

2014 & 2018 CAMPUS REPORT

Student Voting Rates for
University of Colorado
Denver

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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, 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 who voted in the 2014 and 2018 elections. These results are based on enrollment records your institution submitted to the National Student Clearinghouse and publicly available voting files collected by Catalist. We exclude FERPA-blocked records. (For exceptions for campuses with disproportionately high numbers of FERPA blocked students, see our Campus Reports FAQ.)

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 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 (international students), resident aliens (undocumented students), and students who have been disenfranchised due to a felony conviction. As a result, 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>.

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 providing 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.

Warm regards,

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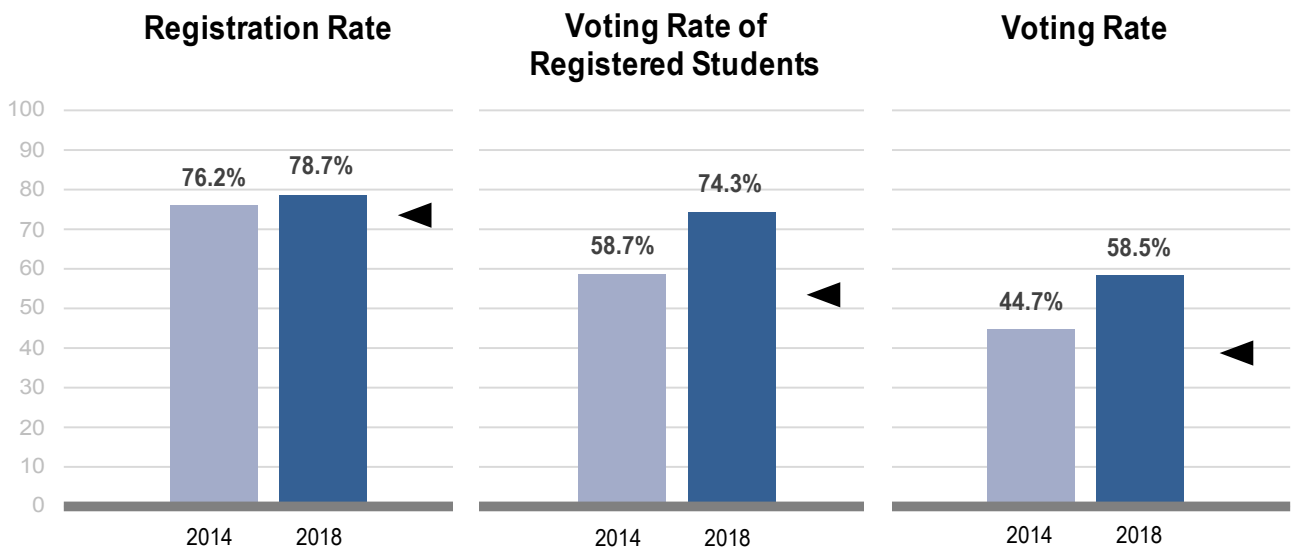
YOUR STUDENTS' VOTING DATA | MIDTERM ELECTIONS

Voting and Registration Rates

2018 Voting Rate
58.5%

CHANGE FROM 2014
+13.8

2018 VOTING RATE FOR ALL INSTITUTIONS
39.1%



◀ All Institutions, 2018

	2014	2018	Change
Total student enrollment	22,410	25,090	↑ 2,680
Age under 18/Unknown	(2,269)	(3,833)	
IPEDS estimated non-resident aliens	(1,532)	(1,294)	
FERPA records blocked	(16)	*	
Total eligible voters	18,593	19,958	↑ 1,365
Number of students who registered	14,162	15,713	↑ 1,551
Number of students who voted	8,316	11,673	↑ 3,357
Registration rate	76.2%	78.7%	↑ 2.6
Voting rate of registered students	58.7%	74.3%	↑ 15.6
Voting rate	44.7%	58.5%	↑ 13.8
Difference from all institutions	+25.0	+19.4	

HOW YOUR NUMBERS COMPARE | MIDTERM ELECTIONS

By Carnegie Classification

2014 Voting Rate
for All Institutions

19.7%

HIGH
54.0%

LOW
1.5%

2018 Voting Rate
for All Institutions

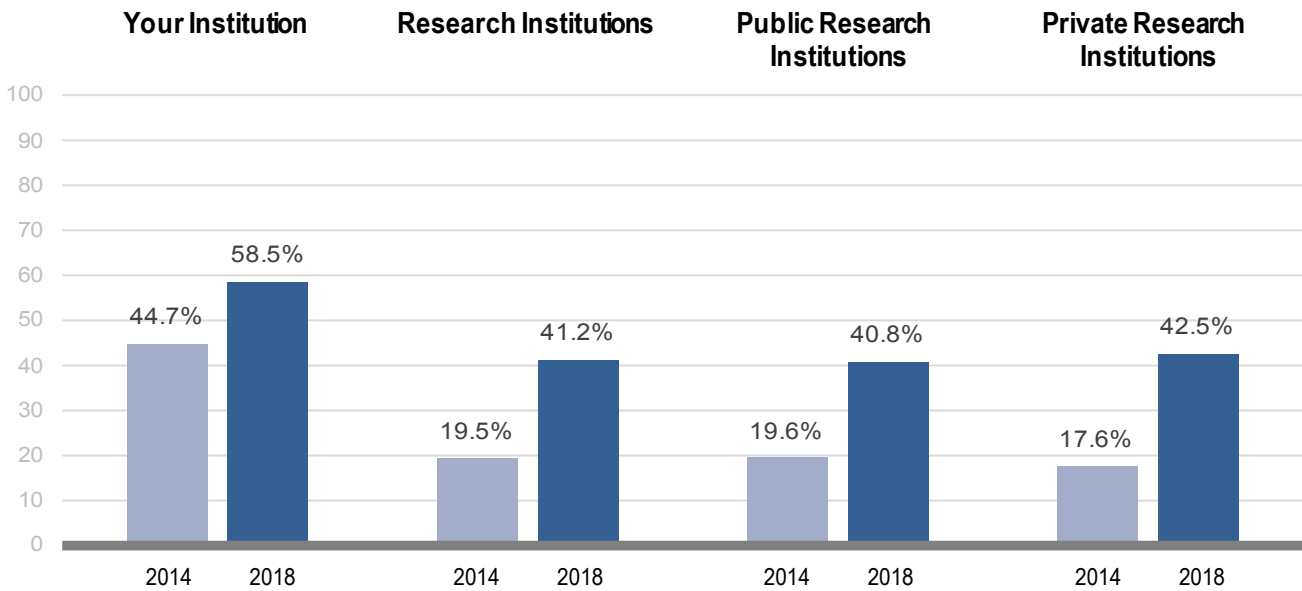
39.1%

HIGH
64.1%

LOW
11.5%

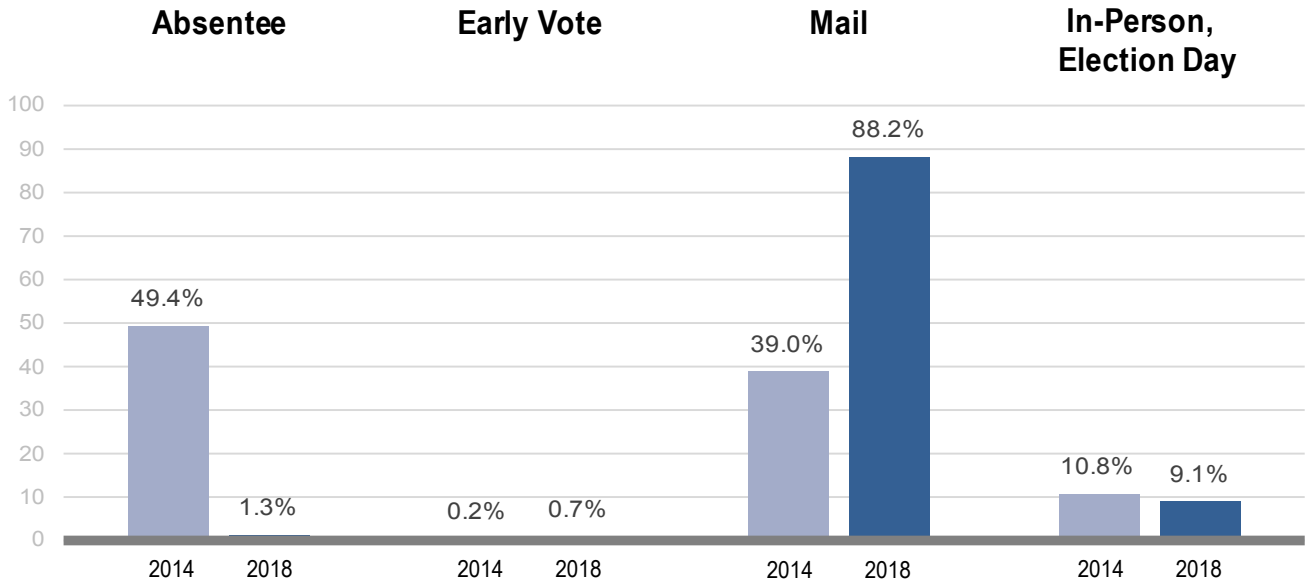
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YOUR STUDENTS' VOTING DATA | MIDTERM ELECTIONS

By Voting Method*

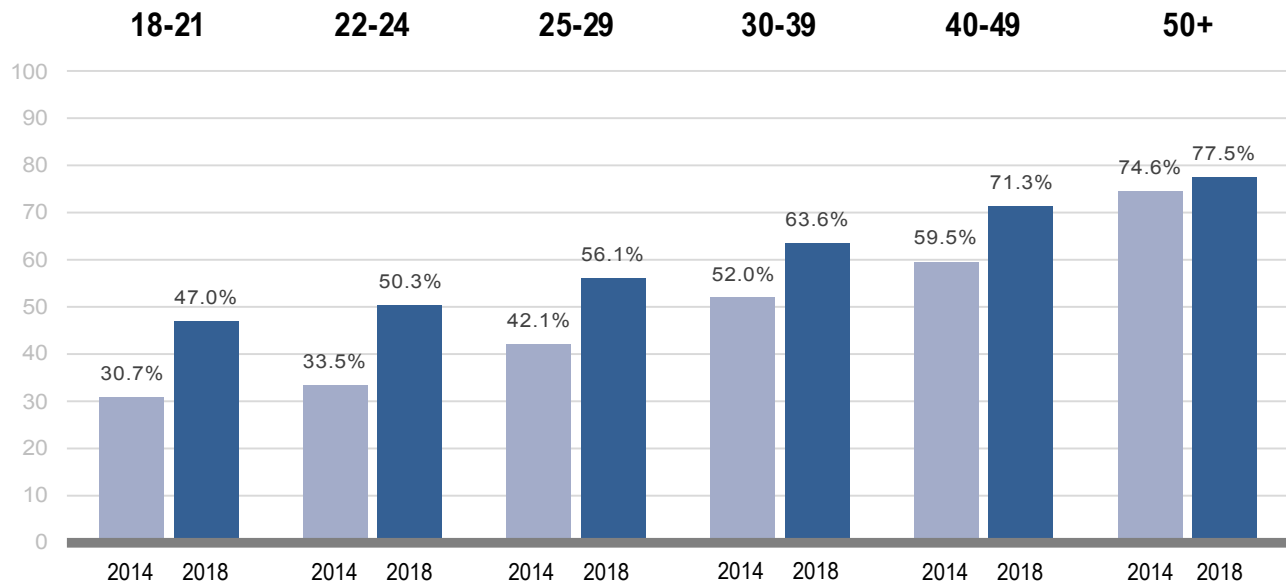


	2014		2018		Change	
	Voted	Rate	Voted	Rate		
Absentee	4,105	49.4%	157	1.3%	↓	-48.0
Early Vote	18	0.2%	78	0.7%	↑	0.5
Mail	3,240	39.0%	10,298	88.2%	↑	49.3
In-Person, Election Day	895	10.8%	1,067	9.1%	↓	-1.6
Unknown	58	0.7%	73	0.6%		
Total	8,316		11,673			

* 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 | MIDTERM ELECTIONS

By Age Group*

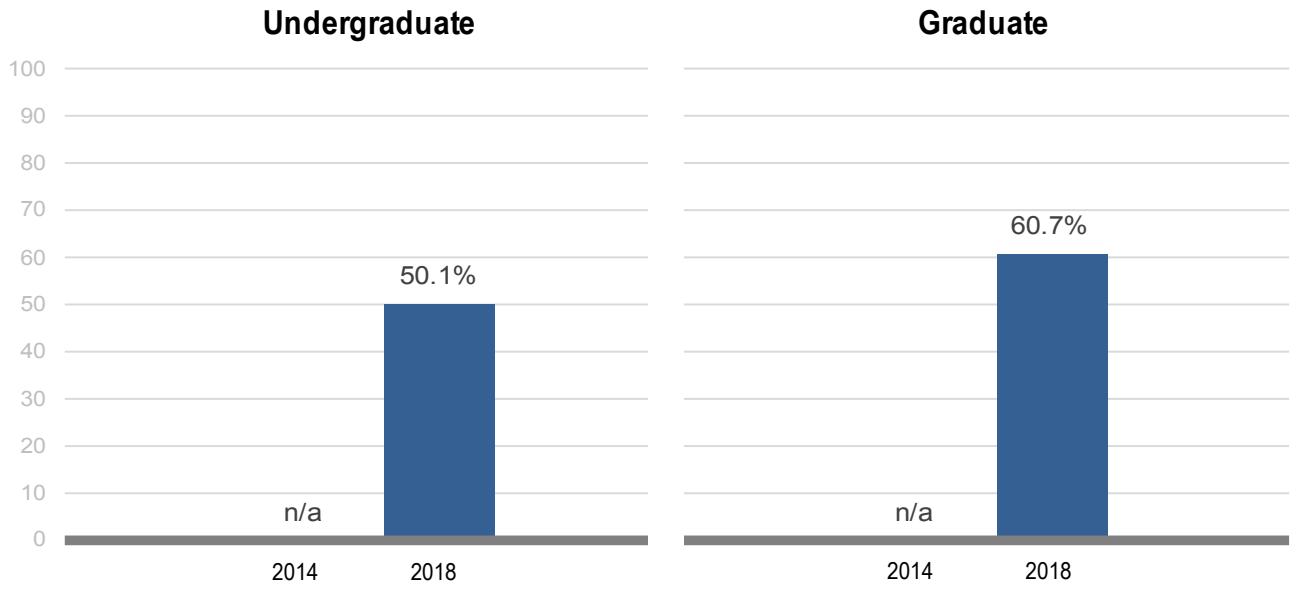


	2014			2018			Change
	Enrolled	Voted	Rate	Enrolled	Voted	Rate	
18-21	5,069	1,558	30.7%	6,355	2,985	47.0%	↑ 16.2
22-24	4,205	1,409	33.5%	4,245	2,136	50.3%	↑ 16.8
25-29	5,167	2,174	42.1%	5,165	2,898	56.1%	↑ 14.0
30-39	3,873	2,015	52.0%	3,737	2,376	63.6%	↑ 11.6
40-49	1,261	750	59.5%	1,261	899	71.3%	↑ 11.8
50+	550	410	74.6%	489	379	77.5%	↑ 3.0
Unknown	*			*			

* 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.

YOUR STUDENTS' VOTING DATA | MIDTERM ELECTIONS

By Education Level*

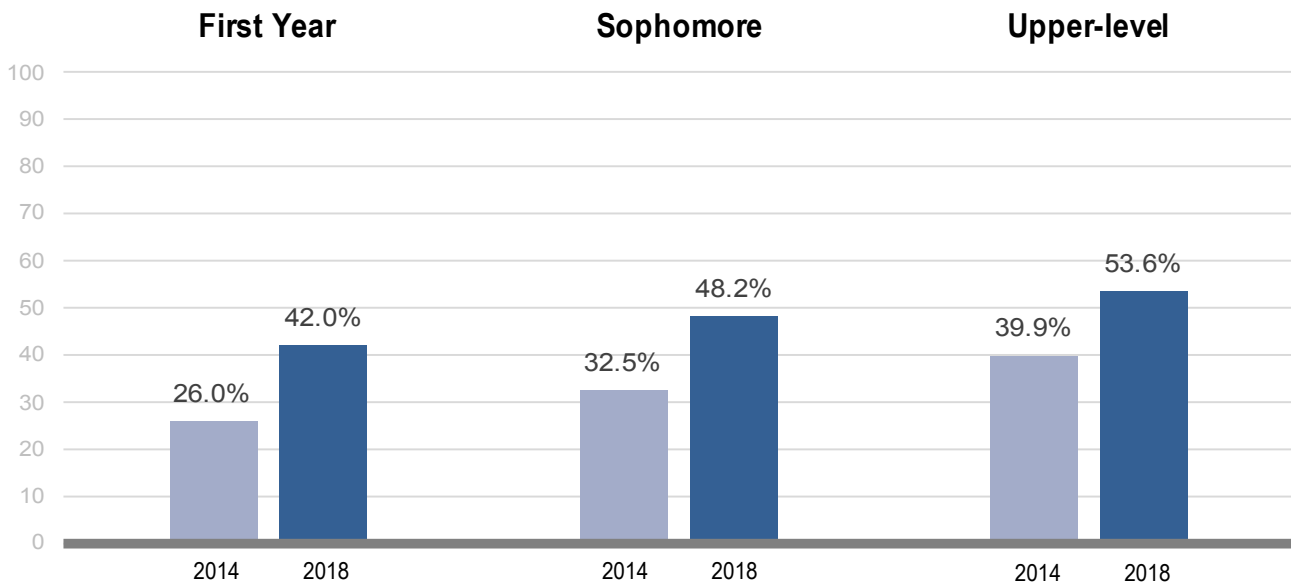


	2014			2018			Change
	Enrolled	Voted	Rate	Enrolled	Voted	Rate	
Undergraduate	0	0	n/a	12,244	6,128	50.1%	n/a
Graduate	0	0	n/a	8,280	5,029	60.7%	n/a
Unknown	20,125			728			

* 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.

YOUR STUDENTS' VOTING DATA | MIDTERM ELECTIONS

By Undergraduate Class Year*

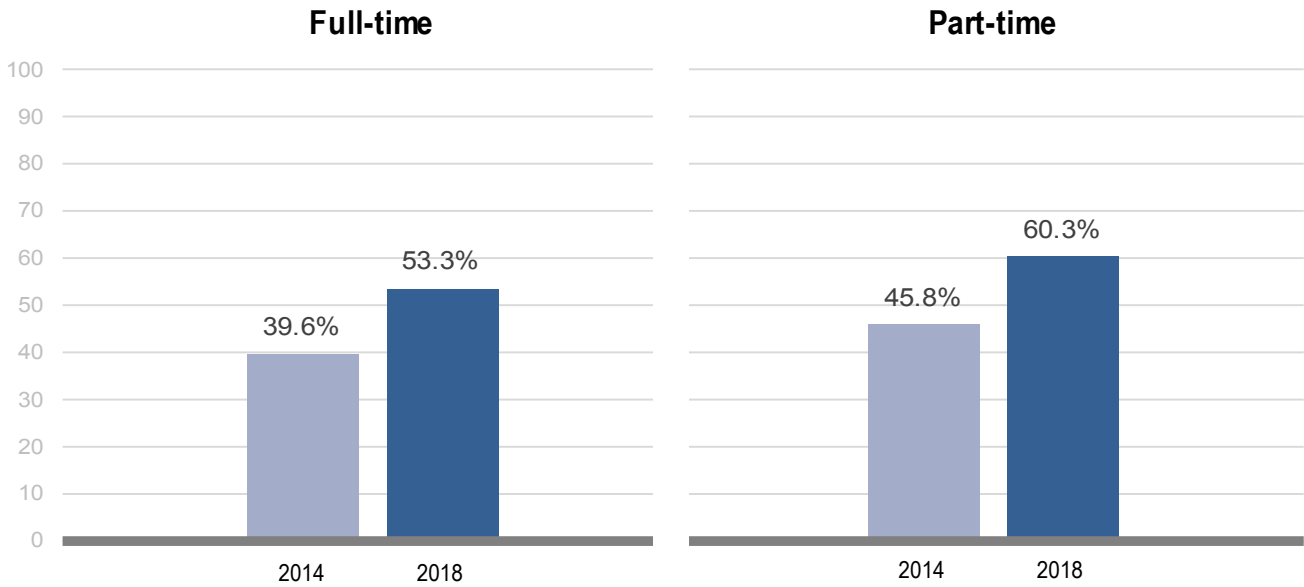


	2014			2018			Change
	Enrolled	Voted	Rate	Enrolled	Voted	Rate	
First Year	2,244	583	26.0%	2,415	1,015	42.0%	↑ 16.1
Sophomore	2,115	687	32.5%	2,286	1,101	48.2%	↑ 15.7
Upper-level	6,206	2,473	39.9%	6,957	3,726	53.6%	↑ 13.7

* 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.

YOUR STUDENTS' VOTING DATA | MIDTERM ELECTIONS

By Enrollment Status*



	2014			2018			Change
	Enrolled	Voted	Rate	Enrolled	Voted	Rate	
Full-time	14,466	5,722	39.6%	16,325	8,704	53.3%	↑ 13.8
Part-time	5,659	2,594	45.8%	4,927	2,969	60.3%	↑ 14.4
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.

YOUR STUDENTS' VOTING DATA | MIDTERM 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 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.

	2014			2018			Change
	Enrolled	Voted	Rate	Enrolled	Voted	Rate	
Architecture	615	215	35.0%	809	416	51.4% ↑	16.5
Area, Ethnic, Cultural, Gender, and Group Studies	18	13	72.2%	28	17	60.7% ↓	-11.5
Biological and Biomedical Sciences	1,372	561	40.9%	1,568	847	54.0% ↑	13.1
Business, Management, and Marketing	2,846	1,090	38.3%	2,722	1,430	52.5% ↑	14.2
Communication and Journalism	438	128	29.2%	483	178	36.9% ↑	7.6
Computer and Information Sciences	388	106	27.3%	521	203	39.0% ↑	11.6
Education	1,168	674	57.7%	1,295	917	70.8% ↑	13.1
Engineering and Engineering Technologies	1,435	458	31.9%	1,446	695	48.1% ↑	16.1
English Language and Literature	331	155	46.8%	285	177	62.1% ↑	15.3
Family and Consumer/Human Sciences	0	0	n/a	82	47	57.3%	n/a
Foreign Languages, Literatures, and Linguistics	58	32	55.2%	41	27	65.9% ↑	10.7
Health Professions	5,097	2,071	40.6%	5,107	2,816	55.1% ↑	14.5
History	160	100	62.5%	124	90	72.6% ↑	10.1
Law Enforcement, Firefighting, and Protective Services	295	118	40.0%	381	189	49.6% ↑	9.6
Liberal Arts and Sciences, and Humanities	164	70	42.7%	458	235	51.3% ↑	8.6
Library Science	121	76	62.8%	99	78	78.8% ↑	16.0
Mathematics and Statistics	169	72	42.6%	171	90	52.6% ↑	10.0
Multi/Interdisciplinary Studies	1,314	664	50.5%	1,585	978	61.7% ↑	11.2
Natural Resources and Conservation	48	26	54.2%	44	26	59.1% ↑	4.9
Philosophy and Religious Studies	32	13	40.6%	39	24	61.5% ↑	20.9
Physical Sciences	226	74	32.7%	221	113	51.1% ↑	18.4
Psychology	957	381	39.8%	828	488	58.9% ↑	19.1
Public Administration and Social Service Professions	414	286	69.1%	393	296	75.3% ↑	6.2

Social Sciences	1,261	452	35.8%	1,198	542	45.2% ↑	9.4
Visual and Performing Arts	1,194	479	40.1%	1,314	751	57.2% ↑	17.0
Unknown	*	*	n/a	10	*	n/a	n/a

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>.

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