

## **2014 & 2018 CAMPUS REPORT**

# Student Voting Rates for The University of Texas at Arlington

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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.

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Warm regards,

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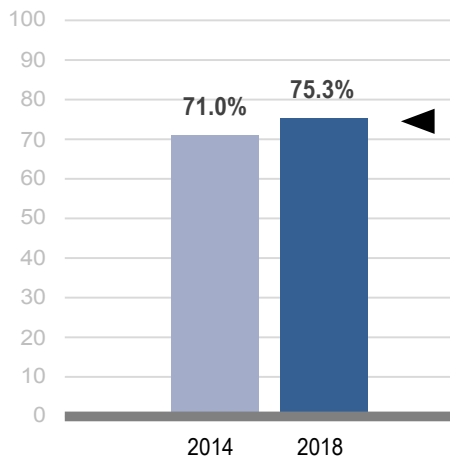
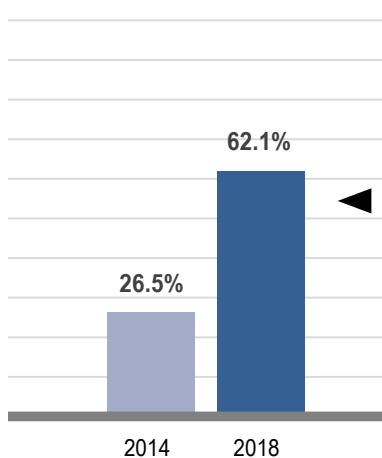
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## Voting and Registration Rates

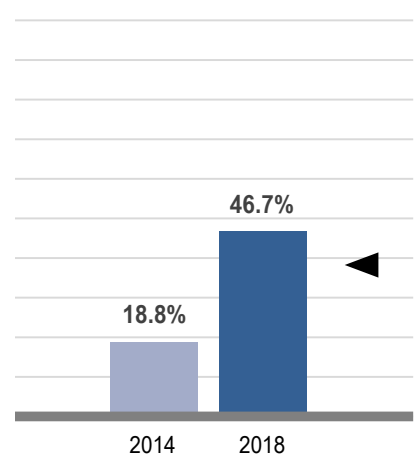
2018 Voting Rate

**46.7%**CHANGE  
FROM 2014**+27.9**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	40,500	47,792	↑ 7,292
Age under 18/Unknown	(167)	(311)	
IPEDS estimated non-resident aliens	(4,030)	(4,755)	
FERPA records blocked	(4,096)	(2,242)	
Total eligible voters	32,207	40,484	↑ 8,277
Number of students who registered	22,855	30,480	↑ 7,625
Number of students who voted	6,052	18,920	↑ 12,868
Registration rate	71.0%	75.3%	↑ 4.3
Voting rate of registered students	26.5%	62.1%	↑ 35.6
Voting rate	18.8%	46.7%	↑ 27.9
Difference from all institutions	-0.9	+7.6	

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

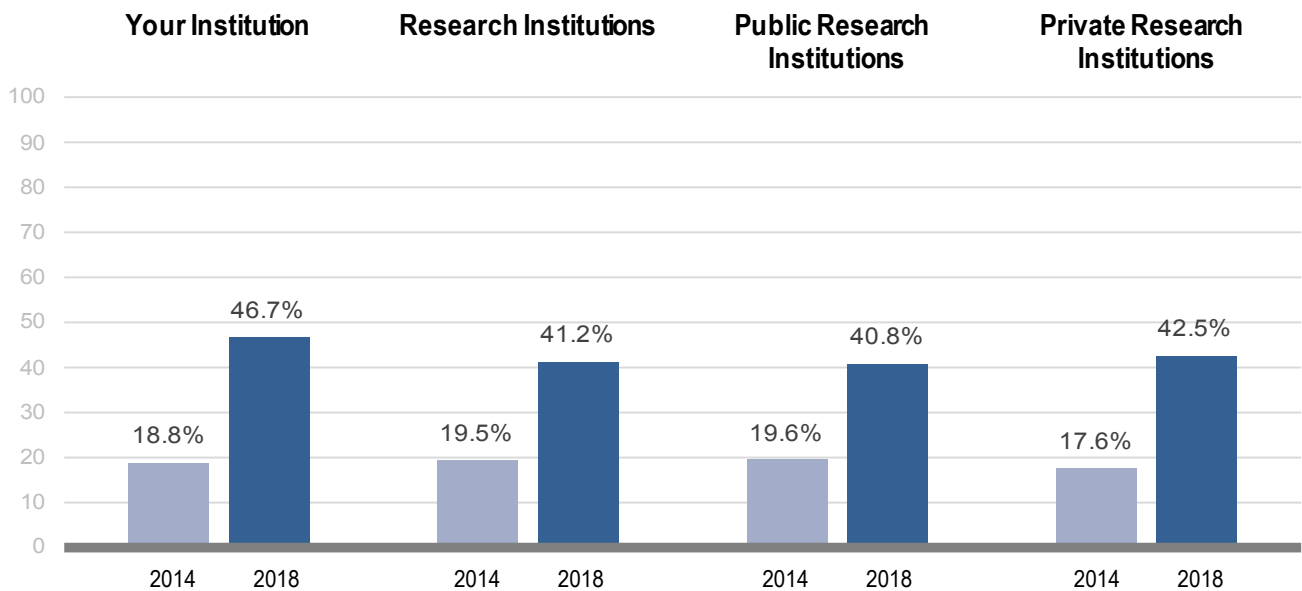
**39.1%**

HIGH  
64.1%

LOW  
11.5%

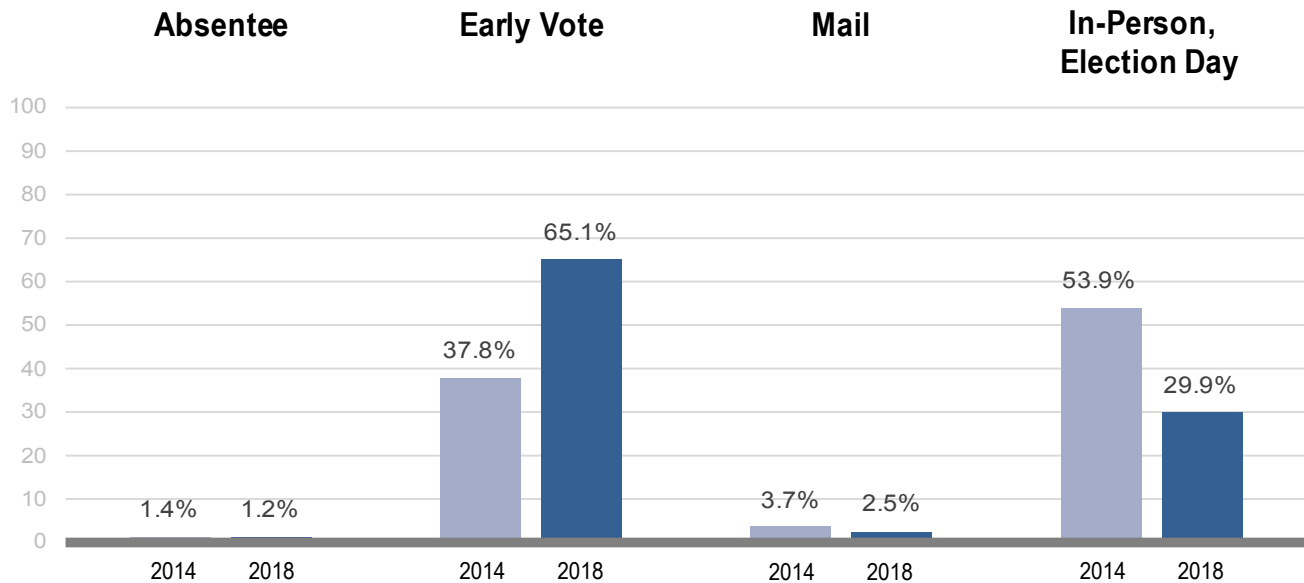
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## YOUR STUDENTS' VOTING DATA | MIDTERM ELECTIONS

## By Voting Method\*

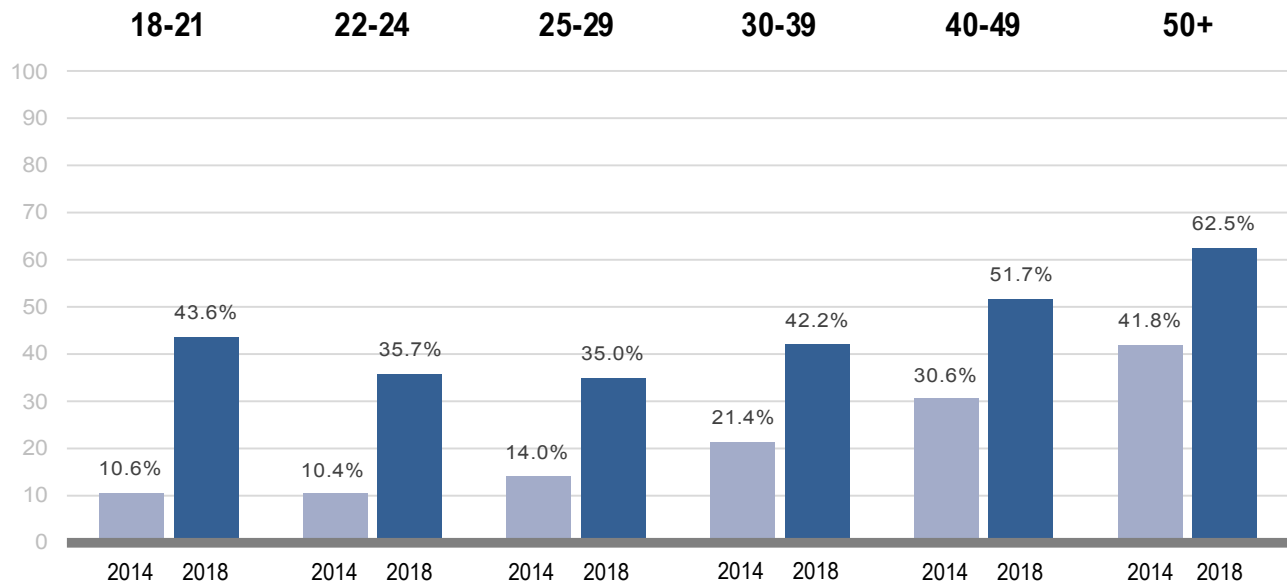


	2014		2018		Change	
	Voted	Rate	Voted	Rate		
Absentee	82	1.4%	229	1.2%	↓	-0.1
Early Vote	2,285	37.8%	12,320	65.1%	↑	27.4
Mail	225	3.7%	479	2.5%	↓	-1.2
In-Person, Election Day	3,260	53.9%	5,661	29.9%	↓	-24.0
Unknown	200	3.3%	231	1.2%		
<b>Total</b>	<b>6,052</b>		<b>18,920</b>			

\* 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\*

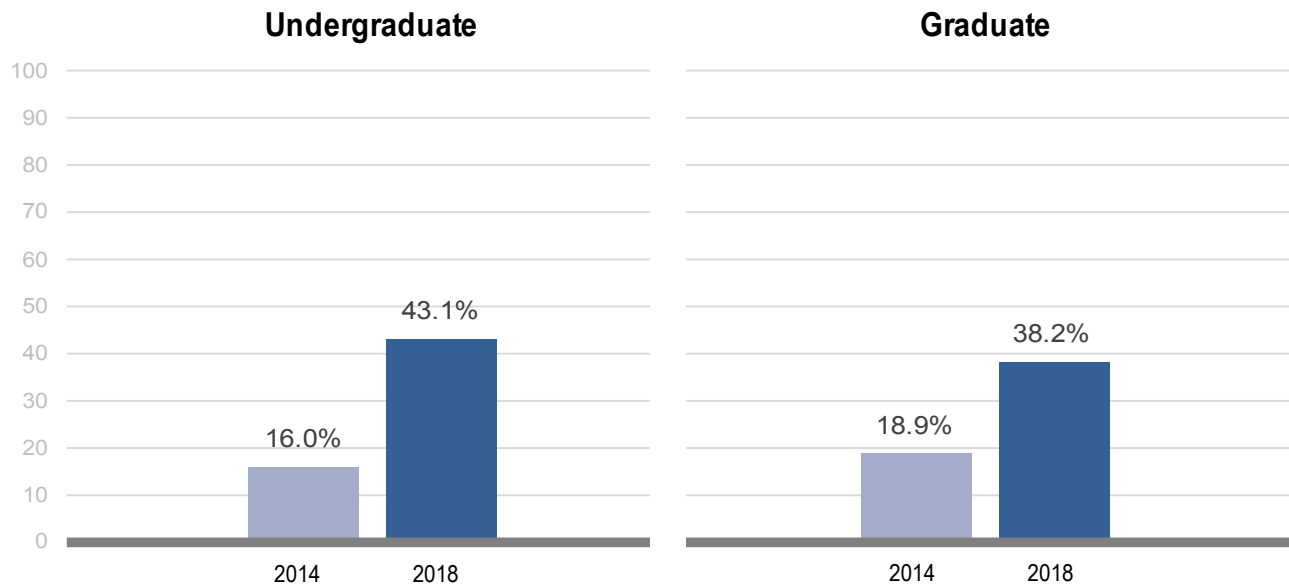


	2014			2018			Change	
	Enrolled	Voted	Rate	Enrolled	Voted	Rate		
18-21	9,513	1,004	10.6%	11,828	5,161	43.6%	↑	33.1
22-24	7,521	785	10.4%	8,574	3,060	35.7%	↑	25.3
25-29	6,815	956	14.0%	8,622	3,013	35.0%	↑	20.9
30-39	7,131	1,527	21.4%	9,465	3,991	42.2%	↑	20.8
40-49	3,706	1,132	30.6%	4,831	2,496	51.7%	↑	21.1
50+	1,551	648	41.8%	1,919	1,199	62.5%	↑	20.7
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.

## YOUR STUDENTS' VOTING DATA | MIDTERM ELECTIONS

## By Education Level\*

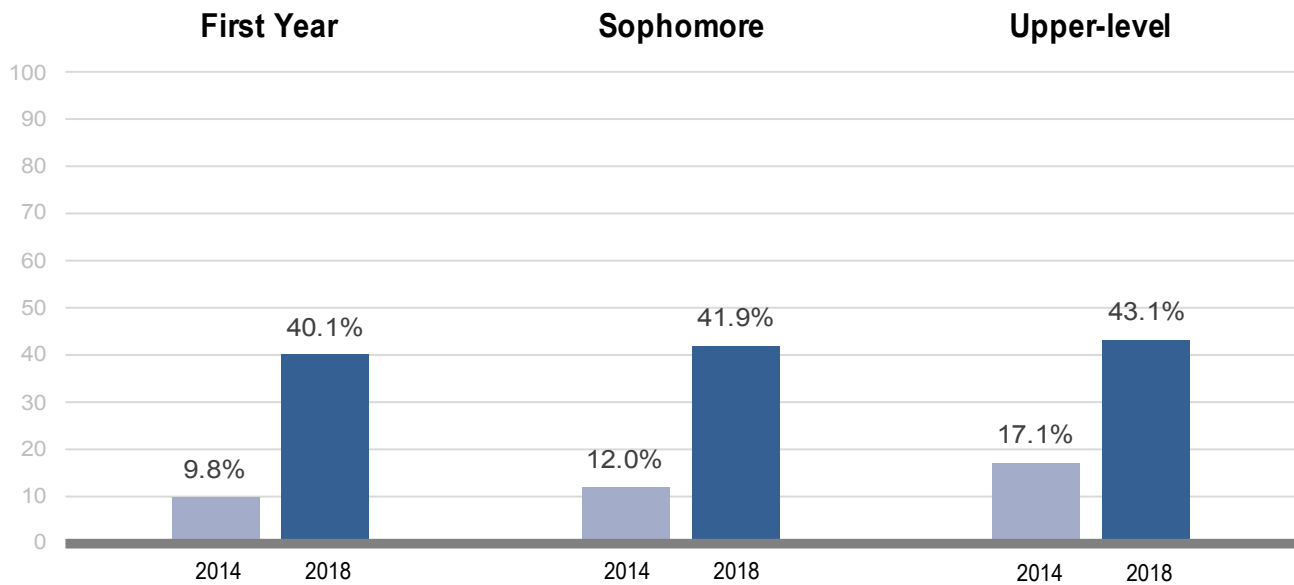


	2014			2018				
	Enrolled	Voted	Rate	Enrolled	Voted	Rate	Change	
Undergraduate	27,560	4,396	16.0%	32,593	14,040	43.1%	↑	27.1
Graduate	8,470	1,599	18.9%	12,255	4,675	38.2%	↑	19.3
Unknown	207			391				

\* 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\*



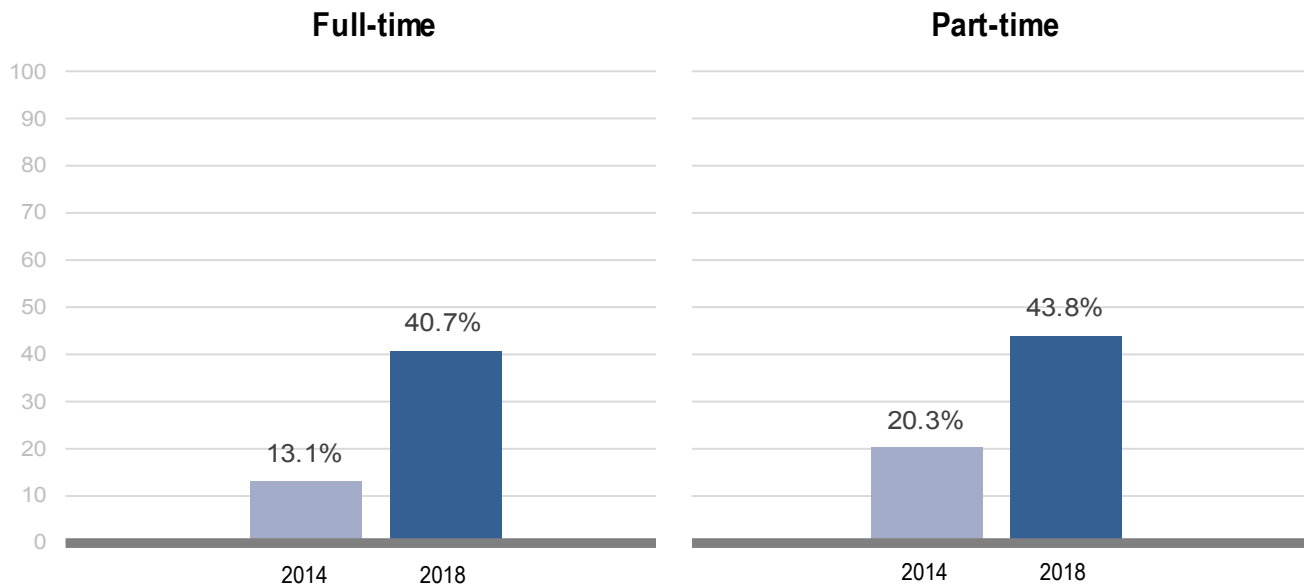
	2014			2018			Change	
	Enrolled	Voted	Rate	Enrolled	Voted	Rate		
First Year	3,547	349	9.8%	3,831	1,537	40.1%	↑	30.3
Sophomore	3,918	469	12.0%	4,717	1,978	41.9%	↑	30.0
Upper-level	18,325	3,137	17.1%	21,349	9,197	43.1%	↑	26.0

\* 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\*

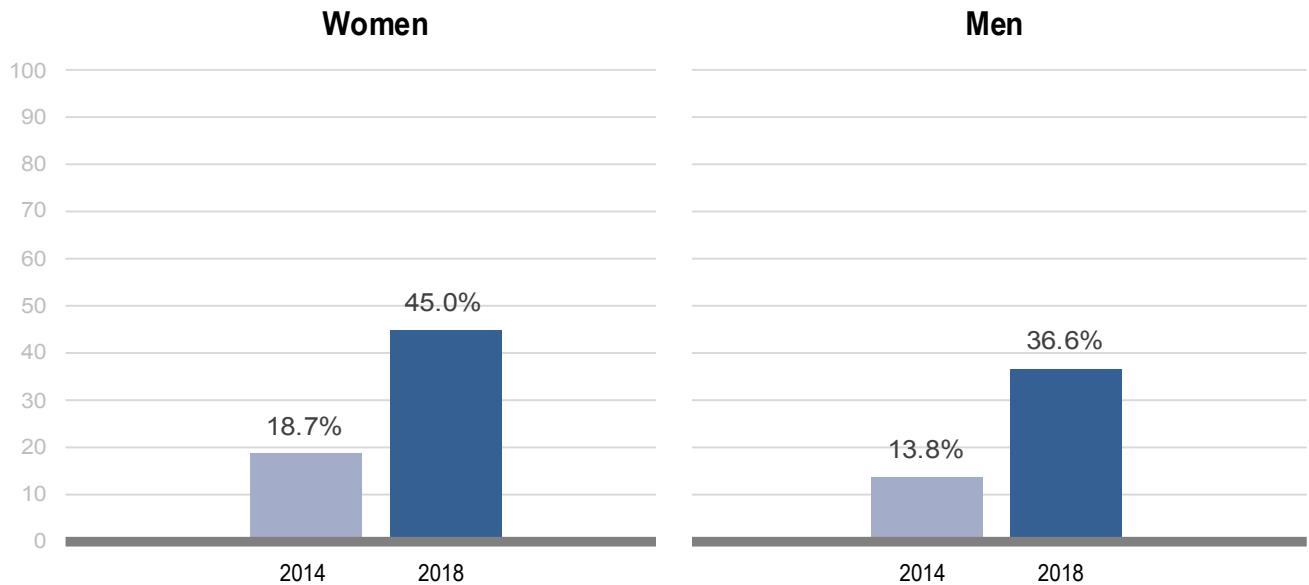


	2014			2018			Change	
	Enrolled	Voted	Rate	Enrolled	Voted	Rate		
Full-time	18,114	2,376	13.1%	29,009	11,807	40.7%	↑	27.6
Part-time	18,123	3,676	20.3%	16,230	7,113	43.8%	↑	23.6
Unknown	0	0	n/a	0	0	n/a		

\* 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.

## YOUR STUDENTS' VOTING DATA | MIDTERM ELECTIONS

## By Gender\*

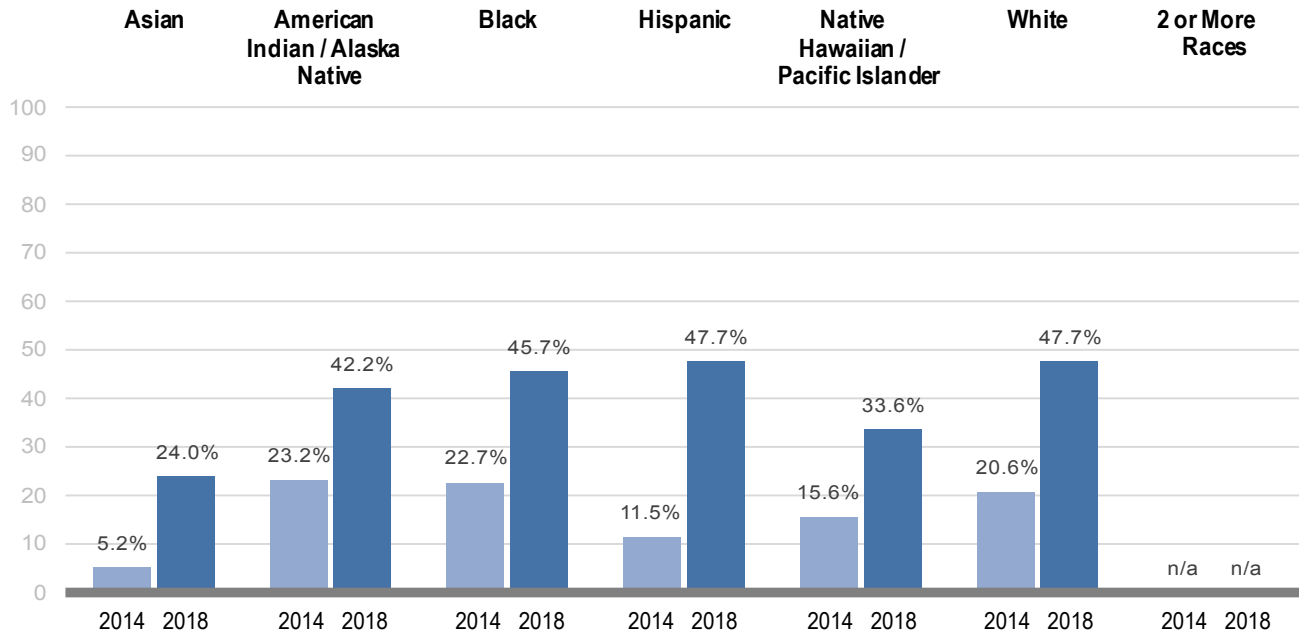


	2014			2018			Change	
	Enrolled	Voted	Rate	Enrolled	Voted	Rate		
Women	21,624	4,041	18.7%	28,276	12,709	45.0%	↑	26.3
Men	14,613	2,011	13.8%	16,962	6,210	36.6%	↑	22.9
Unknown	0			*				

\* 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	4,358	226	5.2%	6,556	1,573	24.0%	↑	18.8
American Indian/ Alaska Native	95	22	23.2%	109	46	42.2%	↑	19.0
Black	5,298	1,200	22.7%	6,581	3,008	45.7%	↑	23.1
Hispanic	3,981	457	11.5%	5,119	2,440	47.7%	↑	36.2
Native Hawaiian/ Pacific Islander	326	51	15.6%	232	78	33.6%	↑	18.0
White	19,489	4,020	20.6%	24,276	11,582	47.7%	↑	27.1
2 or More Races	0	0	n/a	0	0	n/a		n/a
Unknown	2,690			2,366				

\* 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	
Architecture	568	79	13.9%	724	312	43.1% ↑	29.2
Biological and Biomedical Sciences	1,786	188	10.5%	1,690	731	43.3% ↑	32.7
Business, Management, and Marketing	4,672	529	11.3%	5,413	1,965	36.3% ↑	25.0
Communication and Journalism	811	136	16.8%	698	344	49.3% ↑	32.5
Computer and Information Sciences	1,157	66	5.7%	2,012	430	21.4% ↑	15.7
Education	1,812	552	30.5%	1,479	834	56.4% ↑	25.9
Engineering and Engineering Technologies	4,313	369	8.6%	5,221	1,485	28.4% ↑	19.9
English Language and Literature	415	85	20.5%	427	249	58.3% ↑	37.8
Foreign Languages, Literatures, and Linguistics	260	49	18.9%	271	134	49.5% ↑	30.6
Health Professions	11,607	2,378	20.5%	17,489	7,678	43.9% ↑	23.4
History	381	108	28.4%	374	219	58.6% ↑	30.2
Law Enforcement, Firefighting, and Protective Services	697	150	21.5%	706	318	45.0% ↑	23.5
Liberal Arts and Sciences, and Humanities	1,341	187	13.9%	1,256	563	44.8% ↑	30.9
Mathematics and Statistics	268	36	13.4%	352	127	36.1% ↑	22.7
Multi/Interdisciplinary Studies	541	102	18.9%	376	186	49.5% ↑	30.6
Natural Resources and Conservation	92	17	18.5%	95	48	50.5% ↑	32.1
Parks, Recreation, Leisure, and Fitness Studies	934	85	9.1%	978	387	39.6% ↑	30.5
Philosophy and Religious Studies	40	*	n/a	49	29	59.2%	n/a
Physical Sciences	508	68	13.4%	504	194	38.5% ↑	25.1
Psychology	625	94	15.0%	824	385	46.7% ↑	31.7
Public Administration and Social Service Professions	1,722	458	26.6%	2,219	1,198	54.0% ↑	27.4
Social Sciences	523	131	25.1%	541	310	57.3% ↑	32.3
Visual and Performing Arts	1,023	137	13.4%	1,222	620	50.7% ↑	37.4

Unknown	141	39	27.7%	319	174	54.6% ↑	26.9
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