

2014 & 2018 CAMPUS REPORT

Student Voting Rates for
Lewis 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 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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We appreciate hearing from you! Please email us at NSLVE@tufts.edu.

Warm regards,

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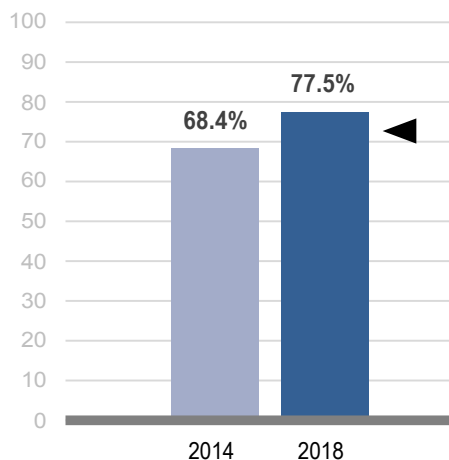
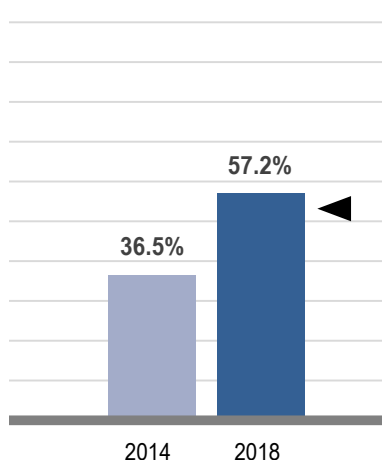
YOUR STUDENTS' VOTING DATA | MIDTERM ELECTIONS

Voting and Registration Rates

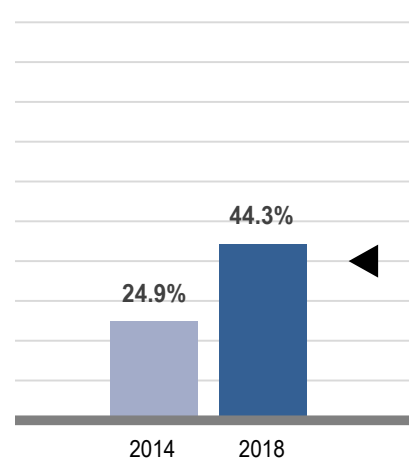
2018 Voting Rate

44.3%CHANGE
FROM 2014**+19.3**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	6,460	6,355	↓ -105
Age under 18/Unknown	(12)	(37)	
IPEDS estimated non-resident aliens	(90)	(147)	
FERPA records blocked	0	0	
Total eligible voters	6,358	6,171	↓ -187
Number of students who registered	4,350	4,780	↑ 430
Number of students who voted	1,586	2,732	↑ 1,146
Registration rate	68.4%	77.5%	↑ 9.0
Voting rate of registered students	36.5%	57.2%	↑ 20.7
Voting rate	24.9%	44.3%	↑ 19.3
Difference from all institutions	+5.2	+5.2	

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%

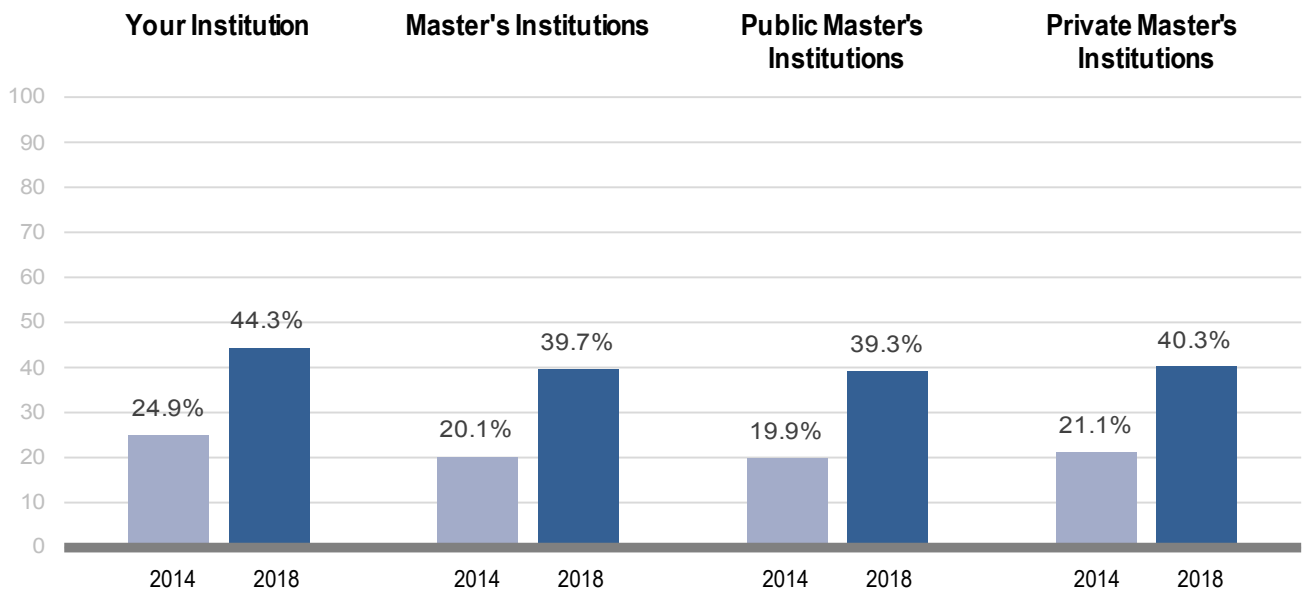
LOW
11.5%

Difference from All Institutions

+5.2

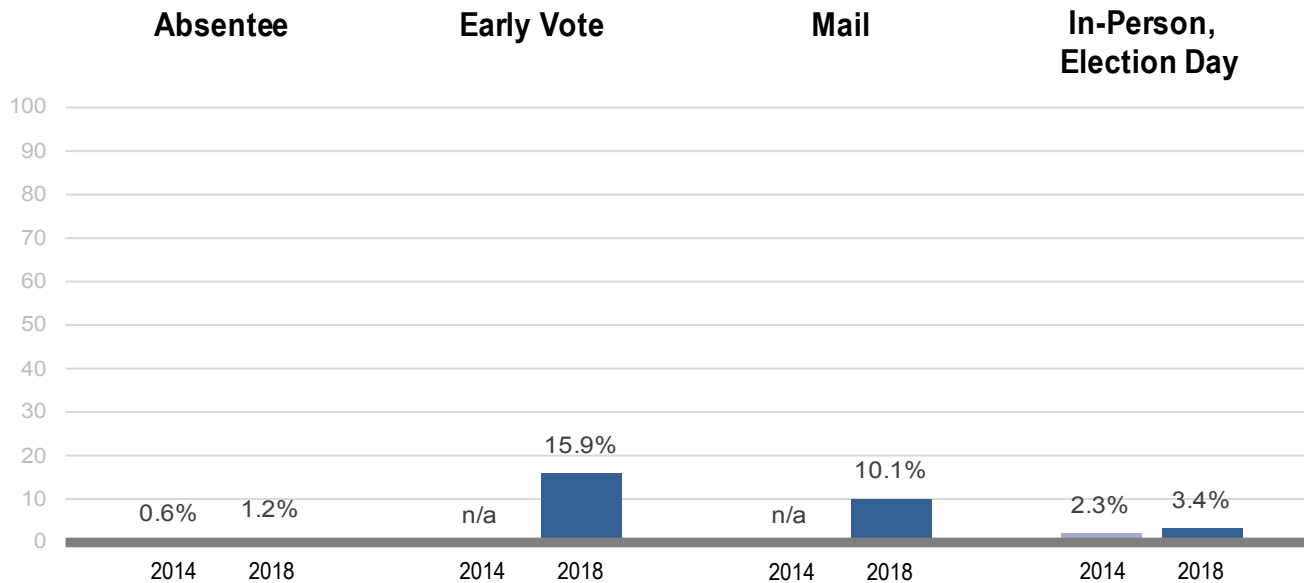
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By Voting Method*

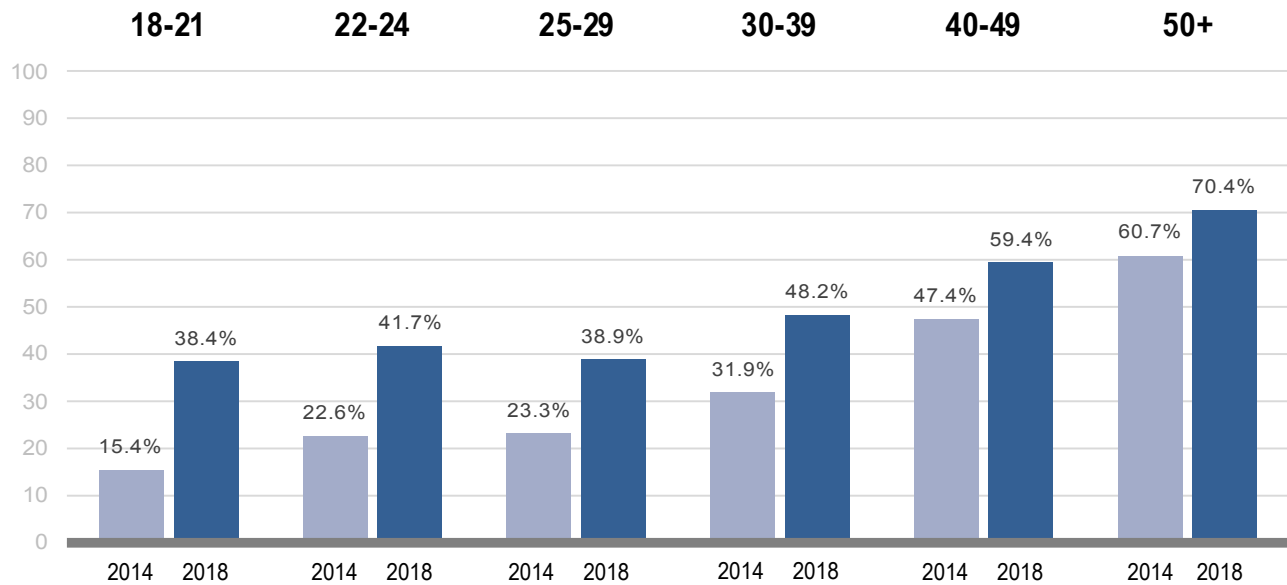


	2014		2018			
	Voted	Rate	Voted	Rate	Change	
Absentee	10	0.6%	32	1.2%	↑	0.5
Early Vote	*	n/a	435	15.9%	n/a	
Mail	*	n/a	275	10.1%	n/a	
In-Person, Election Day	36	2.3%	92	3.4%	↑	1.1
Unknown	1,525	96.2%	1,898	69.5%		
Total	1,586		2,732			

* 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*

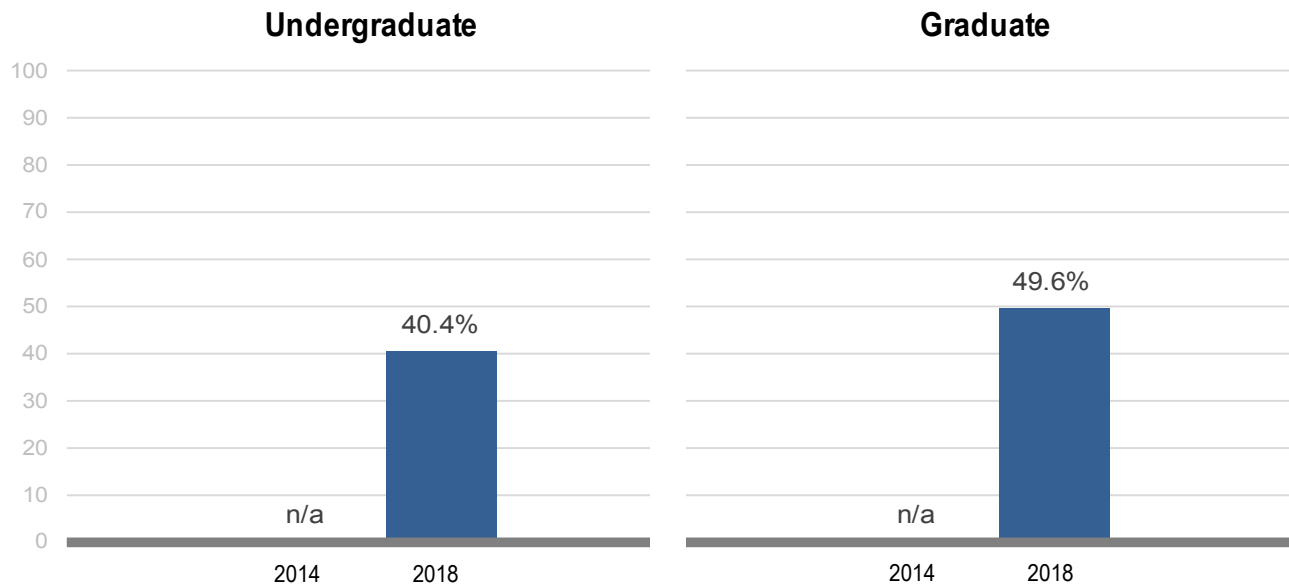


	2014			2018			Change
	Enrolled	Voted	Rate	Enrolled	Voted	Rate	
18-21	2,651	408	15.4%	2,373	911	38.4%	↑ 23.0
22-24	1,232	278	22.6%	1,305	544	41.7%	↑ 19.1
25-29	912	212	23.3%	1,055	410	38.9%	↑ 15.6
30-39	847	270	31.9%	881	425	48.2%	↑ 16.4
40-49	536	254	47.4%	488	290	59.4%	↑ 12.0
50+	270	164	60.7%	216	152	70.4%	↑ 9.6
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*

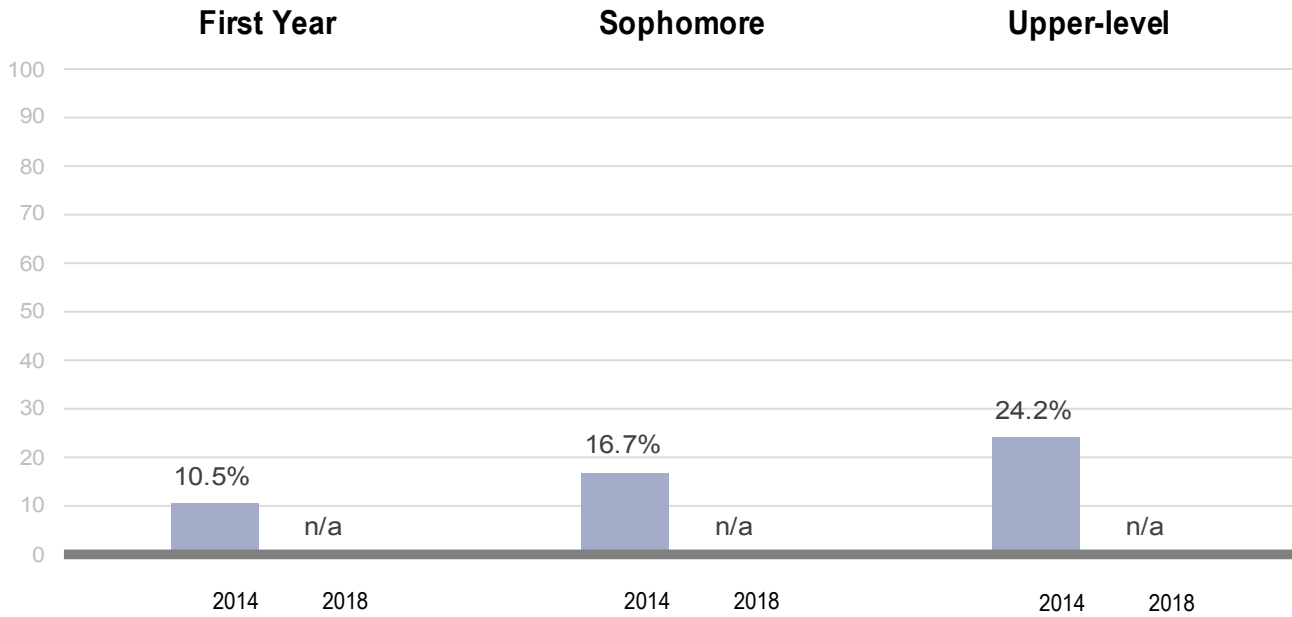


	2014			2018			Change
	Enrolled	Voted	Rate	Enrolled	Voted	Rate	
Undergraduate	0	0	n/a	4,132	1,671	40.4%	n/a
Graduate	0	0	n/a	1,995	989	49.6%	n/a
Unknown	6,448			191			

* 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*

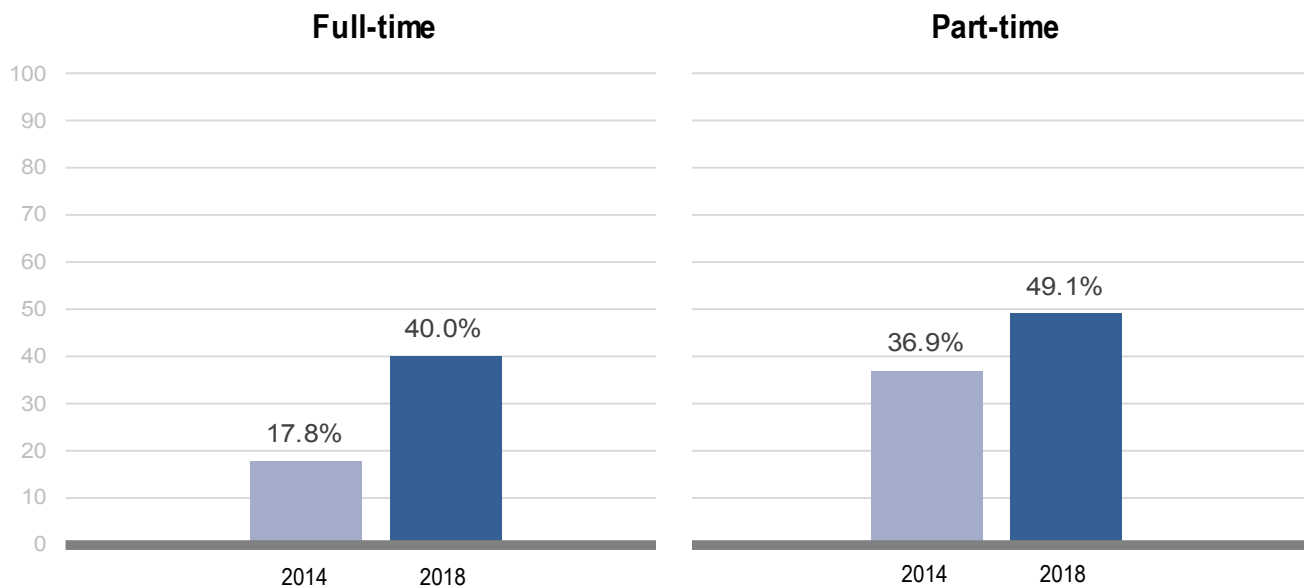


	2014			2018			Change
	Enrolled	Voted	Rate	Enrolled	Voted	Rate	
First Year	924	97	10.5%	0	0	n/a	n/a
Sophomore	826	138	16.7%	0	0	n/a	n/a
Upper-level	2,777	672	24.2%	0	0	n/a	n/a

* 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*

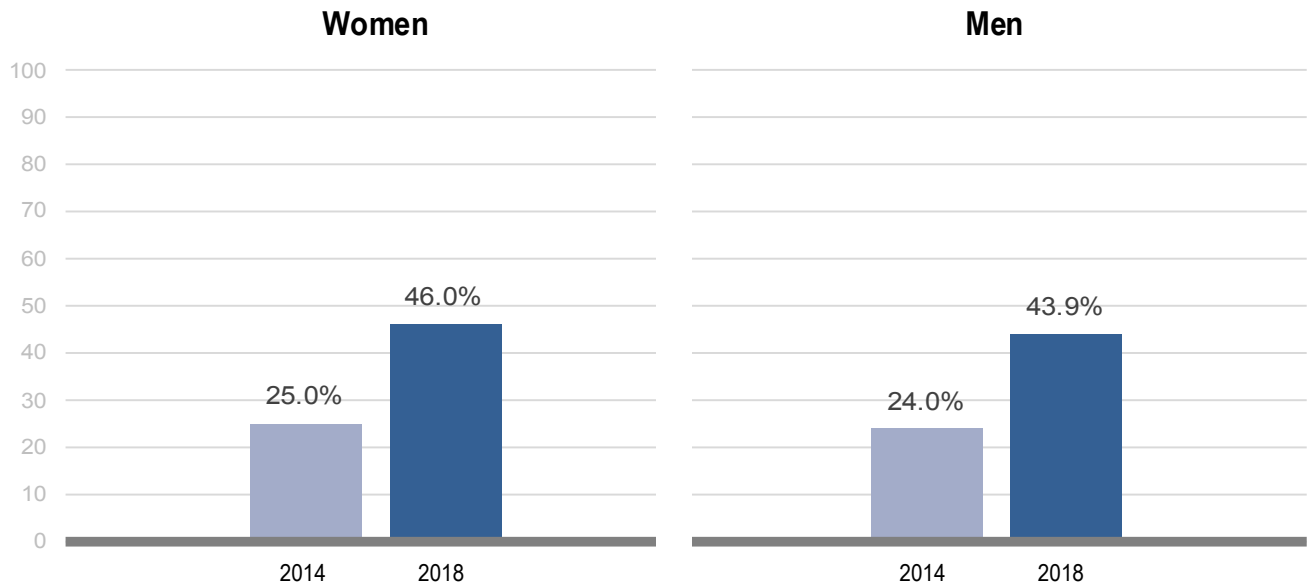


	2014			2018			Change	
	Enrolled	Voted	Rate	Enrolled	Voted	Rate		
Full-time	4,146	736	17.8%	4,038	1,613	40.0%	↑	22.2
Part-time	2,302	850	36.9%	2,280	1,119	49.1%	↑	12.2
Unknown	0	0	n/a	0	0	n/a		

* 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.

YOUR STUDENTS' VOTING DATA | MIDTERM ELECTIONS

By Gender*



	2014			2018			Change	
	Enrolled	Voted	Rate	Enrolled	Voted	Rate		
Women	3,863	965	25.0%	971	447	46.0%	↑	21.1
Men	2,583	620	24.0%	658	289	43.9%	↑	19.9
Unknown	*			4,689				

* 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	
Biological and Biomedical Sciences	257	36	14.0%	244	85	34.8% ↑	20.8
Business, Management, and Marketing	1,402	393	28.0%	1,230	565	45.9% ↑	17.9
Communication and Journalism	87	19	21.8%	76	35	46.1% ↑	24.2
Computer and Information Sciences	290	82	28.3%	645	279	43.3% ↑	15.0
Education	621	220	35.4%	675	360	53.3% ↑	17.9
Engineering and Engineering Technologies	*	*	n/a	27	10	37.0%	n/a
English Language and Literature	43	11	25.6%	19	11	57.9% ↑	32.3
Health Professions	1,308	269	20.6%	1,179	507	43.0% ↑	22.4
History	46	14	30.4%	19	15	79.0% ↑	48.5
Law Enforcement, Firefighting, and Protective Services	602	208	34.6%	450	196	43.6% ↑	9.0
Legal Professions and Studies	43	15	34.9%	16	*	n/a	n/a
Liberal Arts and Sciences, and Humanities	387	55	14.2%	420	142	33.8% ↑	19.6
Mathematics and Statistics	38	10	26.3%	18	*	n/a	n/a
Mechanic and Repair Technologies/Technicians	*	*	n/a	22	10	45.5%	n/a
Natural Resources and Conservation	25	*	n/a	15	*	n/a	n/a
Parks, Recreation, Leisure, and Fitness Studies	95	11	11.6%	148	48	32.4% ↑	20.9
Philosophy and Religious Studies	0	0	n/a	14	*	n/a	n/a
Physical Sciences	123	17	13.8%	112	41	36.6% ↑	22.8
Psychology	274	65	23.7%	193	91	47.2% ↑	23.4
Public Administration and Social Service Professions	83	27	32.5%	97	50	51.6% ↑	19.0
Social Sciences	36	12	33.3%	42	30	71.4% ↑	38.1
Transportation and Materials Moving	542	93	17.2%	579	206	35.6% ↑	18.4
Visual and Performing Arts	94	14	14.9%	40	14	35.0% ↑	20.1

Unknown	39	10	25.6%	38	13	34.2% ↑	8.6
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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>.

References: IDHE encourages report recipients to share this report as broadly as possible, including posting it on the college or university's website. When doing so, please use the following citation: Institute for Democracy & Higher Education: National Study of Learning, Voting and Engagement. (2019). *2014 and 2018 report for _____ [name of institution]*. Medford, MA.

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