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Participant Biographies

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LAURA BAKER

**Assistant Dean for Career Development
School of Law
UC Irvine Campus
Southern California Cohort**

Laura Baker is the Assistant Dean for Career Development at the University of California, Irvine School of Law. She has been with UCI Law for four years, starting as an Assistant Director and moving up to Assistant Dean in just over a year. Laura is responsible for overseeing the summer and post-graduate employment outcomes of all UCI Law students. She previously practiced environmental justice law for the Center on Race, Poverty & the Environment representing underserved communities in the San Joaquin Valley. Prior to that she was a Presidential Management Fellow for the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency in the Office of Transportation and Air Quality; completed a detail assignment with the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service; and started her own outdoor adventure business, Ethos Adventures LLC. She received her J.D. and Master of Studies in Environmental Laws from Vermont Law School where she was voted Class Marshall, and received her B.A. in Communications from California State University, Fullerton.

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KYRIE BASS

**Senior Director, Organizational Performance
and Communication**

UCLA Housing & Hospitality Services

UCLA Campus

Southern California Cohort

Kyrie Bass is the Senior Director of Organizational Performance and Communication for UCLA Housing & Hospitality Services. In her role, she is responsible for Conference & Catering Sales which includes the summer residential conference program of approximately 15,000 bed spaces in addition to year-round meetings and events, food & beverage, meeting room and audio-visual services, generating a total of \$34M annually in revenue. Kyrie also oversees marketing, organizational development, strategic communications, media/public relations, and quality assurance/process improvement initiatives for the division. She manages an operating budget of \$5.5M and leads a team of 35 FTE. In her work, she is accountable for the tactical decisions made by the division and prepares strategies to gain the support of these decisions to other entities. She has expertise in developing long-term planning for the department, including providing direction and counsel toward effective strategic planning. Kyrie is past president for UCLA Staff Assembly and is past president and current treasurer for UCLA Prytanean Alumnae Association which raises money for student scholarships. She received her BA in Theater Arts from UCLA and has an MBA with a Marketing Emphasis from Pepperdine University.

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BRANDON BROUGH

**Division Deputy
Molecular Foundry
Lawrence Berkeley National Lab
Northern California Cohort**

Branden Brough is the Deputy Director of the Molecular Foundry, a Department of Energy (DOE) supported user facility for nanoscale science at Lawrence Berkeley National Laboratory. In this role, Dr. Brough oversees the organization's operations, as well as the development of scientific plans and initiatives. Prior to joining the Foundry in 2013, Brough worked at the National Institutes of Health (NIH) where he led strategic policy and planning activities, as well as Congressional and public outreach efforts. Brough received his Ph.D. in mechanical engineering – focusing on micro/nanotechnologies – from UCLA before becoming a AAAS Science and Technology Policy Fellow in 2007.

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KERK BROWN

**Chief of Staff
University Advancement and Alumni
Relations
UC Irvine Campus
Southern California Cohort**

Kerk Brown serves as the Chief of Staff for University Advancement and Alumni Relations at the University of California, Irvine. In this role, Kerk works with senior campus leaders, administrators, faculty and the UCI Foundation and Alumni Association Board of Directors to help the university achieve its ambitious goals as set forth in its strategic plan. Prior to joining UCI, Kerk was the Director of Human Resources for the Vice Provost and Dean of Research at Stanford University. He is a retired Army Colonel with more than 26 years of military service. Kerk holds a bachelor's degree in economics from the United States Military Academy at West Point, a master's degree in strategic studies from the US Air Command & Staff College, a master's degree in advanced strategic studies from the US Army War College and a master's degree in human resources management from Troy State University.

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HELEN CADEMARTORI

**Deputy of Operations, Computing Sciences
and Computing Sciences
Lawrence Berkeley National Lab
Northern California Cohort**

As the Computing Sciences (CS) Area Deputy for Operations and Operations Deputy for the Computational Research Division (CRD), I manage the CS Directorate's and CRD's Business, Administration, Financial, Communication, Human Resources, Safety, Property and Information Technology staff and serve on the senior executive committee helping to guide the area's and division's strategic and capital planning efforts. Prior to joining CS, I had a similar role in the Biosciences Area at LBNL for six years during which time, I earned an executive MBA at Haas School of Business, UC Berkeley, where I was a Dean's Fellow. Before joining LBNL in 2007, I worked as a financial and operation manager at the University Health Services and the Information Systems Technology Departments at UC Berkeley where I also attended graduate school in comparative literature.

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MONICA CARSON

**Professor and Chair,
Biomedical Sciences
UC Riverside**

Southern California Cohort

Monica J Carson currently serves as Professor and Chair of the Division of Biomedical Sciences at UCR School of Medicine. She additionally serves as Director of the Center for Glial-Interactions and Editor-in-Chief for the Journal of Neuroinflammation. She actively supports the role of scientific societies as communities of advocates and mentors for researchers and the ethical practice of research in developing and developed areas of the world. She has been an active member of both the American and International Neurochemistry Societies since graduate school, serving in multiple roles including past president. She received her AB degree from Bryn Mawr College and her PhD from University of Pennsylvania. Her research focuses on identifying blood-brain interactions supporting lifelong brain health and how genetics, inflammation and environmental insults trigger and/or exacerbate neurologic and neurodegenerative disorders. In her spare time, she enjoys traveling through California, science fiction and San Diego Comic-Con.

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MARY CLARK

Chief of Staff

Division of Finance and Administration

UC Irvine Campus

Southern California Cohort

Mary Clark plays a key role in division planning, providing administrative leadership on Division of Finance and Administration and UCI initiatives, including the design and management of projects and programs that are integral to UCI's financial health, academic excellence, and productivity.

Mary has over 25 years of experience in higher education at universities in the United States and Europe. Mary served as the chief of operations for the Division of Administration & Finance at California State University, Fullerton; eight years at UCI's Paul Merage School of Business as director and then assistant dean; and prior to her tenure at UCI, Mary was at Washington University in St. Louis, IESE Business School in Barcelona, Spain, and Chapman University.

Mary holds an executive MBA degree from Washington University in St. Louis and a bachelor of arts in Spanish with a minor in business administration from California State University, Fullerton.

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RICHARD DEBUS

**Professor of Biochemistry
Department of Biochemistry
UC Riverside
Southern California Cohort**

Professor Debus received his B.S. in Chemistry from Caltech in 1977 and his M.S. and Ph.D. in Biophysical Chemistry from UC San Diego in 1980 and 1985, respectively. He then studied plant molecular biology as a postdoctoral fellow in the MSU-DOE Plant Research Laboratory at Michigan State University from 1985-1988. He joined the Department of Biochemistry at UC Riverside in 1988. His research combines the tools of biophysical chemistry and molecular biology to elucidate the mechanism of water-oxidation/O₂ formation by the catalytic Mn₄Ca cluster in Photosystem II. He is also a Cooperating Faculty Member in the Department of Chemistry and teaches classes in both physical chemistry and biochemistry. He has served in departmental leadership positions almost continuously since 1998, including many years as Graduate Advisor for the Biochemistry and Molecular Biology Graduate Program and many years as Chief Undergraduate Advisor for the Biochemistry Major (a position he still holds). He served as Chair of the Department of Biochemistry in 2007 and from 2010 to 2017. He is a Fellow of the American Association for the Advancement of Science.

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COLIN DIMOCK

**Assistant Vice Chancellor
Environment, Health & Safety
UCLA Campus
Southern California Cohort**

Colin Dimock has worked at UCLA for nearly 20 years in the Environment, Health & Safety Department as a radiation safety expert and now as the Assistant Vice Chancellor for the Department. His span of operations includes staff and researcher safety, environmental compliance, emergency management, and the campus Fire Department.

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JIM DOUGHERTY

**Director, Audit & Management Advisory
Services**

Business and Administration Services

UC Santa Cruz

Northern California Cohort

Jim Dougherty is the Director of Audit & Management Advisory Services (AMAS) for UC Santa Cruz. AMAS is an independent and objective internal audit function reporting to the Regents through the UCOP Senior VP & Chief Compliance & Audit Officer, and the UCSC Chancellor through the VC for Business and Administrative Services. AMAS provides critical assessments, monitoring, and consultative roles, assisting the chancellor and senior management in the discharge of their oversight, management, and operating responsibilities; and is an integral part of the University's shared governance structure. Jim has been with AMAS for over 18 years, starting as a senior auditor, then a principal auditor and lead investigator, and recently promoted to director. Jim has a bachelor's degree business administration from the University of Wisconsin, Whitewater, and professional certifications as a Certified Internal Auditor, Certified Information Systems Auditor, and Certified Fraud Examiner. Previously, Jim was the Director of Education for an international Buddhist organization, the Foundation for the Preservation of the Mahayana Tradition (FPMT). Jim still teaches BuddDEAM.hist philosophy at local FPMT centers.

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JIM DOWNING

Director of Publishing UC Agriculture and Natural Resources Northern California Cohort

Jim is the Director of Publishing for UC ANR and the editor of the division's research journal, California Agriculture. He joined UC ANR in 2015. From 2010 through 2014, Jim was a consultant to The Nature Conservancy, water agencies and other natural resource organizations. From 2004 to 2010 he covered agriculture, water and climate change for the Sacramento Bee and the Seattle Times. Earlier, he worked for the World Bank Water and Sanitation Program in New Delhi. Jim attended Deep Springs College and holds degrees in agricultural engineering from Cornell and environmental engineering and energy and resources from UC Berkeley.

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SUSAN EBELER

**Professor and Associate Dean
Undergraduate Academic Programs
College of Agricultural and Environmental
Sciences
UC Davis Campus
Northern California Cohort**

Susan Ebeler is a professor in the Department of Viticulture and Enology and Associate Dean for Undergraduate Academic Programs in the College of Agricultural and Environmental Sciences at UC Davis. As Associate Dean she is responsible for college-wide leadership in sustaining and improving the quality of undergraduate academic programs, academic advising, retention initiatives, student leadership programs, outreach, and recruitment. Her research programs are focused on flavor chemistry and analytical chemistry of grapes, wines, foods and beverages. She teaches classes on flavor chemistry and grape and wine production and analysis.

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MARCUS FROST

**Director of Leadership Donor Engagement
University Relations**

UC Santa Cruz

Northern California Cohort

Marcus Frost has been working as a fundraiser for the past ten years, five of which at UC Santa Cruz. In his current role of Director of Leadership Giving he works to build enduring relationships with the campus' highest level donors and stakeholders, and also serves as the Chief Operating Officer for the UC Santa Cruz Foundation. Marcus' focus is to maximize the number of seven-, eight-, and nine-figure gifts to the University. He assists the Chancellor and other campus leaders in engaging these individuals as partners, according to their interests and expertise, with the University's mission and priorities.

Marcus also has a passion for understanding and supporting agroecology and sustainable food systems. Before devoting his career to fundraising, Marcus previous worked as the farm manager for a permaculture-designed farm on the Hawaiian island of Kauai. Marcus has a bachelor's degree in anthropology with a minor in biology and a master's degree in public administration, both from the University of Montana.

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SUNIL GANDHI

**Associate Professor
Neurobiology and Behavior
UC Irvine Campus
Southern California Cohort**

Sunil Gandhi is an associate professor in the Department of Neurobiology and Behavior and serves as Associate Director of the Center for the Neurobiology of Learning and Memory at UC Irvine. His research focuses on developing new approaches to reactivate childhood plasticity in the adult brain. His laboratory has pioneered several advanced methods including inhibitory neuron transplantation, multiphoton imaging of neural activity in awake behaving animals, virtual reality environments for spatial cognition and brain-wide neural circuit reconstruction. He has also developed innovative educational programs designed to rapidly disseminate neurotechnology using undergraduate course-based laboratory training. He is a Searle Scholar, a Klingenstein Fellow, a Kavli Fellow and a recipient of the NIH Director's New Innovator Award.

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KENNETH HOAR

**Executive Director
National Lab Operations
UC Office of the President
Northern California Cohort**

Ken has over 30 years of management experience within the government and private sectors and is currently the Executive Director of National Lab Operations. He has demonstrated skills in change management, strategic alliances and community relations development, and policy and procedure innovation.

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XIAOPING HU

**Professor and Chair
Department of Bioengineering
UC Riverside
Southern California Cohort**

Dr. Hu obtained his Ph.D. in Medical Physics in 1988. Prior to coming to UCR, he was on the faculty of the University of Minnesota (1990-2002), where he became a full professor in 1998, and the faculty of Emory University and Georgia Institute of Technology (2002-2016), where he was professor, Georgia Research Alliance Eminent Scholar in Imaging, and Director of the Biomedical Imaging Technology Center. He moved to

UCR in July of 2016 to become professor and Chair of Bioengineering, Director of the UCR Center for Advanced Neuroimaging, and Provost Fellow. Dr. Hu's research lies in the development and application of Magnetic Resonance Imaging. He has published 290 peer-reviewed articles (23,000+ citations and h-index of 40). He is a fellow of the International Society for Magnetic Resonance in Medicine, Institute of Electrical and Electronic Engineers, and American Institute of Medical and Biological Engineering.

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DANIEL JESKE

Professor

Department of Statistics

UC Riverside

Southern California Cohort

Daniel R. Jeske is a Professor in the department of statistics at the University of California, Riverside, where he served as the department chair during 2008-2015. He coordinates U.S. Navy and other industry outreach efforts for UCR Statistics, and holds a visiting investigator position at the City of Hope cancer hospital in Duarte, California. He is an elected fellow of the American Statistical Association and served on the board of directors during 2014-2016. Daniel is the Vice-President of Membership for the International Society of Business and Industrial Statistics (ISBIS), a society of the International Statistical Institute (ISI), and he is the current Editor-in-Chief of The American Statistician. He is an Associate Editor for Applied Stochastic Models in Business and Industry and a member of the Program Affiliates Committee of the National Institute of Statistical Sciences (NISS). His research interests include classification and prediction methodologies, longitudinal data modeling, statistical process control methodologies, biostatistics applications, and reliability modeling.

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ELENA WEN JIANG
Chief Financial Officer
Administration
UC Berkeley
Northern California Cohort

Elena Wen Jiang joined UC Berkeley in 2001 and currently serves as the Chief Financial Officer for the Division of Administration. The division has 12 departments and 1600 employees providing services in human resources, facilities, IT, business contracts, supply chain, parking and transportation, police, property management, library bindery, sustainability, etc. Elena leads the financial managers from the departments to deliver budget planning and financial monitoring and analysis. She is a member of several campus-wide work groups and a mentor for the Berkeley Staff Assembly (BSA) mentorship program. Elena holds a B.A. from Nanjing University and a MBA from University of Illinois. Her earlier work prior to UCB includes start-up companies in Silicon Valley, media, and international firms in China.

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NURIT KATZ

**Chief Sustainability Officer and Executive
Officer of Facilities Management**

Sustainability and Facilities

UCLA Campus

Southern California Cohort

UCLA's first Chief Sustainability Officer, Nurit is working to foster partnerships among academic, research, and operational departments to create a world class living laboratory for sustainability. Nurit also serves as Executive Officer for Facilities Management, which provides a wide range of services including the maintenance and renovation of buildings, grounds, and utility infrastructure. Nurit is an Instructor for UCLA Extension and Lecturer for UCLA's Institute of Environment and Sustainability. Nurit holds an MBA from the UCLA Anderson School of Management, a Master's in Public Policy from the Luskin School of Public Affairs, and a BA in Environmental Education from Humboldt State University.

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ZAVEENI KHAN-MARCUS

Director, MultiCultural Center

Division of Student Affairs

UC Santa Barbara

Southern California Cohort

Zaveeni Khan-Marcus is the founding director of the UCSB MultiCultural Center (MCC). In this position she has been instrumental in raising funds for the Center as well as getting a new building to house the MCC. She is also one of the founding directors of California Council for Cultural Centers in Higher Education having served as the President during the 2016-2017 academic year. More recently she has been part of a group that has established and founded a UC wide Cultural Center Director's organization. In her position as the director of the UCSB MCC, Zaveeni oversees a vibrant educational program at UCSB that is intended to have a high impact on campus climate. Originally from Sri Lanka, she came to the US to pursue a BA in English Literature and later completed a MA in Education at UC Santa Barbara.

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LISA KOERBLING

**Director, Commuter & Parking Services
Events & Transportation**

UCLA Campus

Southern California Cohort

Lisa Koerbling is the Director of Commuter & Parking Services, with 28 years of experience in a variety of roles within UCLA Events & Transportation. UCLA Commuter & Parking Services is comprised of Bruin Commuter Services, Data Analytics & Strategic Project Management, Parking Asset Management, and Parking Field Operations. Lisa oversees 242 FTE, both career and student, and her team generates over \$61.6M in revenue, with an expense budget of over \$37.7M. Lisa recently led the team that insourced the UCLA hospital valet parking program, creating a unique operation combining career and student valet attendants and supervisors. Her team is currently working to replace staff and student parking permits with a program that allows true multi-modalism through daily commute decisions. Lisa has a BA in Social Psychology from Occidental College and received the UCLA Chancellor's Executive Program Fellowship.

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ANDREW LARRATT-SMITH

Campus Ombuds

UC Riverside

Southern California Cohort

Andrew Larratt-Smith has served as the Campus Ombuds at UC Riverside since 2011, after a career spent in higher education, campus ministry, mediation, and alternative dispute resolution. Andrew holds a master's in dispute resolution from the Straus Institute at Pepperdine, and a Juris Doctorate from UCLAW, where he specialized in Critical Race Studies. He is a member of the International Ombudsman Association and the California Bar. Andrew is a proud Canadian and a board game enthusiast.

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VALERIE LEPPERT

**Professor
Materials Science and Engineering
UC Merced
Northern California Cohort**

Valerie Leppert is a founding faculty member of Materials Science and Engineering (MSE) and chair of General Education at UC Merced. She earned her bachelor's degrees in Biology, Chemistry and Physics from Sonoma State University; and a PhD in MSE from Northwestern University. She researches nanomaterials using electron microscopy, and founded UC Merced's Imaging and Microscopy Facility and Engineering Service Learning program. She has served as Chair of Graduate Council and the UC Systemwide Coordinating Committee for Graduate Affairs, and as Co-Chair of the Chancellor's Advisory Committee on the Status of Women. She has been recognized as an NSF Advance Fellow, and served as Co-PI on two NSF Advance grants, one to assess the climate for women faculty at UC Merced and the other to increase team science diversity and excellence at California's UC and CSU campuses. She is a recipient of the Spiess Award for distinguished academic senate service and the Office of Student Life's Outstanding Woman Faculty Award.

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JUDITH (Judy) MARTIN-HOLLAND

**Associate Dean, Diversity, Inclusion &
Community Outreach**

School of Nursing

UC San Francisco Campus

Northern California Cohort

Judith (Judy) Martin-Holland, PhD, MPA, RN, CNS, FNP, FAAN is the inaugural associate dean for diversity, inclusion, and community outreach, in the School of Nursing at UC San Francisco. Judy, is a pulmonary clinical nurse specialist, a family nurse practitioner, and holds a Health Sciences Clinical Professor appointment. Judy served as associate dean for academic programs and diversity initiatives in the School of Nursing for over 10 years.

In July 2018, Judy was tapped to create an office of diversity within the School of Nursing and to collaborate with faculty, students, and staff to develop and carry out a strategic plan to advance diversity and community, as well as to promote inclusive learning environments within the School.

Judy works closely with the California Board of Registered Nursing on statewide nursing workforce initiatives focused on the regulation of nurses, nursing education and practice, diversifying the workforce, and on advancing nursing education initiatives.

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JACQUELINE NORMAN

Campus Architect

Planning, Design and Construction

UC Riverside

Southern California Cohort

Jacqueline Norman is Campus Architect of UC Riverside. She serves as the university's steward for all issues affecting the aesthetic quality of the physical environment of the campus. Norman's passion for UCR stems from watching the campus grow; she grew up on the campus as a child of UCR research faculty. Her prior architectural practice emphasized historic preservation and new design for large publicly funded higher education projects, and she has served as a faculty member at the Frank Lloyd Wright School of Architecture, in both the Arizona and Wisconsin locations.

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CURTIS PLOTKIN

Director

Environmental Health & Safety

UC Davis Campus

Northern California Cohort

Curtis Plotkin has worked promoting protection of human health and the environment for over 30 years in the private sector, government and higher education. In 2014, he joined UC Davis as the Director of Environmental Health and Safety, where he leads a comprehensive campus safety program with a team of five managers and 37 professionals.

Curtis attended CSU Los Angeles where he conducted his graduate research isotopically analyzing groundwater from the Mojave Desert. His undergraduate degree is in geology with an emphasis in structural geology from CSU Dominguez Hills.

Curtis grew up in Southern California and has been married to his wife Grace, for 26 years. They have one daughter, Gabriella, who recently received her bachelor's degree in communication (advertising) from Boston University and is living in New York. Curtis stays physically active by weight lifting, swimming, running, cycling, hiking, camping, fishing and continuing to practice martial arts for the past 42 years.

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OLA POPOOLA

Director, Data Infrastructure, Reporting & Analytics

Institutional Research and Academic Planning

UC Office of the President

Northern California Cohort

Ola Popoola joined the University of California, Office of the President in 2011. She currently holds the position of Director of Data Infrastructure, Reporting and Analytics within the Institutional Research and Academic Planning (IRAP) Department. She is responsible for the software, hardware, applications, data infrastructure, reporting and analytics needs in the IRAP unit.

Prior to joining IRAP, Ola worked as a Lead Business Intelligence Systems Analyst within the Information Technology department and as a Business Systems Project Manager for the Procurement Services unit. Before becoming a part of the UC community, Ola held multiple leadership roles in IT retail, IT logistics and the K-12 system both in the United States and the United Kingdom.

She holds a B.S. in biology, a M.Sc. in information technology and a M.Sc. in psychology. She has been an active member of the UC Lakeside Speakeasy Toastmasters Club since 2012 with certifications in leadership and communication.

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ROY RAI

**Assistant Dean for Medical Education
School of Medicine**

UC Davis Health

Northern California Cohort

Roy Rai is the Assistant Dean for Medical Education at UC Davis School of Medicine. He reports to Vice Dean for Medical Education and works closely with an associate vice chancellor, seven associate deans, and 25 directors in carrying out the education mission. He is administratively responsible for Office of Student & Resident Diversity, Undergraduate Medical Education, Graduate Medical Education, Body Donor Program, and Center for a Diverse Healthcare Workforce. Prior to joining UC Davis, he spent nearly five years as the Business Manager for the Dana-Farber/Harvard Cancer Center. He has a bachelor's in management and a master's of business administration in accounting. On a personal note, Roy loves spending time with his lovely wife and three kids, the youngest of them having just turned one this past Thanksgiving.

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SHARA RASMUSSEN

**Chief Compliance and Privacy Officer
Compliance Department
UC Davis Health
Northern California Cohort**

Shara Rasmussen, JD, MPH, CHC currently serves as the Chief Compliance and Privacy Officer of UC Davis Health, which includes oversight of the privacy and compliance programs for the hospital, clinics, and health schools affiliated with UC Davis Health. Ms. Rasmussen previously served as the Privacy Program Director and Deputy Compliance Officer of UC Davis Health. Prior to joining UC Davis, Ms. Rasmussen served as In-House Counsel and Compliance Officer of CARES Community Health in Sacramento, California and as General Counsel at Augustine, Kern and Levens, Ltd. in Chicago, Illinois. She was also a Legal Fellow at the Office of Inspector General, US Department of Health & Human Services. Ms. Rasmussen obtained her Juris Doctorate from Loyola University Chicago, with a certificate in health law; and her master's in public health from the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill.

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BRANDON RHODES

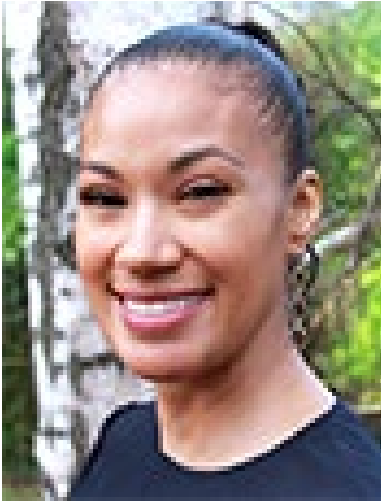
**Chief of Staff
Office of the Vice Chancellor, Health
Sciences
UC San Diego Health
Southern California Cohort**

Brandon Rhodes is Chief of Staff to the Vice Chancellor for Health Sciences and the Dean of the School of Medicine at UC San Diego. As a member of the senior executive team, Rhodes leads key initiatives in support of Health Sciences' operational and strategic priorities, both as an adviser to and designate of the Vice Chancellor and the Dean. He is responsible for organizing and implementing system-wide initiatives in partnership with UC San Diego Health's executive team, deans and department chairs, and campus senior leadership.

Rhodes previously served as chief administrative officer for the provost of The George Washington University, where he developed a comprehensive status report on the university's strategic plan. He spent more than 10 years in positions of increasing responsibility at GW, including Director of Communications for the President.

Rhodes holds a bachelor's degree in mass communication from Idaho State University and a master's degree in strategic public relations from George Washington University.

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NYOKI SACRAMENTO

**Assistant Vice Chancellor
Office of Diversity and Outreach
UC San Francisco Campus
Northern California Cohort**

Nyoki Sacramento serves as Assistant Vice Chancellor and Director of the Office for the Prevention of Harassment & Discrimination at the University of California, San Francisco. Ms. Sacramento's responsibilities include producing federally mandated staff and academic employee affirmative action plans, and leading and overseeing the University's response to complaints of discrimination, harassment, and retaliation under the UC Sexual Violence and Sexual Harassment Policy and the UC Discrimination, Harassment, and Affirmative Action in the Workplace Policy. Ms. Sacramento is a San Francisco native, and a 2005 graduate of the University of California, Berkeley School of Law. Prior to joining UCSF, Ms. Sacramento worked as an attorney at several large law firms where she represented and counseled clients in all areas of employment law, conducted workplace investigations, and litigated numerous high-stakes cases in federal and state courts.

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KURT SCHNIER

**Professor of Economics
Department of Economics and Business
UC Merced
Northern California Cohort**

Kurt Schnier is a Professor of Economics at UC Merced. He received his B.S. in management sciences from UC San Diego (1995), his M.A. in environmental studies from the University of Pennsylvania (1999) and his Ph.D. in economics from the University of Arizona (2003). His research focuses on behavioral modeling in health care and the environment.

Since joining the faculty at UC Merced in 2014 he has served as Chair of Social Sciences and Management, co-director of the Blum Center and a member of numerous Senate committees. Currently, he serves as the Chair of the Academic Senate and is keenly interested in campus planning and budgeting.

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EMILY SCHWARZ

**Assistant Dean and Chief Financial Officer
School of Public Health
UC Berkeley
Northern California Cohort**

Emily Schwarz is the Assistant Dean & Chief Financial Officer at UC Berkeley School of Public Health. In this position, she is responsible for the School's financial operations and planning, facilities/real estate/space planning, research administration and IT/AV. Other higher education experience includes serving as the Director of Finance & Administration for Stanford University's Department of Bioengineering and as the Budget Director of Smith College in Massachusetts.

Hailing from Brooklyn, NY, Emily has a B.A. in history from Columbia University and an MBA from the Wharton School, University of Pennsylvania. Outside of work, her interests include urban planning, museums, travel, hiking, soccer and reading.

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MARIA SHANLE

**Managing Counsel
Office of General Counsel
UC Office of the President
Southern California Cohort**

Maria Shanle has worked in Oakland in the Office of the General Counsel for 18 years. She is currently the Managing Counsel for Education Affairs and Governance, where she oversees a team of attorneys and support staff that provide advice to both campus and OP clients on a broad array of student and faculty issues, governance and Regents issues, and public accountability laws. She received her J.D. from UC Berkeley Law School. Maria has a husband and three girls, ages 10, 7 and 7.

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VALERIE SHELTON

**Senior Counsel, Litigation
Office of the General Counsel
UC Office of the President
Northern California Cohort**

Valerie Shelton is an employment law attorney. She joined the Office of the General Counsel in 2007 and is responsible for overseeing and monitoring employment related litigation for the University of California system. Ms. Shelton works closely with outside counsel in developing case strategy consistent with University policy and protocols and she provides functional advice to senior managers and campus stakeholders concerning risk assessment, liability, and damages. Ms. Shelton also independently handles a full range of legal matters and projects, including the most complex and those of substantial importance and impact to the University.

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AMY SHLOSSMAN

**Executive Director
Office of the CEO
UC San Francisco Health
Northern California Cohort**

Relatively new to the Bay Area, I've spent the past 15+ years in state and federal government and nonprofit sectors in a variety of roles including CEO of the Red Cross of Oregon/ SW Washington and Chief of Staff of the Department of Homeland Security and White House Office of Management and Budget. I'm drawn to organizations facing complex challenges and jobs where I can lead teams, innovate and make a difference. I joined UCSF Health in 2017 to develop its Value Improvement program, an effort to engage the frontline workforce in driving operational efficiencies and process improvements while ensuring the highest standards of patient care and quality.

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ZINA SLAUGHTER

Director

UC Student Health Insurance Program

Risk Services

UC Office of the President

Northern California Cohort

Zina Slaughter is the Director of the UC's Student Health Insurance Program (UC SHIP). As Director of UC SHIP, Zina is responsible for the successful management and administration of the largest self-funded student health benefits program in the nation. UC SHIP provides comprehensive medical, vision and dental coverage to 130,000+ University of California registered students and dependents.

Before joining UCOP in 2016, she was the chief operations officer for a local Medi-Cal managed care plan. Zina has a degree in communication studies from San Jose State University and an MBA from the Newman School of Business at Tulane University.

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KIRSTEN STEVENSON

**Senior Campus Counsel
Office of the Chancellor and Provost
UC Davis Campus
Northern California Cohort**

Ms. Stevenson serves as Senior Campus Counsel at the UC Davis campus. Originally from Southern California, Ms. Stevenson graduated from USC Law School and began her career with the Katten Muchin Rosenman law firm in Los Angeles. After several years with Katten, she was married and moved to El Paso, Texas where her law practice focused entirely on labor and employment law. Due to her husband's military service, they soon moved to Columbus, Georgia, where she became a partner with the law firm of Page, Scrantom, Sprouse, Tucker and Ford.

In Georgia, she had the opportunity to litigate almost exclusively in federal court, argue before the 11th Circuit Court of Appeals, and serve as lead trial counsel for several federal employment cases. In 2014, Ms. Stevenson and her husband began looking for opportunities to move back to California. Since joining UC Davis, Ms. Stevenson has had the privilege to work with a vast group of highly intelligent and motivated people. The diversity of issues, perspectives, and solutions makes her position with Campus Counsel highly fulfilling.

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ANDRÉ VAN DER HOEK

**Chair, Department of Informatics
Donald Bren School of Information and
Computer Sciences
UC Irvine Campus
Southern California Cohort**

André van der Hoek is a Professor and Chair of the Department of Informatics at UC Irvine. A top five department worldwide in several research areas, the department has grown rapidly in all aspects over the

past few years.

When not chair, André researches software design and collaboration. Among numerous conference and journal publications, he is the author of the book 'Software Design Decoded' and is currently working on a second book, 'Designing Software Thoughtfully'.

André grew up in The Netherlands, moved to the US for a one-year exchange project that led to a Ph.D. in computer science from the University of Colorado at Boulder. He now happily lives with his family in Southern California. Befitting his heritage, he still regularly commutes by bike.

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CHRISTIAN VILLASEÑOR

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Christian Villaseñor is the Director of Academic Administration in the Executive Vice Chancellor's Office where he serves as an executive advisor and oversees administrative activities including management of staff personnel programs, academic administrator appointments, the faculty FTE inventory, faculty award programs, and curricular administration. He has 25 years of experience at UCSB, including nine years as Assistant Dean for the Graduate Division prior to his current position. Christian received his Bachelor of Arts in Law and Society and Psychology at UCSB, and Master of Science in Counseling with a Specialization in College Student Personnel from California Lutheran University.

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KEN WALSH

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Ken Walsh is the Senior Assistant Dean and Chief of Staff in the Samueli School of Engineering at UC Irvine. The School serves more than 4,800 students enrolled in 12 undergraduate degree majors and 13 graduate degree programs across six academic departments. In this capacity, Ken is responsible for the entire scope of planning, operations, and resource management for the School in concert with the Dean and the School's Strategic Plan. He comes to UCI from a lengthy academic career, most recently at San Diego State University where he started the Construction Engineering program, served as a Department Chair, and finally as Dean of an overseas campus in Tbilisi, Georgia. Ken received his Bachelor and Master of Science and Ph.D. degrees from Arizona State University.

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As Director of Communications for Berkeley Lab's Advanced Light Source (ALS), Ashley White draws on her background as a researcher and science policy advisor to develop and implement a comprehensive strategy to convey the ALS's key accomplishments to current and potential users, federal funders and policymakers, and the general public. Prior to joining the ALS three years ago, she served in the U.S. Senate as an MRS/OSA Congressional Science & Engineering Fellow and in NSF's Division of Materials Research as a AAAS Science and Technology Policy Fellow. She also previously managed the materials science research program at the U.S. Green Building Council. Ashley received her Ph.D. in materials science from the University of Cambridge, and earned bachelor's degrees from Virginia Tech in materials science and engineering and violin performance.

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Prior to UC San Diego, Terri was a prosecutor for the San Diego City Attorney's Office. Terri has a B.A. in Government/Sociology from University of Texas and a J.D. from University of San Diego Law School. Her team provides consultation, advice, and referrals to employees, supervisors and administrators related to policy and collective bargaining agreement interpretation and application, conflict resolution, and workforce modification. They manage work/life programs and conduct training. She represents campus management in formal dispute resolution processes; advises campus management on compliance with the Higher Education Employer-Employee Relations Act (HEERA) and collective bargaining agreements; and participates in collective bargaining negotiations and meetings with unions. Terri and her husband, Jonathan, have an 8 year old son and 4 year old daughter.

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DARNELE WRIGHT

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Darnele Liautaud Wright has been Deputy Campus Counsel at UCSF since December 2013. At UCSF she is engaged in a high-volume practice focused on client service, advocacy and conflict resolution. She provides advice in student academic affairs, faculty affairs, Title IX, trademark and copyrights, and complex transactional matters. She serves as an advisory member on various boards and about a dozen work groups. She also assists researchers and personnel with policy and legal compliance issues for domestic and international activities. Previously, Darnele was in-house counsel at the University of Miami, and an associate attorney at Shutts & Bowen LLP practicing in both their labor and employment and business litigation departments. Darnele is a graduate of New York University (B.A. 2000) and Boston University School of Law (J.D. 2005).