

# Conference on Literacy, Urban Issues, and Social Studies Education

Georgia State University  
College of Education  
Language and Literacy/Social Studies Division

## Call for Program Proposal

*Teaching in the Borderlands: Expanding the Possibilities of  
Critical Literacies & Social Justice in Education*

**Saturday, February 13, 2010**  
**8:00-3:00**  
**Loudermilk Conference Center**

The Conference on Literacy, Urban Issues, and Social Studies Education is hosted by the Language and Literacy/Social Studies Division at Georgia State University in cooperation with metro-Atlanta literacy and social studies educators. Each year the conference focuses on the needs of urban educators as they work to improve their language arts and social studies instruction. The one-day conference includes keynote speakers, breakout sessions, and lunch.

The 2010 conference invites participants to critically reflect on their own practices and efforts in light of current educational contexts. We encourage proposals that focus on the study and analysis of classroom practices that attend to students' diverse perspectives, cultural lives, and ways of meaning making.

**We invite proposals that address, but are not limited to, the following topic areas:**

- Culturally responsive curriculum
- Multiple and multimodal literacies
- Global and multicultural literature and practices
- Facilitating rich practices for new English language learners
- Critical language awareness
- Teaching for change
- Critical democracy

Breakout sessions are approximately one hour in length.

For more information and a conference proposal cover sheet, please visit the College of Education home page and link to the Conference on Literacy, Urban Issues, and Social Studies Education: <http://education.gsu.edu/main/>

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Proposals must be submitted by Tuesday, December 1, 2009

**Title:**

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**Program Presentation Description:**

Please attach a brief (maximum 3 pages) description of the presentation. On the first page, include the name, address, email, and affiliation for each presenter.

Your description should include the following: (1) presentation rationale, (2) theoretical perspectives that support your work, (3) educational implications and significance and (4) the way in which the information will be shared.

**Condensed Description (up to 50 words for the program):**

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**Audiovisual needs:**

Overhead projector and screen?	YES	NO
LCD projector and screen?	YES	NO
Laptop Computer	YES	NO

**Intended Audience (check up to two from the list):**

<input type="checkbox"/> Preschool	<input type="checkbox"/> Early Elementary	<input type="checkbox"/> Middle/Upper Elementary
<input type="checkbox"/> Middle School	<input type="checkbox"/> High School	<input type="checkbox"/> Administrators
<input type="checkbox"/> Media Specialist	<input type="checkbox"/> New Teachers	<input type="checkbox"/> Curriculum Specialist
<input type="checkbox"/> Teacher Educators	<input type="checkbox"/> Other _____	

**Important Notes: Invited participants are required to register for the conference when they accept their invitation.** Session proposers should advise all involved in their proposal that submission of a proposal does not constitute an invitation to appear on the program. Proposals are peer reviewed and invitations will be sent following the Program Planning Committee's peer review and selection process.

**Contact Information:**

Name

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Mailing Address

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Email

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Institution Affiliation

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**Submit Proposal Form By:**

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