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Student Voting Rates for Wichita State University

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Dear Colleagues:

We are pleased to share this tailored report containing your students' voting rates for several recent election cycles. For the first time ever, this report contains *four* years of relevant topline data: the midterm elections of 2014, 2018, and 2022, along with contextual data from the 2020 presidential election year. As we build the NSLVE data over time, the additional years of data may help your institution to begin to understand longer-term trends and considerations for practice.

This month, we are also looking forward to the release of Democracy Counts 2022, our national report on our most recent midterm elections. The results from 2022 were mixed – some encouraging trends and some signs of more work to do. We are excited to dive into the results with you and share what we see as the major takeaways in the coming weeks, so stay tuned.

You've heard this from us before: we urge you to share this report widely and strategically across your campus community. NSLVE data is an important resource for not only understanding your institution but also building a culture of political learning in higher education. We also invite you to invite you to [lean on our team's resources, including our Election Imperatives report series](#), which provides data-backed practical recommendations for centering civic and political learning and participation.

Other resources that you might find helpful in your work include our forthcoming national report ([keep an eye on our homepage!](#)), [our report on how institutions use NSLVE reports](#), and [our discussion guide on how to talk about your NSLVE reports on campus](#).

Finally, we always encourage you to reach out to us for support and with any questions that you may have. Email NSLVE@tufts.edu to get in touch with our team, and as always, watch your inbox (or sign up!) for [our periodic newsletter](#), announcements about upcoming releases, and new resources.

Remember, student political learning is a constant effort, requiring year-round strategic building. Elections may be episodic, but student engagement in democracy should not be.

All the Best,
Adam, Duy, Mari, and Victoria
The NSLVE Team

In This Report

This report presents data on student voter participation rates for your campus. The topline counts on page 5 tells you how many students voted, but we encourage you to look carefully at the data on subsequent pages to learn who voted. Data are presented in the form of vessel charts, overlapping donut charts, and tables.

Tables

	2014			2018			2014-2018 Change (p.p.)
	Enrolled	Voted	Rate (%)	Enrolled	Voted	Rate (%)	
Asian	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
American Indian/ Alaska Native	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Black	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Hispanic	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

The tables show the numbers of students and the rates from 2014, 2018, 2020, and 2022, when available. The change column represents difference between comparable counts and rates. The change in rates are in terms of percentage points. A red down arrow indicates a decrease, a green up arrow indicates an increase, and a yellow arrow pointing to the right indicates no change. "-" in these tables indicates that the data is unavailable/missing, or is available for 10 or less students.



Voting, Registration and Yield Rates

YOUR INSTITUTION

34.2%

2022 Voting Rate

-8.6

Change From 2018

ALL INSTITUTIONS

30.6%

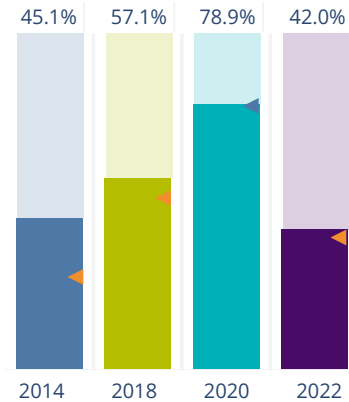
2022 Voting Rate

REGISTRATION RATE



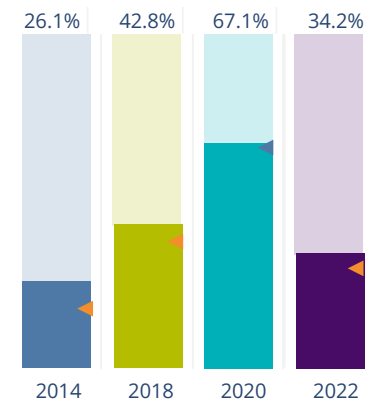
The **Registration Rate** is the percent of your voting-eligible students who registered to vote.

VOTING RATE OF REGISTERED STUDENTS



The **Voting Rate of Registered Students** is the percent of registered students who voted on Election Day. We often refer to this as the “yield” rate.

VOTING RATE



The **Voting Rate** is the percentage of eligible students who voted on Election Day. The voting rate is also the product of the registration and yield rates.

Looking Closer

Voting and Registration Rates

	2014	2018	2020	2022	2018-2022 Change
Total Student Enrollment	14,328	14,580	14,663	15,592	↑ 1,011
Age under 18/Unknown	36	41	65	82	↑ 41
IPEDS estimated non-resident aliens	1,663	1,351	1,538	2,983	↑ 1,631
Datasource	IPEDS	IPEDS	IPEDS	IPEDS	-
FERPA records blocked	-	43	35	-	-
Non-Degree Seeking Students	246	1,311	1,477	-	-
Total eligible voters	12,381	11,833	11,547	12,526	↑ 693
Number of students who registered	7,158	8,861	9,813	10,193	↑ 1,332
Number of students who voted	3,230	5,063	7,746	4,284	↓ -779
Registration Rate %	57	74	84	81	↑ 6
Voting Rate of Registered Students %	45	57	78	42	↓ -15
Voting Rate %	26	42	67	34	↓ -8

This page provides the numbers we used to calculate your voting, registration, and yield rates. The sub-categories under total student enrollment are the adjustments that we

make to account for students who are ineligible to vote due to age or citizenship status. We also exclude, when correctly flagged, students who are not pursuing degrees.

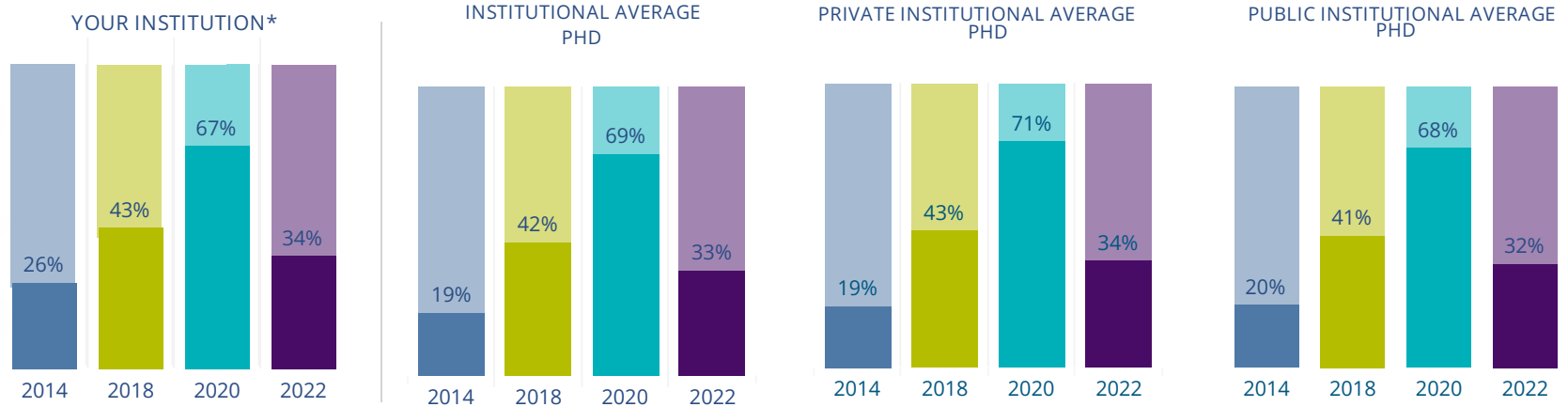
When we have removed non-resident aliens (international students), it is based on your institution's enrollment submission to the NSC. This is indicated by NSC for non-resident aliens data source. We use IPEDS-derived estimates of NRAs when institutions do not submit non-resident alien status data to NSC, or we cannot verify the accuracy of the reported counts. This is indicated by IPEDS in the data source.

In the following pages with tables, **Enrolled** represents the eligible voters when we have used NSC as the data source. When we have used IPEDS as the data source, **Enrolled** includes non-resident aliens who are ineligible to vote, and for whom we are unable to account due to the lack of data from your institution.

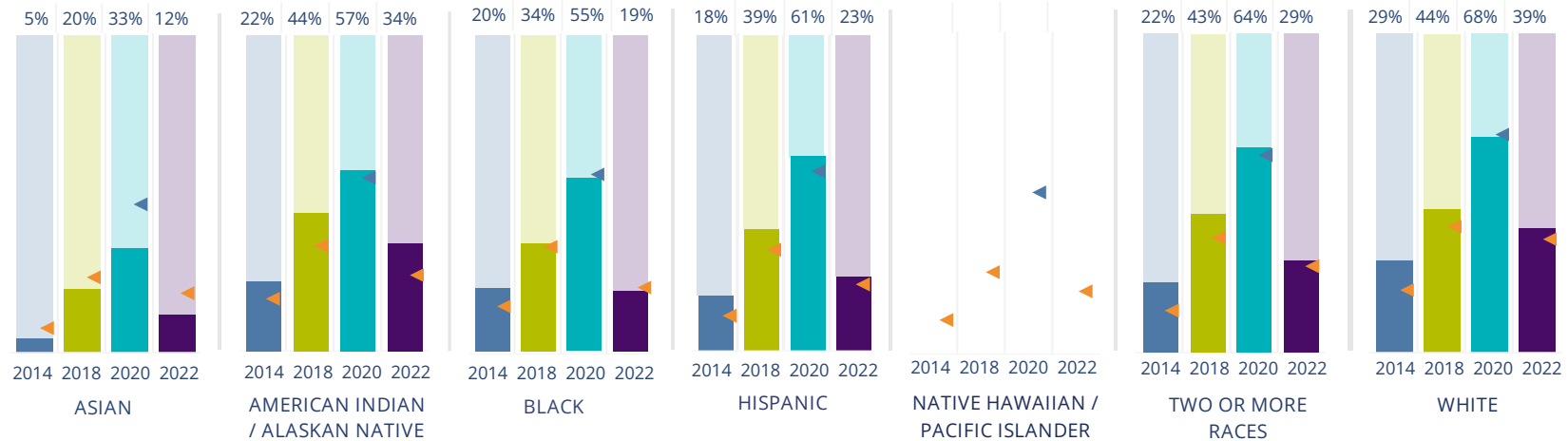
By Institution Types



These are estimated voting rates of your institution compared to the average voting rates of similar institutions in NSLVE. For Associate institutions, we only share public associate institutional averages due to sample size. *"Your Institution" chart is presented at a different scale.



By Race / Ethnicity



These are estimated voting rates for race / ethnicity groups. These classifications are provided by campuses and are obtained following race reporting procedures* defined by the National Center for Education Statistics of the Institute of Education Sciences (IES). Please see our FAQ for more detail : <https://tufts.app.box.com/v/idhe-nsive-report-faq>

If you notice unavailable/missing data in this page, it could mean any of the following for your institution: (i) does not report this data or reports this data as unknown; (ii) did not provide this data in past years; (iii) does not separately submit data for one or more of the demographic groups, or (iv) the data is reported for 10 or fewer students.

*<https://nces.ed.gov/ipeds/report-your-data/race-ethnicity-collecting-data-for-reporting-purposes>

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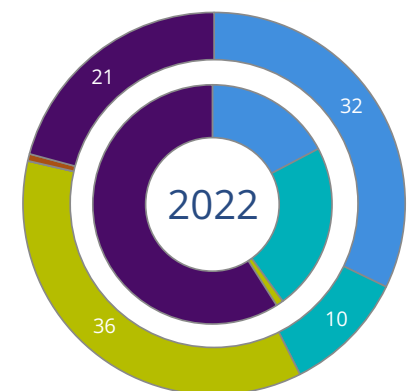
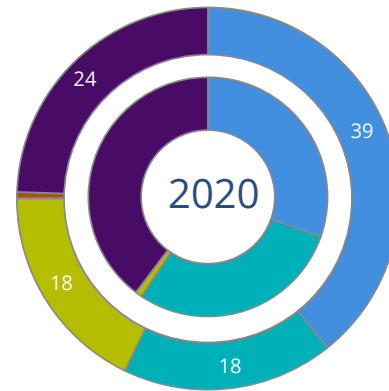
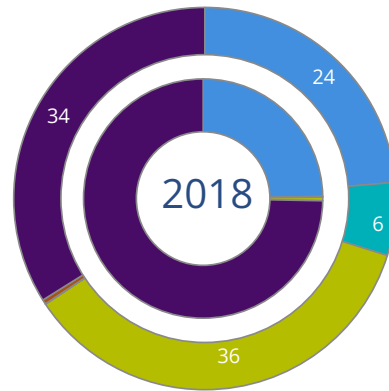
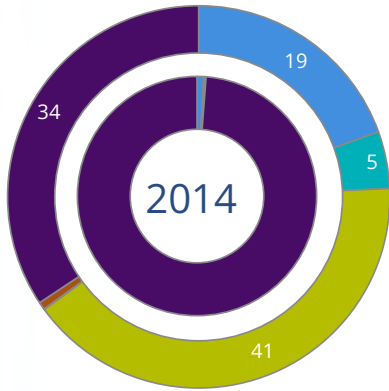
By Race/Ethnicity

This page provides the numbers we used to calculate race / ethnicity group voting rates. We include the counts of students and the change in rates between the two most recent comparable election years. If you notice unavailable/missing data in this page, it could mean any of the following for your institution: (i) does not report this data or reports this data as unknown; (ii) did not provide this data in past years; (iii) does not separately submit data for one or more of the demographic groups, or (iv) the data is reported for 10 or fewer students.

	2014			2018			2020			2022			2018-2022
	Enrolled	Voted	Rate (%)	Enrolled	Voted	Rate (%)	Enrolled	Voted	Rate (%)	Enrolled	Voted	Rate (%)	Change
Asian	1,337	63	4	1,321	260	19	1,314	434	33	1,336	161	12	↓ -7
American Indian/ Alaska Native	113	25	22	96	42	43	89	51	57	82	28	34	↓ -9
Black	835	165	19	821	281	34	795	433	54	813	155	19	↓ -15
Hispanic	1,271	222	17	1,563	604	38	1,662	1,018	61	1,865	436	23	↓ -15
Native Hawaiian/ Pacific Islander	13	-	-	-	-	-	13	-	-	17	-	-	-
2 or More Races	411	89	21	542	233	42	591	377	63	638	184	28	↓ -14
White	8,685	2,493	28	7,923	3,514	44	7,793	5,262	67	7,924	3,067	38	↓ -5
Race Unknown	1,350	171	12	772	124	16	649	165	25	2,835	252	8	↓ -7

By Voting Method

■ Not-In-Person
 ■ Early Vote
 ■ In-Person
 ■ Other
 ■ Provisional
 ■ Unknown



	2014		2018		2020		2022		2018-2022	
	Voted	Rate (%)	Voted	Rate (%)	Voted	Rate (%)	Voted	Rate (%)	Change	
Early Vote	-	-	-	-	2,244	29	973	22	-	
In-Person	-	-	23	0	71	0	41	1	→ 0	
Not-In-Person	29	0	1,253	24	2,354	30	739	17	↓ -7	
Other	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Provisional	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Voting Method Unknown	3,192	98	3,782	74	3,077	39	2,531	59	↓ -15	

These are estimated rates for vote method utilization, the number of students utilizing each method, and the percent of students utilizing each method. Not all U.S. states provide information on vote method; voting method for voter files from these states are classified "Voting Method Unknown." For a list of these states, see our FAQ. <https://idhe.tufts.edu/nslve/nslve-faq#CampusReports>. The inner ring in these charts show your campus's method utilization and the outer ring show the national level utilization.

By Age Group

	2014	2018	2020	2022
18-21	15%	36%	62%	23%
22-24	18%	35%	55%	19%
25-29	21%	36%	53%	22%
30-39	34%	44%	59%	32%
40-49	43%	60%	70%	43%
50+	70%	70%	82%	77%

Voting is habit-forming and young voters will often continue as voters in subsequent elections. Also, elected officials and public opinion polls solicit opinions from people they can locate - people in the voter files. Our 2020 data showed a surge among the youngest voters on college campuses, yet 2022 saw a return to past trends, with older students voting at higher rates than their younger counterparts. This change underscores the importance of continued need for institutionalized learning -- working with students to help them understand their political voice and power as they arrive on campus.

Looking Closer

By Age Group

Here, we provide the numbers of students in each age category and the voting rates for each group. These

are based on the student's age on the day of the election, as calculated by the National Student Clearinghouse using data from student enrollment records.

	2014			2018			2020			2022			2018-2022 Change
	Enrolled	Voted	Rate (%)	Enrolled	Voted	Rate (%)	Enrolled	Voted	Rate (%)	Enrolled	Voted	Rate (%)	
18-21	5,077	777	15	5,586	2,042	36	5,746	3,591	62	6,265	1,487	23	↓ -12
22-24	3,558	662	18	3,176	1,118	35	3,007	1,675	55	3,763	733	19	↓ -15
25-29	2,417	530	21	2,067	756	36	1,943	1,047	53	2,165	489	22	↓ -13
30-39	1,781	614	34	1,420	638	44	1,421	844	59	1,675	537	32	↓ -12
40-49	683	295	43	538	327	60	534	379	70	667	287	43	↓ -17
50+	499	352	70	260	182	70	255	210	82	975	751	77	↑ 7

Looking Closer

By Sex

	2014			2018			2020			2022			2018-2022
	Enrolled	Voted	Rate (%)	Enrolled	Voted	Rate (%)	Enrolled	Voted	Rate (%)	Enrolled	Voted	Rate (%)	Change
Female	7,318	1,710	23	7,034	2,881	40	7,216	4,593	63	8,534	2,618	30	↓ -10
Male	6,696	1,519	22	6,013	2,182	36	5,690	3,153	55	6,975	1,665	23	↓ -12

These are estimated voting rates for sex groups and the numbers we used to calculate their voting rates. These classifications are provided by campuses and are obtained following the reporting procedures defined by the National Center for Education Statistics (NCES) of the Institute of Education Sciences (IES). Presently, NCES requires institutions to report students as “Male” or “Female” only.*

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*<https://surveys.nces.ed.gov/ipeds/public/survey-materials/faq?faqid=11>

Looking Closer

By Education Level / Undergraduate Class Year

	2014			2018			2020			2022			2018-2022 Rate Change
	Enrolled	Voted	Rate(%)	Enrolled	Voted	Rate(%)	Enrolled	Voted	Rate(%)	Enrolled	Voted	Rate(%)	
EDUCATION LEVEL													
Undergraduate	10,767	2,213	20	10,755	4,084	37	10,488	6,340	60	10,050	2,785	27	↓-10
Graduate	2,436	669	27	2,291	979	42	2,417	1,405	58	3,644	825	22	↓-20
Class Unknown	812	348	42	-	-	-	-	-	-	1,816	13	0	-
CLASS YEAR													
Freshman	2,433	313	12	2,066	629	30	1,917	1,088	56	3,517	796	22	↓-7
Sophomore	1,929	323	16	2,046	749	36	1,945	1,157	59	1,873	502	26	↓-9
Upperclassman	6,890	1,750	25	6,663	2,717	40	6,631	4,101	61	6,287	2,061	32	↓-7
ENROLLMENT STATUS													
Full-time	9,506	1,792	18	9,780	3,573	36	9,934	5,883	59	10,909	2,585	23	↓-12
Part-time	4,509	1,438	31	3,267	1,490	45	2,972	1,863	62	4,601	1,699	36	↓-8

These are estimated voting rates by Education Level (undergraduate/graduate), Class Year, and Enrollment Status (full-time/part-time), and the numbers we used to calculate these rates.

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By Field of Study

FIELDS	2014			2018			2020			2022			2018-2022 Change
	Enrolled	Voted	Rate (%)	Enrolled	Voted	Rate (%)	Enrolled	Voted	Rate (%)	Enrolled	Voted	Rate (%)	
Area, Ethnic, Cultural, and Gender Studies	50	19	38	28	15	53	13	-	-	11	-	-	-
Basic Skills Education	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Biological and Biomedical Sciences	426	84	19	772	292	37	680	423	62	656	167	25	↓ -12
Business, Management, and Marketing	2,123	482	22	2,110	809	38	1,962	1,160	59	2,098	562	26	↓ -11
Communication and Journalism	353	96	27	313	162	51	273	201	73	225	88	39	↓ -12



These are estimated voting rates by field of study, and the numbers we used to calculate the field of study rates. For an explanation of CIP codes, please see our FAQ.* There are roughly 8,000 fields of study among U.S. colleges and universities, so we provide rates for condensed categories.

*<https://tufts.app.box.com/v/idhe-nslve-report-faq>

By Field of Study

FIELDS	2014			2018			2020			2022			2018-2022
	Enrolled	Voted	Rate (%)	Enrolled	Voted	Rate (%)	Enrolled	Voted	Rate (%)	Enrolled	Voted	Rate (%)	Change
Computer and Information Sciences	-	-	-	524	178	33	636	306	48	1,632	144	8	↓ -25
Education	1,389	498	35	1,390	740	53	1,735	1,196	68	1,744	647	37	↓ -16
Engineering and Engineering Technologies	2,715	368	13	2,242	604	26	2,024	883	43	2,113	425	20	↓ -6
English Language and Literature	180	58	32	148	72	48	129	82	63	130	56	43	↓ -5
Family and Consumer/Human Sciences	34	13	38	44	21	47	26	16	61	22	-	-	-
Foreign Languages, Literatures, and Linguistics	48	15	31	51	28	54	42	29	69	63	21	33	↓ -21
Health Professions	1,969	355	18	1,980	644	32	1,892	1,212	64	1,786	490	27	↓ -5
History	141	64	45	73	47	64	65	50	76	62	35	56	↓ -7
Law Enforcement, Firefighting, and Protective Services	475	91	19	430	150	34	442	250	56	423	107	25	↓ -9
Parks, Recreation, Leisure, and Fitness Studies	575	84	14	276	77	27	246	139	56	187	41	21	↓ -5
Basic Skills Education	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

By Field of Study

FIELDS	2014			2018			2020			2022			2018-2022
	Enrolled	Voted	Rate (%)	Enrolled	Voted	Rate (%)	Enrolled	Voted	Rate (%)	Enrolled	Voted	Rate (%)	Change
Legal Professions and Studies	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Liberal Arts and Sciences, and Humanities	691	117	16	295	127	43	273	164	60	1,785	626	35	 -7
Mathematics and Statistics	88	21	23	86	36	41	69	29	42	78	19	24	 -17
Multi/Interdisciplinary Studies	-	-	-	42	23	54	65	48	73	65	19	29	 -25
Philosophy and Religious Studies	21	-	-	23	13	56	12	-	-	-	-	-	-
Social Sciences	279	95	34	271	146	53	233	170	72	217	109	50	 -3
Visual and Performing Arts	544	140	25	678	303	44	804	537	66	887	273	30	 -13
Unknown	325	163	50	41	19	46	65	43	66	89	30	33	 -12

About This Report

Thank you for participating in the National Study of Learning, Voting, and Engagement.

Since NSLVE's launch in 2013, nearly 1,200 colleges and universities have signed up to receive their voting rates for the 2012, 2014, 2016, 2018, 2020, and 2022 federal elections.

Along with others, your institution's participation in this study has allowed us to build a robust database representing an average of well over 10 million students for each election year, that serves as a foundation for innovative research on college student political learning and engagement in democracy.

The National Study of Learning, Voting and Engagement (NSLVE, "en-solve") is a service offered to colleges and universities that provides a tailored report on their students' voting rates and other metrics. Launched in 2013 at Tufts University's Jonathan M. Tisch College of Civic Life, NSLVE represents more than 1,200 campuses in all 50 states + D.C. and now serves as a widely impactful resource for the work of understanding and fostering student political learning.

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 2014, 2018, 2020, and 2022 elections.

These results are based on enrollment records your institution submitted to the National Student Clearinghouse (NSC) and publicly available voting files collected by L2 Political.

Enrollment lists are adjusted by deducting students under age 18 (at the time of the election), people identified as non-degree seeking and those identified by campuses as "nonresident aliens" (NRAs) (the federal government's category for mostly international students). Unfortunately, not all campuses report NRAs to NSC. For those campuses, we use IPEDS to calculate the number of NRA students on each campus and adjust NSC enrollment numbers to estimate the number of students to remove. We also quality check NRA removals by verifying that there is little to no discrepancy between the number of international students reported by the campus to IPEDS and to NSC. We cannot adjust subgroup analyses absent identification of NRAs verified by the process above. We welcome closer partnerships with individual colleges and universities to provide more accurate rates. For more on the data and the matching process, see our FAQ on Campus Reports.

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://nslve.tufts.edu>.

References: NSLVE 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: National Study of Learning, Voting and Engagement. (2024). 2022 report for _____ [name of institution]. Medford, MA.

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