This rain-collection barrel was installed by the College’s Sustainability Literacy Institute, the Office of Sustainability and Clemson Cooperative Extension.

Rain-collection devices such as this one serve an important function, particularly in urban areas where impervious surfaces abound and rainwater cannot easily be filtered into the earth. Rainwater collection systems also help address flooding and erosion, and reduce water bills by utilizing a renewable resource.

This rain-collection system is an example of the College’s focus on sustainability literacy leading to more sustainable practices.