









The **School of Church Communications** aims to train professionals capable of working in and reflecting on communications for ecclesial institutions and other non-profit organizations. Inspired by Christian faith, they should be able to analyze and interpret social trends, take advantage of technical and strategic innovations, and make prudent professional decisions for the good of society as a whole.

The School of Church Communications was **established in 1996** by the Pontifical University of the Holy Cross, born – in 1984 – from the desire of St. Josemaría Escrivá, Founder of Opus Dei, to create a center of higher ecclesiastical studies in Rome at the service of the whole Church.

Our program of study is divided into **three cycles**:

The **first cycle** is a three-year program offering a general understanding of communication in and from the Church and its relationship with the various means of communication. Going beyond the fundamentals of communication, courses also explore the Church's identity and its theological and philosophical roots.

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The two-year **second cycle** (*Licentiate*) entails a deeper look at the concept of communication as well as more specific training in institutional work. Students acquire essential communication expertise and develop a capacity to present the Christian message, rendering it intelligible in today's media environtment and in the forum of public opinion. The Licentiate usually requires a one-year integrative course on communication subjects.

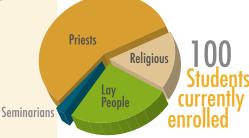
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The **third cycle** (*Doctorate*) is a specialized research track mainly for those who wish to teach and do university research.

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In the first academic year (1996-97) there were only nine students; today we have **over 500 alumni**, serving the Church throughout the world. Currently, more than 100 students are enrolled from 40 countries. The teaching staff is made up of 12 permanent professors and about 30 collaborators.













Family & Media (Elina Gianoli Gainza Chair)



www.familyandmedia.eu/



This international research group studies the influence of modern media on the family, taking a two-fold approach: how the family is presented in the media and how the institutions that promote the family communicate their message.

Poetics & Christianity



www.pusc.it/poetica&cristianesimo



This forum studies the confluence of artistic culture and expressions of the faith. Poetics & Christianity features biannual conferences providing a meeting point for academics and artists.

Rhetorics & Anthropology



www.rhetoricandanthropology.net/



The research group explores the profound anthropological dimensions of rhetoric and communication. It is open to collaboration with all fields speculative, practical or poetic.



Professional Seminars for **Communication Offices** of Dioceses, Episcopal Conferences and other Church-related organizations.

en.pusc.it/csi/attivita/convegni



Specialized workshops for **journalists who cover religion** and the Catholic Church in Rome and around the world.

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## **Church, Communication & Culture (CC&C)**

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