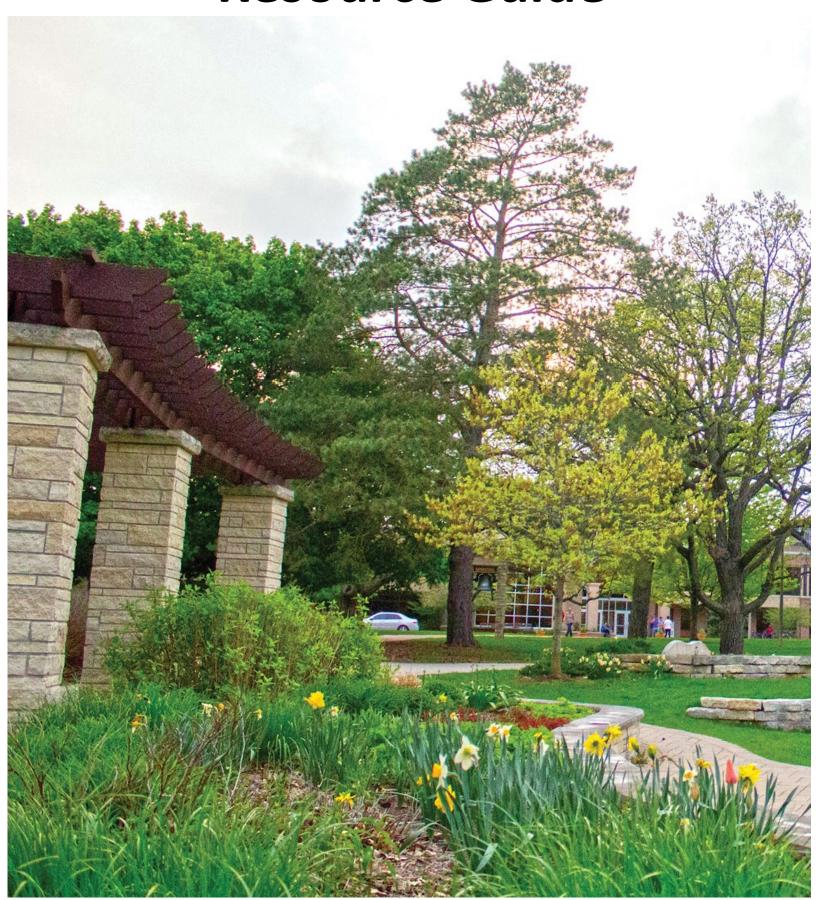
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Websites to use:



- StudentRate.com: a website where you can find great discounts and deals that range from textbooks, to travel, to technology.
- Koofers: enables you to access flashcards and prepare for exams more easily.
- Studyblue.com: enables you to make fun flashcards and take notes anywhere, anytime.
- Brainly.com: a knowledge-sharing community where 150 million students and experts put their heads together to crack their toughest homework questions.
- Dictionary.com: an easy to understand app for word and phrase definitions
- Xmind.net: Helps simplify and clarify complex information
- Habitica.com: "gamifies your life" by helping you achieve goals in a fun way. The app tracks your progress and grants rewards for productivity.
- JoinHoney.com: a free app that finds and applies promo codes at over 37,000 sites. Honey tests every code and applies the best one to your cart.
- Myfridgefood.com: creates recipes for you using the ingredients you already have on hand.

College resources to use:



- Career Center: Need help planning for life after college? The Career Center is the
 place you should go. They will help write your resume, as well as guide you through
 the process of choosing what to do after college. The Career Center can also help
 you find an internship and possibly help fund it.(Union 2nd floor)
- CATALYZE for student success: Luther is one of six colleges to partner with College Possible, a leader in college admission and success among low-income students. College Possible has a proven track record: its students are four times more likely to earn degrees than their low-income peers not in the program (Union).
- Counseling Services: Do you feel frustrated? Upset? Scared? Confused? Visit the counseling services where you can have someone listen to you without any judgment. They can help you sort things out, or you can use their online tool, myssp.app/us/home and sign in with your Luther email. (Larsen Hall)

- CIES: The Center for Intercultural Engagement & Student Success (CIES) is a student-centered office that focuses on student engagement and success, building intercultural relationships and guiding students towards self-agency for their futures. They offer support for all international and intercultural students, and help them make international calls if needed. Many students like to go and hang out at the office just because it can be fun to talk to other students and staff that work with the international students. (Union 1st floor)
- College Ministries: College Ministries serves the Luther College Community, congregations, and ministries of the church. College Ministries walks with students in their journeys of faith and learning. They listen to students' stories, encourage reflection, and develop gifts for leadership and service to the common good.
 - Interfaith at Luther: Luther offers many opportunities for all students to practice their faith and religion in the CFL. For more information visit https://www.luther.edu/ministries/worship/interfaith/
- Financial Aid Office: The Financial Aid Office can help you plan and budget your finances through meeting with counselors or- if you are having some financial issues- might be able to support you through available funds (Funds are limited) (Main - Ground Floor)
- **Student Accounts Office:** The Student Accounts Office processes payments and payment options for the Luther community. (Main First Floor)
- Health services: (Larsen Hall)
 - * International students: if suffering from any sickness, go visit the health services as the nurses can help you recover, and it is covered by your insurance (so it is basically free as long as you are at the Health Services).
 - * <u>Domestic students:</u> Check with your insurance to see if they cover services provided on campus
- **Library:** Check out any desired book for a 14 day period of time, study quietly, or see what other items are available for checkout (laptops, projectors, etc)
- Luther College Food Pantry: People donate extra food they have for others to take advantage of. If you are in need, go visit (can be found in the CFL). More information is also on facebook under Little Free Pantry at Luther College.
- **Regents Center:** The college's gym where you can go and workout as a way to get fit, for stress relief, or just for fun.





- Res Life: The Residence Life Office can help you find the perfect residence to live in depending on your needs. They can also help you solve some roommate conflicts. (Union)
- Student Activities Council (SAC): Dedicated to enriching life on the Luther
 College campus by providing quality programming to students and the Decorah
 community. SAC's various committees encourage student input and participation in
 planning musical performances, cultural cooking classes, comedy, leadership and
 motivational speakers, movies, and a variety of other alcohol-free events. (Union)
- CAE: The Center for Academic Enrichment (CAE) helps students develop confidence in their abilities and achieve their academic potential. SASC provides support to all Luther College students, responding to the individual needs through a variety of services in the context of a community committed to faith, learning, service, and the liberal arts. It offers many services such as free tutoring, a writing center, a learning needs assessment, etc... (Library)
- Security: Campus security can help you in many different ways. If you are out at
 night visiting a friend at a different dorm and want to go back to you room, just call
 security and they will pick you up and drop you off wherever you want at all times of
 the night.
- Students Engagement: Student Engagement, as part of the Luther College community of faith and learning, is committed to student learning and personal development as the central goals of its services and programs. The office can also help students contact services that are off-campus. (Union)
- **Supply room in Valders**: in Valders 3rd floor there is a supply room that provides office supplies for student's needs. Next to classroom 362, you can take what you need and donate any extras you have for others to use.
- The Zen Den: A space at Health Services which offers a calm and soothing environment for you to relax and get some "me time". Additional plus: they have a massage chair. (Larsen Hall)
- TRIO: a federally-funded student retention program that provides participating students with holistic, individualized support and comprehensive programming that promotes their academic success, personal development, and sense of community. You must qualify to participate. (Library)

No need to worry, there is always someone available to help you!

Places to go to in Decorah:



- Dollar tree: has a variety of products which are sold sold for \$1.25 +tax (school supplies, kitchen supplies, food, etc....)
- Hy-Vee or Fareway: a grocery stores in town that sell a huge variety of food and snacks.
- Walmart: a huge store in Decorah that offers almost everything you might need and want to buy.
- Goodwill: a second hand store that sells clothing, shoes, books, and some random things that have been donated by people
- The Depot Outlet: Depot Outlet is a non-profit organization owned by the Winneshiek
 County area churches. They operate a recycled clothing, books, and household goods
 store
- Oneota Co-op: a small market where you can buy organic foods and special spices in bulks.
- Other Fun Places: Impact Coffee, The Landing Market, Don Jose's, T-Bock's, Koreana, Viking Theater

Transportation methods:



- Hometown Taxi: Hometown Taxi is available for rides within Decorah or regionally.
 The cost of the trip depends on the distance you plan to travel.
- **EARL Public Transit**: NEICAC-Transit is the public bus service in NE Iowa. There are no bus stops to find. Instead, the bus comes right to your location and takes you where you want to go. At Luther, the bus will pick you up and drop you off at the main door of the Union. It charges the students \$2 per trip (one way)
- Shuttle buses: They are organized by the SAC which offer their services every once in a while. The shuttles to Walmart are free.
- Airport/ Break Shuttle Bus: When traveling to an airport, transportation will be
 provided in Minnesota, Illinois and Wisconsin by the Luther College Bus or Lamers
 Bus Lines. To buy a ticket, visit the Luther College Ticket Office
 website or in person 4 days prior the trip or you will be charged a \$10 convenience
 fee.
- Library bike: If you like biking, you can check out a bike from the library for a couple
 of days

Decorah Food Pantry:

The Decorah food pantry is a faith-based, non-profit charity organization, serving clients who need food and other basic essentials each year. It is entirely volunteer-driven with the main goal of helping anyone who might need food and other basic essentials.

The Decorah Food Pantry is located at 110 Railroad Street and welcomes everyone who is residing in Iowa. They are open Monday to Friday from 1 PM to 3 PM and Thursdays from 1 PM to 6 PM.

More information can be found at decorahpantry.org or they can be reached by phone at 563-202-0872.