

2012 & 2016 CAMPUS REPORT

Student Voting Rates for
University of Kansas

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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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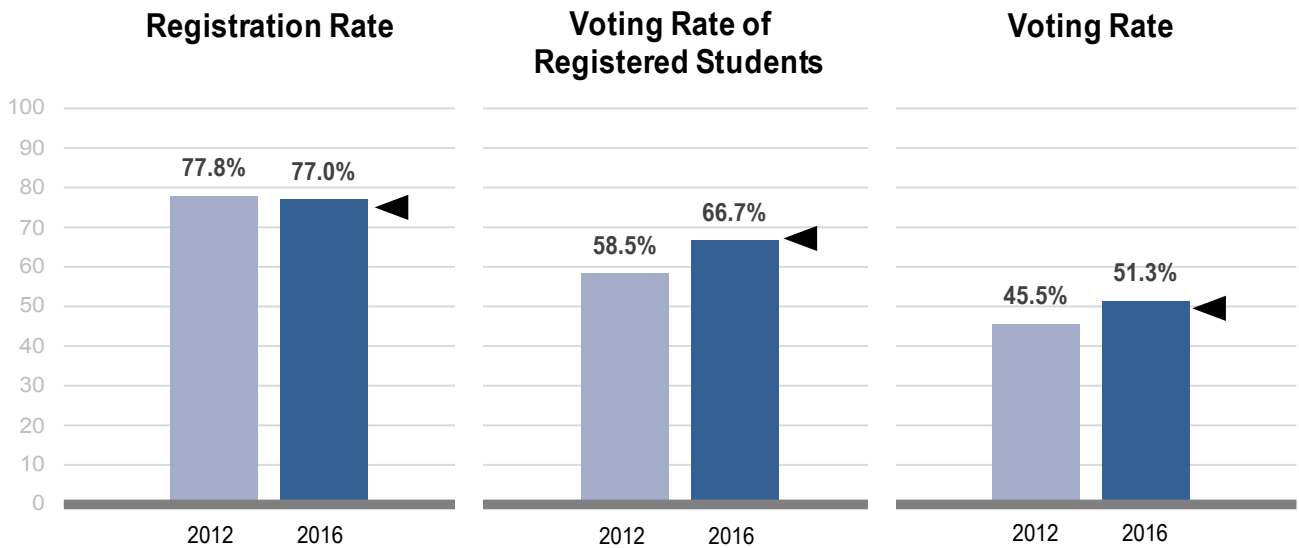
YOUR STUDENTS' VOTING DATA | PRESIDENTIAL ELECTIONS

Voting and Registration Rates

2016 Voting Rate
51.3%

CHANGE FROM 2012
5.9

2016 VOTING RATE FOR ALL INSTITUTIONS
50.4%



◀ All Institutions, 2016

	2012	2016	Change
Total student enrollment	26,551	27,154	↑ 603
Age under 18/Unknown	(52)	(120)	
IPEDS estimated non-resident aliens	(2,220)	(2,489)	
FERPA records blocked	(240)	(127)	
Total eligible voters	24,039	24,418	↑ 379
Number of students who registered	18,696	18,803	↑ 107
Number of students who voted	10,934	12,536	↑ 1,602
Registration rate	77.8%	77.0%	↓ -0.8
Voting rate of registered students	58.5%	66.7%	↑ 8.2
Voting rate	45.5%	51.3%	↑ 5.9
Difference from all institutions	-1.4	+0.9	

HOW YOUR NUMBERS COMPARE | PRESIDENTIAL ELECTIONS

By Carnegie Classification

2012 Voting Rate for All Institutions
46.9%

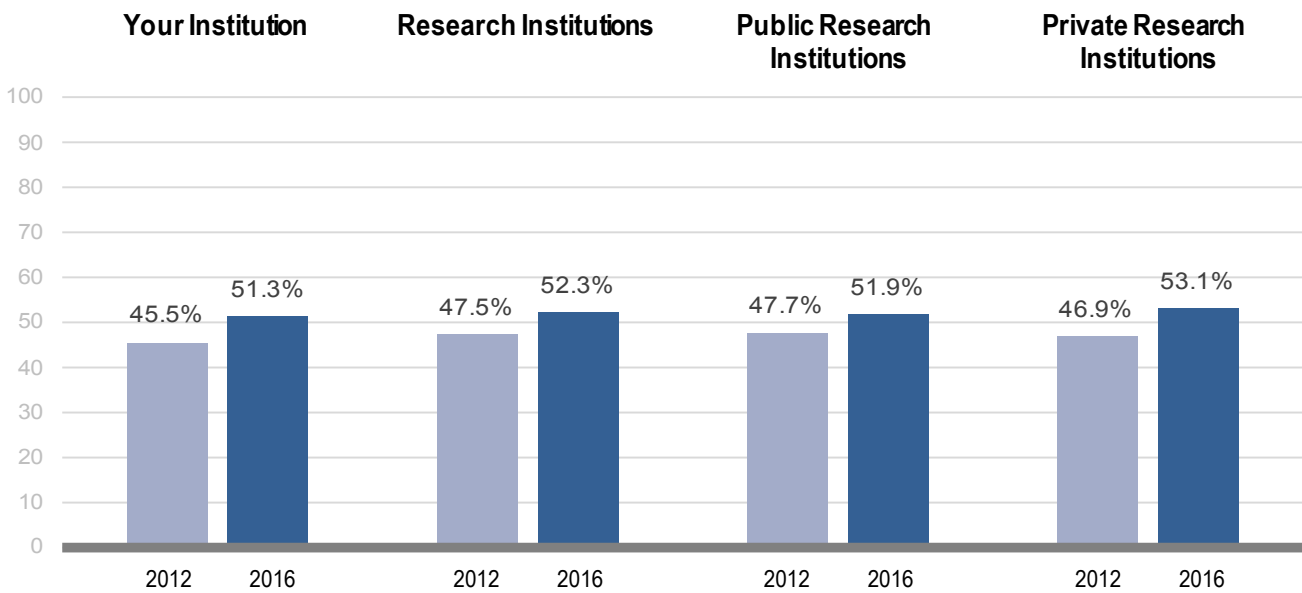
HIGH 72.9%
 LOW 19.3%

2016 Voting Rate for All Institutions
50.4%

HIGH 81.4%
 LOW 13.1%

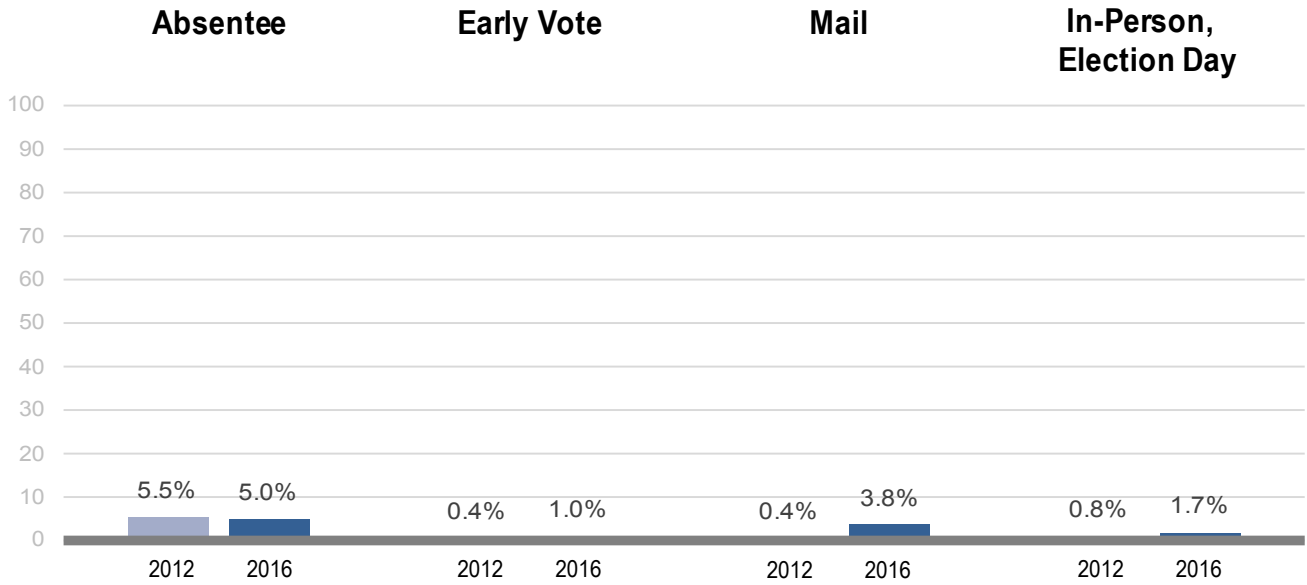
Difference from All Institutions **-1.4**

Difference from All Institutions **+0.9**



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By Voting Method*

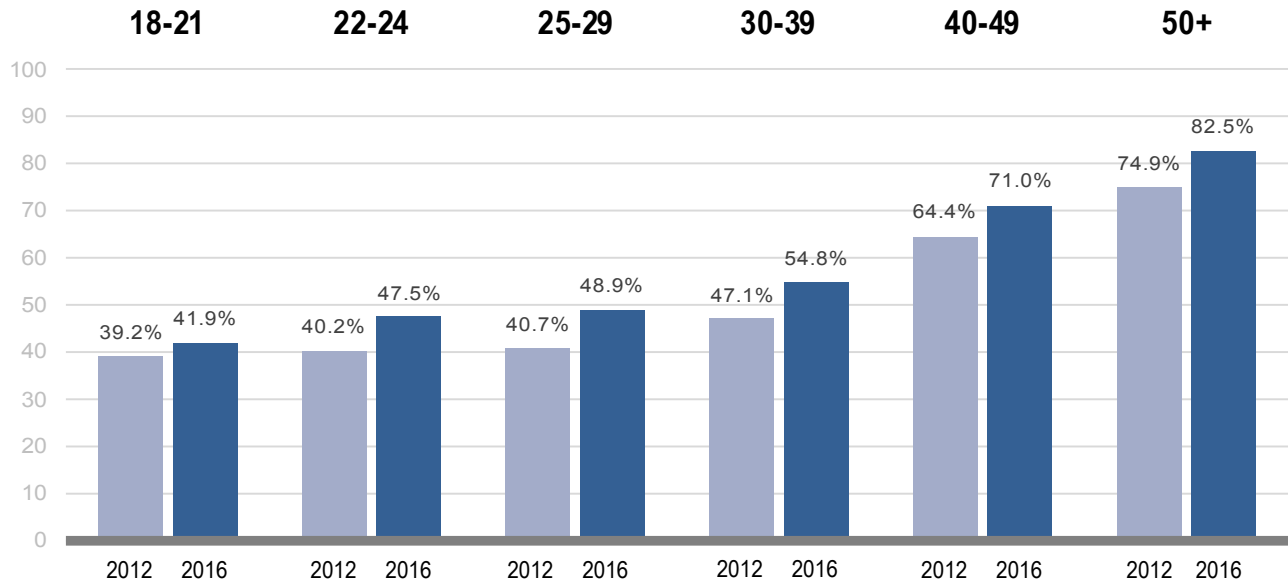


	2012		2016		Change
	Voted	Rate	Voted	Rate	
Absentee	604	5.5%	629	5.0%	↓ -0.5
Early Vote	44	0.4%	126	1.0%	↑ 0.6
Mail	46	0.4%	474	3.8%	↑ 3.4
In-Person, Election Day	87	0.8%	214	1.7%	↑ 0.9
Unknown	10,153	92.9%	11,093	88.5%	
Total	10,934		12,536		

* 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*

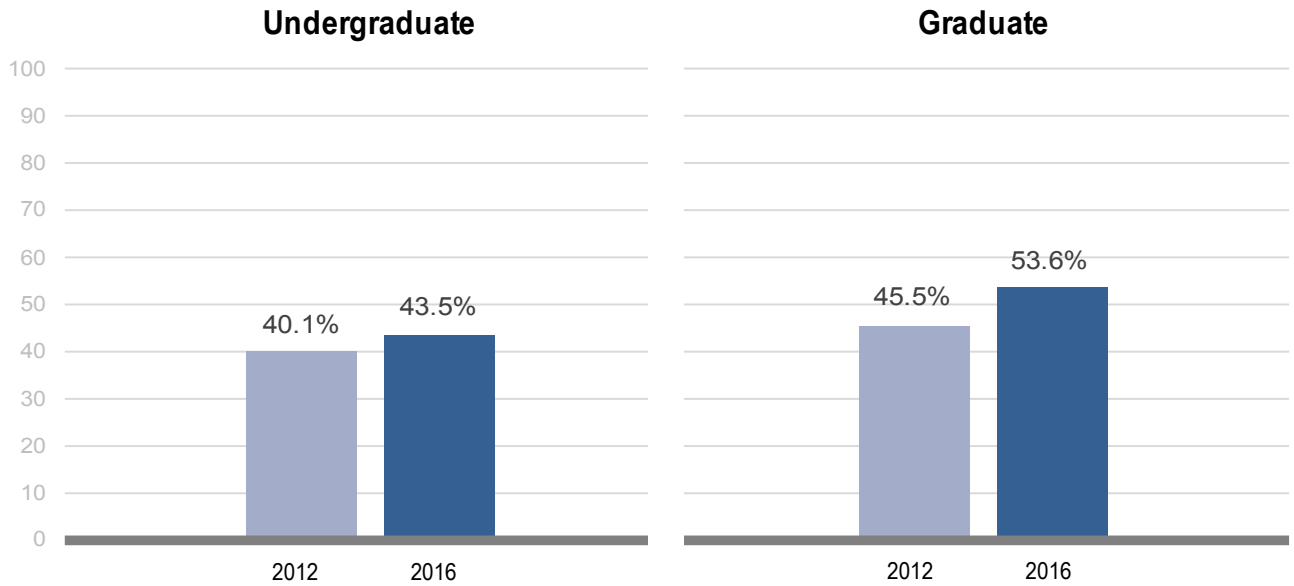


	2012			2016			Change
	Enrolled	Voted	Rate	Enrolled	Voted	Rate	
18-21	12,700	4,981	39.2%	14,012	5,869	41.9%	↑ 2.7
22-24	6,088	2,447	40.2%	5,287	2,511	47.5%	↑ 7.3
25-29	3,879	1,580	40.7%	3,890	1,902	48.9%	↑ 8.2
30-39	2,468	1,162	47.1%	2,617	1,434	54.8%	↑ 7.7
40-49	742	478	64.4%	769	546	71.0%	↑ 6.6
50+	382	286	74.9%	332	274	82.5%	↑ 7.7
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.

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By Education Level*

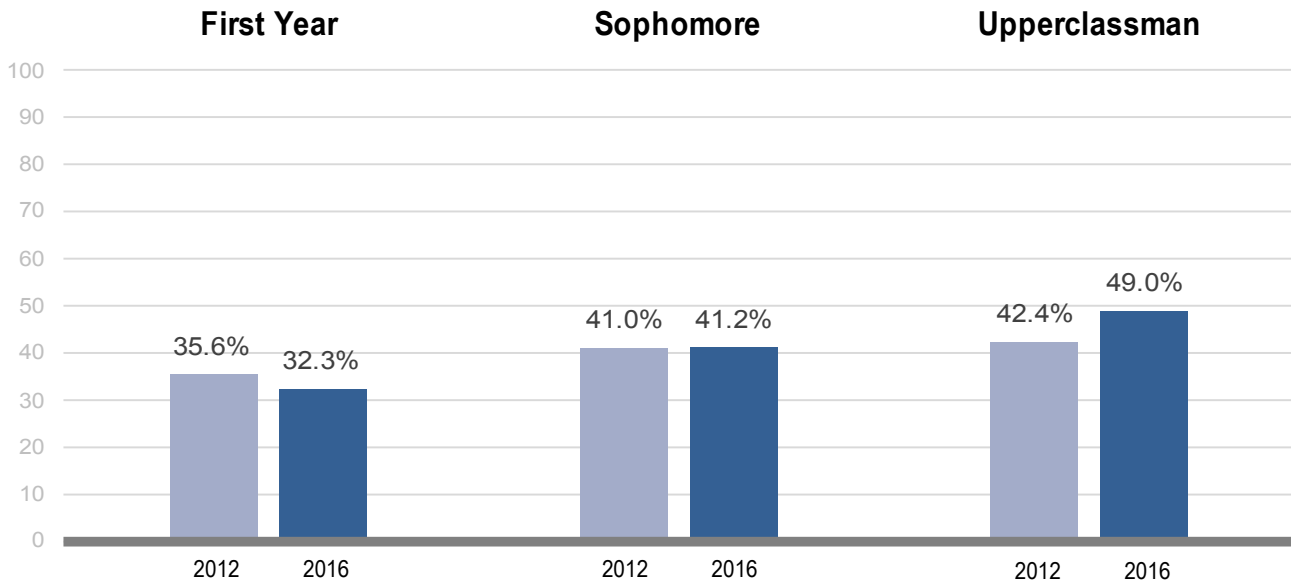


	2012			2016			Change
	Enrolled	Voted	Rate	Enrolled	Voted	Rate	
Undergraduate	18,665	7,479	40.1%	18,699	8,136	43.5%	↑ 3.4
Graduate	7,591	3,453	45.5%	8,167	4,379	53.6%	↑ 8.1
Unknown	*			41			

* 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*

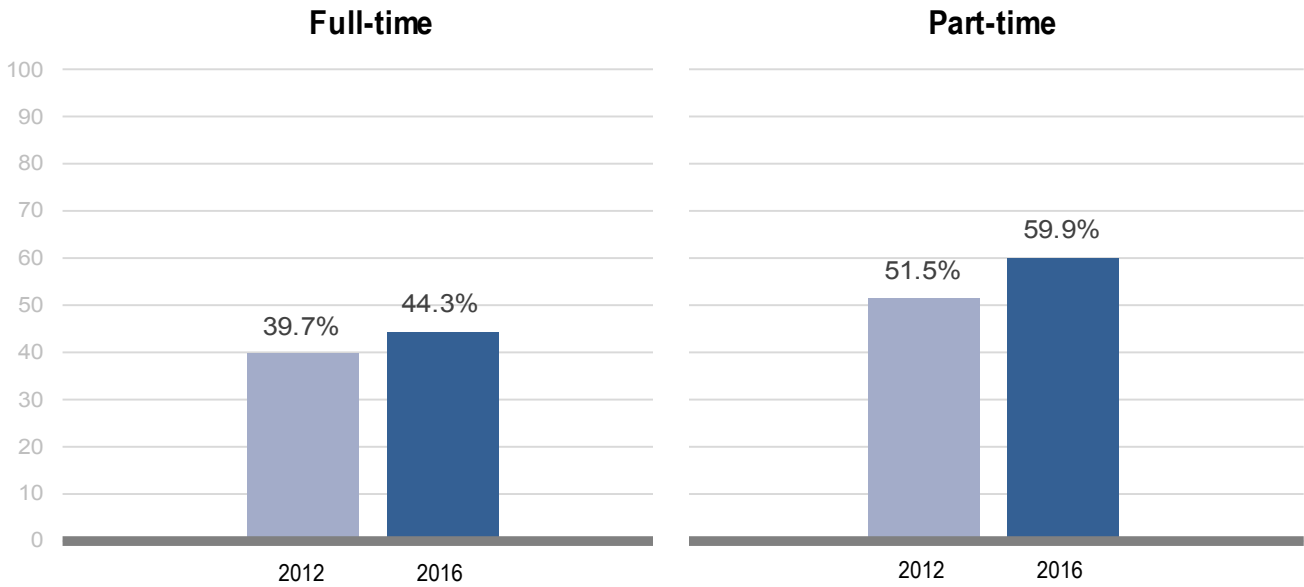


	2012			2016			Change
	Enrolled	Voted	Rate	Enrolled	Voted	Rate	
First Year	4,716	1,677	35.6%	3,775	1,221	32.3%	↓ -3.2
Sophomore	3,760	1,541	41.0%	4,152	1,709	41.2%	↑ 0.2
Upperclassman	9,854	4,175	42.4%	10,430	5,106	49.0%	↑ 6.6

* 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*

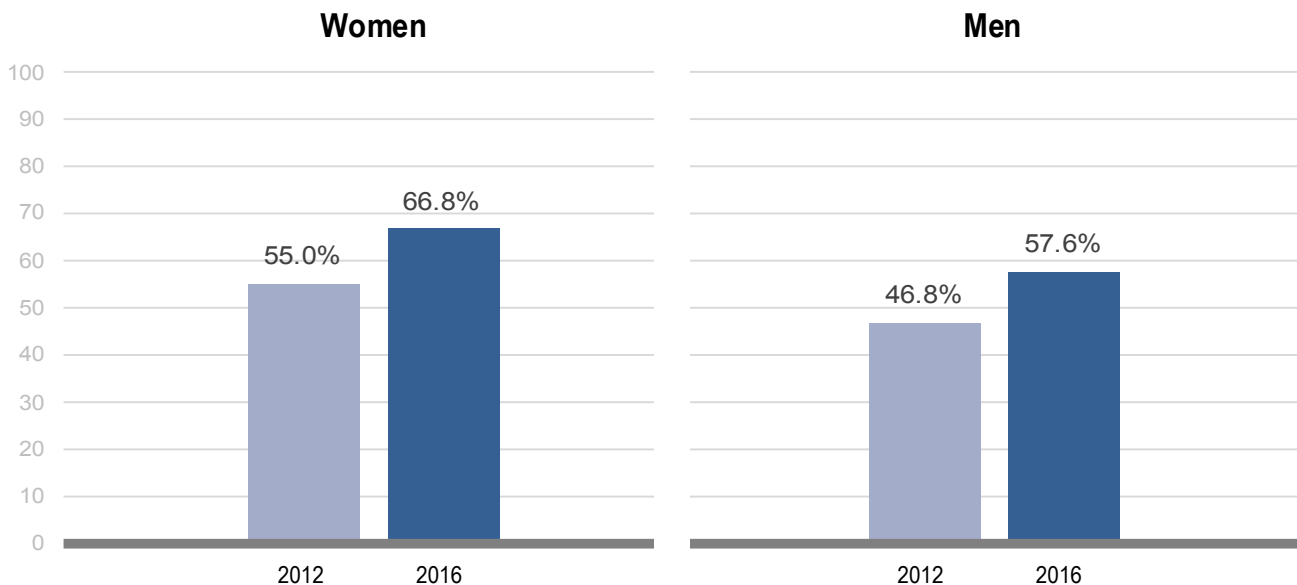


	2012			2016			Change
	Enrolled	Voted	Rate	Enrolled	Voted	Rate	
Full-time	21,958	8,718	39.7%	22,899	10,134	44.3%	↑ 4.6
Part-time	4,301	2,216	51.5%	4,008	2,402	59.9%	↑ 8.4
Unknown	0	0	n/a	0	0	n/a	

* 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	11,197	6,153	55.0%	10,791	7,210	66.8%	↑	11.9
Men	10,171	4,759	46.8%	9,129	5,262	57.6%	↑	10.9
Unknown	4,891	22	0.5%	6,987	64	0.9%		

* 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	18	*	n/a	545	210	38.5%	n/a
Area, Ethnic, Cultural, Gender, and Group Studies	0	0	n/a	88	50	56.8%	n/a
Biological and Biomedical Sciences	373	153	41.0%	1,044	485	46.5% ↑	5.4
Business, Management, and Marketing	1,388	404	29.1%	3,601	1,444	40.1% ↑	11.0
Communication and Journalism	186	69	37.1%	1,400	684	48.9% ↑	11.8
Computer and Information Sciences	0	0	n/a	443	171	38.6%	n/a
Education	106	47	44.3%	1,419	887	62.5% ↑	18.2
Engineering and Engineering Technologies	217	61	28.1%	2,554	969	37.9% ↑	9.8
English Language and Literature	0	0	n/a	349	207	59.3%	n/a
Foreign Languages, Literatures, and Linguistics	0	0	n/a	264	129	48.9%	n/a
Health Professions	1,703	665	39.1%	4,203	2,212	52.6% ↑	13.6
History	0	0	n/a	203	107	52.7%	n/a
Legal Professions and Studies	163	59	36.2%	463	255	55.1% ↑	18.9
Leisure and Recreational Activities	108	63	58.3%	72	44	61.1% ↑	2.8
Liberal Arts and Sciences, and Humanities	48	14	29.2%	576	208	36.1% ↑	6.9
Mathematics and Statistics	0	0	n/a	212	67	31.6%	n/a
Multi/Interdisciplinary Studies	0	0	n/a	446	216	48.4%	n/a
Natural Resources and Conservation	0	0	n/a	150	97	64.7%	n/a
Parks, Recreation, Leisure, and Fitness Studies	0	0	n/a	327	141	43.1%	n/a
Philosophy and Religious Studies	0	0	n/a	77	33	42.9%	n/a
Physical Sciences	0	0	n/a	603	267	44.3%	n/a
Psychology	315	113	35.9%	1,020	479	47.0% ↑	11.1
Public Administration and Social Service Professions	0	0	n/a	695	479	68.9%	n/a

Social Sciences	0	0	n/a	949	460	48.5%	n/a
Visual and Performing Arts	28	10	35.7%	687	330	48.0% ↑	12.3
Unknown	21,606	9,273	42.9%	4,517	1,905	42.2% ↓	-0.8

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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