

#### **AUGUST 2017**

**2012 & 2016 CAMPUS REPORT** 

Student Voting Rates for Middle Georgia College

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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

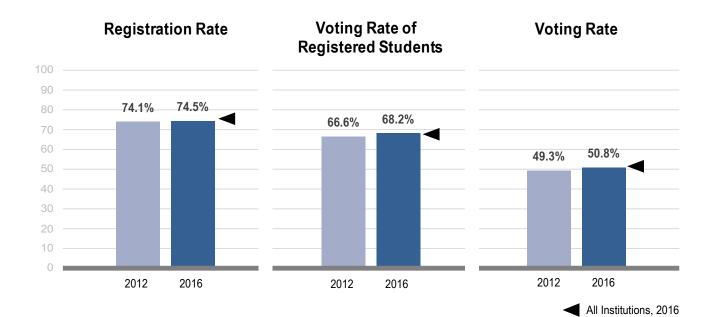
50.8%

CHANGE FROM 2012

1.5

2016 VOTING RATE FOR ALL INSTITUTIONS

50.4%



	2012	2016	Change
Total student enrollment	3,004	7,496 👚	4,492
Age under 18/Unknown IPEDS estimated non-resident aliens FERPA records blocked	(159) (21) *	(423) (61) (12)	
Total eligible voters	2,817	7,000 👚	4,183
Number of students who registered	2,088	5,213 👚	3,125
Number of students who voted	1,390	3,557 👚	2,167
Registration rate	74.1%	74.5% 👚	0.3
Voting rate of registered students	66.6%	68.2% 👚	1.7
Voting rate	49.3%	50.8% 👚	1.5
Difference from all institutions	+2.4	+0.4	

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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%

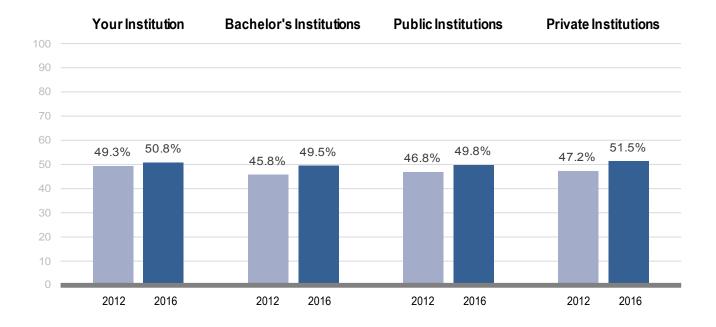
LOW 13.1%

Difference from All Institutions

+2.4

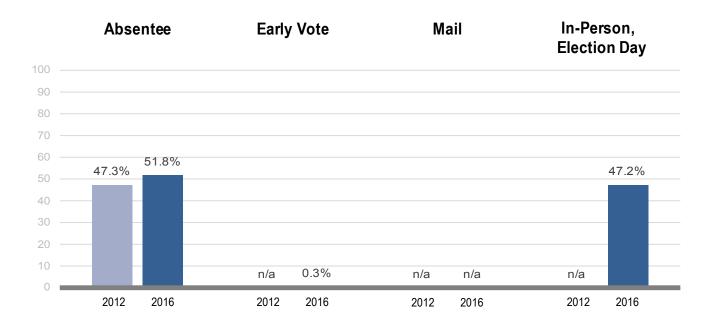
Difference from All Institutions

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## By Voting Method\*

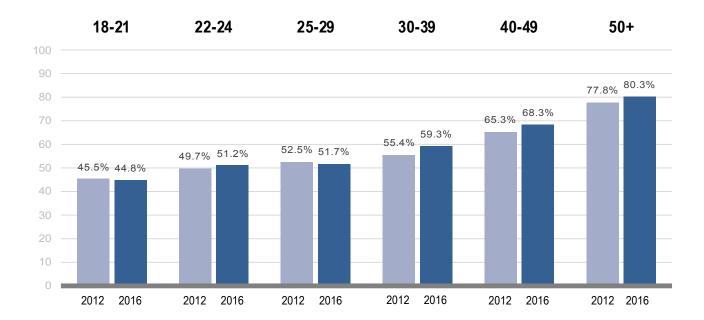


77.7					
Voted	Rate	Voted	Rate	Change	
658	47.3%	1,841	51.8%	4.4	
*	n/a	12	0.3%	n/a	
0	n/a	*	n/a	n/a	
*	n/a	1,678	47.2%	n/a	
729	52.5%	20	0.6%	,	
1,390		3,557			
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<sup>\*</sup> Your students' data broken down by voting method. If your campus has a high number of voting method "Unknown", it means that this information was not reported by local officals where your students voted.

### By Age Group\*

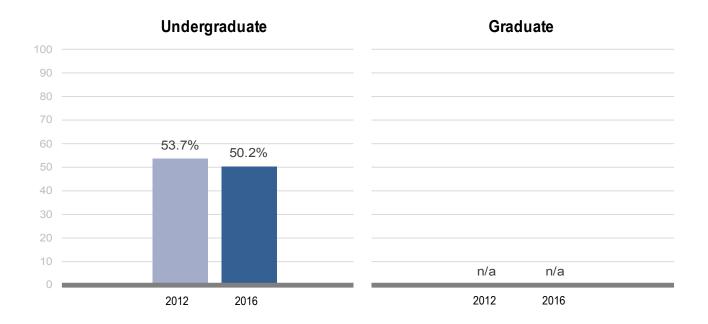


	2012			2016				_		
	Enrolled	Voted	Rate	Enrolled	Voted	Rate		Change		
18-21	1,740	791	45.5%	3,595	1,612	44.8%	1	-0.6		
22-24	376	187	49.7%	1,345	689	51.2%	•	1.5		
25-29	278	146	52.5%	850	439	51.7%	1	-0.9		
30-39	287	159	55.4%	806	478	59.3%	•	3.9		
40-49	121	79	65.3%	287	196	68.3%	•	3.0		
50+	36	28	77.8%	178	143	80.3%	•	2.6		
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\*

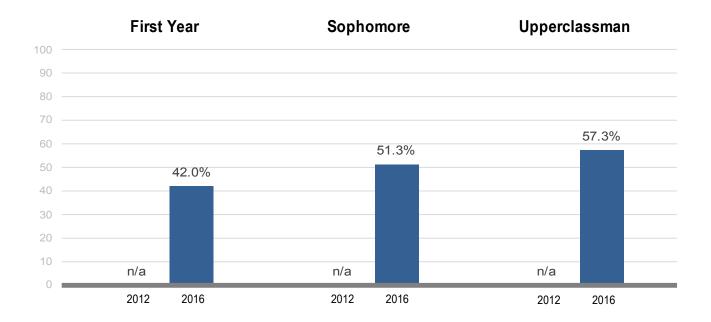


	2012				2016			
	Enrolled	Voted	Rate	Enrolled	Voted	Rate		Change
Undergraduate	259	139	53.7%	6,991	3,512	50.2%	1	-3.4
Graduate	0	0	n/a	0	0	n/a		n/a
Unknown	2,579			70				

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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\*

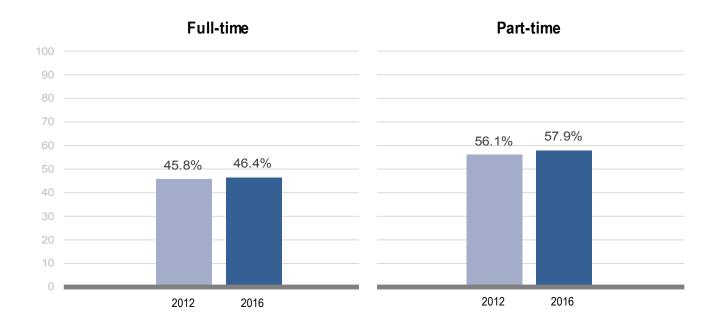


		2012		2016			
	Enrolled	Voted	Rate	Enrolled	Voted	Rate	Change
First Year	0	0	n/a	2,673	1,123	42.0%	n/a
Sophomore	0	0	n/a	1,394	715	51.3%	n/a
Upperclassman	0	0	n/a	2,924	1,674	57.3%	n/a

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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\*

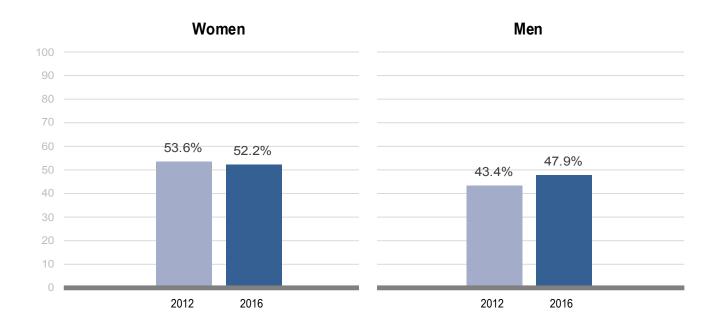


	2012				2016			
	Enrolled	Voted	Rate	Enrolled	Voted	Rate		Change
Full-time	1,963	899	45.8%	4,623	2,146	46.4%	1	0.6
Part-time	875	491	56.1%	2,438	1,411	57.9%	1	1.8
Unknown	0	0	n/a	0	0	n/a		

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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 Gender\*

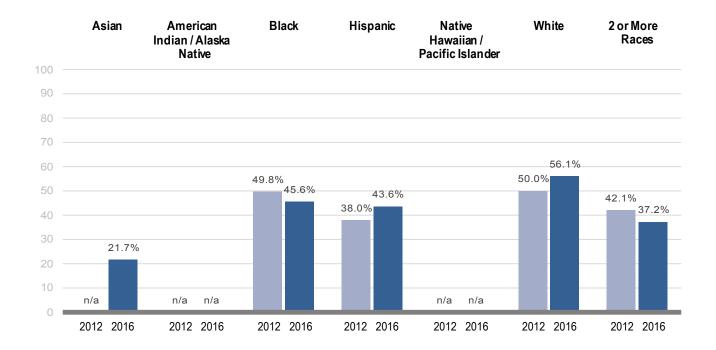


	2012			2016				
	Enrolled	Voted	Rate	Enrolled	Voted	Rate		Change
Women	1,552	832	53.6%	4,099	2,139	52.2%	1	-1.4
Men	1,286	558	43.4%	2,962	1,418	47.9%	•	4.5
Unknown	0	0	n/a	0	0	n/a		

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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 Race/Ethnicity\*



	2012				2016				
	Enrolled	Voted	Rate	Enrolled	Voted	Rate		Change	
Asian	26	*	n/a	161	35	21.7%		n/a	
American Indian/ Alaska Native	10	*	n/a	11	*	n/a		n/a	
Black	1,041	518	49.8%	2,511	1,146	45.6%	1	-4.1	
Hispanic	71	27	38.0%	312	136	43.6%	1	5.6	
Native Hawaiian/ Pacific Islander	0	0	n/a	13	*	n/a		n/a	
White	1,481	741	50.0%	3,781	2,120	56.1%	1	6.0	
2 or More Races	38	16	42.1%	234	87	37.2%	1	-4.9	
Unknown	171			38					

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<sup>\*</sup> Your students' data broken down by race. 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	11	*	n/a	484	228	47.1%	n/a
Business, Management, and Marketing	0	0	n/a	1,006	533	53.0%	n/a
Communication and Journalism	0	0	n/a	144	68	47.2%	n/a
Computer and Information Sciences	0	0	n/a	694	371	53.5%	n/a
Education	51	32	62.8%	282	151	53.6% 🦺	-9.2
Engineering and Engineering Technologies	91	38	41.8%	28	21	75.0% 👚	33.2
English Language and Literature	0	0	n/a	108	63	58.3%	n/a
Health Professions	605	325	53.7%	1,718	907	52.8% 🔱	-0.9
History	0	0	n/a	99	58	58.6%	n/a
Law Enforcement, Firefighting, and Protective Services	*	*	n/a	263	117	44.5%	n/a
Liberal Arts and Sciences, and Humanities	1,596	779	48.8%	1,328	600	45.2% 🗸	-3.6
Mathematics and Statistics	0	0	n/a	88	36	40.9%	n/a
Mechanic and Repair Technologies/Technicians	116	51	44.0%	69	33	47.8% 🁚	3.9
Psychology	0	0	n/a	319	157	49.2%	n/a
Public Administration and Social Service Professions	0	0	n/a	115	68	59.1%	n/a
Transportation and Materials Moving	356	149	41.9%	310	145	46.8% 👚	4.9
Unknown	*	*	n/a	*	*	n/a	n/a

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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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