Ph.D. Program in Ethics of Communication, Scientific Research, and Technological Innovation – XXXVII Cycle

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The newly established international, interdisciplinary, and intersectoral Ph.D. course in Ethics of Communication, Scientific Research, and Technological Innovation provides students opportunities for an experience abroad and advanced theoretical and methodological training on fundamental issues concerning the ethical aspects of the relationship between science communication and individuals.

Curricula: The Ph.D. course is organized in three curricula that will allow acquiring 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 Ph.D. course involves professors from 11 major scientific areas and 8 Departments of the University of Perugia.

International: The Ph.D. course provides for research stays in foreign universities with which there are agreements for the issue of the joint/multiple degree (University J.J. Strossmayer, Osijek, Croatia; Lviv Polytechnic National University, Lviv, Ukraine; University Cesar Vallejo, Lima, Peru) and other foreign universities with which the Ph.D. 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).

Intersectoral: The Ph.D. course provides activities in collaboration with companies (AEA SRL and TEAMDEV SRL) and Research Institute (Istituto Zooprofilattico Sperimentale dell'Umbria e delle Marche "Togo Rosati") that carry out research and development activities in areas related to the topics of the Ph.D. Course.

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 (e.g., 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 fields in all those agencies that provide specializations in communication management.

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

Admission requirements and selection: The Ph.D. 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: Six of which five with a scholarship (one place with a scholarship is reserved for graduates of foreign universities and another one with a scholarship is reserved for employees of the Istituto Zooprofilattico Sperimentale dell'Umbria e delle Marche "Togo Rosati").

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