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# Student Voting Rates for Stony Brook University

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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 Catalist.

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.

Follow us on Twitter **@TuftsIDHE** or email us at **NSLVE@tufts.edu**.

Warm regards, IDHE Team



### Voting and Registration Rates





All Institutions, 2016

	2012	2016	Change
Total student enrollment	22,066	27,823	<b>5</b> ,757
Age under 18/Unknown	(795)	(2,115)	
IPEDS estimated non-resident aliens FERPA records blocked	(3,306) (21)	(4,835) (14)	
- Total eligible voters	17,944	20,859	2,915
Number of students who registered	13,797	16,686	2,889
Number of students who voted	7,758	11,099	<b>3</b> ,341
Registration rate	76.9%	80.0%	<b>3</b> .1
Voting rate of registered students	56.2%	66.5%	10.3
Voting rate	43.2%	53.2%	10.0
Difference from all institutions	-3.7	+2.8	

HOW YOUR NUMBERS COMPARE | PRESIDENTIAL ELECTIONS

### By Carnegie Classification



## By Voting Method\*

	Abso	entee	Early	Vote	r	Mail	In-Per Electio	rson, on Day
100								
90								
80								
70								
60								
50								
40								
30								
20								11.0%
10	1.6%	1.1%	0.2%	0.2%	0.2%	0.4%	1.1%	
0								
	2012	2016	2012	2016	2012	2016	2012	2016

	20	2012		2016		
	Voted	Rate	Voted	Rate		Change
Absentee	122	1.6%	126	1.1%	₽	-0.4
Early Vote	19	0.2%	18	0.2%	Ŷ	-0.1
Mail	17	0.2%	44	0.4%	ᠬ	0.2
In-Person, Election Day	87	1.1%	1,225	11.0%	ᡎ	9.9
Unknown	7,513	96.8%	9,686	87.3%		
Total	7,758		11,099			

\* 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.

### By Age Group\*



		2012			2016				
	Enrolled	Voted	Rate	Enrolled	Voted	Rate		Change	
18-21	9,959	3,098	31.1%	12,525	5,117	40.9%	♠	9.7	
22-24	4,602	1,658	36.0%	5,613	2,131	38.0%	♠	1.9	
25-29	3,375	1,240	36.7%	4,102	1,737	42.4%	♠	5.6	
30-39	2,053	890	43.4%	2,129	1,139	53.5%	♠	10.2	
40-49	787	508	64.6%	857	600	70.0%	♠	5.5	
50+	474	364	76.8%	468	375	80.1%	♠	3.3	
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.

## By Education Level\*



		2012			_			
	Enrolled	Voted	Rate	Enrolled	Voted	Rate		Change
Undergraduate	14,412	5,021	34.8%	16,972	6,908	40.7%	↑	5.9
Graduate	6,838	2,737	40.0%	8,721	4,191	48.1%	ᠬ	8.0
Unknown	0			*				

\* 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\*



	2012			2016				
	Enrolled	Voted	Rate	Enrolled	Voted	Rate		Change
First Year	2,043	577	28.2%	2,523	874	34.6%	↑	6.4
Sophomore	2,962	850	28.7%	3,530	1,461	41.4%	↑	12.7
Upperclassman	8,837	3,214	36.4%	10,702	4,532	42.4%	↑	6.0

\* 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.

## By Enrollment Status\*



		2012		2016				
	Enrolled	Voted	Rate	Enrolled	Voted	Rate		Change
Full-time	17,294	5,513	31.9%	21,518	8,399	39.0%		7.2
Part-time	3,956	2,245	56.8%	4,176	2,700	64.7%	ᡎ	7.9
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.

### By Gender\*



		2012			2016				
	Enrolled	Voted	Rate	Enrolled	Voted	Rate		Change	
Women	8,822	4,521	51.3%	9,515	6,382	67.1%	♠	15.8	
Men	7,720	3,234	41.9%	8,190	4,711	57.5%	♠	15.6	
Unknown	4,708	*	n/a	7,989	*	n/a			

\* 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.

### 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		
	Enrolled	Voted	Rate	Enrolled	Voted	Rate	Change
Area, Ethnic, Cultural, Gender, and Group Studies	11	*	n/a	0	0	n/a	n/a
Biological and Biomedical Sciences	2,527	702	27.8%	0	0	n/a	n/a
Business, Management, and Marketing	328	157	47.9%	0	0	n/a	n/a
Communication and Journalism	*	*	n/a	0	0	n/a	n/a
Computer and Information Sciences	226	30	13.3%	0	0	n/a	n/a
Education	96	68	70.8%	0	0	n/a	n/a
Engineering and Engineering Technologies	162	22	13.6%	0	0	n/a	n/a
English Language and Literature	401	203	50.6%	0	0	n/a	n/a
Foreign Languages, Literatures, and Linguistics	74	30	40.5%	0	0	n/a	n/a
Health Professions	1,324	404	30.5%	0	0	n/a	n/a
History	336	175	52.1%	0	0	n/a	n/a
Liberal Arts and Sciences, and Humanities	436	233	53.4%	0	0	n/a	n/a
Mathematics and Statistics	378	88	23.3%	0	0	n/a	n/a
Multi/Interdisciplinary Studies	55	23	41.8%	0	0	n/a	n/a
Natural Resources and Conservation	11	*	n/a	0	0	n/a	n/a
Philosophy and Religious Studies	36	10	27.8%	0	0	n/a	n/a
Physical Sciences	728	199	27.3%	0	0	n/a	n/a
Psychology	1,463	598	40.9%	0	0	n/a	n/a
Public Administration and Social Service Professions	154	111	72.1%	0	0	n/a	n/a
Social Sciences	1,122	425	37.9%	0	0	n/a	n/a
Visual and Performing Arts	239	91	38.1%	0	0	n/a	n/a
Unknown	11,134	4,175	37.5%	25,694	11,099	43.2% 🛧	5.7

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**.

#### **References:**

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