

#### **SEPTEMBER 2019**

**2014 & 2018 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, 2016 and 2018 federal elections. Along with others, your institution's participation in this study has helped us build a robust database for research on more than 10 million de-identified student records for each election year.

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. IDHE is an applied research center focused on college and university student political learning and participation in democracy. IDHE researchers study voting, campus conditions for political learning and discussion, closing equity gaps in participation, and increasing student agency and participation. We accomplish our goals through research, resource development, assisting institutions and the higher education community, 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 voted in the 2014 and 2018 elections. These results are based on enrollment records your institution submitted to the National Student Clearinghouse and publicly available voting files collected by Catalist. We exclude FERPA-blocked records. (For exceptions for campuses with disproportionately high numbers of FERPA blocked students, see our Campus Reports FAQ.)

The institutional voting rates reported on page 3 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 in subsequent pages of the report, we cannot consistently adjust for students who are ineligible to vote: non-resident aliens (international students), resident aliens (undocumented students), and students who have been disenfranchised due to a felony conviction. As a result, your institution's actual voting rate may be higher than we report. If you have access to more complete data for students who are ineligible to vote, you may recalculate your rates by using the Recalculation Tool -

https://idhe.tufts.edu/nslve-recalculation-tool.

To read more about NSLVE data, see our Campus Reports FAQ -

https://idhe.tufts.edu/nslve/frequently-asked-questions.

#### **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 and identify your challenges and opportunities. This report provides comparisons between subgroups of your students and with similar institutions. For more comparisons or to see national voter registration and voting rates, read our national report, Democracy Counts 2018. To access our data portals -

https://idhe.tufts.edu/public-data-portal-visualiz ations.

☐ Share the report widely and strategically by sharing it with institutional leaders, faculty across disciplines, student government leaders, and other student groups.

☐ Read and implement *Election Imperatives*, ten recommendations for improving your campus climate for student political learning, discourse, equity, and participation - https://idhe.tufts.edu/electionimperatives.

☐ Work with us. IDHE can help via virtual office hours, webinars, brown bag discussions, coaching, and in-person workshops.

For up-to-date news on NSLVE data, resources and upcoming opportunities visit our website: https://idhe.tufts.edu.

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We appreciate hearing from you! Please email us at NSLVE@tufts.edu.

Warm regards,

**IDHE Team** 



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## Voting and Registration Rates

2018 Voting Rate

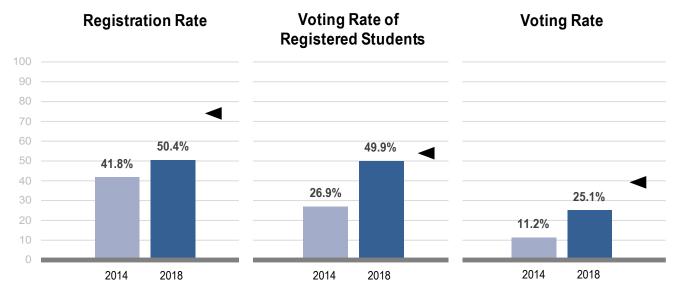
25.1%

CHANGE FROM 2014

+13.9

2018 VOTING RATE FOR ALL INSTITUTIONS

39.1%



All Institutions, 2018

	2014	2018		Change
Total student enrollment	2,702	4,487	<b>1</b>	1,785
Age under 18/Unknown	(270)	(1,834)		
IPEDS estimated non-resident aliens	(43)	(27)		
FERPA records blocked	0	0		
Total eligible voters	2,389	2,626	•	237
Number of students who registered	998	1,323	⇧	325
Number of students who voted	268	660	<b>1</b>	392
Registration rate	41.8%	50.4%	<b>1</b>	8.6
Voting rate of registered students	26.9%	49.9%	•	23.0
Voting rate	11.2%	25.1%	•	13.9
Difference from all institutions	-8.5	-14.0		

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### **HOW YOUR NUMBERS COMPARE | MIDTERM ELECTIONS**

## By Carnegie Classification

2014 Voting Rate for All Institutions

19.7%

HIGH 54.0%

LOW 1.5% 2018 Voting Rate for All Institutions

39.1%

HIGH 64.1%

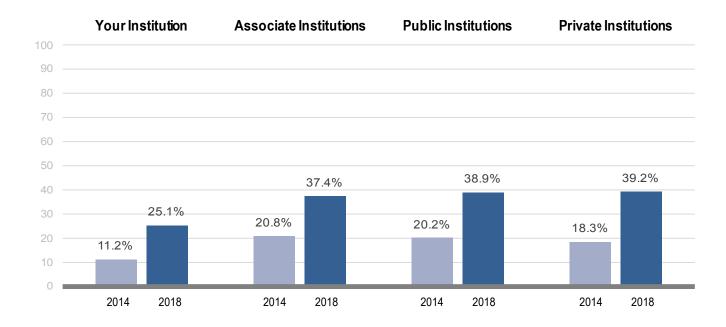
LOW 11.5%

Difference from All Institutions

-8.5

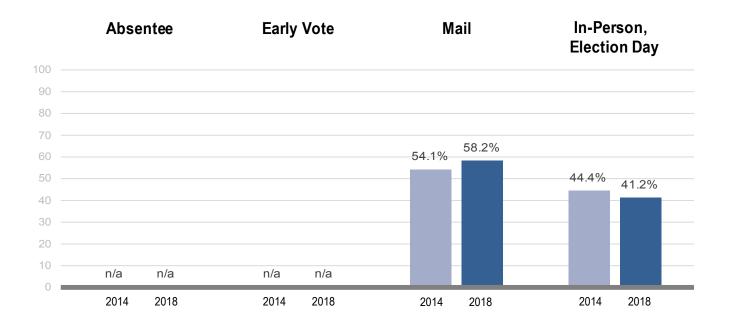
Difference from All Institutions

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## By Voting Method\*

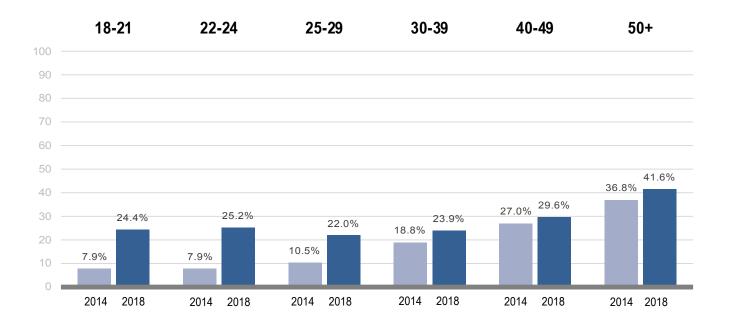


	2014		2018					
	Voted	Rate	Voted	Rate		Change		
Absentee	*	n/a	*	n/a		n/a		
Early Vote	0	n/a	*	n/a		n/a		
Mail	145 <b>5</b>	i4.1%	384	58.2%	<b>1</b>	4.1		
In-Person, Election Day	119 4	4.4%	272	41.2%	1	-3.2		
Unknown	*	n/a	0	n/a				
Total	268		660					

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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\*



	2014							
	Enrolled	Voted	Rate	Enrolled	Voted	Rate		Change
18-21	1,284	101	7.9%	1,328	324	24.4%	1	16.5
22-24	393	31	7.9%	338	85	25.2%	•	17.3
25-29	306	32	10.5%	382	84	22.0%	•	11.5
30-39	277	52	18.8%	369	88	23.9%	•	5.1
40-49	115	31	27.0%	159	47	29.6%	<b>1</b>	2.6
50+	57	21	36.8%	77	32	41.6%	•	4.7
Unknown	*			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\*

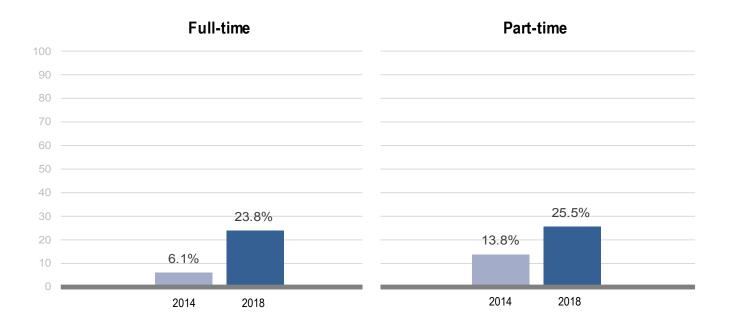
	Associate	Certificate
100 —		
90 ———		
80 ———		
70 —		
60 ———		
50 ———		
40 —		
30 ———		
20 ———		
10 ———	n/a n/a	n/a n/a
0	11/4	11/4
	2014 2018	2014 2018

	2014				2018				
	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 program 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.

## By Enrollment Status\*

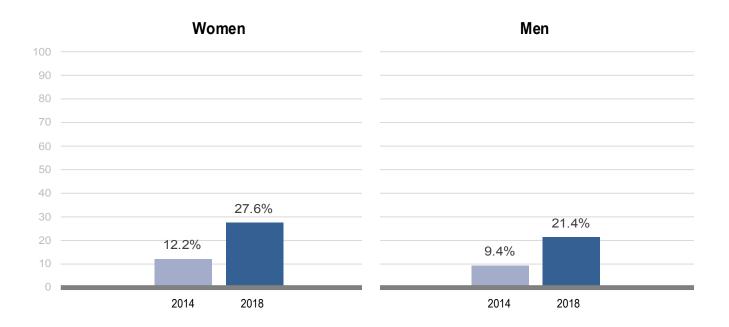


	2014				2018				
	Enrolled	Voted	Rate	Enrolled	Voted	Rate		Change	
Full-time	875	53	6.1%	979	233	23.8%	1	17.7	
Part-time	1,557	215	13.8%	1,674	427	25.5%	1	11.7	
Unknown	0	0	n/a	0	0	n/a			

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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\*

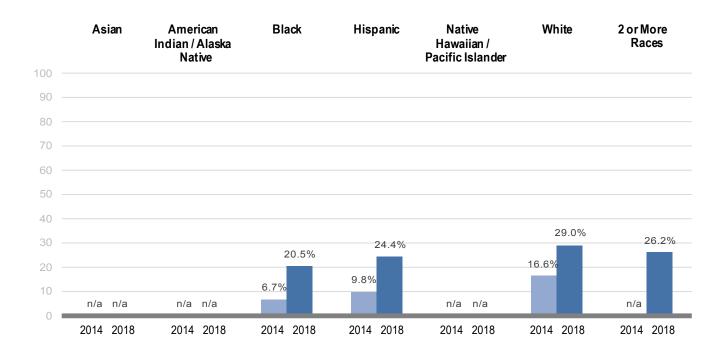


	2014			2018				
	Enrolled	Voted	Rate	Enrolled	Voted	Rate		Change
Women	1,445	176	12.2%	1,463	403	27.6%	1	15.4
Men	955	90	9.4%	1,152	246	21.4%	1	11.9
Unknown	32			38				

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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\*



	2014				2018				
	Enrolled	Voted	Rate	Enrolled	Voted	Rate		Change	
Asian	83	*	n/a	82	*	n/a	,	n/a	
American Indian/ Alaska Native	16	*	n/a	14	*	n/a		n/a	
Black	178	12	6.7%	166	34	20.5%	1	13.7	
Hispanic	1,494	147	9.8%	1,809	442	24.4%	1	14.6	
Native Hawaiian/ Pacific Islander	61	*	n/a	31	*	n/a		n/a	
White	488	81	16.6%	472	137	29.0%	1	12.4	
2 or More Races	55	*	n/a	42	11	26.2%		n/a	
Unknown	57	'		37					

<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. For this page, we consider international students of unknown race/ethnicity.

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## 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.

	2	2014		2018			
	Enrolled	Voted	Rate	Enrolled	Voted	Rate	Change
Agriculture and Agriculture Operations	39	10	25.6%	65	19	29.2% 👚	3.6
Biological and Biomedical Sciences	37	*	n/a	74	16	21.6%	n/a
Business, Management, and Marketing	262	27	10.3%	462	86	18.6% 👚	8.3
Communication and Journalism	*	0	n/a	20	*	n/a	n/a
Computer and Information Sciences	52	14	26.9%	93	27	29.0% 👚	2.1
Education	*	*	n/a	0	0	n/a	n/a
Engineering and Engineering Technologies	27	*	n/a	12	*	n/a	n/a
Family and Consumer/Human Sciences	17	*	n/a	181	46	25.4%	n/a
Health Professions	505	55	10.9%	443	101	22.8% 👚	11.9
Law Enforcement, Firefighting, and Protective Services	238	24	10.1%	197	41	20.8% 👚	10.7
Liberal Arts and Sciences, and Humanities	787	73	9.3%	720	188	26.1% 👚	16.8
Mathematics and Statistics	32	*	n/a	38	*	n/a	n/a
Parks, Recreation, Leisure, and Fitness Studies	51	*	n/a	72	22	30.6%	n/a
Personal and Culinary Services	*	0	n/a	*	0	n/a	n/a
Physical Sciences	*	0	n/a	*	*	n/a	n/a
Psychology	105	*	n/a	148	49	33.1%	n/a
Social Sciences	16	*	n/a	35	16	45.7%	n/a
Transportation and Materials Moving	20	*	n/a	13	*	n/a	n/a
Visual and Performing Arts	43	*	n/a	49	12	24.5%	n/a
Unknown	179	30	16.8%	25	14	56.0% 👚	39.2

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