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## RESEARCH INTERESTS

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Artificial Intelligence, Natural Language Processing (NLP), Deep Learning, Relation Extraction within and across sentences, Graph-based Methods for NLP, Common-sense reasoning for NLP

## EDUCATION

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PH.D. IN COMPUTER SCIENCE Sep 2016 - Feb 2020  
The University of Manchester, *Manchester, UK*  
Advisor: Prof. [Sophia Ananiadou](#)  
Dissertation: "Textual Relation Extraction with Edge-oriented Graph Neural Models"

BENG - MSC IN ELECTRICAL & COMPUTER ENGINEERING Sep 2010 - Jul 2016  
National Technical University of Athens, *Athens, Greece*  
Major: Computer Science, Minor: Electrical Engineering, Cumulative GPA: 8.22/10  
Advisor: Prof. [Alexandros Potamianos](#)  
Thesis: "Sentence-level Sentiment Analysis using Topic Modeling"

## PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

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POSTDOCTORAL RESEARCHER Nov 2019 - Present  
The University of Manchester, *Manchester, UK*

- Working on weakly-supervised Relation Extraction

RESEARCH INTERN Jan 2018 - Mar 2018  
Artificial Intelligence Research Center (AIST/AIRC), *Tokyo, Japan*  
Advisor: Prof. [Makoto Miwa](#) (Toyota Technological Institute, Nagoya, Japan)

- Developed neural, graph-based architectures for sentence-level Relation and Event Extraction

TEACHING ASSISTANT Nov 2016 - Nov 2018  
The University of Manchester, *Manchester, UK*

- First Year Project (10120), Computer Graphics and Image Processing (27112), Operating Systems (25111)

UNDERGRADUATE RESEARCHER Jun 2015 - Jul 2016  
Institute for Language and Speech Processing (ILSP), *Athens, Greece*  
Advisor: Prof. [Alexandros Potamianos](#)

- Worked on Sentiment Analysis for sentences and Distributional Semantic Models

## PUBLICATIONS

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### CONFERENCE PAPERS

4. **Fenia Christopoulou**, Makoto Miwa, Sophia Ananiadou. “Connecting the Dots: Document-level Relation Extraction with Edge-oriented Graph Neural Models”. In: *Conference on Empirical Methods in Natural Language Processing (EMNLP)*, 2019
3. Sunil Kumar Sahu, **Fenia Christopoulou**, Makoto Miwa, Sophia Ananiadou. “Inter-sentence Relation Extraction with Document-level Graph Convolutional Neural Network”. In: *Association of Computational Linguistics (ACL)*, 2019
2. **Fenia Christopoulou**, Makoto Miwa, Sophia Ananiadou. “A Walk-based Model on Entity Graphs for Relation Extraction”. In: *Association of Computational Linguistics (ACL)*, 2018
1. **Fenia Christopoulou**, Eleftheria Briakou, Elias Iosif, Alexandros Potamianos. “Mixture of Topic-based Distributional Semantic and Affective Models”. In: *IEEE International Conference on Semantic Computing (ICSC)*, 2018

### JOURNAL PAPERS

1. **Fenia Christopoulou\***, Thy Thy Tran\*, Sunil Kumar Sahu, Makoto Miwa, Sophia Ananiadou. “Adverse Drug Events and Medication Relation Extraction in Electronic Health Records with Ensemble Deep Learning Methods”. In: *Journal of the American Medical Informatics Association (JAMIA)*, 2020

### WORKSHOP PAPERS

1. Elisaver Palogiannidi, Athanasia Kolovou, **Fenia Christopoulou**, Filippas Kokkinos, Elias Iosif, Nikolaos Malandrakis, Haris Papageorgiou, Shrikanth Narayanan, Alexandros Potamianos. “Tweester at SemEval-2016 Task 4: Sentiment analysis in Twitter using semantic-affective model adaptation”. In: *International Workshop on Semantic Evaluation (SemEval)*, 2016 **[Shared Task Winner]**

## INVITED TALKS

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- Apr 2020 ADEs and Medication Relation Extraction in EHRs with ensemble Deep Learning Methods  
*JAMIA Journal Club*
- Nov 2019 Neural Relation Extraction with Edge-oriented Graph Neural Models  
*The University of Sheffield, Autumn NLP Seminars*

## SKILLS & MISC

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PROGRAMMING	Python (Advanced), C (Basic), Unix Shell Scripting (Basic)
TYPESETTING	LaTeX, Microsoft Word
MACHINE LEARNING	Matlab, Weka
NEURAL NETWORKS	PyTorch, Chainer
LANGUAGES	Greek (Mother tongue), English (ECPE), French (DALF C2)
REVIEWING	ACL 2020, COLING 2020, EMNLP 2019, BioNLP 2019-2020 IEEE Access, BMC Bioinformatics, JAIR, PLOS ONE
ONLINE COURSES	Machine Learning (Stanford University - Coursera)

## HONORS & AWARDS

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- 2018 Association for Computational Linguistics Travel Award (ACL Walker Fund)
- 2016 James Elson Ph.D. Studentship Award (3-year Scholarship)
- 2016 1st place in SemEval-2016 Task 4, Subtask B: NTUA-USC Team
- 2010 Eurobank EFG Fellowship