

2012 & 2016 CAMPUS REPORT

Student Voting Rates for
Oregon State University

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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 1,000 colleges and universities have signed up to receive their voting rates for the 2012, 2014 and 2016 federal elections. Along with others, your institution's participation in this study has allowed us to build a robust database of nearly 30 million college student records, about 10 million for each election year, that serve as a foundation for innovative research on college student political learning and engagement in democracy.

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. The mission of IDHE is to shift college and university priorities and culture to advance political learning, agency, and equity. We achieve our mission through research, resource development, technical assistance, 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 who actually voted in the 2012 and 2016 elections. These results are based on enrollment records your institution submitted to the National Student Clearinghouse (FERPA-blocked records excluded) and publicly available voting files collected by Catalyst.

Institutional voting rates are adjusted by deducting an estimated number of students identified by each institution as non-resident aliens and reported to the Integrated Postsecondary Education Data System (IPEDS). For breakdowns by student characteristics, we cannot consistently adjust for students who are non-resident aliens, resident aliens, or undocumented students. This may result in your institution's actual voting rate being higher than we report. To calculate that percentage, and to read more about NSLVE data, see our [FAQ on Campus Reports](#). Please also see [Creating and Maintaining the NSLVE Database](#) paper for a more detailed study methodology.

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. This report provides a baseline measure of your students' engagement in democracy in 2012 and 2016, and compares your institution's voting rates to similar institutions. Visit our website for more comparison data.
- Share the report widely and strategically, including posting it online.
- Put your data into practice. Use our IDHE Resources to guide you.
- Address your campus climate for student political learning, discourse, and participation. Start by bringing the IDHE team to your campus or using the IDHE self-assessment rubric available on our website.
- Partner with IDHE. We are available with virtual office hours, webinars, brown bag discussions and in-person trainings.

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

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Warm regards,
IDHE Team



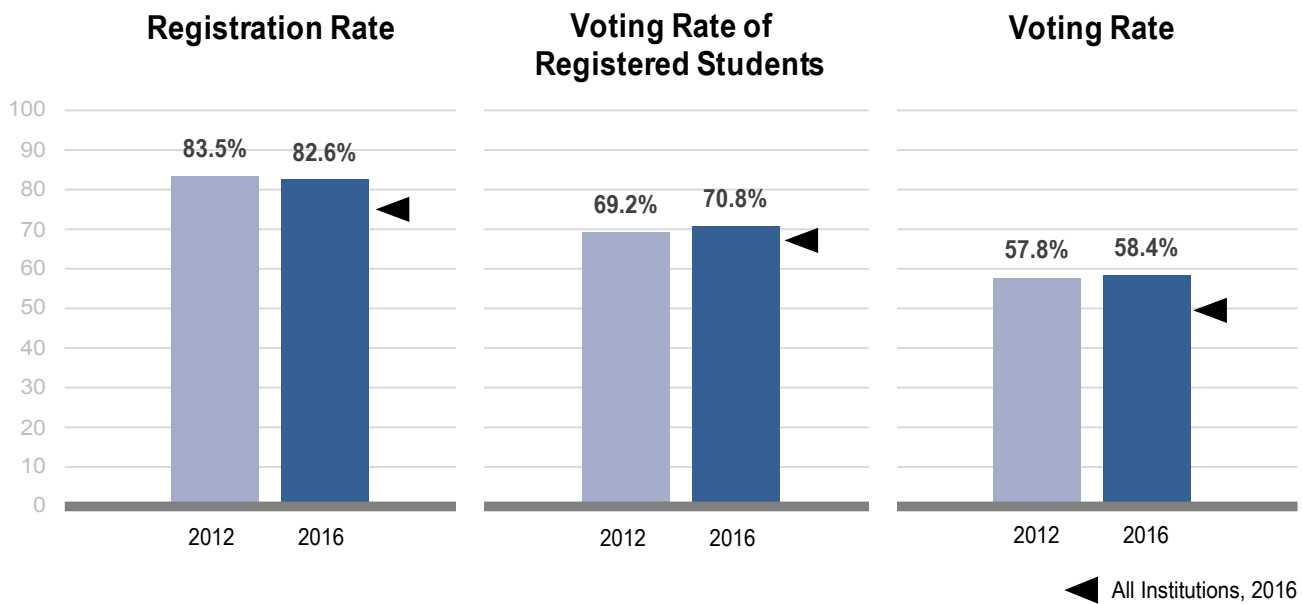
YOUR STUDENTS' VOTING DATA | PRESIDENTIAL ELECTIONS

Voting and Registration Rates

2016 Voting Rate
58.4%

CHANGE FROM 2012
0.6

2016 VOTING RATE FOR ALL INSTITUTIONS
50.4%



	2012	2016	Change
Total student enrollment	24,566	30,837	↑ 6,271
Age under 18/Unknown	(100)	(144)	
IPEDS estimated non-resident aliens	(2,185)	(3,468)	
FERPA records blocked	(28)	(15)	
Total eligible voters	22,253	27,210	↑ 4,957
Number of students who registered	18,591	22,463	↑ 3,872
Number of students who voted	12,862	15,897	↑ 3,035
Registration rate	83.5%	82.6%	↓ -1.0
Voting rate of registered students	69.2%	70.8%	↑ 1.6
Voting rate	57.8%	58.4%	↑ 0.6
Difference from all institutions	+10.9	+8.0	

HOW YOUR NUMBERS COMPARE | PRESIDENTIAL ELECTIONS

By Carnegie Classification

2012 Voting Rate for All Institutions
46.9%

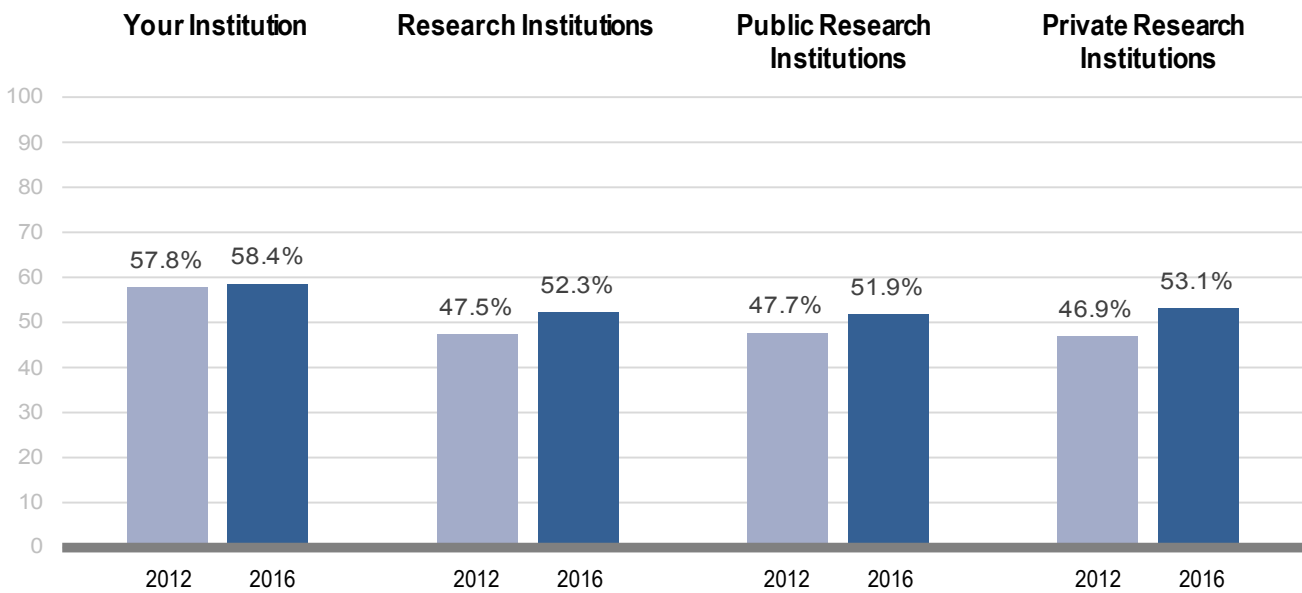
HIGH 72.9%
 LOW 19.3%

2016 Voting Rate for All Institutions
50.4%

HIGH 81.4%
 LOW 13.1%

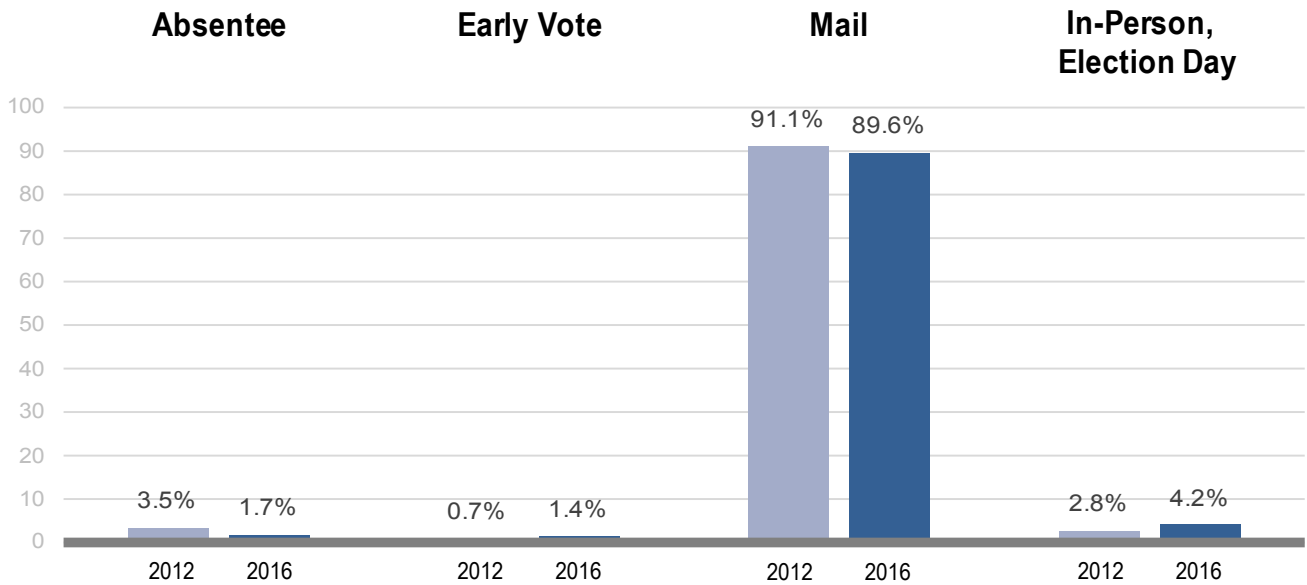
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YOUR STUDENTS' VOTING DATA | PRESIDENTIAL ELECTIONS

By Voting Method*

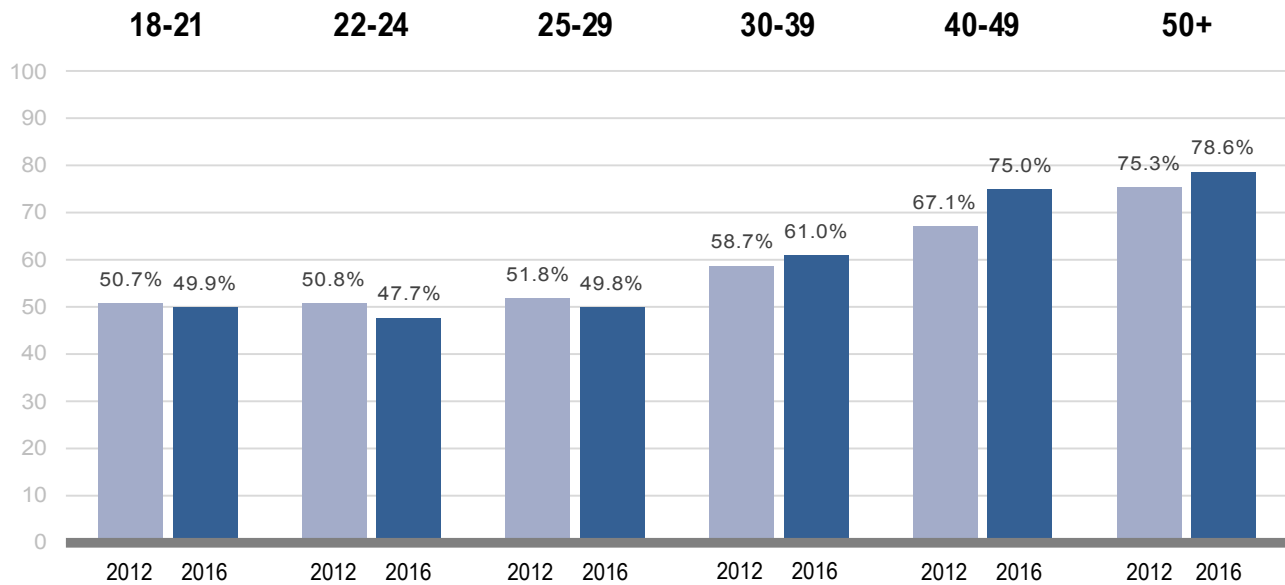


	2012		2016		Change
	Voted	Rate	Voted	Rate	
Absentee	444	3.5%	274	1.7%	↓ -1.7
Early Vote	87	0.7%	223	1.4%	↑ 0.7
Mail	11,716	91.1%	14,247	89.6%	↓ -1.5
In-Person, Election Day	354	2.8%	671	4.2%	↑ 1.5
Unknown	261	2.0%	482	3.0%	
Total	12,862		15,897		

* 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.

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By Age Group*

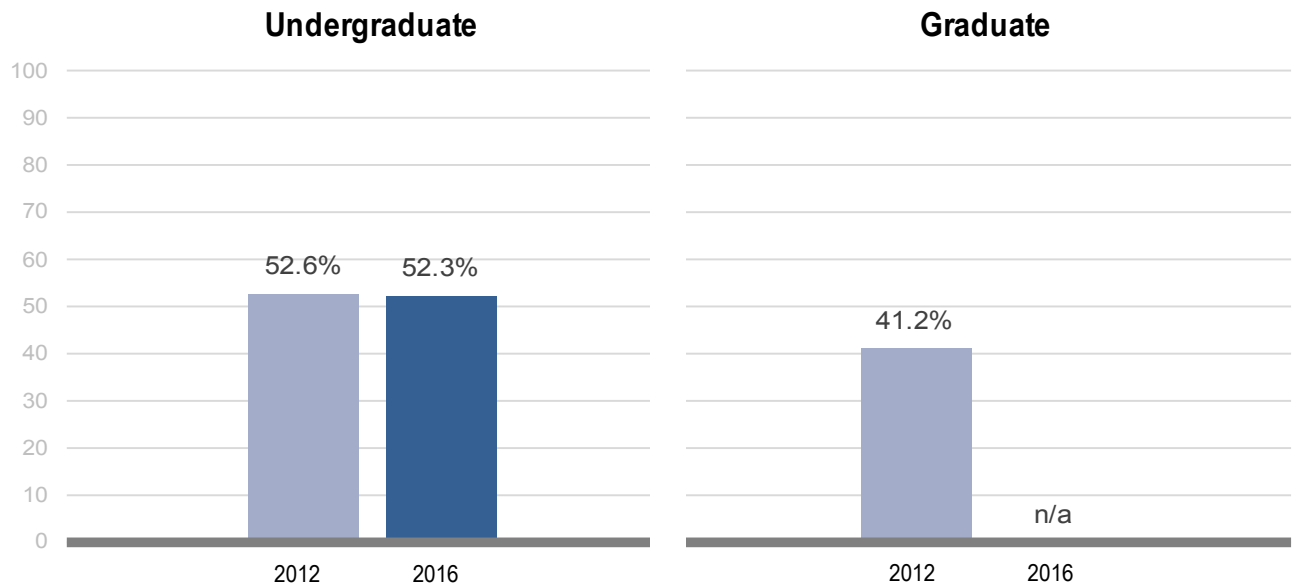


	2012			2016			Change
	Enrolled	Voted	Rate	Enrolled	Voted	Rate	
18-21	12,391	6,278	50.7%	14,757	7,365	49.9%	↓ -0.8
22-24	5,043	2,562	50.8%	6,474	3,085	47.7%	↓ -3.2
25-29	3,288	1,702	51.8%	4,704	2,344	49.8%	↓ -1.9
30-39	2,467	1,447	58.7%	3,349	2,042	61.0%	↑ 2.3
40-49	820	550	67.1%	968	726	75.0%	↑ 7.9
50+	429	323	75.3%	426	335	78.6%	↑ 3.3
Unknown	0			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 or undocumented students.

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By Education Level*

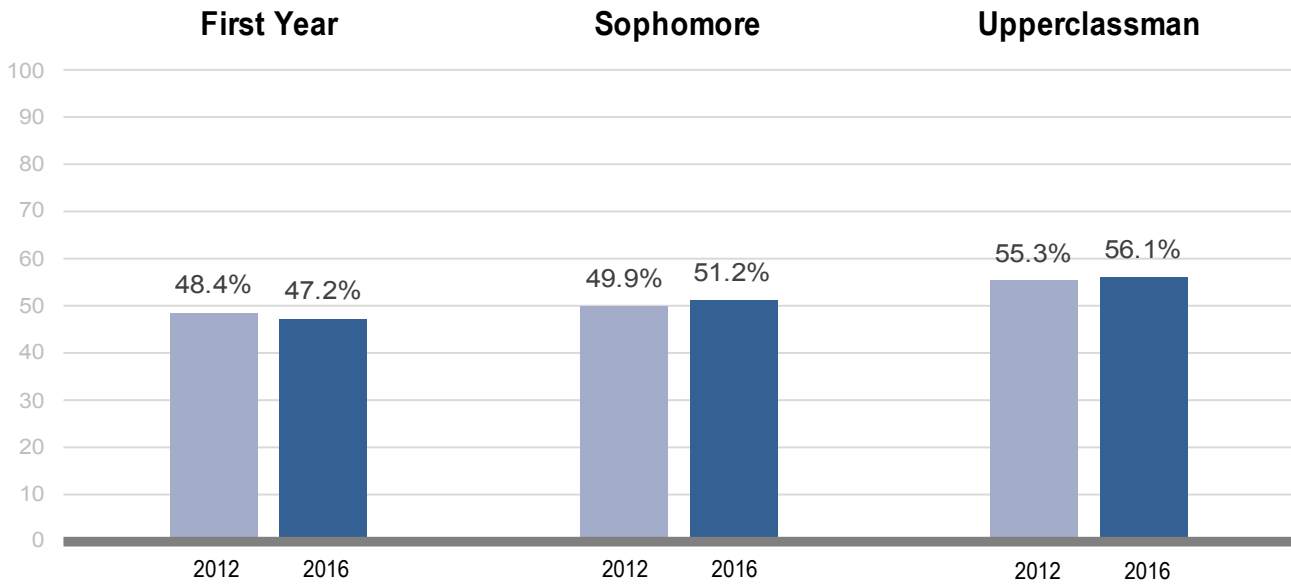


	2012			2016			Change
	Enrolled	Voted	Rate	Enrolled	Voted	Rate	
Undergraduate	19,584	10,306	52.6%	26,595	13,895	52.3%	↓ -0.4
Graduate	136	56	41.2%	0	0	n/a	n/a
Unknown	4,718			4,083			

* Your students' data broken down by undergraduate and graduate 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 or undocumented students.

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By Undergraduate Class Year*

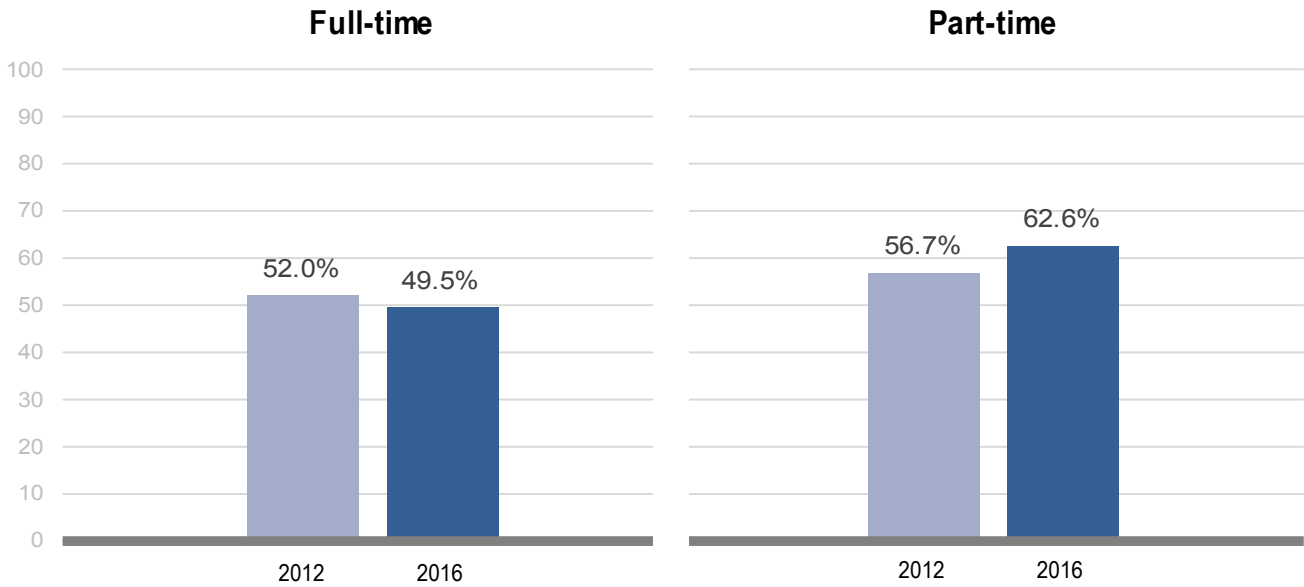


	2012			2016			Change
	Enrolled	Voted	Rate	Enrolled	Voted	Rate	
First Year	4,238	2,051	48.4%	4,473	2,110	47.2%	↓ -1.2
Sophomore	4,019	2,004	49.9%	4,528	2,317	51.2%	↑ 1.3
Upperclassman	10,865	6,013	55.3%	13,553	7,609	56.1%	↑ 0.8

* Your students' data broken down by undergraduate students' class level. 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 or undocumented students.

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By Enrollment Status*

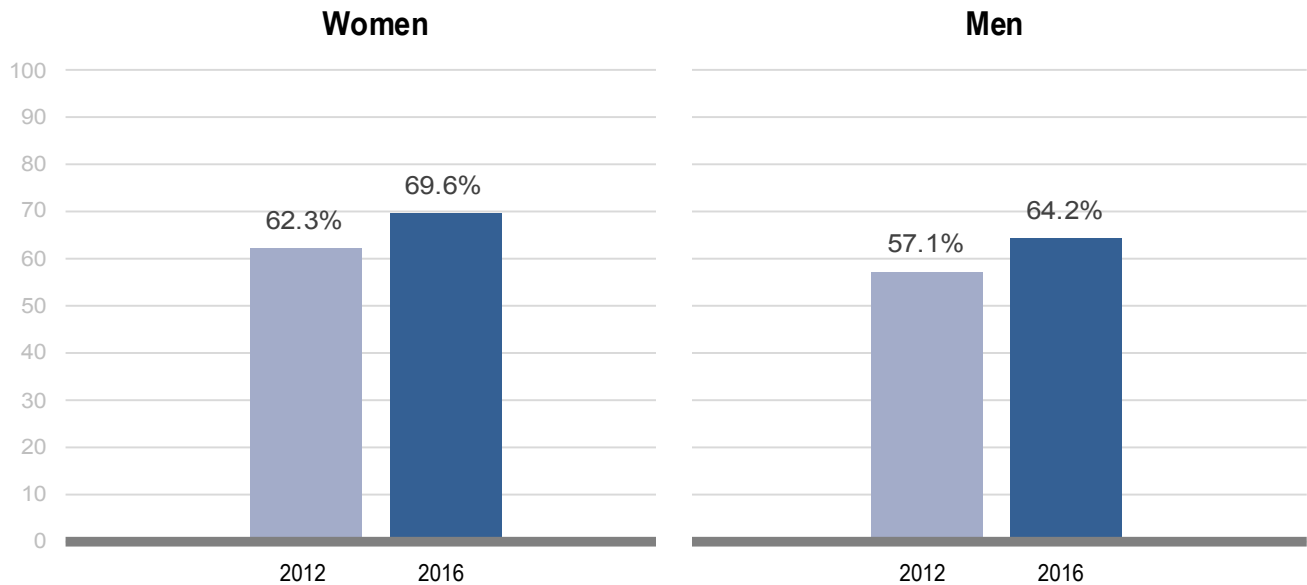


	2012			2016			Change
	Enrolled	Voted	Rate	Enrolled	Voted	Rate	
Full-time	21,204	11,027	52.0%	25,274	12,516	49.5%	↓ -2.5
Part-time	3,234	1,835	56.7%	5,404	3,381	62.6%	↑ 5.8
Unknown	0	0	n/a	0	0	n/a	

* 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 or undocumented students.

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By Gender*



	2012			2016			Change	
	Enrolled	Voted	Rate	Enrolled	Voted	Rate		
Women	10,043	6,256	62.3%	10,779	7,497	69.6%	↑	7.3
Men	10,835	6,187	57.1%	12,085	7,762	64.2%	↑	7.1
Unknown	3,560	419	11.8%	7,814	638	8.2%		

* 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 or undocumented students.

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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 or undocumented 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	
Agriculture and Agriculture Operations	25	16	64.0%	1,477	876	59.3% ↓	-4.7
Area, Ethnic, Cultural, Gender, and Group Studies	0	0	n/a	96	59	61.5%	n/a
Basic Skills and Developmental Education	0	0	n/a	267	0	n/a	n/a
Biological and Biomedical Sciences	33	17	51.5%	2,036	1,185	58.2% ↑	6.7
Business, Management, and Marketing	56	27	48.2%	3,308	1,358	41.1% ↓	-7.2
Communication and Journalism	*	*	n/a	484	258	53.3%	n/a
Computer and Information Sciences	12	*	n/a	2,519	1,309	52.0%	n/a
Education	*	*	n/a	470	352	74.9%	n/a
Engineering and Engineering Technologies	65	29	44.6%	6,142	2,851	46.4% ↑	1.8
English Language and Literature	10	*	n/a	331	195	58.9%	n/a
Family and Consumer/Human Sciences	55	26	47.3%	1,605	900	56.1% ↑	8.8
Foreign Languages, Literatures, and Linguistics	0	0	n/a	130	85	65.4%	n/a
Health Professions	37	20	54.1%	2,046	1,061	51.9% ↓	-2.2
History	0	0	n/a	197	130	66.0%	n/a
Liberal Arts and Sciences, and Humanities	25	10	40.0%	503	179	35.6% ↓	-4.4
Mathematics and Statistics	0	0	n/a	308	156	50.7%	n/a
Multi/Interdisciplinary Studies	14	*	n/a	1,877	999	53.2%	n/a
Natural Resources and Conservation	52	32	61.5%	2,084	1,280	61.4% ↓	-0.1
Parks, Recreation, Leisure, and Fitness Studies	31	15	48.4%	1,199	594	49.5% ↑	1.2
Philosophy and Religious Studies	0	0	n/a	55	35	63.6%	n/a
Physical Sciences	*	*	n/a	831	456	54.9%	n/a
Psychology	15	*	n/a	800	456	57.0%	n/a
Public Administration and Social Service Professions	0	0	n/a	59	26	44.1%	n/a

Social Sciences	21	14	66.7%	1,329	793	59.7% ↓	-7.0
Visual and Performing Arts	0	0	n/a	500	286	57.2%	n/a
Unknown	23,965	12,624	52.7%	25	18	72.0% ↑	19.3

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: idhe.tufts.edu.

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