2014 & 2018 CAMPUS REPORT

Student Voting Rates for University of Michigan-Flint

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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 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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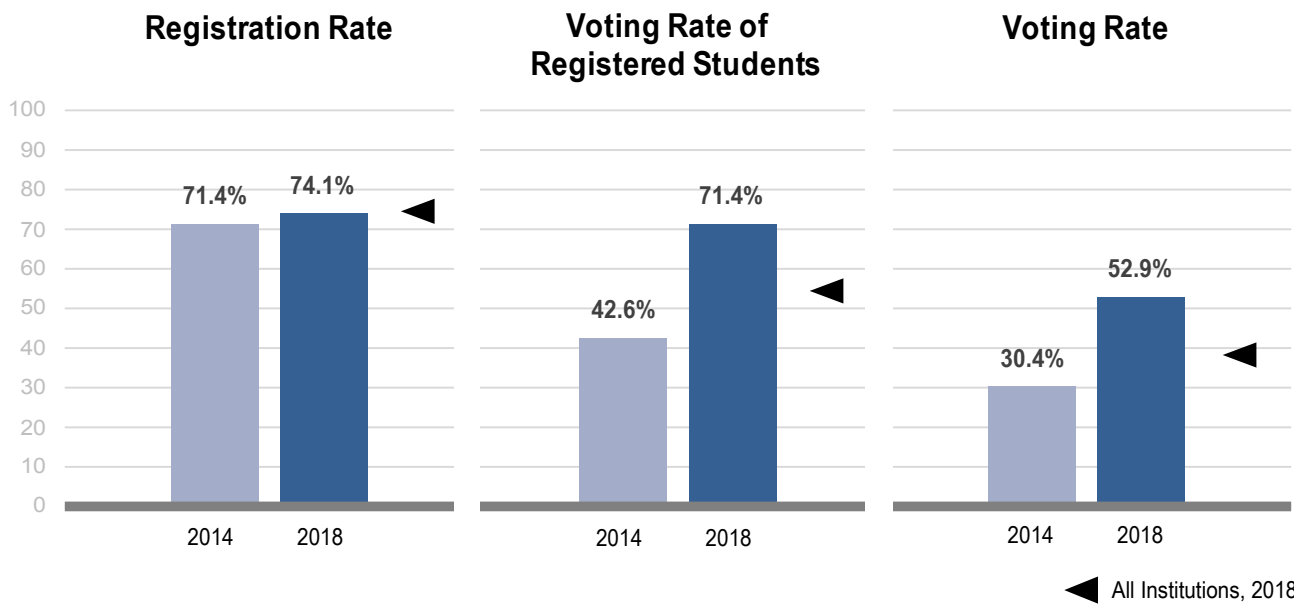
Warm regards,

IDHE Team

YOUR STUDENTS' VOTING DATA | MIDTERM ELECTIONS

Voting and Registration Rates

2018 Voting Rate

52.9%

CHANGE
FROM 2014

+22.5

2018 VOTING RATE
FOR ALL INSTITUTIONS

39.1%

Registration Rate

71.4% 74.1%

2014   2018

Voting Rate of Registered Students

42.6% 71.4%

2014   2018

Voting Rate

52.9%

30.4%

2014   2018

◀ All Institutions, 2018

	2014	2018		Change
Total student enrollment	8,377	7,261	⬇	-1,116
Age under 18/Unknown	(376)	(561)		
IPEDS estimated non-resident aliens	(581)	(284)		
FERPA records blocked	(481)	(304)		
Total eligible voters	6,939	6,112	⬇	-827
Number of students who registered	4,956	4,527	⬇	-429
Number of students who voted	2,110	3,233	⬆	1,123
Registration rate	71.4%	74.1%	⬆	2.6
Voting rate of registered students	42.6%	71.4%	⬆	28.9
Voting rate	30.4%	52.9%	⬆	22.5
Difference from all institutions	+10.7	+13.8		

HOW YOUR NUMBERS COMPARE | MIDTERM ELECTIONS

By Carnegie Classification

2014 Voting Rate for All Institutions

19.7%

HIGH 54.0%

LOW 1.5%

Difference from All Institutions **+10.7**

2018 Voting Rate for All Institutions

39.1%

HIGH 64.1%

LOW 11.5%

Difference from All Institutions **+13.8**

	Your Institution	Master's Institutions	Public Master's Institutions	Private Master's Institutions
2014	30.4%	20.1%	19.9%	21.1%
2018	52.9%	39.7%	39.3%	40.3%
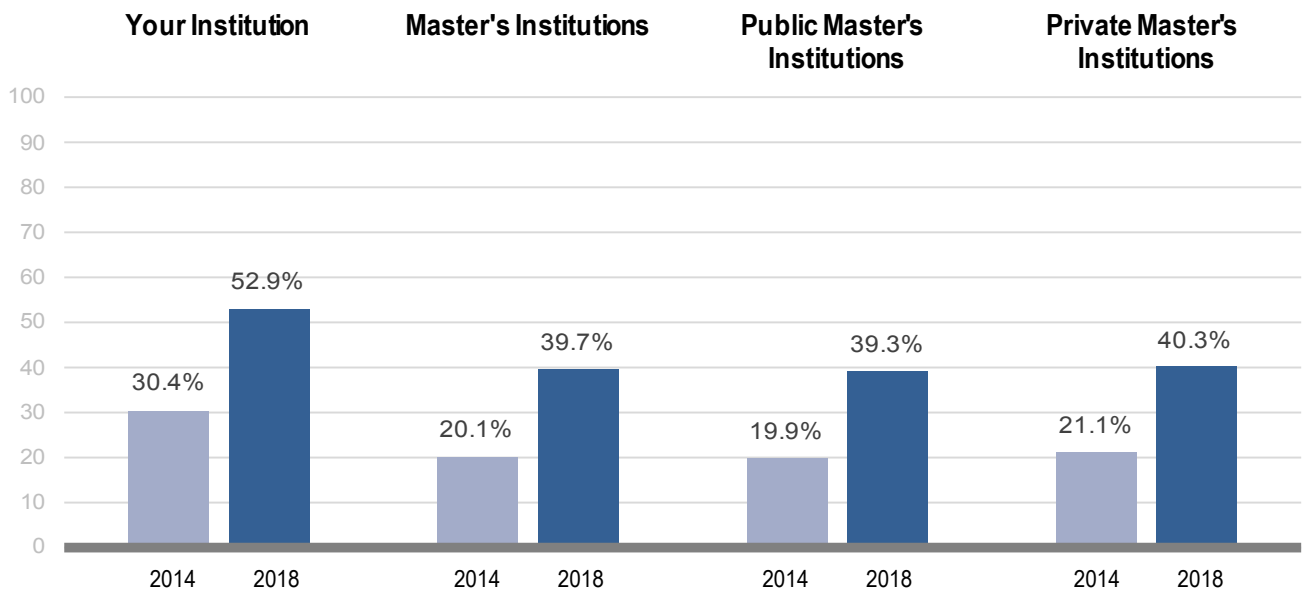
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By Voting Method*
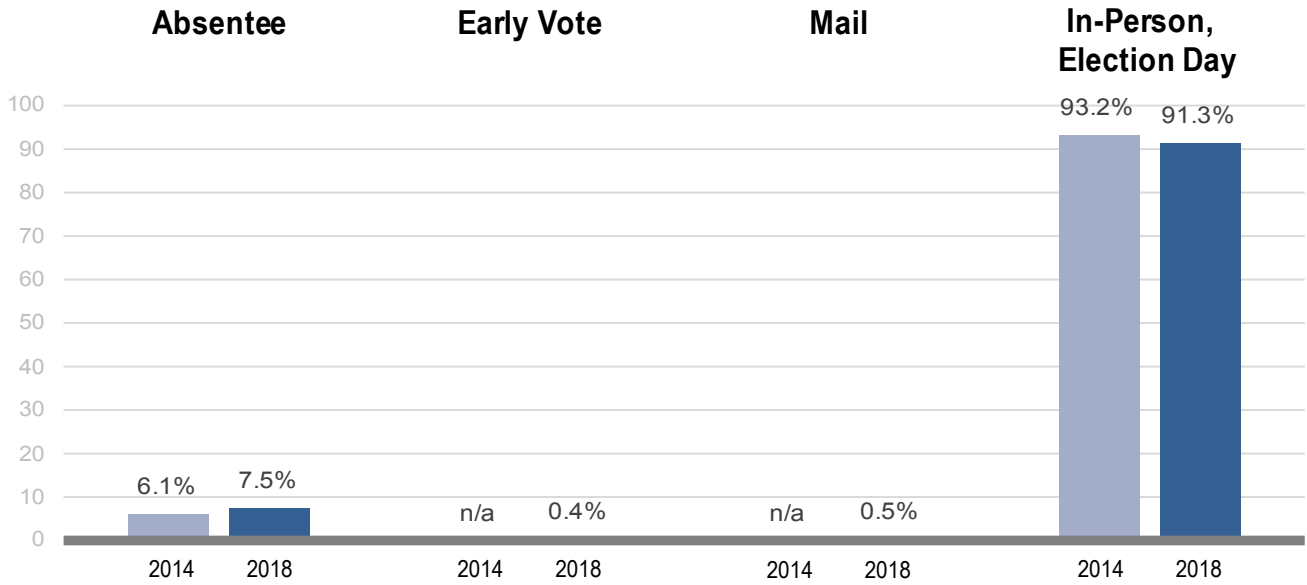
	2014			**2018**			
	Voted	Rate		Voted	Rate		Change
Absentee	128	**6.1%**		243	**7.5%**	⬆	**1.5**
Early Vote	*	**n/a**		14	**0.4%**		**n/a**
Mail	*	**n/a**		15	**0.5%**		**n/a**
In-Person, Election Day	1,966	**93.2%**		2,953	**91.3%**	⬇	**-1.8**
Unknown	*	**n/a**		*	**n/a**		
Total	**2,110**			**3,233**			

* 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 officals where your students voted.

By Age Group*

	18-21	22-24	25-29	30-39	40-49	50+

	2014	2018	2014	2018	2014	2018	2014	2018	2014	2018	2014	2018
	17.7%	47.0%	21.6%	42.8%	26.5%	46.3%	39.0%	57.6%	49.6%	66.4%	51.5%	75.8%
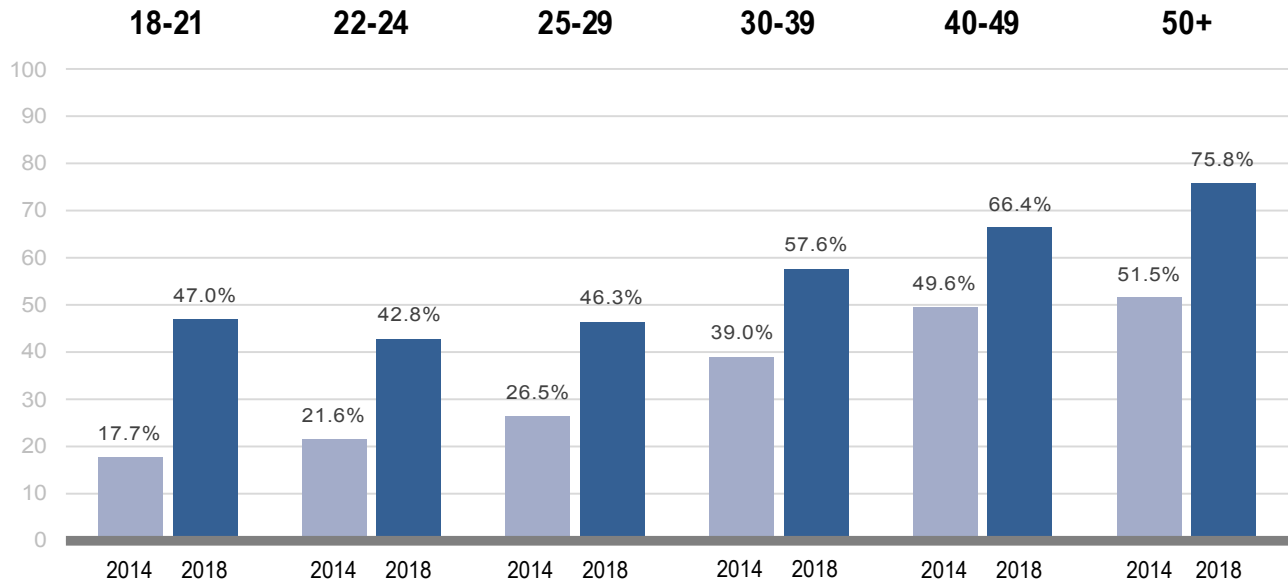
	2014			2018				Change
	Enrolled	Voted	Rate	Enrolled	Voted	Rate		
18-21	2,193	388	**17.7%**	2,228	1,046	**47.0%**	⬆	**29.3**
22-24	1,710	369	**21.6%**	1,229	526	**42.8%**	⬆	**21.2**
25-29	1,300	344	**26.5%**	1,134	525	**46.3%**	⬆	**19.8**
30-39	1,365	532	**39.0%**	981	565	**57.6%**	⬆	**18.6**
40-49	690	342	**49.6%**	568	377	**66.4%**	⬆	**16.8**
50+	262	135	**51.5%**	256	194	**75.8%**	⬆	**24.3**
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.

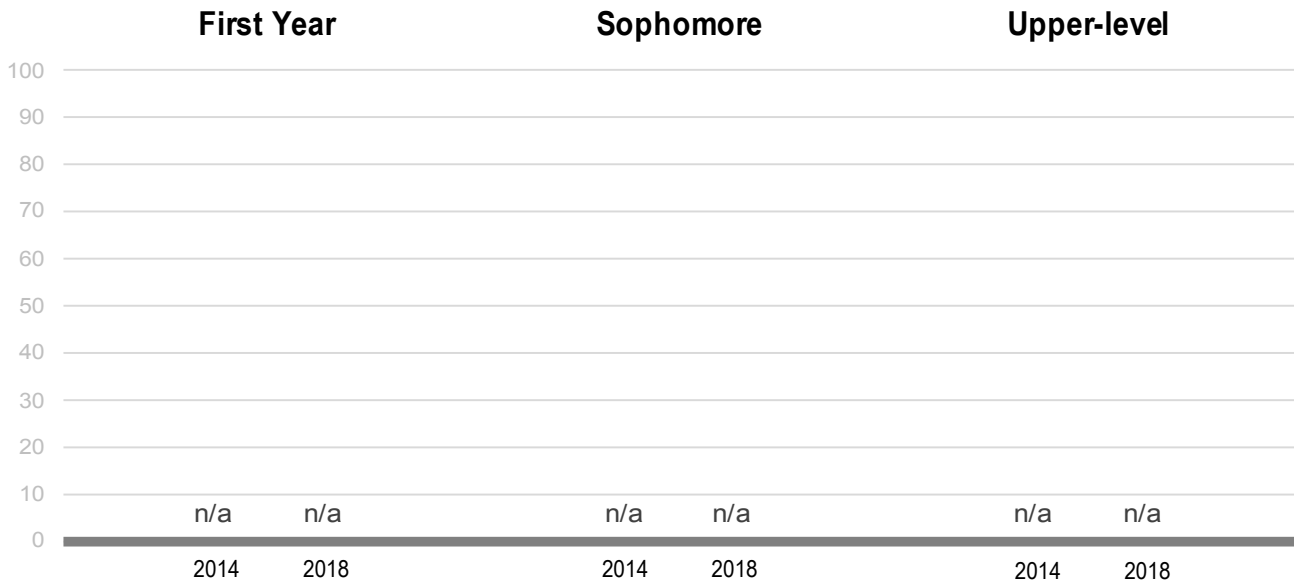**YOUR STUDENTS' VOTING DATA | MIDTERM ELECTIONS**

By Education Level*

Undergraduate
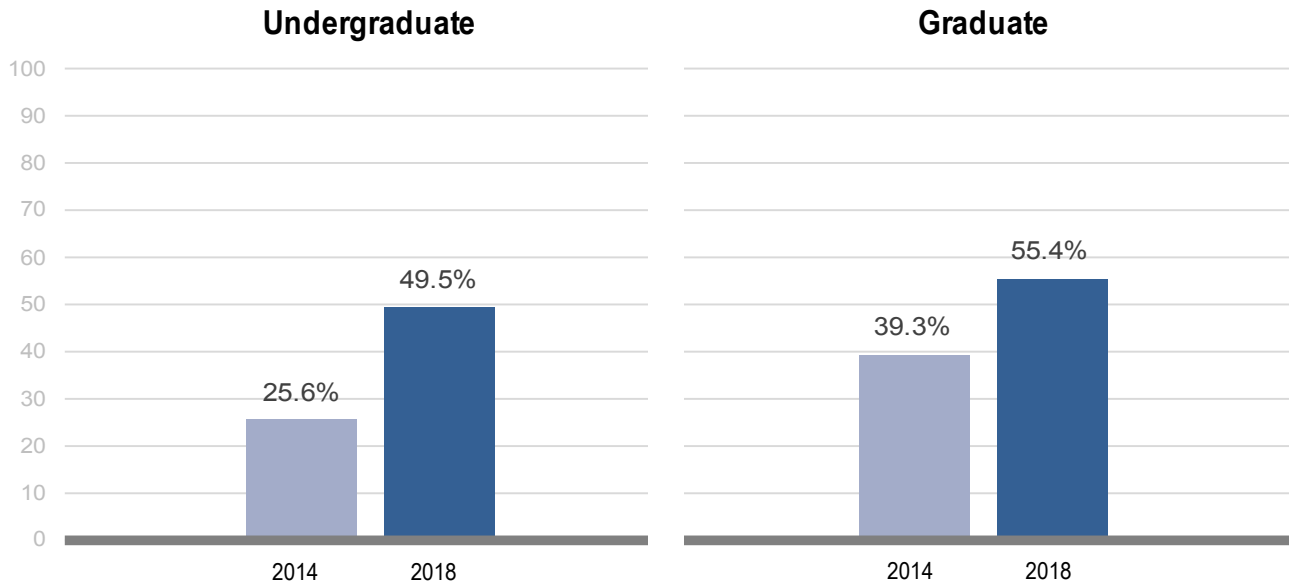
Graduate

	2014			2018				Change
	Enrolled	Voted	Rate	Enrolled	Voted	Rate		
Undergraduate	5,982	1,532	**25.6%**	4,856	2,402	**49.5%**	⬆	**23.9**
Graduate	1,389	546	**39.3%**	1,355	750	**55.4%**	⬆	**16.0**
Unknown	149			185				

* 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.

By Undergraduate Class Year*

	First Year			**Sophomore**			**Upper-level**	
100								
90								
80								
70								
60								
50								
40								
30								
20								
10								
0	n/a	n/a		n/a	n/a		n/a	n/a
	2014	2018		2014	2018		2014	2018

	2014			**2018**			
	Enrolled	Voted	Rate	Enrolled	Voted	Rate	Change
First Year	0	0	**n/a**	0	0	**n/a**	**n/a**
Sophomore	0	0	**n/a**	0	0	**n/a**	**n/a**
Upper-level	0	0	**n/a**	0	0	**n/a**	**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.

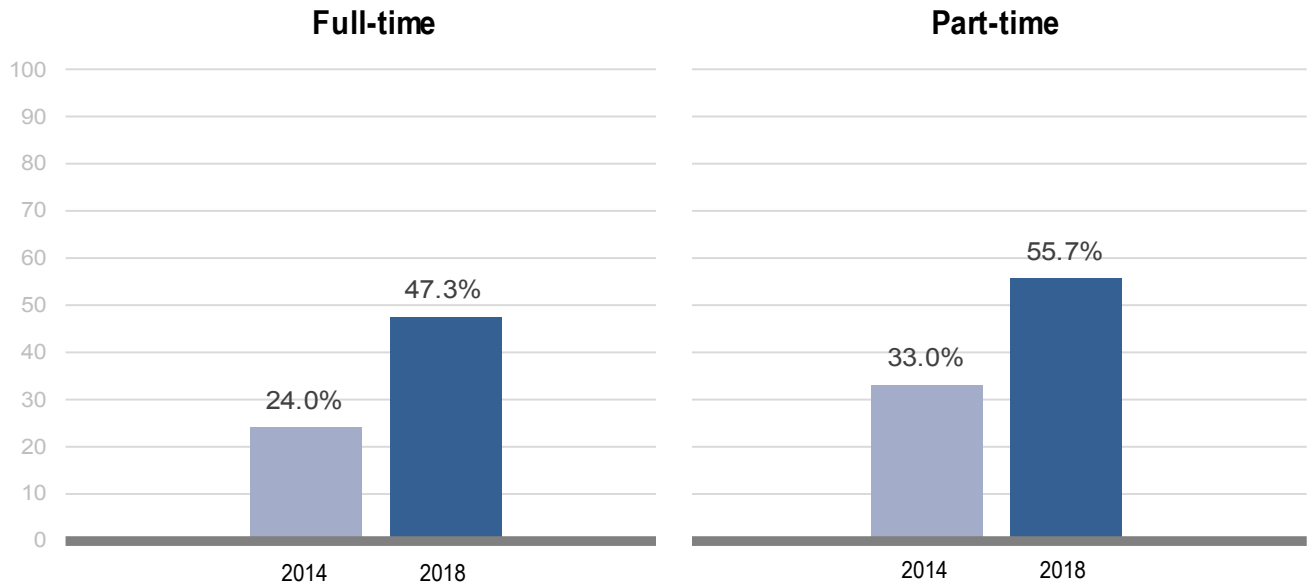## YOUR STUDENTS' VOTING DATA | MIDTERM ELECTIONS

By Enrollment Status*

Full-time

Part-time

	2014			**2018**				Change
	Enrolled	Voted	Rate	Enrolled	Voted	Rate		
Full-time	4,147	997	**24.0%**	3,942	1,866	**47.3%**	⬆	**23.3**
Part-time	3,373	1,113	**33.0%**	2,454	1,367	**55.7%**	⬆	**22.7**
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.
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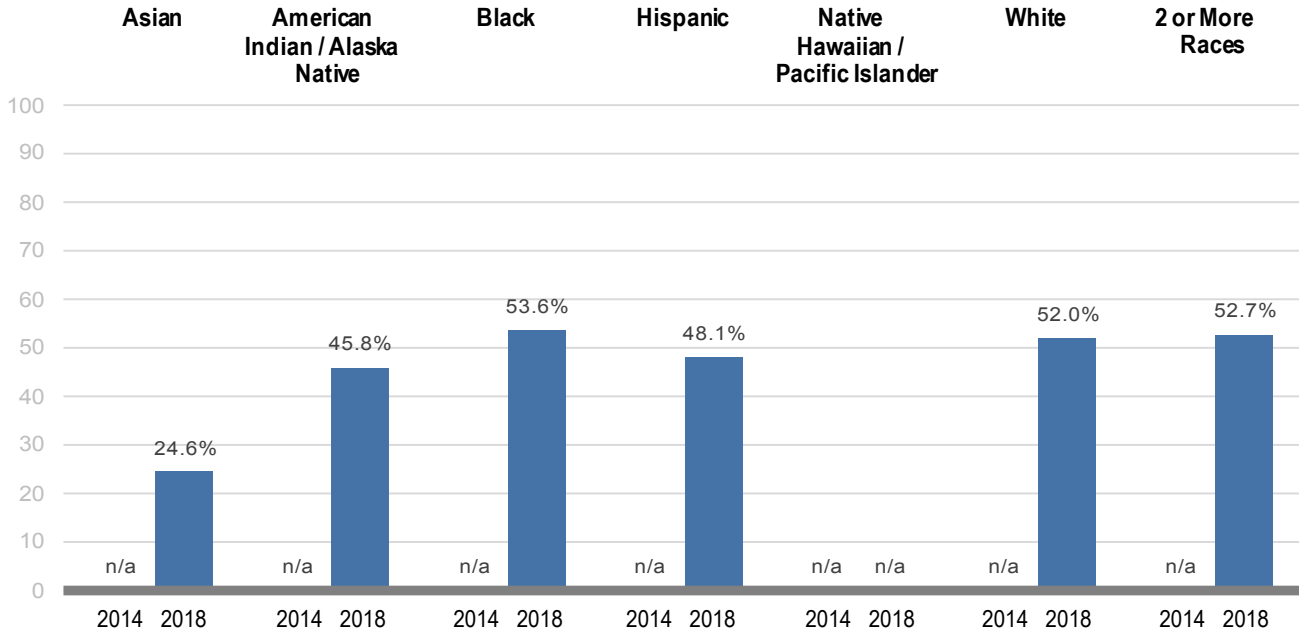**YOUR STUDENTS' VOTING DATA | MIDTERM ELECTIONS**

By Gender*

Women

Men
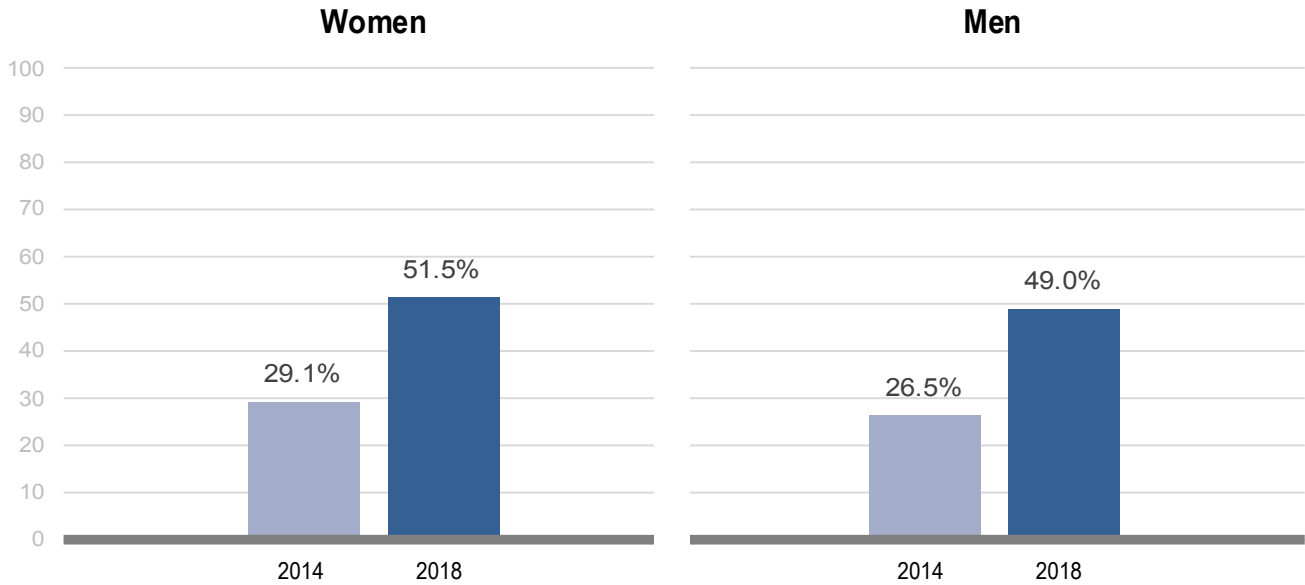
	2014			**2018**				Change
	Enrolled	Voted	Rate	Enrolled	Voted	Rate		
Women	4,499	1,308	**29.1%**	3,982	2,049	**51.5%**	⬆	**22.4**
Men	2,994	793	**26.5%**	2,396	1,173	**49.0%**	⬆	**22.5**
Unknown	27			18				

* 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.

By Race/Ethnicity*

	Asian	American Indian / Alaska Native	Black	Hispanic	Native Hawaiian / Pacific Islander	White	2 or More Races
2018	24.6%	45.8%	53.6%	48.1%	n/a	52.0%	52.7%
2014	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a

	2014			**2018**			
	Enrolled	Voted	Rate	Enrolled	Voted	Rate	Change
Asian	0	0	**n/a**	293	72	**24.6%**	**n/a**
American Indian/ Alaska Native	0	0	**n/a**	48	22	**45.8%**	**n/a**
Black	0	0	**n/a**	793	425	**53.6%**	**n/a**
Hispanic	0	0	**n/a**	308	148	**48.1%**	**n/a**
Native Hawaiian/ Pacific Islander	0	0	**n/a**	*	*	**n/a**	**n/a**
White	0	0	**n/a**	4,523	2,352	**52.0%**	**n/a**
2 or More Races	0	0	**n/a**	203	107	**52.7%**	**n/a**
Unknown	7,520			219			

* 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. For this page, we consider international students of unknown race/ethnicity.

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	
Area, Ethnic, Cultural, Gender, and Group Studies	*	*	n/a	0	0	n/a	n/a
Biological and Biomedical Sciences	451	95	21.1%	451	210	46.6% ⬆	25.5
Business, Management, and Marketing	1,214	341	28.1%	698	354	50.7% ⬆	22.6
Communication and Journalism	126	44	34.9%	107	57	53.3% ⬆	18.4
Computer and Information Sciences	450	71	15.8%	330	147	44.6% ⬆	28.8
Education	620	257	41.5%	379	233	61.5% ⬆	20.0
Engineering and Engineering Technologies	231	43	18.6%	293	127	43.3% ⬆	24.7
English Language and Literature	126	44	34.9%	85	50	58.8% ⬆	23.9
Foreign Languages, Literatures, and Linguistics	25	*	n/a	11	*	n/a	n/a
Health Professions	2,495	654	26.2%	1,708	856	50.1% ⬆	23.9
History	49	23	46.9%	35	21	60.0% ⬆	13.1
Law Enforcement, Firefighting, and Protective Services	139	35	25.2%	68	19	27.9% ⬆	2.8
Liberal Arts and Sciences, and Humanities	281	69	24.6%	1,129	514	45.5% ⬆	21.0
Mathematics and Statistics	18	*	n/a	17	*	n/a	n/a
Multi/Interdisciplinary Studies	47	25	53.2%	50	41	82.0% ⬆	28.8
Natural Resources and Conservation	53	21	39.6%	49	31	63.3% ⬆	23.7
Philosophy and Religious Studies	17	*	n/a	11	*	n/a	n/a
Physical Sciences	55	11	20.0%	40	24	60.0% ⬆	40.0
Psychology	362	87	24.0%	332	170	51.2% ⬆	27.2
Public Administration and Social Service Professions	344	146	42.4%	273	176	64.5% ⬆	22.0
Social Sciences	177	64	36.2%	135	82	60.7% ⬆	24.6
Visual and Performing Arts	204	55	27.0%	175	94	53.7% ⬆	26.8
Unknown	29	*	n/a	20	10	50.0%	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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