



**CAMPUS
DEMOCRACY
CHALLENGE**

New York Institute of Technology 2020 Democratic Engagement Action Plan

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Executive Summary:

A democracy requires citizens from all backgrounds, age groups, ideologies and affiliations to work collaboratively to achieve common goals. We are strengthening our voter education and registration efforts by bringing together a diverse group of people to plan, facilitate and evaluate our work.

New York Tech Votes is a remote, university-wide initiative to build a democratically engaged campus community. It is spearheaded by Experiential Education staff and supported by a committee of various staff members, faculty, and student leaders. Activities began on September 17 with a Voter Registration Training, facilitated by the League of Women Voters.

Remote events continue throughout the semester, including conversations with local politicians, open forum discussions on issues such as BLM, and a panel debate after the election, as well as workshops on activism and organizing all year round.

Leadership:

Our leadership team includes the following:

Luzia Ogureck, Associate Director of Experiential Education and Leila Dastgheib-Beheshti, Assistant Director of Experiential Education

Commitment:

Our campus has not yet signed the Higher Education Presidents' Commitment to Full Student Voter Participation.

Our campus has used the following methods to communicate with students about the election:

By email, By posting on institutional social media channels

Landscape:

Our campus demographic and voting data:

Goals:

Our campus democratic engagement goals are:

Strategy:

Our campus has used the following strategies and organized the following events:

Virtual voter registration drives (e.g. Couch Party text banking events), Virtual voter education events (e.g. film screening, debates, lectures series, etc.)

NSLVE:

New York Institute of Technology

Evaluation:

We will evaluate our action plan in the following ways:

Reporting:

We will report our campus action plan and NSLVE reports in the following ways:

Our campus hasn't confirmed a plan to post the action plan on our campus website.

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