



# Academic Year in Freiburg

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*Welcome!*

*The following summary of student housing options available through the Academic Year in Freiburg is **more detailed and includes interior pictures from some dorms and WGs.***

*More information on the program and additional dorm pictures can be found at [www.ayf.uni-freiburg.de](http://www.ayf.uni-freiburg.de) and [www.ayf.uni-freiburg.de/students/housing/](http://www.ayf.uni-freiburg.de/students/housing/)*





# Housing Options

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## Dorm Complexes/Student Villages

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- AYF students live in 16 buildings in four dorm complexes (Student Villages)
- Year-long contract
- Rooms can be sublet with the help of AYF in August
- Rooms are single occupancy in shared WGs or Hallways (Community Living)
- Internet service is included in the rent
- 120-140 square feet
- All dorms located 10-15 mins. by tram or bike from the University

# Studentensiedlung (StuSie)





# Studentensiedlung

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- Situated on the Seepark
- Neighborhood of 25 dorm buildings with roughly 1,800 students in total.
- AYF has rooms in 10 different buildings
- Community center, music room, dark room, wood working shop, a bar....



# Studentensiedlung

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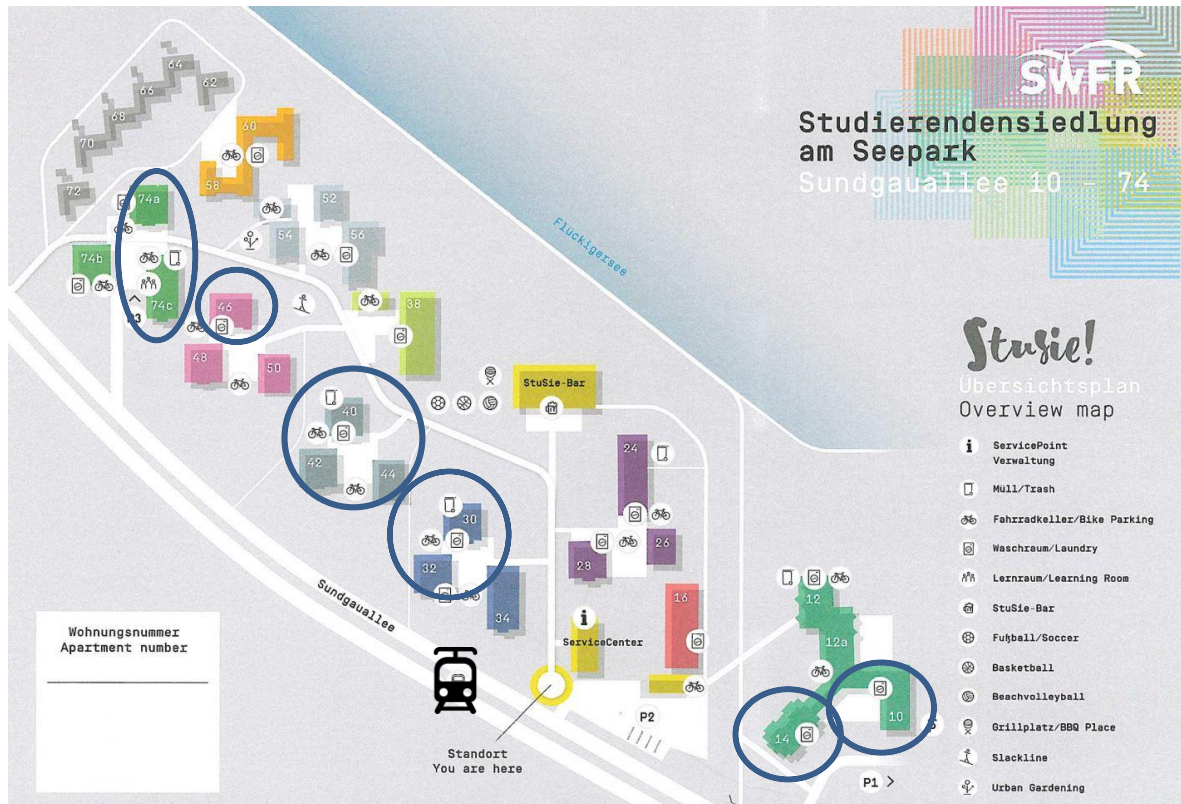


- Configurations
  - 4 suites
  - 8 rooms on two hallways (grouped in 4 rm. units)
  - one-person apartments
- Suites are generally co-ed
- Internet access in all rooms



# Studentensiedlung

- Overview
- Streetcar stop just outside main gate



## AYF Buildings

Haus 10

Haus 14

Haus 30, 40

Haus 32

Haus 42, 44

Haus 46

Haus 74A + 74C



# Studentensiedlung

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## The neighborhood: Betzenhausen

Much of Betzenhausen has been developed in the last 60 years. The architectural style is focused on functional high rises. The center of the neighborhood and the dorms is the *Seepark*, a lake with lots of lawns around it. A former gravel pit, the lake was converted to a local attraction in the 80s as part of the *Landesgartenschau*.

What you find in the Seepark is a combination of gardens and athletics. It is home of a rose garden, a Japanese garden, a hidden garden, a miniature forest, and the nature learning center. If sports is your thing, you will find an Olympic size pool, the ice hockey stadium, a track, Nordic Walking paths, mini-golf, and many people using the lawns to play sports (Frisbee, slack lining, swimming in the lake, soccer, etc.). In the future, this neighborhood will also be home of the SC Freiburg soccer stadium.

The neighborhood is very diverse with many international students and immigrants, and it is also home to a refugee center. It's a densely populated, active neighborhood. With 1,850 rooms (and more under construction), the Studentensiedlung is the largest dorm complex in Freiburg. On any warm and dry night, you will find hundreds of people on the lawn by the lake barbequing and hanging out.



# StuSie Student Testimonials

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„I love Stusie because there's always something to do, from walking around the lake to karaoke nights at the TIK. I have never met so many nice and welcoming people before.“ – **Reo**

„I love Stusie because the Seepark is a great place to meet up with friends, go swimming, or walk. For a different vibe, the TIK bar in Stusie is open every weekend with karaoke!“ – **Anna**

„Stusie is truly its own neighborhood. The Seepark, the Stusie Bar, and other aspects truly make it a wonderful place to live. There are also small restaurants, a grocery store, and a tram stop 5 minutes away from any of the dorm buildings. I highly recommend Stusie for anyone looking to be surrounded by a community of fellow AYF students and other Uni Freiburg Students.“ – **Mitchell**

„Living in Stusie is really nice because everything you need you can find in the area, and there are recreational areas like a lake park where you can go to relax and enjoy the beautiful scenery.“ – **Jorge**





# StuSie: Haus 10 (Apartments)

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- Small single-occupancy efficiency apartments
- 2nd, 4th, 6th floor
- Kitchenette (w/o oven)
- Bathroom
- Small balcony

## Availability and Rent:

- 3 units available
- € 354 per month



# StuSie: Haus 10

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- Basic furnishings provided in all dorm rooms
  - Closet
  - Bed
  - Desk
  - Chair
  - Reading lamp
  - Book shelf



# StuSie: Haus 10

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- Desk and book shelf



# StuSie: Haus 10

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- Balcony with view of Haus 14



# StuSie: Haus 10

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- Kitchenette
  - Cupboard
  - Sink
  - Two-burner stove



# StuSie: Haus 10

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- Bathroom
  - Shower
  - Sink
  - Toilet



# StuSie: Haus 14

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- Built in 1990, recently fully renovated
- Suites of 4 rooms
- Shared kitchen, full bath, half bath
- Small balcony in every other room

## Availability and Rent:

- 4 rooms available
- 341 € per month



# StuSie: Haus 14

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- Suite hallway

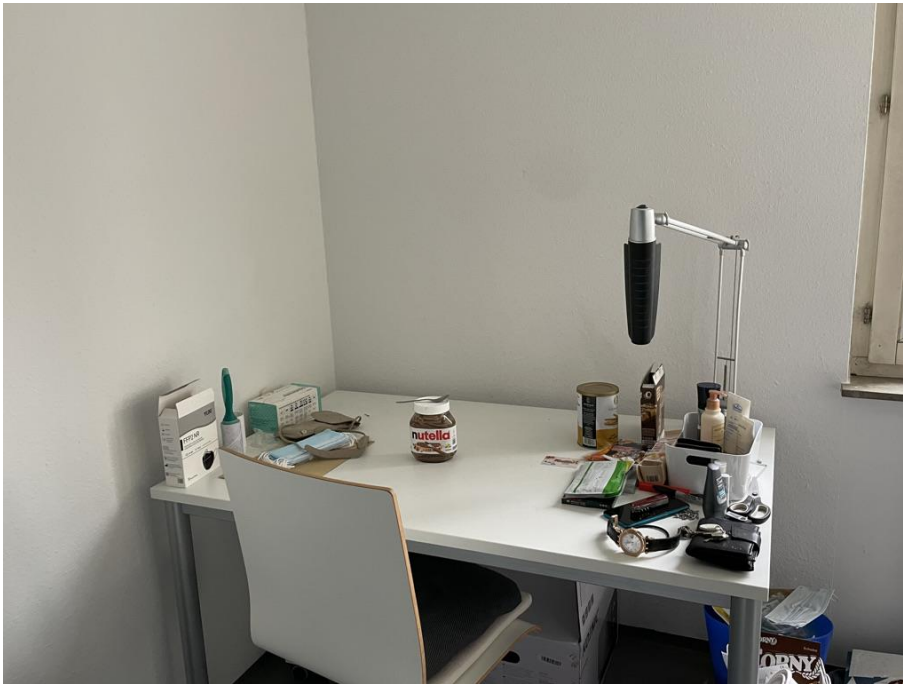




# StuSie: Haus 14

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- Desk and chair
- Lamp





# StuSie: Haus 14

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- Bed
- Students are free to add decorations and personal touches
- All rooms have a built-in closet and bookshelf



# StuSie: Haus 14

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- Full bathroom



# StuSie: Haus 14

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- Kitchen
- Each student usually has lockable compartments in the cabinet and in the refrigerator
- Kitchen implements are often shared



# StuSie: Haus 14

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- Dining Area
- This kitchen even has a sofa for additional seating.



# StuSie: Haus 30, 40, 46

Haus 30,40



Haus 46



- Identical layout
- Haus 30, 40 are the oldest and cheapest
- There are two 4-room suites on 2 hallways – Community Style Living
- 4 people share 1 shower, 2 toilets
- 8 people share the kitchen and balcony

## Availability and Rent:

- 5 rooms available in Haus 30, 40 - € 290 / month
- 2 rooms available in Haus 46 - € 360 / month



# StuSie: Haus 30, 40, 46

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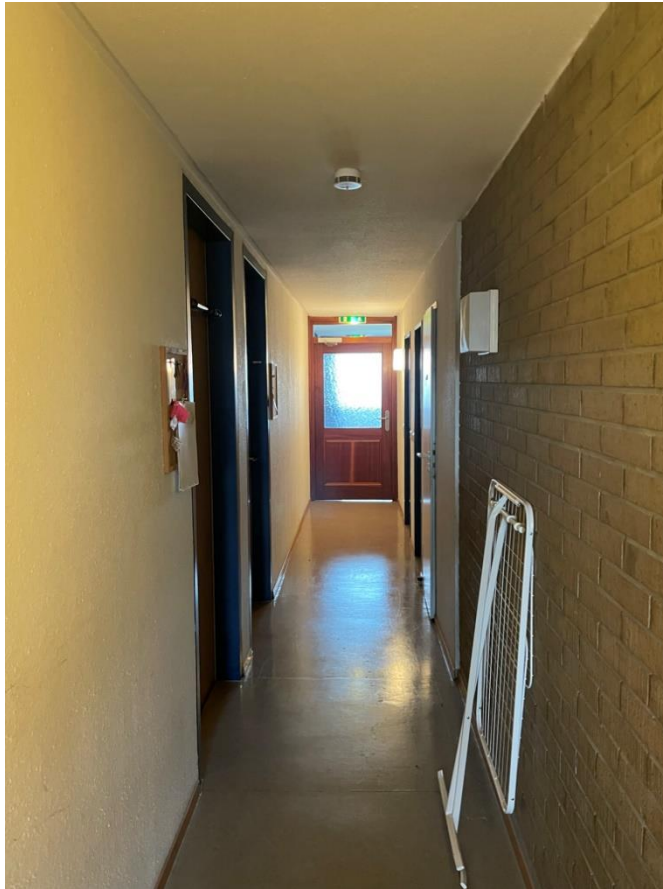


- Lobby in Haus 30
  - All following photos are from Haus 30



# StuSie: Haus 30, 40, 46

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- Hallway





# StuSie: Haus 30, 40, 46

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- Bed
- Small side table



# StuSie: Haus 30, 40, 46

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- Desk
- Chair



# StuSie: Haus 30, 40, 46

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- Book shelf



# StuSie: Haus 30, 40, 46

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- Built-in closet





# StuSie: Haus 30, 40, 46

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- Full bath



# StuSie: Haus 30, 40, 46

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- Kitchen



# StuSie: Haus 30, 40, 46

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- Dining area
- Sofa





# StuSie: Haus 32, 42, 44

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Haus 32, 42



Haus 44



- Newly remodeled
  - Suites of 4 rooms
  - Shared kitchen, full bath
- Availability and Rent:
- 4 rooms available
  - € 392 per month
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- *No interior pix available yet, but layout and furniture are very much like in Haus 74 A and C*
  - See the following slides





# StuSie: Haus 74 A & 74 C

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- Built in 2019 and 2020
- Suites of 4 rooms
- Shared kitchen, full bath, half bath

## Availability and Rent :

- 5 rooms available
- € 379 per month



# StuSie: Haus 74a, 74c

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- Hallway



# StuSie: Haus 74a, 74c

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- Kitchen
- Dining area



# StuSie: Haus 74a, 74c

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○ Bed



# StuSie: Haus 74a, 74c

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- Desk
- Chair
- Side table (on wheels)



# StuSie: Haus 74a, 74c

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- Book shelf



# StuSie: Haus 74a, 74c

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- Wardrobe





# StuSie: Haus 74a, 74c

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- Full bath







# StuSie: Haus 74a, 74c

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- Balcony





# StuSie: Haus 74a, 74c

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- Outside of 74c



# Vauban





# Studentendorf Vauban

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Studentendorf Vauban Haus 2

- Complex of 8 dorms
  - Former French NATO barracks
  - 2 dorms added in 1996 (Haus 2, 17)
- Haus 2 and 17 have the same layout
- All rooms have access to Internet
- Music room, bar, workshops ...



# Studentendorf Vauban

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Studentendorf Vauban Haus 17

- 4-room suites
- Shared kitchen, dining area, full bath, large balcony

## Availability and Rent:

- 4 rooms total available at Vauban
- € 335 per month



# Studentendorf Vauban



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Straßenbahn  
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- Overview
- Street car stop just one block south



# Studentendorf Vauban

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## **The neighborhood: Vauban**

There is no place quite like Vauban. Vauban is a relatively new neighborhood that started out with squatters in the former French military quarters. Some of them are still there. But it is famous for its pioneering work in Green city planning.

Vauban is frequently visited by delegations from around the world, because of its sustainable design (lots of solar energy, passive houses, many parts are car-free). People there are primarily supporters of the Green party. The environmentally-focused and alternative life-style is part of the culture in the dorms and the entire neighborhood. From the dorms, you have easy access to hiking on the Schönberg.

Vauban is the furthest neighborhood from downtown, but also still easily accessible by tram and bike. The architecture of the neighborhood is marked by narrow streets and 3-5 story buildings, many with solar panels, and colorfully painted. The streets are named after peace activists and—largely female—writers and scientists.



# Studentendorf Vauban

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- Desk
- Chair
- Floor-to-ceiling window
- Shutter





# Studentendorf Vauban

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- Built-in closet



# Studentendorf Vauban

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- Book shelf



# Studentendorf Vauban

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- Kitchen
- Dining area





# Studentendorf Vauban

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- Full bath
- Part of hallway inside the suite



# Studentendorf Vauban

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- Balcony
- In the background one of the former barracks



# Studentendorf Vauban

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- View toward the local vinyard on the „Schlossberg“



# Vauban Student Testimonials

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„Vauban is a secluded but green Stadtteil a bit further outside of the city, but it feels like a city unto itself. Small but with a neighborhood feel and a strong community grounding, the distance from the Innenstadt only makes the friendships and connections there stronger.“ – **Juliette**

„Vauban is a great place to live in because of the people, the community and the environment. I love being able to go hiking in my ‘backyard’ I don’t have to get on a tram or anything. Vauban definitely has a personality and I really like how well I fit in here.“ – **Teagan**

„Living in Vauban is amazing! I love the amount of open green space available for picnicking, hammocking, you name it! Everyone in the neighborhood is friendly and super open minded. I love the location of the neighborhood. It’s so close to Schönberg and lots of great spots to watch the sunset. Also - there’s an awesome ice cream place there just for the locals... ;) “ – **Courtney**

# Händelstraße







# Studentenhaus Händelstraße

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## **The neighborhood: Herdern**

Herdern is one of the richest neighborhoods in Freiburg and it is located in the foothills of the Black Forest. There is easy access to hiking and mountain biking trails, which can take you deep into the black forest.

Herdern has a cute old neighborhood center, which unfortunately is not close to the Händelwohnheim. Also in Herdern and closer to the dorm is the Botanical Garden.

Among all Freiburg dorms, the Händelwohnheim is unique because the members of a WG select their flat mates rather than being assigned by the Studierendenwerk; AYF students are the only exception, your rooms are assigned by AYF.

Architecturally, Herdern is made up of single-family homes and villas, some of which have been turned into multi-family homes. You will also see a lot of flat-roof cubed single-family homes with lots of glass facades, a newer architectural trend.



# Studentenhaus Händelstraße

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- Built in 1930s
- Former Railway Workers' Orphanage
- Suites of 5-9 rooms
- All rooms have Internet access

## Availability and Rent:

- 8 rooms available
- € 310 – € 323 / month



# Studentenhaus Händelstraße

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- Desk
- Chair
- Shelf
- Closet



# Studentenhaus Händelstraße

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- Bed/Bedroom



# Studentenhaus Händelstraße

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- Desk
- Chair
- Built-in closet
- Shelves





# Studentenhaus Händelstraße

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- Full bath



# Studentenhaus Händelstraße

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- Hallway in suite



# Studentenhaus Händelstraße

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- Kitchen
- Refrigerator
- Sink
- Stove
- Oven





# Studentenhaus Händelstraße

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- Dining area



# Studentenhaus Händelstraße

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- Common room



# Händelstraße 18 - Apartment

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- Efficiency apartment
- Built in 2014
- Has internet access
- Kitchenette includes an oven

## Availability and Rent:

- 1 apt. available
- € 475 / month



# Händelstraße 18 - Apartment

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- Built-in closet unit





# Händelstraße 18 - Apartment

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- Kitchenette includes an oven



# Händelstraße 18 - Apartment

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- Bed with storage





# Händelstraße 18 - Apartment

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- Writing desk





# Händelstraße 18 - Apartment

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- Book shelf







# Händelstraße 18 - Apartment

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- Bathroom with shower





# Händelstraße Student Testimonials

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„Händel is in a really beautiful area that’s just far enough from the city to be calm with feeling out of the way. There’s a really great vibe and community here, and I love hanging out with my WG and the other Americans who live here. “ – **Kaylee**

„I love everything about Händel, from the free bread and community chest to the location, but the windows are the best part. The entire window opens up to a beautiful view of the Black Forest, and your room becomes a part of the stunning outdoors.“ – **Cassidy**

„Händelstraße is a perfect match for anyone who likes to be slightly outside of the city with views of the Black Forest. Located just north of the city, it has a variety of nearby grocery stores such as Aldi, Lidl, and Kaufland. I personally love this location because it does not take long to get downtown by bike or the tram (Straßenbahn). There is also a food pantry located inside of the main building where lots of free bread and other foods can be found. “– **Jacob**

# Stühlinger





# Studentendorf Stühlinger

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## **The neighborhood: Stühlinger**

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Today Stühlinger is the home of artist communities and little markets. For its age, it is a very diverse neighborhood. Stühlinger's border with the train station and also with one of the lowest-income neighborhoods in town, Haslach, also adds flavor to the neighborhood.

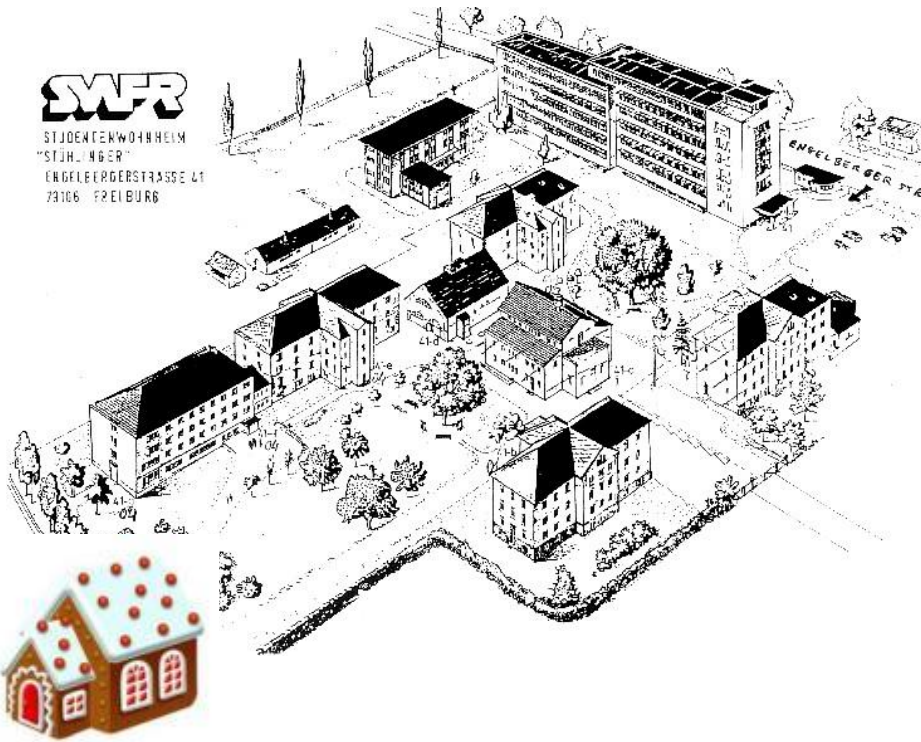
The Stühlinger dorms include some of the most modern dorms as well as several restored old buildings with large rooms in nice high-ceilinged apartments.

Architecturally that part of town is made up of 5-7 story high old apartment complexes.



# Studentendorf Stühlinger

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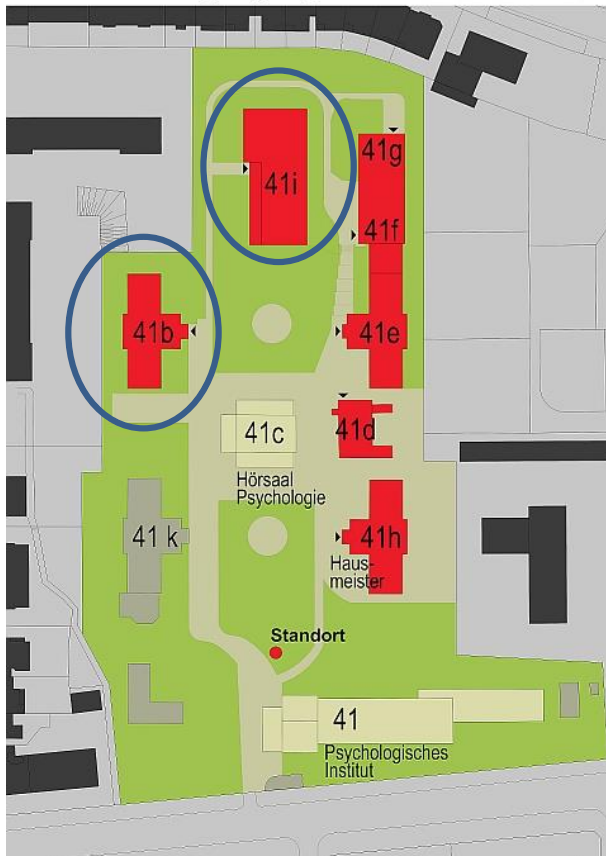
- Located two blocks from train station and very close to the city
- AYF has a total of 9 rooms in Stühlinger
- Has a handful of places to have a picnic or relax in the shade
- Feels like a small community
- New dorm (not on the bird's-eye map yet), represented by the gingerbread house ;-)



# Studentendorf Stühlinger

Studentenwerk Freiburg

Studentenwohnanlage Engelbergerstraße



← Map of grounds

- AYF Stühlinger A = no. 41-b
- AYF Stühlinger B = no. 41-i
- *Hausmeister* office in 41-h
- Psychology department located on the grounds



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# Studentendorf Stühlinger (A)

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- Haus No. 41-b on map
- 7 room suites  
(community living)
- Shared kitchens,  
bathrooms
- Has internet access

## Availability and Rent:

- 4 rooms available
- € 333 – € 358 / month





# Studentendorf Stühlinger (A)

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- Hallway in suite



# Studentendorf Stühlinger (A)

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- Closet



# Studentendorf Stühlinger (A)

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- Desk
- Chair



# Studentendorf Stühlinger (A)

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- Bed



# Studentendorf Stühlinger (A)

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- Shelf



# Studentendorf Stühlinger (A)

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- Hallway to bathrooms
  - Two toilets
  - One shower
  - Five-room suite



# Studentendorf Stühlinger (A)

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- Bathroom



# Studentendorf Stühlinger (A)

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- Kitchen
  - Refrigerator
  - Cupboards
  - Stove
  - Oven
  - Sink and additional cupboards are to the right





# Studentendorf Stühlinger (A)

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- Kitchen
  - Dining area



# Studentendorf Stühlinger (B)

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- Haus No. 41-i on map (or 'gingerbread' house)
- 3-5 room suites
- Shared kitchens, bathrooms
- Has internet access

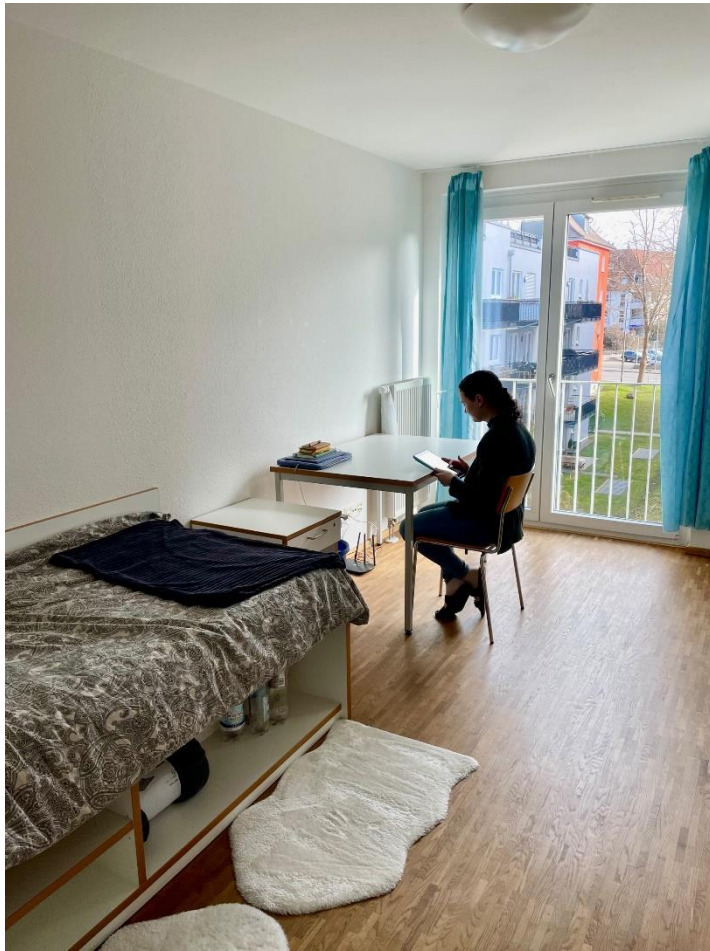
## Availability and Rent :

- 5 rooms available
- € 392 / month



# Studentendorf Stühlinger (B)

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- Desk
- Chair



# Studentendorf Stühlinger (B)

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- Built-in closet
- Shelf





# Studentendorf Stühlinger (B)

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- Bed
- Night stand
- Reading lamp
- Storage



# Studentendorf Stühlinger (B)

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- Bathroom



# Studentendorf Stühlinger (B)

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- Shower



# Studentendorf Stühlinger (B)

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- Kitchen
  - Refrigerator
  - Cupboards
  - Stove
  - Oven





# Studentendorf Stühlinger (B)

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# Stühlinger Student Testimonials

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„Stühlinger is one of the calmest/quietest parts of the city and feels like its own little community, plus the green space we have makes for a nice place to picnic. Plus, it's pretty central and easy to get to since every Bahn runs by us.“ – **Andy**

„Stühlinger was the best choice for me due to its vicinity to the downtown area and wonderful train access. The size of the WG's here makes sure that you will meet some wonderful people from Germany and beyond.“ – **Stas**


„My favorite thing about living in Stühlinger is how close it is to the Altstadt and the main train station. It's a great place if you like the city feel and being in the center of everything.“ – **Brenna**

„Stühlinger is such an amazing part of town... so close to the city, beautiful apartments and amazing people! There is an awesome park right outside, the center of the city is only a few minutes walk away, and the best döner is right around the corner!“ – **Natalie**

„My favorite thing about living in Stühlinger is how close it is to the downtown area and all of your classes. Building 41i is also very nice and has large windows which are especially nice to enjoy the beautiful view and weather.“ – **Jessie**



# Housing Preference Form



**Academic Year in Freiburg**  
 Studienprogramm an der Albert-Ludwigs-Universität  
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**HOUSING PREFERENCE FORM 2025-26**

Please complete this form and return it a.s.a.p. to the study abroad coordinator at your home university. Fill out form on the computer before printing and signing.

Your Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Home University: \_\_\_\_\_

The different dorms and types of rooms are described in your program handbook, PowerPoint introduction to AYF, and on the AYF web site.

Please NUMBER your housing choices in order of preference: 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, and so forth !!

Vauban (335 €) – 4 students/unit	Stusie: Haus 14 (341 €) – 4 students
Stühlinger A (333-358 €) – 7 students	Stusie: Haus 30/40 (290 €) – 4 students
Stühlinger B (392 €) – 3-5 students	Stusie: Haus 32/42/44 (392 €) – 4 students
Händelstraße (310-323 €) – 5-9 students	Stusie: Haus 46 (360 €) – 4 students
Händelst.: Efficiency (475 €) – 1 student	Stusie: Haus 74 (379 €) – 4 students
	Stusie: Efficiency Apt. (354 €) – 1 student

Which of the following factors is more important to you?

<input type="checkbox"/> I do not wish to live on the ground floor.	<input type="checkbox"/> I do not wish to live on a high floor.
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I would like to order a bedding starter set from Studierendewerk / SWFR:

<input type="checkbox"/> Bedding starter set (75 €) – contains a full bedding set, but no towels
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**Please note that all prices are subject to change by the Studierendewerk Freiburg.** Prices are quoted as of February 2025. The cost in U.S. dollars depends on the then-current exchange rate.


All efforts will be made to accommodate your preferences, but the program cannot guarantee they can be met. In cases where demand exceeds availability, rooms will be assigned using a lottery system. With your signature you agree to accept any room that AYF assigns to you.

\_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_ Signature \_\_\_\_\_

- List at least five choices in order of preference
  - We seek to accommodate as many top choices as possible
  - Otherwise, a lottery is used
- Order bedding starter set with this form!
- *Deadlines are determined by your study abroad office*



# AYF Registration: Forms, etc.



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 Studienprogramm an der Albert-Ludwigs-Universität  
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**INSTRUCTIONS AND CHECK LIST FOR  
 AYF REGISTRATION FORMS 2025-26**

Dear AYF-Participant,

Welcome to the program! We are looking forward to meeting and working with you as you embark on your study abroad adventure, but first there are some forms and formalities you need to attend to.

- Please observe the deadlines set by your study abroad office. Submitting the forms in a timely manner makes your, and our, life easier and is very much appreciated.
- If at all possible, fill out the forms on the computer before printing and signing them. If you choose to fill them out by hand, please PRINT CLEARLY.
- To complete the AYF Registration Form, you will need to have the following information available (if need be, check with your parents ahead of time): (1) the city and state of your birth; (2) the birthdates of both parents/guardians, including their year of birth; (3) the year and country in which you graduated high school; (4) if you have a U.S. cell phone number that you intend to maintain and use in Germany, then that number is needed (you can of course obtain a German number, if you wish, and almost all AYFers choose to get a German number, but it is not required). This information is needed for your residence permit, university application, and for setting up your German bank account. Upon arrival in Freiburg, you will need to supply your social security number to the bank for reporting purposes.
- Hand in all forms and materials to the study abroad coordinator at your home university.

▶ ▶ ▶ **Please submit the following items:**

PHOTOS	CHECK LIST
<b>Digital Passport Picture:</b> Passport-style digital photograph with high resolution. Needs to be in focus, taken in front of a light background. <u>See detailed instruction sheet</u> . Submit this photo (or several photos) by email to <a href="mailto:info@ayf.uni-freiburg.de">info@ayf.uni-freiburg.de</a> using your full name—family name first—as the file name.	<input type="checkbox"/>
<b>Passport ID-Page:</b> Clear and readable photocopy, scan, or high-resolution in-focus photograph.	<input type="checkbox"/>
<b>AYF FORMS</b>	
<b>AYF Registration Form</b> (NB: This is a two-page form, please fill out both pages!)	<input type="checkbox"/>
<b>AYF Housing Preference Form</b>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<b>SWFR Room Application Form</b> (English translation provided as a reference, fill out German version.)	<input type="checkbox"/>
<b>AYF Travel Information Form</b>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<b>Up-to-Date Transcript or Grade Report</b> (with Spring Term Grades)	<input type="checkbox"/>
<b>ADDITIONAL FORMS AS SPECIFIED BY YOUR STUDY ABROAD OFFICE</b>	

Thank you for your cooperation! We look forward to meeting you soon.

*The AYF Team 2025-26*

- Please submit first:
  - digital passport picture(s)
  - AYF Registration Form
  - Copy of passport ID page
  - Housing Options Form
  - Dorm room application
  
- Later due dates:
  - Travel Information Form
  - Transcript / Grade Report



# AYF Contact Information

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- For additional information, please consult our web site at [www.ayf.uni-freiburg.de](http://www.ayf.uni-freiburg.de)
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- Or call us (from the US) at 011-49-761-319 68 551



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