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His current research project examines the slow violence of the ongoing Nakba by looking at the legal history of goats and camels in Palestine. European Zionists who settled in Palestine in the early twentieth century and later became leaders of the Israeli state harbored attitudes similar to those of the British colonial administrators, who regarded the goats and camels in Palestine inferior to European livestock and blamed the animals for soil erosion, flooding, and desertification, all based on dubious scientific claims. The project excavates this forgotten legal history and tells the story of Palestinians, their goats, and their camels as they navigated the legal policies outlawing their presence.