Common Technical College Myths:

- **Technical colleges are for people who couldn’t get into a “real” college.**
  
  Myth Busted! - Technical colleges are often students’ first choice when looking for a hands-on learning experience and career related training! Many students meet the same requirements needed to get into a four-year university but prefer the more hands-on format.

- **Anyone can get into “the tech.”**
  
  Myth Busted! – Technical college students meet admission criteria, which include taking either the Accuplacer or ACT, before being accepted into their program. However, students can receive support services to help meet these requirements! This allows for a more diverse student population and supports returning students.

- **A technical college degree is not as impressive on a resume as one from a four-year university.**
  
  Myth Busted! – Because students graduating from a technical college have cutting-edge training in today’s fastest growing careers with hands-on experience and the skills necessary to excel, often employers look for technical college graduates when looking for new employees! In fact, 89 percent of NTC’s Class of 2011 were employed within six months of graduation. For detailed information on placement rates, check out our Graduate Employment Report at www.ntc.edu/current-publications.html.

- **If you want to continue your education after technical college, you have to start over from scratch.**
  
  Myth Busted! – NTC believes in providing options for students to ladder from NTC to other colleges and universities offering advanced degrees and has developed transfer agreements with four-year private colleges and universities, as well as the University of Wisconsin System, to help students earn a bachelor’s degree. To find out how credits earned at NTC may transfer, visit www.ntc.edu/transfer!

- **If you go to a technical college, you will miss out on the college “experience.”**
  
  Myth Busted! – Technical colleges offer countless opportunities for students to become involved outside the classroom and to make connections with future employers through networking opportunities! From athletics, student clubs and organizations to motivational and educational speakers or comedians, musicians and student government, there are endless opportunities for students to develop their leadership and teamwork skills.