

2012 & 2016 CAMPUS REPORT

Student Voting Rates for
University of Illinois at
Chicago

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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 and 2016 federal elections. Along with others, your institution's participation in this study has allowed us to build a robust database of nearly 30 million college student records, about 10 million for each election year, that serve as a foundation for innovative research on college student political learning and engagement in democracy.

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. The mission of IDHE is to shift college and university priorities and culture to advance political learning, agency, and equity. We achieve our mission through research, resource development, technical assistance, 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 actually voted in the 2012 and 2016 elections. These results are based on enrollment records your institution submitted to the National Student Clearinghouse (FERPA-blocked records excluded) and publicly available voting files collected by Catalyst.

Institutional voting rates 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, we cannot consistently adjust for students who are non-resident aliens, resident aliens, or undocumented students. This may result in your institution's actual voting rate being higher than we report. To calculate that percentage, and to read more about NSLVE data, see our [FAQ on Campus Reports](#). Please also see [Creating and Maintaining the NSLVE Database](#) paper for a more detailed study methodology.

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. This report provides a baseline measure of your students' engagement in democracy in 2012 and 2016, and compares your institution's voting rates to similar institutions. Visit our website for more comparison data.
- Share the report widely and strategically, including posting it online.
- Put your data into practice. Use our IDHE Resources to guide you.
- Address your campus climate for student political learning, discourse, and participation. Start by bringing the IDHE team to your campus or using the IDHE self-assessment rubric available on our website.
- Partner with IDHE. We are available with virtual office hours, webinars, brown bag discussions and in-person trainings.

For up-to-date news on NSLVE data, resources and upcoming opportunities visit our website: idhe.tufts.edu.

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Warm regards,
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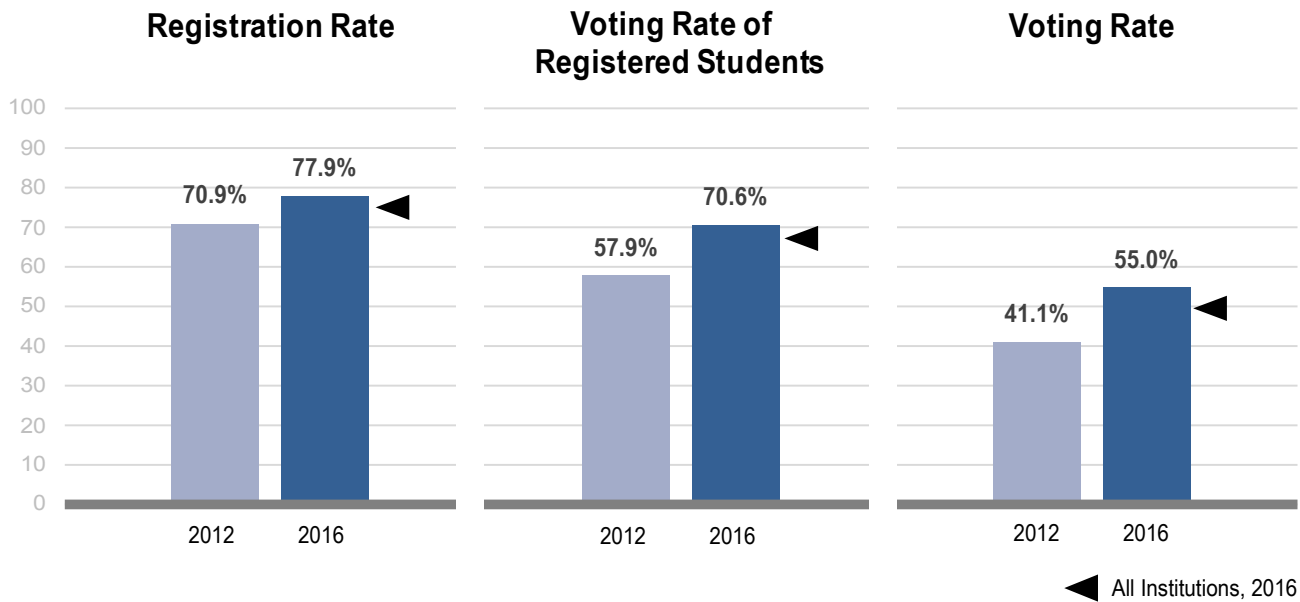
YOUR STUDENTS' VOTING DATA | PRESIDENTIAL ELECTIONS

Voting and Registration Rates

2016 Voting Rate
55.0%

CHANGE FROM 2012
13.9

2016 VOTING RATE FOR ALL INSTITUTIONS
50.4%



	2012	2016	Change
Total student enrollment	27,440	28,664	↑ 1,224
Age under 18/Unknown	(94)	(115)	
IPEDS estimated non-resident aliens	(2,136)	(3,081)	
FERPA records blocked	(14)	(10)	
Total eligible voters	25,196	25,458	↑ 262
Number of students who registered	17,863	19,843	↑ 1,980
Number of students who voted	10,345	14,003	↑ 3,658
Registration rate	70.9%	77.9%	↑ 7.0
Voting rate of registered students	57.9%	70.6%	↑ 12.7
Voting rate	41.1%	55.0%	↑ 13.9
Difference from all institutions	-5.8	+4.6	

HOW YOUR NUMBERS COMPARE | PRESIDENTIAL ELECTIONS

By Carnegie Classification

2012 Voting Rate for All Institutions
46.9%

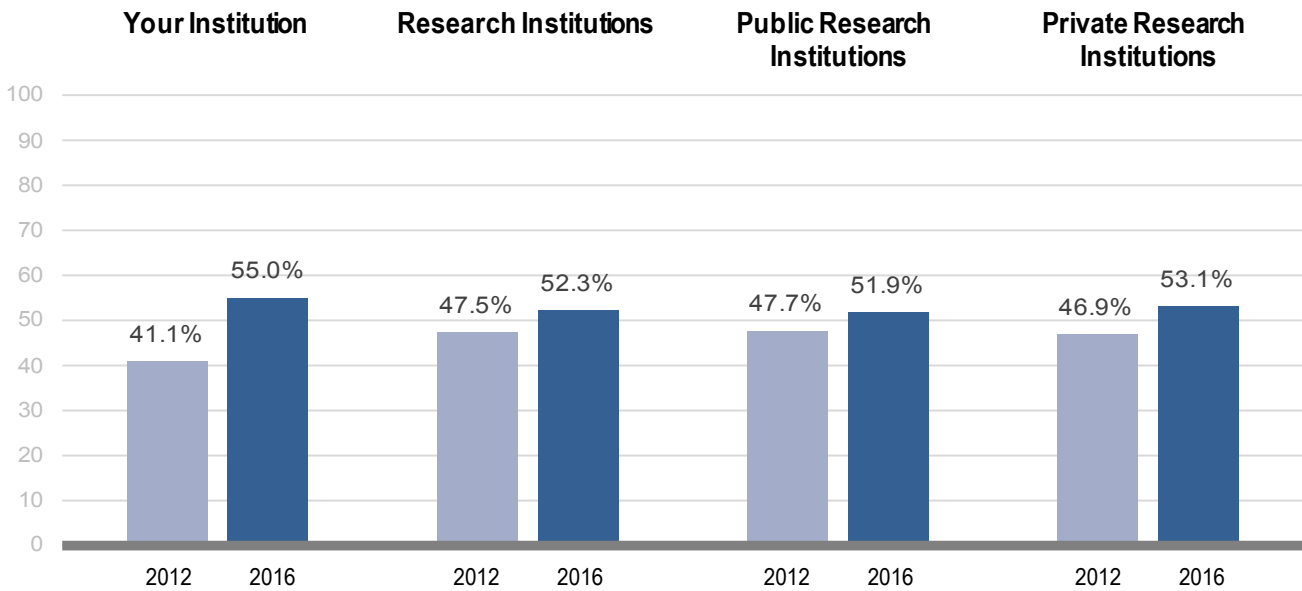
HIGH 72.9%
 LOW 19.3%

2016 Voting Rate for All Institutions
50.4%

HIGH 81.4%
 LOW 13.1%

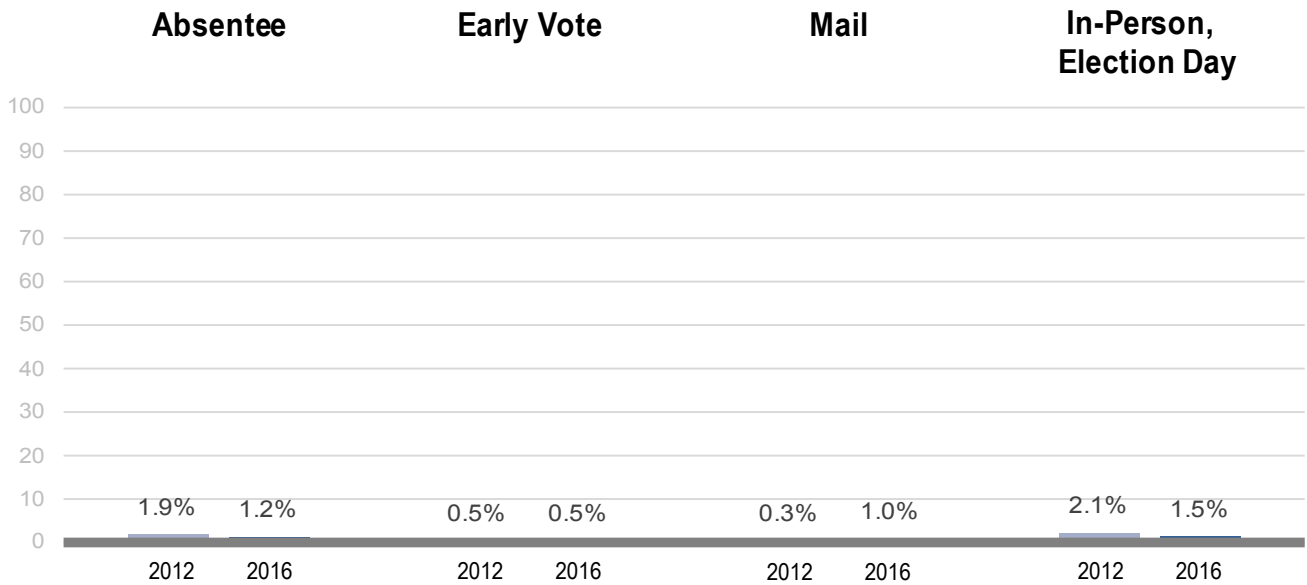
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By Voting Method*

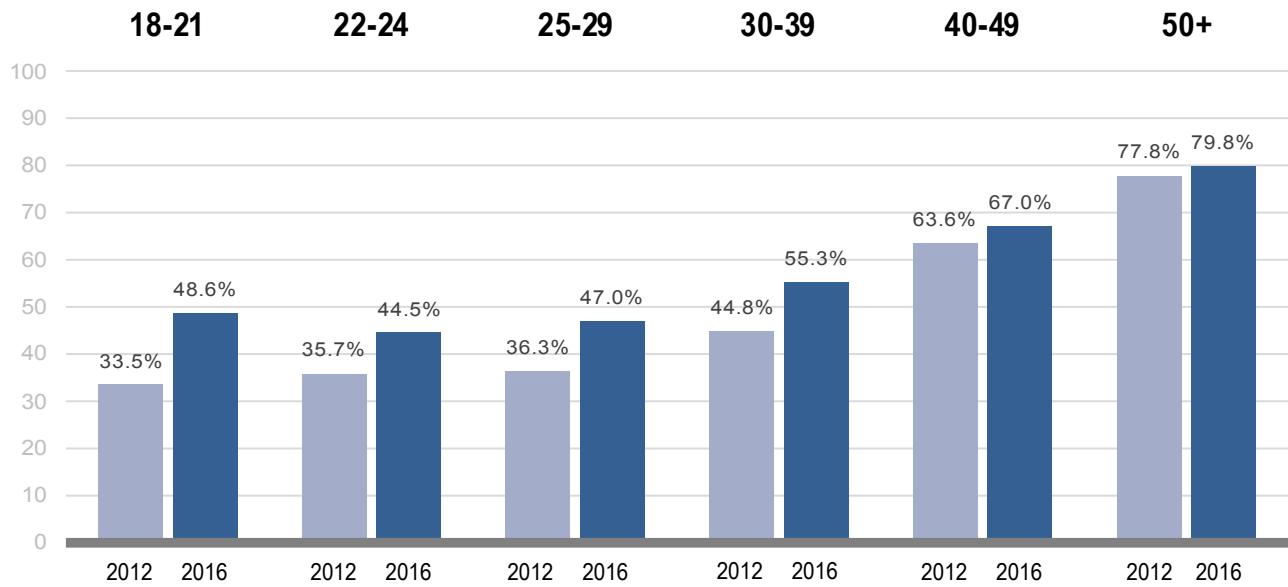


	2012		2016		Change
	Voted	Rate	Voted	Rate	
Absentee	196	1.9%	174	1.2%	↓ -0.7
Early Vote	55	0.5%	75	0.5%	→ 0.0
Mail	27	0.3%	133	1.0%	↑ 0.7
In-Person, Election Day	218	2.1%	204	1.5%	↓ -0.7
Unknown	9,849	95.2%	13,417	95.8%	
Total	10,345		14,003		

* 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.

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By Age Group*

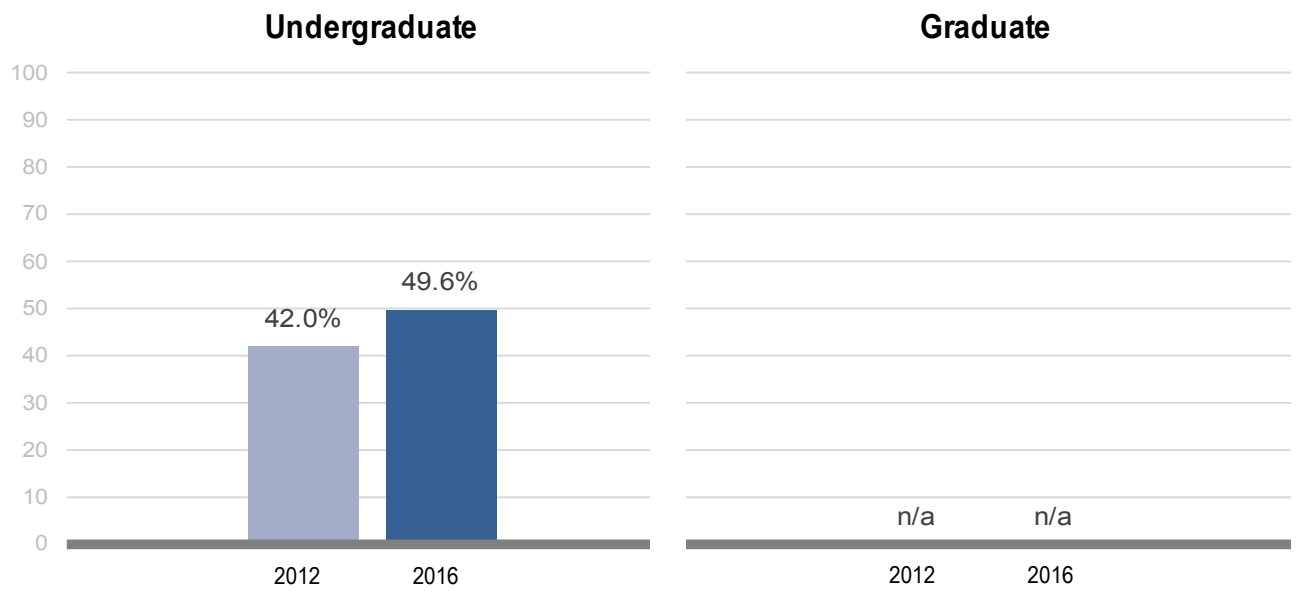


	2012			2016			Change
	Enrolled	Voted	Rate	Enrolled	Voted	Rate	
18-21	10,773	3,612	33.5%	11,741	5,711	48.6%	↑ 15.1
22-24	6,384	2,276	35.7%	6,945	3,093	44.5%	↑ 8.9
25-29	5,306	1,928	36.3%	5,408	2,541	47.0%	↑ 10.7
30-39	3,391	1,518	44.8%	3,162	1,747	55.3%	↑ 10.5
40-49	974	619	63.6%	882	591	67.0%	↑ 3.5
50+	504	392	77.8%	401	320	79.8%	↑ 2.0
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.

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By Education Level*

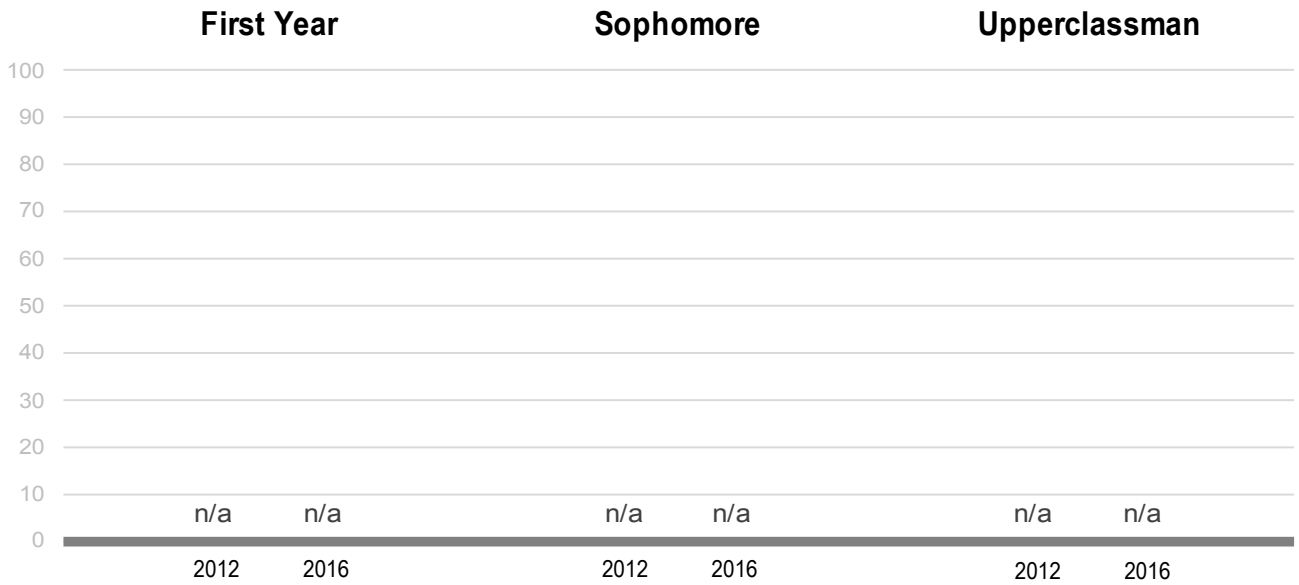


	2012			2016			Change
	Enrolled	Voted	Rate	Enrolled	Voted	Rate	
Undergraduate	869	365	42.0%	17,709	8,786	49.6%	↑ 7.6
Graduate	0	0	n/a	0	0	n/a	n/a
Unknown	26,463			10,830			

* 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*

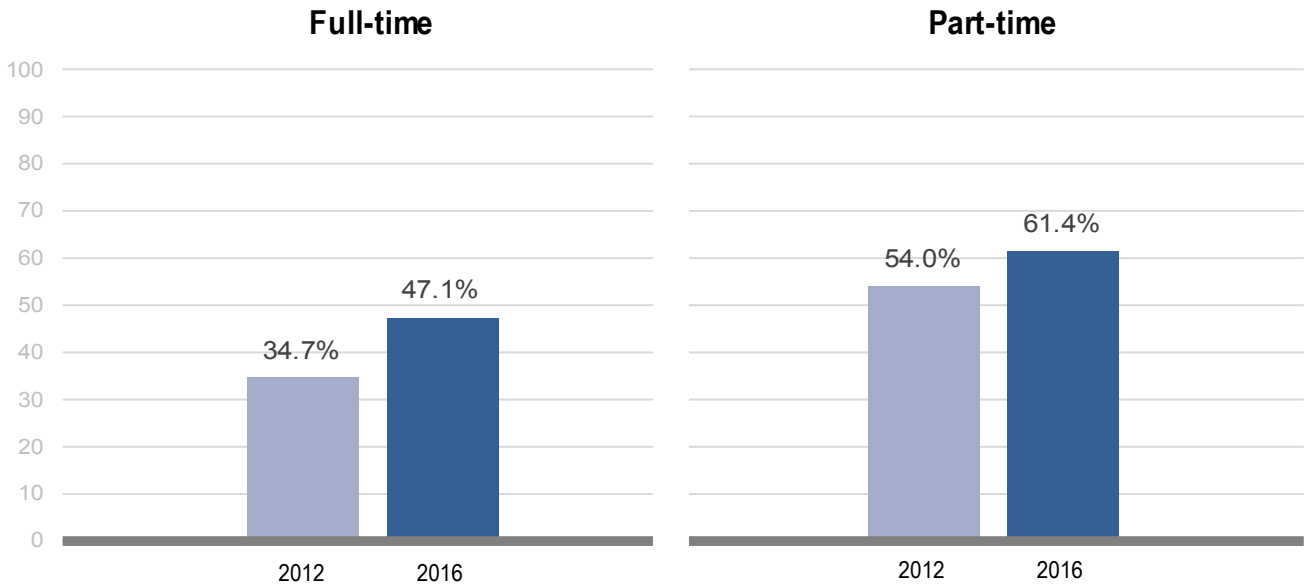


	2012			2016			Change
	Enrolled	Voted	Rate	Enrolled	Voted	Rate	
First Year	0	0	n/a	0	0	n/a	n/a
Sophomore	0	0	n/a	0	0	n/a	n/a
Upperclassman	0	0	n/a	0	0	n/a	n/a

* 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*

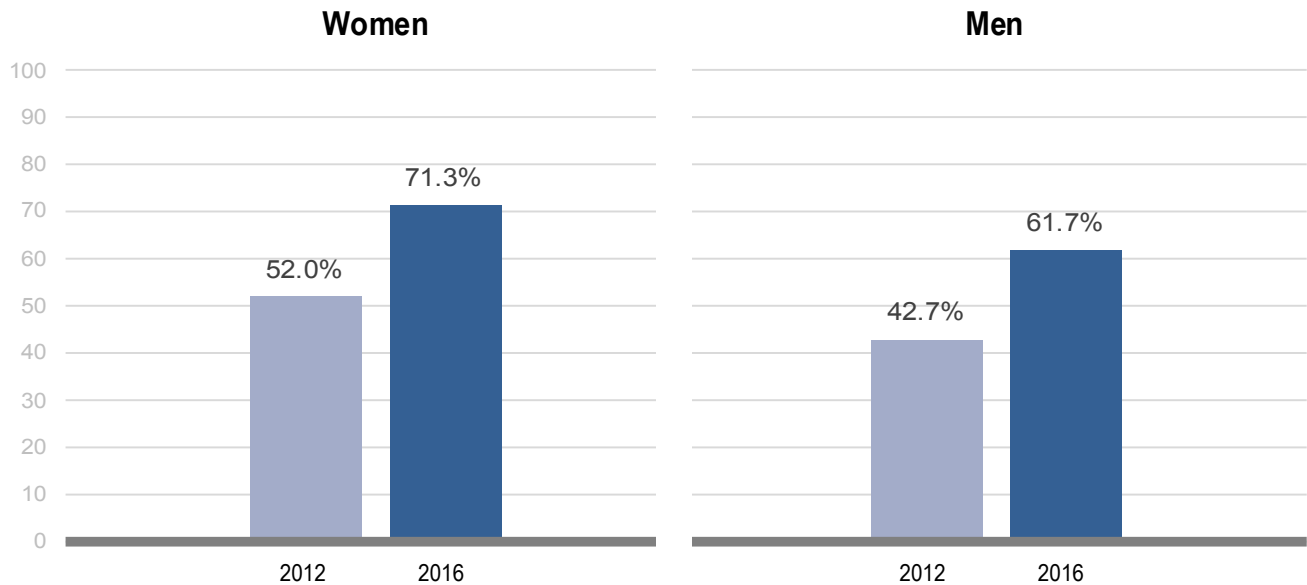


	2012			2016			Change
	Enrolled	Voted	Rate	Enrolled	Voted	Rate	
Full-time	22,892	7,947	34.7%	24,652	11,616	47.1%	↑ 12.4
Part-time	4,440	2,398	54.0%	3,887	2,387	61.4%	↑ 7.4
Unknown	0	0	n/a	0	0	n/a	

* 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.

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By Gender*



	2012			2016			Change	
	Enrolled	Voted	Rate	Enrolled	Voted	Rate		
Women	12,159	6,321	52.0%	11,592	8,266	71.3%	↑	19.3
Men	9,403	4,014	42.7%	9,250	5,711	61.7%	↑	19.1
Unknown	5,770	10	0.2%	7,697	26	0.3%		

* 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.

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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.

	2012			2016			Change
	Enrolled	Voted	Rate	Enrolled	Voted	Rate	
Architecture	0	0	n/a	501	249	49.7%	n/a
Area, Ethnic, Cultural, Gender, and Group Studies	*	*	n/a	142	86	60.6%	n/a
Biological and Biomedical Sciences	97	39	40.2%	2,414	1,117	46.3% ↑	6.1
Business, Management, and Marketing	226	78	34.5%	2,755	1,133	41.1% ↑	6.6
Communication and Journalism	31	11	35.5%	232	134	57.8% ↑	22.3
Computer and Information Sciences	40	13	32.5%	1,528	483	31.6% ↓	-0.9
Education	76	45	59.2%	1,084	738	68.1% ↑	8.9
Engineering and Engineering Technologies	129	42	32.6%	3,329	1,120	33.6% ↑	1.1
English Language and Literature	39	21	53.9%	345	218	63.2% ↑	9.3
Family and Consumer/Human Sciences	0	0	n/a	170	107	62.9%	n/a
Foreign Languages, Literatures, and Linguistics	22	*	n/a	168	74	44.1%	n/a
Health Professions	127	70	55.1%	5,928	3,264	55.1% ↓	-0.1
History	*	*	n/a	128	86	67.2%	n/a
Law Enforcement, Firefighting, and Protective Services	37	23	62.2%	511	315	61.6% ↓	-0.5
Liberal Arts and Sciences, and Humanities	0	0	n/a	3,307	1,634	49.4%	n/a
Mathematics and Statistics	13	*	n/a	245	95	38.8%	n/a
Multi/Interdisciplinary Studies	0	0	n/a	169	95	56.2%	n/a
Parks, Recreation, Leisure, and Fitness Studies	25	*	n/a	631	276	43.7%	n/a
Philosophy and Religious Studies	*	*	n/a	64	30	46.9%	n/a
Physical Sciences	26	*	n/a	655	274	41.8%	n/a
Psychology	139	52	37.4%	1,389	777	55.9% ↑	18.5
Public Administration and Social Service Professions	13	*	n/a	644	445	69.1%	n/a
Social Sciences	84	42	50.0%	987	566	57.4% ↑	7.4

Visual and Performing Arts	*	*	n/a	603	335	55.6%	n/a
Unknown	26,187	9,864	37.7%	610	352	57.7% ↑	20.0

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: idhe.tufts.edu.

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