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ROCK HILL, S.C. – Winthrop University’s Inn at Winthrop became the first lodging property in York County, and the first collegiate property in South Carolina, to become a member of the South Carolina Green Hospitality Alliance, an honor bestowed upon less than 40 hotels in the state.

The South Carolina Green Hospitality Alliance is a program of the South Carolina Restaurant and Lodging Association and the South Carolina Department of Health and Environmental Control Office of Solid Waste Reduction and Recycling designed to help hospitality facilities go green.

To be a member of the South Carolina Green Hospitality Alliance, hotels and restaurants must complete an audit of their property’s compliance with unique eco-initiatives that are designed to create a more sustainable environment. Environmentally friendly measures that are reviewed include energy efficiency, water conservation, recycling, environmentally safe cleaning, reduction of waste, ongoing maintenance, purchasing habits and many other factors.

The Inn at Winthrop, located at Joynes Hall, features 12 elegantly appointed suites that are available by reservation for area visitors.

Committed to sustainability, the Inn at Winthrop provides in-room recycling; bedding and towels with no chemical by-products; and environmentally sensitive amenities in recyclable packaging; and the facility uses ecologically friendly cleaning products; compact fluorescent light bulbs; paper products made from recycled materials; high-efficiency plumbing fixtures; and low VOC products, including paint.

“While many of the strategies are unique initiatives, providing our guests a sustainable experience exemplifies the sustainable strategies implemented throughout the campus and expresses Winthrop’s commitment towards advancing economic vitality, ecological integrity and social welfare,” said Chris Johnson ‘99, the university’s sustainability coordinator.

For more information on the Inn at Winthrop, please call 800/505-2226 or 803/323-2300 or visit the Inn’s website.