ESSAY QUESTIONS

Doctorate in Global Education (Ed.D)*
Doctoral applicants, please submit a Statement of Purpose (3 to 5 pages double spaced) that:

☐ Demonstrates your interest in the Ed.D. degree at SIT.

☐ Address how your prior academic and professional experiences have prepared you to undertake doctoral studies.;

☐ Proposes your research topic and its significance to the field;

☐ And identifies your professional goals for the program and what you hope to accomplish with this doctorate post-graduation.

Master’s Degree Programs
All Master’s applicants, please write responses to both essay questions below:

☐ Identify a social issue that presents a significant challenge in a context that you have experienced or witnessed. The issue may concern education, development, conflict, and/or any other subject that interests you and is relevant to your degree at SIT. The context of your inquiry may be interpersonal, communal, national, and/or international in scope. Analyze the primary sources and effects of the social issue as deeply and systematically as you can. Then draw implications from your analysis for what practical action can and should be take to address the issue constructively. (750–1000 words)

☐ Articulate your vision of professional development with an eye toward what you would like to do in 5–10 years after the successful completion of your graduate studies at SIT. Then describe what concrete skills and capacities you will need to acquire at SIT, and how your educational, vocational, and personal experience prior to SIT will enable you to prepare for realizing your vision of graduate studies and professional development. Be sure to include thoughtful self-reflections on less developed areas of your inquiry and skill-building that will need to be developed in the course of your graduate studies at SIT. (500–750 words)

Part-Time Hybrid Degree Programs and Graduate Certificate in International Education
Please respond to two additional questions if you are applying to one of our part-time hybrid master’s degree programs or the 19-credit Graduate Certificate in International Education.

☐ Please describe your experience and familiarity with instructional technology, distance learning and/or independent learning that you feel will contribute to your success in a part-time hybrid master’s degree or graduate certificate program.

☐ Please describe the setting (employment or otherwise) in which you will apply learning to and from the short summer on-campus residency component as a student. How do you envision this setting will contribute to your own learning and the learning of others in your cohort?