Ground Rules

for potentially sensitive and personal topics

Listen

Listen without interrupting

Listen actively and with an ear to understanding others' views. (Don't just think about what you are going to say while someone else is talking.)



Avoid



Avoid blame, speculation, and inflammatory language.

Avoid assumptions about any member of the class.

Avoid generalizations about social groups.

Avoid asking individuals to speak for their (perceived) social group.

Do

Allow everyone the chance to speak.

Commit to learning, not debating.

Comment in order to share information, not to persuade.

