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Modern China Studies (Master of Arts)



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China Studies in Freiburg

The People's Republic of China will play a leading role in global developments of the 21st century – economically, politically, and culturally. Therefore, our research mainly focuses on modern and contemporary China while also taking into account historical developments.

The Institute of Chinese Studies...

- · has a clear focus on history and social sciences.
- combines language training and research into all aspects of modern China: history, politics, economics, society and culture.
- engages in public discourse about China in order to provide differentiated information and evaluations of developments in China.
- · is actively involved in international academia.

Freiburg University was recognized in national rankings for its excellence in research and teaching. Moreover, through Freiburg's various exchange programs you have access to a large number of renowned universities, including Chinese universities in Beijing, Nanjing and Shanghai.

Why an M.A. in Modern China Studies in Freiburg?

- A young and dedicated team of teachers with an international reputation for research and experience abroad.
- An international program in which you will improve your knowledge of Chinese and English while interacting with an international community of teachers and fellow students.
- An integrated semester abroad either at one of our partner universities or elsewhere. Tuition fees at partner universities are waived.
- A focus on phenomena and processes shaping China in the 20th and 21st centuries.
- Research oriented classes, including the possibility to contribute to ongoing research projects (for example: "The Heroization of Work in China and Russia, 1920 to 1960", "The Maoist Legacy: Party Dictatorship, Transitional Justice and the Politics of Truth", or "The Politics of Reading in the People's Republic of China").
- A broad range of extracurricular activities: public lectures, grants, possibilities to work as a research or teaching assistant, language classes and language exchange, Chinese festivals, a large community of people interested in China etc.
- A lively and charming university town in the sunniest region of Germany.

Modern China Studies (M.A.)

Contents:

- Classes on modern Chinese politics, economy, culture and society
- · Advanced language training
- Classes on theories, methods and research design
- Integration into ongoing research projects

Structure of the program:

- 1st and 2nd semester are spent in Freiburg
- 3rd semester: study abroad at one of our Chinese partner universities or elsewhere
- 4th semester in Freiburg: master thesis

Admission requirements:

- B.A. in social sciences or humanities (graded good or above)
- Knowledge of English equivalent to C1 (i.e. TOEFL iBT 100 or IELTS Band 7.0)
- Knowledge of Chinese equivalent to B2 (i.e. HSK 4)

Admission deadlines:

- April 15 (Non-EU-Citizens)
- July 15 (EU-Citizens)

Fees:

Administrative fees currently amount to €155/semester. In addition, according to new regulations by the State of Baden-Württemberg students from non-EU countries are required to pay tuition fees of € 1,500 per semester.

For more details about contents and the admission process, please consult our website or contact the program coordinator.