

2014 & 2018 CAMPUS REPORT

Student Voting Rates for University of Maryland- College Park

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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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Warm regards,

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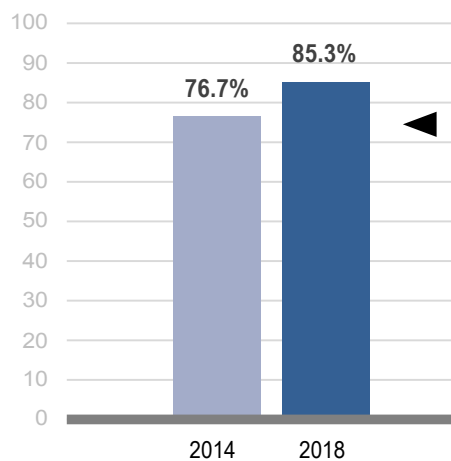
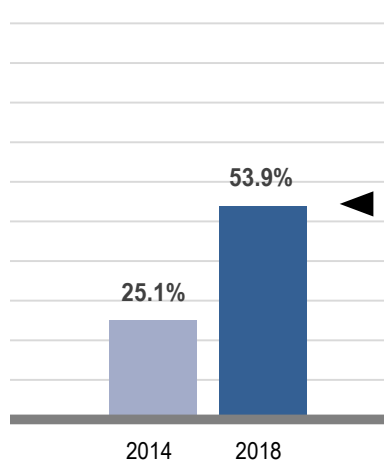
YOUR STUDENTS' VOTING DATA | MIDTERM ELECTIONS

Voting and Registration Rates

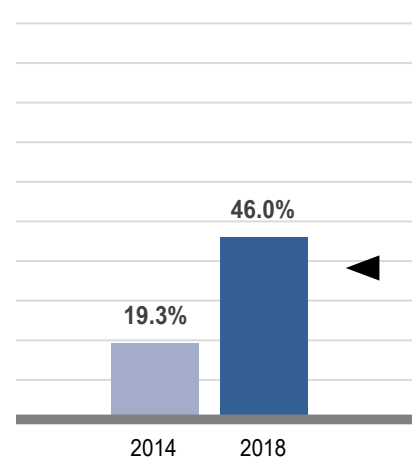
2018 Voting Rate

46.0%CHANGE
FROM 2014**+26.7**2018 VOTING RATE
FOR ALL INSTITUTIONS**39.1%**

Registration Rate

Voting Rate of
Registered Students

Voting Rate



All Institutions, 2018

	2014	2018	Change
Total student enrollment	38,157	40,620	↑ 2,463
Age under 18/Unknown	(449)	(217)	
IPEDS estimated non-resident aliens	(4,324)	(5,134)	
FERPA records blocked	(11)	(10)	
Total eligible voters	33,373	35,259	↑ 1,886
Number of students who registered	25,600	30,058	↑ 4,458
Number of students who voted	6,433	16,201	↑ 9,768
Registration rate	76.7%	85.3%	↑ 8.5
Voting rate of registered students	25.1%	53.9%	↑ 28.8
Voting rate	19.3%	46.0%	↑ 26.7
Difference from all institutions	-0.4	+6.9	

HOW YOUR NUMBERS COMPARE | MIDTERM ELECTIONS

By Carnegie Classification

2014 Voting Rate
for All Institutions

19.7%

HIGH
54.0%

LOW
1.5%

2018 Voting Rate
for All Institutions

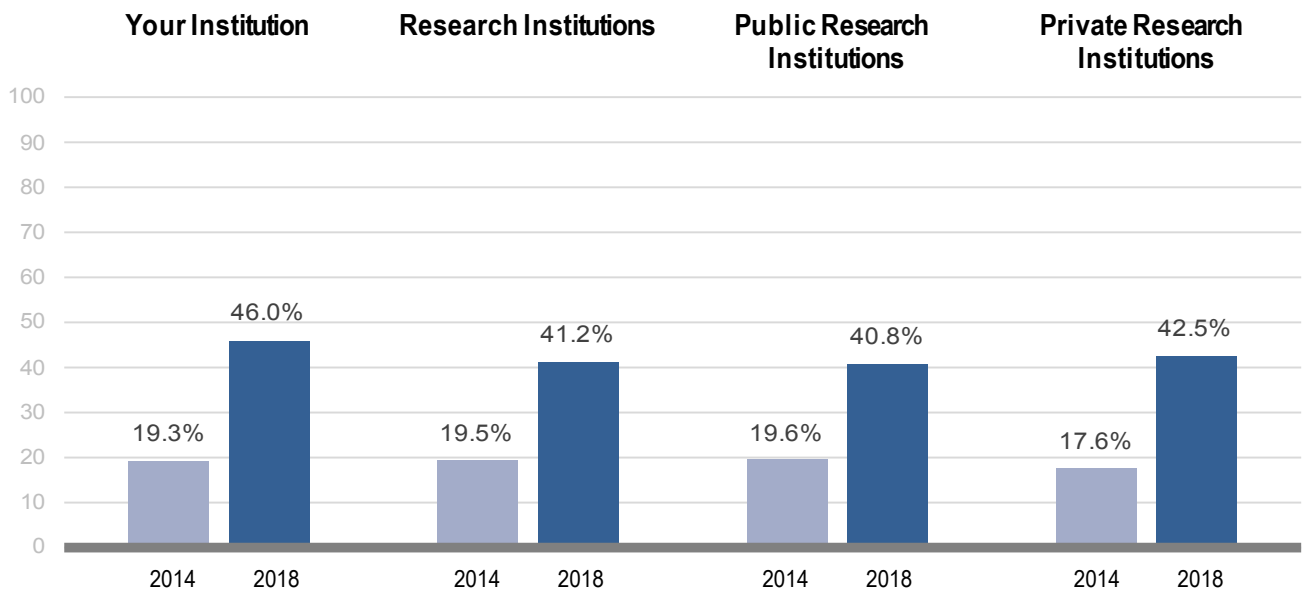
39.1%

HIGH
64.1%

LOW
11.5%

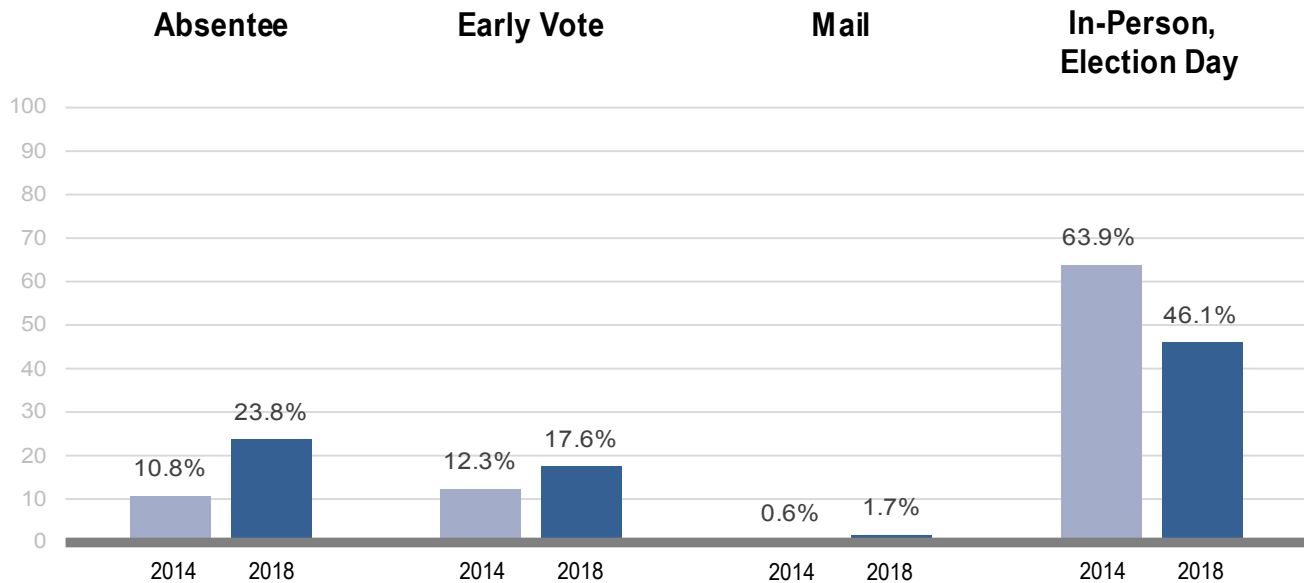
Difference from All Institutions **-0.4**

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YOUR STUDENTS' VOTING DATA | MIDTERM ELECTIONS

By Voting Method*

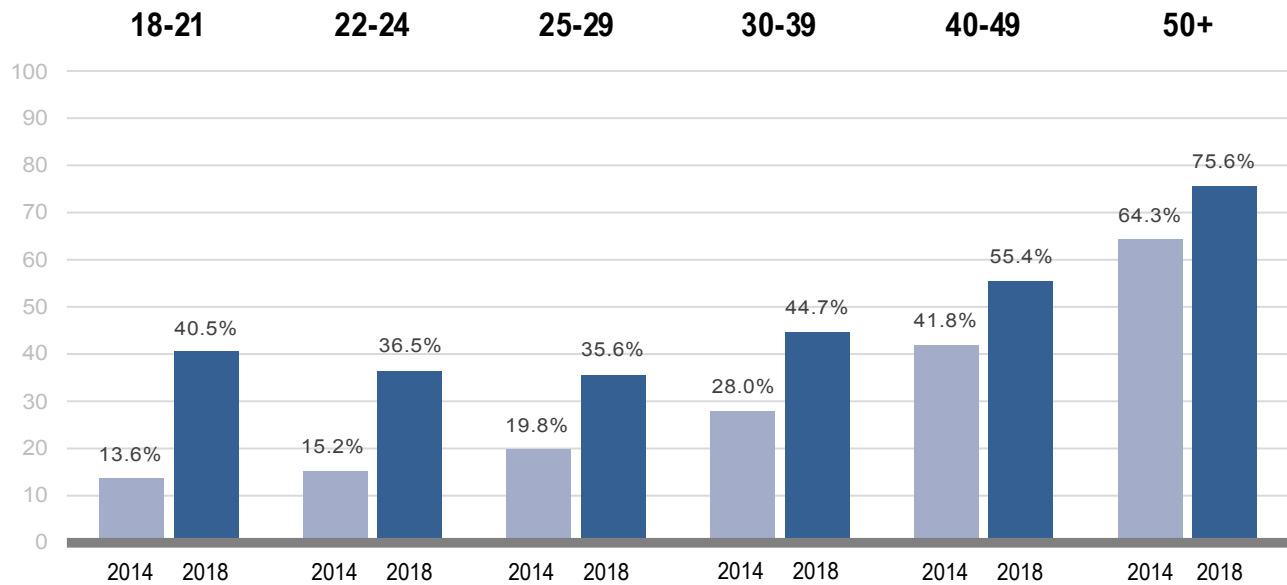


	2014		2018			
	Voted	Rate	Voted	Rate	Change	
Absentee	693	10.8%	3,860	23.8%	↑	13.1
Early Vote	793	12.3%	2,857	17.6%	↑	5.3
Mail	41	0.6%	269	1.7%	↑	1.0
In-Person, Election Day	4,109	63.9%	7,475	46.1%	↓	-17.7
Unknown	797	12.4%	1,740	10.7%		
Total	6,433		16,201			

* 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.

YOUR STUDENTS' VOTING DATA | MIDTERM ELECTIONS

By Age Group*

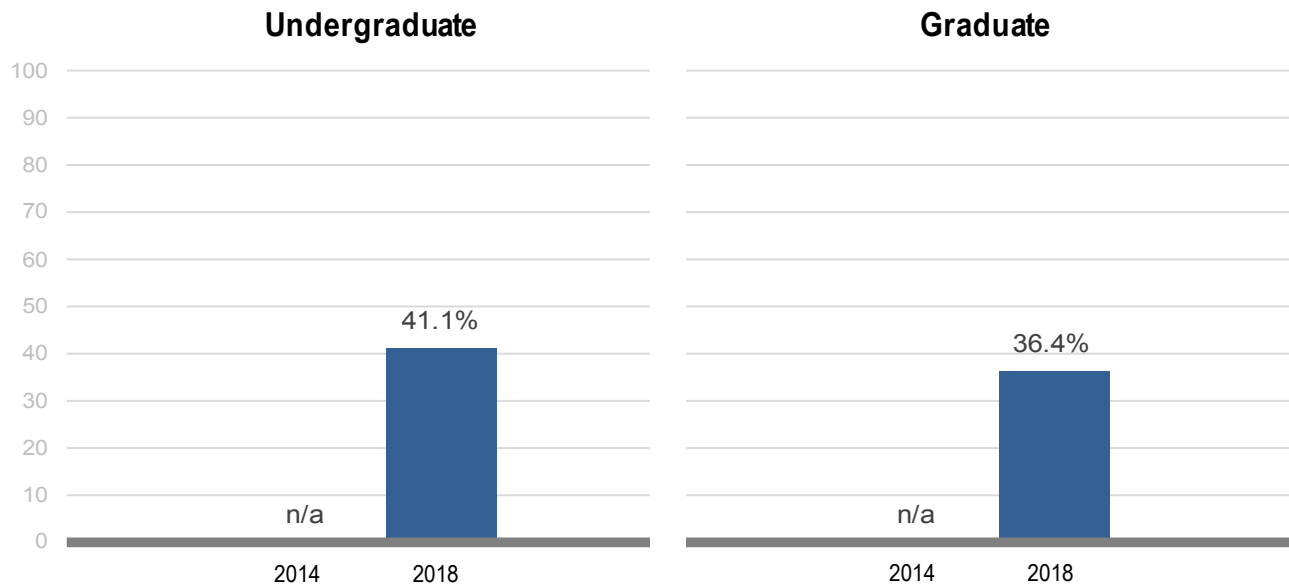


	2014			2018			Change
	Enrolled	Voted	Rate	Enrolled	Voted	Rate	
18-21	21,418	2,915	13.6%	23,982	9,718	40.5%	↑ 26.9
22-24	6,890	1,047	15.2%	7,418	2,704	36.5%	↑ 21.3
25-29	5,099	1,009	19.8%	4,850	1,727	35.6%	↑ 15.8
30-39	3,109	870	28.0%	3,014	1,348	44.7%	↑ 16.7
40-49	744	311	41.8%	739	409	55.4%	↑ 13.6
50+	437	281	64.3%	390	295	75.6%	↑ 11.3
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.

YOUR STUDENTS' VOTING DATA | MIDTERM ELECTIONS

By Education Level*

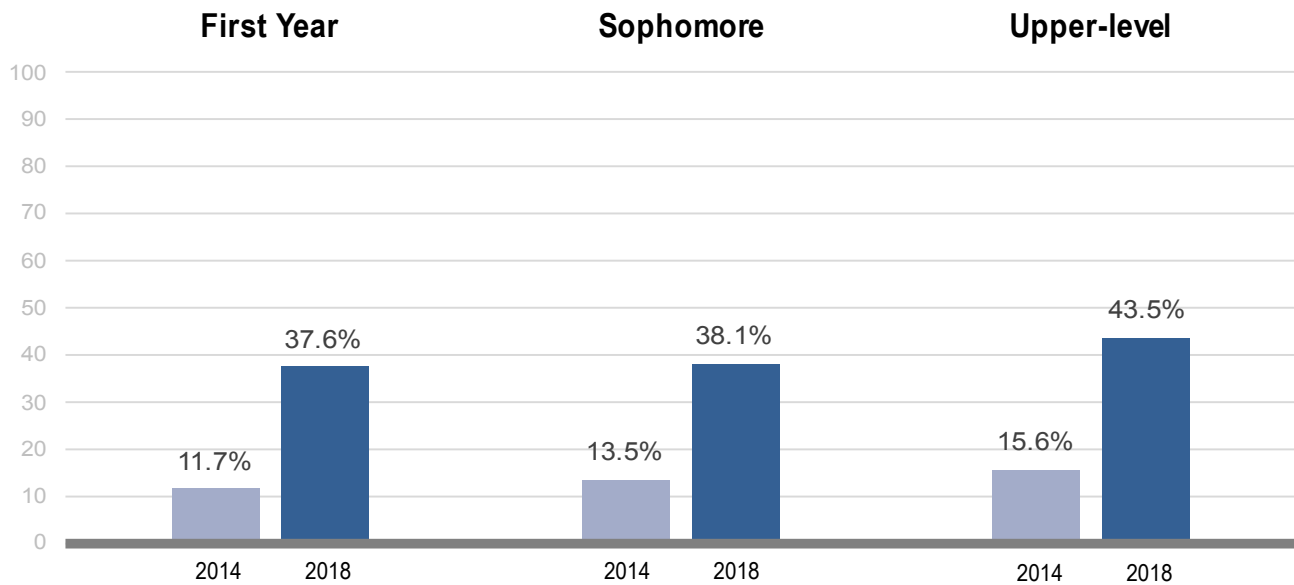


	2014			2018			Change
	Enrolled	Voted	Rate	Enrolled	Voted	Rate	
Undergraduate	0	0	n/a	30,184	12,407	41.1%	n/a
Graduate	0	0	n/a	9,974	3,627	36.4%	n/a
Unknown	37,697			235			

* 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*

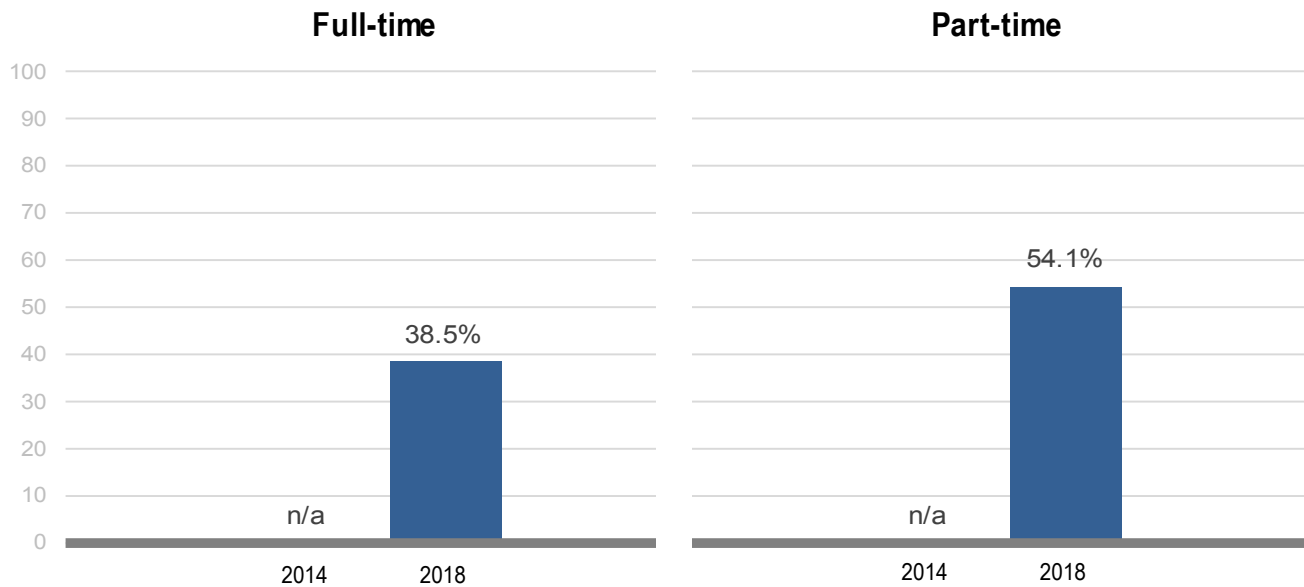


	2014			2018			Change	
	Enrolled	Voted	Rate	Enrolled	Voted	Rate		
First Year	3,981	466	11.7%	4,385	1,648	37.6%	↑	25.9
Sophomore	6,284	850	13.5%	6,600	2,517	38.1%	↑	24.6
Upper-level	15,527	2,419	15.6%	17,252	7,510	43.5%	↑	28.0

* 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*

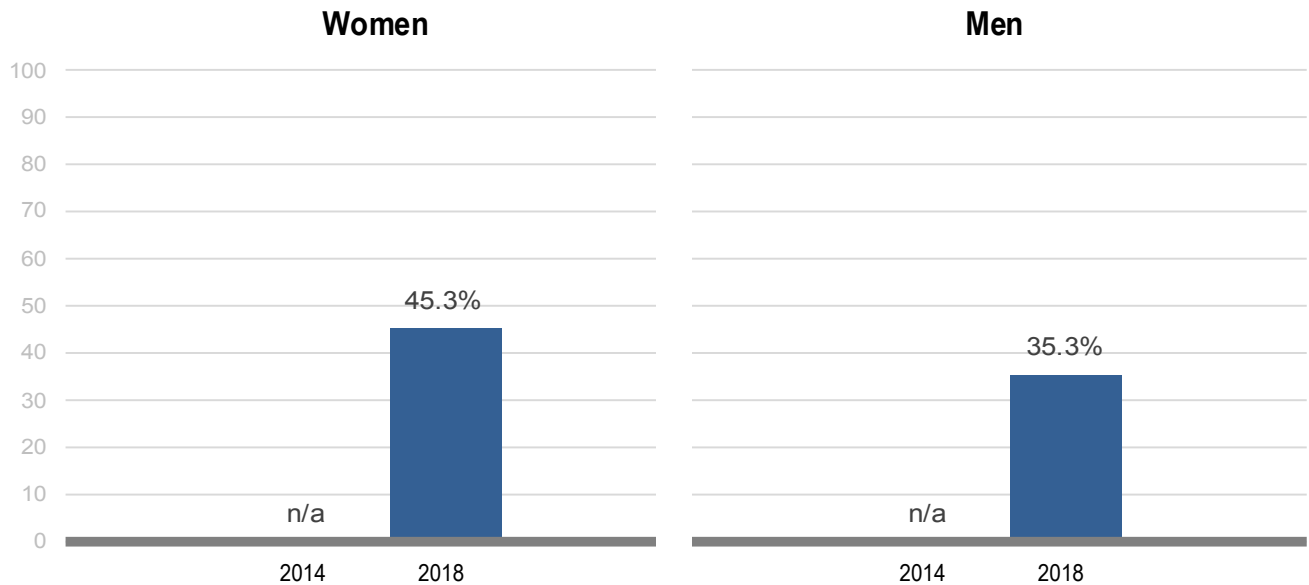


	2014			2018			Change
	Enrolled	Voted	Rate	Enrolled	Voted	Rate	
Full-time	0	0	n/a	36,174	13,917	38.5%	n/a
Part-time	0	0	n/a	4,219	2,284	54.1%	n/a
Unknown	0	0	n/a	0	0	n/a	

* 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.

YOUR STUDENTS' VOTING DATA | MIDTERM ELECTIONS

By Gender*

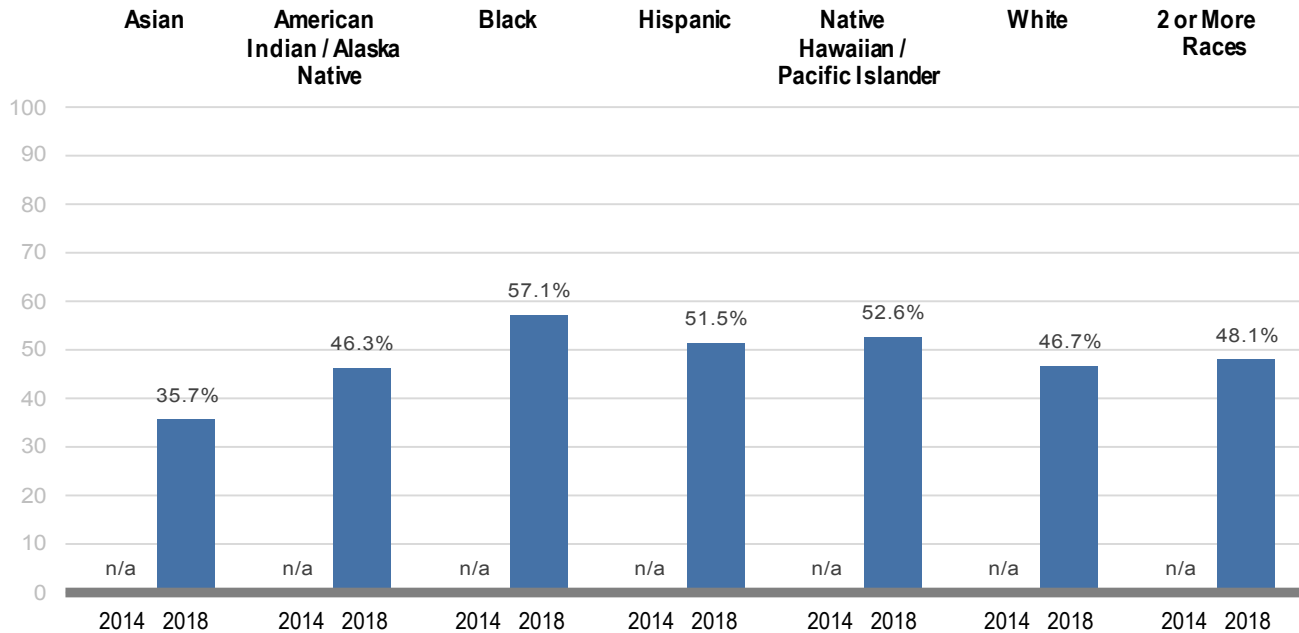


	2014			2018			
	Enrolled	Voted	Rate	Enrolled	Voted	Rate	Change
Women	0	0	n/a	17,262	7,823	45.3%	n/a
Men	0	0	n/a	19,122	6,744	35.3%	n/a
Unknown	37,697			4,009			

* 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.

YOUR STUDENTS' VOTING DATA | MIDTERM ELECTIONS

By Race/Ethnicity*



	2014			2018			Change
	Enrolled	Voted	Rate	Enrolled	Voted	Rate	
Asian	0	0	n/a	4,678	1,670	35.7%	n/a
American Indian/ Alaska Native	0	0	n/a	41	19	46.3%	n/a
Black	0	0	n/a	3,467	1,981	57.1%	n/a
Hispanic	0	0	n/a	2,809	1,446	51.5%	n/a
Native Hawaiian/ Pacific Islander	0	0	n/a	19	10	52.6%	n/a
White	0	0	n/a	17,064	7,962	46.7%	n/a
2 or More Races	0	0	n/a	1,386	666	48.1%	n/a
Unknown	37,697			10,929			

* 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.

YOUR STUDENTS' VOTING DATA | MIDTERM ELECTIONS

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			Change
	Enrolled	Voted	Rate	Enrolled	Voted	Rate	
Agriculture and Agriculture Operations	893	142	15.9%	846	329	38.9% ↑	23.0
Architecture	332	40	12.1%	536	224	41.8% ↑	29.7
Area, Ethnic, Cultural, Gender, and Group Studies	194	45	23.2%	171	83	48.5% ↑	25.3
Biological and Biomedical Sciences	2,546	373	14.7%	2,558	1,163	45.5% ↑	30.8
Business, Management, and Marketing	4,482	548	12.2%	4,498	1,473	32.8% ↑	20.5
Communication and Journalism	1,364	235	17.2%	1,311	615	46.9% ↑	29.7
Computer and Information Sciences	2,271	282	12.4%	4,668	1,467	31.4% ↑	19.0
Education	2,105	565	26.8%	1,271	715	56.3% ↑	29.4
Engineering and Engineering Technologies	5,894	815	13.8%	6,363	2,160	34.0% ↑	20.1
English Language and Literature	529	128	24.2%	469	257	54.8% ↑	30.6
Family and Consumer/Human Sciences	368	75	20.4%	282	137	48.6% ↑	28.2
Foreign Languages, Literatures, and Linguistics	497	103	20.7%	394	191	48.5% ↑	27.8
Health Professions	648	114	17.6%	1,977	950	48.1% ↑	30.5
History	411	130	31.6%	283	172	60.8% ↑	29.2
Library Science	292	140	48.0%	270	200	74.1% ↑	26.1
Mathematics and Statistics	650	103	15.9%	857	257	30.0% ↑	14.1
Multi/Interdisciplinary Studies	5,763	975	16.9%	5,485	2,113	38.5% ↑	21.6
Natural Resources and Conservation	319	69	21.6%	307	167	54.4% ↑	32.8
Parks, Recreation, Leisure, and Fitness Studies	968	112	11.6%	829	313	37.8% ↑	26.2
Philosophy and Religious Studies	135	24	17.8%	102	44	43.1% ↑	25.4
Physical Sciences	1,071	157	14.7%	1,154	417	36.1% ↑	21.5
Psychology	1,103	153	13.9%	941	444	47.2% ↑	33.3
Public Administration and Social Service Professions	340	143	42.1%	439	258	58.8% ↑	16.7

Social Sciences	3,672	789	21.5%	3,587	1,654	46.1% ↑	24.6
Visual and Performing Arts	839	171	20.4%	787	394	50.1% ↑	29.7
Unknown	11	*	n/a	*	*	n/a	n/a

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: <https://idhe.tufts.edu>.

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