

### **SEPTEMBER 2019**

### 2014 & 2018 CAMPUS REPORT

# Student Voting Rates for Cheyney University of Pennsylvania

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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-questio ns.

#### **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-visualizat ions.

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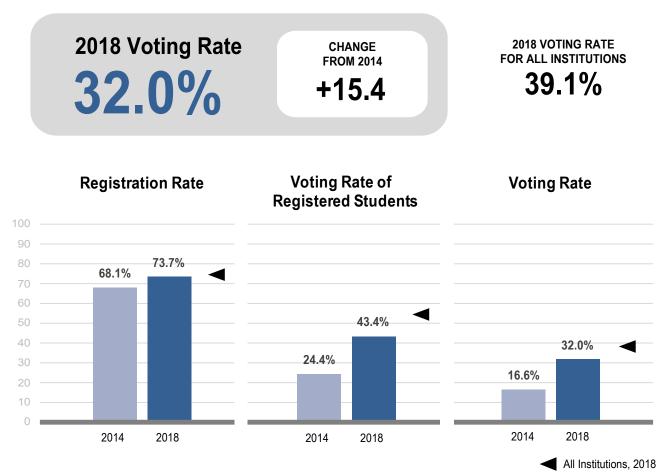
We appreciate hearing from you! Please email us at NSLVE@tufts.edu.

Warm regards,

**IDHE** Team



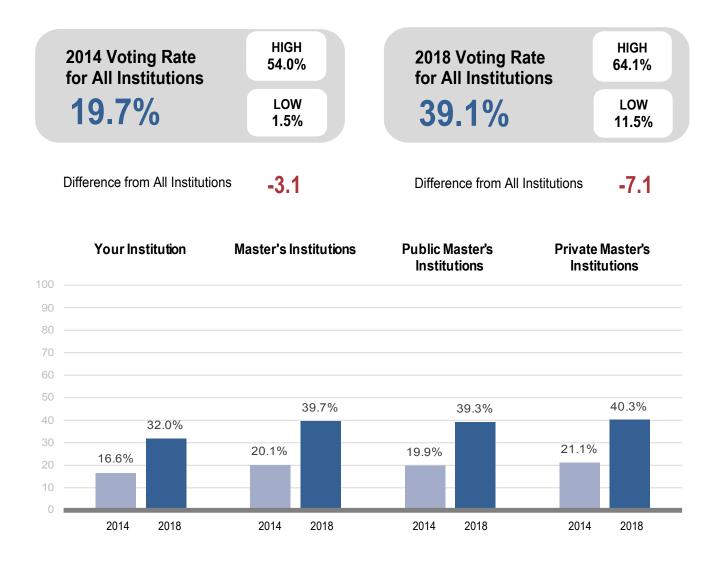
# Voting and Registration Rates



	2014	2018		Change
Total student enrollment	974	465	Ŷ	-509
Age under 18/Unknown	*	*		
IPEDS estimated non-resident aliens	*	0		
FERPA records blocked	0	0		
Total eligible voters	963	463	₽	-500
Number of students who registered	656	341	Ŷ	-315
Number of students who voted	160	148	Ŷ	-12
Registration rate	68.1%	73.7%	ᠬ	5.5
Voting rate of registered students	24.4%	43.4%	ᠬ	19.0
Voting rate	16.6%	32.0%	ᠬ	15.4
Difference from all institutions	-3.1	-7.1		

HOW YOUR NUMBERS COMPARE | MIDTERM ELECTIONS

### By Carnegie Classification



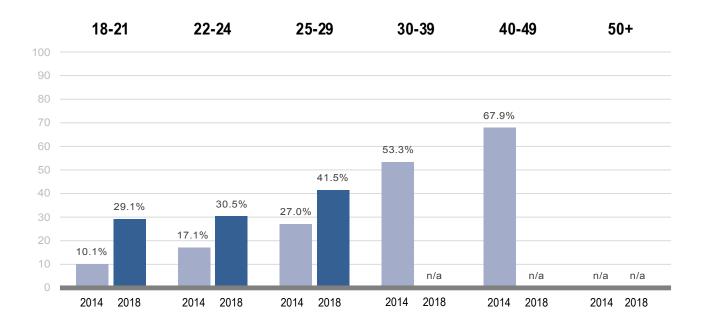
# By Voting Method\*

	Abse	ntee	Early	Vote	Ма	ail	In-Pe Electio	rson, on Day
100							93.8%	92.6%
90								
80								-
70								_
60							_	-
50							_	_
40							_	
30							_	_
20								
10	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a		
0	Ti/a	11/a	Ti/a	11/a	Ti/a	11/a		
	2014	2018	2014	2018	2014	2018	2014	2018

	2014			2018			
	Voted	Rate		Voted	Rate		Change
Absentee	*	n/a		*	n/a		n/a
Early Vote	*	n/a		*	n/a		n/a
Mail	*	n/a		0	n/a		n/a
In-Person, Election Day	150	93.8%		137	92.6%	Ŷ	-1.2
Unknown	*	n/a		*	n/a		
Total	160			148			

\* 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.

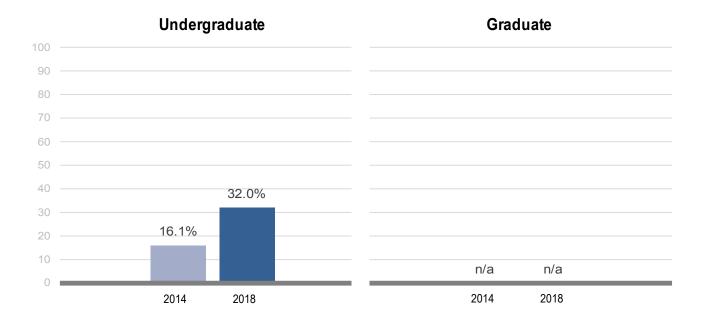
## By Age Group\*



	2014							
	Enrolled	Voted	Rate	Enrolled	Voted	Rate		Change
18-21	594	60	10.1%	296	86	29.1%	ᠬ	19.0
22-24	234	40	17.1%	105	32	30.5%	ᠬ	13.4
25-29	63	17	27.0%	41	17	41.5%	ᠬ	14.5
30-39	30	16	53.3%	12	*	n/a		n/a
40-49	28	19	67.9%	*	*	n/a		n/a
50+	16	*	n/a	*	*	n/a		n/a
Unknown	*			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.

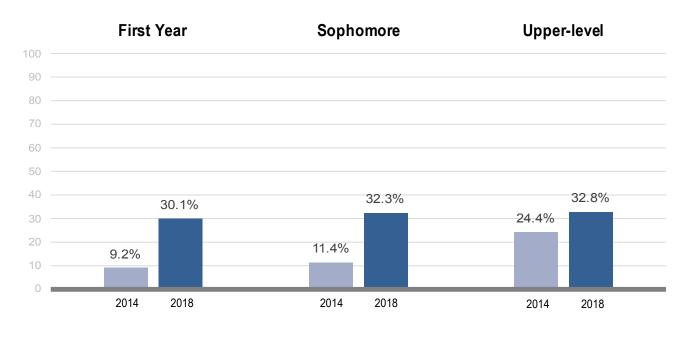
# **By Education Level\***



		2014		2018				
	Enrolled	Voted	Rate	Enrolled	Voted	Rate		Change
Undergraduate	941	151	16.1%	463	148	32.0%	↑	15.9
Graduate	23	*	n/a	0	0	n/a		n/a
Unknown	*			0				

\* 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.

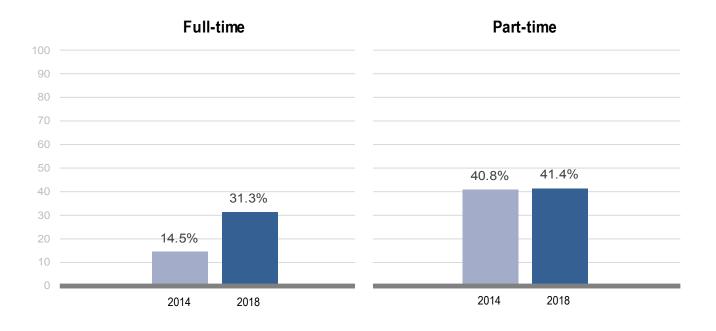
# By Undergraduate Class Year\*



		2014			2018			
	Enrolled	Voted	Rate	Enrolled	Voted	Rate		Change
First Year	357	33	9.2%	123	37	30.1%	♠	20.8
Sophomore	185	21	11.4%	99	32	32.3%	♠	21.0
Upper-level	398	97	24.4%	241	79	32.8%	ᠬ	8.4

\* 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.

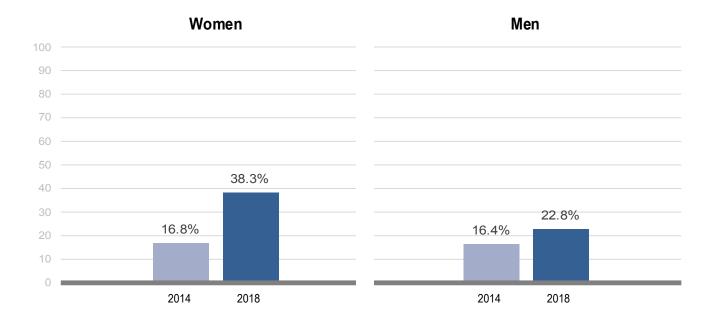
# By Enrollment Status\*



		2014			2018			
	Enrolled	Voted	Rate	Enrolled	Voted	Rate		Change
Full-time	889	129	14.5%	434	136	31.3%	↑	16.8
Part-time	76	31	40.8%	29	12	41.4%	♠	0.6
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.

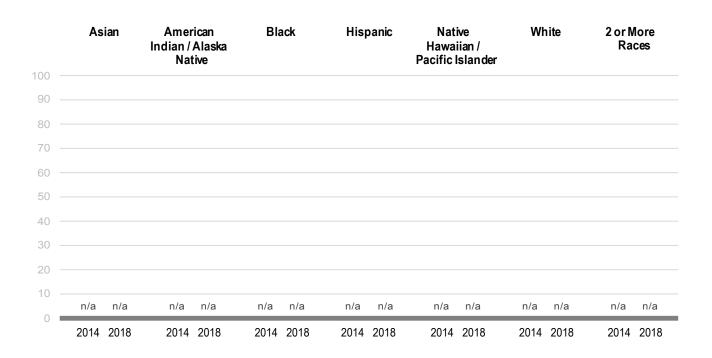
### By Gender\*



		2014			2018			
	Enrolled	Voted	Rate	Enrolled	Voted	Rate		Change
Women	495	83	16.8%	274	105	38.3%	ᡎ	21.6
Men	470	77	16.4%	189	43	22.8%	♠	6.4
Unknown	0			0				

\* 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					
	Enrolled	Voted	Rate	Enrolled	Voted	Rate	Change
Asian	0	0	n/a	0	0	n/a	n/a
American Indian/ Alaska Native	0	0	n/a	0	0	n/a	n/a
Black	0	0	n/a	*	*	n/a	n/a
Hispanic	0	0	n/a	0	0	n/a	n/a
Native Hawaiian/ Pacific Islander	0	0	n/a	0	0	n/a	n/a
White	0	0	n/a	0	0	n/a	n/a
2 or More Races	0	0	n/a	0	0	n/a	n/a
Unknown	965			456			

\* 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		
	Enrolled	Voted	Rate	Enrolled	Voted	Rate	Change
Biological and Biomedical Sciences	86	*	n/a	62	15	24.2%	n/a
Business, Management, and Marketing	193	32	16.6%	102	31	30.4% 🛧	13.8
Communication and Journalism	67	11	16.4%	25	*	n/a	n/a
Computer and Information Sciences	29	*	n/a	16	*	n/a	n/a
Education	35	*	n/a	14	*	n/a	n/a
English Language and Literature	*	*	n/a	*	0	n/a	n/a
Liberal Arts and Sciences, and Humanities	184	30	16.3%	41	17	41.5% 🛧	25.2
Multi/Interdisciplinary Studies	10	*	n/a	0	0	n/a	n/a
Parks, Recreation, Leisure, and Fitness Studies	45	10	22.2%	17	*	n/a	n/a
Physical Sciences	*	0	n/a	0	0	n/a	n/a
Psychology	67	12	17.9%	70	26	37.1% 🛧	19.2
Public Administration and Social Service Professions	23	*	n/a	0	0	n/a	n/a
Social Sciences	168	33	19.6%	76	27	35.5% 🛧	15.9
Visual and Performing Arts	37	*	n/a	25	10	40.0%	n/a
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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