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Susan Elrod began as the second director of Project Kaleidoscope (PKAL) at AAC&U on January 1, 2010. She holds a Ph.D. in genetics and has taught extensively, conducted scientific and educational research, and published widely. Elrod came to PKAL from Cal Poly – San Luis Obispo where she has been a professor of biological sciences since 1997, and most recently served as associate dean for strategic initiatives in the College of Science and Mathematics at Cal Poly and as the director of Cal Poly’s Center for Excellence in Science and Mathematics Education (CESaME). She has experience in curricular reform, learning assessment and program evaluation, faculty development, and departmental and institutional governance, and has led a wide array of STEM education initiatives, including the PKAL Keck Foundation-funded initiative, Facilitating Interdisciplinary Learning and several STEM teacher education initiatives. Elrod is also a PKAL F21 member.

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