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2014 & 2018 CAMPUS REPORT

Student Voting Rates for

Indiana University-Purdue University-Indianapolis

Tufts UNIVERSITY | Jonathan M. Tisch
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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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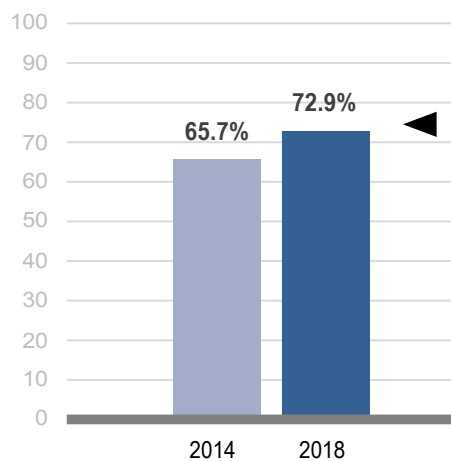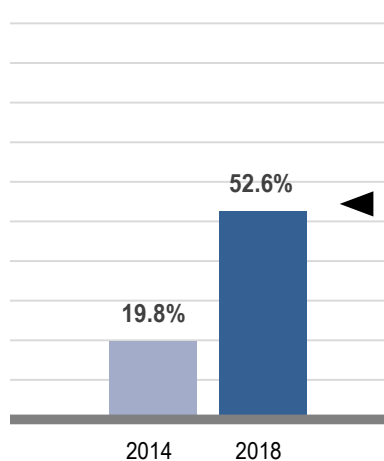
Warm regards,

IDHE Team

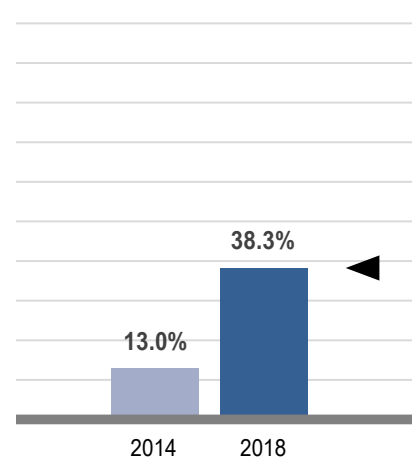**YOUR STUDENTS' VOTING DATA | MIDTERM ELECTIONS**

Voting and Registration Rates

2018 Voting Rate
38.3%

CHANGE FROM 2014
+25.3

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	28,381	27,627	⬇	-754
Age under 18/Unknown	(65)	(66)		
IPEDS estimated non-resident aliens	0	0		
FERPA records blocked	(16)	(11)		
Total eligible voters	28,300	27,550	⬇	-750
Number of students who registered	18,586	20,079	⬆	1,493
Number of students who voted	3,671	10,551	⬆	6,880
Registration rate	65.7%	72.9%	⬆	7.2
Voting rate of registered students	19.8%	52.6%	⬆	32.8
Voting rate	13.0%	38.3%	⬆	25.3
Difference from all institutions	-6.7	-0.8		

By Carnegie Classification

2014 Voting Rate for All Institutions

19.7%

HIGH 54.0%

LOW 1.5%

Difference from All Institutions **-6.7**

2018 Voting Rate for All Institutions

39.1%

HIGH 64.1%

LOW 11.5%

Difference from All Institutions **-0.8**

	Your Institution	Research Institutions	Public Research Institutions	Private Research Institutions
2014	13.0%	19.5%	19.6%	17.6%
2018	38.3%	41.2%	40.8%	42.5%
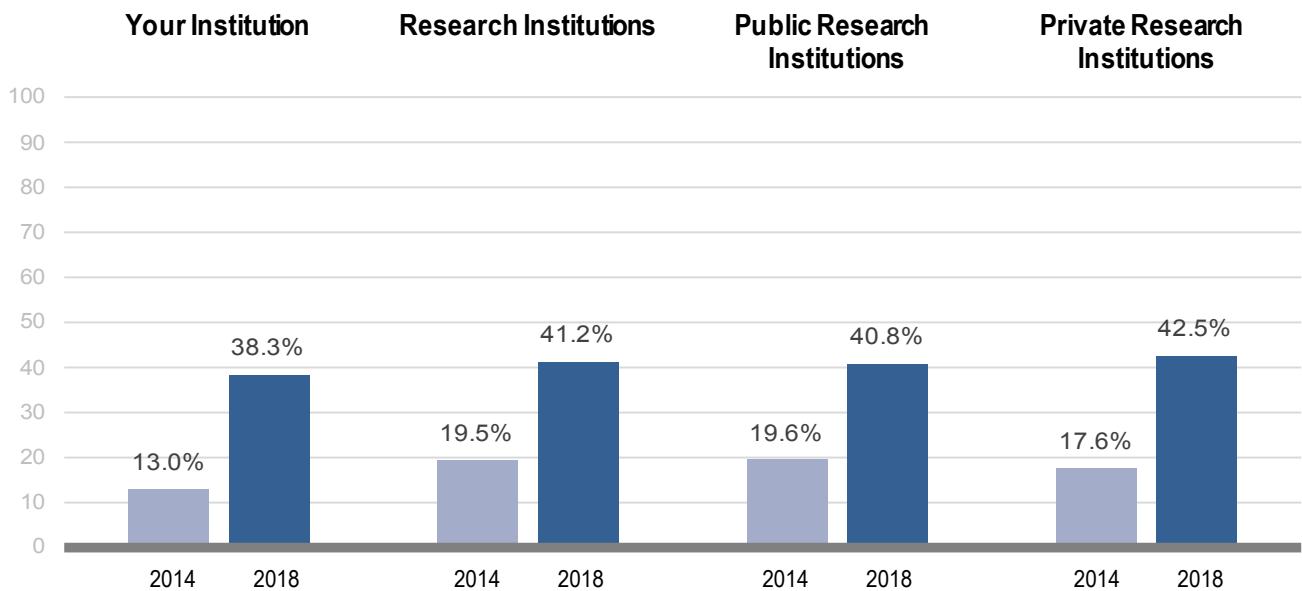
By Voting Method*
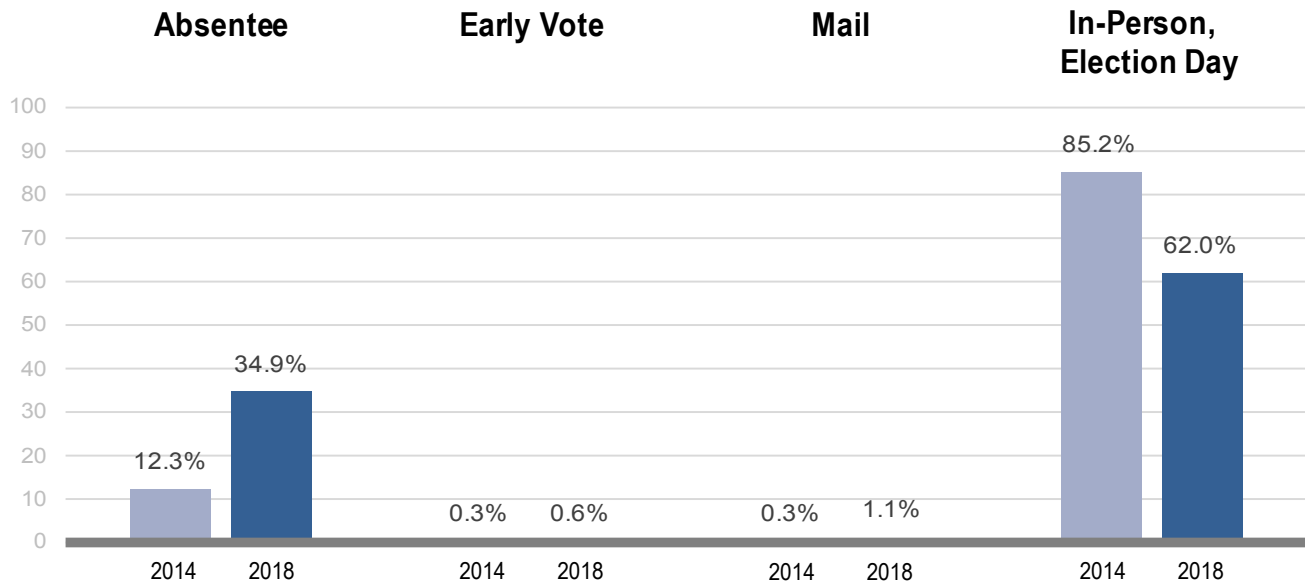
	2014			2018			
	Voted	Rate		Voted	Rate		Change
Absentee	451	**12.3%**		3,683	**34.9%**	⬆	**22.6**
Early Vote	11	**0.3%**		66	**0.6%**	⬆	**0.3**
Mail	11	**0.3%**		118	**1.1%**	⬆	**0.8**
In-Person, Election Day	3,126	**85.2%**		6,541	**62.0%**	⬇	**-23.2**
Unknown	72	**2.0%**		143	**1.4%**		
Total	**3,671**			**10,551**			

* 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 officals where your students voted.

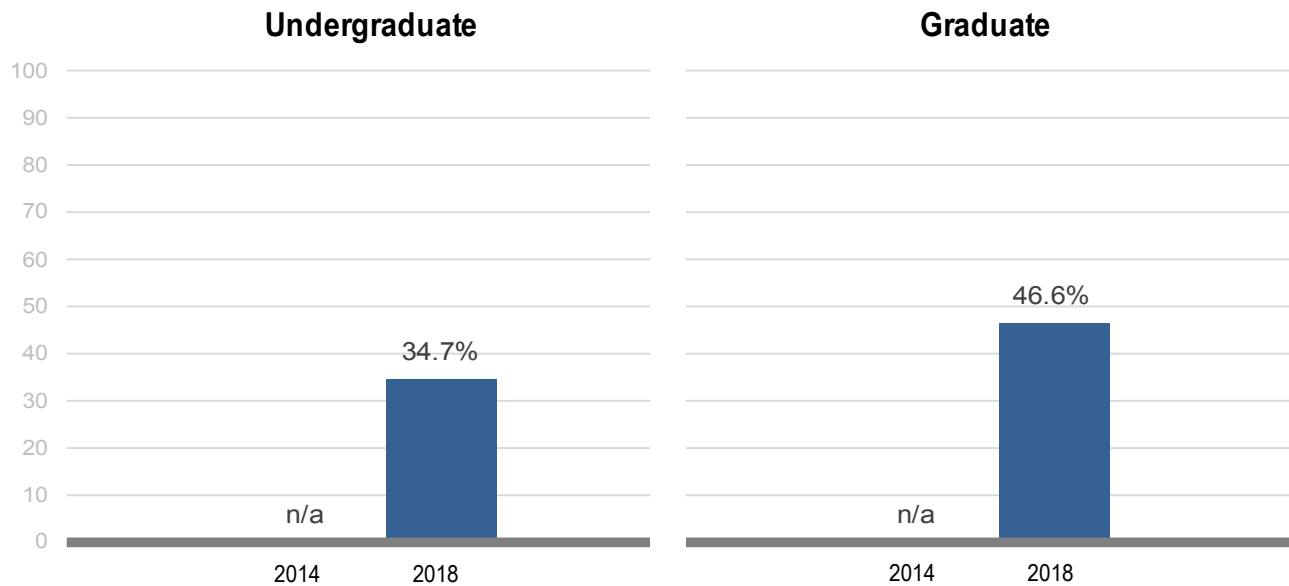**YOUR STUDENTS' VOTING DATA | MIDTERM ELECTIONS**

By Age Group*
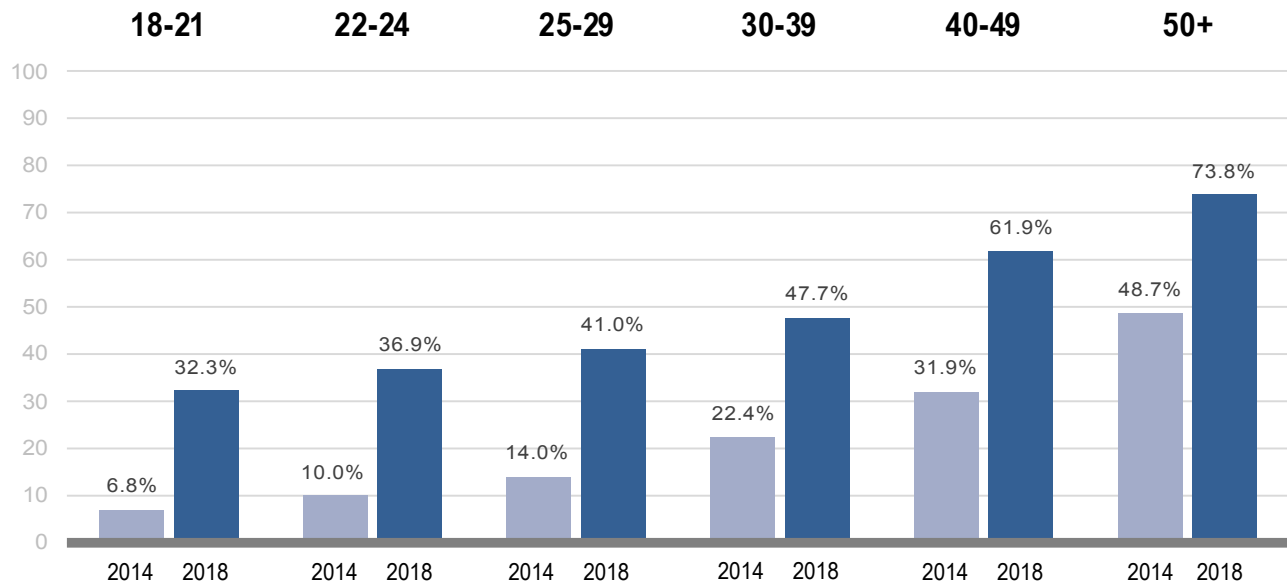
	2014			**2018**				Change
	Enrolled	Voted	Rate	Enrolled	Voted	Rate		
18-21	10,302	704	**6.8%**	11,784	3,804	**32.3%**	⬆	**25.5**
22-24	7,184	719	**10.0%**	6,761	2,492	**36.9%**	⬆	**26.9**
25-29	5,422	758	**14.0%**	4,679	1,920	**41.0%**	⬆	**27.1**
30-39	3,476	778	**22.4%**	2,836	1,353	**47.7%**	⬆	**25.3**
40-49	1,319	421	**31.9%**	983	608	**61.9%**	⬆	**29.9**
50+	597	291	**48.7%**	507	374	**73.8%**	⬆	**25.0**
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.

By Education Level*

	Undergraduate		**Graduate**	

	2014			**2018**			
	Enrolled	Voted	Rate	Enrolled	Voted	Rate	Change
Undergraduate	0	0	**n/a**	19,164	6,651	**34.7%**	**n/a**
Graduate	0	0	**n/a**	8,118	3,779	**46.6%**	**n/a**
Unknown	28,300			268			

* 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.

By Undergraduate Class Year*
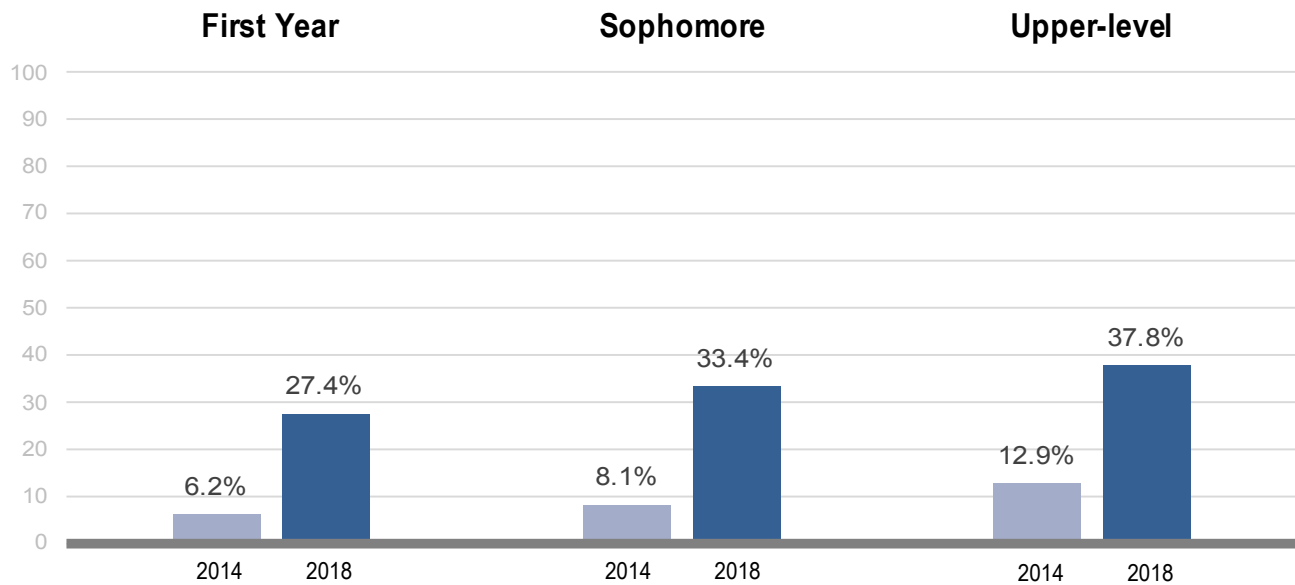
	2014				2018				
	Enrolled	Voted	Rate		Enrolled	Voted	Rate		Change
First Year	4,306	265	**6.2%**		4,385	1,200	**27.4%**	⬆	**21.2**
Sophomore	4,570	371	**8.1%**		4,133	1,379	**33.4%**	⬆	**25.3**
Upper-level	10,718	1,383	**12.9%**		10,242	3,869	**37.8%**	⬆	**24.9**

* 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.

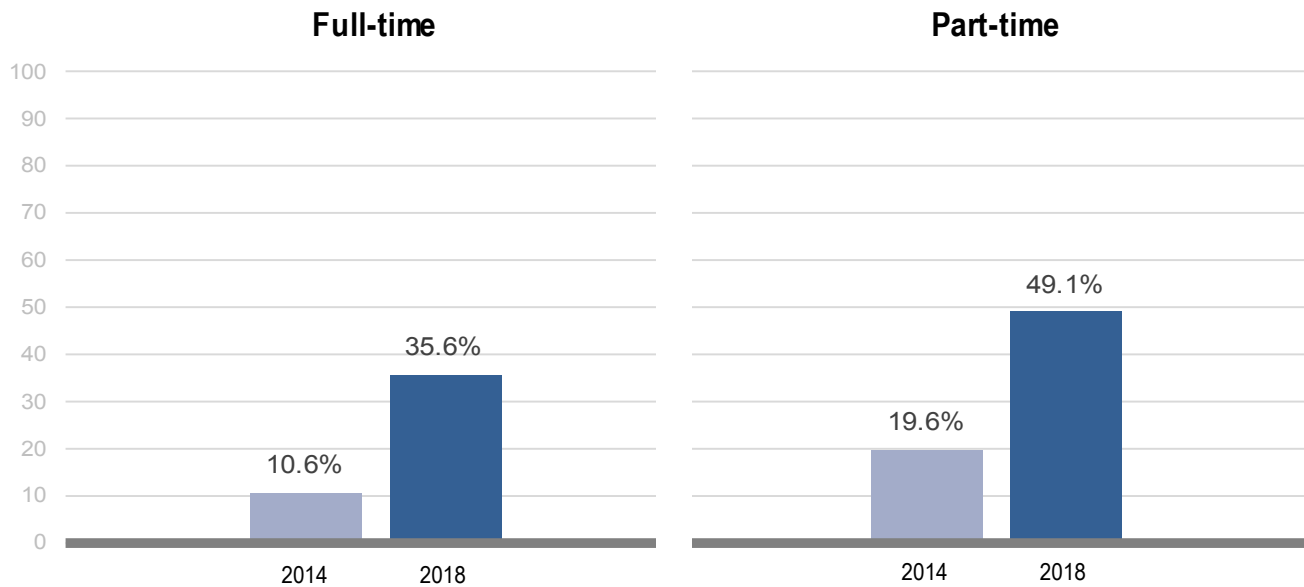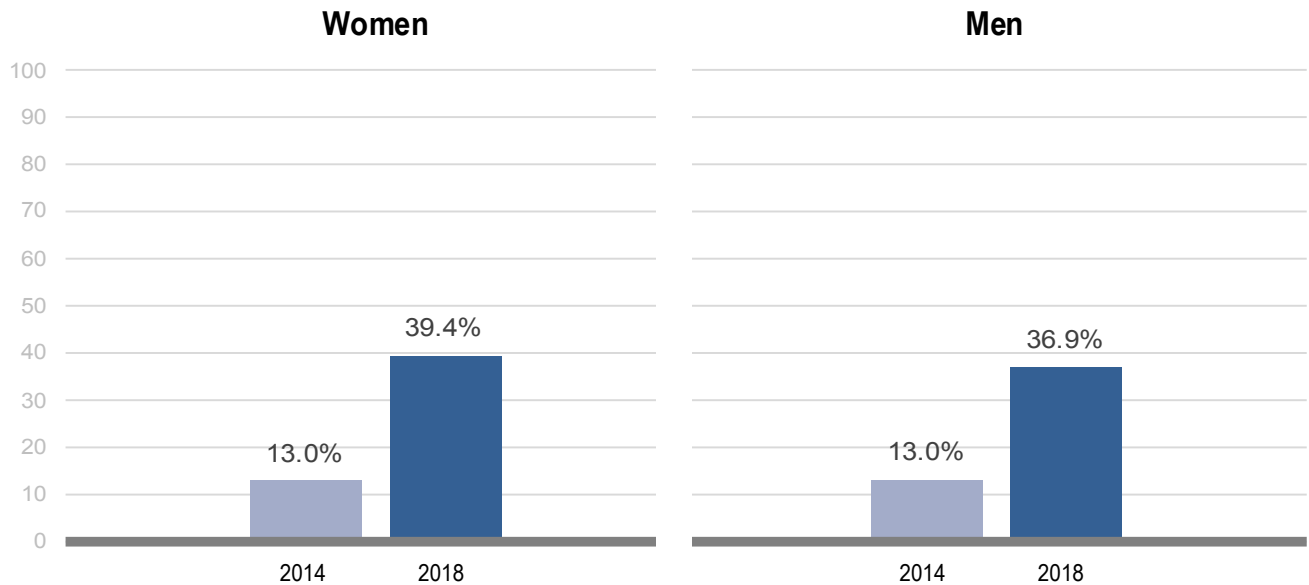## YOUR STUDENTS' VOTING DATA | MIDTERM ELECTIONS

By Enrollment Status*

Full-time

Part-time

	2014				**2018**				
	Enrolled	Voted	Rate		Enrolled	Voted	Rate		Change
Full-time	20,770	2,199	**10.6%**		22,087	7,867	**35.6%**	⬆	25.0
Part-time	7,530	1,472	**19.6%**		5,463	2,684	**49.1%**	⬆	29.6
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.

By Gender*

	Women				Men	

	2014			2018			
	Enrolled	Voted	Rate	Enrolled	Voted	Rate	Change
Women	15,665	2,029	**13.0%**	15,755	6,199	**39.4%** ⬆	**26.4**
Men	12,635	1,642	**13.0%**	11,795	4,352	**36.9%** ⬆	**23.9**
Unknown	0			0			

* 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.

By Race/Ethnicity*

	2014			**2018**				
	Enrolled	Voted	Rate	Enrolled	Voted	Rate		Change
Asian	1,230	54	**4.4%**	1,536	485	**31.6%**	⬆	**27.2**
American Indian/ Alaska Native	29	*	**n/a**	21	*	**n/a**		**n/a**
Black	2,801	435	**15.5%**	2,526	1,071	**42.4%**	⬆	**26.9**
Hispanic	1,455	127	**8.7%**	2,053	742	**36.1%**	⬆	**27.4**
Native Hawaiian/ Pacific Islander	21	0	**n/a**	11	*	**n/a**		**n/a**
White	19,631	2,905	**14.8%**	18,215	7,718	**42.4%**	⬆	**27.6**
2 or More Races	918	93	**10.1%**	1,161	439	**37.8%**	⬆	**27.7**
Unknown	2,215			2,027				

* 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.

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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.

	2014			2018			Change
	Enrolled	Voted	Rate	Enrolled	Voted	Rate	
Agriculture and Agriculture Operations	*	*	n/a	0	0	n/a	n/a
Area, Ethnic, Cultural, Gender, and Group Studies	0	0	n/a	15	*	n/a	n/a
Biological and Biomedical Sciences	1,377	112	8.1%	1,429	478	33.5% ⬆	25.3
Business, Management, and Marketing	3,705	386	10.4%	3,350	1,148	34.3% ⬆	23.9
Communication and Journalism	980	142	14.5%	838	358	42.7% ⬆	28.2
Computer and Information Sciences	1,029	113	11.0%	1,350	521	38.6% ⬆	27.6
Education	1,250	198	15.8%	1,139	516	45.3% ⬆	29.5
Engineering and Engineering Technologies	2,748	232	8.4%	2,843	751	26.4% ⬆	18.0
English Language and Literature	248	53	21.4%	187	105	56.2% ⬆	34.8
Foreign Languages, Literatures, and Linguistics	194	31	16.0%	126	54	42.9% ⬆	26.9
Health Professions	6,504	660	10.2%	7,076	2,521	35.6% ⬆	25.5
History	150	43	28.7%	124	73	58.9% ⬆	30.2
Law Enforcement, Firefighting, and Protective Services	782	120	15.4%	771	269	34.9% ⬆	19.5
Legal Professions and Studies	960	286	29.8%	939	511	54.4% ⬆	24.6
Liberal Arts and Sciences, and Humanities	650	127	19.5%	1,300	587	45.2% ⬆	25.6
Library Science	177	67	37.9%	251	170	67.7% ⬆	29.9
Mathematics and Statistics	233	20	8.6%	195	79	40.5% ⬆	31.9
Multi/Interdisciplinary Studies	1,878	296	15.8%	429	202	47.1% ⬆	31.3
Natural Resources and Conservation	75	*	n/a	105	53	50.5%	n/a
Parks, Recreation, Leisure, and Fitness Studies	918	55	6.0%	578	151	26.1% ⬆	20.1
Philosophy and Religious Studies	83	18	21.7%	52	26	50.0% ⬆	28.3
Physical Sciences	458	39	8.5%	459	157	34.2% ⬆	25.7
Psychology	853	65	7.6%	796	271	34.1% ⬆	26.4

Public Administration and Social Service Professions	1,436	363	**25.3%**	1,605	822	**51.2%** ⬆	**25.9**
Social Sciences	643	142	**22.1%**	494	251	**50.8%** ⬆	**28.7**
Visual and Performing Arts	925	85	**9.2%**	837	345	**41.2%** ⬆	**32.0**
Unknown	39	10	**25.6%**	262	123	**47.0%** ⬆	**21.3**

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