

Biography



Sheree (Marlowe) Ohen, J.D.

Sheree (Marlowe) Ohen is the Chief Officer of Diversity and Inclusion at Clark University who oversees the Office of Diversity and Inclusion. She reports directly to the university president and is responsible for the advancement and implementation of a strategic vision and initiatives that demonstrate the University's commitment to maintaining a welcoming, inclusive environment for all students, faculty, staff and visitors. As a member of the senior leadership team, she works with that team, deans, department chairs, faculty, staff, student groups and other key campus and community partners to meet the University's goals of equity, diversity and compliance. She leads university-wide initiatives, including the President's Diversity Advisory Council, the President's Commission on Speech Rights and Community Values, and the Diversity and Inclusion Certificate Program where she teaches classes on the historical overview of power, privilege and oppression and microaggressions. Marlowe Ohen was previously responsible for overseeing Clark's compliance with Title IX, as well as coordinating campus-wide efforts to address sexual misconduct in all its forms. Marlowe Ohen paved the way for Clark to receive the prestigious 2018 Higher Education Excellence in Diversity (HEED) Award from INSIGHT Into Diversity. The HEED Award is the only application-based national recognition honoring colleges and universities that show an outstanding commitment to diversity and inclusion across their campuses.

Prior to her appointment at Clark, Marlowe Ohen served in a similar capacity at the University of California, Santa Cruz, as a member of the chancellor's cabinet advancing inclusive excellence. She was selected to represent the University of California system at state legislative hearings discussing best practices for diversity and addressing bias-related incidents in higher education. She began her career as an attorney specializing in several areas, including criminal law, civil rights litigation, and employment law where she represented clients who were subjected to discrimination in the workplace. She has taught guests lectures, delivered plenary sessions; served as a panelist and panel moderator on issues related to diversity, equity, and inclusion. Marlowe Ohen earned a Bachelor of arts degree in English from the University of California, Berkeley, and a doctor of jurisprudence from Golden Gate University School of Law.

Marlowe Ohen was born and raised in California and moved to Worcester, Massachusetts in June 2016. She is actively involved in the community serving on boards and elected positions of several local organizations, including the board of directors for Girls Inc. of Worcester as co-chair of the Diversity and Inclusion Committee; the Secretary and Bylaws Committee chair

for the Worcester Regional Chamber of Commerce Diverse Professionals Roundtable; the Recording Secretary for the Central Massachusetts Chapter of the Links, Inc., and previously served on the Executive Board for the American Council on Education (ACE) Massachusetts Women's Network.