

CURRICULUM VITAE

Personal information

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Academic Record

- 2012-2019: PANDION UNIVERSITY OF POLITICAL AND SOCIAL SCIENCES
Doctoral Thesis: "Attitudes towards the penal and therapeutic treatment of sex offenders: The chemical castration case" (Department of Sociology, Consultant: Professor Artinopoulou V.)
- 1998 – 2000: PANDION UNIVERSITY OF POLITICAL AND SOCIAL SCIENCES
Master's in Social Sciences ("Social Exclusion & Minorities", specialty in Criminology)
- 1994 – 1998: PANDION UNIVERSITY OF POLITICAL AND SOCIAL SCIENCES
Bachelor's in Psychology
- 1982 – 1994: Lycee Franco-Hellenique

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

- ✚ 02/06-currently: **Clinical psychologist** (2nd Department of Psychiatry, National & Kapodistrian University of Athens, "Attikon" University General Hospital)
 - Work outline: psychological interventions, psychotherapy of in & out-patients, psychometric evaluation, participation in ward rounds and clinical meetings, students' and new professionals' training and supervision, research projects -
**Psychologist in charge at Forensic Mental Health Unit -
Family therapist at Couples & Family Therapy Unit -
Psychologist-Psychotherapist at Eating Disorders Unit**

- ✚ 09/03-02/06: **Clinical psychologist** (Psychiatric Hospital of Tripoli)

- ✚ 02/02-02/03: Psychologist ("Green Baby House" Kindergarden)

- ✚ 09/00-07/01: Psychologist at "Stirixi", Center for Family Counseling, Community Intervention and Research

- ✚ 1999-2000: Researcher at "Linear", Research and Statistical Applications Company

TEACHING WORK

✚ 2016- to date: **Teaching lectures at Master's Program «Forensic Mental Health»** (National & Kapodistrian University of Athens)

- Sex offending I
- Sex offending II
- Terrorism & massive violence
- Profiling
- Developmental Psychology-Ethology
- Systemic Theory
- Systemic & Psychodynamic approach of violence

✚ 2012- to date: **Lectures at Master's Program «Liaison Psychiatry»** (National & Kapodistrian University of Athens)

- Burn-out Syndrome

✚ 05/16-to date: **Teaching support at Distance E-Learning Programs** (National & kapodistrian University of Athens)

- Forensic Psychology
- Forensic research: The contribution of Psychology
- Legal-Forensic Psychiatry

✚ 10/2016- to date: **Lecturer at Educational Program in Systemic Therapy for Social Workers** (ΕΠΙΨΥ)

✚ 2017-to date: **Lectures at Forensic Mental Health Seminars** (Greek Nursing Association)

- Sex offending

PUBLICATIONS

Papers

- G. Kalemi, S. Gkioka, P. Tsapatsari, G. Tzeferakos, T. Kandri, ML. Psarra, F. Konstantopoulou, A. Douzenis, ***Victimizers or victims? A case of 27 HIV-positive Sex Workers Victimized by the Media in Greece of 2012***, Internet Journal of Restorative Justice, 2018
- G. Kalemi, S. Gkioka, P. Tsapatsari, G. Tzeferakos, T. Kandri, ML. Psarra, F. Konstantopoulou, A. Douzenis, ***Stigma and self-esteem: A case of HIV-positive sex workers***, Ψυχιατρική 28(1), 2017
- Psarra, ML. «**Book review: Ethics in Mental Health**» (**Douzenis A. – Lykouras L.**), Forensic Psychiatry Publication "Ate" (8), November 2015
- Psarra, M.L. ***Chemical and surgical castration of sex offenders***, Forensic Psychiatry Publication "Ate" (3), October-December 2011
- Psarra, M.L. «**Book review: Mindhunter – Inside the FBI's elite serial crime unit**» (**Douglas J.-Olshaker M.**), Forensic Psychiatry Publication "Ate" (3), October-December 2011

- Michopoulos, I., Douzenis, A., [...], Psarra, M.L., Lykouras, L.
**«Hospital Anxiety and Depression Scale (HADS):
Validation in a Greek general hospital sample»**
(Ψυχιατρική, 18(3), 2007)
- **«Χρήση εξαρτησιογόνων ουσιών και παραβατικότητα:
έρευνα σε άτομα που ζητούν θεραπεία»** («Ναρκωτικά:
Τάσεις & εγκληματολογικές διαστάσεις στη σύγχρονη ελληνική
πραγματικότητα», Τετράδια εγκληματολογίας”, 2002(τ.3), εκδ.
Νομική Βιβλιοθήκη)

Book chapters

- **«Διατήρηση, υπέρβαση και διάσπαση ορίων στη
θεραπευτική σχέση»** στο **«Ηθική και Δεοντολογία στην
Ψυχική Υγεία»** (Δουζένης Αθ.-Λύκουρας Λ., 2014, Βήτα
Ιατρικές Εκδόσεις)
- **«Ενδοοικογενειακή Βία»** στο **«Ψυχιατροδικαστική»** (επιμ.
Δουζένης Αθ.- Λύκουρας Ε., εκδόσεις Πασχαλίδης, 2008)
- **«Επαγγελματική Εξουθένωση: Αναγνώριση και
στρατηγικές αντιμετώπισης»** στο **«Διασυνδεδετική
Ψυχιατρική»** (επιμ. Λύκουρας Ε. – Σολδάτος Κ. – Ζέρβας Γ.,
εκδόσεις Βήτα, 2009)

Teaching material development

- Distance E-Learning Programs (National & Kapodistrian University of Athens):
 - **«Forensic Psychology»**
 - «Sexual violence: Sex crimes»
 - «Sex offender treatment»
 - **«Forensic Research: The contribution of psychology»**
 - «Lie detection techniques»
 - **«Forensic Psychiatry & Legal Psychology»**
 - «Kidnapping & Hostageship»
 - «Electronic crime»
 - «Terrorism & political violence»

Others

- Psarra, M.L. ***"Attitudes towards the penal and therapeutic treatment of sex offenders: The chemical castration case"*** (Doctoral thesis, Pandemos, Pandion University of Political & Social Sciences– National Archive of Doctoral Theses)
- **«Εγκληματικότητα & Μ.Μ.Ε.: Συγκριτική μελέτη δύο ελληνικών καναλιών ως προς την παρουσίαση του εγκλήματος στο κεντρικό δελτίο ειδήσεων»** (Διπλωματική εργασία στο ΠΜΣ "Κοινωνικός αποκλεισμός & μειονότητες")

RESEARCH WORK

- ✚ «Professionals' attitudes towards the penal and therapeutic treatment of sex offenders» (Doctoral thesis, Pandion University of Political & Social Sciences)
- ✚ «Students' attitudes towards the penal and therapeutic treatment of sex offenders» (National & Kapodistrian University of Athens)
- ✚ «Attitudes towards the penal and therapeutic treatment of sex offenders before and after a brief educational program in sexual violence» (National & Kapodistrian University of Athens)
- ✚ «Profile of sex offenders, prisoners in Grevena Correctional State Prison» (National & Kapodistrian University of Athens)
- ✚ «Correlation between therapeutic treatment, attachment and Theory of Mind in families in treatment at the Family Therapy Unit of the 2nd Department of Psychiatry (National & Kapodistrian University of Athens, Attikon University General Hospital)
- ✚ «Professionals' attitudes towards Eating Disorders (Anorexia Nervosa)» (Eating Disorders Unit, National & Kapodistrian University of Athens, Attikon University General Hospital)
- ✚ «Correlation between self-esteem and stigma in an HIV-positive sex workers sample» (Forensic Psychiatry Unit, National & Kapodistrian University of Athens, Attikon University General Hospital)

Scientific projects (indicatively)

- ✚ Days of Mental Health 2022 (Thessaloniki, 18-19/11/2022)
 - "Profile of alienating and alienated parents: research data" in round table "Parental alienation"
- ✚ 1o Psychotherapy Congress (Athens, 6-9/10/2022)
 - Workshop «Family sculpture in Systemic psychotherapy» (Psarra ML. – Gournellis R.)
- ✚ 7th Congress on Neurobiology, Psychopharmacology and Treatment Guidance (E-Congress, 2-4/6/2022)
 - «Risk assessment in Forensic Psychiatry & Psychology: Procedure & tools» in round table «Risk assessment»
- ✚ 1o Congress in Forensic Medicine – Forensic Psychiatry (Thessaloniki, 2-29/5/2022)
 - ««Sexual harassment at the workplace» in round table «Harassment at the workplace»
- ✚ 30o Panhellenic Congress in Psychiatry of the Hellenic Psychiatric Association (Thessaloniki, 27-29/5/2022)
 - «Search of specific personality traits of alienating and alienated parents" in round table «Parental alienation»
- ✚ **«5th Panhellenic Congress in Forensic Mental Health»** - Hellenic Forensic Psychiatric Association (Athens, 30/11-2/12/18)
 - Organizational Committee Member
 - Interview Coordinator (Psarra ML. – Douzenis Ath.): «Interview with Markaris Petros, famous Greek writer»
 - Special workshop Coordinator (Kalemi G.. – Psarra ML): «Dangerous & endangered women»
 - «Sexual harassment at the workplace» in round table «Harassment at the workplace»
 - «Personality characteristics of alienating and alienated parents" in round table "Parental alienation"

- Difficulties in trying sex crimes trials» in round table «The psychology of the judge»

✚ **«4th Panhellenic Congress in Forensic Mental Health»** - Hellenic Forensic Psychiatric Association (Athens, 30/11-2/12/18)

- Organizational Committee Member
- Round table Coordinator (Artinopoulou V. – Psarra ML.): «Sexual violence: Perceptions, attitudes and interventions»
 - «Attitudes towards the penal and therapeutic treatment of sex offenders»
- Round table Coordinator (Artinopoulou V. – Psarra ML.): «Restorative Justice Lab of Pandion University for the Education of juvenile probation officers and judges regarding the juvenile offender – victim mediation»
- Workshop coordinator (Gonidakis F. – Psarra ML. – Bali P.): «Dialectical – Behavioral Therapy in Forensic Mental Health»
- «Alcohol use and sex crimes» in round table «Alcohol use and Violence»
- «Comparison between forensic mental health settings in England and Greece – Therapeutic work presentation in Greek Psychiatric State Prison»
- E-posters: «Dialectical-Behavioral Therapy (DBT) in sex offenders» (Psarra ML.- Michopoulos I. – Douzenis A.)

- **European Psychiatric Association, 26th European Congress of Psychiatry** (Nice, 3-6/3/2018), poster: «Neuropsychological and neuroimaging findings on pedophilia»

✚ **«3rd Panhellenic Congress of Sexology»** (Athens, 23-25/2/2018)

- Scientific Committee Member
- «Internet child pornography: Contemporary data and concerns»

✚ **«Forensic Mental Health, Psychopathology, Digital Era»**

- Hellenic Forensic Psychiatric Association (Athens, 8/12/2017)

- Organizational Committee Member
- «Internet child pornography and child sex abuse: Is there a correlation? »

✚ **«3rd Panhellenic Congress in Forensic Mental Health»** -

Hellenic Forensic Psychiatric Association (Athens, 9-11/12/16)

- Organizational Committee Member
- Round table Coordinator: «Terrorism: A contemporary view»
 - «Terrorism: a contemporary challenge for psychology»
- Round table Coordinator (Artinopoulou V. – Psarra ML.): «Restorative Justice and Victimology: Relationships, Research, Applications and Challenges
- Round table Coordinator (Psarra ML. – Kalemi G.): «Forensic Mental Health: Myths and reality of education, practice and research»
- Speech: «Internet Child Pornography»
- Workshop coordinator
 - «Lie detection techniques in forensic mental health settings» (Psarra ML. – Kaloudi E.)
 - «Tai Chi & Mindfulness: Alternative approaches for aggression reduction and

emotional stress management in forensic patients» (Psarra ML – Karavalis C.)

- Oral presentations: «Assisted suicide: Crime or therapeutic act? »
- E-posters:
 - «Electronic crime» (Psarra ML., Kaloudi E., [...], Douzenis A.)
 - «Contemporary neuropsychological and neuroimaging findings on pedophilia» (Psarra ML. – Kampouris C.)
 - «The juror» (Kaloudi E, Psarra ML., Douzenis A.)
 - «Lie and deception» (Kaloudi E, Psarra ML., Douzenis A.)

 **«2nd Panhellenic Congress in Forensic Mental Health»** - Hellenic Forensic Psychiatric Association (Athens, 11-14/12/14)

- Organizational Committee Member
- Round table Coordinator (Artinopoulou V. – Psarra ML.)
«Restorative Justice: Contemporary research and practice trends»
 - «Restorative Justice and Forensic Mental Health: Scientific Convergences»
- Round table (Coordinators: Zaitchick M. – Douzenis A.)
«Sex offenders: Contemporary trends in treatment and legal issues»
 - «Contemporary international and European trends in sex offenders treatment: prevention, treatment or punishment? »

 **1st Panhellenic Congress in Forensic Mental Health»** - Hellenic Forensic Psychiatric Association (Athens, 13-15/12/12)

- Organizational Committee Member

- Workshop Coordinator «The use of psychometric tools in forensic mental health» (13/12/12)
- Speech: «Surgical and chemical castration in sex offenders: research data and bioethical considerations»
- E-posters:
 - «Genogram and correlation with personality traits and life events in forensic patients in Korydallos Psychiatric State Prison: first data» (Psarra ML., Kalemi G., Fyssa A., Douzenis A.)
 - «Korydallos Psychiatric State Prison: Past, present and future» (Psarra ML. Tzima A., [...], Douzenis A.)
 - «The organization of the first Forensic Psychiatric Department in Greece – present and future» (Kalemi G, Psarra ML. [...], Douzenis A.)
«Self-esteem and aggression» (Kalemi G, Psarra ML. [...], Douzenis A.)
 - «Narcissism and aggression: The threatened egoism case » (Kalemi G, Psarra ML. [...], Douzenis A.)
 - «Alcohol abuse and crime in forensic patients of Korydallos Psychiatric State Prison: first data» (Fyssa A, Psarra ML, [...], Douzenis A.)

Profession training

- ✚ 11-18/2/18: **“On the job training for correctional officers & mental health professionals in Forensic Mental Health”** (ERASMUS – Hellenic Forensic Mental Health Association – Maudsley, London)

- ✚ 18/1-1/2/15: **“On the job training for mental health professionals in Forensic Mental Health”** (LEONARDO DA VINCI - Hellenic Forensic Mental Health Association – Maudsley, London)

- ✚ Φεβρουάριος 2017: Training in **Dialectical – Behavioral Therapy** (Behavioral Tech Institute, trainers: Dubose A. – Gonidakis F.)

- ✚ 09/05-06/15: Personal and Group Supervision (supervisor Kotsidas F.,) in Family Therapy Unit of Attica Psychiatric Hospital “Dafni”

- ✚ 12/00-12/03: Training in Systemic Therapeutic Approach, Systemic Group, Family and Couples Therapy Εκπαίδευση (Family Therapy Center)

- ✚ 1999–2000: Certificate in counseling skills & therapeutic counseling (Counseling & Psychotherapy Central Awarding Body (UK)

Foreign Languages

✚ **Cambridge Certificate of Proficiency** (June 1993)

✚ **D.E.L.F.** (June 1992)

Other qualifications

- Founding Member and Board Member of **Hellenic Forensic Mental Health Association**