

### **SEPTEMBER 2019**

**2014 & 2018 CAMPUS REPORT** 

Student Voting Rates for Alverno College

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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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We appreciate hearing from you! Please email us at NSLVE@tufts.edu.

Warm regards,

**IDHE Team** 



# Voting and Registration Rates

2018 Voting Rate

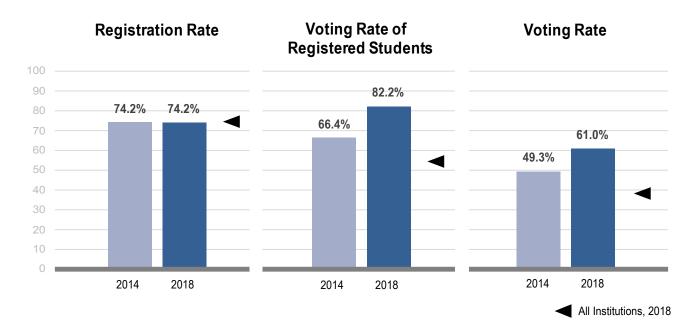
61.0%

CHANGE FROM 2014

+11.7

2018 VOTING RATE FOR ALL INSTITUTIONS

39.1%



	2014	2018	Change
Total student enrollment	2,322	1,789 🌷	-533
Age under 18/Unknown IPEDS estimated non-resident aliens FERPA records blocked	(11) (37) 0	* (20) 0	
Total eligible voters	2,274	1,762	-512
Number of students who registered	1,688	1,307 🌷	-381
Number of students who voted	1,121	1,074 🌷	-47
Registration rate	74.2%	74.2% 🛱	0.0
Voting rate of registered students	66.4%	82.2% 1	15.8
Voting rate	49.3%	61.0% 👍	11.7
Difference from all institutions	+29.6	+21.9	

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#### **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%

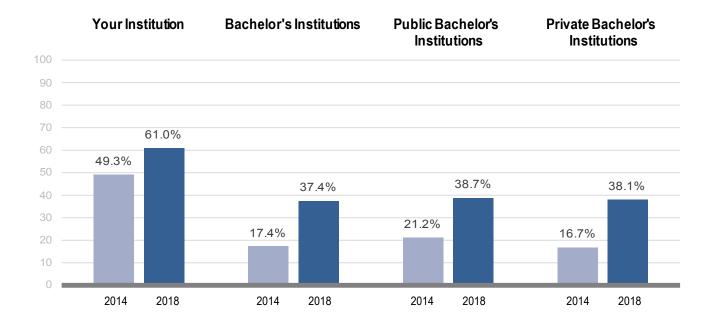
LOW 11.5%

Difference from All Institutions

+29.6

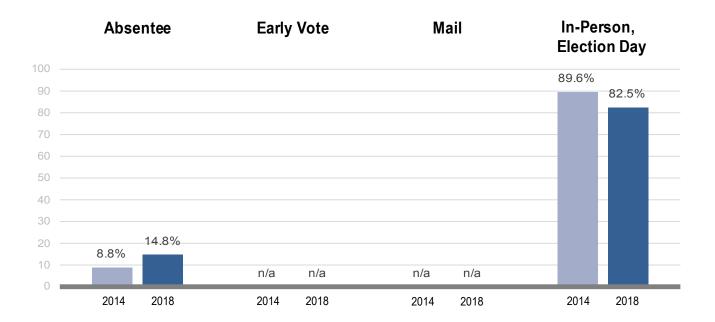
Difference from All Institutions

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# By Voting Method\*

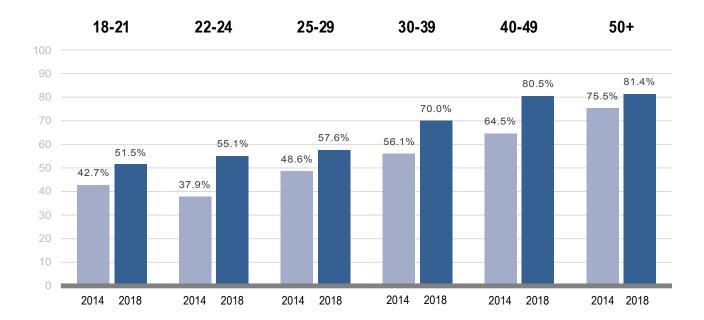


	2014		20	2018		
	Voted	Rate	Voted	Rate		Change
Absentee	99	8.8%	159	14.8%	•	6.0
Early Vote	0	n/a	*	n/a		n/a
Mail	0	n/a	*	n/a		n/a
In-Person, Election Day	1,004	89.6%	886	82.5%	<b>1</b>	-7.1
Unknown	18	1.6%	12	1.1%		
Total	1,121		1,074			

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<sup>\*</sup> 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\*

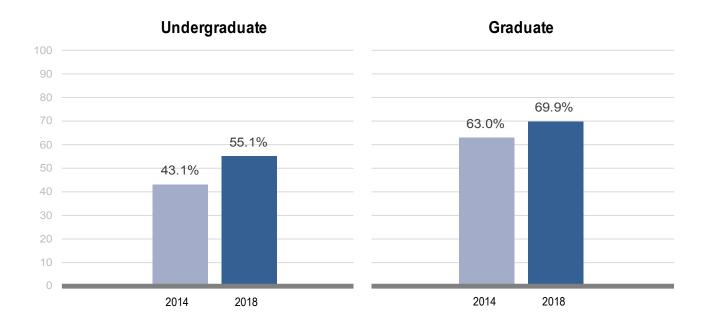


	2014			2018				
	Enrolled	Voted	Rate	Enrolled	Voted	Rate		Change
18-21	649	277	42.7%	588	303	51.5%	•	8.9
22-24	488	185	37.9%	325	179	55.1%	•	17.2
25-29	473	230	48.6%	311	179	57.6%	•	8.9
30-39	419	235	56.1%	350	245	70.0%	•	13.9
40-49	172	111	64.5%	149	120	80.5%	•	16.0
50+	110	83	75.5%	59	48	81.4%	•	5.9
Unknown	*			*				

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<sup>\*</sup> 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.

# By Education Level\*



	2014			2018				
	Enrolled	Voted	Rate	Enrolled	Voted	Rate		Change
Undergraduate	1,674	721	43.1%	1,168	644	55.1%	•	12.1
Graduate	627	395	63.0%	608	425	69.9%	•	6.9
Unknown	10			*				

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<sup>\*</sup> 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\*

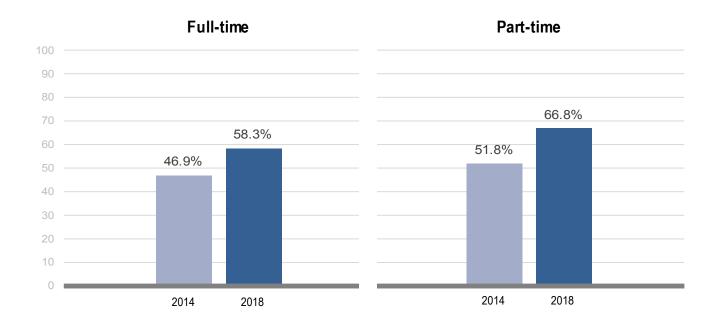
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100 ——						
90 ——						
80 ——						
70 —						
60 —						
50 ——						
40 ——						
30 ——						
20 —						
10 —						
0	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
	2014	2018	2014	2018	2014	2018

	2014					<u></u>		
	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	

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<sup>\*</sup> 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.

## By Enrollment Status\*

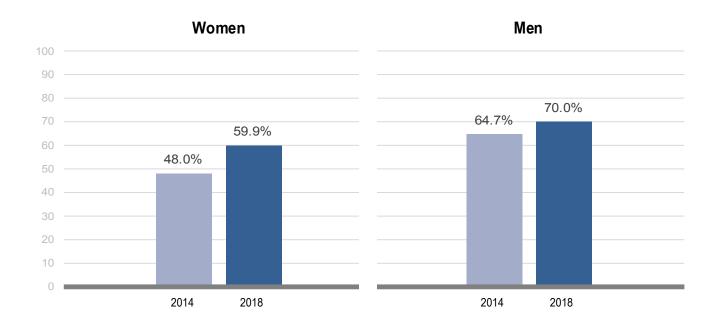


	2014				2018			
	Enrolled	Voted	Rate	Enrolled	Voted	Rate		Change
Full-time	1,545	724	46.9%	1,370	798	58.3%	•	11.4
Part-time	766	397	51.8%	407	272	66.8%	1	15.0
Unknown	0	0	n/a	0	0	n/a		

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<sup>\*</sup> 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.

# By Gender\*

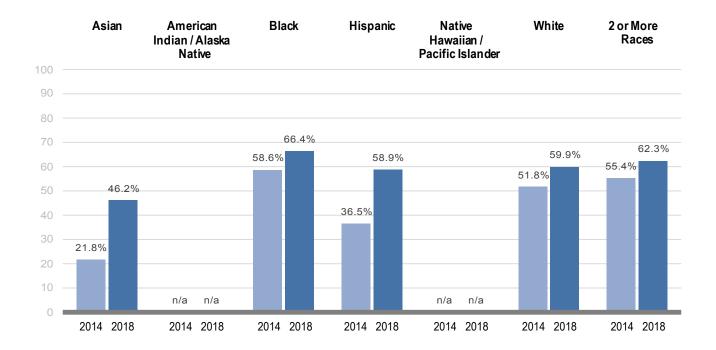


		2014			2018			
	Enrolled	Voted	Rate	Enrolled	Voted	Rate		Change
Women	2,240	1,075	48.0%	1,723	1,032	59.9%	1	11.9
Men	68	44	64.7%	50	35	70.0%	1	5.3
Unknown	*			*				

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<sup>\*</sup> 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\*



	2014			2018				
	Enrolled	Voted	Rate	Enrolled	Voted	Rate		Change
Asian	124	27	21.8%	78	36	46.2%	•	24.4
American Indian/ Alaska Native	28	*	n/a	*	*	n/a		n/a
Black	365	214	58.6%	271	180	66.4%	•	7.8
Hispanic	389	142	36.5%	409	241	58.9%	•	22.4
Native Hawaiian/ Pacific Islander	0	0	n/a	0	0	n/a		n/a
White	1,329	688	51.8%	939	562	59.9%	1	8.1
2 or More Races	65	36	55.4%	69	43	62.3%	•	6.9
Unknown	11	,		*				

<sup>\*</sup> 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.

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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.

	2014				2018		
	Enrolled	Voted	Rate	Enrolled	Voted	Rate	Change
Area, Ethnic, Cultural, Gender, and Group Studies	*	*	n/a	0	0	n/a	n/a
Biological and Biomedical Sciences	105	47	44.8%	62	37	59.7% 👚	14.9
Business, Management, and Marketing	280	144	51.4%	166	99	59.6% 👚	8.2
Communication and Journalism	59	30	50.9%	26	13	50.0% 👵	-0.9
Communications Technologies/Technicians	10	*	n/a	0	0	n/a	n/a
Computer and Information Sciences	14	*	n/a	0	0	n/a	n/a
Education	388	221	57.0%	360	232	64.4% 👚	7.5
English Language and Literature	24	10	41.7%	*	*	n/a	n/a
Health Professions	883	403	45.6%	662	389	58.8% 👚	13.1
History	13	*	n/a	0	0	n/a	n/a
Liberal Arts and Sciences, and Humanities	99	34	34.3%	150	80	53.3% 👚	19.0
Mathematics and Statistics	11	*	n/a	*	*	n/a	n/a
Natural Resources and Conservation	*	*	n/a	*	*	n/a	n/a
Parks, Recreation, Leisure, and Fitness Studies	0	0	n/a	15	*	n/a	n/a
Physical Sciences	21	*	n/a	*	*	n/a	n/a
Psychology	238	126	52.9%	190	127	66.8% 👚	13.9
Public Administration and Social Service Professions	39	21	53.9%	31	16	51.6% 🔱	-2.2
Social Sciences	48	25	52.1%	27	19	70.4% 👚	18.3
Visual and Performing Arts	31	13	41.9%	21	11	52.4% 👚	10.4
Unknown	34	15	44.1%	44	28	63.6% 👚	19.5

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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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