

2012 & 2016 CAMPUS REPORT

Student Voting Rates for
Florida Atlantic 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,
IDHE Team



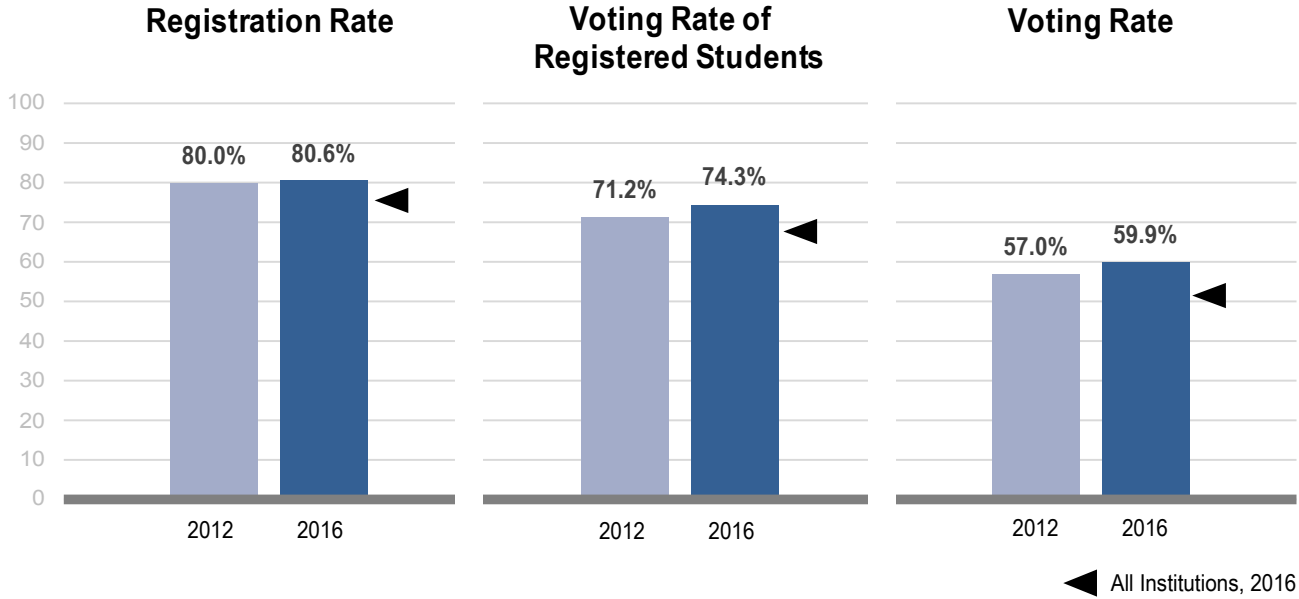
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Voting and Registration Rates

2016 Voting Rate
59.9%

CHANGE FROM 2012
3.0

2016 VOTING RATE FOR ALL INSTITUTIONS
50.4%



	2012	2016	Change
Total student enrollment	29,627	30,001	↑ 374
Age under 18/Unknown	(616)	(690)	
IPEDS estimated non-resident aliens	(616)	(951)	
FERPA records blocked	(282)	(139)	
Total eligible voters	28,113	28,221	↑ 108
Number of students who registered	22,485	22,751	↑ 266
Number of students who voted	16,013	16,909	↑ 896
Registration rate	80.0%	80.6%	↑ 0.6
Voting rate of registered students	71.2%	74.3%	↑ 3.1
Voting rate	57.0%	59.9%	↑ 3.0
Difference from all institutions	+10.1	+9.5	

HOW YOUR NUMBERS COMPARE | PRESIDENTIAL ELECTIONS

By Carnegie Classification

2012 Voting Rate for All Institutions
46.9%

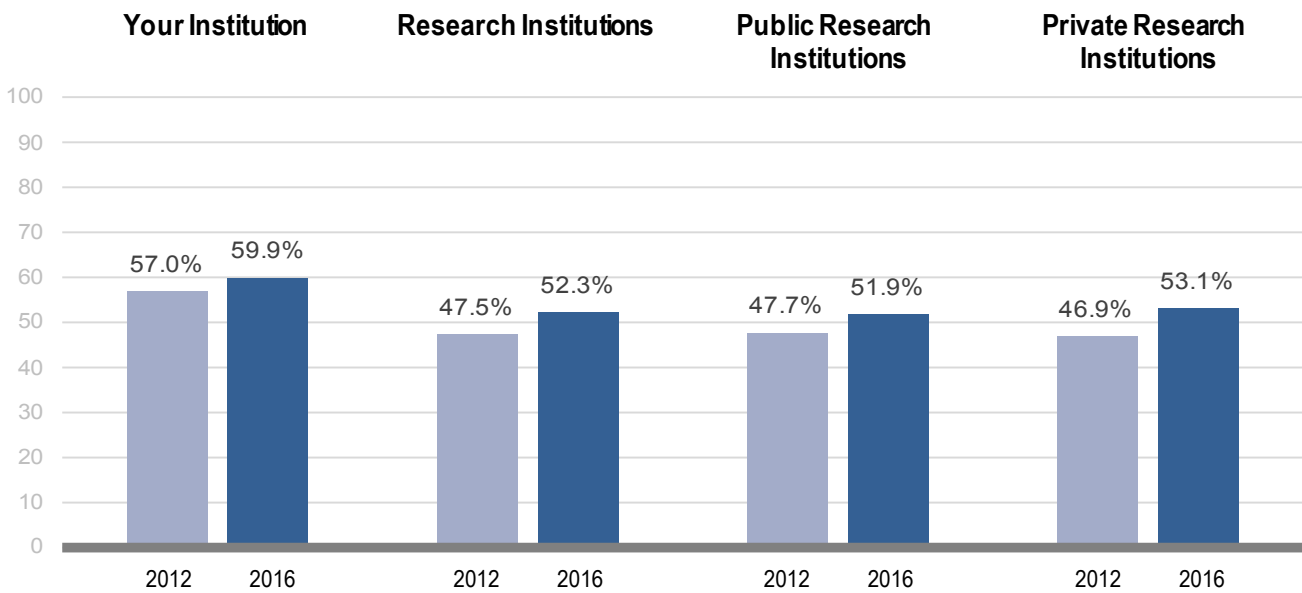
HIGH 72.9%
 LOW 19.3%

2016 Voting Rate for All Institutions
50.4%

HIGH 81.4%
 LOW 13.1%

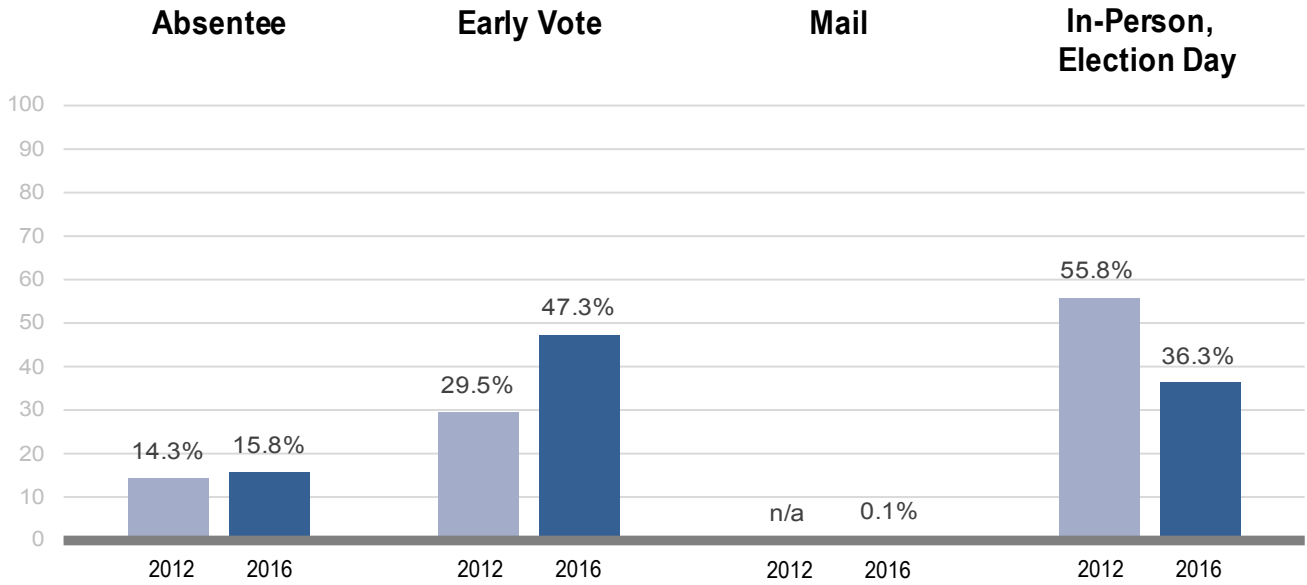
Difference from All Institutions **+10.1**

Difference from All Institutions **+9.5**



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By Voting Method*

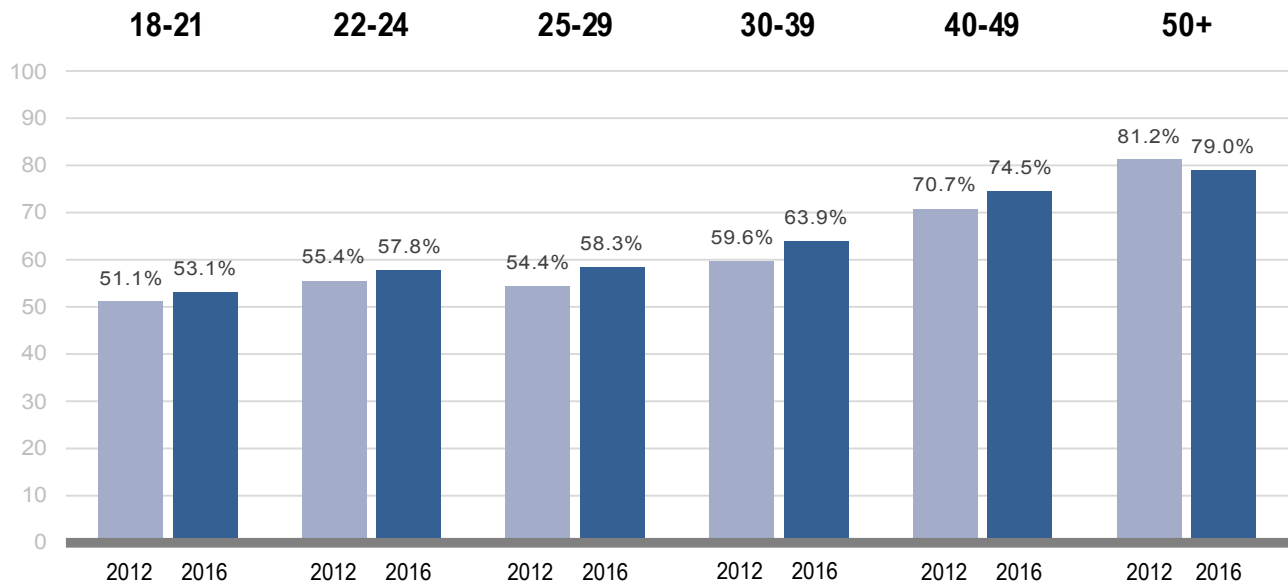


	2012		2016		Change
	Voted	Rate	Voted	Rate	
Absentee	2,290	14.3%	2,667	15.8%	↑ 1.5
Early Vote	4,718	29.5%	8,003	47.3%	↑ 17.9
Mail	*	n/a	21	0.1%	n/a
In-Person, Election Day	8,935	55.8%	6,143	36.3%	↓ -19.5
Unknown	69	0.4%	75	0.4%	
Total	16,013		16,909		

* 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*

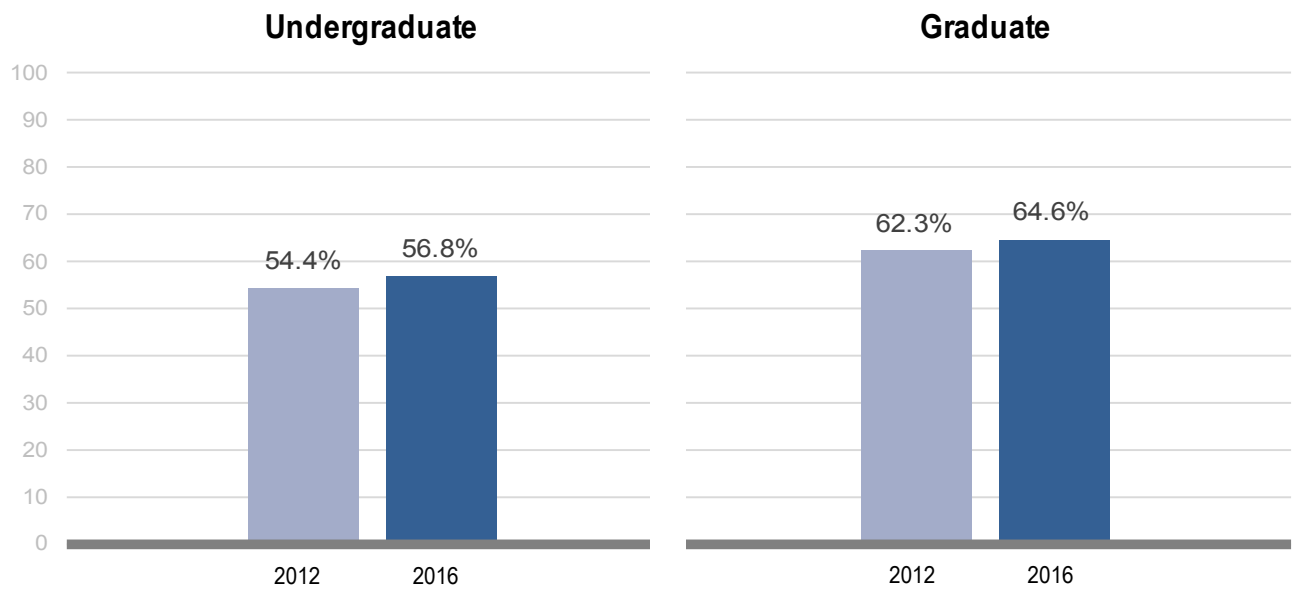


	2012			2016			Change
	Enrolled	Voted	Rate	Enrolled	Voted	Rate	
18-21	10,898	5,570	51.1%	11,763	6,247	53.1%	↑ 2.0
22-24	7,106	3,936	55.4%	7,026	4,061	57.8%	↑ 2.4
25-29	4,798	2,611	54.4%	5,097	2,973	58.3%	↑ 3.9
30-39	3,481	2,075	59.6%	3,240	2,071	63.9%	↑ 4.3
40-49	1,572	1,111	70.7%	1,309	975	74.5%	↑ 3.8
50+	874	710	81.2%	737	582	79.0%	↓ -2.3
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*

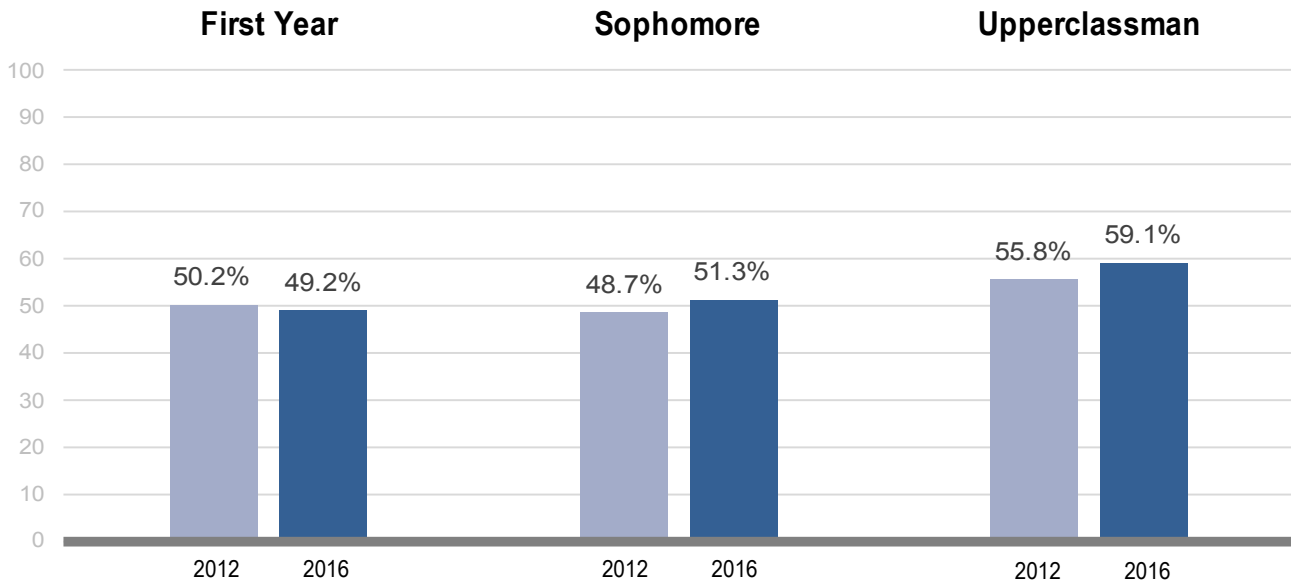


	2012			2016			Change
	Enrolled	Voted	Rate	Enrolled	Voted	Rate	
Undergraduate	23,715	12,890	54.4%	24,685	14,013	56.8%	↑ 2.4
Graduate	5,013	3,123	62.3%	4,478	2,892	64.6%	↑ 2.3
Unknown	*			*			

* 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*

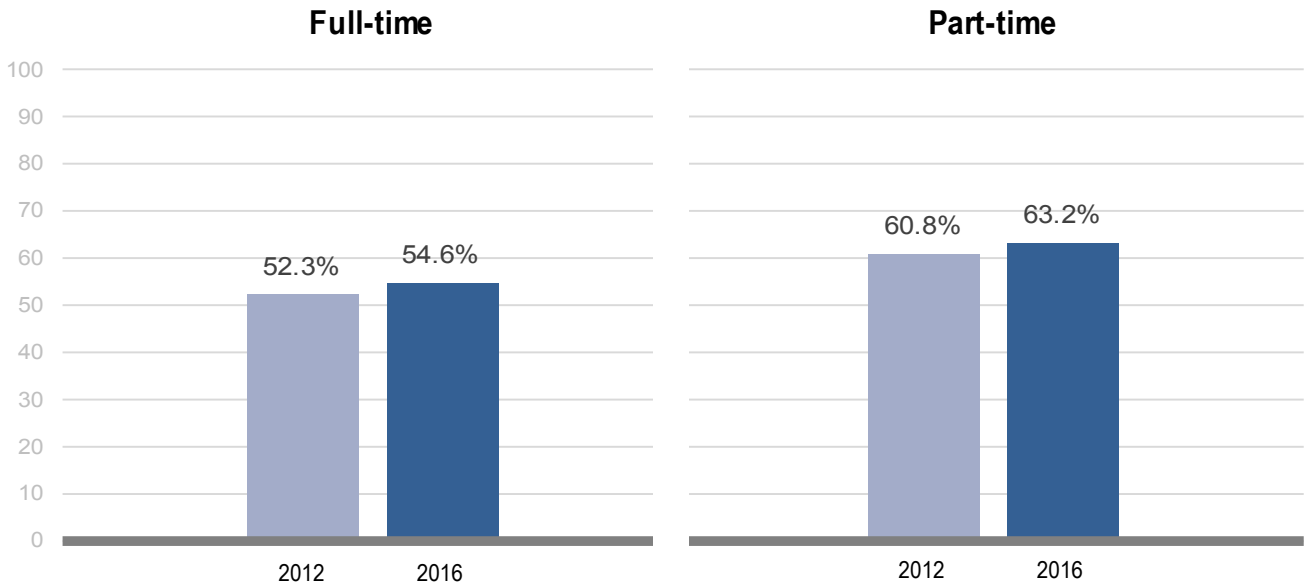


	2012			2016			Change
	Enrolled	Voted	Rate	Enrolled	Voted	Rate	
First Year	4,230	2,124	50.2%	4,350	2,138	49.2%	↓ -1.1
Sophomore	3,266	1,592	48.7%	3,306	1,695	51.3%	↑ 2.5
Upperclassman	13,730	7,655	55.8%	15,552	9,191	59.1%	↑ 3.4

* 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.

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By Enrollment Status*

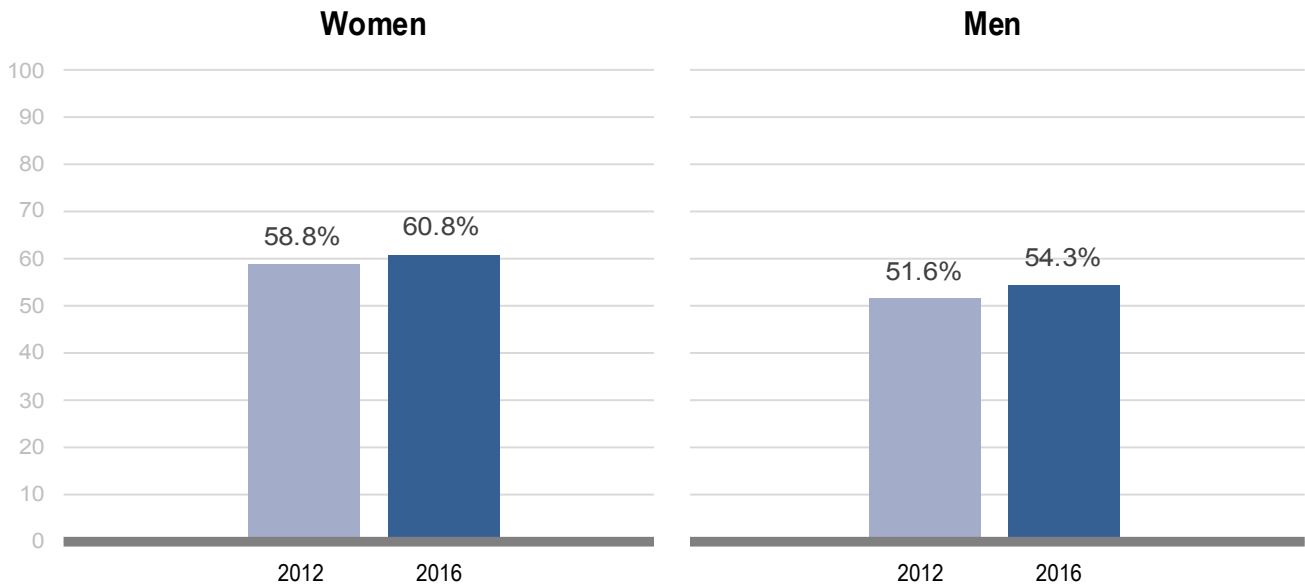


	2012			2016			Change
	Enrolled	Voted	Rate	Enrolled	Voted	Rate	
Full-time	17,089	8,934	52.3%	17,707	9,664	54.6%	↑ 2.3
Part-time	11,640	7,079	60.8%	11,465	7,245	63.2%	↑ 2.4
Unknown	0	0	n/a	0	0	n/a	

* 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*

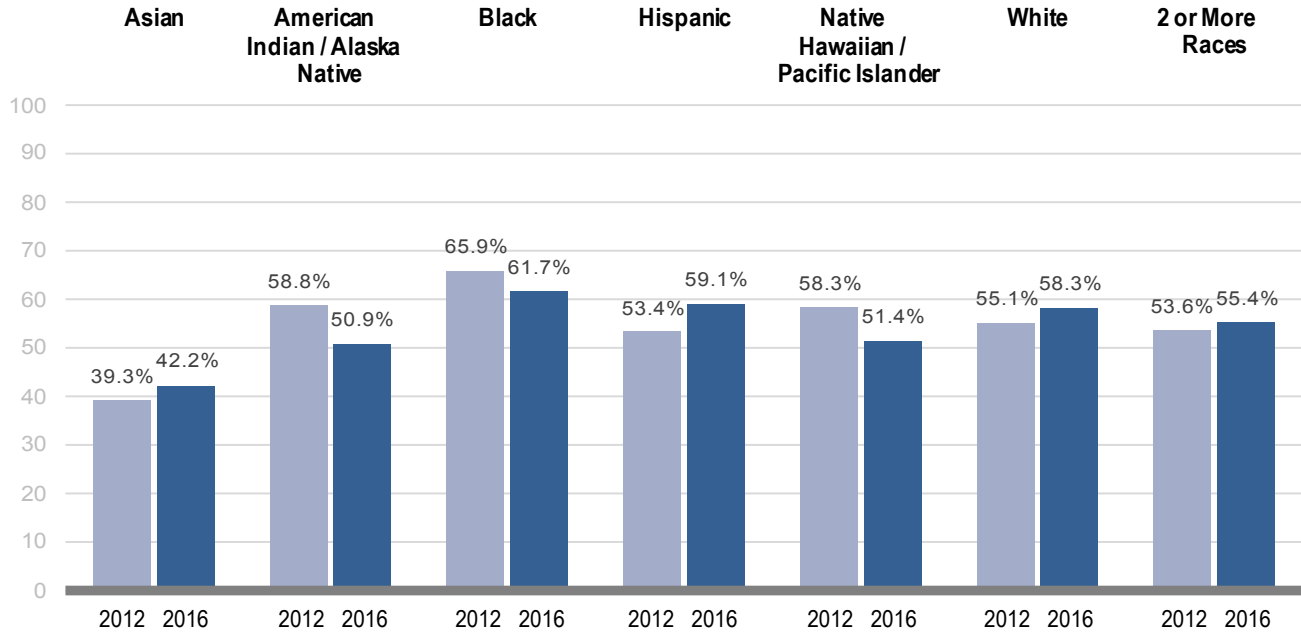


	2012			2016			Change	
	Enrolled	Voted	Rate	Enrolled	Voted	Rate		
Women	16,441	9,669	58.8%	16,530	10,050	60.8%	↑	2.0
Men	12,288	6,344	51.6%	12,638	6,859	54.3%	↑	2.6
Unknown	0	0	n/a	*	0	n/a		

* 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	1,340	527	39.3%	1,490	629	42.2%	↑ 2.9
American Indian/ Alaska Native	51	30	58.8%	59	30	50.9%	↓ -8.0
Black	5,194	3,423	65.9%	5,753	3,550	61.7%	↓ -4.2
Hispanic	6,575	3,511	53.4%	7,561	4,469	59.1%	↑ 5.7
Native Hawaiian/ Pacific Islander	36	21	58.3%	35	18	51.4%	↓ -6.9
White	14,541	8,006	55.1%	12,914	7,531	58.3%	↑ 3.3
2 or More Races	709	380	53.6%	1,051	582	55.4%	↑ 1.8
Unknown	283			309			

* 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	
Architecture	445	198	44.5%	431	212	49.2% ↑	4.7
Area, Ethnic, Cultural, Gender, and Group Studies	15	*	n/a	11	*	n/a	n/a
Biological and Biomedical Sciences	2,399	1,252	52.2%	2,558	1,413	55.2% ↑	3.1
Business, Management, and Marketing	5,948	3,127	52.6%	6,659	3,611	54.2% ↑	1.7
Communication and Journalism	981	553	56.4%	1,014	627	61.8% ↑	5.5
Computer and Information Sciences	325	177	54.5%	552	317	57.4% ↑	3.0
Education	2,798	1,835	65.6%	2,117	1,398	66.0% ↑	0.5
Engineering and Engineering Technologies	1,930	921	47.7%	2,163	1,083	50.1% ↑	2.4
English Language and Literature	452	287	63.5%	404	273	67.6% ↑	4.1
Foreign Languages, Literatures, and Linguistics	181	96	53.0%	165	101	61.2% ↑	8.2
Health Professions	2,474	1,481	59.9%	2,268	1,494	65.9% ↑	6.0
History	234	156	66.7%	173	126	72.8% ↑	6.2
Law Enforcement, Firefighting, and Protective Services	1,249	716	57.3%	1,334	784	58.8% ↑	1.4
Liberal Arts and Sciences, and Humanities	1,437	748	52.1%	1,805	1,118	61.9% ↑	9.9
Mathematics and Statistics	193	94	48.7%	177	95	53.7% ↑	5.0
Multi/Interdisciplinary Studies	38	29	76.3%	490	281	57.4% ↓	-19.0
Natural Resources and Conservation	31	17	54.8%	23	11	47.8% ↓	-7.0
Parks, Recreation, Leisure, and Fitness Studies	908	429	47.3%	1,114	548	49.2% ↑	1.9
Philosophy and Religious Studies	56	37	66.1%	63	39	61.9% ↓	-4.2
Physical Sciences	497	244	49.1%	430	221	51.4% ↑	2.3
Psychology	1,559	867	55.6%	1,962	1,158	59.0% ↑	3.4
Public Administration and Social Service Professions	944	614	65.0%	827	515	62.3% ↓	-2.8
Social Sciences	1,870	1,052	56.3%	1,643	997	60.7% ↑	4.4

Visual and Performing Arts	891	469	52.6%	775	472	60.9% ↑	8.3
Other	870	603	69.3%	0	0	n/a	n/a
Unknown	*	*	n/a	14	*	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: idhe.tufts.edu.

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