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Employment & Businesses

2023-Current	Senior Fellow for The Institute For Faith & Culture
2021-2023	Distinguished Senior Fellow in Constitutional Studies for the Texas Public Policy Foundation.
2023-Current	Owner/Founder of Your Lifestory For Descendants, which uses personalized life story videos to preserve legacies.
2020-Current	Owner/Founder of Unity Training Solutions, LLC, which offers training and consulting services to promote unity in teams and organizations.
2017-Current	Owner of Carol Swain Enterprises, LLC
2011-Current	Founder of the Be the People Project, a nonprofit that educates Americans about conservative values and principles.
1999-2017	Professor of Political Science and Professor of Law Vanderbilt University (Retired August 15, 2017)
1994-2000	Associate Professor of Politics and Public Affairs Woodrow Wilson School, Princeton University
1990-1994	Assistant Professor of Politics and Public Affairs Woodrow Wilson School, Princeton University
1989-1990	Visiting Assistant Professor Duke University

Education

1999-2000	Yale University Law School M.S.L. Law	New Haven, CT.
1985-1989	University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill Ph.D., Political Science	Chapel Hill, NC.
1983-1984	Virginia Polytechnical Institute and State University M.A., Political Science	Blacksburg, VA.
1980-1983	Roanoke College B.A., Criminal Justice (Magna Cum Laude) Member, Phi Beta Kappa; Pi Sigma Alpha, National Political Science Society, Pi Gamma Mu (International Social Science Society), Alpha Chi (National Honor Society); Who's Who Among Students in American Colleges and Universities; National Dean's List; Criminal Justice Award	Salem, VA.
1976-1978	Virginia Western Community College A.A.S., Business Merchandising	Roanoke, VA.

Books

Diversity without Discrimination: How to Promote a Culture of Unity in a Post-DEI/Affirmative Action World. (Be the People Books, forthcoming April 2025).

The Gay Affair: Harvard, Plagiarism, and the Death of Academic Integrity. (Be the People Books, 2025).

The Adversity of Diversity: How the Supreme Court's Decision to Remove Race from College Admissions Criteria Will Doom Diversity Programs (Be the People Books, 2023). Co-authored with Mike Towle.

Counterculture Living: What Jesus Has to Say about Life, Marriage, Race, Gender, and Materialism (RENEW.org, 2021).

Black Eye for America: How Critical Race Theory is Burning Down the House (Be the People Books, 2021). Co-authored with Dr. Christopher Schorr.

Debating Immigration: Second Edition (Cambridge University Press, 2018).

Study Guide For How Liberalism Steals Our Children's Hearts and Minds (Christian Faith Publishing, August 2017). Co-Authored with Steve Feazel.

How Liberalism Steals Our Children's Hearts and Minds (Christian Faith Publishing, November 2016). Co-Authored with Steve Feazel.

Be the People: A Call to Reclaim America's Faith and Promise (Thomas Nelson Press, 2011)

Debating Immigration (Cambridge University Press, 2007). (edited volume).

Race versus Class: The New Affirmative Action Press (Maryland: The Rowman & Littlefield Publishing, 1996). (edited volume)

Contemporary Voices of White Nationalism in America (Cambridge University Press, 2003). Co-authored with Russ Nieli.

The New White Nationalism in America: Its Challenge to Integration (Cambridge University Press, 2002) Nominated by Cambridge University Press for the Pulitzer Prize Competition.

Black Faces, Black Interests: The Representation of African Americans in Congress (Cambridge: Harvard University Press, 1993, 1995). Reprinted 2006 (University of America Press).

- Selected out of 611 titles by *Library Choice Journal* as one of the seven outstanding academic books of 1994.
- Winner of the 1994 Woodrow Wilson prize given to the “best book published in the United States during the prior year on government, politics or international affairs.”
- Co-winner of the V.O. Key Award for the best book published on Southern politics.
- Winner of the 1995 D. B. Hardeman Prize for the best scholarly work on the U.S. Congress during a biennial period.

- Cited by Justice Kennedy in *Johnson V. Degrandy*, 512 U.S. 997, 1027 (1994)
- Cited twice by Justice O'Connor in *Georgia v. Ashcroft*, 539 U.S. (2003)

Film and Video Credits

The Dream King (2025) Taylor Bird

Fox Nation

- *The Diversity Verdict* (2023) Kayvon Afshari
- *The Miseducation of America* (5-part, Fox Nation Series 2022-2023) Pete Hegseth
- *Canceled in the USA* (2021) Dan Bongino and Kayvon Afshari

PragerU videos (totaling over 100 million views)

- *The Genius of Thomas Jefferson* (2022) 1.2 million views
- *What I Can Teach You About Racism* (2021) 5.2 million views
- *The Candace Owens Show: Carol Swain* (2021) 918,000 views
- *Will Wilt: BLM Is a Marxist Movement* (2021) 5.8 million views
- *Michael Knowles Book Club: Booker T. Washington's Up From Slavery* (2020) 477,000 views
- *Why the 3/5 the Compromise Was Anti-Slavery* (2018) 2.6 million views
- *The Inconvenient Truth About The Republican Party* (2018) 10.5 million views
- *Why Did the Democratic South Become Republican?* (2017) 23.3 million views
- *The Inconvenient Truth About The Democratic Party* (2017) 30.3 million views

School House: The Homeschooling Revolution (2021) Yvette and Garritt Hampton

Truth and Lies in American Education, U.S. Parents Involved in Education (2022)

Joaquin Fernadez

Whose Children Are They? (2022) Jonathan Flora, Deborah Flora, and Rebecca Friedrichs

Uncle Tom II Documentary: An American Odyssey (2022) Justin Malone and Larry Elder

Uncle Tom Documentary (2020) Justin Malone and Larry Elder

Agenda 2: Masters of Deceit (2016) Curtiss Bowers

Hillary's America: The Secret History of the Democratic Party (2016) Dinesh D'Souza

Be the People TV Series (10 episodes, 2012) Carol Swain

Carol Swain Documentary (2012) Coral Ridge Productions

Indoctrinate U (2012) Evan Coyne Maloney

Immigrants and the Right to Stay (2011) Joseph Carens

Other Media

Against All Odds (Blexit) (2021-2022)

Conversations with Dr. Carol Swain (2020-2021)

Carol Swain's Be The People Podcast (2018-2020)

2 Minutes With Carol Swain on Bott Radio (2018-2019)

Social Media Followers (as of 11/11/25)

Twitter: 382.5K

Facebook: Personal/5K and Public/151K

Instagram: 112K

LinkedIn: 24K

Truth Social: 10.3K

YouTube: 24.7K

Scholarly Articles and Comments

Two chapters published in *Red, White, and Black: Rescuing American History from Revisionists and Race Hustlers* by Robert L. Woodson, Sr. (Emancipation Books, May 2021).

- "From Rural Poverty to Ivy League Professor," pp. 99-102.
- "Critical Race Theory's Destructive Impact on America," pp. 143-150.

A chapter published in *Race and Covenant: Recovering the Religious Roots for American Reconciliation* by Gerald R. McDermott (Editor)(Action Institute, 2020).

- "Racial Supremacy and Covenantal Reconciliation," pp. 177-198.

Carol M. Swain, "The Sad Spiritual State of American Colleges and Universities," *St. Thomas Law Journal*, Winter 2019, Volume 15, Number 2.

From Democrat to Republican: A Southern Black Woman's Journey to Freedom (Electronic download, 2018), pp. 431-441.

"Free Speech, Politics, and Academia." *PS: Political Science & Politics*, 48, pp. 100-107. doi:10.1017/S1049096515000517 (September 2015).

"A Judeo-Christian Approach to "Comprehensive Immigration Reform," *The Review of Faith and International Affairs*, Vol. 9, No. 1 (Spring 2011) pp. 11-15

"Reauthorization of the Voting Rights Act: How Politics and Symbolism Failed America," 5 *Georgetown. Journal of Law & Public Policy* 29 (2007)

"An Inside Look at Education and Poverty," *Academic Questions* 19 (Spring 2006)

"Race as a Plus Factor in Undergraduate Admissions: The Public Seeks an Alternative," *Harvard Journal of African American Policy*, (Winter 2001)

"Life after *Bakke* Where Whites and Blacks Agree: Public Support for Fairness in Educational Opportunities," (coauthored, Swain, Rodgers, Silverman, *Harvard Black Letter Law Journal*, Vol. 16 (Spring 2000)

"The Sociology of Affirmative Action," in *International Encyclopedia of the Social and Behavioral Sciences*," edited by Neil Smelser and Paul Baltes, (Elsevier Science, United Kingdom, 2001)

"African Americans in Congress," in Kwame A. Appiah and Henry L. Gates, *Africana: The Encyclopedia of African American Experience*," (New York: Perseus Books, 1999)

"An Optimist's View of Minority Representation" in *Redistricting and Minority Representation* edited by David Bositis. University Press of America, 1998 (commentary)

"Not Wrongful By Any Means: The Court's Decisions in the Redistricting Cases," *Houston Law Review*, 34:2 (Summer 1997) (commentary)

"The Supreme Court's Rulings on Congressional Districts Could Benefit Minority Voters", *The Chronicle of Higher Education*, p. B3-4, September 27, 1996

"The Future of Black Representation," *The American Prospect*, Fall 1995, 78-83. in *Race, Ethnicity, and Public Policy*, edited by Stephen Steinberg. Oxford: Blackwell

"Where do we go from Here?" *The New Democrat*, May/June 1995, pp. 20-21

"Black Body Politic," *Transition*, 1994, 63:112-117, International Review Journal published by Oxford University Press.

"The Voting Rights Act: Some Unintended Consequences," *Brookings Review*, Winter 1991, 51; Reprinted in *Roll Call*, January 30, 1992.

Professional Service and Community Activities

2025	Participated in a Cambridge Union Society debate, which is the oldest continuously running debating society in the world
2025	Be The People Nonprofit hosted a Constitutional Camp for middle schoolers
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2024	Be The People Nonprofit hosted <i>The American Dream Conference</i> with the topic of "We've Got A Country To Save" featuring Larry Elder
2022	Be The People Nonprofit hosted <i>The American Dream Conference</i> on education featuring Dr. Ben Carson
2021-2022	DJKM (D. James Kennedy Ministries) Board of Directors
2021	Be The People Nonprofit hosted the event <i>Black Conservatives and Race in America</i>
2020	Appointed by President Trump to vice-chair the "1776 Commission"
2016	Nashville Youth for Christ
	Appointed to Senator Ted Cruz's Religious Advisory Council
2015	Appointed to the Citizen's Committee for the Governor's Prayer Breakfast
2014	Vanderbilt Faculty Council (spring term)
	Vanderbilt Undergraduate Committee
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2013	Appointed to APSA Taskforce on Public Engagement
2013	Appointed to the Operation Andrews Board
2013	Organized a conference at Vanderbilt University on "Debating Racial Reality"
2010	Advisory Council and National Board of Christian Women in the Media
2008	Member of Planning Committee of the National Faculty Leadership Conference
2008-2014	Member, National Endowment for the Humanities (six-year term)
2007	CNN Contributor for Lou Dobbs
2008	Tennessee Advisory Committee to the U.S. Civil Rights Commission
2008	Director of Public Policy Studies, Vanderbilt University
2008	Member, Board of Directors, Teen Challenge International
2007	Organized a conference at Vanderbilt on "Debating Immigration"
2007-2009	Member of Tennessee Advisory Committee to the U.S. Commission on Civil Rights

2007	Member of American Political Science Association's Ralph Bunche Prize Committee
2006	Panelist National Endowment for the Humanities
2006	Senate Judiciary Testimony on Renewal of the Voting Rights Act
2006-07	Humanity-in-Action Advisory Board

Selected Awards, Grants, Fellowships, and Honors

2025	Frederick Douglass Lifetime Achievement Award for a lifetime of conservative service to the nation (Conservative Coalition of North Carolina)
2024	The Patrick Henry Lantern of Liberty Award for lifetime achievement (CNP Action, Inc.)
2023	She Leads Tennessee Award for Christian Leadership at the State Level
2022	She Leads America Award for Christian Leadership at the National Level
2021	PragerU Award for Bravery and Courage in Public Speaking
2012	William Bentley Ball Award for Life and Religious Liberty Defense (Christian Legal Society)
2012	Named a permanent Fellow in the Carl F H Henry Society at Union University
2012	Excellence in Communications Award, Christian Women in the Media
2007	Distinguished Alumna Award, Virginia Tech
2006	Received a Booker T. Washington Legacy Award, Heartland Institute, Chicago, IL.
2005-Current	Member of James Madison Society (an International Community of Scholars)
1994	Black Faces, Black Interests winner of the D.B. Hardeman prize given to the best scholarly work published on the U.S. Congress during a biennial period
1994	Black Faces, Black Interests winner of the Woodrow Wilson prize given to "the best book published in the United States during the prior year on government, politics or international affairs"
1994	Black Faces, Black Interests, co-winner of the V.O. Key Award given to "the best book published on southern politics"
1994	Black Faces, Black Interests cited by Justice Kennedy in Johnson V. Degrandy 512 U.S. 997 (1994).
1988	National Science Foundation Dissertation Grant (directed by William R. Keech)
1989	American Association of University Women, Research Grant