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# Master's degree

## MA in Social Sciences (Global Studies Programme)

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University of Freiburg • Freiburg im Breisgau

### Overview

Degree	Master of Arts in Social Sciences
In cooperation with	Chulalongkorn University (Bangkok), FLACSO Argentina (Buenos Aires), Jawaharlal Nehru University (New Delhi) and the University of Cape Town (Cape Town)
Teaching language	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>English</li></ul>
Languages	100% English
Full-time / part-time	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>full-time</li></ul>
Programme duration	4 semesters
Beginning	Summer semester
Application deadline	30 November of each year
Tuition fees per semester in EUR	Varied
Additional information on tuition fees	<p>The state of Baden-Württemberg implemented study fees for international students and students earning a second degree.</p> <p>An overview of all tuition fees can be found here:<a href="https://www.gsp.uni-freiburg.de/programme/master">https://www.gsp.uni-freiburg.de/programme/master</a></p>
Combined Master's degree / PhD programme	No
Joint degree / double degree programme	Yes
Description/content	<p>The programme aims at imparting interdisciplinary and interregional knowledge of current phenomena of globalisation. The programme provides an assessment of globalisation from the perspectives of both the Global North and South. The emphasis is on perspectives from the Global South. The programme comprises sociology, political science, anthropology, and cultural geography and offers additional courses in economics and data management. During the two years of the programme, students work in these disciplines at prestigious institutions on at least three continents. They study together in different parts of the world as a group composed of students</p>

from all over the globe. The intercultural, interdisciplinary, and intercontinental experience makes them experts on the currents of globalisation and the study thereof. Participating countries include Argentina, India, South Africa, and Thailand; students have the option of visiting other countries during an internship.

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## Course Details

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<b>Course organisation</b>	The course of study comprises three semesters on three different continents, each covering four modules. The four modules are globalisation, global governance, cultural change, and methodology. Each module corresponds to one course per semester. This is followed by an international internship and a final thesis semester. All courses are held in the style of a seminar and are weighted equally.
<b>International elements</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Integrated study abroad unit(s)</li></ul>
<b>Integrated study abroad unit(s)</b>	First semester: University of Freiburg Second semester: University of Cape Town or FLACSO, Buenos Aires Third semester: Jawaharlal Nehru University, New Delhi, or Chulalongkorn University, Bangkok Fourth semester: University of Freiburg Between the third and fourth semesters: internship at an international organisation
<b>Integrated internships</b>	An internship of at least six weeks, between the third and fourth semesters, is a mandatory component of the programme.
<b>Course-specific, integrated German language courses</b>	No
<b>Course-specific, integrated English language courses</b>	No

## Costs / Funding

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<b>Semester contribution</b>	180 EUR per semester: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Administrative fee: 70 EUR</li><li>• Contribution to the constituted student body: 7 EUR</li><li>• Contribution to the student union: 103 EUR</li></ul>

**Costs of living**

Participants must ensure that sufficient funding is available to finance their participation in a course of study. The average cost of living in Freiburg for one month is currently approx. 850 EUR to 1,000 EUR.

Some details:

- Rooms in private accommodation including extra costs: 350 EUR – 700 EUR
- Rooms in student residences: 250 EUR and 550 EUR including extra costs
- Private expenses amount to around 350 EUR per month.
- Health insurance (recommended) is available for approx. 120 EUR per month.
- Transport: A special student ticket for regional transport costs approx. 89 EUR per semester.

[www.studium.uni-freiburg.de/en/counseling/welcome-guide-for-international-students/finance](http://www.studium.uni-freiburg.de/en/counseling/welcome-guide-for-international-students/finance)

**Funding opportunities within the university**

No

## Requirements / Registration

**Academic admission requirements**

- BA with above-average results or the equivalent in a social science discipline or a related subject
- Motivation letter: essay (600 words)
- Research proposal (800 words excluding references)
- English language skills (details below)

**Language requirements**

Good proficiency in English (B2 Common European Framework of Reference)

English proficiency can be proven by a TOEFL test or the equivalent. Native speakers of English or applicants who can demonstrate that they have previously studied in an English-speaking country are exempt from this. A full list of acceptable tests and documents can be found on our website: <https://www.gsp.uni-freiburg.de/application>.

**Application deadline**

30 November of each year

**Submit application to**

<https://campus.uni-freiburg.de>

## Services

**Accommodation**

As Freiburg is an attractive city, finding a suitable and affordable place to live can take a little while. The University of Freiburg offers all newly enrolled international students the possibility to apply for student housing via the International Office. In addition to these dormitories, which are run by the Studierendenwerk Freiburg ([www.swfr.de/en](http://www.swfr.de/en)), several independent residence halls are listed on the university website (<http://www.housing.uni-freiburg.de>). The Studierendenwerk Freiburg and the International Office also offer a list of available private rooms.

**Support for international students and doctoral candidates**

- Tutors
- Welcome event

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🌐 <https://www.linkedin.com/company/albert-ludwigs-universit-t-freiburg-im-breisgau>

📷 <https://instagram.com/unifreiburg/>

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