

Canadian Year in Freiburg

For over three decades, the Canadian Year in Freiburg (CYF) exchange program has offered students the opportunity to study at one of Germany's top academic universities, to immerse themselves in German culture and society and to explore Europe.

Application: Students with a letter of permission from their home institution need to apply to Acadia University and pay Acadia University tuition for two terms. The tuition covers study fees of the Albert-Ludwigs-University in Freiburg for the first semester.

Duration: The program starts in September and runs until the end of July of the following year (two semesters in total; one semester stays are also possible).

Financial support: A limited number of scholarships from the Landesstiftung Baden-Württemberg is available.

Accommodation: Rooms in student residences are provided at a cost similar to or below Canadian university rates.

Curriculum: The CYF program offers at least 15 credit hours (or five courses) for the academic year, normally taught through the U. of Freiburg Language Institute (SLI). Individual courses may also be offered directly through the program. These courses are offered exclusively to exchange students and meet Canadian academic requirements. Students are expected to take the remaining needed credit hours at the Albert-Ludwigs-University, the Pädagogische Hochschule or the Sprachlehrinstitut.

Typically offered courses:

Immersion Period: Advanced German Language I (intensive course Sep – Oct. prior to the actual start of the winter semester)
(three to six credit hours)

Winter Semester: Advanced German Language II
(three credit hours)

Cultural Studies (*Landeskunde*)
(three credit hours)

German Film (or other Cultural Studies Course)
(three credit hours)

Summer Semester: German Literature (or other Cultural Studies Course)
(three credit hours)

Advanced German Language III
(three credit hours)

International Office: The CYF program provides local support to students: The International Office staff assists students in settling in and with the registration process. Students can also be assigned a "student buddy," who provides support throughout the semester. The coordinator (in Canada) communicates with the students and looks after the academic issuing of transfer course credits to Canada.

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