NSLVE
NATIONAL STUDY OF LEARNING, VOTING, AND ENGAGEMENT

2014 & 2018 CAMPUS REPORT

Student Voting Rates for

Indiana University of Pennsylvania

Tufts UNIVERSITY | Jonathan M. Tisch College of Civic Life

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 this 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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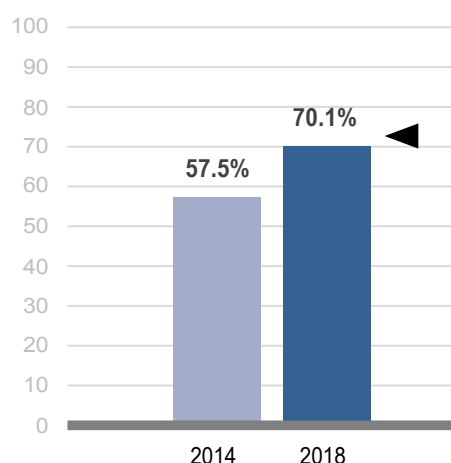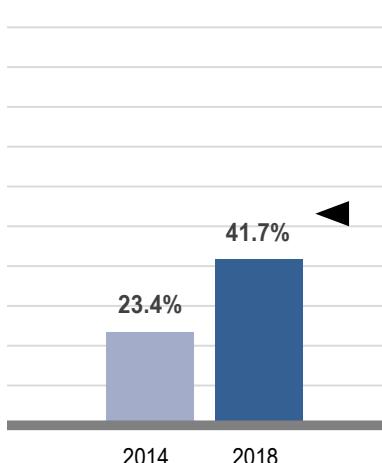
Warm regards,

IDHE Team

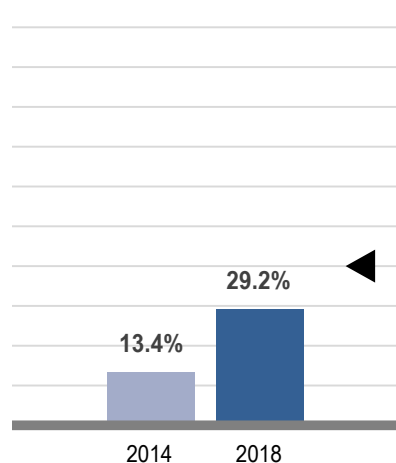**YOUR STUDENTS' VOTING DATA | MIDTERM ELECTIONS**

Voting and Registration Rates

2018 Voting Rate

29.2%

CHANGE FROM 2014
+15.8

2018 VOTING RATE FOR ALL INSTITUTIONS
39.1%

Registration Rate

- 57.5% (2014)
- 70.1% (2018)

Voting Rate of Registered Students

- 23.4% (2014)
- 41.7% (2018)

Voting Rate

- 13.4% (2014)
- 29.2% (2018)

◀ All Institutions, 2018

	2014	2018		Change
Total student enrollment	14,398	11,516	⬇	-2,882
Age under 18/Unknown	(67)	(71)		
IPEDS estimated non-resident aliens	(876)	(708)		
FERPA records blocked	(69)	(64)		
Total eligible voters	13,386	10,673	⬇	-2,713
Number of students who registered	7,692	7,483	⬇	-209
Number of students who voted	1,798	3,119	⬆	1,321
Registration rate	57.5%	70.1%	⬆	12.7
Voting rate of registered students	23.4%	41.7%	⬆	18.3
Voting rate	13.4%	29.2%	⬆	15.8
Difference from all institutions	-6.3	-9.9		

HOW YOUR NUMBERS COMPARE | MIDTERM ELECTIONS

By Carnegie Classification

**2014 Voting Rate
for All Institutions**

**HIGH
54.0%**

19.7%

**LOW
1.5%**

Difference from All Institutions   **-6.3**

**2018 Voting Rate
for All Institutions**

**HIGH
64.1%**

39.1%

**LOW
11.5%**

Difference from All Institutions   **-9.9**

Your Institution	Research Institutions	Public Research Institutions	Private Research Institutions

	2014	2018	2014	2018	2014	2018	2014	2018
	13.4%	29.2%	19.5%	41.2%	19.6%	40.8%	17.6%	42.5%
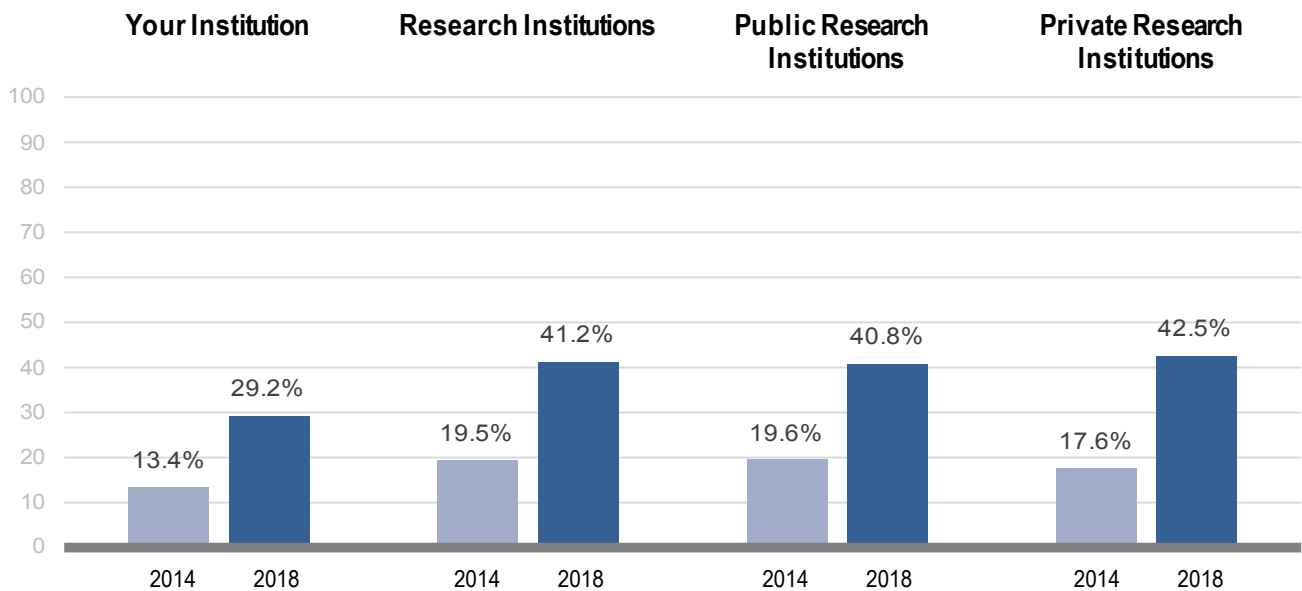
By Voting Method*

Absentee	Early Vote	Mail	In-Person, Election Day
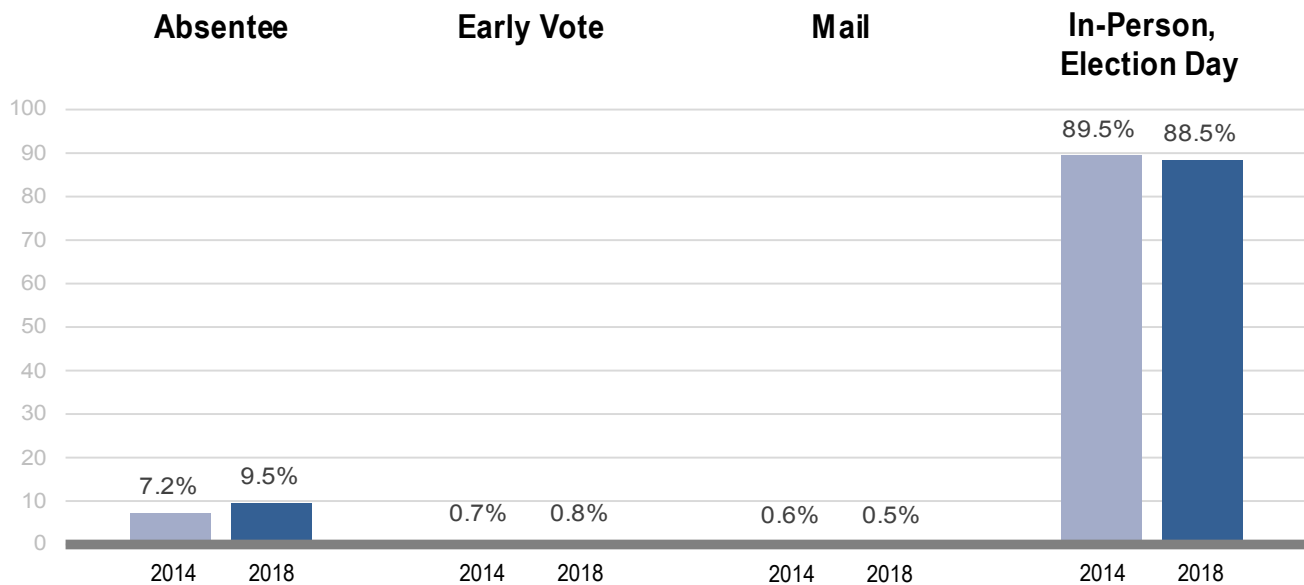
	2014			2018			
	Voted	Rate		Voted	Rate		Change
Absentee	129	**7.2%**		295	**9.5%**	⬆	**2.3**
Early Vote	13	**0.7%**		25	**0.8%**	⬆	**0.1**
Mail	11	**0.6%**		15	**0.5%**	⬇	**-0.1**
In-Person, Election Day	1,609	**89.5%**		2,759	**88.5%**	⬇	**-1.0**
Unknown	36	**2.0%**		25	**0.8%**		
Total	**1,798**			**3,119**			

* 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.

By Age Group*
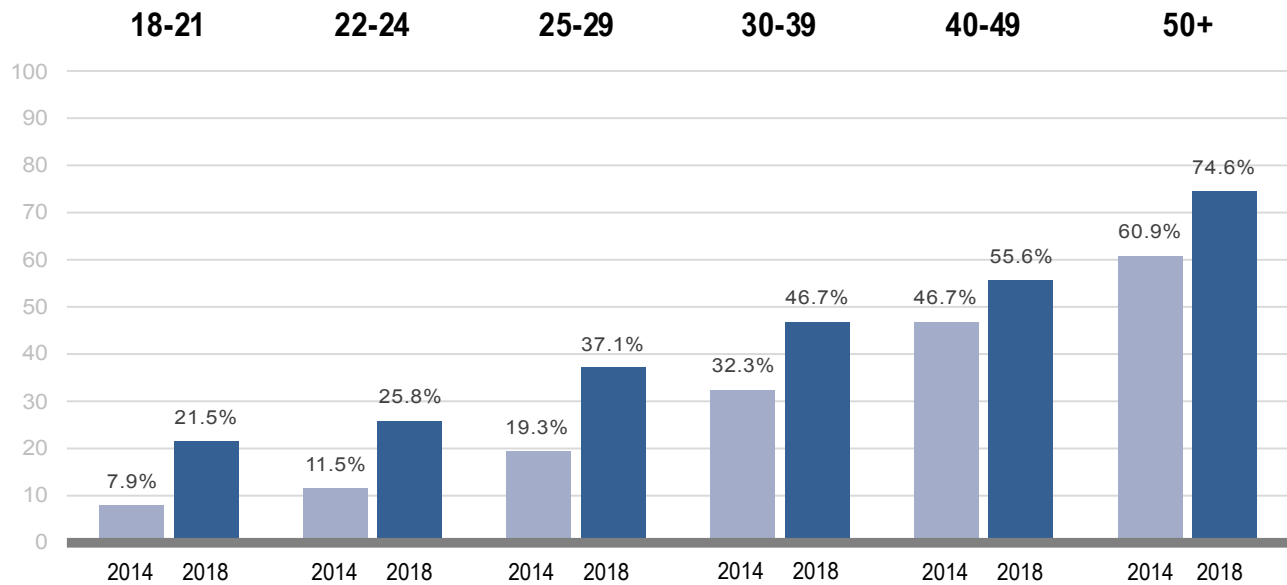
	2014				**2018**				Change
	Enrolled	Voted	Rate		Enrolled	Voted	Rate		
18-21	9,167	724	**7.9%**		6,986	1,503	**21.5%**	⬆	**13.6**
22-24	2,731	315	**11.5%**		2,206	568	**25.8%**	⬆	**14.2**
25-29	943	182	**19.3%**		789	293	**37.1%**	⬆	**17.8**
30-39	811	262	**32.3%**		775	362	**46.7%**	⬆	**14.4**
40-49	398	186	**46.7%**		385	214	**55.6%**	⬆	**8.9**
50+	212	129	**60.9%**		240	179	**74.6%**	⬆	**13.7**
Unknown	*				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.

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

By Education Level*

Undergraduate
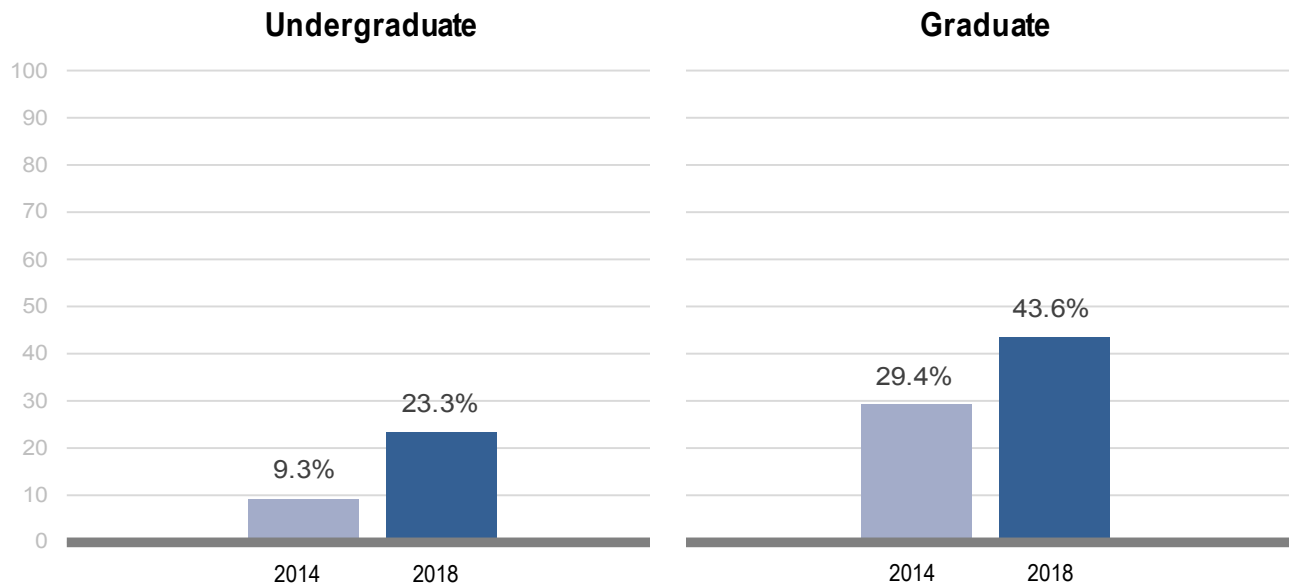
Graduate

	2014				**2018**				
	Enrolled	Voted	Rate		Enrolled	Voted	Rate		Change
Undergraduate	11,740	1,090	**9.3%**		8,902	2,074	**23.3%**	⬆	**14.0**
Graduate	2,050	602	**29.4%**		2,080	906	**43.6%**	⬆	**14.2**
Unknown	472				399				

* 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*

First Year	Sophomore	Upper-level
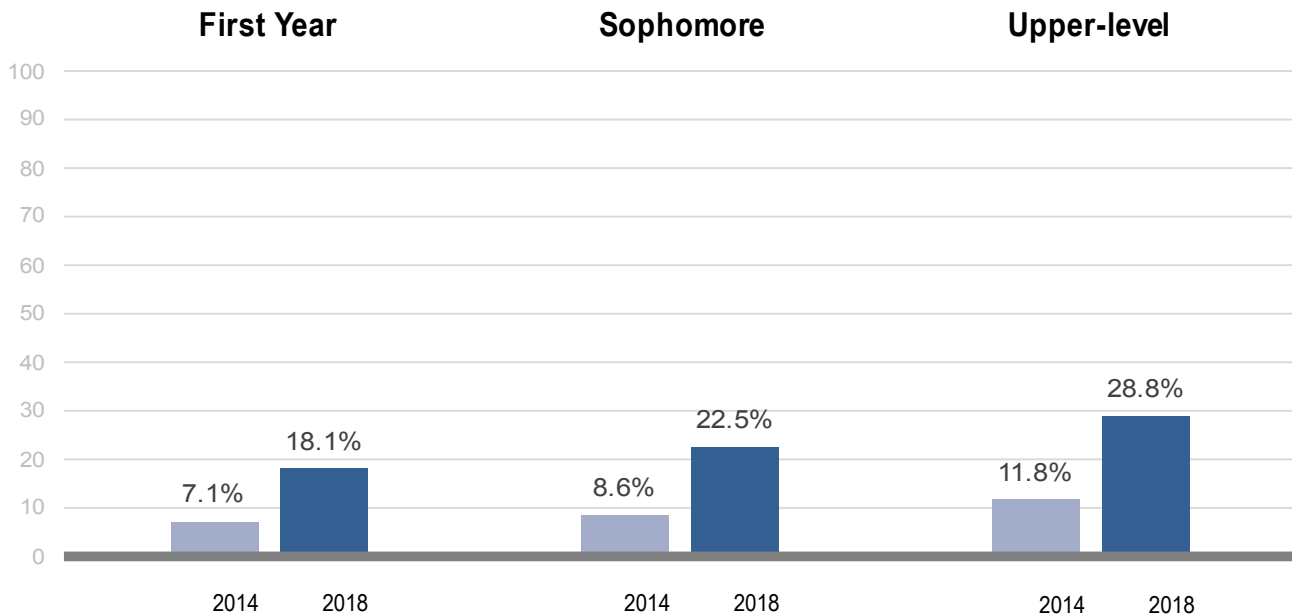
	2014				**2018**				
	Enrolled	Voted	Rate		Enrolled	Voted	Rate		Change
First Year	4,087	290	**7.1%**		3,213	582	**18.1%**	⬆	**11.0**
Sophomore	2,791	240	**8.6%**		2,098	471	**22.5%**	⬆	**13.9**
Upper-level	4,846	571	**11.8%**		3,963	1,143	**28.8%**	⬆	**17.1**

* 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.

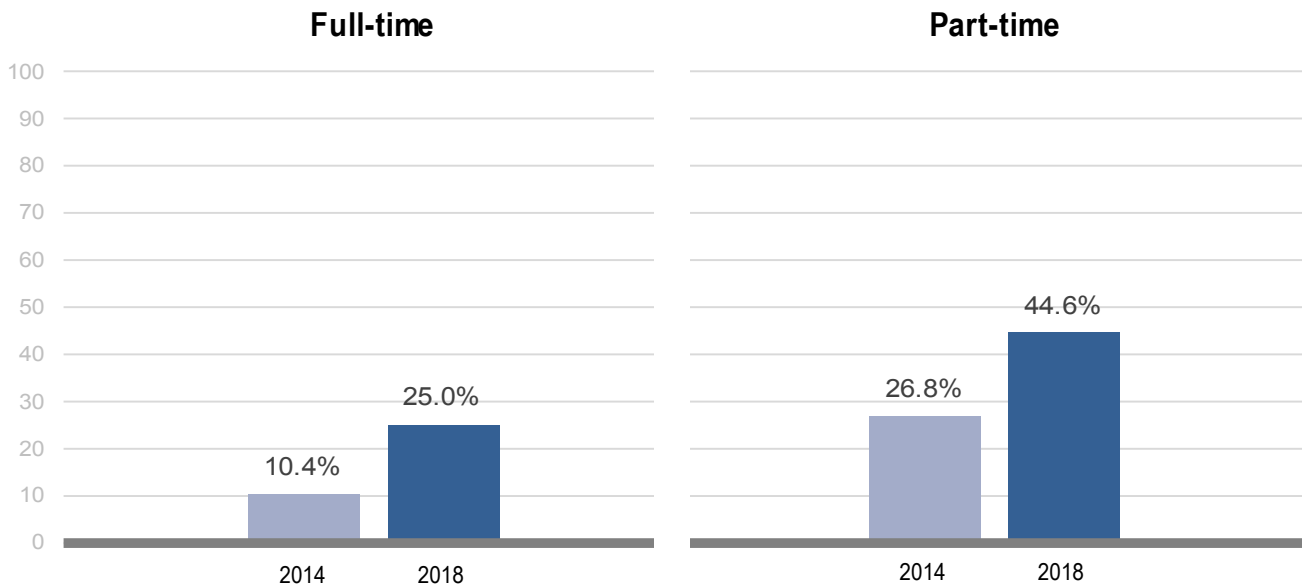**YOUR STUDENTS' VOTING DATA | MIDTERM ELECTIONS**

By Enrollment Status*

	Full-time		Part-time

Full-time

- 2014: 10.4%
- 2018: 25.0%

Part-time

- 2014: 26.8%
- 2018: 44.6%

	2014			**2018**				Change
	Enrolled	Voted	Rate	Enrolled	Voted	Rate		
Full-time	12,367	1,291	**10.4%**	9,964	2,487	**25.0%**	⬆	**14.5**
Part-time	1,895	507	**26.8%**	1,417	632	**44.6%**	⬆	**17.9**
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.
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By Gender*

Women

Men
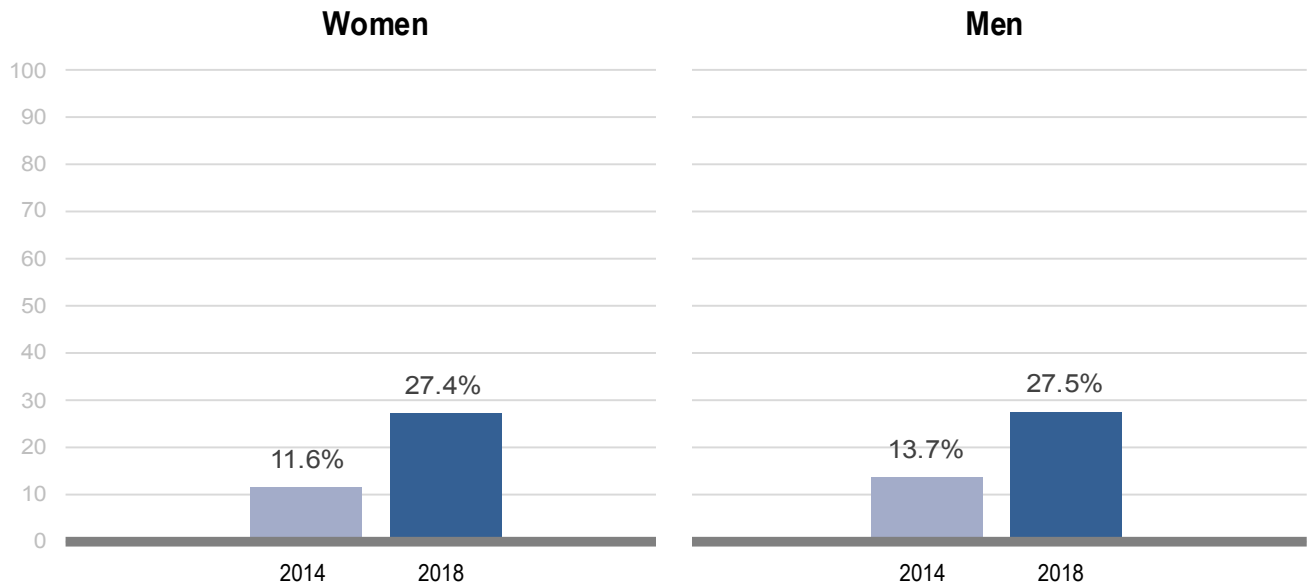
	2014			**2018**				
	Enrolled	Voted	Rate	Enrolled	Voted	Rate		Change
Women	7,802	907	**11.6%**	6,610	1,808	**27.4%**	⬆	15.7
Men	6,437	884	**13.7%**	4,759	1,307	**27.5%**	⬆	13.7
Unknown	23			12				

* 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 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	
Architecture	49	12	24.5%	25	*	n/a	n/a
Area, Ethnic, Cultural, Gender, and Group Studies	25	*	n/a	20	*	n/a	n/a
Basic Skills and Developmental Education	0	0	n/a	69	*	n/a	n/a
Biological and Biomedical Sciences	505	46	9.1%	463	118	25.5% ⬆	16.4
Business, Management, and Marketing	2,947	256	8.7%	2,203	476	21.6% ⬆	12.9
Communication and Journalism	623	85	13.6%	480	135	28.1% ⬆	14.5
Computer and Information Sciences	288	24	8.3%	271	65	24.0% ⬆	15.7
Education	983	312	31.7%	890	379	42.6% ⬆	10.8
Engineering and Engineering Technologies	396	67	16.9%	327	128	39.1% ⬆	22.2
English Language and Literature	556	121	21.8%	408	160	39.2% ⬆	17.5
Family and Consumer/Human Sciences	588	65	11.1%	313	75	24.0% ⬆	12.9
Foreign Languages, Literatures, and Linguistics	39	*	n/a	74	29	39.2%	n/a
Health Professions	1,285	114	8.9%	1,424	363	25.5% ⬆	16.6
History	126	23	18.3%	66	32	48.5% ⬆	30.2
Law Enforcement, Firefighting, and Protective Services	42	*	n/a	0	0	n/a	n/a
Liberal Arts and Sciences, and Humanities	800	52	6.5%	661	92	13.9% ⬆	7.4
Mathematics and Statistics	121	17	14.1%	79	31	39.2% ⬆	25.2
Multi/Interdisciplinary Studies	291	24	8.3%	213	55	25.8% ⬆	17.6
Parks, Recreation, Leisure, and Fitness Studies	643	45	7.0%	487	93	19.1% ⬆	12.1
Personal and Culinary Services	176	14	8.0%	176	15	8.5% ⬆	0.6
Philosophy and Religious Studies	44	*	n/a	34	10	29.4%	n/a
Physical Sciences	298	33	11.1%	165	60	36.4% ⬆	25.3
Psychology	792	116	14.7%	411	112	27.3% ⬆	12.6

Public Administration and Social Service Professions	122	68	**55.7%**		115	73	**63.5%** ⬆	**7.7**
Social Sciences	1,784	212	**11.9%**		1,276	382	**29.9%** ⬆	**18.1**
Visual and Performing Arts	632	65	**10.3%**		567	179	**31.6%** ⬆	**21.3**
Other	63	0	**n/a**		0	0	**n/a**	**n/a**
Unknown	44	*	**n/a**		164	40	**24.4%**	**n/a**

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