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DURHAM, N.H. -- J. William Harris, professor of history at the University of New Hampshire, was a finalist for this year's Pulitzer Prize in History for his book "Deep Souths: Delta, Piedmont, and the Sea Island Society in the Age of Segregation."

"Deep Souths" tells the stories of three southern regions from Reconstruction to World War II. Though the regions initially all had economies based on slave plantation labor in 1860, their histories diverged sharply during the three generations after the Reconstruction.

Harris has been on the UNH faculty since 1985. His areas of teaching and research expertise are Southern, African-American and Civil War history. A graduate of Massachusetts Institute of Technology, Harris received his master's degree and Ph.D. in history from Johns Hopkins University.

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