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## Appointments

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| Sep 2022–Jul 2023 | Lecturer in Political Behaviour and Quantitative Methods, Department of Government, University of Essex (fixed-term)   |
| Jan 2022–Aug 2022 | Lecturer in Political Behaviour, Department of Government, University of Essex (fixed-term)  |
| Jan 2020–Sep 2021 | Research Assistant (pre-doc) on the <i>Representative Audit of Britain 2019</i> project funded by the ESRC and the University of Strathclyde, PIs: Prof. <a href="#">Rosie Campbell</a> and Dr. <a href="#">Wolfgang Rüdig</a> |

## Education

\* *Viva January 2024*

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| 2024* | Ph.D., Politics, University of Strathclyde<br>Ph.D. Thesis: The Effects of Career Experiences on Party and Voter Congruence<br>Supervisor: Dr. <a href="#">Wolfgang Rüdig</a> & Dr. <a href="#">Zac Greene</a> |
| 2020  | Associate Fellow of the Higher Education Academy   |
| 2017  | M.Sc., Political Analysis, Aristotle University of Thessaloniki: distinction<br>M.Sc. Thesis: Analysis of the use of Twitter by Greek political parties<br>Supervisor: Prof. <a href="#">Ioannis Andreadis</a> |
| 2014  | B.Sc., Political Sciences, Aristotle University of Thessaloniki: first   |

## Research Interests

Political Behaviour, Comparative Politics, Political Methodology

## Publications

### Articles in Peer-Reviewed Journals

- 2023 Interwined Fates? Members Switching between Niche and Mainstream Parties (with Sofia Collignon, Wolfgang Rüdig, Chrysa Lamprinakou and Javier Sajuria), *Party Politics*, 29(5), 840-852.
- 2021 What Drives Support for Social Distancing? Pandemic Politics, Securitisation and Crisis Management in Britain (with Georgios Karyotis, John Connolly, Sofia Collignon, Andrew Judge, Wolfgang Rüdig and Dimitris Skleparis), *European Political Science Review*, 13(4), 467-487.
- 2021 Consensus Secured? Elite and Public Attitudes to 'Lockdown' Measures to Combat Covid-19 in England (with Sofia Collignon and Wolfgang Rüdig), *Journal of Elections, Public Opinion and Parties*, 31(sup1), 109-121.

### Edited Volumes & Book Chapters

- 2023 The new Greeks: No longer the underdog? (with Georgios Karyotis). Chapter 8, in Vasiliki Tsagkroni (ed.), *First Thoughts on the 25 June 2023 Election in Greece*. Greek Politics Specialist Group Pamphlet No 8.
- 2023 The Secret Code: Affective Polarisation and Electoral Behaviour in Greece (with Georgios Karyotis). Chapter 26, in Vasiliki Tsagkroni (ed.), *First Thoughts on the 21 May 2023 Election in Greece*. Greek Politics Specialist Group Pamphlet No 7.
- 2022 Determinants of Personalised Campaigning: A Comparative Analysis (with Sofia Collignon, Heiko Giebler, Wolfgang Rüdig, Javier Sajuria and Bernhard Wessels). Chapter 5, in Lieven De Winter, Rune Karlsen and Hermann Schmitt (eds.), *Parliamentary Candidates Between Voters and Parties. A Comparative Perspective*. London: Routledge.
- 2022 Νεολαία και Ευρωπαϊκή Ένωση: Στάσεις, προσδιοριστικοί παράγοντες και διαγενεακές δυναμικές [Youth and the European Union: Attitudes, determinants and intergenerational dynamics] (with Georgios Karyotis, Chrysa Lamprinakou, Vasiliki Tsagkroni, Lamprini Rori, Dimitris Skleparis and Dimitris Tsarouchas), *diaNEOSis*, 4.2022.
- 2019 SYRIZA's Victorious Defeat. Chapter 26, in Panagiota Manoli (ed.), *First Thoughts on the 7 July 2019 Election in Greece*. Greek Politics Specialist Group Pamphlet No 6.

## Working Papers

"It is where you start that counts." How previous career experiences affect party rebellion

"Party Soldiers or Double Agents?" How Career Experiences Affect Voter Congruence: Evidence from the Comparative Candidate Study

"We know what's best for you sweetheart". How Career Paths in Certain Ages of Politicians affect Candidate-Voter Congruence

Analyzing Green Party Goals: Instrumentalism vs Post-Instrumentalism (with Wolfgang Rüdig, Benoît Rihoux, Jo Buelens, Sofia Collignon and Javier Sajuria)

With a little help from my friends. Female candidates' motivations and support in comparative perspective. (with Laura Sudulich and Siim Trumm)

The symbolic power of women leaders and women's legislative representation: A text-as-data study of parliamentary speeches and legislative proposals (with Maria Žuffová)

A Protest like Any Other? The Macedonian Movement and Opposition to the 'Prespa Agreement' in Greece (with Chrysa Lamprinakou, Wolfgang Rüdig, and Georgios Karyotis)

Echo Chamber: How do we Construct Public Opinion using Emotions? (with Sofia Collignon and Wolfgang Rüdig)

"Mirror mirror on the wall who trusts most of all?". Evidence from the European Social Survey in 28 countries from 2002 to 2022 (with Vasiliki Georgiadou and Lamprini Rori)

## Invited Talks

2023 "It is where you start that counts." How previous career experiences affect party rebellion. University of Essex.

2022 "It is where you start that counts." How previous career experiences affect party rebellion. University of Strathclyde.

2019 A Protest like Any Other? The Macedonian Movement and Opposition to the Prespa Agreement in Greece. Aristotle University of Thessaloniki.

## Grants, Honours & Awards

- 2021 Co-Investigator on *Greek Youth European Attitudes* Project funded by [DiaNEOsis](#) Research and Policy Institute - £25,000
- 2018 Strathclyde Graduate School Conference Fund - £1000
- 2017 Research Excellence Award for the degree of Ph.D. in Politics, University of Strathclyde - £60,000

## Teaching

### University of Essex

- Graduate Assistant Lecturer: Theory and Explanation in Political Science (for Dr. Laura Sudulich, Spring 2023)
- Assistant Lecturer: Political Psychology (for Professor Robert Johns, Autumn 2022)
- Undergraduate Lecturer & Module Supervisor: Political Behaviour, Autumn 2022; Measuring Public Opinion, Spring 2022 & Autumn 2022; Parties and Elections, Spring 2022; Electoral Behaviour, Spring 2022 & Spring 2023; Career Portfolio, Autumn 2022 & Spring 2023
- Assistant Lecturer: Political Psychology (for Professor Robert Johns, Autumn 2022)

### University of Strathclyde

- Undergraduate Assistant Lecturer: European Politics (for Wolfgang Rüdig, Spring 2020 & Spring 2021)
- Teaching Assistant Experience: ; Political Philosophy (for Professor Anthony McGann, Autumn 2017 & Autumn 2019), Politics 1a: Concepts and Processes (for Dr. Zachary Greene, Autumn 2017), Politics 1b: Decision Making and Outcomes (for Dr. Zachary Greene, Autumn 2018); International Relations and Global Politics (for Dr. Narisong Huhe, Autumn 2019)

### Essex Summer School

- Methods Teaching Assistant: Introduction to Statistics For Survey Data Analysis (for Professor Robert Johns, Summer 2023)

## Professional Service

- 2022 Supervisor UG and PG level dissertations, University of Essex
- 2022 Recruitment Engagement Officer UG level, University of Essex
- 2020 Mentor to 1st year Ph.D. students, University of Strathclyde
- 2019 Conference Assistant, EPOP, University of Strathclyde
- 2019 Conference Assistant, Party Congress Research Group, University of Strathclyde

## Conference Presentations

- 2023 "It is where you start that counts." How previous career experiences affect party rebellion. **EPSA**
- 2022 "It is where you start that counts." How previous career experiences affect party rebellion. **EPOP**
- 2022 "We know what's best for you sweetheart". How Career Paths in Certain Ages of Politicians affect Congruence on Satisfaction with Democracy. **EPOP**
- 2021 "We know what's best for you sweetheart". How Career Paths in Certain Ages of Politicians affect Congruence on Satisfaction with Democracy. **MPSA**
- 2020 "We know what's best for you sweetheart". How Career Paths in Certain Ages of Politicians affect Congruence on Satisfaction with Democracy. **EPSA**
- 2020 "We know what's best for you sweetheart". How Career Paths in Certain Ages of Politicians affect Congruence on Satisfaction with Democracy. **ECPR**
- 2020 "We know what's best for you sweetheart". How Career Paths in Certain Ages of Politicians affect Congruence on Satisfaction with Democracy. **PSA**
- 2019 "Party Soldiers or Double Agents?" How Career Experiences Affect Voter Congruence: Evidence from the Comparative Candidate Study. **ECPR**
- 2019 "Party Soldiers or Double Agents?" How Career Experiences Affect Voter Congruence: Evidence from the Comparative Candidate Study. **EPOP**
- 2019 A Protest like Any Other? The Macedonian Movement and Opposition to the 'Prespa Agreement' in Greece. **ECPR**
- 2018 Echo Chamber: How do we Construct Public Opinion using Emotions?. **ECPR**
- 2018 Echo Chamber: How do we Construct Public Opinion using Emotions?. **EPOP**

## Additional Methods Training

- 2020 Introduction to Structural Equation Modelling (SEM), 3-day Webinar, Curran-Bauer Analytics
- 2019 Introduction to Time Series Analysis, SGSAH Summer School, University of Edinburgh
- 2019 Data Visualisation, SGSAH Summer School, University of Edinburgh
- 2019 Network Analysis, Post-graduate Methods Workshop, University of Strathclyde
- 2018 Quantitative Text Analysis, Post-graduate Methods Workshop, University of Strathclyde
- 2018 Multilevel Modelling, Centre for Multilevel Modelling, University of Bristol, instructors Prof. [Harvey Goldstein](#) and Prof. [George Leckie](#)
- 2018 Multilevel Regression Modelling, ECPR Winter School, University of Bamberg
- 2017 Fundamentals of Research Design and Causal Inference, Panteion University, instructor Prof. [Elias Dinas](#)

## IT & Language Skills

**Data analysis software:** R, SPSS, Mplus, Python, MLwiN, STATA

**Visualisation software:** LaTeX/BibTeX

**Languages:** Greek (native), English (fluent), German (intermediate), Italian (intermediate)

## References

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