

#### **JULY 2019**

**2012 & 2016 CAMPUS REPORT** 

Student Voting Rates for Texas A & M International 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.

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Warm regards, IDHE Team

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# Voting and Registration Rates

2016 Voting Rate

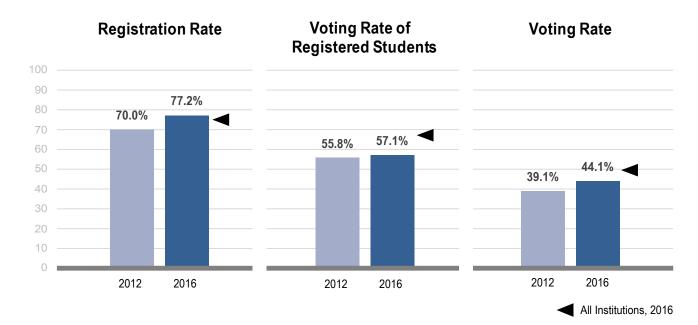
44.1%

CHANGE FROM 2012

5.0

2016 VOTING RATE FOR ALL INSTITUTIONS

50.4%



	2012	2016		Change
Total student enrollment	6,760	7,325	î	565
Age under 18/Unknown IPEDS estimated non-resident aliens FERPA records blocked	(1,011) (199) (18)	(682) (257) (16)		
Total eligible voters	5,532	6,370	î	838
Number of students who registered	3,874	4,918	î	1,044
Number of students who voted	2,162	2,809	î	647
Registration rate	70.0%	77.2%	î	7.2
Voting rate of registered students	55.8%	57.1%	î	1.3
Voting rate	39.1%	44.1%	<b>₽</b>	5.0
Difference from all institutions	-7.8	-6.3		

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### **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%

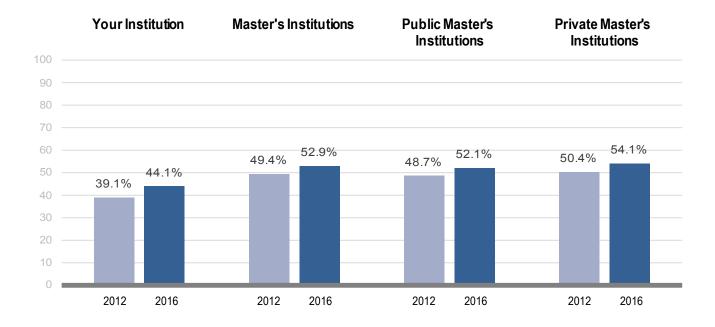
LOW 13.1%

Difference from All Institutions

**-7.8** 

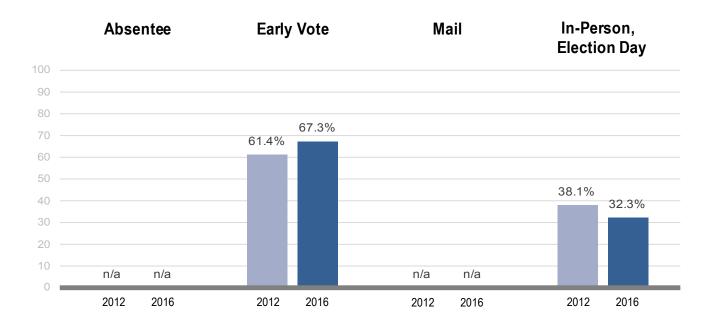
Difference from All Institutions

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# By Voting Method\*

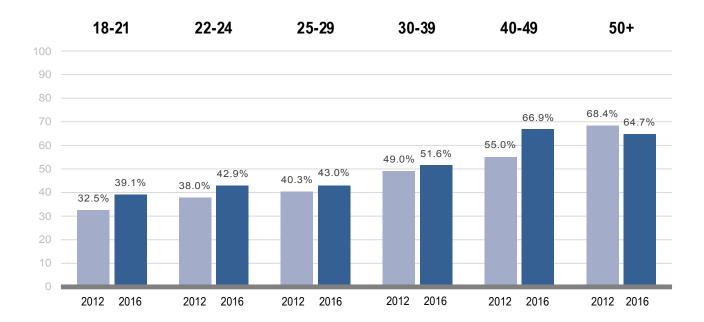


2012		20			
Voted	Rate	Voted	Rate	Change	
*	n/a	*	n/a	n/a	
1,327	61.4%	1,889	67.3%	<b>1</b> 5.9	
*	n/a	*	n/a	n/a	
823	38.1%	906	32.3%	-5.8	
*	n/a	*	n/a		
2,162		2,809			
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<sup>\*</sup> Your students' data broken down by voting method. If your campus 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\*

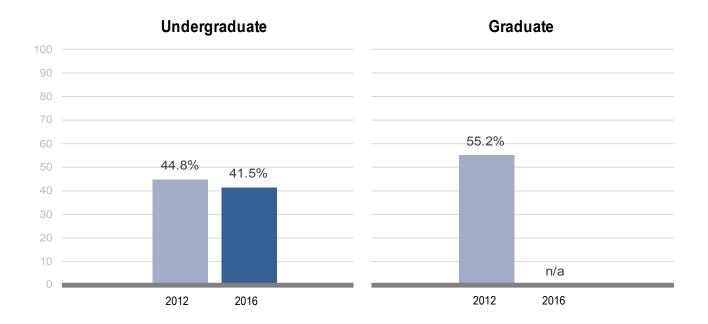


	2012			2016				
	Enrolled	Voted	Rate	Enrolled	Voted	Rate		Change
18-21	2,838	923	32.5%	3,449	1,348	39.1%	•	6.6
22-24	1,217	462	38.0%	1,572	675	42.9%	•	5.0
25-29	794	320	40.3%	865	372	43.0%	•	2.7
30-39	596	292	49.0%	527	272	51.6%	•	2.6
40-49	229	126	55.0%	163	109	66.9%	•	11.9
50+	57	39	68.4%	51	33	64.7%	<b>1</b>	-3.7
Unknown	0			0				

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<sup>\*</sup> 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			2016						
	Enrolled	Voted	Rate	Enrolled	Voted	Rate		Change		
Undergraduate	279	125	44.8%	5,860	2,432	41.5%	1	-3.3		
Graduate	96	53	55.2%	0	0	n/a		n/a		
Unknown	5,356			767						

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<sup>\*</sup> 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\*

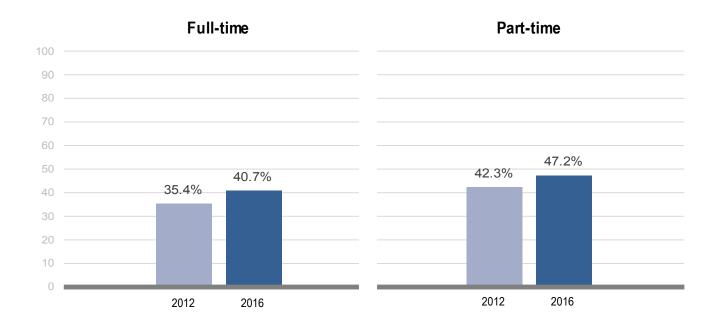
	First Year	Sophomore	Upperclassman
100			
90			
80			
70			
60			
50			
40			
30			
20			
10	n/a n/a	n/a n/a	n/a n/a
0	11/a 11/a	IVA IVA	11/4 11/4
	2012 2016	2012 2016	2012 2016

	2012				2016			
	Enrolled	Voted	Rate	Enrolled	Voted	Rate	Change	
First Year	0	0	n/a	0	0	n/a	n/a	
Sophomore	0	0	n/a	0	0	n/a	n/a	
Upperclassman	0	0	n/a	0	0	n/a	n/a	

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<sup>\*</sup> 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	3,825	1,355	35.4%	4,936	2,011	40.7%	1	5.3
Part-time	1,906	807	42.3%	1,691	798	47.2%	•	4.8
Unknown	0	0	n/a	0	0	n/a		

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<sup>\*</sup> 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 Field of Study\*

<sup>\*</sup> 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
Biological and Biomedical Sciences	10	*	n/a	612	280	45.8%	n/a
Business, Management, and Marketing	95	48	50.5%	1,257	504	40.1% 🔱	-10.4
Communication and Journalism	34	13	38.2%	357	164	45.9% 👚	7.7
Education	33	21	63.6%	533	258	48.4% 🦺	-15.2
Engineering and Engineering Technologies	0	0	n/a	331	125	37.8%	n/a
English Language and Literature	11	*	n/a	175	92	52.6%	n/a
Foreign Languages, Literatures, and Linguistics	10	*	n/a	56	22	39.3%	n/a
Health Professions	11	*	n/a	643	268	41.7%	n/a
History	*	*	n/a	91	52	57.1%	n/a
Law Enforcement, Firefighting, and Protective Services	45	19	42.2%	735	282	38.4% 🔱	-3.9
Liberal Arts and Sciences, and Humanities	0	0	n/a	166	84	50.6%	n/a
Mathematics and Statistics	*	*	n/a	135	46	34.1%	n/a
Multi/Interdisciplinary Studies	0	0	n/a	127	71	55.9%	n/a
Parks, Recreation, Leisure, and Fitness Studies	26	*	n/a	273	80	29.3%	n/a
Physical Sciences	0	0	n/a	69	31	44.9%	n/a
Psychology	45	21	46.7%	630	245	38.9% 🦺	-7.8
Public Administration and Social Service Professions	0	0	n/a	43	28	65.1%	n/a
Social Sciences	*	*	n/a	182	88	48.4%	n/a
Visual and Performing Arts	*	*	n/a	185	86	46.5%	n/a
Unknown	5,383	2,001	37.2%	27	*	n/a	n/a

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#### References:

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