By providing information about the roots of government and explaining why it is important, students understand how their participation influences policy reforms today. We live in a rapidly changing political landscape, in which both the identity of America and its role in the world are dramatically challenged and altered. By drawing on more than 250 years of the American political experience, American Government provides students with a historical context for understanding modern-day events and legislation. With an ability to make comparisons between past and present, students realize that some of the challenges we face in American politics today are not new—they are simply new to us. We explore issues the Framers could never have envisioned and how the basic institutions of governments have changed in response to these new demands.

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| Detailed information about important rulings by the Supreme Court | The section on POLITICAL REALITIES: HOW ARE CIVIL RIGHTS PROTECTED? in chapter 5 contains information in the following area:  
  - The section on THE EQUAL PROTECTION CLAUSE AND CONSTITUTIONAL STANDARDS OF REVIEW:  
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| New photos and updated figures, tables and maps throughout | These help users to think critically not only about political decisions in retrospect but also about pending government action. In addition, the new edition includes Revel interactives, quizzes, and dynamic content with Social Explorer technology; videos (4 types) and podcasts (for the 1st time). |

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| The section on FUNCTIONS OF AMERICAN GOVERNMENT contains information in the following areas:  
| The section on ESTABLISH JUSTICE includes the observation that after public protests at the death of George Floyd, cities, states, and Congress moved to pass laws to expand legal  
| The section on ENSURE DOMESTIC TRANQUILITY discusses that governments are designed to ensure our safety during both a pandemic and social protests  
| The section on SECURE THE BLESSINGS OF LIBERTY uses the example of the response to COVID-19 to discuss how regional differences makes building consensus on issues almost impossible.  
| The section on RACIAL AND ETHNIC COMPOSITION contains information in the following areas:  
| Discusses how many immigrants currently live in the U.S. and how President Trump made limiting immigration a key plank of his 2016 platform  
| Discusses how immigration has led to significant alterations in American racial and ethnic composition  
| Updated Figure 1.3 IMMIGRANT SHARE OF U.S. POPULATION NEARS HISTORIC HIGH  
| Updated Figure 1.4 HOW DOES POPULATION CORRELATE WITH REPRESENTATION?  
| Updated Figure 1.5 WHAT IS YOUR RELIGIOUS PREFERENCE: PROTESTANT, ROMAN CATHOLIC, JEWISH, ANOTHER RELIGION, OR NO RELIGION?  
| New section on POLITICAL REALITIES: HOW ARE THINGS, REALLY? Contains information in the following areas:  |
• Discusses the debate over the repeal of the Affordable Care Act and how important the issue has become during COVID-19 and the Trump Administration’s attempt to declare the ACA unconstitutional
• Describes how Americans believe that trust in each other has also declined
• Discusses the circumstances around Russian government participation in the 2016 election
A new narrative discusses the mobilization of people around The Women’s March, school shootings, the rollback of federal regulations and judicial appointments during the Trump administration

Updated Figure 1.6 DO AMERICANS HAVE CONFIDENCE IN AMERICAN INSTITUTIONS?

Chapter 2: THE CONSTITUTION

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Chapter 3: THE FEDERAL SYSTEM

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<td>• Discusses how advocates of progressive federalism view the relationship between the states and the national government as both coercive and cooperative.</td>
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<td>• The section on CATEGORICAL GRANTS discusses how the early Trump administration threatened to withhold federal allocations to cities unless they cooperated with federal immigration law enforcement officers</td>
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Updated Figure 3.6 WHAT ARE THE STATE AND LOCAL FISCAL CHALLENGES RELATED TO HEALTH CARE AND MEDICAID?

Chapter 4: CIVIL LIBERTIES

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<td>o Discusses how RFRA was used to challenge the constitutionality of the ACA’s provisions requiring employer-sponsored health plans to include coverage for contraceptives</td>
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The section on WHAT ARE THE FIRST AMENDMENT GUARANTEES OF FREEDOM OF SPEECH, PRESS, ASSEMBLY, AND PETITION? contains information in these areas:
• The section on PROTECTED SPEECH AND PRESS:
Discusses President Trump’s attempts in 2020 to ban two books that were critical of him
Explains how in 2018 the Supreme Court ruled that a Minnesota law that banned all political apparel at a polling site was unconstitutionally overbroad even though most states or localities banned any form of political expression

The section on WHAT DOES THE SECOND AMENDMENT PROTECT? discusses how contentious the scope of what should be protected by the Second Amendment is

Updated Figure 4.1 HOW STRONG ARE YOUR STATE’S GUN LAWS?
The section on WHAT ARE THE RIGHTS OF CRIMINAL DEFENDANTS? contains information in the following areas:
- Uses the police killing of George Floyd as an extended example of the use of warrantless searches
- The section on THE EIGHTH AMENDMENT AND CRUEL AND UNUSUAL PUNISHMENT describes how the Trump Administration brought back federal executions in the summer of 2020

The section on WHAT IS THE RIGHT TO PRIVACY? contains information in the following areas:
- The section on BIRTH CONTROL discusses how in 2020 the Supreme Court upheld the legality of President Trump’s regulations that narrowed the ACA mandate requiring employers to provide free contraceptives in their health plans
- The section on ABORTION includes an extended discussion that culminates in the 2020 Supreme Court decision to strike down a Louisiana abortion law, declaring it unconstitutional
- The section on LGB, QBI (LGBTQ) discusses the Trump administration’s reinstatement of the ban on transgender people in the military

NEW section on POLITICAL REALITIES: DEALING WITH COVID-19 AND RACIAL UNREST AND BEYOND discusses the following topics due to the pandemic:
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- THE SECOND AMENDMENT
- THE FOURTH AMENDMENT
- THE EIGHTH AMENDMENT

Chapter 5: CIVIL RIGHTS

The section on WHAT OTHER GROUPS HAVE MOBILIZED FOR RIGHTS? contains information in the following areas:
- The section on HISPANIC AMERICANS discusses how nearly all Hispanic groups are fighting immigration restrictions and policies:
  - Discusses how aid to Puerto Rico after Hurricane Maria and the 2020 earthquakes has been slowed by the Trump administration
  - Discusses the mobilization against the Trump administration’s policy of separating parents from their children at the U.S. border
- Discusses DACA and the Trump administration’s attempts to end it
- The section on AMERICAN INDIANS:
  - The effort to suppress American Indian voting in North Dakota in the 2018 midterms
  - Discusses the importance of the Supreme Court decision in McGirt v. Oklahoma, 2020
- The section on ASIAN AND PACIFIC ISLAND AMERICANS discusses the growth in discrimination after President Trump’s characterization of COVID-19 as the “Kung Flu”
- The section on LGB, QBI (LGBTQ) discusses the Trump administration’s reinstatement of the ban on transgender people in the military

The section on POLITICAL REALITIES: HOW ARE CIVIL RIGHTS PROTECTED? contains information in the following area:
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2. Discusses the potential ramifications of the upcoming Supreme Court case, *Students for Fair Admissions v. Harvard University*

### Chapter 6: CONGRESS

**Changes**

The section on WHAT ARE THE ROOTS AND STRUCTURE OF THE U.S. CONGRESS? discusses how 2018 saw notable upsets by women of color in the midterm election in the section on WHAT KIND OF FIRSTS IN CONGRESS HAVE HAPPENED RECENTLY?

The section on HOW DO MEMBERS OF CONGRESS REPRESENT THE AMERICAN PEOPLE? contains updates in the section on CONGRESSIONAL DEMOGRAPHICS:
- Discusses how Congress is better educated, richer, more male, and whiter than the general population
- Describes the new demographics of the 117th Congress after the 2020 elections

Updated Figure 6.1 HOW WELL DOES THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES REFLECT THE AMERICAN PEOPLE?

Updated section on HOW DO MEMBERS STAY IN CONGRESS? contains information in the following areas:
- Discusses how members spend a great deal of time raising money to finance their campaigns
- The section on INCUMBENCY discusses how incumbents usually win re-election
- The section on REDISTRICTING describes recent Supreme Court gerrymandering cases in Texas, North Carolina, and Maryland

Updated Figure 6.4A and B WHAT IS THE PARTISAN COMPOSITION OF THE 117TH CONGRESS?

Updated Table 6.5 WHAT WERE THE COMMITTEES OF THE 117TH CONGRESS?

The section on WHAT ARE THE POWERS OF CONGRESS? has been updated throughout to reflect changes made during the Trump administration. Highlights include:
- The Senate’s use of the nuclear option to force through the confirmations of Neil Gorsuch and Brett Kavanaugh to the Supreme Court
- President Trump’s use of congressional review to overturn Obama-era regulations (especially environmental)

**POLITICAL REALITIES: HOW IS INSTITUTIONAL POWER BALANCED?** includes discussions of how President Trump took on a major role in the policy process and mostly ignored Democrats, the Senate voted to confirm a record number of vacancies on the federal bench, and the low congressional approval rate in 2020.

Updated Figure 6.6 WHAT DO AMERICANS THINK ABOUT CONGRESS?

### Chapter 7: THE PRESIDENCY

**Changes**

The section on WHAT ARE THE CONSTITUTIONAL POWERS OF THE PRESIDENT? contains information in the following areas:
- The section on THE APPOINTMENT POWER discusses how President Trump appointed loyalists and had an historical personnel turnover rate
- The section on THE POWER TO MAKE TREATIES:
  - Discusses the Trump administration’s withdrawal from NAFTA and its creation of USMCA
  - Describes President Trump’s use of executive agreements to withdraw from the Joint Comprehensive Plan of Action, the Paris Agreement, and the World Health Organization (WHO)
- The section on THE VETO POWER discusses President Trump’s veto of two pieces of legislation designed to end the president’s declaration of an emergency at the southern border
- The section on THE POWER TO PRESIDE OVER THE MILITARY AS COMMANDER IN CHIEF describes how in 2020 both houses of Congress voted to implement the War Powers Resolution (also called the War Powers Act) to stop President Trump from using force against Iran
- The section on THE PARDONING POWER describes how President Trump used his pardoning power to free conservatives in high-profile cases and also commuted the sentences of those loyal to him
The section on **WHAT IS THE PRESIDENTIAL ESTABLISHMENT?** contains information in the following areas:

- The section on **THE VICE PRESIDENT** discusses the relationship between President Trump and Vice President Pence.
- The section on **THE CABINET** discusses how unusual President Trump’s choice of Cabinet heads is.
- The section on **PRESIDENTIAL SPOUSES** examines how Melania Trump’s actions differ from most of the other First Ladies.
- The section on **THE WHITE HOUSE STAFF** discusses how President Trump has had more turnover in White House staff and advisors than any president before him, and how he has immediate family working in the White House.

The section on **HOW DO PRESIDENTS LEAD?** discusses Donald Trump’s public outreach via his Twitter account and the high turnover rate for his press secretaries and communication staff in the section on **GOING PUBLIC**.

The section on **HOW DOES PUBLIC OPINION AFFECT PRESIDENTS?** notes that President Trump assumed the presidency with the lowest approval ratings ever for an incoming president; his ratings have never reached 50%.

The section on **POLITICAL REALITIES: WHAT IS THE PRESIDENT’S ROLE AS A POLICY MAKER?** contains information in the following areas:

- The section on **THE BUDGETARY PROCESS AND LEGISLATIVE IMPLEMENTATION** discusses how the Trump administration initially proposed legislation without budgets from the OMB, and how Congress was able to pass the tax cut plan proposed by President Trump.
- The section on **POLICY MAKING THROUGH EXECUTIVE ORDER**:
  - Explains that President Trump’s executive orders either overturned key Obama policy items or limited programs he did not favor.
  - Describes how President Trump’s signing statements have affected approximately 890 provisions of existing laws.

### Chapter 8: THE EXECUTIVE BRANCH AND THE FEDERAL BUREAUCRACY

**Changes**

- Updated Figure 8.1 PUBLIC OPINIONS ON FEDERAL AGENCIES
- Updated Figure 8.2 WHO WORKS IN THE FEDERAL EXECUTIVE BRANCH?

The section on **WHO ARE BUREAUCRATS?** includes a section on **PROFILING BUREAUCRATS** that:

- Describes demographic statistics of the current federal bureaucracy.
- Discusses the consequences of the Trump administration’s inability to fill key positions.
- Examines why the graying of the federal workforce is a growing concern.

- Updated Figure 8.4 WHO ARE FEDERAL WORKERS?

The section on **HOW DOES THE BUREAUCRACY WORK?** Uses Jeff Session’s decision to recuse himself from the Russian interference investigation as an example of how individual government employees often make decisions that shape policy in the section on **MAKING POLICY**.

The section on **POLITICAL REALITIES: HOW CAN THE BUREAUCRACY BE MADE ACCOUNTABLE?** contains information in the following areas:

- The section on **EXECUTIVE CONTROL**:
  - Discusses how presidents try to control the bureaucracy by appointing people who share their policy visions; that control can be thwarted if the Senate does not approve the presidential picks (uses Trump as an example).
  - Discusses how during the Trump administration, the Republican-controlled Senate was criticized for stalling the confirmation of sub-Cabinet positions while filling federal judgeships instead.
  - Includes a new analysis of President Trump’s Cabinet picks.

- The section on **CONGRESSIONAL CONTROL**:
  - Uses House and Senate committee investigations of Russia’s possible interference with the 2016 presidential election as an example of Congress’s ability to conduct oversight hearings.
  - Includes new discussions of the tension between the executive branch and Congress (William Barr, Lafayette Square, COVID-19).
  - Discusses Congress’s power of the purse.
Chapter 9: THE JUDICIARY

Changes

The section on THE JUDICIARY’S ACTS OF 1789 AND 1801 AND THE CREATION OF THE FEDERAL JUDICIAL SYSTEM includes a new discussion about the debate between Federalists and Anti-Federalists as the Federalist-dominated Sixth Congress passed the Judiciary Act of 1801.

Updated Figure 9.1 HOW IS THE AMERICAN JUDICIAL SYSTEM STRUCTURED?

Updated Table 9.1 WHO ARE THE JUSTICES OF THE SUPREME COURT

The section on WHO ARE THE FEDERAL JUDGES? includes a new discussion of how the Senate stalled President Obama’s Supreme Court nominee and then pushed through President Trump’s nominees.

Updated Figure 9.3 WHO ARE FEDERAL JUDGES?

The section on THE CONFIRMATION PROCESS discusses the confirmation hearings for Trump’s second Supreme Court nominee, Brett Kavanaugh.

The section on FACTORS INFLUENCING JUDICIAL DECISIONS includes new discussions in the section on PUBLIC OPINION about how the Supreme Court generally ignores public opinion when rendering decisions and how the public trusts the Court more than the other two branches of government.

Chapter 10: PUBLIC OPINION AND POLITICAL SOCIALIZATION

Changes

Figure 10.1 THE GREEN NEW DEAL

Updated Figure 10.2 HOW SUCCESSFUL HAS PRESIDENTIAL ELECTION POLLING BEEN?

New Table 10.1 AMERICAN TRENDS PANEL RECRUITMENT SURVEYS

Updated Figure 10.3 WHAT DOES A TRACKING POLL LOOK LIKE?

The updated section on SHORTCOMINGS OF POLLING includes new polling information for the 2020 elections in the section on MARGIN OF ERROR.

Updated Figure 10.4 WHAT ARE AMERICANS’ POLITICAL IDEOLOGIES?

Updated Figure 10.6 HOW DO DEMOGRAPHIC CHARACTERISTICS AFFECT PUBLIC OPINION?

The section on CUES FROM LEADERS OR OPINION MAKERS discusses President Trump’s and Dr. Fauci’s differing media responses to COVID-19.

POLITICAL REALITIES: WHAT ARE THE EFFECTS OF PUBLIC OPINION ON POLITICS? discusses the importance of polling in campaigns and public opinion using new polls on COVID-19 responses.

Chapter 11: POLITICAL PARTIES

Changes

Updated Table 11.1 WHAT DO PARTY PLATFORMS SAY?

New Figure 11.2 WHAT DOES REALIGNMENT LOOK LIKE?

The section on The National Party discusses the demographics of the delegates at the Democratic and Republican national conventions.

The section on WHAT ARE THE ACTIVITIES OF AMERICAN POLITICAL PARTIES?

- Includes an updated discussion of spending in the 2020 elections in the RAISING MONEY section.
- Discusses how the Democratic and Republican parties mobilized to get out the vote in the 2020 elections in the MOBILIZING SUPPORT AND GETTING OUT THE VOTE section.

Updated Figure 11.4 HOW MUCH MONEY DO PARTIES RAISE?

Updated Table 11.1. WHAT DO PARTY PLATFORMS SAY?

Updated Figure 11.5 HOW MUCH HAS PUBLIC TRUST IN GOVERNMENT DECLINED?

The updated section on GROUP IDENTITY provides new 2020 election information in the following sections:

- GEOGRAPHY
- RACE AND ETHNICITY

Updated Figures 11.6A-F HOW DOES “DEMOGRAPHIC” RELATE TO PARTY IDENTIFICATION?

New Figure 11.8 HOW POLARIZED ARE AMERICAN POLITICAL PARTIES?

Chapter 12: CAMPAIGNS, ELECTIONS, AND VOTING

Changes

New chapter opening discusses the outcome of the 2020 elections.

Updated Figure 12.1 HOW IS IT POSSIBLE TO WIN THE ELECTION BUT NOT THE POPULAR VOTE?
The section on CONGRESSIONAL ELECTIONS includes updated information about the incumbent losses in the 2020 elections in the section on WHY INCUMBENTS LOSE.

Updated Figure 12.2 WHAT ARE REELECTION RATES OVER THE YEARS?

Updated Table 12.1 HOW DOES THE PRESIDENT AFFECT CONGRESSIONAL ELECTIONS?

FIGURE 12.3 HOW DOES U.S. GENDER REPRESENTATION COMPARE?

Updated Figure 12.4 HOW IS A CAMPAIGN STAFF ORGANIZED?

The section on THE ROLE OF CONVENTIONS AND DEBATES
- Discusses how COVID-19 changed national conventions and how media framed the issues of both parties
- Discusses how presidential debates can further polarize partisan attitudes by reinforcing their existing beliefs

Updated Table 12.2 WHAT ARE THE CONTRIBUTION LIMITS FOR THE 2019–2020 FEDERAL ELECTIONS?

Updated section on SOURCES OF CAMPAIGN FUNDING details contributions by:
- POLITICAL PARTIES
- PERSONAL SAVINGS
- WHAT ROLE DO INDIVIDUAL DONORS PLAY IN CAMPAIGN FINANCING?
- POLITICAL COMMITTEES
- 501(C) GROUPS
- SUPER PACS

Updated Figure 12.5 HOW HAS CAMPAIGN FINANCING CHANGED OVER TIME?

Updated Figure 12.6 HOW DO SUPER PACS ALLOCATE THEIR CAMPAIGN CONTRIBUTIONS?

Updated section on WHAT ARE THE PATTERNS IN VOTER TURNOUT AND CHOICE?:
- PARTY IDENTIFICATION AND IDEOLOGY
- INCOME AND EDUCATION
- RACE AND ETHNICITY
- GENDER AND AGE
- CANDIDATE TRAITS AND ISSUES

Updated Figure 12.7 HOW HAS THE RACIAL AND ETHNIC COMPOSITION OF VOTERS CHANGED?

Updated Figure 12.8 WHEN DO STATES CHOOSE THEIR NOMINEE FOR PRESIDENT?

Updated section on IMPROVING VOTER ACCESS AND PARTICIPATION discusses how in 2020 professional arenas were used as voting centers and people took advantage of early voting and mail-in voting in the section on VOTING.

Updated Table 12.3 HOW DO STATES REGULATE VOTER ELIGIBILITY?

Updated Table 12.4 WHAT BALLOTS DO STATES USE?

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Chapter 13: THE NEWS MEDIA

Changes

The section on WHAT ARE THE ROOTS OF THE NEWS MEDIA IN THE UNITED STATES? Contains information in the following areas:
- Discussion on mass media includes the concept digital-native
- Discussion on the decline of newspapers and especially local newspapers
- The section on TV NEWS discusses how the commercial broadcast networks have maintained stable audiences and which cable news programs are the most popular
- The section on DIGITAL MEDIA has been updated to reflect the 2020 elections
- The section on SOCIAL MEDIA discusses how social media sites are changing both the media and politics, including an expanded section on Twitter

Updated Figure 13.1 WHERE DO AMERICANS GET THEIR POLITICAL NEWS?

Updated Figure 13.2 HOW IS NEWS CONSUMPTION CHANGING?

The section on HOW DO THE NEWS MEDIA COVER POLITICS? includes an updated section on COVERING THE SUPREME COURT

New Figure 13.3 HOW DOES PARTISANSHIP RELATE TO PUBLIC CONFIDENCE IN THE MEDIA?

The section on AMERICAN POLITICS IN COMPARATIVE PERSPECTIVE:
- Includes a new discussion on net neutrality
- Discusses how technology companies should be regulated and how they themselves should flag content on social media sites

Updated Figure 13.4 IS THERE A MAXIMUM AMOUNT THAT A POLITICAL PARTY IS PERMITTED TO SPEND ON PAID ADVERTISING DURING A CAMPAIGN PERIOD?
Updated Figure 13.5 WHAT ARE THE CRITERIA FOR ALLOCATING FREE BROADCAST TIME AND/OR FREE PRINTED ADVERTISEMENT SPACE TO POLITICAL PARTIES?

Updated Figure 13.6 ARE TELEVISION DEBATES BETWEEN CANDIDATES OR PARTY REPRESENTATIVES NORMALLY CONDUCTED?

The section on POLITICAL REALITIES: CURRENT NEWS MEDIA TRENDS contains information in the following areas:
- The section on CORPORATE OWNERSHIP AND MEDIA CONSOLIDATION discusses how the top six media chains account for more than 90 percent of news media content
- The section on INFOTAINMENT describes how Donald Trump and Joe Biden appeared on late night and daytime talk shows before the 2020 election

Updated Figure 13.7 WHERE DO NEWS AUDIENCES FIT ON THE POLITICAL SPECTRUM?

Chapter 14: INTEREST GROUPS

Changes

New chapter opening describes the efforts by women members of Congress to display a monument representing Elizabeth Cady Stanton, Susan B. Anthony, and Lucretia Mott in the Capitol

The section on WHAT ARE THE ROOTS OF AMERICAN INTEREST GROUPS? includes a new introduction about James Madison and Federalist No. 10

Updated Figure 14.1 WHERE IS UNION MEMBERSHIP HIGHEST?

The section on WHY DO INTEREST GROUPS FORM? discusses how social media has made it easier for people to organize rallies online

The section on WHAT TYPES OF INTEREST GROUPS EXIST? discusses the long-term consequences of Citizens United v. FEC (2010)

Updated Figure 14.2 HOW MANY LOBBYISTS ARE THERE? HOW MUCH DO THEY SPEND?
Updated Figure 14.3 HOW MUCH MONEY DO TOP PACS SPEND ON NATIONAL ELECTIONS?

Chapter 15: SOCIAL AND ECONOMIC POLICY

Changes

Chapter opening discusses the ACA and the case before the Supreme Court

The section on WHAT IS THE U.S. FISCAL POLICY? includes:
- The section on THE FOUNDATIONS OF FISCAL POLICY includes a discussion of the Tax Cuts and Jobs Act
- The section on THE NATIONAL DEFICIT AND DEBT discusses economic growth in the Obama and Trump administrations and the effects of COVID-19 on the economy

Updated Figure 15.2 HOW DOES THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT RAISE AND SPEND MONEY?

The section on WHAT IS THE U.S. MONETARY POLICY? includes a discussion of the FED’s strategy due to economic disruptions by the COVID-19 epidemic in the section on THE TOOLS OF MONETARY POLICY

The section on WHAT IS THE U.S. HEALTH POLICY? includes:
- An extended update in the section on THE AFFORDABLE CARE ACT
- A discussion about how the 2020 COVID-19 pandemic exposed the frequently not-well-coordinated roles of federal and state governments in the section on PUBLIC HEALTH

The section on WHAT IS THE U.S. SOCIAL WELFARE POLICY? contains information in the following areas:
- The section on SOCIAL WELFARE PROGRAMS TODAY provides updated statistics on current poverty levels
- The section on OLD AGE, SURVIVORS, AND DISABILITY INSURANCE discusses the consequences of the Baby Boomers retiring on Social Security
- The section on UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE provides data on current unemployment rates and the rising numbers because of COVID-19
- There are updates on TANF and SNAP usage

Chapter 16: FOREIGN AND DEFENSE POLICY

Changes

The section on SEPTEMBER 11, 2001 AND THE WAR ON TERROR updates the discussion of Isis

The section on HOW DOES THE UNITED STATES MAKE FOREIGN AND DEFENSE POLICY DECISIONS? updates the following sections with information about the Trump administration and post 2020 election results:
- THE EXECUTIVE BRANCH
- CONGRESS

**Updated Figure 16.1 HOW HAS DEFENSE SPENDING CHANGED OVER TIME?**

The section on **WHAT ARE THE CONTEMPORARY CHALLENGES IN FOREIGN AND DEFENSE POLICY?** updates the following sections with information about the Trump administration:
- TRADE
- GLOBAL CLIMATE CHANGE

**Updated Table 16.1 AMERICAN POLITICS IN COMPARATIVE PERSPECTIVE**

**Updated Table 16.2 WHAT ARE THE MAJOR MARKETS FOR U.S. EXPORTS?**

The section on **POLITICAL REALITIES: A GLOBAL SYSTEM IN FLUX** updates the following sections with information about the Trump administration and the consequences of COVID-19:
- CHINA
- RUSSIA
- EUROPE