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About

Sissy is a post-doctoral research fellow at the [Cerebra Centre for Neurodevelopmental Disorders \(/schools/psychology/centres/cerebra/index.aspx\)](/schools/psychology/centres/cerebra/index.aspx), School of Psychology. Her main research interests include the study of social cognition and social development in individuals with autism and other neurodevelopmental disorders.

Qualifications

- BSc. (Hons) Psychology - Panteion University of Social and Political Sciences, Athens, Greece
- MSc in Child and Adolescent Mental Health, Institute of Psychiatry - King's College London
- PhD Psychology, University of Birmingham

Biography

Sissy earned her BSc (Hons) in Psychology from Panteion University of Social and Political Sciences in Athens, Greece, and her MSc in Child and Adolescent Mental Health from the Institute of Psychiatry - King's College London. She has trained and worked in several clinical and educational settings for children and adolescents with autism and neurodevelopmental disorders, and has conducted her doctoral research in the neurodevelopmental basis of social and language development in young children with autism spectrum disorders and toddlers at risk for autism by using Electroencephalography (EEG).

Research

Sissy is interested in studying the neural basis of social, language and emotional development in children with autism and other neurodevelopmental disorders. She is also interested in the early behavioural and biological markers of autism spectrum disorders, and in the development of evidence-based interventions for children with autism and other neurodevelopmental disorders.

Her post-doctoral research is funded by the Leverhulme Trust and aims to extend her PhD work in children and adolescents with Cornelia de Lange Syndrome (CdLS), Fragile X Syndrome (FXS) and Rubinstein Taybi Syndrome (RTS).