

#### **AUGUST 2017**

**2012 & 2016 CAMPUS REPORT** 

Student Voting Rates for West Hills College-Coalinga

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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

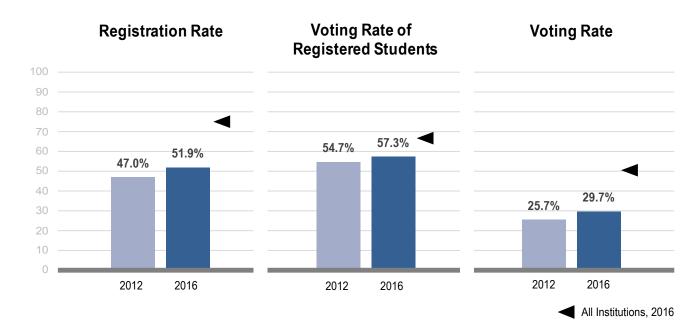
29.7%

CHANGE FROM 2012

4.0

2016 VOTING RATE FOR ALL INSTITUTIONS

50.4%



	2012	2016		Change
Total student enrollment	2,388	3,518	⇧	1,130
Age under 18/Unknown IPEDS estimated non-resident aliens FERPA records blocked	(91) (53) 0	(766) (60) 0		
Total eligible voters	2,244	2,692	1	448
Number of students who registered	1,054	1,396	⇧	342
Number of students who voted	577	800	⇧	223
Registration rate	47.0%	51.9%	⇧	4.9
Voting rate of registered students	54.7%	57.3%	⇧	2.6
Voting rate	25.7%	29.7%	1	4.0
Difference from all institutions	-21.2	-20.7		

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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%

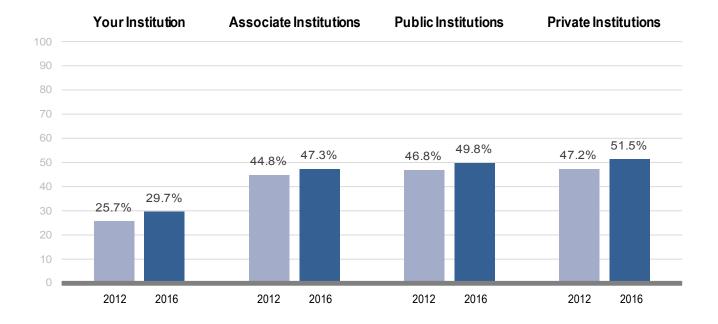
LOW 13.1%

Difference from All Institutions

-21.2

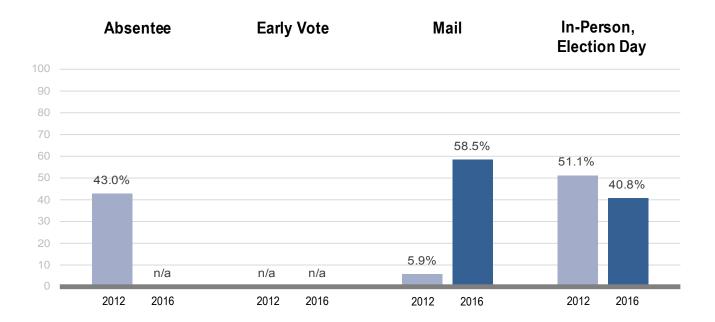
Difference from All Institutions

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# By Voting Method\*

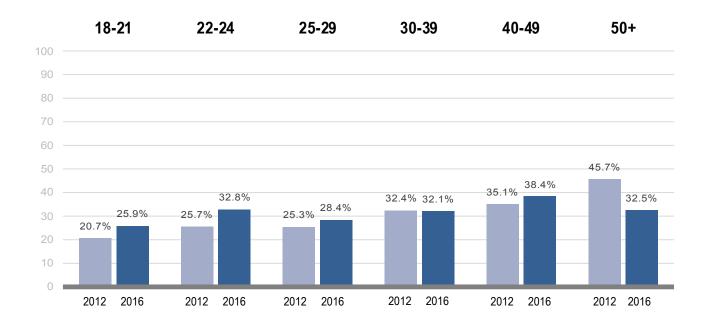


		16	20	2012		
Change		Rate	Voted	Rate	Voted	
n/a		n/a	*	43.0%	248	Absentee
n/a		n/a	*	n/a	0	Early Vote
52.6	1	58.5%	468	5.9%	34	Mail
-10.4	1	40.8%	326	51.1%	295	In-Person, Election Day
		n/a	*	n/a	0	Unknown
			800		577	Total
-			800		577	Total

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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	1,157	240	20.7%	1,318	341	25.9%	1	5.1
22-24	339	87	25.7%	378	124	32.8%	•	7.1
25-29	316	80	25.3%	412	117	28.4%	•	3.1
30-39	281	91	32.4%	390	125	32.1%	1	-0.3
40-49	134	47	35.1%	177	68	38.4%	⇧	3.4
50+	70	32	45.7%	77	25	32.5%	1	-13.2
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 Program of Study\*

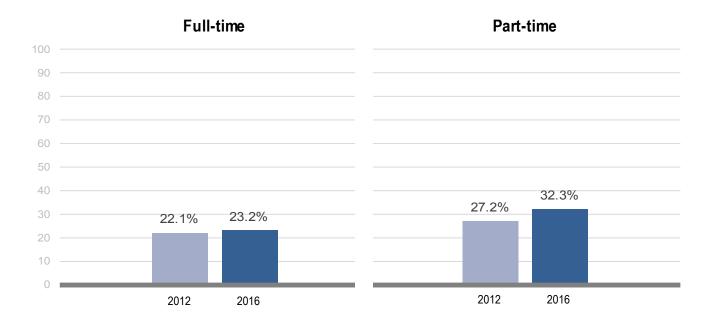
	Associate	Certificate
100		
90		
80		
70		
60		
50		
40		
30		
20		
10	n/a n/a	n/a n/a
0	11/a 11/a	II/a II/a
	2012 2016	2012 2016

	2012				2016			
	Enrolled	Voted	Rate	Enrolled	Voted	Rate	Change	
Associate	0	0	n/a	0	0	n/a	n/a	
Certificate	0	0	n/a	0	0	n/a	n/a	

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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 Enrollment Status\*

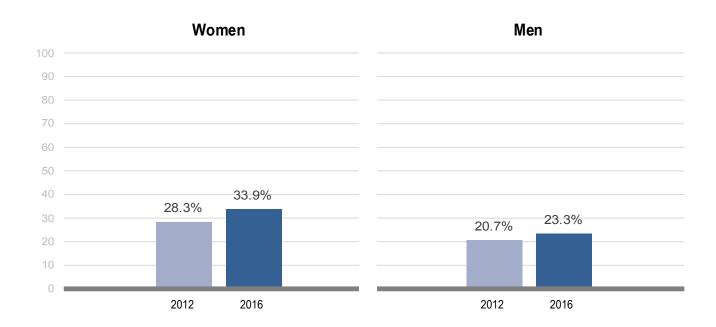


	2012				2016			
	Enrolled	Voted	Rate	Enrolled	Voted	Rate		Change
Full-time	916	202	22.1%	966	224	23.2%	1	1.1
Part-time	1,381	375	27.2%	1,786	576	32.3%	1	5.1
Unknown	0	0	n/a	0	0	n/a		

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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\*

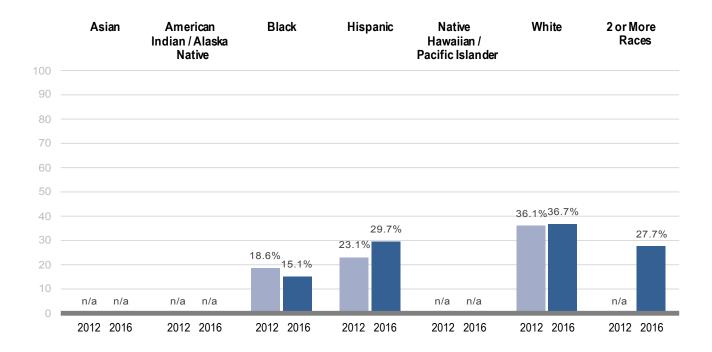


	2012			2016				
	Enrolled	Voted	Rate	Enrolled	Voted	Rate		Change
Women	1,360	385	28.3%	1,548	524	33.9%	•	5.5
Men	928	192	20.7%	1,183	276	23.3%	•	2.6
Unknown	*	0	n/a	21	0	n/a		

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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	74	*	n/a	73	*	n/a	1	n/a
American Indian/ Alaska Native	*	*	n/a	19	*	n/a		n/a
Black	145	27	18.6%	179	27	15.1%	1	-3.5
Hispanic	1,331	307	23.1%	1,760	522	29.7%	⇧	6.6
Native Hawaiian/ Pacific Islander	56	*	n/a	55	*	n/a		n/a
White	537	194	36.1%	567	208	36.7%	<b>1</b>	0.5
2 or More Races	42	*	n/a	47	13	27.7%		n/a
Unknown	103			52			1	

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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
Agriculture and Agriculture Operations	39	*	n/a	58	18	31.0%	n/a
Biological and Biomedical Sciences	40	12	30.0%	46	11	23.9% 👵	-6.1
Business, Management, and Marketing	226	60	26.6%	432	97	22.5% 🔱	-4.1
Communication and Journalism	0	0	n/a	13	*	n/a	n/a
Computer and Information Sciences	64	17	26.6%	71	29	40.9% 👚	14.3
Education	0	0	n/a	15	*	n/a	n/a
Engineering and Engineering Technologies	18	*	n/a	29	10	34.5%	n/a
English Language and Literature	18	*	n/a	0	0	n/a	n/a
Family and Consumer/Human Sciences	0	0	n/a	177	68	38.4%	n/a
Health Professions	441	110	24.9%	464	126	27.2% 🁚	2.2
Law Enforcement, Firefighting, and Protective Services	242	58	24.0%	263	80	30.4% 🁚	6.5
Liberal Arts and Sciences, and Humanities	515	119	23.1%	790	213	27.0% 👚	3.9
Mathematics and Statistics	21	*	n/a	84	28	33.3%	n/a
Parks, Recreation, Leisure, and Fitness Studies	68	10	14.7%	72	15	20.8% 👚	6.1
Personal and Culinary Services	0	0	n/a	*	*	n/a	n/a
Physical Sciences	0	0	n/a	*	*	n/a	n/a
Psychology	130	40	30.8%	114	38	33.3% 👚	2.6
Public Administration and Social Service Professions	0	0	n/a	*	*	n/a	n/a
Social Sciences	21	*	n/a	32	16	50.0%	n/a
Transportation and Materials Moving	94	37	39.4%	11	*	n/a	n/a
Visual and Performing Arts	69	11	15.9%	37	13	35.1% 👚	19.2
Unknown	291	76	26.1%	25	13	52.0% 👚	25.9

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#### References:

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