**Dr Georgios Theotokis**

*Curriculum Vitae (updated: 27/05/2018)*

Address: Bogazici Üniversitemiz Güney Kampüs

Lojmanları Rumeli Hisarı

 Nafi Baba Yolu sokak No. 12/1

Bebek mahallesi Besiktas,

Istanbul, Turkey, 34470

email: geo\_theotokis@yahoo.gr

website: <https://bogaziciuniversity.academia.edu/GeorgiosTheotokis>

**ACADEMIC POSITIONS**

**1 March 2018 -** :Postdoctoral Research Associate, Byzantine Studies Research Centre, Boğaziçi University, Istanbul.

**15 February 2017 – 30 September 2017**: Adjunct Professor of History, Department of Italian Language and Literature, University of Athens.

Responsible for the design and delivery (in Greek) of the following module: *Introduction to Medieval Primary Sources and Archives*.

**1 September 2013 - 30 June 2016**: Assistant Professor of History, Department of History, Fatih University, Istanbul.

Responsible for the design and delivery (in English) of the following modules: *History of Medieval Europe*; *History of the Crusades* (elective); *Writing Essays in History*; *Selected Topics in History*; *Readings in History*; *Early Modern European History*; *History of the Byzantine Empire* (elective); *Historiography II*; *Socio-economic History of Medieval Europe* (Graduate Level – elective); *Military History of Medieval Europe* (Graduate Level – elective).

**AWARDS - DISTINCTIONS**

**February 2015 - February 2016:** [in conjunction with Prof. Raffaele D’Amato] research grant of 72,000 TL ($25,000) by *TUBITAK* (*Scientific and Technological Research Council of Turkey*) for the research project: “Traces of Byzantium’s Army: from Constantinople to Pontus”.

**August 2011 – December 2011**: Postdoctoral Research Fellowship – Medieval Institute, University of Notre Dame, Indiana, USA ($7,200).

**October 2005:** 1-year graduate (MLitt) Scholarship of 9,000 Euros, offered by the Voudouris Foundation.

**EDUCATION**

**PhD in History** (2010), Department of History, University of Glasgow

**MLitt in War Studies** (2006), Scottish Centre for War Studies, Department of History, University of Glasgow

**BA (Hons) in History** (2005), Department of History, Ionian University, Corfu, Greece

**PUBLICATIONS**

1. Books
* *20 battles that shaped Medieval Europe* (in press, The Crowood Press: September 2018)
* *Byzantine Military Tactics in Syria and Mesopotamia in the 10th century – a comparative Study* (in press, Edinburgh University Press: October 2018)
* *The Norman campaigns in the Balkans (1081-1108 AD)* (Boydell & Brewer: 2014).
* [with Vasileios Pappas] *Sextus Julius Frontinus’ "Strategemata"*, [Translation into Modern Greek with introduction and commentary] (Hellenic Army Publications: 2015)
* *Bohemond I Prince of Antioch – warrior and strategist* (forthcoming, Pen & Sword Military: 2019/20)
* *Byzantine military texts and narratives: an edition of the ninth century ‘Anonymi Byzantini Rhetorica Militaris’* (forthcoming, Hellenic Army Publications: 2019/20)
1. Edited collective volume
* “Warfare in Eleventh Century Byzantium: being *in between*,” co-edited with Marek Meško (under consideration, Routledge)
* “Warfare in the Norman South,” (forthcoming, Boydell & Brewer: 2019)
* “War and Conflict in the Mediterranean”, co-edited with Aysel Yildiz (forthcoming, Diavlos: 2018)
* “A Military History of the Mediterranean Sea – Aspects of War, Diplomacy and Military Elites”, co-edited with Aysel Yildiz (Brill: 2018)

# Chapters in collective volumes

* “’Cultures of Bravery and Cowardice’ in the Byzantine world: cultural representation and social constructs between the East and the West,” in: *Routledge handbook on identity in the world(s) of Byzantium*, eds. Conor Whately, David Parnell, Michael Edward Stewart (forthcoming, Routledge: London, 2020)
* “Greek and Latin sources for the Norman expansion in the South: their value as ‘military histories’ of the warfare in the Mediterranean Sea,” in: *Warfare in the Norman South*, ed. Georgios Theotokis (forthcoming, Boydell & Brewer: 2019)
* “*Σώκος* - an unusual Byzantine weapon”, in: *A Military History of the Mediterranean Sea – Aspects of War, Diplomacy and Military Elites*, eds. Georgios Theotokis and Aysel Yildiz (in press, Brill: May 2018)
* [with Aysel Yildiz] “Diffusion of military knowledge in the 17th century Ottoman Empire: the case of Esiri Hasan Aga’s “Advices to Commanders and Soldiers”, in: *War and Conflict in the Mediterranean*, eds. Georgios Theotokis and Aysel Yildiz (forthcoming, Diavlos: 2018)
* "Military Technology: Production and Use of Weapons", in: *The Brill companion to the Byzantine Culture of War (c. 300-1204)*, ed. Yannis Stouraites (in press, Brill: September 2018)
* “Border Fury! The Muslim campaigning tactics in Asia Minor through the writings of the Byzantine military treatise *Περί παραδρομής του κυρού Νικηφόρου του βασιλέως*”, in: *Studies on Mediterranean Culture and History: From the Middle Ages through the Early Modern Period*, ed. Steven Oberhelman, Athens Institute for Education & Research (ATINER) Publications (Athens: 2014) pp. 13-24.
* “From Ancient Greece to Byzantium: Strategic Innovation or Continuity of Military Thinking?”, in *Antiquitas Viva 4: studia classica*, ed. B. Kukjalko, O. Lāms, I. Rūmniece, (Riga: 2014) pp. 106-118.
1. Articles in peer reviewed journals
* [in preparation] “Burning and looting as terror weapons in eleventh century Italy and Sicily – their effects in the local societies”
* “Promoting the newcomer: myths, stereotypes, and reality in the Norman expansion in Italy during the XIth century,” *Porphyra* 24 (2015), pp. 28-38.
* “The square fighting march of the Crusaders at the battle of Ascalon (1099),” *Journal of Medieval Military History* 11 (2013), pp. 57-72.
* “Rus, Varangian and Frankish mercenaries in the service of the Byzantine Emperors (9th – 11th c.) – Numbers, Organisation and Battle Tactics in the operational theatres of Asia Minor and the Balkans,” *Byzantina Symmeikta* 22 (2012), pp. 126-156.
* “Bohemond of Taranto’s 1107-8 campaign in Byzantine Illyria – Can it be viewed as a Crusade?” *Rosetta* 11 (2012), pp. 72-81.
* “Geoffrey Malaterra as a military historian for the Norman expansion in Italy and Sicily – strengths and weaknesses in his narrative,” *Mediterranean Chronicle* 2 (2012), pp. 105-115.
* “The Norman invasion of Sicily (1061-1072): Numbers and Military Tactics,” *War in History* 17 (2010), pp. 381-402.
1. Review committee
* *L’ETÀ NORMANNA IN PUGLIA. MITO E RAGIONE, Atti del III Convegno di Studi normanni della Società di Storia Patria, sezione di Brindisi*, ed. by Pasquale Cordasco, Cristian Guzzo, and Giuseppe Marella, Brindisi 2016.
* N. S. Depastas, *Military Organization and the Art of War in Byzantium (324-1453)* [in Greek] (Athens: 2012).

F. Book Reviews

* Review of Anthony Kaldellis, *Streams of gold, rivers of blood: the rise and fall of Byzantium, 955 A.D to the First Crusade*, NY: Oxford University Press, 2017 [forthcoming, *Speculum*]
* Review of Nicholas Morton, *The Field of Blood: The Battle for Aleppo and the Remaking of the Medieval Middle East*, Basic Books: 2018 [forthcoming, *Journal of Military History* 82/4 (2018)]
* Review of Hurlock, Kathryn, and Paul Oldfield (eds.), *Crusading and Pilgrimage in the Norman World*, Woodbridge, UK, and Rochester, NY: The Boydell Press, 2015. [*Speculum* 92/2 (April 2017)]

G. Other publications

* *11th century Norman Mercenaries in the Mediterranean – Fame, Faith and Fortune* [*Medieval Warfare*, February 2018]
* *Hastings versus Dyrrhachium - The myth of the "invincible" Norman cavalry charge* [Medieval Warfare Special 2017: 1066 - The Battle of Hastings]
* *The Byzantine-Fatimid battles of Orontes (994) and Apamea (998)* [*Medieval Warfare*, April 2017]
* *The battle of Dyrrachium (1081) and the defeat of the Comnenian army* [*Stratiotiki Istoria* (Military History), February 2017]
* *The Magyar invasion of Europe and the battle of Lechfeld* [*Stratiotiki Istoria* (Military History), December 2009]
* *The army of the Carolingians* [*Stratiotiki Istoria* (Military History), June 2009]
* *The battle of Falkirk (1298) – The crushing of the Scottish rebellion by the English army* [*Stratiotiki Istoria* (Military History), January 2009]
* *The Norman invasion of Sicily (1061-72)* [*Stratiotiki Istoria* (Military History), April 2008]

**PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE**

* Visiting Research Fellow – Institute of Arab and Islamic Studies, University of Exeter (September 2012 – April 2013)
* Visiting Research Fellow – Department of History, Royal Holloway College, University of London (Spring term 2011-12)
* Postdoctoral Research Associate – Medieval Institute, University of Notre Dame **(**Fall term 2011-12)
* Research Associate and publications co-editor: *Hellenic Army General Staff – Army History Directorate* (November 2010 – August 2011)
* “Associate” in the Department of History and Archaeology, Faculty of Arts & Sciences, American University of Beirut (September 2011 – September 2012)

**SELECTED PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES AND QUALIFICATIONS**

* Main Organizer: *International Workshop on the history of amphibious landings, from Antiquity to Modern Times* (Hellenic Navy’s History Directorate, forthcoming: 28 June 2018)
* Main Organizer: *First International Conference on the Military History of the Mediterranean Sea* (Fatih University, 25-28 June 2015)
* Supervising professor of four MA theses
* Academic advisor of second year students for the academic year 2015-16
* Academic advisor of third year students for the academic year 2014-15
* Member of the editorial board – secretariat of the international refereed journal *Mediterranean Chronicle* (Department of History – Ionian University) (Since September 2011).
* *Qualified Teacher Status* for England and Wales (Ref. numb.: 1741729; awarded: 2nd November 2016)
* *Qualified Teacher Status* for Greece (teaching practice at III Lyceum, Corfu Town, Corfu, 01 February – 01 June 2005)

**SELECTED KEYNOTE TALKS**

* “Myths, stereotypes, and reality in the Norman expansion in Italy during the XIth century,” Lecture offered at the *MA in Italian History*, Department of Italian Language and Literature, University of Athens. (forthcoming, 31 May 2018)
* “The Normans in Italy,” Lecture at the *Italian History and Civilization* course, Department of Italian Language and Literature, University of Athens. (20 October 2016)
* “Transmission of military knowledge through the ages: from Ancient Greece to Byzantium,” in: *Strategy through the Ages*, Workshop organized by the Hellenic Army’s History Directorate, Athens War Museum. (11 October 2016)

**LANGUAGES**

Greek (native), English (fluent), French (intermediate), Italian (basic), Turkish (basic), Persian (basic)