

## PRESS RELEASE

## Program "Routes in Teaching Greek as a Second/Foreign Language" for teachers in Greece and abroad

The Centre for the Greek Language announces the new period of the distance training program "Routes in Teaching Greek as a Second/Foreign Language" for teachers in Greece and abroad (<a href="http://diadromes.greek-language.gr">http://diadromes.greek-language.gr</a>). The course begins on Monday, 6 September 2021 and lasts 10 months. **Registrations are submitted from 12 April 2021 until 02 September 2021 at <a href="https://www.greek-language.gr/routes">www.greek-language.gr/routes</a>.** 

The program consists of the following eight modules, which cover all thematic areas of interest for the teacher of Greek as a second/foreign language:

- 1. Lesson planning, Classroom Management and Learning Strategies
- 2. Teaching Grammar, Vocabulary and Pronunciation
- 3. Teaching Languages to Young Learners
- 4. Language Performance Assessment
- 5. Computer Assisted Language Learning
- 6. Aspects of Language (Language diversity, genres, and literarary discourse)
- 7. Bilingualism: Language and Thought of the Bilingual Speaker
- 8. When Cultures Converse at School: Intercultural Education Issues

The program, which was first implemented in 2007, was awarded with the **European Language Label**. It is constantly updated and improved, while it offers flexibility in participation, since it is implemented entirely by distance learning and asynchronous teaching. The participants enjoy 24-hour access to the material and discussion forums, in order to communicate with instructors and fellow participants, to exchange ideas, and engange in constructive dialogue.

One or two webinars take place in each unit, in real time, offering immediate live communication with the team of instructors.

Innovative features of the program:

 Three, at least, specialized instructors in each unit, who possess years of experience in the field, teach and supervise the participants and provide MINISTRY OF EDUCATION AND RELIGIOUS AFFAIRS

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answers to their questions.

• Implementation of the principles of distance learning.

• The participants write essay papers in each unit under the guidance and

support of the team of instructors.

• Upon completion of the program, trainees are invited to an online teacher

community, offering opportunities for continuous cooperation and

exchange of information.

The program is addressed to anyone involved and/or interested in teaching Greek

as a second/foreign language in Greece and abroad, provided he/she is a

B.A. holder from departments of Greek philology, foreign language

philologies, pedagogical studies, theological studies or other departments of

Greek or equivalent foreign universities. Candidates who have not completed

tertiary education may also be admitted on certain conditions.

The Program "Routes in Teaching Greek as a Second/Foreign Language" is

recognized as a distance training program (Government Gazette 862/Issue B/ 8-

**4-2014**) and provides a **450-hour certified specialization** in teaching Greek as a

second/foreign language.

Trainees who successfully complete the program can work in public and private

institutions worldwide (indicatively, teaching centers, schools, universities and

research institutes) that specialize in teaching Greek as a second/foreign language.

For all relevant information, such as registration and cost, please visit the

registration website: www.greek-language.gr/routes.

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