

2014 & 2018 CAMPUS REPORT

Student Voting Rates for
Elon 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, 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,

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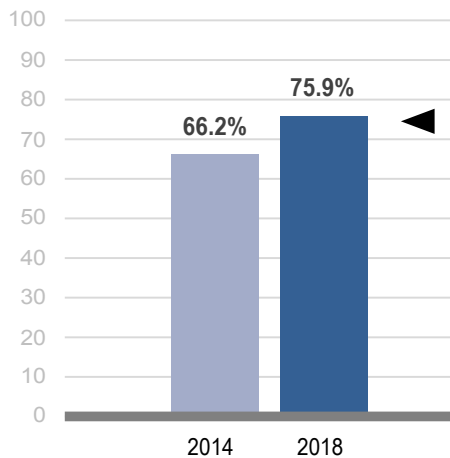
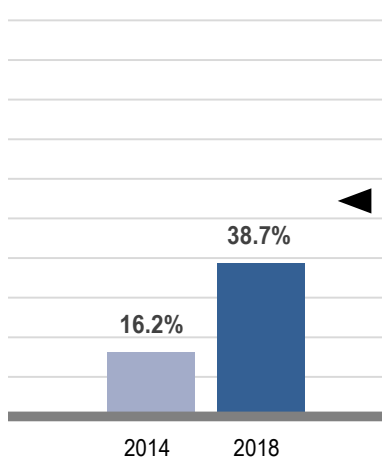
YOUR STUDENTS' VOTING DATA | MIDTERM ELECTIONS

Voting and Registration Rates

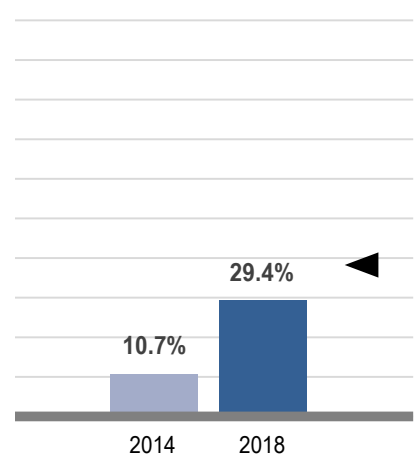
2018 Voting Rate

29.4%CHANGE
FROM 2014**+18.6**2018 VOTING RATE
FOR ALL INSTITUTIONS**39.1%**

Registration Rate

Voting Rate of
Registered Students

Voting Rate



All Institutions, 2018

	2014	2018	Change
Total student enrollment	6,193	6,860	↑ 667
Age under 18/Unknown	(59)	(72)	
IPEDS estimated non-resident aliens	(101)	(140)	
FERPA records blocked	*	*	
Total eligible voters	6,032	6,642	↑ 610
Number of students who registered	3,990	5,043	↑ 1,053
Number of students who voted	648	1,950	↑ 1,302
Registration rate	66.2%	75.9%	↑ 9.8
Voting rate of registered students	16.2%	38.7%	↑ 22.4
Voting rate	10.7%	29.4%	↑ 18.6
Difference from all institutions	-9.0	-9.7	

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

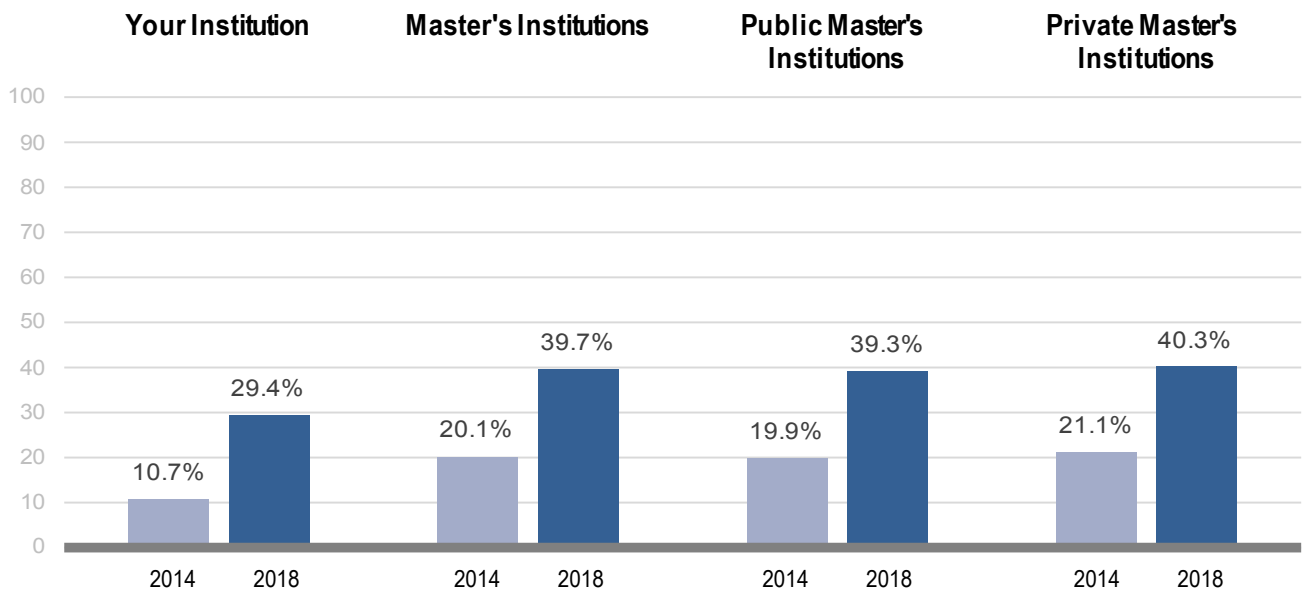
39.1%

HIGH
64.1%

LOW
11.5%

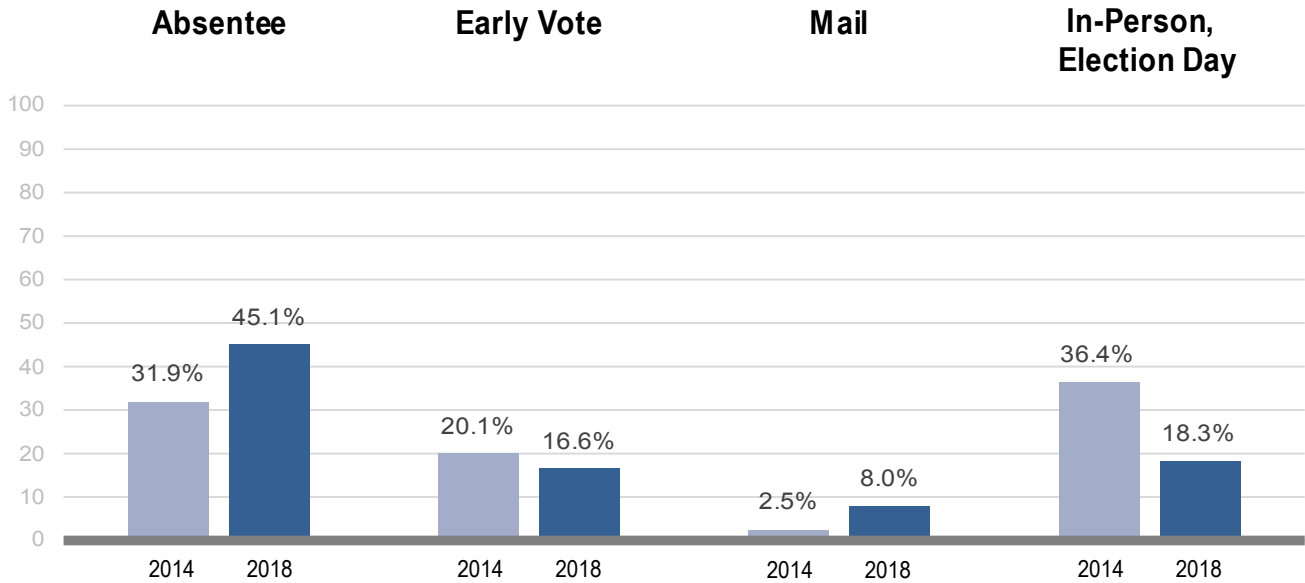
Difference from All Institutions **-9.0**

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YOUR STUDENTS' VOTING DATA | MIDTERM ELECTIONS

By Voting Method*

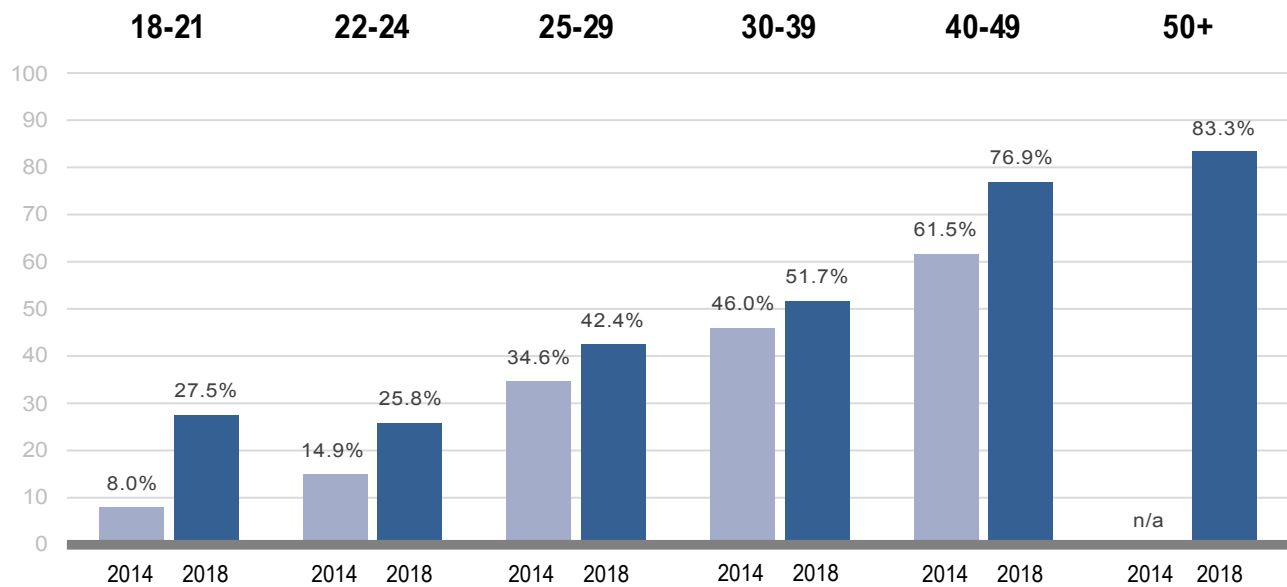


	2014		2018			
	Voted	Rate	Voted	Rate	Change	
Absentee	207	31.9%	880	45.1%	↑	13.2
Early Vote	130	20.1%	324	16.6%	↓	-3.4
Mail	16	2.5%	155	8.0%	↑	5.5
In-Person, Election Day	236	36.4%	356	18.3%	↓	-18.2
Unknown	59	9.1%	235	12.1%		
Total	648		1,950			

* 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.

YOUR STUDENTS' VOTING DATA | MIDTERM ELECTIONS

By Age Group*

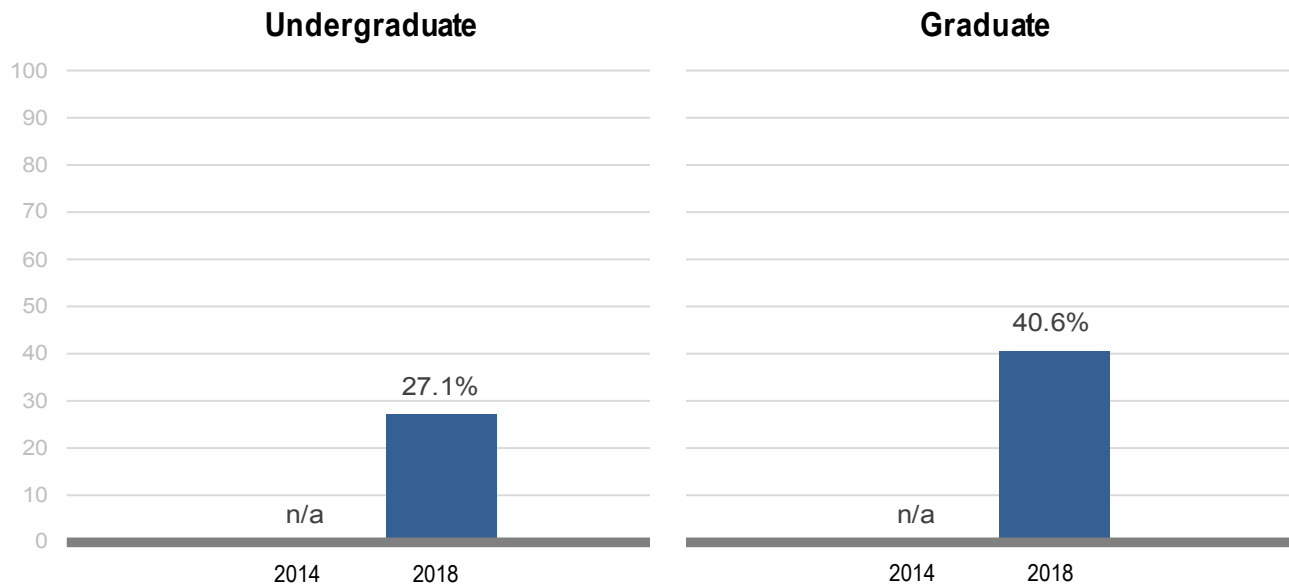


	2014			2018			Change	
	Enrolled	Voted	Rate	Enrolled	Voted	Rate		
18-21	5,189	413	8.0%	5,632	1,551	27.5%	↑	19.6
22-24	616	92	14.9%	710	183	25.8%	↑	10.8
25-29	162	56	34.6%	271	115	42.4%	↑	7.9
30-39	100	46	46.0%	118	61	51.7%	↑	5.7
40-49	52	32	61.5%	39	30	76.9%	↑	15.4
50+	14	*	n/a	12	10	83.3%		n/a
Unknown	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*

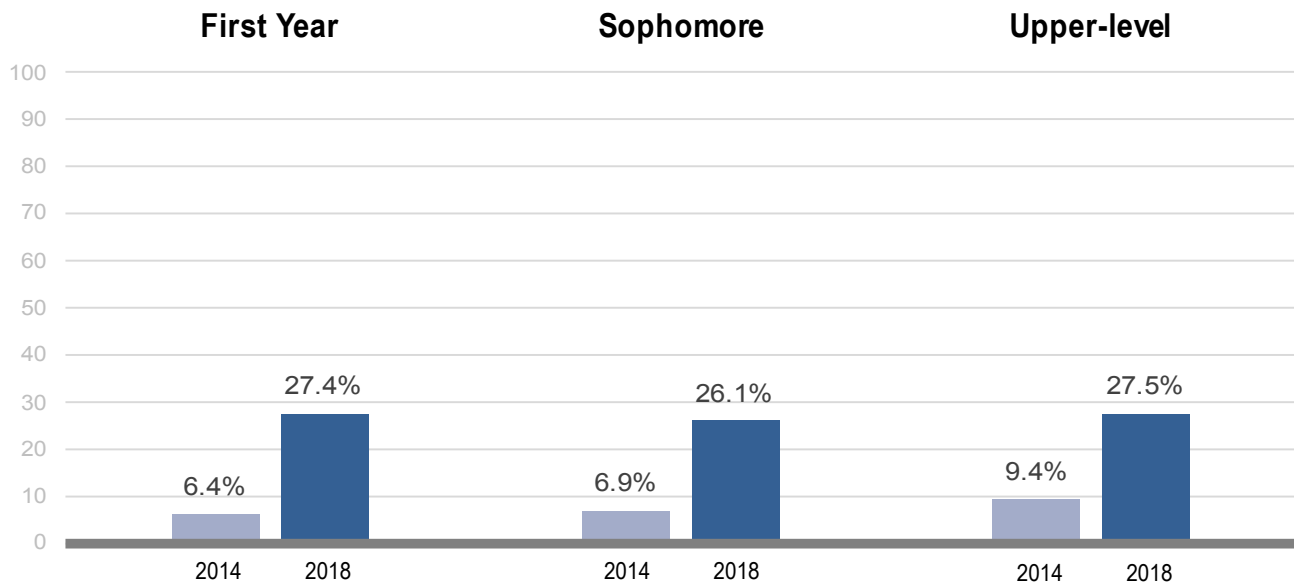


	2014			2018			Change
	Enrolled	Voted	Rate	Enrolled	Voted	Rate	
Undergraduate	0	0	n/a	6,013	1,631	27.1%	n/a
Graduate	0	0	n/a	714	290	40.6%	n/a
Unknown	6,133			55			

* 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*

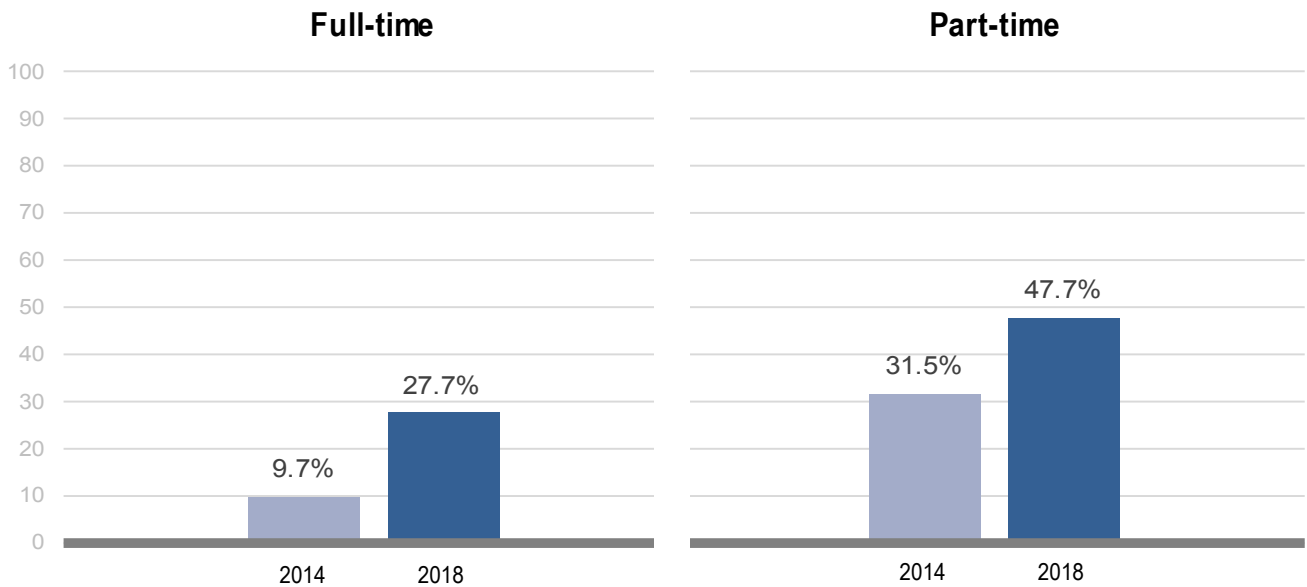


	2014			2018			Change	
	Enrolled	Voted	Rate	Enrolled	Voted	Rate		
First Year	1,245	79	6.4%	1,576	432	27.4%	↑	21.1
Sophomore	1,246	86	6.9%	1,398	365	26.1%	↑	19.2
Upper-level	3,064	289	9.4%	3,038	834	27.5%	↑	18.0

* 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*

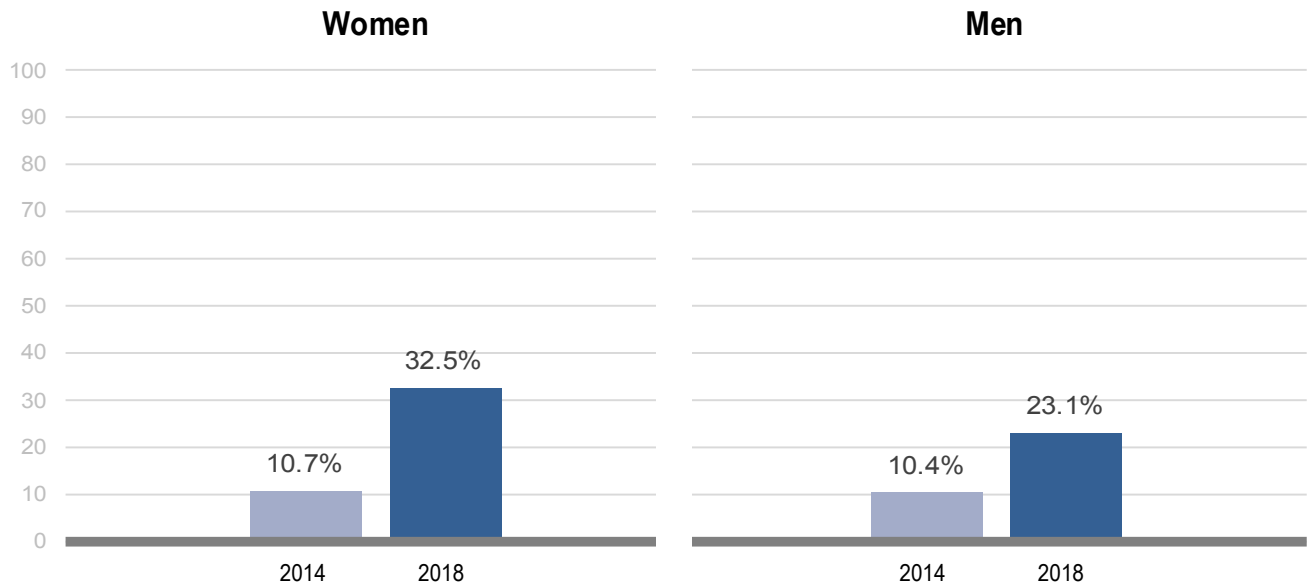


	2014			2018			Change	
	Enrolled	Voted	Rate	Enrolled	Voted	Rate		
Full-time	5,895	573	9.7%	6,415	1,776	27.7%	↑	18.0
Part-time	238	75	31.5%	363	173	47.7%	↑	16.2
Unknown	0	0	n/a	0	0	n/a		

* 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*

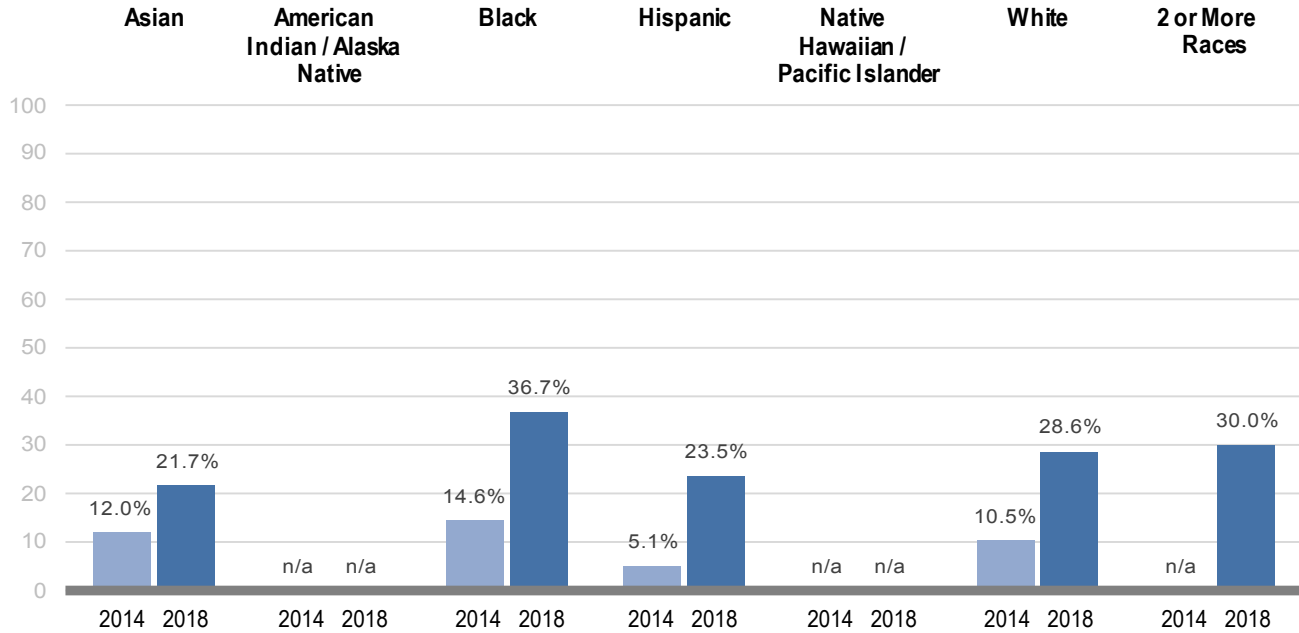


	2014			2018				
	Enrolled	Voted	Rate	Enrolled	Voted	Rate	Change	
Women	3,630	387	10.7%	4,072	1,325	32.5%	↑	21.9
Men	2,501	260	10.4%	2,706	624	23.1%	↑	12.7
Unknown	*			*				

* 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.

YOUR STUDENTS' VOTING DATA | MIDTERM ELECTIONS

By Race/Ethnicity*



	2014			2018			Change	
	Enrolled	Voted	Rate	Enrolled	Voted	Rate		
Asian	158	19	12.0%	180	39	21.7%	↑	9.6
American Indian/ Alaska Native	26	*	n/a	12	*	n/a		n/a
Black	385	56	14.6%	436	160	36.7%	↑	22.2
Hispanic	315	16	5.1%	451	106	23.5%	↑	18.4
Native Hawaiian/ Pacific Islander	0	0	n/a	0	0	n/a		n/a
White	5,038	530	10.5%	5,396	1,545	28.6%	↑	18.1
2 or More Races	105	*	n/a	197	59	30.0%		n/a
Unknown	106			110				

* 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.

YOUR STUDENTS' VOTING DATA | MIDTERM ELECTIONS

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			Change
	Enrolled	Voted	Rate	Enrolled	Voted	Rate	
Biological and Biomedical Sciences	287	26	9.1%	277	78	28.2% ↑	19.1
Business, Management, and Marketing	1,525	145	9.5%	1,818	398	21.9% ↑	12.4
Communication and Journalism	953	66	6.9%	994	306	30.8% ↑	23.9
Communications Technologies/Technicians	42	*	n/a	42	15	35.7%	n/a
Computer and Information Sciences	78	*	n/a	129	32	24.8%	n/a
Education	260	37	14.2%	249	71	28.5% ↑	14.3
Engineering and Engineering Technologies	53	*	n/a	60	16	26.7%	n/a
English Language and Literature	108	12	11.1%	78	31	39.7% ↑	28.6
Foreign Languages, Literatures, and Linguistics	22	*	n/a	16	*	n/a	n/a
Health Professions	201	20	10.0%	321	81	25.2% ↑	15.3
History	50	*	n/a	45	23	51.1%	n/a
Legal Professions and Studies	277	100	36.1%	359	148	41.2% ↑	5.1
Liberal Arts and Sciences, and Humanities	501	47	9.4%	591	164	27.8% ↑	18.4
Mathematics and Statistics	72	*	n/a	81	16	19.8%	n/a
Natural Resources and Conservation	95	10	10.5%	80	22	27.5% ↑	17.0
Parks, Recreation, Leisure, and Fitness Studies	445	30	6.7%	352	67	19.0% ↑	12.3
Philosophy and Religious Studies	32	*	n/a	26	*	n/a	n/a
Physical Sciences	47	*	n/a	26	*	n/a	n/a
Psychology	267	17	6.4%	342	100	29.2% ↑	22.9
Public Administration and Social Service Professions	101	14	13.9%	73	29	39.7% ↑	25.9
Social Sciences	414	63	15.2%	464	214	46.1% ↑	30.9
Visual and Performing Arts	292	24	8.2%	342	113	33.0% ↑	24.8
Unknown	11	*	n/a	17	*	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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