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Long Beach, Mississippi
March 4 to 6, 2010.

The Center for the Study of the Gulf South at The University of Southern Mississippi and The Department of History at The University of South Alabama announce a conference on emerging trends in the historiography of slavery in the Americas and Caribbean. We invite proposals (300-500 words) for individual papers and panels that evaluate the existing literature and explore subjects that previous scholars have neglected. Suggested topics include, but are not limited to, the following: internal and international slave trades; comparative or transnational approaches to slavery; the influence of gender on slavery; emancipation and manumission; and industrial or urban slavery. Ira Berlin, Distinguished University Professor at the University of Maryland, College Park, and Mark M. Smith, Carolina Distinguished Professor of History at the University of South Carolina will deliver keynote addresses discussing how historians' understanding of slavery has changed in the decade since the publication of Berlin's landmark Many Thousands Gone. All papers will be considered for publication in the conference's refereed proceedings.

The conference will be held at The University of Southern Mississippi's beach front Campus in Long Beach, Mississippi, on March 4-6, 2010. Additional information on hotels, flights, and local attractions will be posted on the Center for the Study of the Gulf South website in the coming months (www.usm.edu/history/gcsouth.php). Submissions should be sent to Dr. Max Grivno, Department of History, The University of Southern Mississippi, Hattiesburg, MS 39406. The deadline for submissions is August 31, 2009.