



LABORATORY OF SCHOOL PSYCHOLOGY:
TRAINING, RESEARCH AND PRACTICE
DEPARTMENT OF PSYCHOLOGY
NATIONAL AND KAPODISTRIAN UNIVERSITY



Goal

The Laboratory of School Psychology: Training, Research and Practice (former Center for Research and Practice of School Psychology CRPSP), Department of Psychology, University of Athens, was founded and operates since 1999. It is based on a multilevel model linking theory, research, training and school psychological interventions in schools, institutions and other settings and its actions are implemented in cooperation with Graduate Program in School Psychology. The Laboratory aims at the prevention and promotion of mental health, learning and resilience in the school and family contexts, hence the connection and cooperation of the University with schools and local authorities.

The specific goals of the Laboratory are based on the following interrelated axes:

- ✚ Education and training undergraduate and graduate students, teachers, mental health professionals and parents on issues of prevention, mental health promotion and facilitation of learning
- ✚ Development, implementation and evaluation of primary and secondary level prevention programs and provision of consultation services in schools (evidence-based interventions)
- ✚ Provision of mental health and consultation services in the school community and education settings
- ✚ Promotion of positive school climate and resilience and wellbeing in schools and educational settings
- ✚ Research
- ✚ Publications
- ✚ Cooperation of the University with schools, local authorities, national and international psychological associations

Scientific Team

Director: Dr. Chryse (Sissy) Hatzichristou, Professor of School Psychology and Director of the Graduate Program in School Psychology, National and Kapodistrian University of Athens

The scientific team of the Center comprises of faculty members, school psychologists, PhD candidates and graduate students of School Psychology, as well as graduate students of Graduate Program in School Psychology and scientific associates.

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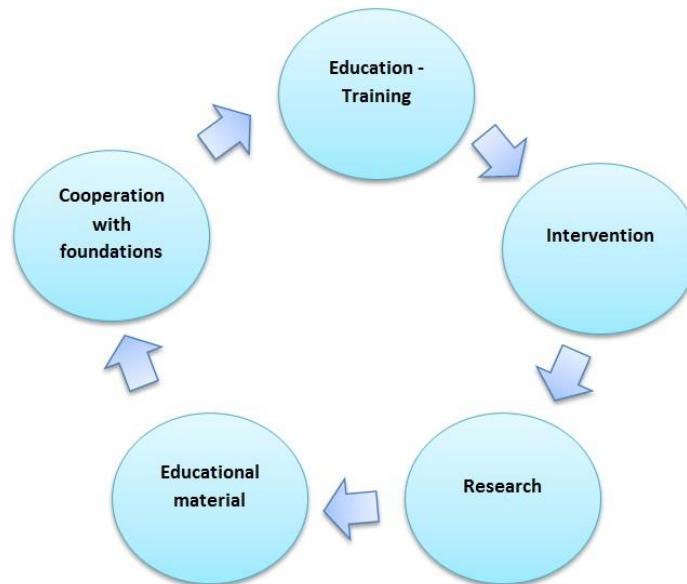
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Domains of action



Training

in cooperation with Graduate Program in School Psychology, University of Athens

- ✚ Summer School of School Psychology
 - 3rd Summer School of School Psychology
“Psychosocial support of vulnerable groups of students” (March 27 – 28, 2020, Athens)
 - 2nd Summer School of School Psychology
“An ecological approach to psychological well-being: The role of teachers and schools”
Prof. Bonnie Kaul Nastasi (April 12-13, 2014, Athens)
 - 1st Summer School of School Psychology
“Response to intervention: A system of improving the learning and behavior outcome for all students”
Prof. George M. Batsche (June 26-27, 2010, Spetses) ✚ Training seminars in “Social and Emotional Learning” (2004-) ✚
Specialized training in crisis management (2008-)
- ✚ Crisis Intervention & Recovery: The Roles of School-Based Mental Health Professionals,
Prof. Stephen Brock & Ass. Prof. M. Reeves (March, 28-29, 2009, Athens)
 - International Symposium entitled: “Crisis management: Prevention and Intervention in the community”, (April 4, Megaron Plus, Athens.)
 - «Crisis Prevention, Preparedness, Intervention & Recovery: The PREPaRE Model of School Crisis Response» (April, 5-6, 2008, Athens)
 - The impact of disaster on the community and on schools: An interdisciplinary approach
Prof. Mooli Lahad, (June 1, 2008, Athens).
- ✚ Specialized teachers’ training seminars in the context of Project C4C for psychosocial support issues during economic recession, promotion of a positive school climate and resilience in the school community (2012-)

Prevention and Intervention Programs (indicative, recent)

in cooperation with Graduate Program in School Psychology, University of Athens

- ✚ Project of psychosocial support and promotion of resilience in school communities after natural disasters (the case of fire) (2018-).
- ✚ Project for the psychosocial support of refugee children in school communities (2015-)
- ✚ Program for the psychosocial support of refugee children in the school community (2015-)
- ✚ Multilevel model for provision of school psychological services, Center of Research and Practice of School Psychology in the context of the Program “Education of Roma children”, National and Kapodistrian University of Athens (NSRF 2007–2013) (2011-2015:2-7 faculty members, 4-13 school psychologists in schools, 37-64 schools of primary & secondary education, 826-1985 students)
- ✚ Project Connecting4Caring (C4C),

in cooperation with Society for School and Family Consultation and Research



“WeC.A.R.E.”: International e-Learning Specialized Teachers’ Training and Intervention Program for the Promotion of Positive School Climate and Resilience in the School Community (2012-2016)

“E.M.E.I.Σ.”: Teachers’ training and intervention program for the promotion of a positive school climate and resilience in the school community (2012-2013)



“Supporting in Crisis”: Teachers’ training and intervention program for the psychological support of children in the period of economic crisis (2011 –2012)



Foundations: Stavros Niarchos Foundation, M. Tsakos Foundation, elpis, Solidarity Now Participants: 757 teachers, 297 schools, 11.103 students

- ✚ Psychosocial Support Program for Students with Special Needs in cooperation with Graduate Program in School Psychology, University of Athens (2007 - 2009)
 - ❑ Crisis management program in school community (2004-)
 - Social and Emotional Learning in School –Program for the provision of mental health and learning in school community (2004-)(Participants in Greece & Cyprus: 900 teachers & 15000 students)
 - Cross-cultural project–The Olympic Spirit Through Children’s Voice in cooperation with Graduate Program in School Psychology & International School Psychology Association (2003- 2005) (21 countries, 1700 drawings)
 - ❑ Program of psychosocial support, counseling and intervention for remigrant and immigrant students (1998-1999)



Research Programs (indicative, recent)

Greek

- ✚ “ School climate, psychosocial adjustment & wellbeing of students in primary and secondary education during economic crisis (2015-2018)
- ✚ “Examination of individual and contextual factors contributing to resilient classrooms and schools in Greece” (2013-)
- ✚ “Evaluation of the effectiveness of the program for psychosocial support and provision of psychological services in the context of the program “Education of Roma children”(2011-2015)
- ✚ “Evaluation of the effectiveness of the program WeC.A.R.E.: International e-Learning Specialized Teachers’ Training and Intervention Program for the Promotion of Positive School Climate and Resilience in Schools of primary and secondary education” (2012-2016)
- ✚ “Evaluation of the effectiveness of the program E.M.E.I.Σ.: Teachers’ training and intervention program for the promotion of a positive school climate and resilience in the school community” (2012-2013)
- ✚ Master theses (Graduate Program in School Psychology, University of Athens)
- ✚ Doctoral dissertations

International

- ✚ Participation in international research projects in cooperation with International School Psychology Association and Graduate Program in School Psychology, national and Kapodistrian University of Athens
- ✚ An examination of individual and contextual factors contributing to resilient classrooms and schools: (SSSP/ISPA) (2013-)
- ✚ Exploring student engagement in schools internationally: A collaborative international study(2007-2015)
- ✚ Promoting psychological well-being globally(2007-2015)
 - Promotion of Children's Rights Internationally (20014-)
 - Crisis Intervention in the School Community
 - School violence and school safety
 - Provision of School psychological services in different countries

Publications (indicative, recent)

Greek

Hatzichristou, C. (2015). *Prevention and promotion of mental health in school and family*. Athens: Gutenberg.

Hatzichristou, C. (2015). *Parental separation, divorce and children. Children’s adjustment in binuclear family and school*. Athens: Pedio.

Hatzichristou, C. (2014). *Counseling in the School Community*. Athens: Tipothito.



Hatzichristou, C. (2014). *Project Connecting4Caring (C4C): Multilevel project for the promotion on psychological well-being in school community. Project evaluation*. Center for Research and Practice of School Psychology, National and Kapodistrian University of Athens and Society for School and Family Consultation and Research: Athens.

Hatzichristou, C. (Ed.) (2012). *Crisis Intervention in the School community*. Athens: Gutenberg.

Hatzichristou, C. (2011). *Handbook of School Psychology*. Athens, Greece: Tipothito (pages 807).

Hatzichristou, C. (Ed. and co-author in each volume) (2011a). *Social and Emotional Learning in School: Program for the Promotion of Mental Health and Learning in the school community: Educational material educational material for teachers and students of Grades K-2: (it includes 12 volumes with theory, research findings and in-class activities)*. Athens: Tipothito.

Hatzichristou, C. (Ed. and co-author in each volume) (2011b). *Social and Emotional Learning in School: Program for the Promotion of Mental Health and Learning in the school community: Educational material for teachers and students of Grades 3-6: (it includes 13 volumes with theory, research findings and in-class activities)*. Athens: Tipothito.

Hatzichristou, C. (Ed. and co-author in each volume) (2011c). *Social and Emotional Learning in School: Program for the Promotion of Mental Health and Learning in the school community: Educational material for teachers and students of secondary education: (it includes 13 volumes with theory, research findings and in-class activities)*. Athens: Tipothito.

Hatzichristou, C. & Polychroni, F. (Eds.) (2007). *Tender Tiny-wing: A fairy tale for diversity with educational material for teachers*. Text: Th. Karayianni. Athens: Fantasia.

Hatzichristou, C. (Ed.) (2004). *The Olympic Spirit through children's voice*. Center for Research and Practice of School Psychology, University of Athens, Athens: National Communication

International

Hatzichristou, C. & Rosenfield, S. (Eds.) (in press). *International Handbook of Consultation in Educational Settings*. New York: Taylor & Francis.

Hatzichristou, C. & Nastasi, B. (Eds. (in preparation). *Handbook of School Psychology in a Global Context*. New York, NY: Springer.



Special Issues

▪ Greek

Hatzichristou, C., Motti-Stefanidi, F., Dimakos, G. (2009). (Eds.). Special Issue in School Psychology, Vol. 16 (3). Athens: Ellinika Grammata.

Sigollitou, E. & Hatzichristou, C. (2003). (Eds.). Special Issue in School and Educational Psychology, 10 (4). Athens: Ellinika Grammata

▪ International

Hatzichristou, C. & Elias, M. (Special Issue Editors). Social-emotional Learning (SEL) Training, Intervention and Research Worldwide, *International Journal of Emotional Education* (special issue, 2016).

Hatzichristou, C. & Oakland, T. (2014) International Perspectives on Academic and Professional Preparation of School and Educational Psychologists. *International Journal of School & Educational Psychology*, 2(3), (special issue).

Booklets

Hatzichristou, C. (2013). Development of a multilevel model for provision of school psychological services. Athens: Center for Research and Practice of School Psychology, National and Kapodistrian University of Athens.

Hatzichristou, C., Kati A., Georgouleas G., Likitsakou, K., & Yfanti, T. (2012). Psychological support of children in crises. With an appendix on the economic crisis. Athens: Center for Research and Practice of School Psychology, National and Kapodistrian University of Athens and Society for School and Family Consultation and Research. Sponsor: Stavros Niarchos Foundation.

Hatzichristou, C., Kati, A., Lykitsakou, K., Dimitripoulou, P., Lampropoulou, A., & Bakopoulou, A. (2009). Support for children in crisis: The case of H1N1 flu. Center for Research and Practice of School Psychology, National and Kapodistrian University of Athens, Athens: Tipothito.

Hatzichristou, C., Dimitripoulou, P., Kati, A., Lykitsakou, K., Bakopoulou, A. & Lampropoulou, A. (2008). Childrens' Support in crisis situations. Center for Research and Practice in School Psychology National and Kapodistrian University of Athens, Athens: Tipothito.

Conferences / Paper Presentations (greek-international)

Conferences

- ✚ 1st Panhellenic Conference of School Psychology (19-22 November 2015), Department of Psychology and Center for Research & Practice of School Psychology, National and Kapodistrian University of Athens, in cooperation with the School Psychology Division of the Hellenic Psychological Society, School of Philosophy, National and Kapodistrian University of Athens
- ✚ 27th International School Psychology Conference in Athens (July, 13-17 2005), co-hosted by: the International School Psychology Association and the Department of Psychology, National and Kapodistrian University of Athens.

Presentations

- ✚ Invited Addresses & Invited Symposia
- ✚ Symposia & Round tables

Domains of action in the community

- ✚ Lectures in cooperation with school administrators of primary and secondary education
- ✚ Psycho-...Pedia (9th Seminar Cycle), Department of Psychology & Center of Research & Practice of School Psychology, National and Kapodistrian University of Athens
- ✚ Training seminars for crisis management in the school community
- ✚ Alumni Network of Graduate Students in School Psychology, National and Kapodistrian University of Athens
- ✚ Events-ceremonies at the completion of the programs implemented in schools

Cooperation with authorities/ scientific organizations

in cooperation with Graduate Program in School Psychology, National and Kapodistrian University of Athens

Greek

- ✚ School Psychology Division, Hellenic Psychological Society
- ✚ Center of Multicultural Education, University of Athens
- ✚ Regional Directorate of Primary & Secondary Education
- ✚ School administrators of Primary and Secondary Education
- ✚ Offices of Education Abroad Coordinators
- ✚ Greek schools and schools of other countries

International

- ✚ International School Psychology Association (ISPA)
- ✚ National Association of School Psychologists, USA (NASP)
- ✚ American Psychological Association (APA), Division 16 of School Psychology, Globalization of School Psychology WG
- ✚ International Institute of School Psychology

