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University College Freiburg – Liberal Arts and Sciences

Admissions formalities, enrolment, housing









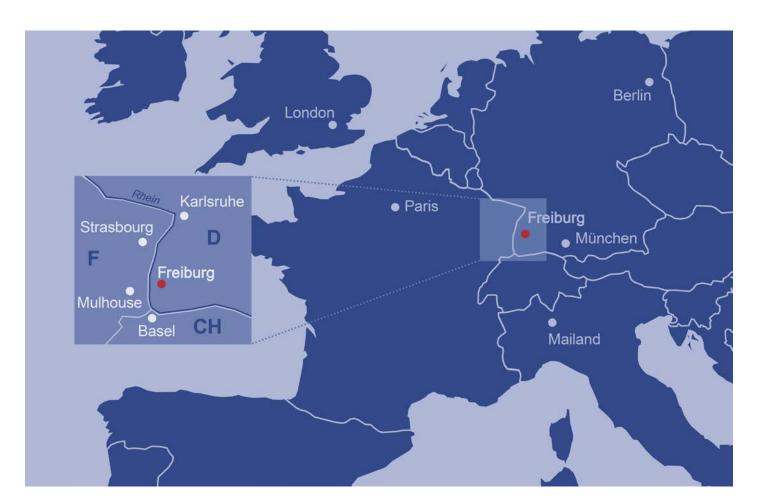
... to Germany



- Close to 3 million students = 3.5% of the population
 - 56% higher education participation rate per cohort
 - 11% international students
- 20,000 different study programs
 - Largely organized as Bachelor and Master degrees
 - Ca. 11% non-German taught
- 400 state-recognized higher education institutions
 - Ca. 75% public / state-funded
 - Low tuition fees
- 16 "Länder" with 16 different higher education systems ranging from Baden-Württemberg to Thüringen

... to Freiburg





... to the University of Freiburg





- Founded in 1457
- 11 faculties from the humanities to the social / natural / technical sciences, and medicine
- 250 degree programs, 25 in English
- 25.000 students (18% international) and 5.000 new students p.a.
- Welcome guide for international students: <u>www.studium.uni-freiburg.de/en/counseling/welcome-guide-for-international-students</u>

... to University College Freiburg

- Founded in 2012 at the University of Freiburg as a central and interfaculty institution
- International, interdisciplinary, innovative teaching and learning offers
- Professorships, teaching and administrative staff
- Liberal Arts and Sciences Bachelor Program (LAS)
- With 300 LAS students, 25% international, from more than 40 countries



Timeline

- Today: UCF welcome and information event for all admitted students
- ASAP: your decision to join LAS as starting point for further planning
 - Ensuring your finances
 - Scheduling an appointment with "your" German embassy and securing your student visa
 - Organizing housing (non-EU students: deadline for priority dorm room access: August 31)

University College Freiburg | LAS Welcome and Information Event July 30, 2024

- Moving to Freiburg
- Early September: LAS information package for new students
- October 4 (virtual), 11 (meeting): Uni Freiburg International Office Welcome Day
- October 7-11: LAS Welcome Week at UCF
- October 14: start of your first LAS semester



Admission and registration



- Admission
 - Once you confirmed your study place offer you can download the admission letter (uploaded Mondays and Thursdays)
 - Please note the enrolment deadline stated in the admission letter (if required prolongate in time)
- Enrolment
 - Student Service Center in charge of enrolment
 - Online application for enrolment recommended, hand in signed application by postal mail or in person
 - Semester fee (EU admissions) and tuition fees (Non-EU admissions) to pay for enrolment
 - see <u>https://www.studium.uni-freiburg.de/en/student-services/matriculation?set_language=en</u>



- matriculation application. You can prepare the matriculation form online. Please log in with the access data from your application, follow the instructions on the website, print the document at the end and sign it before submitting.
- letter of acceptance
- university entrance qualification/ English proficiency
- certificate providing evidence of German statutory health insurance coverage or an exemption from the health insurance requirement
- receipt (e.g. the bank transfer receipt) confirming payment of student fees and administrative fees (original or printed); you can pay the fees directly with a German Girocard (with PIN) when you enrol. Visa or Mastercard not accepted.



- Visa requirements depend on your home country
 - Identify and contact "your" German Embassy <u>www.diplo.de/addresses</u>
 - Documents include: Passport, biometric passport photo, visa application form, letter of acceptance at a university in Germany
 - "Proof of financing": €11,208 at your disposal for one year
 - Further information on process and requirements: <u>www.study-in-germany.de/en/plan-your-</u> <u>studies/requirements/visa/</u>
- Once in Freiburg, you must
 - Register as a Freiburg resident
 - Apply for a residence permit
 - <u>www.studium.uni-freiburg.de/en/counseling/welcome-guide-for-international-students/administration</u>



- Proof of financing for your visa application: €11,208 per year
- Monthly living costs: ca. €650 950 (housing as largest factor and variable)
- Baden-Württemberg tuition fees for non-EU students: €1,500 per semester
- Uni Freiburg Student Service Center information
 - Student finances: <u>www.studium.uni-freiburg.de/en/counseling/welcome-guide-for-international-</u>
 <u>students/finance</u>
 - Scholarship advising (in and beyond Germany): <u>www.studium.uni-freiburg.de/en/counseling/scholarship-advising</u>





- General shortage of affordable student housing in Freiburg, take surrounding villages into account
- Monthly rental costs start at about €250-300
- Student dorms
 - Mostly run by the Studierendenwerk SWFR = Student Services Freiburg (external to the University)
 - Non-EU: priority dorm room access for 1-2 semesters
 - General registration deadline on SWFR "Mobility Online" portal: August 31
- Private rental market for (apartments and "WG" rooms)
- More: <u>www.studium.uni-freiburg.de/en/counseling/welcome-guide-for-international-students/housing-where-</u> <u>can-i-live</u>

Getting started



- Contact the LAS student mediators before coming to Freiburg → <u>lasstudentsmediator@gmail.com</u>
- Sign up for an LAS buddy for day 1 in Freiburg → <u>klemperer@ucf.uni-freiburg.de</u>
- Sign up for LAS peer advising → <u>klemperer@ucf.uni-freiburg.de</u>
- LAS Welcome Week starting October 7
- At Uni Freiburg
 - Uni Student Service Center: <u>www.studium.uni-freiburg.de/en/student-services/beginning-students</u>
 - Intercultural mentoring offer: <u>www.mentoring.uni-freiburg.de/intercultural</u>
- First steps in Freiburg as compiled by the Studierendenwerk: <u>https://www.swfr.de/en/international/arrival/the-first-steps</u>





