

2012 & 2016 CAMPUS REPORT

Student Voting Rates for
University of Utah

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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



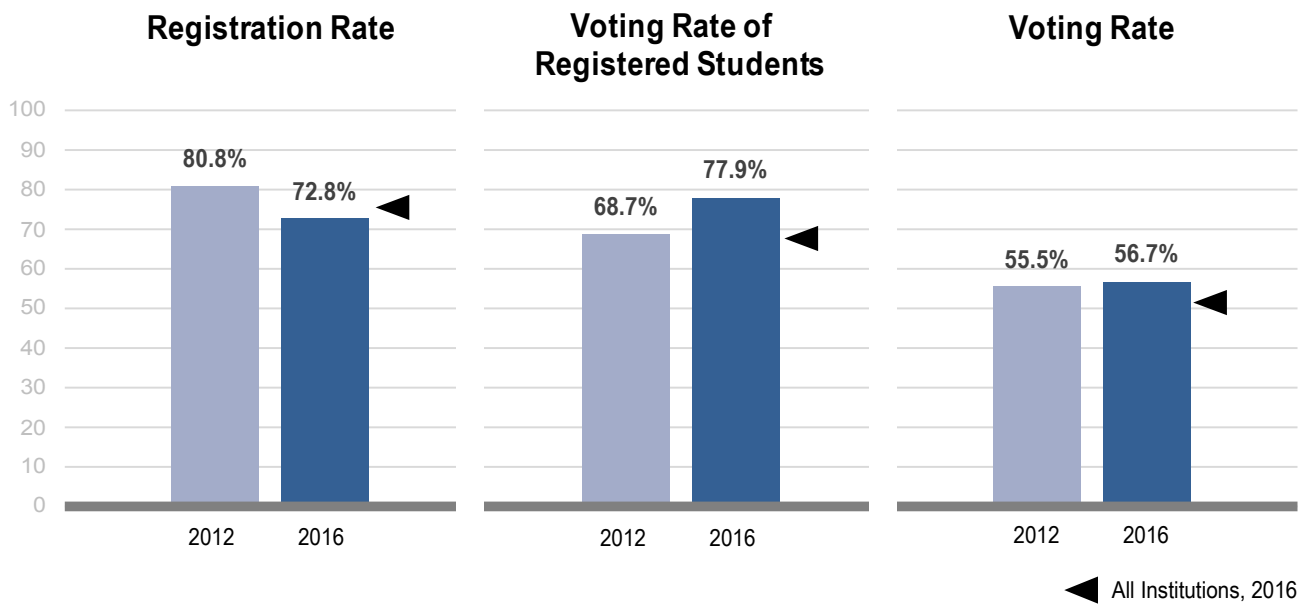
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Voting and Registration Rates

2016 Voting Rate
56.7%

CHANGE FROM 2012
1.2

2016 VOTING RATE FOR ALL INSTITUTIONS
50.4%



	2012	2016	Change
Total student enrollment	32,136	35,328	↑ 3,192
Age under 18/Unknown	(165)	(344)	
IPEDS estimated non-resident aliens	(2,574)	(2,644)	
FERPA records blocked	(1,919)	(2,603)	
Total eligible voters	27,478	29,737	↑ 2,259
Number of students who registered	22,203	21,642	↓ -561
Number of students who voted	15,261	16,862	↑ 1,601
Registration rate	80.8%	72.8%	↓ -8.0
Voting rate of registered students	68.7%	77.9%	↑ 9.2
Voting rate	55.5%	56.7%	↑ 1.2
Difference from all institutions	+8.6	+6.3	

HOW YOUR NUMBERS COMPARE | PRESIDENTIAL ELECTIONS

By Carnegie Classification

2012 Voting Rate for All Institutions
46.9%

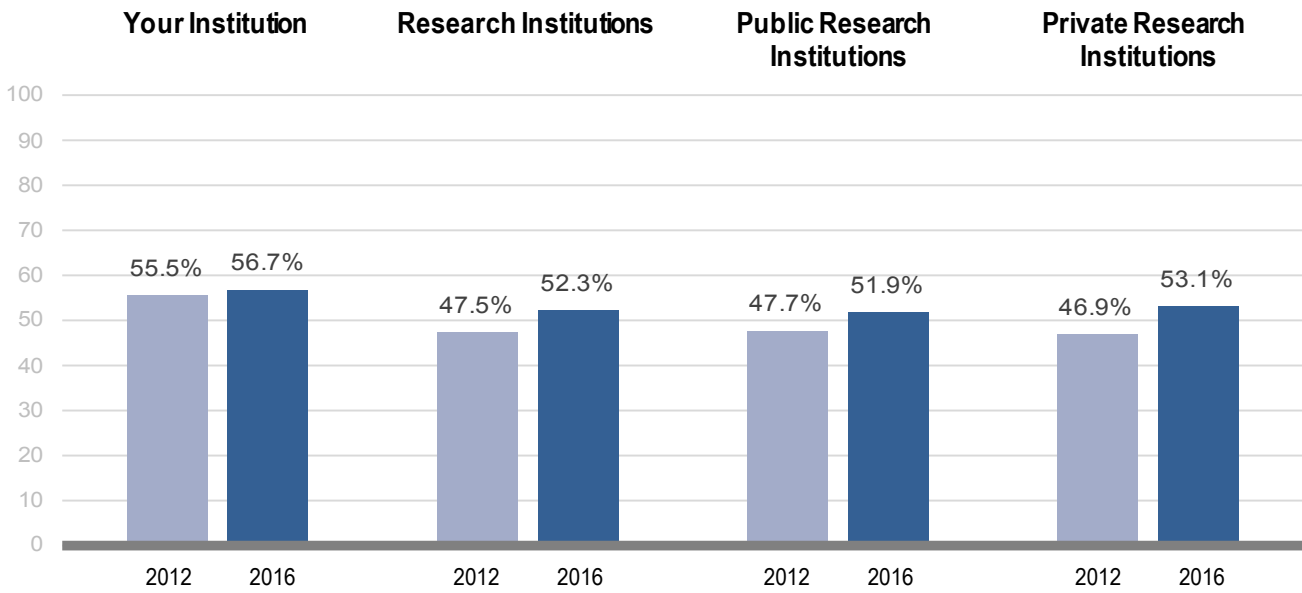
HIGH 72.9%
 LOW 19.3%

2016 Voting Rate for All Institutions
50.4%

HIGH 81.4%
 LOW 13.1%

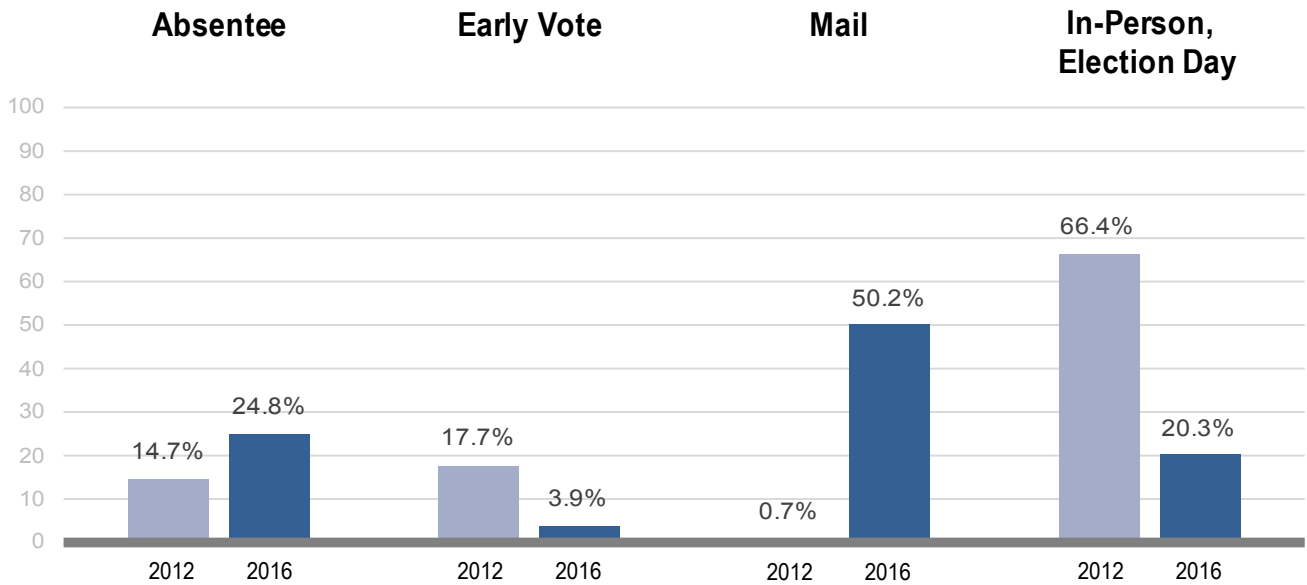
Difference from All Institutions **+8.6**

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By Voting Method*

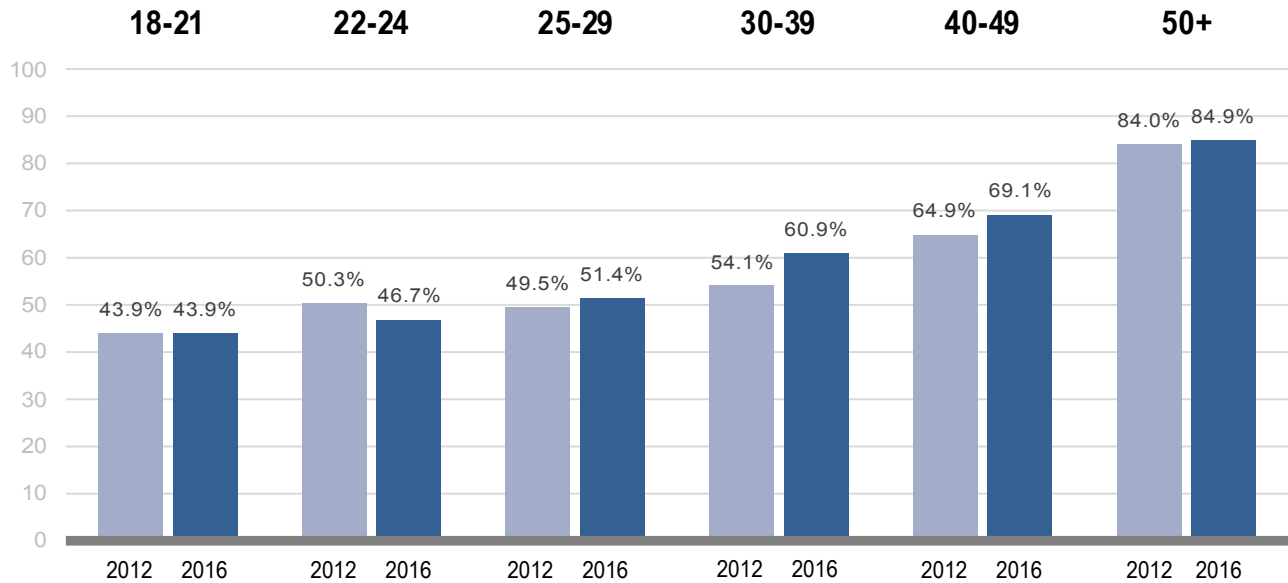


	2012		2016		Change	
	Voted	Rate	Voted	Rate		
Absentee	2,241	14.7%	4,189	24.8%	↑	10.2
Early Vote	2,701	17.7%	653	3.9%	↓	-13.8
Mail	105	0.7%	8,464	50.2%	↑	49.5
In-Person, Election Day	10,131	66.4%	3,423	20.3%	↓	-46.1
Unknown	83	0.5%	133	0.8%		
Total	15,261		16,862			

* 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*

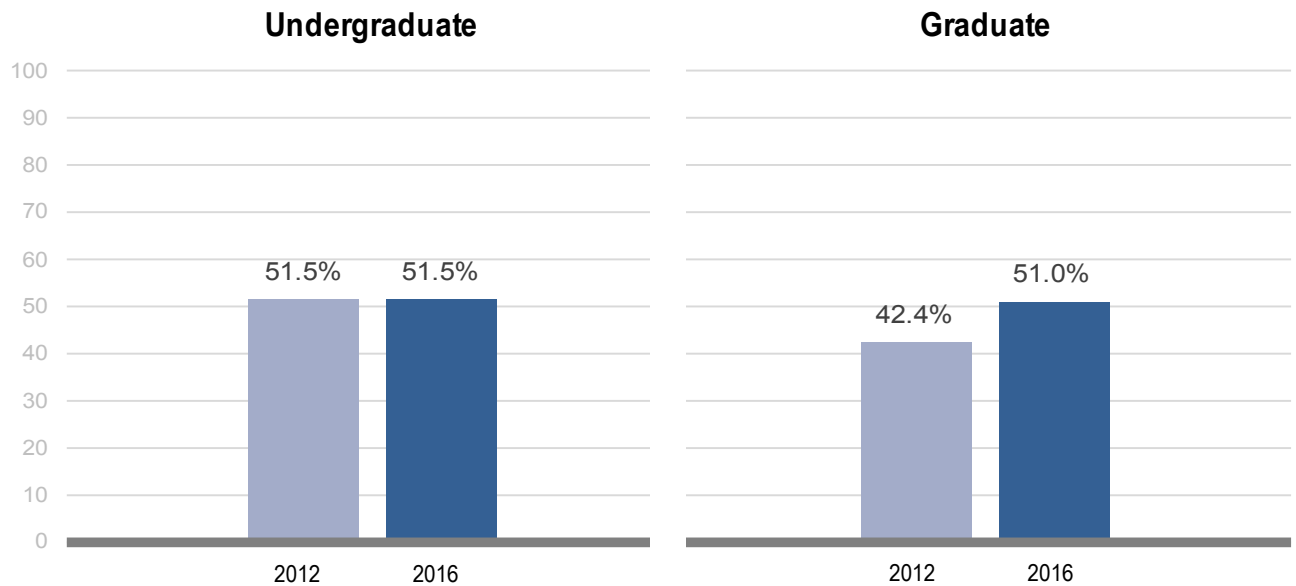


	2012			2016			Change
	Enrolled	Voted	Rate	Enrolled	Voted	Rate	
18-21	9,095	3,991	43.9%	10,623	4,662	43.9%	→ 0.0
22-24	6,683	3,360	50.3%	6,987	3,264	46.7%	↓ -3.6
25-29	7,047	3,486	49.5%	6,895	3,542	51.4%	↑ 1.9
30-39	4,725	2,556	54.1%	4,472	2,722	60.9%	↑ 6.8
40-49	1,221	792	64.9%	1,380	953	69.1%	↑ 4.2
50+	1,281	1,076	84.0%	2,024	1,719	84.9%	↑ 0.9
Unknown	*			14			

* 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*

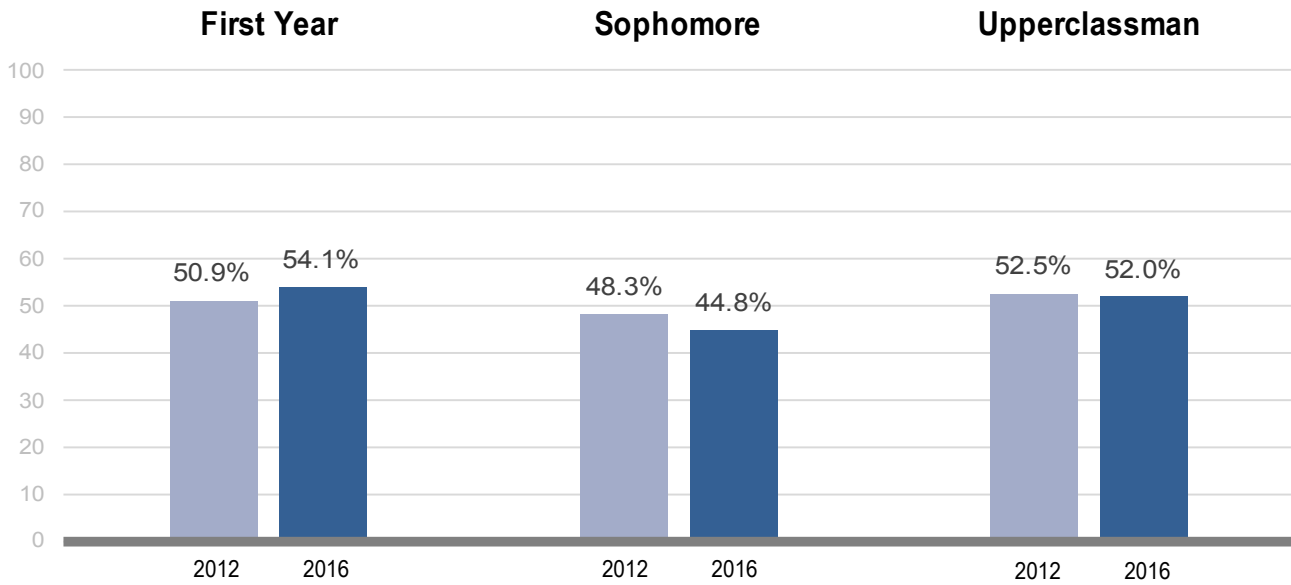


	2012			2016			Change
	Enrolled	Voted	Rate	Enrolled	Voted	Rate	
Undergraduate	23,055	11,872	51.5%	24,724	12,725	51.5%	→ 0.0
Graduate	3,551	1,507	42.4%	3,794	1,933	51.0%	↑ 8.5
Unknown	3,446			3,863			

* 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*

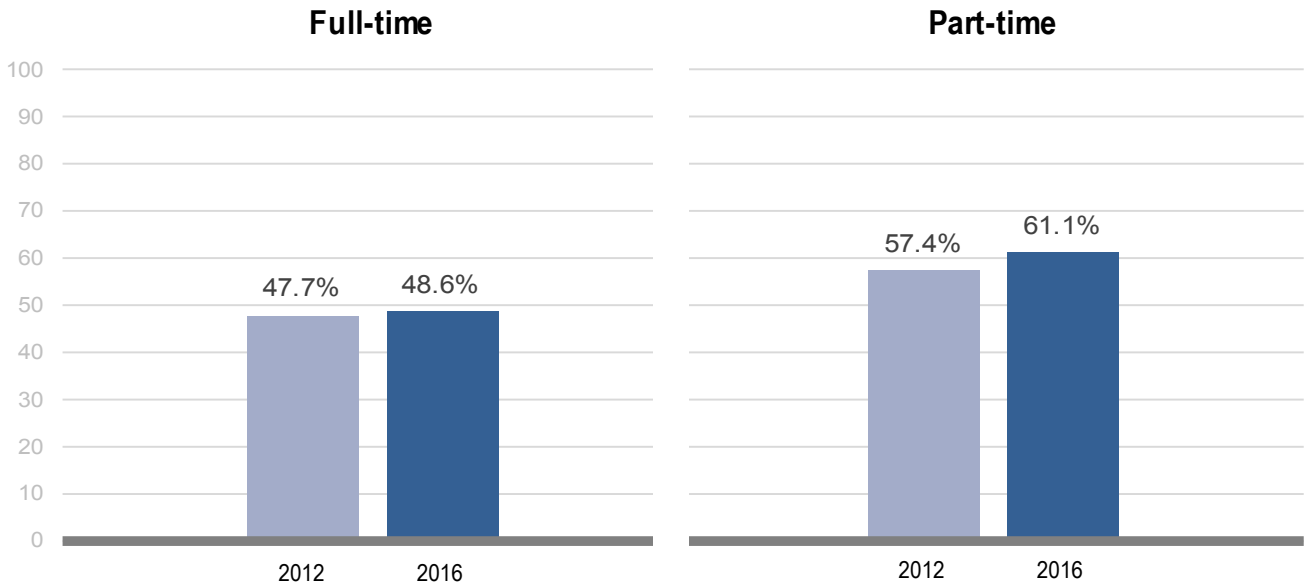


	2012			2016			Change
	Enrolled	Voted	Rate	Enrolled	Voted	Rate	
First Year	5,009	2,549	50.9%	7,024	3,797	54.1%	↑ 3.2
Sophomore	3,560	1,718	48.3%	3,763	1,685	44.8%	↓ -3.5
Upperclassman	14,486	7,605	52.5%	13,937	7,243	52.0%	↓ -0.5

* 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*

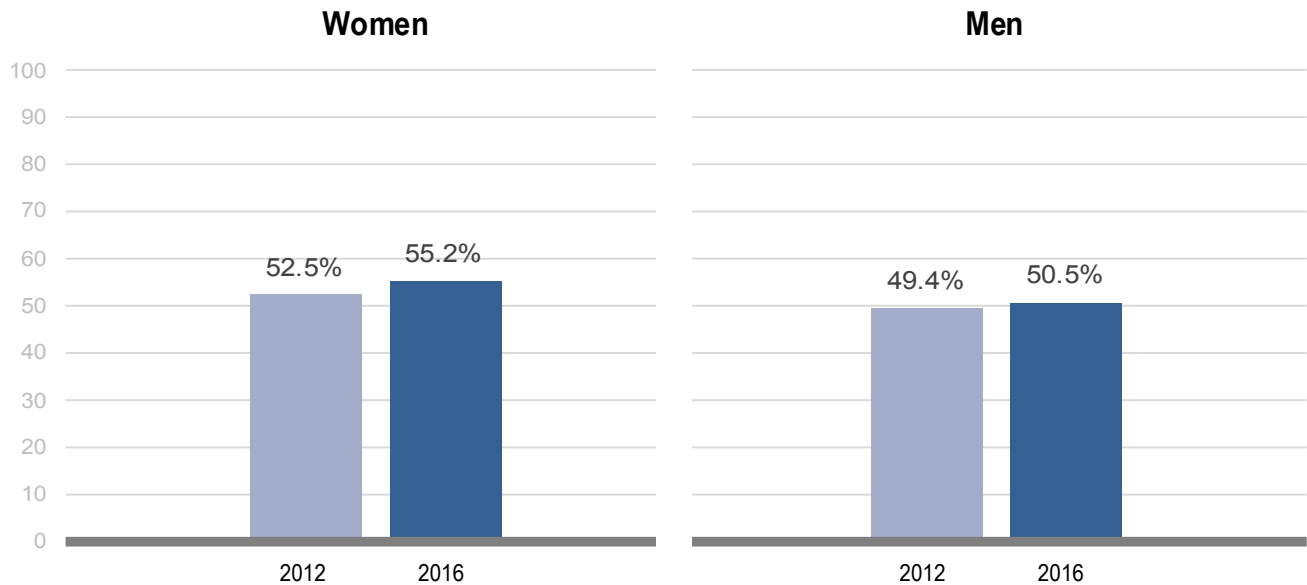


	2012			2016			Change
	Enrolled	Voted	Rate	Enrolled	Voted	Rate	
Full-time	20,423	9,735	47.7%	23,387	11,369	48.6%	↑ 0.9
Part-time	9,629	5,526	57.4%	8,992	5,493	61.1%	↑ 3.7
Unknown	0	0	n/a	0	0	n/a	

* 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*

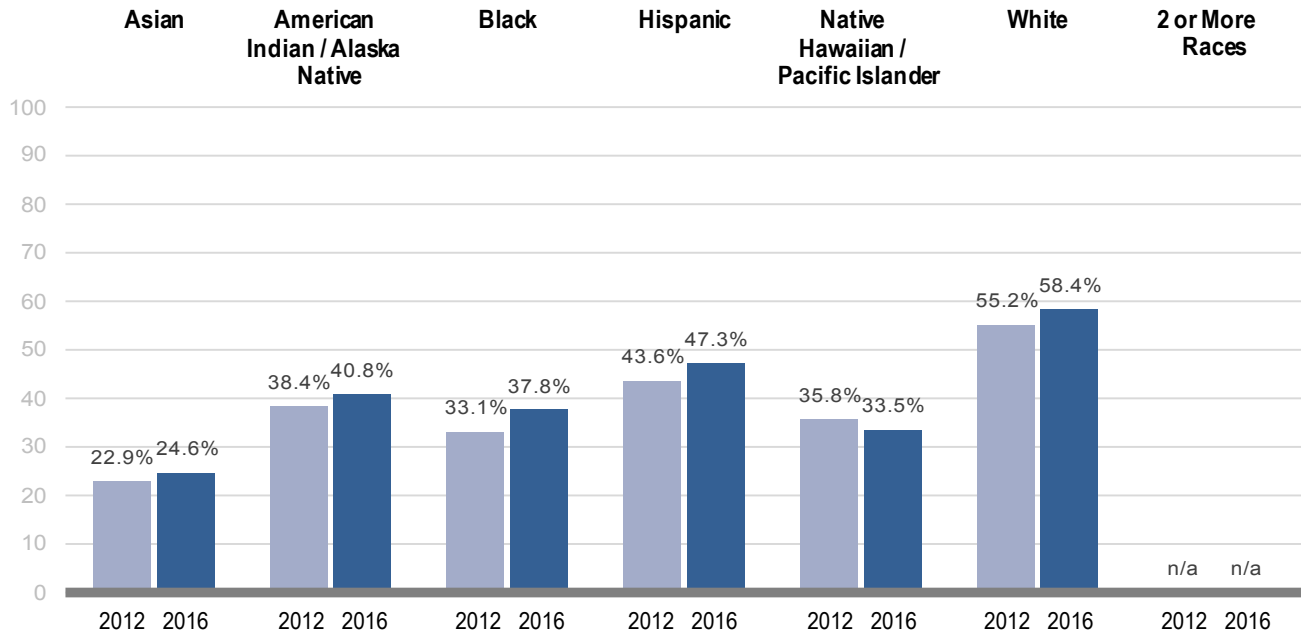


	2012			2016			Change	
	Enrolled	Voted	Rate	Enrolled	Voted	Rate		
Women	13,650	7,160	52.5%	15,041	8,308	55.2%	↑	2.8
Men	16,381	8,099	49.4%	16,899	8,538	50.5%	↑	1.1
Unknown	21	*	n/a	441	16	3.6%		

* 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 Race/Ethnicity*



	2012			2016			Change
	Enrolled	Voted	Rate	Enrolled	Voted	Rate	
Asian	2,515	576	22.9%	3,689	908	24.6%	↑ 1.7
American Indian/ Alaska Native	339	130	38.4%	402	164	40.8%	↑ 2.5
Black	490	162	33.1%	527	199	37.8%	↑ 4.7
Hispanic	2,352	1,026	43.6%	3,136	1,484	47.3%	↑ 3.7
Native Hawaiian/ Pacific Islander	260	93	35.8%	251	84	33.5%	↓ -2.3
White	22,771	12,567	55.2%	20,949	12,236	58.4%	↑ 3.2
2 or More Races	0	0	n/a	0	0	n/a	n/a
Unknown	1,325			3,427			

* 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.

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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	275	129	46.9%	238	108	45.4% ↓	-1.5
Area, Ethnic, Cultural, Gender, and Group Studies	95	50	52.6%	145	83	57.2% ↑	4.6
Biological and Biomedical Sciences	1,179	504	42.8%	1,316	667	50.7% ↑	7.9
Business, Management, and Marketing	3,676	1,884	51.3%	4,118	2,012	48.9% ↓	-2.4
Communication and Journalism	901	494	54.8%	854	395	46.3% ↓	-8.6
Computer and Information Sciences	775	292	37.7%	1,687	676	40.1% ↑	2.4
Education	789	453	57.4%	697	444	63.7% ↑	6.3
Engineering and Engineering Technologies	2,843	1,247	43.9%	3,599	1,609	44.7% ↑	0.9
English Language and Literature	470	254	54.0%	460	292	63.5% ↑	9.4
Family and Consumer/Human Sciences	485	268	55.3%	367	197	53.7% ↓	-1.6
Foreign Languages, Literatures, and Linguistics	445	219	49.2%	329	174	52.9% ↑	3.7
Health Professions	3,802	1,887	49.6%	3,948	2,117	53.6% ↑	4.0
History	302	197	65.2%	195	141	72.3% ↑	7.1
Legal Professions and Studies	392	245	62.5%	308	210	68.2% ↑	5.7
Liberal Arts and Sciences, and Humanities	4,879	2,801	57.4%	2,393	1,249	52.2% ↓	-5.2
Mathematics and Statistics	412	198	48.1%	451	221	49.0% ↑	0.9
Multi/Interdisciplinary Studies	359	185	51.5%	376	207	55.1% ↑	3.5
Natural Resources and Conservation	157	80	51.0%	156	90	57.7% ↑	6.7
Parks, Recreation, Leisure, and Fitness Studies	1,129	538	47.7%	1,098	471	42.9% ↓	-4.8
Philosophy and Religious Studies	119	53	44.5%	105	61	58.1% ↑	13.6
Physical Sciences	1,060	441	41.6%	1,118	521	46.6% ↑	5.0
Psychology	987	499	50.6%	1,061	552	52.0% ↑	1.5
Public Administration and Social Service Professions	730	458	62.7%	771	487	63.2% ↑	0.4

Social Sciences	2,013	1,052	52.3%	1,963	1,045	53.2% ↑	1.0
Visual and Performing Arts	1,726	797	46.2%	1,813	898	49.5% ↑	3.4
Unknown	52	36	69.2%	2,815	1,935	68.7% ↓	-0.5

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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