

Our Stories Matter Discussion Series

# Pandemic Politics

## HOW HEALTH CRISES REVEAL INEQUALITIES

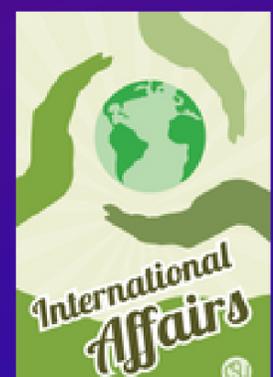


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4 PM ZOOM

Health is considered political when there is a debate on the cause of the problem, disagreement on who's responsible for addressing the issue, and when it affects people disproportionately. A better understanding of all of these dimensions requires (1) exploration of the link between health and stigma/blame/shame, and (2) shedding light on health disparities and the social determinants of health.

Dr. Katie Elder (Health Communication) and Dr. Andrea Grove (Political Science/Global Studies) discuss these issues in the cases of HIV/AIDS and Covid-19, both in the United States and globally. The discussion explores how elements of structural violence, such as racism and colonialism, underlie public health debates in the national and international contexts.



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