

Pre-Observation Discussion Questions

Depending on departmental goals, the sample guiding questions below can be used:

- What do you consider the ideal outcome for student learning in this course?
- How do you want students to engage with the learning during this class?
- What do you see as the student's role and responsibility in doing that?
- What strategies/methods will you use to help students reach your goals?
- How will you know if your students achieve the desired goal?
- Is there anything I should know about the context of the class? Where does it fit in the course?
- Is there anything I should know about the students so I can understand what is going on in class?
- How are students expected to prepare for this class?
- What do you want students to take-away from the course?
- What do you want to happen in this lesson? How does that fit in the broader course outcomes?
- Any specific areas of interest, questions, or concerns about student learning you'd like me to focus on?
- How would you like to introduce me to the class, if at all?
- What have you learned from previous peer observations? What would you like to learn from this peer observation experience?