Example Methods of Delivery for Discussion Forums

1. Fishbowl

- a. instructor and a small group of students discuss a topic and the rest of the class observes
- 2. Flipped Classroom
 - a. responses to weekly readings prior to lectures or seminars
 - i. Extension questions
 - ii. Reflective questions
- 3. Student-Led Feedback
 - a. Have students provide feedback using scoring criteria
 - b. Use 3C & Q Model (developed by Jenn Stewart-Mitchell)
 - i. Compliment
 - ii. Comment
 - iii. Connect
 - iv. Question
- 4. 5 6 Big Idea Threads
 - a. Can be based on your learning outcomes.
 - b. Allow students the flexibility to respond to 1-2 of the threads (minimum).
 - c. Students continue to engage with **the same thread throughout** the course where they;
 - i. ask questions,
 - ii. present new findings,
 - iii. discuss research, and
 - iv. share ideas
- 5. Bi-weekly discussion posts that require multimedia submissions;
 - a. During alternating weeks, have students compare and contrast their entries.
- 6. Student-Led
 - a. Open with a discussion thread that is instructor-led (model)
 - b. Assign students to moderate discussion forums as a facilitator
 - i. Make sure this is reflected in your grading criteria
 - c. Can be done with the whole class or in small groups
- 7. Multi-Media
 - a. Students provide a text-based summary or defense of a theory
 - Students create a media-based reflection as it connects to their personal & professional experiences
 - i. Video, slides, images, infographic, audio, etc.
- 8. Group-Based
 - a. Rotate students through various discussion threads in small groups