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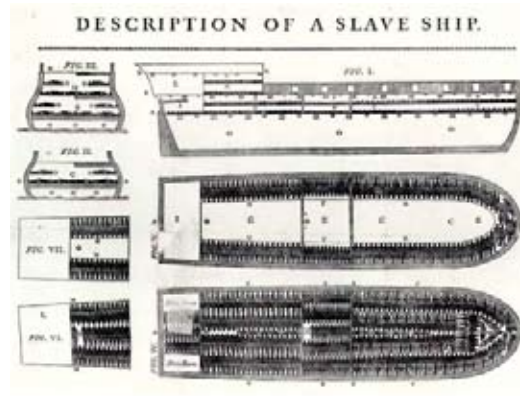
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Diabolical Calculations: The Infamous Image of the Slave Ship Brookes



Professor Rediker's lecture detailed the history of an 1877 print entitled "Plan and Sections of a Slave Ship."



Tufts Anthropology Dept. Chair Rosalind Shaw is author of *Memories of the Slave Trade*.



English Dept professors Carol Flynn (left) and Modhumita Roy (right) talk with Prof Patrick Manning (Northeastern), a leading authority on slavery and African life.



Prof Faith Smith (Brandeis) teaches slave narratives and contemporary literary texts about slavery.



Rediker spoke of the "horror" created by this image, and of its role in the abolition of the slave trade.



With the approach of the 200th anniversary of the abolition of the slave trade (2007), Rediker's graphic depiction of life on the slave ship Brookes gave students and faculty from English, Biology, Child Development, Peace & Justice, International Relations, Political Science and American Studies a unique opportunity to reflect on the nature and meaning of the slave trade and slavery itself.