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Dear MIT Program Administration,

My name is Aniya Cook, I am a senior at the Evergreen State College. I will be graduating the spring of 2025, and I plan to pursue a degree in teaching by participating in the MIT program that is offered. I believe that there's no such thing as being a bad writer. I'd like to be able to teach that to others and to cultivate confidence in writing both inside and outside the classroom. The MIT program is more than simply learning how to teach something, it's about learning collaboratively with your peers and teaching each other how to learn from each other. This style of learning helps us focus on incorporating multiple different perspectives and it helps us cultivate our own teaching style. I hope to get into this program because I think the multidisciplinary teaching style ties into how I learn and how I plan to teach in the future.

I think I'm good fit for this program because I have experienced multiple moments in my education where I had to put in more effort from my peers to demonstrate my understanding. By putting in this effort, it has given me a better understanding of what it is like to learn from various perspectives. Due to the rigorous nature of this graduate program, I feel prepared to put in the effort necessary to succeed. I appreciate how dedicated the faculty are to the program and this makes me feel comfortable because I know the faculty want their students to succeed. The structure and organization of the program is also something that I value. Despite the program only being one year long, it's organized in a way that prioritizes us learning all of the required criteria to graduate. I've always been taught that education is very important and when I consider how important this program is to me and my future, I am determined to put in the work to excel. I am a dedicated learner, and I am always willing to learn and hear from other points of view. Learning from multiple perspectives helps to show the full picture of different disciplines and it can help advance our problem-solving skills.

My goal is to teach something that I love and to cultivate a safe learning environment where others can share and build their own love of reading and writing. By building this stable foundation for further learning I want to encourage students that reading and writing can help them learn how to communicate different ideas. I look forward to hearing back from you! If there are any questions or concerns, please don't hesitate to reach out.

Sincerely, Aniya Cook

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