

Environment & Facilities

Study Spaces	Food & Drink
Group Study	Bottled water
Number and percentage of institutions	Number and percentage of institutions
 Both open and bookable – x17 – 40% 	 Allowed all areas – x41 – 97%
 Bookable – x15 – 36% 	Restricted – x1 – x2%
 Open – x9 – 22% 	
• None – x1 – 2%	
Dedicated silent areas	Lidded drinks
Number and percentage of institutions	Number and percentage of institutions
 Yes - bookable – x39 – 92% 	 Allowed all areas – x28 – 66%
 Yes - open – x3 – 7% 	• Restricted – x10 – 23%
	● Banned – x4 – 9%
Dedicated quiet areas	Cold food
Number and percentage of institutions	Number and percentage of institutions
 Yes - bookable – x33 – 78% 	 Restricted – x20 – 47%
 Yes - Open – x9 – 21% 	 Allowed all areas – x11 – 26%
	• Banned – x11 – 26%
Dedicated Social learning areas	Hot food
Number and percentage of institutions	Number and percentage of institutions
 Yes - bookable – x37 – 88% 	 Banned – x33 – 78%
 Yes - Open – x5 – 11% 	Restricted – x7 – 16%
	 Allowed all areas – x2 – 4%
Individual study carrels	Café in library
Number and percentage of institutions	Number and percentage of institutions
• Yes – x29 – 69%	• Yes – x23 – 54%
• No – x13 – 30%	• No – x19 – 45%
	Vending in library
	Number and percentage of institutions
	• Yes – x26 – 61%
	• No – x16 – 38%

Of the 42 institutions currently within the database:

Behaviour	
Fines for infringement	Banned for infringement
Number and percentage of institutions	Number and percentage of institutions
● No – x38 – 90%	• No – x33 – 78%
 Yes − x4 − 10% 	• Yes – x9 – 22%

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Observations

Food & Drink:

Café and vending facilities within library spaces are popular – just over half have café facilities, 23 out of 42 (54%) and 26 out of 42 (61%) have vending.

The majority of institutions present accommodate the consumption of drinks (bottled water, lidded drinks) in all areas within library spaces: 41 out of 42 (97%) allow bottled water, 28 out of 42 (66%) allow lidded drinks.

Ten institutions (23%) accommodate lidded drinks, but restrict this to designated areas. A minority has banned lidded drinks, 4 out or 42 (9%) and 1 out 42 (2%) allows bottled water in designated areas only.

When it comes to cold food, just under half the total institutions present, 20 out of 42 (47%) allow consumption, but restricts this to designated areas.

11 out of 42 (26%) do allow cold food to be consumed in all areas, while the same number and percentage ban this outright.

The majority of institutions have banned hot food, 33 out of 42 (78%)

2 out of 42 (4%) allow hot food in all areas, while 7 out of 42 (16%) allow this but in designated areas.

Study Spaces:

The most popular form of access to study spaces is via a booking system:

- Silent 39 of 42 (93%)
- Social 37 of 42 (88%)
- Quiet 33 of 42 (78%)

Within Group space, fully open access is in a minority -9 of the 42 (21%) offer this, with the remaining 32 institutions offering a mixture of open/bookable at 17 of the 42 (40%) and bookable only at 15 of the 42 (35%).

The more 'traditional' study carrel space remains popular – 29 of the 42 (70%) offer this, while the remaining 13 (30%) do not.

Behaviour:

Most of the institutions present do not fine or ban students for infringement of their rules. 38 out of 42 (90%) do not levy fines for this, and 33 out of 42 (78%) do not ban.

Of those who do fine and/or ban, a higher proportion ban students than levy fines. 9 out of 42 (22%) ban students, while 4 out of 42 (10%) fine students.

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