



# Piero Maria Pedone

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## About myself

Incoming Hertie School MIA candidate (International Security), specializing in EU foreign and security policy, border governance, and multilateral crisis management. Author of a published panel proceedings on the war in Ukraine and contributor to faculty research on Frontex operations along the West African route. Working proficiency across four languages spanning the European and Lusophone spaces.

## Education & Training

**Master's Degree Incoming Candidate** | Hertie School | 31/08/2026 - 20/05/2028 | Berlin, Germany

Field(s) of study: International Security

**Overseas Academic Exchange Program** | Dickinson College | 28/08/2025 - 13/05/2026 | Carlisle, United States

Completed Exams: Great Power War, International Political Economy, American Foreign Policy, German Language and Culture, History of the Middle East since 1750, International Relations.

Overall GPA: 3.7

**Bachelor's Degree** | University of Bologna | 14/09/2023 - Current | Bologna, Italy

Bachelor's Degree in International Relations and Diplomatic Affairs with core foundation in political science, international law, and history of international relations.

Field(s) of study: International Relations and Diplomatic Affairs | Level in EQF: 6

**Scientific High School Diploma | 4-Year Experimental Program** | Liceo Scientifico Temistocle Calzecchi Onesti | 12/09/2018 - 12/06/2023 | Fermo, Italy

Key Courses: Communication Theory & Logic, Business Planning, Russian Language and Culture, Information Technology

Field(s) of study: International Business Management & Communication | Final grade: 82/100 | Level in EQF: 4

## Work experience

**Research Assistant, Frontex / West African Route** | Dickinson College | 01/01/2026 - 17/05/2026 | Carlisle, United States

Authored a 40-page analytical synthesis on Frontex Operation HERA (2006 to 2026), reviewing several hundred Frontex and European Commission reports and working papers. Assessed the deterrence rationale of EU external border policy by compiling and cross-analysing migration datasets from IOM, MMC, and UNHCR, producing a structured evidence base on irregular flows along the West African route.

**Quantitative Data Analysis, German Migration Dataset** | Dickinson College | 01/01/2026 - 17/05/2026 | Carlisle, United States

Analysed a 900-respondent survey on integration patterns within Germany's Turkish-origin population using Excel, applying descriptive and cross-tabular methods. Delivered structured findings on language acquisition, labour-market participation, and social integration indicators for use in faculty research.

**University Teaching Assistant & Writing Center Tutor** | Dickinson College | 27/08/2025 - 17/05/2026 | Carlisle, PA, United States

Supported Italian-language instruction and provided editorial consultations at the Writing Center, mentoring students on the structure and stylistic clarity of academic writing in Italian.

**Public Relations Manager** | Agriturismo La Curtis | Montalto delle Marche, Italy

2021-Current

- Guest reception, event organization, and digital marketing.

- Revenue management and hospitality operations oversight.

Website: [agriturismolacurtis.it](http://agriturismolacurtis.it)

## Market Research Analyst | IMAGIN.studio | 01/03/2023 - 31/03/2023 | Amsterdam, Netherlands

- Italian market analysis and identification of growth opportunities.
- Customer acquisition and long-term relationship management.
- Strategy planning to align sales and marketing teams.

Website: [imaginstudio.com/](http://imaginstudio.com/)

## Publications

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### Why Ukraine Fights: Proceedings of a Panel Discussion at Dickinson College

Piero Maria Pedone, Michele Chiaruzzi (2026). Dickinson College

Convened and curated an academic panel on the war in Ukraine featuring Ambassador Michele Chiaruzzi and three faculty experts, before an audience of approximately 100, including representatives of the Central Pennsylvania Ukrainian community, faculty, and students. Organized the event, edited the transcripts, authored the introduction, and edited the published volume; 30 copies were printed and various copies are held by the University Library of Bologna, and Dickinson College Library.

<https://pieromariapedone.com/publications/why-ukraine-fights-proceedings-of-a-panel-discussion-at-dickinson-college/download/>

## Skills

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**Analytical & Research Skills** | policy analysis | Quantitative Data Analysis | Academic Editing & Convening | Open Source Research | Briefing & Executive Summaries | Qualitative Literature Review | synthesise information

**Digital & Technical Skills** | Web Development & CMS | UAV Operations | Office Suite

**Academic Leadership & Project Support** | Convening & Event Coordinator | Editorial Support | Teaching Assistance

**Communication & Soft Skills** | Cross-Cultural Communication | Public Speaking and Public Relation | Strategic Writing

## Hobbies and Interests

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### Hobbies

**Music:** Self-taught multi-instrumentalist (piano, guitar, bass, saxophone, drums). Play by ear and performed as band leader for events and live concerts. **Dance:** 10 years of experience in international styles including Caribbean, Tango, Swing, Latin, and Standard. **Karate:** Practitioner for 7 years (Orange/Green belt). Kata and Kumite techniques.

## Language Skills

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**Italian: Native**

**English: C1 (Proficient)**

**Spanish: B2**

**Portuguese: B2**

**German: B1**

**Russian: A2**