

Master of Arts Modern China Studies

Admission

Note: The legally binding text is the official German-language ["Zulassungsordnung" \(rules of admission\)](#).

Begin of study: Winter term

Application deadline: April 15** (Non-EU-Citizens), July 15** (EU-Citizens) to start in October of the same year.

The most up-to-date information is available on the Institute's website.

Minimum requirements for admission:

1. A first university degree (Bachelor's) in the Social Sciences or Humanities with an overall grade of "good" or better (2,5) in the German system. At least 120 credits (ECTS) must have been earned in the Social Sciences or Humanities. Of these 120 credits, no more than 60 credits will be counted for language and linguistics courses unless these courses were Chinese language.
2. Languages:
 - Knowledge of the English language of at least C1 within the Common European Framework of Reference for Languages, with proof of certification (e.g., TOEFL, IELTS, Cambridge, or equivalent). Students from Freiburg University may take the DAAD language exam at the Sprachlehrinstitut.
 - Knowledge of the Chinese language of at least B2 within the Common European Framework of Reference for Languages, with proof of certification (e.g., HSK 4 or equivalent). If you have a previous degree in China/Chinese Studies, the admissions committee may accept your diploma as proof for your language proficiency. However, this is totally at the discretion of the committee. Please check with us in advance by emailing the MA Coordinator.
3. You are eligible for admission to the Masters of Arts for Modern China Studies provided you have not failed a final examination or lost your right to take an examination in a previous China Studies program at the Bachelor's or Master's level. The admissions committee might decide to admit a student applicant who has lost their right to take an examination as a result of failing a particular exam designed to test knowledge in a field outside the main curriculum of a Modern China Studies program at the Bachelor's or Master's level. Please contact us before submitting your application if this applies to you.

Application documents:

- Certified copies / translations of the following documents (Please note that EACH copy must be certified by an official notary or university):
 - Bachelor's degree diploma/certificate
 - Official transcript (or equivalent)
 - Language certificates (English, Chinese)

If these documents are not originally in German, English, or French, you are required to provide a certified translation. For all translated documents, please also include a copy of the original.

- Students from the PRC who have not previously completed a degree program outside China will need to provide an APS certificate.

- An English-language letter of motivation of about one page in which you state your motivations for studying Modern China Studies in Freiburg
- If you have completed your first degree at the time of application but the diploma/certificate (Abschlusszeugnis) has not yet been issued, please include a written statement from the university indicating that the degree has been completed. A certified copy / translation of the diploma/certificate must then be handed in as soon as possible and at the latest prior to official enrollment at the university.
- If you are still in the process of completing your first degree at the time of application, please include a written statement from the university stating that you will graduate by a date prior to the start of the MA program and that you are in good standing. You will then only be officially admitted upon the conditions of degree completion in due time and meeting our MA program's minimum admissions requirements (as noted above).

All applications must be submitted electronically using the online system. Applications sent by email will not be accepted.