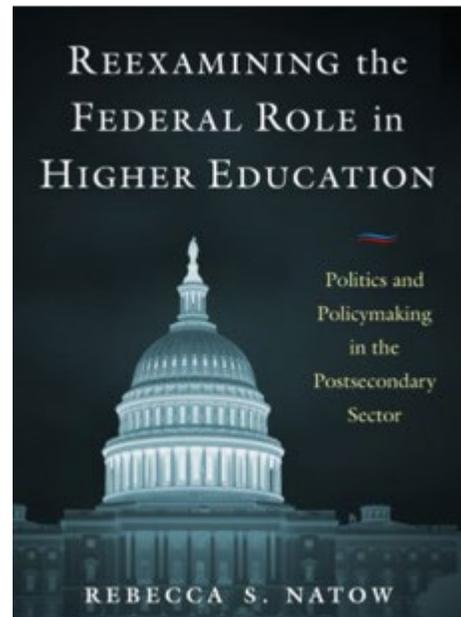


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Congress and Higher Education

- Legislation
 - Examples of Higher Ed Legislation:
 - Higher Education Act/Reauthorizations
 - Civil Rights Act
 - Title IX
 - Americans with Disabilities Act
 - “Power of the Purse”
- Oversight
- Senate: Confirmation of federal judges and many executive-branch officials
- Congressional “Bully Pulpit”



The President and Higher Education

- Executive Action
 - Unilateral
 - Via Executive Agencies
- Legislation (sign or veto)
- Appointments
- Presidential “Bully Pulpit”
- Executive Office of the Presidency (OMB, Domestic Policy Council, etc.)



Federal Judiciary and Higher Education

- Article III Judges: Lifetime tenure after appointment by President (with Senate approval)
- Power of Judicial Review
- Effectively has the last word on the validity of a law
- Examples of higher education policy issues decided by federal courts:
 - Race-conscious college admissions
 - Desegregation
 - Immigration/Admin Procedures



