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PERSONAL INFORMATION

* Marital status: Married
* Age: 50
* Nationality: Greek

STUDIES

* 1995: Proficiency in English – **Michigan University.** (License to teach English as a foreign language)

* 1997: **Deree, the American College in Athens** – Bachelor of Arts and Science.

* 2008: **Lancaster University** – MSc: Networked Learning

- Review and Analysis of a 3D Hellas Alive Project: Hellenic American Union.

* 2012: **Harvard University:** Action research seminar.

* 2013: **Lancaster University**- PhD: E-research and Technology Enhanced Learning **Thesis title: Tele-proximity - Educators' perspective on the human-to-human connection in distance education.**

# WORK EXPERIENCE

* 1995-2022-Foreign languages centre-educational director.
* 2020 to date: Educational researcher at Norwegian University of Science and Technology (NTNU) -i-PEAR project (2020-2023).
* 2020 to date: co-editor of the special issue on [CfP: Visual Literacies and Visual Technologies for Teaching, Learning and Inclusion](https://stel.pubpub.org/cfp-visual-literacies-visual-technologies?fbclid=IwAR0auOZsggYxzmAfqtAE8YCZIE9fFn53RzAxeZa53plS3aTMci1NR0v7Nac)

* 2016 to 2020: Educational researcher at Lancaster University: EU projects: (VocTEL: 2012-2015, [Viliproject:](https://viliproject.eu/)2016-2018 [CIELL:](https://ciell.eu/)2018-2020, [Digital wellbeing:](https://www.digital-wellbeing.eu/)2018-2020 )
* 2015 up to date: Doctoral advisor (Bolton University, UK)
* 2017 to date: blog regularly at [**AACE review** (A](https://www.aace.org/review/author/chryssathemelis/)ssociation for the Advancement of Computing in Education) and review papers at IRRODL, open praxis, education sciences, educational researcher, Media conferences.
* Conference coordinator 17th-18th June 2015 VocTEL Conference in

Athens/Greece sponsored by European Union: voctel.eu

* 2014-2015: Design online postgraduate courses (Learning design:

University of Wales as a quest professor) (http://www.uwtsd.ac.uk/matel/).

* 2012 - 2015: EU project partner – Researcher/Instructional designer - VocTEL Application - ID532394. Leonardo Da Vinci: Transfer of innovation.
* 2008-2010: Courses taught in Hellenic American University: E-learning Methodologies, Academic Writing, Critical thinking and Public Speaking.
* 2008: Oral Examiner –University of Central Lancashire.

## AWARDS

* + Certificate of Recognition for Cultural Awareness – Hellenic American Union
  + ELTons award on Digital Innovation (2021), British Council.
  + ELTons Judges' Commendation for Equality, Diversity and Inclusion Certificate

## PUBLICATION: BOOKS

* Themelis, C. (2013). *Tele-proximity: The experienced educators' perspective of human-to-human communication in distance education.* PhD. Lancaster University: UK.
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* Themelis, C.(2014).Synchronous Video Communication for Distance Education: the educators' perspective**.** *Open Praxis*, vol. 6 issue 3, July– September 2014, pp. 00–00 (ISSN 2304-070X).
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* Themeli, C. (2015). EcoGame: A Model for Serious Games. In G. Papnikos, Sixteenth Annual International Conference on Education in Athens proceedings. Paper presented at the 16th Annual International conference of education Research and Innovation, Athens, Greece, -19-22 May.
* Themeli.C. (December 2016)Tele-proximity: Tele-community of Inquiry Model. Facial Cues for Social, Cognitive and Teacher Presence in Distance Education, vol. 6issue 17, December 2016 Retrieved from http://www.irrodl.org/index.php/irrodl/article/view/2453
* Themeli C. (2016). E-learning design:An experiential approach for active engagement. Annual International conference of education and innovation in Larisa proceedings. Paper presented at the Annual International conference of education and Innovation, Larisa, Greece, 21-23 October.
* [**Themelis, C**](http://www.research.lancs.ac.uk/portal/en/people/chryssa-themelis(f2e3cdd8-1112-4349-8e10-c3fa9858037d).html)[**., & Sime, J-A.**](http://www.research.lancs.ac.uk/portal/en/people/julieann-sime(a2c78efe-115c-4add-b0fd-03d1730f4b01).html) (2017). [**Visual Experiential Learning in MOOCs: The Vili Project**.](http://www.research.lancs.ac.uk/portal/en/publications/visual-experiential-learning-in-moocs(63aba9b7-a475-483e-a60c-a0f534bf9aec).html) In *Digital Universities in the MOOC Era: Redesigning Higher Education* University of Naples Federico II.
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* Royo, C[, Sime, J-](http://www.research.lancs.ac.uk/portal/en/people/julieann-sime(a2c78efe-115c-4add-b0fd-03d1730f4b01).html)[A, Themelis, C](http://www.research.lancs.ac.uk/portal/en/people/chryssa-themelis(f2e3cdd8-1112-4349-8e10-c3fa9858037d).html) & Sicilia, MA 2019, '[Digital Wellbeing Educators: A compendium of innovative practices.',](http://www.research.lancs.ac.uk/portal/en/publications/digital-wellbeing-educators(8c0b0412-db66-474d-9f28-56183abc99e3).html) *E-Journal of University Lifelong Learning*, vol. 3, no. 1, pp. 13-18. [https://eucenstudies.files.wordpress.com/2019/12/01-a2\_royo-simethemelis-sicilia\_final.pdf](https://eucenstudies.files.wordpress.com/2019/12/01-a2_royo-sime-themelis-sicilia_final.pdf)
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