

Appendix 1: Cogen Rules and Structures



What is Cogenative Dialogue (Cogen)?

Cogenerative dialogues (Cogens) are respectful and equitable conversations among different stakeholders to reflect their collective experiences, with the goal of reaching collective decisions about the rules, roles, and responsibilities that govern their lives. After decades of research investigation, cogenerative dialogues have been recognized to be an effective means to empower students and build up their responsibility and leadership in learning.

Cogen Rules

1. Each person has equal turns and times in talking.
2. Each person shows respect and listens attentively in conversations.
3. A plan of action for addressing issues is generated in cogenerative dialogues to be implemented in further practice.
4. Video clips of collective practice are available for discussions.

Cogen Structure

1. Discuss the implementation of consensus generated from the previous cogen.
2. Discuss issues/positives/topics this week.
 - Discussion of issues and solutions with group
 - Discussion of positives
 - Discussion of other topics
3. Discuss the quality of cogen today (randomly check 3 items from the heuristics).