# MIT Spring 2024 Application

All fields with an \* are required. Qu estions marked with an asterisk (\*) require an answer.

Thank you for considering the Master in Teaching Program at Evergreen. We invite you to look over our vision and purpose as you begin your application. Please look at our program overview for the Community Teaching Pathway to learn more about the MiT experience for the 2024-25 cohort.

Program Vision: Vibrant public education as the foundation for a just society.

Program Purpose: Preparing teacher activists who join students, families, and their communities in educational work, empowering a participatory democracy for a sustainable and equitable future.

Please use this application if you have already earned your bachelor's degree , or if you will earn your bachelor's degree by Fall Semester 2023/Winter Quarter 2024. If you are a current Evergreen student that will graduate in Spring or Summer of 2024 and would like to join the Undergraduate/Graduate MiT Dual Degree Program, please contact the MiT Program Assistant Director at mit@evergreen.edu.

Email the MiT program, if you have questions.

#### PLEASE REMEMBER

Your application is only considered complete when we receive all of your application materials including the application fee or an approved fee waiver request.

NOTE: ALL ATTACHMENTS should be uploaded on the "Attachments/Answers " tab found along the side of the application.

In your document title: your name, graduate program, and type of document (example: SusanBloomMiTresume). Preferred formats: WORD, PDF, OR EXCEL

If you have questions, email the Graduate Admissions office .

Note: Please do not use the back button on your browser. Use the "previous" or "next" buttons on each page.

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## Application Instructions

- Review the materials you will need to complete your application on the MiT How to Apply webpage. Contact Access Services to request disability accommodation in the application process at (360) 867-6348 or (360) 867-6834 (TTY).
- 2. Complete all required questions. It is helpful to refer to your transcript(s) while completing the

application form.

- 3. Read and acknowledge the Signature Page Agreement. Then, electronically sign and date your application.
- 4. Before submitting your application, please determine if you qualify for an application fee waiver. If you believe you are eligible for an application fee waiver, make your selection on the Application Fee/Waiver Options tab. All requests must be approved. Contact the <u>MiT Program</u> if you have questions regarding the application fee or fee waiver.
- 5. Click on "Submit" to send your application. If you have additional questions, please contact the MiT Program .
- 6. After you submit your application, follow the CashNet link to pay a non-refundable \$50 application fee if you have not requested a fee waiver.

## INTERVIEWS

Top candidates will be invited to interviews based on when they submit their applications. Applicants who submit applications by the priority deadline of September 1st will be interviewed in mid-September. Applicants who submit applications by the final deadline of October 25th will be interviewed by mid-November.

## **APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS**

## BACHELOR'S DEGREE

Verified on an official transcript. Applicants may be admitted provisionally pending completion by program start. May be in any subject.

Received at an institution of higher education which is a candidate for accreditation or is accredited by one of the accredited institutions as defined in WAC 250-61-050 and as amended by the Washington Student Achievement Council , or foreign equivalent.

#### MINIMUM GPA

Expected GPA of 3.0 or strong narrative evaluations. Applicants below this standard but otherwise well qualified may apply and be considered on a case-by-case basis.

## OFFICIAL TRANSCRIPTS

Official transcripts only required from the institution that granted a bachelor's degree.

Evergreen alumni, you are responsible for requesting an official copy of your Evergreen transcript, even if your degree is not completed, to be sent to the Graduate Admissions Office.

Unofficial transcripts from other institutions attended are encouraged to better review prior coursework.

## WEST-B and WEST-E/NES

Official or unofficial score report from all portions of the Washington Educator Skills Test-Basic (or appropriate WEST-B alternative or basic skills equivalent test ). Expected by application deadline. Note: Applicants are not required to pass this test to be considered for admission.

Official or unofficial test results for each endorsement area selected (appropriate West-E/NES exam). Visit the What you Can Teach section for endorsement test requirements. Expected by application deadline. Note: Applicants are not required to pass this test to be considered for admission.

Unofficial WEST-B or WEST-E/NES score reports can be included as an attachment to this application and would satisfy this application requirement.

SAT or ACT scores being used in lieu of WEST-B scores need to be requested to be electronically sent to The Evergreen State College. Applicants whose SAT or ACT score reports that do not include an essay component

will be required to take the WEST-B Writing exam to meet this requirement - no other sections are required. Note: It is recommended that you request ACT scores with Combined English/Writing Score to be sent as a paper copy. Contact the MiT Program with questions about meeting the WEST-B requirement with SAT or ACT scores.

#### INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS

Must also provide appropriate documentation of English proficiency, adequate financial resources, and transcript evaluations from a member of NACES or Institute of Foreign Credential Services .

## VERIFICATION OF ENGLISH AS FIRST LANGUAGE STATUS

MiT must report the number of applicants (no names) to the Washington Professional Educator Standards Board who do not have English as a first language.

#### RESUME

A functional resume which lists and describes all key educational, employment, and volunteer experiences, past and current, relevant to your success as a teacher.

Also include other work and volunteer experience within the past ten years.

## OBSERVATION OR VOLUNTEER WORK IN SCHOOLS AND COMMUNITY BASED ORGANIZATIONS AND REFLECTION

Submit the signed and completed Hours Log Sheet . At least fifty (50) combined hours of volunteer or paid work with youth of K-12 age in a public school and a community-based organization setting over the past 5 years. Applicants must complete at least 25 hours of work in a public school with students of the age they intend to teach, and at least 10 hours of work in a community-based organization.

Completion of volunteer and observation hours is now a conditional requirement that needs to be completed by August 1, 2024.

## TWO RECOMMENDATIONS

You will be providing email addresses for two people who can provide letters of recommendation. All recommendations should be from professionals, who can write about one or more of the following:

your work with children/teens academic work writing ability interpersonal skills job-related experiences

Recommenders can include:

A teacher or other educator who has observed your interactions with children/youth (ideally the teacher who hosted your observation/work in a public school setting). One of your college professors if you have attended a college within the past three years.

## ADMISSION PROMPTS

Responses to admissions prompts A, B, C and D below should be between 300–500 words. Each prompt will have a text field provided on the Attachments/Answers tab of this application. Please clearly identify the prompt with the headings: Prompt A, Prompt B, Prompt C, Prompt D if you add your answers as separate attachments.

**Prompt A** : Look over what area you intend to teach and indicate how your course work has prepared you to teach in this area. This should match the endorsement area you indicate in your application. Name your strengths in

preparation, areas needing growth, and plans for next steps.

**Prompt B** : Look over what area you intend to teach and indicate how your life experience has prepared you to teach in this area. This should match the endorsement area you indicate in your application. Name your strengths in preparation, areas needing growth, and plans for next steps.

**Prompt C** : Education is both a social good and structurally unjust. Explain your understanding of this contradiction and ways it can be addressed.

Prompt D: How has your time working with youth informed your decision to be a teacher?

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In your document title: your name, graduate program, and type of document (example: SusanBloomMiTresume). Preferred formats: WORD, PDF, OR EXCEL

All fields with an \* are required.

Please provide your full legal name.

\* First or given name DOROTHY NSWANI

Chosen first name

Middle name or initial

\* Last or family name <u>ATEM</u>

Suffix

\* Date of Birth (mm/dd/yyyy) 03/15/1985 [mm/dd/yyyy]

\* Legally assigned sex (Federal and Washington state agencies require Evergreen to collect and report information about the legally assigned sexual identity of applicants and students. There are only three categories provided by these external agencies: female and male for all states and X for WA and specific states.) Female

I identify my gender as (This is a short list. If your choice is not listed, please provide additional information in the next field.) Female

Please provide additional gender identity information below.

Check the box below if your legal last, family, or first name has been changed. This information may assist in identifying supporting documents we have received.

 $[\times]$ 

Email and Phone Information

Personal Email (This is the email address we have on file and cannot be updated here.) dorotynswani@gmail.com

If the personal email field above is blank or incorrect, please provide your current email in the field below. dorotynswani@gmail.com

## Contact the Graduate Admissions office if you have questions regarding your email address.

Cell

675657847

\* I agree to receive text messages (Charges may apply depending on carrier and phone plan.) Yes

Phone 675657847

Additional Personal Information

Is English your first language?

Yes

MiT must report the number of applicants (no names) to the Washington Professional Educator Standards Board who do not have English as a first language.

I am a Returned Peace Corps Volunteer
[ ]
I am an AmeriCorps member or alumni
[ ]

I am a McNair Scholar

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Providing your Social Security Number (SSN) on this application is *optional* and will not play a role in the College's admission decision.Providing your SSN will assist in the processing of your federal financial aidand supportingeducational research, which, in some instances, requires a SSN or Tax Identification Number (TIN).Releasing student information will be in accordance with all appropriate stateand federal laws.Your SSN is not used asyour primary studentificationat Evergreen.

Social Security Number (List as: 012345678 without spaces or dashes)

Military Active Duty or Reservist

Military Months of Active Duty

Military Veteran

Military Separation Date (mm/yyyy)

[mm/yyyy]

Military Dependent Please contact Evergreen's Veterans Affairs Office if you have questions about benefits.

## International and Visa Information

\* I will require a visa to study at Evergreen Yes

International Student Information

\* The country I permanently live in is Cameroon \* My country of citizenship is Other

\* My country of birth is Cameroon

\* Do you currently hold an US Visa No

Date Visa Granted

[mm/dd/yyyy]

The type of visa I hold is Examples: F, J, M, L, U, Permanent Resident, Refugee

All fields with an \* are required.

Mailing Address

\* Number, street name, apt <u>ETOU-EGEBE</u>

Street address line 2 (if needed)

\* City YAOUNDE

\* State/Province Intl No State

\* Zip Code 00237

Different Permanent Address

All fields with an \* are required.

Legacy Information

Do you have relatives who have graduated from Evergreen? No

All fields with an \* are required.

Evergreen is required to ask all applicants to provide a response in these two sections. Your response(s) are optional.

If you answer: "No" to the Hispanic/Latinx question, please consider indicating your race in the Racial Identity section. You may make more than one selection from those provided in the American Indian or Alaska Native, Asian, Black or African /American, Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander and White subsections. And, where applicable, you may select "Other" and specify your race.

I am of Hispanic/Latinx origin No

Instructions for selecting more than one value in multi-select fields on this page. With a keyboard, hold control (PC) or command (MAC) to select multiple items from the list. With touch, tap on the form field to open the chooser and then tap to select each item that applies.

Please select one or more that best identify your heritage Other (Not listed)

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I describe my racial identity as (select one or more) Black or African American

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General Application Information

\* My start term quarter will be Spring

\* I will begin my studies in 2024

I have previously applied at Evergreen No

Program(s) previously applied to and date(s)

I have previously attended Evergreen No

Date(s) of attendance at Evergreen

My Evergreen ID number was (if known)

I first heard about the MiT Program from Friend

Date I first heard about the MiT Program 06/2023 [mm/yyyy]

What is your parent or legal guardian's highest level of education? Bachelor Degree (4 yr)

**Endorsement Information** 

\* My preferred endorsement or teaching subject is Elementary Education List, in order of attendance, the degree granting institution and all additional colleges or universities relevant to official or unofficial transcripts submitted for review by the MiT Program.

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See more about this requirement on the MiT Application and Requirements webpage .

Search hint: Type the primary name of the school (Santa Cruz) without University, College, or Community College (abbreviations will vary). The school list is sorted alphabetically by school name with the city, state listed at the end. Once the list appears, locate your institution and click to select. If school is not listed, type UNKNOWN-Not Found and insert.

\* Institution Name School Not Found - Unknown College

Check here if the instution above is your most recently attended [3] If you did not find your institution in the list, please provide the following information.

Institution Name CAMEROON TEACHERS TRAINING SCHOOL

Institution City/State/Country YAOUNDE/CAMEROON

\* Start Date 10/06/2014 [mm/dd/yyyy]

\* End Date 07/20/2015 [mm/dd/yyyy]

List additional years you attended this institution

\* College Major PRIMARY AND NURSERY SCHOOL TEACHING

\* I have earned or expect to earn a degree(s) from this institution. Yes

If yes, please complete the information below.

\* Degree earned/expected from this institution Certificate

Select "None" if you did not receive a degree.

1st Degree Earned/Expected Date 07/2015 [mm/yyyy]

2nd College Major PRIMARY AND NURSERY SCHOOL TEACHING

2nd degree earned/expected from this institution

#### Certificate

2nd Degree Earned/Expected Date 07/2015 [mm/yyyy]

Click "Add Another Response" to add previously attended institutions.

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If you did not find your institution in the list, please provide the following information.

Institution Name UNIVERSITY OF YAOUNDE 2

Institution City/State/Country YAOUNDE/CAMEROON

\* Start Date 09/05/2007 [mm/dd/yyyy]

\* End Date 06/10/2010 [mm/dd/yyyy]

List additional years you attended this institution

\* College Major POLITICAL SCIENCE

\* I have earned or expect to earn a degree(s) from this institution. Yes

If yes, please complete the information below.

\* Degree earned/expected from this institution

#### Bachelor's degree (other)

Select "None" if you did not receive a degree.

#### 1st Degree Earned/Expected Date 10/2010 [mm/yyyy]

2nd College Major INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS AND STRATEGIC STUDIES

2nd degree earned/expected from this institution Other

2nd Degree Earned/Expected Date 10/2010 [mm/yyyy]

Click "Add Another Response" to add previously attended institutions.

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Recommendation - General

Clear Re-send Invitation

Please provide the contact information for two recommenders. For information on who is an appropriate reference, visit Apply to the MiT Program .

\* Recommender's First Name Dr MAKIA

\* Recommender's Last Name Henry MBU

Recommender's Title Lecturer, Faculty of law and political sciences

Recommender's Institution/Organization University of Yaounde 2

\* Recommender's Email mbumakia@gmail.com

Recommender's Phone (XXX xxxxxx format) 675365653

\* I waive my access to review this letter of recommendation. I choose to waive my right to review this recommendation.

Recommendation - General

Clear Re-send Invitation

Please provide the contact information for two recommenders. For information on who is an appropriate reference, visit Apply to the MiT Program .

\* Recommender's First Name <u>SHEY</u>

\* Recommender's Last Name LISSET VERADZEM

Recommender's Title

#### Head Teacher

Recommender's Institution/Organization Holy Infant Primary School

\* Recommender's Email lizyshey@gmail.com

Recommender's Phone (XXX xxxxxx format)

\* I waive my access to review this letter of recommendation. I choose to waive my right to review this recommendation.

Waiving your rights to view recommendation letters means that you are choosing not to read the letters submitted on your behalf during the application process. <u>Under FERPA</u>, after enrollment at Evergreen you may be allowed to review any letters of recommendation that have been added to your permanent file.

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#### Prompt Responses

Responses to admissions prompts A, B, C and D should be between 300-500 words . Copy and paste your response in the corresponding field below. We've provided the questions again for reference.

**If you add your answers as separate attachments**, please clearly identify the prompt with the headings: Prompt A, Prompt B, Prompt C, Prompt D along with your full name. In each required field below type " Response attached ".

**Prompt A** : Look over what area you intend to teach and indicate how your course work has prepared you to teach in this area. This should match the endorsement area you indicate in your application. Name your strengths in preparation, areas needing growth, and plans for next steps.

#### \* Prompt A Response

1. I intend to teach as an elementary teacher. I have been teaching level one, that is children of the ages of 6 to 7 years in classes one and two with the help of various teaching methods such as: explanatory, demonstration, illustration and distribution of materials to learners and gives them instructions. I have good strength is the areas of demonstration, illustration and distribution and needs to improve on explanation since its difficult for kids to understand certain things as you must take time to illustrate and make them understand. So this reason, i have been trying to see which system of illustration can best help kids to understand certain things. Prompt B: Look over what area you intend to teach and indicate how your life experience has prepared you to teach in this area. This should match the endorsement area you indicate in your application. Name your strengths in preparation, areas needing growth, and plans for next steps.

#### \* Prompt B Response

2. I have been teaching elementary for over 5 years today. Also i have 11 years in teaching field from the time i started studying. Coupled with all these, i think am fit to be a good elementary teacher as i have learnt many things in the teachers training school, and also in the classroom with teaching kids. You have to be calm with kids and repeat things over and over for kids to understand and some are slow learners while others are fast learners. Here i think am fit and i am also teaching recently so it helps me to improve my quality day to day.

**Prompt C** : Education is both a social good and structurally unjust. Explain your understanding of this contradiction and ways it can be addressed.

#### \* Prompt C Response

3. It occurs when the fabric of organizations, institutions, governments or social networks contains an embedded bias which provides advantages for some members and marginalizes or produces disadvantages for other members. This can involve property rights, status, or unequal access to health care, housing, education and other physical or financial resources or opportunities To solve the problem the unjust, the following must be made: Promoting Diversity and Inclusion in Schools Creating inclusive and diverse learning environments is crucial to combating social injustice. Schools can actively promote diversity through a curriculum that reflects different cultures, histories, and perspectives

#### Prompt D : How has your time working with youth informed your decision to become a teacher?

#### \* MiT Prompt D Question

4. I have been teaching for over 5 years and i have studied for 11 years, so all these period has greatly influence me choice for becoming a teacher. Also, i am used to kids and i know that you have to put it easy with children and my experience within the years have made me to become used to them and guided me towards becoming a great elementary teacher too. Couple with the knowledge i learnt from the teacher's training, i believe to am very fit as a good elementary teacher.

## Application Required Attachments

Please use this section to attach the following required documents:

Resume Hours log

Optional documents may be uploaded/attached here. You may also email any additional, non-required, documents to Graduate Admissions at graduateadmissions@evergreen.edu

Unofficial transcripts from previously attended, nondegree granting, institutions Unofficial WEST-B or WEST-E/NES score reports

Note: DO NOT attach or upload Letters of Recommendation, these are to be sent from the recommender, or Official Transcripts, these are sent by the institution.

NOTE FOR ALL ATTACHMENTS: Document title should include: your name, graduate program, and type of document (example: SusanBloomMiTresume). Preferred Document formats: WORD, PDF, OR EXCEL

SAVE after uploading each document.

Upload application attachments below

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## Agreement

In signing this form,

I acknowledge that failure to disclose and submit an official transcript from my bachelor's degree granting institution and failure to disclose and submit complete and accurate information may result in the denial of admission or subsequent dismissal from said institution.

I certify that to the best of my knowledge, statements I have made in this application are complete and true.

I understand that my application is incomplete without the acknowledgement below and my electronic signature.

once checked.) [X]

The Equal Opportunity Policy of The Evergreen State College expressly prohibits discrimination on the basis of race, color, religion, creed, national origin, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, gender expression, genetic information, marital status, age, disability, pregnancy, use of a trained service animal, veteran status or citizenship status.

Signature

Please type your name as it appears on your application.

\* Signature of Applicant ATEM DOROTHY NSWANI

\* Date Signed (mm/dd/yyyy) <u>10/24/2023</u> [mm/dd/yyyy]

All fields with an \* are required.

**Required Fields Checklist** 

This page will display any requirements that may be required as you complete the application.

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