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TO: Members of the AAA committee, Dorothy Bracey, Michael Brown  
FR: Lynne Withey  
Re: Publishing at comparable institutions

The publishing subcommittee of AAA (2012-13) prepared a report on publishing and other educational activities at institutions comparable to SAR. The institutions we chose included those that were part of an evaluation report prepared some time earlier by John Kantner, along with a few others that we chose because they have missions similar to SAR. For purposes of our current discussions, I've updated the information on those institutions that seem most relevant. Amerind and Wenner-Gren both focus on archeology and/or anthropology more broadly defined. The Newberry and Huntington Libraries, while both much larger than SAR, combine research programs, library collections, and art collections. In addition, American Indian studies is a major focus for Newberry; the American West is a major focus for both institutions. The Autry National Center also combines research programs and art collections, and is home to the Southwest Museum, a major Indian arts collection. Finally, the Santa Fe Institute is the place we seem always to be comparing ourselves to, despite the considerable difference in mission and programs.

### **Amerind Foundation**

Two book series:

New World Studies Seminar series, published with UNM Press; six titles published from early 1990s to 2004; now apparently completed.

Amerind Studies in Archeology series, published with U of Arizona Press; began 2008; about one volume per year; most recent publications 2013. Most are also edited volumes. There are also some older technical reports, now all out of print.

Amerind has a highly focused mission, concentrating on SW archeology. They sponsor archeological research and also have a museum, which includes both historical artifacts and contemporary works of art.

### **Wenner-Gren Foundation**

Primary mission is supporting anthropological research. The Foundation created and continues to publish the journal *Current Anthropology*. They also sponsor two symposia per year, selecting the topics and participants from competitive proposals. Papers from the symposia are published in an open access supplement to *Current Anthropology*.

### **Newberry Library**

A research institute and library with programs in several fields, of which the most relevant to our interests is the Center for American Indian and Indigenous Studies Programs.

The Newberry has a number of digital resources drawn from their collections, e.g. *American Indians Histories and Cultures* and the *American West Collection*. These

collections include documents and images. They are subscription publications and are accessible from computers within the Newberry Library.

They have also issued print publications based on the collection or on special exhibits. All have been collaborations with publishers, but they have worked with different publishers depending on the title (e.g. U Chicago, Illinois, U of California).

### **The Huntington**

Publishes a journal, the *Huntington Library Quarterly*, and occasional books, some that are catalogs for art exhibits and others based on material in the research collections. The books and journal are published in connection with university presses.

### **Autry National Center**

Also publishes occasional books connected to exhibits or collections, working with various university presses.

### **Santa Fe Institute**

SFI maintains a repository of working papers by scholars with an SFI connection. To be eligible for inclusion, papers must be based on work done at SFI or involving a collaboration with SFI. They also have a bibliography on their website; the basis for inclusion in this bibliography is not clear.