

CURRICULUM VITAE

Personal information

Name: **Paschalis Valsamidis**

Place of birth: Istanbul, Turkey

Education

Aristotle University of Thessaloniki-Bachelor's, Master's & Ph.D.

Career trajectory

Macedonian Studies Society

2001–2011: Scientific Associate, Department of Historical Research

School of Balkan and Russian Studies, Hellenic Foundation for Balkan Peninsula Studies (I.M.X.A.)

2004–2009: Instructor of Turkish Language

Department of Language, Literature and Culture of the Black Sea Countries at Democritus University of Thrace

2004–2010: Instructor

2011–2015: Lecturer

2015–2019: Assistant Professor

2019–2020: Permanent Assistant Professor

2020–2025: Associate Professor

2025–: Professor

Research Interests

History of the Ecumenical Patriarchate

History and Education of Hellenism in the Ottoman Empire

History and education of the Turks of Macedonia (19th century–1924)

Turkish language and literature

Christianity and Islam

Teaching Experience

At I.M.X.A. (School of Balkan & Russian Studies)

Turkish Language, 2004–2009

Undergraduate Courses at Democritus University of Thrace

Turkish Language V (5th semester), 2004–2020
Turkish Language VI (6th semester), 2004–2020
Turkish Language VII (7th semester), 2005–2012
Turkish Language VIII (8th semester), 2004–2012
History of Turkish Literature I, 5th semester, 2005–2007
History of Turkish Literature II, 6th semester, 2005–2008
Teaching Methodology – Practical Exercises II, 6th semester, 2006–2007
The World of Islam, 4th semester (co-taught), academic years 2011–2012, 2019–2020, 2022–2025
Ottoman History II (Sources), 6th semester, 2010–2011
Religions of the Black Sea Region, 3rd semester, 2011–2013
Community Organization of Greek Orthodox Christians in the Late Ottoman Period, 2nd semester, 2015–2025
Religion and Culture with Emphasis on the Black Sea Region, 3rd semester (co-taught), 2022–2025

Elective Courses

Community Organization of Greeks in the Late Ottoman Period, 1st semester, 2008–2015
Community, Social, Spiritual, and Economic Life of Greeks in Modern Turkey (post-Lausanne Treaty), 2nd semester, 2008–2015
History of the Ecumenical Patriarchate, 1st semester, 2015–2025
History of Education of the Greek Orthodox in Eastern Thrace, 2nd semester, 2015–2025
The Greek Orthodox Minority of Istanbul, Imbros (Gökçeada) & Tenedos (Bozcaada), 3rd semester, academic years 2016–2025

Graduate Courses

Postgraduate Program "Southeast European Studies" – Faculty of Law at Democritus University of Thrace

Southeastern Europe in the 19th and 20th Centuries, Year 2, 2011–2013
Southeastern Europe during the Ottoman Era, Year 1, 2013–2018
Arts and Letters in Southeast Europe, Year 2, 2013–2019

Postgraduate Program "Black Sea Region & Hellenism" – Department of Language, Literature & Culture of the Black Sea Countries at Democritus University of Thrace

National, Ethnic, and Religious Identities in the Black Sea Region, 1st winter semester, 2020–2021
The Greek Language and Education in the Black Sea Region, 3rd winter semester, 2021–2022
Religious, Educational, and Political Institutions in the Black Sea Region, 3rd winter semester, 2021–2022

Books

1. **The Metropolis of Metron and Athyra**, Thessaloniki, 2007, p. 487.
2. **Hellenism of Adrianople from the Late 19th to Early 20th Century: Regulations–Statutes–Financial Reports–Official Documents**. Thessaloniki, 2008, p. 662.
3. **Historical Studies on Eastern Thrace and Macedonia during the Late Ottoman Period**. Thessaloniki, 2011, p. 894.
4. **Constantinopolitan Anecdota**, Thessaloniki, 2012, p. 520.
5. **Basileios Th. Stavridis, Professor at Halki Theological School: A Historical and Spiritual Figure of Istanbul**, Thessaloniki, 2013, p. 270.
6. **History of the Holy Temple of St. George of Makrochori, Istanbul**, Thessaloniki, 2015, p. 701.
7. **The Community of Kefelikioi of the Metropolis of Derkon**. Istanbul, 2016, p. 107.
8. **Autobiography of Metropolitan Derkon Iakovos Papapaisiou**, Thessaloniki, 2024, p. 351.

Dictionary: Practical Dictionary of Turkish Expressions with *Examples*, Thessaloniki, 2007, p. 279.

Scientific articles

1. **The Turkish Schools in the Sanjak of Thessaloniki during the School Year 1910–1911**, *Makedonika* 31 (1997–1998), pp. 345–390.
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2. **Seals from the Province of Metron and Athyra**, *Scientific Yearbook of the Department of Pastoral and Social Theology*, Aristotle University of Thessaloniki, 5 (1998), pp. 295–305.
3. **The Greek Priestly Brotherhood of Adrianople**, *Balkan Symmikta* 10 (1998), pp. 118–135.
4. **Petrochori (Tsakili) of Eastern Thrace and the Unpublished Code of the Community**, *Orthodoxia* 6 (1999), pp. 449–501.
5. **Refugee Settlements in Kilgis and Its Region**, *Makedonika* 32 (1999–2000), pp. 219–291.
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6. The Turkish Neighborhoods-Villages and Turkish Population of the Sub-Province of Langadas in 1914, *Makedonika* 32 (1999–2000), pp. 515–521.

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7. The Fire of Adrianople on August 20, 1905 and the Efforts of the Metropolis to Support the Greek Population: Based on Unpublished Archival Material, *Balkan Symmikta* 11 (1999–2000), pp. 247–298.

8. The Diocese of Theodoroupolis: Bishops and Metropolitans, *Gregorios Palamas* 83 (2000), pp. 811–834.

9. Three Regulations of the Greek Orthodox Community of Adrianople, *He kath'imas Anatoli* 5 (2000), pp. 179–215.

10. Settlement of Refugees in Kato Scholari, *Proceedings of the 5th Panhellenic Conference: Hellenism of Asia Minor, Pontus, Eastern Thrace and Halkidiki (1912–1940)*, Thessaloniki, 2000, pp. 103–124.

11. Three Unpublished Wills from the Community of Kallikrateia, *Peri Thrakis* 1 (2001), pp. 175–192.

12. Two Documents (Sales Receipt and Settlement) from Skopos in Eastern Thrace, *Peri Thrakis* 1 (2001), pp. 215–220.

13. Milio in Eastern Thrace, *Anthiforos: Metropolitan Konstantinos of Derkon – Fifty Years of Ecclesiastical Service (1950–2000)*, Athens 2001, pp. 51–83.

14. The Turkish Schools of Kailaria (Ptolemaida) and Its Surroundings during the School Year 1913–1914, *Makedonika* 33 (2001–2002), pp. 255–278.

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17. **Patriarchal Encyclical by Joachim III to the Metropolitan of Caesarea Gervasios Regarding Ecclesiastical Rights and Privileges**, *Proceedings of the 1st Panhellenic Scientific Conference – Cappadocia: History, Theology, Education, Culture*, Thessaloniki 2002, pp. 305–324.
18. **Three Regulations of the Educational Institutions of the Community of Buyukdere**, *Peri Thrakis* 3 (2003), pp. 249–270.
19. **Unpublished Documents from Drama**, *Makedonika* 34 (2003–2004), pp. 414–419.
20. **The Greek Schools in the Vilayet of Adrianople during the School Year 1904–1905**, *Bulletin of the Society for the Study of the Eastern Orthodox East* 1 (2004), pp. 125–185.
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23. **Refugees from Eastern Rumelia in Adrianople and Dedeagatch (Alexandroupolis) during the Macedonian Struggle**, *Scientific Conference: Macedonian Struggle – 100 Years since the Death of Pavlos Melas*, Thessaloniki 2006, pp. 259–281.
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- 39. Unpublished Regulation of the Churches of the Greek Orthodox Community of Silivri (1912),** *In Memory of Metropolitan Iakovos of the Princes' Islands (1947–2018)*, Thessaloniki 2020, pp. 175–181.
- 40. Greek Schools in Constantinople from the Mid-20th Century to the Present: The Fate of Modern Greek,** *Proceedings of the International Conference: The Modern Greek Language in the Black Sea and Balkans*, Komotini 2020, pp. 328–360.
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- 44. The Educational Condition of the Metropolis of Derkon (1966–2016),** *2nd Scientific Conference: Hellenism in Constantinople after the Population Exchange Treaty (1923–2016)*, Thessaloniki 2021, pp. 123–145.
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51. The Exodus of Greeks from Eastern Thrace After the Asia Minor Catastrophe: Testimonies from the Press and Other Sources, *Honorary Volume for Professor Emeritus Manolis Sergis, "In the Footsteps of the Archondia"*, Vol. A, Department of Language, Literature and Culture of the Black Sea Countries, Democritus University of Thrace, Thessaloniki 2025, pp. 233–251.

52. Unknown Aspects of the Ecclesiastical and Educational Situation of the Bogazköy Community in Eastern Thrace (1912–1914), *International Scientific Conference: Issues of Historiography and Teaching of History*, Komotini, 3–5 November 2023 (forthcoming in the conference proceedings).

53. Community Matters of the Greeks of Constantinople: The Case of the Community of Xerokrini (Kuruçeşme) Based on Its Unpublished 1939 Code, *Scientific Symposium: "The Ecumenical Patriarchate and the Greek Orthodox Communities of Constantinople, Imbros and Tenedos"*, Thessaloniki, 26–27 June 2024. Organized by the Patriarchal Institute for Patristic Studies in collaboration with the Society for Macedonian Studies and other ecclesiastical, academic, and social institutions of Thessaloniki (forthcoming in the journal *Orthodoxia* of the Ecumenical Patriarchate).

54. The Construction Cooperative of Urban Refugees from the Latomeio Evangelistria District of Thessaloniki, *3rd Scientific Conference in Memory of Asia Minor Hellenism: "The Refugee Legacy and Modern Greek Society of the 20th Century – Religious Traditions, Authors, Art, Associations, and Memory Preservation"*, Athens, 18–19 October 2024. Organized by the Holy Synod of the Church of Greece via the Special Synodal Committee on Cultural Identity (forthcoming in the conference proceedings).

55. Unpublished Testament of Efrosyni Fotiadou, Wife of the Prince of Samos Konstantinos Fotiadis, (forthcoming in the *Memorial Volume in Honor of Ioannis Bakas*, Department of Social Theology and Christian Culture, Aristotle University of Thessaloniki).

Edited Books-Volumes

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of Black Sea Countries, Democritus University of Thrace, Komotini 2015, pp. 437+21.

2. **Vasileios Th. Stavridou, The Ecumenical Patriarchate and the Care for the Dead**, Thessaloniki 2015, pp. 711.

3. **Metropolitan of Nikaia Konstantinos, Analekta**, Thessaloniki 2017, pp. 408.

4. **Panhellenic Album of the National Centenary 1821–1921. Church–Clergy, Vol. VI**, Thessaloniki 2021, pp. I–XIX+245.

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