“The Body” now appears in the titles of a wide array of books and courses, and you’ve read widely in this scholarship. Is the history of the body a new topic? Is it a new methodological approach? Is it a theory? What does the history of the body offer? Could it be thought of as a new way of conceptualizing questions already integral to the histories of gender, sexualities, women and health? Does it complicate, challenge or illuminate these fields and/or history at large? We are inviting you to think broadly about this topic.”

“You have been asked to write a brief essay entitled, “Sexual Revolution? What Sexual Revolution (and for Whom)?” Since this is a historical essay, it is expected to cover the entire twentieth century, Europe and North America.”

“Sexuality has always been subject to the surveillance and the state has long exerted control over the reproductive rights of its citizens. Outline when the state has been especially interested in reproduction, explain why and illustrate with reference to at least three national contexts. In your answer, be sure to identify the major scholarly works that have engaged with this history.”