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Research Interests	Political Communication, Media Policy, Far-right Mainstreaming, Digital Governance	
Academic positions	Assistant Professor (Lecturer) of Public Policy School for Government, King's College London	2023-
	Assistant Professor (Lecturer) of Political Economy Department of Political Economy, King's College London	2022-2023
	Adjunct Professor of Communication Department of Communication, Fordham University	2022
	Guest Lecturer Department of Government, London School of Economics	2021-2022
	Teaching Fellow Department of Political Science, University College London	2020-2022
Education	PhD, Political Science King's College London	2022
	Committee: Nick Anstead (London School of Economics) Eugenia Siapera (University College Dublin) Thesis : Opening the Floodgates of Hate: An Investigation into Golden Dawn	
	Master of Arts, Education Policy King's College London	2017-18
	Bachelor of Arts, German Language and Literature Aristotle University of Thessaloniki	2014
Book	Samaras, Georgios. Who Rules the Land of Denial? The Rise of Far-right Extremism in Greece during the Economic Crisis . Under contract with <i>Palgrave Macmillan</i> . Forthcoming.	
Peer-Reviewed Publications	Samaras, Georgios. Modular Messaging and Multimodal Influence amidst Democratic Fragility in Greece: Unpacking New Democracy's Party Funded Media Network . <i>Information, Communication & Society</i> . Forthcoming.	
	Samaras, Georgios. Under New Stewardship: Affective–Algorithmic Dynamics of Conspiracy Memes on X during the 2024 US Election . <i>Visual Studies</i> . Forthcoming.	
	Samaras, Georgios. “Harder to Be a Man, Harder to Be a Woman”: Zero-Sum Equality Talk among Precarious Youth in Greece . <i>Foundation for European Progressive Studies</i> . Forthcoming.	

Samaras, Georgios. [Misuse, Mislabeling, and the Broken Path of the ‘Hard-Right’: Challenging Non-scientific Political Discourse](#). *European Political Science*, 25(1). DOI: 10.1017/S1682098325100027

Samaras, Georgios. [Old Prejudices, New Flags: Greece’s Far-Right, Palestine, and the Zionist Turn since the Genocide](#). *Journal of Palestine Studies*, 54(4). DOI: 10.1080/0377919X.2025.2599553

Samaras, Georgios. [Mnemonic Normalisation in the Visual Politics of the German Far-Right](#). *Language and Communication*, 105. DOI: 10.1016/j.langcom.2025.10.001

Samaras, Georgios. [The Digital Ethnonation: Multimodal Extreme-Right Propaganda and National Identity on YouTube](#). *Mediterranean Politics*, 31(2). DOI: 10.1080/13629395.2025.2545670

Samaras, Georgios. [From Protest to Paradox: A Decade of SYRIZA’s Ascent, Governance and Decline](#). *Frontiers in Political Science*, 7. DOI: 10.3389/fpos.2025.1663569

Samaras, Georgios. [Derailing Truth: Tripartite Discourse and Public Outrage over Greece’s Tempe Valley Disaster](#). *Journal of Contingencies and Crisis Management*, 33(3). DOI: 10.1111/1468-5973.70062

Samaras, Georgios. [Battleground Europe: The Rise of Anti-Woke Movements and Their Threat to Democratic Values](#). *Frontiers in Political Science*, 7. DOI: 10.3389/fpos.2025.1568816

Samaras, Georgios. [Hide and Seek: Extreme-Right Leadership and Communication Tactics Behind Bars in Greece](#). *Distinktion: Journal of Social Theory*, 26(2). DOI: 10.1080/1600910X.2025.2487790

Samaras, Georgios. [Decoding the Symbolic Storm Fuelling Greek Far-Right Politics: a Visual Essay](#). *Visual Studies*, 40(2). DOI: 10.1080/1472586X.2025.2483230

Samaras, Georgios. [Weaponising Religion in Greece Post Economic Crisis: An Analysis of Far-Right Political Discourse from 2019 to 2024](#). *Journal of Empirical Theology*, 38(1). DOI: 10.1163/15709256-20240018

Working Papers

Samaras, Georgios. [ICE as Domestic State Terror: Operation Metro Surge and the Production of Fear in Minneapolis](#). Under Consideration in *Critical Studies on Terrorism*.

Samaras, Georgios. [Decadent Brussels or Fortress Europe? Punitive Europeanism on the Greek Far-right](#). Under Consideration in *Mediterranean Politics*.

Samaras, Georgios. [Make Britain Great Again: The Morphology of Restorationist Re-politics](#). Under Review in *Politics*.

Biagio, Rosso & Samaras, Georgios. [Inequality and Fiscal Policy in a Spatially Uneven Green Industrial Transition: a New-Keynesian Model with UK Data](#).

Samaras, Georgios, Rigkos-Zitthen, Ioannis & Alves, Daniel. [Materialised Sovereignty: How the Far-Right Rewrites Climate Politics](#).

Samaras, Georgios. [Masculinity Under Pressure: Economic Crisis and the Radicalisation of Greek Far-Right Voters](#). Under Review in *Terrorism and Political Violence*.

Samaras, Georgios & Tsagkroni, Billy. [Governing Through Signifiers: Far-Right Discourse in the European Parliament](#). Under Review in *European Societies*.

Samaras, G. [Transphobic Guardrail Laundering and the Mainstreaming of Restriction](#). Under Consideration in *Social Politics*.

Book Chapters

Charting Extremism: [New Methodological Frontiers in Interviewing Hard-to-Reach Voters](#). In: L. Hubbard & L. Sugiura (eds.), *Methods in Hate Research, Volume 1: Methodological Approaches*. Palgrave Macmillan. Forthcoming.

Samaras, Georgios. [Tempe Crash and the Triple Discourse](#). In: A. Galanopoulos & M. Louka (eds.), *On the tracks of trauma. Tempi: Memory, Struggle, Justice*. Topos Books.

Other Publications

Samaras, Georgios. [DOGE, Pseudo-Efficiency, and the Politics of Self-Destruction](#). *Political Insight*, 17(1).

Samaras, Georgios. [Demokratia Dismantled](#). *Index on Censorship*, 54 (1). DOI: 10.1177/03064220251332621.

Samaras, Georgios. [Greek views on gendered violence and equality: unveiling attitudes and concerns](#). *LSE Blogs*.

Samaras, Georgios. [The Politics of Memory in the Italian Populist Radical Right](#). *LSE Review of Books*.

Samaras, Georgios. [Populism in Power: Discourse and Performativity in SYRIZA and Donald Trump](#). *LSE Review of Books*.

Samaras, Georgios. [The culture of democracy—a sociological approach to civil society: edited by Bin Xu](#), Cambridge, Polity, 2022. *Democratization*. DOI: 10.1080/13510347.2022.2142209

Samaras, Georgios. [The Capitol Riots. Digital Media, Disinformation, and Democracy Under Attack](#). *International Journal of Press-Politics*. DOI: 10.1177/19401612231172315

Samaras, Georgios. [Rise of the Extreme Right: A Lowy Institute Paper: edited by Lydia Khalil](#), Melbourne, Penguin, 2022. *Politics, Religion & Ideology*. DOI: 10.1080/21567689.2022.214628

Samaras, Georgios. [Outlawing Golden Dawn: Dealing with Right-Wing Extremism in Greece](#). *European Institute of the Mediterranean Yearbook 2021*.

Selected Public Writing	Samaras, Georgios. France's left is celebrating Le Pen's conviction. Gloating will make it harder to beat the far right. <i>The Guardian</i> .	
	Samaras, Georgios. Trump is on a quest to poison global political culture. <i>POLITICO</i> .	
	Samaras, Georgios. AfD Germany is a sign its young men driving the rise of the far right across Europe. <i>The Independent</i> .	
	Samaras, Georgios. How the European left can take on the far right. <i>The New Statesman</i> .	
	Samaras, Georgios. The battle for the future of France is only beginning. <i>Al Jazeera</i> .	
	Samaras, Georgios. How Nigel Farage's biopolitics captured Westminster. <i>Open Democracy</i> .	
	Samaras, Georgios. Greece's Broken Democracy Is a Warning for Europe. <i>Jacobin</i> .	
Research Projects	Samaras, Georgios. The Death of the Greek Left: A Political Tragedy. <i>Verso</i> .	
	Gender Divide in Greece – Analysis of radical tendencies amongst Greek voters. ETERON . Principal Investigator.	
Teaching	Gender Divide in Europe – Analysis of radical tendencies amongst European voters. Foundation for European Studies . Principal Investigator.	
	Approaches to Policymaking (Postgraduate) King's College London	2023, 2024, 2025, 2026
	The Policy Process (Postgraduate) King's College London	2023, 2024, 2025
	Climate Change Policy (Postgraduate) King's College London	2023, 2024, 2025, 2026
	Media and Communications (Postgraduate) King's College London	2024, 2025
	The Policy Economy of Inequality (Undergraduate) King's College London	2023
	Social Policy (Undergraduate) King's College London	2023
	States and Markets (Undergraduate) King's College London	2022
	Media and Communication Policy (Undergraduate) Fordham University	2022
	Qualitative Research Methods (Undergraduate)	2022

	University College London	
	Politics and Institutions in Europe (Undergraduate) London School of Economics	2021, 2022
	Public Policy Making (Undergraduate) University College London	2021
	Authoritarianism (Undergraduate) King's College London	2020, 2021, 2022
	How Politics Works (Undergraduate) University College London	2020, 2021
	Women and Politics (Undergraduate) King's College London	2019
Supervision	Georgios Tsialas PhD Supervision - King's College London	2025-
	Bianca Russo Postgraduate Supervision, King's College London	2026
	Bethan Rowlands Postgraduate Supervision, King's College London	2026
	Cruz Glynka Postgraduate Supervision, King's College London	2025
	Anita Panesar Postgraduate Supervision, King's College London	2025
	Paul Davidson Postgraduate Supervision, King's College London	2024
	Priya Patel Postgraduate Supervision, King's College London	2024
	Maria Lopes Undergraduate Supervision, King's College London	2023
Conferences	Political Studies Association	2022, 2023, 2026
	European Consortium for Political Research	2022, 2023, 2025, 2026
	European Political Studies Association	2022
Invited Talks	2026: Aristotle University of Thessaloniki, King's College London, London School of Economics, University of Oxford, Jagiellonian University	
	2025: University of Copenhagen, King's College London, London School of Economics, The Hellenic Centre, ETERON, Delphi Economic Forum, University College London	

	2024: Aristotle University of Thessaloniki, Delphi Economic Forum, ETERON Institute, Free University Berlin, Ministry of Defense, University of Groningen, ENA Institute	
Selected Press	2026: <i>The Guardian</i> , BBC Radio 4, France 24, ARD1, CNBC, <i>Australian Financial Review</i> , <i>The Express</i> , <i>The i Paper</i>	
	2025: <i>The New York Times</i> , Sky News, BBC News, Channel 4 News, <i>POLITICO</i> , LBC News, Al Jazeera, Metro, CBC News, <i>The Telegraph</i> , DW News	
	2024: BBC News, <i>POLITICO</i> , ABC News, <i>TIME Magazine</i> , France 24, BBC Radio, Voice of America, CNN, <i>Fortune</i> , Hellenic Broadcasting Corporation, <i>The i Paper</i>	
Academic Service	Senior Tutor, School for Government	2023-
	King's Staff 100, King's College London	2024-
	Into Academia Tutor, King's College London	2022, 2023, 2024
	Undergraduate Support, University College London	2022
	Digital Officer, London School of Economics	2021
	REF SSPP Internal Reviewer, King's College London	2020
	Political Economy Press Officer, King's College London	2019
Other Roles	Fellow, Human Act	2025-
	Fellow, Reactionary Research Politics Network	2025-
	Research Associate, Hellenic Observatory, London School of Economics	2024-
	Advisory Board, ETERON Institute	2024-
	Research Associate, ENA Institute	2023-
	Fellow, Brigham Young University	2021-
	Policy Adviser to Greek MP, Hellenic Parliament	2019-2023
Skills	Language: Fluent in English, German, Greek. Intermediate in Dutch	
	Software: R, Stata, MAX, MSP, Gephi	

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