

Maria Paraskevopoulou

PROFILE

I am a skilled and dedicated English teacher, which has developed a strong passion for the English language and culture since a young age. Pursuing this passion, I obtained my Bachelor with honours degree in English Language and Literature from the prestigious National and Kapodistrian University of Athens. There, I majored in linguistics, while furthering my studies in psychology, pedagogy, and translation. During my studies I also spent some time living in London, which not only allowed me to immerse myself in the English language and culture, but also provided me with invaluable experience that has enhanced my personal and professional growth.

Throughout my academic years, I had the opportunity to work as a private tutor. This allowed me to gain valuable experience and develop my teaching skills further. At the same time, I also completed an internship at the Hellenic American Union in Athens, where I was responsible for two adult ECPE exams preparation classes.

Following my graduation, I taught English to young and very young learners at an English language school. To further my professional development, I successfully obtained the Cambridge Celta, which has equipped me with valuable teaching techniques and methodologies.

For almost a year now, I am actively learning German as I decided to relocate to Vienna with my husband. My level of proficiency in German is CEFR B1. With all of my qualifications and experience, I am seeking a teaching position where I can utilize my skills and knowledge, and further my professional growth.

EXPERIENCE

YOUNG LEARNERS ENGLISH TEACHER AT EUROPEDIA LANGUAGE SCHOOL, ATHENS – 09/2022 - 04/2023

As an English teacher at Europedia language school, I mostly worked with young learners. I was responsible for four CEFR A1/A2 classes and I also ran a theatrical play in English workshop with pre-junior toddlers. A quick summary of my work there would be:

- designing a curriculum for the courses
- using learner centric techniques
- coordinating fun classroom events and activities
- communicating with parents and schools about student progress
- classroom management

**ENGLISH TEACHER AT HELLENIC AMERICAN UNION,
ATHENS – 02/2022 - 05/2022**

As an intern in the Hellenic American Union, I taught two separate adult intensive ECPE courses (CEFR C2). One course was online while the other was on site but included blended learning. During my tenure, I took part in:

- introducing and clarifying language through guided discoveries
- language assessment
- developing appropriate online material using PowerPoint, Jamboard, WordWall
- online teaching using Moodle, Blackboard and Zoom
- supplementing C2 appropriate, authentic material
- guiding extensive writing workshops
- creating detailed lesson plans and rationales

**PRIVATE ENGLISH LANGUAGE TUTOR,
ATHENS – 09/2017 - 02/2022**

As a private English tutor I have mostly worked with children and teenagers. I designed curriculums, and guided my students through their first phonics awareness lessons to their B2 First (FCE) or ECCE exams. I also have some experience in tutoring adults, according to their individual needs: from focused ECPE exam preparation to focused speaking for fluency lessons.

EDUCATION

Cambridge CELTA - 2023

Bachelor with Honours in English Language and Literature, National and Kapodistrian University of Athens - 2022

LANGUAGES

Spanish: Diplomas de Español como Lengua Extranjera (DELE), B2

French: KPG, C1

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