

To  
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at Freiburg universities

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Dear Student,

We are delighted that you have decided to study in Freiburg! Your new academic home has around 220,000 residents and with more than 30,000 students is a real student city. Both the quality of life in the city and the beautiful countryside around also contribute to the popularity of Freiburg. It is said that half of all Germans would most like to live in Freiburg, and we are sure that you will feel at home here.

However, if you do have any problems or questions, please just get in touch with us. We are here for you and will be happy to help you – whether you are looking for a room or have financial questions, or maybe you have legal problems or need help looking for a job.

The university canteens, known as Mensas, offer a varied and fresh diet to suit every taste. There are also a lot of wide-ranging cultural activities on offer. During term-time there are theatrical or musical events, readings and cinema screenings in the MensaBar at Rempartstraße Mensa or in the MensaFoyer at the Institutsviertel Mensa. With “Studitours” you can discover the wider region and get to know a lot of new people. And students from around the world meet up in our International Club. If you would like to know more about the club before you arrive and join up now, please go to [www.ic-freiburg.de](http://www.ic-freiburg.de). Do you always like to be up to date about what’s happening and things such as events, application deadlines, Mensa offers, jobs, new BAföG rules, study funding options, etc.? Simply subscribe to our newsletter, which will be sent to you every month during term-time.

We also have special services for foreign students, such as our service packages or offering health advice in English and French. And you can find yourself a “buddy” to support you during your early days in Freiburg by going to the International Club’s website.

You can find out more about our services on our homepage: [swfr.de](http://swfr.de). The Studierendenwerk also has a social media presence, including on Facebook, Twitter and Instagram.

I wish you a pleasant journey to Freiburg, a great start to your studies, and hope that you soon feel at home with us.



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