

Studying at the University of Freiburg

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Some facts (1)

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- **Lecture periods:**
 - Winter semester: mid of October to mid of February
 - Summer semester: mid of April to mid July
- **Tuition fees:**
 - 500 Euro per semester (not all states)
- **BA, BSc, Master**
 - Diplom, Magister, Staatsexam do not exist anymore
- **ERASMUS und EUCOR**

Some facts (2)

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- Courses: (depending on subject)
 - Lectures (Vorlesung)
 - Tutorial (Tutorium)
 - Laboratory or exercise course (Übung)
 - Proseminar / Advanced Seminar (Proseminar / Hauptseminar)
 - Practical training (Praktikum)
- Credits:
 - ECTS Points (European Credit Transfer System)
 - “Schein” (Paper Certificate)

Ways to Germany

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- Individual Application (BA / MA)
- Programme Application (BA / MA)

- PhD – individual
- PhD – programme (Graduate School)

- Research Fellow

Ways to a German university

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- **applicants participating in a program**
 - Exchange Programmes
 - ERASMUS
 - etc.
- **individual applicants**
 - **degree seeking:** those who wish to complete a course of study in Freiburg, i.e. to earn a degree
 - **short-term studies:** those who only wish to study for one or two semesters at the University of Freiburg and then return to their home university.

<http://www.studium.uni-freiburg.de/international-en/incoming-en/individuell-en>

Individual – short-term

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- limited period of time without the intention of completing a degree
- up to two semesters
- prerequisite for admission:
 - evidence of proficiency in German
 - several semesters of study in the same field at a university in your native country.

Prerequisites for Admission (short-term)

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- Enrollment at your Home University
- Proficiency in German (if the programme you wish to enroll in is not taught in English or French)
- Qualification for Admission to Institutions of Higher Education
Check whether your qualifications for admission to studies are equivalent to those required in Germany at www.anabin.de
- Transfer of Credit (contact your home university)

Applying and Enrolling (short-term)

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- officially authenticated copies of your secondary school-leaving certificate (Bacalauréat, Attestat, High school diploma etc.)
- evidence of any university entrance examinations in your native country
- overview of the nature of your previous studies, the grades you received, and certificates from any academic examinations
- certificate of enrollment
- **Application Deadlines**
 - For the summer semester: April 1st
 - For the winter semester: October 1st
- Application send by “snailmail” to the University of Freiburg!

http://www.studium.uni-freiburg.de/international-en/incoming-en/individuell-en/kurzzeit-en/bewerbung_einschreibung-en/

Individual – Degree seeking

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- Undergraduate courses at the University of Freiburg are taught in **German**.
- two or more semesters studies in your native country
 - generally direct admission to a degree program at the ALU
- qualifications for admission to institutions of higher education which are **only partially equivalent** to those required of German applicants → "Feststellungsprüfung" (Entrance Examination for Institutions of Higher Education) → Studienkolleg (**College for Foreign Students**)



Application Deadlines

For the summer semester: January 15th

For the winter semester: July 15th

Some master and postgraduate courses of study have other application deadlines!

Individual – degree seeking

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- Restricted admission
 - numerus clausus
- Aptitude Assessment Procedures
 - assessment tests: end of July for the winter semester / end of January for the summer semester
- TestAS – Scholastic Aptitude Test for International Applicants
 - improves your chances of acceptance
 - standardized test in **German**



Information in your International Office!

Curitiba – Freiburg:

- Faculty of Forest and Environmental Sciences

PhD - individual

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- Supervision letter of the “Doktorvater”
- Acceptance confirmation of the faculty
- Officially authenticated copies of the school leaving certificate
- Officially authenticated copies of the university diplomas

For a PhD study course you can apply with the completely filled in application form ([DAAD \[PDF 196KB\]](#)) until mid October for the winter semester / mid April for the summer semester.

<http://www.studium.uni-freiburg.de/international-en/incoming-en/promotion-en>



International Graduate Academy (IGA)
provides many information for PhD
students

<http://www.iga.uni-freiburg.de/>

**Check here for all Graduation Schools
at the University of Freiburg**

What to expect and what not!

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- Students have to work on own initiative
- Support by the university and Studentenwerk in personal,
- For undergraduate degree programmes German Language Proficiency Test (Goethe, TestDaf, DSH) is required
 - For Master Degree Programmes qualification varies
 - Even for international Master Programmes you should learn German!

Are you ready to study in Freiburg?

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Self assessment for potential international students:

<http://www.international.uni-freiburg.de/>

General Information & application forms:

<http://www.studium.uni-freiburg.de/international-en/incoming-en>



Thank you!