MIT meets Orwell's 1984

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This fall, I told a student leader that the need for the course is not in the student body, but in the administration, and in the curriculum, and in the teaching. I asked her what MIT was about. She didn't have an answer.

The student leader said, "Well, I think it's important to have diversity in the student body. It's important to have a range of courses available. It's important to have students from different backgrounds. It's important to have students who are interested in different topics. It's important to have students who have different abilities. It's important to have students who have different experiences. It's important to have students who have different perspectives.

"But," she continued, "I also think it's important to have a balance between coursework and extracurricular activities. It's important to have students who are able to balance their academic work with their social lives. It's important to have students who are able to balance their academic work with their family lives. It's important to have students who are able to balance their academic work with their extracurricular activities.

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The student leader seemed satisfied with her answer. I asked her if she thought MIT was doing a good job of providing these opportunities. She said, "Well, I think we're doing a good job of providing a wide range of courses and extracurricular activities. But, I think we could do better. I think we could do more to create a sense of community. I think we could do more to provide opportunities for students to connect with each other. I think we could do more to provide opportunities for students to connect with faculty.

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