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Member subscriptions to the digital library will include both books and journals. These subscriptions will also include access to journal articles published in 2003-2007 with a 6-month embargo on 2007 material. Thus the only differences in the member subscriptions to the digital are the inclusion of book articles and the extension of the journal articles to volume 1, issue 1.

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