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(April 19, 2013)-Morris is one of the most environmentally responsible colleges in the United States and Canada, according to The Princeton Review. The education-services company known for its test prep programs and college rankings, ratings, and guidebooks profiles Morris in its fourth annual edition of The Princeton Review's Guide to 322 Green Colleges.

The Princeton Review selected schools for this guide based on its 2012 survey of administrators at over 800 four-year colleges. The company analyzed data regarding the schools' course offerings, campus infrastructure, activities, and career preparation to measure their commitment to the environment and sustainability, then assigned each a Green Score ranging from 60 to 99. Schools with a score of 83 or higher were profiled in the Guide to 322 Green Colleges.

In its profile of Morris, The Princeton Review highlights the institution's "deep roots in agriculture and land stewardship." It praises Morris's status as a charter signatory of the ACUPCC and STARS Charter Participant program and as one of the first public colleges to generate on-site renewable power from local resources. Citing the campus's various renewable energy projects including a biomass gasification plant, commercial-scale research wind turbines, and on-site solar thermal system, the Princeton Review commends Morris for its comprehensive sustainability plan and emphasis on conservation. Student groups including the Minnesota Public Interest Research Group are highlighted as well.

"We are very proud that the University of Minnesota, Morris continues to be ranked among the most environmentally responsible colleges in the nation," says Chancellor Jacqueline Johnson. "This recognition attests to how widespread our sustainability efforts are, touching nearly all aspects of our community life."

"We are truly pleased to recommend Morris along with all of the fine schools in this book to the many students seeking colleges that practice and promote environmentally-responsible choices and practices," says Robert Franek, senior VP/publisher of The Princeton Review. Franek notes that the company's 2013 "College Hopes & Worries Survey" indicates significant interest among college applicants in attending "green colleges." Sixty-two percent admit that "having information about a school's commitment to the environment would influence their decision to apply to or attend the school."

The Princeton Review created its Guide to 322 Green Colleges in partnership with the Center for Green Schools at the U.S. Green Building Council (USGBC), with generous support from United Technologies Corp., founding sponsor of the Center for Green Schools.

Additional information on the Green Guide, school selection process, and more is available [online](#).

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