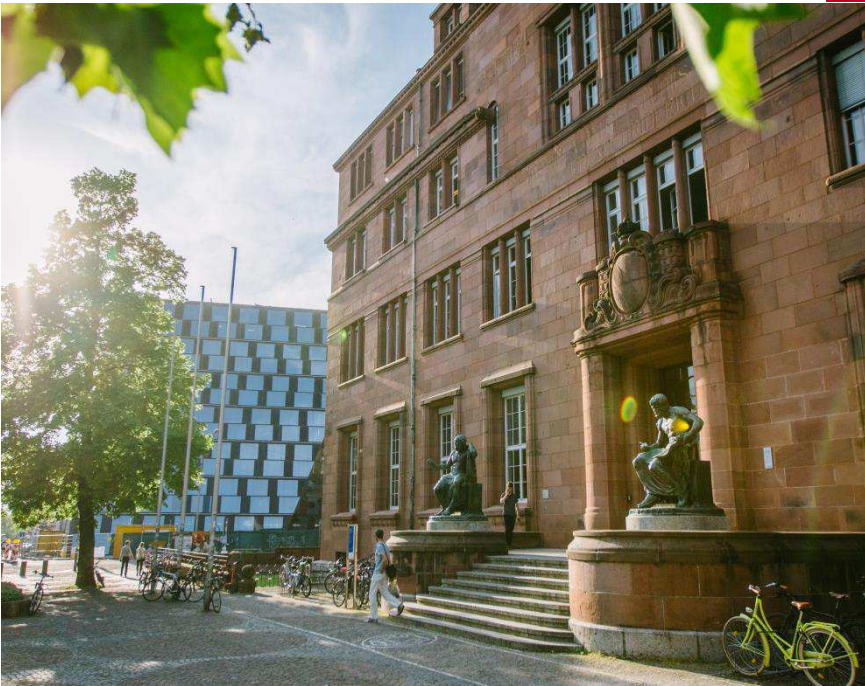


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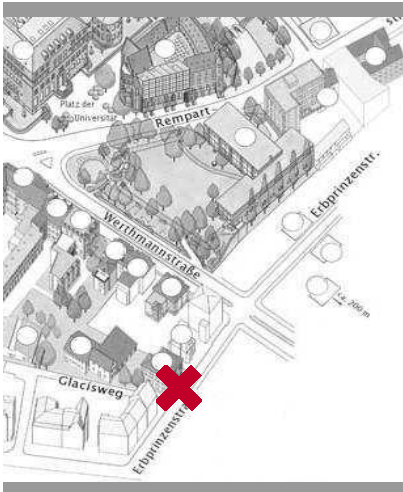
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The International Office of the Faculty of Law is the information centre for International Relations at the Faculty. Whether being a Freiburg student, international student or guest – you are welcome to get in touch with us! We provide information and advice on studying or teaching in Freiburg both on our website and in our office. You may visit us during our office hours or by appointment, and contact us via email or phone. We will be happy to answer any questions you might have.



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Welcome to Freiburg

and welcome to the Faculty of Law, Albert-Ludwigs-University!

We are pleased to welcome you as an exchange student at the Albert-Ludwigs-University of Freiburg!

This booklet aims to give you a quick and easy start into your student life in Freiburg. As your contact persons at the Faculty of Law, we are always happy to help you with any questions – especially those concerning your studies. To support you in preparing for your stay in Freiburg, this is some important information:

The winter semester starts **Monday October 16th, 2017**.


We will meet on our Orientation Day for International Law Students Wednesday, October 11th, 2.00 p.m. in lecture hall 2121.

There you may ask any questions you like and you will get to know students from all over Europe and the rest of the world (*for course registration please see chapter “Academic Information”*).

If you have any doubts or enquiries before or during the semester, please feel free to come by our office at Erbprinzenstr. 17a (*see “Map of the University”*; *for our contact hours, please see chapter “Important addresses” at the end of this brochure*).

We are looking forward to seeing you soon in Freiburg.

Simone Bemmann, Sybille Schneiders and Stephanie Warkentin
International affairs



The City of Freiburg

Freiburg was officially founded in 1120 when Duke Konrad II of Zähringen authorized the establishment of a marketplace at the foot of his castle on the Schlossberg mountain. Due to this privilege, the young settlement quickly became appealing to the merchants of the Breisgau region. This contributed greatly to Freiburg's rapid growth and the emergence of infrastructure such as city walls, gates, a water system, and streets. Especially noteworthy was and is the construction of the so-called "Bächle" – a system of small canals branched throughout the city – which provided citizens with water for domestic and commercial use, for animals, and for extinguishing fires.

Around 1200 construction of the cathedral ("Münster" in German) began under the reign of the last duke of Zähringen, Berthold V. After the last male heir of the Zähringen family died in 1218, the related house of the Counts of Urach followed his fief. During this reign, construction of the Münster and completion of the church tower took place alongside extreme political transformations in Freiburg's municipal society. This included guild involvement in city politics and citizens gaining independence from their town rulers.

Final disempowerment occurred in 1368 after a battle between the citizens and the counts of Freiburg. The result was the emancipation of citizens from count rule and entrance into the increasingly powerful Habsburger fiefdom for a large fee. Consequently, Freiburg remained part of the Habsburger reign and the so-called "Vorderösterreichischen Lande", or parts of Austria, until 1806.

The following years were not easy for Freiburg and its citizens. The plague was raging throughout Europe, which led to crop failures and ensuing famines. In addition, urban finances were meagre because of the dues paid to the counts. Consequently, by the end of the 15th century the population had diminished and Freiburg lost much of its former shine.

A major turning point came about in 1457 when Archduke Albrecht VI of Austria founded the University. From that point on the small "Vorderösterreichische" city attracted academics and students alike and the city came to life again.



As the main residence of the Vorderösterreichische government, Freiburg was a strategic target for the expansionary positioning of the French king Ludwig's XIV troops. Due to the lack of modern fortifications, Freiburg was quickly occupied by French troops in 1677. This in turn led to major changes in the city's outward appearance: The suburbs, a large portion of the city wall and most of the gates of the stronghold were altered according to General Sébastien de Vaubans plans. The Schlossberg mountain was completely overbuilt with barracks and fortifications. The Treaty of Rijswijk in 1697 returned Freiburg to the Habsburger reign after 20 years of French occupation.

After the Congress of Vienna in 1815, control of Freiburg fell to the Grand Duchy of Baden and after 450 years of Habsburg reign Freiburg was incorporated into Baden. The city stagnated within its medieval city centre. It wasn't until the construction of the locomotive and beginning of industrialisation that new quarters began to emerge and grow in the city. Under Mayor Otto Winterer, Freiburg was further developed into a so-called "Pensionopolis" (retirement city). With targeted recruitment of retirees from northern Germany at the turn of the century and the increase in student enrolment, Freiburg's population exploded - increasing by almost 400% within a few decades.

While World War I didn't leave much of a mark on Freiburg, World War II had a significant impact: After devastating attacks by the Royal Air Force on November 27th, 1944 large sections of the city were reduced to ash and rubble. After 1945, reconstruction of the city centre began with consideration of the city's medieval street structure plans, original ground plans and building facades.

Today, Freiburg boasts the title "Solar Capital" of Germany due to its ecological activity and with nearly 25,000 students it is a bustling university city. Its population is also ever increasing, largely due to an influx of young families.

The University and the Faculty of Law


550 Years University of Freiburg

In July 2007, the University of Freiburg celebrated its 550-years anniversary. In 1457, Albrecht VI (Albert VI) of Austria (the country of which the city was part of at that time) founded the University of Freiburg, where from the very beginning theology law and medicine were taught. Students could also study “Artes Liberales”, the precursor of the modern Faculty of Humanities. In 1818 a substantial gift from Grand Duke Ludwig of Baden ensured the University’s continued existence. To thank him for this, the University’s name was changed from the Albertina to the Albert-Ludwigs University of Freiburg.



Freiburg was the second university, after Vienna, to be founded by the Habsburgers in western Austrian Breisgau. In 1620 local princes put the Jesuits in charge of many parts of the University.

Since the 1880s an enormous surge of development has taken place at the University of Freiburg. Departments differentiated themselves from one another and became more specialized. The University hospital and scientific institutes also founded their own campus to the north of the old city. These years were also witness to an enormous jump in enrolment at the Faculty of Law. Freiburg attracted great numbers of law students from Berlin and northern Germany and was no longer characterized by regional student enrolment. When the enormous expansion of the University made new buildings necessary at the end of the 19th century, it was decided that the University should remain in the heart of the city. The site chosen for the new University Library (Universitätsbibliothek) and the Main Building I (Kollegiengebäude I), which were built between 1896 and 1911, was within sight of the oldest university buildings.



Enrolment numbers remained constant at around 3,000 until the first half of the 20th century but by the 1960s Freiburg became and remains a popular “Mass University”.

Comprising approximately ten percent of the city’s population over 25,000 students are currently enrolled at the University. They certainly have a major influence on the lifestyle enjoyed by the 220,000 inhabitants of the city of Freiburg.


The Faculty of Law

The Judicial Faculty (today Faculty of Law) is one of the cornerstones of the University. The Faculty reached its zenith under the auspices of humanism at the beginning of the 16th century with Ulrich Zasius (1461-1535), who also authored the “New Town Ordinances“ for Freiburg in 1520.

However, for nearly 200 years afterwards the Faculty remained small in the areas of teaching and research compared to others in the “Vorderösterreichischen Lande“, or parts of Austria. After the incorporation of Freiburg to Baden the Faculty remained very much in the shadow of Heidelberg. Karl von Rotteck’s (1775-1840) and Karl Theodor Welcker’s (1790-1869) *Staatslexikon* became the catechism for the constitutional movement in the “Pre-March” in the years around 1848 (*Vormärz*).

In 1896, with considerable contribution from Max Weber (1864-1920), the Faculty was re-shaped via integration of the Economics Departments to create the Faculty of Law and Political Economy.

After the takeover by the National Socialists in the year 1933/34, the Faculty faced turbulent times. Fortunately, cooperation between Walter Eucken (1891-1950), Hans Großmann-Doerth (1894-1944) and Franz Böhm (1895-1977) resulted in a teaching and research community made up of national economists and lawyers. This research community became popularly known as the Freiburg School, and contributed to the construction of the market economy after 1945 based on Ordo-liberal concepts. In addition to Eucken and Böhm, other members of the Faculty such as Erik Wolf (1902-1977) and Constantin von Dietze (1891-1973) became involved in the fight against the “self-proclaimed church”. They assisted the so-called Bonhoeffer Circle (one of Freiburg’s opposition circles) in the creation of a Freiburg memorandum, an important document in the resistance to National Socialism.



In the 1950s, after a rough phase of reconstruction and consolidation, student enrolment increased at which point key figures - Fritz Pringsheim, Gustav Boehmer (1881-1969), Adolf Schönke (1908-1953) and Ernst von Caemmerer (1908-1985) - committed themselves to a major overhaul of the Faculty and the creation of new departments. In 1969, during the course of organizational restructuring at the University, the valued alliance with the economists was dismantled.

Faculty Structure


The institutional structure of the Faculty is based upon existing institutions and seminars. The library facilities merged in 1975 to form the (main) *Bibliothek für Rechtswissenschaft* (Law Library), the origins of which can be traced to the Judicial Seminar founded in 1889.

The oldest specialised institute, founded in 1929 by Pringsheim and Baron Claudius von Schwerin (1880-1944), is the Institute for the History of Law and Historical Comparative Law. This was made up of a Romance languages and a German department, as well as the Institute for Greek Law, which was later added, having been founded by Hans Julius Wolff (1902-1983).

The field of civil law is associated with the Institute of Foreign and International Law as well as the Institute for German and Foreign Civil Procedure Law, and finally the Institute for Commercial, Labour and Social Law.

The Institute for Criminology and Financial Criminal Law represents the field of Criminal Law at Freiburg. Its origins trace back to Erik Wolf who founded the Seminar for study of Penal Systems in 1930. The Max-Planck-Institute for Foreign and International Criminal Law also originates from the Faculty and both continue to work together closely.

The Institute for Public Law consists of two departments for constitutional law, each of which possesses their own department for international law, administrative law, and administrative sciences. Lastly, the Seminar for Philosophy and Church Law belongs to the group of specialised institutes. The library holdings of these institutions can be found in the Law Library's



main catalogue; including holdings of faculties that are not associated with a particular institute. The total inventory currently amounts to around 250,000 volumes.

In the case of some institutes, the name itself points to the main focus of research activities; namely the History of Law as well as the legally related Comparative Law. In the remaining cases, the focus of research depends largely upon the objectives and preferences of individual professors. Accordingly, changes in personnel within the framework of the Faculty also entail transformation to the academic image and development of the Faculty.

Courtesy of Rudolf-Werner Dreier's "Albert-Ludwigs-Universität Freiburg im Breisgau", Freiburg, 1. Edition (1991).

Faculty of Law Institutes (August 2017)

See also <http://www.jura.uni-freiburg.de/de/institute>

Institute for German and Foreign Civil Procedure Law

Department 1, Prof. Hoffmann

Department 2, Prof. Bruns

Institute of Foreign and International Private Law

Department 1, Prof. Meier

Department 2, Prof. Merkt

Department 3, Prof. von Hein

Institute for the History of Law and Historical Comparative Law

Roman Department, Prof. Kaiser

German Department, Prof. Schäfer

Institute for Criminal Law and Criminal Law Proceedings

Department 1, Prof. Pawlik

Department 2, dissolved

Department 3, Prof. Perron



Institute for Criminology and Economic Criminal Law, Prof. Hefendehl

Institute for Public Law

Department 1 (European and Public International Law), Prof. Haltern

Department 2 (Public International Law and Comparison of Law), Prof. Vöneky

Department 3 (Constitutional Law), N.N.

Department 4 (Administrative Law), Prof. Schoch

Department 5 (Public Law), Prof. Masing

Institute for Commercial, Labour and Social Law

Department 1 (Commercial Law), Prof. Lieder

Department 2 (Labour Law), Prof. Krebber

Department 3 (Social Law), Prof. von Koppenfels-Spies

Department 4 (Intellectual Property), Prof. Haedicke

Department 5 (International Commercial Law focussed on East Asia), Prof. Bu

Research Centre for University Law and University Labour Law, Prof. Löwisch/

Prof. Würtenberger

Institute for Media and Information Law

Department 1 (Civil and Commercial Law, Law of Media and Information), Prof. Paal

Department 2 (Public Law, European Information and Infrastructure Law), Prof.

Schneider

Institute for Political Science and Philosophy of Law

Department 1 (Public Law and Political Science), Prof. Voßkuhle

Department 2 (Philosophy of Law), Prof. Poscher

Department 3 (Legal Theory), Prof. Jestaedt

Max-Planck-Institute for Foreign and International Criminal Law

Head of the department of Criminology: Prof. Albrecht

Head of the department of Criminal Law: Prof. Sieber



Map of the University of Freiburg i. Br. (City Centre)





(1) Kollegengebäude (KG) I

(2) Kollegengebäude (KG) II: Faculty of Law

(5) Cafeteria Rempartstraße

(6a) Breisacher Tor

(8) University Library

(10) The Old University

(21) International Office (Faculty of Law)



Application Procedure for ERASMUS+ Students

Step 1:



To officially introduce you to Freiburg University your coordinator at your home university needs to nominate you via Email to international@jura.uni-freiburg.de (Sybille Schneiders, Departmental Erasmus Coordinator) and to europa@zv.uni-freiburg.de, Ulrich.Eckelt@zv.uni-freiburg.de (Ulrich Eckelt, Institutional Erasmus Coordinator).

Step 2:



As an answer to your nomination the EU Office of Freiburg University will send you an invitation link to the new online database “Mobility online” where you need to fill in your personal information for your online application.

At the same time we here at the “Auslandsbüro” of the Law Faculty will provide you with general information about law studies here in Freiburg.

Step 3:



Socialize.

Please take part in all orientation programs – especially the one we organize here at the Law Faculty during the week before the semester starts (October 11th 2017, 2pm, HS 2122). Join our buddy program und new “Stammtisch”.

Address for submission of the application:

ALBERT-LUDWIGS-UNIVERSITÄT FREIBURG
ERASMUS-Koordination
Service Center Studium
Sedanstraße 6
79085 Freiburg
Germany



Please submit your application for admission:

For the winter semester and the whole academic year: June 15th

For the summer semester: January 15th

Health Insurance

To enrol at the University, you must provide evidence of health insurance coverage in your home country. Please note the following information:

www.studium.uni-freiburg.de/studieninteressierte-en/guide_for_internationals-en/krankenversicherung-en

EU citizens will need to bring their European Health Insurance Card (EHIC). Please check with your local insurance agency for details in due time.

Upon your Arrival in Freiburg

1. You need to register at the Registration Office of the City of Freiburg (see address below in chapter “*Important addresses*”). They will issue you a certificate of free movement (“Freizügigkeitsbescheinigung”) (for EU/ Swiss and Norwegian citizens only).
2. You will have to provide evidence of health insurance coverage. EU citizens will need to present their European Health Insurance Card (EHIC) to receive the certificate (see details above).
3. Pay the University’s administrative and student fee (78€ per semester for ERASMUS-students; free mover and faculty exchange students will pay 138€). Payment in case is exclusively possible at the University cashier’s office (*Universitätskasse*), located on the 1st floor of the Rektorat (Fahnenbergplatz). For other payment methods, please refer to the information leaflet on enrolment for international students for the winter term 2017/18.



For Enrolment at the University you must submit

1. Letter of acceptance
2. Valid personal ID card or passport, your resident registration and certificate of free movement (*Freizügigkeitsbescheinigung*)
3. Evidence of health insurance coverage (*Krankenversicherungsbescheinigung*)/EHIC (see Health Insurance above)
4. Receipt confirming payment of student fees (78 € for ERASMUS students)
5. Application for enrolment (for short-term students: www.studium.uni-freiburg.de/international/incoming/individuell/kurzzeit/bewerbungsformulare.link)
6. 2 passport photographs

Carrying all the documents listed above with you please go to the Service Center Studium – Studierendensekretariat, Sedanstraße 6, during the times specified in your Letter of Acceptance. Please note that you have to submit these documents in person.

Application and Admittance

Procedure for LL.M. Students

Only applicants with a degree in law which is equivalent to the first German state law examination (*Erstes Juristisches Staatsexamen*) will be accepted for postgraduate studies. Evidence of sufficient German skills must also be provided. Generally speaking, you must pass the “*Deutsche Sprachprüfung für den Hochschulzugang ausländischer Studienbewerber (DSH)*” with a grade of DSH-2 (formerly min. 600 points) or -3, or with a “*TestDAF-Zertifikat*” (minimum 4 points in each of the four areas tested). Suitable evidence of German skills from other valid sources might be accepted in exceptional cases.

Three-step admission process:


Firstly, you need a written confirmation of your supervisor to guide you (full-time professor of the Faculty of Law). The confirmation must be added to your applications forms.

Once you have found a supervisor, please complete the admittance application of the Service Center Studium, section International Admissions and Services- IAS (see address below in chapter “*Important addresses*”). The admittance application has to be submitted before **July 15th** for the winter term and before **January 15th** for the summer term.

Finally, in cooperation with the section International Admissions and Services (IAS), the Faculty will make the final decision concerning the admittance for the following semester. In cases of particularly high numbers of applicants, the Faculty reserves the right to accept applicants for the winter term only, meaning that admittance is only possible once a year. Currently, admittance to the LL.M. postgraduate course of studies is possible in both the winter and summer semester.

The Faculty of Law’s graduate committee finalises enrolment for the postgraduate studies after the applicant arrives in Freiburg. This decision is exclusively an act of administration and based on the decision taken by the IAS and the faculty.

Once you have found a postgraduate studies supervisor, you may consult with him/her on questions and concerns that may arise. However, until that point feel free to visit us in the International Office.




It is decisive that you participate in the Law Information day on October 11th 2017 in order to receive important detailed information about the LL.M. programme.

After your arrival in Freiburg:

1. You must register at the Registration Office of the City of Freiburg (see address below in chapter “*Important addresses*”) and go to the Immigration Office of the City of Freiburg (*Ausländerbehörde*) and apply for a residency permit (only for citizens of non-EU countries).
2. Please provide evidence of health insurance coverage from your home country by requesting a certificate from one of the public insurance agencies. Alternatively, you must provide evidence that a German health insurance company will insure you during your studies. For more information visit:
http://www.studium.uni-freiburg.de/studieninteressierte-en/guide_for_internationals-en/krankenversicherung-en
3. Please pay the 145 € in administrative and student services fees for full-time students at the university cashier's office (*Universitätskasse*) located on the 1st floor of the Rektorat (Fahnenbergplatz).S.

Matriculation requires:

1. Your letter of acceptance
2. Valid passport with visa for study purposes and/or residency permit and the resident registration
3. Certificate providing evidence of health insurance coverage (see Health Insurance in point 2 above)/EHIC
4. “Studienbuch“ or record of studies with evidence of removal from register of students (only necessary if you have previously studied at a German university)
5. Receipt confirming payment of student services and administrative fees (145 €)
6. Application for Enrolment (Degree seeking: <http://www.studium.uni-freiburg.de/studium/formalia/immatrikulation>)
7. 2 passport photos



All documents must be submitted in person at the Service Center Studium – Studierendensekretariat, Sedanstraße 6, during the time periods specified in your letter of acceptance (usually mid-September to mid-October).

At the beginning of your study time you will need to request admission at the Faculty of Law directly as well (KG II, room 2108). For this additional administrative step, you will need the documents listed above as well. We will inform you on the faculty admission at our **Information Day on 11th October 2017**.

It is not necessary to apply in advance for the attendance of lectures or exams. Details and recommendation will be given during the Information Day.



Accommodation

For Erasmus only:

To acquire a room in one of the student resident halls you must fill out the appropriate application form in your online registration portal (Mobility Online):

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

And send it to:

Albert-Ludwigs-Universität Freiburg

International Office

Fahnenbergplatz


79085 Freiburg (Germany)

E-Mail: housing@io.uni-freiburg.de

Please note the application deadlines for student resident halls:

June 15th (applications for winter semester) and **November 30th** (applications for summer semester). Rooms at the student resident halls will be available October 1st and April 1st respectively.

In recent years, most of the incoming students have been given a place in a "Wohnheim" (student resident hall). University staff members are doing their best to find accommodation for each and every incoming student but the housing situation remains tense in Freiburg. Accommodation for ERASMUS students is allocated to the International Office together with the local "Studentenwerk". In general students are notified rather late (mid-August) about whether they have been given a place in a Wohnheim. If you have not been notified by early August please contact the International Office (see above).



For LL.M. and Faculty Exchange Students (Universidad Austral, Buenos Aires; Fundação Getulio Vargas, Rio de Janeiro; Universidad de Chile, Santiago de Chile, Tsinghua University, Beijing, Keio University, Tokyo):

Send the student resident halls application directly to the Studentenwerk Freiburg. Information and application: www.swfr.de.

(Applications are generally possible between June 15th – August 31st for winter semester, and January 15th – February 28th for summer semester)

If you are not given a room in one of the student resident halls, you might find the following information useful:

Other student dorms:

(application recommended before January 15th /June 15th respectively)

- Alban-Stolz-Haus (Reinhold-Schneider-Straße 37, Freiburg-Littenweiler, take tram #1) www.albanstolzhaus.de (follow the links: Bewerberformulare, Formular für ausländische Studierende)
- Thomas-Morus-Burse (Kappler Straße 57, Freiburg-Littenweiler, take tram #1) www.thomasmorusburse.de
- Collegium Sapientiae (Lorettostraße 24) www.collegiumsapientiae.de
- Protestant Dormitory (Falkenbergerstraße 20) www.esw-freiburg.de

In case a room does not become available to you or you wish to find your own accommodation, we advise you to look on the private market. Classified ads for apartments and rooms in Freiburg may be found on several websites and in local newspapers:

www.wg-gesucht.de

www.schnapp.de

www.zwischenmiete.de

www.freiburg.studenten-wohnung.de

www.studenten-wg.de



www.wg-zimmer.biz
www.deutschland-wg.de
www.vierwaen.de
www.zimmerfrei-burg.de
www.studentenwohnungsmarkt.de
www.schnapp.de
www.zypresse.de
www.badische-zeitung.de

For a list of all flats and dormitories available from the Studentenwerk please visit www.swfr.de.


In addition, you can register as a potential tenant in the International Office's private housing databank: <https://www.international/uni-freiburg.de/wohnen>

For a room in a flat-sharing community (Wohngemeinschaft), we recommend that you have a look at ads posted on the many notice boards in the different university buildings or Kollegengebäuden.

If you do not find a room for your very first few days in Freiburg we can recommend the following Youth Hostels/Backpacker and ERASMATE.com to stay at for the start:

Black Forest Hostel - www.blackforest-hostel.de

Jugendherberge Freiburg: www.jugendherberge-freiburg.de



Language Courses at the Language Teaching College (Sprachlehrinstitut)

Since most of the Faculty of Law courses are offered in German, we recommend that students already possess a good command of the language before they begin their studies. On our website “**How to learn German in Freiburg**” you will find extensive information about the possibilities to learn German:

<http://www.jura.uni-freiburg.de/en/international-office/key-information/how-to-learn-german-in-freiburg>

The Language Teaching College (SLI) of the University of Freiburg offers intensive (fee paying) courses during the semester breaks and free language courses for Erasmus and faculty exchange students during the semester.

SLI Courses during Semester Breaks

The SLI offers different types of intensive German courses in March, August and September and in February or July. For course types and dates as well as deadlines for application please refer to the **SLI's website**:

<https://www.sli.uni-freiburg.de/Deutsch/intkursed>


Please complete the online application on the SLI's website well in advance as courses may be fully booked rather quickly.

Since the dormitory rooms for Erasmus exchange students are not available until October 1st, we recommend that you request a room from SLI for the duration of the language course.

Courses during the Semester:

During the semester, SLI invites Erasmus and faculty exchange students to attend free language and regional studies courses.

Please note that the SLI also offers a special course on legal German.



Important: Participants must possess **A2 level** language skills according to the Common European Framework of Reference for Languages in order to attend these courses. Those who do not possess this language level will not be permitted to participate in these courses. In those cases, the student may attend SLI courses that are subject to fees.

Online registration is required for all courses. Online registration is normally possible from mid-September to mid-October on the SLI homepage. Please apply as soon as possible. Applicants will be selected first come first serve. Should all courses during the semester be fully booked already, we advise you to check on the SLI's website for evening courses.



Academic Information

Academic Calendar

The academic year in Germany is divided into a winter semester (October 1st – March 31st) and summer semester (April 1st – September 30th).

Winter semester 2017/18

Classes start:	16 October 2017
Classes end:	12 February 2018
<i>Holidays:</i>	
Christmas break begins	23 December 2017
Christmas break ends	6 January 2018


Summer semester 2018

Classes start:	16 April 2018
Classes end:	21 July 2018
<i>Holidays:</i>	
May bank holiday	1 May 2018
Ascension Day	20/21 May 2018
Whitsun holiday begins	22 May 2018
Whitsun holiday ends	2 June 2018
Corpus Christi	15 June 2018

Course Catalogue

The course catalogue will be published two months before the start of each semester. To start planning courses and complete the Learning Agreement in advance (Erasmus students) you may refer to the course catalogue from the previous year. The up-to date course catalogue is available on our website via “Key information” – “Course catalogue”.

Please note remarks regarding course times that accompany all course announcements. For example, c.t. (cum tempore) means that the lecture starts 15 minutes after the given time; s.t. (sine tempore) means that the lecture starts at given time.



Types of Courses

Lecture: In a lecture, the instructor presents the content. Generally speaking, students do not actively participate, although lecturers may at times call for participation. Regular student attendance is not taken. Erasmus students have the option of completing a written or oral exam on lecture content at the end of the semester. It is not necessary to register for a lecture, but if you wish to complete an exam at the end of the semester you must inform the professor at the beginning of the semester.

Exercise: Assessment of work in an exercise is based on two achievements: A two to three-hour written exam and a final term paper to be written during the semester break. The final term paper must be in the form of a case study dealing with a variety of legal problems, and is usually around 20-25 pages in length.

Seminar: The aim of the seminars is to perform a deeper analysis of details and problems in particular areas of legal theory and thus involves considerable independent research. Every participant is given a specific subject to work on. The final grade will be based on a 20-30 page term paper and an oral presentation on the same topic. Registration is required. Please note that registration for a seminar may be at the end of the previous term or the start of the term break.

Exercises and “WuV-Kurse” are not open for international students as they address students who have to pass the First State Examination. Courses offered in the “Schwerpunktbereich” (SPB) focus on specialised fields of law and are open for international students.

For Erasmus students only: Learning Agreement

Before you begin your studies in Freiburg, we request that you list your selected courses in a Learning Agreement (Online System “Mobility Online”). You are free to choose from any of the courses being offered. Your Learning Agreement must be signed by the International Office (Auslandsbüro) of the Faculty of Law. Please turn it in at the “Auslandsbüro” for the required signature at the latest four weeks before the term starts and we will then send it to your home university.

ECTS Credits (Erasmus students and Faculty Exchange Program, FreeMover)

To calculate your number of ECTS Credits you may refer to the scheme below

Course type		1 CH*	2 CH*	3 CH*	4 CH*
Lecture attendance (no exam)		1 ECTS	2 ECTS	3 ECTS	4 ECTS
Lecture attendance (oral or written exam)		3 ECTS	6 ECTS	9 ECTS	12 ECTS
Seminar	10 ECTS				
Moot Court	12 ECTS				

*CH = contact hours per week per semester (=“Semesterwochenstunden”) equals the duration of a lecture or seminar calculated in complete hours.

Please note that the ECTS information for seminars, big and small tutorials and study groups apply to a lecture plus passed exam.

Course selection

You may choose almost any course from the course catalogue. However, “Wiederholungs- und Vertiefungskurse” are not recommended for international students since an exam cannot be taken and they prepare for the German “Staatsprüfung”. We therefore suggest starting with lectures only.

To make it easier for your overview you can find **an example** of possible courses which give you fundamental knowledge. Please keep in mind that this is **just a suggestion** and not compulsory!




Lecture	ECTS attendance	ECTS passed exam	CH
I. Grundlagen der Rechtswissenschaft (Basics of German Law)			
Einführung in das deutsche Recht (Introduction to German Law)	2	6	2
Europäische und deutsche Rechtsgeschichte (History of European and German Law)	3	9	3
Staats- und Verfassungstheorie (Theory of state and constitution)	2	6	2
Geschichte der Rechts- und Staatsphilosophie (Constitutional History and Political Theory)	2	6	2
II. Zivilrecht (Civil Law)			
Bürgerliches Recht: Einführung und Rechtsgeschäftslehre (Civil Law: Introduction to legal transactions)	4	12	4
Schuldrecht I (Law of Obligation I)	4	12	4
Rechtsvergleichung (Comparative Law)	2	6	2
Internationales Privatrecht (International Private Law)	2	6	2
Arbeitsrecht I (Labour Law)	3	9	3
Handelsrecht (Commercial Law)	2	6	2
Europäisches Wirtschaftsrecht (European Commercial Law)	2	6	2
Gesellschaftsrecht (Corporate Law)	2	6	2



III. Öffentliches Recht (Public Law)			
Staatsrecht I: Staatsorganisationsrecht (Constitutional Law)	2	6	2
Staatsrecht II: Grundrechte (Civic Rights)	3	9	3
Europäisches Recht (European Law)	2	6	2
Völkerrecht (International Public Law)	2	6	2
IV. Strafrecht (Criminal Law)			
Strafrecht: Allgemeiner Teil (Criminal Law, General Provisions)	4	12	4
Strafrecht: Besonderer Teil (Criminal Law, Offences)	4	12	4
Kriminologie (Criminology)	2	6	2
Wirtschaftsstrafrecht (Law relating to Economic Offences)	2	6	2
Internationales Strafrecht (Völker-, EU-Strafrecht) (International Criminal Law)	2	6	2
Strafrechtsvergleichung (Comparative Criminal Law)	2	6	2
Einführung in das deutsche Strafprozessrecht für ausländische Studierende und Gastwissenschaftler (Introduction to German Criminal Procedure for International Students)	4	8	2

Exams

Exams are usually held at the end of each semester or in the very first week of the semester break. The professor decides if the exam will be offered in an oral or written form. Whether students are required to solve a case or answer questions on material dealt with in the seminar is at the professor's discretion. Please enquire about exam dates at the very beginning of



the semester. On our Orientation Day October 11th 2017 you will receive more information about courses, exams and course certificates.

Credits for LL.M. students

According to the examination regulation for the LL.M.-programme, LL.M. students do not receive ECTS, but have to pass a number of obligatory exams and obtain a specified number of contact hours per week per semester ("*Semesterwochenstunden-SWS*"). A course of two hours per week provides two contact hours/SWS. On our Orientation Day October 11th 2017 you will receive detailed guidance on the obligatory exams and the contact hours/SWS required.

Important Information for all international students:

- 1) Please indicate in the exams whether you are ERASMUS or faculty exchange student, FreeMover or LL.M-student! We will send you the corresponding form to hand in with your exam by email before exams commence.
- 2) Please bring your own pen and paper and your unicard to the written exams.


Grading

Local Grade	ECTS Grade	% of successful students normally achieving the grade	Definition
13-18	A	10	<u>Excellent</u> : outstanding performance with only minor errors
10-12	B	25	<u>Very Good</u> : above the average standard but with some errors
7-9	C	30	<u>Good</u> : generally sound work with a number of notable errors
5-6	D	25	<u>Satisfactory</u> : fair but with significant shortcomings
4	E	10	<u>Sufficient</u> : performance meets the minimum criteria
1-3	FX	-	<u>Fail</u> : some more work required before the credit can be awarded
0	F	-	<u>Fail</u> : considerable further work is required

4 points are necessary for a passing exam grade.

"Schein"

The "Schein" is a graded certificate that represents proof of a student's performance. The certificate states the number of ECTS points received for a course (except for LL.M.-students, see above), the grade obtained and the contact hours per week ("*Semesterwochenstunden-SWS*"). Students who regularly attend a lecture without passing an exam may also request a "Sitzschein", which confirms participation in the lecture. Please ask the lecturer at the beginning of his lecture if he will assign to you a "Sitzschein". All "Scheine" will be sent to the International Office (Auslandsbüro) of the Faculty of Law. Please come and collect them at the end of each semester, once we have obtained all of your "Scheine". To check



whether your “Schein” has yet been sent to us please visit our website under “Aktuelles” (<http://www.jura.uni-freiburg.de/de/internationales/aktuelles>).

Transcript of Records – Erasmus and exchange programs

At the end of the academic period a certificate will be issued to all Erasmus and faculty exchange students stating all courses attended and examinations completed. In this “Transcript of Records” the student’s performance is listed in a simple and comprehensive manner so that the transcript information is easily transferable and comprehensible to receiving institutions.

Important: Before you leave Freiburg please let us know all the exams you have taken to make sure that we can issue a complete Transcript for you.

The Transcript contents:

- Content and type of the attended courses and/or completed exams
- Total ECTS-points
- Examination-grade (national)
- ECTS grade

Lectures at other Departments

You may hear lectures in other fields than law. If you want to take an exam in this lecture you need to register for the chosen field at the time of your registration in Freiburg. Please check with us first. We will be pleased to help you in that matter.

Practical Advice

Get a Buddy!

The idea of the Faculty of Law Buddy Programme is to integrate you easily as an international student into your new life in Freiburg! By arrival in Freiburg we want you to become familiar with the city and its life in no time at all! Law students of Freiburg University will be happy to assist you on your first steps. Please note that this programme organized by the Faculty of Law should not be mistaken for the University's Buddy-Programme.

If you are interested in taking part in the Buddy Programme just send us an e-mail to buddy-programm@jura.uni-freiburg.de. We will try and find you a welcoming and friendly student who even may pick you up from the train station at the day of your arrival.

For more information visit

www.jura.uni-freiburg.de/en/international-office/incomings/get-a-buddy

Arriving in Freiburg

By train:

'Intercity Express' (ICE), 'InterCity' (IC), or Regional Express (RE) on the Mannheim / Karlsruhe and Basel routes (also from Frankfurt Airport).

More information under www.bahn.de

It's about a 5-minute walk from the train station to the main University campus. You may also take the tram to "Stadttheater". Please note: All trams departing from the train station and heading toward the city centre stop at "Stadttheater".


By plane:

EuroAirport Basel-Mulhouse-Freiburg (www.euroairport.com). You may take a shuttle bus to Freiburg. This ride takes about 1 hour.

Other airports: Zürich, Karlsruhe/Baden-Baden, Straßburg, Stuttgart or Frankfurt.

By car:

Freiburg is close to the A 5 highway and is easy to get to from Basel, Straßburg or Karlsruhe; take the "Freiburg Mitte" exit.



Transport in Freiburg

Freiburg is a “bicycle city”. To get around in Freiburg it is usually faster and easier to go by bike than by car. You can buy cheap bicycles at auctions organized by the city of Freiburg, at one of the many bike shops or you may find bikes in “Zypresse”.

Public transport in Freiburg is also very good. For longer distances within the city you may take the tram run by the VAG (*Verkehrsbetriebe Freiburg*) and the bus for longer ones. Tickets may be purchased either directly at machines located in trams and buses, or at Pluspunkt (Infopoint) located on “Salzstraße”. Payment of your semester fees also automatically entitles you to purchase the reduced “Semesterticket” for 89€ (also available online). For more information please visit www.vag-freiburg.de.

You may use public transport in Freiburg for free after 7.30 p.m. if you carry your Unicard.

University Library or “UB”

The university library (Universitätsbibliothek), or UB for short (see area map), is the largest scientific library in the region. The UB holds over 3.5 million books and provides students with extensive access to online and electronic media. The UB offers a wide variety of learning and research materials.

To search for books in the online catalogue and for more information visit:

www.ub.uni-freiburg.de.

Opening Hours:

Opening hours UB: 7 days, 24 hours (with your “Unicard”)

For more information on the UB, please visit the UB’s website:

<https://www.ub.uni-freiburg.de/>

To check out books at the UB and to use the copy machines at the University, you will need your “Unicard”.

The Department

The department library (Seminarbibliothek) of the Faculty of Law was founded in 1889 and currently holds over 250,000 volumes and around 700 journals. It is strictly a reference library, meaning the books may not be borrowed. With the reopening of the new University Library in 2015 the Library of the Law Faculty moved out of the KG II and permanently into that new building. It nowadays occupies its first floor, the Iuridicum.

PC workstations

The UB offers PC workstations at several locations. PCs are equipped with the regular windows applications and have internet access.

You must sign in on the PCs. To do this you will require a valid account from the computer center or *Rechenzentrum* (RZ). The Studentenwerk will automatically send you the account number via e-mail after your matriculation at the University is completed.


Unicard

After you have been accepted to the University of Freiburg you will automatically receive the Unicard which has several functions: It serves as your student identification card, library card and copy and cafeteria card. You may use your EC card to put money on the Unicard. This can be done at machines located in the cafeteria (Mensa), in the UB and in KG III (ground floor next to the university's post office). If you wish to top up your card using cash this may be done at any of the university cafés or cafeterias. You can also use your Unicard as a ticket for free public transport in Freiburg after 7.30 p.m.

Student Council (Fachschaft)

It is the Fachschaft's responsibility to represent the interests of law students at faculty level to the best of their ability. Thus every summer semester five law students are elected into the so-called faculty council (a committee consisting of professors, academic personnel, and students) to assist in making decisions which affect the entire faculty.

The Fachschaft also issues a newsletter and maintains an internet forum where current issues can be discussed and debated. The council also offers additional services such as a



collection of exams, example term papers and a book exchange where students can buy and sell used books. In the past the Fachschaft's work was typically limited (in contrast to other faculties) to the faculty council representatives. However over many years the so-called "open student council" (offene Fachschaft) has openly welcomed anyone who is interested in participating in the day-to-day work of the Fachschaft or even those who just want to get involved in those projects they find interesting.

For more information please visit:

www.jura.uni-freiburg.de/de/einrichtungen/fachschaft/fachschaft

Specialised Literature at Walthari

A large selection of specialised legal literature can be found at the Walthari bookshop located on the ground floor of KG II, or at Schwanhäuser bookstore (across the street on the Bertoldstraße). The Fachschaft offers a selection of used books. Another inexpensive alternative is to order law books from the dtv-Verlag. The newest editions of legal standard issues are available for lending at the UB.

Cafeteria (Mensa)

The Mensa located on the Rempartstraße (see area map), is the easiest and cheapest way to enjoy a warm lunch or dinner. There is a large selection of dishes including a salad bar and organic and vegetarian options. You can pay using your Unicaard. To see the current menu please visit www.swfr.de/essen-trinken/speiseplaene.

Studentenwerk Freiburg (SWFR)

The Studentenwerk Freiburg does not only run the Mensa but also offers a wide range of other services such as assisting students in finding jobs and flats and the International Club. The International Club gives students from abroad the chance to meet other students to participate in excursions and regular cultural events and to find a German tandem partner (language exchange partner).

For more information, please visit <http://www.swfr.de>.

Recreational Sports Programme

You can participate in sporting events and courses offered at the Albert-Ludwig University.

A lot of courses are free of charge such as volleyball, aerobics or swimming. For these courses registration is not necessary. For other courses such as climbing or kayaking a fee must be paid and registration is compulsory. As the number of participants is limited please register online as soon as possible (beginning of October for the winter semester and beginning of April for the summer semester).

For information on course offerings and to sign up: <http://www.hochschulsport.uni-freiburg.de>
E-Mail: ahs@sport.uni-freiburg.de, Tel. +49 (0)761 203-4513

Registration Removal (Exmatrikulation)

In order to be removed from the register of students you must fill out the form which can be found on this website:

www.studium.uni-freiburg.de/studium/formalia/exmatrikulation


→ “Antragsformular zur Exmatrikulation” (pdf), and return it to the Studierendensekretariat (located Sedanstr. 6).

Important: Before submitting this form, you must go to the library and have the form stamped. This stamp certifies that you have no pending fees or library books in your possession.

For further useful information and tips

, e.g. concerning your health insurance and costs of living please visit:

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



Leisure Time / Going out

For information on events and activities such as movies, theatre or concerts, etc., please visit:

www.fudder.de

www.freiburg.de

www.isle-of-innisfree.de

www.crash-musikkeller.de

www.ewerk-freiburg.de

www.elpi-freiburg.de

www.jazzhaus.de

www.waldsee-freiburg.de


www.theater.freiburg.de

www.wallgraben-theater.com

www.freiburg-im-netz.de

www.zmf.de

Recommendations for bars, clubs, restaurants and much more can be found in the information brochure for first semester students created by the Faculty of Law's student council or Stura (www.stura.uni-freiburg.de) as well as "Erasmus Freiburg" via Facebook.



Tourist Information


Freiburg is surrounded by a variety of different landscapes that are among the most beautiful in Germany. To the west unfolds the Kaiserstuhl which is famous for its excellent wines and fruit. It is also one of the most popular areas to go hiking and walking and to visit one of the many “Strauße” (small family-owned restaurants or cafés which open only seasonally). Between the Kaiserstuhl and Alsace, France, is Breisach one of the oldest and most significant cities in the Breisgau area and definitely worth a visit. To the south the Breisgau joins up with the Markgräflerland. Here one is lured by beautiful villages such as Staufen and Sulzburg and mesmerized by the picturesque ambience of castles and vineyards.

It should also be noted that Freiburg lies at the foot of the Black Forest, the highest low-mountain range in Germany. Numerous recreational and leisure activities such as hiking, climbing, mountain biking or skiing, make the Black Forest a very popular destination. The efficient public transport system also makes access to these activities quick and easy. There are also plenty of excursion destinations in Freiburg’s immediate surroundings. For example, Freiburg’s landmark mountain the Schauinsland. To explore the Schauinsland take the cable car (Schauinslandbahn) up the mountain and visit the “Schaubergwerk”, a former mine that has been converted into a tourist attraction.

Freiburg lies in what is known as the “Dreiländereck”, or the three-corner country, where Germany, France and Switzerland meet. Freiburg’s location thus makes trips to Alsace or northern Switzerland an ideal way to spend a day. Alsace draws tourists in with its charming little towns, fine wines and cheeses and cultural treasures such as the Isenheimer altar in Colmar. Basel, Switzerland is an especially beautiful city located at Freiburg’s doorstep. The city entices tourists with culture and the charm of Swiss composure. However be aware Switzerland can be expensive!

Coming to an end: Those of you who wish to see something other than the University and Freiburg at the weekend will be spoiled for choice!

Further information: www.freiburg.de, www.tourismtrirhena.com,
www.schwarzwald-tourist-info.de



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