

2014 & 2018 CAMPUS REPORT

Student Voting Rates for
University of San Diego

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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: <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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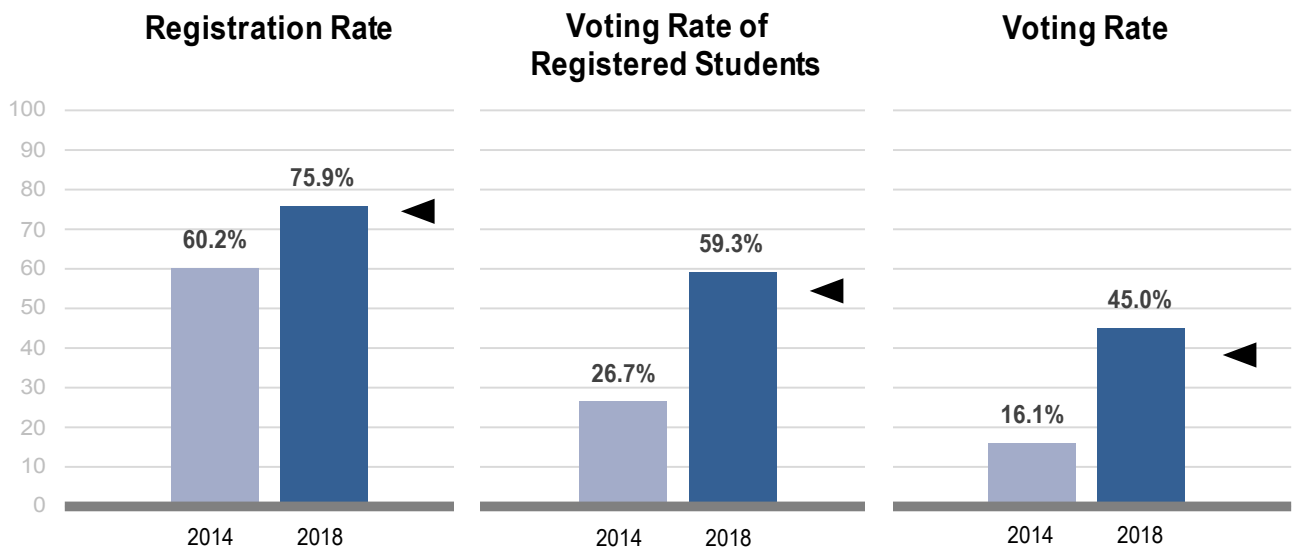
YOUR STUDENTS' VOTING DATA | MIDTERM ELECTIONS

Voting and Registration Rates

2018 Voting Rate
45.0%

CHANGE FROM 2014
+28.9

2018 VOTING RATE FOR ALL INSTITUTIONS
39.1%



◀ All Institutions, 2018

	2014	2018	Change
Total student enrollment	8,082	8,793	↑ 711
Age under 18/Unknown	(45)	(42)	
IPEDS estimated non-resident aliens	(587)	(743)	
FERPA records blocked	(14)	*	
Total eligible voters	7,436	8,004	↑ 568
Number of students who registered	4,477	6,071	↑ 1,594
Number of students who voted	1,196	3,598	↑ 2,402
Registration rate	60.2%	75.9%	↑ 15.6
Voting rate of registered students	26.7%	59.3%	↑ 32.6
Voting rate	16.1%	45.0%	↑ 28.9
Difference from all institutions	-3.6	+5.9	

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

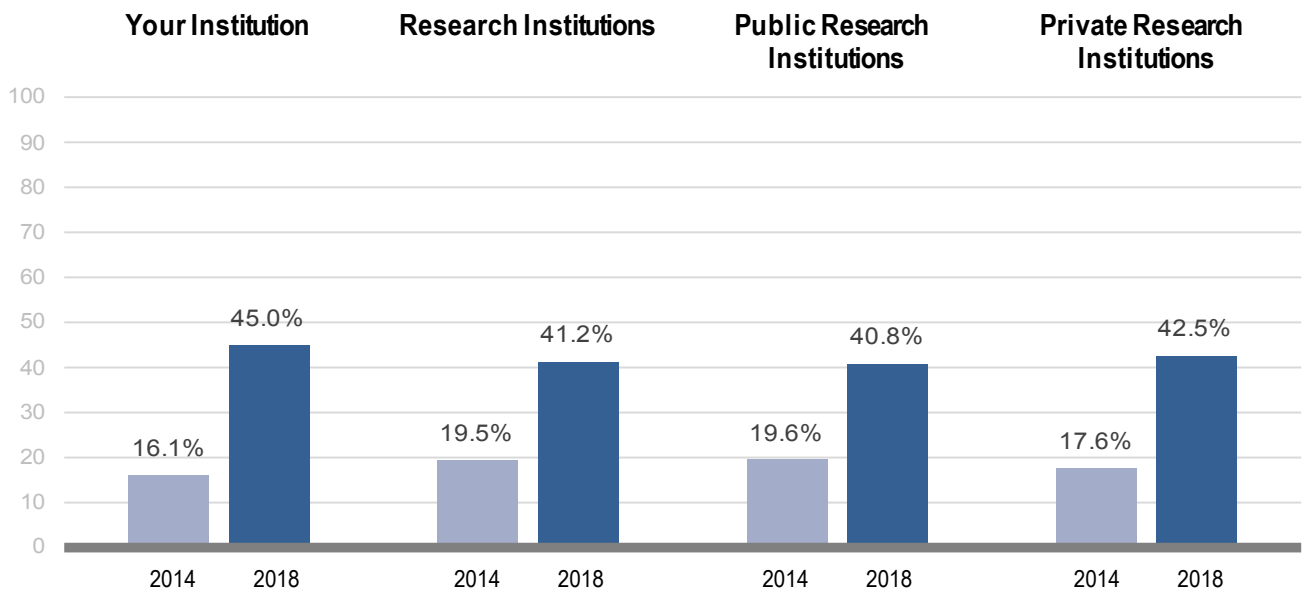
39.1%

HIGH
64.1%

LOW
11.5%

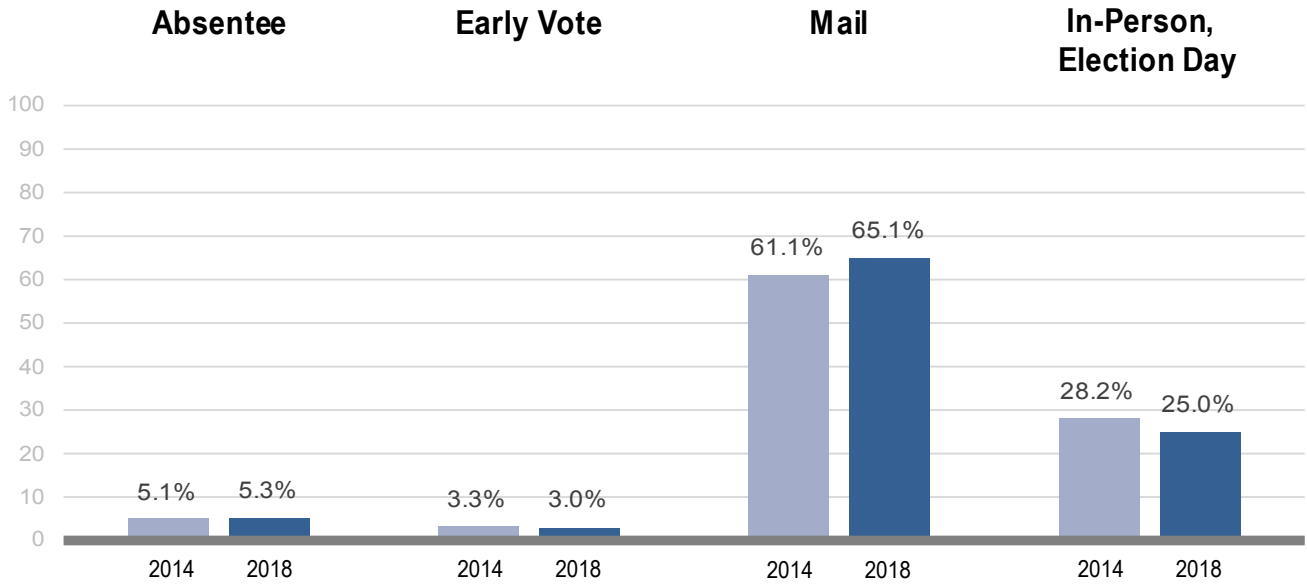
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Difference from All Institutions **+5.9**



YOUR STUDENTS' VOTING DATA | MIDTERM ELECTIONS

By Voting Method*

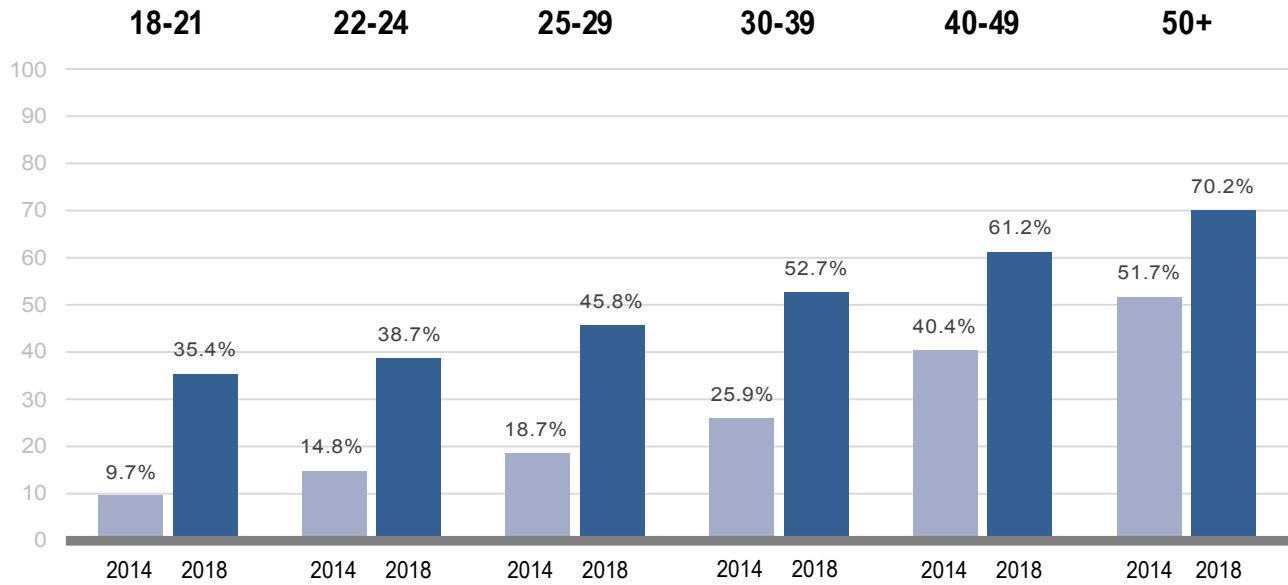


	2014		2018		Change
	Voted	Rate	Voted	Rate	
Absentee	61	5.1%	189	5.3%	↑ 0.2
Early Vote	39	3.3%	108	3.0%	↓ -0.3
Mail	731	61.1%	2,341	65.1%	↑ 3.9
In-Person, Election Day	337	28.2%	899	25.0%	↓ -3.2
Unknown	28	2.3%	61	1.7%	
Total	1,196		3,598		

* 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*

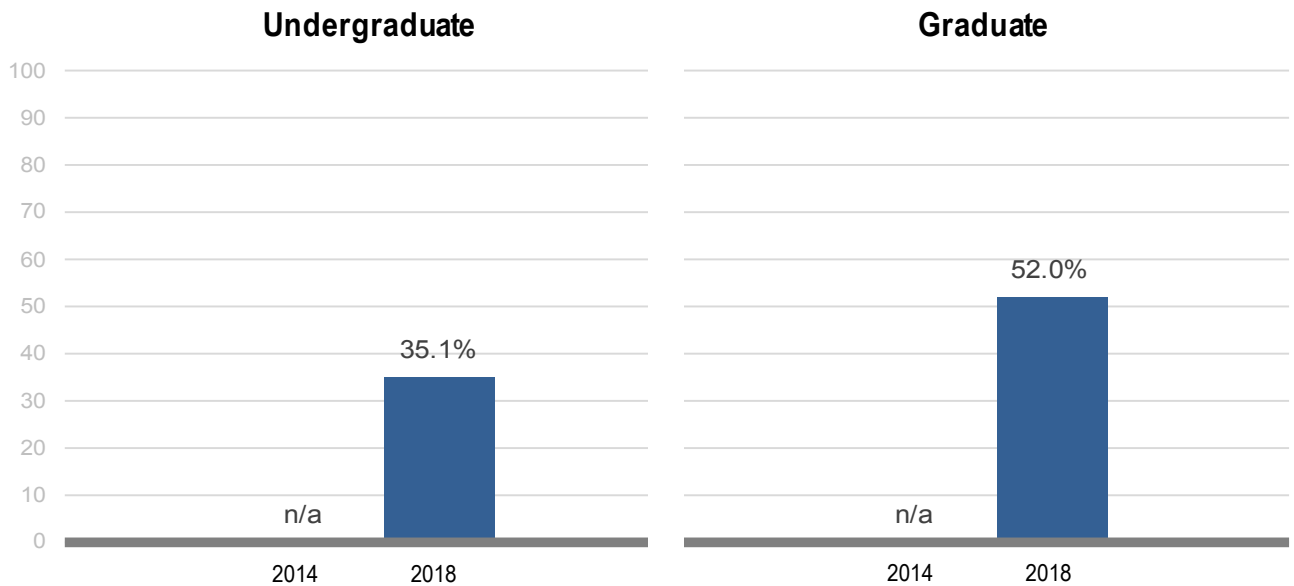


	2014			2018			Change
	Enrolled	Voted	Rate	Enrolled	Voted	Rate	
18-21	4,476	432	9.7%	4,576	1,619	35.4%	↑ 25.7
22-24	1,398	207	14.8%	1,459	564	38.7%	↑ 23.9
25-29	1,034	193	18.7%	1,197	548	45.8%	↑ 27.1
30-39	710	184	25.9%	912	481	52.7%	↑ 26.8
40-49	260	105	40.4%	412	252	61.2%	↑ 20.8
50+	145	75	51.7%	191	134	70.2%	↑ 18.4
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*

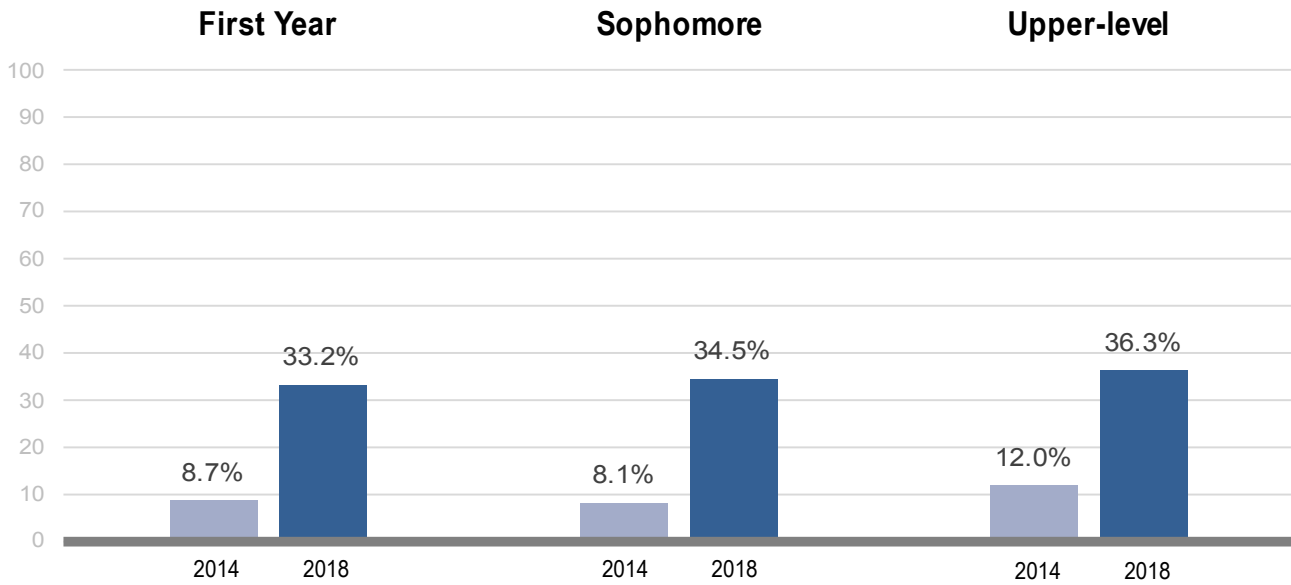


	2014			2018			Change
	Enrolled	Voted	Rate	Enrolled	Voted	Rate	
Undergraduate	0	0	n/a	5,607	1,967	35.1%	n/a
Graduate	0	0	n/a	3,139	1,631	52.0%	n/a
Unknown	8,023			*			

* 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*

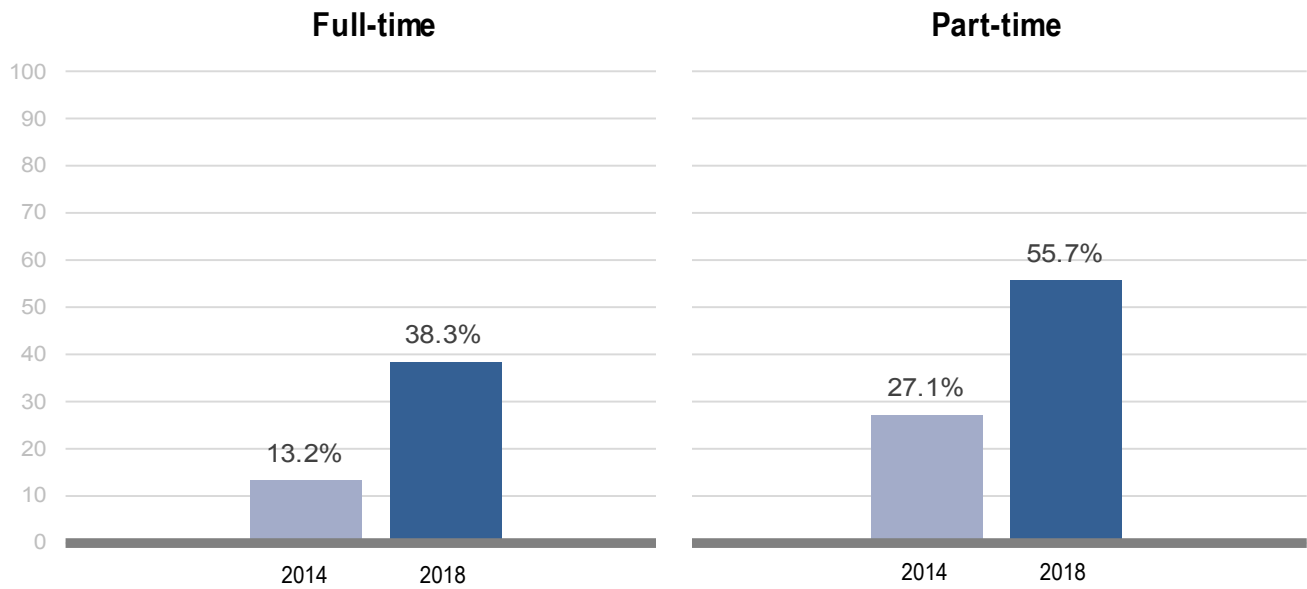


	2014			2018			Change
	Enrolled	Voted	Rate	Enrolled	Voted	Rate	
First Year	1,273	111	8.7%	1,487	493	33.2%	↑ 24.4
Sophomore	1,336	108	8.1%	1,270	438	34.5%	↑ 26.4
Upper-level	2,911	350	12.0%	2,854	1,037	36.3%	↑ 24.3

* 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*

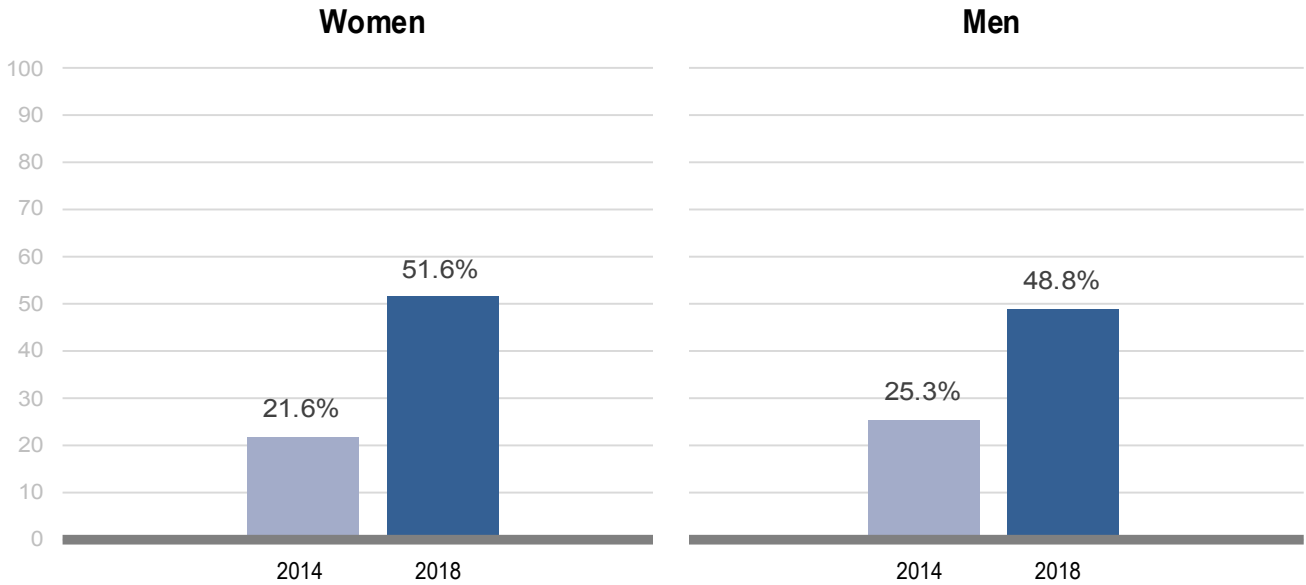


	2014			2018			Change
	Enrolled	Voted	Rate	Enrolled	Voted	Rate	
Full-time	7,036	929	13.2%	7,310	2,797	38.3%	↑ 25.1
Part-time	987	267	27.1%	1,437	801	55.7%	↑ 28.7
Unknown	0	0	n/a	0	0	n/a	

* 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.

YOUR STUDENTS' VOTING DATA | MIDTERM ELECTIONS

By Gender*

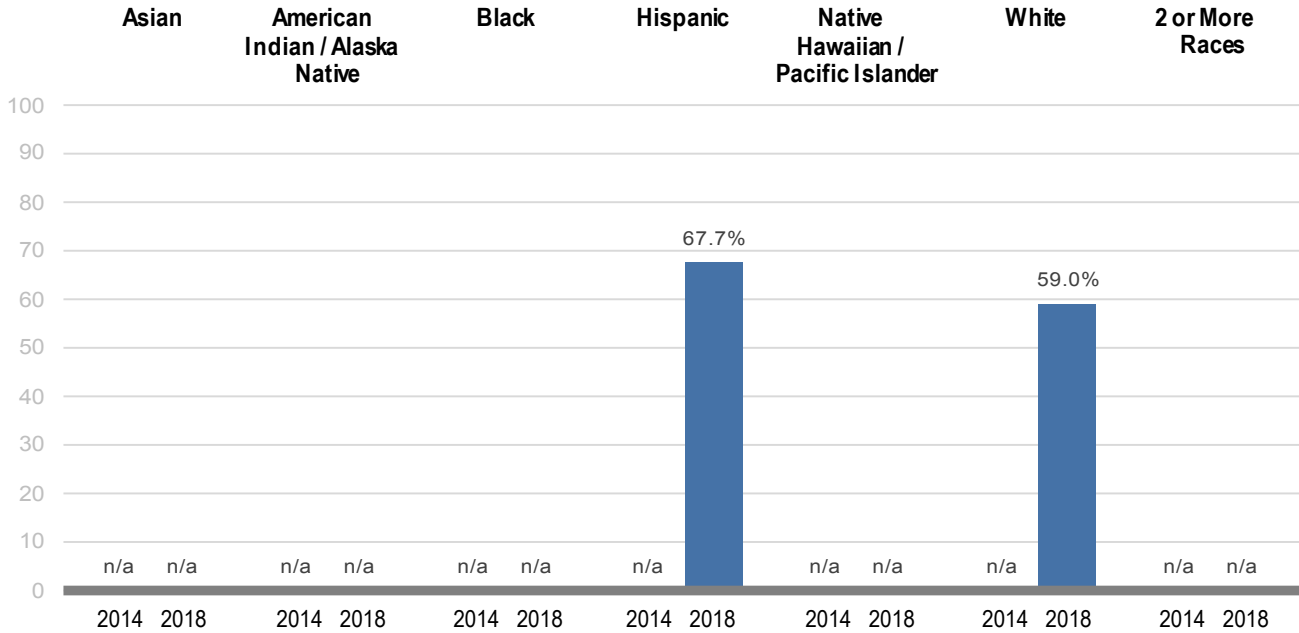


	2014			2018			Change
	Enrolled	Voted	Rate	Enrolled	Voted	Rate	
Women	379	82	21.6%	401	207	51.6%	↑ 30.0
Men	387	98	25.3%	330	161	48.8%	↑ 23.5
Unknown	7,257			8,016			

* 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	0	0	n/a	25	*	n/a	n/a
American Indian/ Alaska Native	0	0	n/a	0	0	n/a	n/a
Black	0	0	n/a	*	*	n/a	n/a
Hispanic	0	0	n/a	34	23	67.7%	n/a
Native Hawaiian/ Pacific Islander	0	0	n/a	0	0	n/a	n/a
White	0	0	n/a	122	72	59.0%	n/a
2 or More Races	0	0	n/a	*	*	n/a	n/a
Unknown	8,023			8,552			

* 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	43	*	n/a	52	15	28.9%	n/a
Area, Ethnic, Cultural, Gender, and Group Studies	16	*	n/a	16	*	n/a	n/a
Biological and Biomedical Sciences	477	58	12.2%	480	208	43.3% ↑	31.2
Business, Management, and Marketing	1,994	245	12.3%	1,788	623	34.8% ↑	22.6
Communication and Journalism	315	26	8.3%	255	83	32.6% ↑	24.3
Computer and Information Sciences	39	*	n/a	144	55	38.2%	n/a
Education	605	154	25.5%	684	403	58.9% ↑	33.5
Engineering and Engineering Technologies	405	34	8.4%	464	137	29.5% ↑	21.1
English Language and Literature	102	12	11.8%	66	30	45.5% ↑	33.7
Foreign Languages, Literatures, and Linguistics	10	0	n/a	*	*	n/a	n/a
Health Professions	417	120	28.8%	603	276	45.8% ↑	17.0
History	52	15	28.9%	48	24	50.0% ↑	21.2
Law Enforcement, Firefighting, and Protective Services	0	0	n/a	330	193	58.5%	n/a
Legal Professions and Studies	885	215	24.3%	820	426	52.0% ↑	27.7
Liberal Arts and Sciences, and Humanities	1,700	132	7.8%	1,804	613	34.0% ↑	26.2
Mathematics and Statistics	38	*	n/a	64	17	26.6%	n/a
Multi/Interdisciplinary Studies	32	*	n/a	71	34	47.9%	n/a
Natural Resources and Conservation	75	*	n/a	116	51	44.0%	n/a
Philosophy and Religious Studies	31	*	n/a	31	10	32.3%	n/a
Physical Sciences	39	*	n/a	51	21	41.2%	n/a
Psychology	197	28	14.2%	306	129	42.2% ↑	28.0
Public Administration and Social Service Professions	0	0	n/a	19	*	n/a	n/a
Social Sciences	433	90	20.8%	415	180	43.4% ↑	22.6

Visual and Performing Arts	87	14	16.1%	81	35	43.2% ↑	27.1
Unknown	31	*	n/a	31	17	54.8%	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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