

Special information for applicants from P.R. China

The University of Freiburg has signed an agreement with the Training Institute of the National Bureau of Statistics (Beijing) which is intended to improve academic ties between both institutions and to facilitate the start of Chinese students in our M. Sc. in Economics Program.

While Chinese students are welcome to follow the regular application procedure as described on our website, they may alternatively apply through the cooperation agreement. In the framework of this cooperation, the following three issues are important which we would like to bring to your attention:

- (1) The Training Institute for Statistics organizes an oral examination for students who are applying for the program through the cooperation agreement. These interviews take place each year in spring.

To apply through the cooperation agreement, please contact directly:

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- (2) The Training Institute for Statistics and the University of Freiburg offer a Service Package for Chinese students who apply through the cooperation agreement.

Services provided by the Center include

- Detailed information about Master programs and the university life in Freiburg
- Support concerning application and admission formalities, simplified application procedure at APS / German Embassy
- Training in microeconomics, macroeconomics and English language in preparation for the interviews
- After the interviews, further training in economics and German language for students admitted to the M. Sc. in Economics Program in the period preceding the departure to Germany

The University of Freiburg provides the following services:

- Admission interviews, conducted by Professors of the Department of Economics in Beijing
- Pick-up service from Frankfurt Airport and transfer to Freiburg City by bus
- Arrangement of accommodation in student residencies for the first two semesters (this service *does not* cover the rent owed by students)
- Assistance concerning health insurance and other formalities (bank, registration, etc.)
- Guided city tour in Freiburg, university campus and library, extracurricular activities, excursions
- Training in German language at the University of Freiburg
- Special academic support during the first two semesters of study in the Master Program

The University of Freiburg charges a fee of € 3000 for the services it provides. Final admission is conditional on advance payment of this fee.

The National Bureau of Statistics levies a charge for the services provided by its Training Institute. Further information about these services and the amount of the fee can be obtained from the Training Institute.

- (3) In addition to the above-mentioned service fees, students are obligated to pay the normal tuition and registration fees of the University of Freiburg, currently € 145 per semester.