

2012 & 2016 CAMPUS REPORT

Student Voting Rates for
Cleveland State
University

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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 and 2016 federal elections. Along with others, your institution's participation in this study has allowed us to build a robust database of nearly 30 million college student records, about 10 million for each election year, that serve as a foundation for innovative research on college student political learning and engagement in democracy.

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. The mission of IDHE is to shift college and university priorities and culture to advance political learning, agency, and equity. We achieve our mission through research, resource development, technical assistance, 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 actually voted in the 2012 and 2016 elections. These results are based on enrollment records your institution submitted to the National Student Clearinghouse (FERPA-blocked records excluded) and publicly available voting files collected by Catalyst.

Institutional voting rates 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, we cannot consistently adjust for students who are non-resident aliens, resident aliens, or undocumented students. This may result in your institution's actual voting rate being higher than we report. To calculate that percentage, and to read more about NSLVE data, see our [FAQ on Campus Reports](#). Please also see [Creating and Maintaining the NSLVE Database](#) paper for a more detailed study methodology.

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. This report provides a baseline measure of your students' engagement in democracy in 2012 and 2016, and compares your institution's voting rates to similar institutions. Visit our website for more comparison data.
- Share the report widely and strategically, including posting it online.
- Put your data into practice. Use our IDHE Resources to guide you.
- Address your campus climate for student political learning, discourse, and participation. Start by bringing the IDHE team to your campus or using the IDHE self-assessment rubric available on our website.
- Partner with IDHE. We are available with virtual office hours, webinars, brown bag discussions and in-person trainings.

For up-to-date news on NSLVE data, resources and upcoming opportunities visit our website: idhe.tufts.edu.

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Warm regards,
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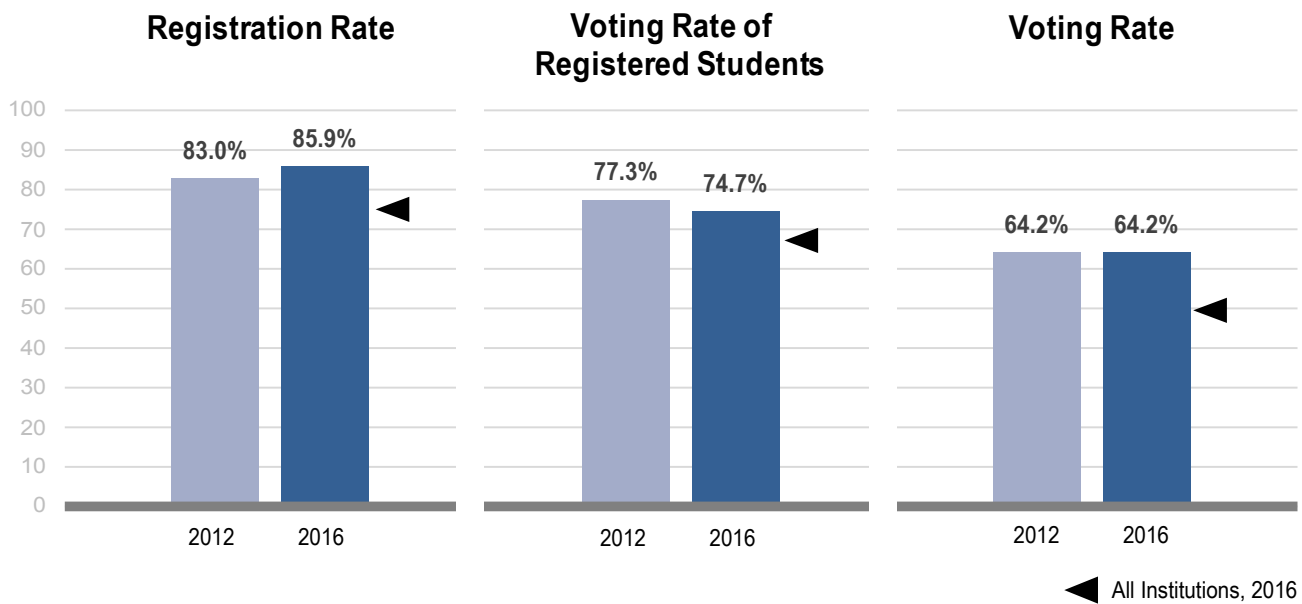
YOUR STUDENTS' VOTING DATA | PRESIDENTIAL ELECTIONS

Voting and Registration Rates

2016 Voting Rate
64.2%

CHANGE FROM 2012
0.0

2016 VOTING RATE FOR ALL INSTITUTIONS
50.4%



	2012	2016	Change
Total student enrollment	16,318	15,292	↓ -1,026
Age under 18/Unknown	(220)	(158)	
IPEDS estimated non-resident aliens	(862)	(1,143)	
FERPA records blocked	(4,307)	(2,654)	
Total eligible voters	10,929	11,337	↑ 408
Number of students who registered	9,070	9,741	↑ 671
Number of students who voted	7,012	7,276	↑ 264
Registration rate	83.0%	85.9%	↑ 2.9
Voting rate of registered students	77.3%	74.7%	↓ -2.6
Voting rate	64.2%	64.2%	→ 0.0
Difference from all institutions	+17.3	+13.8	

HOW YOUR NUMBERS COMPARE | PRESIDENTIAL ELECTIONS

By Carnegie Classification

2012 Voting Rate for All Institutions
46.9%

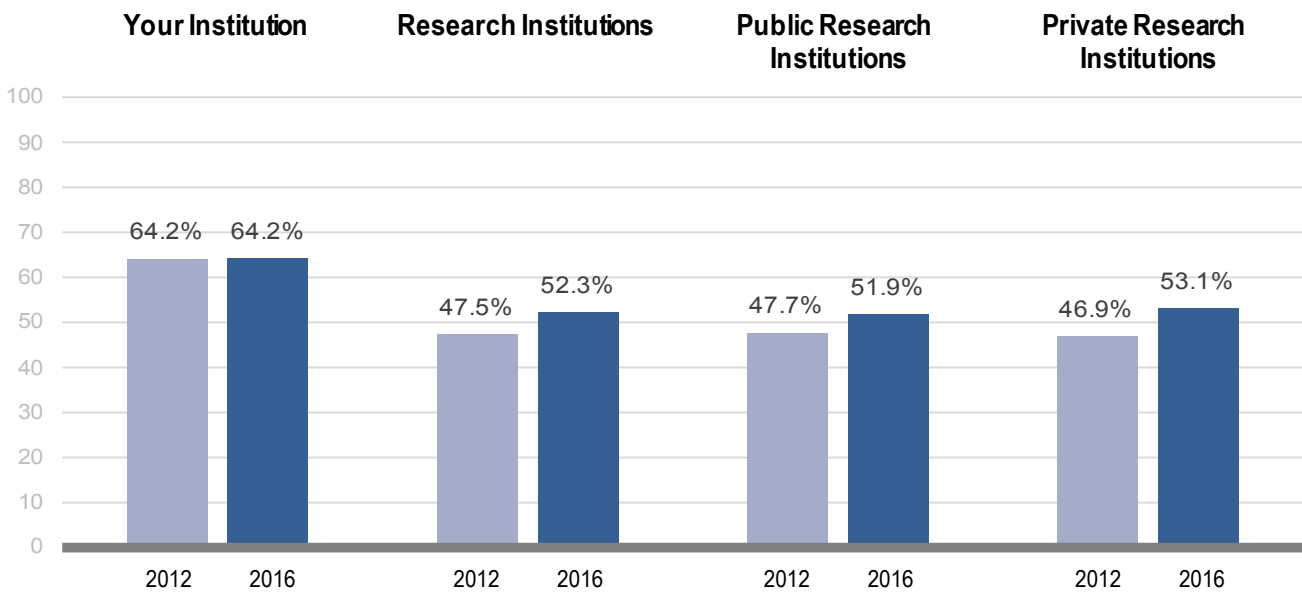
HIGH 72.9%
 LOW 19.3%

2016 Voting Rate for All Institutions
50.4%

HIGH 81.4%
 LOW 13.1%

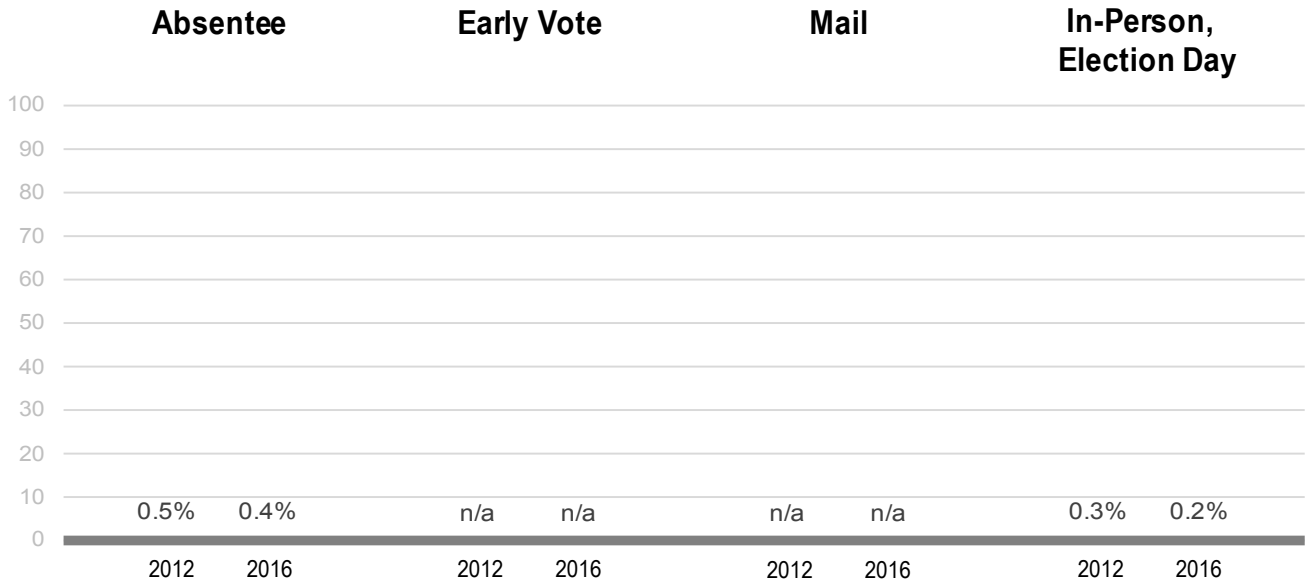
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By Voting Method*

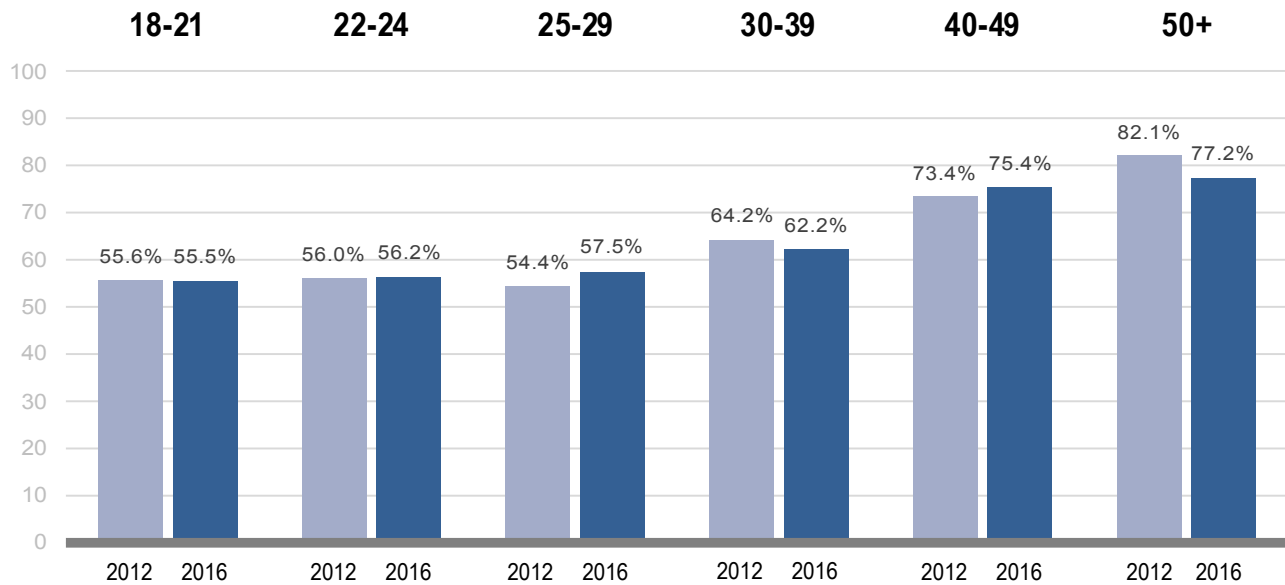


	2012		2016		Change
	Voted	Rate	Voted	Rate	
Absentee	33	0.5%	28	0.4%	↓ -0.1
Early Vote	*	n/a	*	n/a	n/a
Mail	*	n/a	*	n/a	n/a
In-Person, Election Day	20	0.3%	13	0.2%	↓ -0.1
Unknown	6,953	99.2%	7,229	99.4%	
Total	7,012		7,276		

* 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.

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By Age Group*

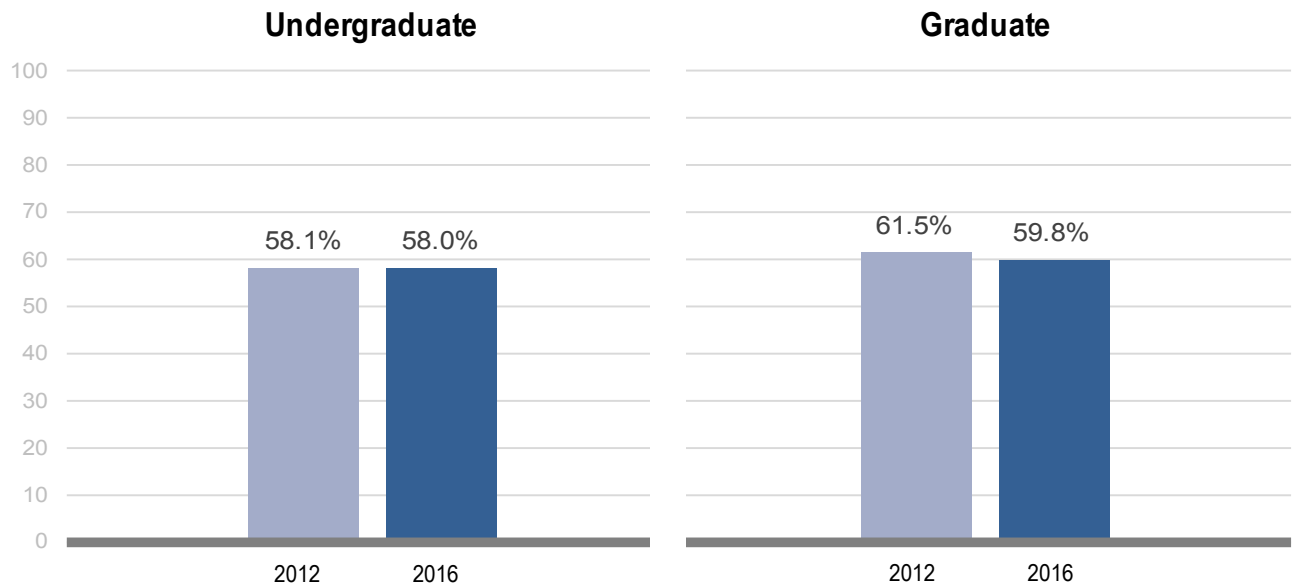


	2012			2016			Change
	Enrolled	Voted	Rate	Enrolled	Voted	Rate	
18-21	3,975	2,211	55.6%	5,149	2,855	55.5%	↓ -0.2
22-24	2,559	1,434	56.0%	2,911	1,636	56.2%	↑ 0.2
25-29	2,096	1,140	54.4%	2,115	1,215	57.5%	↑ 3.1
30-39	1,663	1,068	64.2%	1,329	827	62.2%	↓ -2.0
40-49	812	596	73.4%	573	432	75.4%	↑ 2.0
50+	686	563	82.1%	403	311	77.2%	↓ -4.9
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.

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By Education Level*

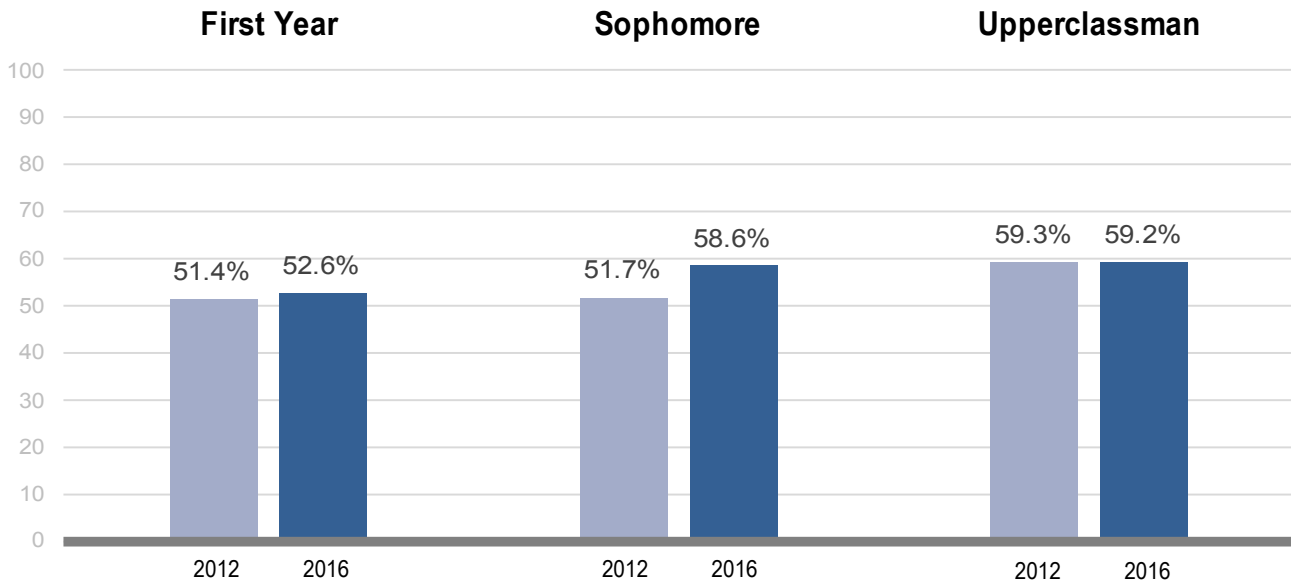


	2012			2016			Change
	Enrolled	Voted	Rate	Enrolled	Voted	Rate	
Undergraduate	6,207	3,608	58.1%	7,824	4,540	58.0%	↓ -0.1
Graduate	1,968	1,210	61.5%	2,669	1,595	59.8%	↓ -1.7
Unknown	3,616			1,987			

* 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.

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By Undergraduate Class Year*

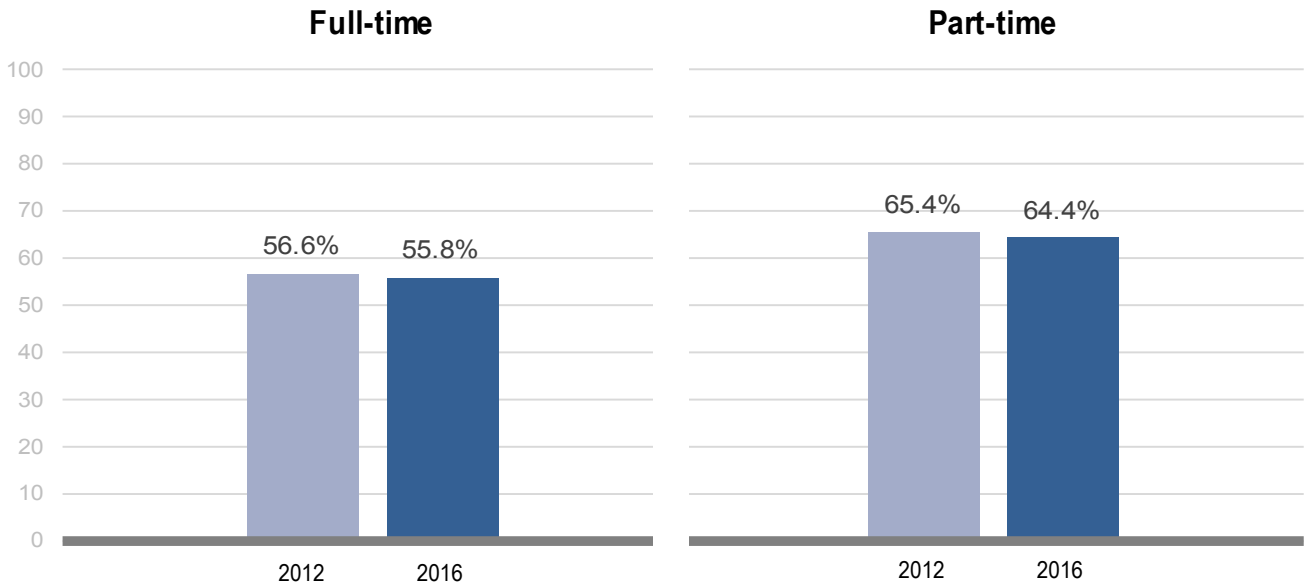


	2012			2016			Change
	Enrolled	Voted	Rate	Enrolled	Voted	Rate	
First Year	257	132	51.4%	1,257	661	52.6%	↑ 1.2
Sophomore	770	398	51.7%	1,407	824	58.6%	↑ 6.9
Upperclassman	3,801	2,253	59.3%	5,160	3,055	59.2%	↓ -0.1

* 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.

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By Enrollment Status*

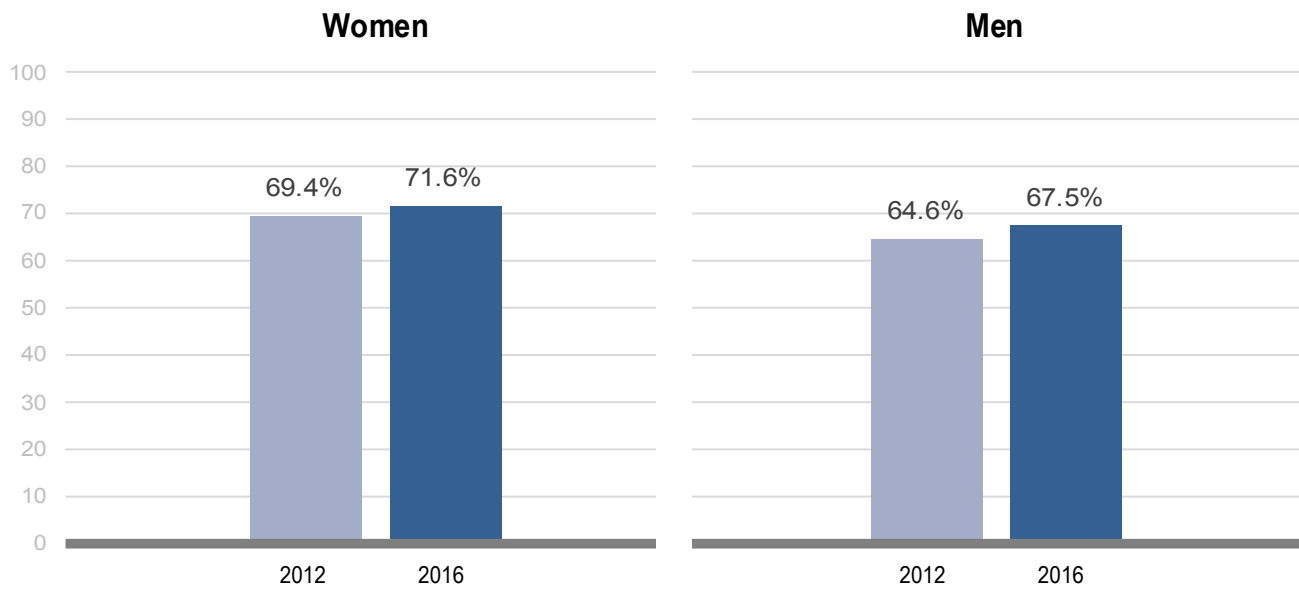


	2012			2016			Change
	Enrolled	Voted	Rate	Enrolled	Voted	Rate	
Full-time	7,936	4,491	56.6%	8,813	4,916	55.8%	↓ -0.8
Part-time	3,855	2,521	65.4%	3,667	2,360	64.4%	↓ -1.0
Unknown	0	0	n/a	0	0	n/a	

* 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.

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By Gender*



	2012			2016			Change
	Enrolled	Voted	Rate	Enrolled	Voted	Rate	
Women	5,547	3,849	69.4%	5,470	3,914	71.6%	↑ 2.2
Men	4,442	2,870	64.6%	4,476	3,023	67.5%	↑ 2.9
Unknown	1,802	293	16.3%	2,534	339	13.4%	

* 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.

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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.

	2012			2016			Change
	Enrolled	Voted	Rate	Enrolled	Voted	Rate	
Area, Ethnic, Cultural, Gender, and Group Studies	10	*	n/a	19	16	84.2%	n/a
Biological and Biomedical Sciences	362	178	49.2%	465	236	50.8% ↑	1.6
Business, Management, and Marketing	1,449	827	57.1%	2,149	1,172	54.5% ↓	-2.5
Communication and Journalism	349	215	61.6%	494	313	63.4% ↑	1.8
Computer and Information Sciences	150	69	46.0%	239	100	41.8% ↓	-4.2
Education	958	668	69.7%	1,108	725	65.4% ↓	-4.3
Engineering and Engineering Technologies	826	426	51.6%	1,483	719	48.5% ↓	-3.1
English Language and Literature	180	119	66.1%	178	122	68.5% ↑	2.4
Family and Consumer/Human Sciences	0	0	n/a	*	*	n/a	n/a
Foreign Languages, Literatures, and Linguistics	58	37	63.8%	56	30	53.6% ↓	-10.2
Health Professions	1,389	779	56.1%	2,041	1,145	56.1% →	0.0
History	79	58	73.4%	84	66	78.6% ↑	5.2
Legal Professions and Studies	286	186	65.0%	345	245	71.0% ↑	6.0
Liberal Arts and Sciences, and Humanities	402	220	54.7%	470	246	52.3% ↓	-2.4
Mathematics and Statistics	97	53	54.6%	108	69	63.9% ↑	9.3
Natural Resources and Conservation	103	71	68.9%	130	94	72.3% ↑	3.4
Parks, Recreation, Leisure, and Fitness Studies	60	28	46.7%	88	49	55.7% ↑	9.0
Philosophy and Religious Studies	31	20	64.5%	17	*	n/a	n/a
Physical Sciences	140	59	42.1%	158	80	50.6% ↑	8.5
Psychology	447	254	56.8%	564	339	60.1% ↑	3.3
Public Administration and Social Service Professions	452	320	70.8%	490	345	70.4% ↓	-0.4
Science Technologies/Technicians	32	19	59.4%	40	19	47.5% ↓	-11.9
Social Sciences	727	438	60.3%	745	486	65.2% ↑	5.0

Visual and Performing Arts	417	238	57.1%	542	345	63.7% ↑	6.6
Unknown	2,787	1,722	61.8%	462	306	66.2% ↑	4.4

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: idhe.tufts.edu.

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