

STATS FCS MEDIA TOP 25
(Preseason)

Rk.	Team	Record
1.	North Dakota State (54)	14-2
2.	Montana State	15-1
3.	South Dakota State	12-3
4.	South Dakota	11-3
5.	Incarnate Word	11-3
6.	Illinois State	10-4
7.	Montana	9-5
8.	UC Davis	11-3
9.	Rhode Island	11-3
10.	Tarleton State	10-4
11.	Mercer	11-3
12.	Idaho	10-4
13.	Villanova	10-4
14.	Lehigh	9-4
15.	Sacramento State	3-9
16.	Abilene Christian	9-5
17.	Jackson State	12-2
18.	Western Carolina	7-5
19.	Northern Arizona	8-5
20.	Southern Illinois	4-8
21.	Tennessee Tech	7-5
22.	Monmouth	6-6
23.	Stephen F. Austin	7-5
24.	Stony Brook	8-4
25.	Richmond	10-3

FCS COACHES TOP 25
(Preseason)

Rk.	Team	Record
1.	North Dakota State (26)	14-2
2.	Montana State	15-1
3.	South Dakota State	12-3
4.	Incarnate Word	11-3
5.	South Dakota	11-3
6.	Illinois State	10-4
7.	UC Davis	11-3
8.	Tarleton State	10-4
9.	Montana	9-5
10.	Rhode Island	11-3
11.	Mercer	11-3
12.	Idaho	10-4
13.	Villanova	10-4
14.	Sacramento State	3-9
15.	Lehigh	9-4
16.	Abilene Christian	9-5
17.	Jackson State	12-2
18.	Northern Arizona	8-5
19.	Western Carolina	7-5
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• Wide receiver DeAirious Smith needs 60 yards to become the 36th player in school history to join the 1,000 yard receiving club. Smith played in just two games last season before suffering a season ending injury. He has been a dynamic receiver when on the field averaging 15.7 yards per reception for his career. He has one 100-yard receiving game in his career with 109 yards against Tennessee Tech in 2021.

• Wisconsin transfer Cole LaCrue has been named the Panthers starting quarterback for the season opener against Dayton. LaCrue won the job after a fall camp battle with Blainey Dowling and Connor Wolf. LaCrue was a two-year member of the Badgers program redshirting the 2023 season before not appearing in any games last season. His last on-field action was in 2022 at Broomfield HS in Colorado where he was a 3-star recruit passing for more than 2,600 yards as a senior. EIU's last transfer quarterback that started their career at Wisconsin was Matt Schabert who passed for 2,153 yards and 15 touchdowns as the starter during the 2004 season.

• While Morehead State is a member of the Ohio Valley Conference in most sports, the Eagles play football in the Pioneer League (home to the Dayton Flyers). EIU has become a reunion spot for a couple of former Morehead State players as Kaleb Lyons transferred in last season to play at EIU and Jihad McCall transferred in to play this season. Both were among the nation's leaders in passes defended during the 2023 season playing defense for current EIU defensive coordinator Andrew Strobel.

• In addition to replacing a two-year starter at quarterback, Eastern Illinois must also replace a two-year starter at the running back position. Returning running back Jay Pearson rushed for 215 yards last season including a season high 69 yards in the final regular season game at Tennessee Tech. The Panthers added experienced FBS running back Charles Kellom to that equation with Kellom rushing for 352 yards last year at Akron.

• Junior Nic DiSanto will anchor the offensive line for the Panthers as he returns for his third year as a starter at tackle. EIU's opening day depth chart features two redshirt freshmen on the offensive line with Kwan Johnson and Rahfeeq Katumbusi. EIU did add FCS transfer Dante Thompson who started 23 games over the last two years at Robert Morris (Pa.) including one season when the Colonials played in the OVC-Big South.

• Eastern Illinois looks to replace four starters on the defensive line that accounted for 135 total tackles and 21 tackles for loss. Drake Van Hyfte returns as the lone veteran defensive lineman up front after battling through injuries most of last season. Van Hyfte led the Panthers in tackles for loss during the 2023 season but was limited to just five tackles for loss last season. Alton Jefferson missed all of last season with an injury after starting four games in 2023. Jefferson has played 28 total games at EIU.

• The tight end position may be an explosive room for the Panthers this season as they return several key play-makers from that group. Alex Ginnever finished fourth on the team with 22 receptions for 232 yards and two touchdowns. Alex Herrera was a bright spot with 12 receptions for 150 yards and two touchdowns in just four games to preserve his redshirt season. EIU returns veteran blocking tight end Joe McNab and has added Division II transfer Trayvon Moore with former quarterback Joey Sprinkle also moving to tight end.

• Veteran linebacker Phoenix Porter finished second on the Panthers team in tackles last year with 68 total tackles. Porter has played 42 career games for EIU making 148 career tackles. He is joined by returning linebacker and team captain Jesse Garza along with key transfers Tylan Foster and Ja'Wuan Nickson. Foster was a first team All-Southland Conference selection at linebacker in 2023 ranking second in the conference in total tackles at Incarnate Word. Nickson was an All-Region selection at Riverside City College.

• Eastern Illinois special teams looked to replace one of the top punters in the OVC-Big South during the offseason and landed a pair of All-Americans in that place. Mason Miller earned NAIA All-American honors last season at Marian University leading the NAIA in punting average at 45.3 yards per punt. Aaron Rice earned JUCO All-American honors at College of DuPage ranking No. 5 in the NJCAA in punts inside the 20-yard line.

• One key stat difference for Eastern Illinois between the 2023 and 2024 seasons was the Panthers ability to hold on to the football. In 2023 EIU led the FCS in turnover margin with 25 turnovers gained and only ten turnovers lost. The script was flipped last season with EIU ranking 113th in the FCS in that category. EIU's defense was only able to force eight turnovers for the season while the Panthers lost 20 turnovers.

• Last season Eastern Illinois had 12 different players make at least one start in the defensive backfield as EIU worked through a list of injuries during the season. At year's end returning players Tienne Fridge and Isaiah Houi both started the final three games of the season. Fridge registered 17 tackles for the season while Houi came on strong making 16 tackles and leading the Panthers with five pass break-ups. Also returning from that group is Moses Alexander who had 35 tackles in six starts prior to a season ending injury.

• Eastern Illinois will have a relatively young line-up on the field for its opener against Dayton in terms of game experience in an EIU uniform. Based on the projected two-deep EIU will start 13 players that will be playing their first EIU game. By comparison, EIU had only three first time EIU players in the game one starting line-up for the 2023 opener at Illinois.

2024 OVC-Big South Football Standings

Team	CONF	Pct	All	Pct
#Southeast Missouri	6-2	.750	9-4	.692
#Tennessee State	6-2	.750	9-4	.692
#UT Martin	6-2	.750	9-5	.643
Tennessee Tech	6-2	.750	7-5	.583
Lindenwood	4-4	.500	5-7	.417
Gardner-Webb	3-5	.375	4-8	.333
Western Illinois	3-5	.375	4-8	.333
Eastern Illinois	2-6	.286	3-9	.250
Charleston Southern	0-8	.000	1-11	.083
#FCS Playoff appearance				

This Week In OVC-Big South Football

Thursday - August 28

Dayton at Eastern Illinois	6 pm
Lindenwood at St. Thomas	6 pm
UT Martin at Oklahoma State	6:30 pm

Friday - August 29

Western Illinois at Illinois	6:30 pm
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Saturday - August 30

Cumberland at Tennessee Tech	12 pm
North Carolina A&T at Tennessee State	3:30 pm
Gardner-Webb at Western Carolina	5 pm
Southeast Missouri at Arkansas State	6 pm
Charleston Southern at Vanderbilt	6 pm

* OVC-Big South Football Association Games

Eastern Illinois Captains

- 8 - Tienne Fridge (NICKEL)
- 13 - Cooper Willman (WR)
- 49 - Jesse Garza (LB)
- 54 - Nic DiSanto (OL)

OVC - Big South Order Of Finish

1. Tennessee Tech (5)
2. UT Martin (2)
3. Southeast Missouri (2)
4. Lindenwood
5. Western Illinois
- T6. EASTERN ILLINOIS**
- T6. Gardner-Webb
8. Tennessee State
9. Charleston Southern



Eastern Illinois Returning All-Conference Players

- 13 - Cooper Willman (1st Team WR / AP)



• Graduate student Brett Galletti has been named a candidate for the William V. Campbell Award which is presented to the top academic student in college football. Galletti earned his bachelor's degree in construction management with a 3.97 GPA and is currently enrolled in the MBA program at Eastern Illinois. Galletti will open the season as the starting long snapper, a role he has performed in for the past three years.

• Eastern Illinois will face Dayton to open the 2025 season in the second all-time meeting between the two programs. The Panthers have four players on their current roster that played in the 2021 game at Dayton, a 17-10 EIU loss. Alton Jefferson and Drake Van Hyfte appeared on defense with Jefferson making one tackle. Cooper Willman had one punt return on special teams and DeAirious Smith saw time in the game without recording any stats.

• Eastern Illinois will be close to home for a large portion of the season before ending the year on November 22 at Alabama. The Panthers play five of their first six games in the state of Illinois with the lone trip out of state just across the border, 45 miles, to Terre Haute, Indiana. The Panthers play four of their first six contests at O'Brien Field with the other road game at Western Illinois to open OVC play. EIU then travels to Southeast Missouri in mid-October before a flight to Charleston Southern to wrap up October.

• Eastern Illinois once again has a mixture of players transferring from both the FBS and FCS level into the Panthers program. EIU currently has seven FBS transfers on its roster with program newcomers Cole LaCrue (Wisconsin), Charles Kellom (Akron) and Jack Tremblay (Central Michigan). The Panthers roster features eight FCS transfers with seven of those players new to EIU this year in Tylan Foster (Incarnate Word), Bruce Mitchell (Mississippi Valley State), Jihad McCall (Morehead State), Nick Vecchiarelli (Marist), Dante Thompson (Robert Morris), Jourden Hale-Frater (Tennessee State) and Jefferson McKinnon (Marist).

SEASON LONG NOTES

• Eastern Illinois jumps back into games with the Power Four FBS Conferences over the next several years as last season the Panthers played a pair of Big Ten schools with games at Illinois and Northwestern. This year's schedule dips back into the SEC as the Panthers end the 2025 regular season at Alabama. Other future FBS games on the EIU schedule include a trip to play at Minnesota in 2026, Illinois in 2027, Kentucky in 2028 and Indiana in 2029.

• Eastern Illinois football has 12 players on its current roster that already have earned their undergraduate degree as they prepare to play this upcoming season. This year's graduate players are Tienne Fridge, Brett Galletti, Jesse Garza, Zeke Lewis, Jihad McCall, Mason Miller, Trayvon Moore, Phoenix Porter, DeAirious Smith, Joseph Solomon, Drake Van Hyfte and Cooper Willman.

• Based on a combination of COVID football seasons and redshirt football seasons, Eastern Illinois has eight players that will be competing in their sixth year of collegiate football this season. Moses Alexander, Jihad McCall, Mason Miller, Phoenix Porter, DeAirious Smith, Joseph Solomon, Drake Van Hyfte and Cooper Willman all began their collegiate careers during the 2020 season. Of the eight, Porter (42 games), Smith (36 games), Van Hyfte (33 games) and Willman (44 games) have spent their entire careers at EIU.

• Eastern Illinois once again has several legacy players on its roster this season with offensive lineman Carson Fichtel and incoming freshmen Cale Kimbro and Barron Sholl. Fichtel's father Brad was an All-American lineman for the Panthers in the early 1990's. Kimbro and Sholl's fathers (Jared Kimbro and Scott Sholl) were also offensive linemen in the early 2000's blocking for quarterback Tony Romo and running back J.R. Taylor. Sholl was a multi-time All-OVC center. All three played at EIU for head coach Bob Spoo.

• Eastern Illinois football continues to expand its reach across both the United States and North America. EIU's roster features players from 23 different states spanning from California and Washington on the West Coast to New Jersey and Maryland on East Coast. Dejan Guzina gives the Panthers a player from Canada as EIU has had players on its roster from Canada, Finland, The Netherlands and Australia in recent years.

• Eastern Illinois has announced its team captains for the 2025 season with four players in total selected. Tienne Fridge (Nickel), Jesse Garza (Linebacker), Cooper Willman (Wide Receiver) and Nic DiSanto (Offensive Line) were all selected as team captains.

• The Ohio Valley Conference and Big South Conference merged into a joint conference for the sport of football in 2023 playing its inaugural season with ten members. Gardner-Webb was the league's first champion. Conference realignment once again impacted the FCS as Bryant and Robert Morris exited the league after one season and Western Illinois joined for the 2024 season. The conference rebranded as the OVC-Big South Football Association in 2025 and will play with nine member schools Eastern Illinois, Lindenwood, Southeast Missouri, Tennessee State, Tennessee Tech, UT Martin and Western Illinois from the OVC. The Big South is represented by Charleston Southern and Gardner-Webb. The league announced in July 2024 that the partnership would be extended to 2030 (previous deal was to 2026) with the OVC Conference Office overseeing the day-to-day operation of the league. Tennessee Tech has announced that it will depart the conference following the 2025-26 academic year.

EIU HEAD COACH CHRIS WILKERSON

Chris Wilkerson was hired as the 26th head coach in Eastern Illinois football history on Jan. 26, 2022. A former player and assistant coach at Eastern Illinois, Wilkerson returned home and became the first EIU alumnus to serve as the Panthers head football coach. Wilkerson played and coached under OVC/EIU Hall of Fame Coach Bob Spoo. A 1995 graduate of EIU, Wilkerson coached at EIU until the 2001 season. He had assistant stops at San Jose State and Dartmouth before serving ten years as the head coach at the University of Chicago. Wilkerson has a 64-48 (12-21 at EIU, 4th year) career record. He was the 2003 Big South-OVC Coach of the Year. **Complete Coach Chris Wilkerson bio available on page 6 of EIU game notes...**

DAYTON HEAD COACH TREVOR ANDREWS

Dayton alumnus Trevor Andrews enters his third season as the head coach at his alma mater for the 2025 season. Andrews holds a 10-12 record over his first two years with the Flyers. Andrews is a veteran coach who returned to Dayton following four years as the linebackers coach at Western Michigan after 18 years on the staff at William & Mary. He began his career at Illinois Wesleyan with a stop at Randolph-Macon prior to going to William & Mary. He is a 1998 alumnus of Dayton and was a member of three Flyers Pioneer League championship teams.

SCOUTING DAYTON

Dayton is coming off a 6-5 season including a 4-4 mark in the Pioneer League but after a good start to the 2024 season the Flyers lost four of their final five contests. On offense Dayton returns its leading passer (Drew VanVleet), leading rusher (Mason Hackett) and leading receiver (Gavin Lochow) from last year's team. The trio combined for 81 percent of Dayton's total offense last season. On defense the Flyers must replace their top four tacklers from last year which accounted for 295 tackles and 49.5 tackles for loss. Luke Mitchell is the top returning tackler with 44 stops last season.

THE SERIES

Eastern Illinois and Dayton will be meeting for the just the second time in school history. The Flyers won the first meeting between the two schools on Sept. 11, 2021 with a 17-10 victory at Dayton. In the game Dayton limited EIU to just five offensive plays in the third quarter while scoring all 17 of its points during that same 15 minute span. Dayton is just the second member of the Pioneer League that the Panthers have ever faced on the gridiron. EIU has a 3-3 all-time record against Butler with the last meeting between those two schools occurring in 1979 (EIU won 38-0).

LAST TEN MEETINGS

Sept. 11, 2021 Dayton 17, EIU 10 at Dayton

PRESEASON PREDICTIONS

Eastern Illinois is coming off a 3-9 season including 2-6 in the OVC-Big South. The Panthers were picked to finish in a tie for sixth in the preseason conference poll with Tennessee Tech selected as a preseason favorite. Dayton is coming off a 6-5 season in 2024 including 4-4 in the Pioneer League. The Flyers were picked to finish fifth in the preseason poll with San Diego tabbed as the conference preseason selection.

SERIES DID YOU KNOW FACTS...

1.) Eastern Illinois head coach Chris Wilkerson and Dayton head coach Trevor Andrews are both former players with their former programs now serving as head coaches. Wilkerson played for the Panthers from 1991-94 and is a 1995 graduate of EIU. Andrews played for the Flyers from 1994-97 and is a 1998 graduate of Dayton. This is EIU's only game this year where both head coaches played for their current school as an undergraduate.

2.) Former NFL head coach and Dayton alumnus Jon Gruden is scheduled to be on campus for the season opener for Eastern Illinois and Dayton. Both programs have had three alumni that have gone on to be NFL head coaches including EIU alumnus and current Denver Broncos head coach Sean Payton. Payton is joined by former NFL head coaches Mike Shanahan and Brad Childress as Eastern Illinois alumni. Dayton's three include Gruden, Chuck Noll and Brandon Staley.

2.) Eastern Illinois is currently tied for sixth among active FCS schools in FCS playoff appearances with 16. EIU's last post-season appearance was in 2015. That same season Dayton made its only FCS appearance to date. Both programs do hold national championships at lower NCAA Divisions with the Panthers winning the 1978 Division II title. Dayton has two NCAA Division III National Championships in 1980 and 1989 before moving to Division I in 1993.

TALE OF THE TAPE



Points Per Game	18.5	20.2
Average Points Allowed	32.6	17.0
First Downs.....	216.....	198
Rushing Yards Per Game	76.1	119.1
Rushing Touchdowns	9	8
Passing Yards Per Game	266.2	186.9
Passing Touchdowns.....	19.....	19
Average Yards Per Game.....	342.3	306.0
Interceptions Thrown.....	14.....	10
Fumbles - Lost.....	15-6	17-13
Turnovers Gained	8.....	12
Punting Average	44.3	41.0
Field Goals (ATT/MADE).....	7-of-14	9-of-11
3rd Down Conversions	60-of-160 (38%).....	68-of-166 (41%)
4th Down Conversions	10-of-25 (40%).....	15-of-29 (52%)
Sacks By (Yards).....	14 (90).....	21 (142)
Penalties (Yards).....	52 (471).....	49 (373)
Time of Possession (Game).....	28.06	31:45

Statistical Leaders (RETURNING 2024)

RUSHING YARDS (Touchdowns)

EASTERN ILLINOIS	DAYTON
Jay Pearson .....215 (1)	Mason Hackett 806 (3)
Cooper Willman..... 11 (0)	Luke Hansen 358 (1)

PASSING YARDS (Touchdowns)

EASTERN ILLINOIS	DAYTON
Blainey Dowling.....69 (0)	Drew VanVleet.....1,963 (18)
.....	Gavin Lochow..... 68 (1)

RECEPTIONS (Yards)

EASTERN ILLINOIS	DAYTON
Cooper Willman.....66 (955)	Gavin Lochow..... 59 (488)
Quenton Rogers .....22 (349)	Dominic Vrbancic 22 (244)
Alex Ginnever.....22 (232)	Donovan Weatherly.....6 (94)

TACKLES

EASTERN ILLINOIS	DAYTON
Phoenix Porter..... 68	Luke Mitchell .....44
Moses Alexander..... 35	Sam Schmiesing .....31
Drake Van Hyfte 25	Cam Cope .....30
Christopher Sharp 18	Vincent Firenze .....19
Tienne Fridge 17	Mirko Jaksic.....18

TACKLES FOR LOSS / SACKS

EASTERN ILLINOIS	DAYTON
Drake Van Hyfte..... 5..... 1	Mirko Jaksic..... 3..... 1.5
Phoenix Porter..... 3..... 0	Sam Schmiesing.....2.5..... 1
Isaiah Houi..... 2..... 0	Collin Ansel..... 1..... 0

**Eastern Illinois In The
OVC/NCAA Stats
2024**

TEAM

.....	NCAA.....	CONF
Rushing Offense	121st	9th
Passing Offense	11th	3rd
Passing Efficiency	57th	4th
Total Offense	66th	5th
Scoring Offense	100th	8th
Rushing Defense	62nd	7th
Pass Defense	116th	9th
Pass Efficiency Def.	120th	8th
Total Defense	94th	7th
Scoring Defense	103rd	7th
Net Punting	80th	5th
Punt Returns	41st	4th
Kickoff Returns	106th	9th
Turnover Margin	113th	9th
Turnovers Gained	114th	9th
Sacks	110th	9th
Tackles For Loss	81st	7th
Sacks Allowed	118th	9th
3rd Down Conversion	67th	5th
4th Down Conversion	109th	8th
3rd Down Defense	107th	8th
Red Zone Offense	104th	7th
Red Zone Defense	59th	4th
Time of Possession	108th	9th

INDIVIDUAL (Top 50)

.....	NCAA.....	CONF
Anthony Shockey (Total Tackles).....	41st	2nd
Moses Alexander (Fumbles Recover)	8th	2nd
Tre'jon Lewis (Blocked Kicks).....	3rd	1st
Nijhay Burt (Interceptions).....	45th	5th
Pierce Holley (Completions).....	14th	3rd
Pierce Holley (Pass Efficiency).....	50th	4th
Pierce Holley (Passing TDs).....	23rd	3rd
Pierce Holley (Passing Yards).....	7th	2nd
Pierce Holley (Total Offense).....	15th	3rd
MJ Flowers (All-Purpose Yards).....	37th	1st
MJ Flowers (Rushing Yards).....	35th	2nd
MJ Flowers (Total Touchdowns).....	39th	3rd
Cooper Willman (Receiving TDs).....	20th	2nd
Cooper Willman (Receiving Yards).....	20th	2nd
Cooper Willman (Receptions).....	37th	5th
Jacob Horvath (Punting).....	15th	2nd

SHUT OUT STREAK ENDS

Eastern Illinois had a 139 game streak of not being shut out in a game end Sept. 12, 2015 at Northwestern during 41-0 loss. The last time EIU had been shut out was Oct. 11, 2003 during a 41-0 loss versus Eastern Kentucky. In the 2015 season opener EIU had its streak of consecutive games scoring a touchdown end at 65 after the Panthers were held out of the end zone. The last time EIU had failed to score a touchdown was October 10, 2009 at Penn State. EIU's longest streak of consecutive games without being shutout was 197 from 1977-1997 which ranks fourth all-time among FCS schools. EIU's current active streak is 11 games after they were shutout in 2024 season opener at Illinois.

Longest EIU Streaks

197 (1977-97) ended 8/28/97 at Western Illinois

139 (2003-15) ended 9/12/15 at Northwestern

Current EIU Streak

11 games (last time shutout 8/29/24 at Illinois)

OVC SUCCESS

Eastern Illinois was the OVC's most successful school in terms of wins during the first decade of the 2000's as the Panthers posted 72 wins during that span. EIU leads the conference with the most post-season appearances since the Panthers joined the league in 1996.

(FCS Playoff Appearances Since 1996)

11 - Eastern Illinois

9 - Jacksonville State *

5 - Eastern Kentucky *

5 - Southeast Missouri

4 - Tennessee State

3 - UT Martin

2 - Murray State

1 - Gardner-Webb

1 - Tennessee Tech

1 - Western Kentucky *

1 - Austin Peay *

* indicates team no longer in the OVC

2024 WEEKLY AWARDS

Week 2 - Drew Schiller (Freshman)

Week 4 - Jacob Horvath (Special Teams)

Week 7 - Quenton Rogers (Freshman)

Week 10 - MJ Flowers (Offensive)

Week 11 - Cooper Willman (Offensive)

*** Indicates National Player of the Week**

NCAA PLAYOFF APPEARANCES

School.....	# Appearances (Last)
Montana.....	28 (2024)
Eastern Kentucky	23 (2024)
Northern Iowa	22 (2021)
Furman	20 (2023)
New Hampshire	18 (2024)
EASTERN ILLINOIS ... 16 (2015)	
McNeese State	16 (2015)
Villanova	16 (2024)
Eastern Washington	15 (2021)
North Dakota State	15 (2024)
Idaho.....	14 (2024)
Montana State	14 (2024)
Richmond	14 (2024)
South Dakota State	14 (2024)

Former FCS members now playing at FBS level

Delaware

19 (2023)

Appalachian State

20 (2012)

Georgia Southern

19 (2012)

James Madison

18 (2021)

FCS Division I Playoffs

1982 - Quarterfinals

1983 - First Round

1986- Quarterfinals

1989 - Quarterfinals

1995 - First Round

1996 - First Round

2000 - First Round

2001 - First Round

2002 - First Round

2005 - First Round

2006 - First Round

2007 - First Round

2009 - First Round

2012 - First Round

2013 - Quarterfinals

2015 - First Round

Division II Playoffs

1978 (National Champions)

1980 (National Runners-up)



CHRIS WILKERSON
Head Coach
4th year at Eastern Illinois as Head Coach
(11th season at EIU overall)
Eastern Illinois, 1995

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Eastern Illinois

- * Hired as 26th head coach in Eastern Illinois history on January 26, 2022
- * Begins fourth year as head coach for 2025 season
- * Finished sixth in voting for Eddie Robinson FCS Coach of the Year Award

- * Named Big South-OVC Football Coach of the Year in 2023
- * Coached team from 2 wins in 2022 to 8 wins in 2023 and No. 24 FCS Coaches Poll final ranking
- * Coached six All-Conference selections in 2024 (three first team)
- * Team ranked 13th in the FCS in passing offense and 9th in FCS in fewest penalty yards
- * Team featured quarterback Pierce Holley who became just fourth QB in school history with 3,000 passing yards in a season
- * Wide receiver Cooper Willman set school single game record with 291 yards receiving against Gardner-Webb (3rd most in OVC history)
- * Coached team players that earned Big South-OVC honors in 2023 (six first team selections)
- * Coached four players that earned a total of seven All-America honors in 2023
- * Coached MJ Flowers - 2023 Jerry Rice Award runner-up and Big South-OVC Freshman of the Year
- * Team ranked second in the FCS in turnovers gained in 2023
- * Team ranked 18th in FCS in scoring defense in 2023
- * Team ranked 25th in FCS in passing offense in 2023
- * Coached team that featured two All-Americans in 2022
- * Coached team that had 12 All-OVC selections in 2022 (four first-team selections)
- * Team ranked 11th in FCS in fewest penalties in 2022
- * Team ranked 16th in passes intercepted in 2022, 29th in turnovers gained
- * Team ranked fifth in FCS in net punting
- * Served as an assistant coach at Eastern Illinois from 1995-2001 under head coach Bob Spoo
- * Coached special teams during entire tenure working on defensive staff (linebackers and defensive line)
- * Served as defensive coordinator during final season on staff in 2001
- * Helped coach team to four FCS playoff appearances
- * Helped coach team to a pair of conference championships as team played in both the Gateway Football Conference and OVC
- * Defense and Special Teams units regularly ranked in Top 20 in FCS in numerous categories

Eastern Illinois			
Year	Overall	Conf.	
2022	2-9	1-4 (OVC)	
2023	8-3	4-2 (OVC)	No. 24
2024	3-9	2-6 (OVC)	
EIU	13-21	7-12	
University of Chicago Record			
2021	8-2	7-2 (MWC)	
2020	*Season cancelled COVID-19		
2019	6-3	6-1 (MWC)	
2018	7-3	7-1 (MWC)	
2017	6-4	6-2 (MWC)	
2016	4-6	4-4 (SAA)	
2015	6-4	5-3 (SAA)	
2014	8-1	3-0 (UAA)	UAA title
2013	6-4	1-2 (UAA)	
Totals	51-27	39-15	9 years
Career	64-48	46-27	

Prior To Eastern Illinois

- * Head football coach at University of Chicago from 2013-21
- * Team posted a winning record in seven of eight seasons, 2020 year was not played due to COVID
- * Coached an offensive unit that featured the leading rusher in NCAA Division III in 2021 as team posted 8-2 record
- * Team also posted an 8-1 record in 2014 winning UAA Conference title
- * Guided the University of Chicago program through three different conference alignments posting a 39-15 record in conference play
- * Coached three Division III All-Americans
- * Coached nine All-Region selections
- * Coached four Conference Players of the Year
- * Coached 94 All-Conference selections
- * (University of Chicago Record – 51-27)
- * Coached at Dartmouth College from 2005-13, serving as Associate Head Coach since 2007
- * Served as Defensive Coordinator, Special Teams Coordinator, running backs coach and linebackers coach in tenure
- * Team ranked in FCS Top 10 nationally in several categories including punt return average, blocked kicks, individual rushing average, fewest fumbles lost
- * Dartmouth pass defense ranked 14th in the FCS in debut season as defensive coordinator
- * Coached at San Jose State from 2002-04
- * In 2003 was a nominee for Broyles Award, given annually to nation's top assistant coach

Personal

- * Played football at Eastern Illinois for head coach Bob Spoo
- * Bachelor's degree from Eastern Illinois in 1995
- * He and wife Sharna (a former EIU softball player) have three children
- * Native of Indianapolis, Indiana



Kyle Derickson
Assoc HC / Off Cord / QBs
(4th year)
Butler, 2003



Andrew Strobel
Defensive Coordinator
(2nd year)
Northern Michigan, 2009



Andrew Brady
ST Cord. / Safeties
(4th year)
Wheaton College, 2019



Maurice Fleming
Def Pass Cord / DBs
(3rd year)
Iowa, 2016



Cole Hoover
Tight Ends
(2nd year)
Eastern Illinois, 2021



Tino Smith II
Wide Receivers
(2nd year)
Savannah State, 2021



Carlif Taylor
Defensive Line
(1st year)
Southern Connecticut, 2014



Spencer Treadwell
Running Backs
(1st year)
Miami (Ohio), 2015



Rodman Noel
Linebackers
(1st year)
North Carolina State, 2016



Mason Keeler
Tight Ends
(1st year)
Wyoming, 2020

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& QUALITY CONTROL**

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Recruiting Analyst.....Brendan Lamanna
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Student Assistant Coach Peyton Wilkerson
Student Assistant CoachRyan Kilburg

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..... Alexis Fenrick
..... Samantha Reinert
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Football Academics Nicole Jackson
NutritionTBA
Director of Football Performance.....Jacob Hillman
Graduate Assistant - Football Strength.....Andreas Missios
Quality Control Coach - Strength.....Arie Jenkins

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Business Manager..... Christine Shick

EIU LAST TIME IT HAPPENED

Passed for more than 300 yards...

Pierce Holley, 338 vs. Western Illinois (Nov. 2, 2024)
Holley with six straight 300-yard passing games

Passed for more than 400 yards...

Pierce Holley, 458, at Gardner-Webb (Nov. 9, 2024)

Threw four touchdown passes...

Pierce Holley, 5, vs. Western Illinois (Nov. 2, 2024)

Rushed for more than 150 yards...

MJ Flowers, 194, vs. Western Illinois (Nov. 2, 2024)

Rushed for more than 200 yards...

MJ Flowers, 201, vs. Tennessee State (Nov. 11, 2023)

MJ Flowers, 272, vs. McNeese (Sept. 23, 2023)

Rushed for three touchdowns...

Pierce Holley, 3 vs. Bryant (Oct. 21, 2023)

Rushed for four touchdowns...

MJ Flowers, 4, vs. Tennessee State (Nov. 11, 2023)

Had 12 Receptions...

Isaiah Hill 15, at UT Martin (Oct. 19, 2019)

Isaiah Hill 13, vs. Southeast Missouri (Nov. 16, 2019)

Erik Lora, 21 vs. Murray State (Sept. 22, 2012) **** OVC & EIU Single Game Record**

Erik Lora, 18 vs. Towson (Dec. 13, 2013) **** FCS Playoff Single Game Record**

Had 3 touchdown receptions...

Cooper Willman, 3, at Gardner-Webb (Nov. 9, 2024)

Had 200 yards receiving...

Cooper Willman, 291, at Gardner-Webb (Nov. 9, 2024) **** EIU Single Game Record**

Returned a punt for a touchdown...

Erik Lora, 1, vs. Tennessee Tech (Nov. 2, 2013) - (80 yards)

Shepard Little, 1, vs. Tennessee Tech (Nov. 2, 2013) - (75 yards)

Shepard Little, 1 at San Diego State (Aug. 31, 2013) - (60 yards)

Returned a kick-off for touchdown...

Matt Reyna, 1, vs. Indiana State (Sept. 15, 2018) - (96 yards)

Returned an interception for touchdown...

Tyris Harvey, 1, at Indiana State (Aug. 31, 2023) - (19 yards)

NiJhay Burt, 1, at Indiana State (Aug. 31, 2023) - (67 yards)

Returned a fumble for touchdown...

Moses Alexander, 1, vs. Indiana State (Sept. 7, 2024) - (60 yards)

Recorded a safety...

Robert Haynes, 1 at Illinois State (Sept. 13, 2014) - combined with Taylor

Laquesse Taylor, 1 at Illinois State (Sept. 13, 2014) - combined with Haynes

Team at Indiana State (Aug. 31, 2023) - punt snap out of back of end zone

Blocked a punt...

Cody Silzer, 1 vs. Charleston Southern (Nov. 16, 2024)

Returned a blocked punt for touchdown - blocked by...

DeArious Smith, 1 vs. Illinois State (Sept. 18, 2021)... - Charles Shelton IV

Blocked a field goal...

Zay Gentry, 1 vs. Charleston Southern (Nov. 16, 2024)

Tre'jon Lewis, 1 at Northwestern (Sept. 14, 2024)

Tre'jon Lewis, 1 at Tennessee State (Oct. 12, 2024) - blocked extra point

Returned a blocked field goal for touchdown - blocked by...

Mark Aitken, 1 vs. Tennessee Tech (Oct. 29, 2022) - Jordan Vincent (65 yards return)

*****Returned a point after attempt for 2-point conversion...**

Cornelius Page vs Southeast Missouri (Nov. 16, 2019)

EIU scored a two-point conversion

- (Rush) - Pierce Holley vs. Bryant (Oct. 21, 2023)

- (Pass) - Eli Mirza from Pierce Holley vs. Lindenwood (Sept. 28, 2024)

Won a game on a field goal...

Julian Patino, 18 yards, vs Charleston Southern (Nov. 16, 2024) - overtime

Had 15 or more tackles on defense...

Colin Bohanek, 15, vs. Tennessee Tech (Oct. 29, 2022)

Had 3 or more sacks on defense...

Drake Van Hylte, 3, at Robert Morris (Nov. 18, 2023)

Had 4 or more tackles for loss on defense...

Dytarious Johnson, 4 at UT Martin (Oct. 19, 2019)

Had 2 or more interceptions

NiJhay Burt, 2, vs. Indiana State (Sept. 27, 2024)

Recovered an onside kick...

Cooper Willman, 1, at Tennessee State (Oct. 22, 2022)

Offensive Lineman Scored a Touchdown

Scott Taylor 1, at Austin Peay (Oct. 3, 2015) --- picked up fumble for 12-yard TD rush

2024 EASTERN ILLINOIS TOUCHDOWNS

Qtr.....	Touchdown.....	Opponent
1.....	MJ Flowers 1 run	Indiana State
2.....	Moses Alexander 60 fumble return	Indiana State
3.....	Cooper Willman 5 pass from Pierce Holley	Indiana State
2.....	Eli Mirza 13 pass from Pierce Holley	Northwestern
2.....	MJ Flowers 4 run	Illinois State
1.....	Cooper Willman 15 pass from Pierce Holley	Lindenwood
1.....	Pierce Holley 1 run	Lindenwood
4.....	Pierce Holley 25 pass to Eli Mirza	Lindenwood
2.....	Cooper Willman 12 pass from Pierce Holley	Southeast Missouri
3.....	MJ Flowers 1 run	Southeast Missouri
4.....	Quenton Rogers 39 pass from Pierce Holley	Southeast Missouri
4.....	MJ Flowers 2 run	Southeast Missouri
2.....	MJ Flowers 9 pass from Pierce Holley	Tennessee State
3.....	MJ Flowers 1 run	Tennessee State
1.....	Cooper Willman 7 pass from Pierce Holley	UT Martin
3.....	Alex Herrera 17 pass from Pierce Holley.....	UT Martin
1.....	MJ Flowers 10 run	Western Illinois
2.....	Alex Ginnever 13 pass from Pierce Holley	Western Illinois
3.....	MJ Flowers 64 pass from Pierce Holley	Western Illinois
3.....	Cooper Willman 6 pass from Pierce Holley	Western Illinois
4.....	MJ Flowers 18 pass from Pierce Holley	Western Illinois
4.....	Alex Ginnever 10 pass from Pierce Holley	Western Illinois
2.....	CJ Nelson 31 pass from Pierce Holley	Gardner-Webb
3.....	Cooper Willman 8 pass from Pierce Holley	Gardner-Webb
4.....	Cooper Willman 80 pass from Pierce Holley	Gardner-Webb
4.....	Cooper Willman 25 pass from Pierce Holley	Gardner-Webb
2.....	MJ Flowers 2 run	Charleston Southern
2.....	Alex Herrera 18 pass from Pierce Holley.....	Charleston Southern
3.....	Jay Pearson 1 run	Tennessee Tech

EASTERN ILLINOIS NFL CONNECTIONS

DENVER BRONCOS

Sean Payton - Head Coach

LOS ANGELES RAMS

Jimmy Garoppolo - Quarterback

MINNESOTA VIKINGS

Kamu Grugier-Hill - Linebacker

NEW YORK GIANTS

Tim Kelly - Tight Ends Coach

TENNESSEE TITANS

Matt Jones - Offensive Assistant Coach

NEW ORLEANS SAINTS

Adam Gristick - Linebackers Assistant

CLEVELAND BROWNS

Steven Bravo Brown - Special Teams Assistant

ATLANTA FALCONS

Ryan Pace - Senior Personnel Executive

BROADCAST

Tony Romo - CBS Color Analyst with Jim Nantz

TEAM GAME RECORDS

TOTAL OFFENSE:

739.....vs. Illinois State.....	Sept. 14, 2013
704.....at UT Martin.....	Nov. 23, 2013
683.....vs. Winona State.....	Nov. 1, 1986
676.....vs. Saginaw State.....	Sept. 21, 1985
671.....vs. Austin Peay.....	Sept. 29, 2012
665.....vs. Southeast Missouri.....	Oct. 19, 2013
656.....vs. Illinois-Chicago.....	Sept. 27, 1969
654.....vs. Murray State.....	Nov. 8, 2014
643.....vs. Murray State.....	Oct. 6, 2018
641.....vs. Austin Peay.....	Sept. 24, 2016

RUSHING YARDAGE:

413.....vs. Austin Peay.....	Sept. 20, 2014
413.....vs. Jacksonville State.....	Nov. 16, 2013
398.....vs. St. Joseph.....	Oct. 27, 1973
384.....vs. Grand Valley State.....	Sept. 17, 1983
382.....at UT Martin.....	Nov. 1, 2001
379.....vs. Florida Atlantic.....	Nov. 16, 2002

RUSHING ATTEMPTS:

72.....vs. Western Illinois.....	1976
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PASSING YARDAGE:

509.....vs. Austin Peay.....	Sept. 29, 2012
509.....vs. Saginaw Valley.....	Sept. 21, 1985
501.....at UT Martin.....	Nov. 23, 2013
491.....vs. Illinois State.....	Sept. 14, 2013
486.....at Missouri State.....	Oct. 27, 1984
482.....vs. Western Kentucky.....	Nov. 10, 1984

PASSING ATTEMPTS:

62.....vs. Murray State.....	Sept. 22, 2012
61.....at Jacksonville State.....	Oct. 13, 2018
61.....vs. Murray State.....	Oct. 6, 2018
61.....vs. Illinois State.....	Sept. 15, 2012
58.....at Southern Illinois.....	Sept. 7, 2013
.....(4 other games with 58 attempts)	

PASSES COMPLETED:

40.....vs. Murray State.....	Sept. 22, 2012
40.....vs. Saginaw Valley.....	Sept. 21, 1985

TOUCHDOWNS:

12.....vs. Merom Academy.....	1920
10.....at UT Martin.....	Nov. 23, 2013
10.....vs. Kentucky State.....	Nov. 13, 1982

TOUCHDOWN PASSES:

7.....vs. Illinois State.....	Sept. 14, 2013
7.....vs. Southern Illinois.....	2012
6.....at UT Martin.....	Nov. 23, 2013
6.....at Northern Illinois.....	Sept. 21, 2013
.....(3 other games with 6 TD passes)	

MOST EIU POINTS IN A QUARTER:

35.....vs. Jacksonville State.....	Nov. 16, 2013
30.....vs. Kentucky State.....	Nov. 13, 1982
30.....vs. Central State.....	Sept. 26, 1981

MOST POINTS SCORED BY BOTH TEAMS:

105.....at Illinois State.....	Sept. 15, 2012
.....(ISU 54, EIU 51 - 2OT)	
102.....vs. Tennessee State.....	Nov. 2, 2002
.....(EIU 54; TSU 48)	

POINTS

82.....Merom Academy.....	Nov. 18, 1920
73.....Kentucky State.....	Nov. 13, 1982
70.....at UT Martin.....	Nov. 23, 2013
69.....Illinois College.....	1917
65.....Austin Peay.....	Sept. 29, 2012
64.....Winona State.....	Nov. 1, 1986
63.....Austin Peay.....	Sept. 20, 2014
63.....at Austin Peay.....	Oct. 10, 2013
62.....Lock Haven.....	Aug. 31, 1991
60.....at Wayne State.....	Nov. 9, 1968
60.....Oakland City.....	Oct. 17, 1925

EIU LOWEST OFFENSIVE TOTAL:

76.....at Youngstown State.....	Oct. 13, 1973
89.....Eastern Kentucky.....	Oct. 26, 2019
100.....Southeast Missouri.....	Nov. 12, 2022
109.....at South Carolina.....	Sept. 4, 2021
116.....at Indiana.....	Sept. 7, 2019
117.....Illinois State.....	Sept. 16, 2017
120.....Central Arkansas.....	Sept. 11, 2010
130.....at Central Michigan.....	Oct. 25, 1969
138.....at Northwestern.....	Sept. 12, 2015
138.....Illinois State.....	Nov. 25, 2006
142.....at McNeese State.....	Sept. 11, 1993
142.....at San Jose State.....	Sept. 5, 1987
142.....at Northern Iowa.....	Sept. 6, 1975

EIU FEWEST RUSHING YARDS:

-12.....at Northern Iowa.....	Oct. 7, 1995
-6.....Tennessee Tech.....	Sept. 17, 2011
-5.....UT Martin.....	Oct. 22, 2011
-3.....at San Jose State.....	Sept. 5, 1987
-3.....at Toledo.....	Sept. 22, 1984
1.....Illinois State.....	Oct. 6, 1984

EIU FEWEST PASSING YARDS:

-1.....at Murray State (2-of-6) +.....	Nov. 16, 1974
0.....Southeast Missouri *.....	Oct. 13, 2001
0.....Truman State (0-of-9).....	Sept. 10, 1977
5.....at Central Missouri (2-of-7).....	Oct. 4, 1975
10.....at Truman State (1-of-4).....	Sept. 11, 1976
10.....Fairmount State (1-of-13).....	Sept. 28, 1968
12.....at Indiana State (2-of-11).....	Nov. 18, 1995

* EIU did not attempt a pass in the game
+ EIU completed one pass for 5 yards and one pass for negative 6 yards in the game.

QUARTERBACK SACKS:

12.....vs. Southwest Missouri.....	1986
12.....vs. Kentucky State.....	1982

TURNOVERS:

8.....vs. Youngstown State.....	1981
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TURNOVERS CAUSED:

13.....vs. Northern Illinois.....	1940
9.....vs. Northeast Missouri.....	1983
9.....vs. Western Illinois.....	1980

EIU OVERTIME GAMES

DOUBLE OVERTIME

+ Nov. 26, 1983 at Indiana State.....	L 13-16
Nov. 11, 2000 at Illinois State.....	L 41-44
Sept. 15, 2012 at Illinois State.....	L 51-54
Sept. 14, 2013 at Southern Illinois.....	W 40-37
Sept. 30, 2017 at Tennessee State.....	W 19-16
Oct. 14, 2017 at Murray State.....	W 27-24
Oct. 15, 2022 vs. Lindenwood.....	L 34-37

OVERTIME

+ Nov. 27, 1982 vs. Jackson State.....	W 16-13
Sept. 11, 2004 vs. Indiana State.....	L 30-33
Nov. 6, 2004 at Tennessee Tech.....	L 37-40
Nov. 6, 2010 at Tennessee State.....	W 31-28
Sept. 22, 2012 vs. Murray State.....	W 50-49
Oct. 11, 2014 at Eastern Kentucky.....	L 33-36
Sept. 19, 2015 vs. Illinois State.....	L 31-34
Oct. 17, 2015 at Tennessee State.....	W 25-22
Nov. 4, 2017 vs. Eastern Kentucky.....	W 23-20
Oct. 20, 2018 vs. UT Martin.....	W 24-21
Oct. 7, 2023 vs. UT Martin.....	L 27-28
Oct. 21, 2023 vs. Bryant.....	W 25-24
Nov. 16, 2024 vs. Charleston Southern.....	W 16-13
+ 1982 & 1983 games in FCS playoffs	

MOST PLAYS IN A GAME:

112.....at UT Martin.....	Nov. 23, 2013
106.....at Illinois State.....	2012
104.....vs. Murray State.....	Nov. 8, 2014

MOST PLAYS IN A GAME BY BOTH TEAMS:

210.....vs. Murray State.....	2012
.....Murray State (110), EIU (100)	

OPPONENTS AGAINST EASTERN ILLINOIS

TOTAL OFFENSE:

675.....Tennessee State.....	Nov. 2, 2002
674.....at Illinois State.....	Oct. 18, 1969
658.....Murray State.....	Oct. 6, 2018
656.....at Marshall.....	Sept. 12, 1992
631.....at Western Michigan.....	Sept. 8, 2012
629.....at San Diego State.....	Oct. 6, 2001
609.....at Northern Illinois.....	Sept. 24, 1994

RUSHING YARDAGE:

490.....at Central Michigan.....	Oct. 23, 1971
472.....Towson.....	Dec. 13, 2013
468.....at Illinois State.....	Oct. 18, 1969
449.....Murray State.....	Oct. 6, 2018
434.....at South Dakota State.....	Nov. 24, 2012
432.....Eastern Michigan.....	Oct. 21, 1972
425.....Southern Illinois.....	Nov. 7, 1987
420.....Central Michigan.....	Oct. 24, 1970
418.....at Northern Illinois.....	Sept. 24, 1994
411.....at Southeast Missouri.....	Oct. 1, 2011

PASSING YARDAGE:

529.....Hawai'i.....	Sept. 30, 2006
473.....Illinois State.....	Sept. 15, 2012
453.....Hawai'i.....	Aug. 31, 2002
452.....Hawai'i.....	Sept. 11, 1999
444.....Idaho.....	Nov. 25, 1989
441.....Indiana.....	Sept. 7, 2019
435.....Tennessee State.....	Nov. 2, 2002
423.....Murray State.....	Sept. 22, 2012
419.....Truman State (NEMo.).....	Sept. 6, 1986

POINTS

74.....Illinois Wesleyan.....	Sept. 30, 1921
63.....at Kansas State.....	Sept. 14, 2002
63.....at Marshall.....	Sept. 12, 1992
61.....at Hawai'i.....	Aug. 31, 2002
61.....Central Michigan.....	Nov. 2, 1957
61.....Millikin.....	Nov. 1, 1941
60.....Central Michigan.....	Oct. 2, 1954

LOWEST OFFENSIVE TOTAL:

-12.....vs. Kentucky State.....	Nov. 13, 1982
47.....Butler.....	Sept. 8, 1979
50.....UT Martin.....	Sept. 25, 1996
61.....California (Pa.).....	Aug. 30, 2003
65.....Central State (Ohio).....	Sept. 26, 1981
66.....Illinois State.....	Nov. 10, 1979

OPPONENT FEWEST RUSHING YARDS:

-67.....Kentucky State.....	Nov. 13, 1982
-23.....Eastern Kentucky.....	Nov. 18, 2000
-1.....Southeast Missouri.....	Nov. 9, 1996
-1.....Southern Illinois.....	Sept. 10, 1983
0.....Northern Michigan.....	Nov. 1, 1980

OPPONENT FEWEST PASSING YARDS:

5.....Central State (OH) (4-of-16).....	Sept. 26, 1981
7.....Youngstown State (1-of-12).....	Dec. 2, 1978
10.....Missouri State.....	Oct. 24, 1992
13.....Northwestern (La.) State.....	Sept. 8, 1990
14.....Eastern Kentucky.....	Oct. 26, 2019
20.....Butler.....	Sept. 8, 1979
20.....Cameron (Okla.).....	Oct. 15, 1977
22.....Austin Peay.....	Nov. 2, 1996

TOTAL OFFENSE:

Sean Payton.....	507 vs. Saginaw Valley	1985
Jimmy Garoppolo	501 vs. Austin Peay	2012
Sean Payton.....	498 vs. SW Missouri	1984
Jimmy Garoppolo	476 at UT Martin	2013
Jimmy Garoppolo	469 vs. Illinois State.....	2013
Johnathan Brantley.....	458 vs. Indiana State.....	2018
Jimmy Garoppolo	442 at Southern Illinois	2013
Sean Payton.....	441 vs. W. Kentucky	1984

RUSHING YARDAGE:

J.R. Taylor	308 vs. Florida Atlantic.....	2002
Kevin Staple	283 vs. Grand Valley.....	1983
MJ Flowers.....	272 vs. McNeese	2023
Nate Anderson	268 vs. St. Joseph	1973
Nate Anderson	259 vs. SW Missouri	1972
Shepard Little	245 vs. Jacksonville State	2013

RUSHING ATTEMPTS:

Willie High	48 vs. Northern Iowa.....	1993
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PASSING YARDAGE:

Sean Payton.....	509 vs. Saginaw Valley	1985
Sean Payton.....	486 vs. SW Missouri	1984
Jimmy Garoppolo	480 vs. Illinois State.....	2013
Jimmy Garoppolo	477 at UT Martin	2013
Sean Payton.....	461 vs. W. Kentucky	1984
Pierce Holley.....	458 at Gardner-Webb.....	2024
Jimmy Garoppolo	453 vs. Austin Peay	2012
Jimmy Garoppolo	450 at Northern Illinois.....	2013

PASSING ATTEMPTS:

Harry Woodbery	68 vs. Tennessee Tech	2019
Jimmy Garoppolo	61 at Illinois State	2012
Jimmy Garoppolo	60 vs. Murray State.....	2012
Tony Romo	58 vs. Hawai'i.....	2002
Sean Payton.....	58 vs. Saginaw Valley	1985
Sean Payton.....	58 vs. Northern Iowa.....	1984

PASSES COMPLETED:

Sean Payton.....	40 vs. Saginaw Valley	1985
Jimmy Garoppolo	39 vs. Murray State.....	2012
Jimmy Garoppolo	38 vs. Towson	2013
Johnathan Brantley.....	37 vs. Indiana State.....	2018
Jimmy Garoppolo	37 at Illinois State	2012

RECEIVING (CATCHES):

Erik Lora.....	21 vs. Murray State.....	2012
* OVC Record		
Erik Lora.....	18 vs. Towson	2013
Erik Lora.....	17 at UT Martin	2012
Isaiah Hill.....	15 at UT Martin	2019
Erik Lora.....	15 vs. SE Missouri.....	2012
Willie White	15 vs. Illinois State.....	1971
Adam Drake	14 at UT Martin	2013
Erik Lora.....	14 at Northern Illinois.....	2013
Andre Raymond	14 vs. Hawai'i.....	2002
Rob Mehalic	14 vs. Delaware State.....	1981

RECEIVING (YARDS):

Cooper Willman.....	291 at Gardner-Webb.....	2024
Erik Lora.....	269 vs. Murray State.....	2012
Frank Cutolo.....	239 vs. Tennessee St.	2001
Calvin Pierce	238 vs. SW Missouri	1986
Adam Drake	225 at UT Martin	2013
Chris Wright.....	217 at Tennessee State.....	2010
Frank Cutolo.....	217 vs. Northern Iowa.....	2001
Erik Lora.....	215 at UT Martin	2012

ALL-PURPOSE RUSHING:

Poke Cobb	336 vs. Butler	1976
Andre Raymond	335 vs. Hawai'i.....	2002

TOUCHDOWN RECEPTIONS:

Scott McGhee	4 vs. Northern Iowa.....	1978
James Warring	4 vs. Northern Michigan.....	1978

RUSHING YARDS BY A QB:

Jalen Whitlow	142 at UT Martin	2015
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TOUCHDOWNS:

Steve Turner.....	6 vs. Mecom Academy.....	1920
Kevin Staple	5 vs. Kentucky State	1982
MJ Flowers.....	4 vs. Tennessee State	2023
Erik Lora.....	4 vs. Tennessee Tech	2013
J.R. Taylor	4 vs. Florida Atlantic.....	2002
J.R. Taylor	4 vs. Tennessee-Martin.....	2002
Kevin Staple	4 vs. Grand Valley.....	1983
James Warring	4 vs. Northern Michigan	1978
Scott McGhee	4 vs. Northern Iowa.....	1978

TOUCHDOWN PASSES:

Jimmy Garoppolo	7 vs. Illinois State.....	2013
Jimmy Garoppolo	6 at UT Martin	2013
Jimmy Garoppolo	6 at Northern Illinois.....	2013
Tony Romo	6 vs. Murray State.....	2000
Jeff Christensen	6 vs. Kentucky State	1982
<i>Others (5 touchdown passes in a game)</i>		
Jimmy Garoppolo (4), Sean Payton (2), Tony Romo, Steve Turk, Harry Woodbery, Pierce Holley		

SOLO TACKLES:

Thomas Williams	20 vs. St. Joseph	1997
Nick Ricks	18 vs. E. Kentucky	2002
Chris Nicholson	17 vs. SW Missouri	1983
Tim Lance.....	17 vs. Northern Iowa.....	1987
John Noll	15 vs. Northern Iowa	1987
Tim Lance.....	15 vs. W. Kentucky	1990
Jeff Mills	14 vs. Western Illinois.....	1988
Jeff Mills	14 vs. SW Missouri	1988

TOTAL TACKLES:

Tim Carver.....	31 vs. Texas-El Paso	1994
Jeff Mills	29 vs. SW Missouri	1988
Thomas Williams	27 vs. St. Joseph	1997
Nick Ricks	25 vs. E. Kentucky	2002
Tyrone Covington	25 vs. Illinois State.....	1984
John Noll	23 vs. Northern Iowa.....	1988
Ray Jeske	21 vs. Delaware	1978

TACKLES FOR LOSS:

Trevor Frericks	7.0 vs. Tennessee State	2009
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QUARTERBACK SACKS:

John Jurkovic	6 vs. SW Missouri	1986
Pete Catan	6 vs. Southern Illinois.....	1979

PASSES INTERCEPTED:

Bill Glenn	5 vs. Northern Illinois	1940
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MOST PASS RECEPTIONS BY A RUNNING BACK:

MJ Flowers	11 vs Southeast Missouri	2024
Devin Church	10 at Northern Iowa	2015
DuWayne Pitts.....	9 vs. SW Missouri	1984

INDIVIDUAL GAME RECORDS

LONGEST TOUCHDOWN PASS:

Tony Romo to	98 vs. E. Kentucky	2000
Will Bumphus		

LONGEST TOUCHDOWN RUN:

Jimmy Lera.....	96 at Southeast Missouri	2014
Poke Cobb	96 vs. Tennessee Tech	1976

LONGEST INTERCEPTION RETURN FOR TD:

Roosevelt Williams.	98 vs. Tennessee St.	2001
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LONGEST FUMBLE RETURN FOR TD:

Bryce Dewberry, 90 at Tennessee Tech.....	2021
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LONGEST FIELD GOAL:

Rich Ehmke.....	58 vs. Northern Iowa.....	1986
Steve Largent.....	53 vs. SW Missouri	1993

LONGEST KICKOFF RETURN:

Chris Watson.....	100 vs. Northern Iowa.....	1995
Marcus Potts	100 vs. Youngstown St.	1977

LONGEST PUNT:

Bob Babb	100 vs. Illinois State.....	1946
Kevin Cook.....	86 vs. Southeast Missouri.....	2010
(EIU Division I record)		

LONGEST PUNT RETURN:

Bob Babb	100 vs. Millikin	1949
Erik Lora.....	80 vs. Tennessee Tech	2013
Jermaine Mobley.....	80 vs. Tennessee State	2004
Frank Cutolo.....	80 at Central Florida	1999

MOST BLOCKED KICKS:

Kourtney Young.....	3 vs. Illinois State.....	2000
Scott Johnson	3 vs. Western Illinois.....	1988
Scott Johnson	3 vs. Western Kentucky	1988

MOST CONSECUTIVE PASSES COMPLETED:

Pierce Holley.....	20 vs. Illinois State.....	2023
Sean Payton.....	17 vs. Western Kentucky	1986
Tony Romo	16 vs. Indiana State.....	2001

MOST FIELD GOALS:

Rich Ehmke.....	5 vs. Winona State.....	1986
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MOST FUMBLE RECOVERIES:

Tied by many.....	2
Last - Dytarious Johnson at Murray State	2019

MOST INTERCEPTIONS THROWN:

Jeff Thorne	7 vs. McNeese State.....	1993
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All eyes are on **Rich Ehmke's (#6)** record-setting 58 yard field goal that gave the No. 8 ranked Panthers a 31-30 victory over No. 11 Northern Iowa on the last play of the game in 1986. Often described as the "most exciting game in EIU history," the Homecoming win in front of 11,000 plus fans propelled the Panthers on to the conference championship that season.

#	NAME	POS	HT	WT	YR	EXP	HOMETOWN (HIGH SCHOOL/JC/LAST)
0	Alton Jefferson	DL	6-0	300	R-Sr	3	Louisville, Ky. (Trinity)
1	Tylan Foster	LB	5-11	225	Sr	TR	Houston, Texas (Cypress Woods / Univ. of Incarnate Word)
1	Jay Pearson	RB	6-0	210	R-Jr	2	McKees Rocks, Pa. (Sto-Rox Junior-Senior)
2	Bruce Mitchell	DB	6-0	190	R-So	TR	Little Rock, Ark. (Lone Star (Texas) / Mississippi Valley State Univ.)
2	CJ Nelson	WR	5-11	185	R-Jr	1	North Richland Hills, Texas (Richland / Univ. of Houston)
3	Daniel Autrey	DB	6-2	205	Jr	TR	Glendale, Calif. (Glendale / Glendale College)
3	Cole LaCrue	QB	6-1	205	R-So	TR	Broomfield, Colo. (Broomfield / Univ. of Wisconsin)
4	Moses Alexander	DB	6-3	195	R-Sr	1	Galveston, Texas (Ball / Univ. of Houston)
4	Quenton Rogers	WR	6-2	195	R-So	1	Mahomet-Seymour, Ill. (Mahomet-Seymour)
5	Surahz Buncom	WR	6-3	180	R-So	SQ	Chula Vista, Calif. (Mater Dei Catholic / Univ. of Kansas)
5	Ja'Wuan Nickson	LB	6-0	235	Jr	TR	Tuscaloosa, Ala. (Hillcrest / Riverside City College)
6	Isaiah Houi	DB	5-10	175	So	1	Rockton, Ill. (Hononegah)
6	DeAirious Smith	WR	6-0	180	Grad	4	Lexington, Ky. (Lexington Christian Academy)
7	Blainey Dowling	QB	6-2	205	R-So	1	Chicago, Ill. (Chicago Mount Carmel)
7	Jihad McCall	SAF	6-0	205	Grad	TR	Jersey City, NJ (Hoboken / Morehead State Univ.)
8	Tienne Fridge	DB	6-2	210	Grad	2	Sacramento, Calif. (Elk Grove / Sacramento City College)
8	Landers Green	WR	6-3	190	R-Jr	RS	Wharton, NJ (St. Peter's Prep / Union College)
9	Brady Ford	QB	6-0	205	Fr	HS	Toledo, Ohio (Whitmer)
9	Trevon Piggee-Blake	DL	6-1	315	R-So	1	St. Louis, Mo. (DeSmet Jesuit)
11	Noah Williams	LB	5-11	205	R-Jr	TR	Dallas, Texas (Princeton / Dodge City CC)
12	Salah Hill	DB	5-11	185	R-Jr	TR	Norfolk, Va. (Chaminade Prep / Willamette Univ.)
12	Collin Willard	WR	5-11	200	R-Fr	RS	North Olmsted, Ohio (North Olmsted)
13	Mason Miller	P	6-0	185	Grad	TR	Avon, Ind. (Avon / Marian Univ.)
13	Cooper Willman	WR	6-1	205	Grad	4	Sterling, Ill. (Sterling)
14	Le'Javier Payne	DB	5-8	175	Fr	HS	Chicago, Ill. (Chicago Mt. Carmel)
15	Connor Wolf	QB	6-3	210	R-Fr	RS	Ada, Mich. (Grand Rapids Central Catholic)
15	Brandon Worsley	SAF	5-11	205	Jr	TR	San Marcos, Calif. (Mission Hill / San Diego Mesa College)
16	Reed Blake-Thomas	LB	6-0	235	Fr	HS	Brighton, Mich. (Brighton)
16	Kevin Conway	QB	6-2	205	R-Jr	SQ	New Lenox, Ill. (Providence Catholic / Diamond Football Academy)
19	Alex Herrera	TE	6-2	240	R-Jr	RS	Linden, Calif. (Linden / College of the Sequoias)
19	Phoenix Porter	LB	6-1	220	Grad	3	Fairfield, Ohio (Fairfield)
20	Chris Caldwell	RB	5-9	200	R-So	RS	O'Fallon, Ill. (O'Fallon / Western Kentucky Univ.)
20	Saipeti Maiava Jr	SAF	5-11	200	Jr	TR	Fontana, Calif. (Etiwanda / Riverside City College)
21	Kaleb Lyons	DB	5-11	195	R-Jr	RS	Antioch, Tenn. (Brentwood Academy / Morehead State Univ.)
22	Charles Kellom	RB	6-0	205	R-Jr	TR	Cincinnati, Ohio (St. Xavier / Akron Univ.)
24	Nick Vecchiarelli	SAF	6-0	220	Sr	TR	Howell, NJ (Howell / Marist College)
25	Christopher Sharp	CB	5-11	180	R-So	1	St. Louis, Mo. (DeSmet Jesuit)
26	Makhi Wilson	SAF	6-0	190	R-So	1	Bettendorf, Iowa (Pleasant Valley)
27	Josh Brown	SAF	6-1	200	R-Fr	RS	Suwanee, Ga. (Peachtree Ridge)
28	Jacarre Fleming	RB	5-8	195	R-Fr	RS	Hahira, Ga. (Lowndes)
29	Kham Boecker	SAF	6-2	205	R-Jr	TR	Toledo, Ohio (Whitmer / College of DuPage)
30	Joey Sprinkle	TE	6-4	240	R-Jr	RS	Monticello, Ill. (Monticello / St. Ambrose Univ.)
31	Johnovan Wysinger	WR	6-1	175	R-Fr	HS	Chicago, Ill. (Morgan Park)
32	Cale Kimbro	LB	6-1	215	Fr	HS	Mattoon, Ill. (Mattoon)
33	Micheal Curry Jr	RB	5-10	190	Fr	HS	Louisville, Ky. (Atherton)
34	Jordyn Stewart	LB	6-0	230	R-Fr	RS	Homewood, Ill. (Homewood-Flossmoor)
35	Isaac Engle	DL	6-1	210	Jr	TR	Highland Ranch, Colo. (Highland Ranch HS/Univ. South Dakota Mines)
36	Dillon Conway	SAF	6-3	225	R-Fr	RS	Chicago, Ill. (Chicago Mt. Carmel)
37	Taylor Goodson	SAF	5-10	205	R-Sr	SQ	Suwanee, Ga. (North Gwinnett / Iowa Western CC)
38	Max Loveall	WR	6-3	210	R-Fr	RS	Richmond, Ill. (Richmond-Burton)
39	Davian Humphrey	LB	6-2	210	Fr	HS	Chicago, Ill. (Phillips)
40	Isaiah Richardson	SAF	6-5	230	R-So	1	Suwanee, Ga. (Collins Hill)
41	Kennyan Chandler	LB	5-11	235	Fr	LB	Kankakee, Ill. (Kankakee)
42	Aaron Rice	P	6-5	205	So	TR	Naperville, Ill. (Neuqua Valley / College of DuPage)
43	Tovie Martin	DL	6-4	230	Jr	TR	Clovis, Calif. (Clovis / College of the Sequoias)
44	Samuel Robles	DL	6-2	260	Jr	HS	Alief, Texas (Alief Taylor / Tyler JC)
45	Caden Telleson	LB	5-11	220	R-So	RS	Redondo Beach, Calif. (Redondo Union)
46	Nico Carrier	K	5-9	175	R-Fr	SQ	Naperville, Ill. (Metea Valley)
47	Drew Schiller	K	6-1	175	R-Fr	RS	New Lenox, Ill. (Lincoln-Way Central)
48	Maximo Vaughn	DL	6-5	250	Jr	TR	San Diego, Calif. (Kearny / San Diego Mesa College)

#	NAME	POS	HT	WT	YR	EXP	HOMETOWN (HIGH SCHOOL/JC)
49	Jesse Garza	LB	6-2	235	Grad	RS	Nipomo, Calif. (Nipomo / Allan Hancock College)
50	Jett Reese	LB	6-2	235	Fr	HS	Chicago, Ill. (DePaul College Prep)
51	Steven Arteaga	LB	6-0	220	Jr	TR	Murrieta, Calif. (Vista Murrieta / Palomar CC)
52	Barron Sholl	DL	6-4	265	Fr	HS	Rockford, Ill. (Boylan Central Catholic)
53	King Smith	DL	6-3	315	R-Fr	RS	Decatur, Ill. (Decatur MacArthur)
54	Nic DiSanto	OL	6-5	330	Jr	2	Wyandotte, Mich. (Gabriel Richard)
55	James Collins	DL	6-2	295	R-Jr	TR	Mesquite, Texas (Mesquite Horn / College of the Sequoias)
56	Christian Takatch	DL	6-3	250	R-So	RS	Sunbury, Ohio (Big Walnut / Notre Dame College)
57	Panayiotis Mihalopoulos	OL	6-3	325	R-So	1	Chicago, Ill. (Loyola Academy)
58	Dante Thompson	OL	6-1	330	R-Sr	TR	Montgomery Village, Md. (Quince Orchard / Robert Morris (Pa.) Univ.)
59	Brock VanDeever	LB	5-11	225	Fr	HS	Mahomet, Ill. (Mahomet-Seymour)
60	Aidan Archibald	DL	6-2	260	R-Fr	RS	Charleston, Ill. (Charleston)
61	Ruben Popoca	K	5-11	185	R-So	SQ	Mundelein, Ill. (Carmel Catholic)
64	Cody Weaver	OL	6-6	330	Jr	TR	Turlock, Calif. (Turlock / Modesto JC)
65	Carson Fichtel	OL	6-3	310	R-Jr	SQ	Heath, Texas (Rockwall-Heath)
66	Jordan Yandila	OL	6-4	310	R-So	TR	Snohomish, Wash. (Glacier Peak / Adams State Univ.)
67	Dejan Guzina	OL	6-8	340	Fr	HS	Delta, British Columbia – Canada (Football Canada North)
69	Kwan Johnson	OL	6-5	310	R-Fr	RS	Blue Island, Ill. (Dwight D. Eisenhower)
70	Alejandro Arellano	OL	6-3	315	R-Jr	1	Sterling, Ill. (Sterling / College of DuPage)
71	Jourden Hale-Frater	OL	6-4	350	R-Jr	TR	Cincinnati, Ohio (Sycamore / Tennessee State Univ.)
72	Brandin Carpenter	OL	6-6	280	Fr	HS	Pasadena, Calif. (Pasadena)
73	Chuck Lanier	OL	6-6	260	Fr	HS	Springfield, Ill. (Sacred Heart Griffin)
74	Rahfeeq Katumbusi	OL	6-3	325	R-Fr	RS	Chicago, Ill. (Chicago Mt. Carmel)
75	Jonathan Arellano	OL	6-3	325	R-Sr	1	Lancaster, Calif. (Bishop Alemany / College of the Canyons)
76	Dominic Fasano	OL	6-3	320	Fr	HS	Plainfield, Ill. (Plainfield North)
77	Sandro Malicevic	OL	6-5	330	Jr	1	Saratoga, Calif. (Prospect / San Jose City College)
78	Joseph Solomon	OL	6-5	305	Grad	1	Indianapolis, Ind. (Bishop Chatard / Appalachian State Univ.)
79	Aidan Hubble	OL	6-7	320	R-Jr	TR	Boulder, Colo. (New Vista / San Diego Mesa College)
80	Carlyun Neal	WR	5-11	190	Fr	HS	Cincinnati, Ohio (Withrow)
81	Chase McConnell	TE	6-5	235	R-Fr	RS	Lebanon, Tenn. (Watertown)
82	Joe McNab	TE	6-6	260	R-Sr	2	Madison Heights, Mich. (Lamphere)
83	Taiye Ajose	WR	6-5	225	R-Fr	RS	Akron, Ohio (St. Vincent-St. Mary's)
84	Jeremy Reeves	WR	6-4	210	R-Fr	RS	Chicago, Ill. (Gary Comer College Prep)
85	Jefferson McKinnon	LS	6-0	240	R-Fr	TR	Copley, Ohio (Revere / Marist College)
86	Jack Tremblay	WR	6-0	210	R-Jr	TR	Frankfort, Ill. (Lincoln-Way East / Central Michigan Univ.)
87	Alex Ginnever	TE	6-5	240	R-Jr	1	Wentzville, Mo. (Holt)
88	Trayvon Moore	TE	6-4	235	Grad	TR	Hattiesburg, Miss. (Oak Grove / Univ. of Nebraska Kearney)
89	Kenny Ajose	WR	6-6	225	R-Fr	RS	Akron, Ohio (St. Vincent-St. Mary's)
90	Gerlaer Ervin	DL	6-4	260	R-Jr	TR	Baltimore, Md. (Dunbar / Riverside City College)
91	Knowledge Davis	DL	6-2	260	R-So	TR	Humble, Texas (Atascocita / Tyler JC)
92	Tyler Miller	DL	6-3	295	R-Jr	TR	Brooklyn Park, Minn. (Park Center / Independence CC)
93	Isaiah Hare	DL	6-2	295	R-Fr	RS	Mt. Washington, Ky. (Bullitt East)
94	Tyler Fortis	DL	6-3	290	Fr	HS	Park Ridge, Ill. (Maine South)
95	Drake Van Hyfte	DL	6-4	255	Grad	3	Annawan, Ill. (Annawan-Wethersfield)
96	Cole Silzer	DL	6-3	300	R-Jr	SQ	Lockport, Ill. (Lockport Township)
97	Tray Ross	DL	6-4	250	R-Fr	RS	Danville, Ind. (Danville Community)
98	Brett Galetti	LS	6-1	230	Grad	2	Frankfort, Ill. (Lincoln Way East)
99	Kefa Pereira	DL	6-1	305	R-Jr	TR	San Antonio, Texas (Veterans Memorial / Monterey Peninsula College)
	Jerry Addo-Boateng	DB	6-1	180	Sr	TR	Sanford, Fla. (Orangewood Christian / Defiance College)
	Jesse Lajes	RB	5-10	205	R-Jr	TR	Fremont, Calif. (American / San Jose City College)
	Zeke Lewis	RB	6-0	210	Grad	SQ	Decatur, Ill. (Decatur St. Teresa)

EASTERN ILLINOIS FOOTBALL PRONUNCIATIONS

1 TY-lun Foster	14 Luh-HAW-vee-air Payne	48 MAX-uh-mo Vaughn	66 Jordan Yan-DEE-luh	87 Alex Jin-EVER
3 Daniel AW-tree	20 SY-pecky My-AW-vuh	51 Steven Ar-tee-AY-guh	67 Dan Guh-ZEE-nuh	88 TRAY-von Moore
3 Cole Luh-CREW	24 Nick VECK-uh-relly	52 Baron Sholl (rhymes with "toll")	70 All-uh-HAWN-dro ARE-ee-ON-oh	89 KEN-yay Uh-JOE-say
5 Suh-RAWZ Bun-kum	26 Muh-KY Wilson	54 Nic Duh-SAWN-toe	74 Raw-FEEK Cat-um-BOO-see	90 Jer-LEER Ervin
5 Juh-WON Nickson	28 Juh-CAR-ee Fleming	56 Christian TOCK-awtch	75 Jonathan ARE-ee-ON-oh	95 Drake Van Hefty
6 Isaiah WHO-ee	29 Cameron BO-ker	57 PAN-ee-OAT-ee MEEK-uh-LOP-oh-lis	76 Dominic Fuh-SAW-no	98 Brett Guh-LETTY
7 Jih-HODD McCaIl	31 Johnovan WHY-singer	59 Brock VAN-duh-VEER	77 SAWN-dro Muh-LEECH-uh-vitch	99 KEY-fuh Puh-RARE-uh
8 TEE-en Fridge	43 TOE-vee Martin	60 AY-dun Archibald	79 AY-dun Hubble	
9 TRAY-von PIGGY	44 Sam ROBE-lus	61 Ruben Puh-POKE-uh	80 CARLY-on Neal	
12 Suh-LAW Hill	45 Kayden TELL-uh-son	65 Carson FICK-tul	83 TY-ay Uh-JOE-say	

ALPHABETICAL ROSTER

..... Jerry Addo-Boateng..... DB	20..... Saipeti Maiava Jr..... SAF
89..... Kenny Ajose..... WR	77..... Sandro Malicevic..... OL
83..... Taiye Ajose..... WR	43..... Tovie Martin..... DL
4..... Moses Alexander..... DB	7..... Jihad McCall..... SAF
60..... Aidan Archibald..... DL	81..... Chase McConnell..... TE
70..... Alejandro Arellano..... OL	85..... Jefferson McKinnon..... LS
75..... Jonathan Arellano..... OL	82..... Joe McNab..... TE
51..... Steven Arteaga..... LB	57..... Panayiotis Mihalopoulos..... OL
3..... Daniel Autrey..... DB	13..... Mason Miller..... P
16..... Reed Blake-Thomas..... LB	92..... Tyler Miller..... DL
29..... Kham Boecker..... SAF	2..... Bruce Mitchell..... DB
27..... Josh Brown..... SAF	88..... Trayvon Moore..... TE
5..... Surahz Buncom..... WR	80..... Carlyun Neal..... WR
20..... Chris Caldwell..... RB	2..... CJ Nelson..... WR
72..... Brandin Carpenter..... OL	5..... Ja'Wuan Nickson..... LB
46..... Nico Carrier..... K	14..... Le'Javier Payne..... DB
41..... Kennyan Chandler..... LB	1..... Jay Pearson..... RB
55..... James Collins..... DL	99..... Kefa Pereira..... DL
36..... Dillon Conway..... SAF	9..... Trevon PiggeeDL.....
16..... Kevin Conway..... QB	61..... Ruben Popoca..... K
33..... Micheal Curry Jr..... RB	19..... Phoenix Porter..... LB
91..... Knowledge Davis..... DL	50..... Jett Reese..... LB
54..... Nic DiSanto..... OL	84..... Jeremy Reeves..... WR
7..... Blainey Dowling..... QB	42..... Aaron Rice..... P
35..... Isaac Engle..... DL	40..... Isaiah Richardson..... SAF
90..... Gerliaer Ervin..... DL	44..... Samuel Robles..... DL
76..... Dominic Fasano..... OL	4..... Quenton Rogers..... WR
65..... Carson Fichtel..... OL	97..... Tray Ross..... DL
28..... Jacarre Fleming..... RB	47..... Drew Schiller..... K
9..... Brady Ford..... QB	25..... Christopher Sharp..... CB
94..... Tyler Fortis..... DL	52..... Barron Sholl..... DL
1..... Tylan Foster..... LB	96..... Cole Silzer..... DL
8..... Tienne Fridge..... DB	6..... DeAirious Smith..... WR
98..... Brett Galetti..... LS	53..... King Smith..... DL
49..... Jesse Garza..... LB	78..... Joseph Solomon..... OL
87..... Alex Ginnever..... TE	30..... Joey Sprinkle..... TE
37..... Taylor Goodson..... SAF	34..... Jordyn Stewart..... LB
8..... Landers Green..... WR	56..... Christian Takatch..... DL
67..... Dejan Guzina..... OL	45..... Caden Telleson..... LB
71..... Jourden Hale-Frater..... OL	58..... Dante Thompson..... OL
93..... Isaiah Hare..... DL	86..... Jack Tremblay..... WR
19..... Alex Herrera..... TE	59..... Brock VanDeever..... LB
12..... Salah Hill..... DB	95..... Drake Van Hyfte..... DL
6..... Isaiah Houi..... DB	48..... Maximo Vaughn..... DL
79..... Aidan Hubble..... OL	24..... Nick Vecchiarelli..... SAF
39..... Davian Humphrey..... LB	64..... Cody Weaver..... OL
0..... Alton Jefferson..... DL	12..... Collin Willard..... WR
69..... Kwan Johnson..... OL	11..... Noah Williams..... LB
74..... Rahfeeq Katumbusi..... OL	13..... Cooper Willman..... WR
22..... Charles Kellom..... RB	26..... Makhi Wilson..... SAF
32..... Cale Kimbro..... LB	15..... Connor Wolf..... QB
3..... Cole LaCrue..... QB	15..... Brandon Worsley..... SAF
..... Jesse Lajes..... RB	31..... Johnovan Wysinger..... WR
73..... Chuck Lanier..... OL	66..... Jordan Yandila..... OL
..... Zeke Lewis..... RB	
38..... Max Loveall..... WR	
21..... Kaleb Lyons..... DB	

MISC. SEASON NOTES & STATS

EIU NCAA FBS TRANSFERS

- 2 - CJ Nelson (Univ. of Houston)
- 3 - Cole LaCrue (Univ. of Wisconsin)
- 4 - Moses Alexander (Univ. of Houston)
- 5 - Surahz Buncom (Univ. of Kansas)
- 22 - Charles Kellom (Akron Univ.)
- 78 - Joseph Solomon (Appalachian State Univ.)
- 86 - Jack Tremblay (Central Michigan Univ.)

EIU NCAA FCS TRANSFERS

- 1 - Tylan Foster (Univ. of Incarnate Word)
- 2 - Bruce Mitchell (Mississippi Valley State Univ.)
- 7 - Jihad McCall (Morehead State Univ.)
- 21 - Kaleb Lyons (Morehead State Univ.)
- 24 - Nick Vecchiarelli (Marist College)
- 58 - Dante Thompson (Robert Morris (Pa.) Univ.)
- 71 - Jourden Hale-Frater (Tennessee State Univ.)
- 85 - Jefferson McKinnon (Marist College)

EIU ROSTER BY CLASS

Graduate Student.....	12
Senior.....	8
Junior.....	35
Sophomore.....	18
RS-Freshman.....	21
Freshman.....	15

EIU ROSTER BY STATE

Illinois.....	36
California.....	16
Ohio.....	11
Texas.....	9
Georgia.....	4
Kentucky.....	4
Indiana.....	3
Michigan.....	3
Missouri.....	3
New Jersey.....	3
Colorado.....	2
Maryland.....	2
Tennessee.....	2
Alabama.....	1
Arkansas.....	1
Florida.....	1
Iowa.....	1
Minnesota.....	1
Mississippi.....	1
Pennsylvania.....	1
Virginia.....	1
Washington.....	1
Canada.....	1

EIU OFFENSE (games played / started)

QUARTERBACK

3.... Cole LaCrue (0 / 0) 6-1 205... R-So..... Broomfield, Colo.
 7.... Blainey Dowling (4 / 0) 6-2 205... R-So..... Chicago, Ill.

RUNNING BACK

22.... Charles Kellom (25 / 1) 6-0 205... R-Jr Cincinnati, Ohio
 1.... Jay Pearson (16 / 0) 6-0 210... R-Jr McKees Rocks, Pa.

TIGHT END

87.... Alex Ginnever (12 / 6) 6-5 240... R-Jr Wentzville, Mo.
 19.... Alex Herrera (4 / 1) 6-2 240... R-Jr Linden, Calif.

RIGHT TACKLE

54.... Nic DiSanto (19 / 19) 6-5 330..... Jr Wyandotte, Mich.
 77.... Sandro Malicevic (12 / 5) 6-5 330..... Jr Saratoga, Calif.

RIGHT GUARD

70.... Alejandro Arellano (11 / 0) 6-3 315... R-Jr Sterling, Ill.
 57.... Panayiotis Mihalopoulos (9 / 0) 6-3 325... R-So..... Chicago, Ill.

CENTER

74.... Rahfeeq Katumbusi (0 / 0) 6-3 325... R-Fr Chicago, Ill.
 65.... Carson Fichtel (3 / 0) 6-3 310... R-Jr Heath, Texas

LEFT GUARD

58.... Dante Thompson (34 / 23) 6-1 330... R-Sr Montgomery Village, Md.
 78.... Joseph Solomon (13 / 10) 6-5 305... Grad..... Indianapolis, Ind.

LEFT TACKLE

69.... Kwan Johnson (0 / 0) 6-5 310... R-Fr Blue Island, Ill.
 75.... Jonathan Arellano (16 / 3) 6-3 325... R-Sr Lancaster, Calif.

RECEIVER

6.... DeAirious Smith (35 / 8) 6-0 180... Grad..... Lexington, Ky.
 84.... Jeremy Reeves (0 / 0) 6-4 210... R-Fr Chicago, Ill.

RECEIVER

80.... Carlyun Neal (0 / 0) 5-11 190..... Fr..... Cincinnati, Ohio
 8.... Landers Green (16 / 8) 6-3 190... R-Jr Wharton, NJ

RECEIVER

13.... Cooper Willman (44 / 26) 6-1 205... Grad..... Sterling, Ill.
 83.... Taiye Ajose (3 / 0) 6-5 225... R-Fr Akron, Ohio

EIU COACHING STAFF

Head Coach: Chris Wilkerson (Eastern Illinois, 1994) - 4th year
 Career 64-48 (13), EIU Record 13-21 (4); OVC Record 7-12 (4)

Associate HC/OC/QB's: Kyle Derickson (4th year)

Offensive Line: Cole Hoover (2nd year)

Running Backs: Spencer Treadwell (1st year)

Tight Ends: Mason Keeler (1st year)

Wide Receivers: Tino Smith II (2nd year)

Graduate Assistant Offensive Coach: Joshua George (1st year)

Defensive Coordinator: Andrew Strobel (2nd year)

Special Teams Coordinator / Safeties: Andrew Brady (4th year)

Defensive Backs / Def. Pass Game Cord.: Maurice Fleming (3rd year)

Defensive Line: Carlif Taylor (2nd year)

Linebackers: Rodman Noel (1st year)

Graduate Assistant Defensive Coach: Ryan DeMarois (2nd year)

Director of Football Ops: David Brubaker (3rd year)

Director of Football Performance: Jacob Hillman (2nd year)

Trainers: Alexis Fenrick (3rd year) and Samantha Reinert (3rd year)

Equipment Manager: Clint Bays (16th year)

Quality Control Staff: Matt Lindsey (Def.), Kevin Moynihan (ST), Liam Whelan (Player Personnel), Brendan Lamanna (Recruiting)

Student Assistants: Peyton Wilkerson and Ryan Kilburg

EIU OFFENSE (games played / started)

DEFENSIVE END

44.... Samuel Robles (0 / 0) 6-2 260..... Jr Alief, Texas
 60.... Aidan Archibald (0 / 0) 6-2 260... R-Fr Charleston, Ill.

NOSE TACKLE

0.... Alton Jefferson (28 / 8) 6-0 300... R-Sr Louisville, Ky.
 99.... Kefa Pereira (0 / 0) 6-1 305... R-Jr San Antonio, Texas

DEFENSIVE TACKLE

55.... James Collins (0 / 0) 6-2 295... R-Jr Mesquite, Texas
 9.... Trevon Piggee (10 / 0) 6-1 315... R-So..... St. Louis, Mo.

DEFENSIVE END

95.... Drake Van Hyfte (33 / 2) 6-4 255... Grad..... Annawan, Ill.
 91.... Knowledge Davis (0 / 0) 6-2 260... R-So..... Humble, Texas

LINEBACKER

5.... Ja'Wuan Nickson (0 / 0) 6-0 235..... Jr Tuscaloosa, Ala.
 49.... Jesse Garza (7 / 0) 6-2 235... Grad..... Nipomo, Calif.

LINEBACKER

1.... Tylan Foster (19 / 13) 5-11 225..... Sr Houston, Texas
 19.... Phoenix Porter (42 / 10) 6-1 220... Grad..... Fairfield, Ohio

NICKEL or LINEBACKER

8.... Tienne Fridge (15 / 2) 6-2 210... Grad..... Sacramento, Calif.
 37.... Taylor Goodson (1 / 0) 5-10 205... R-Sr Suwanee, Ga.

CORNER

21.... Kaleb Lyons (25 / 14) 5-11 195... R-Jr Antioch, Tenn.
 6.... Isaiah Houi (7 / 3) 5-10 175..... So Rockton, Ill.

STRONG SAFETY

20.... Saipeti Maiava Jr (0 / 0) 5-11 200..... Jr Fontana, Calif.
 36.... Dillon Conway (4 / 0) 6-3 225... R-Fr Chicago, Ill.

FREE SAFETY

7.... Jihad McCall (41 / 33) 6-0 205... Grad..... Jersey City, NJ
 15.... Brandon Worsley (0 / 0) 5-11 205..... Jr San Marcos, Texas

CORNER

4.... Moses Alexander (14 / 6) 6-3 195... R-Sr Galveston, Texas
 25.... Christopher Sharp (14 / 0) 5-11 180... R-So..... St. Louis, Mo.

EIU SPECIALISTS (games played)

KICKER

47.... Drew Schiller (4) 6-1 175... R-Fr New Lenox, Ill.
 46.... Nico Carrier (0) 5-9 175... R-Fr Naperville, Ill.

KICKOFF

47.... Drew Schiller (4) 6-1 175... R-Fr New Lenox, Ill.

PUNTER

13.... Mason Miller (22) 6-0 185... Grad..... Avon, Ind.
 42.... Aaron Rice (0) 6-5 205..... So Naperville, Ill.

HOLDER

13.... Mason Miller (22) 6-0 185... Grad..... Avon, Ind.

LONG SNAPPER

98.... Brett Galletti (21) 6-1 230... Grad..... Frankfort, Ill.
 85.... Jefferson McKinnon (0) 6-0 240... R-Fr Copley, Ohio

PUNT RETURNS

13.... Cooper Willman (44) 6-1 205... Grad..... Sterling, Ill.
 80.... Carlyun Neal (0) 5-11 190..... Fr..... Cincinnati, Ohio

KICK RETURNS

28.... Jacarre Fleming (3) 5-8 195... R-Fr Hahira, Ga.
 1.... Jay Pearson (16) 6-0 210... R-Jr McKees Rocks, Pa.



GAME 1 - Aug. 29, 2024

Eastern Illinois 0
 Illinois..... 45

Champaign, Ill.
 Memorial Stadium (43,849)

Scoring	1	2	3	4	Final
Eastern Illinois	0	0	0	0	0
Illinois	14	17	7	7	45

FIRST QUARTER

UI - Bryant 15 pass from Altmyer (Olano kick) - 4:15
 UI - Arkin 5 pass from Altmyer (Olano kick) - 0:43

SECOND QUARTER

UI - Olano 26 field goal - 10:10
 UI - Bryant 28 pass from Altmyer (Olano kick) - 4:13
 UI - Elzy 34 pass from Altmyer (Olano kick) - 1:30

THIRD QUARTER

UI - Feagin 1 run (Olano kick) - 7:04

FOURTH QUARTER

UI - McCray 6 run (Olano kick) - 13:51

TEAM STATSEIU UI

First Downs	9	27
Rushes-Yards	22-49	42-244
Passing-Yards	147	242
Comp-Att-Int	16-32-2	21-29-0
Total Offense	196	486
Fumbles-Lost	2-2	1-0
Penalties-Yards	6-50	6-45
Int Returns-Yards-TD	0-0-0	2-1-0
Time of Possession	23:59	36:01
Sacks-Yards	0-0	1-5

LEADERS

RUSHING (No-Yds-TD)

EIU - Flowers (9-28-0), Pearson (6-20-0)
 UI - Feagin (16-108-1), Laughery (10-79-0)

PASSING (Att-Cmp-Int-Yds-TD)

EIU - Holley (32-16-2-147-0)
 UI - Altmyer (24-19-0-213-4), Leary (5-2-0-29-0)

RECEIVING (No -Yds -TD)

EIU - Smith (5-63-0), Mirza (3-38-0), Nelson (2-21-0)
 UI - Bryant (5-63-2), Elzy (2-51-1)

DEFENSE (Tackles - Solo, Assist, TFL)

EIU - Tolbert (9-3-1.5), Shockey (9-0-0), Alexander (5-1-0)
 UI - Bailey (4-2-0), Briggs (2-3-0), Clarke (3-0-0)

RECAP

Illinois scored 17 points off of three Eastern Illinois first half turnovers as they swung the momentum late in the first quarter to pick up a 45-0 win over the Panthers. EIU made a stop on Illinois opening driving and drove inside the Illini 25-yard line before committing the first of four turnovers in the game. Illinois scored off that miscue and then used a big special teams play to set up its second score for an early 14-0 lead. Elijahawah Tolbert led the Panthers defense with 12 tackles despite EIU playing with a short field most of the game. EIU's offensive line allowed just one quarterback sack and three tackles for loss on offensive plays.



GAME 2 - Sept. 7, 2024

Indiana State 20
 Eastern Illinois 27

Charleston, Ill.
 O'Brien Field (7,222)

Scoring	1	2	3	4	Final
Indiana State	0	13	0	7	20
Eastern Illinois	7	10	10	0	27

FIRST QUARTER

EIU - Flowers 1 run (Schiller kick) - 2:22

SECOND QUARTER

INS - Rochelle 16 pass from Owens (Andjelic kick) - 12:57
 EIU - Alexander 60 fumble return (Schiller kick) - 10:27
 INS - Lawrence 14 pass from Owens (kick failed) - 1:51
 EIU - Schiller 34 field goal - 0:00

THIRD QUARTER

EIU - Schiller 40 field goal - 7:48
 EIU - Willman 5 pass from Holley (Schiller kick) - 1:21

FOURTH QUARTER

INS - Taylor 9 pass from Owens (Andjelic kick) - 0:55

TEAM STATSEIU INS

First Downs	16	20
Rushes-Yards	30-86	32-74
Passing-Yards	268	260
Comp-Att-Int	19-32-1	30-37-3
Total Offense	354	334
Fumbles-Lost	0-0	3-1
Penalties-Yards	4-30	4-25
Int Returns-Yards-TD	3-1-0	1-11-0
Time of Possession	28:41	31:15
Sacks-Yards	3-19	1-7

LEADERS

RUSHING (No-Yds-TD)

EIU - Flowers (24-93-1)
 INS - Owens (12-44-0), Lawrence (9-13-0)

PASSING (Att-Cmp-Int-Yds-TD)

EIU - Holley (32-19-1-268-1)
 INS - Owens (37-30-3-260-3)

RECEIVING (No -Yds -TD)

EIU - Gipson (6-100-0), Mirza (5-52-0), Willman (3-30-1)
 INS - Lawrence (7-41-1), Barnett (5-45-0)

DEFENSE (Tackles - Solo, Assist, TFL)

EIU - Burt (6-3-1), Tolbert (5-3-0.5), Alexander (7-0-0)
 INS - Brown (4-5-0), Belizaire (1-5-1)

RECAP

Eastern Illinois forced four turnovers converting one of them into a 60-yard scoop and score by Moses Alexander as the Panthers beat Indiana State 27-20 in their home opener. MJ Flowers rushed for 93 yards and a score while Cooper Willman caught a short touchdown pass from Pierce Holley for the final EIU touchdown. Holley passed for 268 yards with his top target Terrance Gipson with six catches for 100 yards. Nijhay Burt had two of the Panthers four turnovers with a pair of interceptions leading EIU's defense with nine tackles.



GAME 3 - Sept. 14, 2024

Eastern Illinois 7
 Northwestern..... 31

Evanston, Ill.
 Martin Stadium (10,631)

Scoring	1	2	3	4	Final
Eastern Illinois	0	7	0	0	7
Northwestern	7	7	10	7	31

FIRST QUARTER

NW - Porter 1 run (Olsen kick) - 1:22

SECOND QUARTER

EIU - Mirza 13 pass from Holley (Schiller kick) - 10:37
 NW - Himon 32 run (Olsen kick) - 0:14

THIRD QUARTER

NW - Olsen 46 field goal - 8:18
 NW - Henning 3 pass from Lausch (Olsen kick) - 2:39

FOURTH QUARTER

NW - Lang 9 pass from Lausch (Olsen kick) - 6:58

TEAM STATSEIU NW

First Downs	13	22
Rushes-Yards	20-40	35-203
Passing-Yards	167	247
Comp-Att-Int	17-31-1	21-32-0
Total Offense	207	450
Fumbles-Lost	0-0	1-0
Penalties-Yards	2-15	6-39
Int Returns-Yards-TD	0-0-0	1-0-0
Time of Possession	24:28	35:32
Sacks-Yards	1-5	3-18

LEADERS

RUSHING (No-Yds-TD)

EIU - Pearson (8-29-0), Flowers (7-17-0)
 NW - Porter (15-77-1), Lausch (7-62-0)

PASSING (Att-Cmp-Int-Yds-TD)

EIU - Holley (31-17-1-167-1)
 NW - Lausch (31-20-0-227-2), Wright (1-1-0-20-0)

RECEIVING (No -Yds -TD)

EIU - Willman (6-66-0), Gipson (3-26-0)
 NW - Henning (7-117-1), Himon (3-24-0)

DEFENSE (Tackles - Solo, Assist, TFL)

EIU - Tolbert (4-4-0), Alexander (2-6-0), Shockey (4-3-1)
 NW - Johnson (4-0-0), Mueller (3-1-0), Smith (2-2-0)

RECAP

Eastern Illinois played with Big Ten member Northwestern for a majority of the first half with the Wildcats taking a 14-7 halftime lead with 14 seconds left in the opening half. EIU tied the game at 7-7 with a Pierce Holley to Eli Mirza 13-yard touchdown pass. Both teams came up big in special teams in the second quarter with both blocking a field goal attempt that would have given them a second quarter lead. Northwestern had a final first half score on a 32-yard run by Joseph Himon and pulled away for a 31-7 victory. EIU was held to 40 yards rushing in the game. Tre'jon Lewis had the blocked field goal in the game for the Panthers.



GAME 4 - Sept. 21, 2024

Eastern Illinois..... 7
 Illinois State..... 31

Normal, Ill.
 Hancock Stadium (9,012)

Scoring	1	2	3	4	Final
Eastern Illinois	0	7	0	0	7
Illinois State	14	7	3	7	31

FIRST QUARTER

ILS - Sobkowicz 31 pass from Rittenhouse (Wagner kick) - 2:34
 ILS - Loyd 12 pass from Rittenhouse (Wagner kick) - 0:39

SECOND QUARTER

ILS - Sobkowicz 5 pass from Rittenhouse (Wagner kick) - 9:07
 EIU - Flowers 4 run (Schiller kick) - 1:56

THIRD QUARTER

ILS - Wagner 28 field goal - 12:32

FOURTH QUARTER

ILS - Wright 1 run (Wagner kick) - 12:28

TEAM STATSEIU ILS

First Downs	9	28
Rushes-Yards	27-105	52-253
Passing-Yards	87	265
Comp-Att-Int	12-22-2	22-28-1
Total Offense	192	518
Fumbles-Lost	3-1	1-1
Penalties-Yards	4-45	7-45
Int Returns-Yards-TD	1-0-0	2-24-0
Time of Possession	24:03	35:57
Sacks-Yards	1-7	3-18

LEADERS

RUSHING (No-Yds-TD)

EIU - Flowers (19-117-1), Young (1-3-0)
 ILS - Wenkers (25-150-1), Rittenhouse (6-47-0)

PASSING (Att-Cmp-Int-Yds-TD)

EIU - Holley (19-10-2-72-0), Dowling (3-2-0-15-0)
 ILS - Rittenhouse (22-17-0-228-3), Rubley (6-5-1-37-0)

RECEIVING (No -Yds -TD)

EIU - Gipson (3-16-0), Mirza (2-19-0), Pearson (2-19-0)
 ILS - Sobkowicz (7-93-2), Loyd (7-75-1)

DEFENSE (Tackles - Solo, Assist, TFL)

EIU - Shockey (4-6-0.5), Toblert (2-8-1), Porter (2-7-0.5)
 ILS - Jackson (4-3-0), Gearhart (1-5-0)

RECAP

Eastern Illinois drove to the Illinois State 1-yard line on the opening drive of the game only to have a fumble at the one which was recovered by ISU. The Redbirds drove 99-yards for the go ahead score in the first quarter. On the next possession ISU converted an interception into a score late in the first quarter going on to win 31-7 in the 112th Mid-America Classic. MJ Flowers was a bright spot for the EIU offense rushing for 117 yards and a touchdown late in the second quarter. EIU's defense made two defensive stands in the red zone in the third quarter with Kaelin Drakeford forcing a fumble that Moses Alexander recovered in the end zone. Drakeford added an interception playing a part in both EIU takeaways in the contest.



GAME 5 - Sept. 28, 2024

Lindenwood..... 28
 Eastern Illinois..... 25

Charleston, Ill.
 O'Brien Field (3,890)

Scoring	1	2	3	4	Final
Lindenwood	0	0	14	14	28
Eastern Illinois	14	3	0	8	25

FIRST QUARTER

EIU - Willman 15 pass from Holley (Schiller kick) - 8:45
 EIU - Holley 1 run (Schiller kick) - 6:13

SECOND QUARTER

EIU - Schiller 32 field goal - 13:07

THIRD QUARTER

LW - Caldwell 11 pass from Glantz (Seibert kick) - 9:34
 LW - Caldwell 22 pass from Glantz (Seibert kick) - 7:06

FOURTH QUARTER

LW - Caldwell 8 pass from Glantz (Seibert kick) - 9:15
 LW - Caldwell 74 pass from Glantz (Seibert kick) - 6:05
 EIU - Mirza 25 pass from Holley (Mirza reception) - 3:36

TEAM STATSEIU LW

First Downs	25	20
Rushes-Yards	35-132	40-170
Passing-Yards	326	283
Comp-Att-Int	26-44-0	14-19-1
Total Offense	458	453
Fumbles-Lost	0-0	0-0
Penalties-Yards	6-62	3-25
Int Returns-Yards-TD	1-0-0	0-0-0
Time of Possession	30:38	29:22
Sacks-Yards	1-12	1-7

LEADERS

RUSHING (No-Yds-TD)

EIU - Flowers (28-123-0), Pearson (2-5-0)
 LW - Jones (20-104-0), Hall (6-36-0)

PASSING (Att-Cmp-Int-Yds-TD)

EIU - Holley (43-26-0-326-2)
 LW - Glantz (19-14-1-283-4)

RECEIVING (No -Yds -TD)

EIU - Gipson (9-93-0), Mirza (7-69-1), Willman (5-71-1)
 LW - Caldwell (4-115-4), Krobath (3-48-0)

DEFENSE (Tackles - Solo, Assist, TFL)

EIU - Drakeford (4-7-0), Shockey (6-4-0), Porter (3-5-0)
 LW - King (6-4-0), Knapke (6-2-0)

RECAP

Eastern Illinois led 17-0 at the half before needing to drive the field in the final 2-minutes for a potential game tying field goal. The 30-yard field goal missed and Lindenwood beat EIU 28-25. The Panthers had two touchdown passes from quarterback Pierce Holley as he passed for 326 yards. Holley rushed in for a third touchdown. His touchdown pass to Eli Mirza and subsequent two-point conversion to Mirza closed the lead to 28-25. EIU made a defensive stop and got the ball back with just under two minutes remaining. The drive would come up short. MJ Flowers rushed for 123 yards in the loss. Lindenwood scored four times in the second half, all on touchdown receptions by Jeff Caldwell - the last a 74-yard reception with 6:05 left in the game.



GAME 6 - Oct. 5, 2024

Southeast Missouri..... 38
 Eastern Illinois..... 27

Charleston, Ill.
 O'Brien Field (7,777)

Scoring	1	2	3	4	Final
Southeast Missouri	17	7	7	7	38
Eastern Illinois	0	7	7	13	27

FIRST QUARTER

SEMO - Pippen 26 field goal - 9:45
 SEMO - Sellers 9 pass from DeLaurent (Pippen kick) - 3:03
 SEMO - Anderson 29 pass from DeLaurent (Pippen kick) - 0:42

SECOND QUARTER

SEMO - Ruble 2 run (Pippen kick) - 9:35
 EIU - Willman 12 pass from Holley (Patino kick) - 0:27

THIRD QUARTER

EIU - Flowers 1 run (Patino kick) - 11:40
 SEMO - T. Smith 3 pass from DeLaurent (Pippen kick) - 10:02

FOURTH QUARTER

SEMO - DeLaurent 1 run (Pippen kick) - 12:22
 EIU - Rogers 39 pass from Holley (pass failed) - 7:59
 EIU - Flowers 2 run (Patino kick) - 2:10

TEAM STATSEIU SEMO

First Downs	19	26
Rushes-Yards	21-19	30-61
Passing-Yards	366	364
Comp-Att-Int	27-42-0	30-43-1
Total Offense	385	425
Fumbles-Lost	1-0	1-0
Penalties-Yards	6-41	5-50
Int Returns-Yards-TD	1-27-0	0-0-0
Time of Possession	25:58	34:02
Sacks-Yards	2-11	5-42

LEADERS

RUSHING (No-Yds-TD)

EIU - Flowers (14-48-2), Nelson (1-5-0)
 SEMO - D. Smith (18-63-0), Ruble (7-8-1)

PASSING (Att-Cmp-Int-Yds-TD)

EIU - Holley (42-27-0-366-2)
 SEMO - DeLaurent (43-30-1-364-3)

RECEIVING (No -Yds -TD)

EIU - Flowers (11-72-0), Willman (4-70-1), Nelson (3-59-0)
 SEMO - T. Smith (8-124-1), Anderson (7-109-1)

DEFENSE (Tackles - Solo, Assist, TFL)

EIU - Shockey (6-6-1), Burt (7-0-0), Drakeford (5-2-1)
 SEMO - Pedraza (8-1-1), Norman (5-1-1)

RECAP

Eastern Illinois cut into a 24-0 lead by No. 13 Southeast Missouri late in the second quarter and cut the margin to ten in the second half but could get no closer than that falling 38-27. Both quarterbacks in the game passed for more than 360 yards with Pierce Holley finishing with 366 through the air. MJ Flowers hauled in 11 passes setting an EIU single game record for receptions by a running back. Flowers added two rushing touchdowns with Cooper Willman and Quenton Rogers picked up touchdown receptions. Anthony Shockey led EIU's defense with 12 tackles.



GAME 7 - Oct. 12, 2024
 Eastern Illinois..... 17
 Tennessee State..... 41

Nashville, Tenn.
 Nissan Stadium (7,875)

Scoring	1	2	3	4	Final
Eastern Illinois	0	10	7	0	17
Tennessee State	0	20	14	7	41

SECOND QUARTER

EIU - Patino 30 field goal - 14:56
 TSU - Brenson 4 pass from Ellis (Lowery kick) - 10:27
 TSU - Williams 7 pass from Ellis (Lowery kick) - 6:28
 TSU - Evans 4 rush (kick blocked) - 2:23
 EIU - Flowers 9 pass from Holley (Patino kick) - 1:31

THIRD QUARTER

EIU - Flowers 1 rush (Patino kick) - 11:04
 TSU - Dean 31 pass from Ellis (Lowery kick) - 4:07
 TSU - Bullock 8 pass from Ellis (Lowery kick) - 0:32

FOURTH QUARTER

TSU - Carter 12 run (Lowery kick) - 9:38

TEAM STATSEIUTSU

First Downs	23	20
Rushes-Yards	30-75	29-128
Passing-Yards	360	237
Comp-Att-Int	51-30-1	33-21-0
Total Offense	435	365
Fumbles-Lost	1-0	0-0
Penalties-Yards	4-40	2-20
Int Returns-Yards-TD	0-0-0	1-47-0
Time of Possession	31:54	28:06
Sacks-Yards	1-7	2-16

LEADERS

RUSHING (No-Yds-TD)

EIU - Flowers (21-57-1), Pearson (4-16-0)
 TSU - McGill (9-47-0), Evans (7-37-1)

PASSING (Att-Cmp-Int-Yds-TD)

EIU - Holley (46-28-1-338-1), Dowling (5-2-0-22-0)
 TSU - Ellis (32-20-0-224-4)

RECEIVING (No -Yds -TD)

EIU - Willman (8-141-0), Rogers (5-103-0), Ginnever (7-43-0)
 TSU - Brenson (6-121-1), Williams (5-24-1)

DEFENSE (Tackles - Solo, Assist, TFL)

EIU - Burt (7-1-1.5), Porter (4-1-0.5), Rainey (3-2-0)
 TSU - McClendon (6-1-0.5), Nelson (5-2-0), Trotter (5-2-0)

RECAP

Eastern Illinois took a 3-0 lead on the opening play of the second quarter only to see Tennessee State respond with 20 straight points. The Panthers cut the margin to a field goal on a pair of MJ Flowers touchdowns to trail 20-17 early in the third quarter. Draylen Ellis capped a solid day for the TSU offense leading them to three second half touchdowns as the Tigers as they finished off a 41-17 win over Eastern Illinois. Pierce Holley passed for 338 yards with Cooper Willman and Quenton Rogers both finishing with over 100-yards receiving in the game.



GAME 8 - Oct. 26, 2024
 Eastern Illinois..... 17
 UT Martin..... 52

Martin, Tenn.
 Hardy M. Graham Stadium (4,109)

Scoring	1	2	3	4	Final
Eastern Illinois	7	3	7	0	17
UT Martin	7	14	10	21	52

FIRST QUARTER

EIU - Willman 7 pass from Holley (Patino kick) - 11:55
 UTM - Dowling 33 pass from Dent (Van Winkle kick) - 3:55

SECOND QUARTER

UTM - Dent 37 run (Van Winkle kick) - 13:36
 UTM - Smith 3 run (Van Winkle kick) - 10:30
 EIU - Patino 19 field goal - 3:40

THIRD QUARTER

UTM - Smith 1 run (Van Winkle) - 12:29
 EIU - Herrera 17 pass from Holley (Patino kick) - 5:21
 UTM - Van Winkle 31 field goal - 3:16

FOURTH QUARTER

UTM - Dowling 21 pass from Dent (Van Winkle kick) - 10:35
 UTM - Dostin 14 pass from Dent (Van Winkle kick) - 9:37
 UTM - Sharpe 72 interception return (Van Winkle kick) - 6:28

TEAM STATSEIUUTM

First Downs	23	20
Rushes-Yards	21-48	30-212
Passing-Yards	348	220
Comp-Att-Int	36-54-3	16-23-0
Total Offense	396	460
Fumbles-Lost	0-0	0-0
Penalties-Yards	6-48	5-35
Int Returns-Yards-TD	0-0-0	3-123-1
Time of Possession	32:16	27:44
Sacks-Yards	0-0	2-16

LEADERS

RUSHING (No-Yds-TD)

EIU - Flowers (14-49-0), Young (4-11-0)
 UTM - Smith (13-87-2), Dent (2-41-1)

PASSING (Att-Cmp-Int-Yds-TD)

EIU - Holley (54-36-3-348-2)
 UTM - Dent (22-16-0-248-3)

RECEIVING (No -Yds -TD)

EIU - Willman (11-143-1), Flowers (9-53-0), Herrera (7-80-1)
 UTM - Rucket (4-65-0), Dowling (3-70-2)

DEFENSE (Tackles - Solo, Assist, TFL)

EIU - Rainey (6-2-1), Shockey (2-6-0), Sharp (4-2-0)
 UTM - Shipp (5-3-0), Hunter (2-6-1.5)

RECAP

Eastern Illinois scored first for the second consecutive game only to see its opponent reel off 21 straight points as the Panthers lost at UT Martin 52-17. Pierce Holley passed for more than 300 yards for the fourth straight game hitting Cooper Willman and Alex Herrera for touchdown passes. UT Martin was able to contain the EIU rushing attack limiting the Panthers to just 48 yards rushing the game. The Skyhawks forced three turnovers including a 72-yard interception return for touchdown by Jaylan Sharpe in the fourth quarter.



GAME 9 - Nov. 2, 2024
 Western Illinois..... 38
 Eastern Illinois 45

Charleston, Ill.
 O'Brien Field (5,369)

Scoring	1	2	3	4	Final
Western Illinois	0	17	7	14	38
Eastern Illinois	7	10	14	14	45

FIRST QUARTER

EIU - Flowers 10 run (Patino kick) - 1:11

SECOND QUARTER

WIU - Aragon 20 pass from Lamb (Chadha kick) - 12:11
 EIU - Patino 27 field goal - 6:54
 WIU - Smith 2 run (Chadha kick) - 1:56
 WIU - Chadha 32 field goal - 1:01
 EIU - Ginnever 13 pass from Holley (Patino kick) - 0:02

THIRD QUARTER

EIU - Flowers 64 pass from Holley (Patino kick) - 13:19
 EIU - Willman 6 pass from Holley (Patino kick) - 3:46
 WIU - Lamb 4 run (Chadha kick) - 0:07

FOURTH QUARTER

EIU - Flowers 18 pass from Holley (Patino kick) - 10:45
 WIU - Anaya 29 pass from Lamb (Chadha kick) - 8:01
 EIU - Ginnever 10 pass from Holley (Patino kick) - 6:58
 WIU - Duncan 4 pass from Lamb (Chadha kick) - 4:05

TEAM STATSEIUWIU

First Downs	22	24
Rushes-Yards	34-196	28-86
Passing-Yards	338	309
Comp-Att-Int	19-27-0	29-43-0
Total Offense	534	395
Fumbles-Lost	1-1	0-0
Penalties-Yards	4-45	3-35
Int Returns-Yards-TD	0-0-0	0-0-0
Time of Possession	29:30	30:30
Sacks-Yards	1-9	3-24

LEADERS

RUSHING (No-Yds-TD)

EIU - Flowers (27-194-1), Pearson (2-21-0)
 WIU - Smith (17-66-1), Shipman (1-11-0)

PASSING (Att-Cmp-Int-Yds-TD)

EIU - Holley (27-19-0-338-5)
 WIU - Lamb (43-29-0-309-3)

RECEIVING (No -Yds -TD)

EIU - Ginnever (6-100-2), Rogers (4-85-0), Flowers (3-86-2)
 WIU - Aragon (9-83-1), Smith (6-46-0)

DEFENSE (Tackles - Solo, Assist, TFL)

EIU - Shockey (3-5-0), K. Davis (6-1-0), Drakeford (6-0-0)
 WIU - DelaCruz (5-4-2), Williams (5-2-1)

RECAP

MJ Flowers accounted for 280 all-purpose yards and three touchdowns as Eastern Illinois won a 45-38 shootout over Western Illinois as the two schools met in a conference game for the first time since 1995. Alex Ginnever hauled in six passes for 100 yards and two scores while Cooper Willman had a third receiving touchdown as EIU finished with 534 yards of offense in the win. Pierce Holley passed for 300 yards for a fifth straight game with five touchdown passes. WIU had two final passes to the endzone to tie the game with both falling incomplete.



GAME 10 - Nov. 9, 2024
 Eastern Illinois 28
 Gardner-Webb 31

Boiling Springs, NC
 Spangler Stadium (2,451)

Scoring	1	2	3	4	Final
Eastern Illinois	0	7	7	14	28
Gardner-Webb	10	14	7	0	31

FIRST QUARTER

GWU - Gresock 11 run (Billingsley kick) - 9:56
 GWU - Billingsley 54 field goal - 1:16

SECOND QUARTER

EIU - Nelson 31 pass from Holley (Patino kick) - 14:48
 GWU - Borders 17 pass from Ridell (Billingsley kick) - 3:38
 GWU - Holmes 10 run (Billingsley kick) - 0:27

THIRD QUARTER

GWU - Gresock 3 run (Billingsley kick) - 8:10
 EIU - Willman 8 pass from Holley (Patino kick) - 3:19

FOURTH QUARTER

EIU - Willman 80 pass from Holley (Patino kick) - 11:33
 EIU - Willman 25 pass from Holley (Patino kick) - 4:59

TEAM STATSEIUGWU

First Downs	21	25
Rushes-Yards	29-7	35-127
Passing-Yards	458	337
Comp-Att-Int	36-20-1	26-34-0
Total Offense	465	464
Fumbles-Lost	0-0	0-0
Penalties-Yards	3-30	6-50
Int Returns-Yards-TD	0-0-0	1-0-0
Time of Possession	27:46	32:14
Sacks-Yards	0-0	11-79

LEADERS

RUSHING (No-Yds-TD)

EIU - Flowers (15-45-0), Horvath (1-24-0)
 GWU - Gresock (9-50-2), Saydee (11-49-0)

PASSING (Att-Cmp-Int-Yds-TD)

EIU - Holley (36-20-1-458-4)
 GWU - Ridell (34-26-0-337-1)

RECEIVING (No -Yds -TD)

EIU - Willman (11-291-3), Nelson (5-101-1)
 GWU - Saydee (5-16-0), Overton (4-46-0)

DEFENSE (Tackles - Solo, Assist, TFL)

EIU - Burt (6-1-0.5), Rainey (5-1-0), Aitken (5-1-0)
 GWU - Bowens (8-0-0), Moffitt (2-5-2.5)

RECAP

Eastern Illinois rallied from a 31-7 deficit midway through the third quarter and had a chance to win the game on a fourth quarter drive that ended with an interception in the endzone and a 31-28 loss at Gardner-Webb. Cooper Willman had a record setting day with a program record 291 yards receiving and three touchdowns, the final one bringing EIU to within 31-28 with 4:59 remaining in the game. Willman's total is the third most in OVC history and sets a Big South OVC record. Pierce Holley passed for 458 yards and CJ Nelson finished with 101 yards receiving to give the Panthers two receivers over the 100 yard mark. EIU was in the game despite allowing 11 sacks which made the end of the day rushing total stand at seven yards.



GAME 11 - Nov. 16, 2024
 Charleston Southern..... 13
 Eastern Illinois 16

Charleston, Ill.
 O'Brien Field (1,895)

Scoring	1	2	3	4	OT....	Final
Charleston Southern	0	6	0	7	0	13
Eastern Illinois	0	13	0	0	3	16

SECOND QUARTER

CSU - Montgomery 37 field goal - 14:55
 CSU - Montgomery 39 field goal - 4:58
 EIU - Flowers 2 run (Patino kick) - 1:36
 EIU - Herrera 18 pass from Holley (kick failed) - 0:36

FOURTH QUARTER

CSU - Bishop 15 run (Montgomery kick) - 4:52

OVERTIME

EIU - Patino 18 field goal

TEAM STATSEIUCSU

First Downs	18	11
Rushes-Yards	44-76	39-125
Passing-Yards	168	85
Comp-Att-Int	17-26-2	11-20-0
Total Offense	244	210
Fumbles-Lost	3-1	1-0
Penalties-Yards	5-55	15-118
Int Returns-Yards-TD	0-0-0	2-0-0
Time of Possession	27:34	27:05
Sacks-Yards	3-15	7-52

LEADERS

RUSHING (No-Yds-TD)

EIU - Flowers (24-72-1), Pearson (10-53-0)
 CSU - Ison (16-51-0), Bishop (7-41-1)

PASSING (Att-Cmp-Int-Yds-TD)

EIU - Holley (26-17-2-168-1)
 CSU - McCoy (13-7-0-52-0), Jackson (7-4-0-33-0)

RECEIVING (No -Yds -TD)

EIU - Rogers (5-66-0), Herrera (4-48-1)
 CSU - Ison (2-24-0), Bishop (2-14-0)

DEFENSE (Tackles - Solo, Assist, TFL)

EIU - Porter (8-1-0), Shockey (3-5-0), Barrows (4-2-2)
 CSU - Zayachkowsky (4-7-2), D. Williams (7-0-2)

RECAP

Eastern Illinois defense made a stop on fourth and one on Charleston Southern's opening possession of the overtime period. A penalty by CSU erased what would have been a failed EIU field goal attempt during its overtime possession giving the Panthers a fresh set of downs. After the Buccaneers held EIU on a third and goal attempt, Julian Patino won the game with an 18-yard field goal to give the Panthers a 16-13 victory. Both teams failed to generate offense on the day with EIU finishing with 244 yards of total offense and CSU accounting for 210 yards. EIU scored twice in the second quarter on a short MJ Flowers run and then an Alex Herrera touchdown reception from Pierce Holley. Phoenix Porter led the EIU defense with nine tackles.



GAME 12 - Nov. 23, 2024
 Eastern Illinois 6
 Tennessee Tech 23

Cookeville, Tenn.
 Tucker Stadium (6,790)

Scoring	1	2	3	4	Final
Eastern Illinois	0	0	6	0	6
Tennessee Tech	3	10	3	7	23

FIRST QUARTER

TTU - LeBlanc 48 field goal - 12:14

FIRST QUARTER

TTU - LeBlanc 20 field goal - 12:33
 TTU - Yates 9 rush (LeBlanc kick) - 3:49

THIRD QUARTER

TTU - LeBlanc 22 field goal - 7:37
 EIU - Pearson 2 run (rush failed) - 2:15)

FOURTH QUARTER

TTU - Wilson 9 run (LeBlanc kick) - 11:04

TEAM STATSEIU TTU

First Downs	18	17
Rushes-Yards	33-80	40-200
Passing-Yards	161	128
Comp-Att-Int	18-28-1	11-20-0
Total Offense	241	328
Fumbles-Lost	4-1	0-0
Penalties-Yards	2-10	6-51
Int Returns-Yards-TD	0-0-0	1-12-0
Time of Possession	30:23	29:37
Sacks-Yards	1-5	4-13

LEADERS

RUSHING (No-Yds-TD)

EIU - Pearson (11-69-1), Flowers (11-22-0)
 TTU - Mitchell (20-131-0), Yates (7-34-1)

PASSING (Att-Cmp-Int-Yds-TD)

EIU - Holley (20-14-0-129-0), Dowling (8-4-1-32-0)
 TTU - Laible (16-9-0-88-0), Yates (3-2-0-40-0)

RECEIVING (No -Yds -TD)

EIU - Willman (9-86-0), Nelson (2-21-0)
 TTU - Baker (3-49-0), Parker (2-32-0)

DEFENSE (Tackles - Solo, Assist, TFL)

EIU - Shockey (4-7-0), Drakeford (5-2-0), Burt (6-0-0)
 TTU - Swafford (2-6-0), Shephard (4-3-0.5)

RECAP

Eastern Illinois had quarterback Pierce Holley go out following the opening drive of the game only to return in the fourth quarter to finish his season passing for over 3,000 yards as the Panthers lost at Tennessee Tech 23-6. Blainey Dowling passed for 32 yards as a back-up with Jay Pearson rushing for a team high 69 yards and the lone EIU touchdown in the third quarter. Tennessee Tech rushed for 200 yards on the ground with two rushing touchdowns and three field goals by kicker Dom LeBlanc. Linebacker Anthony Shockey recorded 11 tackles to finish with 100 on the season.

2024 EIU PANTHERS FOOTBALL
EASTERN ILLINOIS Game Results

Date	Opponent	Score	Overall Record	Conf Record	Time	Attend
Aug 29, 2024	at Illinois	0-45 L	0-1	0-0	3:08	43,849
Sep 7, 2024	INDIANA STATE	W 27-20	1-1	0-0	3:17	7,222
Sep 14, 2024	at Northwestern	7-31 L	1-2	0-0	3:07	10,631
Sep 21, 2024	at #15 Illinois State	7-31 L	1-3	0-0	3:26	9,012
* Sep 28, 2024	LINDENWOOD	25-28 L	1-4	0-1	3:16	3,890
* Oct 5, 2024	#13 SOUTHEAST MISSOURI	27-38 L	1-5	0-2	3:15	7,777
* Oct 12, 2024	at Tennessee State	17-41 L	1-6	0-3	3:21	7,875
* Oct 26, 2024	at UT Martin	17-52 L	1-7	0-4	3:17	4,109
* Nov 2, 2024	WESTERN ILLINOIS	W 45-38	2-7	1-4	3:21	5,369
* Nov 9, 2024	at GARDNER-WEBB	28-31 L	2-8	1-5	3:20	2,451
* Nov 16, 2024	CHARLESTON SOUTHERN	W 16-13 (OT)	3-8	2-5	3:40	1,895
* Nov 23, 2024	at Tennessee Tech	6-23 L	3-9	2-6	4:00	6,790

* indicates Big South-OVC Football Association Game

2024 EASTERN ILLINOIS STARTERS

OPPONENT	WR/TE	WR	RT	RG	C	LG	LT	WR	TE	RB	QB
Illinois	Mirza	D. Smith	Malicevic	Pares	Wilder	Valente	DiSanto	Willman	Manaves	Flowers	Holley
Indiana State	Sprycha	D. Smith	Malicevic	Pares	Wilder	Valente	DiSanto	Willman	Manaves	Flowers	Holley
Northwestern	Mirza	Gipson	Malicevic	Pares	Wilder	Solomon	DiSanto	Willman	Manaves	Flowers	Holley
Illinois State	Mirza	Gipson	DiSanto	Pares	Wilder	Solomon	Valente	Willman	Manaves	Flowers	Holley
Lindenwood	Mirza	Gipson	DiSanto	Pares	Wilder	Valente	Solomon	Willman	Manaves	Flowers	Holley
SE Missouri	Mirza	Gipson	DiSanto	Pares	Wilder	Valente	Solomon	Willman	Manaves	Flowers	Holley
Tennessee St	Nelson	Rogers	DiSanto	Pares	Wilder	Valente	Solomon	Willman	Ginnever	Flowers	Holley
UT Martin	McNab	Rogers	DiSanto	Pares	Wilder	Valente	Solomon	Willman	Ginnever	Flowers	Holley
Western Illinois	Herrera	Rogers	DiSanto	Pares	Wilder	Solomon	Malicevic	Willman	Ginnever	Flowers	Holley
Gardner-Webb	Nelson	Rogers	DiSanto	Pares	Wilder	Valente	Solomon	Willman	Ginnever	Flowers	Holley
Charleston Sou.	Nelson	Manaves	Malicevic	Pares	Wilder	Valente	Solomon	Willman	Ginnever	Flowers	Holley
Tennessee Tech	Nelson	Rice	J. Arellano	Tanelus	Wilder	Valente	Solomon	Willman	Rice	Flowers	Holley

OPPONENT	DE	NT	DT	DE	LB	LB	NICKEL	CB	SAF	SAF	CB
Illinois	Barrows	Price	T. Lewis	Oliveira-Chace	Porter	Shockey	Armstead	Burt	Drakeford	Aitken	Alexander
Indiana State	Barrows	Price	T. Lewis	Oliveira-Chace	Tolbert	Shockey	Armstead	Burt	Hubbard	Aitken	Alexander
Northwestern	Barrows	Price	T. Lewis	Oliveira-Chace	Tolbert	Shockey	Coates	Burt	Drakeford	Gentry	Alexander
Illinois State	Armstead	Price	T. Lewis	Oliveira-Chace	Tolbert	Shockey	Rainey	Burt	Drakeford	Gentry	Alexander
Lindenwood	Armstead	Van Hyfte	T. Lewis	Oliveira-Chace	Porter	Shockey	Rainey	Burt	Drakeford	Gentry	Alexander
SE Missouri	Armstead	Van Hyfte	T. Lewis	Oliveira-Chace	Porter	Shockey	Rainey	Burt	Drakeford	Aitken	Alexander
Tennessee St	Armstead	Barrows	T. Lewis	Oliveira-Chace	Porter	Shockey	Rainey	Burt	Drakeford	Aitken	K. Davis
UT Martin	Armstead	Barrows	T. Lewis	Oliveira-Chace	Porter	Shockey	Rainey	Burt	Drakeford	Aitken	Sharp
Western Illinois	Armstead	Barrows	T. Lewis	Oliveira-Chace	Porter	Shockey	Rainey	Burt	Drakeford	Aitken	K. Davis
Gardner-Webb	Armstead	Barrows	T. Lewis	Oliveira-Chace	Porter	Shockey	Rainey	Burt	Gentry	Aitken	Houi
Charleston Sou.	Armstead	Barrows	T. Lewis	Oliveira-Chace	Porter	Shockey	Fridge	Burt	Drakeford	Gentry	Houi
Tennessee Tech	Armstead	Barrows	T. Lewis	Oliveira-Chace	Porter	Shockey	Fridge	Burt	Drakeford	Gentry	Houi



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Overall Team Statistics
All games

Team Statistics

	EIU	OPP
Scoring	222	391
Points per game	18.5	32.6
Points Off Turnovers	14	88
First Downs	216	260
Rushing	59	98
Passing	139	136
Penalty	18	26
Rushing Yardage	913	1883
Yards gained rushing	1314	2051
Yards lost rushing	401	168
Rushing attempts	346	432
Average per rush	2.6	4.4
Average per game	76.1	156.9
TDs Rushing	9	20
Passing Yardage	3194	3005
Comp-Att-Int	257-425-14	252-361-6
Average per pass	7.5	8.3
Average per catch	12.4	11.9
Average per game	266.2	250.4
TDs Passing	19	30
Total offense	4107	4888
Total plays	771	793
Average per play	5.3	6.2
Average per game	342.3	407.3
Kick returns: #-Yards	19-322	27-611
Punt returns: #-Yards	7-57	24-335
Int returns: #-Yards	6-28	14-218
Kick return average	16.9	22.6
Punt return average	8.1	14.0
Int return average	4.7	15.6
Fumbles-Lost	15-6	8-2
Penalties-Yards	52-471	68-538
Average per game	39.3	44.8
Punts-Yards	55-2439	43-1625
Average per punt	44.3	37.8
Net punt average	35.7	34.1
Kickoffs-Yards	46-2548	75-4462
Average per kick	55.4	59.5
Net kick average	34.0	39.9
Time of possession / game	28:06	31:26
3rd-down conversion	60/160	71/152
3rd-down pct	38%	47%
4rd-down conversion	10/25	9/17



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	EIU	OPP
4rd-down pct	40%	53%
Sacks by-Yards	14-90	43-297
Misc Yards	0	0
Touchdowns scored	29	51
Field goals - attempts	7-14	12-19
On-Side kicks	0-1	0-1
Red-zone scores	(28-41) 68%	(46-56) 82%
Red-zone touchdowns	(22-41) 54%	(38-56) 68%
PAT-attempts	(25-26) 96%	(49-51) 96%
2-point conversion-attempts	(1-3) 33%	(0-0) 0%
Attendance	26153	87557
Games / Avg per game	5/5231	7/12508
Neutral site games	-	0/0

Score by Periods

Team	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	OT	TOT
Eastern Ill.	35	77	58	49	3	222
Opponents	72	132	82	105	0	391



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Individual Statistics
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Rushing

Player	gp	att	gain	loss	net	avg	td	lg	avg/g
MJ Flowers	12	213	921	56	865	4.1	7	65	72.1
Jay Pearson	11	45	219	4	215	4.8	1	59	19.5
Kendi Young	5	8	16	0	16	2.0	0	6	3.2
Cooper Willman	12	3	17	6	11	3.7	0	9	0.9
Jacob Horvath	12	2	24	14	10	5.0	0	24	0.8
CJ Nelson	11	1	5	0	5	5.0	0	5	0.5
Eli Mirza	6	1	3	0	3	3.0	0	3	0.5
Blainey Dowling	4	3	5	6	-1	-0.3	0	5	-0.3
Pierce Holley	12	66	104	298	-194	-2.9	1	17	-16.2
Team	12	4	0	17	-17	-4.3	0	0	-1.4
Total	12	346	1314	401	913	2.6	9	65	76.1
Opponents	12	432	2051	168	1883	4.4	20	37	156.9

Passing

Player	gp	effic	comp-att-int	pct	yds	td	lg	avg/g
Pierce Holley	12	134.4	249-408-13	61.0	3125	19	80	260.4
Blainey Dowling	4	73.7	8-16-1	50.0	69	0	17	17.3
Team	12	0.0	0-1-0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0
Total	12	131.8	257-425-14	60.5	3194	19	80	266.2
Opponents	12	163.8	252-361-6	69.8	3005	30	74	250.4

Receiving

Player	gp	no.	yds	avg	td	lg	avg/g
Cooper Willman	12	66	955	14.5	8	80	79.6
MJ Flowers	12	45	347	7.7	3	64	28.9
Terrance Gipson	6	23	285	12.4	0	46	47.5
Alex Ginnever	12	22	232	10.5	2	37	19.3
Quenton Rogers	8	22	349	15.9	1	62	43.6
CJ Nelson	11	21	292	13.9	1	40	26.5
Eli Mirza	6	21	217	10.3	2	27	36.2
Alex Herrera	4	12	150	12.5	2	25	37.5
DeAirious Smith	2	6	110	18.3	0	47	55.0
Jay Pearson	11	6	96	16.0	0	55	8.7
Anthony Manaves	7	4	50	12.5	0	32	7.1
Landers Green	1	3	48	16.0	0	27	48.0
Aaron Rice	6	2	20	10.0	0	13	3.3
Kendi Young	5	1	5	5.0	0	5	1.0
Jordan Sprycha	4	1	15	15.0	0	15	3.8
Surahz Buncom	5	1	5	5.0	0	5	1.0
Jamal Jeffers	7	1	17	17.0	0	17	2.4
Total	12	257	3194	12.4	19	80	266.2
Opponents	12	252	3005	11.9	30	74	250.4

Punt Returns

Player	no.	yds	avg	td	lg
Cooper Willman	5	53	10.6	0	25
Zay Gentry	1	4	4.0	0	4
Cody Silzer	1	0	0.0	0	0
Total	7	57	8.1	0	25
Opponents	24	335	14.0	0	47

Interceptions

Player	no.	yds	avg	td	lg
Nijhay Burt	3	27	9.0	0	27
Kaelin Drakeford	1	0	0.0	0	0
Elijawah Tolbert	1	1	1.0	0	1
Moses Alexander	1	0	0.0	0	0
Total	6	28	4.7	0	27
Opponents	14	218	15.6	1	72

Kick Returns

Player	no.	yds	avg	td	lg
Terrance Gipson	9	159	17.7	0	32
Jay Pearson	4	87	21.8	0	30
Jacarre Fleming	3	61	20.3	0	25
Mark Aitken	2	15	7.5	0	10
Eli Mirza	1	0	0.0	0	0
Total	19	322	16.9	0	32
Opponents	27	611	22.6	0	50

Fumbles Recovered

Player	no.	yds	avg	td	lg
Moses Alexander	2	60	30.0	1	60
Total	2	60	30.0	1	60
Opponents	6	10	1.7	0	10



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Scoring

Player	td	fg	PAT				dxp	saf	pts
			kick	rush	rcv	pass			
MJ Flowers	10	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	60
Cooper Willman	8	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	48
Julian Patino	-	4-7	18-19	-	-	-	-	-	30
Drew Schiller	-	3-7	7-7	-	-	-	-	-	16
Eli Mirza	2	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	14
Alex Ginnever	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	12
Alex Herrera	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	12
Pierce Holley	1	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	6
Moses Alexander	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6
CJ Nelson	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6
Jay Pearson	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6
Quenton Rogers	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6
Total	29	7-14	25-26	0	1	1	0	0	222
Opponents	51	12-19	49-51	0	0	0	0	0	391

Field Goals

Player	fg	pct.	01-19	20-29	30-39	40-49	50-99	lg	blk
Julian Patino	4-7	57.1	2-2	1-2	1-1	0-1	0-1	30	1
Drew Schiller	3-7	42.9	0-0	0-0	2-5	1-1	0-1	40	1
Opponents	12-19	63.2	0-0	5-5	4-6	2-6	1-2	54	2

FG Sequence

Team Name	Eastern Ill.	Opponents
Northwestern	36	42,(46)
Indiana St.	(34),(40),33	
Lindenwood	(32),50,30	49
Tennessee St.	50,(30)	45
UT Martin	(19)	(31)
Western Ill.	(27)	(32)
Gardner-Webb	29	(54),32,40
Charleston So.	(18)	(37),(39),50
Tennessee Tech	46	(46),(20),34,(22)
Illinois		(26)
Illinois St.		(28)
Southeast Mo. St.		(26)

Numbers in (parentheses) indicate field goal was made

Total Offense

Player	g	plays	rush	pass	total	avg/g
Pierce Holley	12	474	-194	3125	2931	244.3
MJ Flowers	12	213	865	0	865	72.1
Jay Pearson	11	45	215	0	215	19.5
Blainey Dowling	4	19	-1	69	68	17.0
Kendi Young	5	8	16	0	16	3.2
Cooper Willman	12	3	11	0	11	0.9
Jacob Horvath	12	2	10	0	10	0.8
CJ Nelson	11	1	5	0	5	0.5
Eli Mirza	6	1	3	0	3	0.5
Team	12	0	-17	0	-17	-1.4
Total	12	771	913	3194	4107	342.3
Opponents	12	793	1883	3005	4888	407.3

Punting

Player	no.	yds	avg	lg	tb	fc	i20	50+	blk
Jacob Horvath	54	2390	44.3	76	7	10	12	15	0
Drew Schiller	1	49	49.0	49	0	0	1	0	0
Total	55	2439	44.3	76	7	10	13	15	0
Opponents	43	1625	37.8	59	5	21	19	5	1

Kickoffs

Player	no.	yds	avg	tb	ob	retn	net	ydln
Julian Patino	46	2548	55.4	11	2			
Total	46	2548	55.4	11	2	27	34	31
Opponents	75	4462	59.5	29	1	19	39.9	25



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All Purpose

Player	g	rush	rcv	pr	kr	ir	total	avg/g
MJ Flowers	12	865	347	0	0	0	1212	101.0
Cooper Willman	12	11	955	53	0	0	1019	84.9
Terrance Gipson	6	0	285	0	159	0	444	74.0
Jay Pearson	11	215	96	0	87	0	398	36.2
Quenton Rogers	8	0	349	0	0	0	349	43.6
CJ Nelson	11	5	292	0	0	0	297	27.0
Alex Ginnever	12	0	232	0	0	0	232	19.3
Eli Mirza	6	3	217	0	0	0	220	36.7
Alex Herrera	4	0	150	0	0	0	150	37.5
DeAirious Smith	2	0	110	0	0	0	110	55.0
Jacarre Fleming	2	0	0	0	61	0	61	30.5
Anthony Manaves	7	0	50	0	0	0	50	7.1
Landers Green	1	0	48	0	0	0	48	48.0
Nijhay Burt	12	0	0	0	0	27	27	2.3
Kendi Young	5	16	5	0	0	0	21	4.2
Aaron Rice	6	0	20	0	0	0	20	3.3
Jamal Jeffers	7	0	17	0	0	0	17	2.4
Mark Aitken	10	0	0	0	15	0	15	1.5
Jordan Sprycha	4	0	15	0	0	0	15	3.8
Jacob Horvath	12	10	0	0	0	0	10	0.8
Surahz Buncom	5	0	5	0	0	0	5	1.0
Zay Gentry	11	0	0	4	0	0	4	0.4
Elijawah Tolbert	4	0	0	0	0	1	1	0.3
Drew Wilder	12	0	1	0	0	0	1	0.1
Blainey Dowling	4	-1	0	0	0	0	-1	-0.3
Pierce Holley	12	-194	0	0	0	0	-194	-16.2
Team	12	-17	0	0	0	0	-17	-1.4
Total	12	913	3194	57	322	28	4514	376.2
Opponents	12	1883	3005	335	611	218	6052	504.3



**2024-25 Eastern Ill. Football
Overall Defense Statistics
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Team Defense

#	Player	gp	Tackles				Sacks	Pass defense			Fumbles		blkd	
			ua	a	tot	tfl/yds		no-yds	int-yds	brup	qbh	fr-yds	ff	kick
5	Anthony Shockey	12	52	48	100	4.5-9	.	.	2	.	.	.	.	.
19	Phoenix Porter	12	35	33	68	3-4	.	.	2	2	.	.	.	.
3	Nijhay Burt	12	52	12	64	3-4	.	3-27	3	.	.	1	1	.
22	Kaelin Drakeford	11	37	26	63	2-10	1-7	1-0	2	.	.	2	.	.
9	Tre'Jon Lewis	12	13	30	43	2.5-7	0.5-3	.	2	5	.	.	1	.
15	Malik Rainey	11	24	19	43	2-14	1-12	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
91	Nicholas Oliveira-Chace	12	10	30	40	10-48	6-40	.	.	4	.	.	.	.
11	Elijawah Tolbert	4	20	18	38	3-4	0.5-1	1-1	.	.	.	.	.	.
4	Moses Alexander	6	24	11	35	.	.	1-0	2	1	2-60	.	.	.
16	Zay Gentry	11	21	11	32	1-1	.	.	2	.	.	.	1	.
6	Joel Barrows	10	15	12	27	5-22	1.5-11	.	.	3	.	.	.	.
0	Ira Armstead III	12	12	13	25	3.5-10	0.5-3	.	3	7	.	.	.	.
95	Drake Van Hyfte	9	11	14	25	5-14	1-5	.	1	2	.	.	.	.
50	Jerrad Price	12	6	16	22	2-3	1-2	.	2	1	.	.	.	.
99	Jaron Hacha	12	1	19	20	2.5-6	0.5-3	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
25	Christopher Sharp	10	13	5	18	1-1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
2	Mark Aitken	10	15	3	18	.	.	.	3	.	.	.	.	.
1	Nick Coates	4	10	7	17	2-7	.	.	2	.	.	1	.	.
30	Kiwaun Davis	6	15	2	17	1-4	.	.	1	.	.	.	.	.
8	Tienne Fridge	12	10	7	17	0.5-1	.	.	2	.	.	.	.	.
23	Isaiah Houi	7	12	4	16	2-3	.	.	5	.	.	.	.	.
12	Akili Hubbard	6	7	7	14	0.5-0	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
44	Luke Wagner	12	7	6	13	2-5	.	.	1	.	.	.	.	.
90	Trevon Piggee-Blake	10	4	8	12	1.5-2	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
52	Jamari Johnson	11	3	6	9	0.5-3	0.5-3	.	2	1	.	.	.	.
33	Jack Pilson	9	3	2	5	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
26	Makhi Wilson	8	2	3	5	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
20	Kaleb Lyons	4	3	2	5	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
14	Akin Adigun	11	3	1	4	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
36	Dillon Conway	4	.	4	4	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
40	Isaiah Richardson	9	2	2	4	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
32	Ryan Kilburg	3	3	1	4	1-1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
48	Julian Patino	12	4	.	4	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
66	Jack Valente	11	4	.	4	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
87	Alex Ginnever	12	2	.	2	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
35	Zeke Lewis	9	.	2	2	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
59	Liam Carr	11	.	2	2	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
51	Payton Orth	4	2	.	2
93	Jacob Horvath	12	2	.	2
82	Joe McNab	11	2	.	2
24	Collin Tyson	7	1	.	1



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Overall Defense Statistics
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##	Player	gp	Tackles				Sacks	Pass defense			Fumbles		blkd	
			ua	a	tot	tfl/yds		no-yds	int-yds	brup	qbh	fr-yds	ff	kick
13	Cooper Willman	12	1	.	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
7	Eli Mirza	6	1	.	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
98	Brett Galletti	11	1	.	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
14	Blainey Dowling	4	1	.	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
3	Pierce Holley	12	1	.	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
9	Aaron Rice	6	1	.	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
96	Cody Silzer	7	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	1	.
	Totals	12	468	386	854	61-183	14-90	6-28	37	26	2-60	4	4	0
	Opponents	12	410	302	712	82-400	43-297	14-218	63	35	6-10	8	2	0



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Team Game-by-Game
All games**

Date	Opponent	Rushing				Receiving				Passing				Kick Returns				Punt Returns				tot off			
		no.	yds	td	lg	no.	yds	td	lg	cmp	att	int	yds	td	lg	no.	yds	td	lg	no.	yds		td	lg	
08/29/2024	at Illinois	22	49	0	11	16	147	0	27	16	32	2	147	0	27	2	25	0	15	0	0	0	0	196	
09/07/2024	Indiana St.	30	86	1	19	19	268	1	47	19	32	1	268	1	47	3	19	0	14	0	0	0	0	354	
09/14/2024	at Northwestern	20	40	0	10	17	167	1	32	17	31	1	167	1	32	2	60	0	32	0	0	0	0	207	
09/21/2024	at Illinois St.	27	105	1	31	12	87	0	16	12	22	2	87	0	16	1	13	0	13	0	0	0	0	192	
09/28/2024	Lindenwood	35	132	1	13	26	326	2	55	26	44	0	326	2	55	2	51	0	30	2	31	0	25	458	
10/05/2024	Southeast Mo. St.	21	19	2	16	27	366	2	46	27	42	0	366	2	46	4	52	0	16	0	0	0	0	385	
10/12/2024	at Tennessee St.	30	75	1	11	30	360	1	62	30	51	1	360	1	62	2	41	0	21	2	22	0	15	435	
10/26/2024	at UT Martin	21	48	0	9	36	348	2	45	36	54	3	348	2	45	1	14	0	14	0	0	0	0	396	
11/02/2024	Western Ill.	34	196	1	65	19	338	5	64	19	27	0	338	5	64	2	47	0	25	1	4	0	4	534	
11/09/2024	at Gardner-Webb	29	7	0	24	20	458	4	80	20	36	1	458	4	80	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	465
11/16/2024	Charleston So.	44	76	1	34	17	168	1	19	17	26	2	168	1	19	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	244	
11/23/2024	at Tennessee Tech	33	80	1	59	18	161	0	17	18	28	1	161	0	17	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	241	
Eastern Ill.		346	913	9	65	257	3194	19	80	257	425-14	3194	19	80	19	322	0	32	7	57	0	25	4107		
Opponents		432	1883	20	37	252	3005	30	74	252	361-6	3005	30	74	27	611	0	50	24	335	0	47	4888		

Eastern Ill. Averages

Games	Avg/ rush	Avg/ catch	Pass effic	KR avg	PR avg	All purpose avg/game	Total offense avg/game
12	2.6	12.4	131.8	16.9	8.1	376.2	342.3

Date	Opponent	Tackles			Sacks	Fumble	Pass Defense			blkd	PAT attempts			off					
		ua	a	total	tfl-yds	no-yds	ff	fr-yds	int-yds	qbh	brup	kick	kick	rush	rcv	saf	t/o	pts	
08/29/2024	at Illinois	53	12	65	5.0-6	0-0	0	0-0	0-0	1	3	0	0-0	0	0	0	0	0	0
09/07/2024	Indiana St.	43	40	83	7.0-27	3-19	1	1-60	3-1	0	3	0	3-3	0	0	0	7	27	
09/14/2024	at Northwestern	36	34	70	5.0-13	1-5	1	0-0	0-0	4	3	1	1-1	0	0	0	0	7	
09/21/2024	at Illinois St.	44	56	100	6.0-18	1-7	1	1-0	1-0	1	0	0	1-1	0	0	0	0	7	
09/28/2024	Lindenwood	36	38	74	2.0-15	1-12	0	0-0	1-0	1	2	0	2-2	0	1	0	0	25	
10/05/2024	Southeast Mo. St.	43	28	71	6.0-21	2-11	1	0-0	1-27	4	3	0	3-3	0	0	0	7	27	
10/12/2024	at Tennessee St.	41	10	51	6.0-16	1-7	0	0-0	0-0	3	4	1	2-2	0	0	0	0	17	
10/26/2024	at UT Martin	24	42	66	3.0-8	0-0	0	0-0	0-0	2	3	0	2-2	0	0	0	0	17	
11/02/2024	Western Ill.	35	34	69	3.0-13	1-9	0	0-0	0-0	5	8	0	6-6	0	0	0	0	45	
11/09/2024	at Gardner-Webb	47	24	71	7.0-17	0-0	0	0-0	0-0	1	2	0	4-4	0	0	0	0	28	
11/16/2024	Charleston So.	32	36	68	7.0-21	3-15	0	0-0	0-0	2	3	2	1-2	0	0	0	0	16	
11/23/2024	at Tennessee Tech	34	32	66	4.0-8	1-5	0	0-0	0-0	2	3	0	0-0	0	0	0	0	6	
Eastern Ill.		468	386	854	61.0-183	14-90	4	2-60	6-28	26	37	4	25-26	0	1	0	14	222	
Opponents		410	302	712	82.0-400	43-297	8	6-10	14-218	35	63	2	49-51	0	0	0	88	391	

Date	Opponent	Punting										Field Goals			Kickoffs			
		no.	yds	avg	long	blkd	tb	fc	50+	i20	md-att	long	blkd	no.	yds	avg	tb	ob
08/29/2024	at Illinois	7	296	42.3	49	0	0	1	0	2	0-0	0	0	1	65	65.0	1	0
09/07/2024	Indiana St.	5	236	47.2	76	0	1	0	1	2	2-3	40	0	5	308	61.6	1	0
09/14/2024	at Northwestern	5	231	46.2	51	0	1	2	1	2	0-1	0	1	2	128	64.0	0	0
09/21/2024	at Illinois St.	6	307	51.2	66	0	0	2	3	3	0-0	0	0	2	130	65.0	2	0
09/28/2024	Lindenwood	5	242	48.4	64	0	1	0	3	0	1-3	32	0	5	283	56.6	1	0
10/05/2024	Southeast Mo. St.	5	188	37.6	58	0	0	0	1	0	0-0	0	0	5	244	48.8	2	1
10/12/2024	at Tennessee St.	4	172	43.0	52	0	1	1	1	1	1-2	30	0	4	259	64.8	2	0
10/26/2024	at UT Martin	5	217	43.4	50	0	0	3	1	2	1-1	19	0	4	219	54.8	0	0
11/02/2024	Western Ill.	2	71	35.5	41	0	1	0	0	1	1-1	27	0	8	458	57.3	1	0
11/09/2024	at Gardner-Webb	3	145	48.3	51	0	1	0	1	0	0-1	0	1	5	224	44.8	0	0
11/16/2024	Charleston So.	5	205	41.0	52	0	0	1	2	0	1-1	18	0	3	144	48.0	1	0
11/23/2024	at Tennessee Tech	3	129	43.0	50	0	1	0	1	0	0-1	0	0	2	86	43.0	0	1
Eastern Ill.		55	2439	44.3	76	0	7	10	15	13	7-14	40	2	46	2548	55.4	11	2
Opponents		43	1625	37.8	59	1	5	21	5	19	12-19	54	2	75	4462	59.5	29	1



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Date	Opponent	Rushing				Receiving				Passing				Kick Returns				Punt Returns				tot off		
		no.	yds	td	lg	no.	yds	td	lg	cmp	att	int	yds	td	lg	no.	yds	td	lg	no.	yds		td	lg
08/29/2024	at Illinois	42	244	2	29	21	242	4	34	21	29	0	242	4	34	0	0	0	0	4	43	0	30	486
09/07/2024	Indiana St.	32	74	0	12	30	260	3	28	30	37	3	260	3	28	4	73	0	19	2	34	0	29	334
09/14/2024	at Northwestern	35	203	2	32	21	247	2	46	21	32	0	247	2	46	2	58	0	40	2	16	0	16	450
09/21/2024	at Illinois St.	52	253	1	30	22	265	3	31	22	28	1	265	3	31	0	0	0	0	3	13	0	8	518
09/28/2024	Lindenwood	40	170	0	34	14	283	4	74	14	19	1	283	4	74	4	88	0	34	2	12	0	9	453
10/05/2024	Southeast Mo. St.	30	61	2	16	30	364	3	54	30	43	1	364	3	54	2	26	0	16	2	37	0	34	425
10/12/2024	at Tennessee St.	29	128	2	20	21	237	4	50	21	33	0	237	4	50	2	65	0	44	2	34	0	19	365
10/26/2024	at UT Martin	30	212	3	37	16	248	3	53	16	23	0	248	3	53	3	110	0	50	1	43	0	43	460
11/02/2024	Western Ill.	28	86	2	11	29	309	3	29	29	43	0	309	3	29	4	98	0	41	0	0	0	0	395
11/09/2024	at Gardner-Webb	35	127	3	14	26	337	1	65	26	34	0	337	1	65	3	60	0	41	2	9	0	8	464
11/16/2024	Charleston So.	39	125	1	20	11	85	0	18	11	20	0	85	0	18	2	26	0	20	3	83	0	47	210
11/23/2024	at Tennessee Tech	40	200	2	18	11	128	0	33	11	20	0	128	0	33	1	7	0	21	1	11	0	11	328
Opponents		432	1883	20	37	252	3005	30	74	252	361	6	3005	30	74	27	611	0	50	24	335	0	47	4888
Eastern Ill.		346	913	9	65	257	3194	19	80	257	425	14	3194	19	80	19	322	0	32	7	57	0	25	4107

Opponents Averages

Games	Avg/ rush	Avg/ catch	Pass effic	KR avg	PR avg	All purpose avg/game	Total offense avg/game
12	4.4	11.9	163.8	22.6	14.0	504.3	407.3

Date	Opponent	Tackles				Sacks	Fumble	Pass Defense			blkd	PAT attempts			off			
		ua	a	total	tfl-yds	no-yds	ff	fr	yds	qbh	brup	kick	kick	rush	rcv	saf	t/o	pts
08/29/2024	at Illinois	24	20	44	3.0-10	1-5	2	2-0	2-1	2	2	0	6-6	0	0	0	24	45
09/07/2024	Indiana St.	33	24	57	6.0-23	1-7	0	0-0	1-11	5	4	0	2-3	0	0	0	6	20
09/14/2024	at Northwestern	22	24	46	4.0-20	3-18	0	0-0	1-0	5	4	1	4-4	0	0	0	7	31
09/21/2024	at Illinois St.	23	30	53	4.0-22	3-18	0	1-0	2-24	1	3	0	4-4	0	0	0	14	31
09/28/2024	Lindenwood	51	16	67	3.0-11	1-7	0	0-0	0-0	3	6	0	4-4	0	0	0	0	28
10/05/2024	Southeast Mo. St.	43	8	51	8.0-50	5-42	0	0-0	0-0	1	9	0	5-5	0	0	0	0	38
10/12/2024	at Tennessee St.	49	18	67	8.0-29	2-16	1	0-0	1-47	4	5	0	5-6	0	0	0	7	41
10/26/2024	at UT Martin	26	52	78	5.0-21	2-16	0	0-0	3-123	6	12	0	7-7	0	0	0	21	52
11/02/2024	Western Ill.	39	22	61	4.0-26	3-24	1	1-0	0-0	2	1	0	5-5	0	0	0	3	38
11/09/2024	at Gardner-Webb	32	20	52	14.0-83	11-79	0	0-0	1-0	3	10	1	4-4	0	0	0	0	31
11/16/2024	Charleston So.	40	32	72	13.0-75	7-52	1	1-0	2-0	3	2	0	1-1	0	0	0	0	13
11/23/2024	at Tennessee Tech	28	36	64	10.0-30	4-13	3	1-10	1-12	0	5	0	2-2	0	0	0	6	23
Opponents		410	302	712	82.0-400	43-297	8	6-10	14-218	35	63	2	49-51	0	0	0	88	391
Eastern Ill.		468	386	854	61.0-183	14-90	4	2-60	6-28	26	37	4	25-26	0	1	0	14	222

Date	Opponent	Punting								Field Goals			Kickoffs					
		no.	yds	avg	long	blkd	tb	fc	50+	i20	md-att	long	blkd	no.	yds	avg	tb	ob
08/29/2024	at Illinois	4	156	39.0	44	0	1	3	0	3	1-1	26	0	8	455	56.9	5	1
09/07/2024	Indiana St.	4	160	40.0	43	0	0	2	0	1	0-0	0	0	4	193	48.3	1	0
09/14/2024	at Northwestern	3	118	39.3	43	0	0	2	0	2	1-2	46	1	6	390	65.0	4	0
09/21/2024	at Illinois St.	2	78	39.0	46	0	0	2	0	1	1-1	28	0	6	389	64.8	5	0
09/28/2024	Lindenwood	4	131	32.8	49	0	0	0	0	2	0-1	0	0	5	313	62.6	3	0
10/05/2024	Southeast Mo. St.	4	157	39.3	51	0	2	2	1	1	1-1	26	0	7	412	58.9	3	0
10/12/2024	at Tennessee St.	5	201	40.2	51	0	0	2	1	1	0-1	0	0	7	445	63.6	2	0
10/26/2024	at UT Martin	2	84	42.0	47	0	0	1	0	0	1-1	31	0	9	527	58.6	2	0
11/02/2024	Western Ill.	3	95	31.7	33	0	0	1	0	0	1-1	32	0	7	411	58.7	0	0
11/09/2024	at Gardner-Webb	3	111	37.0	44	0	0	1	0	3	1-3	54	0	6	356	59.3	2	0
11/16/2024	Charleston So.	7	264	37.7	59	1	2	4	3	3	2-3	39	1	4	244	61.0	2	0
11/23/2024	at Tennessee Tech	2	70	35.0	38	0	0	1	0	2	3-4	46	0	6	327	54.5	0	0
Opponents		43	1625	37.8	59	1	5	21	5	19	12-19	54	2	75	4462	59.5	29	1
Eastern Ill.		55	2439	44.3	76	0	7	10	15	13	7-14	40	2	46	2548	55.4	11	2



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Eastern III. - Game Highs

RUSHES	44	Charleston So. (11/16/2024)
YARDS RUSHING	196	Western Ill. (11/02/2024)
YARDS PER RUSH	5.8	Western Ill. (11/02/2024)
TD RUSHES	2	Southeast Mo. St. (10/05/2024)
PASS ATTEMPTS	54	at UT Martin (10/26/2024)
PASS COMPLETIONS	36	at UT Martin (10/26/2024)
YARDS PASSING	458	at Gardner-Webb (11/09/2024)
YARDS PER PASS	12.7	at Gardner-Webb (11/09/2024)
TD PASSES	5	Western Ill. (11/02/2024)
TOTAL PLAYS	81	at Tennessee St. (10/12/2024)
TOTAL OFFENSE	534	Western Ill. (11/02/2024)
YARDS PER PLAY	8.8	Western Ill. (11/02/2024)
POINTS	45	Western Ill. (11/02/2024)
SACKS BY	3	Charleston So. (11/16/2024)
	3	Indiana St. (09/07/2024)
FIRST DOWNS	25	Lindenwood (09/28/2024)
PENALTIES	6	at UT Martin (10/26/2024)
	6	Southeast Mo. St. (10/05/2024)
	6	Lindenwood (09/28/2024)
	6	at Illinois (08/29/2024)
PENALTY YARDS	62	Lindenwood (09/28/2024)
TURNOVERS	4	at Illinois (08/29/2024)
PUNTS	7	at Illinois (08/29/2024)
PUNTING AVG	51.2	at Illinois St. (09/21/2024)
LONG PUNT	76	Indiana St. (09/07/2024)
PUNTS INSIDE 20	3	at Illinois St. (09/21/2024)
LONG PUNT RETURN	25	Lindenwood (09/28/2024)



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Opponent - Game Highs

RUSHES	52	at Illinois St. (09/21/2024)
YARDS RUSHING	253	at Illinois St. (09/21/2024)
YARDS PER RUSH	7.1	at UT Martin (10/26/2024)
TD RUSHES	3 3	at Gardner-Webb (11/09/2024) at UT Martin (10/26/2024)
PASS ATTEMPTS	43 43	Western Ill. (11/02/2024) Southeast Mo. St. (10/05/2024)
PASS COMPLETIONS	30 30	Southeast Mo. St. (10/05/2024) Indiana St. (09/07/2024)
YARDS PASSING	364	Southeast Mo. St. (10/05/2024)
YARDS PER PASS	14.9	Lindenwood (09/28/2024)
TD PASSES	4 4 4	at Tennessee St. (10/12/2024) Lindenwood (09/28/2024) at Illinois (08/29/2024)
TOTAL PLAYS	80	at Illinois St. (09/21/2024)
TOTAL OFFENSE	518	at Illinois St. (09/21/2024)
YARDS PER PLAY	8.7	at UT Martin (10/26/2024)
POINTS	52	at UT Martin (10/26/2024)
SACKS BY	11	at Gardner-Webb (11/09/2024)
FIRST DOWNS	28	at Illinois St. (09/21/2024)
PENALTIES	15	Charleston So. (11/16/2024)
PENALTY YARDS	118	Charleston So. (11/16/2024)
TURNOVERS	4	Indiana St. (09/07/2024)
PUNTS	7	Charleston So. (11/16/2024)
PUNTING AVG	42.0	at UT Martin (10/26/2024)
LONG PUNT	59	Charleston So. (11/16/2024)
PUNTS INSIDE 20	3 3 3	Charleston So. (11/16/2024) at Gardner-Webb (11/09/2024) at Illinois (08/29/2024)
LONG PUNT RETURN	47	Charleston So. (11/16/2024)



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Eastern Ill. - Game Lows

RUSHES	20	at Northwestern (09/14/2024)
YARDS RUSHING	7	at Gardner-Webb (11/09/2024)
YARDS PER RUSH	0.2	at Gardner-Webb (11/09/2024)
TD RUSHES	0	at Gardner-Webb (11/09/2024)
	0	at UT Martin (10/26/2024)
	0	at Northwestern (09/14/2024)
	0	at Illinois (08/29/2024)
PASS ATTEMPTS	22	at Illinois St. (09/21/2024)
PASS COMPLETIONS	12	at Illinois St. (09/21/2024)
YARDS PASSING	87	at Illinois St. (09/21/2024)
YARDS PER PASS	4.0	at Illinois St. (09/21/2024)
TD PASSES	0	at Tennessee Tech (11/23/2024)
	0	at Illinois St. (09/21/2024)
	0	at Illinois (08/29/2024)
TOTAL PLAYS	49	at Illinois St. (09/21/2024)
TOTAL OFFENSE	192	at Illinois St. (09/21/2024)
YARDS PER PLAY	3.5	Charleston So. (11/16/2024)
POINTS	0	at Illinois (08/29/2024)
SACKS BY	0	at Gardner-Webb (11/09/2024)
	0	at UT Martin (10/26/2024)
	0	at Illinois (08/29/2024)
FIRST DOWNS	9	at Illinois St. (09/21/2024)
	9	at Illinois (08/29/2024)
PENALTIES	2	at Tennessee Tech (11/23/2024)
	2	at Northwestern (09/14/2024)
PENALTY YARDS	10	at Tennessee Tech (11/23/2024)
INTERCEPTIONS BY	0	at Tennessee Tech (11/23/2024)
	0	Charleston So. (11/16/2024)
	0	at Gardner-Webb (11/09/2024)
	0	Western Ill. (11/02/2024)
	0	at UT Martin (10/26/2024)
	0	at Tennessee St. (10/12/2024)
	0	at Northwestern (09/14/2024)
	0	at Illinois (08/29/2024)
PUNTS	2	Western Ill. (11/02/2024)
PUNTING AVG	35.5	Western Ill. (11/02/2024)
LONG PUNT	41	Western Ill. (11/02/2024)
PUNTS INSIDE 20	0	at Tennessee Tech (11/23/2024)
	0	Charleston So. (11/16/2024)
	0	at Gardner-Webb (11/09/2024)
	0	Southeast Mo. St. (10/05/2024)
	0	Lindenwood (09/28/2024)
LONG PUNT RETURN	0	at Tennessee Tech (11/23/2024)
	0	Charleston So. (11/16/2024)
	0	at Gardner-Webb (11/09/2024)
	0	at UT Martin (10/26/2024)
	0	Southeast Mo. St. (10/05/2024)
	0	at Illinois St. (09/21/2024)
	0	at Northwestern (09/14/2024)
	0	Indiana St. (09/07/2024)
	0	at Illinois (08/29/2024)



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Opponent - Game Lows

RUSHES	28	Western Ill. (11/02/2024)
YARDS RUSHING	61	Southeast Mo. St. (10/05/2024)
YARDS PER RUSH	2.0	Southeast Mo. St. (10/05/2024)
TD RUSHES	0	Lindenwood (09/28/2024)
	0	Indiana St. (09/07/2024)
PASS ATTEMPTS	19	Lindenwood (09/28/2024)
PASS COMPLETIONS	11	at Tennessee Tech (11/23/2024)
	11	Charleston So. (11/16/2024)
YARDS PASSING	85	Charleston So. (11/16/2024)
YARDS PER PASS	4.3	Charleston So. (11/16/2024)
TD PASSES	0	at Tennessee Tech (11/23/2024)
	0	Charleston So. (11/16/2024)
TOTAL PLAYS	53	at UT Martin (10/26/2024)
TOTAL OFFENSE	210	Charleston So. (11/16/2024)
YARDS PER PLAY	3.6	Charleston So. (11/16/2024)
POINTS	13	Charleston So. (11/16/2024)
SACKS BY	1	Lindenwood (09/28/2024)
	1	Indiana St. (09/07/2024)
	1	at Illinois (08/29/2024)
FIRST DOWNS	11	Charleston So. (11/16/2024)
PENALTIES	2	at Tennessee St. (10/12/2024)
PENALTY YARDS	20	at Tennessee St. (10/12/2024)
INTERCEPTIONS BY	0	Western Ill. (11/02/2024)
	0	Southeast Mo. St. (10/05/2024)
	0	Lindenwood (09/28/2024)
PUNTS	2	at Tennessee Tech (11/23/2024)
	2	at UT Martin (10/26/2024)
	2	at Illinois St. (09/21/2024)
PUNTING AVG	31.7	Western Ill. (11/02/2024)
LONG PUNT	33	Western Ill. (11/02/2024)
PUNTS INSIDE 20	0	Western Ill. (11/02/2024)
	0	at UT Martin (10/26/2024)
LONG PUNT RETURN	0	Western Ill. (11/02/2024)



**2024-25 Eastern Ill. Football
Individual Game Highs
All games**

Eastern Ill. - Individual Game Highs

RUSHES	28	MJ Flowers vs Lindenwood (09/28/2024)
YARDS RUSHING	194	MJ Flowers vs Western Ill. (11/02/2024)
TD RUSHES	2	MJ Flowers vs Southeast Mo. St. (10/05/2024)
LONG RUSH	65	MJ Flowers vs Western Ill. (11/02/2024)
PASS ATTEMPTS	54	Pierce Holley at UT Martin (10/26/2024)
PASS COMPLETIONS	36	Pierce Holley at UT Martin (10/26/2024)
YARDS PASSING	458	Pierce Holley at Gardner-Webb (11/09/2024)
TD PASSES	5	Pierce Holley vs Western Ill. (11/02/2024)
LONG PASS	80	Pierce Holley at Gardner-Webb (11/09/2024)
RECEPTIONS	11	Cooper Willman at Gardner-Webb (11/09/2024)
	11	Cooper Willman at UT Martin (10/26/2024)
	11	MJ Flowers vs Southeast Mo. St. (10/05/2024)
YARDS RECEIVING	291	Cooper Willman at Gardner-Webb (11/09/2024)
TD RECEPTIONS	3	Cooper Willman at Gardner-Webb (11/09/2024)
LONG RECEPTION	80	Cooper Willman at Gardner-Webb (11/09/2024)
PUNTS	7	Jacob Horvath at Illinois (08/29/2024)
PUNTING AVG	51.2	Jacob Horvath at Illinois St. (09/21/2024)
LONG PUNT	76	Jacob Horvath vs Indiana St. (09/07/2024)
PUNTS INSIDE 20	3	Jacob Horvath at Illinois St. (09/21/2024)
LONG PUNT RETURN	25	Cooper Willman vs Lindenwood (09/28/2024)
LONG KICKOFF RETURN	32	Terrance Gipson at Northwestern (09/14/2024)
TACKLES	12	Anthony Shockey vs Southeast Mo. St. (10/05/2024)
	12	Elijah Tolbert at Illinois (08/29/2024)
SACKS	2	Nicholas Oliveira-Chace vs Indiana St. (09/07/2024)
TACKLES FOR LOSS	2	Drake Van Hyfte at Tennessee Tech (11/23/2024)
	2	Joel Barrows vs Charleston So. (11/16/2024)
	2	Nicholas Oliveira-Chace at Northwestern (09/14/2024)
	2	Nicholas Oliveira-Chace vs Indiana St. (09/07/2024)



2024-25 Eastern Ill. Football
Opponent Individual Match Highs
All games

Opponent - Individual Game Highs

RUSHES	25	Wenkers Wright at Illinois St. (09/21/2024)
YARDS RUSHING	150	Wenkers Wright at Illinois St. (09/21/2024)
TD RUSHES	2	Carson Gresock at Gardner-Webb (11/09/2024)
	2	Patrick Smith at UT Martin (10/26/2024)
LONG RUSH	37	Kinkead Dent at UT Martin (10/26/2024)
PASS ATTEMPTS	43	Nathan Lamb vs Western Ill. (11/02/2024)
	43	Paxton DeLaurent vs Southeast Mo. St. (10/05/2024)
PASS COMPLETIONS	30	Paxton DeLaurent vs Southeast Mo. St. (10/05/2024)
	30	Elijah Owens vs Indiana St. (09/07/2024)
YARDS PASSING	364	Paxton DeLaurent vs Southeast Mo. St. (10/05/2024)
TD PASSES	4	Draylen Ellis at Tennessee St. (10/12/2024)
	4	Nate Glantz vs Lindenwood (09/28/2024)
	4	Luke Altmyer at Illinois (08/29/2024)
LONG PASS	74	Nate Glantz vs Lindenwood (09/28/2024)
RECEPTIONS	9	Eli Aragon vs Western Ill. (11/02/2024)
YARDS RECEIVING	124	Tristan Smith vs Southeast Mo. St. (10/05/2024)
TD RECEPTIONS	4	Jeff Caldwell vs Lindenwood (09/28/2024)
LONG RECEPTION	74	Jeff Caldwell vs Lindenwood (09/28/2024)
FIELD GOALS	3	Dom LeBlanc at Tennessee Tech (11/23/2024)
LONG FIELD GOALS	54	Jay Billingsley at Gardner-Webb (11/09/2024)
PUNTS	6	Gilbert Brown vs Charleston So. (11/16/2024)
PUNTING AVG	44.0	Gilbert Brown vs Charleston So. (11/16/2024)
LONG PUNT	59	Gilbert Brown vs Charleston So. (11/16/2024)
PUNTS INSIDE 20	3	Gilbert Brown vs Charleston So. (11/16/2024)
	3	Nick Bigelow at Gardner-Webb (11/09/2024)
	3	Hugh Robertson at Illinois (08/29/2024)
LONG PUNT RETURN	47	Noah Jennings vs Charleston So. (11/16/2024)
LONG KICKOFF RETURN	50	Trevonte Rucker at UT Martin (10/26/2024)
TACKLES	12	Ahmad Nelson at Tennessee St. (10/12/2024)
SACKS	4	Antonio O'Berry at Gardner-Webb (11/09/2024)
TACKLES FOR LOSS	4	Antonio O'Berry at Gardner-Webb (11/09/2024)
INTERCEPTIONS	1	Kalvyn Crummie at Tennessee Tech (11/23/2024)
	1	Leon Thomas vs Charleston So. (11/16/2024)
	1	Ja'Kobe North vs Charleston So. (11/16/2024)
	1	Miles Richardson at Gardner-Webb (11/09/2024)
	1	Tevin Shipp at UT Martin (10/26/2024)
	1	Jaylon Sharpe at UT Martin (10/26/2024)
	1	LaMarion Pierce at UT Martin (10/26/2024)
	1	Boogie Trotter at Tennessee St. (10/12/2024)
	1	Keondre Jackson at Illinois St. (09/21/2024)
	1	Mark Cannon Jr. at Illinois St. (09/21/2024)
	1	Devin Turner at Northwestern (09/14/2024)
	1	Maddix Blackwell vs Indiana St. (09/07/2024)
	1	Miles Scott at Illinois (08/29/2024)
	1	Torrie Cox Jr. at Illinois (08/29/2024)



2024-25 Eastern Ill. Football
Red-Zone Results
All games

Eastern Ill. Inside Opponent Red-Zone

Date	Opponent	Score	Times	Times	Total		Rush	Pass	FGs	Failed to score inside RZ						
			In RZ	Scored	Pts	TDs	TDs	TDs	Made	FGA	Down	Int	Fumb	Half	Game	
08/29/2024	at Illinois	L 0-45	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
09/07/2024	Indiana St.	W 27-20	4	3	17	2	1	1	1	2	0	0	0	0	0	0
09/14/2024	at Northwestern	L 7-31	3	1	7	1	0	1	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0
09/21/2024	at Illinois St.	L 7-31	2	1	7	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0
09/28/2024	Lindenwood	L 25-28	5	3	17	2	1	1	1	2	1	0	0	0	0	0
10/05/2024	Southeast Mo. St.	L 27-38	4	3	21	3	2	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0
10/12/2024	at Tennessee St.	L 17-41	5	3	17	2	1	1	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	1
10/26/2024	at UT Martin	L 17-52	3	3	17	2	0	2	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
11/02/2024	Western Ill.	W 45-38	6	6	38	5	1	4	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
11/09/2024	at Gardner-Webb	L 28-31	2	1	7	1	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
11/16/2024	Charleston So.	W 16-13	4	3	16	2	1	1	1	1	0	1	0	0	0	0
11/23/2024	at Tennessee Tech	L 6-23	3	1	6	1	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	1
Totals 28 of 41 (68.3%)			41	28	170	22	9	13	6	11	4	1	1	0	2	

Opponents Inside Eastern Ill. Red-Zone

Date	Opponent	Score	Times	Times	Total		Rush	Pass	FGs	Failed to score inside RZ						
			In RZ	Scored	Pts	TDs	TDs	TDs	Made	FGA	Down	Int	Fumb	Half	Game	
08/29/2024	Illinois	L 0-45	5	5	31	4	2	2	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
09/07/2024	Indiana St.	W 27-20	4	3	20	3	0	3	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0
09/14/2024	Northwestern	L 7-31	3	3	21	3	1	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
09/21/2024	Illinois St.	L 7-31	7	4	24	3	1	2	1	1	1	0	1	0	1	1
09/28/2024	Lindenwood	L 25-28	3	2	14	2	0	2	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0
10/05/2024	Southeast Mo. St.	L 27-38	5	5	31	4	2	2	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
10/12/2024	Tennessee St.	L 17-41	5	5	34	5	2	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
10/26/2024	UT Martin	L 17-52	5	4	24	3	2	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	1
11/02/2024	Western Ill.	W 45-38	5	5	31	4	2	2	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
11/09/2024	Gardner-Webb	L 28-31	5	4	28	4	3	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
11/16/2024	Charleston So.	W 16-13	4	2	10	1	1	0	1	1	2	0	0	0	0	0
11/23/2024	Tennessee Tech	L 6-23	5	4	20	2	2	0	2	3	0	0	0	0	0	0
Totals 46 of 56 (82.1%)			56	46	288	38	18	20	8	10	4	1	1	0	2	



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3rd-Down Conversions

Date	Opponent	Score	Overall	1st Qtr	2nd Qtr	3rd Qtr	4th Qtr	Overtime
08/29/2024	at Illinois	L 0-45	4-13 30.8	1-2 50.0	0-3 0.0	2-4 50.0	1-4 25.0	0-2 0.0
09/07/2024	Indiana St.	W 27-20	4-13 30.8	2-4 50.0	0-3 0.0	2-4 50.0	0-2 0.0	0-0 0.0
09/14/2024	at Northwestern	L 7-31	3-11 27.3	0-2 0.0	1-4 25.0	0-1 0.0	2-4 50.0	0-0 0.0
09/21/2024	at Illinois St.	L 7-31	2-10 20.0	2-3 66.7	0-3 0.0	0-2 0.0	0-2 0.0	0-0 0.0
09/28/2024	Lindenwood	L 25-28	3-13 23.1	3-3 100.0	0-2 0.0	0-4 0.0	0-4 0.0	0-0 0.0
10/05/2024	Southeast Mo. St.	L 27-38	4-13 30.8	0-3 0.0	1-5 20.0	2-3 66.7	1-2 50.0	0-0 0.0
10/12/2024	at Tennessee St.	L 17-41	10-18 55.6	1-4 25.0	2-4 50.0	2-4 50.0	5-6 83.3	0-0 0.0
10/26/2024	at UT Martin	L 17-52	5-14 35.7	1-3 33.3	2-5 40.0	2-3 66.7	0-3 0.0	0-0 0.0
11/02/2024	Western Ill.	W 45-38	10-14 71.4	4-5 80.0	1-3 33.3	3-3 100.0	2-3 66.7	0-0 0.0
11/09/2024	at Gardner-Webb	L 28-31	8-14 57.1	3-5 60.0	1-3 33.3	3-3 100.0	1-3 33.3	0-0 0.0
11/16/2024	Charleston So.	Wot1 16-13	3-16 18.8	1-2 50.0	2-5 40.0	0-3 0.0	0-4 0.0	0-0 0.0
11/23/2024	at Tennessee Tech	L 6-23	4-11 36.4	1-2 50.0	1-3 33.3	1-3 33.3	1-3 33.3	0-0 0.0
Eastern Ill.			60-160 37.5	19-38 50.0	11-43 25.6	17-37 45.9	13-40 32.5	0-2 0.0
Opponents			71-152 46.7	11-30 36.7	22-48 45.8	16-33 48.5	22-40 55.0	0-1 0.0

4th-Down Conversions

Date	Opponent	Score	Overall	1st Qtr	2nd Qtr	3rd Qtr	4th Qtr	Overtime
08/29/2024	at Illinois	L 0-45	0-1 0.0	0-0 0.0	0-0 0.0	0-1 0.0	0-0 0.0	0-0 0.0
09/07/2024	Indiana St.	W 27-20	0-0 0.0	0-0 0.0	0-0 0.0	0-0 0.0	0-0 0.0	0-0 0.0
09/14/2024	at Northwestern	L 7-31	1-2 50.0	0-0 0.0	1-1 100.0	0-0 0.0	0-1 0.0	0-0 0.0
09/21/2024	at Illinois St.	L 7-31	1-2 50.0	1-1 100.0	0-1 0.0	0-0 0.0	0-0 0.0	0-0 0.0
09/28/2024	Lindenwood	L 25-28	2-3 66.7	0-0 0.0	0-0 0.0	1-2 50.0	1-1 100.0	0-0 0.0
10/05/2024	Southeast Mo. St.	L 27-38	1-4 25.0	0-1 0.0	1-1 100.0	0-1 0.0	0-1 0.0	0-0 0.0
10/12/2024	at Tennessee St.	L 17-41	0-2 0.0	0-0 0.0	0-1 0.0	0-0 0.0	0-1 0.0	0-0 0.0
10/26/2024	at UT Martin	L 17-52	1-2 50.0	0-0 0.0	1-1 100.0	0-0 0.0	0-1 0.0	0-0 0.0
11/02/2024	Western Ill.	W 45-38	1-1 100.0	0-0 0.0	1-1 100.0	0-0 0.0	0-0 0.0	0-0 0.0
11/09/2024	at Gardner-Webb	L 28-31	0-2 0.0	0-0 0.0	0-0 0.0	0-0 0.0	0-2 0.0	0-0 0.0
11/16/2024	Charleston So.	Wot1 16-13	2-4 50.0	0-1 0.0	1-2 50.0	1-1 100.0	0-0 0.0	0-0 0.0
11/23/2024	at Tennessee Tech	L 6-23	1-2 50.0	0-0 0.0	0-0 0.0	1-1 100.0	0-1 0.0	0-0 0.0
Eastern Ill.			10-25 40.0	1-3 33.3	5-8 62.5	3-6 50.0	1-8 12.5	0-0 0.0
Opponents			9-17 52.9	0-2 0.0	6-7 85.7	2-3 66.7	1-4 25.0	0-1 0.0

Time of Possession

Date	Opponent	Score	Overall	1st Qtr	2nd Qtr	3rd Qtr	4th Qtr	Overtime
08/29/2024	at Illinois	L 0-45	23:59	04:53	07:08	07:02	04:56	00:00
09/07/2024	Indiana St.	W 27-20	28:41	07:25	05:26	10:10	05:40	00:00
09/14/2024	at Northwestern	L 7-31	24:28	02:56	09:08	02:40	09:44	00:00
09/21/2024	at Illinois St.	L 7-31	24:03	07:16	06:35	06:18	03:54	00:00
09/28/2024	Lindenwood	L 25-28	30:38	07:22	08:33	07:15	07:28	00:00
10/05/2024	Southeast Mo. St.	L 27-38	25:58	05:09	06:34	08:05	06:10	00:00
10/12/2024	at Tennessee St.	L 17-41	31:54	06:05	07:34	07:42	10:33	00:00
10/26/2024	at UT Martin	L 17-52	32:16	06:08	10:22	05:24	10:22	00:00
11/02/2024	Western Ill.	W 45-38	29:30	08:48	06:30	06:35	07:37	00:00
11/09/2024	at Gardner-Webb	L 28-31	27:46	10:03	05:16	04:51	07:36	00:00
11/16/2024	Charleston So.	Wot1 16-13	27:34	06:33	10:04	04:33	06:24	00:00



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Date	Opponent		Score	Overall	1st Qtr	2nd Qtr	3rd Qtr	4th Qtr	Overtime
11/23/2024	at Tennessee Tech	L	6-23	30:23	08:22	06:32	10:07	05:22	00:00
Eastern Ill.			Total	337:10	81:00	89:42	80:42	85:46	00:00
			Avg.	28:06	06:45	07:29	06:43	07:09	00:00
Opponents			Total	377:16	73:52	115:26	73:47	114:11	00:00
			Avg.	31:26	06:09	09:37	06:09	09:31	00:00



2024-25 Eastern Ill. Football Team Game-by-Game Comparison All games

Opponent	Score	Total	First Downs			Rushing Number-Yards	Passing		Total Offense Plays-Yards	Return Yards	Turn- Overs
			Rush	Pass	Pen		Comp-Att.-Int	Yards			
Illinois	0-45	9 / 27	1 / 10	6 / 14	2 / 3	22-49 / 42-244	16-32-2 / 21-29-0	147 / 242	54-196 / 71-486	25 / 44	4 / 0
Indiana St.	27-20	16 / 20	3 / 5	13 / 14	0 / 1	30-86 / 32-74	19-32-1 / 30-37-3	268 / 260	62-354 / 69-334	80 / 118	1 / 4
Northwestern	7-31	13 / 22	5 / 13	7 / 8	1 / 1	20-40 / 35-203	17-31-1 / 21-32-0	167 / 247	51-207 / 67-450	60 / 74	1 / 0
Illinois St.	7-31	9 / 28	7 / 12	2 / 13	0 / 3	27-105 / 52-253	12-22-2 / 22-28-1	87 / 265	49-192 / 80-518	13 / 37	3 / 2
Lindenwood	25-28	25 / 20	6 / 6	18 / 10	1 / 4	35-132 / 40-170	26-44-0 / 14-19-1	326 / 283	79-458 / 59-453	82 / 100	0 / 1
Southeast Mo. St.	27-38	19 / 26	3 / 2	14 / 21	2 / 3	21-19 / 30-61	27-42-0 / 30-43-1	366 / 364	63-385 / 73-425	79 / 63	0 / 1
Tennessee St.	17-41	23 / 20	7 / 8	14 / 9	2 / 3	30-75 / 29-128	30-51-1 / 21-33-0	360 / 237	81-435 / 62-365	63 / 146	1 / 0
UT Martin	17-52	23 / 20	7 / 9	16 / 8	0 / 3	21-48 / 30-212	36-54-3 / 16-23-0	348 / 248	75-396 / 53-460	14 / 276	3 / 0
Western Ill.	45-38	22 / 24	8 / 6	13 / 15	1 / 3	34-196 / 28-86	19-27-0 / 29-43-0	338 / 309	61-534 / 71-395	51 / 98	1 / 0
Gardner-Webb	28-31	21 / 25	4 / 9	16 / 15	1 / 1	29-7 / 35-127	20-36-1 / 26-34-0	458 / 337	65-465 / 69-464	0 / 69	1 / 0
Charleston So.	16-13	18 / 11	4 / 7	10 / 3	4 / 1	44-76 / 39-125	17-26-2 / 11-20-0	168 / 85	70-244 / 59-210	0 / 109	3 / 0
Tennessee Tech	6-23	18 / 17	4 / 11	10 / 6	4 / 0	33-80 / 40-200	18-28-1 / 11-20-0	161 / 128	61-241 / 60-328	0 / 40	2 / 0
Totals	222-391	216 / 260	59 / 98	139 / 136	18 / 26	346-913 / 432-1883	257-425-14 / 252-361-6	3194 / 3005	771-4107 / 793-4888	467 / 1174	20 / 8

Opponents	3rd Down Conversion	4th Down Conversion	Time of Possession	TOP Margin	Avg Yds/Rush	Avg Yds/Pass	Avg Yds/Play	Punting Number-Avg	Penalties Number-Yards	Sacks
Illinois	4-13 / 4-9	0-1 / 0-0	23:59 / 36:01	-12:02	2.2 / 5.8	4.6 / 8.3	3.6 / 6.8	7-42.3 / 4-39.0	6-50.0 / 6-45.0	0 / 1
Indiana St.	4-13 / 7-14	0-0 / 1-2	28:41 / 31:15	-02:34	2.9 / 2.3	8.4 / 7.0	5.7 / 4.8	5-47.2 / 4-40.0	4-30.0 / 4-25.0	3 / 1
Northwestern	3-11 / 4-11	1-2 / 1-2	24:28 / 35:32	-11:04	2.0 / 5.8	5.4 / 7.7	4.1 / 6.7	5-46.2 / 3-39.3	2-15.0 / 6-39.0	1 / 3
Illinois St.	2-10 / 11-17	1-2 / 0-1	24:03 / 35:57	-11:54	3.9 / 4.9	4.0 / 9.5	3.9 / 6.5	6-51.2 / 2-39.0	4-45.0 / 7-45.0	1 / 3
Lindenwood	3-13 / 4-12	2-3 / 1-2	30:38 / 29:13	01:25	3.8 / 4.3	7.4 / 14.9	5.8 / 7.7	5-48.4 / 4-32.8	6-62.0 / 3-25.0	1 / 1
Southeast Mo. St.	4-13 / 7-12	1-4 / 0-0	25:58 / 34:02	-08:04	0.9 / 2.0	8.7 / 8.5	6.1 / 5.8	5-37.6 / 4-39.3	6-41.0 / 5-50.0	2 / 5
Tennessee St.	10-18 / 6-13	0-2 / 1-1	31:54 / 28:06	03:48	2.5 / 4.4	7.1 / 7.2	5.4 / 5.9	4-43.0 / 5-40.2	4-40.0 / 2-20.0	1 / 2
UT Martin	5-14 / 5-9	1-2 / 0-1	32:16 / 27:44	04:32	2.3 / 7.1	6.4 / 10.8	5.3 / 8.7	5-43.4 / 2-42.0	6-48.0 / 5-35.0	0 / 2
Western Ill.	10-14 / 7-14	1-1 / 3-3	29:30 / 30:30	-01:00	5.8 / 3.1	12.5 / 7.2	8.8 / 5.6	2-35.5 / 3-31.7	4-45.0 / 3-35.0	1 / 3
Gardner-Webb	8-14 / 7-14	0-2 / 1-1	27:46 / 32:14	-04:28	0.2 / 3.6	12.7 / 9.9	7.2 / 6.7	3-48.3 / 3-37.0	3-30.0 / 6-50.0	0 / 11
Charleston So.	3-16 / 3-14	2-4 / 0-2	27:34 / 27:05	00:29	1.7 / 3.2	6.5 / 4.3	3.5 / 3.6	5-41.0 / 7-37.7	5-55.0 / 15-118.0	3 / 7
Tennessee Tech	4-11 / 6-13	1-2 / 1-2	30:23 / 29:37	00:46	2.4 / 5.0	5.8 / 6.4	4.0 / 5.5	3-43.0 / 2-35.0	2-10.0 / 6-51.0	1 / 4
Totals	60-160 / 71-152	10-25 / 9-17	337:10 / 377:16	-40:06	2.6 / 4.4	7.5 / 8.3	5.3 / 6.2	55-44.3 / 43-37.8	52-471.0 / 68-538.0	14 / 43

Note: Game totals are displayed in the format TEAM/OPPONENT for each category