Training activities

Within the PhD Programme, a number of initiatives are organised which are announced through the website and the Programme's distribution list. The PhD students' participation in the various activities must be supervised by their corresponding tutor/supervisor. Together with the activities organised within the Programme, the PhD students can supplement their training through activities organised at UAM's School of Philosophy and Literature, UAM's Doctoral School and other centres.

The compulsory and optional activities which the PhD students must carry out within the programme are as follows:

- Attendance and participation in research seminars, specialist courses, study conferences and conference cycles organised by the research groups participating in the Programme (30 hours). Type: compulsory. Those training hours will correspond to presenting a communication at a research seminar, etc. organised within the areas and departments participating in the Programme. As an exception and after authorisation from the Academic Committee and the tutor/supervisor, those hours can be used in activities similar to the PhD students' research lines in research groups other than those participating in the Programme.

- Attendance and participation in national and international congresses and colloquia (30 hours). Type: compulsory. Those training hours will correspond to presenting a communication at a national or international congress or colloquium outside the areas and departments participating in the Programme.

- Academic publications in scientific journals, collective books or minutes of congresses as a result of participating in congresses, colloquia, etc. (250 hours). Type: Optional. No minimum number of publications will be required when submitting the thesis but this is an important factor for judging its quality.

- Research stays at other centres or universities or at research centres (300 hours). Type: Optional.

- Attendance at UAM's pre-doctoral training programme courses (40 hours). Type: Optional.
In addition to the aforementioned activities established by the Programme's Academic Committee, the activities considered to be compulsory will be the specific activities which the PhD Programme may establish since they are considered to be essential for the students' training.

The Programme's training activities can be organised in two large groups:

   - Cross-sectional research seminars designed to help with the academic work and doctoral thesis, open to all the Programme's students, which include the Training Activities of UAM's Doctoral School, comprising a number of activities common to the doctoral programmes (research, staff and value training) which are of use to all the people studying a doctorate, regardless of their knowledge area, and the Doctoral Training Activities of the School of Philosophy and Literature, which specifically seek to train the students enrolled in the PhD Programmes in cross-sectional skills under the academic supervision of the professors of the School of Philosophy and Literature.
   - The Pre-Doctoral Training Programme (programme only for the trainee teaching and research staff, who enjoy grants for the training of university teaching staff).

2. Specific: congresses, seminars, colloquia and conferences on studies.
   - The Young Researchers' Conferences. The Programme's students can submit academic work and the development and results of their doctoral thesis work. These conferences include the International Congress on Literary Research organised by Philobiblion. The Association of Young Medievalists (UAM).
   - Permanent seminars from UAM's School of Philosophy and Literature.
   - Activities organised within the research projects or master's degrees related to the areas and departments participating in the Programme.
   - Activities organised by the PhD Programme's Academic Committee.
The activities (congresses, seminars, colloquia and conferences on studies) organised by the professors participating in the Programme, as the Programme's specific or non-specific activities, are announced through various channels:

- Doctoral School: in the Notice section.
- Centre of Postgraduate Studies: in the Courses and seminars section.
- School of Philosophy and Literature: in the Courses and seminars and Agenda and calendar sections.
- Department of Spanish Philology: through its Hispanic Studies website.
- The PhD Programme's mailing list, if requested by the organisers.
- Master's Degree in Spanish Language: Research and Professional Internships: in the News and activities section.
- The websites of the Master's Degree in Spanish and Ibero-American Thought and the Master's Degree in Spanish Language: Research and Professional Internships, and the Master's Degree in Hispanic Literatures: Art, History and Society.

Other activities outside UAM can also be taken into account which may be of interest for the doctoral training of the PhD Programme's students:

1. Participation in the Young Researchers' Conferences:
   organised by GRISO (the Spanish Golden Age Research Group).
   - Young Researchers' Conference on Language and Literature organised by the Autonomous University of Barcelona.
   - Young Medievalists' International Congress organised by the Medieval Society for Medieval Studies.
   - Young Researchers' International Conference on Literary and Cultural Studies (CIJIELC) organised by Vigo University.
2. Activities within the framework of the Science Week organised by Fundación para el Conocimiento madri+d.
3. Other scientific meetings and initiatives:
   - Annual Symposia on Spanish organised by Saint-Louis University, Madrid Campus.
   - Permanent seminars on Literature and Women organised by UNED (Spanish Open University).