

**2012 & 2016 CAMPUS REPORT**

Student Voting Rates for  
University of Oregon

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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](http://idhe.tufts.edu).

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Warm regards,  
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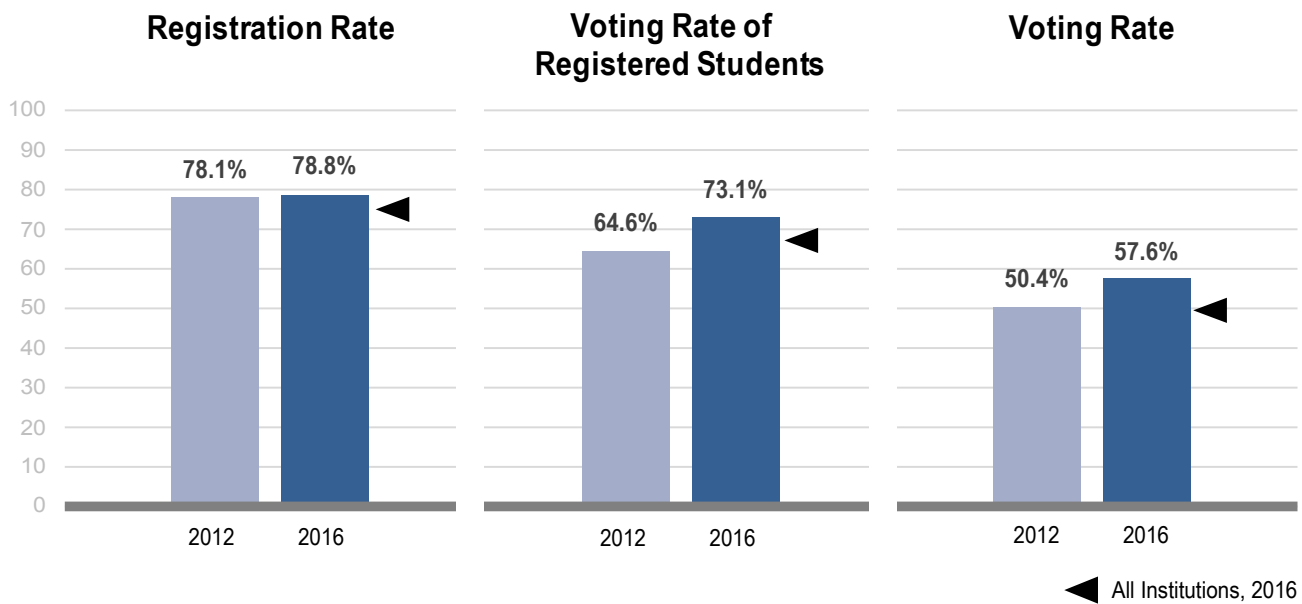
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# Voting and Registration Rates

**2016 Voting Rate**  
**57.6%**

CHANGE FROM 2012  
**7.1**

2016 VOTING RATE FOR ALL INSTITUTIONS  
**50.4%**



	2012	2016	Change
Total student enrollment	24,250	23,194	↓ -1,056
Age under 18/Unknown	(190)	(184)	
IPEDS estimated non-resident aliens	(2,624)	(3,158)	
FERPA records blocked	(18)	(13)	
Total eligible voters	21,418	19,839	↓ -1,579
Number of students who registered	16,716	15,626	↓ -1,090
Number of students who voted	10,798	11,419	↑ 621
Registration rate	78.1%	78.8%	↑ 0.7
Voting rate of registered students	64.6%	73.1%	↑ 8.5
Voting rate	50.4%	57.6%	↑ 7.1
Difference from all institutions	+3.5	+7.2	

HOW YOUR NUMBERS COMPARE | PRESIDENTIAL ELECTIONS

# By Carnegie Classification

**2012 Voting Rate for All Institutions**  
**46.9%**

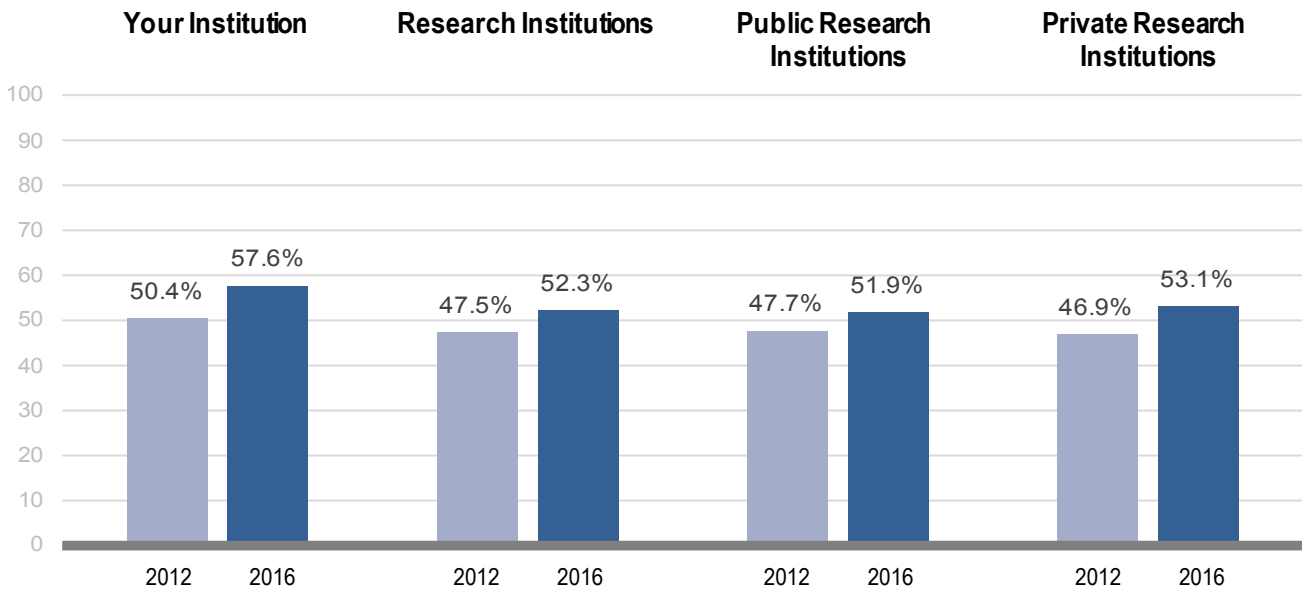
HIGH 72.9%  
 LOW 19.3%

**2016 Voting Rate for All Institutions**  
**50.4%**

HIGH 81.4%  
 LOW 13.1%

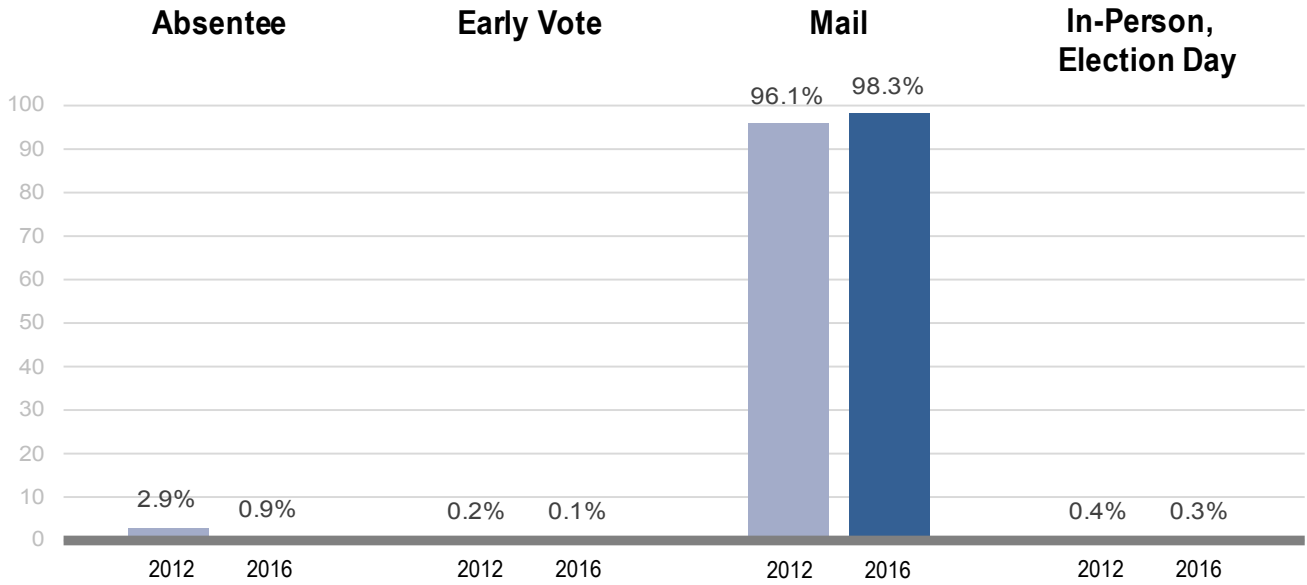
Difference from All Institutions **+3.5**

Difference from All Institutions **+7.2**



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# By Voting Method\*

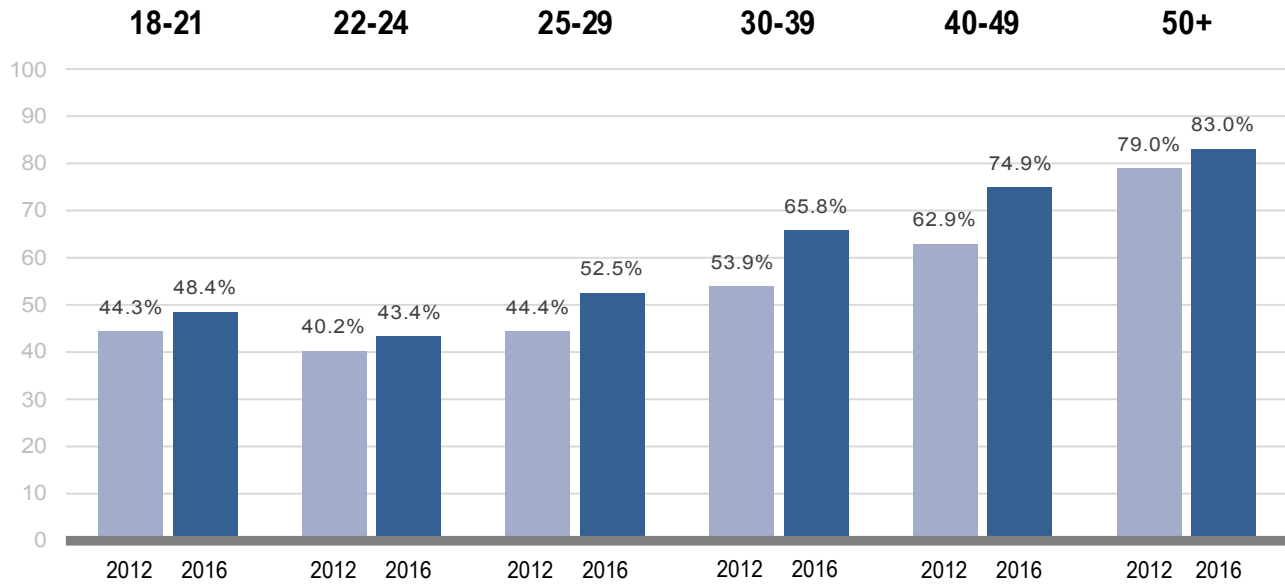


	2012		2016		Change	
	Voted	Rate	Voted	Rate		
Absentee	316	2.9%	100	0.9%	↓	-2.1
Early Vote	16	0.2%	11	0.1%	→	-0.1
Mail	10,376	96.1%	11,222	98.3%	↑	2.2
In-Person, Election Day	43	0.4%	37	0.3%	↓	-0.1
Unknown	47	0.4%	49	0.4%		
<b>Total</b>	<b>10,798</b>		<b>11,419</b>			

\* 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\*

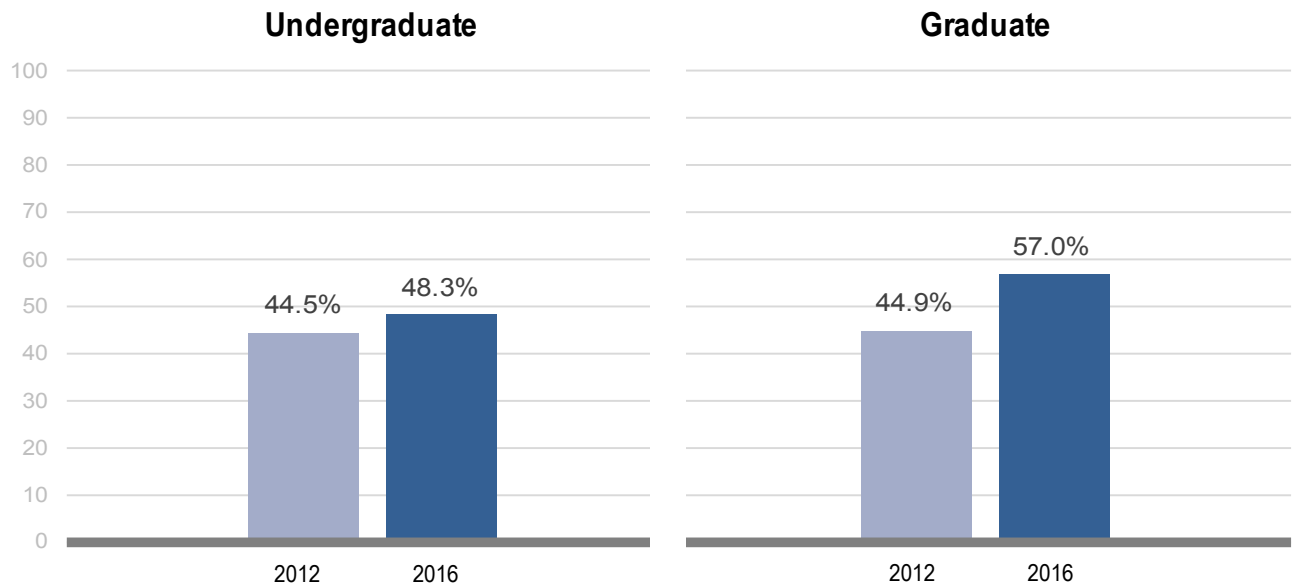


	2012			2016			Change
	Enrolled	Voted	Rate	Enrolled	Voted	Rate	
18-21	14,562	6,457	44.3%	14,534	7,029	48.4%	↑ 4.0
22-24	4,748	1,907	40.2%	4,322	1,876	43.4%	↑ 3.3
25-29	2,456	1,091	44.4%	2,140	1,124	52.5%	↑ 8.1
30-39	1,538	829	53.9%	1,403	923	65.8%	↑ 11.9
40-49	429	270	62.9%	363	272	74.9%	↑ 12.0
50+	309	244	79.0%	235	195	83.0%	↑ 4.0
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\*

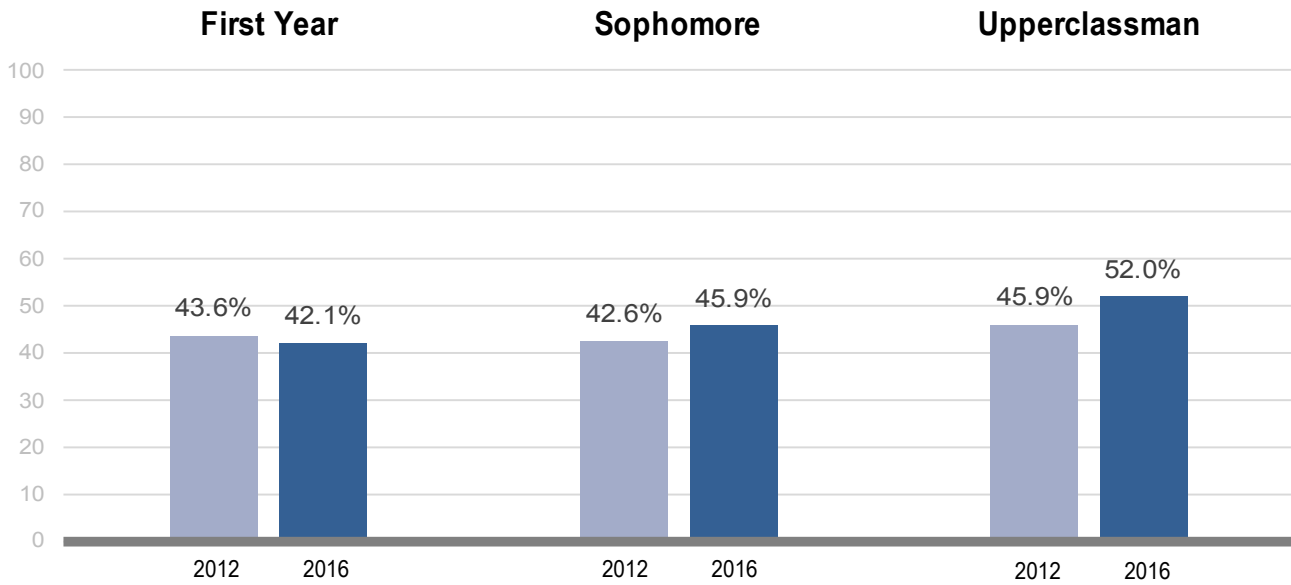


	2012			2016			Change
	Enrolled	Voted	Rate	Enrolled	Voted	Rate	
Undergraduate	19,961	8,873	<b>44.5%</b>	19,344	9,339	<b>48.3%</b>	↑ 3.8
Graduate	3,757	1,685	<b>44.9%</b>	3,203	1,824	<b>57.0%</b>	↑ 12.1
Unknown	324			450			

\* 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\*



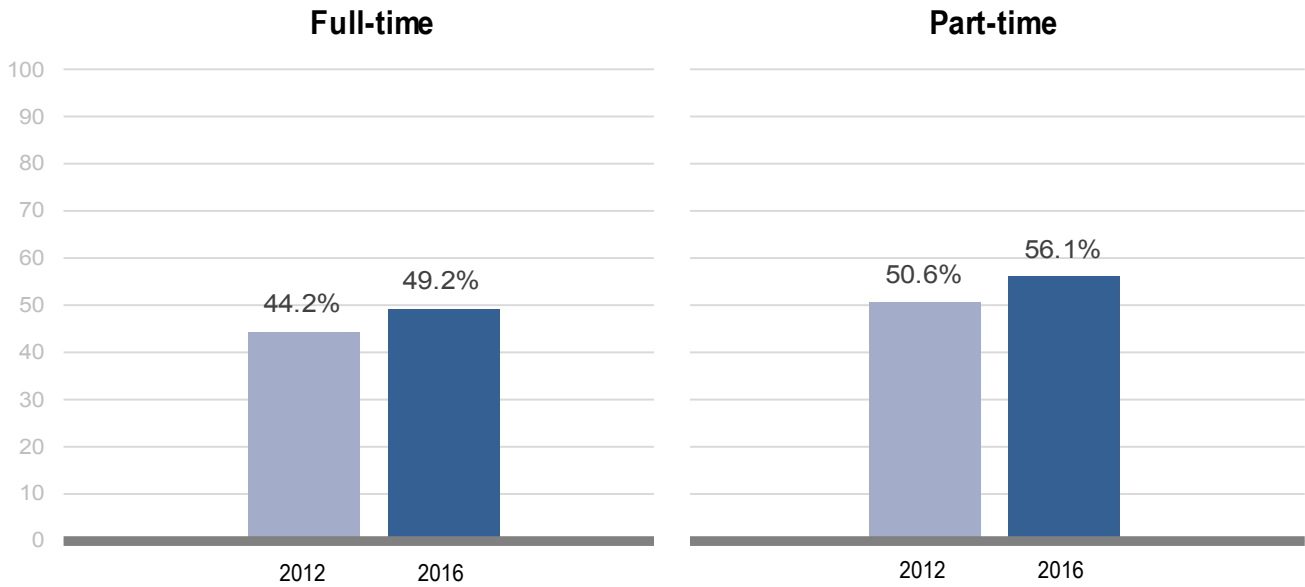
	2012			2016			Change
	Enrolled	Voted	Rate	Enrolled	Voted	Rate	
First Year	4,837	2,109	43.6%	4,868	2,051	42.1%	↓ -1.5
Sophomore	4,328	1,842	42.6%	4,333	1,987	45.9%	↑ 3.3
Upperclassman	10,078	4,627	45.9%	9,983	5,195	52.0%	↑ 6.1

\* 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\*

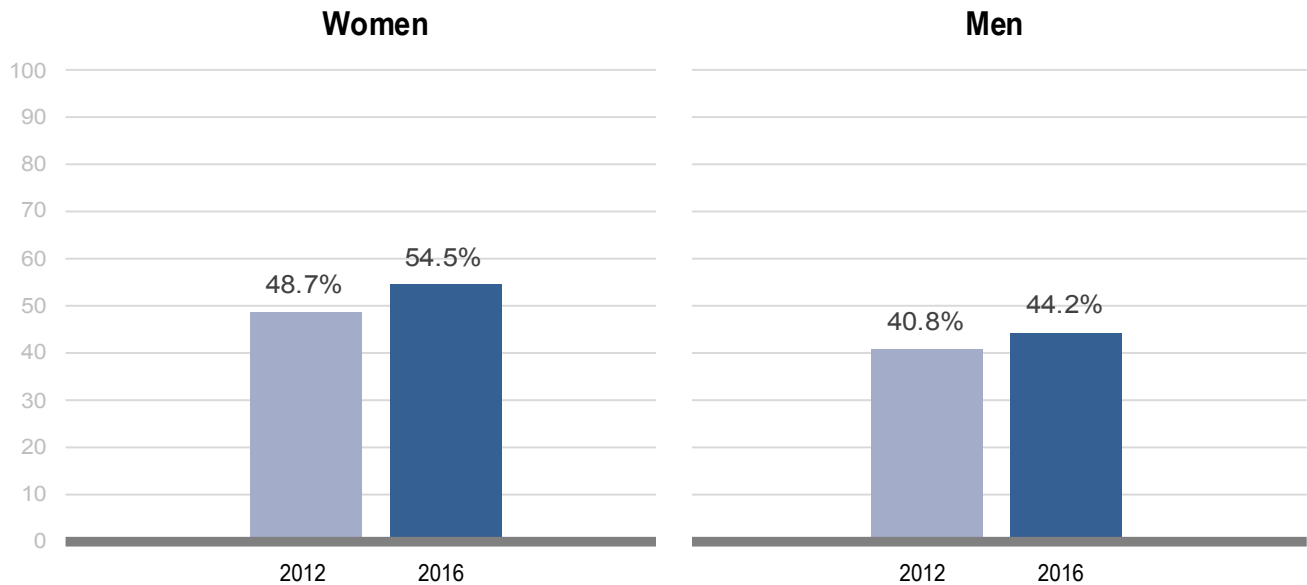


	2012			2016			Change
	Enrolled	Voted	Rate	Enrolled	Voted	Rate	
Full-time	21,480	9,502	<b>44.2%</b>	21,428	10,540	<b>49.2%</b>	↑ 5.0
Part-time	2,562	1,296	<b>50.6%</b>	1,564	878	<b>56.1%</b>	↑ 5.6
Unknown	0	0	n/a	0	0	n/a	

\* 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	12,500	6,086	<b>48.7%</b>	12,204	6,649	<b>54.5%</b>	↑ 5.8
Men	11,540	4,712	<b>40.8%</b>	10,777	4,768	<b>44.2%</b>	↑ 3.4
Unknown	*	0	<b>n/a</b>	16	*	<b>n/a</b>	

\* 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 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	
Architecture	*	*	n/a	709	377	53.2%	n/a
Area, Ethnic, Cultural, Gender, and Group Studies	0	0	n/a	128	76	59.4%	n/a
Biological and Biomedical Sciences	45	12	26.7%	2,295	1,153	50.2% ↑	23.6
Business, Management, and Marketing	68	15	22.1%	3,745	1,398	37.3% ↑	15.3
Communication and Journalism	61	32	52.5%	2,055	1,078	52.5% →	0.0
Computer and Information Sciences	*	*	n/a	621	257	41.4%	n/a
Education	*	*	n/a	688	420	61.1%	n/a
Engineering and Engineering Technologies	0	0	n/a	35	12	34.3%	n/a
English Language and Literature	15	*	n/a	407	267	65.6%	n/a
Family and Consumer/Human Sciences	0	0	n/a	12	*	n/a	n/a
Foreign Languages, Literatures, and Linguistics	13	*	n/a	516	284	55.0%	n/a
Health Professions	0	0	n/a	301	181	60.1%	n/a
History	*	*	n/a	223	134	60.1%	n/a
Legal Professions and Studies	*	*	n/a	348	207	59.5%	n/a
Liberal Arts and Sciences, and Humanities	0	0	n/a	2,072	923	44.6%	n/a
Mathematics and Statistics	0	0	n/a	271	106	39.1%	n/a
Multi/Interdisciplinary Studies	19	13	68.4%	588	328	55.8% ↓	-12.6
Natural Resources and Conservation	13	*	n/a	506	299	59.1%	n/a
Philosophy and Religious Studies	*	*	n/a	129	71	55.0%	n/a
Physical Sciences	12	*	n/a	706	416	58.9%	n/a
Psychology	38	21	55.3%	1,425	760	53.3% ↓	-1.9
Public Administration and Social Service Professions	11	*	n/a	517	339	65.6%	n/a
Social Sciences	126	62	49.2%	2,860	1,267	44.3% ↓	-4.9

Visual and Performing Arts	38	13	34.2%	1,308	746	57.0% ↑	22.8
Unknown	23,545	10,580	44.9%	532	314	59.0% ↑	14.1

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](http://idhe.tufts.edu).

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