Association for the Development of Communication adComunica

The Association for the Development of Communication adComunica is a non-profit organisation, championed by university lecturers, communication directors in private companies and mass media managers committed to the promotion and development of all aspects of communication. One of its aims is to publish scientific journals.

adComunica is open to private individuals, businesses and institutions with a common goal of adding value to society by undertaking activities that encourage new trends and processes of innovation in communication.

adComunica organises events for its members and the general public such as lectures, round tables and debates, with guest speakers who reflect on questions of interest in the field of communication like those mentioned above.

The association’s activities are currently limited to the province of Castellón (Spain).

In addition, adComunica offers a range of services to associated businesses, including free consultations and first stage assistance, whether in diagnosing communication problems or as intermediaries to provide a link between businesses and the communication sector.
Department of Communication Sciences, Universitat Jaume I, Castellón, Spain

The Department of Communication Sciences was created by the Governing Council of the Universitat Jaume I on 17 December 2007, and consists of two knowledge areas, Audiovisual Communication and Advertising, and Journalism.

The Department of Communication Sciences offers the undergraduate degrees of Advertising and Public Relations, initiated in the academic year 1999-2000; Audiovisual Communication, running since 2005-06; and Journalism, which was introduced in the 2009-10 academic year. For the start of academic year 2007-08, members of the department designed and set up the Master’s Degree in New Trends and Innovation Processes in Communication, an official qualification verified by ANECA (national quality and accreditation evaluation agency) offering three professional specialisations (strategic management of communication, creativity and production of new audiovisual discourses, and digital and multimedia journalism), as well as the Initiation in Research course of studies (the current title of the former doctoral programme).

The Department of Communication Sciences also organises numerous extracurricular activities through the Communication School, such as lecture seasons, workshops, seminars, conferences, etc., encouraging the regular and continuous presence of professionals from leading companies in the field of advertising and the audiovisual and journalism sectors (advertising agencies, media agencies, communication companies and departments, photographic studios, radio stations, cinema and video production companies, media companies, news agencies, etc.).

A further academic activity that falls under the auspices of the department is the Laboratory of Communication Sciences (LABCOM), a Universitat Jaume I service that provides support for teaching activity and research in the department.

Department of Audiovisual Communication and Advertising II, Universidad Complutense of Madrid, Spain

The Department of Audiovisual Communication and Advertising II of the Faculty of Information Sciences at the Universidad Complutense of Madrid is involved in teaching on the Audiovisual Communication, Advertising and Public Relations, and Journalism degree programmes. The department also runs two doctoral programmes, ‘Film Theory, Analysis and Documentation’ and ‘Image Creation Techniques and Processes’, and is currently participating in the design and forthcoming introduction of the Official Master’s programmes Organisational Communications and Audiovisual Communication in the Digital Age.

The department’s broad teaching activity also extends to the university’s own non-official post-graduate courses, such as the Magister in Advertising Manage-
ment, taught in conjunction with the JWT Group; the Expert in Social and Health Communication, together with the Madrid City Council, the Abbott Foundation, and INICyS (International Institute for Communication and Health); the Expert in Creativity and Strategic Planning, in collaboration with the Grey Group and the EXPIGA association; or the Magister in Photography and Fashion.

The department also undertakes extensive research through seven well-established research groups working on national and regional R&D programmes, or joint projects with foundations and companies through R&D research agreements, Article 83, etc. All of these endeavours have resulted in a large number of specialised publications and doctoral theses, events, seminars, conferences, etc.

Also within the department is the platform for the dissemination of scientific knowledge, which plays an important role in the transfer and disclosure of academic, cultural and artistic findings using the best communication and dissemination platforms.