

2014 & 2018 CAMPUS REPORT

Student Voting Rates for University of Wisconsin - La Crosse

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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.

For up-to-date news on NSLVE data, resources and upcoming opportunities visit our website:

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Warm regards,

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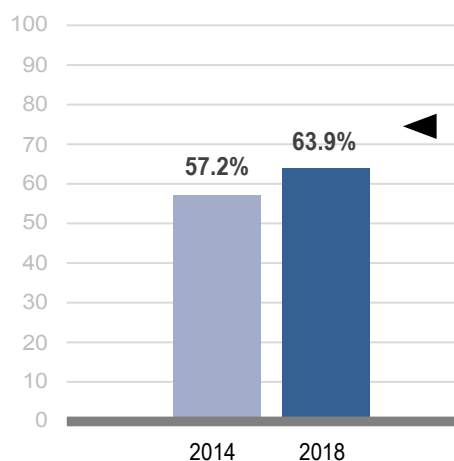
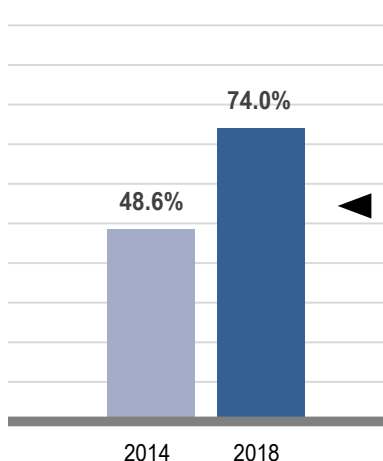
YOUR STUDENTS' VOTING DATA | MIDTERM ELECTIONS

Voting and Registration Rates

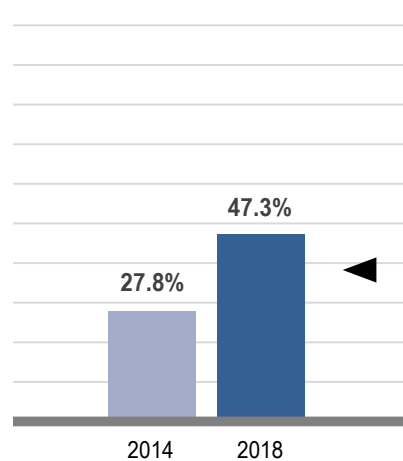
2018 Voting Rate

47.3%CHANGE
FROM 2014**+19.5**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	10,704	10,535	↓ -169
Age under 18/Unknown	(94)	(99)	
IPEDS estimated non-resident aliens	(307)	(149)	
FERPA records blocked	(374)	(145)	
Total eligible voters	9,929	10,142	↑ 213
Number of students who registered	5,676	6,482	↑ 806
Number of students who voted	2,761	4,796	↑ 2,035
Registration rate	57.2%	63.9%	↑ 6.7
Voting rate of registered students	48.6%	74.0%	↑ 25.4
Voting rate	27.8%	47.3%	↑ 19.5
Difference from all institutions	+8.1	+8.2	

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

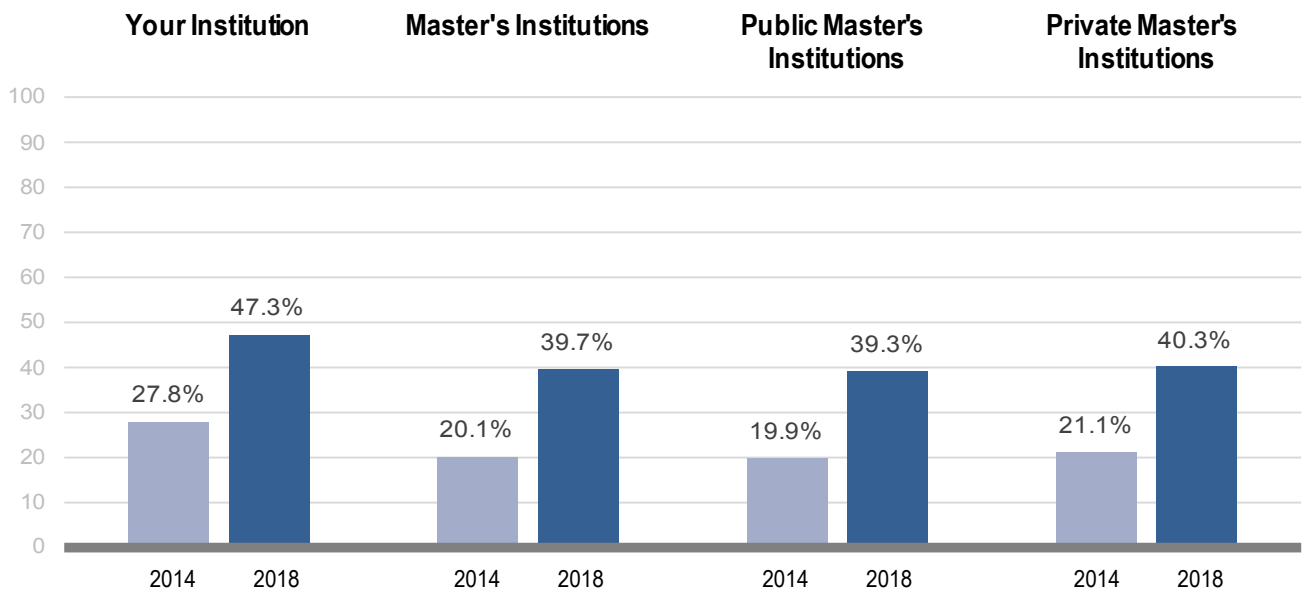
39.1%

HIGH
64.1%

LOW
11.5%

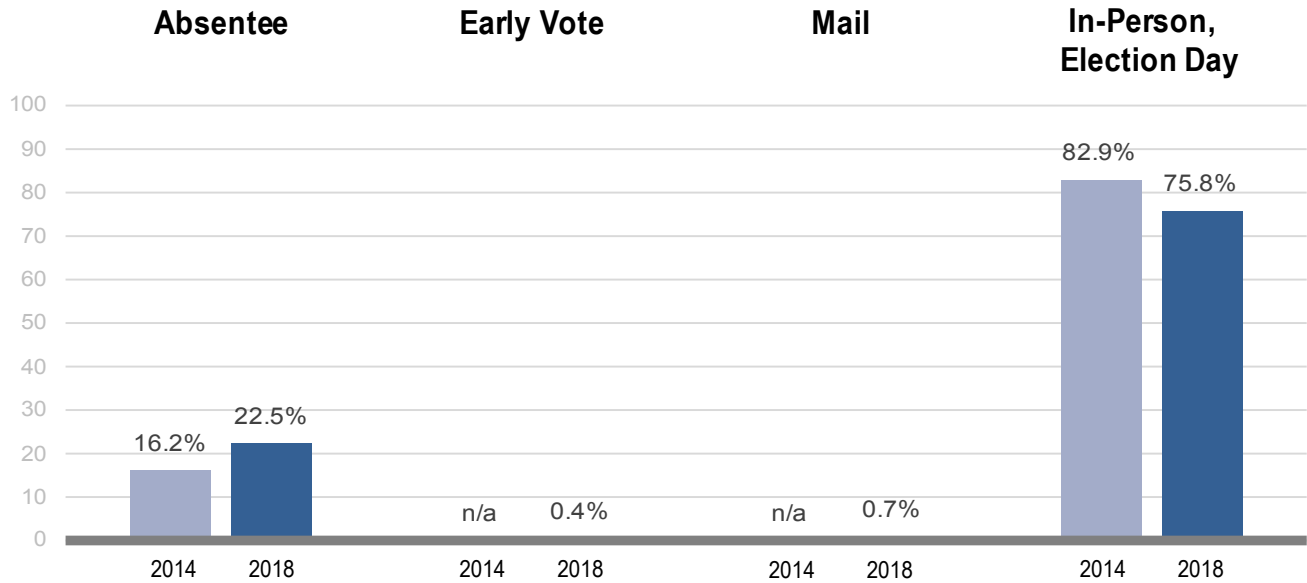
Difference from All Institutions **+8.1**

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YOUR STUDENTS' VOTING DATA | MIDTERM ELECTIONS

By Voting Method*

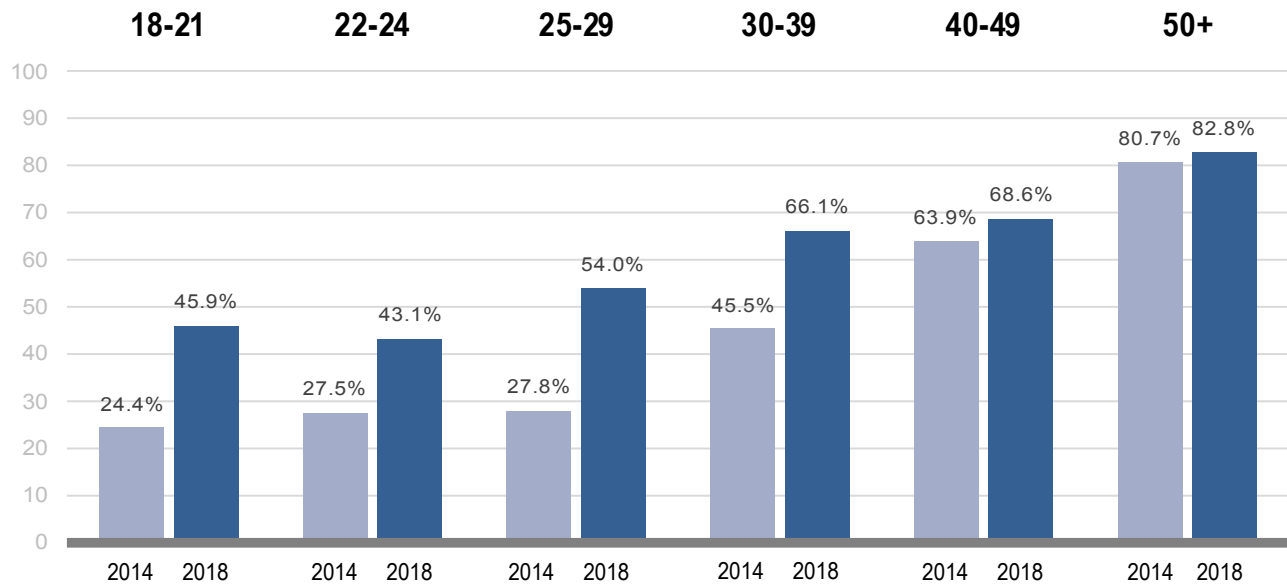


	2014		2018		Change	
	Voted	Rate	Voted	Rate		
Absentee	447	16.2%	1,080	22.5%	↑	6.3
Early Vote	*	n/a	18	0.4%		n/a
Mail	*	n/a	35	0.7%		n/a
In-Person, Election Day	2,289	82.9%	3,634	75.8%	↓	-7.1
Unknown	21	0.8%	29	0.6%		
Total	2,761		4,796			

* 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*

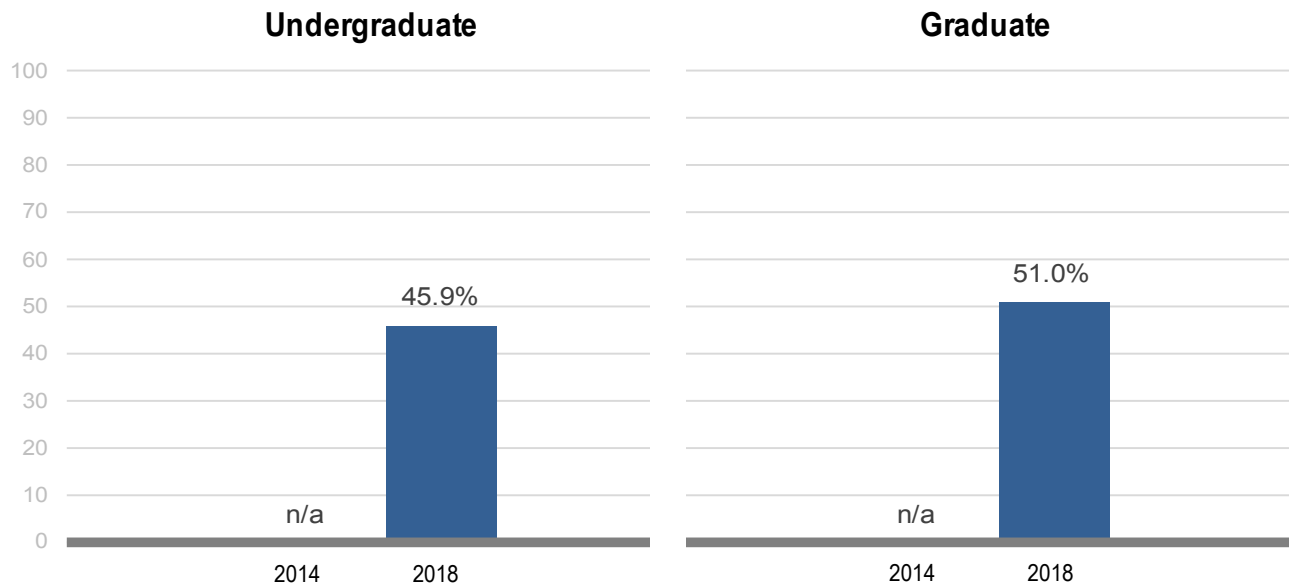


	2014			2018			Change
	Enrolled	Voted	Rate	Enrolled	Voted	Rate	
18-21	7,148	1,747	24.4%	7,506	3,445	45.9%	↑ 21.5
22-24	2,098	576	27.5%	1,952	842	43.1%	↑ 15.7
25-29	475	132	27.8%	441	238	54.0%	↑ 26.2
30-39	253	115	45.5%	248	164	66.1%	↑ 20.7
40-49	122	78	63.9%	86	59	68.6%	↑ 4.7
50+	140	113	80.7%	58	48	82.8%	↑ 2.1
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*

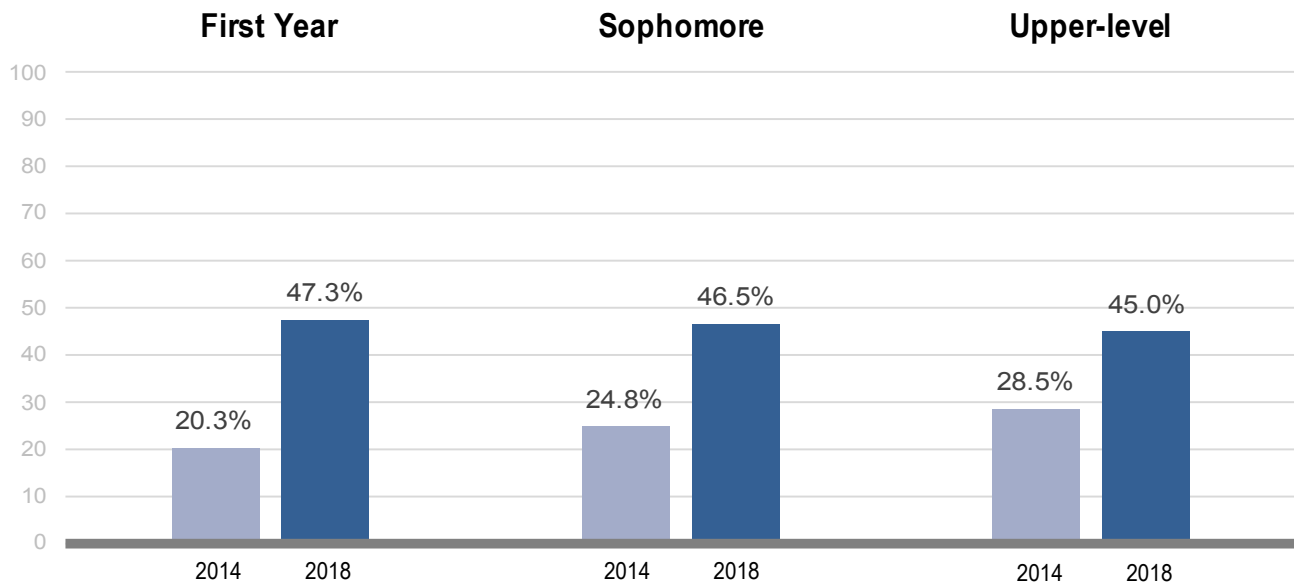


	2014			2018			Change
	Enrolled	Voted	Rate	Enrolled	Voted	Rate	
Undergraduate	0	0	n/a	9,305	4,274	45.9%	n/a
Graduate	0	0	n/a	822	419	51.0%	n/a
Unknown	10,236			164			

* 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*

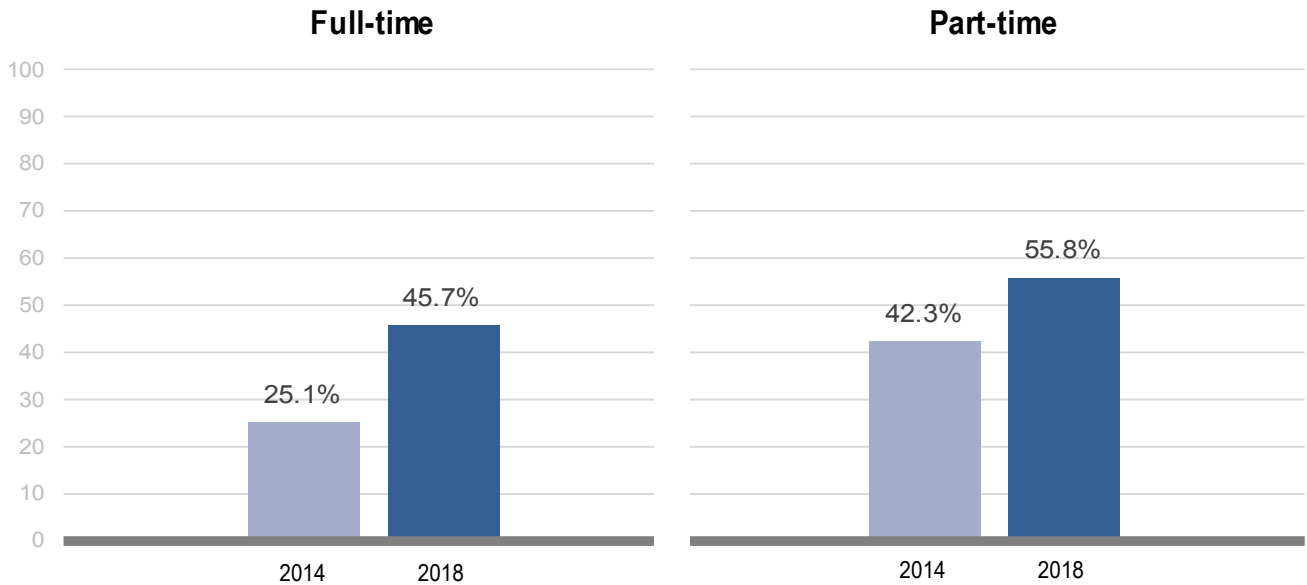


	2014			2018			Change	
	Enrolled	Voted	Rate	Enrolled	Voted	Rate		
First Year	2,218	451	20.3%	2,408	1,139	47.3%	↑	27.0
Sophomore	2,095	520	24.8%	2,165	1,006	46.5%	↑	21.7
Upper-level	4,777	1,361	28.5%	4,724	2,124	45.0%	↑	16.5

* 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*

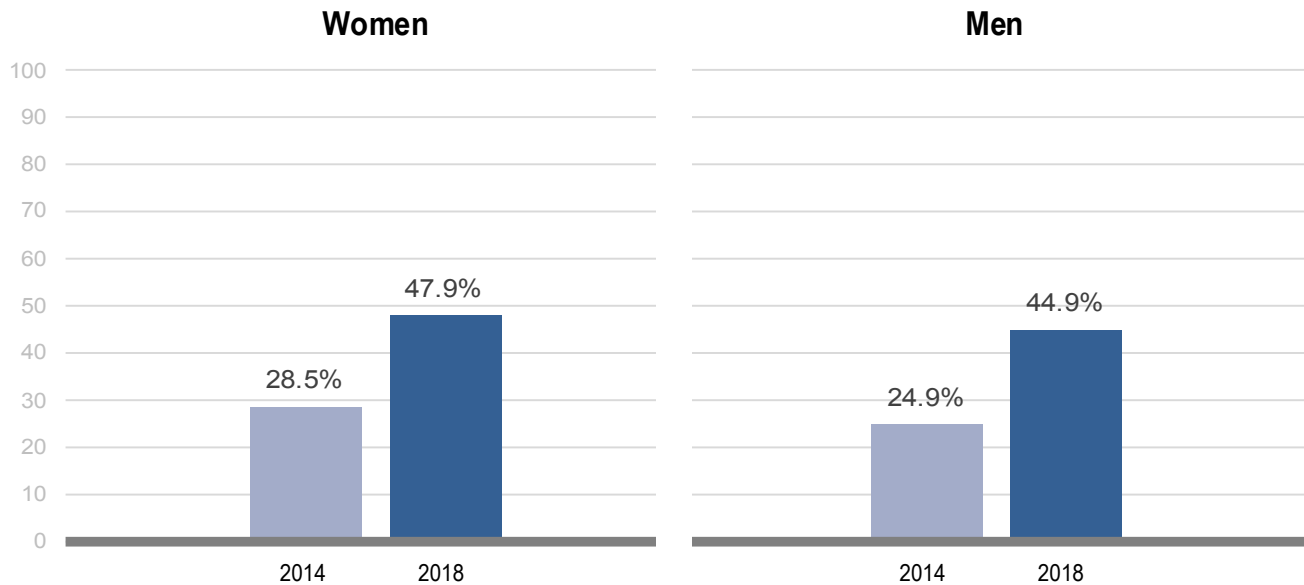


	2014			2018			Change	
	Enrolled	Voted	Rate	Enrolled	Voted	Rate		
Full-time	9,140	2,297	25.1%	9,398	4,298	45.7%	↑	20.6
Part-time	1,096	464	42.3%	893	498	55.8%	↑	13.4
Unknown	0	0	n/a	0	0	n/a		

* 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*

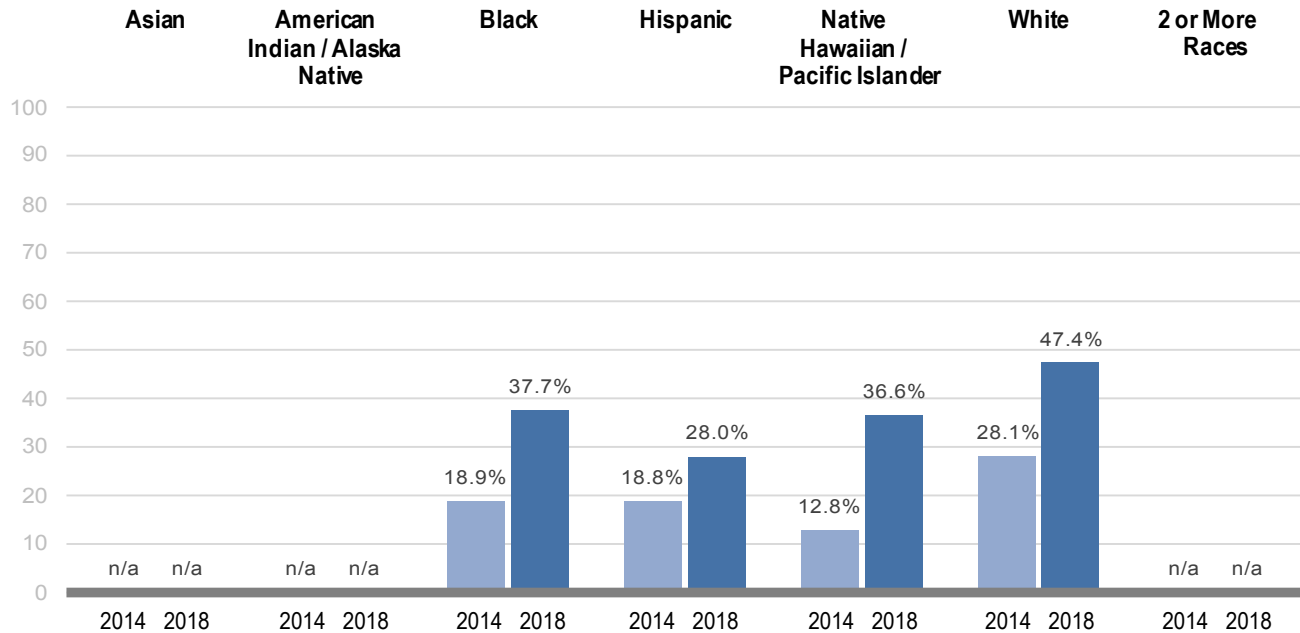


	2014			2018			Change	
	Enrolled	Voted	Rate	Enrolled	Voted	Rate		
Women	5,848	1,669	28.5%	5,809	2,785	47.9%	↑	19.4
Men	4,388	1,092	24.9%	4,482	2,011	44.9%	↑	20.0
Unknown	0			0				

* 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				
	Enrolled	Voted	Rate	Enrolled	Voted	Rate	Change	
Asian	0	0	n/a	0	0	n/a	n/a	
American Indian/ Alaska Native	24	*	n/a	17	*	n/a	n/a	
Black	74	14	18.9%	85	32	37.7%	↑	18.7
Hispanic	64	12	18.8%	50	14	28.0%	↑	9.3
Native Hawaiian/ Pacific Islander	344	44	12.8%	279	102	36.6%	↑	23.8
White	9,532	2,682	28.1%	9,778	4,635	47.4%	↑	19.3
2 or More Races	0	0	n/a	0	0	n/a	n/a	
Unknown	198			82				

* 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	
Area, Ethnic, Cultural, Gender, and Group Studies	11	*	n/a	17	11	64.7%	n/a
Basic Skills and Developmental Education	44	0	n/a	0	0	n/a	n/a
Biological and Biomedical Sciences	1,443	374	25.9%	1,562	684	43.8% ↑	17.9
Business, Management, and Marketing	1,795	440	24.5%	2,080	913	43.9% ↑	19.4
Communication and Journalism	322	80	24.8%	280	141	50.4% ↑	25.5
Computer and Information Sciences	206	44	21.4%	282	128	45.4% ↑	24.0
Education	1,151	479	41.6%	1,051	536	51.0% ↑	9.4
Engineering and Engineering Technologies	35	*	n/a	28	*	n/a	n/a
English Language and Literature	195	58	29.7%	164	89	54.3% ↑	24.5
Foreign Languages, Literatures, and Linguistics	79	27	34.2%	82	40	48.8% ↑	14.6
Health Professions	1,216	291	23.9%	1,144	509	44.5% ↑	20.6
History	63	20	31.8%	71	40	56.3% ↑	24.6
Liberal Arts and Sciences, and Humanities	948	214	22.6%	565	261	46.2% ↑	23.6
Mathematics and Statistics	105	28	26.7%	125	66	52.8% ↑	26.1
Military Science, Leadership and Operational Art	11	*	n/a	0	0	n/a	n/a
Multi/Interdisciplinary Studies	0	0	n/a	97	55	56.7%	n/a
Parks, Recreation, Leisure, and Fitness Studies	965	235	24.4%	904	365	40.4% ↑	16.0
Philosophy and Religious Studies	16	*	n/a	20	12	60.0%	n/a
Physical Sciences	270	63	23.3%	191	88	46.1% ↑	22.7
Psychology	675	182	27.0%	732	351	48.0% ↑	21.0
Public Administration and Social Service Professions	51	20	39.2%	45	22	48.9% ↑	9.7
Social Sciences	472	134	28.4%	555	319	57.5% ↑	29.1
Visual and Performing Arts	158	54	34.2%	150	78	52.0% ↑	17.8

Unknown	*	*	n/a	146	84	57.5%	n/a
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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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