## **New Education and ICT Doctoral Programme**

This semester, the Universitat Oberta de Catalunya (Open University of Catalonia, UOC) is to offer a new Education and ICT (e-learning) doctoral programme. A dozen students have already been admitted and are to start the first edition of this new programme this semester.

The doctoral programme guarantees **advanced training** for researchers which will allow them to develop their career in the field of research into e-learning. The programme has a period of tutored research that includes courses, seminars and other activities aimed at training them in research.

This new programme has been developed by the eLearn Center (the UOC's e-learning research, innovation and training centre) and forms part of the research carried out at the centre. The current lines of research at the eLearn Center focus on three fields: teaching and learning processes; educational organisation, management and policies, and technological resources for learning.

The new Education and ICT Doctoral Programme is the UOC's second such programme. It also offers a doctoral programme in the Information and Knowledge Society.