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support from the departments of Geosciences, Biology, and Environmental Studies and Sciences, and the Office of the Dean of the Faculty.

A partnership with Frontiers Abroad in New Zealand will capitalize on our existing relationship and will provide a venue for opportunities for collaboration. Under this affiliation, Skidmore will have (a) a permanent or short-term); and explore future opportunities for faculty development and student study abroad programs.

This partnership supports strategic goals for both Skidmore and Frontiers Abroad in its field and research based study abroad programs. At the same time, Skidmore's Strategic Plan asks us to create new structures that support student integrative learning; to develop new ways to support faculty in their research and create a network to learn from each other at all levels and create the opportunities to enrich students' lives. Our partnership with Frontiers Abroad will allow us to support these goals.

In addition, there are financial benefits to this new affiliation, including revenue for serving as the School of Record for Frontiers Abroad. However, t