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Invitation to the
2011 Conference at Tulane University
New Orleans, Louisiana

The 41st Annual Meeting of the International Society for the Comparative Study of Civilizations will take place on June 2-4, 2011 at Tulane University, New Orleans. Against the backdrop of a revitalized New Orleans with the French Quarter, Pete Fountain’s, Preservation Hall, Brennan’s, the Levee, the Cathedral and all the other parts that make New Orleans a world class city, the Society will host an international conference on contemporary and past civilizations.

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Submit Research papers, Theory papers, Position papers, Abstracts, Book Reviews and other papers. See the Call for Papers Menu selection for Papers and Abstracts submittal information.

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Faculty, Non-Academic Professionals, Doctoral Students and others interested in the topic or field of comparative civilizations.

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See the Conference Info menu selection for details at the ISCSC website: www.wmich.edu/iscsc The Local Arrangements Chair is Professor W. Reed Smith (Tulane University).
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