The University of Georgia Department of History and the Andrew W. Mellon Foundation is pleased to announce its second Capitalist Souths interdisciplinary graduate student conference to be held May 21-22, 2021. Because of the ongoing pandemic, it will be held virtually. This conference is part of the Willson Center for Humanities and Arts Global Georgia Initiative.

Our conference invites graduate students to submit proposals that illuminate new work that draws together the history of capitalism and the US South in its Atlantic World and Global South contexts. The theme, Capitalist Souths, addresses the increasing difficulty to understand the development of capitalism in the US South without understanding its embeddedness in transnational and global flows of capital, labor, ideas, and people. The interdisciplinary aims of our conference exemplify the growing importance of diverse methodologies in the study of capitalism’s developments and changes in the US and Global South. We welcome single paper and panel proposals concerning, but not limited to:

- Transnational histories of the US, Latin America, Africa, and/or Asia
- Development of capitalism in the US South
- Labor and capital migrations
- The “Nuevo South”
- Contested citizenship
- Hybrid global identities
- Environmental and geological impacts of capitalism

Individual proposals should include a 250 word abstract and a short bio of the presenter. Panel proposals should include a 250 word panel abstract and short bio and paper abstract for each presenter. All proposals should be submitted electronically in Word format to the committee at capitalistsouths@gmail.com. The deadline for proposal submission is **February 26, 2021**. Final papers should be submitted to commentators a week before the presentation.

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