INCLUSIVE DISCUSSIONS

An inclusive discussion is one in which all students contribute their knowledge, ideas, questions, and inquiries. Diverse backgrounds can enrich discussions when intentionally included in the discussion structure.

CURRENT PRACTICE

How can I characterize the way students currently discuss in my courses? Do they only respond to me? Do they talk to each other? Does the quality of responses vary?	
Who usually responds to my questions? Are there some people who consistently answer and others who do not? How can I tell?	
What types of questions do I ask? Do I vary the types of questions I ask?	

POSSIBLE REVISIONS

How can I help students get to know and trust each other in order to build on one another's ideas?	
What strategies might I try to help less confident students contribute?	
How can I vary my questions to increase student confidence?	



