Fall 2015 Orientation Workshop for New Language Instructors
Focal Questions for Lesson Demonstration

Consider these questions from the perspective as a student in the demo lesson

**Lesson Goals:** Were the goals of the lesson clear? If yes, were the lesson goals meaningful to you as a student?

**Tasks:** Were the tasks or learning activities meaningful? Authentic? (How would you define “meaningful” and “authentic”?)

**Materials:** What kinds of materials did the instructor use in her lesson? How were they used?

**Interactions:** Who interacted with whom? How would you describe the interactions?

**Language Use:** Did the lesson encourage you to use the L2 in a meaningful way? How? How much of the lesson was in the L2?

**Error Correction and Feedback:** What kinds of errors were corrected? How? What kinds of feedback did the instructor give to you or to other students?

**Learning Environment:** How would you describe the classroom atmosphere? Did you feel comfortable? Engaged?

**Assessment:** How did the instructor determine if you learned/mastered the new material (i.e., if the goals were met)?