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MORRIS, Minnesota (September 6, 2016)—The University of Minnesota, Morris is one of *Sierra* magazine's top 30 "[Cool Schools](#)" for 2016. Morris achieved its highest placement to-date and was the highest ranked Minnesota college in this year's listing by the Sierra Club's official publication, which ranks universities that lead sustainability initiatives and strive to protect and preserve the environment.

This year more than 200 colleges and universities participated in the survey—a significant increase over last year. Morris was ranked 28th overall. This is the campus's sixth consecutive appearance on the list, and it's risen 41 places since first appearing in 2011 at #69.

The *Sierra* recognition is only the most recent of Morris's sustainability accolades. Earlier this year the campus was named to the [Princeton Review's Green Colleges list](#) for the eighth time.

Participation in *Sierra* magazine's Cool Schools ranking is open to all four-year, degree-granting undergraduate colleges and universities in the United States. The "Cool Schools" survey was conducted by the Sierra Club, in collaboration with the Association for the Advancement of Sustainability in Higher Education. [More information on the survey](#) and [methodology](#) is available at sierraclub.org.

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