

**2012 & 2016 CAMPUS REPORT**

Student Voting Rates for  
Agnes Scott College

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# About This Report

Thank you for participating in the National Study of Learning, Voting, and Engagement (NSLVE). Since NSLVE's launch in 2013, more than 1,100 colleges and universities have signed up to receive their voting rates for the 2012, 2014, 2016 and 2018 federal elections. Along with others, your institution's participation in this study has helped us build a robust database for research on more than 10 million de-identified student records for each election year.

NSLVE is a signature initiative of the Institute for Democracy and Higher Education (IDHE) at Tufts University's Jonathan M. Tisch College of Civic Life. IDHE is an applied research center focused on college and university student political learning and participation in democracy. IDHE researchers study voting, campus conditions for political learning and discussion, closing equity gaps in participation, and increasing student agency and participation. We accomplish our goals through research, resource development, assisting institutions and the higher education community, and advocacy.

## About the Data

The voter registration and voting rates in this report reflect the percentage of your institution's students who were eligible to vote and voted in the 2012 and 2016 elections. These results are based on enrollment records your institution submitted to the National Student Clearinghouse (Clearinghouse) and publicly available voting files collected by L2. We exclude FERPA-blocked records. (For exceptions for campuses with disproportionately high numbers of FERPA blocked students, see our Campus Reports FAQ (link below).

If this report does not contain race/ethnicity and/or gender data, please ask your registrar to complete the "race/ethnicity" submission for the Clearinghouse. Be sure to flag "non-resident aliens" (the government's technical term for non-citizen international students) so that we can provide a more accurate count for your "eligible voters."

The institutional voting rates reported on page 3 are adjusted by deducting an estimated number of students identified by each institution as non-resident aliens (NRAs) and reported to the Integrated Postsecondary Education Data System (IPEDS). For breakdowns by student characteristics in subsequent pages of the report, we cannot consistently adjust for students who are ineligible to vote: non-resident aliens (NRAs), resident aliens, undocumented students, and students who have been disenfranchised due to a felony conviction. For this study, these terms are used as defined by [IPEDS](#).

As a result of the adjustment challenges, your institution's actual voting rate may be higher than we report. If you have access to more complete data for students who are ineligible to vote, you may recalculate your rates by using the **Recalculation Tool** - <https://idhe.tufts.edu/nslve-recalculation-tool>.

Some NSLVE institutions do report the counts of NRA students to NSC. When this number is comparable to the counts reported in IPEDS, we remove the counts of these students from all our calculations.

To read more about NSLVE data, see our **Campus Reports FAQ** - <https://idhe.tufts.edu/nslve/frequently-asked-questions>.

## Reviewing the Data

Use the following key to interpret the charts:

\* = number of students is less than 10

n/a = no data was collected or calculated for this field.

## What to do next?

□ Review the data and identify your challenges and opportunities. This report provides comparisons between subgroups of your students and with similar institutions. For more comparisons or to see national voter registration and voting rates, read our national report, Democracy Counts 2018. To access our data portals - <https://idhe.tufts.edu/public-data-portal-visualizations>.

□ Share the report widely and strategically by sharing it with institutional leaders, faculty across disciplines, student government leaders, and other student groups.

□ Read and implement *Election Imperatives*, ten recommendations for improving your campus climate for student political learning, discourse, equity, and participation - <https://idhe.tufts.edu/electionimperatives>.

□ Work with us. IDHE can help via virtual office hours, webinars, brown bag discussions, coaching, and in-person workshops.

For up-to-date news on NSLVE data, resources and upcoming opportunities visit our website: <https://idhe.tufts.edu>.

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We appreciate hearing from you! Please email us at [NSLVE@tufts.edu](mailto:NSLVE@tufts.edu).

Warm regards,

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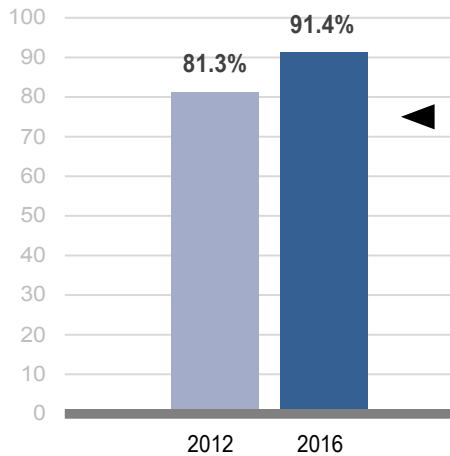
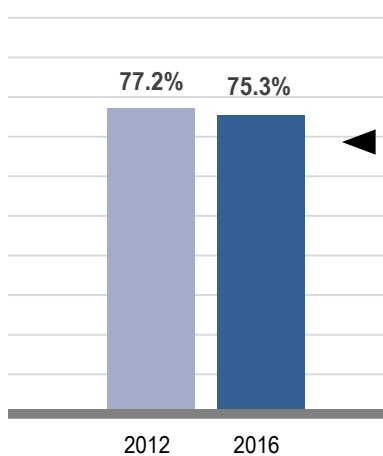
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## Voting and Registration Rates

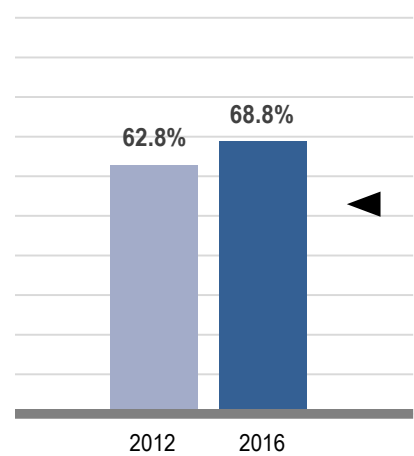
2016 Voting Rate

**68.8%**CHANGE  
FROM 2012**+6.0**2016 VOTING RATE  
FOR ALL INSTITUTIONS**52.9%**

Registration Rate

Voting Rate of  
Registered Students

Voting Rate



◀ All Institutions, 2018

	2012	2016	Change
Total student enrollment	843	858	↑ 15
Age under 18/Unknown	(13)	*	
IPEDS estimated non-resident aliens	(90)	(91)	
FERPA records blocked	*	0	
Total eligible voters	739	760	↑ 21
Number of students who registered	601	695	↑ 94
Number of students who voted	464	523	↑ 59
Registration rate	81.3%	91.4%	↑ 10.1
Voting rate of registered students	77.2%	75.3%	↓ -1.9
Voting rate	62.8%	68.8%	↑ 6.0
Difference from all institutions	+13.7	+15.9	

## HOW YOUR NUMBERS COMPARE | PRESIDENTIAL ELECTIONS

# By Carnegie Classification

2012 Voting Rate  
for All Institutions

**49.1%**

HIGH  
81.4%

LOW  
12.2%

2016 Voting Rate  
for All Institutions

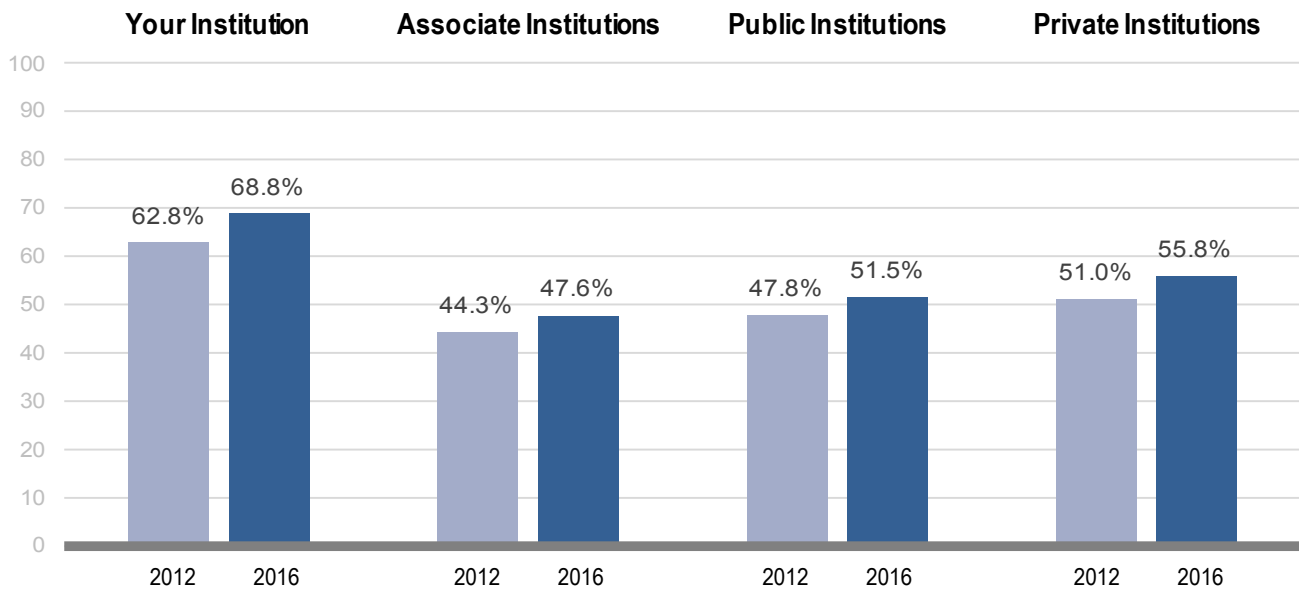
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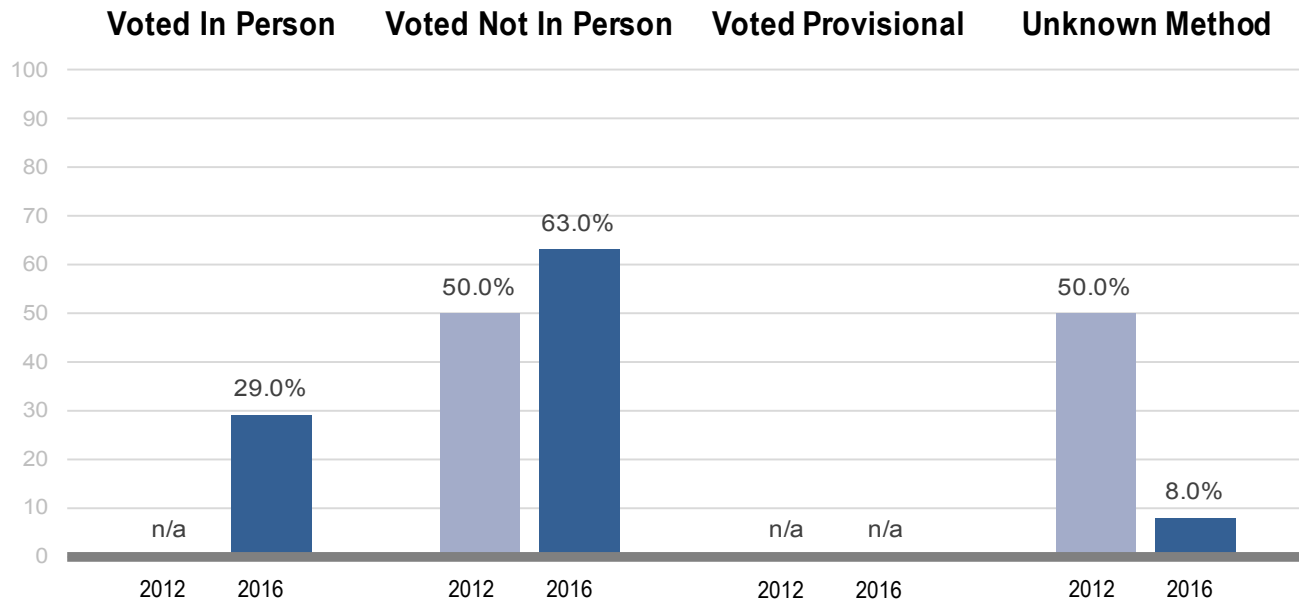
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# By Voting Method\*

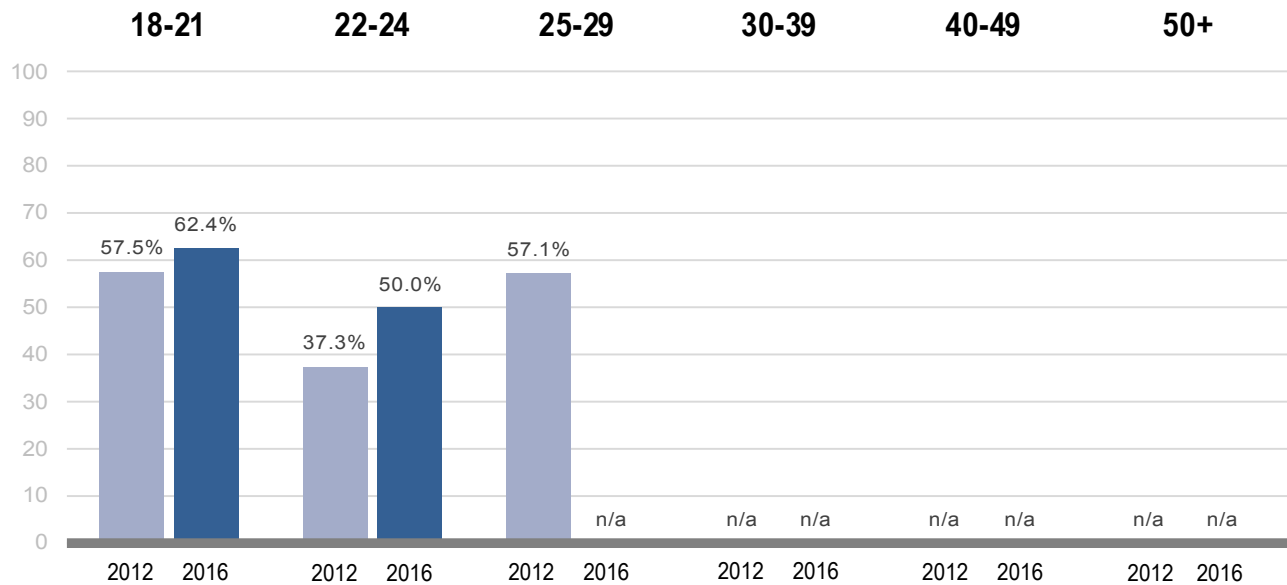


	2012		2016			
	Voted	Rate	Voted	Rate	Change	
Voted In Person	*	n/a	152	29.0%	n/a	
Voted Not In Person	230	50.0%	330	63.0%	↑	13.0
Voted Provisional	0	n/a	*	n/a	n/a	
Unknown Method	233	50.0%	40	8.0%	↓	-42.0
<b>Total</b>	<b>464</b>		<b>523</b>			

\* Your students' data broken down by voting method. If your campus has a high number of voting method "Unknown", it means that this information was not reported by local officials where your students voted.

## YOUR STUDENTS' VOTING DATA | PRESIDENTIAL ELECTIONS

## By Age Group\*

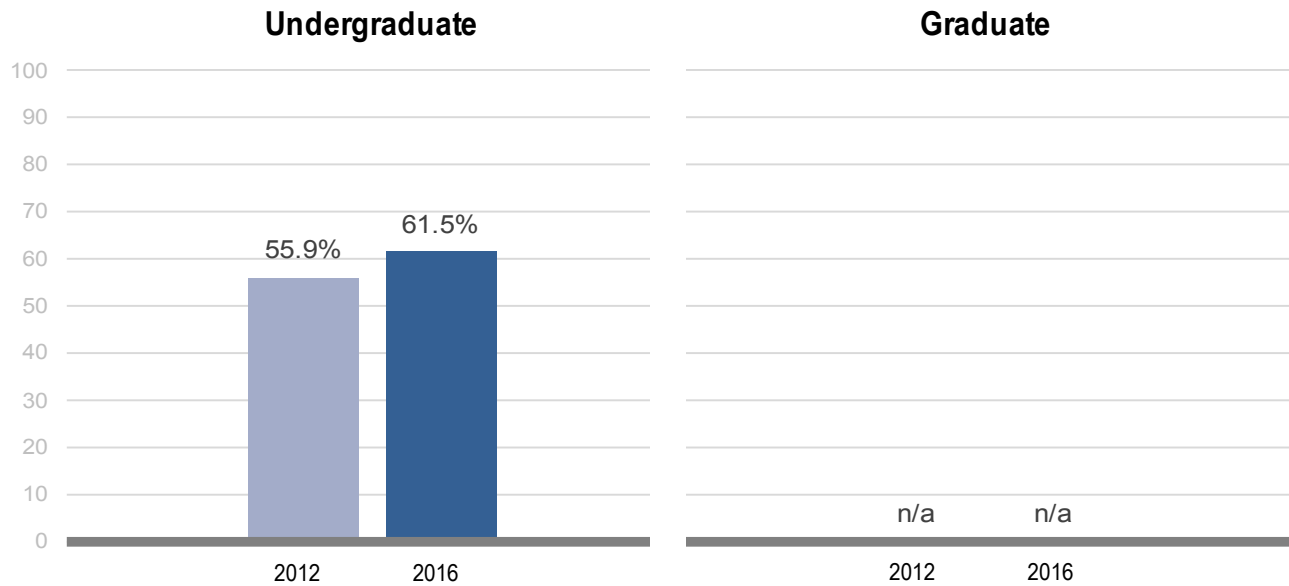


	2012			2016			Change	
	Enrolled	Voted	Rate	Enrolled	Voted	Rate		
18-21	703	404	57.5%	769	480	62.4%	↑	4.9
22-24	83	31	37.3%	60	30	50.0%	↑	12.7
25-29	21	12	57.1%	10	*	n/a		n/a
30-39	12	*	n/a	*	*	n/a		n/a
40-49	*	*	n/a	*	*	n/a		n/a
50+	*	*	n/a	*	*	n/a		n/a
Unknown	*			0				

\* Your students' data broken down by age at the time of the election. To provide more accurate voting rates, students ineligible to vote because they were too young, students whose age data was not reported to the Clearinghouse, as well as records that were FERPA blocked are removed from this table. Please note that we are not able to adjust these voting rates by removing non-resident aliens, resident aliens, undocumented students and felony disenfranchised students.

## YOUR STUDENTS' VOTING DATA | PRESIDENTIAL ELECTIONS

# By Education Level\*

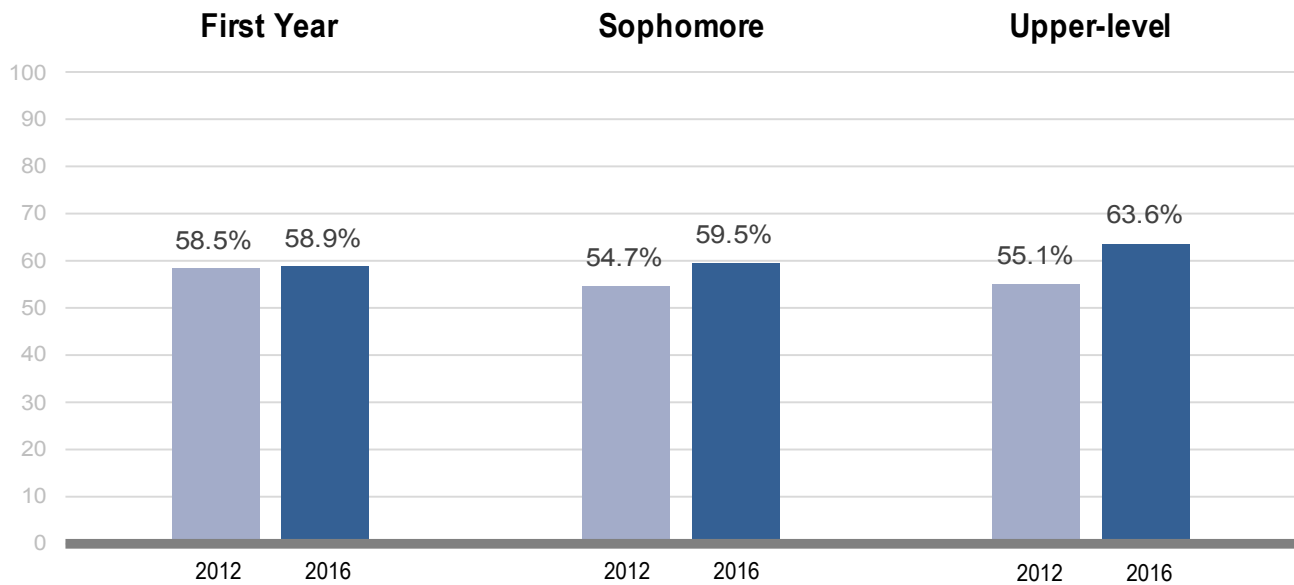


	2012			2016			Change
	Enrolled	Voted	Rate	Enrolled	Voted	Rate	
Undergraduate	808	452	55.9%	833	512	61.5%	↑ 5.6
Graduate	0	0	n/a	0	0	n/a	n/a
Unknown	21			18			

\* Your students' data broken down by undergraduate and graduate students. Undergraduates and graduates are defined based on information submitted to the Clearinghouse. To provide more accurate voting rates, students ineligible to vote because they were too young, students whose age data was not reported to the Clearinghouse, as well as records that were FERPA blocked are removed from this table. Please note that we are not able to adjust these voting rates by removing non-resident aliens, resident aliens, undocumented students and felony disenfranchised students.

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## By Undergraduate Class Year\*



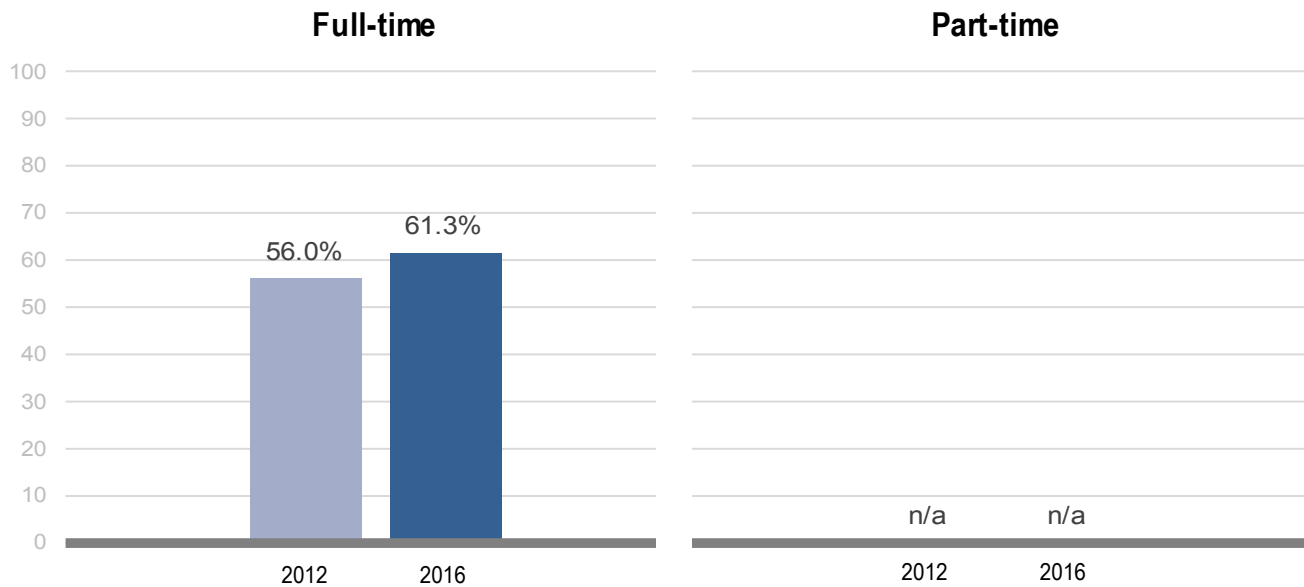
	2012			2016			Change	
	Enrolled	Voted	Rate	Enrolled	Voted	Rate		
First Year	224	131	58.5%	168	99	58.9%	↑	0.4
Sophomore	192	105	54.7%	247	147	59.5%	↑	4.8
Upper-level	392	216	55.1%	418	266	63.6%	↑	8.5

\* Your students' data broken down by undergraduate students' class level. The total count of undergraduates in this page can be different than the count in the previous page since we use a different data element submitted to the Clearinghouse to derive this information. To provide more accurate voting rates, students ineligible to vote because they were too young, students whose age data was not reported to the Clearinghouse, as well as records that were FERPA blocked are removed from this table. Please note that we are not able to adjust these voting rates by removing non-resident aliens, resident aliens, undocumented students and felony disenfranchised students.



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## By Enrollment Status\*

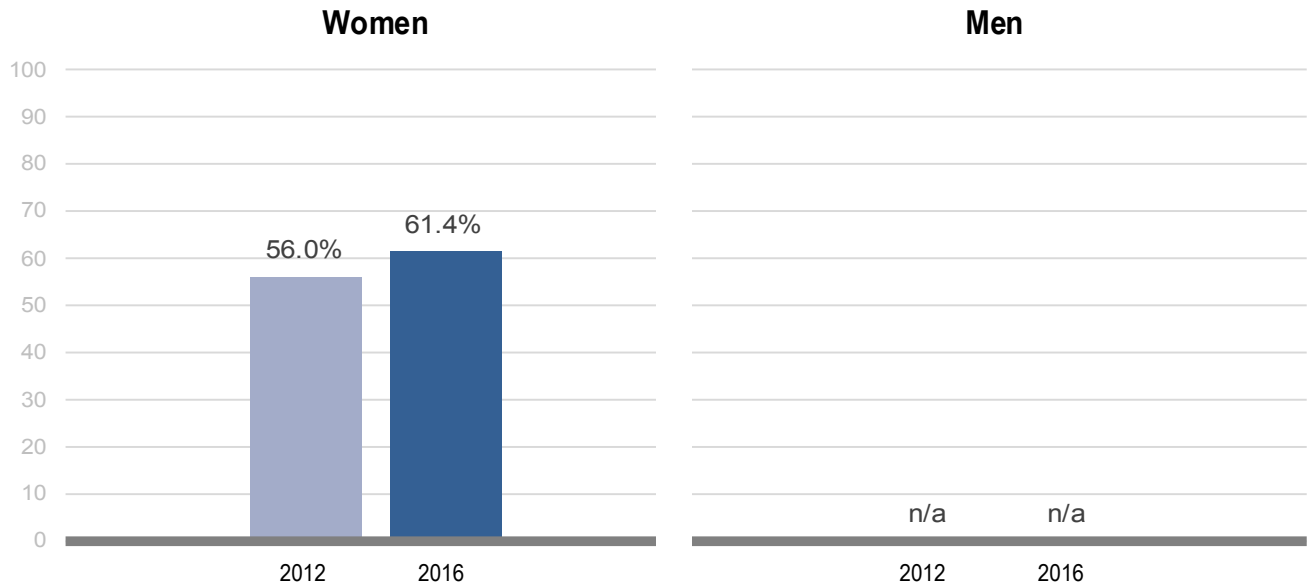


	2012			2016			Change
	Enrolled	Voted	Rate	Enrolled	Voted	Rate	
Full-time	816	457	56.0%	846	519	61.3%	↑ 5.3
Part-time	13	*	n/a	*	*	n/a	n/a
Unknown	0	0	n/a	0	0	n/a	

\* Your students' data broken down by part-time and full-time students. To provide more accurate voting rates, students ineligible to vote because they were too young, students whose age data was not reported to the Clearinghouse, as well as records that were FERPA blocked are removed from this table. Please note that we are not able to adjust these voting rates by removing non-resident aliens, resident aliens, undocumented students and felony disenfranchised students.

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## By Gender\*

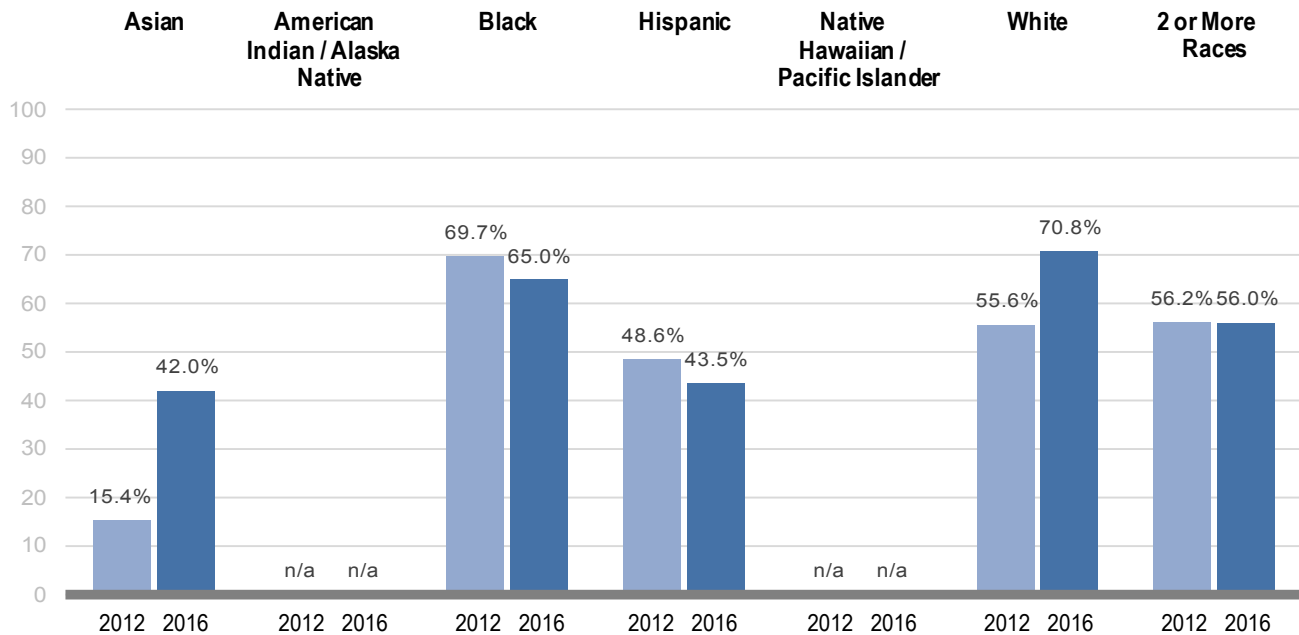


	2012			2016			Change
	Enrolled	Voted	Rate	Enrolled	Voted	Rate	
Women	821	460	56.0%	845	519	61.4%	↑ 5.4
Men	*	*	n/a	*	*	n/a	n/a
Unknown	0			0			

\* Your students' data broken down by gender. To provide more accurate voting rates, students ineligible to vote because they were too young, students whose age data was not reported to the Clearinghouse, as well as records that were FERPA blocked are removed from this table. Please note that we are not able to adjust these voting rates by removing non-resident aliens, resident aliens, undocumented students and felony disenfranchised students.

## YOUR STUDENTS' VOTING DATA | PRESIDENTIAL ELECTIONS

## By Race/Ethnicity\*



	2012			2016			Change	
	Enrolled	Voted	Rate	Enrolled	Voted	Rate		
Asian	65	10	15.4%	88	37	42.0%	↑	26.6
American Indian / Alaska Native	0	0	n/a	0	0	n/a		n/a
Black	294	205	69.7%	274	178	65.0%	↓	-4.7
Hispanic	74	36	48.6%	92	40	43.5%	↓	-5.1
Native Hawaiian / Pacific Islander	0	0	n/a	0	0	n/a		n/a
White	306	170	55.6%	322	228	70.8%	↑	15.2
2 or More Races	48	27	56.2%	50	28	56.0%	↓	-0.2
Unknown	42			25				

\* Your students' data broken down by race. To provide more accurate voting rates, students ineligible to vote because they were too young, students whose age data was not reported to the Clearinghouse, as well as records that were FERPA blocked are removed from this table. Please note that we are not able to adjust these voting rates by removing non-resident aliens, resident aliens, undocumented students and felony disenfranchised students. For this page, we consider international students of unknown race/ethnicity.

## YOUR STUDENTS' VOTING DATA | PRESIDENTIAL ELECTIONS

## By Field of Study\*

\* Your students' data broken down by field of study. To provide more accurate voting rates, students ineligible to vote because they were too young, students whose age data was not reported to the Clearinghouse, as well as records that were FERPA blocked are removed from this table. Please note that we are not able to adjust these voting rates by removing non-resident aliens, resident aliens, undocumented students and felony disenfranchised students. The green and red highlighted values below represent your campus's top three and bottom three voting rates by field of study.

	2012			2016			Change
	Enrolled	Voted	Rate	Enrolled	Voted	Rate	
Area, Ethnic, Cultural, Gender, and Group Studies	18	12	66.7%	0	0	n/a	n/a
Biological and Biomedical Sciences	57	37	64.9%	47	25	53.2% ↓	-11.7
Business, Management, and Marketing	0	0	n/a	22	12	54.5%	n/a
English Language and Literature	40	27	67.5%	32	23	71.9% ↑	4.4
Foreign Languages, Literatures, and Linguistics	11	*	n/a	0	0	n/a	n/a
Health Professions	16	*	n/a	37	27	73.0%	n/a
History	0	0	n/a	16	14	87.5%	n/a
Liberal Arts and Sciences, and Humanities	466	267	57.3%	530	321	60.6% ↑	3.3
Mathematics and Statistics	12	*	n/a	16	*	n/a	n/a
Multi/Interdisciplinary Studies	*	*	n/a	*	*	n/a	n/a
Physical Sciences	0	0	n/a	*	*	n/a	n/a
Psychology	59	30	50.8%	41	24	58.5% ↑	7.7
Social Sciences	92	42	45.7%	42	24	57.1% ↑	11.4
Visual and Performing Arts	30	16	53.3%	14	11	78.6% ↑	25.3
Unknown	21	11	52.4%	40	27	67.5% ↑	15.1

Thank you for the work you do to improve your students' political learning and engagement. We hope that you find your NSLVE report useful. For up-to-date news on NSLVE data, resources, and to sign up for our newsletter visit: <https://idhe.tufts.edu>.

**References:** IDHE encourages report recipients to share this report as broadly as possible, including posting it on the college or university's website. When doing so, please use the following citation: Institute for Democracy & Higher Education: National Study of Learning, Voting and Engagement. (2021). *2012 and 2016 report for \_\_\_\_\_* [name of institution]. Medford, MA.

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