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Dr. Anthony Petrosino has received more than $17M in grants from entities such as the National Science Foundation and the Department of Education. His research interests include students’ understanding of experimentation, and the development of expertise. He is co-founder of the nationally recognized UTeach Program.

“Working in Simmons is an opportunity to support the vision of a wonderful research-oriented college where teaching is held in high regard.”

Dr. Tim Jacobbe’s research involves the assessment of statistical concepts at the secondary and undergraduate level. As PI on the NSF-funded Levels of Conceptual Understanding in Statistics project, Dr. Jacobbe lead a team of statistics educators to transform the way statistics is assessed on high stakes assessments. He became an American Statistical Association Fellow in 2016.

“The faculty’s commitment to the department, SMU students, and the Dallas community made it clear that I want to be part of this great group trying to make a difference in the world.”