CGIS: Academic Year in Freiburg
Program in Freiburg, Germany

Handbook Supplement

Academic Year 2018-19

University of Michigan
Center for Global and Intercultural Study
PROGRAM OVERVIEW

Congratulations on your admission into the University of Michigan’s academic year program in Freiburg, Germany! This document supplements the handbook you receive from the University of Wisconsin-Madison; it contains information important for you as a U-M student on the Freiburg program. You are also responsible for the information provided in the CGIS General Handbook, and all AYF materials.

GRADUES AND CREDITS

Before you leave Ann Arbor, you need to register for 15 credits of the place-holder STDABRD course on Wolverine Access for the Fall term, and then register again for Winter term (following the U-M calendar), for the same credits and course number when registration opens for that term. (See the CGIS General Handbook for the correct course number.) This is the only course you will be registered for, and it serves as a “placeholder,” maintaining your status as a fully-enrolled student at U-M.

U-M requires all CGIS to be enrolled for a full load of classes at their host universities. AYF participants must be enrolled in at least 15 credits per semester; you will earn 3 credits for the orientation language course, and must enroll in at least 12 credits in other courses. Please note: if you enroll for more than the equivalent of 18 U-M credits while in Germany, you may be charged additional tuition back at U-M when the grades are posted to your account (extra tuition charges apply for courses taken in Germany just as in Ann Arbor).

CGIS students can take courses Pass/Fail during the program by completing and emailing the CGIS Pass/Fail request within 3 weeks of the course start date. The Pass/Fail forms are available in the “Documents” center of your application and can be emailed directly to your CGIS advisor.

Titles of the courses you take in Germany, credits, and grades will be reported to CGIS by AYF, and they will then be sent to the Registrar’s Office for recording. Credit numbers are taken from the AYF transcript without conversion. Please see the UW Freiburg handbook for the grade conversion chart.

For LSA Students, the grades you earn on the program will be calculated in to your cumulative GPA.

For Non-LSA Students, please check with your home school to determine whether the grades will be calculated in to your cumulative GPA, and what type of credit you will receive for the program.

FEES AND BILLING

As of the 2018-19 cycle, University of Michigan students do not pay U-M tuition while abroad in Freiburg. Students instead pay a Program Fee set specifically for U-M students by the AYF consortium, billed by U-M Student Financial Services (please see your CGIS Budget Sheet for more information).

MEDICAL COVERAGE FOR UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN STUDENTS

All University of Michigan students will be automatically enrolled in the mandatory GeoBlue health insurance through U-M. For details of your coverage, please refer to the following websites:
http://www.uhs.umich.edu/tai ; https://www.geobluestudents.com/

German law also requires that you enroll in German health insurance for the duration of the program and AYF will assist you in registering.
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EMERGENCIES

Contact your local program/on-site staff immediately if you are the victim of crime or need emergency assistance. Please also contact the University of Michigan to let us know of the situation as soon as you are able. The University of Michigan Department of Public Safety has a 24 hour number which is (734) 763-1131. They will then contact the necessary on-campus offices, including CGIS, to respond to your situation. You may provide this same 24 hour number to your parents should they experience an emergency and need to get a hold of you while you are abroad and are unable to contact you directly. To contact GeoBlue in the event of an emergency, call 1-800-257-4823 or email globalhealth@geoblu.com.