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## **Biography**

Sharon Wright Austin's teaching and research interests are in American government, urban politics and African American politics with emphasis on mayoral elections, rural political activism, American voting and political behavior, African American women's politics, the presidency, congressional elections, and gender and politics. She has written three books: Race, Power, and Political Emergence in Memphis, The Transformation of Plantation Politics: Black Politics, Concentrated Poverty, and Social Capital in the Mississippi Delta, and The Caribbeanization of Black Politics: Race, Group Consciousness, and Political Participation in America. Her fourth book, Political Black Girl Magic: The Elections and Governance of Black Female Mayors, will be published in 2023 by Temple University Press.

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## **Industry Expertise**

Education/Learning, Political Organization

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## **Areas of Expertise**

Southern Politics, African American Politics, Urban Politics

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