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Education

2022: Courses in Classical Armenian, Saint John's University, Minnesota, USA (scholarship Dumbarton Oaks/ Hill Museum & Manuscript Library).

2020-2021: Courses in Classical Armenian (Grabar), School of Theology, National and Kapodistrian University of Athens

2017: PhD in Byzantine History, Department of History and Archaeology, University of Ioannina. Phd Thesis title: «*Η Αρμενία το β' μισό του 9^{ου} αιώνα και των αρχών του 10^{ου} μεταξύ Βυζαντινών και Αράβων*»

2011: MA in Byzantine History, Department of History and Archaeology, University of Ioannina

2009-2010: International Institute for Teaching Arabic to Speakers of Other Languages, University of Jordan (Arabic).

2007-2008: Higher Language Institute, Damascus University (Arabic).

2007: BA in International Relations and Organizations, Department of Mediterranean Studies, University of Aegean

Publications (Indicative):

1. "Ashot II Yerkat and the Byzantines: Allies to the End or ultimately enemies?," *Banber Matenadaran* 32 (2021), 317-328.

2. "John II Komnenos' Campaign in Cilician Armenia", *Byzantinische Zeitschrift* 114/3 (2021), 1329-1349.

3. "The Battle of Firād: The Day on which Khālid b. al-Walīd Did [not] Defeat Both Byzantines and Persians", *Journal of Medieval Military History* 19 (2021), 1-20.

4. "The Armenians in the Byzantine and Fatimid Militaries in the eleventh century: Similarities and Differences in their operational role", in: G. Theotokis and M. Meško (eds.), *War in Eleventh-Century Byzantium*, London: Routledge 2020, 196-217.

5. *Η Αρμενία μεταξύ Βυζαντίου και Χαλιφάτου* (885-929), εκδόσεις Ηρόδοτος, Αθήνα 2018 [Armenia between Byzantium and Caliphate 885-929].

6. «Οι πόλεμοι μεταξύ του Νικηφόρου Β' Φωκά και των Αράβων», *Byzantina Symmeikta* 25(2015), 57-114.

Participation in Congresses (Indicative):

1. "The Armeno-Byzantine Tasinarioi and the Arab Masālih: The same tactical unit?," *Second International Conference on the Military History of the Mediterranean Sea*, Thessaloniki, 16-18 September 2021.

2. "Ashot II Yerkat and the Byzantines: Allies to the End or Ultimately enemies?," *Conference on Armenological and Oriental Studies Dedicated to the 100th Anniversary of Prof. Hakob Papazian*, Matenadaran Mesrop Mashtots Institute, 1-3 July 2021.

3. «Βυζαντινο-αραβικός συγκρητισμός στο πεδίο της πολεμικής τακτικής. Το Mukhtasar Siyasat al-Hurub και τα βυζαντινά στρατιωτικά εγχειρίδια», *Γ' Διεθνές Συνέδριο Βυζαντινών και Μεσαιωνικών Σπουδών*, Λευκωσία, 17-19 Ιανουαρίου 2020.

4. "The Depiction of the Armenian Warriors in Byzantine and Arabic Sources", *International Medieval Congress 2019*, Leeds, 1-4 July 2019.

Professional Experience:

1. 2022-present: Assistant Professor, Department of History and Archaeology, Aristotle University of Thessaloniki.

2. 2018-2022: Adjunct Lecturer, Department of History and Archaeology, University of Ioannina.