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## Lauren Schoenthaler

Senior Associate Vice Provost for Institutional Equity and Access, Office of Equity and Access

### Bio

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#### BIO

In September 2016, Lauren Schoenthaler (she/her) was named Senior Associate Vice Provost, Institutional Equity & Access. In this role, Lauren is responsible for the oversight, implementation, and coordination of programs and offices that ensure equity and access across the Stanford community. The offices within Institutional Equity & Access include: Diversity & Access, University Ombuds, Title IX, the Sexual Harassment Policy Office (SHPO), and the Office of Sexual Assault and Relationship Abuse Education and Response (SARA). The senior associate vice provost, a member of the provost's leadership team, will work with these offices and other colleagues across the university to address matters of institutional policy and resource allocation related to equal opportunity, affirmative action, gender equity and compliance with Title IX and other nondiscrimination laws.

Lauren is committed to ensuring that there are no barriers of discrimination or harassment for any Stanford community member. She is an eternal optimist and believes that the eradication of discrimination and harassment within our Stanford community is possible with ongoing prevention education and diligence.

Lauren has been at Stanford since 2001, serving as a senior university counsel. Before coming to Stanford, she briefly served as a deputy district attorney in Santa Clara County, where she prosecuted both juvenile sexual assault and misdemeanor domestic violence cases. At Stanford, she has been an advisory member to the Board on Judicial Affairs since 2008 and part of the Provost's Task Force on Sexual Assault. She helped draft the current Student Title IX Process as well as the Administrative Title IX Process. In addition, in her former role in the legal office, Lauren advised on matters involving access, equity and discrimination concerns.

In her earlier work in the private sector, Lauren was an associate of the firm today known as Pillsbury Winthrop, practicing primarily in the areas of antitrust, intellectual property and general litigation. She also clerked for the Hon. A. Wallace Tashima both at the Ninth Circuit Court of Appeals and the Central District of California, and while in law school she externed for California Supreme Court Justice Joyce Kennard (Ret.). Lauren is a proud graduate of Northwestern University and she received her JD magna cum laude from Hastings College of the Law. Before entering law school, Schoenthaler worked for the Chicago Chapter of the National Organization for Women, on a project to understand the impact of the terms "rape" and "sexual assault" on victims and jurors.

#### CURRENT ROLE AT STANFORD

Senior Associate Vice Provost Institutional Equity and Access