

Honoring National Immigrant Heritage Month

Molloy University Educator and Author Dr. Vicky Giouroukakis Celebrates the Power of Immigrant Stories in Latest Book Release

NEW YORK, NY, UNITED STATES, June 1, 2023 /EINPresswire.com/ -- As we celebrate [National Immigrant Heritage Month](#) this June, we are delighted to share the news of [Dr. Vicky Giouroukakis](#), a distinguished educator and author, who proudly unveils her latest book, [Growing Up in an Immigrant Household and Community: Essays by Descendants of Immigrants](#). This remarkable publication serves as a profound testament to the immigrant experience, celebrating the indelible contributions made by immigrants to the United States. In addition, this captivating collection of essays offers a poignant exploration of the unique challenges, triumphs, and perspectives that shape the lives of individuals growing up in immigrant households and communities.

Dr. Giouroukakis' work provides a platform for the voices of descendants of immigrants, shedding light on their stories, struggles, and aspirations, thereby fostering a deeper understanding and appreciation for our diverse society.

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This remarkable publication reminds us of immigrants' lasting impact on our nation's cultural, social, and economic landscape. It serves as a timely reminder of the resilience, resilience, and extraordinary resilience displayed by immigrant communities throughout history. Let us embrace Immigrant Heritage Month with gratitude and admiration for the contributions of immigrants and their descendants as we continue cultivating a society that values and cherishes our shared immigrant heritage.

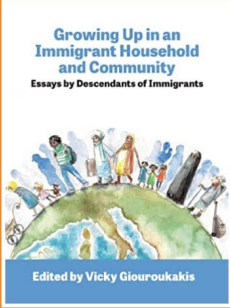
Although there are thousands of media sources that relate the trials and tribulations of immigrants coming to this country to pursue the American dream, there are few that document the experiences of children of immigrants who typically straddle two worlds, the world of their parents and the country in which they are born.

Growing Up in an Immigrant Household and Community: Essays by Descendants of Immigrants is a collection of essays that aims to give a voice to descendants of immigrants (individuals born in the United States to immigrant parents or grandparents) by sharing their stories of what it was like growing up in an immigrant household and community and how these experiences influenced the development of their identity.




The contributing authors, from all walks of life, come together to tell their intriguing and poignant stories of adversity, good times, and lessons learned from being raised by immigrant parents and grandparents.



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Growing Up in an Immigrant Household and Community: Essays by Descendants of Immigrants

Growing Up in an Immigrant Household and Community: Essays by Descendants of Immigrants captures the authentic life experiences of individuals who have grown up in immigrant households and communities in the United States. The contributing authors, born in the United States to immigrant parents or grandparents, eloquently share their stories of straddling multiple cultural worlds while finding their identity in America.

With diverse backgrounds and unique perspectives, the contributors vividly depict the challenges, triumphs, and lessons learned from being raised by immigrant parents and grandparents. The essays, written in the first person, provide a powerful narrative highlighting the resilience, tenacity, and cultural richness defining the immigrant experience.

Dr. Vicky Giouroukakis, a first-generation American of Greek immigrant parents, brings her personal understanding of the topic to the fore. As an esteemed educator, she teaches and writes with an unwavering dedication to diversity, cultural inclusion, and excellence in education.

Reflecting on her own upbringing, Dr. Giouroukakis shared, "Growing up the daughter of immigrant parents is like straddling two worlds, the world of my parents and the world in which I was born."

Published by Kendall Hunt Publishing Company, Growing Up in an Immigrant Household and Community: Essays by Descendants of Immigrants is now available for purchase at leading retailers such as Barnes & Noble, Target, and Amazon. This extraordinary collection invites readers to engage with the stories that shape America's multicultural fabric and celebrate the resilience and strength of immigrant communities.



Dr. Vicky Giouroukakis interview with North Shore TV



Dr. Vicky Giouroukakis at her book signing in Port Washington, NY

ABOUT DR. VICKY GIOUROUKAKIS

Vicky Giouroukakis, Ph.D. (née Vasiliki Menexas), is a Professor in the School of Education and Human Services at Molloy University in Rockville Centre, New York. She is a passionate educator, teaching undergraduate and graduate courses in adolescent literacy, English Education, instructional strategies, and TESOL. Before her tenure at Molloy, Vicky taught English at a public high school in Queens, NY, and ESL to adolescents and adults. In addition, Dr. Giouroukakis has extensive experience as an English teacher and ESL instructor, fostering academic growth in diverse student populations.

She is the co-author of several highly acclaimed books: the Kendall Hunt textbook, *Back to the Basics of Teaching: Best Practices for Diverse Learners* (2020); the ASCD book, *Achieving Next Generation Literacy: Using the Tests (You Think) You Hate to Teach the Students You Love* (2016); the Corwin best-seller, *Getting to the Core of English Language Arts, Grades 6–12: How to Meet the Common Core State Standards with Lessons from the Classroom* (2012), and *Getting to the Core of Literacy for History/Social Studies, Science, and Technical Subjects, Grades 6-12* (2013).

Her dedication to promoting literacy and educational excellence has made her a respected figure in the field. For more information about Dr. Vicky Giouroukakis and her work, please visit her website at www.vickygio.com.

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