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Student Voting Rates for College Of The Canyons

2020 NSLVE Campus Report



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Dear Colleagues:

We are pleased to send this tailored report containing your students' voting rates for 2020. This report contains three years of relevant topline data: 2016, 2018, and 2020. As always, we disaggregate the data so you can better identify and address gaps in participation.

College and university students participated in record-breaking numbers in the 2020 election. In 2016, the Average Institutional Voting Rate was 53%. This year, it jumped to 66%. We encourage you to review Democracy Counts 2020, our most recent national report.

As in past years, we urge you to share this report widely and strategically, particularly with faculty who, in 2020, were often the most consistent communicators with students about ever-changing voting conditions and deadlines. We also urge you to review our recommendations for engaging elections to cultivate a robust and healthy campus climate for political engagement, discourse, equity, and participation: Election Imperatives (2019) and the more recent Election Imperatives: A Time of Physical Distancing and Social Action. Since "pervasive political discussions" and attentiveness to the campus culture around speech and academic freedom are among our top recommendations, we direct you to our discussion guides on talking about your NSLVE report, on free speech and inclusion, and on hot topics, our Making Sense of ... guides.

Finally, we always encourage you to work with us. Help us help you get better data by reaching out. Email IDHE@Tufts.edu for more information. And as always, watch your inbox for our periodic newsletter, IDHE Update, for announcements about upcoming releases and new resources.

Congratulations on engaging your students in the 2020 election. Remember, student political learning is a year-round objective. Elections may be episodic, but student political engagement should not be.

All the Best,
IDHE Team



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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.



Vessel Chart

This chart shows rates out of 100%, with arrows to the right of each bar representing relevant national averages (medians), which you can find in IDHE's national report Democracy Counts 2020.

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

Tables

The tables show, on the left-side columns, the numbers of students and the rates from 2016, 2018, and 2020. On the left-side, percentage point (p.p.) changes between 2016 and 2020. 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.



Overlapping Donut Chart

This chart is used to show the breakdown of vote method utilization (page 10), with the outer ring showing your campus method utilization and the inner ring showing the national breakdown. These are described in percentages.

Voting, Registration and Yield Rates

YOUR INSTITUTION

67.8%

2020 Voting Rate

+18.7

Change From 2016

ALL INSTITUTIONS

66%

2020 Voting Rate

REGISTRATION RATE

Year	Registration Rate
2016	69.5%
2018	69.7%
2020	81.1%

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

VOTING RATE OF REGISTERED STUDENTS

Year	Voting Rate of Registered Students
2016	70.7%
2018	61.0%
2020	83.6%

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

Year	Voting Rate
2016	49.1%
2018	42.6%
2020	67.8%

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

	2016	2018	2020	2016-2020 Change (p.p.)
Total Student Enrollment	15,065	16,136	15,484	↑ 419
(Age under 18/Unknown)	108	108	210	↑ 102
(IPEDS estimated non-resident aliens)	122	108	80	↓ -42
(FERPA records blocked)	1,496	3,070	3,359	↑ 1,863
(Non-Degree Seeking Students)	-	-	-	-
Total eligible voters	13,339	12,850	11,835	↓ -1,504
Number of students who registered	9,268	8,957	9,595	↑ 327
Number of students who voted	6,553	5,468	8,026	↑ 1,473
Registration Rate %	69	70	81	↑ 12
Voting Rate of Registered Students %	71	61	84	↑ 13
Voting Rate %	49	43	68	↑ 19

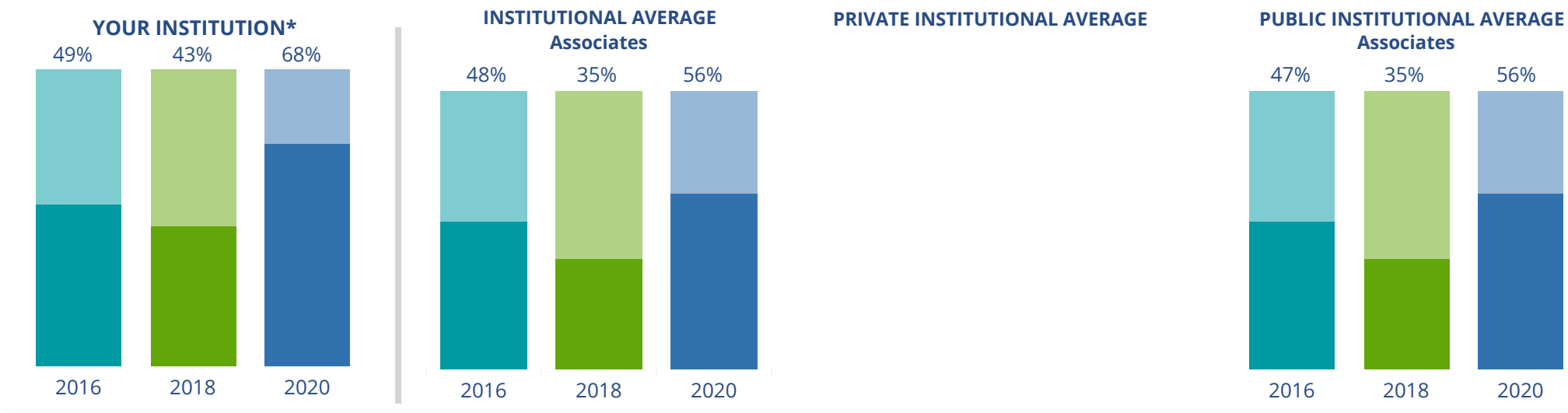
This page provides the numbers we used to calculate your voting, registration, and yield rates. The sub-categories under total student enrollment are the adjustments that we make to account for students who are ineligible to vote due to age or citizenship status. We also exclude, when correctly flagged, students who are not pursuing degrees.

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 estimate is given by "IPEDS estimated non-resident aliens" on this page. If you believe the number of international students reported on this report is incorrect, you can manually adjust your institution's voting rates by using our recalculation tool. <https://id-he.tufts.edu/nsive/nsive-recalculation-tool>.

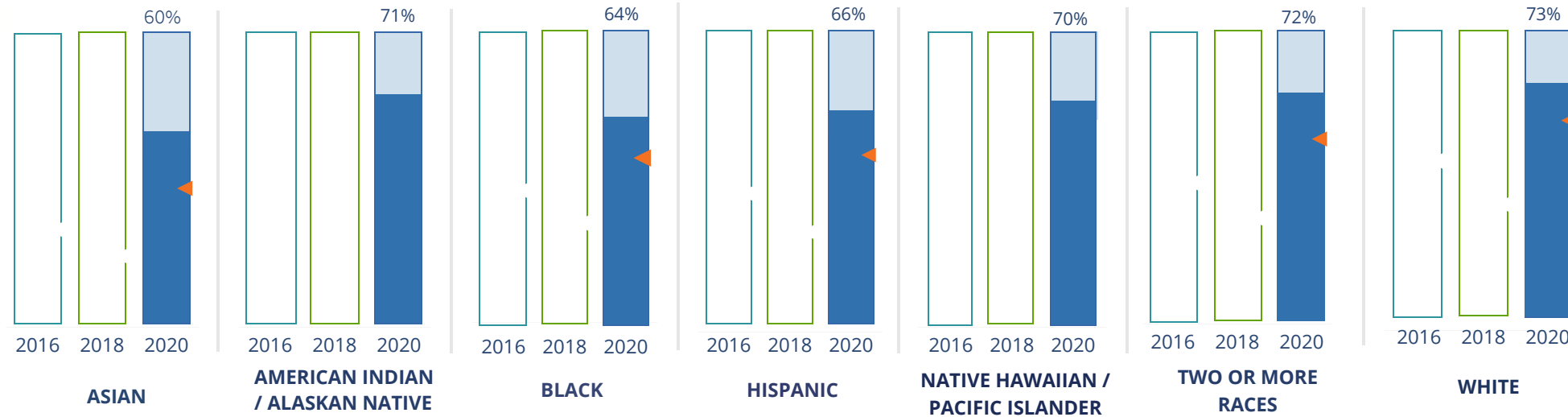
By Institution Types



These are estimated voting rates of your institution compared to the average voting rates of similar institutions in NSLVE. *"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 on why we cannot report national benchmark for some of the demographic groups:

<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; (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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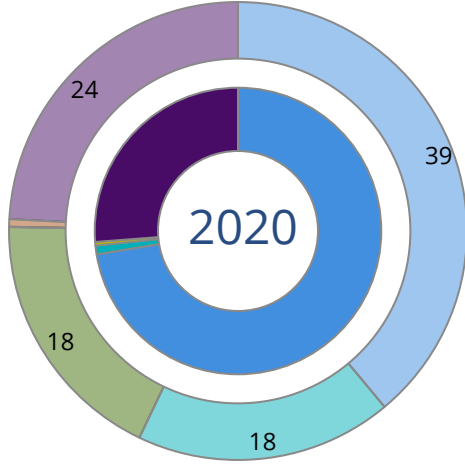
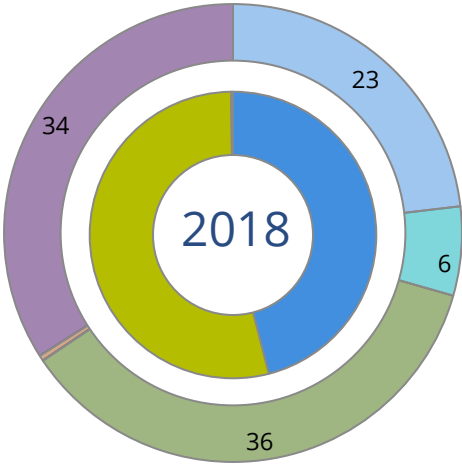
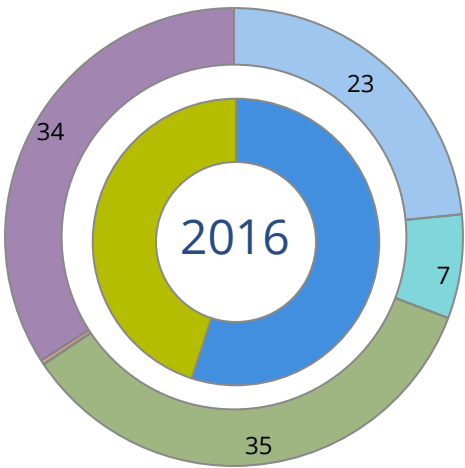
By Race/Ethnicity

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; (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.

	2016			2018			2020			2016-2020 Change (p.p)
	Enrolled	Voted	Rate	Enrolled	Voted	Rate	Enrolled	Voted	Rate	
Asian	-	-	-	-	-	-	1,139	679	60	-
American Indian/ Alaska Native	-	-	-	-	-	-	31	22	71	-
Black	-	-	-	-	-	-	516	330	64	-
Hispanic	-	-	-	-	-	-	6,242	4,093	66	-
Native Hawaiian/ Pacific Islander	-	-	-	-	-	-	20	14	70	-
2 or More Races	-	-	-	-	-	-	893	642	72	-
White	-	-	-	-	-	-	2,956	2,171	73	-
Race Unknown	13,453	6,553	49	12,948	5,468	42	109	75	69	↑ 20

By Voting Method

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



	2016		2018		2020		2016-2020	
	Voted	Rate	Voted	Rate	Voted	Rate	Change (p.p.)	
Early Vote	-	-	-	-	77	1	-	
In-Person on Election Day	2,950	45	2,941	54	29	0	-45	↓
Not-In-Person	3,601	55	2,518	46	5,810	72	17	↑
Other	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Provisional	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Voting Method Unknown	-	-	-	-	2,110	26	-	

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/nsive/nsive-faq#CampusReports>

By Age Group

	2016	2018	2020
18-21	48%	42%	69%
22-24	48%	40%	66%
25-29	48%	40%	64%
30-39	50%	43%	63%
40-49	58%	53%	66%
50+	68%	64%	80%

Voting is habit-forming and young voters will usually continue as voters in subsequent elections. Also, young voters are more likely to be contacted by campaigns and are visible, and therefore significant, to elected officials. While in the past, we have seen voting rates increase across age groups, in recent cycles, the most significant increases have been among first-time and the youngest voters. Some colleges serve primarily young students, traditionally viewed as students in the 18-21 or 22-24 categories here. Others have much higher numbers of enrolled older undergraduate or graduate students.

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.

	2016			2018			2020			2016-2020 Change (p.p)
	Enrolled	Voted	Rate	Enrolled	Voted	Rate	Enrolled	Voted	Rate	
18-21	7,728	3,676	48	7,208	2,993	42	6,679	4,595	69	↑ 21
22-24	2,398	1,145	48	2,305	932	40	1,780	1,182	66	↑ 19
25-29	1,576	757	48	1,562	617	40	1,538	987	64	↑ 16
30-39	942	473	50	1,053	455	43	1,131	707	63	↑ 12
40-49	473	272	58	468	246	53	489	323	66	↑ 9
50+	336	230	68	352	225	64	289	232	80	↑ 12

Looking Closer

By Sex

	2016			2018			2020			2016-2020	
	Enrolled	Voted	Rate	Enrolled	Voted	Rate	Enrolled	Voted	Rate	Change (p.p)	
Female	7,022	3,659	52	6,756	3,024	45	6,588	4,599	70	↑	18
Male	6,393	2,878	45	6,122	2,409	39	5,253	3,381	64	↑	19

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

	2016			2018			2020			2016-2020	
	Enrolled	Voted	Rate (%)	Enrolled	Voted	Rate (%)	Enrolled	Voted	Rate (%)	Change (p.p)	
EDUCATION LEVEL											
Undergraduate	12,664	6,180	49	12,188	5,159	42	11,187	7,555	68	↑	19
Graduate	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Class Unknown	789	373	47	760	309	41	719	471	66	↑	18
CLASS YEAR											
First Year	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Second Year	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Upper Level	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
ENROLLMENT STATUS											
Full-time	5,367	2,700	50	5,241	2,235	43	5,211	3,627	70	↑	19
Part-time	8,086	3,853	48	7,707	3,233	42	6,695	4,399	66	↑	18

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	2016			2018			2020			2016-2020
	Enrolled	Voted	Rate	Enrolled	Voted	Rate	Enrolled	Voted	Rate	Change (p.p)
Architecture	19	11	58	18	-	-	25	17	68	↑ 10
Area, Ethnic, Cultural, and Gender Studies	-	-	-	-	-	-	35	26	74	-
Biological and Biomedical Sciences	-	-	-	230	105	46	531	336	63	-
Business, Management, and Marketing	1,470	675	46	1,657	663	40	1,646	1,094	66	↑ 21
Communication and Journalism	519	286	55	313	150	48	268	181	68	↑ 12
Communications Technologies/Technicians	17	13	76	135	72	53	147	98	67	↓ -10
Computer and Information Sciences	439	201	46	575	244	42	568	370	65	↑ 19

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	2016			2018			2020			2016-2020 Change (p.p)
	Enrolled	Voted	Rate	Enrolled	Voted	Rate	Enrolled	Voted	Rate	
Construction Trades	91	44	48	118	46	39	147	86	59	↑ 10
Education	945	496	52	629	299	48	61	43	70	↑ 18
Engineering and Engineering Technologies	712	309	43	642	250	39	553	351	63	↑ 20
English Language and Literature	198	107	54	173	80	46	178	113	63	↑ 9
Family and Consumer/Human Sciences	343	168	49	344	148	43	273	187	68	↑ 20
Foreign Languages, Literatures, and Lingui..	140	73	52	166	85	51	121	85	70	↑ 18
Health Professions	2,222	1,029	46	1,594	623	39	1,062	679	64	↑ 18
History	134	75	56	128	73	57	114	92	81	↑ 25
Law Enforcement, Firefighting, and Protec..	635	292	46	674	245	36	627	436	70	↑ 24
Legal Professions and Studies	127	77	61	109	53	49	102	64	63	↑ 2
Liberal Arts and Sciences, and Humanities	1,371	669	49	1,420	608	43	1,475	1,023	69	↑ 21
Mathematics and Statistics	129	59	46	117	54	46	97	64	66	↑ 20
Mechanic and Repair Technologies/Techni..	101	39	39	98	26	27	76	33	43	↑ 5
Multi/Interdisciplinary Studies	850	431	51	879	359	41	612	406	66	↑ 16

By Field of Study

FIELDS	2016			2018			2020			2016-2020 Change (p.p)
	Enrolled	Voted	Rate	Enrolled	Voted	Rate	Enrolled	Voted	Rate	
Natural Resources and Conservation	-	-	-	-	-	-	45	39	87	-
Parks, Recreation, Leisure, and Fitness Studies	404	163	40	387	128	33	698	472	68	↑ 27
Personal and Culinary Services	178	89	50	168	74	44	144	90	63	↑ 13
Philosophy and Religious Studies	32	17	53	36	18	50	29	22	76	↑ 23
Physical Sciences	46	30	65	55	32	58	45	27	60	↓ -5
Precision Production	120	53	44	138	58	42	121	79	65	↑ 21
Psychology	646	328	51	667	283	42	739	511	69	↑ 18
Social Sciences	374	198	53	435	201	46	413	300	73	↑ 20
Visual and Performing Arts	1,152	600	52	1,009	469	46	893	660	74	↑ 22
Unknown	39	21	54	34	15	44	61	42	69	↑ 15

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, and 2020 federal elections.

Along with others, your institution's participation in this study has allowed us to build a robust database of over 50 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 2016, 2018, and 2020 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.

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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>.

References: IDHE 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: Institute for Democracy & Higher Education: National Study of Learning, Voting and Engagement. (2021). 2016, 2018, and 2020 report for _____ [name of institution]. Medford, MA.



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