PhD Program in Ethics of Communication, Scientific Research and Technological Innovation

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The newly established international and intersectorial PhD course in Ethics of Communication, Scientific Research and Technological Innovation provides students opportunities for experience abroad and advanced theoretical and methodological training on fundamental issues concerning with the ethical aspects of the relationship between scientific communication and individuals.

Curricula: The PhD course is organized in three curricula that will allow to acquire skills and knowledge in the scientific study and management of communication and communication processes in the fields: (1) Humanistic, (2) Scientific-Technological and (3) Medical-Health.

Interdepartmental/Interdisciplinary: The PhD course involves professors from 10 major scientific areas who are affiliate at 11 Departments of the University of Perugia.

International: The PhD course provides for research stays in foreign universities with which there are agreements for the issue of the joint/multiple title (University J.J. Strossmayer, Osijek, Croatia; Lviv Polytechnic National University, Lviv, Ukraine; University Cesar Vallejo, Lima, Peru) and other foreign universities with which the PhD Committee maintains research collaborations (such as, for example, University of Aveiro, Portugal; University Carlo, Czech Republic; University of Valencia, Spain; University of Zagreb, Croatia; Pirogov Russian National Research Medical University, Russian Federation).

Intersectorial: The PhD course provides activities in collaboration with companies that carry out research and development activities in areas related to the topics of the PhD Course (AEA SRL and TEAMDEV SRL).

Employment and professional opportunities: The skills acquired can be spent in public, private and business companies/non-governmental associations where high interdisciplinary skills are required in the management of communication with journalists, the media and social networks; in the dissemination of results of scientific studies in health care, humanities and scientific/technological innovation (eg. dissemination of scientific and non-specialist information); in the management of public relations; in the development of marketing strategies; in the management and solution of bioethical problems; in training and management of staff of public and private companies. Doctoral training also allows access to teaching and research in the academic and extra-academic field in all those agencies that provide specializations in the field of communication management.

Duration: Three years during which the students carry out study activities, including the attendance of lessons with final exam, research, in Italy and abroad, and preparation of a doctoral thesis to be defended in presence of a committee of at least three professors.

Admission requirements and selection: The PhD program is open to students with a master's degree obtained in Italy or abroad. Admission is based on a public selection for qualifications and an interview. The qualifications also concern a research project on a topic chosen by the candidate consistent with one of the three curricula. The project must be attached to the application form for participation in the selection and be discussed during the interview, which can also be carried out by videoconference.

Open positions: Five of which four with a scholarship (one place with a scholarship is reserved for graduates of foreign universities).