

2014 & 2018 CAMPUS REPORT

Student Voting Rates for
Colorado State University-
Fort Collins

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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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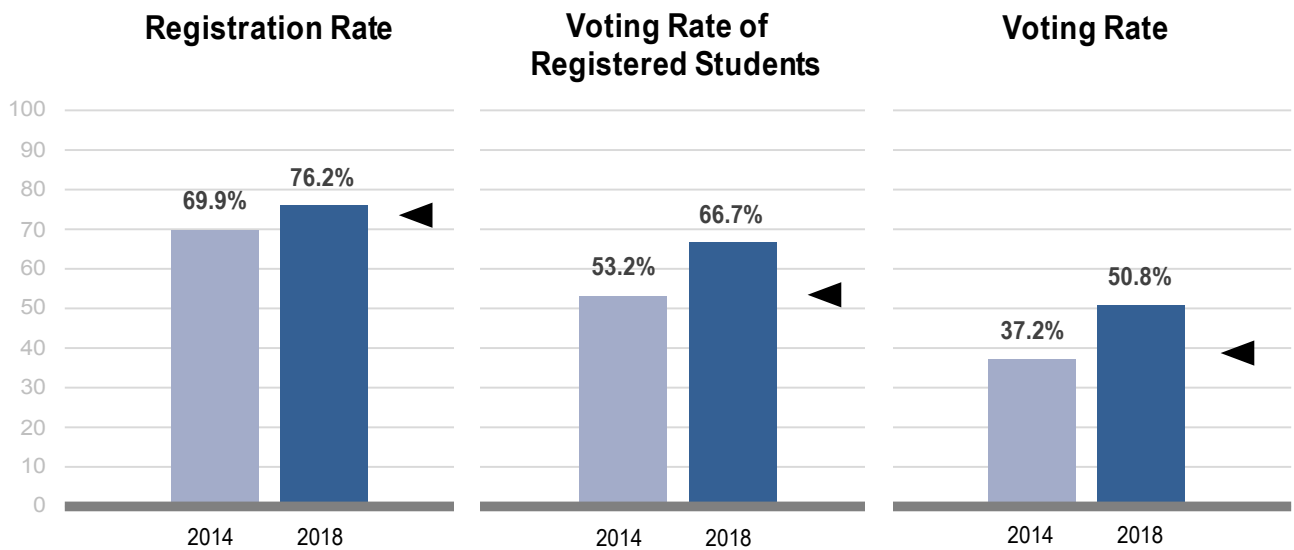
YOUR STUDENTS' VOTING DATA | MIDTERM ELECTIONS

Voting and Registration Rates

2018 Voting Rate
50.8%

CHANGE FROM 2014
+13.6

2018 VOTING RATE FOR ALL INSTITUTIONS
39.1%



◀ All Institutions, 2018

	2014	2018	Change
Total student enrollment	32,086	33,606	↑ 1,520
Age under 18/Unknown	(84)	(97)	
IPEDS estimated non-resident aliens	(1,949)	(2,063)	
FERPA records blocked	*	(18)	
Total eligible voters	30,052	31,428	↑ 1,376
Number of students who registered	21,006	23,936	↑ 2,930
Number of students who voted	11,176	15,975	↑ 4,799
Registration rate	69.9%	76.2%	↑ 6.3
Voting rate of registered students	53.2%	66.7%	↑ 13.5
Voting rate	37.2%	50.8%	↑ 13.6
Difference from all institutions	+17.5	+11.7	

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

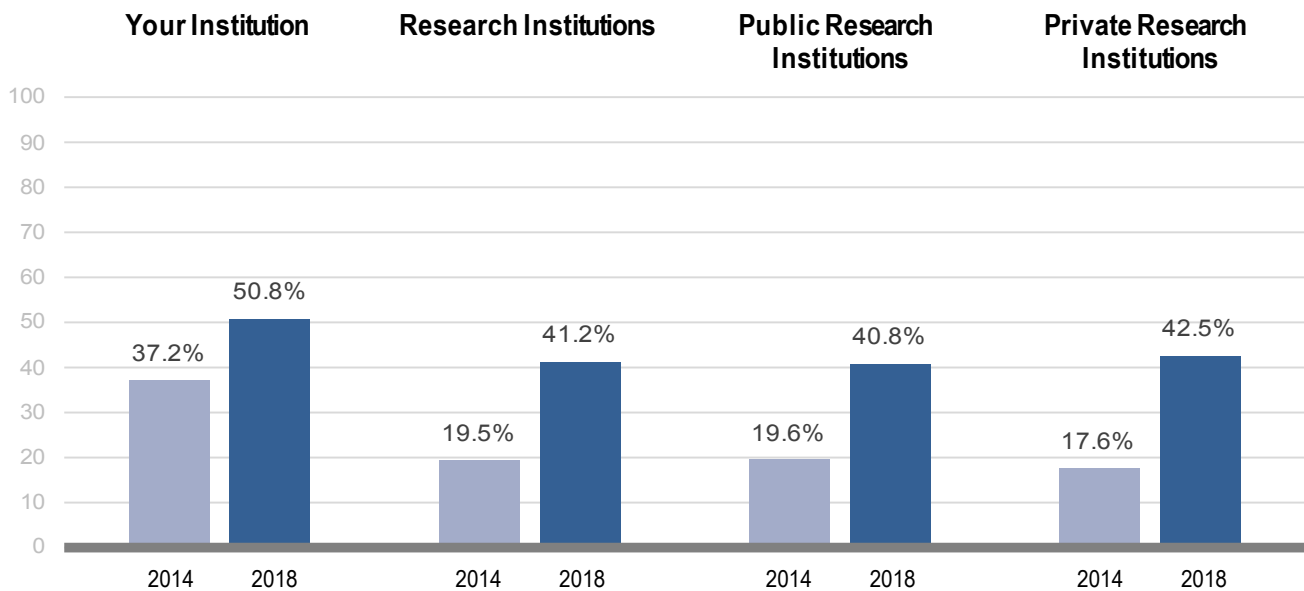
39.1%

HIGH
64.1%

LOW
11.5%

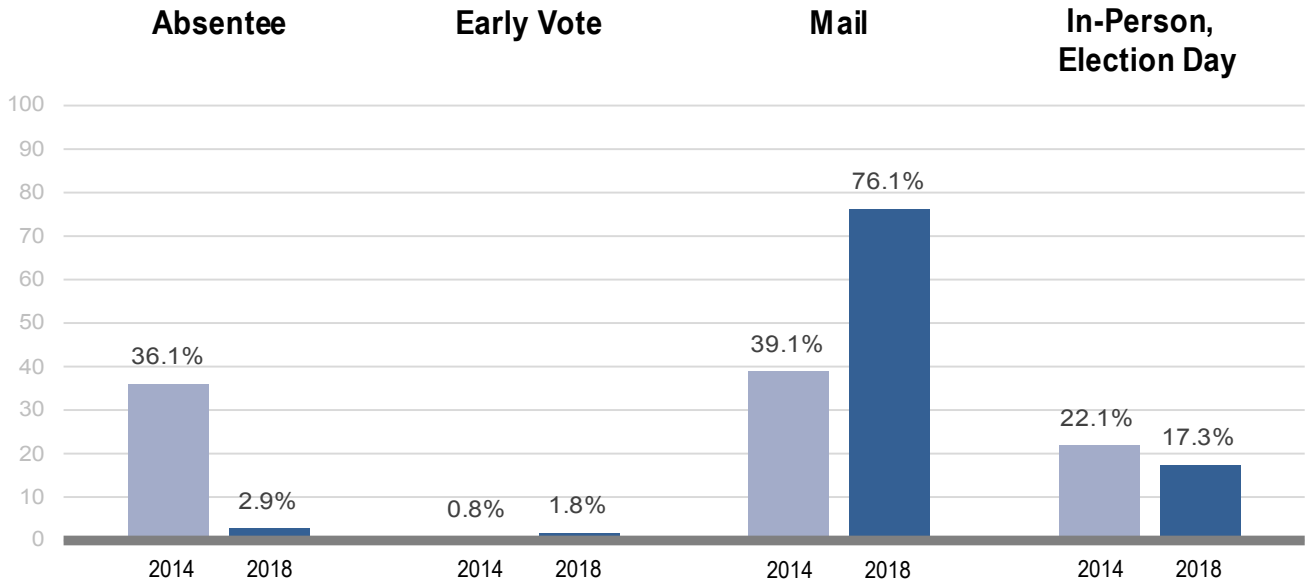
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YOUR STUDENTS' VOTING DATA | MIDTERM ELECTIONS

By Voting Method*

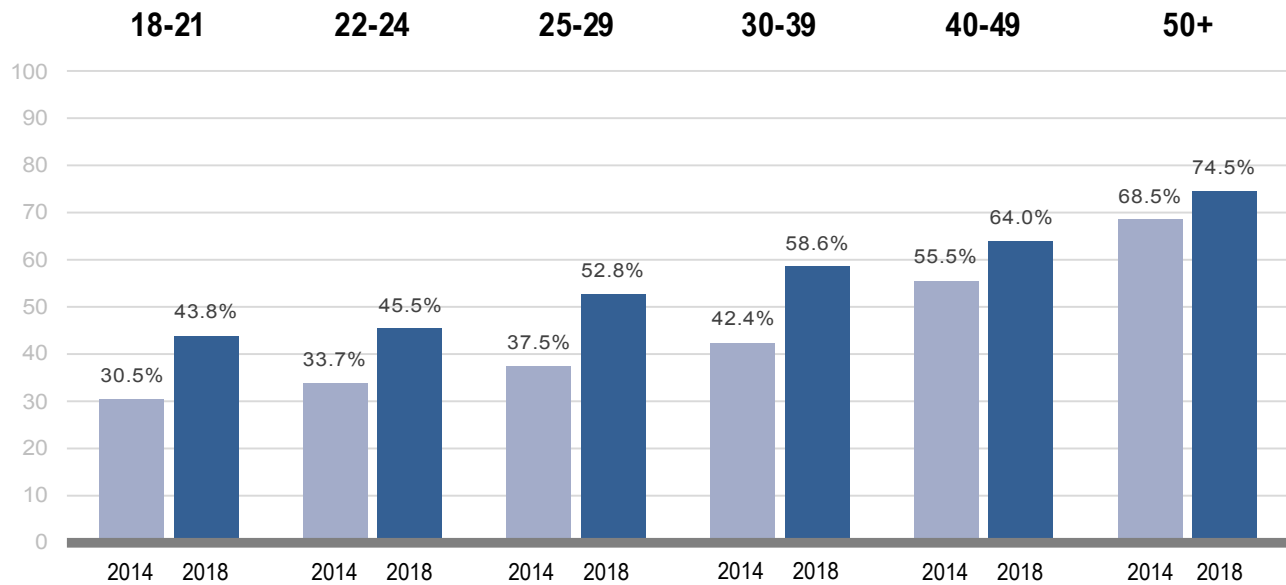


	2014		2018		Change	
	Voted	Rate	Voted	Rate		
Absentee	4,033	36.1%	458	2.9%	↓	-33.2
Early Vote	89	0.8%	281	1.8%	↑	1.0
Mail	4,364	39.1%	12,164	76.1%	↑	37.1
In-Person, Election Day	2,468	22.1%	2,765	17.3%	↓	-4.8
Unknown	222	2.0%	307	1.9%		
Total	11,176		15,975			

* 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*

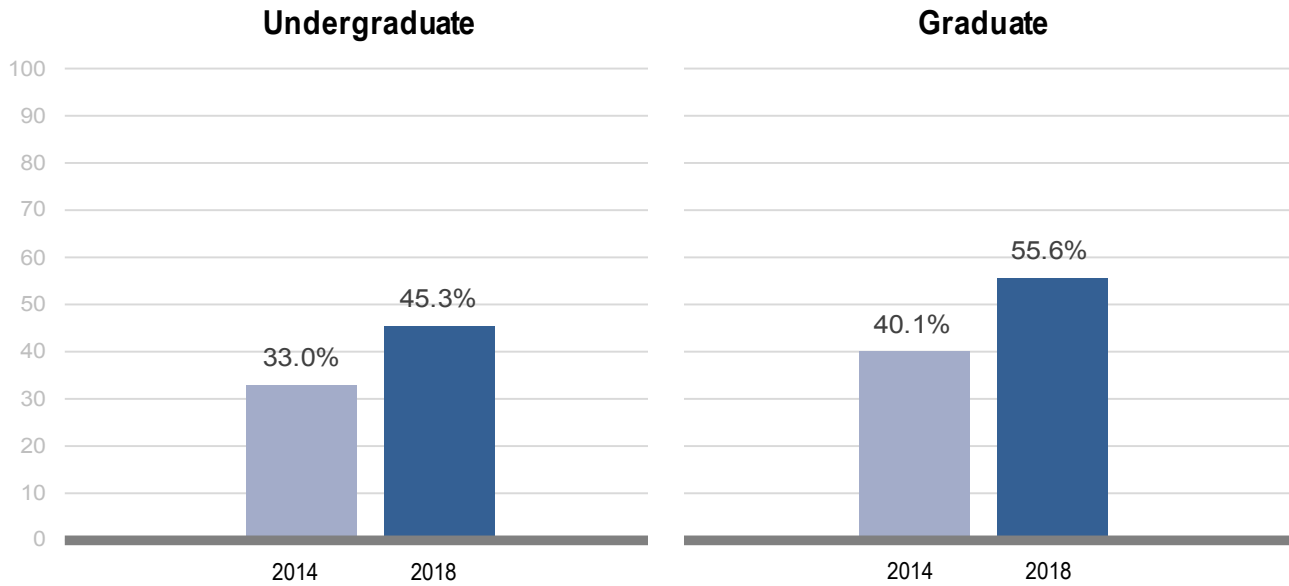


	2014			2018			Change
	Enrolled	Voted	Rate	Enrolled	Voted	Rate	
18-21	16,633	5,073	30.5%	18,543	8,130	43.8%	↑ 13.3
22-24	6,302	2,126	33.7%	6,053	2,752	45.5%	↑ 11.7
25-29	3,957	1,483	37.5%	4,328	2,284	52.8%	↑ 15.3
30-39	3,243	1,375	42.4%	3,076	1,803	58.6%	↑ 16.2
40-49	1,219	676	55.5%	994	636	64.0%	↑ 8.5
50+	647	443	68.5%	497	370	74.5%	↑ 6.0
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*

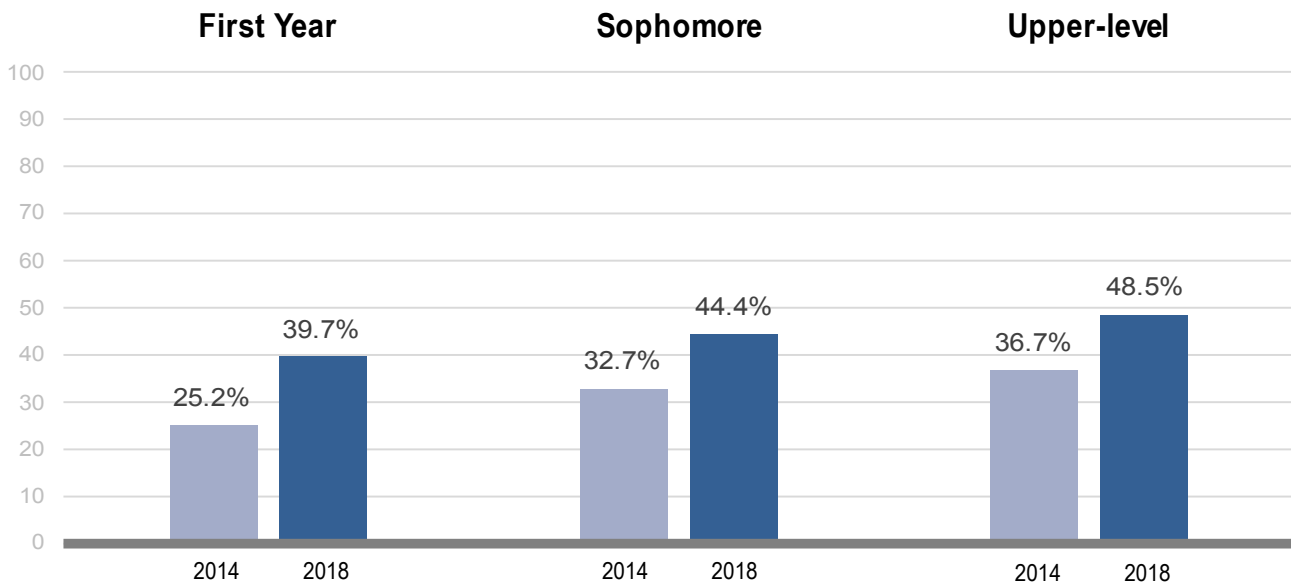


	2014			2018			Change
	Enrolled	Voted	Rate	Enrolled	Voted	Rate	
Undergraduate	23,307	7,680	33.0%	25,424	11,521	45.3%	↑ 12.4
Graduate	6,891	2,761	40.1%	6,957	3,869	55.6%	↑ 15.5
Unknown	1,803			1,110			

* 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*

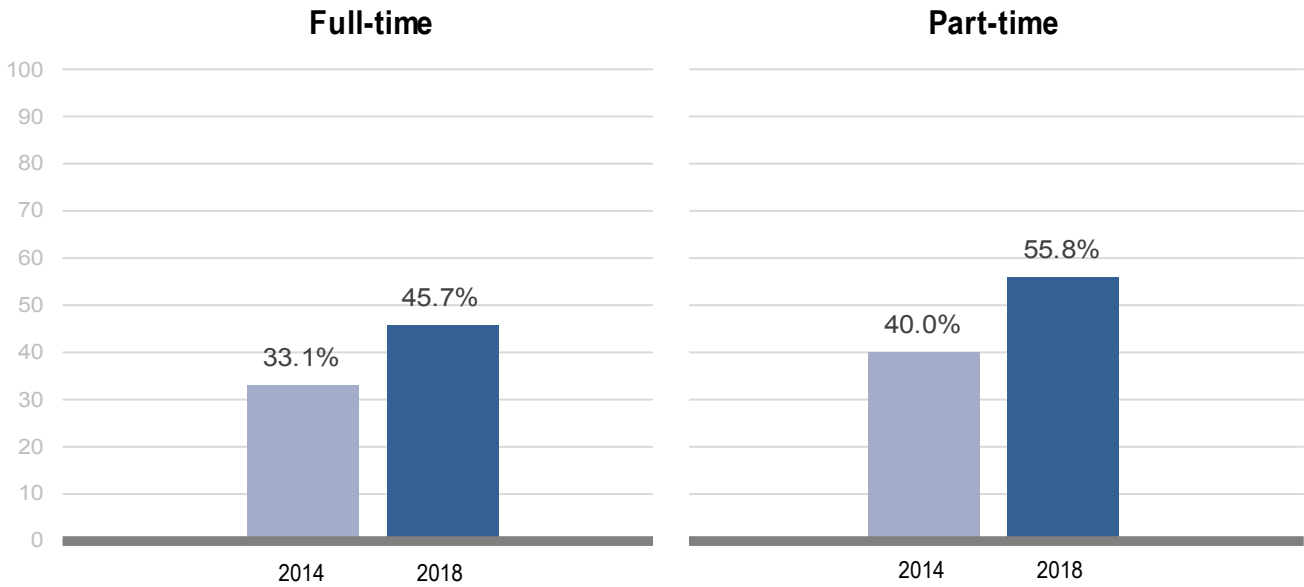


	2014			2018			Change
	Enrolled	Voted	Rate	Enrolled	Voted	Rate	
First Year	6,047	1,523	25.2%	6,799	2,697	39.7%	↑ 14.5
Sophomore	5,221	1,709	32.7%	5,525	2,453	44.4%	↑ 11.7
Upper-level	12,886	4,729	36.7%	13,690	6,636	48.5%	↑ 11.8

* 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	23,373	7,729	33.1%	26,757	12,215	45.7%	↑ 12.6
Part-time	8,628	3,447	40.0%	6,734	3,760	55.8%	↑ 15.9
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	
Agriculture and Agriculture Operations	1,718	560	32.6%	1,798	750	41.7% ↑	9.1
Architecture	120	44	36.7%	289	127	43.9% ↑	7.3
Area, Ethnic, Cultural, Gender, and Group Studies	48	26	54.2%	53	31	58.5% ↑	4.3
Biological and Biomedical Sciences	3,463	1,228	35.5%	4,338	2,100	48.4% ↑	13.0
Business, Management, and Marketing	3,673	1,278	34.8%	3,616	1,669	46.2% ↑	11.4
Communication and Journalism	1,109	401	36.2%	1,058	552	52.2% ↑	16.0
Computer and Information Sciences	957	311	32.5%	1,118	496	44.4% ↑	11.9
Education	762	380	49.9%	745	472	63.4% ↑	13.5
Engineering and Engineering Technologies	3,859	1,214	31.5%	4,427	1,937	43.8% ↑	12.3
English Language and Literature	512	210	41.0%	437	241	55.2% ↑	14.1
Family and Consumer/Human Sciences	1,752	591	33.7%	1,444	716	49.6% ↑	15.9
Foreign Languages, Literatures, and Linguistics	123	50	40.7%	70	34	48.6% ↑	7.9
Health Professions	896	295	32.9%	906	466	51.4% ↑	18.5
History	302	155	51.3%	246	166	67.5% ↑	16.2
Law Enforcement, Firefighting, and Protective Services	60	31	51.7%	64	48	75.0% ↑	23.3
Liberal Arts and Sciences, and Humanities	3,958	1,264	31.9%	3,025	1,094	36.2% ↑	4.2
Mathematics and Statistics	387	157	40.6%	534	258	48.3% ↑	7.7
Mechanic and Repair Technologies/Technicians	220	134	60.9%	0	0	n/a	n/a
Multi/Interdisciplinary Studies	355	138	38.9%	651	304	46.7% ↑	7.8
Natural Resources and Conservation	587	194	33.1%	692	367	53.0% ↑	20.0
Parks, Recreation, Leisure, and Fitness Studies	1,819	499	27.4%	1,550	686	44.3% ↑	16.8
Philosophy and Religious Studies	74	26	35.1%	93	48	51.6% ↑	16.5
Physical Sciences	794	350	44.1%	799	445	55.7% ↑	11.6

Psychology	1,192	407	34.1%	1,351	643	47.6% ↑	13.5
Public Administration and Social Service Professions	495	213	43.0%	484	287	59.3% ↑	16.3
Social Sciences	1,536	581	37.8%	1,727	870	50.4% ↑	12.6
Visual and Performing Arts	1,217	431	35.4%	1,027	597	58.1% ↑	22.7
Unknown	13	*	n/a	949	571	60.2%	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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