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My research has focused on the history of eugenics, genetics, society, and justice in the United States and Latin America. Through these topics, I have explored the dynamics of gender, sexuality, race, ethnicity, disability, social difference, and reproductive politics. I believe that historical research and analysis can provide important coordinates for understanding and navigating contemporary dilemmas in health, especially with respect to racial inequalities and reproductive injustice.. My recent book, *Proud Boys and the White Ethnostate* (2019), applies the lenses of historical analysis, feminist studies, and critical race studies to deconstructing the core ideas of the alt-right and white nationalism.

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