

Stevens Institute of Technology 2020 Democratic Engagement Action Plan Developed by: Lindsey Cormack

Executive Summary:

As an institution of higher education, Stevens is committed to developing an active and informed citizenry among its students and, more broadly, among the entire Stevens community. With a national election and many Congressional and local elections to be held on November 3rd, I would like to take this opportunity to remind all members of the Stevens community that it is your right and duty to register and to vote.

Leadership:

Our leadership team includes the following:

Lindsey Cormack, Assistant Professor of Political Science - College of Arts and Letters; Leo Predraza, Office of Student Life; Beth McGrath Office of the President

Commitment:

Our campus has 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, In person for our on-campus students

Landscape:

Our campus demographic and voting data:

Still don't have access to NSLVE

Goals:

Our campus democratic engagement goals are:

Still don't have access to NSLVE to calibrate

Strategy:

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

In-person voter registration drives, In-person voter education events (e.g. film screenings, debates, lecture series, etc.), Classroom voter registration presentations (in-person or virtual), Virtual voter education events (e.g. film screening, debates, lectures series, etc.)

Stevens recently joined the All in Campus Democracy Challenge, a non-partisan organization of more than 700 campuses committed to working to increase voter engagement and make participation in local, state, and national elections the social norm. In support of this commitment, a number of events have been planned and are being promoted via DuckLink, newsletters, direct email to on-campus residents, and Stevens' student social media accounts. Among them:

- Voter registration and elections are being promoted on the DuckLink student engagement platform when students login, in partnership with TurboVote, an online voter engagement platform.
- A new civic engagement program series has been created called Ducks 4 Democracy to help cross-promote elections and events on the DuckLink student engagement platform.
- Presidential debate watch parties will be held on September 29, October 15, and October 22, 8:30-11:00 p.m.
- A vice-presidential debate watch party will be held on October 7, 8:30-11:00 p.m.

NSLVE:

Stevens Institute of Technology has authorized NSLVE.

Evaluation:

We will evaluate our action plan in the following ways:

We are still sorting this part.

Reporting:

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

Our action plan will be posted on our campus website and shared with the campus community.

Our campus NSLVE reports will be posted on our campus website and shared with the campus community.