

### **AUGUST 2017**

# **2012 & 2016 CAMPUS REPORT**

# Student Voting Rates for **Chapman University**

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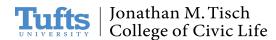
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# **About This Report**

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

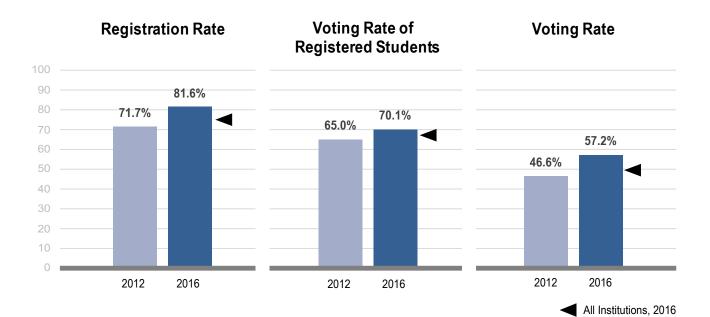
57.2%

CHANGE FROM 2012

10.6

2016 VOTING RATE FOR ALL INSTITUTIONS

50.4%



	2012	2016		Change
Total student enrollment	7,477	7,845	î	368
Age under 18/Unknown IPEDS estimated non-resident aliens FERPA records blocked	(58) (378) *	(41) (445) 0		
Total eligible voters	7,039	7,359	î	320
Number of students who registered	5,045	6,001	î	956
Number of students who voted	3,279	4,208	î	929
Registration rate	71.7%	81.6%	î	9.9
Voting rate of registered students	65.0%	70.1%	⇧	5.1
Voting rate	46.6%	57.2%	<b>↑</b>	10.6
Difference from all institutions	-0.3	+6.8		

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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%

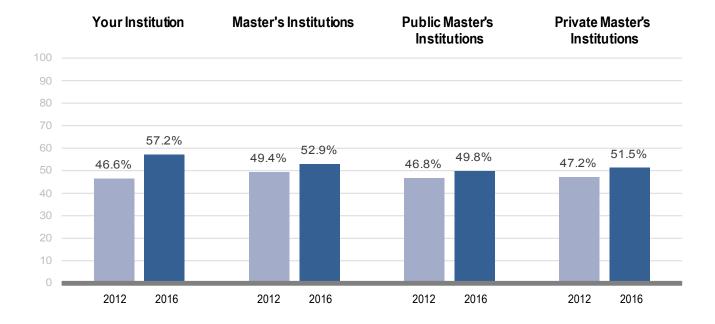
LOW 13.1%

Difference from All Institutions

-0.3

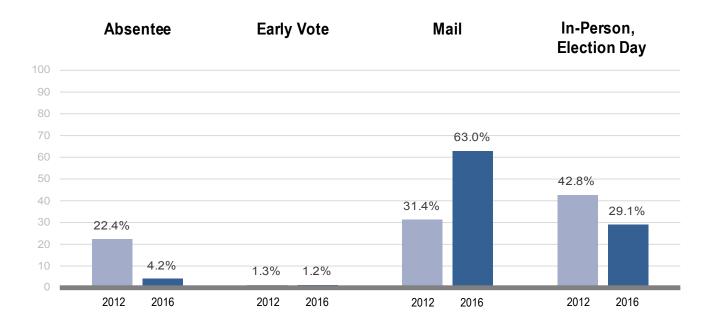
Difference from All Institutions

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# By Voting Method\*

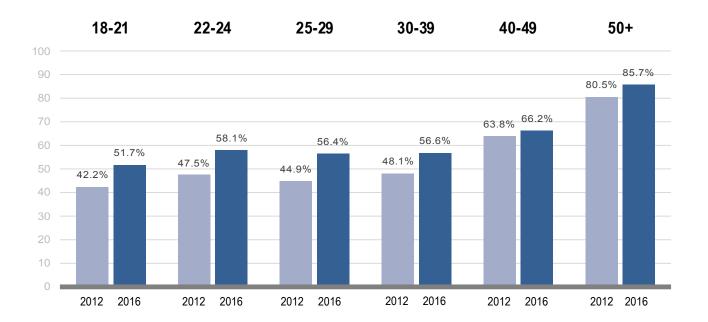


	2012		2016			
	Voted	Rate	Voted	Rate		Change
Absentee	734	22.4%	176	4.2%	1	-18.2
Early Vote	42	1.3%	51	1.2%	1	-0.1
Mail	1,031	31.4%	2,649	63.0%	1	31.5
In-Person, Election Day	1,402	42.8%	1,226	29.1%	1	-13.6
Unknown	70	2.1%	106	2.5%		
Total	3,279		4,208			

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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\*

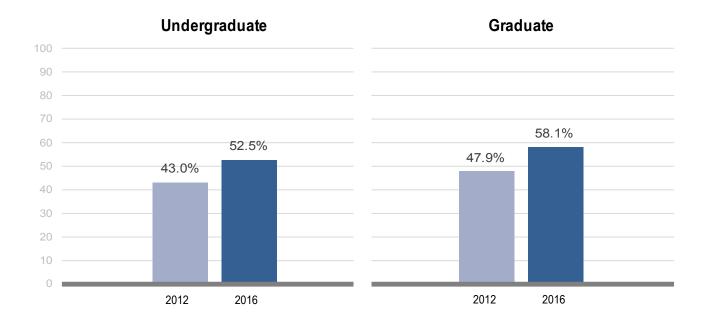


	2012			2016				
	Enrolled	Voted	Rate	Enrolled	Voted	Rate		Change
18-21	4,755	2,006	42.2%	5,101	2,638	51.7%	1	9.5
22-24	1,362	647	47.5%	1,345	781	58.1%	•	10.6
25-29	851	382	44.9%	900	508	56.4%	•	11.6
30-39	314	151	48.1%	332	188	56.6%	•	8.5
40-49	94	60	63.8%	77	51	66.2%	1	2.4
50+	41	33	80.5%	49	42	85.7%	•	5.2
Unknown	*			*				

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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\*

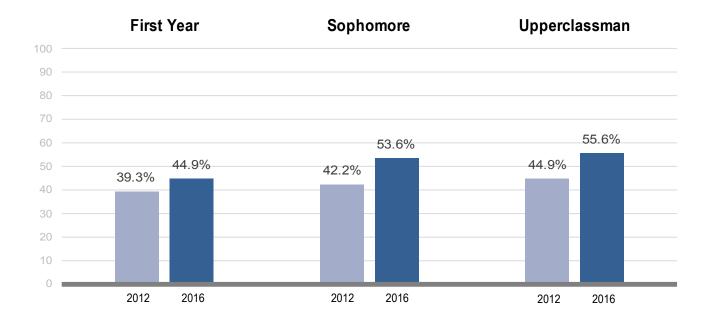


	2012			2016				
	Enrolled	Voted	Rate	Enrolled	Voted	Rate		Change
Undergraduate	5,559	2,392	43.0%	5,841	3,068	52.5%	•	9.5
Graduate	1,827	875	47.9%	1,962	1,140	58.1%	1	10.2
Unknown	31			*				

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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\*



	2012			2016				
	Enrolled	Voted	Rate	Enrolled	Voted	Rate		Change
First Year	1,416	557	39.3%	1,436	644	44.9%	•	5.5
Sophomore	1,411	596	42.2%	1,327	711	53.6%	•	11.3
Upperclassman	2,610	1,172	44.9%	3,039	1,691	55.6%	•	10.7

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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\*

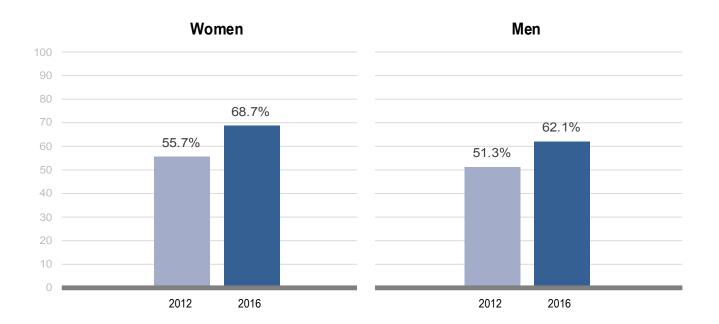
	Full-time	Part-time
100 —		
90 —		
80 —		
70 —		
60 —		
50 —		
40 —		
30 —		
20 —		
10 —		
0	n/a n/a	n/a n/a
	2012 2016	2012 2016

		2012			2016			
	Enrolled	Voted	Rate	Enrolled	Voted	Rate	Change	
Full-time	0	0	n/a	0	0	n/a	n/a	
Part-time	0	0	n/a	0	0	n/a	n/a	
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 Gender\*



	2012				2016			
	Enrolled	Voted	Rate	Enrolled	Voted	Rate		Change
Women	3,466	1,932	55.7%	3,736	2,567	68.7%	1	13.0
Men	2,560	1,313	51.3%	2,541	1,577	62.1%	•	10.8
Unknown	1,391	34	2.4%	1,527	64	4.2%		

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<sup>\*</sup> 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
Biological and Biomedical Sciences	248	115	46.4%	0	0	n/a	n/a
Business, Management, and Marketing	1,474	569	38.6%	0	0	n/a	n/a
Communication and Journalism	859	394	45.9%	0	0	n/a	n/a
Computer and Information Sciences	82	36	43.9%	0	0	n/a	n/a
Education	451	260	57.7%	0	0	n/a	n/a
English Language and Literature	271	123	45.4%	0	0	n/a	n/a
Foreign Languages, Literatures, and Linguistics	28	11	39.3%	0	0	n/a	n/a
Health Professions	556	233	41.9%	0	0	n/a	n/a
History	84	49	58.3%	0	0	n/a	n/a
Legal Professions and Studies	578	304	52.6%	0	0	n/a	n/a
Mathematics and Statistics	59	28	47.5%	0	0	n/a	n/a
Multi/Interdisciplinary Studies	134	62	46.3%	0	0	n/a	n/a
Natural Resources and Conservation	56	24	42.9%	0	0	n/a	n/a
Philosophy and Religious Studies	26	11	42.3%	0	0	n/a	n/a
Physical Sciences	34	14	41.2%	0	0	n/a	n/a
Psychology	406	197	48.5%	0	0	n/a	n/a
Social Sciences	274	140	51.1%	0	0	n/a	n/a
Visual and Performing Arts	1,620	617	38.1%	0	0	n/a	n/a
Unknown	177	92	52.0%	7,804	4,208	53.9% 🛖	1.9

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### References:

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