I Hire UTI Graduates

Why We Hire UTI Grads
When hiring for a position, I will hire a UTI grad over a grad from a community college because of the technical aspect of it — from mechanical to electrical — as well as the professionalism.* I'm a UTI graduate myself and in my role, I go to the UTI campuses to hire their grads for that very reason. Many of our most successful service techs are UTI graduates.

Advanced Training is a Plus
I'm a big fan of the UTI graduates that also took the Ford FACT program because of the electrical portion of the class. In our field, especially, we manufacture electric forklifts and there is a lot of troubleshooting involved. The Ford FACT program at UTI is really extensive in diagnosing and troubleshooting. If a new hire has that kind of experience when they first start, it helps us out and it helps the student out when they come here.

My Advice for a Bright Future
No. 1, find your passion. Find something you love to do. Some people love working on cars and fixing things. UTI is a good fit for that because they teach you that. Appearance is also big. We're really big on image because you're face-to-face with our customers. In our field, we're a mobile service, so appearance and professionalism is a must for us.

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