{Your Last Name, First Name}

**MIT Program - Personal Statement**

**Task**: These three essays are your opportunity to introduce yourself to the faculty reviewing your application. Highlight any special leadership roles or initiatives you have undertaken in your responses. Additional guidance for your essays:

* Utilize a formal writing style throughout.
* Format your document using a 12-point font, double-spaced lines, and 1-inch margins on all sides.
* Ensure the entire document does not exceed five pages.
* Combine your responses to all prompts into a single document.
* Include your name at the top of the first page.
* Place each prompt at the top of your response to clearly associate your statement with the corresponding question.
* Upload your completed statement in the "Application Essay" section provided in the GradCAS application.

1. **Personal commitment to teaching**: Why do you want to be a teacher? Describe your commitment to the teaching profession and/or to working with children.

[add your response here - about 250 words]

2. **Educational experiences**: How have you contributed to the learning or development of others? This could be through formal or informal educational activities, or involvement in social and community organizations.

[add your response here - about 250 words]

3. **Experiences with diverse individuals and communities**: Describe an experience with an individual or community that was different from you. How did this experience change or alter your perceptions?

[add your response here - about 250 words]