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170 CAMPUSES ARE ALL IN

Institutions serving more than 2 million students have committed to educate for lifelong civic engagement

Washington, DC (September 22, 2016)—With just 47 days until the 2016 general election, [170 campuses](#) have joined the [ALL IN Campus Democracy Challenge](#) and are working to improve, measure and celebrate efforts to change their campus climate and encourage informed participation in our democracy.

Institutions in [37 states](#)—from large publics to small privates, including both two- and four-years—serving more than 2 million students have made a significant commitment of time, energy and resources in order to create a culture of civic engagement on their campuses. They understand that it is critical for their students to graduate with the good habits of citizenship, including the careful consideration of issues facing society and the regular and thoughtful exercise of their right to vote. The ALL IN Challenge began welcoming participating institutions in June 2016 and formally launched in July.

“Across the country, college and university leaders are embracing higher education’s historical role in educating students for responsible citizenship, understanding that this work will have positive impacts on society long after this fall’s election,” said Zaneeta E. Daver, director of the ALL IN Challenge. “We look forward to learning more about what makes a difference in creating good civic habits in today’s college students and to supporting these efforts in the years to come, long after the election of 2016 has faded from memory.”

Among the institutions participating are University of California Los Angeles, Brown University (RI), Miami Dade College (FL), The Ohio State University, Drexel University (PA), and eight campuses of the State University of New York system.

The ALL IN Challenge, a program of [Civic Nation](#), recognizes campuses committed to improving democratic engagement, increasing voter participation rates, and graduating informed and active citizens. Campuses commit to a set of actions, are recognized for achieving established benchmarks, and are presented awards for exemplary efforts. Participation is open to all accredited, degree-granting

postsecondary institutions in the United States and interested institutions may participate in a [free, 30-minute webinar](#) to learn more.

Following registration with the ALL IN Challenge, participating campuses will create an institution-wide committee of faculty, students and staff to develop and implement an action plan and coordinate efforts of individual groups that share the goal of increasing informed participation in the electoral process. Campuses will also be asked to join the [National Study of Learning, Voting and Engagement](#) (NSLVE), a program of the Jonathan M. Tisch College of Civic Life at Tufts University. Once a campus receives its NSLVE report, it will share student voting participation rates with the ALL IN Challenge in order to be considered for recognition nationally and among their peers. The first awards presentation will take place in Washington, DC, in fall 2017 and biennially thereafter.

The ALL IN Campus Democracy Challenge benefits from the support and insight of a seven-member [advisory board](#) and works in partnership with organizations such as Campus Compact, American Democracy Project, NASPA – Student Affairs Professionals in Higher Education, Rock the Vote and others to advance the shared goal of informed and increased participation in the electoral life of our nation. A full listing of partner organizations is available [here](#).

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