A guide to Leeuwarden’s libraries

“The only thing that you absolutely have to know, is the location of the library.” Albert Einstein
Making a decision on where to study is difficult: you can find five different places in Leeuwarden to study, search for information, conduct research, discuss coursework, or just borrow books. The libraries of Van Hall Larenstein, NHL Stenden hogeschool, dbieb and Tresoar are working together to be as much help as possible to you, the student. In this pamphlet, you will be able to see where you can go to study, and what each library has to offer you.

As a student of one of these colleges, or as a member of Tresoar, you are able to borrow books for free from all of these libraries, with the exception of the dbieb. You will have to provide evidence of your student status, so do please bring along your student or membership card as proof. As a student, you can also become a member of the dbieb. You will have to return these to the library you borrowed them from.

Welcome to the study hall of Tresoar! Tresoar offers a reading room for silent study, collaborative work spaces for group projects, and 200 work spaces - both with or without computers: all of Tresoar's facilities are there to make individual study or group work a little more enjoyable. We also offer access to a diverse range of information sources, in both physical and digital formats (books, magazines, databases), CD's, and DVD's. Tresoar also offers an Interlibrary Loan service (IBL). By creating an IBL account at Tresoar, you can request books and other materials from other libraries - even from libraries abroad. Free Wi-Fi! If you feel like popping outside for some fresh air, the Prinsentuin and city centre are right on our doorstep. It goes without saying that the library provides free Wifi and loads of places to sit and study – with or without a pc – or whether you want to study in silence or work in a group. Both libraries are located very close to places where you can buy something to eat and drink; there are several coffee bars and the cantine is close by - so after your tasty lunch you can resume studying!

The libraries of NHL Stenden University of Applied Sciences offer a friendly, inspirational research and study environment that is also a meeting place for both students and staff. In addition to the two library buildings, the library offers a comprehensive collection of books, journals, and other materials, as well as an extensive provision of library services. Students and staff also have 24/7 access to the digital collection of the library, which includes e-books, newspapers, e-journals, theses, and audio visual material.

We also offer students and staff support in a variety of areas: from searching for and finding information, writing a report or your thesis, to accurately citing your sources or requesting an ISBN number. Your librarians are always happy to help!

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Van Hall Larenstein offers an extensive multi media centre, which is used intensively as a meeting place, study space, lounge room, and as a place to meet and discuss group work. The collection is tailored to the three domains of education provided by the Van Hall Larenstein: Delta Areas and Resources, Animals and Business, and Food and Dairy. The multi media centre also offers students the opportunity to work individually or in a group. There are also places for students who wish to use the internet for a short while. Students can get support for using the multi media centre at the service desk. The multi media centre is situated on the ground floor, next to the main entrance.