

Curriculum vitae Pinelopi Vergou

PERSONAL DETAILS

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Education and key qualifications

01/04/2016 PhD in Urban Sociology

Department of Planning and Regional Development / University of Thessaly (UTH), Greece

Supervisor: Viron Kotzamanis; Co-supervisor: Thomas Maloutas

Title: 'Social Segregation, Education and the city: Educational strategies of middle classes and spatialvsegregation in West Attica'.

1997 Master in Political Science and Sociology

School of Economics and Political Sciences / Department of Political Science and Public Administration/National and Kapodistrian University of Athens, Greece.

1994 Degree in Political Science and International Affairs

Panteion University of Social and Political Sciences/ Department of Political Sciences and International Affairs/Athens, Greece.

Current position

2019 - now Laboratory Teaching Assistant in Sociology

School of Economics and Business Administration/ Department of Economics/Volos, Greece

RESEARCH ACHIEVEMENTS

Research achievements (9 relevant publications in chronological order)

1. Βέργου, Π. (2025) **Μετανάστευση, γυναικεία εργασία και διαθεματικότητα: Από την εργασία στα καπνεργοστάσια στον σύγχρονο κατακερματισμό της αναπαραγωγικής εργασίας**. Πρακτικά 2ου Διεθνούς επιστημονικού συνεδρίου "Από τα καπνεργατικά κινήματα στα σύγχρονα κοινωνικά κινήματα", Καβάλα, 18-19 Οκτωβρίου 2025.
2. Στεργίου, Α. & Βέργου, Π. (2025) Επιστημονική επιμέλεια ελληνικής έκδοσης του βιβλίου της Tithi Bhattacharya (επ.) (2025) **Θεωρία της Κοινωνικής Αναπαραγωγής. Χαρτογραφώντας ξανά την τάξη, επαναπροσδιορίζοντας την καταπίεση**. Αθήνα: Εκδόσεις Κλειδάριθμος.
3. Vergou, P. (2024). **Landscapes of Hope and Emancipation: Community Care Practices, Gender and Welfare Transformations in Southern European Context**. In: Kajdanek, K., Bednarczyk, A., Carvalho, R. (eds) Crisis, Conflict and Celebration. Palgrave Macmillan, Singapore. (DOI: 10.1007/978-981-97-9719-6_8).
4. Vergou, P. (2023) **Processes of micro-segregation and refugee school education in small and medium-sized cities** in *Migrating in small- and medium-sized towns. Experiences, challenges, perspectives for participation: Proceedings of the mid-term PISTE Conference*, Thessaloniki, 13-14/03/2023 (DOI:10.14276/mt.32.chapter.71)
5. Vergou, P., Arvanitidis, P. and Manetos, P. (2021) **Refugee Mobilities and Institutional Changes: Local Housing Policies and Segregation Processes in Greek Cities** *Urban Planning* (ISSN: 2183-7635), 6(2): 19-31 (DOI: 10.17645/up.v6i2.3937)
6. Vergou, P., Arvanitidis, P. and Manetos, P., Grigoriou, G. (2021) **Socio-spatial inequalities and the education of refugees: The case of Larisa**. *Geographies-Special Issue: The new age of spatial inequalities*, (28): 21-36 [in Greek]

7. Arvanitidis, P., Papagiannitsis, G. Desli, A. Z., Vergou, P. & Gourgoulis, S. (2021) **Attitudes Towards Refugees & Immigrants in Greece: a national-local comparative analysis.** *European Journal of Geography* 12(3): 39 – 55 (DOI: 10.48088/ejg.p.arv.12.3.39.55)
8. Vergou, P. (2019) **Living with difference: Refugee education and school segregation processes in Greece** *Urban Studies* - Special Issue: School segregation in contemporary cities: Socio-spatial dynamics and urban outcomes, 56(7): 1–16 (DOI: 10.1177/0042098019846448)
9. Vergou, P. (2017) **Residential Segregation, Education and the City: Educational Strategies of Middle-Class Groups in West Attica**, in Maloutas T., Spyrellis S. (eds) *Athens Social Atlas*. Digital compendium of texts and visual material (<http://www.athenssocialatlas.gr/en/ar>) (DOI: 10.17902/20971.74)

Research Awards and Fellowship

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| 2026 | Seal of Excellence Marie Skłodowska-Curie Actions Postdoctoral Fellowships 2025 (HORIZON-MSCA-2025-PF-01-01) |
| 2018 | Research grand awarded by the Hellenic Observatory-London School of Economics (LSE)-UK (as a member of the research team). This award enabled a research project on social segregation of migrants and refugees in small and middle-sized cities in Greece.

Title: 'InSert: Immigrant and Refugee Segregation Dynamics'. Highly competitive and peer reviewed. (http://www.lse.ac.uk/Hellenic-Observatory/Research/Projects-2018/Immigrant-and-refugee-segregation-dynamics) |
| 2009 | Fellowship for young researchers for participation in the 1st Winter School on Comparative Urban Studies (ISA) . Awarded by the Research Committee 21- ISA (August 2009, Sao Paulo, Brazil). The fellowship was highly competitive (25 places for young researchers from around the world after selection). |

Research Activity (selected/recent)

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| 2024-2027 | Scientific co-supervisor of the project of the “Jean Monnet Chair on EU Climate and Energy Policies and the Eastern Mediterranean” at the Department of Economics of the University of Thessaly (UTH, Greece). The project will introduce European Studies to the University of Thessaly by developing teaching, research and outreach activities on EU climate and green energy policies with specific application to the Eastern Mediterranean. |
| 2020-2021 | Project “Refugee Integration and local communities: The case of the middle-sized cities” ESPA 2014-2020: Ministry of Economy & Development. The research aims to outline both the spatial settlement preferences of refugees and the related behaviours and choices of the local population in small and medium-sized Greek cities. |

Other Research Activity

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| 2026 | Socio-economic and cultural aspects of migrant care work. Research proposal for a Marie Skłodowska-Curie Actions Postdoctoral Fellowship in 2025 (Seal of Excellence of MSCA). |
| 2025 | A comparative analysis of climate change, ordinary cities and livelihoods in Mediterranean and Indian coastal communities, in collaboration with Prof. Ratoola Kundu at the Centre for Urban Policy and Governance at TISS in Mumbai, India. |

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

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| 2019 – now | Permanent position as Laboratory Teaching Assistant, in the Department of Economics, University of Thessaly. Assigned courses (undergraduate level): Sociology (module leader, 5 ECTS)/ Economic Anthropology (module leader, 5 ECTS)/ Globalisation, Energy and the European Integration (co-teaching with Prof. Andreas Stergiou, 5 ECTS)/ International Political Economy (co-teaching with Prof. Christos Kollias, 5 ECTS)/ Seminar on Academic Study and Writing (coordinating Prof. Michel Zoumboulakis, 3 ECTS). |
| 2017 – 2019 | Teaching assistant in Sociology (UTH, 5 ECTS, with Prof. Andreas Stergiou). |

BIO

Pinelopi Vergou is a member of the Laboratory Teaching Staff (LTE) at the Department of Economics of the University of Thessaly. She holds a PhD in Urban Sociology from the Department of Planning and Regional Development of the University of Thessaly. Her master's degree is in Political Science and Sociology from the University of Athens and a her Bachelor's degree in Political Science and International Studies from the Department of Political Science and International Studies of Panteion University. She has worked as an external collaborator on various research projects at the National Centre for Social Research, the University of Thessaly and the University of Panteion. Her main research interests are socio-economic and spatial inequalities related to the labour market and migration, gender and climate change. In 2018, as a researcher and team member, she received a research grant from the Hellenic Observatory, London School of Economics (LSE)-UK entitled: Immigrant and Refugee Segregation Dynamics (InSert) and participated with presentations in several scientific conferences and workshops. She is a member of the Hellenic Sociological Society (HSE), the International Sociological Association (ISA)-RC21 and the European Sociological Association-RN35 and RN37. She has been awarded the Seal of Excellence for the Marie Skłodowska-Curie Actions Postdoctoral Fellowships 2025 (Horizon Europe MSCA PF 2025). She is an assistant editor of the academic journal "The Social Science Tribune", which is published by the University of Thessaly.