

*Turn frustration into anticipation!*



**NEW Assistive Technology  
(AT) Workshop for Teachers**  
*virtual, small group format*  
*beginning September 2020*  
**Susan Simmons, Ph.D. Instructor**

**Who is this workshop designed to for?**

Special Education teachers who support high incidence students with mild moderate needs (e.g. RSP, SAI and Special Day Class).

**Unleash the power of Assistive Technology Tools for students on your caseload.**

Learn AT strategies for determining your students' needs in reading, writing, and math. Practice using basic AT tools, with demonstration and support. Write AT into the IEP, like other accommodations.

**Why is this worth my time? (I'm already so crazed!)**

Do you wish your students could be more successful? How many are reading 2 or more years below grade level by? Are your students struggling with written output (spelling, vocabulary and organization)?

Be the hero you are! Yes, it takes time to learn to use these tools (I'll help you with shortcuts). You and your students will be amazed at what a difference they make.

Apply what you learn immediately.

**How can I fit this workshop into my schedule?**

The virtual format is designed for your busy schedule. We will meet webinar style, 2 hours a week via zoom. I'll show you how to use tools, what their benefits are and how to determine if they are appropriate for your students.

Time saving techniques to motivate your students to practice new tools will make your heart sing!

**Support for your overloaded brain:** time saving resources, quick cards and short videos have been developed for you to use & keep.

**Not JUST ANOTHER Workshop!**

In person or virtually, use the skills you learn immediately, with your own students.

Feel confident your students are getting access to the curriculum:

- Determine the gap between student performance with and without AT accommodations
- Match AT tools with curriculum needs
- Improve access to grade level text with tools such as; text to speech, text leveling, vocabulary support and translation.
- Increase written output and support spelling with tools such as; word prediction, vocabulary support, digital graphic organizers and speech to text.
- Utilize free resources for digital text

**Yes, even virtually, work with other teachers**

Attendance is limited to 10 teachers making interaction a joy. Our group size allows us to have some fun! You'll be able to show each other your favorite ideas and share what works with our group.

**Dates and times: 6 weekly sessions on Tuesdays, September 15-Oct. 20 8:30-10:30**

**\*if date/time changes are needed they can be made with group agreement**

**Prepaid Pre-registration is required to hold your space. ONLY 10 Spaces.**

**Step 1: Pre-register using this link <https://tinyurl.com/ATTeacher2020>**

**Your place will only be secure once your payment has been received.**

**(If the names of individuals attending are not known, list attendee 1, attendee 2 to reserve)**

**Fees: Early Registration paid by July 17, 2020 \$395**

**Regular Registration paid by August 20, 2020 \$495 (if space is available)**

**Step 2: Susan Simmons & Associates will send an invoice and W-9 form to the *Billing* email address on the pre-registration form. Please follow up to ensure that prepayment is received by the deadline.**

**Questions? Email or call Dr. Simmons [Susan@SusanSimmons.com](mailto:Susan@SusanSimmons.com) 626-298-1111**

**REFUND POLICY** Due to the limited number of participants, there are no refunds.  
Participants may be substituted prior to the start of the course.

Dr. Simmons has been an Assistive Technology Specialist for over 25 years. She has developed AT programs for school districts and mentored ATs. From 2005 - 2014 she was the AT and Education Specialist at Diagnostic Center, Southern CA where she provided professional development for educators in AT and Universal Design for Learning (UDL). Since 2014, she has been in private practice working with school districts throughout California. She has offered the AT Certificate Course, updated annually, for the past 10 years. She is a frequent speaker at national and international conferences on both AT and UDL.

#### **Testimonials**

*Susan is an amazing teacher and mentor! I have been lucky enough to attend some of her trainings and she has provided much appreciated consultation to my district. Her breadth of knowledge is incredible, and her trainings are so well-organized, practical, and state-of-the art. She is always my "go to" person whenever I have a question about assistive technology. I could not be the AT Specialist I am today without her continued guidance and support.*

Miriam Brock, AT Specialist & SLP  
Santa Monica-Malibu Unified School District

*Susan has been a great asset to our District. She truly understands assistive technology in an educational setting and her assessments reflect her knowledge. We hope to continue our relationship with her for years to come!*

Sharon Amrhein, Special Education Director, Hart High School District, Santa Clarita, CA

*This Assistive Technology course has done wonders for the way I think about the support that I can provide my students. It exposed me to so many wonderful options that can help bridge the gap for my students and allow them to access grade level content. I would recommend this course for any teacher that believes in the use of technology to help maximize our students' strengths. Amanda Mignano RSP Teacher Banning USD*

