

**2012 & 2016 CAMPUS REPORT**

Student Voting Rates for  
Emporia 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](http://idhe.tufts.edu).

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Warm regards,  
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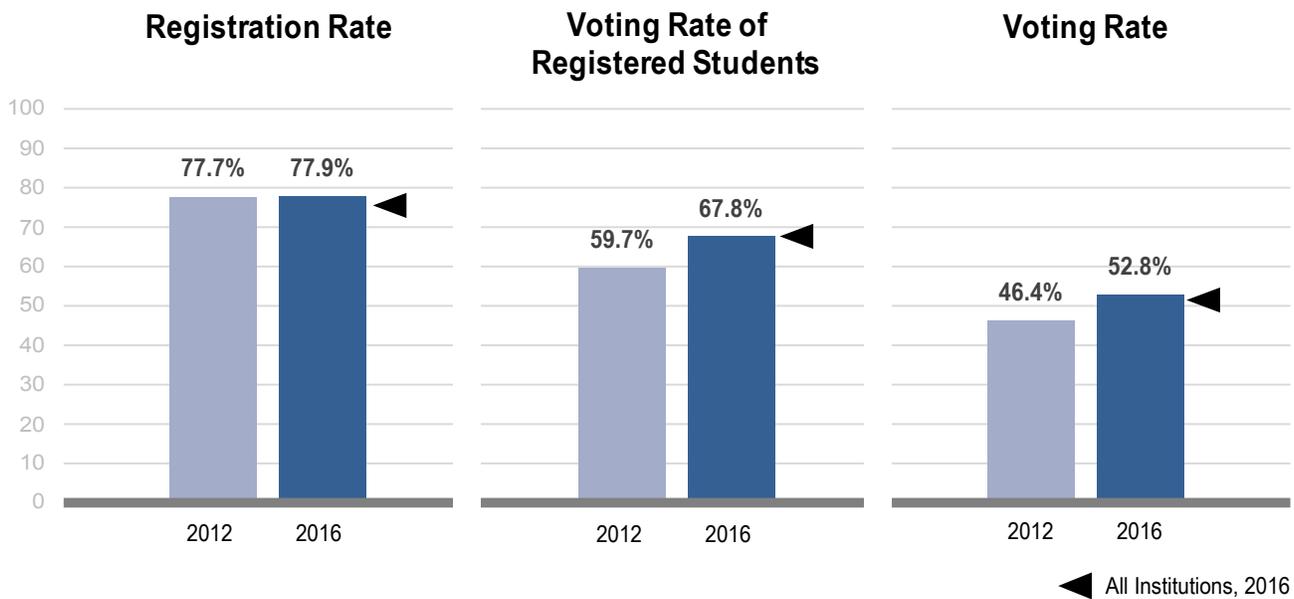
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# Voting and Registration Rates

**2016 Voting Rate**  
**52.8%**

CHANGE FROM 2012  
**6.4**

2016 VOTING RATE FOR ALL INSTITUTIONS  
**50.4%**



	2012	2016	Change
Total student enrollment	5,697	5,715	↑ 18
Age under 18/Unknown	(27)	(58)	
IPEDS estimated non-resident aliens	(478)	(530)	
FERPA records blocked	(19)	*	
Total eligible voters	5,173	5,120	↓ -53
Number of students who registered	4,021	3,989	↓ -32
Number of students who voted	2,401	2,703	↑ 302
Registration rate	77.7%	77.9%	↑ 0.2
Voting rate of registered students	59.7%	67.8%	↑ 8.1
Voting rate	46.4%	52.8%	↑ 6.4
Difference from all institutions	-0.5	+2.4	

HOW YOUR NUMBERS COMPARE | PRESIDENTIAL ELECTIONS

# By Carnegie Classification

**2012 Voting Rate for All Institutions**  
**46.9%**

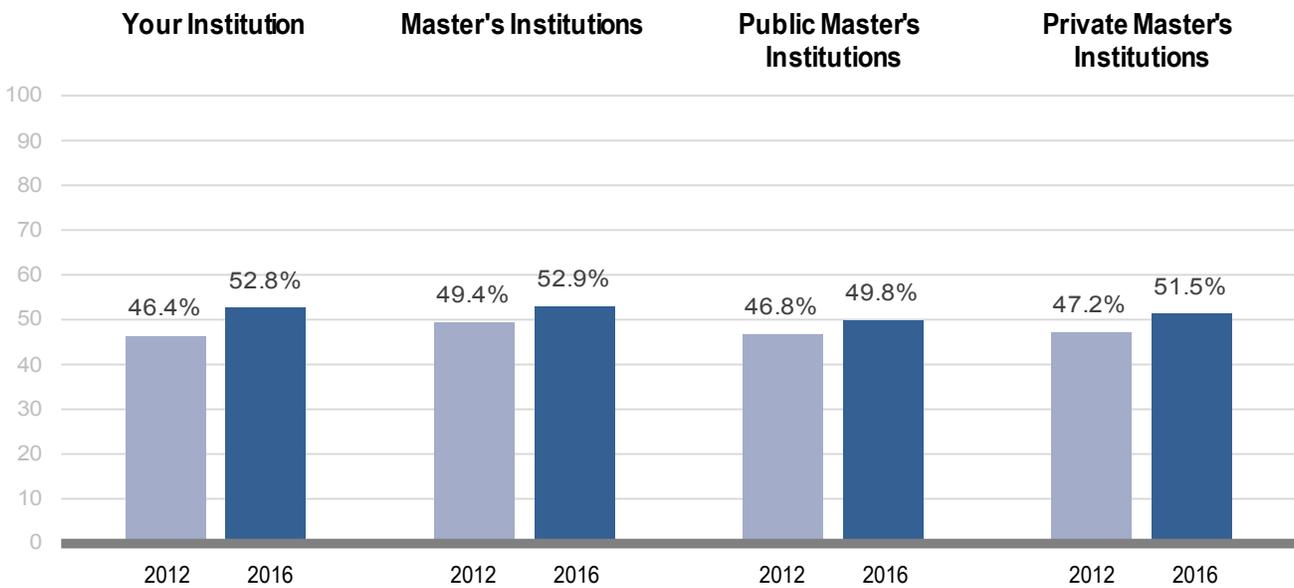
HIGH 72.9%  
 LOW 19.3%

**2016 Voting Rate for All Institutions**  
**50.4%**

HIGH 81.4%  
 LOW 13.1%

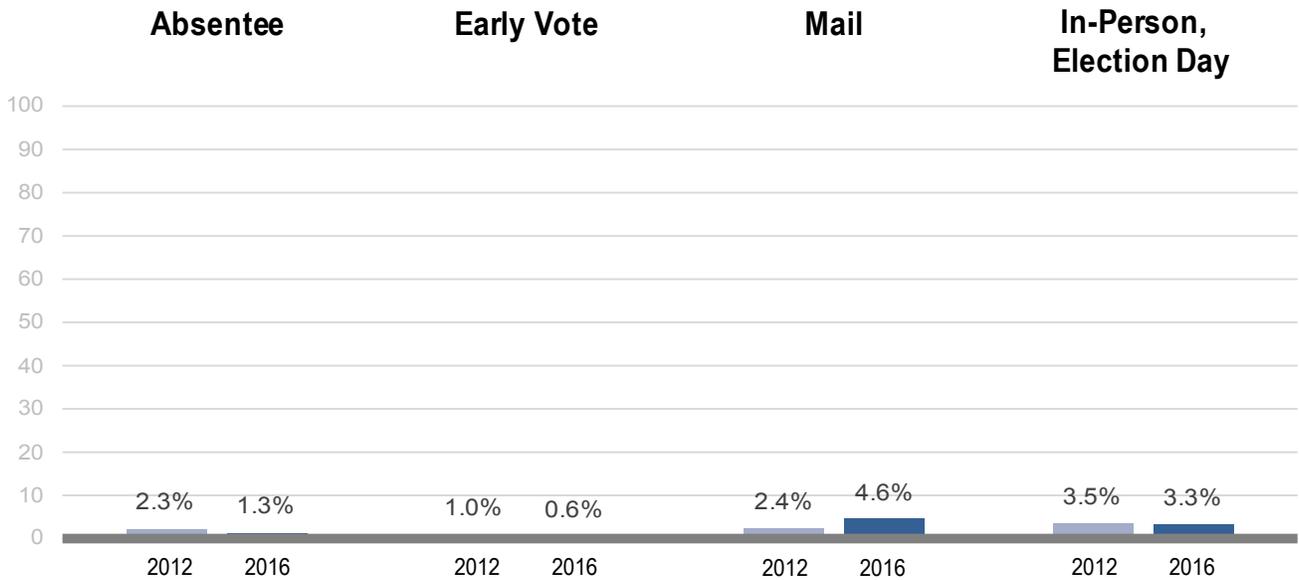
Difference from All Institutions **-0.5**

Difference from All Institutions **+2.4**



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# By Voting Method\*

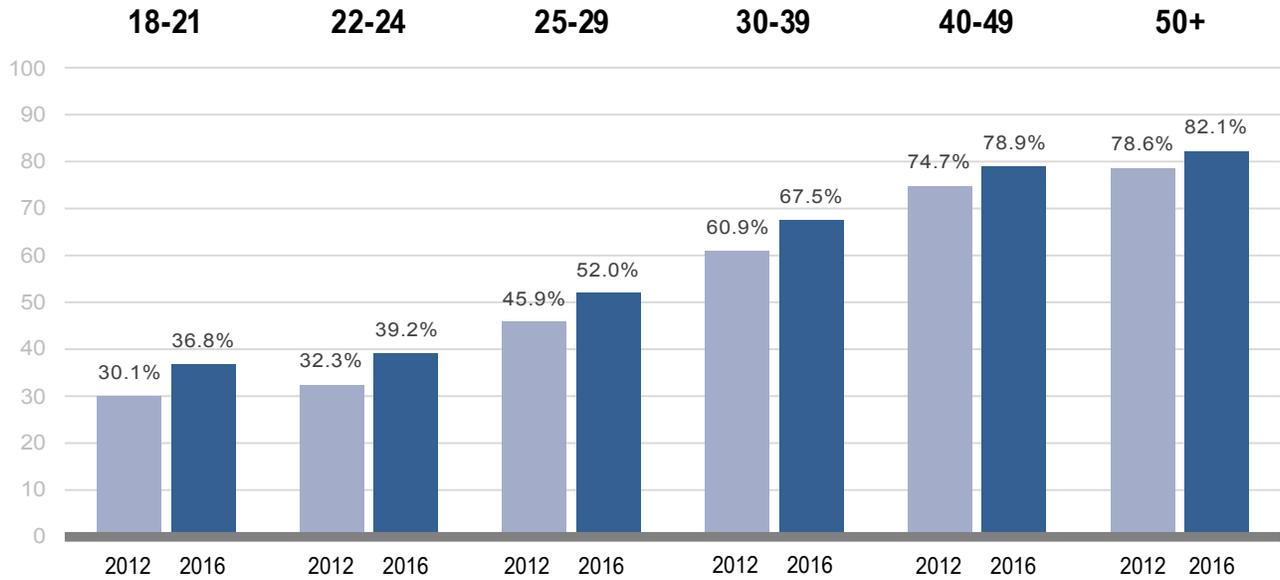


	2012		2016		Change
	Voted	Rate	Voted	Rate	
Absentee	55	2.3%	34	1.3%	↓ -1.0
Early Vote	23	1.0%	16	0.6%	↓ -0.4
Mail	58	2.4%	125	4.6%	↑ 2.2
In-Person, Election Day	84	3.5%	89	3.3%	↓ -0.2
Unknown	2,181	90.8%	2,439	90.2%	
<b>Total</b>	<b>2,401</b>		<b>2,703</b>		

\* 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\*

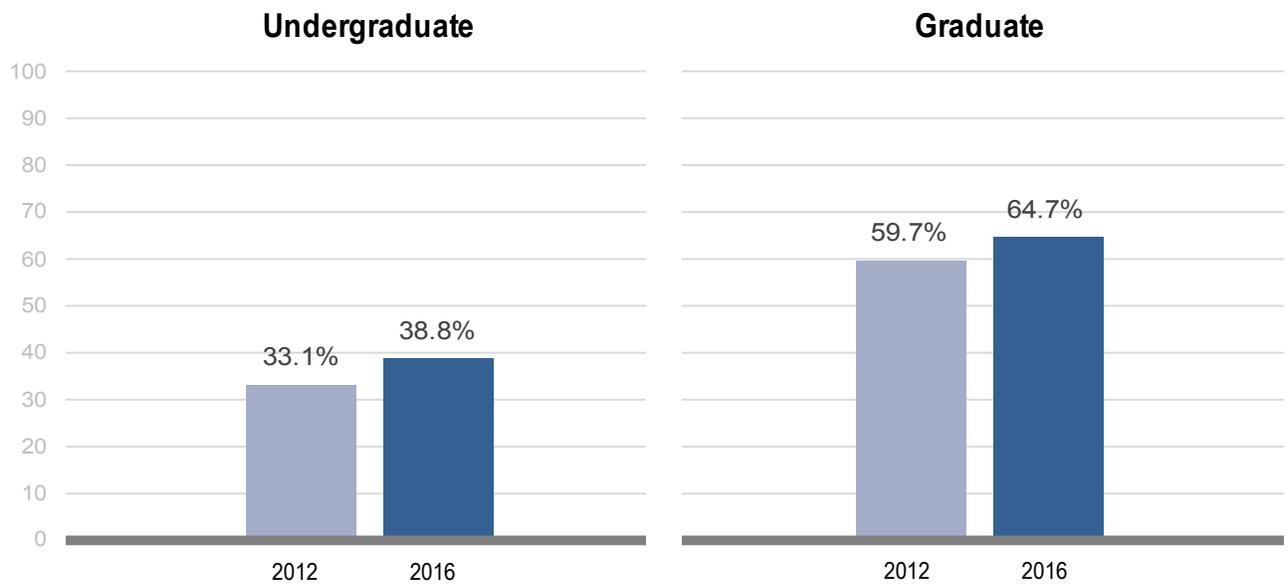


	2012			2016			Change
	Enrolled	Voted	Rate	Enrolled	Voted	Rate	
18-21	2,063	620	30.1%	2,370	872	36.8%	↑ 6.7
22-24	1,204	389	32.3%	1,104	433	39.2%	↑ 6.9
25-29	999	458	45.9%	881	458	52.0%	↑ 6.1
30-39	793	483	60.9%	769	519	67.5%	↑ 6.6
40-49	372	278	74.7%	336	265	78.9%	↑ 4.1
50+	220	173	78.6%	190	156	82.1%	↑ 3.5
Unknown	13			17			

\* 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\*

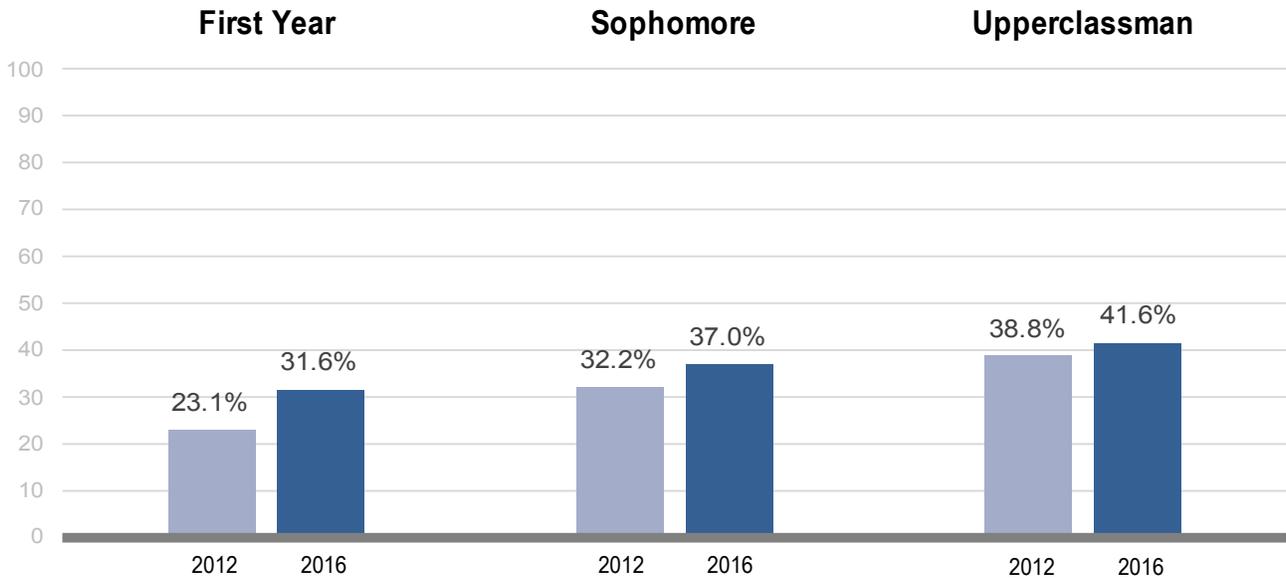


	2012			2016			Change
	Enrolled	Voted	Rate	Enrolled	Voted	Rate	
Undergraduate	3,666	1,215	<b>33.1%</b>	3,674	1,424	<b>38.8%</b>	↑ 5.6
Graduate	1,982	1,183	<b>59.7%</b>	1,976	1,279	<b>64.7%</b>	↑ 5.0
Unknown	*			0			

\* 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.

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# By Undergraduate Class Year\*

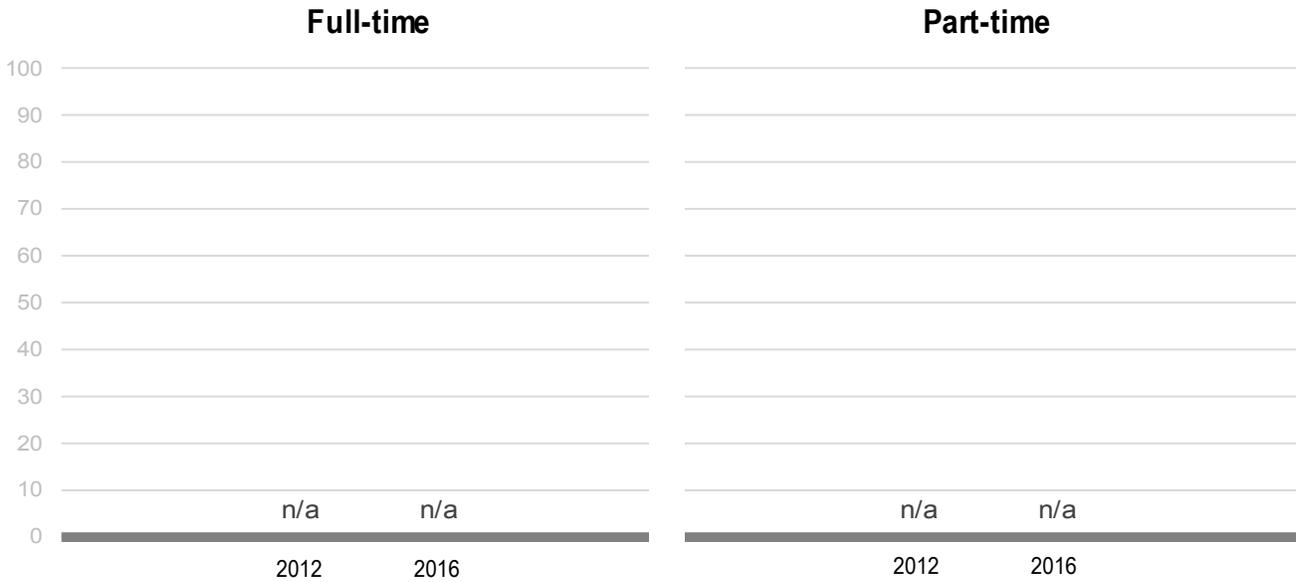


	2012			2016			Change
	Enrolled	Voted	Rate	Enrolled	Voted	Rate	
First Year	1,080	249	<b>23.1%</b>	970	306	<b>31.6%</b>	↑ <b>8.5</b>
Sophomore	627	202	<b>32.2%</b>	744	275	<b>37.0%</b>	↑ <b>4.7</b>
Upperclassman	1,793	696	<b>38.8%</b>	1,865	775	<b>41.6%</b>	↑ <b>2.7</b>

\* 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\*

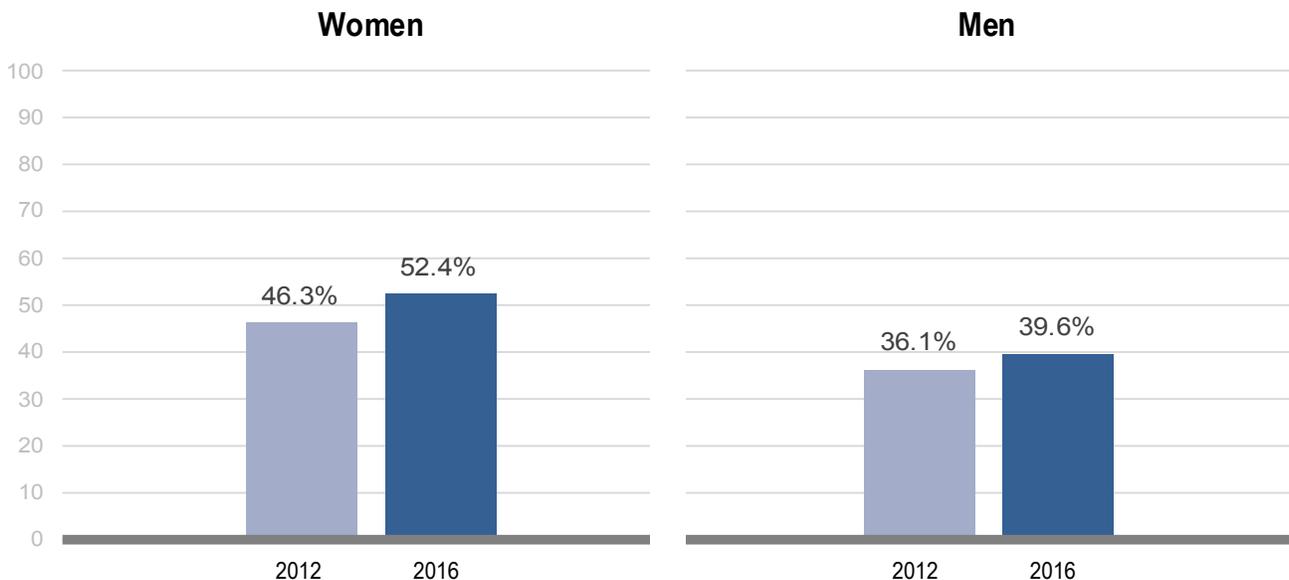


	2012			2016			Change
	Enrolled	Voted	Rate	Enrolled	Voted	Rate	
Full-time	0	0	n/a	0	0	n/a	n/a
Part-time	0	0	n/a	0	0	n/a	n/a
Unknown	0	0	n/a	0	0	n/a	

\* 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\*

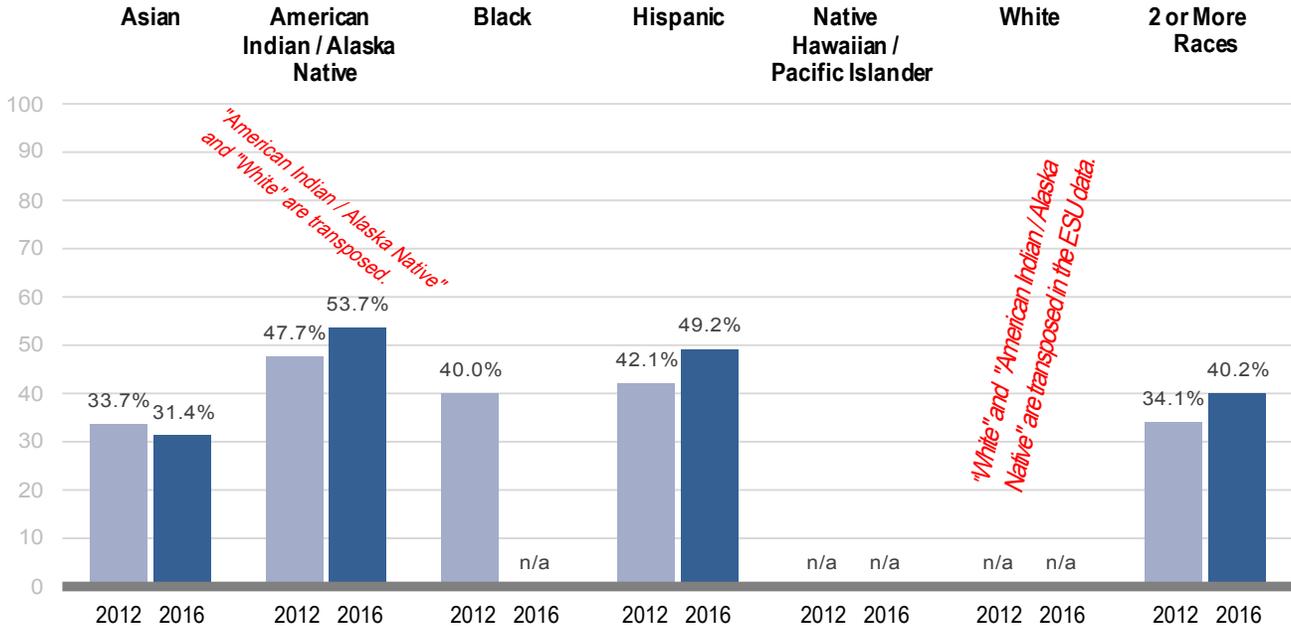


	2012			2016			Change
	Enrolled	Voted	Rate	Enrolled	Voted	Rate	
Women	3,557	1,645	<b>46.3%</b>	3,629	1,903	<b>52.4%</b>	↑ 6.2
Men	2,093	756	<b>36.1%</b>	2,021	800	<b>39.6%</b>	↑ 3.5
Unknown	*	0	n/a	0	0	n/a	

\* 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 Race/Ethnicity\*



	2012			2016			Change
	Enrolled	Voted	Rate	Enrolled	Voted	Rate	
Asian	255	86	33.7%	252	79	31.4%	↓ -2.4
American Indian / Alaska Native	4,098	1,953	47.7%	3,983	2,137	53.7%	↑ 6.0
Black	35	14	40.0%	0	0	n/a	n/a
Hispanic	271	114	42.1%	384	189	49.2%	↑ 7.2
Native Hawaiian / Pacific Islander	33	*	n/a	0	0	n/a	n/a
White	19	*	n/a	18	*	n/a	n/a
2 or More Races	173	59	34.1%	239	96	40.2%	↑ 6.1
Unknown	767			774			

\* 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.

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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	
Biological and Biomedical Sciences	253	80	31.6%	260	101	38.9% ↑	7.2
Business, Management, and Marketing	630	201	31.9%	724	236	32.6% ↑	0.7
Communication and Journalism	106	36	34.0%	103	48	46.6% ↑	12.6
Computer and Information Sciences	101	23	22.8%	159	47	29.6% ↑	6.8
Education	1,735	889	51.2%	1,976	1,125	56.9% ↑	5.7
English Language and Literature	140	58	41.4%	93	42	45.2% ↑	3.7
Foreign Languages, Literatures, and Linguistics	28	13	46.4%	*	*	n/a	n/a
Health Professions	506	167	33.0%	574	205	35.7% ↑	2.7
History	58	32	55.2%	59	38	64.4% ↑	9.2
Law Enforcement, Firefighting, and Protective Services	113	37	32.7%	122	42	34.4% ↑	1.7
Liberal Arts and Sciences, and Humanities	435	159	36.6%	238	120	50.4% ↑	13.9
Library Science	302	214	70.9%	304	249	81.9% ↑	11.1
Mathematics and Statistics	115	49	42.6%	128	73	57.0% ↑	14.4
Multi/Interdisciplinary Studies	21	12	57.1%	0	0	n/a	n/a
Parks, Recreation, Leisure, and Fitness Studies	64	13	20.3%	45	13	28.9% ↑	8.6
Physical Sciences	130	44	33.9%	123	44	35.8% ↑	1.9
Psychology	255	91	35.7%	250	102	40.8% ↑	5.1
Social Sciences	245	103	42.0%	127	59	46.5% ↑	4.4
Visual and Performing Arts	246	65	26.4%	172	64	37.2% ↑	10.8
Unknown	168	115	68.5%	187	93	49.7% ↓	-18.7

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](http://idhe.tufts.edu).

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