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Preface

e are delighted that many undergraduate and graduate instructors and students have found our book useful for teaching and learning the fascinating field of consumer behavior. We appreciate their sentiments that our book does the best job of integrating consumer behavior into the marketing curriculum. Since the objective of the book is to give students the knowledge and skills necessary to perform useful consumer analyses in developing effective marketing strategies, we are encouraged that the book is accomplishing its objective.

The eighth edition of *Consumer Behavior and Marketing Strategy* continues to reflect our belief that the Wheel of Consumer Analysis is a powerful tool not only for organizing consumer behavior knowledge but also for understanding consumers and for guiding the development of successful marketing strategies. In fact, it has been used by marketing consultants and practitioners to do so. The four major parts of the Wheel of Consumer Analysis are consumer affect and cognition, consumer behavior,

consumer environment, and marketing strategy. Each of these components

is the topic of one of the four major sections of this book.

After Section One, which provides an overview of the model, Section Two discusses affect and cognition, which refers to how consumers think and feel about various things, such as products and brands. Section Three discusses consumer behavior, which refers to the physical actions of consumers, such as purchasing products and brands. Section Four discusses the consumer environment, which is everything external to consumers that influences how they think, feel, and act, such as advertisements or price information. Section Five discusses marketing strategies by which marketing stimuli, such as products, packages, advertisements, sales promotions, stores, Web sites, and price information, are placed in consumer environments to influence consumers'

affect, cognition and behavior.

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This book contains a variety of pedagogical aids to enhance student learning and facilitate the application of consumer behavior concepts to marketing practice:

Introductory scenarios. Each chapter begins with an interesting example that
discusses a real-world situation involving some aspect of consumer behavior. Then
each chapter ends with a "Back To . . ." section that summarizes how the chapter
material relates to the opening example. This clearly shows students how the chapter concepts are relevant to marketing strategy decisions. This feature has been

- very successful in generating student interest and increasing understanding of the chapter material.
- Examples. Reviewers have applieded the inclusion of many examples of marketing strategies used by actual companies. These examples demonstrate how marketers use consumer behavior concepts. Also, they increase student interest in the material.
- Highlights. Each chapter contains longer examples called Highlights that show
 the relevance of consumer behavior concepts and give students real-life examples
 of marketing strategies. All Highlights are referenced in the text but are selfcontained for individual study.
- Key terms and concepts. We include a list of key terms and concepts and the
 page on which they are discussed at the end of each chapter to facilitate study
 of the material. These terms and concepts are also boldfaced within the chapter
 text.
- Marketing Strategy in Action. Each chapter concludes with a case that focuses
 on consumer analysis issues facing real companies. These short cases help to integrate consumer behavior information into the marketing strategy development
 process. The discussion questions accompanying the cases can be used for written
 assignments or to stimulate in-class discussion.
- Review and discussion questions. Each chapter contains a series of review and
 discussion questions that emphasize the understanding and application of chapter
 material to strategic marketing issues. These can be used for written assignments,
 in-class discussions, essay exam questions, or student self-study.
- Notes. Notes for the most current and useful references and additional sources of
 information are provided at the end of the book. These sources illustrate and expand on topics in each chapter of the text.
- Glossary. The text contains a glossary of key consumer behavior terms. Many of these definitions were previously prepared by the authors for the American Marketing Association's Dictionary of Marketing Terms.

Many of the introductory scenarios, Marketing Strategy in Action cases, and Highlight examples are new to this edition or are updated as appropriate. While the previous ones were praised by instructors and students for the insights they provided, the new features are intended to better capture consumer behavior and marketing strategy issues in today's global economy.

Instructional Aids

The text package contains five instructional aids.

- Instructor's Manual. This manual is widely recognized as one of the best ever developed for any marketing or consumer behavior text. It contains a variety of useful information and suggestions for teaching each chapter in the text as well as examples not included in the text. It includes mini-lectures, projects, in-class exercises, notes for the Marketing Strategy in Action cases, and notes for the discussion questions. It is an excellent resource for increasing student interest in and learning of consumer behavior.
- Videos. The instructional package contains 8 video segments on various companies that can be used in class to involve students in important consumer behavior and marketing strategy issues. Segments average 15 minutes in length, and several of them involve Marketing Strategy in Action case companies.

- Manual of Tests. The revised Manual of Tests consists of over 1000 multiplechoice, true/false and essay questions. Answers, page references, and degree of difficulty for the questions are included. The Manual of Tests has been thoroughly reviewed to ensure a reliable, high-quality test item set.
- PowerPoint Presentation. PowerPoint presentation slides of exhibits from the text and from other sources enhance lectures and discussions.
- Instructor's Resource CD-ROM. The CD-ROM includes Ez Test, which offers
 instructors the option to construct a computer-generated test from the questions
 in the Manual of Tests.

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