TO: UVM Community  
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RE: November 6th Elections  

On Tuesday, November 6, 2018, we get to participate in one of the most important civic duties we have as citizens of the United States of America—the process of electing our public leaders. This is a right and privilege that can easily be taken for granted.

The state of Vermont offers very flexible voting options. Voters can register up to and on Election Day. Early and absentee voting is available, and most polling places are open from 7am to 7pm. This should allow anyone who wants to vote the opportunity to do so even with challenging schedules and responsibilities.

For all students eligible to vote, these options offer all citizens ample opportunity to vote. And, for our nearly 70% of undergraduates who are residents of other states, all of which have provisions for absentee voting, I urge you to review the voter eligibility in your respective states. (https://www.nass.org/can-i-vote).

Regarding our employees, I encourage supervisors to be mindful and understanding that some employees may experience delays and long lines at the polls.

Whether we are electing local leaders, state leaders, or national leaders, this opportunity to vote should be deeply valued and treasured. It is a core right central to the foundation of our democracy. I encourage you to vote on Tuesday, November 6.