

Pre-Observation Conversation Protocol

What learning and skills do you want students to take away from this class?

How do you want students to engage with the learning process during this class?

What should I know about the context of the course? [**PROMPT:** *Where does it fit in the program of study?*]

What should I know about the context of this particular class? [**PROMPT:** *What has happened before? What work have students already done?*]

Is there anything else I should know about the students so I can understand what is going on in the class?

How are students expected to prepare for this class? [**PROMPT:** *What modules, texts, activities should they have begun or completed to be ready?*]

What strategies/methods will you use to help students reach that goal?

What do you see as the student's role and responsibility in doing that?

How will you know if they "got" it?

What do you want to learn from this observation experience?

What specific areas of interest, questions, or concerns would you like me to focus on?