

Dr. Carla Jackson Bell, Ph.D., has been the Dean of the Robert R. Taylor School of Architecture and Construction Science and Management (TSACS) at Tuskegee University since January 6, 2016. From 2006-2015, Dr. Bell was a faculty member and the Director of Multicultural Affairs in the College of Architecture, Design and Construction (CADC) at Auburn University. She spearheaded the growth of the minority representation from 8 percent to 18 percent in ten years. Bell was appointed Interim Provost and Vice President of Academic Affairs by former President Lily McNair in 2020.

Dr. Bell is the co-founder and chairwoman of the new Booker T. Washington Leadership Institute, launched in 2019 to develop faculty for the express purpose of cultivating transformative leadership through a culture of excellence, inclusion, scholarship, and service-learning. Dr. Bell's book, *Space Unveiled: Invisible Cultures in the Design Studio* (Routledge Research in Architecture 2014) is an example of putting her ideology on culturally competent curricula into practice, in design studios and seminar courses. Bell has received over \$2.5M from research grants and donations to support diversity initiatives for learning environments, concentrating on under-represented students' educational experiences in architecture and cultural relevance in the building environment at Tuskegee and Auburn Universities throughout her 28-year academic career.

Dr. Bell is the first African American woman to be appointed dean of an architecture and construction science and management school in the United States. She is a graduate of Tuskegee University's architecture program, earned a Master of Fine Arts degree in interior design at the Savannah College of Art & Design and a Ph.D. in architecture education from the Union Institute and University in Cincinnati, Ohio.