## LOU 15 Assessment of Teaching In-Class Peer Observation: Post-Observation Meeting Resource

This resource is for Peer Observers and Faculty Members who are engaging in the Peer Observation of Teaching process, in accordance with the <u>LOU 15 Assessment of Teaching</u>. This document outlines the LOU 15 required steps and optional suggested processes for the **post-observation meeting**.

## **LOU 15 Guidelines: Post-Observation Meeting**

According to the <u>LOU 15 Assessment of Teaching</u>, once the Peer Observer is selected by the Dean, the In-Class Peer Observation process involves three steps:

- 1. A pre-observation meeting
- 2. The in-class peer observation
- 3. A post-observation meeting

The post-observation meeting between the Faculty Member and the Peer Observer allows for the Member and the Peer Observer to discuss the observed lecture.

The post-observation meeting may take place in person or via phone, internet conferencing, or email.

The Peer Observer shall provide the Member with the signed, and hence completed, Peer Observation Form no later than the post-observation meeting.



## **Suggested Processes: Post-Observation Meeting**

The goal of the post-observation meeting is for the Faculty Member and the Peer Observer to discuss the observed class session and to plan next steps with the <u>Peer Observation Form</u>.

According to LOU 15, this meeting can take place in person or via phone, internet conferencing, or email. This discussion should be honest and constructive and should take place in a comfortable location with minimal interruptions and distractions. We recommend that this meeting occur within a week of the observation and ideally a day or two following the observation. Both parties should have time to process their experience and the observer should review their notes and complete the <u>Peer Observation Form</u> before meeting with the Faculty Member.

The roles of the Faculty Member and Peer Observer during the post-observation meeting are:

Role of the Faculty Member	Role of the Peer Observer
<ul> <li>Share perceptions and reflections of how the class went and whether your goals were met</li> <li>Discuss and confirm next steps with the In-Class Peer Observation Form and process</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Provide the Member with the signed, and hence completed, <u>Peer Observation Form</u> no later than the post-observation meeting</li> <li>Ask the Faculty Member to discuss their perceptions of the class</li> <li>Share positive aspects of your peer's teaching</li> <li>Share your responses on the In-Class Peer Observation Form, providing specific examples and indicators from the class session as evidence of your observations</li> <li>As appropriate, offer constructive feedback with concrete examples</li> <li>Confirm next steps with the <u>Peer Observation Form</u> and process</li> </ul>

## **Optional Post-Observation Meeting Discussion Prompts**

These discussion prompts are an optional additional resource for the Peer Observer and Faculty Member to facilitate the post-observation meeting conversation after the in-class peer observation.

In general, how did you feel about this class session?

Was this a typical or unusual class?

What went particularly well? What aspects of the class went as planned?

Did students accomplish the goals or learning outcomes that were planned for the class?

Is there anything that would you do differently next time? Why?

What aspects of your teaching do you want to develop further? How might you do that?

Options for Next Steps (see the <u>LOU 15 Assessment of Teaching</u> for more information):

- Faculty Member signs the In-Class Peer Observation Form for use in their Assessment File
- Faculty Member requests additional observations

Should the Faculty Member choose to include the completed In-Class Peer Observation Form in their Assessment File

The Member shall sign the Form themselves to formalize it

The Member submits the completed and formalized form to their Dean to be included in their Assessment File

A Member may choose to include more than one formalized In-Class Peer Observation Form per year of the review period.

Should the Faculty Member choose

NOT to include the completed InClass Peer Observation Form in their
Assessment File

The completed In-Class Peer Observation Form shall play no role in a negative assessment of teaching

The Faculty Member can ask the Peer Observer to perform another In-Class Peer Observation of a different lecture, to a maximum of three inclass peer observations.

If a formalized In-Class Peer Observation Form is not part of a Member's Assessment File two weeks prior to the end of the review period, then Student Feedback Questionnaire results will be assumed to be the choice made by the Member