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2014 & 2018 CAMPUS REPORT

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

Warm regards,

IDHE Team

Voting and Registration Rates

2018 Voting Rate	CHANGE FROM 2014	2018 VOTING RATE FOR ALL INSTITUTIONS
32.9%	**+7.9**	**39.1%**

Registration Rate

	2014	2018
	72.1%	73.6%

Voting Rate of Registered Students
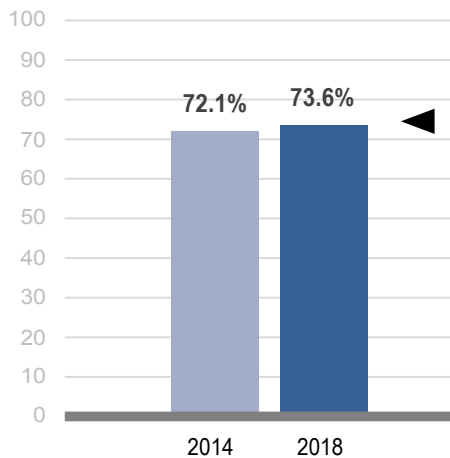
	2014	2018
	34.7%	44.6%
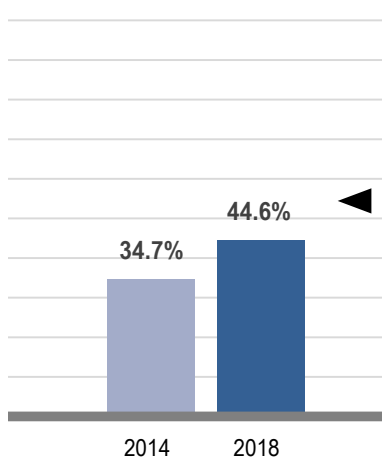
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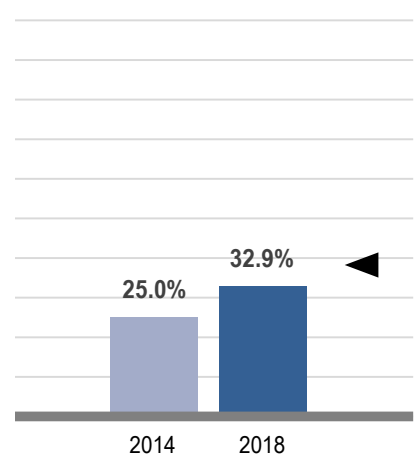
	2014	2018
	25.0%	32.9%

◀ All Institutions, 2018

	2014	2018		Change
Total student enrollment	3,359	3,026	⬇	-333
Age under 18/Unknown	*	*		
IPEDS estimated non-resident aliens	(92)	(130)		
FERPA records blocked	*	*		
Total eligible voters	3,258	2,891	⬇	-367
Number of students who registered	2,349	2,128	⬇	-221
Number of students who voted	815	950	⬆	135
Registration rate	72.1%	73.6%	⬆	1.5
Voting rate of registered students	34.7%	44.6%	⬆	9.9
Voting rate	25.0%	32.9%	⬆	7.9
Difference from all institutions	+5.3	-6.2		

By Carnegie Classification

2014 Voting Rate for All Institutions	**HIGH 54.0%**
19.7%	**LOW 1.5%**

Difference from All Institutions   **+5.3**

2018 Voting Rate for All Institutions	**HIGH 64.1%**
39.1%	**LOW 11.5%**

Difference from All Institutions   **-6.2**

Bar chart comparing 2014 and 2018 voting rates:

	Your Institution	Master's Institutions	Public Master's Institutions	Private Master's Institutions
2014	25.0%	20.1%	19.9%	21.1%
2018	32.9%	39.7%	39.3%	40.3%
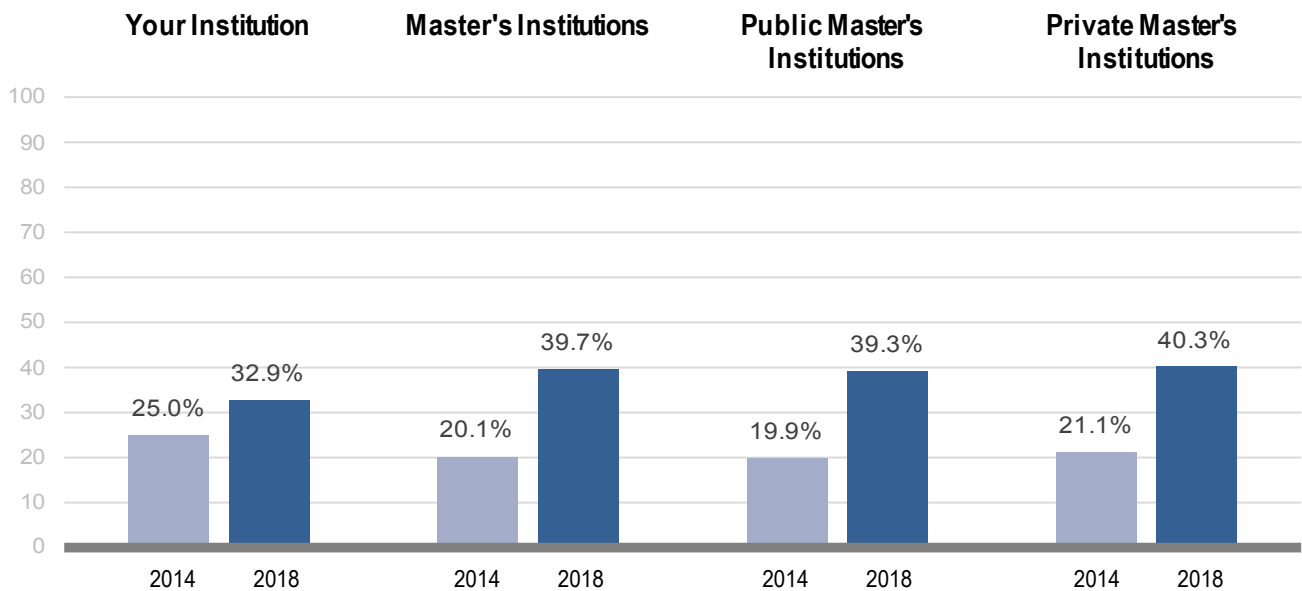
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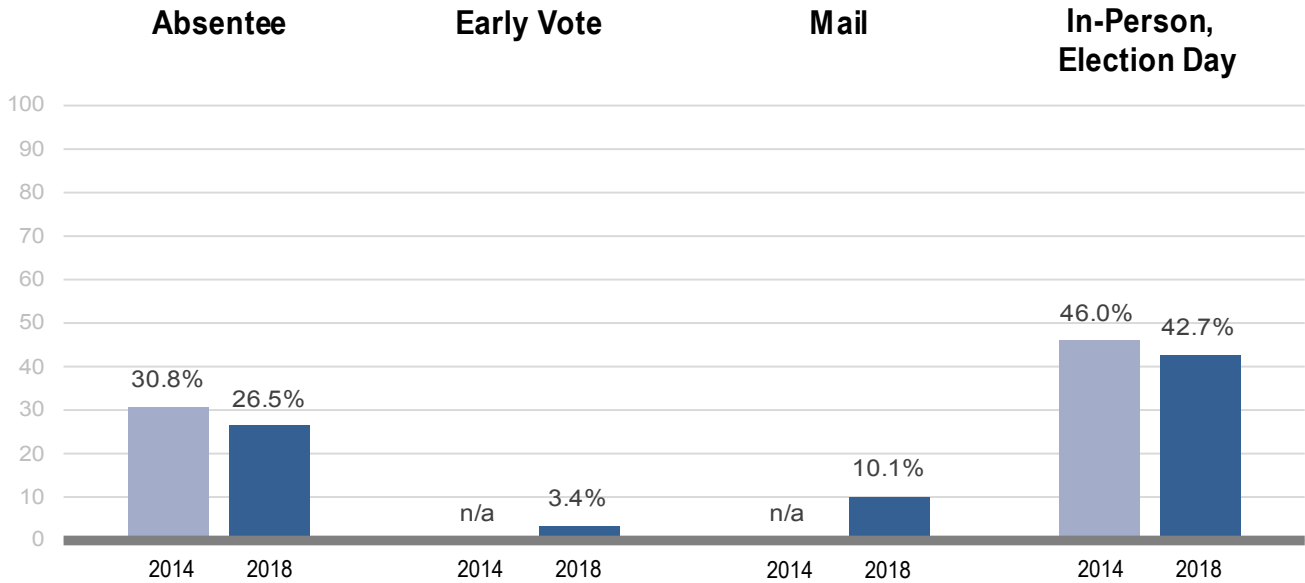
	2014			2018			
	Voted	Rate		Voted	Rate		Change
Absentee	251	**30.8%**		252	**26.5%**	⬇	**-4.3**
Early Vote	*	**n/a**		32	**3.4%**		**n/a**
Mail	*	**n/a**		96	**10.1%**		**n/a**
In-Person, Election Day	375	**46.0%**		406	**42.7%**	⬇	**-3.3**
Unknown	186	**22.8%**		164	**17.3%**		
Total	**815**			**950**			

* 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.

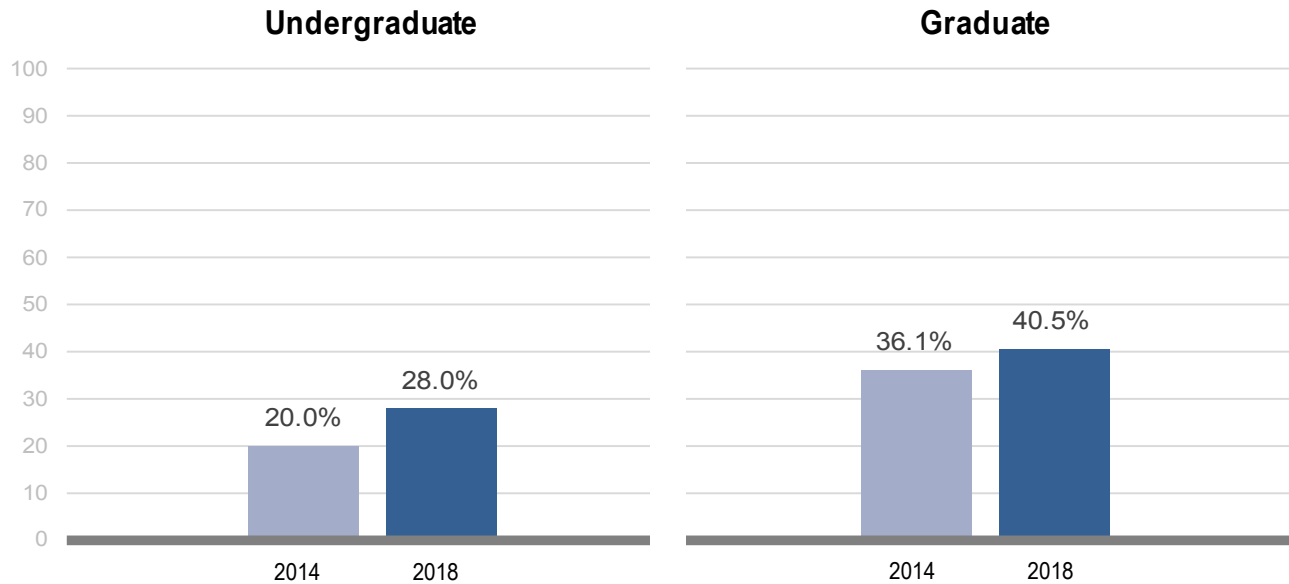## YOUR STUDENTS' VOTING DATA | MIDTERM ELECTIONS

By Age Group*
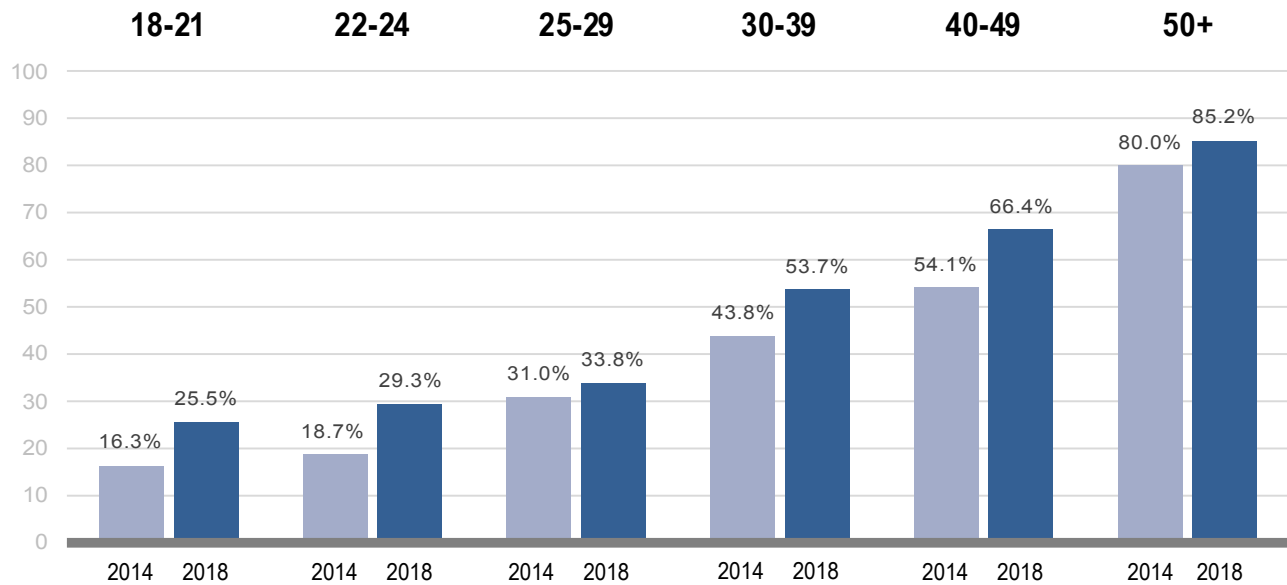
	2014			2018				Change
	Enrolled	Voted	Rate	Enrolled	Voted	Rate		
18-21	1,857	302	**16.3%**	1,711	437	**25.5%**	⬆	**9.3**
22-24	594	111	**18.7%**	676	198	**29.3%**	⬆	**10.6**
25-29	294	91	**31.0%**	281	95	**33.8%**	⬆	**2.9**
30-39	347	152	**43.8%**	192	103	**53.7%**	⬆	**9.9**
40-49	183	99	**54.1%**	107	71	**66.4%**	⬆	**12.3**
50+	75	60	**80.0%**	54	46	**85.2%**	⬆	**5.2**
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**				Change
	Enrolled	Voted	Rate	Enrolled	Voted	Rate		
Undergraduate	2,480	497	**20.0%**	2,224	623	**28.0%**	⬆	**8.0**
Graduate	851	307	**36.1%**	782	317	**40.5%**	⬆	**4.5**
Unknown	19			15				

* 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	2014	2018	2014	2018
	13.9%	18.3%	16.8%	28.1%	23.7%	33.4%
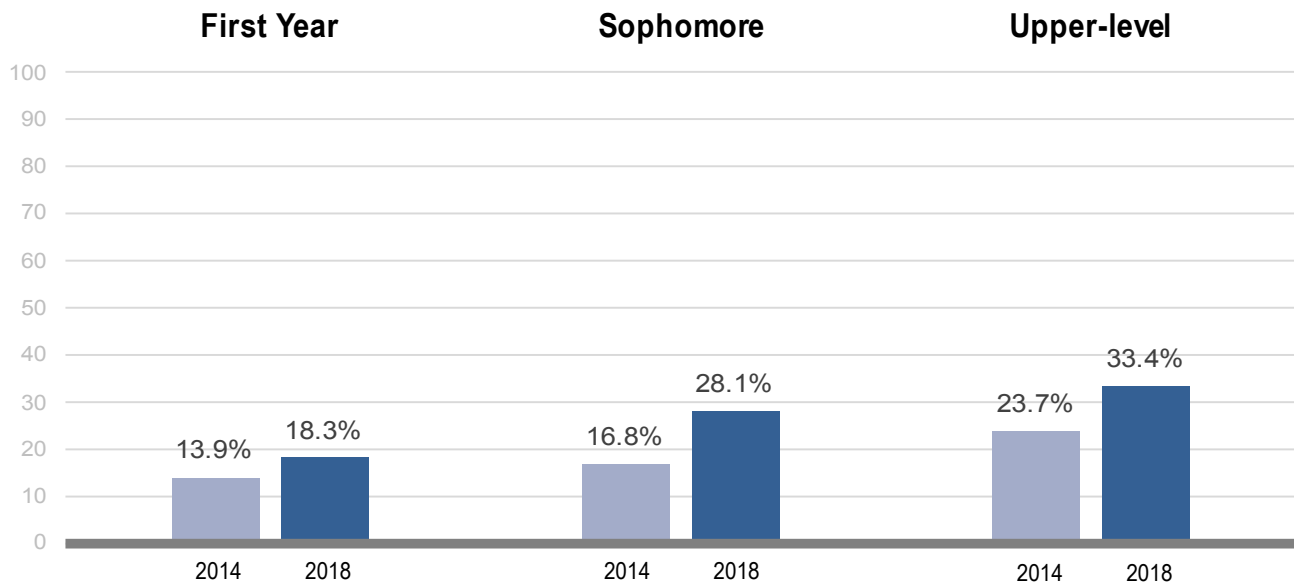
	2014			**2018**				Change
	Enrolled	Voted	Rate	Enrolled	Voted	Rate		
First Year	613	85	**13.9%**	619	113	**18.3%**	⬆	4.4
Sophomore	512	86	**16.8%**	506	142	**28.1%**	⬆	11.3
Upper-level	1,411	335	**23.7%**	1,104	369	**33.4%**	⬆	9.7

* 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.

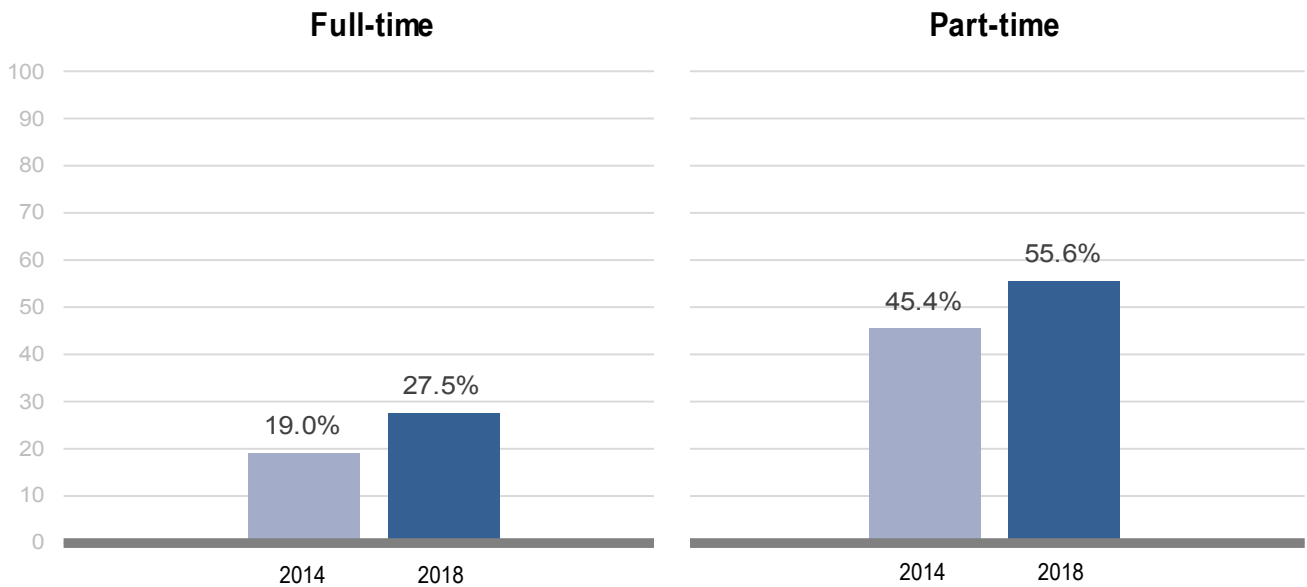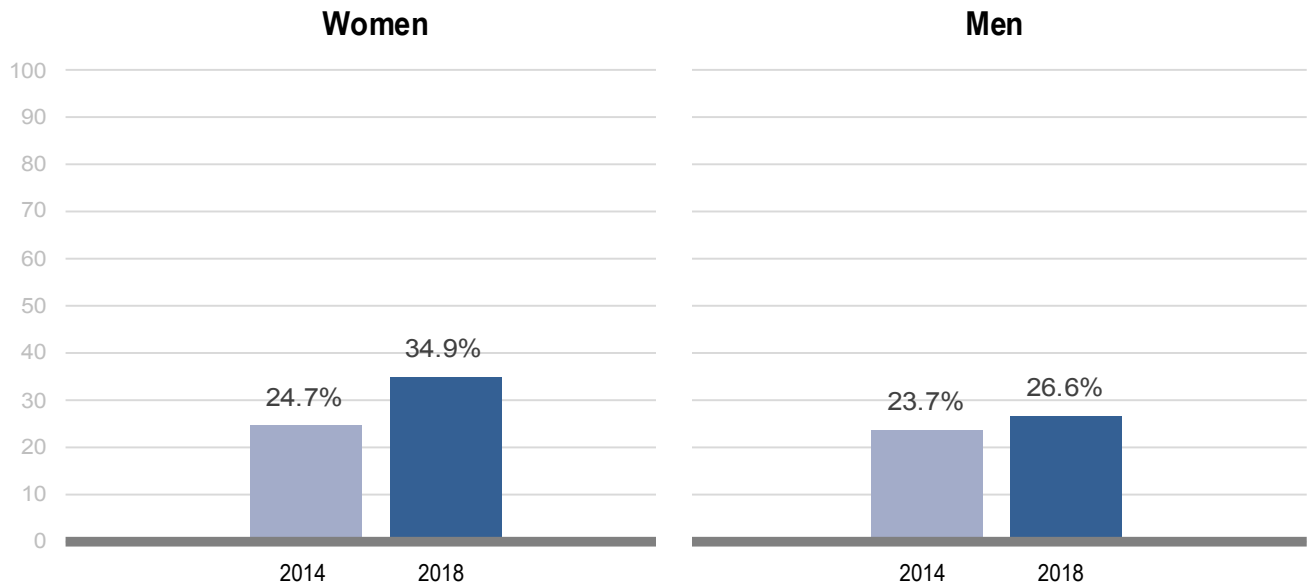## YOUR STUDENTS' VOTING DATA | MIDTERM ELECTIONS

By Enrollment Status*

Full-time

Part-time

	2014			2018				Change
	Enrolled	Voted	Rate	Enrolled	Voted	Rate		
Full-time	2,670	506	**19.0%**	2,600	716	**27.5%**	⬆	**8.6**
Part-time	680	309	**45.4%**	421	234	**55.6%**	⬆	**10.1**
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	1,987	491	**24.7%**		1,779	620	**34.9%**	⬆	**10.1**
Men	1,360	322	**23.7%**		1,242	330	**26.6%**	⬆	**2.9**
Unknown	*				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**				Change
	Enrolled	Voted	Rate	Enrolled	Voted	Rate		
Asian	43	*	**n/a**	82	14	**17.1%**		**n/a**
American Indian/ Alaska Native	0	0	**n/a**	0	0	**n/a**		**n/a**
Black	107	27	**25.2%**	132	35	**26.5%**	⬆	**1.3**
Hispanic	193	34	**17.6%**	225	57	**25.3%**	⬆	**7.7**
Native Hawaiian/ Pacific Islander	0	0	**n/a**	0	0	**n/a**		**n/a**
White	2,782	686	**24.7%**	2,292	766	**33.4%**	⬆	**8.8**
2 or More Races	56	*	**n/a**	89	22	**24.7%**		**n/a**
Unknown	169			201				

* 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**			
	Enrolled	Voted	Rate	Enrolled	Voted	Rate	Change
Area, Ethnic, Cultural, Gender, and Group Studies	0	0	n/a	*	*	n/a	n/a
Biological and Biomedical Sciences	150	33	**22.0%**	162	34	**21.0%** ⬇	**-1.0**
Business, Management, and Marketing	856	274	**32.0%**	638	246	**38.6%** ⬆	**6.6**
Communication and Journalism	81	*	n/a	53	19	**35.9%**	n/a
Computer and Information Sciences	63	15	**23.8%**	105	31	**29.5%** ⬆	**5.7**
Education	294	75	**25.5%**	207	82	**39.6%** ⬆	**14.1**
Engineering and Engineering Technologies	88	19	**21.6%**	161	26	**16.2%** ⬇	**-5.4**
English Language and Literature	16	*	n/a	32	11	**34.4%**	n/a
Foreign Languages, Literatures, and Linguistics	*	*	n/a	0	0	n/a	n/a
Health Professions	622	127	**20.4%**	696	202	**29.0%** ⬆	**8.6**
History	25	10	**40.0%**	17	10	**58.8%** ⬆	**18.8**
Law Enforcement, Firefighting, and Protective Services	105	20	**19.1%**	126	30	**23.8%** ⬆	**4.8**
Leisure and Recreational Activities	*	*	n/a	0	0	n/a	n/a
Liberal Arts and Sciences, and Humanities	0	0	n/a	58	10	**17.2%**	n/a
Mathematics and Statistics	15	*	n/a	16	*	n/a	n/a
Multi/Interdisciplinary Studies	35	19	**54.3%**	0	0	n/a	n/a
Parks, Recreation, Leisure, and Fitness Studies	342	48	**14.0%**	283	69	**24.4%** ⬆	**10.3**
Physical Sciences	17	*	n/a	16	*	n/a	n/a
Psychology	265	39	**14.7%**	188	45	**23.9%** ⬆	**9.2**
Public Administration and Social Service Professions	79	41	**51.9%**	67	33	**49.3%** ⬇	**-2.7**
Social Sciences	67	19	**28.4%**	59	21	**35.6%** ⬆	**7.2**
Theology and Religious Vocations	18	10	**55.6%**	21	16	**76.2%** ⬆	**20.6**
Visual and Performing Arts	71	14	**19.7%**	58	30	**51.7%** ⬆	**32.0**

Other	60	*	**n/a**	0	0	**n/a**	**n/a**
Unknown	67	24	**35.8%**	53	23	**43.4%** ⬆	**7.6**

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