# UNIVERSITÀ CATTOLICA DEL SACRO CUORE & MICHIGAN STATE UNIVERSITY Summer Study in "Advertising, Public Relations and Consumer behavior" (July 17-August 8, 2009)

## **Program Director**

Dr. Rossella Gambetti, Università Cattolica del Sacro Cuore

### **Program Objective**

Over the course of three weeks participants will receive instruction in the areas of advertising strategy and tactics, public relations strategy, planning and execution, and consumer behaviour principles.

### **Program Requirements and Limitations**

Applicants may only be students currently registered within all courses of the *Facoltà di Scienze Linguistiche e Letterature Straniere*.

Selection will be based on the students' average grade and grade in "Economia e tecnica della comunicazione aziendale" for those who have taken the course.

### **Program Dates**

July 18: Arrival

July 20: Beginning lectures August 7: End lectures August 8: Departure MSU

# "Advertising, PR and Consumer behaviour" Summer study coursework

Each course will be broken into 10 class periods. Classes will be twice a day and meet for 2 hours and 30 min. Class time will include case study, expert guest lecturers, group discussion and assignments, and interactive activities and research.

### **Course 1: Creative Strategies in Advertising**

- Psychology of the Creative Process
- Creativity in Modern Advertising
- Strategies for Creativity
- Research Elements and Approaches in Advertising and PR
- Methods of ADV Research: Field Observations and Case Studies, Content Analysis, Focus Groups, and Survey Research

### **Course 2: Public Relations Strategy**

- Dominant Theories of Public Relations
- Techniques of Effective Communication
- Media Relations
- Event Management
- Crisis Management
- Governmental Relations

### **Course 3: Consumer Behavior**

- Affect and Cognition and Marketing Strategy
- Behavior and Marketing Strategy
- Consumer Analysis
- Research Methods in Advertising and Public Relations

#### Weekend Excursions/Activities

- 3 nights in Chicago (excursions to Chicago Blues music venue, River Boat tour on Lake Michigan and a visit to the largest PR agency group in the world: Edelman Group)
- Lansing Lugnuts Baseball Game
- Ann Arbor (dinner & entertainment)
- Beach Day at South Haven, on Lake Michigan