

2012 & 2016 CAMPUS REPORT

Student Voting Rates for
SUNY College at
Cortland

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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



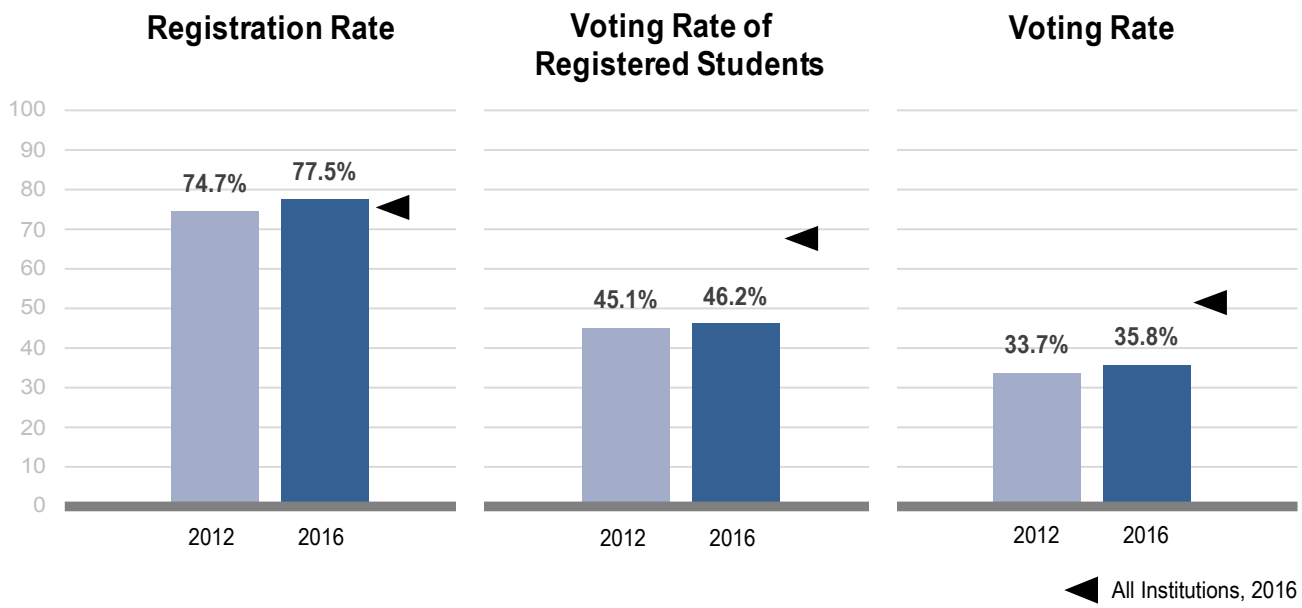
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Voting and Registration Rates

2016 Voting Rate
35.8%

CHANGE FROM 2012
2.1

2016 VOTING RATE FOR ALL INSTITUTIONS
50.4%



	2012	2016	Change
Total student enrollment	7,249	7,012	↓ -237
Age under 18/Unknown	(61)	(55)	
IPEDS estimated non-resident aliens	(50)	(47)	
FERPA records blocked	*	*	
Total eligible voters	7,135	6,907	↓ -228
Number of students who registered	5,329	5,352	↑ 23
Number of students who voted	2,404	2,475	↑ 71
Registration rate	74.7%	77.5%	↑ 2.8
Voting rate of registered students	45.1%	46.2%	↑ 1.1
Voting rate	33.7%	35.8%	↑ 2.1
Difference from all institutions	-13.2	-14.6	

HOW YOUR NUMBERS COMPARE | PRESIDENTIAL ELECTIONS

By Carnegie Classification

2012 Voting Rate for All Institutions
46.9%

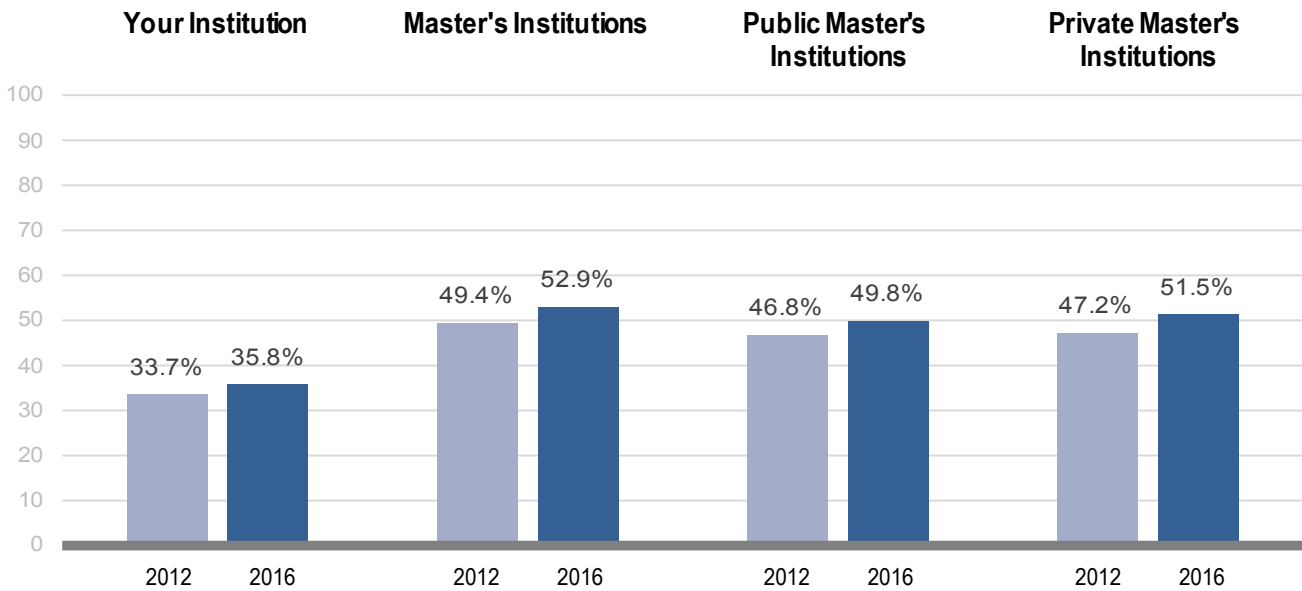
HIGH 72.9%
 LOW 19.3%

2016 Voting Rate for All Institutions
50.4%

HIGH 81.4%
 LOW 13.1%

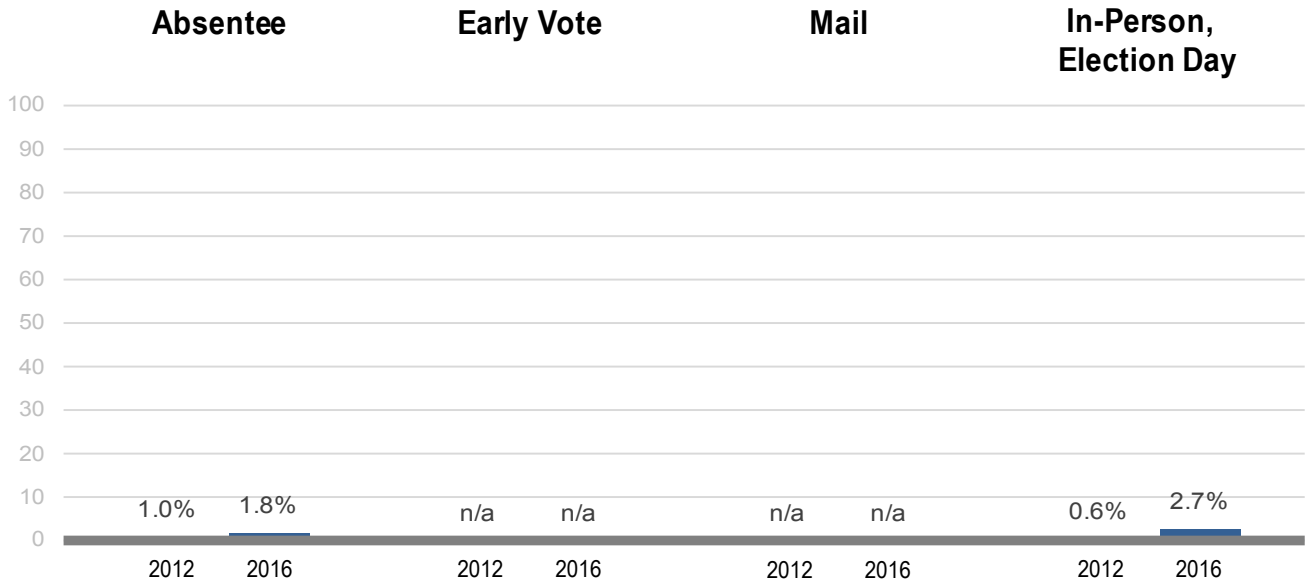
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By Voting Method*

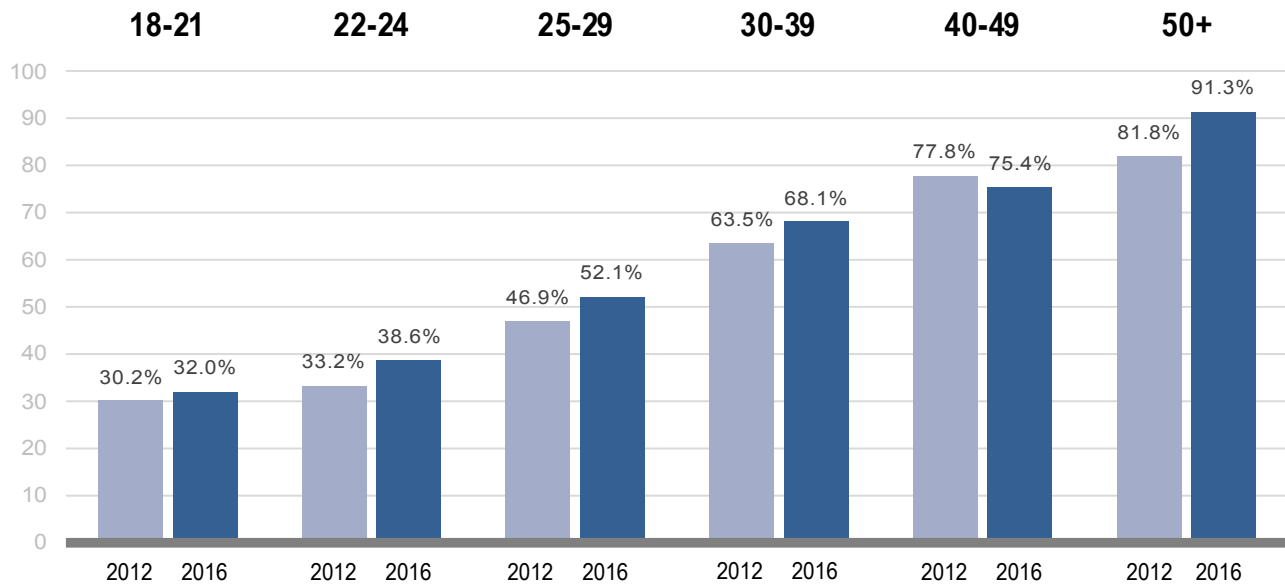


	2012		2016		Change
	Voted	Rate	Voted	Rate	
Absentee	24	1.0%	45	1.8%	↑ 0.8
Early Vote	*	n/a	*	n/a	n/a
Mail	*	n/a	*	n/a	n/a
In-Person, Election Day	14	0.6%	66	2.7%	↑ 2.1
Unknown	2,362	98.3%	2,357	95.2%	
Total	2,404		2,475		

* 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*

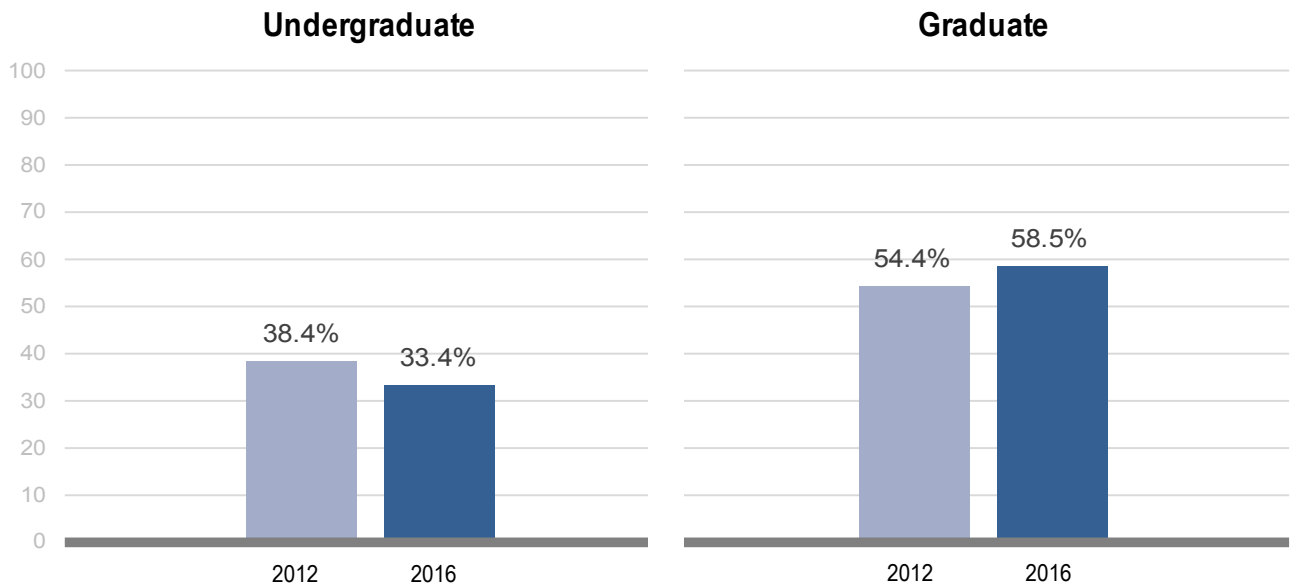


	2012			2016			Change
	Enrolled	Voted	Rate	Enrolled	Voted	Rate	
18-21	5,122	1,548	30.2%	5,131	1,640	32.0%	↑ 1.7
22-24	1,336	444	33.2%	1,235	477	38.6%	↑ 5.4
25-29	405	190	46.9%	330	172	52.1%	↑ 5.2
30-39	208	132	63.5%	166	113	68.1%	↑ 4.6
40-49	81	63	77.8%	69	52	75.4%	↓ -2.4
50+	33	27	81.8%	23	21	91.3%	↑ 9.5
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*

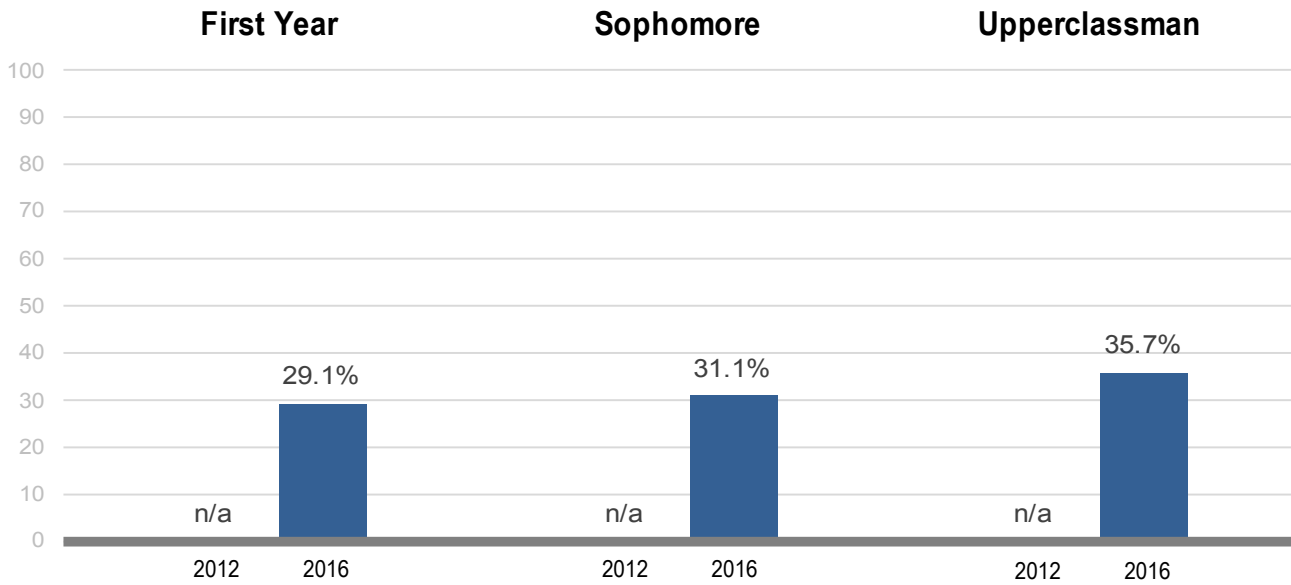


	2012			2016			Change
	Enrolled	Voted	Rate	Enrolled	Voted	Rate	
Undergraduate	417	160	38.4%	6,339	2,116	33.4%	↓ -5.0
Graduate	92	50	54.4%	614	359	58.5%	↑ 4.1
Unknown	6,676			*			

* 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*

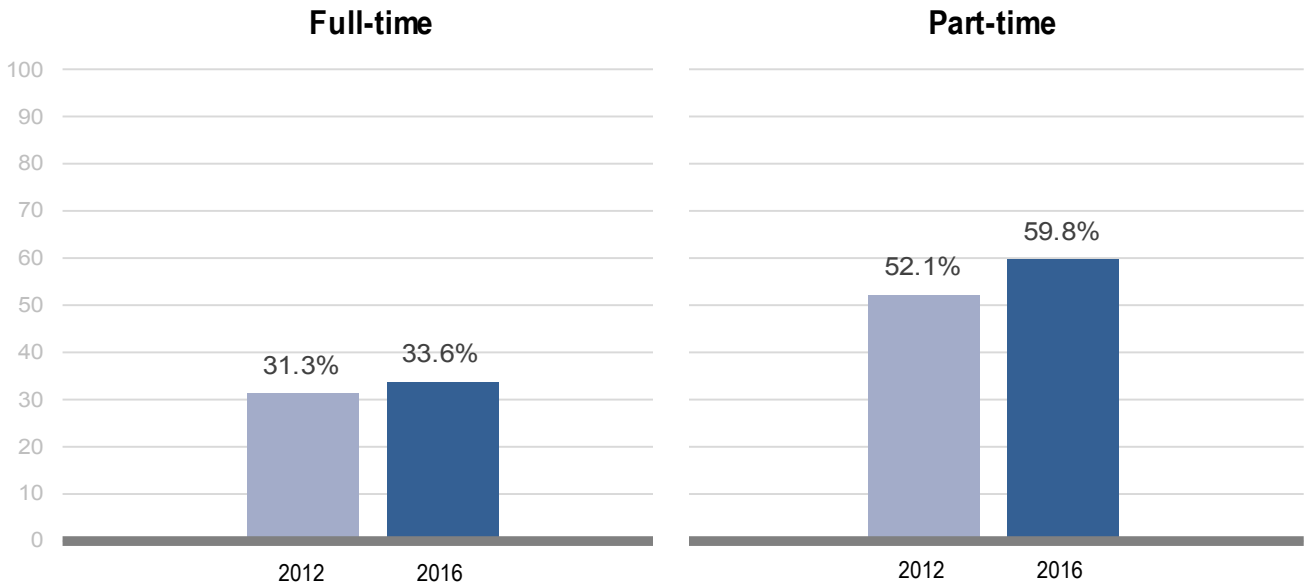


	2012			2016			Change
	Enrolled	Voted	Rate	Enrolled	Voted	Rate	
First Year	0	0	n/a	1,315	383	29.1%	n/a
Sophomore	0	0	n/a	1,365	424	31.1%	n/a
Upperclassman	0	0	n/a	3,647	1,302	35.7%	n/a

* 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*

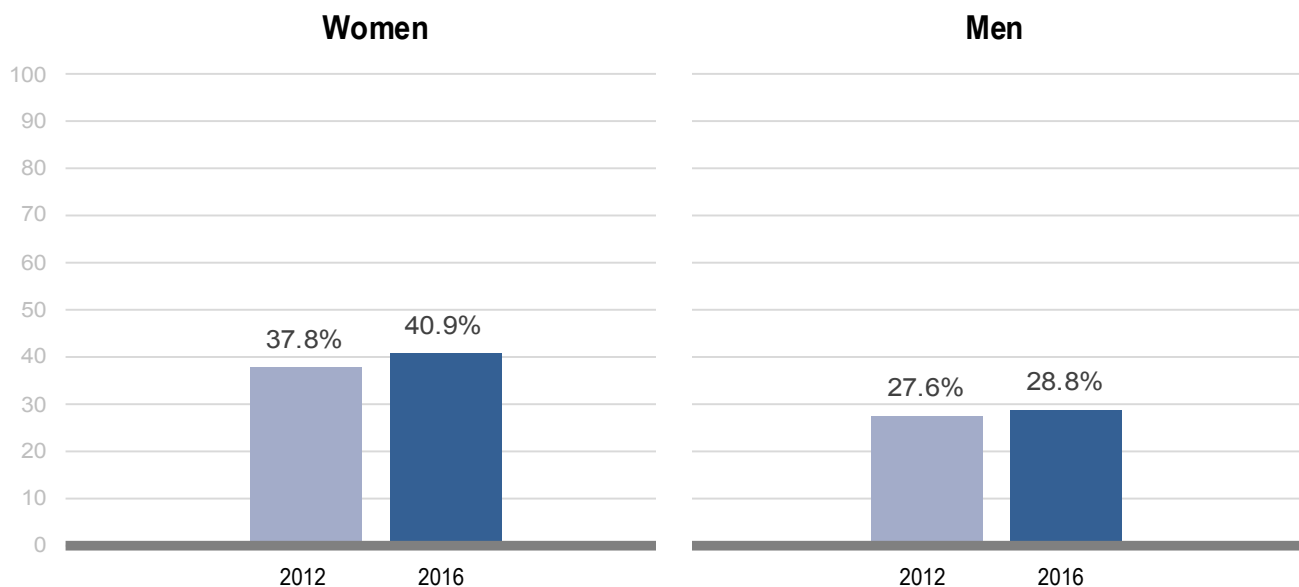


	2012			2016			Change
	Enrolled	Voted	Rate	Enrolled	Voted	Rate	
Full-time	6,450	2,021	31.3%	6,414	2,152	33.6%	↑ 2.2
Part-time	735	383	52.1%	540	323	59.8%	↑ 7.7
Unknown	0	0	n/a	0	0	n/a	

* 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*

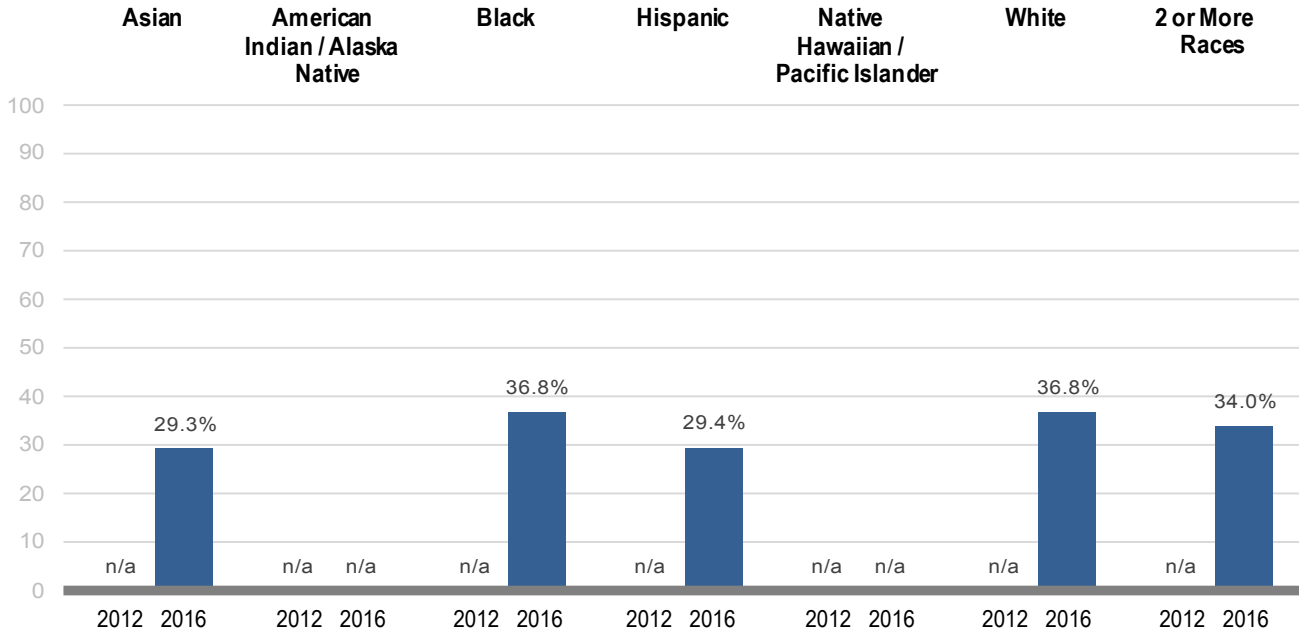


	2012			2016			Change
	Enrolled	Voted	Rate	Enrolled	Voted	Rate	
Women	4,126	1,561	37.8%	3,919	1,601	40.9%	↑ 3.0
Men	3,058	843	27.6%	3,034	874	28.8%	↑ 1.2
Unknown	*	0	n/a	*	0	n/a	

* 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 Race/Ethnicity*



	2012			2016			Change
	Enrolled	Voted	Rate	Enrolled	Voted	Rate	
Asian	0	0	n/a	99	29	29.3%	n/a
American Indian/ Alaska Native	0	0	n/a	18	*	n/a	n/a
Black	0	0	n/a	399	147	36.8%	n/a
Hispanic	0	0	n/a	788	232	29.4%	n/a
Native Hawaiian/ Pacific Islander	0	0	n/a	*	0	n/a	n/a
White	0	0	n/a	5,196	1,913	36.8%	n/a
2 or More Races	0	0	n/a	156	53	34.0%	n/a
Unknown	7,185			293			

* 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 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	
Biological and Biomedical Sciences	303	103	34.0%	375	123	32.8% ↓	-1.2
Business, Management, and Marketing	0	0	n/a	472	111	23.5%	n/a
Communication and Journalism	324	103	31.8%	367	123	33.5% ↑	1.7
Education	3,619	1,182	32.7%	1,985	791	39.9% ↑	7.2
Engineering and Engineering Technologies	16	*	n/a	0	0	n/a	n/a
English Language and Literature	209	83	39.7%	73	39	53.4% ↑	13.7
Foreign Languages, Literatures, and Linguistics	131	56	42.8%	18	*	n/a	n/a
Health Professions	284	99	34.9%	700	273	39.0% ↑	4.1
History	301	152	50.5%	59	37	62.7% ↑	12.2
Liberal Arts and Sciences, and Humanities	254	63	24.8%	280	74	26.4% ↑	1.6
Mathematics and Statistics	53	17	32.1%	36	11	30.6% ↓	-1.5
Parks, Recreation, Leisure, and Fitness Studies	166	39	23.5%	1,369	399	29.2% ↑	5.7
Philosophy and Religious Studies	*	*	n/a	23	15	65.2%	n/a
Physical Sciences	87	32	36.8%	107	33	30.8% ↓	-5.9
Psychology	292	87	29.8%	329	126	38.3% ↑	8.5
Public Administration and Social Service Professions	13	*	n/a	11	*	n/a	n/a
Social Sciences	888	281	31.6%	541	221	40.9% ↑	9.2
Visual and Performing Arts	125	48	38.4%	112	47	42.0% ↑	3.6
Unknown	112	49	43.8%	97	40	41.2% ↓	-2.5

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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