Tsitoura, M.** (2022). *Teaching English Conditional Constructions through a Cognitive Linguistics Approach*. 25th International Symposium on Theoretical and Applied Linguistics, 13-15 May, Thessaloniki.

2. **Tsitoura, M.** (2020). *Conceptual Metaphor Theory in English Language Teaching: Developing EFL learners' metaphor awareness*. 24th International Symposium on Theoretical and Applied Linguistics, 2-4 October, Thessaloniki.
3. **Tsitoura, M.** (2020). *Metaphor Interpretation Strategy Use by EFL Learners*. UK Cognitive Linguistics Conference, 27-29 July, Birmingham.
4. **Tsitoura, M.** (2019). *Mental Spaces in Conditional Constructions: the case of Course-of-events and Speech-act Conditionals in Greek*. 40th Annual Meeting of Linguistics, School of Philology, Aristotle University of Thessaloniki, 4-6 April, Thessaloniki, Greece.
5. **Tsitoura, M.** & Peristeri, E. (2018). *Grammatical Gender Interference Resolution in Non-fluent Primary Progressive Aphasia: Evidence from an on-line production task*. Language Disorders in Greek 7, 2-3 June, Athens, Greece.

SEMINAR PRESENTATIONS

1. **Tsitoura, M.** (2023). *Exploring the Culure and History of Kozani through English*. CLIL in Greek state education: Best teaching practices. One-day workshop organized by the Foreign Language Teaching Laboratory (School of English, Aristotle University) & Me2Glosses. 2 April, Thessaloniki.
2. **Tsitoura, M.** (2020). *Fighting against the Virus: Decoding the Invisible Enemy*. Coronavirus and Figuration, online seminar organized by Thessaloniki Cognitive Linguistics Research Group, School of English, Aristotle University, 15-16 July.

PUBLICATIONS

CONFERENCE PROCEEDINGS

1. **Tsitoura, M.** (forthcoming). Teaching English Conditional Constructions through a Cognitive Linguistics Approach. In Th. Alexiou & E. Agathopoulou (Eds.), *Selected Papers from the 25th International Symposium on Theoretical and Applied Linguistics*. Thessaloniki: School of English, Aristotle University of Thessaloniki.
2. **Tsitoura, M.** (2022). Conceptual Metaphor Theory in English Language Teaching: Developing EFL learners' metaphor awareness. In A-M. Sougari & V. Bardzokas (Eds.), *Selected Papers from the 24th International Symposium on Theoretical and Applied Linguistics* (pp.804-817). Thessaloniki: School of English, Aristotle University of Thessaloniki.

ONLINE JOURNALS

“Redefining Female Identity in Adrienne Rich’s ‘Planetarium’ and ‘Diving into the Wreck’.” *Poeticanet* Vol.25 (2016). < <http://www.poeticanet.com/adrienne-rich-planetarium-diving-into-a-260.html>

BOOK REVIEWS

M. Tsitoura. (2023). Book review of Zoltán Kövecses (2022), *Extended Conceptual Metaphor Theory*. Cambridge University Press. *Linguist List*, <https://linguistlist.org/issues/34-2480/>.

THESES

- ✓ Tsitoura, M. (2019). *A Cognitive Linguistics Approach to English Conditional Constructions*. MA Dissertation, Aristotle University of Thessaloniki, Greece (supervised by Prof. Angeliki Athanasiadou).
- ✓ Tsitoura, M. (2018). *Language Learning Strategy Use by Greek young EFL Learners: Cognitive, developmental, gender effects and pedagogical implications*. MA Research in Linguistics, Aristotle University (supervised by Dr. Thomai Alexiou).
- ✓ Tsitoura, M. (2021). *School Leadership for Social Justice: Primary School Headmasters and Headmistresses’ Views*. BA Diploma Thesis, Department of Pedagogy and Primary Education, Aristotle University (supervised by Dr. Dimitrios Zachos).

TRANSLATIONS/PROOFREADING

1. French Translation of COVID-19 Sounds App, University of Cambridge
<https://covid-19-sounds.org/fr/app/>
2. Proofreading of the academic journal *Series Musicologica Balcanica* (volume 1, no.1 entitled *Modus-Modi-Modality*, 2020 & vol.1, no.2, 2021),
Regional Association for the Study of Music of the Balkans
<https://ejournals.lib.auth.gr/smb/issue/view/1030/showToc>.
3. Member of the Editorial Board of MetBib, an online platform that provides the user with abstracts of articles related to Metaphor, Metonymy, and other figurative language. <https://benjamins.com/online/met/>.

MEMBERSHIP IN ACADEMIC GROUPS

- ✎ Cognitive Linguistics Research Group, Department of English Language and Literature, Aristotle University
- ✎ EEPEK-Scientific Association for the Promotion of Educational Innovation

SEMINARS

1. Teacher Training for the Introduction of English in Pre-Primary Education (EAN), 24 hours, Institute of Educational Policy, Aristotle University & National and Kapodistrian University of Athens.
2. Special Education-460 hours, University of Macedonia, Thessaloniki, 5/4/2021-6/12/2021.
3. Training in Online Education for Teachers, 20 hours, International University of Greece, June 2021.

AWARDS AND SCHOLARSHIPS

- Full Scholarship awarded by the British Council to attend the Future News Worldwide 2017 Conference for Youth Journalism, Scottish Parliament, Edinburgh, 6-7 July 2017.
- MA Merit Scholarship, Department of English Language and Linguistics

LANGUAGE SKILLS

Greek (Mother Tongue)

English (Certificate of Proficiency in English, University of Cambridge)

French (DALF C2)

Italian (State Certificate of Language Proficiency-C2 Level)

Turkish (C1 Level, Istanbul Üniversitesi-B2 Level)

Russian (B1)

German (B1)

ICT SKILLS

IT literacy, excellent use of Windows/Microsoft Office.

A' Level ICT Certification for Teachers (Windows, Word, Excel, Internet, Powerpoint),
Greek Ministry of Education.

Very good command of SPSS.

Excellent use of online teaching platforms (Webex, Zoom, eclass, e-me)