



Mitchell Technical Institute

Mitchell Technical Institute is one amazing place! Students of all backgrounds with varied interests will find a program that can lead to an amazing career.

Here are a few of the things MTI wants you to know:

* MTI boasts a 98% job placement rate for graduates. Our Career Services office will help you find that

perfect career job, or even just a part-time job while you're attending school.

* The school has been ranked in the top 10% of all of America's two-year colleges by the Aspen Institute for the second year in a row. * An entire new campus is complete. All buildings are ten years old or less. Our new Trades Center opened in August. This showcase build-

ing houses programs in Construction and Manufacturing and Ag and Transportation Technologies.

* MTI offers 29 on-campus academic programs and seven online programs. Coming Fall 2014: Human Services Technician.

* More than 89% of MTI students receive financial aid. Technical education is some of the most affordable edu-

cation available and the return on investment is very high. In only one or two years, graduates can walk out with a job in their area that will allow them to live a great lifestyle and pay off their student loans.

* More than 15,500 people have graduated since 1968.

* MTI is a Military Friendly school and works with veterans' and National Guard

agencies to make sure that eligible students get the financial assistance they need.

* Programs offered are nationally and regionally unique.

* MTI has an NIRA-sanctioned collegiate rodeo team and has sent several competitors to the National College Finals Rodeo.

* Two apartment buildings are located adjacent to cam-

pus allowing you to live near your classrooms.

So check out Mitchell Technical Institute on the web at mitchelltech.edu or call the Admissions office at 605-995-3025 and we think you'll find some pretty amazing stuff!

Things To Consider Before Changing Careers

The days when men and women would work for the same company for decades are largely a thing of the past. Though some professionals still remain loyal to a single firm for the duration of their careers, such instances are now the aberration as opposed to the norm.

Switching firms or careers has certainly become more acceptable over the years, but that does not necessarily mean everyone who switches jobs is doing it for the right reason. Many people have switched jobs only to realize the grass is not greener on the other side. Others have switched jobs amidst economic uncertainty only to be laid off shortly after making the move.

While the opportunity for a fresh start is nothing to scoff at, professionals looking to change careers should consider a host of factors before deciding to do so.

* **Motivation:** Before changing careers, it's best to sit down and honestly assess what is motivating your potential move. If you harbor a strong desire to pursue a passion and make it your career, then changing careers is probably something you must do. But changing careers because you feel if you are slighted by a current employer or you feel like changing for the sake of change, then you might want to reconsider. If you're considering a change because of an issue with your present em-

ployer, try working out the issue before pursuing a career change. You might find the issue is a byproduct of miscommunication and not something to change careers over. If you want to change careers because you feel like you need a change, keep in mind how difficult the job market is and how vulnerable you might be if your next move does not pan out. Give your motivation some serious thought before making any career changes, and you're less likely to regret your decision.

* **Experience:** Pursuing a new career in a different field can be exciting, but if you lack experience in that field then you could be making a mistake. While the economy has

rebounded in 2013, the job market is still highly competitive and less than ideal for inexperienced workers. While you will need to start somewhere if you ever hope to transition to a new career, consider doing so on a part-time or volunteer basis and keep your current job. This gives you a chance to get your feet wet and pad your resume, and you will still have the safety net of a full-time career.

* **Quality of life:** Quality of life is too often overlooked when professionals are considering a career change. Though the opportunity to make more money is enticing, money should not dictate your decision. A new job with a higher salary might re-

quire you to be on the road more often than your current career, negatively impacting your quality of life, especially if you have a family. Longer hours at the office may also take away from family or personal time, which can affect your quality of life as well. Before changing careers, think of the potential impact such a change may have on you and if you're willing to live with that impact.

* **Relocation:** Better jobs might be available in a different job market, but there are disadvantages to relocating. Many established professionals already have a network of friends, family and fellow professionals, and abandoning that network for

a new life in another city can be extremely difficult. Single workers might adjust more easily to a relocation, but parents must consider the potential impact a relocation will have on their families. Even single professionals might find moving to a new city where they have no established social circle is far more difficult than they imagined. Such a move can cause feelings of loneliness and isolation. Unemployed professionals may feel that's a risk worth taking, but those who already have a job should determine if a relocation is really something they are ready to try.

Benefits To Joining a Campus Organization

The first week of life on a college campus can be somewhat overwhelming for first-year college students. For many students, college is their first taste of independence. Some embrace that newfound freedom, while others grow homesick and long for the company of their immediate family. But as the school year progresses, the majority of first-year college students adapt to life on campus and grow to love their new surroundings.

Once students have comfortably adapted to their new lives, many seek opportunities to become more actively involved in life on campus. College clubs and organizations are a great way to do just that, providing a host of benefits that further enhances college life.

Meet people

Joining a student club or organization is a great way for college students to meet fellow students, professors and other people of note on campus. This is especially beneficial for first-year college students, whose social circle may otherwise be limited to roommates or dorm residents of their dormitories. Joining a club or student organization can quickly expand that social circle to include people who share your interests and not just your dorm assignment.

Find a major

Many first-year college students are unsure about a course of study, enrolling as an undeclared. Such students can benefit from joining clubs or student organizations that pique their interests. For example, joining an on-campus debate club might help you discover a passion for debate, which can lead down a path to becoming a lawyer. Students who enroll in college without declaring a major may have



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the most to gain by joining a club or organization.

Boost your GPA

Joining a club or student organization also may make you a better student. That's especially likely for students who join a club or organization that's aligned with their field of study. A club or organization can help you apply lessons from the classroom in real-world situations, improving your grasp of certain concepts. In addition, your fellow club members may make great teachers, especially those who are ahead of you and have taken many of the same classes you're now taking or can expect to take down the road. Such students can be invaluable resources, helping explain concepts and offering advice as to which courses to take and which professors they prefer.

Network with professionals

Clubs and campus organizations also are a great way to begin networking with professionals in your future line of work. Many clubs or organizations bring in professionals within the field to speak to members. Such speeches and discussions are typically members-only, which means you will have

an advantage over fellow students in your field of study who have not gone the extra mile and joined a club or organization. Professionals may also give you advice on finding an internship in your field or a job once you have graduated.

Improve your overall experience

Even if a student club or organization has nothing to do with your studies or your future career, signing up is a great way to improve your overall college experience. You're liable to create more memories, make more friends and get the most out of your time on campus, which many college seniors will tell you is going to be gone before you know it. Take advantage of all of the opportunities your college or university offers, and you will likely one day look back and be glad you made the most of your time on campus.

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1:00 Program Session II
2:00 Financial Aid Session
2:15 Closing, Tech Center Amphitheater



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