

ARIADNI KOUZELI

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Work Experience

- September 2020 – June 2021 | Assistant to Head of Hellenic College
 - Answer phone calls and redirect them when necessary
 - Manage the daily/weekly/monthly agenda and arrange new meetings and appointments
 - Prepare and disseminate correspondence, memos and forms
 - File and update contact information of customers
 - Support and facilitate the completion of regular reports
 - Develop and maintain a filing system
 - Check frequently the levels of office supplies and place appropriate orders
 - Make travel arrangements
 - Document expenses and hand in reports
 - Supervisor during English exams

- December 2019 - June 2020 | “To mikro karavi” kindergarten
 - Preschool educator and music teacher

Education

- August 2021- | Doctoral student in the Human Development and Family Studies at the University of Delaware
- September 2020 – until now| Master student in the Department of Primary Education at the University of Aegean | Master of Education – M.Ed. in Educational Studies with Applications in Information Communication Technologies (ICT)
- September 2015 - June 2019 | Bachelor Degree in the Department of Educational Sciences and Early Childhood Education, University of Patras (Patras, Greece)
 - GPA: 3.69
 - Spring Semester 2018 | Department of Early Childhood Education, Protestant University of Applied Sciences (Freiburg, Germany) | Erasmus student

- June 2013 | Piano Vocational Degree | Patraiko Conservatory – Overall Grade: “Excellent”

- September 2012 - June 2015 | Experimental Senior High School of the University of Patras
 - GPA: 18.6 “Excellent”

- June 2011| Degree in Harmony in Music | Patraiko Conservatory - Overall Grade: “Excellent”

- September 2009 - June 2012 | Experimental Junior High School of the University of Patras
 - GPA: 19 and 9/12 "Excellent"

Auditor of University Courses

- Winter Semester 2016 | Department of Theatre Studies, University of Patras | "Dance Choreography and Theater with Emphasis on the Pedagogical Dimension" by Professor Katia Savrami
 - Attended as an auditor

Scholarships

- 03/26/2018 - 07/31/2018 | Erasmus Program (Freiburg, Germany)

- 03/13/2017 - 04/05/2017 | Department of Human Development and Family Studies, University of Delaware (Newark, Delaware, USA)
 - Paid scholarship

- Participation in all activities of the department
- Almost twenty hours of voluntary teaching in preschool classes at the University of Delaware Laboratory Preschool

➤ 07/28/2013 - 08/17/2013 | Goethe-Institute Summer Training Camp (Koenigsfeld, Germany)

Awards

- “*Emerging Scholar*” Award | 19th International Conference on Diversity entitled “*Cross-Border Tales: Understanding the Refugee Experience*” (06/05/2019 - 06/07/2019) | Laboratory of Sociology and Education, Department of Educational Sciences and Early Childhood Education, University of Patras
- “*Woman of Promise*” Award for dedication to academic excellence and the pursuit of personal goals and new challenges (2017)| University of Delaware
- Special Commission Award | 1st Pan-Hellenic Sketch Student Competition entitled “*The Planet of the Other, Planet of All of Us*” | Intercultural Dialogue and Learning Forum, Laboratory of Sociology and Education, Department of Educational Sciences and Early Childhood Education, University of Patras, and EDUCARTOON - The Cartoon in Education (2016-2017 school year)
- *eTwinning Pupil Quality Label Award* | “*The virtual museum at school*” educational program (2011-2012 school year)

Voluntary Work

- 09/29/2017 | Municipality of Patras and the International Organization for Migration “*Exchange of cultures with refugees and immigrants*” event
- 06/05/2017 - 06/09/2017 | Department of Educational Sciences and Early Childhood Education, University of Patras | 8th Children's Festival
- 03/13/2017 - 04/05/2017 | University of Delaware Laboratory Preschool
- 05/30/2016 - 06/03/2016 | Department of Educational Sciences and Early Childhood Education, University of Patras | 7th Children's Festival

Publications

- Kouzeli, A., Fragkaki, M., Karava, A.-M., Karagiannopoulou, S., Bekiari, I. & Stavropoulou, E. (2020). From Human Rights Curriculum Theories to Children’s Rights Authentic Actions: A Case-Study in Preliminary Education. *Learner Journal of Early Childhood Learning*.
<https://doi.org/10.18848/2327-7939/CGP/v27i01/1-24>

Conference Presentations

- Kouzeli, A. & Arvanitis, E. (2020). *Teachers’ Narratives On Refugee Children’s Education*. Fifteenth International Conference on Interdisciplinary Social Sciences. National and Kapodistrian University of Athens. Virtual Presentation.
- Kouzeli, A. (2019). *Cross-Border Tales: Understanding the Refugee Experience*. 19th International Conference on Diversity in Organizations, Communities and Nations | University of Patras | Piano Music Performance
- Kouzeli, A., Fragkaki, M., Karava, A.-M., Karagiannopoulou, S., Bekiari, I. & Stavropoulou, E. (2019). *From Human Rights Curriculum Theories to Children’s Rights Authentic Actions: A Case-Study in Preliminary Education*. 19th International Conference on Diversity in Organizations, Communities and Nations | University of Patras
- Kouzeli, A. Fragkaki, M., Karava, A.-M., Karagiannopoulou, S., Bekiari, I. & Stavropoulou, E. (2019). *Refugee, Child Rights, Diversity*. 12th Panhellenic Conference entitled “*Enhancing Interaction, Supporting Expression: Challenges and Perspectives in Learning and Teaching of preschool and elementary school age*”. | University of Patras, Poster Presentation.

TeachUP online courses:

- Successful completion of the first online TeachUP course (nine hours) “*Formative Assessment in Practice-Are my students learning?*” | European Schoolnet Academy
- Successful completion of the second online TeachUP course (nine hours) “*Personalized Learning in Practice-Are my students driving their own learning?*” | European Schoolnet Academy
- Successful completion of the third online TeachUP course (nine hours) “*Collaborative Learning in Practice-Are my students learning through collaboration?*” | European Schoolnet Academy
- Successful completion of the fourth online TeachUP course (nine hours) “*Developing Creative Thinking Skills in Practice-Are my students learning to creatively solve problems?*” | European Schoolnet Academy

Conferences / Seminars / Lectures / Workshops Attended

- 11/01/2019 - 11/03/2019 | 12th Panhellenic Conference of the Greek Committee on Early Childhood Education (OMEP) entitled “*Enhancing Interaction, Supporting Expression: Challenges and Perspectives in Learning and Teaching Children of preschool and elementary school age*” organized in collaboration with the Department of Educational Sciences and Early Childhood Education of the University of Patras
- 07/05/2019-07/07/2019 | Conference entitled “*Families Amidst Global and Local Processes: Economic, Political and Cultural Change*” organized by the University of the Aegean, the University of Delaware and the University of Rowan (Glassboro, New Jersey, USA) and took place in Rhodes, Greece
- 11/24/2018 | Five-hour workshop entitled “*Creating and Digitizing a Flipbook*” organized by OMEP (Patras, Greece)
- 11/23/2018 | Three-hour training lecture entitled “*Animation as a Tool for Training and Interaction*” organized by OMEP (Patras, Greece)
- 11/03/2018 - 11/04/2018 | “*Patraiko*” Conservatory (Patras, Greece) | Six-hour seminar on “*The Body as a Musical Instrument in Traditional Song*”
- 03/16/2018 - 03/17-2018 | University of Patras Conference and Cultural Center | Conference on Educational Leadership entitled “*Leadership in Education*”
- 02/24/2018 | Five-hour training workshop entitled “*Greek Tradition and Orff music approach*” organized by OMEP (Patras, Greece)
- 02/23/2018 | Three-hour training seminar entitled “*Greek Tradition and Orff music approach*” organized by OMEP (Patras, Greece)
- 12/16/2017 | Murmur, Music Experience and Improvisation Laboratory (Patras, Greece) | Four-hour seminar on “*The Psychomotor Approach to V. Sherborn's Evolutionary and Creative Motive Activities for Preschoolers, Children in Elementary School and Children with Special Abilities*”
- 12/02/2017 | Two-hour presentation entitled “*When Kids Paint ... What Do They Say?*” organized by OMEP (Patra, Greece)
- 10/21/2017 | Katerina Georma Preschool Education Center (Patras, Greece) | Four-hour seminar on the Orff music approach
- 06/05/2017-06/09/2017 | Laboratory of Sociology and Education, Department of Educational Sciences and Early Childhood Education, University of Patras | Twenty five-hour “*Learning by Design*” program organized by Assistant Professor Eugenia Arvanitis
- Participated in the design of intercultural educational activities and the implementation of a five-day teaching intervention in the framework of the 8th Children's Festival Department of Educational Sciences and Early Childhood Education.
- 03/08/2017 | Three-hour workshop entitled “*Diversity through Art*” organized as part of O.M.E.P's training events (Patras, Greece)
- 02/04/2017 | Five-hour workshop entitled “*The Contribution of Orff Musical Kinetics to the Child's Comprehensive Development*” organized as part of the cultural events of Patras' OMEP branch
- 12/17/2016 | Department of Educational Sciences and Early Childhood Education, University of Patras | Pottery workshop led by Mr. Nikolaos Sklavenitis entitled “*The concept of acceptance and offer through the construction of tiles with written or engraved decoration to create a single wall*”

- *composition*” in the framework of a three-day Symposium on “*The Ceramic Art in Education*”
- 11/13/2016 | Three-hour introductory lecture on “*Teaching Greek as a Second / Foreign Language*” organized by Cogitans-cultural activities (Patras, Greece)
- 10/19/2016 | Katerina Georma Preschool Education Center (Patras, Greece) | Three-hour seminar for preschool educators on “*Contemporary Trends in Designing, Organizing and Implementing Cultural Events and School Holidays*”
- 10/07/2016 | Scientific workshop on “*The Use of Cartoon in Education: Theory and Practical Applications*” organized by the Forum of Intercultural Dialogue and Learning, Laboratory of Sociology and Education, Department of Educational Sciences and Early Childhood Education, University of Patras, and the Science EDUCARTOON team at the University of Patras
- 06/04/2016 | Seminar on “*Prevention and health promotion in the school community*” | “*ASTIR*” hotel (Patras, Greece) as part of the 4th Health Forum
- 05/28/2016 | Seminar entitled “*Strategies for the Prevention and Response of Behaviors in the Spectrum of Autism*” by the Interdisciplinary Center of Epirus (Patras, Greece)
- 05/27/2016 | Scientific conference entitled “*A School for All*” organized by the “*ACTION*” student volunteer group of the Department of Educational Sciences and Early Childhood Education, University of Patras

Languages/ Other Skills

- GRE
- Greek (native speaker)
- English (IELTS – Grade: 7.0 | ECCE)
- German (Goethe Zertifikat B2)
- 2015-2019 | Department of Education and Early Childhood Education
- Successfully completed Computer Science modules including a) text editing, b) spreadsheets and c) internet services
- Driving International License

➤ **Small Paragraph about my background, education and research interests:**

My name is Ariadni Kouzeli and I am coming from Greece. I am 24 years old and my hometown is Patras. My research interests are in early childhood education and more specifically in science education, teacher curriculum and intercultural education. I come to the University of Delaware with a Bachelor degree in the Department of Educational Sciences and Early Childhood Education from the University of Patras and a Master of Education degree entitled “Education Sciences – Education with the use of new technologies” in the Department of Primary Education from the University of the Aegean. Moreover, I hold a Piano Vocational Degree and a Degree in Harmony in Music. Previously, I worked as a part-time kindergarten teacher and musician in the Greek Kindergarten “Mikro Karavi”. Also, I worked as a full-time assistant to Head of Hellenic College in Patras. My dream is to have a career in the academic world, where I would be able to conduct research and prepare students to become future educators.