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2014 & 2018 CAMPUS REPORT

Student Voting Rates for University of Florida

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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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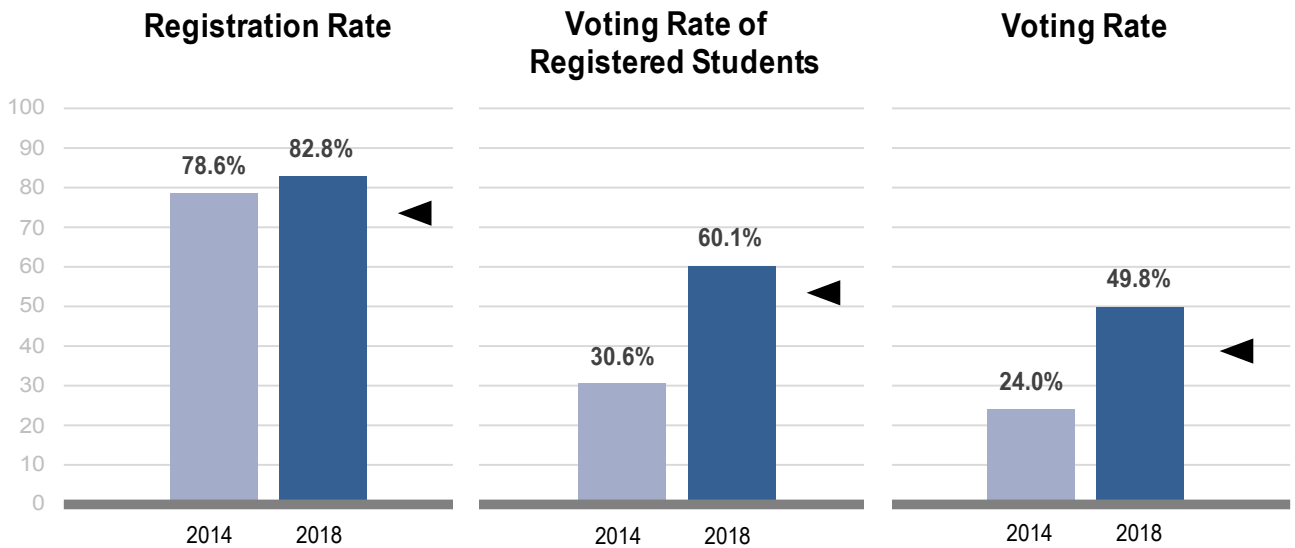
Warm regards,

IDHE Team

YOUR STUDENTS' VOTING DATA | MIDTERM ELECTIONS

Voting and Registration Rates

2018 Voting Rate

49.8%

CHANGE FROM 2014

+25.8

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	49,941	51,713	⬆	1,772
Age under 18/Unknown	(284)	(537)		
IPEDS estimated non-resident aliens	(4,238)	(4,567)		
FERPA records blocked	(37)	(34)		
Total eligible voters	45,382	46,575	⬆	1,193
Number of students who registered	35,690	38,582	⬆	2,892
Number of students who voted	10,902	23,180	⬆	12,278
Registration rate	78.6%	82.8%	⬆	4.2
Voting rate of registered students	30.6%	60.1%	⬆	29.5
Voting rate	24.0%	49.8%	⬆	25.8
Difference from all institutions	+4.3	+10.7		

HOW YOUR NUMBERS COMPARE | MIDTERM ELECTIONS

By Carnegie Classification

2014 Voting Rate for All Institutions	**HIGH 54.0%**
19.7%	**LOW 1.5%**

Difference from All Institutions   **+4.3**

2018 Voting Rate for All Institutions	**HIGH 64.1%**
39.1%	**LOW 11.5%**

Difference from All Institutions   **+10.7**
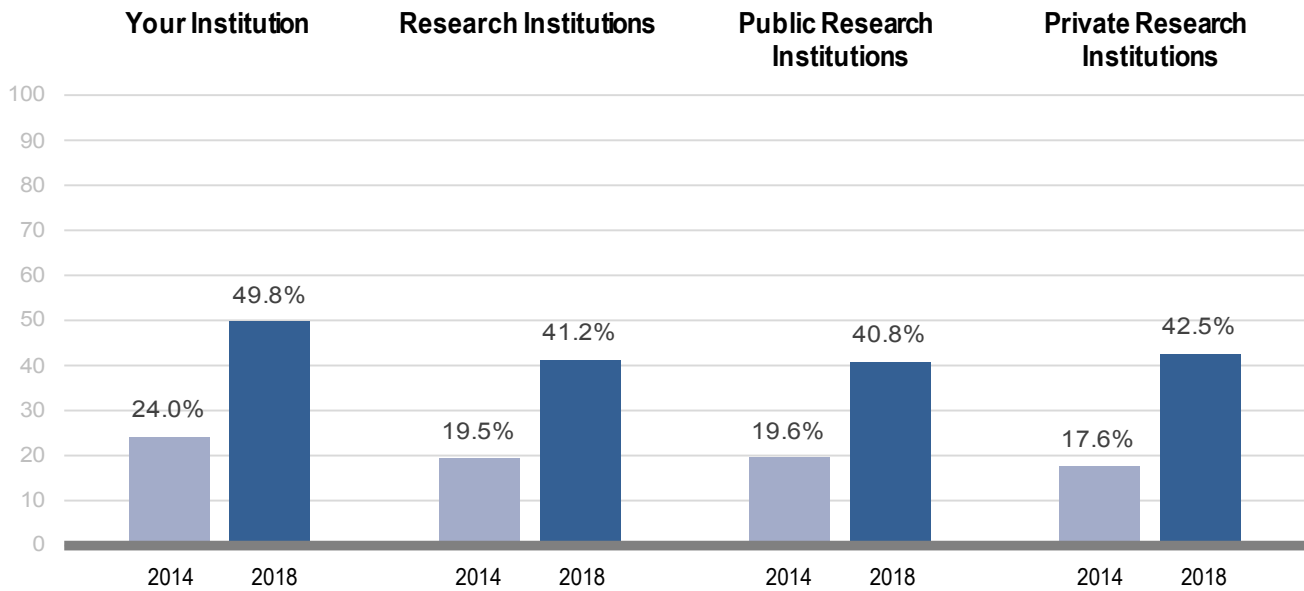
	Your Institution	Research Institutions	Public Research Institutions	Private Research Institutions
2014	24.0%	19.5%	19.6%	17.6%
2018	49.8%	41.2%	40.8%	42.5%

By Voting Method*

	Absentee	**Early Vote**	**Mail**	**In-Person, Election Day**
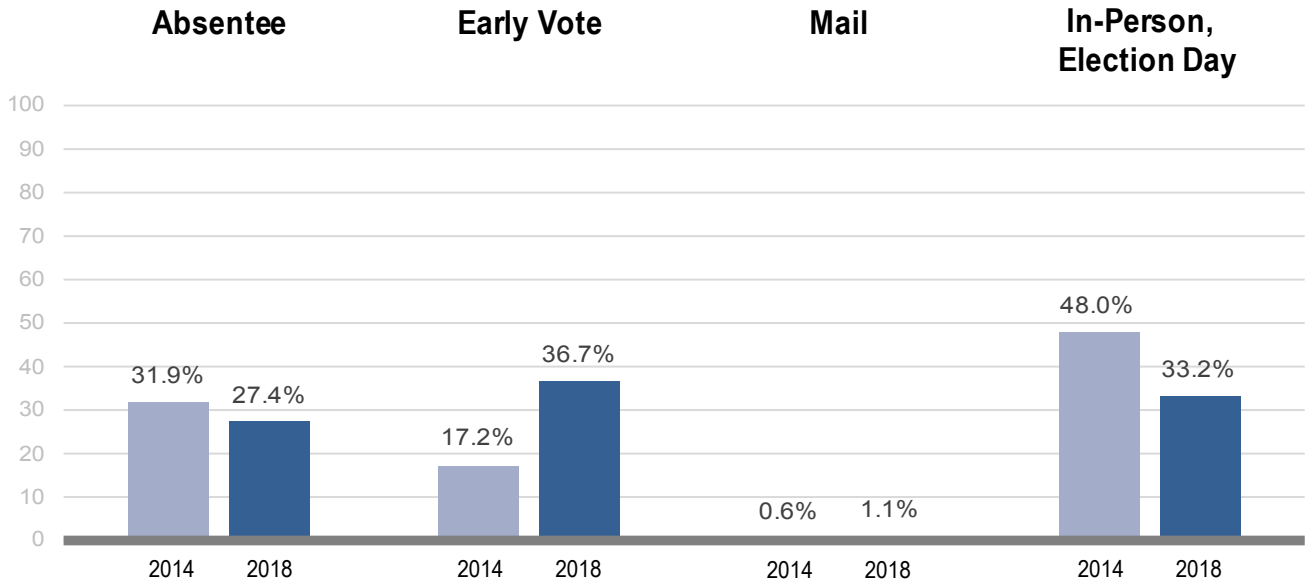
	2014		**2018**		
	Voted	Rate	Voted	Rate	Change
Absentee	3,476	**31.9%**	6,347	**27.4%**	⬇ **-4.5**
Early Vote	1,875	**17.2%**	8,515	**36.7%**	⬆ **19.5**
Mail	68	**0.6%**	247	**1.1%**	⬆ **0.5**
In-Person, Election Day	5,230	**48.0%**	7,704	**33.2%**	⬇ **-14.7**
Unknown	253	**2.3%**	367	**1.6%**	
Total	**10,902**		**23,180**		

* 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 officals where your students voted.

**YOUR STUDENTS' VOTING DATA | MIDTERM ELECTIONS**

By Age Group*
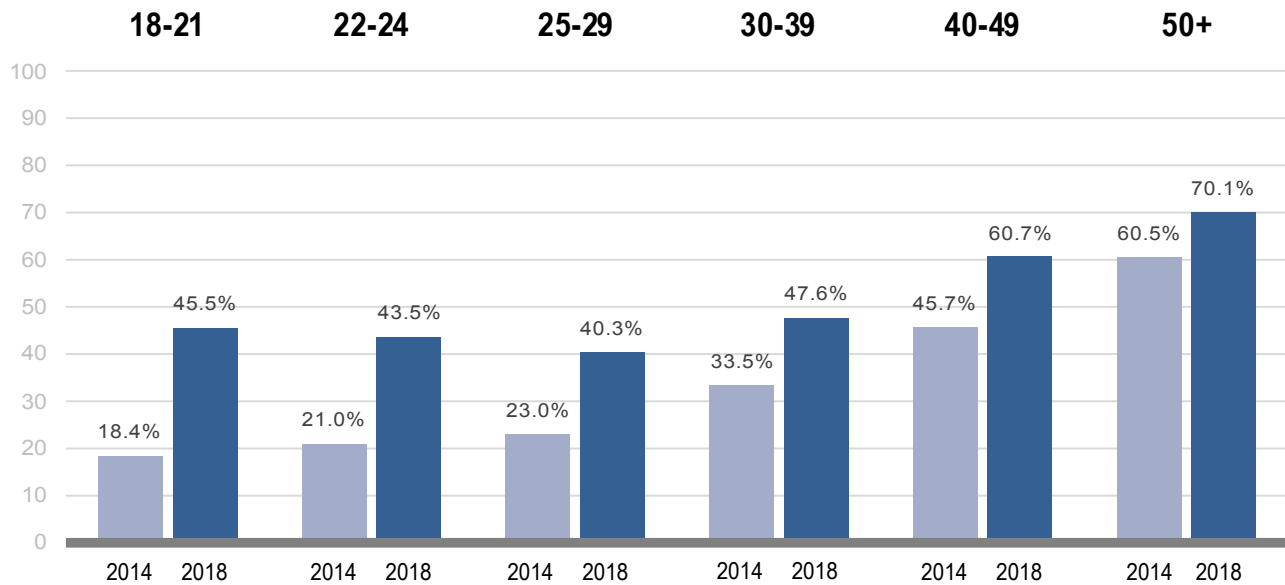
	2014			**2018**				Change
	Enrolled	Voted	Rate	Enrolled	Voted	Rate		
18-21	26,509	4,870	**18.4%**	30,256	13,775	**45.5%**	⬆	**27.2**
22-24	10,530	2,209	**21.0%**	9,473	4,118	**43.5%**	⬆	**22.5**
25-29	6,619	1,523	**23.0%**	5,798	2,336	**40.3%**	⬆	**17.3**
30-39	4,151	1,389	**33.5%**	3,877	1,847	**47.6%**	⬆	**14.2**
40-49	1,246	569	**45.7%**	1,213	736	**60.7%**	⬆	**15.0**
50+	565	342	**60.5%**	525	368	**70.1%**	⬆	**9.6**
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.

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By Education Level*

Undergraduate

46.7%

n/a

2014   2018

Graduate

41.6%

n/a
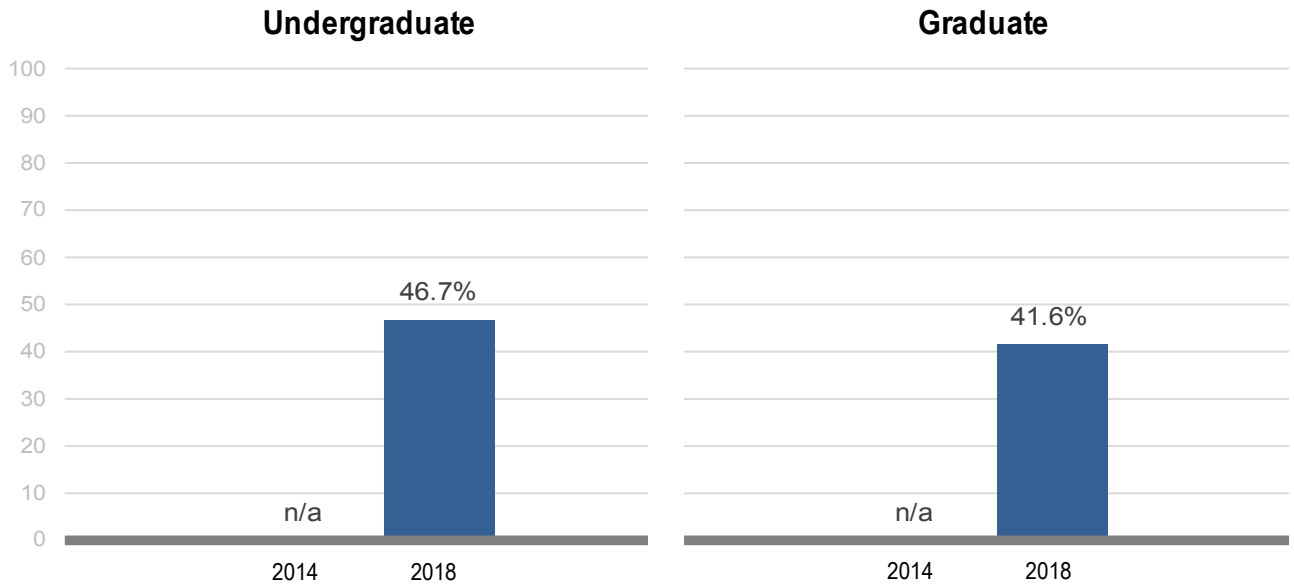
2014   2018

	2014			**2018**			
	Enrolled	Voted	Rate	Enrolled	Voted	Rate	Change
Undergraduate	0	0	**n/a**	37,756	17,642	**46.7%**	**n/a**
Graduate	0	0	**n/a**	11,871	4,932	**41.6%**	**n/a**
Unknown	49,620			1,515			

* 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.

By Undergraduate Class Year*
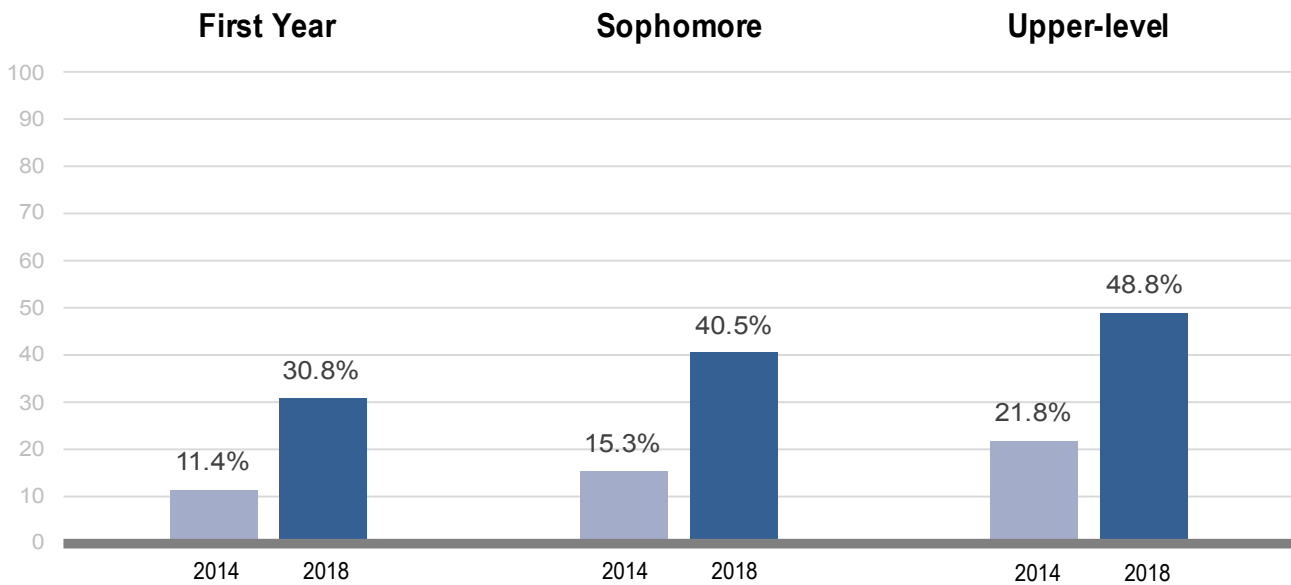
	2014				2018				Change
	Enrolled	Voted	Rate		Enrolled	Voted	Rate		
First Year	3,082	352	**11.4%**		1,896	583	**30.8%**	⬆	**19.3**
Sophomore	6,288	962	**15.3%**		5,325	2,157	**40.5%**	⬆	**25.2**
Upper-level	21,336	4,646	**21.8%**		30,431	14,856	**48.8%**	⬆	**27.0**

* 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.

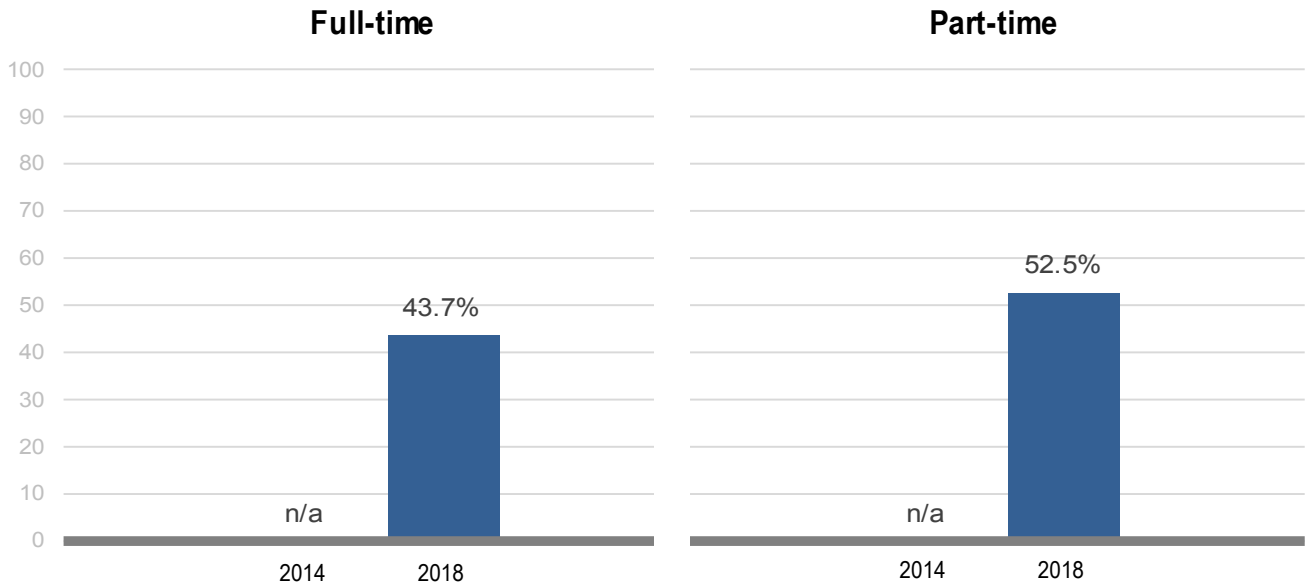**YOUR STUDENTS' VOTING DATA | MIDTERM ELECTIONS**

By Enrollment Status*

Full-time

Part-time

	2014				**2018**			
	Enrolled	Voted	Rate		Enrolled	Voted	Rate	Change
Full-time	0	0	**n/a**		41,558	18,151	**43.7%**	**n/a**
Part-time	0	0	**n/a**		9,584	5,029	**52.5%**	**n/a**
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 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**			
	Enrolled	Voted	Rate	Enrolled	Voted	Rate	Change
Agriculture and Agriculture Operations	2,038	448	**22.0%**	1,725	749	**43.4%** ⬆	**21.4**
Architecture	687	126	**18.3%**	810	294	**36.3%** ⬆	**18.0**
Area, Ethnic, Cultural, Gender, and Group Studies	102	32	**31.4%**	186	84	**45.2%** ⬆	**13.8**
Biological and Biomedical Sciences	4,324	715	**16.5%**	5,913	2,538	**42.9%** ⬆	**26.4**
Business, Management, and Marketing	5,697	1,306	**22.9%**	6,326	2,753	**43.5%** ⬆	**20.6**
Communication and Journalism	2,629	631	**24.0%**	2,880	1,484	**51.5%** ⬆	**27.5**
Computer and Information Sciences	1,018	105	**10.3%**	1,977	696	**35.2%** ⬆	**24.9**
Education	1,840	704	**38.3%**	1,659	913	**55.0%** ⬆	**16.8**
Engineering and Engineering Technologies	7,842	1,308	**16.7%**	8,022	3,315	**41.3%** ⬆	**24.6**
English Language and Literature	709	195	**27.5%**	631	345	**54.7%** ⬆	**27.2**
Family and Consumer/Human Sciences	487	121	**24.9%**	413	212	**51.3%** ⬆	**26.5**
Foreign Languages, Literatures, and Linguistics	518	107	**20.7%**	457	232	**50.8%** ⬆	**30.1**
Health Professions	7,717	1,802	**23.4%**	4,765	2,232	**46.8%** ⬆	**23.5**
History	414	150	**36.2%**	408	246	**60.3%** ⬆	**24.1**
Law Enforcement, Firefighting, and Protective Services	69	37	**53.6%**	188	119	**63.3%** ⬆	**9.7**
Legal Professions and Studies	1,047	405	**38.7%**	95	32	**33.7%** ⬇	**-5.0**
Liberal Arts and Sciences, and Humanities	1,602	174	**10.9%**	1,068	409	**38.3%** ⬆	**27.4**
Mathematics and Statistics	475	89	**18.7%**	600	254	**42.3%** ⬆	**23.6**
Multi/Interdisciplinary Studies	556	138	**24.8%**	1,209	625	**51.7%** ⬆	**26.9**
Natural Resources and Conservation	663	217	**32.7%**	824	477	**57.9%** ⬆	**25.2**
Parks, Recreation, Leisure, and Fitness Studies	655	130	**19.9%**	871	347	**39.8%** ⬆	**20.0**
Philosophy and Religious Studies	210	56	**26.7%**	216	88	**40.7%** ⬆	**14.1**
Physical Sciences	1,321	194	**14.7%**	1,480	604	**40.8%** ⬆	**26.1**

Psychology	1,685	298	**17.7%**		1,909	910	**47.7%** ⬆	**30.0**
Social Sciences	3,306	958	**29.0%**		3,645	1,927	**52.9%** ⬆	**23.9**
Visual and Performing Arts	1,167	229	**19.6%**		1,409	722	**51.2%** ⬆	**31.6**
Unknown	842	227	**27.0%**		1,456	573	**39.4%** ⬆	**12.4**

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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