



Albert-Ludwigs-Universität Freiburg

Internationalization at University College Freiburg

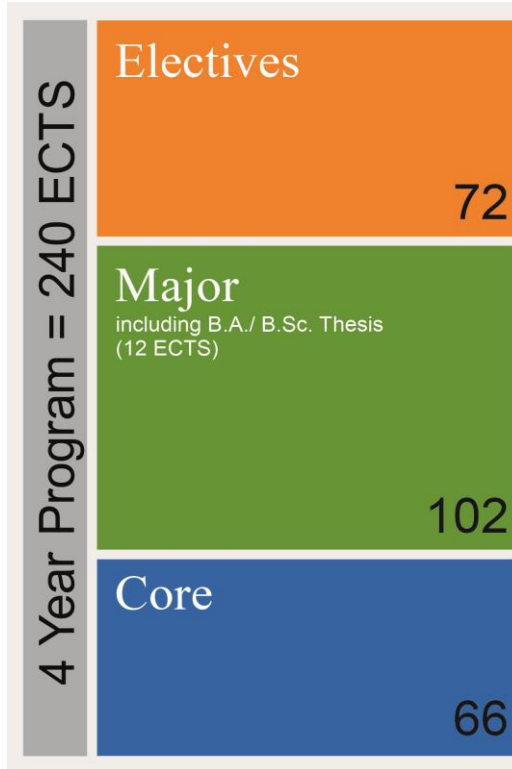
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- Foundation: 2012
- Liberal Arts and Sciences Bachelor Program (BA / BSc)
- The only English-taught Bachelor program at Uni FR
- Selection: grades / motivation / aptitude
- Yearly intake: 80
- Number of students: 323



Liberal Arts and Sciences (LAS)



Choice

Study Abroad, Projects, Languages, other University Courses

Depth

1. Earth and Environmental Sciences
2. Life Sciences
3. Governance
4. Culture and History

Foundation

Academic skills, Reflections on science and knowledge, Responsibility & Leadership

Internationalization

Study Model:
Liberal Arts
and Sciences

Staff: 50%
international

International
Curriculum

Graduates:
50% abroad

Educ. Goal:
Responsible
world citizens

Students: 25%
international

- English-taught
- Language requirements
- Study abroad & Double Degree
- International perspectives

Integration
Mechanisms

Student
Initiatives

Integration Mechanisms

Necessary

- International students report troubles with Visa, practicing German, housing, unspoken rules/habits (recycling, tipping, punctuality)
- Overall, somewhat higher drop-out rate among international students

Integration Mechanisms

- Welcome Week
- College setting: learning community
- Buddy system / peer mentoring in the first semester
- Advising system for all students
- Intercultural Workshops in the first semester

80% of LAS students go abroad:

- UC Maastricht, Amsterdam, Utrecht, Groningen, Sciences Po Grenoble, University College London, University of Warwick
- Schreyer Honors College at Penn State, Waseda University, Yale-National University of Singapore, University of Adelaide
- Also: International Office, Erasmus Restplätze
- Also: Double Degree Program



Int. Perspectives in Courses

Classroom Setting

- discursive -> room for multiple perspectives

Content Examples (Course Catalog SoSe 2018):

- Oppression and equality
- Environmental governance
- Regulation and religion in comparative perspective
- Comparative politics
- International security
- International relations and institutions



Student Initiatives



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Graduates: 50% abroad

- Examples of Master Programs abroad
 - Biorenewable Systems, Penn State University , USA
 - Environmental Management, Yale University, USA
 - Comparative Social Policy, University of Oxford, UK
 - Human Rights, London School of Economics and Political Science,, UK
 - Artificial Intelligence, Maastricht University, NL
 - Education Studies, Johns Hopkins University, USA
 - Cultural Economics and Entrepreneurship, Erasmus University Rotterdam, NL
 - Management, University Autonoma of Barcelona, E

Context Univ. of Freiburg

- Legally valid language: German
- Central student support: mostly German
- Staff development: only German
- Incoming global exchange students: no housing, no visa support
- No internationally compatible semester periods

Many Opportunities

- Importance of intercultural awareness, international exposure and connections

Future LAS

- Selection interviews with non-EU students
- New exchange partners
- Strengthening integration mechanisms for international students