

Opera Studio TF

Theater Freiburg

Freiburg Opera Studio

Since the winter semester 2016/17, Freiburg Opera Studio, a four-semester postgraduate degree program offered by Freiburg University of Music and Freiburg Theater, has been in existence. It offers particularly talented young singers the opportunity to gain their first professional experience at a German theater with a music theater department while perfecting their technical skills at a renowned university. It pursues the concept of integrating professional practice with modern university teaching that is tailored precisely to the individual needs of the students. Freiburg Opera Studio is an exclusive focus within the concert exam degree program at Freiburg University of Music and is aimed at outstanding vocal students with a master's degree. In exceptional cases, students with a bachelor's degree who show promise of exceptional artistic development may also be accepted. Students at Freiburg Opera Studio receive a scholarship from Freiburg University of Music, which means that they do not have to pay any tuition fees, as well as a scholarship from the TheaterFreunde Freiburg to contribute to their general living expenses.

The studies

Students specializing in the Freiburg Opera Studio program are enrolled at Freiburg University of Music and receive one hour of instruction per week from vocal professors at the university. This instruction may include traditional voice lessons as well as various forms of coaching, rehearsal supervision, stage work, and so on. The aim is to provide vocal coaching by the university's professors based on a fundamental acceptance of the vocal independence of advanced students, with the specific form of this coaching being developed in consultation with the respective student. During the first semester, the responsible examination committee determines which further coursework is to be completed by the student.

The objectives

Freiburg Opera Studio aims to prepare advanced vocal students specifically for a career in opera. On the one hand, singers can gain their first professional experience with roles in their voice category of varying scope within a professional opera ensemble or opera company. On the other hand, their studies at Freiburg University of Music are tailored to the individual needs of each student, with the curriculum flexibly responding to personal strengths and weaknesses. From the beginning of the winter semester, students are enrolled at Freiburg University of Music and are also members of Freiburg Theater's opera company. There, they begin to slowly integrate into the everyday life of the opera house. From this point on, students also receive a monthly stipend of € 1,300 from the TheaterFreunde Freiburg. At the theater, the young singers rehearse roles in their voice category and perform in productions, while at the same time receiving extensive coaching and advice from the theater's management.

Education

Application

- Consulting and coaching by professors at Freiburg University of Music
- Tailored study plans
- Support with auditions from the artistic management office and career counseling from Freiburg Theater for the period after graduation
- Audition training – selection of repertoire, acquisition of concrete theater experience through internal auditions at Theater Freiburg once per semester in cooperation with the supervising voice teachers at Freiburg University of Music
- Rehearsing parts in consultation with the theater's management team
- Covering and rehearsing parts from the repertoire of Theater Freiburg
- Performing in smaller roles, depending on level and abilities also in medium and large roles and/or participating in a gala concert of the theater with orchestra and/or song recital at Theater Freiburg or Freiburg University of Music
- Scholarship in the amount of the regular tuition fees
- Support from TheaterFreunde Freiburg in the amount of €1,300 per month (starting 1 September 2026, for a total of 24 months)

Application period for the winter semester 2025/26:
15 December 2025 to 15 January 2026

Information at:
www.mh-freiburg.de/opernstudio

Apply at:
<https://www.muvac.com/de/vacancy/freiburger-opernstudio-g15rgz4y>



The application and selection of potential candidates will be based on video applications. This year, we are primarily looking for soprano and/or mezzo-soprano and/or bass/bass-baritone voices. The second round of auditions is expected to take place on March 11/12, 2026, at Freiburg Theatre.

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