

#### **SEPTEMBER 2019**

**2014 & 2018 CAMPUS REPORT** 

Student Voting Rates for The University of Tampa

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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-questio

#### **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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We appreciate hearing from you! Please email us at NSLVE@tufts.edu.

Warm regards,

**IDHE Team** 



## Voting and Registration Rates

2018 Voting Rate

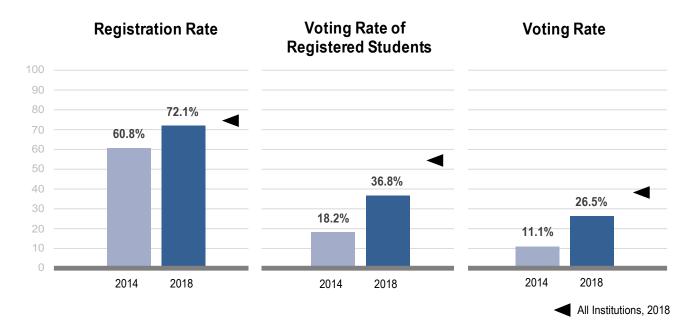
26.5%

CHANGE FROM 2014

+15.4

2018 VOTING RATE FOR ALL INSTITUTIONS

39.1%



	2014	2018	Change
Total student enrollment	7,567	9,311 1	1,744
Age under 18/Unknown IPEDS estimated non-resident aliens FERPA records blocked	(59) (902) *	(62) (1,041) 0	
Total eligible voters	6,605	8,208 1	1,603
Number of students who registered	4,015	5,916 1	1,901
Number of students who voted	731	2,175 4	1,444
Registration rate	60.8%	72.1% 1	11.3
Voting rate of registered students	18.2%	36.8% 1	18.6
Voting rate	11.1%	26.5% 1	15.4
Difference from all institutions	-8.6	-12.6	

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#### **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%

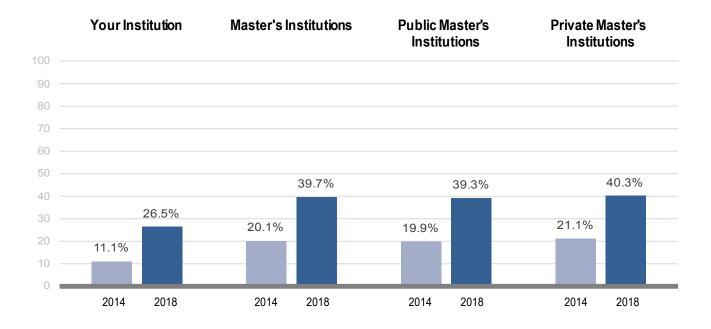
LOW 11.5%

Difference from All Institutions

-8.6

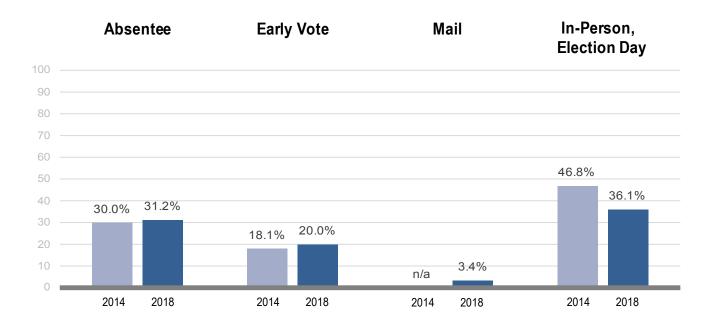
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## By Voting Method\*

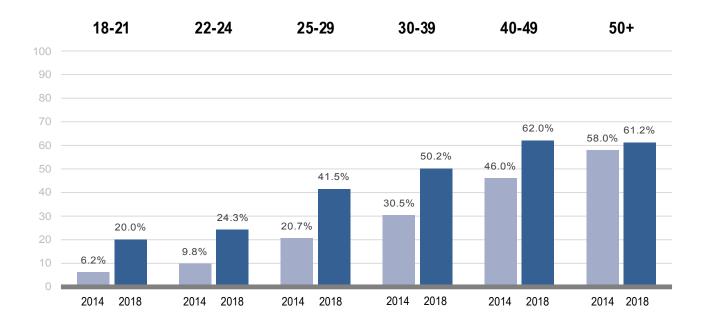


	20	20				
	Voted	Rate	Voted	Rate		Change
Absentee	219	30.0%	678	31.2%	•	1.2
Early Vote	132	18.1%	435	20.0%	1	1.9
Mail	*	n/a	74	3.4%		n/a
In-Person, Election Day	342	46.8%	785	36.1%	1	-10.7
Unknown	31	4.2%	203	9.3%		
Total	731		2,175			

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<sup>\*</sup> 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 officals where your students voted.

## By Age Group\*

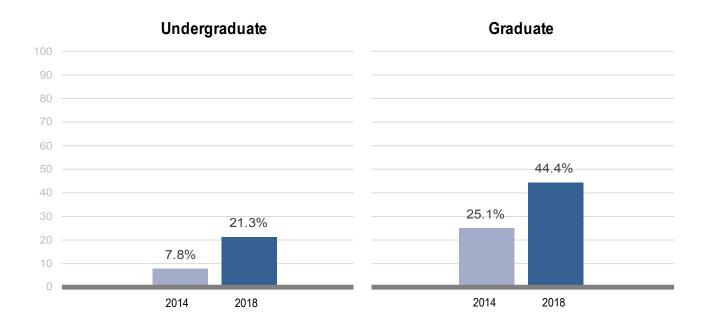


	2014			2018				
	Enrolled	Voted	Rate	Enrolled	Voted	Rate		Change
18-21	5,386	331	6.2%	7,003	1,399	20.0%	•	13.8
22-24	1,102	108	9.8%	1,278	311	24.3%	•	14.5
25-29	531	110	20.7%	467	194	41.5%	•	20.8
30-39	312	95	30.5%	331	166	50.2%	•	19.7
40-49	126	58	46.0%	121	75	62.0%	•	16.0
50+	50	29	58.0%	49	30	61.2%	•	3.2
Unknown	0			*				

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<sup>\*</sup> 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.

## By Education Level\*

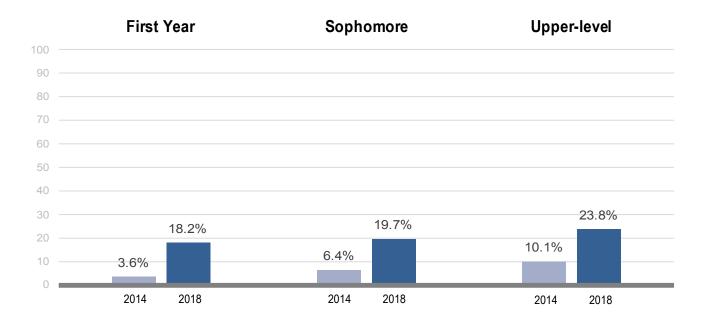


	2014				2018			
	Enrolled	Voted	Rate	Enrolled	Voted	Rate		Change
Undergraduate	6,662	521	7.8%	8,359	1,783	21.3%	1	13.5
Graduate	809	203	25.1%	867	385	44.4%	1	19.3
Unknown	36			23				

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<sup>\*</sup> 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.

# By Undergraduate Class Year\*

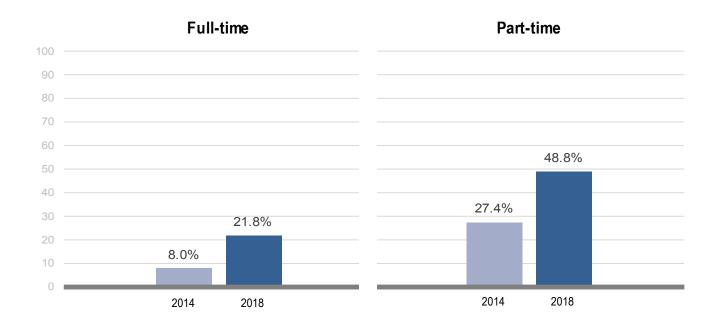


	2014				2018			
	Enrolled	Voted	Rate	Enrolled	Voted	Rate		Change
First Year	1,678	61	3.6%	2,217	404	18.2%	•	14.6
Sophomore	1,584	101	6.4%	2,203	434	19.7%	•	13.3
Upper-level	3,338	337	10.1%	3,917	933	23.8%	•	13.7

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<sup>\*</sup> 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.

## By Enrollment Status\*

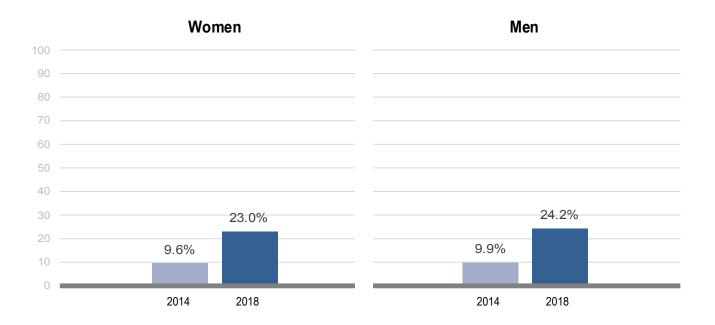


	2014				2018			
	Enrolled	Voted	Rate	Enrolled	Voted	Rate		Change
Full-time	6,828	545	8.0%	8,655	1,885	21.8%	•	13.8
Part-time	679	186	27.4%	594	290	48.8%	•	21.4
Unknown	0	0	n/a	0	0	n/a		

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<sup>\*</sup> 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.

## By Gender\*

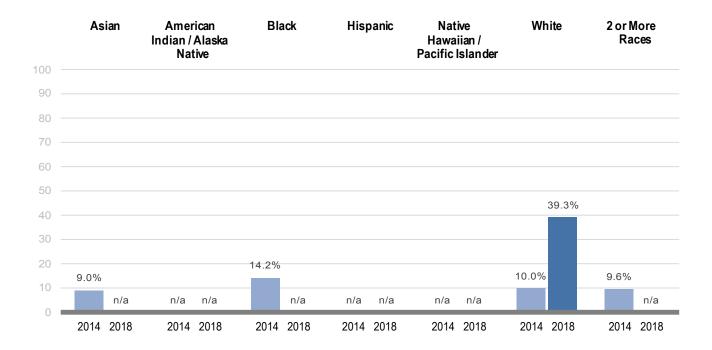


		2014			2018			
	Enrolled	Voted	Rate	Enrolled	Voted	Rate		Change
Women	4,195	404	9.6%	5,383	1,240	23.0%	1	13.4
Men	3,312	327	9.9%	3,866	935	24.2%	•	14.3
Unknown	0			0				

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<sup>\*</sup> 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.

# By Race/Ethnicity\*



	2014				2018				
	Enrolled	Voted	Rate	Enrolled	Voted	Rate	Change		
Asian	122	11	9.0%	0	0	n/a	n/a		
American Indian/ Alaska Native	12	*	n/a	0	0	n/a	n/a		
Black	387	55	14.2%	0	0	n/a	n/a		
Hispanic	*	0	n/a	0	0	n/a	n/a		
Native Hawaiian/ Pacific Islander	*	0	n/a	0	0	n/a	n/a		
White	4,318	433	10.0%	28	11	39.3%	<b>1</b> 29.3		
2 or More Races	178	17	9.6%	0	0	n/a	n/a		
Unknown	2,481	,	1	9,221			,		

<sup>\*</sup> 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.

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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.

		2014			2018		
	Enrolled	Voted	Rate	Enrolled	Voted	Rate	Change
Biological and Biomedical Sciences	535	25	4.7%	947	187	19.8% 🛖	15.1
Business, Management, and Marketing	2,513	246	9.8%	2,948	638	21.6% 👚	11.9
Communication and Journalism	619	51	8.2%	589	140	23.8% 👚	15.5
Communications Technologies/Technicians	0	0	n/a	17	*	n/a	n/a
Computer and Information Sciences	103	17	16.5%	301	74	24.6% 🁚	8.1
Education	321	41	12.8%	326	102	31.3% 🁚	18.5
English Language and Literature	97	10	10.3%	127	58	45.7% 👚	35.4
Foreign Languages, Literatures, and Linguistics	*	0	n/a	15	*	n/a	n/a
Health Professions	993	115	11.6%	1,182	268	22.7% 👚	11.1
History	47	13	27.7%	52	19	36.5% 👚	8.9
Law Enforcement, Firefighting, and Protective Services	62	*	n/a	132	24	18.2%	n/a
Legal Professions and Studies	23	*	n/a	0	0	n/a	n/a
Liberal Arts and Sciences, and Humanities	222	11	5.0%	340	71	20.9% 🎓	15.9
Mathematics and Statistics	29	*	n/a	28	*	n/a	n/a
Multi/Interdisciplinary Studies	77	*	n/a	76	20	26.3%	n/a
Natural Resources and Conservation	44	*	n/a	66	24	36.4%	n/a
Parks, Recreation, Leisure, and Fitness Studies	401	35	8.7%	480	91	19.0% 👚	10.2
Philosophy and Religious Studies	3 22	0	n/a	19	12	63.2%	n/a
Physical Sciences	45	*	n/a	71	16	22.5%	n/a
Psychology	304	25	8.2%	370	74	20.0% 👚	11.8
Social Sciences	619	73	11.8%	760	209	27.5% 👚	15.7
Visual and Performing Arts	417	43	10.3%	379	127	33.5% 👚	23.2
Unknown	*	*	n/a	24	*	n/a	n/a

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