

2012 & 2016 CAMPUS REPORT

Student Voting Rates for
University of Washington-
Seattle 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 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,
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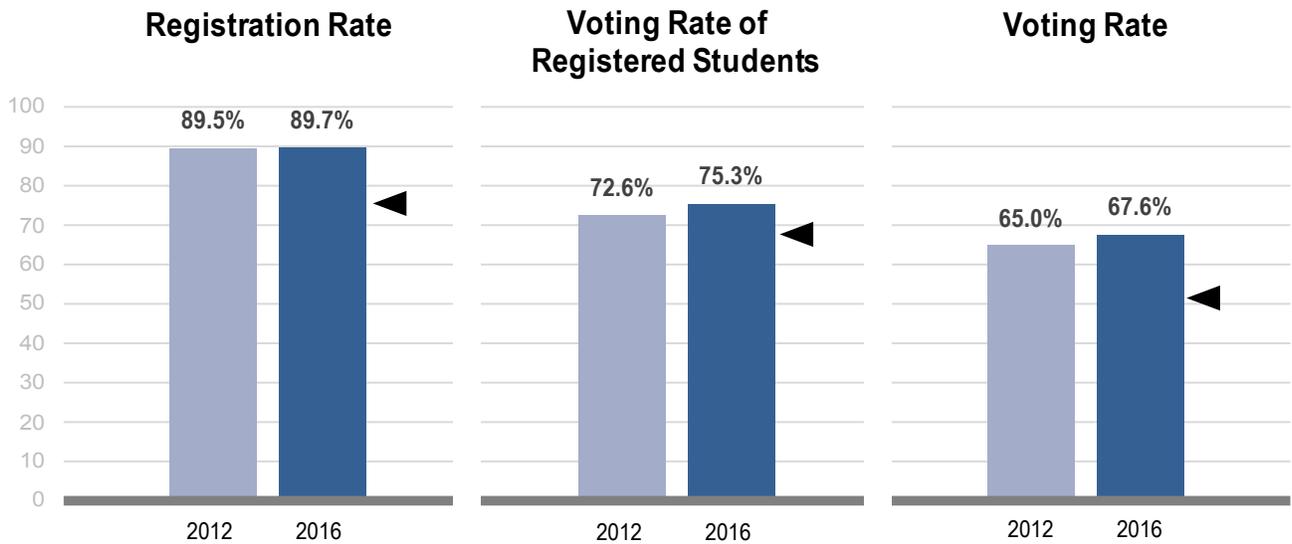
YOUR STUDENTS' VOTING DATA | PRESIDENTIAL ELECTIONS

Voting and Registration Rates

2016 Voting Rate
67.6%

CHANGE FROM 2012
2.6

2016 VOTING RATE FOR ALL INSTITUTIONS
50.4%



◀ All Institutions, 2016

	2012	2016	Change
Total student enrollment	48,800	53,449	↑ 4,649
Age under 18/Unknown	(2,302)	(2,693)	
IPEDS estimated non-resident aliens	(4,771)	(7,007)	
FERPA records blocked	(11,393)	(7,898)	
Total eligible voters	30,334	35,851	↑ 5,517
Number of students who registered	27,159	32,174	↑ 5,015
Number of students who voted	19,703	24,220	↑ 4,517
Registration rate	89.5%	89.7%	↑ 0.2
Voting rate of registered students	72.6%	75.3%	↑ 2.7
Voting rate	65.0%	67.6%	↑ 2.6
Difference from all institutions	+18.1	+17.2	

HOW YOUR NUMBERS COMPARE | PRESIDENTIAL ELECTIONS

By Carnegie Classification

2012 Voting Rate for All Institutions
46.9%

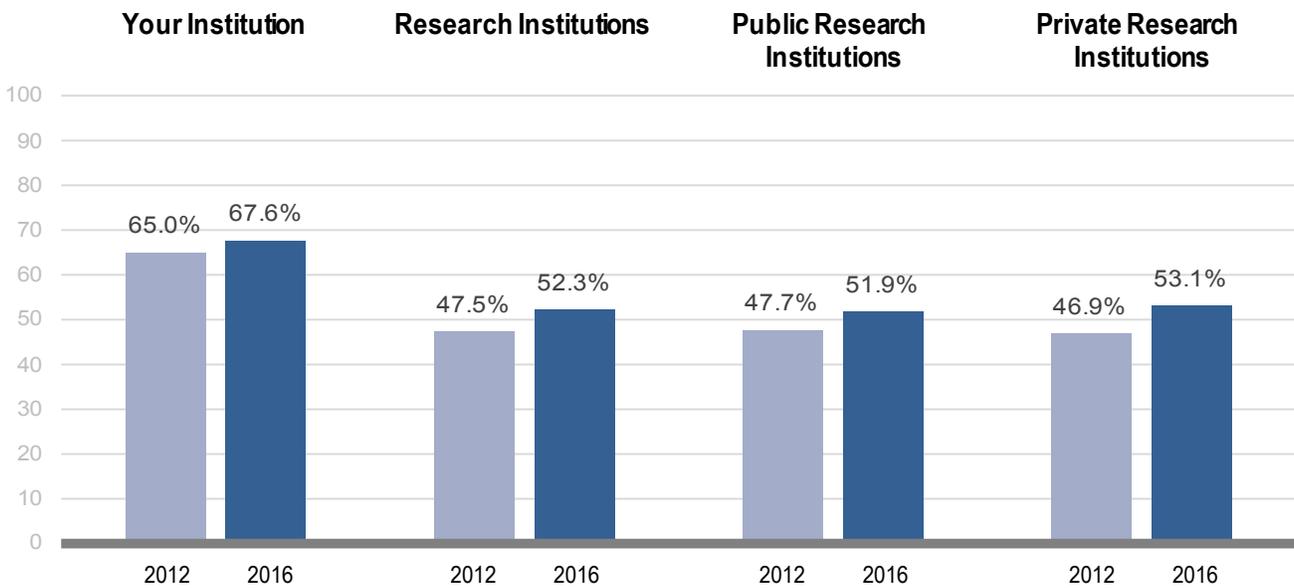
HIGH 72.9%
 LOW 19.3%

2016 Voting Rate for All Institutions
50.4%

HIGH 81.4%
 LOW 13.1%

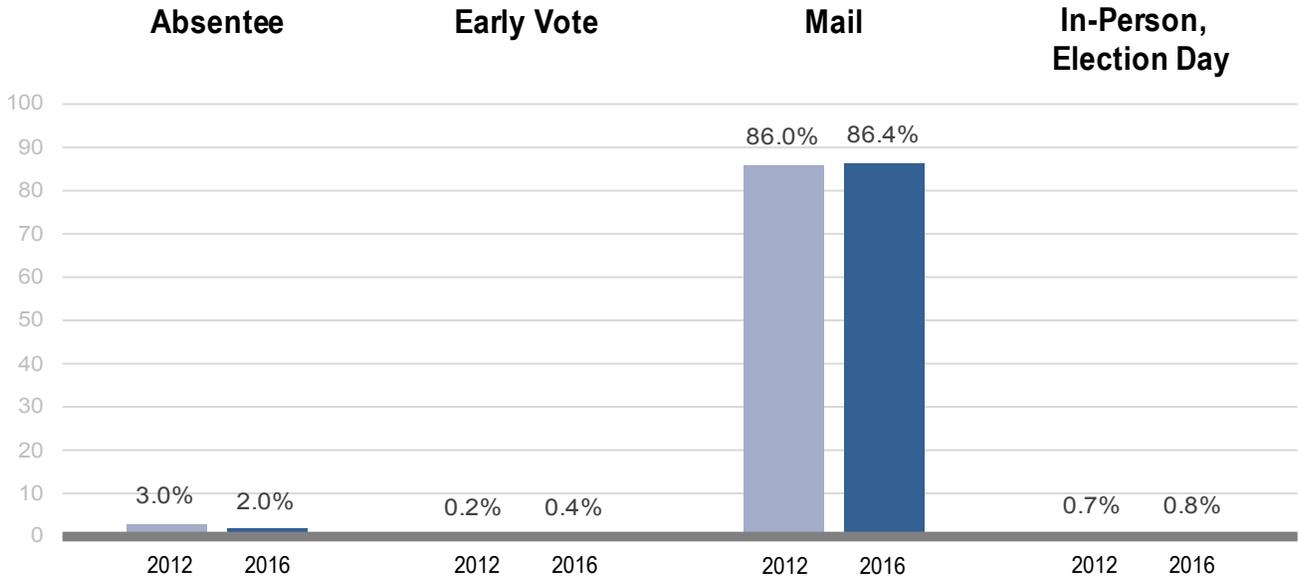
Difference from All Institutions **+18.1**

Difference from All Institutions **+17.2**



YOUR STUDENTS' VOTING DATA | PRESIDENTIAL ELECTIONS

By Voting Method*

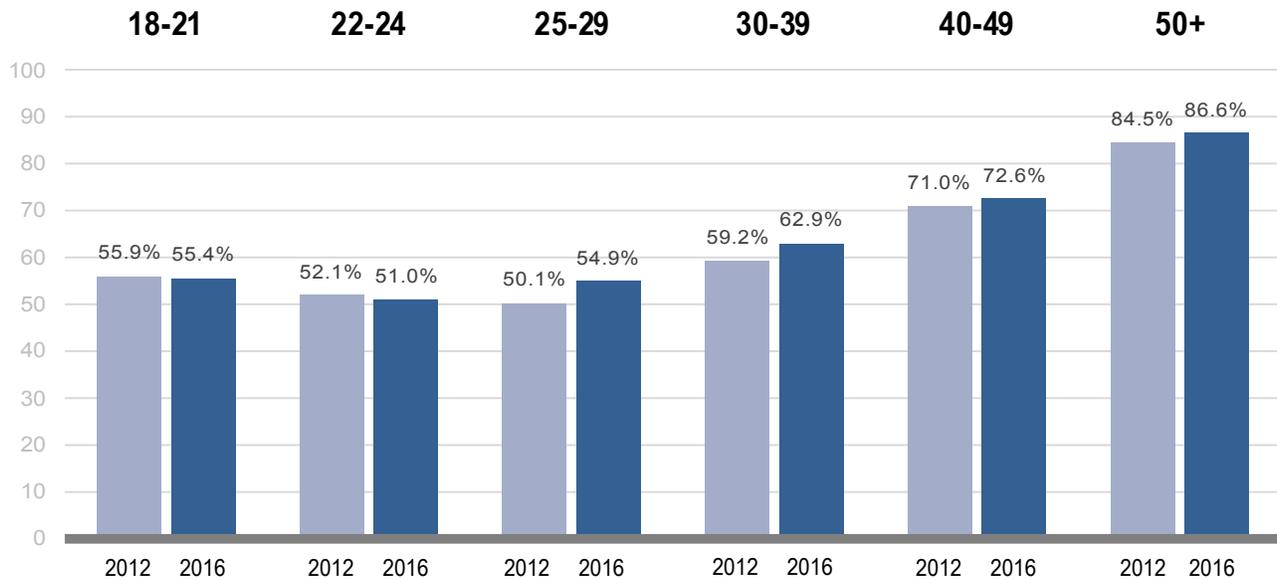


	2012		2016		Change	
	Voted	Rate	Voted	Rate		
Absentee	583	3.0%	485	2.0%	↓	-1.0
Early Vote	29	0.2%	91	0.4%	↑	0.2
Mail	16,940	86.0%	20,925	86.4%	↑	0.4
In-Person, Election Day	141	0.7%	185	0.8%	→	0.0
Unknown	2,010	10.2%	2,534	10.5%		
Total	19,703		24,220			

* 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*

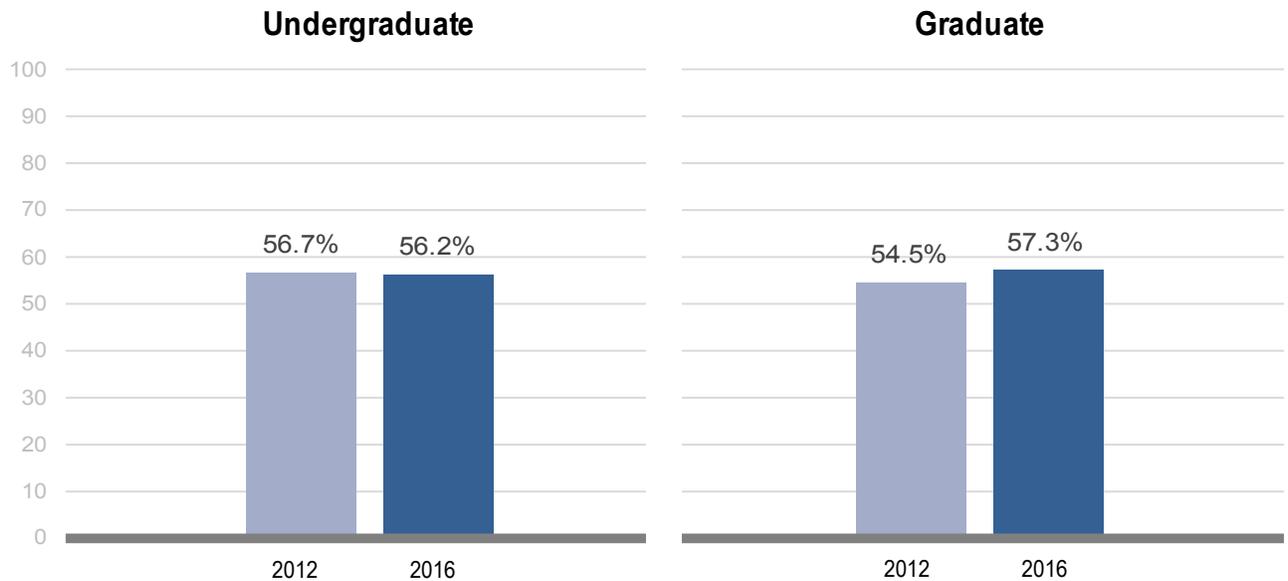


	2012			2016			Change
	Enrolled	Voted	Rate	Enrolled	Voted	Rate	
18-21	17,286	9,663	55.9%	22,481	12,456	55.4%	↓ -0.5
22-24	5,802	3,020	52.1%	7,015	3,579	51.0%	↓ -1.0
25-29	5,552	2,784	50.1%	6,860	3,768	54.9%	↑ 4.8
30-39	4,093	2,422	59.2%	4,378	2,754	62.9%	↑ 3.7
40-49	1,408	999	71.0%	1,259	914	72.6%	↑ 1.6
50+	964	815	84.5%	865	749	86.6%	↑ 2.1
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.

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By Education Level*

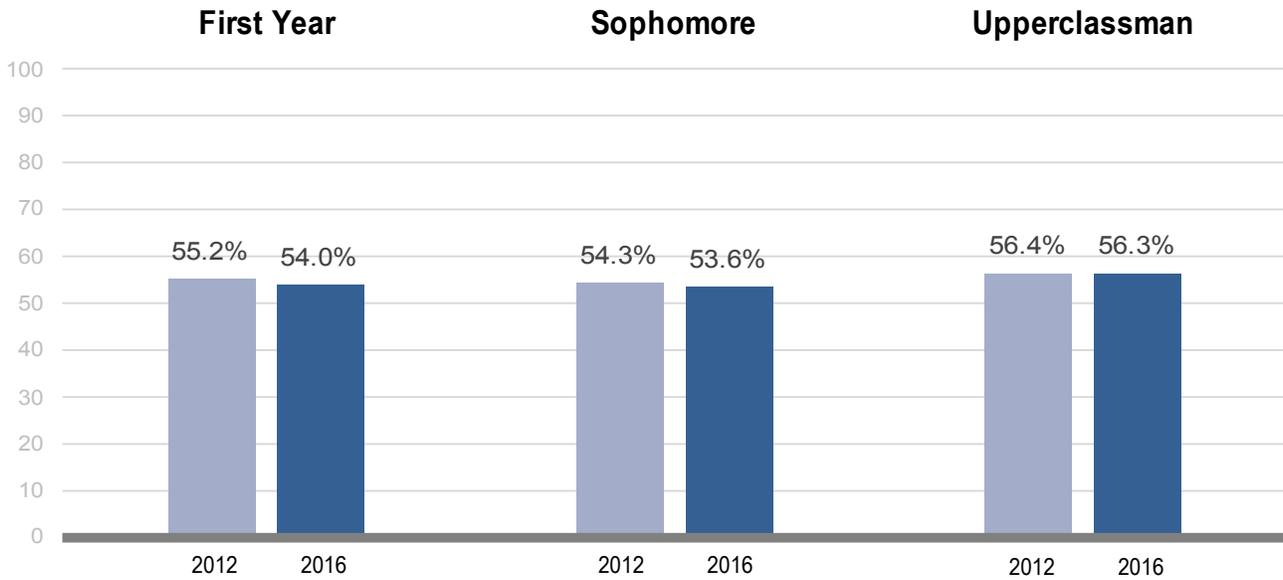


	2012			2016			Change
	Enrolled	Voted	Rate	Enrolled	Voted	Rate	
Undergraduate	25,750	14,600	56.7%	31,094	17,476	56.2%	↓ -0.5
Graduate	9,354	5,102	54.5%	11,764	6,744	57.3%	↑ 2.8
Unknown	*			0			

* 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*

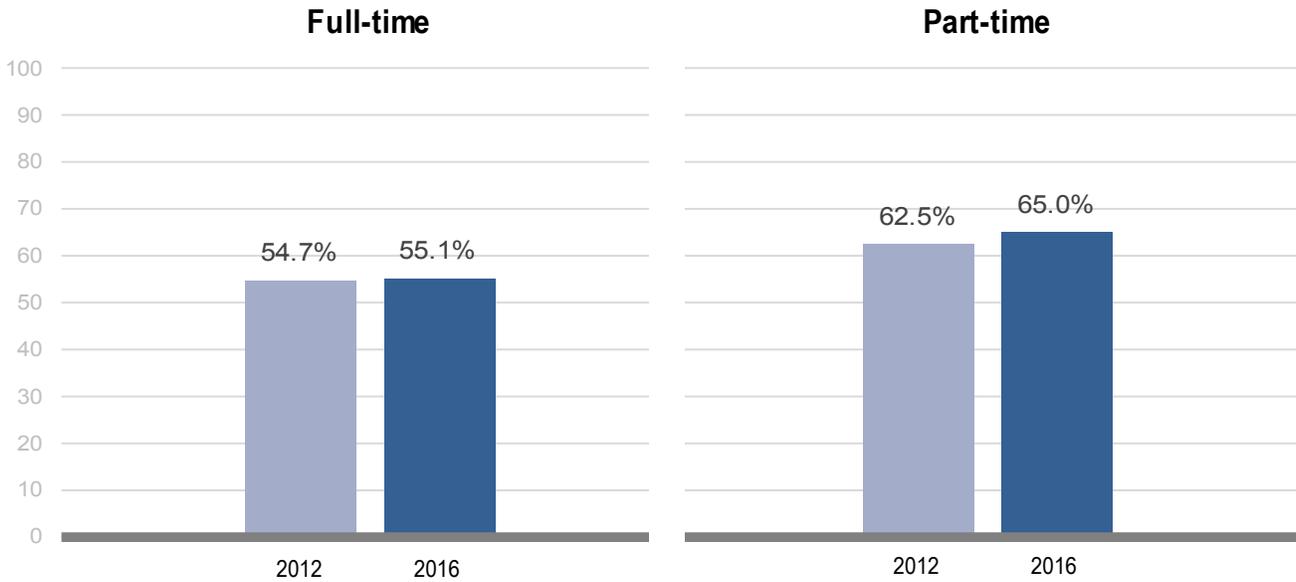


	2012			2016			Change
	Enrolled	Voted	Rate	Enrolled	Voted	Rate	
First Year	4,933	2,723	55.2%	6,530	3,526	54.0%	↓ -1.2
Sophomore	4,329	2,352	54.3%	5,391	2,888	53.6%	↓ -0.8
Upperclassman	14,098	7,947	56.4%	17,581	9,890	56.3%	↓ -0.1

* 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*

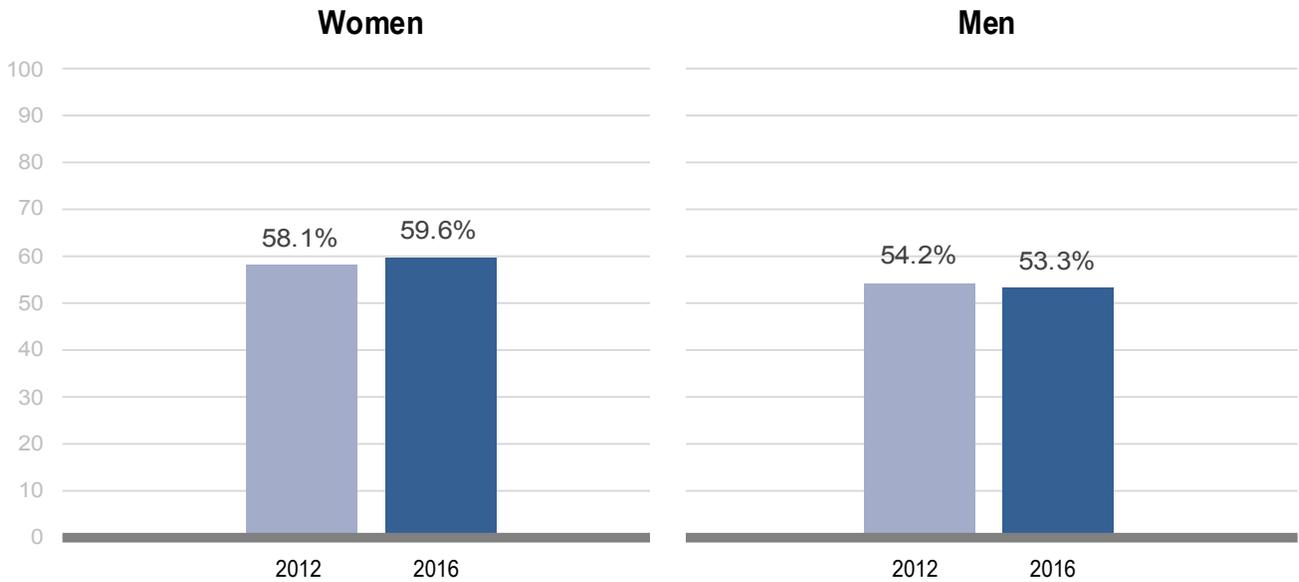


	2012			2016			Change
	Enrolled	Voted	Rate	Enrolled	Voted	Rate	
Full-time	28,677	15,687	54.7%	36,565	20,128	55.1%	↑ 0.3
Part-time	6,428	4,016	62.5%	6,293	4,092	65.0%	↑ 2.5
Unknown	0	0	n/a	0	0	n/a	

* 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*

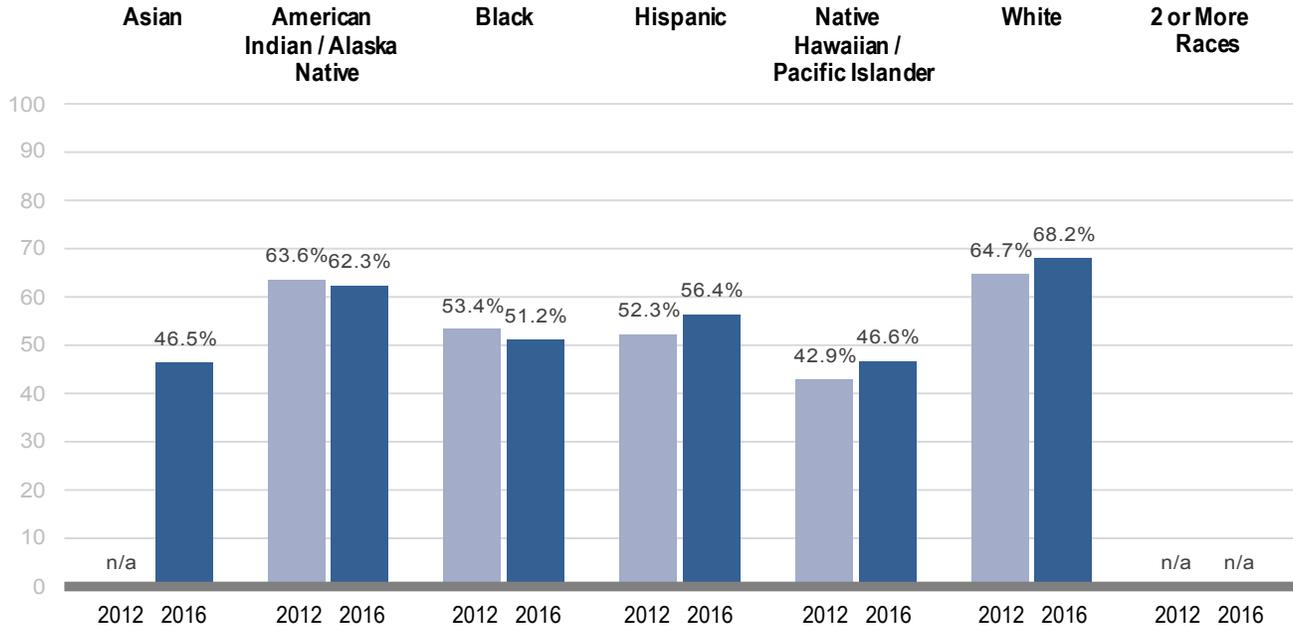


	2012			2016			Change
	Enrolled	Voted	Rate	Enrolled	Voted	Rate	
Women	17,501	10,164	58.1%	22,000	13,110	59.6%	↑ 1.5
Men	17,602	9,539	54.2%	20,848	11,110	53.3%	↓ -0.9
Unknown	*	0	n/a	10	0	n/a	

* 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	0	0	n/a	10,713	4,984	46.5%	n/a
American Indian/ Alaska Native	547	348	63.6%	623	388	62.3%	↓ -1.3
Black	1,315	702	53.4%	2,028	1,039	51.2%	↓ -2.2
Hispanic	2,360	1,234	52.3%	3,593	2,025	56.4%	↑ 4.1
Native Hawaiian/ Pacific Islander	8,379	3,593	42.9%	974	454	46.6%	↑ 3.7
White	19,513	12,633	64.7%	21,403	14,592	68.2%	↑ 3.4
2 or More Races	0	0	n/a	0	0	n/a	n/a
Unknown	2,991			3,524			

* 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	
Agriculture and Agriculture Operations	11	*	n/a	16	12	75.0%	n/a
Architecture	477	271	56.8%	695	391	56.3% ↓	-0.6
Area, Ethnic, Cultural, Gender, and Group Studies	583	329	56.4%	558	335	60.0% ↑	3.6
Biological and Biomedical Sciences	2,000	1,056	52.8%	2,289	1,282	56.0% ↑	3.2
Business, Management, and Marketing	3,141	1,750	55.7%	3,640	2,017	55.4% ↓	-0.3
Communication and Journalism	712	429	60.3%	743	409	55.1% ↓	-5.2
Computer and Information Sciences	1,265	664	52.5%	2,595	1,289	49.7% ↓	-2.8
Education	933	639	68.5%	1,243	802	64.5% ↓	-4.0
Engineering and Engineering Technologies	3,688	1,936	52.5%	5,005	2,571	51.4% ↓	-1.1
English Language and Literature	480	275	57.3%	537	342	63.7% ↑	6.4
Family and Consumer/Human Sciences	*	*	n/a	14	*	n/a	n/a
Foreign Languages, Literatures, and Linguistics	541	298	55.1%	364	188	51.7% ↓	-3.4
Health Professions	4,295	2,346	54.6%	5,344	3,197	59.8% ↑	5.2
History	335	217	64.8%	231	164	71.0% ↑	6.2
Law Enforcement, Firefighting, and Protective Services	142	86	60.6%	127	54	42.5% ↓	-18.0
Legal Professions and Studies	495	325	65.7%	631	441	69.9% ↑	4.2
Liberal Arts and Sciences, and Humanities	1,530	882	57.7%	1,295	785	60.6% ↑	3.0
Library Science	297	191	64.3%	286	225	78.7% ↑	14.4
Mathematics and Statistics	619	273	44.1%	680	291	42.8% ↓	-1.3
Multi/Interdisciplinary Studies	7,025	3,931	56.0%	9,518	5,175	54.4% ↓	-1.6
Natural Resources and Conservation	761	453	59.5%	855	550	64.3% ↑	4.8
Philosophy and Religious Studies	245	133	54.3%	199	126	63.3% ↑	9.0
Physical Sciences	946	506	53.5%	1,223	668	54.6% ↑	1.1

Psychology	854	504	59.0%	914	501	54.8% ↓	-4.2
Public Administration and Social Service Professions	950	635	66.8%	1,100	788	71.6% ↑	4.8
Social Sciences	1,843	1,057	57.4%	1,899	1,111	58.5% ↑	1.2
Visual and Performing Arts	845	461	54.6%	789	465	58.9% ↑	4.4
Unknown	83	40	48.2%	68	36	52.9% ↑	4.8

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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