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The choice of where you’re going to get your degree can be very overwhelming and, to be honest, not always a very fun process.

**We want to change the way you think about choosing a college.** This is a decision that will impact your future in more ways than you may even realize at this point.

**Now is the time to think about the long-term impact your college choice will have on your future.** To help you with that, we thought we’d give you a few things to think about when it comes to community and technical colleges.

Plenty of famous people and high-achievers started out at a community and technical college. Here’s a short list of outstanding alumni of community colleges:

- **Tom Hanks**
  Oscar-Winning Actor
- **Calvin Klein**
  Fashion Designer
- **Melvin Salveson**
  Creator of MasterCard
- **Walt Disney**
  Founder of Disney World and Disneyland
- **Eileen Collins**
  First Female Space Shuttle Astronaut
- **Francine Neff**
  Former U.S. Treasurer
- **Arthur Goldberg**
  Supreme Court Justice

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MYTH VS. REALITY

There are countless myths associated with community and technical colleges, but you can’t know what’s right for you unless you have the facts. Do these myths sound familiar?

**MYTH:** Community and technical colleges are for older students or students who work full-time.

**REALITY:** Sure, the schedules are flexible, making them attractive to older and working students, but this flexibility benefits younger students as well. You’ll be able to take classes at night or during the day or online and you can attend either part-time or full-time.

**MYTH:** Transferring from a community and technical college to a four-year college or university is too tough.

**REALITY:** Transferring does require planning, but community and technical colleges are set up to help you achieve your goal. You can meet with an academic advisor who will help you stay on track and make sure you take the right courses to prepare for a degree at a four-year school.

**MYTH:** I will miss out on all the fun of a traditional college experience if I enroll in a community and technical college.

**REALITY:** While it is true that you won’t share the same experiences as a traditional university student, you will enjoy small class sizes and hands-on training from people with real-world experience in your career field. Don’t be afraid of missing out on anything. Northland College has activities, intramurals, athletics and a lively campus life with many opportunities for fun experiences.

**MYTH:** I can’t get financial aid if I go to a community and technical college.

**REALITY:** Even though tuition at community and technical colleges is lower, financial aid is still available.

**MYTH:** Potential employers won’t take a community and technical college education seriously.

**REALITY:** Actually, it’s just the opposite. Community and technical colleges give you hands-on experience, which is what employers look for, and opportunities for internships.

**MYTH:** Community and technical colleges are for people who can’t cut it in a four-year college.

**REALITY:** Community and technical colleges allow students the flexibility and personal attention to choose a specific career path. Most undecided university students take up to six years to complete their four-year degree.
Northland Community and Technical College has been in existence since 1949, when the Minnesota State Board of Education approved an area vocational school for Thief River Falls. The school would later move to its present location and merge with two other institutions of higher learning. Each institution brought a long history of serving the needs of area students and employers, and with the advent of online educations, expanded its reach far beyond the Red River Valley and northwestern Minnesota.
**College Employees:**
- Administrators: 11
- Faculty: 227
- Staff: 130

**Tuition & Fees:**
Average annual cost is: $5,060

**Student Information:**
- Total Number of Students: 5,540
- Full-time Students: 46%
- Part-time Students: 54%
- Male Students: 41.9%
- Female Students: 58.1%

**Satellite Sites:**

- **Roseau Site**
  121 Center Street East
  Suite 200
  Roseau, MN 56751

- **TRF Airport Campus**
  13892 Airport Drive
  Thief River Falls, MN 56701
At Northland Community and Technical College you have the unique opportunity to study at both or either campus, depending on your program of study. Even though there are two separate locations, there is a sense of unity within the college community as a whole.

About East Grand Forks

East Grand Forks lies at the confluence of the Red Lake River and the Red River of the North, with excellent catfish fishing, boating and other recreational opportunities. In the heart of the Red River Valley, East Grand Forks produces an abundance of grains, sugar beets and potatoes each year. Our neighbor across the Red River is Grand Forks, ND, which includes the Grand Forks Air Force Base, Alerus Center, Ralph Engelstad Arena and the University of North Dakota.
ABOUT THIEF RIVER FALLS

Thief River Falls is the hub of northwestern Minnesota and abounds with a variety of activities. Whether you are interested in biking, camping, golfing, snowmobiling, skiing, river fishing, tubing, hunting or just plain relaxing, you can do it in or around Thief River Falls. The small-town atmosphere provides safe neighborhoods, affordable housing, excellent medical care, as well as a variety of shopping, restaurants, hotels and employment opportunities for students. Thief River Falls is also the home of the Ralph Engelstad Hockey Arena and Convention Center.
Northland provides countless opportunities for students to get involved in all types of clubs and activities. **Have fun while meeting new people and making lasting friendships.**

Get involved.

We know that every student brings unique skills and talents to our college. At Northland, you **can become anything**. So, forget about blending into the crowd and do whatever makes you unique.

**African Student Association**  
**Ambassadors**  
**Auto Technology Club**  
**Art Club**  
**Band**  
**Biology Club**  
**Campus Recreations**  
**Carpentry Club**  
**Choir**  
**Construction Electricity Club**  
**Craft Club**  
**Criminal Justice Club**  
**Crop Club**  
**Environmental Club**  
**Farm Operations Club**  
**Fire & Rescue Club**  
**HVAC Club**  
**Inkwell Club**  
**Intramurals**  
**Martial Arts Club**  
**Multicultural Club**  
**Music Club**  
**Musicals**  
**Northland Carpentry Club–National Association of Home Builders**  
**Nursing Association Club**  
**OTA Club**  
**Pharmacy Technology Club**  
**Physical Therapy Club**  
**Phi Theta Kappa**  
**Pioneer 90.1 FM Radio**  
**PAMA**  
**Radiologic Technology Club**  
**Soccer Club**  
**Students Older Than Average Club**  
**Student Senate**  
**Theater Arts**  
**Thought Club**  
**Welding Club**  
**Who’s Who Among Students of America**
Northland is a member of the National Junior College Athletic Association (NJCAA) and the Minnesota College Athletic Conference (MCAC). Our teams participate in numerous state, regional and national competitions. Pioneer Athletics have a long tradition of excellence and our teams are recognized as an important part of the college experience.

Men’s Football
Women’s Volleyball
Men’s Basketball
Women’s Basketball
Men’s Baseball
Women’s Softball

Athletic facilities are located on the Thief River Falls campus and are open to participation from all qualifying Northland College students. Both campuses also host a number of intramural sports and activities.
Programs of Study

Legend
East Grand Forks
Thief River Falls
Both

BUSINESS, ACCOUNTING & TECHNOLOGY PROGRAMS
Accounting
Accounting Clerk
Account Clerk-Microcomputer Emphasis
Administrative Assistant
Administrative Support
Administrative Support-Microcomputer Emphasis
Administrative Support-Software Specialist
Architectural Technology & Design
Associate Accounting
Business
Cisco Networking
Computer Technology & Networking
Customer Service
Electronics Technology
Electronics Technology/Automated Systems
Farm Business Management
Medical Administrative Secretary Technology*
Medical Secretary Technology*
Medical Coding & Insurance*
Medical Transcription*
New Media
Radio Business
Sales, Marketing & Management
Supervisory Leadership*

HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES PROGRAMS
Cardiovascular Technology-Invasive
Criminal Justice-Law Enforcement
Early Childhood & Paraprofessional
Fire Protection Technician
Fire Service Preparation
Fire Suppression Technician
Fire Technology
Firefighter-Paramedic
Intensive Care Paramedic
Massage Therapist
Nursing
Nursing Assistant
Occupational Therapy Assistant
Pharmacy Technology
Phlebotomy
Physical Therapist Assistant
Practical Nursing*
Rescue Technician
Radiologic Technology
Respiratory Therapist
Surgical Technology
PROFESSIONAL SERVICE TRADE PROGRAMS

Auto Body Collision Technology
Automotive Service Technology
Aviation Maintenance Technology
Carpentry-Residential
Commercial Vehicle Operator
Construction Electricity
Electronics Technology/Automated Systems
Farm Operations & Management
Heating, Ventilation & Air Conditioning
Plumbing Technology
Production Welding
Welding Process Technology
Welding Technology

LIBERAL ARTS/TRANSFER PROGRAMS*

If properly planned, an Associate in Arts Degree is the initial step for many fields of study and professions, including but not limited to the following:

- Business
- Criminal Justice
- Education
- Engineering
- Humanities: Art, English, Music, Speech, Philosophy, & Law
- Mathematics
- Medicine & Health
- Natural Resources
- Physical Education & Coaching
- Science: Biology, Chemistry, Environmental Studies, & Physics
- Social Science: History, Political Science, Psychology, & Sociology

*Online Program Available
Northland Community & Technical College has made tremendous strides in expanding educational opportunities for students. **Northland helps students get a start in almost any career** by offering complete courses in General Education. A student can take these courses and obtain an associate’s degree (AA) and transfer to a four-year university.

**Our Liberal Arts Program has a three-fold purpose:**

- To provide students with the coursework necessary for transfer to four year universities throughout the nation.
- To bestow the basis of the universal principle that liberal arts teaches people how to think and, consequently, how to learn.
- To enable students to develop critical thinking skills that they can use to formulate their own ideas and, thus, become actively engaged in the learning process.

From this engagement, students will be able to go beyond objective facts to the rationale behind those facts. As a result, students become more flexible within any field of study because they can approach any discipline, whether technical or abstract, reason out its process and apply that process to the tasks that face them. **The result is well-rounded individuals who are better prepared to face a diverse, every-changing world.**

**General Education Philosophy**

The purpose of General Education at NCTC is to establish a foundation of broad-based learning that exposes students to diverse views and attitudes, which enhance the intellectual capacity to be active participants in a global, diverse society. In addition to serving as part of an Associate of Arts degree, general education courses support technical programs in personal and professional development in the pursuit of life-long learning.
Other colleges and universities recognize the quality of the education you will receive at Northland Community and Technical College. Start your generals or earn your associate’s degree and transfer to a four-year institution to earn your bachelor’s degree.

Top university’s that endorse Northland’s transfer programs are:

- Minnesota State University Moorhead
- North Dakota State University
- University of North Dakota
- University of Minnesota Crookston
- Bemidji State University
A **job-specific career** and **technical program** can greatly improve your chance of getting a job right away. Career training enables you to be ready for your planned career faster and reduces general courses.

There are several advantages of choosing a career and technical program:

- **Courses that relate to what you will actually need.** The courses are highly focused on your field of study rather than focusing on many general topics.

- **Faster learning curve due to shorter time for program.** By reducing core requirements, you can develop technical skills quicker than traditional four-year programs.

- **Qualifications that will make you better prepared than a traditional graduate.** Because your program is more technically focused, you are better trained for the job.

- **Hands-on experience.** Career and technical programs give you hands-on experience. This makes you far more prepared than someone who just has a degree - but no experience.
Get Started:

1. Complete an application and pay a $20 application fee.

2. Provide Northland College with an official copy of your high school transcript or GED.

3. Request that all official previous college transcripts be sent to Northland College.

4. Complete the Immunization Form and return it to Northland College. (Minnesota’s College Immunization Law)

5. File for financial aid by completing the Financial Assistance Packet online.

6. Complete the New Student Scholarship Application online.

7. Out of state residents check to see if a reciprocity form is required to complete.

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