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Binational Double Master in Biomedical Sciences (IMBS)

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Overview

Degree	Master of Science Biomedical Sciences (University of Freiburg, Germany) Maestria in Biomedical Sciences (University of Buenos Aires, Argentina)
In cooperation with	The University of Buenos Aires, Argentina
Teaching language	<ul style="list-style-type: none">English
Languages	Courses are held in the English language only.
Full-time / part-time	<ul style="list-style-type: none">full-time
Programme duration	4 semesters
Beginning	Winter semester
Application deadline	30 September
Tuition fees per semester in EUR	Varied
Additional information on tuition fees	<p>The state of Baden-Württemberg implemented study fees for international students as well as students earning a second degree starting in the 2017/18 winter semester.</p> <p>Here you will find further information about tuition fees: www.studium.uni-freiburg.de/en</p>
Combined Master's degree / PhD programme	No
Joint degree / double degree programme	Yes
Description/content	<p>Modules in Buenos Aires: eight months (March - October)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">Intensive Spanish Language CourseModule I: Biophysics, Bioenergetics, Biochemistry and Molecular BiologyModule II: Physiology, Pathophysiology, Cellular and Molecular ImmunologyModule III: Pharmacology and ToxicologyModule IV: Virology and Microbiology

- Module V: Neurobiology
- Module VI: Pathology
- Module VII: Clinical Medicine
- Module VIII: Molecular Oncology, Biostatistics and Experimental Models

Modules in Freiburg: eight months (November - June)

- Intensive German Language Course
- Introduction into research methods, intercultural and scientific communication
- Humour workshop
- Module I: Biostatistics and Bioethics
- Module II: Pharmacology, Toxicology, Materials and Microsystems
- Module III: Molecular Oncology and Cardiology
- Module IV: Molecular and Cellular Biology, Immunology and Pathology
- Module V: Laboratory Research
- Possibility of electives (Gene Editing, FACS and Microscopy, Decellularisation of the Human Cornea, etc.)

Master's thesis module either in Freiburg or Buenos Aires: eight months (July - February)

Course Details

Course organisation

This Binational Double Master's programme in Biomedical Sciences (IMBS) is a joint programme between the University of Buenos Aires, Argentina and the University of Freiburg, Germany. It is a two-year international full-time Master's programme. The Double Master's degree (MSc and Maestria) is awarded by the University of Buenos Aires and the University of Freiburg upon successful completion of the programme with 120 credit points (ECTS).

The IMBS programme is divided in three parts. It starts with the eight months basic, more theoretical unit at the University of Buenos Aires in Argentina. For the next eight months, the students participate in the advanced and more practical unit at the University of Freiburg in Germany. The last eight months, which are dedicated to the Master's thesis, can either be spent in Freiburg or in Buenos Aires.

For the successful completion of modules I-IV and the lab rotation in Freiburg, the students will additionally receive a Diploma of Advanced Studies in Biomedical Sciences (DAS) consisting of 30 credit points in the European Credit Transfer System (ECTS).

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A Diploma supplement will be issued

Yes

International elements

- Integrated study abroad unit(s)
- Language training provided
- Training in intercultural skills

Integrated study abroad unit(s)

Participants spend the first eight months of their studies at the University of Buenos Aires, Argentina for the basic modules and the subsequent eight months at the University of Freiburg, Germany for the advanced modules plus lab research. The Master's thesis can be done at either institution during the last eight months.

Special promotion / funding of the programme

- DAAD

Name of DAAD funding

DAAD SurPlace, "Deutschlandstipendium", DAHZ scholarships

programme	
Course-specific, integrated German language courses	Yes
Course-specific, integrated English language courses	No

Costs / Funding

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Semester contribution	<p>180 EUR per semester:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Administrative fee: 70 EUR • Contribution to the constituted student body: 7 EUR • Contribution to the student union: 103 EUR
Costs of living	<p>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.</p> <p>Some details:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 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. <p>www.studium.uni-freiburg.de/en/counseling/welcome-guide-for-international-students/finance</p>
Funding opportunities within the university	No

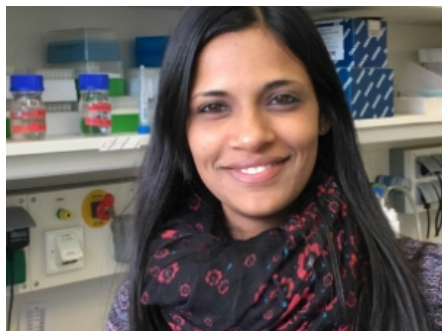
Requirements / Registration

Academic admission requirements	<p>Applicants must hold a Bachelor's or equivalent degree (from a programme with a minimum duration of three years) in Biology, Biochemistry, Medicine, Chemistry, Pharmacy or related fields. Applicants are also required to provide proof of English language proficiency with a minimum of European level B2 and a minimum of one year of work experience in a related field.</p> <p>Applications are welcome even if the required degree has not been awarded by the time of application as long as it will be conferred before courses start.</p>
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Language requirements	Applicants who are not native English speakers should prove English language proficiency at level B2 by acceptable results on an internationally recognised test (max. validity of two years): e.g. TOEFL, IELTS, PTE Academic, OOPT, TOEIC, Cambridge ESOL. Proven higher education in English or a reasonably long stay in an English-speaking country are also acceptable.
Application deadline	30 September
Submit application to	http://www.biomedmaster.org/application-finances/application/

Services

Possibility of finding part-time employment	During this full-time programme, there is only very limited time to have a side job.
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), 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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Welcome event • Tutors • Specialist counselling • Cultural and linguistic preparation



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The intensive summer school programme gave me the chance to start the IMBS Master's programme in Buenos Aires. Additionally, the three months of lab experience in Freiburg helped me get a Master's thesis project in my area of interest. The hand-picked modules, lectures on cutting-edge research and an opportunity for an exceptional laboratory practice with intercultural exchange made it a very enriching experience.

University of Freiburg



The University of Freiburg was founded in 1457 as a classical comprehensive university, making it one of the oldest institutions of higher education in Germany. Awarded for its excellence in both research and teaching, the university also boasts a long history, with numerous Nobel laureates. Brilliant scholars and creative thinking distinguish it today as a modern, top-notch university, well equipped for the challenges of the 21st century. As an organisation with around 24,500 students, 288 degree programmes, and 6,536 employees (2021), the University of Freiburg is committed to family friendliness, equal opportunities, and environmental consciousness in its day-to-day operations. The structure of the university is multifaceted, ranging from 11 academic faculties – from the humanities and the social and natural sciences all the way to engineering – to 19 research centres. This goes to show that we are a dynamic, large-scale institution with a diverse educational offering. As studies, research, and continuing education are all an integral part of this offering, we maintain a close

relationship with the city and the region as well as with the international academic community. Bilateral partnerships, research projects, joint study courses and memberships in international networks such as the League of European Research Universities (LERU) and of EUCOR – The European Campus are examples of the university's strong transnational relations. All our students, including those from abroad, can take courses at the Universities of Basel (Switzerland) and Strasbourg (France) without having to enrol. Via EUCOR, The European Campus mobility grant, they also receive allowances for travel expenses to their partner institutions.

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University location

Freiburg im Breisgau is a city in south-western Germany on the edge of the Black Forest. Freiburg was founded by Konrad and Duke Bertold III of Zähringen in 1120 as a free market town – hence its name, which translates to "free town". Freiburg holds a central position in Europe at the trijunction of Switzerland, France, and Germany, and is the city with the most hours of sunshine per year in Germany. It is nestled in one of the oldest cultural landscapes north of the Alps, a location which has had an unmistakable influence on the town. The university plays an essential part in the quality of life in Freiburg; both in the academic sphere and in the perception of the general public, the activities of the university are of central importance. Since its founding, teaching, learning and research have formed an indivisible whole.

With approx. 230,000 inhabitants, Freiburg has a friendly size, offering the safe surroundings of a smaller city whilst at the same time excelling in terms of culture, shopping and infrastructure. Both the inhabitants and the city government of Freiburg attach great importance to ecological values and sustainable development. This "green city" atmosphere influences many aspects of city life – from the numerous cyclists on the streets to cutting-edge solar energy research. Surrounded by the beautiful landscapes of the Black Forest and the wine-growing regions of the Rhine Valley, Freiburg is a popular destination for tourism and leisure activities.

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