

Sabbatical Proposal
for
Peter H. Sezzi

Introduction.

In academic librarianship there are sometimes conflicts between the preservation of and access to information. For my sabbatical proposal I plan to undertake the following two independent projects that address these conflicts. The two main areas that I propose to address during my sabbatical shall be the following:

- Preservation of Information / Student Access: Learn the art and skills of bookbinding so that way the Ventura College Library can continue to care for its reading materials in-house, rather than returning to the shipping out of our library materials to costly commercial bookbinding vendors.
- Access to Information / Student Success: Develop an index to 25+ periodicals as a mechanism to help Ventura College students in the selection of appropriate topics for research papers, speeches and classroom projects.

In the current contract language, my sabbatical proposal fulfills the requirements of Article 8.6.C.(5). "Other experiences as approved by the Board." My proposal will be of service to the students of Ventura College, the District, and to me individually. I will now discuss the "preservation of information" aspect before moving on to the "access to information" part of my proposal.

Part One. Preservation of Information.

Did you know that VC has the *only* in-house book-binding operation in a California community college? Since January 2005, Ventura College has had both a bindery and the services of a professional volunteer master bookbinder. Ventura College is the only community college library in California (and perhaps even the nation!) that has a full-fledged bookbindery and bookbinder. Unfortunately, the binding of library materials is expensive. Having had our own bindery and binder for the past nine years has allowed us to bind significantly more materials than if we sent out our materials to a commercial vendor. The materials that the VC Library bindery has preserved for continued student use range from reserve textbooks to reference materials to circulating materials in the main stacks. The bindery even did a special "rush" binding project for our benefactor, Dr. Howard Boroughs. The prospects of our being able to continue to bind our library materials in-house are in jeopardy, however. Before addressing why the continued success of our Library is at a critical juncture, let's discuss this program's history at VC.

In August 2004, John Bylo approached the Ventura College Library with an interesting offer. He was preparing to retire from his civilian contractor position at the Naval Base Ventura County and he wished to give back to his community. Mr. Bylo wanted to share his book binding expertise. This fit perfectly with our move into the new Library. Mr. Bylo's timing was perfect, as we had an extra office available. After some discussion at Library Executive Committee, we agreed to allow Mr. Bylo to volunteer his services to the VC Library. Mr. Bylo was also willing to look for grants-in-aid in order to support his volunteer project. Shortly after the start of the Fall 2004 semester, Mr. Bylo secured a

donation in excess of \$12,000 for the purchase of bookbinding equipment, tools and supplies (see Appendix A)¹.

The financial donation ensured that Mr. Bylo had the materials needed to be an effective bookbinding volunteer. The combination of his time, our space and the grant monies created a fully operational bookbindery. Prior to the establishment of the Ventura College Library Bookbindery, the Ventura College Library had historically sent out that materials that we wished to bind to private bookbinding companies. The cost averaged out to \$500 a year. Those funds would only cover the cost of binding about three items: the VCCCD Board Minutes, the *Ventura County Historical Society Quarterly* and the *National Geographic* magazine. With Mr. Bylo's volunteering and fundraising, we were able to turn a few items professionally bound each year into many, many books cataloged each year; there are now hundreds of books available in the Ventura College Library that otherwise would not be present for student use

With the recent passing of John Bylo this past June, the Ventura College Library finds itself for the first time in almost nine years without the services of a bookbinder. We still have a room (LRC-213) full of all the equipment, tools and supplies necessary for the binding of library materials. All we lack now is someone knowledgeable in the arts and skills of bookbinding. My sabbatical proposal addresses this now missing element in the Library.

The Ventura College Library is in a unique position. Unlike any other community college library we already have all the equipment necessary for professional bookbinding in our library. We also have a cache of supplies (buckram, "B" cloth, paste, Beeswax, etc.). The only thing that we are lacking is someone to put these supplies and equipment to good use. Thankfully, a solution is at hand. The San Francisco Center for the Book (SFCB) offers a certificate program in hand bookbinding. I propose to take (as a minimum) the three "core" bookbinding certificate courses at the SFCB during my sabbatical. The course descriptions and a sample of what they cover can be found as Appendix B. While there are other schools more prestigious than the SFCB, the curriculum offered by the SFCB covers just the topics that I need to know in order to become the next bookbinding expert at Ventura College. Upon completion I would pick up where Mr. Bylo left off—binding Ventura College Library materials that would otherwise likely be discarded. I would request from my Dean no more than 5 hours a week (out of my 35 hour workweek) to devote to the binding of VC Library materials. In addition to the certificate courses, the SFCB also offers intensive week-long bookbinding seminars each summer. If awarded this sabbatical, I would commit to ongoing professional development by taking additional relevant SFCB courses. I would gladly agree to share whatever I have learned about the art and trade of bookbinding with any other VC faculty or staff who would wish to become VC Library bookbinding volunteers. Lastly, as time and resources

¹ Mr. Bylo's grant was not funded by the organization from he requested support but was rather funded in total by an individual board member on that charitable foundation. All of the equipment (and even more than John himself brought in from his home over the years) is still in LRC-213. A proper inventory of the supplies still present in LRC-213 will be one of the first tasks I undertake.

permit, I would agree to help with any special bookbinding projects for the Moorpark and Oxnard College libraries.

Clearly, my sabbatical will directly aid and support student learning by preserving library materials. As noted, using a commercial bookbinding vendor, \$500 is only enough for the VC Library to bind about 3-4 titles per year. That same amount spent on bookbinding materials and supplies will allow the VC Library to bind many, many more materials, perhaps in excess of 100 titles per year. Lastly, I would focus on binding those items most central to student learning.

In summary, the bookbinding part of my sabbatical proposal will directly benefit the following VCCCD populations:

- VC Students: The VC Library will be able to continue to bind materials in-house, which allows us to bind more materials than if we used commercial vendors, thus providing access to more materials for student use for papers, speeches, projects, etc.
- The Faculty Member: I will benefit by increasing my breadth and depth of library experience.
- The Institution: By learning the skills necessary to be a bookbinder, Ventura College will continue to be the only school in California (and perhaps the country) that has an in-house functional bookbindery.
- Fellow Faculty/Staff: Informally, I have learned that other faculty and staff are interested in learning bookbinding skills. I will gladly offer professional development opportunities for faculty/staff who are interested in learning bookbinding and becoming VC Library Bookbindery volunteers – thus making the VC Library Bookbindery sustainable. I would also offer a Flex Day activity covering what I had learned.
- The District: I will aid the Moorpark and Oxnard College Libraries in any way that I can with their special bookbinding projects.

In summary, I will:

- Take a full and complete inventory of the equipment, tools and supplies present in the VC Library Bookbindery (LRC-213).
- Register for and complete the required “core” of three/four classes at the San Francisco Center for the Book (SFCB).
- Take additional courses at the SFCB that are offered during the time of my sabbatical.
- Engage in the preservation of library materials and, as time and resources permit, train volunteers from the campus community in the art and skills of library bookbinding.

Part Two. Access to Information.

I have found that students often have great difficulty (and waste too much time!) in picking an appropriate topic for their speech, paper or classroom project. While we now have access to a plethora of library databases (well over 60!), it can be daunting for students—and, yes, sometimes even librarians—help a student pick or narrow an appropriate topic. We have met the problem and it is us; we in the library are not alleviating but rather exacerbating information overload!

As of mid-Oct 2013, the VC Library subscribes to 186 print periodicals and has access to 56,524 periodicals in over 60 subscription databases. This translates into millions of articles. This is simply a mind-boggling concept for faculty and also a frustrating one for our students. Rather than limit our access to periodical literature, I have a novel solution: the creation of an index to aid students in navigating this sea of periodical literature.

I propose to develop an index to the cover stories of a select grouping of periodicals. I will index the 26 periodical sources listed in Figure 1 by analyzing what each of the identified publications had as the main story for each issue for the past 18 years. I was conscious and intentional in my selection of sources to index. I have selected periodicals of varying political, discipline, and country-of-origin. The choice of which periodicals to index was deliberate – there are a mix of topics/disciplines (e.g., current events, physical sciences, politics, social issues, social sciences) and perspective/orientation/bias/slant (e.g., libertarian, liberal, centrist, conservative), as well as at least a smattering of regional perspectives (e.g., U.S.A, British, Canadian) . Lastly, a few scholarly journals were included. The index is primarily to magazines—and mostly to magazines that have pictorial or graphic covers, at that. This was a deliberate choice. I was also deliberate in determining to index *only* the cover stories, as these articles are usually the longest, most researched and carefully written pieces. I will topically compile these cover stories into a logical, subject-analyzed fashion using Library of Congress Subject Headings (LCSH).² In total, I will index roughly 12,600 cover stories. While this is a huge task, it is something that I can reasonably expect to cover in the time allotted to this project as I will only be indexing the cover stories of the 26 periodicals.³

The intention is that this index will aid in the *selection* or narrowing of a topic, not in the *completion* of a student's research on a given topic. In addition to helping students, the creation of this index will be a benefit to all teachers at Ventura College as most teachers here have encountered students who have difficulty in picking appropriate topics. Given the nature of the periodicals selected for indexing, I see this index being particularly useful to the following disciplines: Anthropology, Biology, Communication Studies,

² The use of LCSH will allow for the arrangement of like topics both within the index as well as facilitating ease of student identification of where reputable sources on a topic can be found outside of the index as well, for the library catalog and some proprietary library databases use this same controlled vocabulary as their indexing schema.

³ I will not comprehensively index every article found in every source—we have databases that already do that. Also, I propose to index retrospectively the last 10 years of each periodical source and then moving on to the next periodical title before I index any issues from 1995-2008 of any title to be included in the indexed.

Criminal Justice, English, Health Education, Political Science, Psychology, Sociology. Once created, the index may also be found to be helpful to students at our sister colleges.

Lastly, the library is my wife. The Senate has been my mistress. I want to come back to my true love. I see great benefit to me as an individual faculty member in undertaking the development of this index. Thus far in my career, I have written one book⁴, one finding guide⁵ and many professional/trade book reviews⁶. It has been over seven years—too many years—since I've written anything for my discipline. I look forward to creating this index as a means of reaffirming my commitment to my discipline and as a way to give back to my profession that has given so much to me.

In summary, the cover story index development part of my sabbatical proposal will directly benefit the following VCCCD populations:

- VC Students: The development of this index will aid students in the selection of appropriate topics for their research papers, classroom projects and speeches.
- The Faculty Member: I will benefit by once again getting to create something in service to my discipline via professional growth.
- The Institution: The creation of this index will bring some modicum of renown to Ventura College.
- Fellow Faculty/Staff: The creation of this index will help other librarians as well as classroom faculty in aiding students in the selection of appropriate topics for research papers, classroom projects and speeches.
- The District: I will gladly and freely share the product created with the Moorpark and Oxnard College Libraries.

What follows below is how I plan to do to create the index should I be awarded a sabbatical. In summary, I will:

- Begin the indexing alphabetically by periodical title, working in reverse chronological order starting with the most recent edition of a single periodical title (e.g., *American Spectator*), working my way backwards 10 years before moving onto the next title alphabetically (e.g., *Bloomberg Businessweek*). If time exists at the completion of the indexing of the titles listed above, I will continue indexing all the periodical titles going back to 1995.
- Use Library of Congress Subject Headings (LCSH) and include *See* and *See Also* for the subject access with multiple subject access points, when appropriate.⁷

⁴ Sezzi, Peter H. *Personal Versus Private: Presidential Records in a Legislative Context, a Bibliographic Exploration*. Lanham, MD: Scarecrow Press, 2005.

⁵ Sezzi, Peter H. *The Channel Islands collection at Oxnard Public Library (Main Branch)*. [Oxnard, CA: Oxnard Public Library], 2002.

⁶ For example, I have written several librarian-orientated book reviews for *Reference & User Services Quarterly* and *Choice*, but nothing since 2006.

⁷ LCSH will allow for quick transition from finding an entry-point article on a topic to finding more sources (books, reference book articles, additional periodical literature) on the same topic.

- Develop this index in a searchable database form that can also be exported into an easy to consult print product for student use.
- Make this sabbatical project sustainable by making it a database-native product, which will mean that this will be easy to maintain and keep up-to-date.

Conclusion.

As a community college faculty member I am equally concerned with the issues of student access and success, while as a librarian I am keenly aware of the twin problems present in my discipline of preservation of and access to information. In its own unique way, my sabbatical proposal knits together these competing, yet complementary, threads. As a faculty member now in my ninth year at Ventura College, I look forward to continuing to serve the students of the Ventura County Community College District for many years to come, and my sincere hope is that I can serve them better by learning how to better preserve the information that we have while also creating a source that will aid our students in their access to information, two separate and distinct projects that I earnestly hope will lead to greater student access and success.

Figure 1. Periodical Title Information.

What follows below are a list of the periodicals whose cover stories I will index for my sabbatical proposal.⁸ Included in the "Periodical Title Information" figure I have also included information about current VC Library database coverage and frequency of publication for these sources:

NOTE: For VC Library database holdings, ASP = EBSCO's Academic Search Premier, PQ=ProQuest databases, JSTOR = JSTOR databases.

Title	ISBN	Database Holdings	Publication Frequency
<u>American Spectator</u>	[0148-8414]	1990-present ASP 1993-present PQ	{ 10 iss. per annum}
<i>Business Week</i>	[0007-7135] ⁹	1996-2010 ASP	
<i>Bloomberg Businessweek</i>		2010-present ASP	{ 50 iss. per annum}
<u>CO Researcher</u>	[1056-2036]	1991-present CQR	{ 66 iss. per annum}
<u>Congressional Digest</u>	[0010-5899]	1921-present ASP	{ 10 iss. per annum}
<u>Discover</u>	[0274-7529]	1992-2000 PQ 2001-present ASP	{ 12 iss. per annum}
<u>Economist</u>	[0013-0613]	1988-present PQ	{ 50 iss. per annum}
<u>Law & Contemporary Problems</u>	[0023-9186]	1996-present online	{ 4 iss. per annum}
<i>Life</i>	[0024-3019]	1993-2000 ASP	Ceased publication ¹⁰
<i>Ms.</i>	[0047-8318]	1988-present PQ	{ 3-4 iss. per annum}
<u>Maclean's</u>	[0024-9262]	1991-present ASP 1992-present PQ	{ 52 iss. per annum}
<u>Mother Jones</u>	[0362-8841]	1990-present ASP 2001-present PQ	{ 6 iss. per annum}
<u>Nation</u>	[0027-8378]	1975-present ¹¹ ASP 1988-2005 PQ	{ 47 iss. per annum}

⁸ The genesis the idea for this project originates from a work entitled *The Cover Story Index (TCSI)*. This publication was published in two editions, one in 1991 and another in 1995. Twelve of the sources that I propose to index for this project are the 12 sources indexed in the first and second editions of *TCSI*. I plan to pick up where the indexing of *TCSI* left off in 1995 and continue it through to the present day and then to continue to update this source on a regular basis in the future. *TCSI* indexed some sources (see Appendix E for greater detail) going back to 1960. My reason for going back and indexing back to 1995 is to maintain continuous coverage to the publications indexed in the prior two editions of *TCSI*. However, as you can see by the chart in Appendix D, the scope and coverage of this index will be much more appropriate for community college students than the original *TCSI* which was developed by and for the school and public library market. Periodical titles underlined are sources not indexed in prior editions of *The Covert Story Index*. Periodical titles in **bold** are ones to which the VC Library has a current print subscription. For VC Library print backfiles holdings of the titles listed above, see Appendix A.

⁹ In 2010 *Business Week* was renamed *Bloomberg BusinessWeek*. There is also available in PQ from 1995-present a publication entitled *Business Week* (Industrial ed.) [0739-8395] but upon review, this is not the edition commonly used/available in libraries and I will not index this version.

¹⁰ *Life* published 12 issues per annum until the periodical ceased publication in May 2000. Since it has ceased publication, it has occasionally published

¹¹ 1 month embargo

Title	ISBN	Database Holdings	Publication Frequency
<i>National Geographic</i>	[0027-9358]	1995-present ¹² ASP 2001-present ¹³ PQ	{12 iss. per annum}
<u><i>Nature</i></u>	[0028-0836]	1997-present ¹⁴ 1990-present ¹⁵	{50 iss. per annum}
<i>Newsweek</i>	[0163-7061]	1998-2012 ASP	Ceased publication ¹⁶
<i>Omni</i>	[0149-8711]	1988-1995 PQ 1990-1995 ASP	Ceased publication ¹⁷
<i>Psychology Today</i>	[0033-3107]	1992-present ASP 1988-present PQ	{6 iss. per annum}
<u><i>Reason</i></u>	[0048-6906]	1991-present PQ 1994-present ASP	{11 iss. per annum}
<u><i>Science</i></u>	[0036-8075]	1997-2004 ASP 1880-1922 JSTOR 1988-2005 PQ	{50 iss. per annum}
<u><i>Smithsonian</i></u>	[0037-7333]	1990-present ASP 1996-present PQ	{11 iss. per annum}
<i>Time</i>	[0040-781X]	1923-present ASP 1992-present ¹⁸ PQ	{52 iss. per annum}
<i>U.S. News and World Report</i>	[0041-5537]	1990-2010 ASP 2010-present PQ	{12 iss. per annum}
<i>USA Today (Magazine)</i>	[0161-7389]	1988-present PQ 1992-present ASP	{12 iss. per annum}
<u><i>The Week</i></u>	[1533-8304]		{48 iss. per annum}
<u><i>Weekly Standard</i></u>	[1083-3013]	2001-present PQ	{49 iss. per annum}
<u><i>Z Magazine</i></u>	[1056-5507]	1995-present ¹⁹ available <u>online</u>	{12 iss. p./a.}

¹² 3 month embargo

¹³ 3 month embargo

¹⁴ 1 year embargo

¹⁵ 1 year embargo

¹⁶ *Newsweek* published 51 issues per annum until the periodical ceased publication in Dec. 2012.

¹⁷ *Omni* published between 5-10 issues per annum until the periodical ceased publication in 1995.

¹⁸ 3 month embargo

¹⁹ 6 month embargo

Appendices

Appendix A. Original Grant Proposal for the VC Library Bookbinding.

September 27, 2004

Mr. Thomas Finney, President
The TAJ Charitable Foundation
3990 Brown St.
Oceanside, CA, 92056

Dear Mr. Finney,

Situated halfway between Los Angeles and Santa Barbara, Ventura College is one of the oldest community colleges in Southern California. Indeed, we are the oldest community college in Ventura County. Ventura College, or VC for short, was founded in 1925 and we will be opening a state-of-the-art Library and Learning Resource Center structure in January 2005. This new structure will serve the 12,500 students who attend the college for associate degrees, vocational training, adult education and preparation for transfer to a four-year university. The Library is the heart of the college, supporting the research and instructional needs of students and faculty who represent four-four (44) programs of study. Additionally, as one of only two (2) academic libraries open to the public in Ventura County, the VC Library fulfills a special need to the residents of Ventura County.

Purpose of the Proposed Grant

Ventura College seeks to establish a permanent Reading Materials Conservation Center (RMCC) in the Ventura College Library for the maintenance and development of the library's circulating and reference book collection without an increase in budgetary outlay. The facility will be operated by a trained volunteer bookbinder who has agreed to donate his time and experience to the library. The volunteer has also agreed to train any staff interested in learning how to bind books. The significant benefit to Ventura College of a fully equipped RMCC will be the retention and addition of valuable library resources that would otherwise be discarded due to their condition or the fact that they are in a paperback format. Through the use of trained volunteers and library personnel, robust options for library growth will replace tentative budgetary maintenance trade-offs. The material return to the school will yield approximately three and one half times greater the number of volumes bound than the amount currently contracted for from commercial services for the same budgetary expenditure.

Grant Funds Requested

The total amount of money requested to create the RMCC is \$12,988.78 (please see attached budget and business plan). Grant monies will be spent on the bookbinding equipment and startup supplies needed to institute the Center, with the on-going operational costs being provided by the College. In order to ensure an appropriate tax benefit, monies should be

donated to the Ventura College Foundation (VCF). An account for the bindery will be set up at the VCF.

Business Plan

- The RMCC facility will belong to Ventura College.
- The Department Chair of the Library Faculty will manage the center.
- The RMCC will be staffed by a trained volunteer binder who will conserve library materials as identified by librarians. The volunteer will be responsible for operations within the center.
- The library will provide a modest budget for bindery materials.
- The RMCC bindery person will work between 16 and 24 hours per week.

Thank you for considering our request to create a Reading Materials Conservation Center that will enable the Ventura College Library to better serve its students, faculty and community members.

Sincerely,

Dr. Diane Moore
Dean of Liberal Arts and Learning Resources

Reading Materials Conservation Center Budget

The following is a representative list necessary equipment, tools, and supplies.

<u>Equipment</u>	<u>Cost</u>
Shear	600.00
Press	750.00
Nipper Press	295.00
Work Tables (3ea)	915.50
Job Backer	1,195.00
Freight (above equip)	611.28
Paper Storage	150.00
Sewing Frame 18"	225.00
Finishing Press	120.00
Cutting Mats (3 sets)	350.00
Weights	100.00
Stool with Back (3 ea)	200.00

<u>Tool</u>	<u>Cost</u>
Bone Folders (3 sets)	45.00
Thermometer	10.00
Triangles (3 ea)	30.00
Cutting Straight Edge	140.00
Small Flashlight (3 ea)	35.00
Sanding Block (3 ea)	15.00
Needles	20.00
Binder's Awl (3 ea)	15.00
Rulers (3 ea)	35.00
Centering Ruler	15.00
Electric Eraser	70.00
Reference Texts	175.00

<u>Supplies</u>	<u>Cost</u>
Davey Board (3 wts)	400.00
Red Flex	60.00
End Paper	50.00
Bees Wax for Thread	5.00
String	2.00
Jade Glue	10.00
Elmer's White Glue	4.00
Sewing Thread	30.00
Sewing Tapes	125.00
"B" Cloth	600.00

<u>Equipment</u>	<u>Cost</u>
Work Light	75.00
Hot Plate (for Paste)	25.00
Office Refrigerator (Paste)	200.00
Hot Stamp Machine	2,190.00
Type Fonts	1,000.00
Roll Paper Dispenser	10.00
Glue Dispensers (3ea)	60.00
Backing Irons	39.00
Brass Edged Boards	40.00
Press Boards (2 pair)	45.00
Sewing Keys (10 ea)	17.00
Vertical Plough Plane	525.00

Equipment Total: \$9,737.78

<u>Tool</u>	<u>Cost</u>
Cloth Cutter	30.00
Binder's Shears	65.00
Knife & Blades	25.00
Magnifying Glass	20.00
Bray (3 ea)	50.00
Apprentice Hammer (3 ea)	120.00
Squares (3 ea)	45.00
T-Square (3 ea)	210.00
Linen Tester	30.00
Broom, Hand Brush, Pan	30.00
Glue Brushes (3 ea)	10.00

Tool Total: \$1,240.00

<u>Supplies</u>	<u>Cost</u>
Acid Free Paper (1 roll)	165.00
Onion Skin Paper	20.00
Erasers	15.00
Linen Twine	3.00
Head Band Tapes	35.00
Thymol (8 oz)	25.00
Static Brush	17.00
Curator's Gloves	5.00
Linen Cloth (Muslin)	40.00
Buckrum Cloth	400.00

Supplies Total: \$2,011.00

Total Grant Request: \$12,988.78

Appendix B. Periodicals Indexed / To Be Indexed.

Magazines indexed in the 1st ed of *The Cover Story Index* (1960-1991):

Newsweek

Time

U.S. News and World Report

Magazines indexed in the 1st ed of *The Cover Story Index* (1981-1991):

Business Week

Congressional Digest

Discover

Life

Ms.

National Geographic

Omni

Psychology Today

USA Today (Magazine)

Periodicals to be indexed for my proposal of the continuation of *The Cover Story Index*:

American Spectator

Business Week

Bloomberg Businessweek

CQ Researcher

Congressional Digest

Discover

Economist

Law & Contemporary Problems

Life

Ms.

Maclean's

Mother Jones

Nation

National Geographic

Nature

Newsweek

Omni

Psychology Today

Reason

Science

Smithsonian

Time

U.S. News and World Report

USA Today (Magazine)

The Week

Weekly Standard

Z Magazine

Appendix C. VC Library Retentions Policy for Select Periodical Holdings²⁰ and Publication Status.

Title	VCL Print Holdings	Publication Status²¹
<u><i>American Spectator</i></u>	2009-present	
<i>Business Week</i>		
<i>Bloomberg Businessweek</i>		
<u><i>CO Researcher</i></u>	1991-2010	
<i>Congressional Digest</i>	2006-present	
<i>Discover</i>	2009-present	
<u><i>Economist</i></u>	2008-present	
<u><i>Law & Contemporary Problems</i></u>	2003-present	
<i>Life</i>	1983-2010	Ceased publication
<i>Ms.</i>	2010-present	
<u><i>Maclean's</i></u>		
<u><i>Mother Jones</i></u>	2008-present	
<u><i>Nation</i></u>	2006-present	
<i>National Geographic</i>	1919-present ²²	
<u><i>Nature</i></u>	1973-present	
<i>Newsweek</i>	2004-2012	Ceased publication
<i>Omni</i>		Ceased publication
<i>Psychology Today</i>	2006-present	
<u><i>Reason</i></u>	2010-present	
<u><i>Science</i></u>	1940-1969; 2004-present	
<u><i>Smithsonian</i></u>	1970-1985; 1990-present	
<i>Time</i>	2004-present	
<i>U.S. News and World Report</i>	2004-2010	
<i>USA Today (Magazine)</i>		
<u><i>The Week</i></u>		
<u><i>Weekly Standard</i></u>		
<u><i>Z Magazine</i></u>	2009-present	

²⁰ Periodical titles underlined are titles not indexed in prior editions of *The Covert Story Index*. Periodical titles in **bold** are ones to which the VC Library has a current print subscription. Note that we also hold some backfiles for titles for which we do not currently subscribe.

²¹ Unless otherwise noted, all periodicals are still in print.

²² With some minor interruptions

Appendix D. Periodical²³ Cover "Nature", Publication Origin and "Slant."

Title	Cover	Origin	Slant
<u><i>American Spectator</i></u>	Visual	USA	Conservative
<i>Business Week</i>			
<i>Bloomberg Businessweek</i>	Visual	USA	Conservative
<u><i>CO Researcher</i></u>	Text	USA	Center
<i>Congressional Digest</i>	Text	USA	
<i>Discover</i>	Visual	USA	
<u><i>Economist</i></u>	Visual	UK	Center
<u><i>Law & Contemporary Problems</i></u>	Text	USA	Center
<i>Life</i>	Visual	USA	
<i>Ms.</i>	Visual	USA	Liberal
<i>Maclean's</i>	Visual	Canada	
<u><i>Mother Jones</i></u>	Visual	USA	Liberal
<u><i>Nation</i></u>	Visual	USA	Liberal
<i>National Geographic</i>	Visual	USA	
<u><i>Nature</i></u>	Visual	UK	
<i>Newsweek</i>	Visual	USA	
<i>Omni</i>	Visual	USA	
<i>Psychology Today</i>	Visual	USA	
<u><i>Reason</i></u>	Visual	USA	Libertarian
<u><i>Science</i></u>	Visual	USA	
<u><i>Smithsonian</i></u>	Visual	USA	
<i>Time</i>	Visual	USA	Center
<i>U.S. News and World Report</i>	Visual	USA	
<i>USA Today (Magazine)</i>	Visual	USA	
<i>The Week</i>	Visual	USA	Center
<u><i>Weekly Standard</i></u>	Visual	USA	Conservative
<u><i>Z Magazine</i></u>	Visual	USA	Liberal

²³ Periodical titles underlined are titles not indexed in prior editions of *The Covert Story Index*. Periodical titles in **bold** are ones to which the VC Library has a current print subscription. Note that we also hold some backfiles for titles for which we do not currently subscribe.

Appendix E. Table Displaying the Data from Figure 1 and Appendices C and D.

Cover "Nature"	23 Visual-Based		3 Text-Based		
Pub. Origin	23 USA-Based		2 UK-Based	1 Canadian-Based	
Pub. Slant²⁴	3 Conservative		5 Center	4 Liberal	1 Libertarian
VCL Print Status	16 Current		7 No Current VCL Print Access	3 Ceased Pub ²⁵	
VCL Database Coverage²⁶	20 Current ²⁷	4 Embargoed ²⁸	2 Not Currently in any VCL DBs	2 Freely Avlb. Online	2 Only Avlb. Online with a Subscription

²⁴ For 13 of the periodical titles, I didn't even attempt to determine that publication's slant.

²⁵ Of the three ceased publications, two of those the VC Library has print holdings.

²⁶ Due to the nature of the way I tallied the information in this category, the sum of these boxes (30) is greater than the periodicals to be indexed (26). This is due to the fact that some periodicals are included in multiple categories (e.g., *The Week*, which is not available online in any database but is freely available online but only with a personal log-in, etc. *Science*, unfortunately, also falls into this exact same category).

²⁷ Included within this figure are the three ceased publications, which are current in the databases but no longer in publication.

²⁸ The online embargoes range from 1 month to 1 year.

Appendix F. *Magazines for Libraries*²⁹ Entries for Title to be Indexed.

<i>American Spectator</i>	5271
<i>Business Week</i>	1323
<i>Bloomberg Businessweek</i>	
<i>CQ Researcher</i>	6420
<i>Congressional Digest</i>	5720
<i>Discover</i>	6076
<i>Economist</i>	2314
<i>Law & Contemporary Problems</i>	4191
<i>Life</i>	
<i>Ms.</i>	6804
<i>Maclean's</i>	1476
<i>Mother Jones</i>	3509
<i>Nation</i>	5284
<i>National Geographic</i>	3510
<i>Nature</i>	6085
<i>Newsweek</i>	5291
<i>Omni</i>	
<i>Psychology Today</i>	5917
<i>Reason</i>	1728
<i>Science</i>	6090
<i>Smithsonian</i>	3520
<i>Time</i>	5301
<i>U.S. News and World Report</i>	5303
<i>USA Today (Magazine)</i>	5302
<i>The Week</i>	3530
<i>Weekly Standard</i>	5306
<i>Z Magazine</i>	5307

²⁹ *Magazines for Libraries* is a reputable source used by librarians for evaluation of periodicals. These entries refer to the 2002 (11th ed.) of *Magazines for Libraries*, the most current edition available in the VC Library.