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The University of Minnesota Morris received a platinum seal for achieving a student voting rate above 50% at the [2019 ALL IN Challenge Awards Ceremony](#). [Student voting on the Morris campus was up to 51.4% in 2018.](#)

"I am incredibly proud of the amount of UMN Morris students who came out and had their voices heard in the 2018 midterm election," says Morris Campus Student Association President Sam Rosemark '20. "Young people are voting at record rates, especially at UMN Morris, and we will continue the momentum into 2020."

UMN System Turnout

[Every UMN campus saw turnout above the nationwide on-campus average of 39.1% in 2018:](#) turnout was 58.7% at the UMN Twin Cities, 48.2% at the UMN Duluth, and 44.3% at the UMN Crookston. The University of Minnesota Rochester is combined with the Twin Cities campus under this metric. Systemwide, the University of Minnesota's voting rate in 2018 was 56.1%.

National Turnout

Nationwide, student participation in elections increased from the 2014 midterm election to the 2018 midterm election. According to the National Study of Learning, Voting, and Engagement, an initiative of Tufts University's Institute for Democracy & Higher Education, voter turnout at the more than 1,000 institutions participating in the study increased from 19% to 40%. [UMN Morris's data reveals a student voting rate of 51.4%—more than 12 percentage points above the national average, 39.1%.](#)

About ALL IN

The [ALL IN Campus Democracy Challenge](#) is a nonpartisan, national initiative recognizing and supporting campuses as they work to increase nonpartisan democratic engagement and full student voter participation. The Challenge encourages higher education institutions to help students form the habits of active and informed citizenship, and make democratic participation a core value on their campus.

More than 560 campuses, enrolling more than 6.2 million students, have joined the Challenge since its launch in summer 2016.

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