Penny Smeltzer



Penny Smeltzer began teaching AP Statistics when the course began and quickly created one of the largest programs in the nation in Austin, Texas. Her recognition includes Presidential Award Finalist, O'Donnell AP Teacher of the Year, Intel Teacher of Merit, Texas Exes Outstanding Teacher, the national winner of the Siemen's Teacher Award, and Toyota International Teacher Award. Her leadership in AP Statistics continues with years of experience as an AP Statistics exam grader, grading leader, rubric writer, Test Development Committee member, and currently Question Leader. Her passion is creating meaningful interdisciplinary lessons using topics that matter in the lives of the human population and the planet. Penny presents lively, interactive workshops to teachers and creates integrated sessions with Lessons That Matter. On a good day, Penny has her camera, a notepad, and a ridiculous amount of curiosity as she explores the world for new interesting lessons...most recently in Uganda trekking gorillas and soon Australia looking for kangaroos....all while teaching her own students as well.