

2014 & 2018 CAMPUS REPORT

Student Voting Rates for
University of Virginia-
Main Campus

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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 providing 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,

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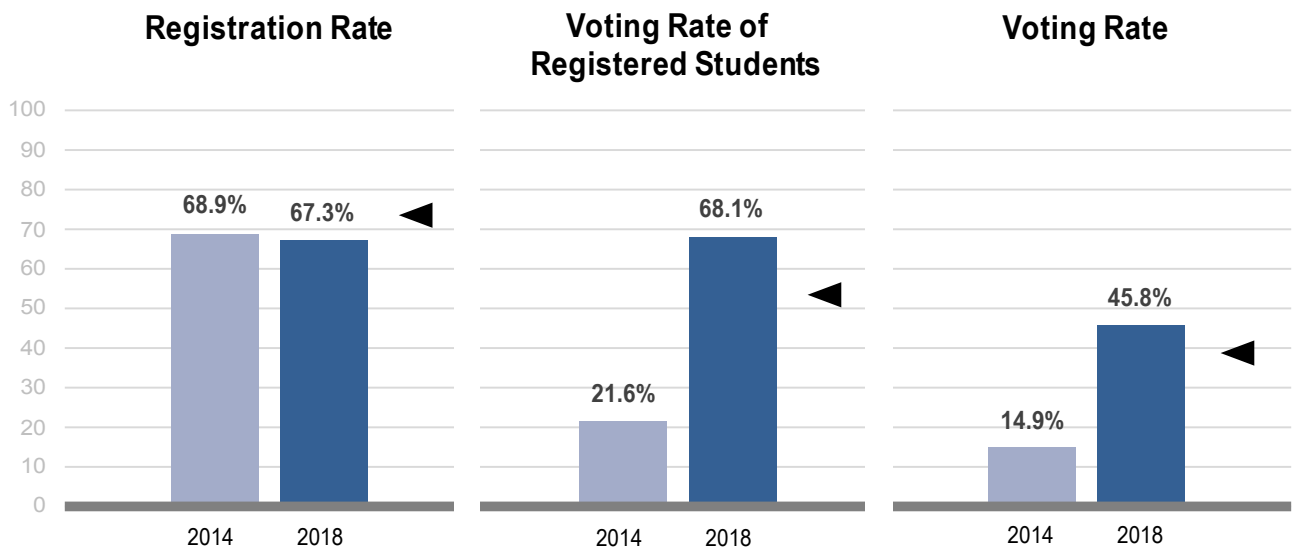
YOUR STUDENTS' VOTING DATA | MIDTERM ELECTIONS

Voting and Registration Rates

2018 Voting Rate
45.8%

CHANGE FROM 2014
+30.9

2018 VOTING RATE FOR ALL INSTITUTIONS
39.1%



◀ All Institutions, 2018

	2014	2018	Change
Total student enrollment	23,380	24,691	↑ 1,311
Age under 18/Unknown	(163)	(181)	
IPEDS estimated non-resident aliens	(1,968)	(2,249)	
FERPA records blocked	(15)	*	
Total eligible voters	21,234	22,252	↑ 1,018
Number of students who registered	14,629	14,970	↑ 341
Number of students who voted	3,166	10,189	↑ 7,023
Registration rate	68.9%	67.3%	↓ -1.6
Voting rate of registered students	21.6%	68.1%	↑ 46.4
Voting rate	14.9%	45.8%	↑ 30.9
Difference from all institutions	-4.8	+6.7	

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

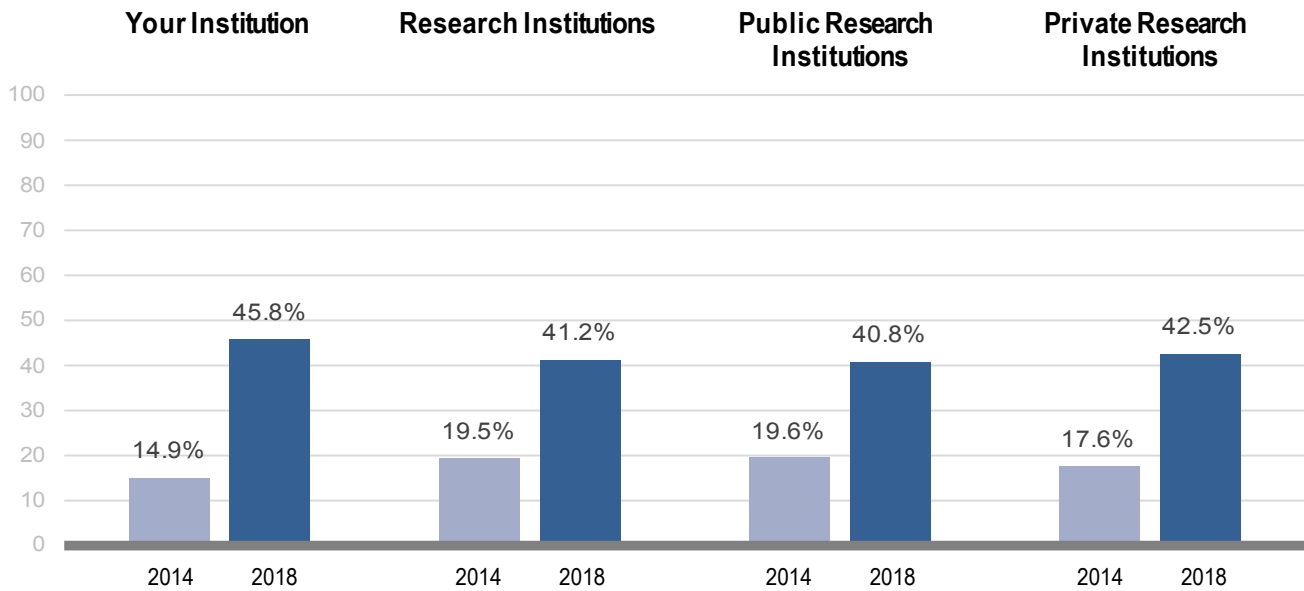
39.1%

HIGH
64.1%

LOW
11.5%

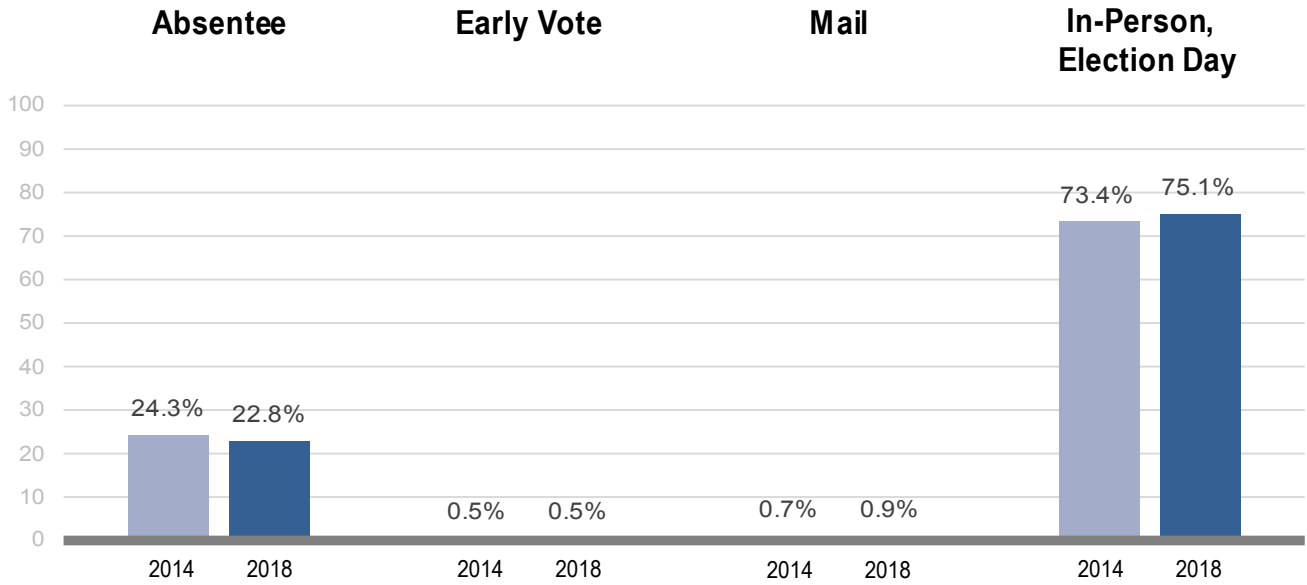
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By Voting Method*

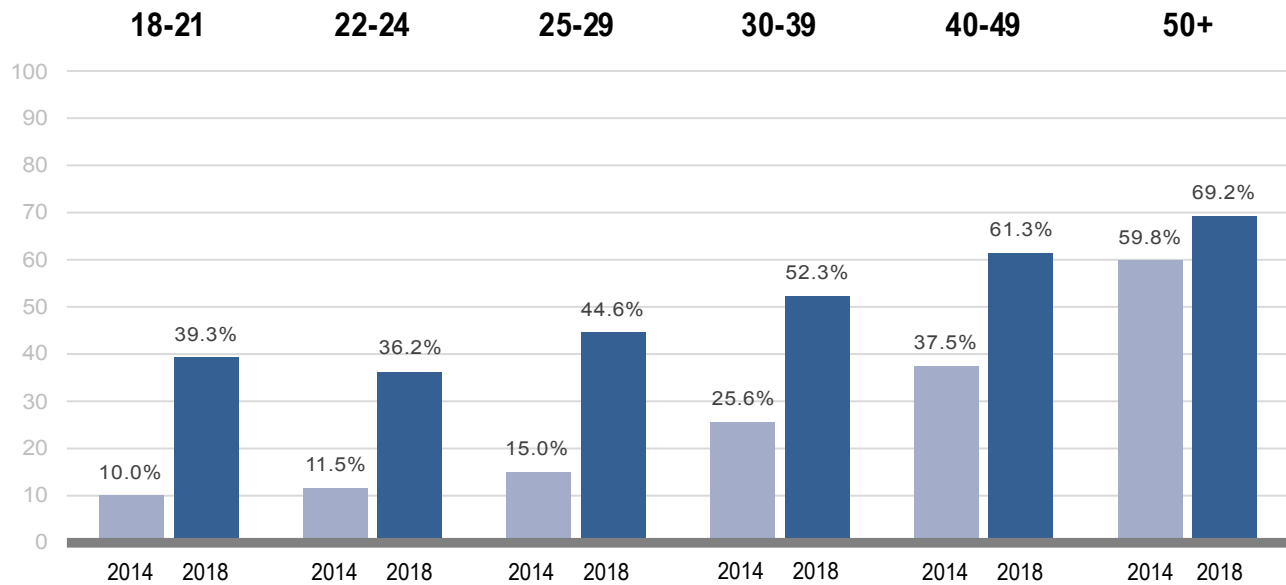


	2014		2018		Change
	Voted	Rate	Voted	Rate	
Absentee	770	24.3%	2,327	22.8%	↓ -1.5
Early Vote	16	0.5%	49	0.5%	→ 0.0
Mail	22	0.7%	88	0.9%	↑ 0.2
In-Person, Election Day	2,323	73.4%	7,654	75.1%	↑ 1.8
Unknown	35	1.1%	71	0.7%	
Total	3,166		10,189		

* 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*

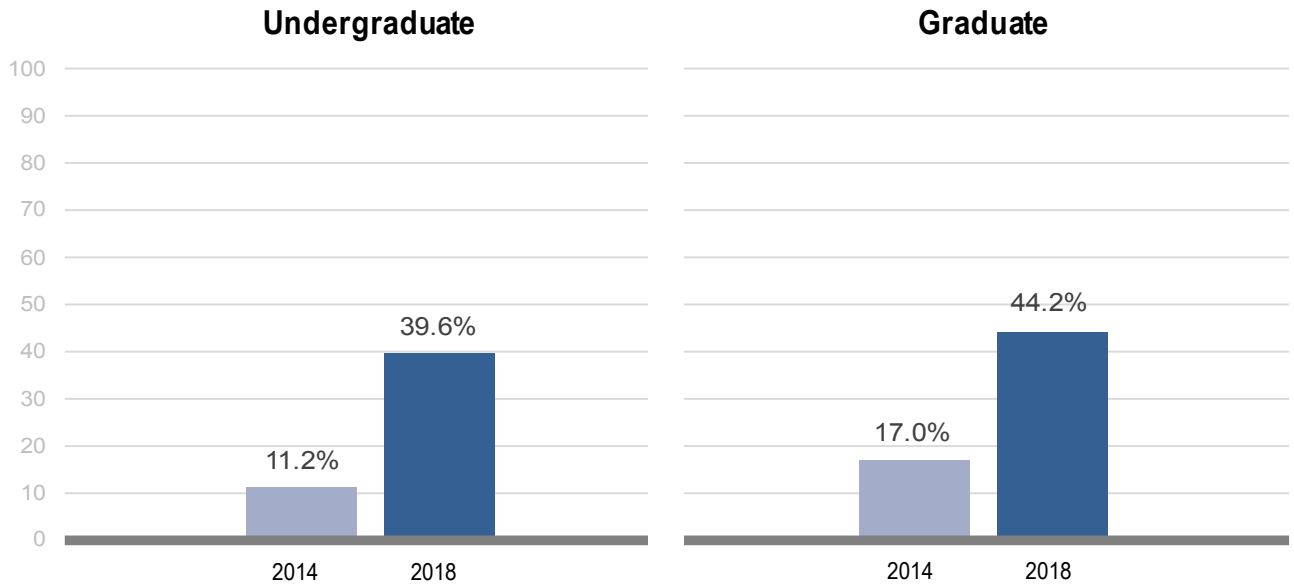


	2014			2018			Change
	Enrolled	Voted	Rate	Enrolled	Voted	Rate	
18-21	14,090	1,407	10.0%	14,586	5,733	39.3%	↑ 29.3
22-24	3,318	381	11.5%	3,715	1,346	36.2%	↑ 24.8
25-29	3,070	461	15.0%	3,311	1,478	44.6%	↑ 29.6
30-39	1,644	421	25.6%	1,850	967	52.3%	↑ 26.7
40-49	672	252	37.5%	688	422	61.3%	↑ 23.8
50+	408	244	59.8%	351	243	69.2%	↑ 9.4
Unknown	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*

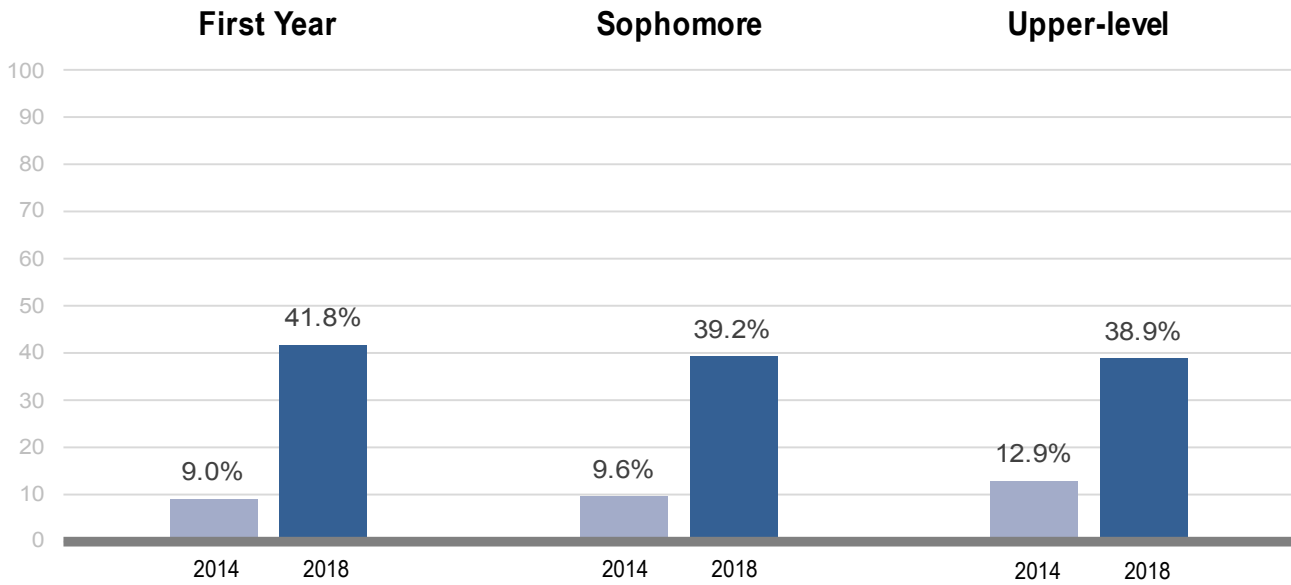


	2014			2018			Change
	Enrolled	Voted	Rate	Enrolled	Voted	Rate	
Undergraduate	15,038	1,684	11.2%	16,044	6,357	39.6%	↑ 28.4
Graduate	6,227	1,060	17.0%	7,097	3,140	44.2%	↑ 27.2
Unknown	1,937			1,360			

* 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*

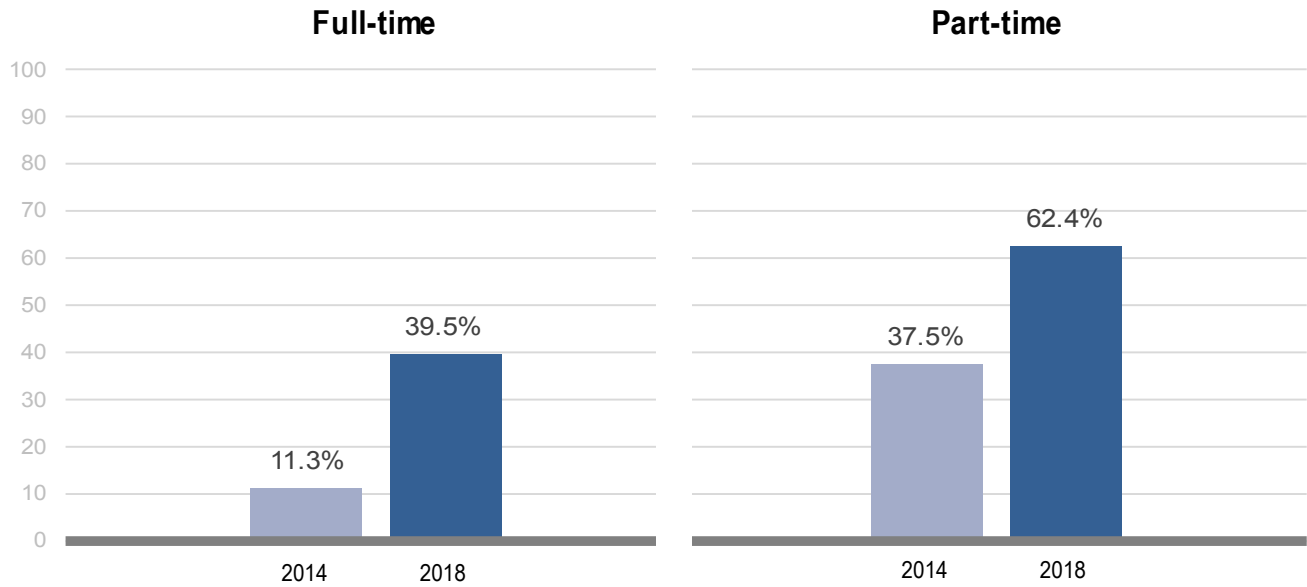


	2014			2018			Change
	Enrolled	Voted	Rate	Enrolled	Voted	Rate	
First Year	3,567	321	9.0%	3,611	1,508	41.8%	↑ 32.8
Sophomore	3,515	339	9.6%	3,919	1,538	39.2%	↑ 29.6
Upper-level	7,964	1,025	12.9%	8,481	3,296	38.9%	↑ 26.0

* 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.

YOUR STUDENTS' VOTING DATA | MIDTERM ELECTIONS

By Enrollment Status*



	2014			2018			Change
	Enrolled	Voted	Rate	Enrolled	Voted	Rate	
Full-time	21,089	2,374	11.3%	22,308	8,820	39.5%	↑ 28.3
Part-time	2,113	792	37.5%	2,193	1,369	62.4%	↑ 25.0
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 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	486	50	10.3%	567	181	31.9% ↑	21.6
Area, Ethnic, Cultural, Gender, and Group Studies	154	32	20.8%	264	114	43.2% ↑	22.4
Biological and Biomedical Sciences	812	85	10.5%	916	391	42.7% ↑	32.2
Business, Management, and Marketing	1,793	190	10.6%	1,922	635	33.0% ↑	22.4
Communication and Journalism	181	21	11.6%	229	95	41.5% ↑	29.9
Computer and Information Sciences	640	54	8.4%	1,202	356	29.6% ↑	21.2
Education	704	244	34.7%	815	532	65.3% ↑	30.6
Engineering and Engineering Technologies	2,808	282	10.0%	2,920	1,028	35.2% ↑	25.2
English Language and Literature	409	64	15.7%	420	209	49.8% ↑	34.1
Family and Consumer/Human Sciences	10	0	n/a	97	55	56.7%	n/a
Foreign Languages, Literatures, and Linguistics	477	65	13.6%	436	208	47.7% ↑	34.1
Health Professions	1,561	265	17.0%	1,686	836	49.6% ↑	32.6
History	364	73	20.1%	337	142	42.1% ↑	22.1
Law Enforcement, Firefighting, and Protective Services	213	31	14.6%	0	0	n/a	n/a
Legal Professions and Studies	1,044	138	13.2%	965	476	49.3% ↑	36.1
Liberal Arts and Sciences, and Humanities	6,852	776	11.3%	5,647	2,230	39.5% ↑	28.2
Mathematics and Statistics	338	24	7.1%	473	112	23.7% ↑	16.6
Multi/Interdisciplinary Studies	466	143	30.7%	582	322	55.3% ↑	24.6
Natural Resources and Conservation	232	41	17.7%	193	100	51.8% ↑	34.1
Parks, Recreation, Leisure, and Fitness Studies	258	25	9.7%	300	116	38.7% ↑	29.0
Philosophy and Religious Studies	252	44	17.5%	235	105	44.7% ↑	27.2
Physical Sciences	540	58	10.7%	553	182	32.9% ↑	22.2
Psychology	622	90	14.5%	493	252	51.1% ↑	36.7

Public Administration and Social Service Professions	240	74	30.8%	272	149	54.8% ↑	24.0
Social Sciences	1,458	253	17.4%	1,386	554	40.0% ↑	22.6
Visual and Performing Arts	264	39	14.8%	244	126	51.6% ↑	36.9
Unknown	24	*	n/a	1,347	683	50.7%	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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