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Research Interests

My research focuses on the construction and presentation of characters in literary texts. Specifically, I am interested in the interactions between characters in Ovid's *Metamorphoses* and the nexus created among them by multiple narrative levels. Central to this work is also the question of how the reader engages with the characters and understands their thoughts, emotions, and intentions, attributing to them specific mental states. Given the exceptional epic character of the *Metamorphoses*, my investigation prioritizes the stylistic devices that reveal how the poet/narrator actively constructs and manipulates the reader's embodied experience of the narrative. I address these by applying an interdisciplinary approach drawing on Cognitive Narratology, Cognitive Linguistics, and the Philosophy of Mind.

Studies

2024-present: PhD candidate in Latin Literature, School of Philology, Faculty of Philosophy, Aristotle University of Thessaloniki

Dissertation: *Characters in Ovid's Metamorphoses: mindreading and stylistic analysis*

2021-2023: MA in Classics (Ancient Greek Literature), School of Philology, Faculty of Philosophy, Aristotle University of Thessaloniki

Thesis: *Authority figures as protectors of suppliant and slave women in Aeschylus' Suppliants, Euripides' Trojan Women and Hecuba*

2016-2021: BA in School of Philology (Specialization in Classics), Faculty of Philosophy, Aristotle University of Thessaloniki

Conferences

2022: Τσιγαρίδας, Ε., *ὥς φάτ' Ἀγηνορίδης*: Ο προφήτης Φινέας και ο ρόλος του στα *Αργοναυτικά* (2.179-447) του Απολλώνιου Ρόδιου, *Proceedings of 11th MA and PhD Philology Conference*, National and Kapodistrian University of Athens, Athens.

Scientific Engagement

2025: Support with the organization of *19th Trends in Classics International Conference “The Age of Nero: Reality and Reception”*, Aristotle University of Thessaloniki, Thessaloniki, 22-24/05/2025.

Support with the organization of *Masterclass in Cognitive Classics (Trends in Classics)*, Aristotle University of Thessaloniki, Thessaloniki, 28-30/04/2025.

Scholarships

2017: Undergraduate Scholarship – State Scholarships Foundation