

2012 & 2016 CAMPUS REPORT

Student Voting Rates for
University of Minnesota-
Twin Cities

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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,
IDHE Team



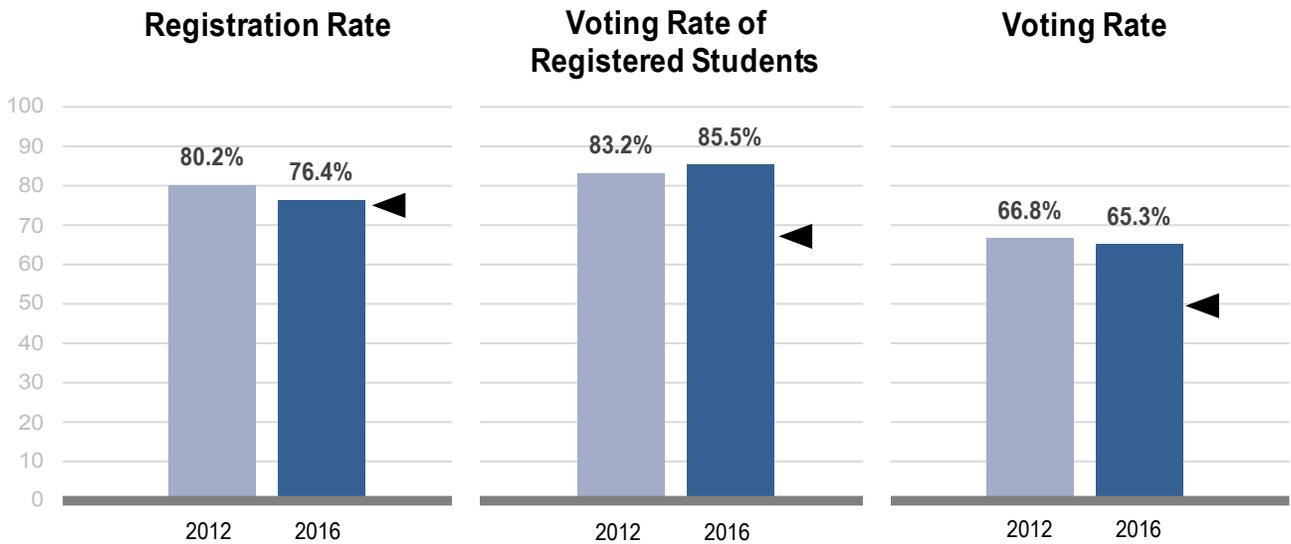
YOUR STUDENTS' VOTING DATA | PRESIDENTIAL ELECTIONS

Voting and Registration Rates

2016 Voting Rate
65.3%

CHANGE FROM 2012
-1.5

2016 VOTING RATE FOR ALL INSTITUTIONS
50.4%



◀ All Institutions, 2016

	2012	2016	Change
Total student enrollment	46,782	56,358	↑ 9,576
Age under 18/Unknown	(2,008)	(7,572)	
IPEDS estimated non-resident aliens	(4,108)	(6,839)	
FERPA records blocked	(11,008)	(2,682)	
Total eligible voters	29,658	39,265	↑ 9,607
Number of students who registered	23,782	30,004	↑ 6,222
Number of students who voted	19,797	25,640	↑ 5,843
Registration rate	80.2%	76.4%	↓ -3.8
Voting rate of registered students	83.2%	85.5%	↑ 2.2
Voting rate	66.8%	65.3%	↓ -1.5
Difference from all institutions	+19.9	+14.9	

HOW YOUR NUMBERS COMPARE | PRESIDENTIAL ELECTIONS

By Carnegie Classification

2012 Voting Rate for All Institutions
46.9%

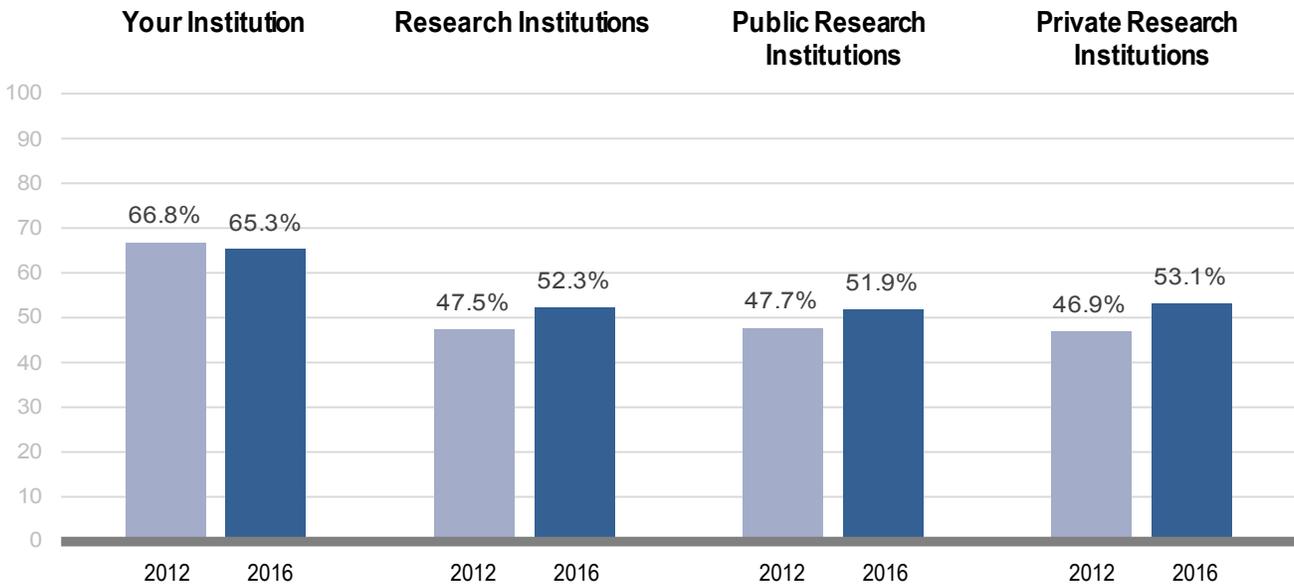
HIGH 72.9%
 LOW 19.3%

2016 Voting Rate for All Institutions
50.4%

HIGH 81.4%
 LOW 13.1%

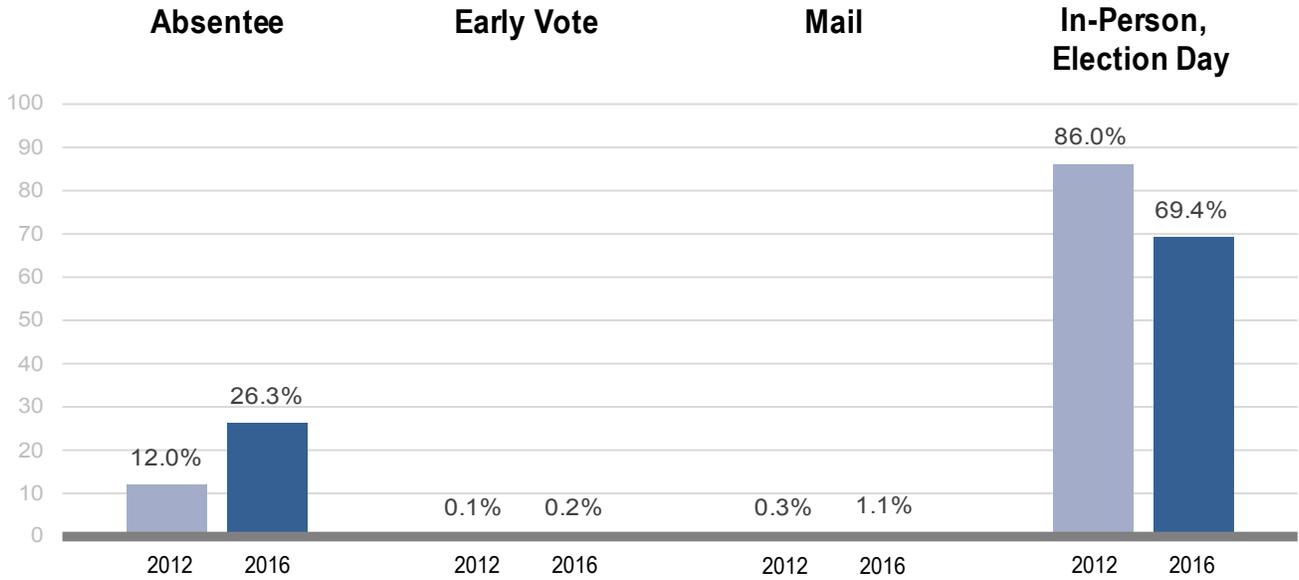
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By Voting Method*

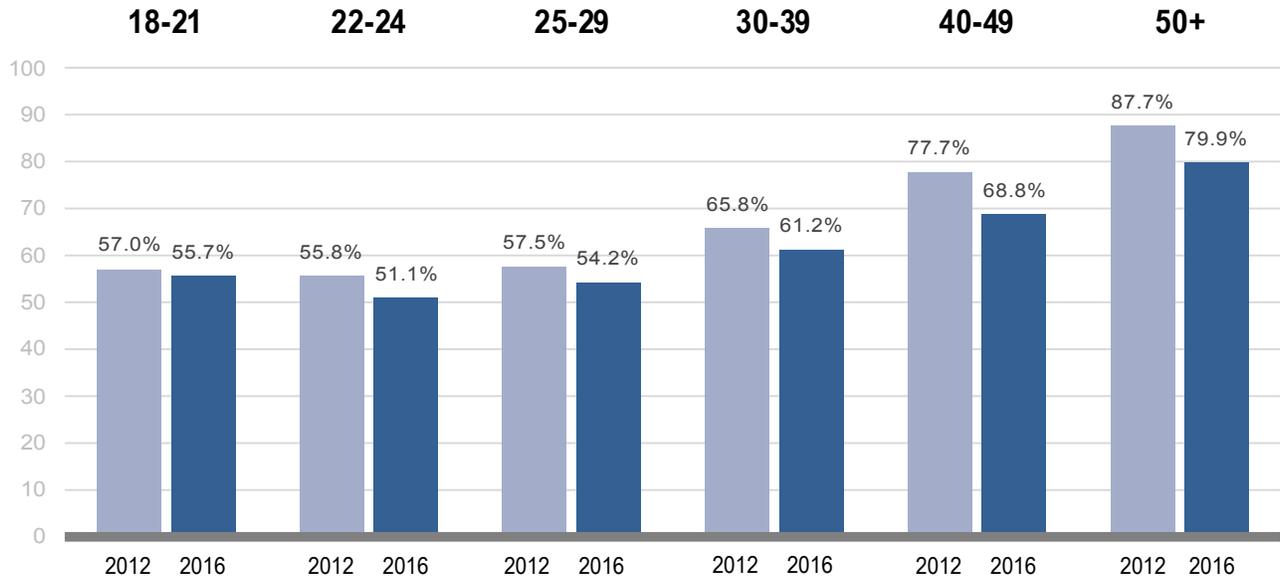


	2012		2016		Change	
	Voted	Rate	Voted	Rate		
Absentee	2,376	12.0%	6,738	26.3%	↑	14.3
Early Vote	20	0.1%	38	0.2%	→	0.1
Mail	66	0.3%	281	1.1%	↑	0.8
In-Person, Election Day	17,031	86.0%	17,782	69.4%	↓	-16.7
Unknown	304	1.5%	801	3.1%		
Total	19,797		25,640			

* 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*

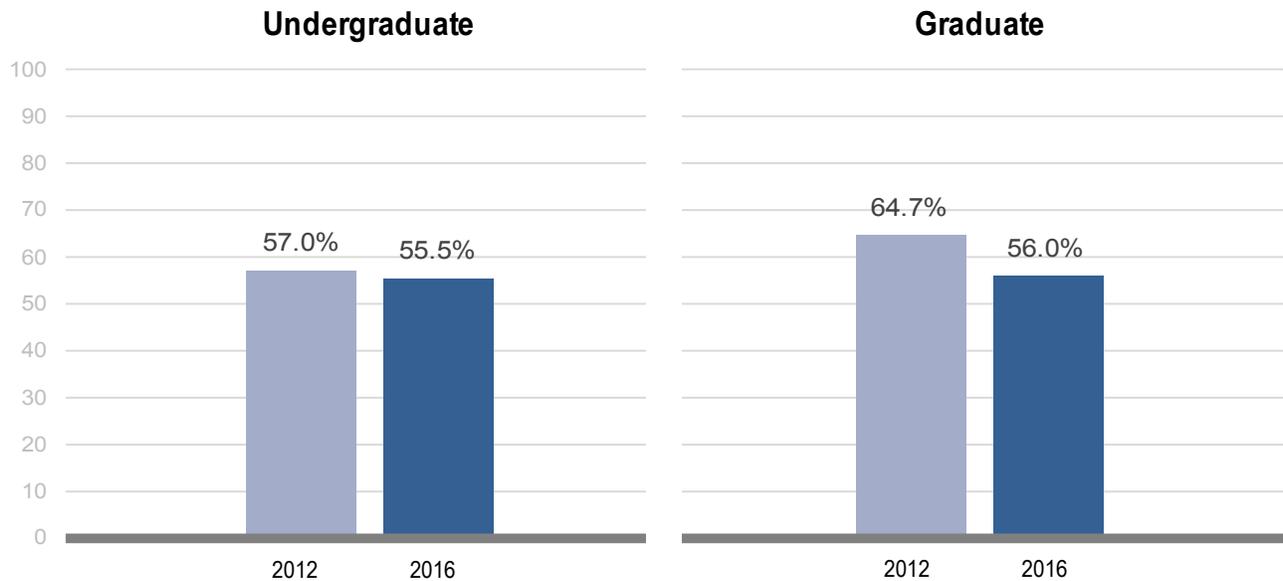


	2012			2016			Change
	Enrolled	Voted	Rate	Enrolled	Voted	Rate	
18-21	17,772	10,132	57.0%	25,059	13,952	55.7%	↓ -1.3
22-24	6,777	3,778	55.8%	8,691	4,437	51.1%	↓ -4.7
25-29	4,789	2,754	57.5%	6,951	3,770	54.2%	↓ -3.3
30-39	3,029	1,993	65.8%	3,901	2,387	61.2%	↓ -4.6
40-49	864	671	77.7%	955	657	68.8%	↓ -8.9
50+	535	469	87.7%	547	437	79.9%	↓ -7.8
Unknown	14			26			

* 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*

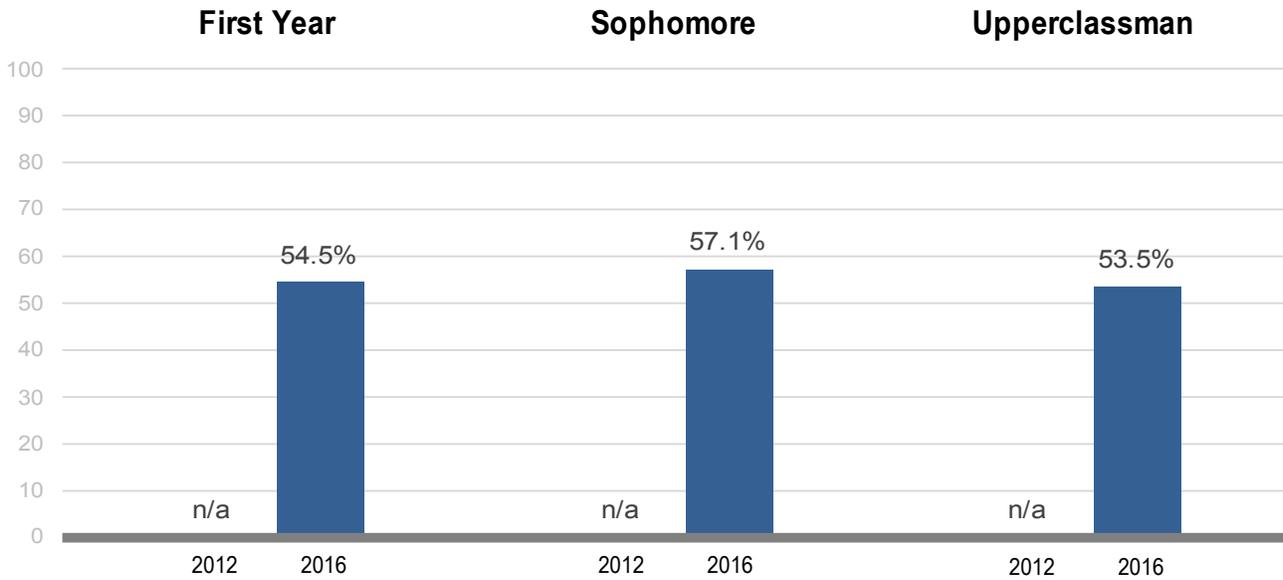


	2012			2016			Change
	Enrolled	Voted	Rate	Enrolled	Voted	Rate	
Undergraduate	5,093	2,905	57.0%	33,051	18,335	55.5%	↓ -1.6
Graduate	102	66	64.7%	13,049	7,305	56.0%	↓ -8.7
Unknown	28,571			*			

* 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*

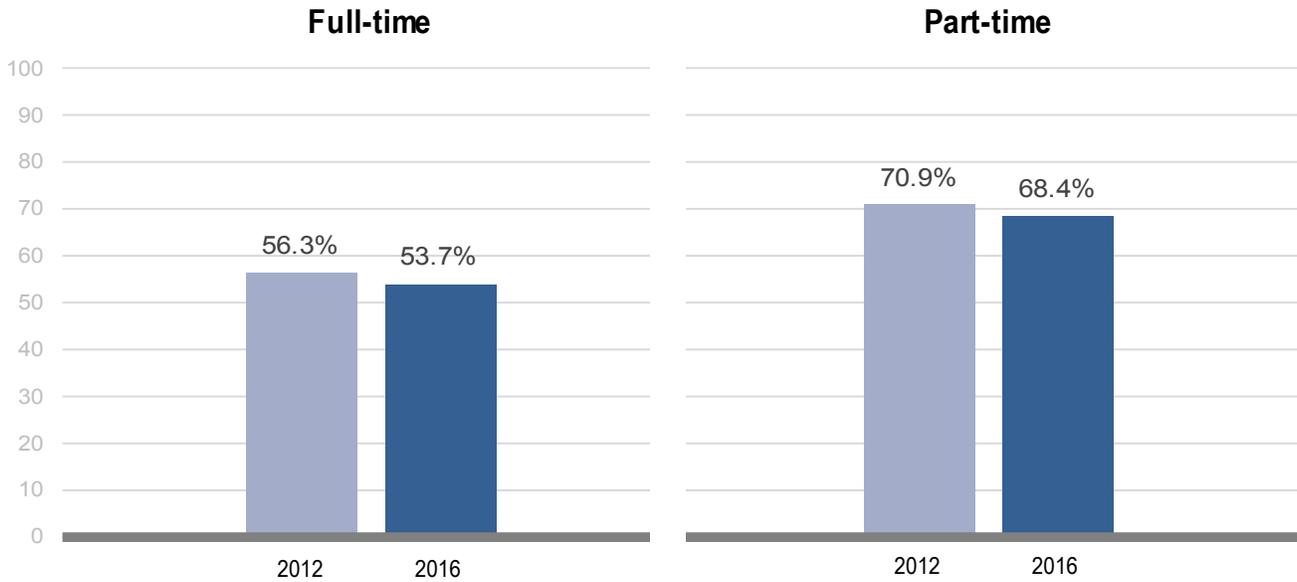


	2012			2016			Change
	Enrolled	Voted	Rate	Enrolled	Voted	Rate	
First Year	0	0	n/a	3,429	1,869	54.5%	n/a
Sophomore	0	0	n/a	6,286	3,587	57.1%	n/a
Upperclassman	0	0	n/a	20,481	10,966	53.5%	n/a

* 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*

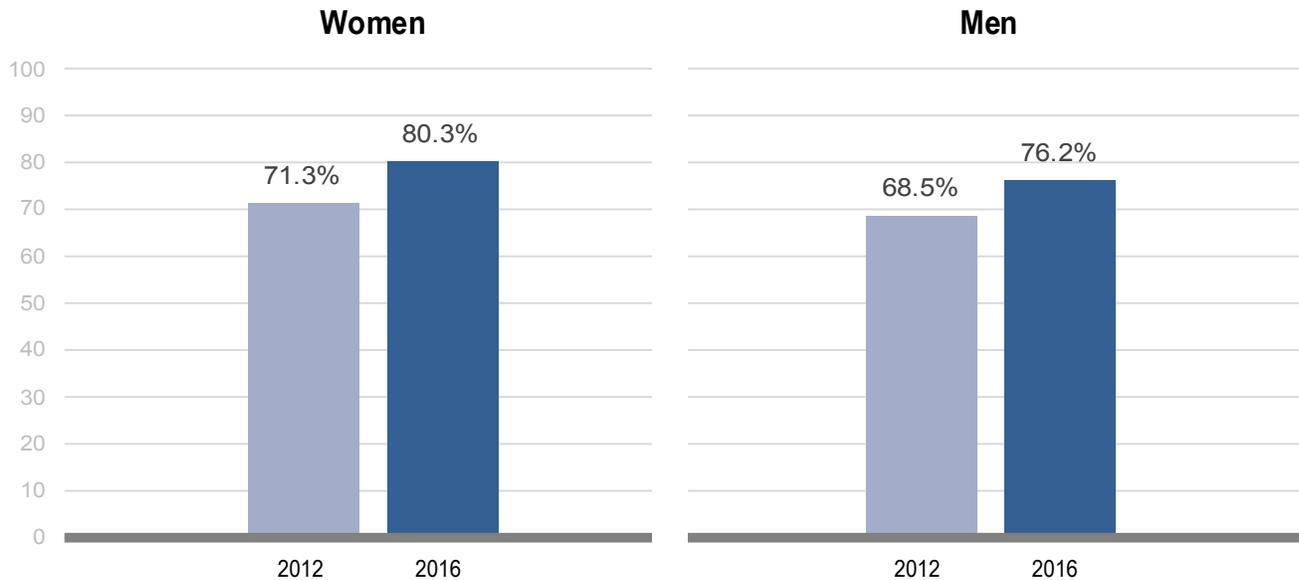


	2012			2016			Change
	Enrolled	Voted	Rate	Enrolled	Voted	Rate	
Full-time	28,452	16,028	56.3%	40,214	21,613	53.7%	↓ -2.6
Part-time	5,312	3,768	70.9%	5,885	4,024	68.4%	↓ -2.6
Unknown	0	0	n/a	0	0	n/a	

* 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	13,466	9,605	71.3%	16,193	12,995	80.3%	↑	8.9
Men	13,798	9,454	68.5%	14,889	11,338	76.2%	↑	7.6
Unknown	6,502	738	11.4%	15,022	1,307	8.7%		

* 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	
Agriculture and Agriculture Operations	139	77	55.4%	1,016	579	57.0% ↑	1.6
Architecture	115	59	51.3%	660	337	51.1% ↓	-0.2
Area, Ethnic, Cultural, Gender, and Group Studies	*	*	n/a	138	89	64.5%	n/a
Basic Skills and Developmental Education	0	0	n/a	127	0	n/a	n/a
Biological and Biomedical Sciences	364	200	55.0%	3,938	2,245	57.0% ↑	2.1
Business, Management, and Marketing	455	257	56.5%	4,611	2,630	57.0% ↑	0.6
Communication and Journalism	208	132	63.5%	922	579	62.8% ↓	-0.7
Computer and Information Sciences	124	64	51.6%	1,348	557	41.3% ↓	-10.3
Construction Trades	13	*	n/a	0	0	n/a	n/a
Education	205	121	59.0%	2,896	1,733	59.8% ↑	0.8
Engineering and Engineering Technologies	548	294	53.7%	5,609	2,687	47.9% ↓	-5.7
English Language and Literature	328	194	59.2%	983	568	57.8% ↓	-1.4
Family and Consumer/Human Sciences	80	53	66.3%	358	219	61.2% ↓	-5.1
Foreign Languages, Literatures, and Linguistics	150	95	63.3%	505	292	57.8% ↓	-5.5
Health Professions	163	99	60.7%	4,909	3,042	62.0% ↑	1.2
History	96	67	69.8%	329	199	60.5% ↓	-9.3
Legal Professions and Studies	0	0	n/a	610	302	49.5%	n/a
Liberal Arts and Sciences, and Humanities	0	0	n/a	4,599	2,579	56.1%	n/a
Mathematics and Statistics	135	58	43.0%	930	327	35.2% ↓	-7.8
Multi/Interdisciplinary Studies	188	113	60.1%	3,458	2,387	69.0% ↑	8.9
Natural Resources and Conservation	95	54	56.8%	608	382	62.8% ↑	6.0
Parks, Recreation, Leisure, and Fitness Studies	205	107	52.2%	252	120	47.6% ↓	-4.6
Personal and Culinary Services	24	*	n/a	52	30	57.7%	n/a

Philosophy and Religious Studies	21	13	61.9%	96	57	59.4% ↓	-2.5
Physical Sciences	79	45	57.0%	761	335	44.0% ↓	-12.9
Psychology	369	224	60.7%	1,714	915	53.4% ↓	-7.3
Public Administration and Social Service Professions	0	0	n/a	503	404	80.3%	n/a
Science Technologies/Technicians	0	0	n/a	19	10	52.6%	n/a
Social Sciences	624	330	52.9%	2,666	1,195	44.8% ↓	-8.1
Visual and Performing Arts	220	144	65.5%	1,400	786	56.1% ↓	-9.3
Other	0	0	n/a	*	*	n/a	n/a
Unknown	28,811	16,975	58.9%	81	49	60.5% ↑	1.6

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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