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### GAME EIGHT

Saturday, Oct. 29, 2016 // 11 a.m. CT // BTN  
Champaign, Ill. // Memorial Stadium (60,670)



ILLINOIS (2-5, 1-3)



MINNESOTA (5-2, 2-2)

#### TELEVISION BROADCAST | BTN

» **Kevin Kugler** (play by play), **Matt Millen** (analyst) and **Lisa Byington** (reporter) + **Bart Fox** (producer) and **Andrew Greathouse** (director) .

#### RADIO BROADCAST | Fighting Illini Sports Network

» **Brian Barnhart** (PBP), **Martin O'Donnell** (analysis), **Carey Davis** (sidelines) & **Steve Kelly** (Pre/HT/Post).

» The broadcast also can be heard on **TuneIn**, **SIRIUS (135) / XM (195)** satellite radio and online at **FightingIllini.com** in English and Mandarin Chinese.

#### GAMEDAY LINKS

**Gameday Information:** [FightingIllini.com/gameday](http://FightingIllini.com/gameday)

#### TICKET INFORMATION

Tickets are available starting at \$35 at the UI Athletic Ticket office, by calling 1-866-ILLINI-1 or online at [FightingIllini.com](http://FightingIllini.com).

#### ILLINOIS SCOREBOARD

Sept. 3	..... Murray State	.....	W, 52-3
Sept. 10	..... North Carolina	.....	L, 23-48
Sept. 17	..... Western Michigan	.....	L, 10-34
Oct. 1	..... at #15/15 Nebraska	.....	L, 16-31
Oct. 8	..... Purdue	.....	L (OT), 31-34
Oct. 15	..... at Rutgers	.....	W, 24-7
Oct. 22	..... at #3/4 Michigan	.....	L, 8-41
Oct. 29	..... Minnesota (Homecoming)	.....	11 am (BTN)
Nov. 5	..... Michigan State	.....	11 am (ESPNNews)
Nov. 12	..... at Wisconsin	.....	2:30 pm
Nov. 19	..... Iowa	.....	TBD
Nov. 26	..... at Northwestern	.....	TBD
Dec. 3	..... Big Ten Championship Game	.....	7 pm (FOX)

All times Central ... rankings AP/Coaches poll on week of game

#### MINNESOTA SCOREBOARD

Sept. 3	..... Oregon State	.....	W, 30-23
Sept. 10	..... Indiana State	.....	W, 58-29
Sept. 24	..... Colorado State	.....	W, 31-24
Oct. 1	..... at Penn State	.....	L, 29-26 (OT)
Oct. 8	..... Iowa	.....	L, 14-7
Oct. 15	..... at Maryland	.....	W, 31-10
Oct. 22	..... Rutgers	.....	W, 34-32
Oct. 29	..... at Illinois	.....	11 am (BTN)
Nov. 5	..... Purdue	.....	2:30 pm (BTN)
Nov. 12	..... at Nebraska	.....	6:30 pm CT
Nov. 19	..... Northwestern	.....	TBA
Nov. 26	..... at Wisconsin	.....	TBA

#### OPENING KICK

• **Back Home:** The Fighting Illini (2-5, 1-3 B1G) return home to host Minnesota (5-2, 2-2 B1G) at Memorial Stadium as part of the University of Illinois' 106th Homecoming celebration on Saturday (11 am CT on BTN).

• **BTN Tailgate in Town:** BTN Tailgate will be broadcasting live from Grange Grove from 9:30-11 am CT on Saturday prior to kickoff. Host Dave Revsine and analysts Gerry DiNardo and Anthony Adams are expected to be joined on set by several Fighting Illini special guests.

• **Takeaways & Turnovers:** The Orange and Blue have done an outstanding job of both taking the ball away and taking care of the ball this season.

» Illinois' turnover margin (+1.0) ranks ninth in FBS and second in the Big Ten.

» Illinois' eight fumbles recovered ranks eighth in FBS and first in the Big Ten.

» The Illini's seven giveaways ranks as the 10th fewest in FBS.

» The Illini have thrown three interceptions, ranking ninth in FBS and second the Big Ten.

• **TFL U:** As a team the Illini defense has been making plays in the backfield often in 2016.

» Illinois ranks eighth in the nation and third in the Big Ten in TFLs per game (8.3)

» Senior DE **Carroll Phillips** is averaging 1.7 TFLs per game, fifth-most in FBS and most in the Big Ten.

» Phillips (12.0) and senior DE **Dawuane Smoot** (8.0) have combined for more TFLs (20.0) than any other teammates in the Big Ten.

• **Fourth Down 'D':** Opponents have converted just 2 of 8 fourth down attempts (.250) against the Illini defense, the second-best conversion percentage in the Big Ten and fourth-best in FBS.

• **Tackling Machine:** Graduate transfer LB **Hardy Nickerson** is averaging 10.3 tackles/game to lead the Big Ten and rank 13th in FBS. He has 318 career tackles (246 at Cal, 72 at Illinois), fifth-most among active FBS players. Nickerson has more career tackles than any active Power-5 linebacker.

• **Freshman of the Week:** RS freshman safety **Patrick Nelson** has burst onto the scene in Big Ten play. He had 16 tackles at Nebraska in his first career start and then 14 at Rutgers to earn Big Ten Freshman of the Week honors. Nelson's 42 tackles since Oct. 1 are the most by any FBS freshman and his 10.5 tackles per game in conference play ranks fifth in the Big Ten.

• **Smoot Point:** Senior DE **Dawuane Smoot** has come on strong in conference play, averaging 1.5 TFLs per game to rank third in the Big Ten during league play. For the season, he has 31 tackles, 8.0 TFLs, one sack, five hurries, two forced fumbles and one safety, wreaking even more havoc than the stats indicate.

• **Big Play Run Game:** Illinois has four runs of 50+ yards this season, tied for fourth-most in the nation. **Kendrick Foster** had a pair of 56-yard TD runs against Murray State, **Ke'Shawn Vaughn** had a 65-yard TD scamper vs. North Carolina and **Reggie Corbin** busted a 53-yard run at Rutgers.

• **Target Turner:** Junior WR **Malik Turner** accounts for 43.3 percent of Illinois' total receiving yards (513/1184 yards), the highest percentage of any FBS player. Turner has 33 receptions for 513 yards and four touchdowns this season. He ranks fifth in the Big Ten in receiving yards per game (73.3) and seventh in receptions per game (4.7).

• **Reggie, Reggie, Reggie:** RS freshman RB **Reggie Corbin** is averaging 8.41 yards per carry this season (328 yards on 39 carries), which ranks fourth among FBS players with at least 35 carries. In Big Ten play (4 games), the former HS rugby star has 257 rushing yards on 32 carries (8.0 ypc) and 305 all-purpose yards.

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#### PROMOTIONS / GAMEDAY TIMELINE

• **Homecoming** » 106th #ILLINOISHomecoming is this weekend. For info visit [homecoming.illinois.edu](http://homecoming.illinois.edu)

• **Grange Statue Giveaway** » First 5,000 fans to enter stadium get a mini Red Grange statue replica

• **Social Media Day** » \$30 tix include t-shirt, texting gloves & \$10 concession voucher (promo code: SOCIAL)

• **Tailgating at Grange Grove** » 7-11 am (games, food trucks, beer tent and live music by Parmalee)

• **Illini Walk** » 8:30 am (Ikenberry Commons to First Street, then through Grange Grove)

• **BTN Tailgate Live Broadcast** » 9:30-11 am inside Grange Grove. Bring your sign game!

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## ILLINOIS WEEKLY MEDIA SCHEDULE // MINNESOTA GAME

24 MONDAY	25 TUESDAY	26 WEDNESDAY	27 THURSDAY	28 FRIDAY	29 SATURDAY	30 SUNDAY
<b>Smith Press Conference</b> (1 pm, Press Box, L8)  <b>Coordinators and Select Players Available</b> (1:15-2 pm, Press Box, L8)  <b>Lovie Smith Radio Show</b> 7-8 pm, Buffalo Wild Wings (Savoy)	<b>Smith B1G Teleconference</b> (12:04 pm)  <b>Post-practice availability</b> - Offensive players who weren't at Monday availability. (approx. 6 pm)	<b>Post-practice availability</b> - Defensive & special teams players who weren't at Monday availability. (approx. 6:30 pm)	No availability	No availability	<b>GAME DAY</b> Illinois vs. Minnesota (11 a.m. CT, BTN)  <b>Postgame player/coach availability</b>	No availability

## MEDIA INFORMATION

## MONDAY'S SELECTED PLAYERS

Illini coordinators and players will be available on Monday at about 1:15 pm following head coach Lovie Smith's press conference on the 8th floor of the Memorial Stadium Press Box. The players this week are **LB Hardy Nickerson**, **DE Carroll Phillips**, **OL Joe Spencer** and **WR Malik Turner**.

## POST-PRACTICE INTERVIEWS

The first 30 minutes of practice are open to media on Tuesday and Wednesday (4-4:30 on Tuesday and 4:30-5 on Wednesday). Interviews will take place after practice at about 6 p.m. on Tuesday and 6:30 p.m. on Wednesday. Media are asked to wait in the player's lounge on the north end of the stadium until notified by Athletics Communications staff that practice is over. (enter through the alley between ARC and Memorial Stadium).

## PHONE INTERVIEWS

The best time for phone interviews is on Monday between 1:15 and 2 p.m. after Smith's press conference or on Tuesday and Wednesday after practice (approx. 6 and 6:30 p.m., respectively). Other arrangements can be made with advance notice. **Requests for phone interviews must be made at least 24 hours in advance to Derek Neal** (drneal@illinois.edu).

## PRESS CONFERENCE VIDEO

Video files (MP4) of Coach Smith's weekly press conference will be available for download on Box.com by 3 p.m. CT each Monday. Email drneal@illinois.edu for the link.

## TELECONFERENCE ACCESS

Contact the Athletics Communication Office (217-333-1391) for weekly teleconference access information.

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## THE ILLINOIS-MINNESOTA SERIES

- Saturday's game between Illinois and Minnesota will be the 69th meeting between the two teams. Minnesota leads the all-time series 36-29-3, but the Illini hold a 17-15-1 margin in Champaign.
- The Illini forced three turnovers and had 11 TFLs to beat Minnesota 28-24 in 2014, despite being out-gained 411-263 in the Gophers last visit to Champaign. **V'Angelo Bentley** returned a fumble 12 yards for a touchdown with 6:33 left in the fourth quarter for the game's final score.
- The 2014 win over Minnesota was the Illini's last over a ranked opponent, as the Gophers came in ranked No. 24 in the USA Today Coaches Poll. It was the first win over an opponent ranked in either the Associated Press or coaches poll since a 17-14 victory over No. 22 Arizona State on Sept. 17, 2011.
- The Gophers have won seven of the last 10 meetings, with Illinois winning in 2014 (28-24 in Champaign), 2009 (35-32 in Minneapolis) and 2007 (44-17 in Minneapolis).
- **Tracy Claeys** is in his first full season as Minnesota's head coach. Last year's win over Illinois was his first after being named head coach on Nov. 11, 2015. Claeys replaced his colleague **Jerry Kill**, who resigned his position on Oct. 28, 2015, due to health reasons.

## MINNESOTA CONNECTIONS

- Minnesota has 10 Illinois natives on its roster. Illinois does not have any players from Minnesota.
- Illinois DB **Jaylen Dunlap**'s uncle, **Keith Otis**, played tackle at Northern Illinois and started 14 games in 2010 when many members of Minnesota's coaching staff were at NIU, including Gophers head coach **Tracy Claeys**.
- Minnesota Coordinator of Alumni Outreach Relations/NFL Liaison/Recruiting Assistant **Dom Barber**'s brother, **Marion Barber III**, played running back for the Chicago Bears in 2011 when **Lovie Smith** was the head coach. Dom's son (Marion's nephew) **Thomas Barber** is a freshman linebacker for the Gophers.

## HIGHLIGHTS AGAINST THE GOLDEN GOPHERS

- WR **Malik Turner** caught 11 passes for 126 yards and one touchdown at Minnesota last season. The 11 receptions is still Turner's career high.
- QB **Wes Lunt** was 34-of-47 for 279 yards and 2 TDs against Minnesota in 2015. He missed the 2014 game against the Gophers due to an injury.
- RB **Kendrick Foster** had a breakout game against UM last season, with 11 carries for a then-career-high 56 yards.
- TE **Andrew Davis** caught his first career touchdown against Minnesota last season.
- The Illini's single-game record for tackles of 34 was set by **John Sullivan** vs. Minnesota in 1977.
- Last 100-yard receiver vs. Minnesota: **Malik Turner**, 126, 11/21/2016
- Last 100-yard rusher vs. Minnesota: **Mikel Leshoure**, 141, 11/13/2010
- Last 300-yard passer vs. Minnesota: **Juice Williams**, 462, 10/11/2008

## TOUGH ROAD

- Illinois is the only team in the country that has faced three teams that are currently undefeated – Michigan (7-0), Nebraska (7-0) and Western Michigan (8-0).
- The Illini have played the 9th-toughest schedule in the nation based on winning percentage vs. FBS teams (.686).
- Illinois' six FBS opponents are combined 33-12 this season – No. 2 Michigan (7-0), No. 7 Nebraska (7-0), No. 20 Western Michigan (8-0), No. 21 North Carolina (6-2), Purdue (3-4) and Rutgers (2-6). When projecting out future games, the Illini schedule ranks as the fourth-toughest in the nation according to NCAA stats.
- Five Illinois opponents are ranked in the latest AP Top 25 (Oct. 24) – No. 2 Michigan, No. 7 Nebraska, No. 11 Wisconsin, No. 20 Western Michigan and No. 21 North Carolina.
- Only four college football teams will play against more 2015 bowl teams during the 2016 season. Illinois' nine bowl opponents are tied for fifth in the nation behind USC (11), BYU (10), Colorado (10) and Ole Miss (10).
- The Big Ten moved to a nine-game conference slate this season, meaning each team plays three division crossover games. Illinois' cross-division games are home against Michigan State, at Michigan and at Rutgers, meaning the Illini have five road games and four home games in B1G play.



**ALL-TIME HOMECOMING SCORES**

Date	Opponent/Score	10/30/76	Illinois 31, Wisconsin 25
10/15/10	Illinois 3, Chicago 0	11/5/77	(11) Ohio State 35, Illinois 0
11/25/11	Minnesota 11, Illinois 0	11/4/78	(12) Michigan St. 59, Illinois 19
11/16/12	Chicago 10, Illinois 0	10/6/79	Iowa 13, Illinois 7
11/15/13	Illinois 0, Purdue 0	11/1/80	Minnesota 21, Illinois 18
11/14/14	Illinois 21, Chicago 7	10/24/81	Illinois 23, Wisconsin 21
10/30/15	Illinois 6, Minnesota 6	10/16/82	(12) Ohio State 26, Illinois 21
11/18/16	Chicago 20, Illinois 7	10/15/83	(19) Illinois 17, (6) Ohio St. 13
10/20/17	Illinois 7, Wisconsin 0	11/3/84	Illinois 48, Minnesota 3
1918	No Homecoming (flu pandemic)	10/26/85	Illinois 38, Wisconsin 25
11/1/19	Illinois 10, Chicago 0	10/18/86	Michigan State 29, Illinois 21
10/30/20	Illinois 17, Minnesota 7	10/31/87	Illinois 27, Minnesota 17
11/12/21	Chicago 14, Illinois 6	10/22/88	Michigan State 28, Illinois 21
10/21/22	Iowa 8, Illinois 7	10/28/89	(10) Illinois 32, Wisconsin 9
11/3/23	Illinois 7, Chicago 0*	10/20/90	(25) Illinois 15, (16) Mich. St. 13
10/18/24	Illinois 39, Michigan 14#	10/5/91	Illinois 24, Minnesota 3
10/24/25	Michigan 3, Illinois 0	10/24/92	Northwestern 27, Illinois 26
10/16/26	Illinois 13, Iowa 6	10/30/93	Illinois 20, Northwestern 13
10/29/27	Illinois 14, Michigan 0	10/1/94	Purdue 22, Illinois 16
10/27/28	Illinois 6, Northwestern 0	10/28/95	(8) Northwestern 17, Illinois 14
10/26/29	Illinois 14, Michigan 0	11/2/96	(25) Iowa 31, Illinois 21
10/18/30	Northwestern 32, Illinois 0	10/25/97	(22) Purdue 48, Illinois 3
10/24/31	Michigan 35, Illinois 0	10/17/98	(9) Wisconsin 37, Illinois 3
10/15/32	Northwestern 26, Illinois 0	10/16/99	Minnesota 37, Illinois 7
10/14/33	Illinois 21, Wisconsin 0	10/14/2000	Illinois 31, Iowa 0
10/13/34	Illinois 14, Ohio State 13	10/20/2001	Illinois 42, Wisconsin 35
11/9/35	Illinois 3, Michigan 0	10/26/2002	Illinois 45, Indiana 14
10/24/36	(7) Northwestern 13, Illinois 2	10/25/2003	Minnesota 36, Illinois 10
10/30/37	Michigan 7, Illinois 6	10/30/2004	(23) Iowa 23, Illinois 13
10/22/38	(17) Northwestern 13, Illinois 0	10/22/2005	(12) Penn State 63, Illinois 10
11/4/39	Illinois 16, (20) Michigan 7	10/7/2006	Indiana 34, Illinois 32
10/26/40	Notre Dame 26, Illinois 0	10/27/2007	Illinois 28, Ball State 17
11/1/41	(5) Michigan 20, Illinois 0	10/11/2008	Minnesota 27, Illinois 20
10/10/42	Illinois 20, (19) Minnesota 13	10/10/2009	Michigan State 24, Illinois 14
10/30/43	Michigan 42, Illinois 6	10/23/2010	Illinois 43, Indiana 13
10/28/44	(9) Notre Dame 13, Illinois 7	10/1/2011	Illinois 38, Northwestern 35
10/27/45	(6) Michigan 19, Illinois 0	10/27/2012	Indiana 31, Illinois 17
10/19/46	(5) Illinois 27, Wisconsin 21	10/26/2013	Michigan State 42, Illinois 3
11/1/47	(2) Michigan 14, Illinois 7	10/25/2014	Illinois 28, Minnesota 24
11/13/48	Ohio State 34, Illinois 7	10/24/2015	Wisconsin 24, Illinois 13
11/19/49	Northwestern 9, Illinois 7		
10/28/50	(13) Illinois 20, Indiana 0		
11/10/51	(4) Illinois 40, Iowa 13		
10/25/52	(18) Purdue 40, Illinois 12		
11/7/53	(7) Illinois 19, (20) Michigan 3		
11/13/54	(9) Wisconsin 27, Illinois 14		
10/29/55	Purdue 13, Illinois 0		
10/27/56	Illinois 20, (1) Michigan St. 13		
10/19/57	Illinois 34, Minnesota 13		
10/25/58	Illinois 16, Michigan State 0		
10/17/59	(13) Illinois 14, Minnesota 6		
10/8/60	(8) Ohio State 34, Illinois 7		
10/21/61	(6) Minnesota 33, Illinois 0		
10/13/62	Ohio State 51, Illinois 15		
10/19/63	(3) Illinois 16, Minnesota 6		
10/10/64	(9) Ohio State 26, Illinois 0		
10/16/65	Illinois 34, Indiana 13		
10/22/66	Stanford 6, Illinois 3		
10/14/67	Minnesota 10, Illinois 7		
10/26/68	(1) Ohio State 31, Illinois 24		
11/1/69	(18) Purdue 49, Illinois 22		
10/17/70	Indiana 30, Illinois 24		
10/23/71	Illinois 21, Purdue 7		
10/21/72	(6) Michigan 31, Illinois 7		
10/27/73	Illinois 50, Iowa 0		
11/9/74	(3) Michigan 14, Illinois 6		
10/18/75	Purdue 26, Illinois 24		

**ALL-TIME HOMECOMING RECORD: 45-58-2**

\* - 1st game in Memorial Stadium  
# - (Dedication Game)

**HONORING THE GALLOPING GHOST**

- For the third straight Homecoming game, the Fighting Illini will honor Hall of Famer Harold "Red" Grange, the Galloping Ghost, by wearing special "Gray Ghost" alternate uniforms against the Gophers.
- The uniforms debuted at Homecoming 2014 on the 90th anniversary of Grange's historic Homecoming performance against Michigan in the Memorial Stadium dedication game on Oct. 18, 1924. In that game, Grange scored four touchdowns and racked up 262 total yards in the first 12 minutes, then ran for a fifth touchdown and threw for a sixth to lead the Illini to a 39-14 victory in what many consider the greatest single-game performance in college football history.
- The first 5,000 fans to Saturday's game will get a mini Red Grange statue to help commemorate his historic Homecoming performance.

**ILLINOIS HOMECOMING FACTS**

- The first homecoming celebrated on Illinois' campus was on Oct. 15, 1910, which the Illini won 3-0 over Chicago. This year's game against Minnesota marks the 106th #ILLINOIShomecoming.
- Illinois has an all-time record of 45-58-2 on Homecoming, with its last victory coming against the Gophers in 2014.
- This year marks the 18th time overall and the second time in the last three years that the Illini host Minnesota for Homecoming. Illinois is 9-7-1 all-time in Homecoming games against the Gophers, including a 28-24 victory in 2014.
- Illinois boasts being one of the first universities to celebrate Homecoming, a tradition on almost every college campus. It was conceived in 1909 by students C.F. Williams and W. Elmer Ekblaw, members of the Shield and Trident senior society. They joined with another society, Phoenix, to organize the three-day event.
- For years, there has been a debate over which university had the first homecoming. Historians from various schools found research that puts Illinois among one of the first five universities to celebrate the Homecoming tradition. Baylor has documented proof of a formally named Homecoming celebration in 1909, but took a six-year hiatus before celebrating the second event at the school in 1915. Northern Illinois had alumni events beginning in 1906, but didn't use the proper noun "Homecoming" until 1911. Indiana University renamed their 1909 Gala Day to Homecoming on Nov. 5, 1910, and Michigan began inviting alumni back to campus in 1897, but the formal name began on the Ann Arbor campus in 1916.



**YOUTH MOVEMENT**

- Illinois has had 23 first-time starters this season, tied for the most in the nation (Bowling Green). Including in that number are nine freshmen (three true-freshmen and six redshirt-freshmen).
- As the season has progressed, several new faces have seen their playing time and production increase, especially on the defensive side of the ball.
  - » RS freshman SS **Patrick Nelson** played only on special teams the first two games, making zero tackles. In the last five games, he's racked up 48 tackles at safety, making three starts.
  - » True-freshman **Stanley Green** did not play in the first two games before seeing some action on special teams in games three and four. In week five against Purdue, he saw his first action at safety and made three tackles before starting at Rutgers and Purdue and making 16 tackles in those two games.
  - » Junior college transfer CB **Ahmari Hayes** did not play in three of the first four games and did not make his first tackle until week five against Purdue. He started at cornerback at Rutgers and posted four tackles.
  - » A pair of freshmen have seen increasing snaps the senior-laden defensive line. After playing sparingly in the first two games, RS freshman DT **Jamal Milan** has come on to post 16 tackles, 3.5 TFLs, two forced fumbles and one sack in his last four games (missed Purdue due to injury). Meanwhile, true-freshman DT **Kenyon Jackson** has made 11 of his 13 tackles in the last four games and has started twice.
  - » RS freshman RB **Reggie Corbin** had 7 carries for 71 yards in the first three games before breaking out for 31 carries for 257 yards the last four games.



## DID YOU KNOW?

- Illinois is the only team in the country that has played three teams that are still unbeaten – Western Michigan (8-0), Michigan (7-0), Nebraska (7-0).
- Illinois' next win will be the 600th in program history. The Fighting Illini are 599-571-51 in 127 seasons of football.

## TEAM STAT COMPARISON

2016 Season Statistics	ILL	MINN
Overall Record	2-5	5-2
Big Ten Record	1-3	2-2
Total Offense	342.9	391.0
Points	23.4	31.0
First Downs	103	152
Rushing Yards	173.7	212.4
Passing Yards	169.1	178.6
Time of Possession	27:25	31:55
Third-Down Conversion	25-84	44-103
Points Allowed	28.3	22.9
Yards Allowed	413.1	356.7
Rushing Yards Allowed	197.3	135.9
Passing Yards Allowed	215.9	220.9

## STATISTICAL LEADERS

### RUSHING LEADERS (YPG)

Foster	.61.3	Smith	100.1
Corbin	.46.9	Brooks	82.6

### PASSING LEADERS (YPG)

Lunt	.168.0	Leidner	193.7
Crouch	.62.2		

### RECEIVING LEADERS (YPG)

Turner	.73.3	Wolitarisky	64.3
Hardee	.15.1	Smith	39.9
Grant	.13.3	Johnson	16.0

### INTERCEPTION LEADERS (TOTAL)

Nickerson/Mosely	.2	Travis/Hardin	2
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### SCORING LEADERS (PPG)

McLaughlin	.44.0	Carpenter	61
Foster	.42.0	Smith	54

### ALL-PURPOSE YARDS (YPG)

Foster	.122.0	Smith	143.0
Turner	.74.0	Wolitarisky	68.1
Corbin	.56.3		

### TACKLES (TPG)

Nickerson	.10.2	Celestin	7.8
Watson	.6.8	Travis	6.5
Nelson	.6.8	Lynn	6.1

### TACKLES FOR LOSS (TOTAL)

Phillips	.12.0	Richardson	7.0
Smoot	.8.0	Ekpe/Celestin	5.5
President	.6.5		

## GRAD TRANSFERS MAKING BIG IMPACT

Both of Illinois' graduate transfers have made a huge impact for the Fighting Illini defense.

- Cal transfer LB **Hardy Nickerson** is averaging 10.3 tackles per game to lead the Big Ten and rank 13th nationally. He has added 4.5 TFLs, fourth-most on the team, a team-high two interceptions and 2.0 sacks.
- Auburn transfer DE **Gimel President** has 6.5 TFLs to rank third on the team and 17th in the Big Ten. He has 26 total tackles, 2.5 sacks, two QB hurries and one PBU on the season.

## LIKE FATHER, LIKE SON

- Redshirt-freshman QB **Jeff George Jr.** made his first career start at Michigan on Oct. 22 with both sophomore QB Chayce Crouch and senior QB Wes Lunt missing the game with injuries. George had taken just six snaps (all versus Murray State) and had not attempted a collegiate pass prior to the start.
- George and his father, former Illinois QB Jeff George, became the first father/son duo to start at quarterback for the Fighting Illini.
- Jeff George Sr. played for Illinois in 1988 and '89, throwing for 5,189 yards and 31 touchdowns while leading the Illini to a 16-7-1 record and two bowl games. The Indianapolis Colts selected George No. 1 overall in the 1990 NFL Draft.

## TARGET TURNER

- Junior WR **Malik Turner** is THE target in the passing game, leading all Illini receivers with 33 catches for 513 yards (15.5 ypc) and four TDs. He accounts for 43.3 percent of Illinois' total receiving yards (513/1184 yards), the highest percentage of any FBS player.
- Turner ranks fifth in the Big Ten in receiving yards per game (73.3) and seventh in receptions per game (4.7).
- Always a deep threat, Turner has three catches of 40+ yards this season – a career-long 68-yard catch against Murray State and two 43-yard snares at Michigan.
- Turner went over 100 yards for the third time in his career Oct. 8 vs. Purdue, totaling a career-high 129 yards on nine receptions.
- Turner's high school coach, Ken Leonard (Springfield Sacred Heart-Griffin), is the father of senior QB **Wes Lunt's** high school football coach, Derek Leonard (Rochester HS).

## HE'S LUNT, HE'S LUNT, HE'S LUNT, HE'S IN MY HEAD

- **Streak Snapped:** Senior QB **Wes Lunt** missed the Rutgers game on Oct. 15 with an injury, snapping a streak of 17 consecutive starts. He also missed the Michigan game on Oct. 22 due to the same injury.
- **Throwing Strikes:** QB **Wes Lunt** is one of the most accurate passers in the nation during his time with the Illini.
  - » Now in his third season starting at Illinois, Lunt has thrown 34 touchdowns against just 10 interceptions on 851 attempts (85.1 att/int).
  - » Lunt's interception percentage (1.18 percent) at Illinois is the second-lowest in FBS since 2014 behind only Northern Illinois' Drew Hare (0.93 percent)
  - » With one interception on 129 pass attempts in 2016, Lunt is one of three players in the nation with at least 125 attempts and 1 or less INT.
- **Lunt's Legacy:** QB **Wes Lunt** ranks in the top 10 on several UI career lists:
  - » 5,364 passing yds – 7th (1,667 behind Tony Eason for 6th)
  - » 501 completions – 7th (60 behind Tony Eason for 6th)
  - » 122.7 passing efficiency – 8th (just behind Jeff George's 122.8 for 7th)
  - » 34 passing touchdowns – 9th (1 behind Johnny Johnson for 8th & 4 behind Tony Eason for 7th)
  - » 5,093 yards of total offense – 9th (65 behind John Beutjer for 8th)
- Lunt was named to four preseason watch lists heading into 2016 – Maxwell Award, Davey O'Brien Award, Unitas Golden Arm and Manning Award.
- With six interceptions in 481 pass attempts in 2015, Lunt was one of just three players in the nation with over 400 attempts and six or less INTs. Paxton Lynch of Memphis (4 INT on 444 attempts) and Dak Prescott of Mississippi State (5 INT on 477 attempts) were the other two. Both are currently playing in the NFL.
- Lunt led game-winning drives in the final minute of two games during the 2015 season (Middle Tennessee and Nebraska) and has led five fourth-quarter comeback wins in his first two seasons with the Illini.
- Despite missing three full games and parts of two others with a fractured fibula, Lunt still managed to break the UI single-season QB efficiency record in 2014 (141.61).



**NATIONAL RANKINGS**

**ASSOCIATED PRESS** (Week 8–Oct. 24)

Rk	Team	Record	Pts
1	Alabama (60)	8-0	1524
2	<b>Michigan (1)</b>	<b>7-0</b>	<b>1446</b>
3	Clemson	7-0	1382
4	Washington	7-0	1373
5	Louisville	6-1	1276
6	Ohio State	6-1	1143
7	<b>Nebraska</b>	<b>7-0</b>	<b>1083</b>
8	Baylor	6-0	1063
9	Texas A&M	6-1	1007
10	West Virginia	6-0	997
11	<b>Wisconsin</b>	<b>5-2</b>	<b>980</b>
12	Florida State	5-2	725
13	Boise State	7-0	716
14	Florida	5-1	654
15	Auburn	5-2	641
16	Oklahoma	5-2	626
17	Utah	7-1	584
18	Tennessee	5-2	572
19	LSU	5-2	352
20	<b>Western Michigan</b>	<b>8-0</b>	<b>349</b>
21	<b>North Carolina</b>	<b>6-2</b>	<b>328</b>
22	Navy	5-1	251
23	Colorado	6-2	207
24	Penn State	5-2	193
25	Virginia Tech	5-2	110

Others receiving votes: Washington State 84, Houston 67, Oklahoma State 62, Arkansas 14, Troy 6, USC 5, San Diego State 2, Pittsburgh 2, SMU 1

**USA TODAY/COACHES** (Week 8–Oct. 24)

Rk	Team	Record	Pts
1	Alabama (63)	8-0	1599
2	<b>Michigan</b>	<b>7-0</b>	<b>1486</b>
3	Clemson (1)	7-0	1485
4	Washington	7-0	1434
5	Louisville	6-1	1321
6	<b>Nebraska</b>	<b>7-0</b>	<b>1194</b>
	Baylor	6-0	1194
8	Ohio State	6-1	1137
9	West Virginia	6-0	1007
10	Texas A&M	6-1	979
11	<b>Wisconsin</b>	<b>5-2</b>	<b>963</b>
12	Florida	5-1	821
13	Boise State	7-0	776
14	Florida State	5-2	767
15	Oklahoma	5-2	692
16	Utah	7-1	664
17	Auburn	5-2	552
18	Tennessee	5-2	523
19	LSU	5-2	424
20	<b>North Carolina</b>	<b>6-2</b>	<b>388</b>
21	<b>Western Michigan</b>	<b>8-0</b>	<b>352</b>
22	Navy	5-1	243
23	Colorado	6-2	242
24	Houston	6-2	144
25	Virginia Tech	5-2	116

Others receiving votes: Washington State 93, Penn State 80, Oklahoma State 64, San Diego State 15, Arkansas 11, USC 7, Troy 6, Miami 5, Mississippi 3, Middle Tennessee 3, South Florida 3, Pittsburgh 2, Tulsa 2, Appalachian State 2, Wyoming 1

\* Illinois' 2016 opponents in bold.

**2016 BIG TEN STANDINGS**

WEST DIVISION	BIG TEN			OVERALL			LAST WEEK	THIS WEEK
	W	L	Pct.	W	L	Pct.		
Nebraska	4	0	1.00	7	0	1.00	W, 27-14 vs. Purdue	at Wisconsin
Northwestern	3	1	.750	4	3	.571	W, 24-14 Indiana	at Ohio State
Iowa	3	2	.600	5	3	.625	L, 17-9 Wisconsin	BYE WEEK
Minnesota	2	2	.500	5	2	.714	W, 34-32 vs. Rutgers	at Illinois
Wisconsin	2	2	.500	5	2	.714	W, 17-9 at Iowa	Nebraska
Purdue	1	3	.250	3	4	.428	L, 27-14 at Nebraska	Penn State
ILLINOIS	1	3	.250	2	5	.285	W, 41-8 at Michigan	Minnesota

  

EAST DIVISION	BIG TEN			OVERALL			LAST WEEK	THIS WEEK
	W	L	Pct.	W	L	Pct.		
Michigan	4	0	1.00	7	0	1.00	W, 41-8 vs. Illinois	at Michigan State
Ohio State	3	1	1.00	6	1	1.00	L, 24-21 at Penn State	Northwestern
Penn State	3	1	.750	5	2	.714	W, 24-21 vs. Ohio State	at Purdue
Maryland	2	2	.500	5	2	.714	W, 28-17 Michigan State	Indiana
Indiana	1	3	.250	3	4	.428	L, 24-14 at Northwestern	at Maryland
Michigan State	0	4	.000	2	5	.285	L, 28-17 at Maryland	Michigan
Rutgers	0	5	.000	2	6	.250	L, 34-32 at Minnesota	BYE WEEK

  

**ILLINOIS NON-CONFERENCE OPPONENTS**

TEAM	CONFERENCE			OVERALL			LAST WEEK	THIS WEEK
	W	L	Pct.	W	L	Pct.		
Murray State (FCS)	2	2	.500	2	5	.285	W, 40-38 at Eastern Illinois	Tennessee State
North Carolina	4	1	.800	6	2	.750	W, 35-14 at Virginia	BYE WEEK
Western Michigan	4	0	1.000	8	0	1.000	W, 45-31 Eastern Michigan	BYE WEEK

**SMOOT, SO HOT RIGHT NOW**

- Senior DE Dawuane Smoot has been stuffing the stat sheet as of late, ranking third in the Big Ten in TFLs during conference play (1.5 per game). For the season, he has 31 tackles, 8.0 TFLs, one sack, five hurries, two forced fumble and one safety.
- Smoot had his best game of the year at Rutgers on Oct. 22, making five tackles and adding three TFLs, one sack, one forced fumble and two QB hurries performance in the win.
- When Smoot tackled UNC RB Elijah Hood in the end zone for a safety on Sept. 10, it marked the Illini's first safety since Sept. 13, 2014, at Washington.
- The preseason hype for Smoot was large. In addition to being named to three preseason watch lists (Bednarik, Hendricks, Lombardi), Smoot also was named a preseason All-American, the 20th-best college football player in the country and is a projected first round draft pick by Pro Football Focus. Phil Steele, Athlon and Lindy's all named him to their preseason All-Big Ten teams.
- Smoot had a breakout year in 2015, racking up 15.0 tackles for loss and 8.0 sacks while earning honorable mention All-Big Ten honors.

**NO AVERAGE JOE**

- Senior OL **Joe Spencer** continues to be a model student-athlete both on and off the field, as evidenced by being a semifinalist for the Campbell Award (top student-athlete in the nation) and on the preseason watch lists for the Rimington Award (top center in the country) and Wuerffel Trophy (an award recognizing community service).
  - » On the field, Spencer has been an anchor of the offensive line for the past three years, making 32 career starts, and is regarded as a team leader by his teammates. He sat out the Murray State game due to injury, but returned to start at center against North Carolina, even picking up a fumble and advancing it 14 yards to nearly gain a key first down.
  - » Off the field, he's been even more valuable, serving as president of the Student-Athlete Advisory Committee and the Illinois Uplifting Athletes chapter, which raises money for rare disease research. He's also a member of the Illinois Leadership Academy, serves as a "Big" for Big Brothers Big Sisters and organizes countless visits to local schools and events.
  - » Spencer also is one of 11 graduates on this years roster, earning a bachelor's degree in finance in May. He's currently pursuing a master's degree in business administration.

**THE HARDY BOYS**

- Former NFL great **Hardy Nickerson** is on the Illinois sideline as defensive coordinator in 2016, and he's joined by his son, also named **Hardy**, manning the middle of the defense. The younger Nickerson is a graduate transfer middle linebacker from Cal. He said he couldn't pass up the chance to play for his father and for Coach Lovie Smith for his final season of college football.
- In his first seven games with the Illini, Young Hardy has started at middle linebacker and leads the team in tackles (10.3 tpg) and interceptions (2) while adding 4.5 TFLs and 2.0 sacks.



**ILLINI NCAA & BIG RANKINGS (2016)**

**TEAM RANKINGS (128 teams ranked)**

CATEGORY	NCAA	BIG	STAT
3rd Down Conversion Pct	124th	13th	.298
3rd Down Conversion Pct Defense	110th	13th	.465
4th Down Conversion Pct	109th	13th	.333
4th Down Conversion Pct Defense	4th	2nd	.250
Blocked Kicks	38th	5th	1.00
Blocked Kicks Allowed	56th	8th	1
Blocked Punts	N/A	N/A	N/A
Blocked Punts Allowed	90th	9th	1
Completion Percentage	86th	9th	.568
Fewest Penalties	108th	14th	57
Fewest Penalties Per Game	111th	14th	8.14
Fewest Penalty Yards	99th	14th	480
Fewest Penalty Yards Per Game	110th	14th	68.5
First Downs Defense	71st	12th	154
First Downs Offense	128th	14th	103
Fumbles Lost	36th	8th	4
Fumbles Recovered	8th	1st	8
Kickoff Return Defense	110th	12th	24.52
Kickoff Returns	70th	9th	20.70
Net Punting	90th	8th	36.33
Passes Had Intercepted	9th	2nd	3
Passes Intercepted	60th	8th	6
Passing Offense	111th	12th	169.1
Passing Yards Allowed	51st	8th	215.9
Passing Yards per Completion	83rd	9th	11.84
Punt Return Defense	83rd	8th	8.50
Punt Returns	92nd	14th	5.14
Red Zone Defense	95th	12th	.897
Red Zone Offense	94th	8th	.789
Rushing Defense	89th	11th	197.3
Rushing Offense	63rd	6th	173.7
Sacks Allowed	47th	6th	1.86
Scoring Defense	70th	11th	28.3
Scoring Offense	104th	12th	23.4
Tackles for Loss Allowed	25th	5th	4.86
Team Passing Efficiency	86th	11th	124.92
Team Passing Efficiency Defense	85th	13th	137.71
Team Sacks	50th	6th	2.43
Team Tackles for Loss	8th	3rd	8.3
Time of Possession	101st	10th	27:35
Total Defense	70th	11th	413.1
Total Offense	118th	13th	342.9
Turnover Margin	9th	2nd	1.00
Turnovers Gained	31st	3rd	14.0
Turnovers Lost	10th	4th	7.0

**NCAA INDIVIDUAL RANKINGS (Top-30)**

CATEGORY	PLAYER	STAT	RANK
Tackles for Loss	C. Phillips	1.8	5th
Total Tackles	H. Nickerson	10.3	13th

**BIG TEN INDIVIDUAL RANKINGS (Top-10)**

CATEGORY	PLAYER	STAT	RANK
All Purpose Yards	K. Foster	122.00	5th
Combined Kick Returns	K. Foster	392.0	5th
Field Goal Percentage	C. McLaughlin	.750	6th
Field Goals Per Game	C. McLaughlin	1.29	5th
Forced Fumbles	J. Milan	0.33	2nd
Fumbles Recovered	Nelson/Bain/Echard	1	T-5th
Interceptions Per Game	Nickerson/Mosely	0.3	T-9th
Kickoff Returns	K. Foster	23.1	6th
Punt Returns	D. Mosely	6.1	8th
Receiving Touchdowns	M. Turner	4	T-5th
Receiving Yards	M. Turner	513	5th
Receiving Yards Per Game	M. Turner	73.3	5th
Receptions Per Game	M. Turner	4.7	7th
Rush Yards Per Carry	K. Foster	6.13	2nd
Sacks	C. Phillips	0.41	4th
Tackles for Loss	C. Phillips	1.7	1st
Total Interceptions	Nickerson/Mosely	2.0	T-7th
Total Tackles	H. Nickerson	10.3	1st
Total Touchdowns	K. Foster	7	6th

- His 318 career tackles (246 at Cal + 72 at Illinois) rank fifth in FBS among active players.
- At Cal, Young Hardy had 246 tackles, 9.0 TFLs, three fumble recoveries, two forced fumbles and one interception.
- As a team captain in 2015, Nickerson had a team-high 112 stops, third-most in the PAC-12, to earn honorable mention All-PAC 12 honors.
- The father and son have different middle names, so they are not Sr. and Jr. They both simply go by Hardy Nickerson. We usually refer to them as defensive coordinator Hardy Nickerson and linebacker Hardy Nickerson, or Hardy and Young Hardy.

**LINEBACKER U, IT'S NOT WHERE YOU THINK IT IS**

- Like many Illini teams over the years, the 2016 Illini defense is getting big production from its linebacking corps, led by senior graduate transfer **Hardy Nickerson**, a 2016 Butkus, Nagurski and Lombardi Award candidate who leads the team in tackles with 72, and sophomore Tré Watson who ranks second on the team with 48 stops.
- Illinoi's history at the linebacker position is up there with any program in the nation. It begins with the greatest linebacker in football history, **Dick Butkus**, who was a two-time All-American and led the Fighting Illini to a 1964 Rose Bowl win over Washington. Illinois boasts two Butkus Award winners, **Dana Howard** in 1994 and **Kevin Hardy** in 1995, several first-team All-Americans like **Darrick Brownlow** (1990), **Simeon Rice** (1994 & '95) and **J Leman** (2007), not to mention second-team All-American **Scott Studwell** (1976) and NFL legend **Ray Nitschke**.

**OFFENSIVE NOTES**

- **Three-headed Monster:** The backfield trio of junior **Kendrick Foster**, sophomore **Ke'Shawn Vaughn** and red-shirt-freshman **Reggie Corbin** has been explosive at times, combining for 1,021 yards on 160 carries (6.4 ypc) and eight touchdowns in the first seven games of 2016.
  - » Foster broke out for a career-high 118 yards and two touchdowns on just four carries in the opener vs. Murray State (29.5 ypc), breaking a 61-year old Illini record for most yards per rush in a game. Foster had two 56-yard touchdown runs against the Racers on back-to-back drives and has four TDs on the season. He had his second 100-yard game at Rutgers with 108 yards on 21 carries. He has a team-high 429 yards on the ground and seven total touchdowns. His 122.0 all-purpose yards per game rank fifth in the Big Ten.
  - » After playing sparingly in the first three games, Corbin has burst onto the scene with 257 yards in four conference games. For the year, he is second on the team with 328 yards on only 39 carries (8.4 ypc). Entering the Nebraska game, he had 7 carries for 71 yards in his brief Illini career.
  - » Vaughn started the North Carolina game with a 65-yard touchdown run and finished the night with 116 yards on 15 carries, his second career 100-yard game. He has 264 yards and two touchdowns on the ground and has added 86 receiving yards (on eight catches) this season. The sophomore is closing in on 1,000 career rushing yards (987 entering Saturday's Minnesota game).

- **Running Men:** Illinois has rushed for 616 yards over the last three games (205.3 ypg) – 315 vs. Purdue, 228 at Rutgers and 77 at Michigan (the second-most against the Wolverines this season). The Illini are now averaging 173.7 yards per game on the ground, sixth-most in the Big Ten.

- **Crouch Provides Spark:** Sophomore QB **Chayce Crouch** came in for an injured Wes Lunt against Purdue and had a career game, completing 10-of-14 passes for 142 yards and rushing for 137 yards and two TDs. It marked the fourth-most single-game rushing yards by a QB in Illinoi's history. With Lunt hurt, Couch got his first career start and win at Rutgers on Oct. 22 before missing the Michigan game with an injury.

- **Big Play 'O':** Illinois has seven scrimmage plays of 50+ yards this season, tied for 17th-most in the nation (four runs and three passes). The team's four runs of 50+ yards is tied for the fourth-most in FBS.

- **Line Changes:** The Fighting Illini offensive line had the same five starters in all 12 games of 2015 – LT **Austin Schmidt**, LG **Chris Boles**, C **Joe Spencer**, RG **Ted Karras** and RT **Christian DiLauro**. This year as been a different story, as eight different players have made starts over the first seven games – DiLauro (7 starts at T), sophomore **Nick Allegretti** (6 starts at G, 1 at C), Spencer (6 starts at C), Schmidt (6 starts at T), RS-freshman **Gabe Megginson** (4 starts at G, 1 at T), freshman **Darta Lee** (2 starts at G), junior **Jordan Fagan** (1 start at G) and senior **Connor Brennan** (1 start at G).

**DEFENSIVE NOTES**

- **Mild Peppers:** The Illinois defense held Michigan's Jabrill Peppers to nine yards on five carries (1.8 yards per carry) after he averaged 19.6 yards per carry (5 for 98) with two TDs in the first six games. Defensively, Peppers had two tackles without a TFL. He came into the game as Michigan's second-leading tackler and had 10.0 TFLs.

- **Pick Six FTW:** Mosely's 78-yard fourth-quarter interception return for touchdown sealed the win against Rutgers on Oct. 15. It was the first pick-six for the Illini since Mason Monheim on Nov. 28, 2015 vs. Northwestern. Overall, Illinoi's had five takeaways at Rutgers, the most for the Illini since Nov. 29, 2014, at Northwestern (5).

- **Push 'Em Back:** The Illini are eighth in the nation in TFLs per game (8.3) and rank 50th in sacks per game (2.43), led by senior **Carroll Phillips**, whose 1.7 TFLs per game leads the Big Ten.

- **Hardy Pickerson:** Senior LB **Hardy Nickerson** grabbed two interceptions against Purdue, the second and third interceptions of his career. He had one interception in three years at Cal. The linebacker is the first Illini to grab two interceptions in a game since Taylor Barton on Sept. 12, 2015 against Western Illinois. Nickerson leads the team and the Big Ten in tackles (10.3 tpg).



**CAREER STARTS LIST**

PLAYER	'16	'15	'14	'13	'12	TOT
Barton, Taylor	5	12	12	5	---	34
Nickerson, Hardy*	7	13	6	8	---	34*
Spencer, Joe	6	12	12	2	---	32
DiLauro, Christian	7	12	7	---	---	26
Lunt, Wes	5	12	7	---	---	24
Bain, Rob	4	11	7	0	---	22
Schmidt, Austin	6	12	4	0	---	22
Turner, Malik	7	10	5	---	---	2
Smoot, Dawuane	7	12	0	0	---	19
Clements, Chunky	5	10	3	0	---	18
Hardee, Justin	7	---	8	1	1	17
Svetina, Mike	0	0	---	11	5	16
Mosely, Darius	7	0	2	3	---	12
President, GimeI*	1	0	9	0	---	10*
Dudek, Mike	---	---	9	---	---	9
Phillips, Carroll	6	3	0	---	---	9
Crawford, James	4	4	0	---	---	8
Vaughn, Ke'Shawn	3	5	---	---	---	8
Allegretti, Nick	7	0	---	---	---	7
Dunlap, Jaylen	7	0	0	0	---	7
White, Tyler	4	2	0	0	---	6
Cain, Desmond	0	5	---	---	---	5
Grant, Zach	5	0	0	---	---	5
Meggins, Gabe	5	---	---	---	---	5
James, Chris	4	0	---	---	---	4
Watson, Tré	4	0	---	---	---	4
Hylton, Julian	3	0	---	---	---	3
Nelson, Patrick	3	0	---	---	---	3
Johnson, Ainslie	3	0	---	---	---	3
Taylor, D.J.	0	3	0	0	---	3
Corbin, Reggie	2	---	---	---	---	2
Davis, Andrew	0	2	---	---	---	2
Echard, Nathan	1	1	0	---	---	2
Foster, Kendrick	2	0	0	---	---	2
Green, Stanley	2	---	---	---	---	2
Jackson, Kenyon	2	---	---	---	---	2
Jones, Julian	2	0	---	---	---	2
Lee, Dart	2	---	---	---	---	2
Milan, Jamal	2	0	---	---	---	2
Brennan, Connor	1	0	---	---	---	1
Crouch, Chayce	1	0	---	---	---	1
Fagan, Jordan	1	0	---	---	---	1
George Jr., Jeff	1	0	---	---	---	1
Hayes, Ahmari	1	---	---	---	---	1
Mays, Sam	0	1	---	---	---	1
Odenigbo, Tito	1	0	---	---	---	1
Ream, Calebs	1	---	---	---	---	1

\* Nickerson 2013-15 starts at Cal; President 2013-15 starts at Auburn  
 -- = Redshirted/did not play/not on squad; 0 = Played, didn't start

**2016-17 BIG TEN BOWL POSSIBILITIES**

Jan. 9	CFP National Championship Game
Dec. 31	CFB Playoff Semifinals (Peach & Fiesta)
Jan. 2	Rose Bowl Game vs. Pac-12
Jan. 2	Outback Bowl vs. SEC
Dec. 31	TaxSlayer Bowl B1G/ACC/ND vs. SEC
Dec. 31	Buffalo Wild Wings Citrus Bowl B1G/ACC vs. SEC
Dec. 30	Capital One Orange Bowl B1G/SEC vs. ACC
Dec. 30	Franklin American Music City Bowl B1G/ACC vs. SEC
Dec. 28	Foster Farms Bowl vs. Pac-12
Dec. 28	New Era Pinstripe Bowl vs. ACC/ND
Dec. 27	Holiday Bowl vs. Pac-12
Dec. 27	Zaxby's Heart of Dallas Bowl vs. C-USA
Dec. 26	Quick Lane Bowl vs. ACC/ND

- **Full Nelson:** Redshirt-freshman safety **Patrick Nelson** made his first career start at Nebraska on Oct. 1 and it took him just one quarter to tie his previous career high in tackles (6). He finished the game with 16 tackles, the most by an Illini this season. Three games later he is tied for second on the team with 48 tackles and ranks fifth in the Big Ten with 10.5 tpg in conference play.
- Junior CB **Jaylen Dunlap** had a big game at Michigan, making nine tackles and a career-high 2.5 TFLs. For the season, Dunlap is fourth on the team with 42 tackles and 4.5 TFLs.
- Sophomore LB **Tre Watson** made his first career start at Nebraska on Oct. 1, racking up a then career-high 10 tackles and forced a fumble, the first of his career, against the Huskers. He followed that up with 13 tackles against Purdue, another career high, and now is tied for second on the team with 48 stops this season.
- **In the Negative:** The Illinois defense held Murray State to -10 yards rushing, the lowest total in the nation by a wide margin during the opening weekend – the next closest was Miami (FL), who held Florida A&M to 22 yards on the ground. The last time an opponent had negative rushing yards against Illinois was Western Michigan (-6) in 2012.
- **Setting the Tone:** Sophomore SS **Julian Hylton**, making his first career start, intercepted Murray State QB KD Humphries on the second play of the game during the Sept. 3 season-opener, setting the tone for the game.
- **Phair's Fair:** With all the change the Illini faced during the offseason, there was one constant – DL coach **Mike Phair**. Phair, who served as co-defensive coordinator and DL coach last season, was the lone coach from the 2015 staff retained by Lovie Smith. Phair, who is serving as run game coordinator and DL coach this season, was on Smith's staff with the Tampa Bay Buccaneers in 2014 before coming to Illinois.

**THE SPECIAL TEAMS**

- **Chasing History:** Sophomore PK **Chase McLaughlin** (9-12 FG and 17-17 PAT) made the first 22 kicks of his UI career (8 FGs and 14 PATs) before his first miss in the final seconds against Purdue. He has connected on 9-of-12 field goals this season to rank seventh in the Big Ten in FG percentage (.750).
- **Block Party:** Senior DT **Rob Bain** blocked a field goal against Western Michigan, the fourth blocked kick of his career. He blocked three kicks in 2015 (2 PATs, 1 FG) to rank second among FBS individuals in blocks. As a team, Illinois ranked fourth in FBS with five blocked kicks in 2015 (2 punts, 2 PATs, 1 FG), two of which were returned for touchdowns.
- **Big Game Frain:** Senior punter **Ryan Frain** is averaging 42.4 yards per punt in 2016, his second season as Illinois' starting punter. At Michigan, with Heisman candidate Jabrill Peppers back deep, Frain punted six times with an average of 46.3 yards per punt. More importantly, Michigan (and Peppers) did not return a punt. At Purdue in 2015, he shattered the Illinois single-game punting average record by punting three times for an average of 58.0 yards (old record was 54.3, minimum 3 punts).
- **Reis-ing to the Occasion:** Backup PK **David Reisner** had one of the highlights of 2014 for the Illini, nailing a game-winning 36-yard field goal with eight seconds remaining to give Illinois a 16-14 win over Penn State Nov. 22. Reisner's game-winner marked the first time since 2008 that the Illini won a game with a field goal in the last two minutes (Matt Eller, 46 yards vs. Iowa, 27-24, Nov. 1, 2008). Reisner also serves at the backup punter to Frain, averaging 39.7 yards per kick on 17 punts this season, including a career-long 61-yard punt vs. WMU.
- **Snap Engineer:** Senior long snapper **Michael Martin** returns after splitting long-snapping duties with Zach Hirth the last two seasons. Martin served as long snapper for punts, while Hirth short-snapped for PATs and field goals. With Hirth gone, Martin, who was placed on scholarship in August for his final season, is making all long snaps.

**FIGHTING ILLINI FACTS**

- **Iron Men:** Active consecutive starts streaks dating back to 2015: **Christian DiLauro** 26, **Dawuane Smoot** 19, **Malik Turner** 8
- **Super Men:** Two former Super Bowl head coaches faced-off as college head coaches for the first time ever when the Illini battled Michigan on Oct. 22. Illinois head coach **Lovie Smith** guided the Chicago Bears to Super Bowl XLI and Michigan head coach **Jim Harbaugh** coached the San Francisco 49ers in Super Bowl XLVII.
- **Captain Vote:** Prior to the season-opener, Coach Smith announced that QB **Wes Lunt**, LB **Hardy Nickerson**, DE **Dawuane Smoot** and OL **Joe Spencer** would be the 2016 team captains after a vote by players and coaches.
- **Working Overtime:** The overtime loss to Purdue on Oct. 8 marked the Illini's first OT game since Nov. 22, 2013, against Penn State. It was the first overtime contest in Memorial Stadium since Sept. 3, 2005, against Rutgers
- **Opening Kick:** Illinois opened its 127th season of football with a 52-3 win over Murray State on Sept. 3. The Illini are now 80-42-5 in openers.
- **Debut Ws:** With **Lovie Smith's** first victory on Sept. 3, Illinois head coaches are now 15-9-1 all time in their Illini debuts. The last four coaches (Smith, Cubit, Beckman and Zook) all were victorious in their Orange and Blue debuts. The last coach to drop his first game at Illinois was Ron Turner in 1997 (24-7 loss to Southern Mississippi).
- **Home Sweet Home:** Illinois has 19 consecutive home-opening wins, the fourth-longest active streak in the nation behind only Florida (27), Oklahoma State (21) and Wisconsin (20 - home opener is 9/10 vs. Akron). Illinois is 89-33-5 all-time in home-openers.



**FUTURE ILLINOIS SCHEDULES**

<b>2017 // Final</b>	<b>2019 // Final</b>
Sept. 2 Ball State	Aug. 31 Akron
Sept. 9 Western Kentucky	Sept. 7 @ UConn
Sept. 16 @ South Florida	Sept. 14 Eastern Michigan
Sept. 23 OPEN	Sept. 21 Nebraska
Sept. 30 Nebraska	Sept. 28 OPEN
Oct. 7 @ Iowa	Oct. 5 @ Minnesota
Oct. 14 Rutgers	Oct. 12 Michigan
Oct. 21 @ Minnesota	Oct. 19 Wisconsin
Oct. 28 Wisconsin	Oct. 26 @ Purdue
Nov. 4 @ Purdue	Nov. 2 Rutgers
Nov. 11 Indiana	Nov. 9 @ Michigan State
Nov. 18 @ Ohio State	Nov. 16 OPEN
Nov. 25 Northwestern (Chicago)	Nov. 23 @ Iowa
Dec. 2 BIG Championship	Nov. 30 Northwestern (Chicago)
	Dec. 7 BIG Championship
<b>2018 // Final</b>	<b>2020 // BIG Schedule TBA</b>
Sept. 1 Kent State	Sept. 5 Florida Atlantic
Sept. 8 Western Illinois	Sept. 12 UConn
Sept. 15 South Florida	Sept. 19 Bowling Green
Sept. 22 Penn State	Dec. 5 BIG Championship
Sept. 29 OPEN	
Oct. 6 @ Rutgers	<b>2021 // BIG Schedule TBA</b>
Oct. 13 Purdue	Sept. 4 UTSA
Oct. 20 @ Wisconsin	Sept. 11 @ Virginia
Oct. 27 @ Maryland	Oct. 2 Charlotte
Nov. 3 Minnesota	Dec. 4 BIG Championship
Nov. 10 @ Nebraska	
Nov. 17 Iowa	<b>2022 // BIG Schedule TBA</b>
Nov. 24 at Northwestern	Sept. 10 Virginia
Dec. 1 BIG Championship	Sept. 17 Wyoming
	Sept. 24 Central Michigan
	<b>2023 // 2 non-conference TBA</b>
	Sept. 9 @ Kansas
	<b>2024 // 2 non-conference TBA</b>
	Sept. 7 Kansas
	<b>2025 // 2 non-conference TBA</b>
	Sept. 6 @ Duke
	<b>2026 // 2 non-conference TBA</b>
	Sept. 12 Duke



**2016 UNIFORM COMBINATIONS**

Opponent	Result	Helmet	Jersey	Pants	Rec.
Murray State	W	Orange	Blue	Orange	1-0
North Carolina	L	Orange	Orange	Orange	0-1
Western Michigan	L	White	Blue	White	0-1
@Nebraska	L	White	White	White	0-1
Purdue	L	Orange	Blue	Orange	1-1
@Rutgers	W	White	White	White	1-1
@Michigan	L	White	White	White	1-2
Minnesota					
Michigan State					
@Wisconsin					
Iowa					
@Northwestern					

• **Starting Off Right:** The Illini have an all-time record of 80-42-5 in season-openers and are 57-27-4 when opening the season at home. The Illini have won their last 11 season-openers at Memorial Stadium dating back to 1997.

**In fact, the Illini have won...**

- » 6 straight season-openers (last loss 2010 vs. Missouri in St. Louis)
- » 11 straight season-openers at Memorial Stadium (last loss 1997 vs. Southern Mississippi)
- » 19 straight home-openers (last loss 1997 vs. Southern Mississippi)

• **Boys of Summer:** The Illini are 23-4 in Aug./Sept. home games dating back to the start of 2007.

• **Dominating the FCS:** The Fighting Illini are 16-0 all-time against FCS opponents (formerly I-AA). Illinois is averaging over 43 points per game against FCS foes with an average margin of victory of over 29 points per game. All but three of those wins have been by at least 21 points.

**NEW KIDS ON THE QUAD**

• A total of 23 players, including seven true-freshmen made their Illini debuts in the season-opening win over Murray State. Two more true-freshmen have debuted since then – **DB Stanley Green**, who first played in game three vs. WMU, and **WR Zarrion Holcombe**, who saw his first action in game four at Nebraska – as well as one RS freshman, **Trenard Davis** vs. Rutgers.

**True-Freshmen (9):** DB Stanley Green, LB Jake Hansen, LB Dele Harding, WR Zarrion Holcombe, DL Kenyon Jackson, OL Darta Lee, RB Tre Nation, DL Tymir Oliver, WR Dominic Thieman.

**Redshirt-Freshmen (13):** RB Reggie Corbin, DB Trenard Davis, QB Jeff George, Jr., OL Matt Long, LB Jimmy Marchese, OL Gabe Megginson, DB Patrick Nelson, TE Caleb Reams, OL Adam Solomon, DB Frank Sumpter, TE Bobby Walker, DB Cameron Watkins, LB Justice Williams

**Sophomores (1):** PK Chase McLaughlin

**Junior Transfer (1):** DB Ahmari Hayes

**Graduate Transfers (2):** LB Hardy Nickerson, DL Gimel President

**WALK-ONS EARNING THEIR \$\$\$**

• Senior walk-on LS **Michael Martin** was surprised with a scholarship for his final season on Aug. 28. Martin, a Champaign, Illinois, native, earned a bachelor's degree in mechanical engineering in Dec. 2015 and is currently pursuing a master's degree in the same field during his final year of football eligibility.

• In all, three players on the current roster have gone from walk-on status to scholarship student-athlete – RB **Nathan Echard**, WR **Zach Grant**, and LS **Michael Martin**.

**KEEP AN EYE ON THESE ILLINI**

Six Fighting Illini players earned mention on preseason award watch lists. Below is a list of the honors that Illinoi players have through Oct. 1:

- » **Kendrick Foster** – Dante Hall Award (Off./ST under 6' tall)
- » **Wes Lunt** – Maxwell Award (Off. POY), Davey O'Brien Award (QB), Unitas Golden Arm (QB), Manning Award (QB)
- » **Hardy Nickerson** – Nagurski Trophy (Def. POY), Butkus Award (LB), Lombardi Award (POY)
- » **Dawuane Smoot** – Bednarik Award (Def. POY), Hendricks Award (DE), Lombardi Award (POY)
- » **Joe Spencer** – Campbell Award Semifinalist (Student-Athlete), Rimington Trophy (C), Wuerffel Trophy (Community Service)
- » **Ke'Shawn Vaughn** – Doak Walker (RB)

**FOUR PLAYERS, FOUR COACHES**

• Four members of the 2012 Fighting Illini signing class on the current roster have connections to four different Illinois head coaches. DL **Rob Bain**, DB **Taylor Barton**, P **Ryan Frain** and OL **Joe Spencer** all verbally committed to coach Ron Zook in the fall of 2011, then played for Tim Beckman, Bill Cubit and now Lovie Smith while at Illinois.

• In all there are seven players from the 2012 class on this years roster, the four mentioned above, plus WR **Justin Hardee** and LB **Mike Svetina** (both committed after Beckman was hired) and LS **Michael Martin**, who was a preferred walk-on and, thus, was not officially part of the signing day class of 2012.

**LOVIE'S ILLINI**

• Illinois Director of Athletics **Josh Whitman** named longtime NFL coach **Lovie Smith** as head football coach on March 7, 2016. Smith is the 25th head football coach at Illinois and is the first African-American head football coach in program history.

• The season-opening victory over Murray State was the first college win as head coach for Smith, who is back in college football for the first time since the 1996 Florida Citrus Bowl, when he was an assistant at Ohio State. Smith is coming off 19 years in the NFL, including the last 11 as head coach of the Chicago Bears and Tampa Bay Buccaneers. He picked up his first Big Ten victory on Oct. 15 at Rutgers, 24-7.

• Smith led the Chicago Bears for nine seasons from 2004-12 and was 81-63 (.563), including three division titles, two NFC Championship Game appearances (2006 and 2010) and a berth in Super Bowl XLII.

• The AP Coach of the Year in 2005, Smith's 81 wins with Chicago are the third-most in Bears history.



## 2016 ILLINOIS HONORS

### OL Christian DiLauro

- Preseason All-Big Ten Third Team (Athlon)

### RB Kendrick Foster

- Dante Hall Award Watch List (Off./ST under 6' tall)

### QB Wes Lunt

- Maxwell Award Preseason Watch List (Off. POY)
- Davey O'Brien Award Preseason Watch List (QB)
- Unitas Golden Arm Preseason Watch List (QB)
- Manning Award Preseason Watch List (QB)
- Strongest Arm in Big Ten (Lindy's)
- Preseason All-Big Ten Third Team (Phil Steele)

### S Patrick Nelson

- Big Ten Freshman of the Week (10/17)

### LB Hardy Nickerson

- Lombardi Award Preseason Watch List (POY)
- Nagurski Trophy Preseason Watch List (Def. POY)
- Butkus Award Preseason Watch List (LB)
- Preseason All-Big Ten First Team (Phil Steele)
- Preseason All-Big Ten Third Team (Athlon & Lindy's)

### LEO Dawuane Smoot

- Lombardi Award Preseason Watch List (POY)
- Bednarik Award Preseason Watch List (Def. POY)
- Hendricks Award Preseason Watch List (DE)
- Preseason All-Big Ten Second Team (Phil Steele, Athlon & Lindy's)

### OL Austin Schmidt

- Preseason All-Big Ten Third Team (Lindy's)

### OL Joe Spencer

- Campbell Award Semifinalist (Scholar-Athlete)
- Rimington Award Preseason Watch List (C)
- Wuerffel Trophy Preseason Watch List (Community Service)

### RB Ke'Shawn Vaughn

- Doak Walker Award Preseason Watch List (RB)
- Preseason All-Big Ten Third Team (Athlon & Lindy's)

- Smith spent the past two years as head coach of the Tampa Bay Buccaneers, where the Bucs improved from two victories in 2014 to six wins in 2015.

### THE LOVIE EFFECT

- **Arrow Pointing Up:** Through four home games, the Illini are averaging 48,295 fans per game in 2016, an increase of 16.8 percent over last season. In 2015, Illinois averaged 41,342 fans with a high of 51,515 (vs. Ohio State 11/14/15).
- **Selling Out:** Illinois welcomed a sellout crowd of 60,670 against North Carolina on Sept. 10, marking the first sellout crowd at Memorial Stadium since hosting Michigan on Nov. 12, 2011. It was the first non-conference sellout since hosting Arizona State on Sept. 12, 1987 (Capacity at the time was 70,060).
- **Big Opener:** The crowd of 48,644 for the 2016 season-opener against Murray State marked Illinois' best non-conference attendance since Sept. 17, 2011 against Arizona State (50,669) and was Illinois' best home-opener attendance since Sept. 11, 2010 against Southern Illinois (52,217).

### NFL STAFF IN CHAMBANA

The 2016 Fighting Illini football coaching staff, led by **Lovie Smith**, is loaded with experience from both the NFL and college levels. In fact, the Illini staff's 56 seasons of combined NFL head and assistant coach experience is the most in college football in 2016, ahead of UCLA (44), Michigan (41), Nebraska (32) and USC (30).

#### Illini NFL Experience by the Numbers:

- » 56 Seasons NFL Coaching Experience (most in NCAA)
- » 9 Additional Seasons of NFL Staff Experience (non-coaching)
- » 18 Seasons NFL Playing Experience
- » 3 Super Bowl Appearances
- » 1 Super Bowl Title
- » 1 NFL Coach of the Year

#### Of the 10 full-time coaches, seven have NFL experience:

- » Lovie Smith – 19 seasons (11 head coach, 8 assistant/coordinator)
- » Bob Ligashesky – 12 seasons (assistant coach/coordinator)
- » Luke Butkus – 8 seasons (assistant coach)
- » Mike Phair – 7 seasons (assistant coach)
- » Andrew Hayes-Stoker – 5 seasons (assistant coach)
- » Hardy Nickerson – 3 seasons (assistant coach)
- » Garrick McGee – 2 season (assistant coach)

### WHITMAN IN CHARGE

- Former Fighting Illini tight end **Josh Whitman** took over as Director of Athletics at Illinois in February. His first order of business? Hiring **Lovie Smith** as head coach just two days after officially starting the job.
- Whitman was named the university's 14th permanent director of athletics on Feb. 17 and officially started on March 5. On March 7, he made national headlines by hiring coaching icon Lovie Smith to lead the football program.
- Prior to coming back to Illinois, Whitman served as director of athletic at Washington University in St. Louis and UW-LaCrosse and also practiced law in Washington, D.C.
- Whitman has two Illinois degrees. He graduated with Bronze Tablet honors in 2001 while earning a bachelor's degree in finance. In 2008, he graduated summa cum laude from the Illinois College of Law. He worked in the Department of Intercollegiate Athletics at Illinois while earning his law degree.
- A native of West Lafayette, Indiana, Whitman was a four-year starting tight end and two-time First Team Academic All-American on the gridiron for Illinois. He then spent parts of four seasons as a player in the NFL, including stints with the Chargers, Dolphins, Seahawks and Bills.

### DUDEK, WHERE'S MY CAR?

- Sophomore WR **Mike Dudek** will have to wait a little while to follow up on the most prolific season for a freshman receiver in school history. Dudek finished with 76 receptions for 1,038 yards in 2014, which both shattered Arrelious Benn's previous freshman marks of 54 catches and 676 yards in 2007 and placed him in Illinois' season top-10 rankings. However, Dudek missed the entire 2015 season with a knee injury and then suffered another knee injury in practice this past spring and is not expected to return to game action until late in the season, if at all.
- Dudek was a first-team Freshman All-American by ESPN.com, Scout and 247sports after leading FBS freshmen in receiving yards (79.8 ypg), ranking 33rd overall and third in the Big Ten. He led the Big Ten in receptions (50) and receiving yards (716) during conference games and ranked fifth in the nation with 354 fourth-quarter receiving yards and tied for third nationally with 10 plays of 15+ yards in the fourth quarter.
- Dudek became the eighth player in school history to record a 1,000 yard season as a receiver, ranking seventh on the UI single season list with 1,038 yards.



**2016 ILLINOIS COACHING STAFF**

**On Field During Game**

Lovie Smith ..... Head Coach  
 Garrick McGee ..... Offensive Coordinator/QB  
 Bob Ligashesky ..... Special Teams Coordinator/TE  
 Mike Phair ..... Run Game Coordinator/DL  
 Luke Butkus ..... Offensive Line  
 Tim McGarigle ..... Linebackers  
 Thad Ward ..... Running Backs

**In Coaches' Booth**

Hardy Nickerson ..... Defensive Coordinator  
 Andrew Hayes-Stoker ..... Wide Receivers  
 Paul Williams ..... Defensive Backs  
 Charlie Drewek ..... Defensive Analyst  
 Michaellee Harris ..... Offensive Analyst  
 Dean Hogan ..... Special Teams Analyst  
 Kingsley Osei-Asibey ..... Defensive Analyst  
 Nathan Scheelhaase ..... Offensive Analyst

**UNIVERSITY QUICK FACTS**

**Location:** Urbana-Champaign  
**Founded:** 1867  
**Enrollment:** 44,942  
**Colors:** Orange & Blue  
**Nickname:** Fighting Illini  
**Conference (Division):** Big Ten (West)  
**President:** Timothy L. Killeen  
**Chancellor:** Robert J. Jones  
**Director of Athletics:** Josh Whitman  
**Stadium:** Memorial Stadium (FieldTurf – 60,670)

**FOOTBALL QUICK FACTS**

**2015 Record:** 5-7, 2-6 (T-5th Big Ten West Division)  
**Offensive Formation:** Multiple  
**Defensive Formation:** 4-3  
**2015 Starters Returning/Lost:** 13/12  
 Off: 7/4 Def: 4/7 ST (PK/P/LS): 2/1  
**2015 Letterwinners Returning/Lost:** 38/28  
 Off: 18/11 Def: 16/16 ST (PK/P/LS/H): 4/1  
**All-Time Record (Yrs):** 599-571-51 (127th)  
**All-Time Big Ten Record (Yrs):** 340-413-32 (121st)  
**Memorial Stadium Record (Yrs):** 267-229-14 (94th)  
**Big Ten Championships (Last):** 15 (2001)  
**National Championships (Last):** 5 (1951)  
**Bowl Appearances (Last):** 18 (2014 Heart of Dallas)  
**All-Time Bowl Record:** 8-10 (.444)

**FOOTBALL CONTACT INFORMATION**

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**ALL OVER THE NFL**

- Illinois had 15 former players on NFL roster on opening day 2016, including four players from the 2015 roster – FS **Clayton Fejedelem** (Bengals), RB **Josh Ferguson** (Colts), OL **Ted Karras** (Patriots) and DE **Jihad Ward** (Raiders).
- The 2016 Illini in the NFL are – OT **Jeff Allen** (Texans), WR **Arrelious Benn** (Jaguars), TE **Jeff Cumberland** (Chargers), CB **Vontae Davis** (Colts), **Clayton Fejedelem** (Bengals), RB **Josh Ferguson** (Colts), TE **Michael Hoomanawanui** (Saints), OL **Ted Karras** (Patriots), TE **Matt LaCosse** (Giants), DE **Corey Liuget** (Chargers), LB **Whitney Mercilus** (Texans), DT **Akeem Spence** (Buccaneers), OG **Hugh Thornton** (Colts), DE **Jihad Ward** (Raiders) and DB **Tavon Wilson** (Lions).
- Two more Illini were signed to practice squads following training camp – WR **Geronimo Allison** (Packers) and LB **Justin Staples** (Titans).
- Three Fighting Illini were selected in the 2016 NFL Draft and three more signed UDFA contracts in the spring. DE **Jihad Ward** was selected by the Raiders in the second round, OL **Ted Karras** by the Patriots in the sixth round and FS **Clayton Fejedelem** by the Bengals in round seven. In addition, WR **Geronimo Allison** (Packers), DB **V'Angelo Bentley** (Patriots) and RB **Josh Ferguson** (Colts) signed free agent deals.

**UPLIFTING ATHLETES RAISES RECORD MONEY**

Fighting Illini players raised over \$21,000 for rare disease research and awareness with their fifth annual Lift for Life fundraiser through Uplifting Athletes on July 1, 2016. The Illini are inspired by former Illini OL **Andrew Carter**, whose playing career was cut short by Acoustic neuroma – a rare, slow-growing tumor of the nerve that connects the ear to the brain. Senior OL **Joe Spencer** serves as president of the UI chapter of Uplifting Athletes and helped organize the event, which featured the entire Fighting Illini team participating in a strongman competition at Memorial Stadium. In five years, the Illini have raised nearly \$60,000 to help fight rare diseases. Find more on Andrew Carter's story here: <http://bit.ly/CarterFeature>.

**ILLINI GAMES BROADCAST IN CHINESE ONCE AGAIN**

- Illinois Athletics and the Fighting Illini Radio Network, under the direction of Fighting Illini Sports Properties, will once again broadcast in Mandarin Chinese online through FightingIllini.com. It will mark the second straight season of Mandarin broadcasts at Illinois, a trend the Illini started last season.
- The broadcast will again be led by David He, a sophomore majoring in Recreation, Sport, and Tourism. David will be joined by Bruce Lu.
- Over 4,500 students from China attend the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, making them the largest group of international students on campus. The number of Chinese students attending Illinois has gradually increased from 850 students in the fall of 2005 to more than five times that number today.
- Broadcasting football games in Chinese is one part in a series of moves to better connect with international students on campus. Beginning in 2013, Illinois Athletics has partnered with Inclusive Illinois, the Chinese Students and Scholars Association and the International Student and Scholar Services office to host Football 101 – an interactive and educational session about the basics of football taught by the Fighting Illini football team; and Basketball Carnival – an open gym focusing on the fundamentals of basketball.

**A YEAR OF CHANGE**

2015-16 was a tumultuous year for the University of Illinois and Fighting Illini Athletics, filled with change in football, athletic administration and campus levels.

- » Aug. 6, 2015 – University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign chancellor Phyllis Wise resigns. Barbara Wilson named interim chancellor.
- » Aug. 28, 2015 – One week before the season-opener vs. Kent State, OC/RB coach Bill Cubit named interim head coach following the dismissal of Tim Beckman. Assistant director of football operations Nathan Scheelhaase promoted to running backs coach.
- » Nov. 9, 2015 – Paul Kowalczyk named interim Director of Athletics following the dismissal of Mike Thomas.
- » Nov. 28, 2015 – The morning of the season-finale vs. Northwestern, Bill Cubit named permanent head coach with a two-year contract.
- » Feb. 17, 2016 – Josh Whitman hired as Illinois' 14th director of athletics
- » March 5, 2016 – On Whitman's first official day as AD, Bill Cubit is dismissed as football coach
- » March 7, 2016 – Lovie Smith hired as 25th head football coach at Illinois
- » July 19, 2016 – Robert J. Jones announced as the next University of Illinois chancellor (start date Oct. 3)

**WEEKLY COACHES RADIO SHOW**

The Lovie Smith radio show airs live from Buffalo Wild Wings in Savoy every Monday evening of a game week from 7-8 p.m. on the Illini Sports Network. Hosted by Fighting Illini football play-by-play voice Brian Barnhart, the live show allows University of Illinois students and the Champaign-Urbana community the opportunity to meet coaches and student-athletes and ask questions about the Illinois football program.



**TURNOVERS FORCED**

TEAM	INT	FUMBLE	TOTAL
Illinois	6	8	14
Opponent	3	4	7

**MURRAY STATE (3)**

- 1Q . . . Julian Hylton interception
- 1Q . . . Taylor Barton interception
- 4Q . . . Patrick Nelson fumble recovery

**NORTH CAROLINA (1)**

- 1Q . . . Caleb Day fumble recovery (muffed punt)

**WESTERN MICHIGAN (0)**

None

**NEBRASKA (2)**

- 2Q . . . Darius Mosely interception (24 yard return)
- 3Q . . . Tre Watson forced fumble (Bain recovery)

**PURDUE (2)**

- 2Q . . . Hardy Nickerson interception (33 yard return)
- 4Q . . . Hardy Nickerson interception

**RUTGERS (5)**

- 1Q . . . Echard fumble recovery (muffed punt)
- 1Q . . . Jamal Milan forced fumble (Green recovery)
- 2Q . . . Tré Watson forced fumble (Mosely 15 yard return)
- 4Q . . . Darius Mosely interception (78 yard return for TD)
- 4Q . . . Jamal Milan forced fumble (Phillips recovery)

**MICHIGAN (1)**

- 3Q . . . Stanley Green forced fumble (Crawford recovery)

**ILLINOIS ACADEMICS**

**GRADS ON GRADS ON GRADS**

The 2016 Fighting Illini roster features 11 student-athletes that have already earned a bachelor's degree, including one player – Justin Hardee – who already has two degrees and is working toward a third. The 11 graduates is tied for the third-most in the nation behind only Virginia (15) and Pittsburgh (13).

Student-Athlete	Bachelor's Degree	Degree Pursuing
Rob Bain	Communication (Dec. '15)	Education Policy, Org. and Leadership (Master's)
Taylor Barton	Communication (May '16)	Education Policy, Org. and Leadership (Master's)
Ryan Frain	Kinesiology (May '16)	Technology Management (Master's)
Justin Hardee	Communication (Dec. '14)	Education Policy, Org. and Leadership (2nd Master's) (Recreation, Sport and Tourism Master's May '16)
Wes Lunt	Sport Management (May '16)	Recreation, Sport and Tourism (Master's)
Michael Martin	Mechanical Engineering (Dec. '15)	Mechanical Engineering (Master's)
Hardy Nickerson	Legal Studies (Cal-Summer '16)	Recreation, Sport and Tourism (Master's)
Gimel President	Fitness, Cond. & Perf. (Auburn-May '16)	Education (Master's)
David Reisner	Advertising (May '16)	Business Administration (Master's)
Joe Spencer	Finance (May '16)	Business Administration (Master's)
Mike Svetina	Finance (May '16)	Accountancy (Master's)

**MAKING THE GRADE**

The Illini have excelled in the classroom over the last four seasons.

- 42 football student-athletes earned degrees in 2015-16, including nine that are on the 2016 roster pursuing master's degrees plus two graduate transfers (**Hardy Nickerson** and **Gimel President**).
- Since 2012, the number of football graduates have gone from 15 (2012), to 16 (2013) to 21 (2014), to 38 (2015), to 42 (2016).
- Illinois has broken its school record for Academic All-Big Ten selections in each of the last four seasons in Champaign. Prior to 2012, the school record was 12 (2000 & 2009). Since then, the Illini have had 18 (2012), 21 (2013), 29 (2014) and now 31 (2015).
- For eight consecutive semesters, at least 40 football student-athletes have posted at least a 3.0 grade-point-average, including 59 in Spring 2016. In the same time frame, Illinois' team GPA also has risen steadily from 2.71 in fall 2012 to a high of 3.05 in Spring 2016.

Semester	3.0+ GPAs	Team GPA
Fall 2012	42	2.71
Spring 2013	51	2.87
Fall 2013	43	2.84
Spring 2014	41	2.90
Fall 2014	56	2.97
Spring 2015	60	2.98
Fall 2015	58	2.92
Spring 2016	59	3.06

**CHARTING THE ILLINI**

**LONGEST DRIVES**

**DRIVES**

	ILLINOIS
by # of plays	14 (51 yards, 4:53, downs vs. North Carolina)
by # of yards	86 (7 plays, 3:03, TD vs. Purdue)
Time of Possession	5:22 (11 plays, 80 yards, TD vs. Murray State)

**OPPONENT**

18 (75 yards, 10:42, TD) Nebraska
86 (7 plays, 2:30, TD) Rutgers
10:42 (18 plays, 75 yards, TD) Nebraska

**RED ZONE STATS (inside the 20)**

	ILLINOIS	OPPONENT
Times inside the 20	19	29
Total Scores	15	26
Touchdowns	9	17
Field Goals	6	9
Lost on Downs/Turnover/Punt	3	3
Lost on Missed/Blocked Field Goals	0	0
End of Game or Half	1	0
Scoring Percentage	.789	.897
Scoring Percentage (TDs only)	.474	.586
Percent of Total Drives	.221	.337

**FIELD POSITION**

	ILLINOIS	OPPONENT
Drives Started	86	86
Cumulative Starting Yardlines	2,743	2,589
Average Starting Field Position	31.9	30.1
Times Started Inside the 20	13	18
Drives Started in Plus Territory	10	10

**POINTS AFTER TURNS**

	ILLINOIS	OPPONENT
Turnovers Forced	14	7
Total Scores	6	4
Scoring Percentage	.429	.571
Points off Turnovers	34 (4 TD, 2 FG)	24 (3 TD, 1 FG)

**HIGHEST SCORING QUARTERS**

	1ST	2ND	3RD	4TH	OT	FINAL
2016 season	14, UNC & Murray St.	21, Murray State	10, Rutgers	10, Murray State	0, Purdue	52, Murray State



# THE ILLINOIS RENAISSANCE CONTINUES



## RENAISSANCE

### PROPOSED TIMELINE

- October 2016 » Project announced
- Winter 2017 » Architect selected
- Spring 2017 » Plan presented to BOT for approval
- Spring 2018 » Begin construction on south end zone
- Summer 2019 » South end zone completed for 2019 season
- Summer 2020 » East side completed for 2020 season

### PLANNED FEATURES

- » Grand Entryway
- » Expansive Locker Room and Team Spaces
- » Meeting Rooms
- » Sports Medicine and Weight Training Facilities
- » Recruiting Areas
- » Staff Offices
- » Capacity expected to stay above 60,000

### MEMORIAL STADIUM FACTS

- Built » 1923
- First Game » Illinois vs. Chicago, 11/3/1923
- Dedication Game » Illinois vs. Michigan, 10/18/1924
- Largest Crowd » 78,297, Illinois vs. Missouri, 9/8/1984
- Current Capacity » 60,670

On Oct. 3, 2016, the University of Illinois announced plans for extensive renovations to the Memorial Stadium south horseshoe and east side.

“Following Coach Smith’s arrival, this project is the necessary next step to building a sustainable, championship-caliber football program,” said Josh Whitman, Illinois Director of Athletics. “This is an investment in our student-athletes, both present and future, to ensure that they have the resources needed to compete at the highest level. Such a commitment is required if we are to win consistently in the Big Ten and on the national stage. This is the first in a series of facility projects that will ultimately position all Illinois student-athletes for enduring success.”

This project is a continuation of the Illinois Renaissance, which began in 2005 with large-scale renovations to Memorial Stadium’s west and north sides. That project resulted in the completion of the stadium’s premium seating and press box facilities, the north end zone student seating area, and recruiting and strength training facilities for use by the football program.

Plans for this new project include constructing a new home for all football operations in the south end zone, including locker rooms; training, recovery, and sports medicine facilities; meeting and office spaces; and recruiting venues. The building will be housed inside a new south grandstand. Work to the east main and balcony stands will feature new restrooms, concessions and elevators, along with enhanced fan accessibility and ADA seating.

“This project is an important addition to our program as we continue to build,” said head coach Lovie Smith. “Memorial Stadium is one of the historic and iconic stadiums in the nation, and this renovation will only enhance that reputation. The additions will give both our players and fans a greatly improved experience, from preparation during the week to the game-day atmosphere.”

In mid-September, the University issued a Request for Proposal (RFP) for architectural services. Upon completion of the RFP process, the University is expected to choose an architect and engineering firm to complete plans and drawings. The DIA anticipates presenting a plan to the University Board of Trustees for board approval in the spring of 2017. This would enable the south end zone portion of the project to be completed in the summer of 2019 and the east side in the summer of 2020.

This portion of the Illinois Renaissance is expected to cost approximately \$132 million and will be funded by private gifts and the DIA’s general fund.



*Concept rendering of the outside from the south.*



*Preliminary concept rendering of the proposed south end zone seating structure and how it can fit into the existing structure of Memorial Stadium.*



**2016 ILLINOIS BIG PLAYS**

(Rush/Pass/Rec/PR over 20 yds & KOR/Def over 40 yds)

Player	Run	Pass	Rec	Def	ST	Tot
Lunt	0	9	0	0	0	9
Turner	0	0	9	0	0	9
Corbin	4	3	1	0	0	8
Foster	5	0	0	0	1	6
Vaughn	3	0	1	0	0	4
Crouch	2	1	0	0	0	3
Mosely	0	0	0	1	2	3
George Jr.	0	2	0	0	0	2
Cain	0	0	1	0	0	1
Hardee	0	0	1	0	0	1
Johnson	0	0	1	0	0	1
Echard	0	0	1	0	0	1
Nickerson	0	0	0	1	0	1
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>34</b>

**MURRAY STATE (7)**

- 1Q 68 . . . . Turner TD reception (from Lunt)
- 1Q 22 . . . . Mosely punt return
- 2Q 31 . . . . Hardee reception (from Lunt)
- 2Q 56 . . . . Foster TD rush
- 2Q 56 . . . . Foster TD rush
- 3Q 30 . . . . Cain TD reception (from Lunt)
- 3Q 32 . . . . Corbin rush

**NORTH CAROLINA (2)**

- 1Q 65 . . . . Vaughn TD rush
- 3Q 25 . . . . Foster rush

**WESTERN MICHIGAN (3)**

- 2Q 56 . . . . Johnson reception (from Lunt)
- 3Q 25 . . . . Turner reception (from Lunt)
- 4Q 21 . . . . Turner reception (from Lunt)

**NEBRASKA (4)**

- 1Q 25 . . . . Turner reception (from Lunt)
- 2Q 31 . . . . Foster rush TD
- 3Q 31 . . . . Corbin rush
- 3Q 26 . . . . Echard reception (from Lunt)

**PURDUE (8)**

- 1Q 46 . . . . Corbin rush
- 1Q 21 . . . . Turner reception (from Lunt)
- 2Q 33 . . . . Nickerson interception
- 2Q 29 . . . . Vaughn rush
- 2Q 26 . . . . Crouch rush
- 3Q 38 . . . . Turner reception (from Crouch)
- 3Q 30 . . . . Corbin reception (from Crouch)
- 4Q 24 . . . . Turner reception (from Crouch)

**RUTGERS (6)**

- 1Q 26 . . . . Foster rush
- 2Q 61 . . . . Vaughn reception (from Crouch)
- 3Q 53 . . . . Corbin rush
- 3Q 28 . . . . Crouch rush
- 3Q 20 . . . . Mosely punt return
- 4Q 78 . . . . Mosely INT TD

**MICHIGAN (4)**

- 2Q 45 . . . . Vaughn rush
- 3Q 43 . . . . Turner reception (from George, Jr.)
- 4Q 43 . . . . Turner TD reception (from George Jr.)
- 4Q 41 . . . . Foster kick return

**ILLINOIS SCORING DRIVES**

**MURRAY STATE**

- 1st . . . . 10:09 . . . . TD . . . . Turner, Malik 5 yard pass from Lunt (McLaughlin kick) . . . . . 8 plays, 37 yards, 4:14
- 1st . . . . 7:47 . . . . TD . . . . Turner, Malik 68 yard pass from Lunt (McLaughlin kick) . . . . . 1 play, 68 yards, 0:12
- 2nd . . . . 9:36 . . . . TD . . . . Vaughn, Ke'Shawn 2 yard run (McLaughlin kick) . . . . . 4 plays, 39 yards, 1:58
- 2nd . . . . 4:26 . . . . TD . . . . Foster, Kendrick 56 yard run (McLaughlin kick) . . . . . 4 plays, 68 yards, 2:00
- 2nd . . . . 0:26 . . . . TD . . . . Foster, Kendrick 56 yard run (McLaughlin kick) . . . . . 3 plays, 65 yards, 0:22
- 3rd . . . . 5:51 . . . . TD . . . . Cain, Desmond 30 yard pass from Lunt (McLaughlin kick) . . . . . 11 plays, 80 yards, 5:22
- 4th . . . . 14:13 . . . . TD . . . . Corbin, Reggie 1 yard run (McLaughlin kick) . . . . . 8 plays, 75 yards, 4:16
- 4th . . . . 8:44 . . . . FG . . . . McLaughlin, Chase 48 yard field goal . . . . . 7 plays, 35 yards, 4:00

**NORTH CAROLINA**

- 1st . . . . 13:35 . . . . TD . . . . Vaughn, Ke'Shawn 65 yard run (McLaughlin kick) . . . . . 3 plays, 80 yards, 1:25
- 1st . . . . 2:55 . . . . TD . . . . Foster, Kendrick 15 yard pass from Lunt (McLaughlin kick) . . . . . 5 plays, 30 yards, 5:17
- 2nd . . . . 5:23 . . . . SAF . . . . Smoot, Dawuane Safety . . . . . N/A
- 4th . . . . 14:55 . . . . TD . . . . Turner, Malik 7 yard pass from Lunt (McLaughlin kick) . . . . . 8 plays, 57 yards, 3:05

**WESTERN MICHIGAN**

- 2nd . . . . 6:39 . . . . TD . . . . Johnson, Ainslie 56 yard pass from Lunt (McLaughlin kick) . . . . . 3 plays, 74 yards, 1:26
- 3rd . . . . 10:36 . . . . FG . . . . McLaughlin, Chase 22 yard field goal . . . . . 10 plays, 61 yards, 4:24

**NEBRASKA**

- 2nd . . . . 10:11 . . . . TD . . . . Foster, Kendrick 31 yard run (McLaughlin kick) . . . . . 8 plays, 60 yards, 3:57
- 2nd . . . . 1:01 . . . . FG . . . . McLaughlin, Chase 24 yard field goal . . . . . 10 plays, 69 yards, 4:58
- 2nd . . . . 0:00 . . . . FG . . . . McLaughlin, Chase 43 yard field goal . . . . . 3 plays, 21 yards, 0:28
- 3rd . . . . 7:40 . . . . FG . . . . McLaughlin, Chase 33 yard field goal . . . . . 8 plays, 74 yards, 3:45

**PURDUE**

- 1st . . . . 8:58 . . . . FG . . . . McLaughlin, Chase 20 yard field goal . . . . . 7 plays, 78 yards, 3:16
- 2nd . . . . 14:56 . . . . FG . . . . McLaughlin, Chase 47 yard field goal . . . . . 6 plays, 31 yards, 2:06
- 2nd . . . . 5:11 . . . . TD . . . . Crouch, Chayce 26 yard run (McLaughlin kick) . . . . . 11 plays, 77 yards, 4:48
- 2nd . . . . 0:29 . . . . FG . . . . McLaughlin, Chase 34 yard field goal . . . . . 7 plays, 49 yards, 2:38
- 3rd . . . . 3:20 . . . . TD . . . . Crouch, Chayce 3 yard run (McLaughlin kick) . . . . . 7 plays, 86 yards, 3:03
- 4th . . . . 12:34 . . . . TD . . . . Foster, Kendrick 3 yard run (Turner pass from Crouch) . . . . . 8 plays, 75 yards, 3:04

**RUTGERS**

- 2nd . . . . 8:47 . . . . TD . . . . Foster, Kendrick 5 yard pass from Crouch (McLaughlin kick) . . . . . 5 plays, 73 yards, 2:35
- 3rd . . . . 11:48 . . . . TD . . . . Foster, Kendrick 5 yard run (McLaughlin kick) . . . . . 6 plays, 77 yards, 3:07
- 3rd . . . . 7:54 . . . . FG . . . . McLaughlin, Chase 37 yard field goal . . . . . 5 plays, 35 yards, 2:31
- 4th . . . . 9:32 . . . . TD . . . . Mosely, Darius 78 yard interception return (McLaughlin kick) . . . . . N/A

**MICHIGAN**

- 4th . . . . 10:22 . . . . TD . . . . Turner, Malik 43 yard pass from George, Jr., Jeff (Grant pass from George, Jr.) . . . . 1 play, 43 yards, 0:08



TEAM GAME-BY-GAME STATISTICS

Team	Score	First Downs	Rushing Att-Yd-TD	Passing C-A-Int-TD	Passing Yards	Total Offense	Punt	Fumbles	Penalties	Time Poss
Illinois vs. Murray State	52-3	21-13	40-287-4 / 26-(-10)-0	16-24-0-3 / 21-35-2-0	228 / 175	515 / 165	4-172 / 7-297	1-0 / 1-1	7-55 / 4-29	33:28 / 26:32
Illinois vs. North Carolina	23-48	15-21	36-182-1 / 37-197-4	17-35-0 / 19-25-0	127 / 265	309 / 462	9-350 / 3-128	6-1 / 1-1	13-99 / 6-46	34:19 / 25:41
Illinois vs. Western Michigan	10-34	15-20	15-3-0 / 54-287-4	29-42-1-1 / 9-13-0-0	312 / 150	315 / 437	8-325 / 5-200	1-1 / 1-0	7-48 / 5-36	25:00 / 35:00
Illinois at Nebraska	16-31	12-23	21-124-1 / 49-203-3	14-23-0-0 / 16-23-1-3	146 / 220	270 / 423	4-166 / 0-0	0-0 / 1-1	7-48 / 3-35	21:59 / 38:01
Illinois vs. Purdue	31-34	24-25	46-315-3 / 41-231-3	14-23-0-0 / 23-37-2-1	184 / 228	499 / 459	5-201 / 4-168	2-1 / 0-0	12-125 / 5-45	29:54 / 30:06
Illinois at Rutgers	24-7	10-23	43-228-1 / 50-203-0	6-14-1-1 / 17-30-1-1	92 / 182	320 / 385	6-243 / 4-162	0-0 / 5-4	6-60 / 4-36	27:12 / 32:48
Illinois at Michigan	8-41	6-29	23-77-0 / 59-270-3	4-15-1-1 / 20-28-0-2	95 / 291	172 / 561	7-287 / 2-65	2-1 / 3-1	5-45 / 5-41	18:37 / 41:23
Illinois vs. Minnesota										
Illinois vs. Michigan State										
Illinois at Wisconsin										
Illinois vs. Iowa										
Illinois vs. Northwestern										

ILLINOIS GAME-BY-GAME STARTERS

OFFENSIVE STARTERS

GAME	T	G	C	G	T	QB	RB	WR	WR	WR / TE	TE / FB
Murray State	DiLauro	Lee	Allegretti	Megginson	Schmidt	Lunt	Vaughn	Hardee	Turner	Reams (TE)	Johnson
North Carolina	DiLauro	Allegretti	Spencer	Megginson	Schmidt	Lunt	Vaughn	Hardee	Turner	Grant (WR)	Johnson
Western Michigan	DiLauro	Allegretti	Spencer	Fagan	Schmidt	Lunt	Vaughn	Hardee	Turner	Grant (WR)	White
Nebraska	DiLauro	Allegretti	Spencer	Lee	Megginson	Lunt	Corbin	Hardee	Turner	Grant (WR)	Echard (FB)
Purdue	DiLauro	Allegretti	Spencer	Megginson	Schmidt	Lunt	Corbin	Hardee	Turner	Grant (WR)	White (TE)
Rutgers	DiLauro	Allegretti	Spencer	Megginson	Schmidt	Crouch	Foster	Hardee	Turner	Grant (WR)	White (TE)
Michigan	DiLauro	Allegretti	Spencer	Brennan	Schmidt	George Jr.	Foster	Hardee	Turner	Johnson (TE)	White (TE)
Minnesota											
Michigan State											
Wisconsin											
Iowa											
Northwestern											
Consecutive	26	7	6	1	3	1	2	7	8	1	3
Career	26	7	32	1	22	1	2	17	22	3	6

DEFENSIVE STARTERS

GAME	DE	DT	DT	DE	WLB	MLB	SLB / Nickel	CB	SS	FS	CB
Murray State	Smoot	Bain	Clements	Phillips	Crawford	Nickerson	James (Nickel)	Dunlap	Hylton	Barton	Mosely
North Carolina	Smoot	Bain	Clements	Phillips	Crawford	Nickerson	James (Nickel)	Dunlap	Hylton	Barton	Mosely
Western Michigan	Smoot	Bain	Milan	Phillips	Crawford	Nickerson	James (Nickel)	Dunlap	Hylton	Barton	Mosely
Nebraska	Smoot	Bain	Clements	Phillips	Watson	Nickerson	Jones (SLB)	Dunlap	Nelson	Barton	Mosely
Purdue	Smoot	Jackson	Clements	Phillips	Watson	Nickerson	James (Nickel)	Dunlap	Nelson	Barton	Mosely
Rutgers	Smoot	Jackson	Clements	President	Watson	Nickerson	Mosely (Nickel)	Dunlap	Nelson	Green	Hayes
Michigan	Smoot	Odenigbo	Milan	Phillips	Watson	Nickerson	Jones (SLB)	Dunlap	Crawford	Green	Mosely
Minnesota											
Michigan State											
Wisconsin											
Iowa											
Northwestern											
Consecutive	19	1	1	1	4	7	1	7	1	2	7
Career	19	1	2	9	4	34*	2	7	8	2	12



RECORDS TO WATCH

Through Michigan game – Oct. 22, 2016

ILLINOIS INDIVIDUAL CAREER

CAREER TOTAL OFFENSE YARDAGE

	Rush	Pass	Total
1. Nathan Scheelhaase, 2010-13	2,066	8,568	10,634
2. Juice Williams, 2006-09	2,557	8,037	10,594
3. Kurt Kittner, 1998-2001	158	8,722	8,880
4. Jack Trudeau, 1981-85	-85	8,725	8,640
5. Jason Verduzco, 1989-92	-276	7,532	7,256
6. Tony Eason, 1981-82	-29	7,031	7,002
7. Johnny Johnson, 1992-94	65	5,293	5,358
8. Jon Beutjer, 2002-04	-32	5,190	5,158
9. <b>Wes Lunt, 2014-present</b>	<b>-271</b>	<b>5,364</b>	<b>5,093</b>
10. Jeff George, 1988-89	-422	5,189	4,767

CAREER PASSING YARDAGE

1. Jack Trudeau, 1981-85	8,725
2. Kurt Kittner, 1998-2001	8,722
3. Nathan Scheelhaase, 2010-13	8,568
4. Juice Williams, 2006-09	8,037
5. Jason Verduzco, 1989-92	7,532
6. Tony Eason, 1981-82	7,031
7. <b>Wes Lunt, 2014-present</b>	<b>5,364</b>
8. Johnny Johnson, 1992-95	5,293
9. Jon Beutjer, 2002-04	5,190
10. Jeff George, 1988-89	5,189

CAREER TOUCHDOWN PASSES

1. Kurt Kittner, 1998-2001	70
2. Juice Williams, 2006-09	56
3. Nathan Scheelhaase, 2010-13	55
Jack Trudeau, 1981-85	55
5. Jason Verduzco, 1989-92	42
6. Jon Beutjer, 2002-04	39
7. Tony Eason, 1981-82	38
8. Johnny Johnson, 1992-95	35
9. <b>Wes Lunt, 2014-Present</b>	<b>34</b>
10. Jeff George, 1988-89	31

CAREER PASSING EFFICIENCY

1. Tony Eason, 1981-82	133.8
2. Jack Trudeau, 1981-85	130.4
3. Nathan Scheelhaase, 2010-	130.2
4. Jason Verduzco, 1989-92	130.0
5. Jon Beutjer, 2002-04	126.8
6. Kurt Kittner, 1998-2001	124.8
7. Jeff George, 1988-89	122.8
8. <b>Wes Lunt, 2014-Present</b>	<b>122.7</b>
9. Reilly O'Toole, 2011-2014	122.1
10. Juice Williams, 2006-09	121.1

CAREER PASS COMPLETIONS

1. Jack Trudeau, 1981-85	797
2. Nathan Scheelhaase, 2010-13	775
3. Kurt Kittner, 1998-2001	682
4. Jason Verduzco, 1989-92	678
5. Juice Williams, 2006-09	606
6. Tony Eason, 1981-82	561
7. <b>Wes Lunt, 2014-present</b>	<b>501</b>
8. Jeff George, 1988-89	474
9. Jon Beutjer, 2002-04	462
10. Johnny Johnson, 1992-95	432

CAREER PASS ATTEMPTS

1. Kurt Kittner, 1998-2001	1,264
2. Jack Trudeau, 1981-85	1,245
3. Nathan Scheelhaase, 2010-13	1,231
4. Juice Williams, 2006-09	1,136
5. Jason Verduzco, 1989-92	1,083
6. Tony Eason, 1981-82	911
7. <b>Wes Lunt, 2014-present</b>	<b>851</b>
8. Johnny Johnson, 1992-95	819
9. Jeff George, 1988-89	789
10. Jon Beutjer, 2002-04	773

ACTIVE FBS CAREER LEADERS

CAREER TACKLES

1. Nate Holley, Kent St.	416
2. Dakota Cox, New Mexico	351
3. Christian Tago, San Jose St.	341
4. Devon Edwards, Duke	327
5. <b>Hardy Nickerson, Illinois</b>	<b>318</b>

CAREER PUNTING AVERAGE

1. Steve Weatherford, 2002-05	43.5
2. Steve Fitts, 1998-2001	41.68
3. Justin DuVernois, 2011-2014	41.62
4. Ryan Tabloff, 1996-97	40.9
5. Anthony Santella, 2007-10	40.8
6. <b>Ryan Frain, 2012-present</b>	<b>40.7</b>
7. Bill Brown, 1958-60	40.3
8. J.C. Caroline, 1953-54	39.7
9. Brett Larsen, 1992-95	39.5
10. Forry Wells, 1990-92	39.4
11. Chris Sigourney, 1979-83	39.4



# STARTERS FROM LAST GAME



at Michigan - Oct. 22, 2016

## OFFENSE

QB	3	Jeff George Jr. (6-3, 205, r-Fr.)
RB	22	Kendrick Foster (5-9, 200, Jr.)
WR	19	Justin Hardee (6-1, 200, Sr.)
WR	11	Malik Turner (6-3, 205, Jr.)
TE	80	Ainslie Johnson (6-2, 230, Sr.)
TE	87	Tyler White (6-5, 255, Sr.)
OT	57	Austin Schmidt (6-6, 300, Sr.)
OG	74	Connor Brennan (6-5, 300, Sr.)
C	71	Joe Spencer (6-4, 300, Sr.)
OG	53	Nick Allegretti (6-4, 315, So.)
OT	67	Christian DiLauro (6-5, 300, Jr.)

## DEFENSE

DE	91	Dawuane Smoot (6-3, 255, Sr.)
DT	55	Jamal Milan (6-2, 300, r-Fr.)
DT	94	Tito Odenigbo (6-3, 290, So.)
DE	6	Carroll Phillips (6-3, 240, Sr.)
WLB	33	Tre Watson (6-2, 235, So.)
MLB	10	Hardy Nickerson (6-0, 230, Sr.)
SLB	2	Julian Jones (6-2, 215, So.)
CB	1	Jaylen Dunlap (6-1, 190, Jr.)
S	17	Stanley Green (5-11, 195, Fr.)
S	5	James Crawford (6-2, 220, Jr.)
CB	24	Darius Mosely (5-11, 190, Sr.)

## SPECIAL TEAMS

K	43	Chase McLaughlin (6-1, 175, So.)
P	13	Ryan Frain (6-2, 220, Sr.)
LS	56	Michael Martin (6-4, 225, Sr.)
H	13	Ryan Frain (6-2, 220, Sr.)
KO	43	Chase McLaughlin (6-1, 175, So.)
KR	22	Kendrick Foster (5-9, 200, Jr.)
PR	24	Darius Mosely (5-11, 190, Sr.)

### PRONUNCIATION GUIDE

Sean <b>Adesanya</b> . . . . .	ah-de-SAN-ya
Nick <b>Allegretti</b> . . . . .	al-uh-GRET-ee
<b>Christian Bobak</b> . . . . .	bo-BACK
<b>Trenard</b> Davis . . . . .	tre-NARD
Mike <b>Dudek</b> . . . . .	DOO-deck
Nathan <b>Echard</b> . . . . .	ECK-erd
Jordan <b>Fagan</b> . . . . .	FAY-gin
<b>Dele</b> Harding . . . . .	DAY-LAY
<b>Ainslie</b> Johnson . . . . .	AINS-lee
<b>Darta</b> Lee . . . . .	dar-TAY
Jimmy <b>Marchese</b> . . . . .	mar-CASE
Jamal <b>Milan</b> . . . . .	muh-LAN
<b>Gimel</b> President . . . . .	juh-MEAL
Tito <b>Odenigbo</b> . . . . .	oh-DEN-uh-bo
<b>Ayo</b> Shogboyo . . . . .	EYE-oh
<b>Dawuane</b> Smoot . . . . .	duh-WON
Mike <b>Svetina</b> . . . . .	sve-TEE-na
<b>Dionte</b> Taylor . . . . .	dee-ON-tay
Dominic <b>Thieman</b> . . . . .	THEE-man
<b>Malik</b> Turner . . . . .	ma-LEEK
<b>Ke'Shawn</b> Vaughn . . . . .	KEY-shawn



**KEY PLAYER QUICK FACTS – OFFENSE**

QB	12	Wes Lunt (Sr., 6-5, 225)	Missed last two game with an injury ... Led BIG in comp. per game (22.5) in 2015 ... 34 TD and 10 INT in Illini career (25 G)
QB	7	Chayce Crouch (So., 6-4, 225)	137 rushing yards vs. Purdue is fourth all-time in a game for an Illini QB ... Entered the Purdue in the second quarter for injured Wes Lunt
QB	3	Jeff George Jr. (r-Fr., 6-3, 205)	First career start at Michigan ... 4-15, 95 yards, TD at Michigan ... Played six snaps in the opener vs. Murray State
RB	5	Ke'Shawn Vaughn (So., 5-10, 210)	Second career 100-yard game vs. UNC ... Led team with 723 rush yards & 6 rush TDs as a true freshman in 2015
RB	22	Kendrick Foster (Jr., 5-9, 200)	Fifth in the Big Ten in all-purpose yards per game (122.0) ... Second in the Big Ten in yards per carry (6.13)
RB	2	Reggie Corbin (r-Fr., 5-10, 185)	8.0 yards per carry in Big Ten games (32 for 257) ... Career-high 92 rushing yards against Purdue ... Rugby national champ in HS
FB	39	Nathan Echard (Jr., 6-2, 235)	Career-long 26-yard catch at Nebraska ... Former linebacker ... Brother and uncle played football at Missouri and grandfather played at USC
WR	11	Malik Turner (Jr., 6-3, 205)	Fifth in the Big Ten in receiving yards per game (73.3) ... Seventh in the Big Ten in receptions per game (4.7) ... 4 receiving TDs in 2016
WR	19	Justin Hardee (Sr., 6-1, 200)	Redshirted the 2015 season due to injury ... 11 catches for 106 yards (long of 31) in 2016 ... One of 12 Ohio natives on Illini's roster
WR	88	Zach Grant (Sr., 6-0, 195)	Eight of 11 career receptions have come in the last five games ... Career highs in receptions (3), receiving yards (32) vs. WMU
WR	86	Desmond Cain (So., 5-11, 185)	Limited to two games played in 2016 ... Career highs in rec. (10) and receiving yards (102) vs. Ohio State in 2015 ... First TD at Purdue
TE	87	Tyler White (Sr., 6-5, 255)	Played in six games last season, but missed six games due to injury ... Caught five passes, including two TDs, in 2015
TE	80	Ainslie Johnson (Sr., 6-2, 230)	56-yard TD reception vs. WMU ... Career highs in receptions (3) and receiving yards (65) vs. WMU ... Father played 7 years for LA Rams
T	57	Austin Schmidt (Sr., 6-6, 300)	Started 22 of the last 23 games ... Missed Nebraska game with an injury ... Father played football at Towson St., brother played at Dartmouth
G	74	Connor Brennan (Sr., 6-5, 300)	First career start at Michigan ... Transfer from San Francisco City College ... Ranked No. 2 junior college offensive guard by 247Sports
G	72	Gabe Megginson (r-Fr., 6-5, 300)	Four starts at guard, one start at tackle ... Consensus four-star recruit ... Ranked as the No. 1 offensive lineman in Illinois
C	71	Joe Spencer (Jr., 6-4, 300)	32 career starts at center and guard ... Illini's SAAC & Uplifting Athletes chapter president ... 2-time Academic All-BIG as a finance major
G	53	Nick Allegretti (So., 6-4, 315)	Five starts at guard, one start at center ... First career start in 2016 opener against Murray State at center for injured Joe Spencer
G	61	Darta Lee (6-3, 320, Fr.)	Two starts ... Started first career game in opener vs. Murray State ... First Illini true freshman OL to start the opener in at least 20 years
T	67	Christian DiLauro (Jr., 6-5, 300)	Started last 26 games at tackle dating back to 2014 ... ESPN.com Big Ten All-Freshman team in 2014 ... Majoring in agri-accounting

**KEY PLAYER QUICK FACTS – DEFENSE**

DE	91	Dawuane Smoot (Sr., 6-3, 255)	Third the Big Ten in TFLs per conference game (1.5) ... Safety vs. UNC ... 5th in BIG in TFLs per game (1.3), 7th in BIG in sacks per game (0.7) in 2015
DT	95	Kenyon Jackson (Fr., 6-0, 290)	Starts vs. Purdue and at Michigan ... Three-star recruit by 247 Sports, ESPN and Scout ... Father, Keith, was a six-time Pro Bowler
DT	94	Tito Odenigbo (So., 6-3, 290)	First career start at Michigan ... Father graduated from the University of Illinois College of Engineering ... Bother plays for Northwestern
DT	11	Chunky Clements (Sr., 6-3, 295)	2.5 sacks ... Tied career high with six tackles at Nebraska ... Third on team with 11.5 TFLs in 2015 ... One-third of tackles in 2015 were for a loss
DT	55	Jamal Milan (r-Fr., 6-2, 300)	Two forced fumbles at Rutgers ... Career-high seven tackles against Western Michigan
DT	16	Rob Bain (Sr., 6-3, 295)	Fumble recovery at Nebraska ... Blocked FG vs. WMU ... 2nd in nation in blocked kicks (3) in 2015 ... One of strongest players on team
DE	6	Carroll Phillips (Sr., 6-3, 240)	5th the nation, leads Big Ten in TFLs per game (1.7) ... 4th in Big Ten in sacks per game (0.71) ... Career-high 3.5 TFLs vs. UNC
DE	14	Gimel President (Sr., 6-4, 275)	Transfer from Auburn ... Usually backs up DE but can rotate in at DT ... Second on the team in sacks (2.5), third in TFLs (6.5)
WLB	2	Julian Jones (So., 6-2, 215)	Career high 11 tackles at Michigan ... Team-best six special teams tackles ... Played primarily on ST in 2015
WLB	5	James Crawford, Jr. (Jr., 6-2, 220)	7 tackles vs. Murray State and Western Michigan (career high) ... Father played at Virginia Tech
MLB	10	Hardy Nickerson (Sr., 6-0, 230)	Leads the Big Ten in tackles per game (10.3) ... Leads active Power-5 linebackers in career tackles ... Graduated from Cal with a degree in legal studies
SLB	33	Tre Watson (So., 6-2, 235)	Career-high 13 tackles vs. Purdue ... Illinois Defensive Newcomer of the Year in 2015 ... 21 tackles (9 solo), 1.0 TFL, 1.0 sack last season
CB	1	Jaylen Dunlap (Jr., 6-1, 190)	Started all seven games at corner ... Career-high 11 tackles vs. Purdue and at Michigan ... 10 INTs during HS career
SS	17	Stanley Green (Fr., 5-11, 195)	Career-high 11 tackles at Michigan, including seven solo ... First career start at Rutgers ... Three-star recruit by ESPN.com, Rivals and Scout
SS	3	Taylor Barton (Jr., 6-1, 215)	Started 18 of last 20 games ... 4 INTs in 2015 most for Illini since 2007 ... Honorable mention All-BIG in 2014 & '15
FS	21	Patrick Nelson (r-Fr., 6-0, 210)	6th in the Big Ten in tackles per game during BIG games (10.5) and 2.2 more than any freshman ... 16 tackles at Nebraska in his first career start
CB	24	Darius Mosely (Sr., 5-11, 190)	43 career games played, 12 starts ... 78-yard INT return for TD at Rutgers ... Academic All-Big Ten as sport management major
CB	12	Chris James (So., 5-11, 190)	Played primarily on special teams in 2015 ... Texas state HS track meet qualifier in 2012

**KEY PLAYER QUICK FACTS – SPECIAL TEAMS**

K	43	Chase McLaughlin (So., 6-1, 175)	8-9 FG (Long of 48 yards), 14-14 PAT ... Mechanical engineering major ... Walk-on
P	13	Ryan Frain (Sr., 6-2, 220)	Missed two games with injury this season ... Illinois record 58.0 yards per punt vs. Purdue in 2015 ... Career-long 72-yard punt vs. Ohio State in 2015
LS	56	Michael Martin (Sr., 6-4, 225)	Awarded scholarship in Aug. 2016 ... Long snapper for punts in 2014 and '15 ... Champaign, Ill., native ... Mechanical engineering major



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NO	NAME	POS	HT	WT	YR	ELIG.	HOMETOWN/HIGH SCHOOL/PREVIOUS COLLEGE	NO	NAME	POS
34	Christion Abercrombie	LB	6-1	220	Fr.	5-4	Atlanta, Ga./Westlake	1	Jaylen Dunlap	DB
47	Sean Adesanya	DL	6-3	250	So.	3-3	Rahway, N.J./Rahway/Eastern Arizona JC	2	Reggie Corbin	RB
53	Nick Allegretti	OL	6-4	315	So.	3-3	Frankfort, Ill./Lincoln-Way East	2	Julian Jones	LB
16	Rob Bain	DL	6-3	295	Sr.	1-1	Bolingbrook, Ill./Bolingbrook	3	Taylor Barton	DB
3	Taylor Barton	DB	6-1	215	Sr.	1-1	Orlando, Fla./Lake Highland Prep	3	Jeff George, Jr.	QB
21	Man Berg	WR	6-2	190	Sr.	2-2	Sherman Oaks, Calif./La Salle	4	Darwyn Kelly	DB
78	Harry Black	OL	6-5	285	Jr.	2-2	Orlando, Fla./Dr. Phillips	4	D.J. Taylor	WR
29	Christian Bobak	RB	6-0	190	Fr.	5-4	Hinsdale, Ill./Hinsdale Central	5	James Crawford	LB
74	Connor Brennan	OL	6-5	300	Sr.	2-1	Sonoma, Calif./Redwood/City College of San Francisco	5	Ke'Shawn Vaughn	RB
27	Dre Brown	RB	5-11	205	r-Fr.	4-4	DeKalb, Ill./DeKalb	6	Tre Nation	RB
86	Desmond Cain	WR	5-11	185	So.	4-3	Delray Beach, Fla./American Heritage School	6	Carroll Phillips	DL
8	Dillan Cazley	DB	5-10	190	Sr.	2-1	Charleston, Ill./Charleston	7	Chayce Crouch	QB
73	Jake Cerny	OL	6-5	300	Fr.	5-4	Traverse City, Mich./Traverse City West	7	Caleb Day	DB
20	Harvey Clayton Jr.	DB	6-2	195	Fr.	5-4	Miami, Fla./Coral Reef	8	Dillan Cazley	DB
11	Chunky Clements	DL	6-3	295	Sr.	2-1	Dayton, Ohio/Trotwood Madison	9	Dele Harding	LB
2	Reggie Corbin	RB	5-10	185	r-Fr.	4-4	Upper Marlboro, Md./Gonzaga College	9	Sam Mays	WR
5	James Crawford	LB	6-2	220	Jr.	2-2	Deerfield, Fla./St. Thomas Aquinas	10	Hardy Nickerson	LB
7	Chayce Crouch	QB	6-4	225	So.	3-3	Newark, Ohio/Newark Catholic	11	Chunky Clements	DL
89	Andrew Davis	TE	6-6	230	Sr.	2-1	Marion, Iowa/Marion/Iowa Western CC	11	Malik Turner	WR
15	Trenard Davis	WR	6-0	195	r-Fr.	4-4	Boynton Beach, Fla./American Heritage School	12	Wes Lunt	QB
7	Caleb Day	DB	6-1	205	Sr.	2-1	Hilliard, Ohio/Hilliard Darby	12	Chris James	DB
67	Christian DiLauro	OL	6-5	300	Jr.	2-2	Uniontown, Ohio/Green	13	Ryan Frain	P
18	Mike Dudek	WR	5-11	185	So.	3-3	Naperville, Ill./Neuqua Valley	13	Caleb Reams	TE
1	Jaylen Dunlap	DB	6-1	190	Jr.	2-2	Chicago, Ill./Crete-Monee	14	Cam Miller	QB
39	Nathan Echard	RB	6-2	235	Jr.	2-2	Eureka, Mo./Eureka	14	Gimel President	DL
66	Jordan Fagan	OL	6-6	300	Jr.	3-2	Chula Vista, Calif./Olympian/Grossmont Coll. (CA)	15	Trenard Davis	WR
22	Kendrick Foster	RB	5-9	200	Jr.	2-2	Peoria, Ill./Richwoods	15	M.J. McGriff	WR
13	Ryan Frain	P	6-2	220	Sr.	1-1	Indianapolis, Ind./Scecina	16	Rob Bain	DL
75	Kurt Gavin	OL	6-4	295	Fr.	5-4	Mokena, Ill./Lincoln-Way East	16	Zarrian Holcombe	WR
3	Jeff George, Jr.	QB	6-3	205	r-Fr.	4-4	Indianapolis, Ind./Warren Central	17	Stanley Green	DB
88	Zach Grant	WR	6-0	195	Sr.	1-1	Springfield, Ill./Rochester/St. Ambrose Univ./NIU	17	James McCourt	PK
17	Stanley Green	DB	5-11	195	Fr.	5-4	East St. Louis, Ill./East St. Louis Senior	18	Mike Dudek	WR
35	Jake Hansen	LB	6-2	220	Fr.	5-4	Tarpon Springs, Fla./East Lake	19	Justin Hardee	WR
19	Justin Hardee	WR	6-1	200	Sr.	1-1	Cleveland, Ohio/Glenville	20	Harvey Clayton Jr.	DB
9	Dele Harding	LB	6-1	230	Fr.	5-4	Elkton, Md./Eastern Christian	21	Man Berg	WR
82	Samuel Harlib	WR	6-0	180	Jr.	2-2	Las Vegas, Nev./Army & Navy Academy	21	Patrick Nelson	DB
27	Ahmari Hayes	DB	6-3	200	Jr.	3-2	Davis, Calif./Davis HS/College of San Mateo	22	Kendrick Foster	RB
79	Zach Heath	OL	6-4	300	Jr.	2-2	Penryn, Calif./Del Oro/American River College (CA)	23	Frank Sumpter	DB
16	Zarrian Holcombe	WR	6-6	220	Fr.	5-4	Houston, Texas/Summer Creek	24	Darius Mosely	DB
37	Zach Holman	DB	6-1	190	So.	3-3	Cronulla, Australia/De La Salle Cronulla	26	Evan Jones	DB
30	Julian Hylton	DB	6-0	205	So.	3-3	Tinley Park, Ill./Lincoln-Way North	27	Dre Brown	RB
95	Kenyon Jackson	DL	6-0	290	Fr.	5-4	Little Rock, Ark./Parkview Arts & Science Magnet	27	Ahmari Hayes	DB
12	Chris James	DB	5-11	190	So.	3-3	Orange, Texas/West Orange-Stark	29	Christian Bobak	RB
80	Ainslie Johnson	TE	6-2	230	Sr.	2-1	Anaheim, Calif./Servite/Cerritos College (CA)	30	Julian Hylton	DB
42	Brandon Jones	DL	6-5	235	Fr.	5-4	Columbia, Mo./Hickman	31	Cameron Watkins	DB
26	Evan Jones	DB	6-2	190	Fr.	5-4	Conyers, Ga./Salem	32	Justice Williams	LB
2	Julian Jones	LB	6-2	215	So.	4-3	Atlanta, Ga./Westlake	33	Tré Watson	LB
4	Darwyn Kelly	DB	6-1	210	Jr.	2-2	Upper Marlboro, Md./H.D. Woodson	34	Christion Abercrombie	LB
65	Doug Kramer	OL	6-2	270	Fr.	5-4	Hinsdale, Ill./Hinsdale Central	35	Jake Hansen	LB
61	Darta Lee	OL	6-3	320	Fr.	5-4	Fresno, Texas/Hightower	36	Austin Roberts	RB
68	Matt Long	OL	6-4	300	r-Fr.	4-4	Coal City, Ill./Coal City	37	Zach Holman	DB
12	Wes Lunt	QB	6-5	225	Sr.	1-1	Rochester, Ill./Rochester/Oklahoma State	38	David Reisner	PK/P
41	Jimmy Marchese	LB	6-2	215	r-Fr.	4-4	Vernon Hills, Ill./Stevenson	39	Nathan Echard	RB
56	Michael Martin	LS	6-4	225	Sr.	1-1	Champaign, Ill./Centennial	40	Mike Svetina	LB
76	Zeke Martin	DL	6-5	290	r-Fr.	4-4	Medina, Ohio/Medina	40	Ryan Tucker	P
9	Sam Mays	WR	6-3	200	So.	4-3	Missouri City, Texas/The Kinkaid School	41	Jimmy Marchese	LB
17	James McCourt	PK	6-1	200	Fr.	5-4	Parkland, Fla./St. Thomas Aquinas	42	Brandon Jones	DL



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45	Henry McGrew	DL	6-3	245	So.	3-3	Overland Park, Kan./Blue Valley	43	Chase McLaughlin	PK
15	M.J. McGriff	WR	5-9	190	Fr.	5-4	Vero Beach, Fla./Vero Beach	44	Drew Murtaugh	LB
43	Chase McLaughlin	PK	6-1	175	So.	3-3	Cypress, Texas/Cypress Woods	45	Henry McGrew	DL
72	Gabe Megginson	OL	6-5	300	r-Fr.	4-4	Jacksonville, Ill./Jacksonville	47	Sean Adesanya	DL
55	Jamal Milan	DL	6-2	300	r-Fr.	4-4	Chicago, Ill./Al Raby	52	Ayo Shogbonyo	LB
14	Cam Miller	QB	6-1	205	Fr.	5-4	Evergreen Park, Ill./Brother Rice	52	Adam Solomon	OL
58	Sean Mills	LS	6-3	215	Fr.	5-4	Metuchen, N.J./St. Joseph	53	Nick Allegretti	OL
24	Darius Mosely	DB	5-11	190	Sr.	2-1	O'Fallon, Ill./O'Fallon Township	55	Jamal Milan	DL
44	Drew Murtaugh	LB	6-3	210	Fr.	5-4	Crystal Lake, Ill./Crystal Lake South	56	Michael Martin	LS
6	Tre Nation	RB	5-11	220	Fr.	5-4	Leeds, Ala./Leeds	57	Austin Schmidt	OL
21	Patrick Nelson	DB	6-0	210	r-Fr.	4-4	Chicago, Ill./Hales Franciscan	58	Sean Mills	LS
10	Hardy Nickerson	LB	6-0	230	Sr.	1-1	Oakland, Calif./Bishop O'Dowd HS/U. of California	61	Darta Lee	OL
94	Tito Odenigbo	DL	6-3	290	So.	3-3	Centerville, Ohio/Centerville	65	Doug Kramer	OL
96	Tymir Oliver	DL	6-4	275	Fr.	5-4	Sharon Hill, Pa./West Philadelphia Catholic	66	Jordan Fagan	OL
81	Griffin Palmer	TE	6-5	220	Fr.	5-4	St. Charles, Mo./De Smet Jesuit	67	Christian DiLauro	OL
6	Carroll Phillips	DL	6-3	240	Sr.	1-1	Miami, Fla./Miami Central/Coiah Lincoln CC	68	Matt Long	OL
14	Gimel President	DL	6-4	275	Sr.	1-1	Mt. Pleasant, S.C./Wando HS/Auburn University	71	Joe Spencer	OL
13	Caleb Reams	TE	6-3	240	r-Fr.	4-4	Gurnee, Ill./Warren Township	72	Gabe Megginson	OL
38	David Reisner	PK/P	6-0	205	Sr.	1-1	Bartlett, Ill./South Elgin/Navy	73	Jake Cerny	OL
36	Austin Roberts	RB	6-2	230	So.	3-3	Rice Lake, Wis./Rice Lake	74	Connor Brennan	OL
85	Brandon Roberts	DL	6-3	265	Jr.	2-2	Peoria, Ill./Richwoods	75	Kurt Gavin	OL
57	Austin Schmidt	OL	6-6	300	Sr.	2-1	Galena, Ohio/Olentangy	76	Zeke Martin	DL
52	Ayo Shogbonyo	LB	6-2	215	Fr.	5-4	Arlington, Tex./Mansfield Summitt	78	Harry Black	OL
91	Dawuane Smoot	DL	6-3	255	Sr.	2-1	Groveport, Ohio/Groveport Madison	79	Zach Heath	OL
52	Adam Solomon	OL	6-5	315	r-Fr.	4-4	Indianapolis, Ind./Bishop Chatard	80	Ainslie Johnson	TE
71	Joe Spencer	OL	6-4	300	Sr.	1-1	Mason, Ohio/Mason	81	Griffin Palmer	TE
23	Frank Sumpter	DB	5-10	180	r-Fr.	4-4	Cleveland, Ohio/Glenville	82	Samuel Harlib	WR
40	Mike Svetina	LB	6-2	235	Sr.	1-1	Brunswick, Ohio/St. Ignatius	83	Bobby Walker	TE
4	D.J. Taylor	WR	6-0	190	Sr.	2-1	Ft. Lauderdale, Fla./University School	84	Dominic Thieman	WR
84	Dominic Thieman	WR	6-3	190	Fr.	5-4	Ft. Lauderdale, Fla./St. Thomas Aquinas	85	Brandon Roberts	DL
85	Andrew Trainer	TE	6-7	245	Fr.	5-4	Alexandria, Va./St. Stephen's and St. Agnes School	85	Andrew Trainer	TE
40	Ryan Tucker	P	6-3	185	So.	3-3	Chicago, Ill./Marist	86	Desmond Cain	WR
11	Malik Turner	WR	6-3	205	Jr.	3-2	Springfield, Ill./Sacred Heart-Griffin	87	Tyler White	TE
5	Ke'Shawn Vaughn	RB	5-10	210	So.	4-3	Nashville, Tenn./Pearl-Cohn	88	Zach Grant	WR
83	Bobby Walker	TE	6-4	225	r-Fr.	4-4	Golf, Ill./Loyola Academy	89	Andrew Davis	TE
31	Cameron Watkins	DB	6-0	190	r-Fr.	4-4	Nashville, Tenn./Pearl-Cohn	91	Dawuane Smoot	DL
33	Tré Watson	LB	6-2	235	So.	3-3	Tampa, Fla./Tampa Catholic	94	Tito Odenigbo	DL
87	Tyler White	TE	6-5	255	Sr.	2-1	Kalamazoo, Mich./Plainwell	95	Kenyon Jackson	DL
32	Justice Williams	LB	6-3	215	r-Fr.	4-4	Frisco, Texas/Wakeland	96	Tymir Oliver	DL

NOTE: Eligibility - first number is years left on clock, second number is seasons of eligibility remaining (i.e. 5-4 means 5 years to play 4 seasons)

## ILLINOIS COACHING STAFF

Lovie Smith	Head Coach
Garrick McGee	Offensive Coordinator/QB
Hardy Nickerson	Defensive Coordinator
Mike Phair	Run Game Coordinator/DL
Bob Ligashesky	Special Teams Coordinator/TE
Luke Butkus	Offensive Line
Andrew Hayes-Stoker	Wide Receivers
Tim McGarigle	Linebackers
Thad Ward	Running Backs
Paul Williams	Defensive Backs



## THE LAST TIME

## AN ILLINOIS PLAYER HAD ...

## Rushing

## 250 yards rushing:

330, Mikel Leshoure vs. Northwestern, 11/20/2010

## 200 yards rushing:

330, Mikel Leshoure vs. Northwestern, 11/20/2010

## 150 yards rushing:

180, Ke'Shawn Vaughn at Purdue, 11/7/2015

## 125 yards rushing:

137, Chayce Crouch vs. Purdue, 10/8/16

## 100 yards rushing:

116, Ke'Shawn Vaughn vs. North Carolina, 9/10/2016

## Back-to-back 175-yard rushing games:

Rashard Mendenhall (189 vs. Ball State, 10/27/2007 & 201 at Minnesota, 11/3/2007)

## Three consecutive 100-yard rushing games:

Mikel Leshoure, 11/6/2010-12/29/2010 (5 games)

## Five consecutive 100-yard rushing games:

Mikel Leshoure, 11/6/2010-12/29/2010 (5 games)

## 2 rushers with 175 yards:

Harvey (215), Havard (175) vs. Middle Tennessee, 9/12/1998

## 2 rushers with 100 yards:

Vaughn (180) and Ferguson (133) at Purdue, 11/7/2015

## 80+ yard rushing play:

80, Daniel Dufrene at Ohio State, 11/10/2007

## 70+ yard rushing play:

78, Ke'Shawn Vaughn at Purdue, 11/7/2015

## Two 40+ runs in one quarter:

56 and 56 (2nd), Kendrick Foster vs. Murray State, 9/3/2016

## True-freshman rushed for 100 yards:

Ke'Shawn Vaughn, 180 at Purdue, 11/7/2015

## True-freshman rushed for 100 yards in first career game:

E.B. Halsey, 139 vs. Missouri, 8/30/2003

## 40 rushing attempts:

40, Antoino Harris at Wisconsin, 11/9/2002

## 30 rushing attempts:

33, Mikel Leshoure vs. Northwestern, 11/20/2010

## 2 rushers with 2 TDs:

Scheelhaase (2) & Young (2) vs. SDSU, 9/10/2011

## 8 TDs rushing:

Howard Griffith (8) vs. Southern Illinois, 9/22/1990

## 4 TDs rushing:

Antoino Harris (4) vs. Indiana, 10/27/2002

## 3 TDs rushing:

Mikel Leshoure (3) vs. Baylor, 12/29/2010

## 2 TDs rushing:

Chayce Crouch (2) vs. Purdue, 10/8/2016

## 2 TDs rushing by a QB:

Chayce Crouch (2) vs. Purdue, 10/8/2016

## Receiving

## 200 yards receiving:

200, Mike Dudek vs. Purdue, 10/4/2014

## 150 yards receiving:

200, Mike Dudek vs. Purdue, 10/4/2014

## 100 yards receiving:

129, Malik Turner vs. Purdue, 10/8/2016

## 2 receivers with 100 yards receiving:

Lankford (115) and Ferguson (103) vs. Southern Illinois, 8/31/2013

## Running back with 100+ yards receiving:

100, Josh Ferguson vs. Northwestern, 10/28/2015

## 70+ yard pass play:

72, Lankford from Scheelhaase vs. Washington, 9/14/2013

## 60+ yard pass play:

61, Ke'Shawn Vaughn from Chayce Crouch vs. Rutgers, 10/15/2016

## 50+ yard pass play:

56, Wes Lunt to Ainsie Johnson vs. Western Michigan, 9/17/2016

## 10+ receptions:

11, Malik Turner at Minnesota, 11/21/2015

## 2 receivers with 2 TDs:

Will Judson and Chris Duval vs. Missouri, 8/30/2008

## 3 receiving TDs:

A.J. Jenkins (3) vs. Northwestern, 10/1/2011

## Offensive lineman caught a pass:

Jeff Allen, (1 rec., 2 yds) vs. Southern Illinois, 9/11/2010

## Offensive lineman scored a TD:

Corey Lewis, fumble recovery in end zone at Indiana, 11/9/2013

## Passing

## 600 yards passing:

621, Dave Wilson at Ohio State, 11/8/1980

## 500 yards passing:

621, Dave Wilson at Ohio State, 11/8/1980

## 400 yards passing:

456, Wes Lunt vs. Western Kentucky, 9/6/2014

## 300 yards passing:

312, Wes Lunt vs. Western Michigan, 9/17/2016

## Consecutive 300-yard passing games:

Nathan Scheelhaase at Penn State (321, 11/2/2013) and at Indiana (450, 11/9/2013)

## Three consecutive 300-yard passing games:

Jason Verduzco vs. East Carolina (352, 8/31/1991), at Missouri (431, 9/14/1991) and vs. Houston (341, 9/21/1991)

## 6 TDs passing:

Dave Wilson at Ohio State, 11/8/1980

## 5 TDs passing:

Nathan Scheelhaase (5) vs. Miami (OH), 9/28/2013

## 4 TDs passing:

Wes Lunt (4) vs. Kent State, 9/5/2015

## 3 TDs passing:

Wes Lunt (3) vs. Murray State, 9/3/2016

## Two 65-plus yard TD passes in the same game:

N. Scheelhaase, 77 & 67 yds to A.J. Jenkins at Indiana, 10/8/11

## 10+ consecutive completions in a game:

Wes Lunt (11) at Iowa, 10/10/2015

## Non-QB with passing TD:

Josh Ferguson vs. Penn State, 9/29/2012

## Defense

## 20 Tackles:

J. Leman (20) vs. Missouri, 9/1/2007

## 19 Tackles:

Clayton Fejedelem (19) vs. Wisconsin, 10/24/2015

## 4 interceptions:

Mike Gow (4) vs. Stanford, 9/21/1974

## 3 interceptions:

Eugene Wilson (3) vs. Penn State, 11/10/2001

## 2 interceptions:

Hardy Nickerson (2) vs. Purdue, 10/8/16

## 3+ sacks in a game:

Whitney Mercilus (3.0) at Indiana, 10/8/2011

## 4+ TFLs in a game:

TJ Neal Jr. (4.0) vs. Northwestern, 10/28/2015

## 3+ PBUs in a game:

Eaton Spence (3) vs. Iowa, 11/15/2014

## Interception by a lineman:

Michael Buchanan vs. Western Michigan, 9/1/2012

## Interception return for TD:

Darius Mosely (78 yards) at Rutgers, 10/15/2016

## Two players with interception returns for TD in a game:

Pat Nixon-Youman (68 yards), Jonathan Brown (66 yards) vs. Indiana, 10/23/2010

## Fumble recovery for TD:

V'Angelo Bentley (12 yards) vs. Minnesota, 10/25/2014

## Scored on a safety:

Smoot TFL vs. North Carolina 9/10/2016

## Defensive extra point:

Kevin Mitchell (75 yards) at Ohio State, 11/5/2005

## Total Offense/All-Purpose

## 500 yards total offense:

503, Juice Williams vs. Minnesota, 10/11/2008

## 400 yards total offense:

439, Wes Lunt vs. WKU, 9/6/2014

## 300 yards passing and 100 yards rushing:

431 (310-121), Juice Williams at Michigan, 10/4/2008

## 300 all-purpose yards:

328, A.J. Jenkins vs. Northwestern, 10/1/2011

## 200 all-purpose yards:

200, Mike Dudek vs. Purdue, 10/4/2014

## 3 total TDs:

Josh Ferguson (3, - 2 rush, 1 rec.) vs. Texas State, 9/20/2014

## 2 TDs in 1 minute:

Ke'Shawn Vaughn at Purdue (3rd quarter), 11/7/2015

## Special Teams

## 5 field goals:

Doug Higgins vs. Michigan State, 10/20/1990

## 4 field goals:

Derek Dimke (4) at Penn State, 10/9/2010

## 3 field goals:

Chase McLaughlin (3) vs. Purdue, 10/8/2016

## Made 50+ yard field goal:

Taylor Zaleski (51) vs. Middle Tennessee, 9/26/2015

## Blocked a punt:

Caleb Day vs. Middle Tennessee, 9/26/2015

## Blocked punt for a touchdown:

Caleb Day (block), Clayton Fejedelem (TD) vs. Middle Tennessee, 9/26/2015

## Blocked two field goals:

Terrell Washington vs. NIU, 9/8/2001

## Blocked two PATs:

Rob Bain at Penn State, 10/31/2015

## Blocked a field goal:

Rob Bain vs. Western Michigan, 9/17/2016

## Blocked a PAT:

Rob Bain at Penn State, 10/31/2015

## Punt return for TD:

V'Angelo Bentley (67 yards) vs. OSU, 11/16/2013

## Kickoff return for TD:

V'Angelo Bentley (100 yards) vs. Southern Illinois, 8/31/2013

## Blocked FG returned for TD:

Travis Williams (66 yards) vs. Illinois State, 9/6/2003

## Two-point conversion:

Jeff George Jr. pass to Zach Grant vs. Michigan, 10/22/16

## Two two-point conversions in the same game:

2 at Ohio State, 11/3/2012 (Russell pass to LaCrosse; Russell rush)

## AN OPPOSING PLAYER HAD ...

## 250 yards rushing:

256, Jordan Canzeri, Iowa, 10/10/2015

## 200 yards rushing:

256, Jordan Canzeri, Iowa, 10/10/2015

## 150 yards rushing:

189, Jamauri Bogan, Western Michigan, 9/17/2016

## Two 100-yard rushers:

M. Gordon (175) and C. Clement (164), Wisconsin, 10/11/2014

## 75+ yard rushing play:

75, Shannon Brooks, Minnesota, 11/21/2015

## 50+ yard rushing play:

62, Elijah Hood, North Carolina, 9/10/2016

## Two 40+ TD runs in one quarter:

Carlos Hyde (51, 55 in 4th), Ohio State, 11/16/2013

## 400 yards passing:

408, Scott Rislvo, San Jose State, 9/21/2002

## 300 yards passing:

330 Brent Stockstill, Middle Tennessee, 9/26/2015

## 80+ yard pass play:

80, Louisiana Tech (Cody Sokol to Ken Dixon), 12/26/2014

## 70+ yard pass play:

80, Louisiana Tech (Cody Sokol to Ken Dixon), 12/26/2014

## 50+ yard pass play:

55, Nebraska (Tommy Armstrong Jr. to Cethan Carter), 10/3/2015

## Non-QB with passing TD:

Nick Scott to Christian Hackenberg at Penn State, 10/31/2015

## 200 receiving yards:

246, Roy Roundtree, Michigan, 11/6/2010

## 150 receiving yards:

175, Eddie Battles, Middle Tennessee, 9/26/2015

## 100 receiving yards:

118, Jermic Smith, Iowa, 10/10/2015

## Two 100-yard receivers:

Eddie Battles (175), Richie James (141), Middle Tennessee, 9/26/2015

## 4 field goals:

Dan Conroy, Michigan State, 10/16/2010

## Three 50+ yard field goals:

Tim Douglas (51, 58, 51), Iowa, 9/26/1998

## Punt return for TD:

R. Switzer (85 yards), North Carolina, 9/19/2015

## Kickoff return for TD:

S. Vault (89 yards), Northwestern, 11/29/2014

## INT return for TD:

Xavier Woods (69 yards), Louisiana Tech, 12/26/2014

## Blocked punt for a TD:

Ben Kuznia (3 yards), Minnesota, 11/7/2009

## Fumble recovery for TD:

Shaq Thompson (52 yards), Washington, 9/13/2014

## Safety:

Team (tackle in end zone), Middle Tennessee, 9/26/2015

## AN ILLINOIS TEAM HAD ...

## 80 points:

87 vs. Illinois Wesleyan (87-3), 10/5/1912

## 70 points:

79 vs. Illinois State (79-6), 9/16/1944

## 60 points:

65 at Michigan (65-67), 11/6/2010

## 50 points:

52 vs. Murray State (52-3), 9/3/2016

## 40 points:

48 at Purdue (48-14), 11/7/2015

## 30 points:

31 vs. Purdue (34-31), 10/8/16

## 0 points:

at Penn State (0-39), 10/31/2015

## 0 points in 1st half:

at Penn State (0-39), 10/31/2015

## 0 points in 2nd half:

vs. Ohio State (3-28), 11/14/2015

## Did not score a touchdown:

vs. Ohio State (3-28), 11/14/2015

## 400 rushing yards:

519 vs. Northwestern, 11/20/2010

## 300 rushing yards:

315 vs. Purdue, 10/8/16

## 200 rushing yards:

228 at Rutgers, 10/15/2016

# GAME SUMMARIES

## GAME 1

MURRAY STATE ..... 3  
ILLINOIS ..... 52

SEP. 3, 2016

MEMORIAL STADIUM // CHAMPAIGN, ILL. // 48,644

### SCORING BY QUARTER

Team	1	2	3	4	F
Murray State	0	3	0	0	3
Illinois	14	21	7	10	52

### SCORING SUMMARY

#### First Quarter

ILL: Turner 5 yard pass from Lunt (McLaughlin kick), 10:09 (8-37, 4:14)  
ILL: Turner 68 yard pass from Lunt (McLaughlin kick), 7:74 (1-68, 0:12)

#### Second Quarter

ILL: Vaughn 2 yard run (McLaughlin kick), 9:36 (4-39, 1:58)  
ILL: Foster 56 yard run (McLaughlin kick) 4:26 (4-68, 2:00)  
MUR: Mitchell 34 yard field goal, 0:48 (10-64, 3:38)  
ILL: Foster 56 yard run (McLaughlin kick) 0:26 (3-65, 0:22)

#### Third Quarter

ILL: Cain 30 yard pass from Lunt (McLaughlin kick) 5:51 (11-80, 5:22)

#### Fourth Quarter

ILL: Corbin 1 yard run (McLaughlin kick) 14:13 (8-75, 4:16)  
ILL: McLaughlin 48 yard field goal, 8:44 (7-35, 4:00)

### TEAM STATISTICS

Category	MUR	ILL
First Downs	13	21
Rushes-Yards	26(-10)	40-287
Passing Yards	175	228
Comp-Att-Int	21-35-2	16-24-0
Total Yards	165	515
Punts-Avg	7-42.4	4-43.0
Kickoff Returns	2-68	9-578
Penalties-Yards	4-29	7-55
Fumbles-Lost	1-1	1-0
Sacks By	2-11	6-29
Third-down Conv.	4-16	6-12
Time of Possession	26:32	33:28

### INDIVIDUAL LEADERS

**RUSHING (Carries-Yards-TD):** MUR - Dodson 4-16, Hartz 1-6, McGraw 2-6.

ILL - Foster 4-118-2, Corbin 7-71-1, Vaughn 17-49-1

**PASSING (Comp-Att-Int-TD-Yds):** MUR - Humphries 18-31-2-0-163, Birse 2-3-0-0-18, Hartz 1-1-0-0-6. ILL - Lunt 15-21-0-3-226, Crouch 1-3-0-0-2

**RECEIVING (Rec-Yards-TD):** MUR - Johnson 5-26-0, Blackburn 4-48-0, Stults 3-12-0. ILL - Turner 3-83-2, Cain 2-37-1, Mays 2-27-0

**TACKLE LEADERS (Tackles, TFL-Yds):** MUR - Crittendon 8, 1.0-3; Boone 7; Jackson 5, 2.0-11; ILL - Nickerson 11, 1.0-1; Crawford 7; Jones 6, 1.0-6; Phillips 4, 3.0-16; President 4, 3.0-8.

### GAME NOTES

- Illinois opened its 127th season with a 52-3 win over Murray State. The Illini are 598-566-51 all-time and 80-42-5 in openers.
- The crowd marked Illinois' best nonconference attendance since Sept. 17, 2011 against Arizona State (52, 217).
- Illinois' best home-opener attendance since Sept. 11, 2010 against Southern Illinois (52,217).
- Illinois head coach Lovie Smith returned to college football for the first time since the 1996 Florida Citrus Bowl, when he was an assistant at Ohio State.
- Lovie Smith earned his first victory as an Illini head coach.
- Illinois is 57-27-4 when opening at home. The Illini have won their last 11 season-openers at Memorial Stadium dating back to 1997.
- Illinois has 19 consecutive home-opening wins, the fourth longest active streak behind Florida (27), Oklahoma State (21) and Wisconsin (20).
- Illinois held Murray State to -10 yards rushing, the best mark in the nation.
- Illinois scored on five of its seven first-half drives. Only one first-half scoring drive was longer than 2:00 and only one was more than four plays.
- Ten Illinois players caught a pass and six Illini rushed the ball. Seven Illini were targeted twice or more, while only TE Caleb Reams was targeted as many as five times.

## GAME 2

NORTH CAROLINA ..... 48  
ILLINOIS ..... 23

SEP. 10, 2016

MEMORIAL STADIUM // CHAMPAIGN, ILL. // 60,670

### SCORING BY QUARTER

Team	1	2	3	4	F
North Carolina	17	7	7	17	48
Illinois	14	2	0	7	23

### SCORING SUMMARY

#### First Quarter

ILL: Vaughn 65 yard run (McLaughlin kick), 13:35 (3-80, 1:25)  
UNC: Trubisky 1 yard run (Weiler kick), 8:52 (6-68, 2:32)  
ILL: Foster 15 yard pass from Lunt (McLaughlin kick), 2:55 (5-30, 3:17)  
UNC: Weiler 49 yard field goal, 1:30 (4-4, 1:25)  
UNC: Trubisky 6 yard run (Weiler kick), 0:30 (2-19, 0:22)

#### Second Quarter

UNC: Logan 24 yard pass from Trubisky (Weiler kick), 9:10 (10-72, 4:23)  
ILL: Smot Safety, 5:23

#### Third Quarter

UNC: Hollins 20 yard pass from Trubisky (Weiler kick), 8:25 (4-57, 1:09)

#### Fourth Quarter

ILL: Turner 7 yard pass from Lunt (McLaughlin kick), 14:55 (8-57, 3:05)  
UNC: Hood 7 yard run (Weiler kick), 12:22 (6-58, 2:33)  
UNC: Hood 62 yard run (Weiler kick), 6:49 (2-76, 0:40)  
UNC: Weiler 41 yard field goal, 1:14 (5-13, 2:58)

### TEAM STATISTICS

Category	UNC	ILL
First Downs	21	15
Rushes-Yards	37-197	36-182
Passing Yards	265	127
Comp-Att-Int	19-25-0	17-35-0
Total Yards	462	309
Punts-Avg	3-128	9-350
Kickoff Returns	3-93	4-70
Penalties-Yards	6-46	13-99
Fumbles-Lost	1-1	6-1
Sacks By	2-10	2-7
Third-down Conv.	5-12	7-18
Time of Possession	25:41	34:19

### INDIVIDUAL LEADERS

**RUSHING (Carries-Yards-TD):** UNC - Hood 15-88-2, Logan 9-54-0, Trubisky 9-42-2. ILL - Vaughn 15-116-1, Foster 12-54-0, Nation 2-14-0.

**PASSING (Comp-Att-Int-TD-Yds):** UNC - Trubisky 19-24-0-2-265. ILL - Lunt 17-35-0-2-127.

**RECEIVING (Rec-Yards-TD):** UNC - Switzer 5-68-0, Howard 3-60-0, Hollins 3-44-1. ILL - Vaughn 4-14-0, Turner 3-33-1, Johnson 2-21-0

**TACKLE LEADERS (Tackles, TFL-Yds):** UNC - Smith 14, 1.0-1; Miles 9, 0-0; Jones 7, 2.0-3. Nickerson 11, 2.0-6; Dunlap 8, 1.0-3; Crawford 7, 0.5-4.

### GAME NOTES

- Illinois fell to 1-1 overall and North Carolina earned its first victory of the season.
- The Illini are 23-3 in August/September home games dating back to the start of the 2007 season.
- Illinois welcomed a sellout crowd of 60,670 fans, marking the first sellout crowd since hosting Michigan in 2011. It is the first nonconference sellout since Arizona State on Sept. 12, 1987 (Capacity at the time was 70,060).
- Illinois' safety in the second quarter was the first since Sept. 13, 2014 at Washington.
- Eleven Illini caught at least one pass, nine were targeted twice or more.
- Illinois recorded more than 10 tackles for a loss for the second consecutive game. The Illini had 12 compared to UNC's eight.
- Sophomore RB Ke'Shawn Vaughn rushed for 65 yards in the first quarter for Illinois' first touchdown of the game. Vaughn rushed for over 100 yards for the second time in his career, finishing with 116 yards on 15 carries.
- Senior LB Hardy Nickerson has recorded 10+ tackles in eight of his last 10 games (including games at California). He finished with 11 Saturday.
- Junior WR Malik Turner scored his seventh career touchdown in the third quarter, a seven-yard touchdown on his first catch of the day.

## GAME 3

WESTERN MICHIGAN ..... 34  
ILLINOIS ..... 10

SEP. 17, 2016

MEMORIAL STADIUM // CHAMPAIGN, ILL. // 40,954

### SCORING BY QUARTER

Team	1	2	3	4	F
Western Michigan	14	10	3	7	34
Illinois	0	7	3	0	10

### SCORING SUMMARY

#### First Quarter

WMU: Bogan 1 yard run (Hampton kick), 3:15 (5-60, 1:44)  
WMU: Bogan 36 yard run (Hampton kick), 0:23 (2-81, 0:44)

#### Second Quarter

WMU: Terrell 3 yard run (Hampton kick), 14:56 (2-5, 0:14)  
ILL: Johnson 56 yard pass from Lunt (McLaughlin kick), 6:39 (3-74, 1:26)  
WMU: Hampton 32 yard field goal, 1:14 (11-65, 5:25)

#### Third Quarter

ILL: McLaughlin 22 yard field goal, 10:36 (10-61, 4:24)  
WMU: Hampton 22 yard field goal, 3:19 (7-62, 2:52)

#### Fourth Quarter

WMU: Franklin 1 yard run (Hampton kick), 8:37 (6-65, 3:14)

### TEAM STATISTICS

Category	WMU	ILL
First Downs	20	15
Rushes-Yards	54-287	15-3
Passing Yards	150	312
Comp-Att-Int	9-13-0	29-42-1
Total Yards	437	315
Punts-Avg	5-200	8-325
Kickoff Returns	3-98	6-146
Penalties-Yards	5-36	7-48
Fumbles-Lost	1-0	1-1
Sacks By	4-31	5-16
Third-down Conv.	2-11	1-11
Time of Possession	35:00	25:00

### INDIVIDUAL LEADERS

**RUSHING (Carries-Yards-TD):** WMU - Bogan 24-189-2, Franklin 17-78-1, Terrell 11-21-1. ILL - Vaughn 8-22-0, Foster 2-3-0.

**PASSING (Comp-Att-Int-TD-Yds):** WMU - Terrell 9-13-0-0-150 ILL - Lunt 29-42-1-1-312

**RECEIVING (Rec-Yards-TD):** WMU - Davis 4-97-0, Thompson 3-27-0, Henry 1-0-0. ILL - Turner 9-107-0, Hardee 5-49-0, Johnson 3-64-1

**TACKLE LEADERS (Tackles, TFL-Yds):** WMU - Phillips 12, 1.0-1; Spillane 11, 1.0-2; Brown 8, 2.0-9. ILL - Smoot 8, 0.5-1; Phillips 8, 2.5-12; Milan 7, 2.5-4.

### GAME NOTES

- Illinois dropped to 1-2 this season.
- The Illini are 23-4 in August and September home games dating back to the start of the 2007 season.
- Illinois leads the all-time series against Western Michigan, 4-2.
- Illinois had 10 receivers catch a pass against Western Michigan, eight were targeted more than once. Illinois has had 10 or more receivers catch a pass in three consecutive games.
- Junior G Jordan Fagan made his first career start in place of redshirt-freshman Gabe Megginson, who is injured.
- Senior QB Wes Lunt went 17-22 for 206 yards and a touchdown marking the second-most first-half yards of his career (240 vs. WIU in 2015). He went 10-13 in the first quarter, the third time in his career making 10+ completions in the first quarter.
- Lunt went 29-42, for 312 yards and a touchdown to mark his fifth career 300+ yard game.
- Lunt threw 95 passes this season before getting intercepted, a fourth-quarter interception today.
- Senior TE Ansline Johnson scored his first career touchdown on a career-long 56-yard reception.
- Senior DL Carroll Phillips recorded 2.0 sacks and 2.5 TFLs against WMU. He is up to 9.0 TFLs this season, currently behind Jabrill Peppers (Mich) for the Big Ten lead (9.5 TFLs).
- Senior WR Zach Grant had a career long 19-yard reception on the first play of the game. He had three receptions for 32 yards after entering the day with three receptions for 22 yards in his career.



# GAME SUMMARIES

## GAME 4

ILLINOIS ..... 16  
 #15/15 NEBRASKA ..... 31

OCT. 1, 2016

MEMORIAL STADIUM // LINCOLN, NEB. // 90,374

### SCORING BY QUARTER

Team	1	2	3	4	F
Illinois	0	13	3	0	16
Nebraska	7	3	0	21	31

### SCORING SUMMARY

#### First Quarter

NEB: Armstrong 1 yard run (Brown kick), 8:23 (13-75, 6:37)

#### Second Quarter

ILL: Foster 31 yard run (McLaughlin kick), 10:11 (8-60, 3:57)  
 NEB: Brown 29 yard field goal, 5:59 (10-53, 4:12)  
 ILL: McLaughlin 24 yard field goal, 1:01 (10-69, 4:58)  
 ILL: McLaughlin 43 yard field goal, 0:00 (3-21, 0:28)

#### Third Quarter

ILL: McLaughlin 33 yard field goal, 7:40 (8-74, 3:45)

#### Fourth Quarter

NEB: Newby 3 yard run (Brown kick), 11:58 (18-75, 10:42)  
 NEB: Foster 6 yard pass from Armstrong (Brown kick), 4:32 (11-59, 5:49)  
 NEB: Newby 63 yard run (Brown kick), 2:03 (2-70, 0:54)

### TEAM STATISTICS

Category	NEB	ILL
First Downs	23	12
Rushes-Yards	49-203	21-124
Passing Yards	220	146
Comp-Att-Int	16-23-1	14-23-0
Total Yards	423	270
Punts-Avg	0-0	4-41.5
Kickoff Returns	6-384	4-254
Penalties-Yards	35	7-48
Fumbles-Lost	1-1	0-0
Sacks By	1-9	0-0
Third-down Conv.	10-14	2-9
Time of Possession	38:01	21:59

### INDIVIDUAL LEADERS

**RUSHING (Carries-Yards-TD):** NEB - Newby 27-143-2, Ozigbo 10-35-0, Armstrong 8-12-1. ILL Corbin 9-72-, Foster 7-31-1, Lunt 2-14.

**PASSING (Comp-Att-Int-Yds):** NEB - Armstrong 16-23-1-1-220 ILL - Lunt 13-22-0-0-133

**RECEIVING (Rec-Yards-TD):** NEB - Westerkamp 4-65, Morgan 3-39, Newby 2-26 ILL - Turner 5-57, Corbin 3-18, Hardee 3-17.

**TACKLE LEADERS (Tackles, TFL-Yds):** NEB - Young 6, 0-0; Rose-Ivey 6, 1-1; Gerry 5, 0-0 ILL - Nelson 16, 0-0; Nickerson/Watson 10; Smoot 8, 2-3.

### GAME NOTES

- Illinois faced its first Associated Press Top 25-ranked opponent of the season. Nebraska is No. 15 in this week's AP poll and also is No. 15 in the current USA Today Coaches Poll.
- The Illini are 1-8 in Lincoln with the loan win coming in 1924 (9-6). Illinois made its third trip to Lincoln in the last four years.
- The Illini have lost 14 straight and 23 of their last 25 against foes ranked in the AP poll since beating No. 1 Ohio State 28-21 on Nov. 10, 2007. The lone win during that span came on Sept. 17, 2011, over No. 22 Arizona State, 17-14.
- Illinois is 0-4 against Nebraska with the cornhuskers are ranked in the AP poll with losses in 1985, 1986 and 2014.
- Despite careers in both the NFL and college head coaching, Illinois' Lovie Smith and Nebraska's Mike Riley faced each other for the first time.
- Nebraska's 18-play, 75-yard drive that lasted 10:42 and gave the Cornhuskers a 17-16 lead in the fourth quarter was the longest drive allowed by the Illini this season in terms of plays and time elapsed.
- Redshirt-freshman DB Patrick Nelson made his first career start. It took him just one quarter to tie his career high in tackles (6), before finishing the game with 16 tackles, the most by an Illini this season.
- Senior CB Darius Mosely had his first career interception followed by a 24-yard return with 0:28 left in the second quarter.
- Sophomore LB Tre Watson made his first career start. He had a career-high 10 tackles and forced a fumble for the first time in his career.
- Redshirt-freshman DB Reggie Corbin made his first career start. Before today, Reggie Corbin had 0 career first-half carries. Today he had 6 carries for 38 yards (6.3 avg) in the first half. Corbin had career highs in carries (9), rushing yards (72) and all-purpose yards (101).

## GAME 5

PURDUE ..... 34  
 ILLINOIS ..... 31

OCT. 8, 2016

MEMORIAL STADIUM // CHAMPAIGN, ILL. // 42,912

### SCORING BY QUARTER

Team	1	2	3	4	OT	F
Purdue	7	14	3	7	3	34
Illinois	3	13	7	8	0	31

### SCORING SUMMARY

#### First Quarter

ILL: McLaughlin 20 yard field goal, 8:58 (7-78, 3:16)  
 PUR: Blough 8 yard run (Dellinger kick), 2:02 (9-49, 3:45)

#### Second Quarter

ILL: McLaughlin 47 yard field goal, 14:56 (6-31, 2:06)  
 PUR: Lankford-Johnson 32 yard run (Dellinger kick), 9:59 (10-81, 4:57)  
 ILL: Crouch 26 yard run (McLaughlin kick), 5:11 (11-77, 4:48)  
 PUR: Kimbrough 45 yard pass from Blough (Dellinger kick), 3:07 (6-75, 2:04)  
 ILL: McLaughlin 34 yard field goal, 0:29 (7-49, 2:38)

#### Third Quarter

ILL: Crouch 3 yard run (McLaughlin kick), 3:20 (7-86, 3:03)  
 PUR: Dellinger 37 yard field goal, 0:38 (7-41, 2:42)

#### Fourth Quarter

ILL: Foster 3 yard run (Turner pass from Crouch), 12:34 (8-75, 3:04)  
 PUR: Worship 8 yard run (Dellinger kick), 9:55 (6-69, 3:39)

#### Overtime

PUR: Dellinger 28 yard field goal (5-14)

### TEAM STATISTICS

Category	PUR	ILL
First Downs	25	24
Rushes-Yards	41-231	46-315
Passing Yards	228	184
Comp-Att-Int	23-37-2	14-23-0
Total Yards	459	499
Punts-Avg	4-42.0	5-40.2
Kickoff Returns	5-106	5-92
Penalties-Yards	5-45	12-125
Fumbles-Lost	0-0	2-1
Sacks By	0-0	0-0
Third-down Conv.	9-16	3-11
Time of Possession	30:06	29:54

### INDIVIDUAL LEADERS

**RUSHING (Carries-Yards-TD):** PUR - Lankford-Johnson 18-127-1, Worship 13-60-1, Blough 7-40-1. ILL - Crouch 17-137-2, Corbin 11-92-0, Foster 16-55-1.

**PASSING (Comp-Att-Int-Yds):** PUR - Blough 22-35-2-1-220. ILL - Crouch 10-14-0-0-142, Lunt 4-9-0-0-42.

**RECEIVING (Rec-Yards-TD):** PUR - Young 6-59-0, Kimbrough 3-51-1, Yancey 3-33-0. ILL - Turner 9-129-0, White 2-13-0, Corbin 1-30-0.

**TACKLE LEADERS (Tackles, TFL-Yds):** PUR - Mosely 13; Clark and Bailey 11; Herman 7. ILL - Watson 13; Dunlap 11, 1-1-0; Nickerson 8.

### GAME NOTES

- Purdue regained the Cannon rivalry trophy. The Boilermakers lead the traditional trophy series by a 34-28-2 mark.
- Illinois leads the overall series 44-42-6.
- The Illini are 23-21-2 all-time against Purdue in Champaign, but the Boilermakers have won five of the last six at Memorial Stadium.
- The Illini are averaging 48,285 fans per game in 2016. In 2015, Illinois averaged 41,342 fans per game with a high of 51,515 (vs. Ohio State Oct. 14, 2015).
- The Illini competed in their first overtime game since Nov. 22, 2013 against Penn State. Today's game was the first overtime contest in Memorial Stadium since Sept. 3, 2005 against Rutgers.
- Illinois rushed for a season-high 315 yards, surpassing their previous season high of 287 against Western Michigan on Sept. 3.
- Illinois' 24 first downs were a season high.
- Sophomore QB Chayce Crouch had a career high two rushing touchdowns. His only previous touchdown was Sept. 19, 2015 at North Carolina.
- Crouch is the first Illinois QB with 100+ rushing yards since Reilly O'Toole had 147 at Northwestern on Nov. 29, 2014.
- Crouch's 137 rushing yards is the fourth-most ever by an Illinois quarterback.
- Hardy Nickerson had the second and third interceptions of his career.

## GAME 6

ILLINOIS ..... 24  
 RUTGERS ..... 7

OCT. 15, 2016

HIGH POINT SOLUTIONS STADIUM // PISCATAWAY, N.J. // 42,640

### SCORING BY QUARTER

Team	1	2	3	4	F
Illinois	0	7	10	7	24
Rutgers	0	0	0	7	7

### SCORING SUMMARY

#### Second Quarter

ILL: Foster 5 yard pass from Crouch (McLaughlin kick), 8:47 (5-73, 2:35)

#### Third Quarter

ILL: Foster 5 yard run (McLaughlin kick), 11:48 (6-77, 3:07)  
 ILL: McLaughlin 37 yard field goal, 7:54 (5-35, 2:31)

#### Fourth Quarter

RU: Rescigno 3 yard pass from Arcidiacono (Bonagura kick), 14:56 (7-86, 2:30)  
 ILL: Mosely 78 yard interception return (McLaughlin kick), 9:32

### TEAM STATISTICS

Category	RU	ILL
First Downs	23	10
Rushes-Yards	50-203	43-228
Passing Yards	182	92
Comp-Att-Int	17-30-1	6-14-1
Total Yards	385	320
Punts-Avg	4-40.5	6-40.5
Kickoff Returns	2-38	1-15
Penalties-Yards	4-36	6-60
Fumbles-Lost	5-4	0-0
Sacks By	3-15	2-10
Third-down Conv.	9-16	4-13
Time of Possession	32:48	27:12

### INDIVIDUAL LEADERS

**RUSHING (Carries-Yards-TD):** RUT - Martin 16-95-0, Goodwin 13-51-0, Rescigno 12-37-0. ILL - Foster 21-108-1, Corbin 8-90-0, Crouch 11-25-0.

**PASSING (Comp-Att-Int-Yds):** RUT - Rescigno -10-18-1-1-120, Laviano 7-12-0-0-62. ILL - Crouch 6-14-1-1-92

**RECEIVING (Rec-Yards-TD):** RUT - Patton 5-90-1, Tsimis 5-39-0, Harris 3-9-0. ILL - Turner 2-18-0, Foster 2-8-1, Vaughn 1-61-0.

**TACKLE LEADERS (Tackles, TFL-Yds):** RUT - Roberts 9; Cioffi/Morris 7; Davis 6, 1.0-9. ILL - Nelson 14, 1.5-5, Nickerson 11, 0.5-1, Watson 9, 1.0-3.

### GAME NOTES

- Illinois and Rutgers met for the first time as Big Ten Conference opponents.
- Illinois leads the all-time series against Rutgers, 2-1. The Illini and Rutgers split games in 2005 and 2006.
- Illinois won for the first time in Piscataway, New Jersey. Rutgers beat the Illini, 33-0, in Illinois' previous trip to Piscataway Sept. 9, 2006.
- The 24-7 win was the first Big Ten and road win for head coach Lovie Smith.
- Illinois won on the road for the first time this season. The Illini's only previous road game was a 31-16 loss at Nebraska Oct. 1.
- Illinois held Rutgers scoreless for the first three quarters. The Scarlet Knights did not score for 11 straight quarters, the longest streak in FBS in 10 years.
- With five forced turnovers at Rutgers, the Illini forced five or more turnovers for the first time since Nov. 29, 2014 at Northwestern.
- Illinois had 9.0 TFLs.
- With 203 rushing yards, the Illini have a two-game rushing total of 518 yards.
- Hardy Nickerson is averaging 9.7 tackles per game, the most in the Big Ten.
- Darius Mosely's pick-six was the first for the Illini since Mason Monheim on Nov. 28, 2015 vs. Northwestern at Soldier Field.
- Sophomore QB Chayce Crouch made his first career start.
- Senior QB Wes Lunt missed the game with an injury, snapping a streak of 17 consecutive starts.
- Nelson had a career-high 10 solo tackles.
- Freshman DB Stanley Green and junior DB Ahmari Hayes made their first career starts. Redshirt
- Freshman RB Reggie Corbin in Big Ten play (3 games) has 302 all-purpose and 254 rushing yards on 28 carries.



# GAME SUMMARIES

## GAME 7

ILLINOIS ..... 8  
 #3/4 MICHIGAN ..... 41

OCT. 22, 2016

MICHIGAN STADIUM // ANN ARBOR, MICH. // 111,103

### SCORING BY QUARTER

Team	1	2	3	4	F
Illinois	0	0	0	8	8
Michigan	21	10	3	7	41

### SCORING SUMMARY

#### First Quarter

MICH: Butt 3 yard pass from Speight (Allen kick), 10:23 (10-75, 4:37)  
 MICH: Wheatley 21 yard pass from Speight (Allen kick), 7:52 (3-44, 0:47)  
 MICH: Hill 1 yard run (Allen kick), 1:01 (10-81, 4:51)

#### Second Quarter

MICH: Smith 4 yard run (Allen kick), 11:00 (8-62, 3:50)  
 MICH: Allen 23 yard field goal, 0:00 (6-20, 2:17)

#### Third Quarter

MICH: Allen 27 yard field goal, 0:43 (10-60, 4:19)

#### Fourth Quarter

ILL: Turner 43 yard pass from George Jr. (Grant pass from George Jr.), 10:22 (1-43, 0:08)  
 MICH: Higdon 45 yard run (Tice kick), 8:48 (3-61, 1:34)

### TEAM STATISTICS

Category	ILL	MICH
First Downs	29	6
Rushes-Yards	59-270	23-77
Passing Yards	291	95
Comp-Att-Int	20-28-0	4-15-0
Total Yards	561	172
Punts-Avg	2-32.5	7-41.0
Kickoff Returns	2-58	4-107
Penalties-Yards	5-41	5-45
Fumbles-Lost	3-1	2-1
Sacks By	1-3	2-17
Third-down Conv.	7-14	2-10
Time of Possession	41:23	18:37

### INDIVIDUAL LEADERS

**RUSHING (Carries-Yards-TD):** MICH - Higdon 8-106-1, Smith 18-76-1, Isaac 10-35-0, ILL - Foster 8-45-0, Vaughn 7-43-0, Corbin 4-3-0.

**PASSING (Comp-Att-INT-TD-Yds):** MICH - Speight 16-23-0-0-253, O'Korn 4-5-0-0-38, ILL - George, Jr. 4-15-1-1-95

**RECEIVING (Rec-Yards-TD):** MICH - Darboh 5-99-0, Chesson 3-44-0, Butt 3-40-1, ILL - Turner 2-86-1, Grant 2-9-0

**TACKLE LEADERS (Tackles, TFL-Yds):** MICH - Gedeon 5, 1.0-5; Charlton 5; Wornley 3, ILL - Nickerson 14, 1.0-8; Green 11; Jones 11.

### GAME NOTES

- Illinois and Michigan met for the first time in four years, the longest hiatus in the series since 1919.
- For the first time ever, two former Super Bowl head coaches faced off as college football head coaches. Lovie Smith guided the Chicago Bears to Super Bowl XLII and Michigan head coach Jim Harbaugh coached the San Francisco 49ers in Super Bowl XLVII.
- The attendance of 111,103 was the second second-largest the Illini have played in front of. The 2010 game at Michigan drew 111,441 fans (L, 67-65 3OT).
- Illinois ran for 77 yards, the second most against Michigan this season.
- Illinois held Michigan's Jabrill Peppers to nine yards on five carries (1.8 yards per carry) after he averaged 19.6 yards per carry (5 for 98) with two touchdowns in the first six games. Defensively, Peppers had two tackles without a TFL. He came into the game as Michigan's second-leading tackler and has 10.0 TFLs.
- Redshirt-freshman QB Jeff George Jr. made his first career start. George and his father, former Illinois QB Jeff George became the first father/son duo to start at quarterback for the Fighting Illini.
- Quarterbacks Wes Lunt and Chayce Crouch missed the game with injuries.
- Junior WR Malik Turner caught a 43-yard pass in the third quarter and a 43-yard TD in the fourth quarter, the first completion of Jeff George Jr.'s career. Turner entered the game with 39.2-percent of Illinois' receiving yards, the second highest percentage among Power 5 players, and had 90.5-percent vs. Michigan.



# 53 NICK ALLEGRETTI

OL, 6-4, 315, SO.

FRANKFORT, ILL. / LINCOLN-WAY EAST

Pronunciation: al-uh-GRET-ee

2016 Sophomore:

- » Starting guard
- » Backup center, started at center in place of injured Joe Spencer in the season opener against Murray State

Personal:

- » Has one brother, Joey, who graduated from Illinois in 2016
- » Father played football at Butler University and is the Chairman and CEO of Deloitte Tax LLP
- » Two uncles also played football at Butler

# 16 ROB BAIN

DL, 6-3, 295, SR.

BOLINGBROOK, ILL. / BOLINGBROOK

» 2015 Academic All-District

- » Earned bachelor's degree in communication in Dec. 2015
- » Currently pursuing master's degree in education policy, organization and leadership

2016 Senior:

- » Starting defensive tackle

Personal:

- » Brother, Ryan, played defensive line at Iowa and Akron

CAREER HIGHS

Tackles: 6, twice (last vs. Middle Tennessee, 9/26/15)

Solos: 4 vs. Wisconsin, 10/24/15

TFLs: 2, twice (last vs. Wisconsin, 10/24/15)

Sacks: 1.0, three times (last at Purdue 11/7/15)

QB Hurries: 1, twice (last vs. Wisconsin, 10/24/15)

Blocked Field Goals: 1, twice (last vs. Western Michigan, 9/17/16)

Blocked Extra Points: 2 at Penn State, 10/31/15

Fumbles Forced: -

Fumbles Recovered: 1 at Nebraska, 10/1/16

PBUs: -

Interception: -

Interception Return Yards: -

DEFENSIVE STATISTICS

YEAR	G	UA	A	TOT	TFL	YDS	PBU	FF	FR	BLK	QBH
2013	10	2	5	7	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	1
2014	13	15	14	29	4.0	17	0	0	0	0	0
2015	12	13	23	36	6.0	25	1	0	0	3	2
2016	7	6	12	18	2.0	4	0	0	1	1	0
TOTAL	42	36	54	90	12.0	46	1	0	1	4	3

SACKS STATISTICS

YEAR	G	UA	A	TOTAL	YDS
2012	0	0	0	0.0	0
2013	10	0	0	0.0	0
2014	13	1	0	1.0	9
2015	12	2	0	2.0	16
2016	7	1	0	1.0	2
TOTAL	42	4	0	4.0	27

DEFENSIVE GAME-BY-GAME

2016	UA	AS	TOT	TFL-Yds	QBS-Yds	FF	FR-Yds	INT-Yds	QBH	PBU
MUR ST	0	1	1	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
UNC	1	2	3	1.0-2	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
WMU	2	3	5	1.0-2	1.0-2	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
@NEB	1	0	1	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	1-0	0-0	0	0
PUR	1	4	5	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
@RUT	1	2	3	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
@MICH	0	0	0	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
MINN										
MICH ST										
@WIS										
IOWA										
@NW										

2015	UA	AS	TOT	TFL-Yds	QBS-Yds	FF	FR-Yds	INT-Yds	QBH	PBU
KENT ST	1	1	2	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
WIU	0	1	1	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
@UNC	2	1	3	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
MTSU	2	4	6	1.5-3	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
NEB	1	2	3	1.0-2	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
@IOWA	1	1	2	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	1	0
WIS	4	1	5	2.0-11	1.0-8	0	0-0	0-0	1	0
@PSU	1	1	2	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
@PUR	1	0	1	1.0-8	1.0-8	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
OSU	0	5	5	0.5-1	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	1
@MINN	0	2	2	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0

NW	0	4	4	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
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2014	UA	A	TOT	TFL-YDS	QBS-YDS	INT-YDS	PBU	QBH	FF-FR
YSU	0	0	0	0.0-0	0.0-0	0-0	0	0	0-0
WKU	0	1	1	0.0-0	0.0-0	0-0	0	0	0-0
@WASH	2	0	2	2.0-6	0.0-0	0-0	0	0	0-0
TXST	0	3	3	0.0-0	0.0-0	0-0	0	0	0-0
@NEB	1	2	3	1.0-2	0.0-0	0-0	0	0	0-0
PUR	3	3	6	0.0-0	0.0-0	0-0	0	0	0-0
@WIS	2	0	2	0.0-0	0.0-0	0-0	0	0	0-0
MIN	0	0	0	0.0-0	0.0-0	0-0	0	0	0-0
@OSU	0	2	2	0.0-0	0.0-0	0-0	0	0	0-0
IOWA	2	0	2	0.0-0	0.0-0	0-0	0	0	0-0
PSU	1	2	3	0.0-0	0.0-0	0-0	0	0	0-0
@NW	1	1	2	0.0-0	0.0-0	0-0	0	0	0-0
LT*	3	0	3	1.0-9	1.0-9	0-0	0	0	0-0

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2013	A	TOT	TFL-YDS	QBS-YDS	INT-YDS	PBU	QBH	FF-FR
SIU	0	1	1	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0	0-0
CIN	0	1	1	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0	0-0
vs. WASH	1	0	1	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0	0-0
MIAMI(OH)	1	2	3	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0	0-0
@NEB	0	0	0	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0	0-0
WIS	0	0	0	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0	0-0
MSU								
@PSU								
@IND	0	0	0	0.0-0	0.0-0	0-0	0	0-0
OSU	0	1	1	0.0-0	0.0-0	0-0	0	1-0
@PUR	0	0	0	0.0-0	0.0-0	0-0	0	0-0
NW	0	0	0	0.0-0	0.0-0	0-0	0	0-0

# 3 TAYLOR BARTON

DB, 6-1, 215, SR.

ORLANDO, FLA. / LAKE HIGHLAND PREP

» Earned bachelor's degree in communication in May 2016

- » Currently pursuing master's degree in education policy, organization and leadership

2016 Senior:

- » Starting safety
- » Started 18 of the last 20 games
- » Seventh career interception in the season opener against Murray State

CAREER HIGHS

Tackles: 14 vs. Texas State, 9/20/14

Solos: 6, four times (last vs. Northwestern 11/28/15)

TFLs: 2.5 vs. Kent State, 9/5/15

Sacks: -

QB Hurries: -

Fumbles Forced: 1, twice (last vs. Iowa, 11/15/14)

Fumbles Recovered: 1 at Penn State, 10/31/15

PBUs: 2, twice (last vs. Nebraska, 10/3/15)

Interception: 2 vs. Western Illinois, 9/12/15

Interception Return Yards: 77 vs. Western Kentucky, 9/6/14

Touchdowns: 1 vs. Western Kentucky, 9/6/14

DEFENSIVE STATISTICS

YEAR	G	UA	A	TOT	TFL	YDS	PBU	FF	FR	BLK	QBH
2013	11	13	21	34	0.0	0	3	0	0	0	0
2014	12	44	56	100	1.0	2	3	2	0	0	0
2015	12	29	27	56	3.0	4	7	0	1	0	0
2016	7	7	19	26	1.5	4	2	0	0	0	0
TOTAL	42	93	123	216	5.5	10	15	2	1	0	0

INTERCEPTION STATISTICS

YEAR	G	INT	YDS	TD	LG	AVG/R	AVG/G
2013	11	1	0	0	0	0.0	0.0
2014	12	1	77	1	77	77.0	6.4
2015	12	4	49	0	49	12.2	4.1
2016	7	1	0	0	0	0.0	0.0
TOTAL	42	7	126	1	77	18.0	3.0

DEFENSIVE GAME-BY-GAME

2016	UA	AS	TOT	TFL-YDS	QBS-YDS	FF	FR-YDS	INT-YDS	QBH	PBU
MUR ST	1	2	3	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	1-0	0	0
UNC	3	3	6	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
WMU	2	3	5	1.0-4	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	1
@NEB	0	6	6	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
PUR	1	4	5	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
@RUT	0	1	1	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
@MICH	0	0	0	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
MINN										
MICH ST										
@WIS										
IOWA										
@NW										

2015	UA	AS	TOT	TFL-Yds	QBS-Yds	FF	FR-Yds	INT-Yds	QBH	PBU
KENT ST	3	3	6	2.5-3	0.0-0	0	0-0	1-0	0	1
WIU	0	0	0	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	2-4	0	0
@UNC	2	0	2	0.0-0	1.0-8	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
MTSU	2	4	6	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
NEB	3	3	6	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	2

@IOWA	4	2	6	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
WIS	3	3	6	0.5-1	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
@PSU	0	5	5	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	1-0	0-0	0	0
@PUR	1	0	1	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	1-(-5)	0	0
OSU	4	2	6	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
@MINN	4	2	6	0.0-0	0.0-0	0				



UNC	3	4	7	0.5-4	0.0-0	0	0-0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
WMU	0	2	2	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0	0-0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
@NEB	0	1	1	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0	0-0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
PUR	0	0	0	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0	0-0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
@RUT	0	0	0	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0	0-0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
@MICH	0	0	0	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	1-0	0	0-0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
MINN																			
MICH ST																			
@WIS																			
IOWA																			
@NW																			

2015	UA	AS	TOT	TFL-Yds	QBS-Yds	FF	FR-Yds	INT-Yds	QBH	PBU
KENT ST	2	0	2	1.0-3	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
WIU	0	3	3	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	1
@UNC	4	0	4	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
MTSU	1	2	3	0.5-1	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
NEB	0	3	3	0.5-2	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	1	0
@IOWA	1	0	1	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
WIS	2	3	5	1.0-4	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
@PSU	4	1	5	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
@PUR	0	1	1	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	1
OSU	1	5	6	1.0-1	0.0-0	1	0-0	0-0	0	0
@MINN	1	0	1	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
NW	1	1	2	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0

2014	UA	AS	TOT	TFL-YDS	QBS-YDS	INT-YDS	PBU	QBH	FF-FR
YSU					DNP				
WKU					DNP				
@WASH					DNP				
TXST					DNP				
@NEB					DNP				
PUR					DNP				
@WIS	0	0	0	0.0-0	0.0-0	0-0	0	0	0-0
MIN	0	0	0	0.0-0	0.0-0	0-0	0	0	0-0
@OSU	0	0	0	0.0-0	0.0-0	0-0	0	0	0-0
IOWA	0	0	0	0.0-0	0.0-0	0-0	0	0	0-0
PSU	0	0	0	0.0-0	0.0-0	0-0	0	0	0-0
@NW	0	0	0	0.0-0	0.0-0	0-0	0	0	0-0
LT*	0	0	0	0.0-0	0.0-0	0-0	0	0	0-0

\*Zaxby's Heart of Dallas Bowl

## 7 CHAYCE CROUCH

QB, 6-4, 225, SO.

NEWARK, OHIO / NEWARK CATHOLIC

### 2016 Sophomore:

- » 137 rushing yards against Purdue to become the first Illinois QB with 100+ rushing yards since Reilly O'Toole had 147 at Northwestern on Nov. 29, 2014
- » First career start at Rutgers

### CAREER HIGHS

Attempts: 14, twice (last at Rutgers, 10/15/16)  
 Completions: 10 vs. Purdue, 10/8/16  
 Passing Yards: 142 vs. Purdue, 10/8/16  
 Passing Touchdowns: 1, three times (last at Rutgers, 10/15/16)  
 Long Pass: 61 at Rutgers, 10/15/16  
 Carries: 17 vs. Purdue, 10/8/16  
 Rushing Yards: 137 vs. Purdue, 10/8/16  
 Rushing Touchdowns: 2 vs. Purdue, 10/8/16  
 Long Rush: 28 at Rutgers, 10/15/16  
 Total Offense: 279 vs. Purdue, 10/8/16  
 Long Punt: 44, at Purdue 11/7/15

### PASSING STATISTICS

YEAR	G	ATT	CMP	INT	YDS	TD	LG	PCT	AVG/P	AVG/G	EFFIC
2015	10	34	15	1	160	2	27	44.1	4.7	16.0	97.2
2016	4	32	18	1	249	1	61	56.2	7.8	62.2	125.7
TOTAL	14	66	33	2	409	3	61	50.0	6.2	29.2	111.0

### RUSHING STATISTICS

YEAR	G	ATT	YDS	TD	LG	AVG/C	AVG/G
2015	10	25	96	1	19	3.8	9.6
2016	4	29	176	2	28	6.1	44.0
TOTAL	14	54	272	3	28	5.0	19.4

### PASSING GAME-BY-GAME

2016	ATT	CMP	INT	YDS	TD	LG
MUR ST	3	1	0	2	0	2
UNC				DNP		
WMU				DNP		
@NEB	1	1	0	13	0	13
PUR	14	10	0	142	0	38
@RUT	14	6	1	92	1	61
@MICH				DNP - Injured		
MINN						
MICH ST						
@WIS						
IOWA						
@NW						

2015	ATT	CMP	INT	YDS	TD	LG
KENT ST.	9	3	1	46	1	27
WIU	8	5	0	37	1	9
@UNC	6	4	0	32	0	16
MTSU	0	0	0	0	0	0

NEB	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
@IOWA	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
WIS						DNP				
@PSU	7	1	0	1	0	1	0	1	0	1
@PUR	4	2	0	44	0	25	0	0	0	0
OSU	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	--
@MINN						DNP				
vs. NW	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

### RUSHING/RECEIVING GAME-BY-GAME

2016	CAR	YDS	TD	LG	REC	YDS	TD	LG
MUR ST	1	14	0	14	0	0	0	0
UNC				DNP				
WMU				DNP				
@NEB	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
PUR	17	137	2	26	0	0	0	0
@RUT	11	25	0	28	0	0	0	0
@MICH				DNP - Injured				
MINN								
MICH ST								
@WIS								
IOWA								
@NW								

2015	CAR	YDS	TD	LG	REC	YDS	TD	LG
KENT ST	5	-6	0	3	0	0	0	0
WIU	2	18	0	19	0	0	0	0
@UNC	4	16	1	8	0	0	0	0
MTSU	1	4	0	4	0	0	0	0
NEB	1	-3	0	0	0	0	0	0
@IOWA	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
WIS				DNP				
@PSU	5	22	0	13	0	0	0	0
@PUR	7	45	0	17	0	0	0	0
OSU	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
@MINN				DNP				
vs. NW	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

## 89 ANDREW DAVIS

TE, 6-6, 230, SR.

MARION, IOWA / MARION HS / IOWA WESTERN CC

### 2016 Senior:

- » Career-long 12-yard reception in the opener against Murray State

### CAREER HIGHS

Receptions: 3, at North Carolina, 9/19/15  
 Receiving Yards: 16, at North Carolina, 9/19/15  
 Long Reception: 12, vs. Murray State, 9/3/16  
 Receiving Touchdowns: 1 at Minnesota 11/21/15

### RECEIVING STATISTICS

YEAR	G	REC	YDS	TD	LG	REC/G	YDS/C	YDS/G
2015	12	5	26	1	8	0.4	5.2	2.2
2016	7	2	17	0	12	0.3	8.5	2.4
TOTAL	19	7	43	1	12	0.4	6.1	2.3

### RUSHING/RECEIVING GAME-BY-GAME

2016	CAR	YDS	TD	LG	REC	YDS	TD	LG
MUR ST	0	0	0	0	1	12	0	12
UNC	0	0	0	0	1	5	0	5
WMU	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
@NEB	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
PUR	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
@RUT	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
@MICH	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
MINN								
MICH ST								
@WIS								
IOWA								
@NW								

2015	CAR	YDS	TD	LG	REC	YDS	TD	LG
KENT ST	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
WIU	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
@UNC	0	0	0	0	3	16	0	8
MTSU	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
NEB	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
@IOWA	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
WIS	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
@PSU	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
@PUR	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
OSU	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
@MINN	0	0	0	0	2	10	1	6
vs. NW	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

## 15 TRENARD DAVIS

QB, 6-0, 195, R-FR.

BOYNTON BEACH, FLA. / AMERICAN HERITAGE HS

### 2016 Redshirt Freshman:

- » Has practiced at safety, wide receiver and quarterback
- » Attended Parkland College in Champaign during fall 2015 before enrolling at the University of Illinois for the spring 2016 semester

## 7 CALEB DAY

DB, 6-1, 205, SR.

HILLIARD, OHIO / HILLIARD DARBY

### 2016 Senior:

- » Out for the year with an injury
- » Backup defensive back, plays on special teams

### CAREER HIGHS

Tackles: 5, twice (last at Ohio State, 11/1/14)  
 Solos: 4 at Ohio State, 11/1/14  
 TFLs: 1 at Wisconsin, 10/11/14  
 Sacks: -  
 Fumbles Forced: 1 vs. Nebraska, 10/3/15  
 Fumbles Recovered: 1 vs. North Carolina, 9/10/16  
 PBUs: 1 at Ohio State, 11/1/14  
 Interception: 1 vs. Ohio State, 11/14/15  
 Interception Return Yards: 19 vs. Ohio State, 11/14/15  
 Touchdowns: -

Kickoff Returns: 2 at Iowa, 10/10/15  
 Kickoff Return Yardage: 51 at Iowa, 10/10/15  
 Long Kickoff Return: 30 at Iowa, 10/10/15  
 Punt Returns: 1 vs. Middle Tennessee, 9/26/15  
 Punt Return Yardage: 25 vs. Middle Tennessee, 9/26/15  
 Long Punt Return: 25 vs. Middle Tennessee, 9/26/15  
 Blocked Punt: 1 vs. Middle Tennessee, 9/26/15

YEAR	G	UA	A	TOT	TFL	YDS	PBU	FF	FR	BLK	QBH
2013	10	3	1	4	1.0	5	0	0	0	0	0
2014	13	10	14	24	6.0	13	3	1	1	0	1
2015	12	16	19	35	11.5	31	1	2	0	0	6
2016	2	1	1	2	0.0	0	0	0	1	0	0
TOTAL	31	24	10	34	1.0	1	2	1	1	1	0

### KICK RETURN STATISTICS

YEAR	G	KR	YDS	TD	LG	AVG/R	AVG/G
2015	9	6	91	0	30	15.2	10.1
2016	2	1	8	0	8	8.0	4.0
TOTAL	31	7	99	0	30	14.1	3.2

### PUNT RETURN STATISTICS

YEAR
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WKU	0	0	0	0.0-0	0.0-0	0-0	0	0	0-0
@WASH	0	0	0	0.0-0	0.0-0	0-0	0	0	0-0
TXST	1	0	1	0.0-0	0.0-0	0-0	0	0	0-0
@NEB	0	0	0	0.0-0	0.0-0	0-0	0	0	0-0
PUR	1	0	1	0.0-0	0.0-0	0-0	0	0	0-0
@WIS	2	0	2	1.0-1	0.0-0	0-0	0	0	0-0
MIN	1	0	0	0.0-0	0.0-0	0-0	0	0	0-0
@OSU	4	1	5	0.0-0	0.0-0	0-0	1	0	0-0
IOWA	1	1	2	0.0-0	0.0-0	0-0	0	0	0-0
PSU					DNP				
@NW	2	1	3	0.0-0	0.0-0	0-0	0	0	0-0
LT*	1	0	1	0.0-0	0.0-0	0-0	0	0	0-0

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2013	ST	AT	TOT	TFL-YDS	QBS-YDS	INT-YDS	PBU	QBH	FF-FR
SIU					DNP				
CIN	0	0	0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0-0
vs. WASH					DNP				
MIAMI(OH)					DNP				
@NEB					DNP				
WIS	0	0	0	0.0-0	0.0-0	0-0	0	0	0-0
MSU	2	3	5	0.0-0	0.0-0	0-0	0	0	0-0
@PSU	0	2	2	0.0-0	0.0-0	0-0	0	0	0-0
@IND	2	0	2	0.0-0	0.0-0	0-0	0	0	0-0
OSU	0	0	0	0.0-0	0.0-0	0-0	0	0	0-0
@PUR	0	0	0	0.0-0	0.0-0	0-0	0	0	0-0
NW	0	0	0	0.0-0	0.0-0	0-0	0	0	0-0

**KICK/PUNT RETURN GAME-BY-GAME**

2015	KR-YDS	AVG	TD	LG	PR-YDS	AVG	TD	LG
KENT ST					DNP - Suspended			
WIU					DNP - Suspended			
@UNC					DNP - Suspended			
MTSU	1-10	10.0	0	10	1-25	25.0	0	25
NEB	0-0	0	0	0	0-0	0	0	0
@IOWA	2-51	25.5	0	30	0-0	0	0	0
WIS	2-17	8.5	0	11	0-0	0	0	0
@PSU	1-13	13.0	0	13	0-0	0	0	0
@PUR	0-0	0	0	0	0-0	0	0	0
OSU	0-0	0	0	0	0-0	0	0	0
@MINN	0-0	0	0	0	0-0	0	0	0
VS. NW	0-0	0	0	0	0-0	0	0	0

**67 CHRISTIAN DILAURO**

OL, 6-5, 300, JR.

UNIONTOWN, OHIO / GREEN

2016 Junior:

- » Starting tackle
- » 26 straight starts

**1 JAYLEN DUNLAP**

DB, 6-1, 190, JR.

CHICAGO, ILL. / CRETE-MONEE

2016 Junior:

- » Starting cornerback
- » Career highs in solo tackles (7) and TFLs (2.5) at Michigan

Personal:

- » Brother, Steven Jr., played football at Bowling Green from 2008-11 and is currently director of athletics at Catalist Maria High School in Chicago
- » Uncle, Keith Otis, played football for NIU from 2007-11

**CAREER HIGHS**

- Tackles: 11 vs. Purdue, 10/8/16
- Solos: 7 at Michigan, 10/22/16
- TFLs: 2.5 at Michigan, 10/22/16
- Sacks: -
- QB Hurries: -
- Fumbles Forced: -
- Fumbles Recovered: -
- PBUs: 1, four times (last at Nebraska, 10/1/16)
- Interception: -
- Interception Return Yards: -
- Touchdowns: -
- Blocked Punts: 1 vs. Western Illinois 9/12/15

**DEFENSIVE STATISTICS**

YEAR	G	UA	A	TOT	TFL YDS	PBU	FF	FR	BLK	QBH
2013	12	18	8	26	1.0 2	2	0	0	0	0
2014	1	0	0	0	0.0 0	0	0	0	0	0
2015	12	5	1	6	0.0 0	0	0	0	1	0
2016	7	30	12	42	4.5 10	2	0	0	0	0
TOTAL	32	53	21	74	5.5 12	4	0	0	1	0

**DEFENSIVE GAME-BY-GAME**

2016	UA	AS	TOT	TFL-Yds	QBS-Yds	FF	FR-Yds	INT-Yds	QBH	PBU
MUR ST	1	2	3	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
UNC	6	2	8	1.0-3	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	1

WMU	1	0	1	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
@NEB	3	0	3	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	1
PUR	6	5	11	1.0-1	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
@RUT	6	1	7	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
@MICH	7	2	9	2.5-6	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
MINN										
MICH ST										
@WIS										
IOWA										
@NW										

2015	UA	AS	TOT	TFL-Yds	QBS-Yds	FF	FR-Yds	INT-Yds	QBH	PBU
KENT ST	2	1	3	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
WIU	0	0	0	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
@UNC	0	0	0	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
MTSU	0	0	0	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
NEB	0	0	0	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
@IOWA	0	0	0	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
WIS	0	0	0	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
@PSU	1	0	1	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
@PUR	2	0	2	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
OSU	0	0	0	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
@MINN	0	0	0	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
NW	0	0	0	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0

2014	ST	AT	TOT	TFL-YDS	QBS-YDS	INT-YDS	PBU	QBH	FF-FR
YSU					DNP - Injured				
WKU					DNP - Injured				
@WASH					DNP				
TXST					DNP				
@NEB	0	0	0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0-0
PUR					DNP - Injured				
@WIS					DNP - Injured				
MIN					DNP - Injured				
@OSU					DNP - Injured				
IOWA					DNP - Injured				
PSU					DNP - Injured				
@NW					DNP - Injured				
LT*					DNP - Injured				

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2013	ST	AT	TOT	TFL-YDS	QBS-YDS	INT-YDS	PBU	QBH	FF-FR
SIU	1	0	1	0.0-0	0.0-0	0-0	0	0	0-0
CIN	0	0	0	0.0-0	0.0-0	0-0	0	0	0-0
vs. WASH	2	1	3	0.0-0	0.0-0	0-0	1	0	0-0
MIAMI(OH)	0	0	0	0.0-0	0.0-0	0-0	1	0	0-0
@NEB	1	0	1	0.0-0	0.0-0	0-0	0	0	0-0
WIS	3	5	8	0.0-0	0.0-0	0-0	0	0	0-0
MSU	1	1	2	0.0-0	0.0-0	0-0	0	0	0-0
@PSU	3	0	3	0.0-0	0.0-0	0-0	0	0	0-0
@IND	3	0	3	1.0-2	0.0-0	0-0	0	0	0-0
OSU	1	0	1	0.0-0	0.0-0	0-0	0	0	0-0
@PUR	2	0	2	0.0-0	0.0-0	0-0	0	0	0-0
NW	1	1	2	0.0-0	0.0-0	0-0	0	0	0-0

**39 NATHAN ECHARD**

RB, 6-2, 235, JR.

EUREKA, MO. / EUREKA

Pronunciation: ECK-erd

2016 Junior:

- » Rotates in at fullback
- » Career highs in receptions (2), receiving yards (22) and long reception (17) against Western Michigan

2015 Sophomore:

- » Played in 11 games as a blocking H-back and special teams
- » Moved to h-back for 2015 after playing linebacker in 2014

**CAREER HIGHS**

- Carries: 2 at Nebraska, 10/1/16
- Rushing Yards: 1 at Nebraska, 10/1/16
- Rushing Touchdowns: -
- Long Rush: 1 at Nebraska, 10/1/16
- Receptions: 2 vs. Western Michigan, 9/17/16
- Receiving Yards: 26 at Nebraska, 10/1/16
- Receiving Touchdowns: -
- Long Reception: 26 at Nebraska, 10/1/16
- Tackles: 4 at Purdue 11/7/15
- Solos: 3 at Purdue 11/7/15
- Fumble Recoveries: 1 at Rutgers 10/15/16

**RECEIVING STATISTICS**

YEAR	G	REC	YDS	TD	LG	REC/G	YDS/C	YDS/G
2014	12	0	0	0	--	--	--	--
2015	11	4	4	0	7	0.4	1.0	0.4
2016	7	4	51	0	26	0.6	12.8	7.3
TOTAL	30	8	55	0	26	0.3	6.9	1.8

**RUSHING STATISTICS**

YEAR	G	ATT	YDS	TD	LG	AVG/C	AVG/G
2014	12	0	0	0	--	--	--
2015	11	0	0	0	--	--	--
2016	7	2	0	0	1	0.0	0.0
TOTAL	30	2	0	0	1	0.0	0.0

**DEFENSIVE STATISTICS**

YEAR	G	UA	A	TOT	TFL YDS	PBU	FF	FR	BLK	QBH
2014	12	0	1	1	0.0 0	0	0	0	0	0
2015	11	7	6	13	0.0 0	0	0	0	0	0
2016	7	2	2	4	0.0 0	0	0	1	0	0
TOTAL	30	9	9	18	0.0 0	0	0	1	0	0

**RUSHING/RECEIVING GAME-BY-GAME**

2016	CAR	YDS	TD	LG	REC	YDS	TD	LG
MUR ST	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
UNC	0	0	0	0	1	3	0	0
WMU	0	0	0	0	2	22	0	17
@NEB	2	1	0	1	1	26	0	26
PUR	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
@RUT	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
@MICH	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
MINN								
MICH ST								
@WIS								
IOWA								
@NW								

2016	CAR	YDS	TD	LG	REC	YDS	TD	LG
KENT ST	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
WIU					DNP - Injured			
@UNC	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
MTSU	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
NEB	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0
@IOWA	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
WIS	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
@PSU	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	1
@PUR	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
OSU	0	0	0	0	1	7	0	7
@MINN	0	0	0	0	1	-4	0	0
VS. NW	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

**DEFENSIVE GAME-BY-GAME**

2015	UA	AS	TOT	TFL-Yds	QBS-Yds	FF	FR-Yds	INT-Yds	QBH	PBU
KENT ST	0	1	1	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0

# 22 KENDRICK FOSTER

RB, 5-9, 200, JR.

PEORIA, ILL. / RICHWOODS

### 2016 Junior:

- » Rotates in at running back
- » Illini's main kick returner
- » Second in the Big Ten in yards per carry (6.13)
- » Fifth in the Big Ten in all-purpose yards per game (122.0)
- » Illinois record 29.5 yards per carry (4-118) in the opener against Murray State, including two 56-yard TD runs

### CAREER HIGHS

**Touchdowns:** 2 at Rutgers, 10/15/16  
**Carries:** 21 at Rutgers, 10/15/16  
**Rushing Yards:** 118 vs. Murray State, 9/3/16  
**Long Run:** 56, twice vs. Murray State, 9/3/16  
**Rushing Touchdowns:** 2 vs. Murray State, 9/3/16  
**Receptions:** 2 at Rutgers, 10/15/16  
**Receiving Yards:** 15 vs. North Carolina, 9/10/16  
**Long Reception:** 15 vs. North Carolina, 9/10/16  
**Receiving Touchdowns:** 1, twice (last at Rutgers, 10/15/16)  
**All-Purpose Yards:** 144 vs. Purdue, 10/8/16  
**Kick Returns:** 5 vs. Western Michigan, 9/17/16  
**Kick Return Yards:** 131 vs. Western Michigan, 9/17/16  
**Long Kick Return:** 41 at Michigan, 10/22/16

### RUSHING STATISTICS

YEAR	G	ATT	YDS	TD	LG	AVG/C	AVG/G
2015	6	15	78	1	18	5.2	16.0
2016	7	70	429	5	56	6.1	61.3
TOTAL	13	85	507	6	56	6.0	39.0

### RECEIVING STATISTICS

YEAR	G	REC	YDS	TD	LG	REC/G	AVG/C	AVG/G
2015	6	0	0	0	0	0.0	0.0	0.0
2016	7	5	33	2	15	0.7	6.6	4.7
TOTAL	13	5	33	2	15	0.4	6.6	2.5

### RUSHING/RECEIVING GAME-BY-GAME

2016	CAR	YDS	TD	LG	REC	YDS	TD	LG
MUR ST	4	118	2	56	0	0	0	0
UNC	12	54	0	25	1	15	1	15
WMU	2	3	0	5	1	7	0	7
@NEB	7	46	1	31	0	0	0	0
PUR	16	55	1	11	1	3	0	3
@RUT	21	108	1	26	2	8	1	5
@MICH	8	45	0	17	0	0	0	0
MINN								
MICH ST								
@WIS								
IOWA								
@NW								
2015	CAR	YDS	TD	LG	REC	YDS	TD	LG
KENT ST	3	4	0	3	0	0	0	0
WIU	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
@UNC								
MTSU								
NEB								
@IOWA	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
WIS								
@PSU								
@PUR	1	18	1	18	0	0	0	0
OSU								
@MINN	11	56	0	10	0	0	0	0
VS. NW	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

# 13 RYAN FRAIN

P, 6-2, 220, SR.

INDIANAPOLIS, IND. / SCECINA

- » Earned bachelor's degree in kinesiology in May 2016
- » Pursuing master's degree in technology management

### 2016 Senior:

- » Starting punter and holder
- » Missed two games with an injury

### CAREER HIGHS

**FG Made:** -  
**FG Attempts:** -  
**Long Field Goal:** -  
**PAT Made:** 2 vs. Miami (Ohio), 9/28/13  
**PAT Attempts:** 2 vs. Miami (Ohio), 9/28/13  
**Points:** 2 vs. Miami (Ohio), 9/28/13  
**Kickoffs:** 3 vs. Youngstown State, 8/30/14  
**KO Yards:** 160 vs. Youngstown State, 8/30/14  
**KO Average:** 53.3 vs. Youngstown State, 8/30/14  
**KO Touchbacks:** 1 vs. Youngstown State, 8/30/14  
**Punts:** 12 at Penn State, 10/31/15  
**Punting Yardage:** 457 at Penn State, 10/31/15

**Punting Average:** 58.0 at Purdue 11/7/15  
**Long Punt:** 72 vs. Ohio State, 11/14/15  
**Inside 20:** 3 at Penn State, 10/31/15  
**Punt Touchbacks:** 2, twice (last at Penn State, 10/31/15)  
**50+ Yard Punts:** 3 at Purdue 11/7/15

### PUNTING STATISTICS

YEAR	G	NO	YDS	AVG	TB	FC	I20	50+	LG
2012	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
2013	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
2014	2	1	34	34.0	0	0	0	0	34
2015	12	70	2814	40.2	8	12	8	7	72
2016	5	25	1060	42.4	3	7	9	4	67
TOTAL	21	96	3908	40.7	11	16	17	11	72

### KICKING STATISTICS

YEAR	PAT	FG	0-29	30-39	40-49	50+	PTS
2012	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0
2013	2-2	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	2
2014	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0
2015	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0
2016	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0
TOTAL	2-2	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	2

### KICKOFF STATISTICS

YEAR	G	NO	YDS	AVG	TB	RT	RT YDS	YPR
2012	1	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0
2013	1	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0
2014	2	4	217	54.2	1	2	44	22.0
2015	11	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
2016	1	9	578	64.2	4	4	68	17.0
TOTAL	16	13	795	61.2	5	6	112	18.7

### PUNTING GAME-BY-GAME

2016	NO	YDS	AVG	LG	BK	TB	FC	50+	I20
MUR ST	4	172	43.0	52	0	1	2	1	2
UNC									
WMU									
@NEB	4	166	41.5	44	0	0	1	0	1
PUR	5	201	40.2	53	0	0	1	1	2
@RUT	6	243	40.5	47	0	1	0	0	2
@MICH	6	278	46.3	67	0	1	3	2	2
MINN									
MICH ST									
@WIS									
IOWA									
@NW									
2015	NO	YDS	AVG	LG	BK	TB	FC	50+	I20
KSU	7	276	39.4	45	0	0	2	0	0
WIU	3	130	43.3	48	0	1	0	0	1
@UNC	7	279	39.9	55	0	1	0	1	1
MTSU	6	227	37.8	47	0	1	1	0	2
NEB	6	198	33.0	49	0	0	3	0	0
@IOWA	6	253	42.2	49	0	1	1	1	0
WIS	5	193	38.6	49	0	0	2	0	1
@PSU	12	457	38.1	56	0	2	3	1	3
@PUR	3	174	58.0	63	0	1	0	3	1
OSU	5	221	44.2	72	1	1	0	1	1
@MINN	3	119	39.7	47	0	1	1	0	0
vs. NW	7	287	41.0	62	0	1	2	2	2

2014	NO	YDS	AVG	LG	BK	TB	FC	50+	I20
YSU	1	34	34.0	34	0	0	0	0	0
WKU	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	0
@WASH									
TXST									
@NEB									
PUR									
@WIS									
MIN									
@OSU									
IOWA									
PSU									
@NW									
LT*									

2014	NO	YDS	AVG	LG	BK	TB	FC	50+	I20
YSU	1	34	34.0	34	0	0	0	0	0
WKU	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	0
@WASH									
TXST									
@NEB									
PUR									
@WIS									
MIN									
@OSU									
IOWA									
PSU									
@NW									
LT*									

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### KICKOFFS GAME-BY-GAME

2016	KO	YDS	AVG	TB	RT	RT YDS	YPR
MUR ST	9	578	64.2	4	4	68	17.0
UNC							
WMU							
@NEB	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
PUR	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
@RUT	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
@MICH	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
MINN							
MICH ST							
@WIS							
IOWA							
@NW							
2014	KO	YDS	AVG	TB	RT	RT YDS	YPR
YSU	3	160	53.3	1	1	27	27.0
WKU	1	57	57.0	0	1	17	17.0
@WASH							
TXST							
@NEB							
PUR							
@WIS							
MIN							

@OSU DNP  
 IOWA DNP  
 PSU DNP  
 @NW DNP  
 LT\* DNP

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### KICKING GAME-BY-GAME

2013	FGM-FGA	LG	BLKD	PAT	PTS
SIU					
CIN					
vs. WASH					
MIAMI(OH)	0-0	0	0	2-2	2
@NEB					
WIS					
MSU					
@PSU			DNP - Injured		
@IND			DNP - Injured		
OSU					
@PUR</					

# 88 ZACH GRANT

WR, 6-0, 195, SR.

SPRINGFIELD, ILL. / ROCHESTER HS / ST. AMBROSE / NIU

## 2016 Senior:

- » Eight of 11 career receptions have come in the last five games
- » Career highs in receptions (3), receiving yards (32) and long reception (19) against Western Michigan

## High School:

- » Played with Illini QB Wes Lunt at Rochester, helping the team to IHSAA Class 4A State Championships in 2010 and 2011
- » Set the state record for most rec. yards in a season (2,310) and had second-most receptions in a season (131) in 2011

## CAREER HIGHS

Points Scored: 2 at Michigan, 10/22/16  
 Receptions: 3 vs. Western Michigan, 9/17/16  
 Receiving Yards: 32 vs. Western Michigan, 9/17/16  
 Long Reception: 19 vs. Western Michigan, 9/17/16  
 All-Purpose Yards: 32 vs. Western Michigan, 9/17/16

## RECEIVING STATISTICS

YEAR	G	REC	YDS	TD	LG	REC/G	YDS/C	YDS/G
2014	1	0	0	0	0	0.0	0.0	0.0
2015	12	1	7	0	7	0.1	7.0	0.6
2016	12	1	7	0	7	0.1	7.0	0.6
2016	7	10	93	0	19	1.4	9.3	13.3

## RUSHING/RECEIVING GAME-BY-GAME

2016	CAR	YDS	TD	LG	REC	YDS	TD	LG
MUR ST	0	0	0	0	1	9	0	9
UNC	0	0	0	0	1	6	0	6
WMU	0	0	0	0	3	32	0	19
@NEB	0	0	0	0	2	28	0	17
PUR	0	0	0	0	1	9	0	9
@RUT	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
@MICH	0	0	0	0	2	9	0	6

2015	CAR	YDS	TD	LG	REC	YDS	TD	LG
KENT ST	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
WIU	0	0	0	0	1	7	0	7
@UNC	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
MTSU	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
NEB	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
@IOWA	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
WIS	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
@PSU	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
@PUR	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
OSU	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
@MINN	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
VS. NW	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

# 17 STANLEY GREEN

DB, 5-11, 195, FR.

EAST ST. LOUIS, MO. / EAST ST. LOUIS SENIOR

## 2016 Freshman:

- » Career highs in tackles (11), solo tackles (7) and forced fumbles (1) at Michigan in second career start
- » First career start at Rutgers
- » Tackle on first career defensive snap vs. Purdue

## CAREER HIGHS

Tackles: 11 at Michigan, 10/22/16  
 Solos: 7 at Michigan, 10/22/16  
 TFLs: -  
 Sacks: -  
 QB Hurries: -  
 Fumbles Forced: 1 at Michigan, 10/22/16  
 Fumbles Recovered: -  
 PBUs: -  
 Interception: -  
 Interception Return Yards: -  
 Touchdowns: -

## DEFENSIVE STATISTICS

YEAR	G	UA	A	TOT	TFL	YDS	PBU	FF	FR	BLK	QBH
2016	4	4	4	8	0.0	0	0	0	1	0	0

## DEFENSIVE GAME-BY-GAME

2016	UA	AS	TOT	TFL-YDS	QBS-YDS	FF	FR-YDS	INT-YDS	QBH	PBU
MUR ST					DNP					
UNC					DNP					
WMU	0	0	0	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
@NEB	0	0	0	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0

PUR	1	2	3	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
@RUT	3	2	5	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	1-0	0-0	0	0
@MICH	7	4	11	0.0-0	0.0-0	1	0-0	0-0	0	0
MINN										
MICH ST										
@WIS										
IOWA										
@NW										

# 35 JAKE HANSEN

LB, 6-2, 220, FR.

TARPON SPRINGS, FLA. / EAST LAKE

## 2016 Freshman:

- » Plays primarily on special teams

## Personal:

- » Father, Shad Hansen, played football at BYU from 1989-92 and is the school's all-time leading tackler (408)

## CAREER HIGHS

Tackles: 1, three times (last at Rutgers, 10/15/16)  
 Solos: -  
 TFLs: -  
 Sacks: -  
 QB Hurries: -  
 Fumbles Forced: -  
 Fumbles Recovered: -  
 PBUs: -  
 Interception: -  
 Interception Return Yards: -  
 Touchdowns: -

## DEFENSIVE STATISTICS

YEAR	G	UA	A	TOT	TFL	YDS	PBU	FF	FR	BLK	QBH
2016	7	0	3	3	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	0

## DEFENSIVE GAME-BY-GAME

2016	UA	AS	TOT	TFL-YDS	QBS-YDS	FF	FR-YDS	INT-YDS	QBH	PBU
MUR ST	0	1	1	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
UNC	0	0	0	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
WMU	0	0	0	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
@NEB	0	1	1	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
PUR	0	0	0	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
@RUT	0	1	1	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
@MICH	0	0	0	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
MINN										
MICH ST										
@WIS										
IOWA										
@NW										

# 19 JUSTIN HARDEE

WR, 6-1, 200, SR.

CLEVELAND, OHIO / GLENVILLE

- » Earned bachelor's degree in communication in Dec. 2014
- » Earned master's degree in recreation, sport and tourism in May 2016
- » Pursuing second master's degree in education policy, organization and leadership

## 2016 Redshirt Senior:

- » Starting wide receiver

## CAREER HIGHS

Receptions: 6 vs. Western Kentucky, 9/6/14  
 Receiving Yards: 110 vs. Western Kentucky, 9/6/14  
 Long Reception: 62 vs. Western Kentucky, 9/6/14  
 Touchdowns: 1 vs. Western Kentucky, 9/6/14  
 All-Purpose Yards: 110 vs. Western Kentucky, 9/6/14  
 Tackles: 3 vs. Ohio State, 11/16/13

## RECEIVING STATISTICS

YEAR	G	REC	YDS	TD	LG	REC/G	AVG/C	AVG/G
2012	12	17	192	0	48	1.4	11.3	16.0
2013	12	11	95	0	23	0.9	8.6	7.9
2014	13	19	240	1	62	1.5	12.6	18.5
2015								
2016	7	11	106	0	31	1.6	9.6	15.1
TOTAL	44	58	633	1	62	1.3	10.9	14.4

## RUSHING/RECEIVING GAME-BY-GAME

2016	CAR	YDS	TD	LG	REC	YDS	TD	LG
MUR ST	0	0	0	0	1	31	0	31
UNC	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
WMU	0	0	0	0	5	49	0	15
@NEB	0	0	0	0	3	17	0	7
PUR	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
@RUT	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
@MICH	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

MINN  
 MICH ST  
 @WIS  
 IOWA  
 @NW

2014	CAR	YDS	TD	LG	REC	YDS	TD	LG
YSU	0	0	0	0	2	16	0	11
WKU	0	0	0	0	6	110	1	62
@WASH	0	0	0	0	1	5	0	5
TXST	0	0	0	0	5	49	0	12
@NEB	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
PUR	0	0	0	0	2	21	0	18
@WIS	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
MIN	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
@OSU	0	0	0	0	1	19	0	19
IOWA	0	0	0	0	1	10	0	10
PSU	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
@NW	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
LT*	0	0	0	0	1	10	0	10

\*Zaxby's Heart of Dallas Bowl

2013	CAR	YDS	TD	LG	REC	YDS	TD	LG
SIU	0	0	0	0	2	6	0	7
CIN	0	0	0	0	1	13	0	13
VS. WASH	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
MIAMI(OH)	0	0	0	0	3	25	0	18
@NEB	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
WIS	0	0	0	0	1	9	0	9
MSU	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
@PSU	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
@IND	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
OSU	0	0	0	0	3	34	0	23
@PUR	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
NW	0	0	0	0	1	8	0	8

2012	CAR	YDS	TD	LG	REC	YDS	TD	LG
WMU	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
@ASU	0	0	0	0	1	17	0	17
CSU	0	0	0	0	5	99	0	48
LT	0	0	0	0	2	10	0	7
PSU	0	0	0	0	2	22	0	16
@WIS	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
@MICH	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
IND	0	0	0	0	2	5	0	4
@OSU	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
MINN	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
PUR	0	0	0	0	5	39	0	9
@NW	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

# 9 DELE HARDING

LB, 6-1, 230, FR.

ELKTON, MD. / EASTERN CHRISTIAN

## Pronunciation: DAY-LAY

## 2016 Freshman:

- » Plays primarily on special teams

## CAREER HIGHS

Tackles: 2 vs. Purdue, 10/8/16  
 Solos: -  
 TFLs: -  
 Sacks: -  
 QB Hurries: -

# 27 AHMARI HAYES

DB, 6-3, 200, JR.

DAVIS, CALIF. / DAVIS HS / COLLEGE OF SAN MATEO

### 2016 Junior:

- » First career start at Rutgers
- » Enrolled at Illinois for spring semester and participated in 2016 spring practices
- » Made Illini debut in season-opening win over Murray State

### CAREER HIGHS

Tackles: 4 at Rutgers, 10/15/16  
 Solos: 4 at Rutgers, 10/15/16  
 TFLs: -  
 Sacks: -  
 QB Hurries: -  
 Fumbles Forced: -  
 Fumbles Recovered: -  
 PBUs: -  
 Interception: -  
 Interception Return Yards: -  
 Touchdowns: -

### DEFENSIVE STATISTICS

YEAR	G	UA	A	TOT	TFL	YDS	PBU	FF	FR	BLK	QBH
2016	4	7	0	7	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	0

### DEFENSIVE GAME-BY-GAME

2016	UA	AS	TOT	TFL-YDS	QBS-YDS	FF	FR-YDS	INT-YDS	QBH	PBU
MUR ST	0	0	0	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
UNC					DNP					
WMU					DNP					
@NEB					DNP					
PUR	2	0	2	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
@RUT	4	0	4	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
@MICH	1	0	1	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
MINN										
MICH ST										
@WIS										
IOWA										
@NW										

# 30 JULIAN HYLTON

DB, 6-0, 205, SO.

TINLEY PARK, ILL. / LINCOLN-WAY NORTH

### 2016 Sophomore:

- » Starting safety in the first three games
- » First career interception in the opener against Murray State

### CAREER HIGHS

Tackles: 4 vs. North Carolina, 9/10/16  
 Solos: 4 vs. North Carolina, 9/10/16  
 TFLs: 1.0 vs. Murray State, 9/3/16  
 Sacks: -  
 QB Hurries: -  
 Fumbles Forced: -  
 Fumbles Recovered: 1 vs. Nebraska, 10/3/15  
 Interceptions: 1 vs. Murray State, 9/3/16  
 Interception Return Yards: -  
 PBUs: 1 vs. North Carolina, 9/10/16  
 Touchdowns: -

### DEFENSIVE STATISTICS

YEAR	G	UA	A	TOT	TFL	YDS	PBU	FF	FR	BLK	QBH
2015	10	4	3	7	0.0	0	0	0	1	0	0
2016	7	8	2	10	1.0	5	2	0	0	0	0
TOTAL	17	12	5	17	1.0	5	2	0	1	0	0

### INTERCEPTION STATISTICS

YEAR	G	INT	YDS	TD	LG	AVG/R	AVG/G
2015	10	0	0	0	0	0.0	0.0
2016	7	1	-2	0	0	-2.0	-0.3
TOTAL	17	1	-2	0	0	-2.0	-0.1

### DEFENSIVE GAME-BY-GAME

2016	UA	AS	TOT	TFL-YDS	QBS-YDS	FF	FR-YDS	INT-YDS	QBH	PBU
MUR ST	1	0	1	1.0-5	0.0-0	0	0-0	1-(-2)	0	0
UNC	4	0	4	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	1
WMU	2	1	3	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
@NEB	1	1	2	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
PUR	0	0	0	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
@RUT	0	0	0	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
@MICH	0	0	0	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
MINN										
MICH ST										
@WIS										
IOWA										
@NW										

2015	UA	AS	TOT	TFL-Yds	QBS-Yds	FF	FR-Yds	INT-Yds	QBH	PBU
KENT ST	0	1	1	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0

WIU	0	0	0	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
@UNC	1	0	1	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
MTSU	1	0	1	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
NEB	0	2	2	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	1-0	0-0	0	0
@IOWA	1	0	1	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
WIS	0	0	0	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
@PSU	1	0	1	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
@PUR	0	0	0	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
OSU	0	0	0	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
@MINN										
NW										

# 95 KENYON JACKSON

DL, 6-0, 290, FR.

LITTLE ROCK, ARK. / PARKVIEW ARTS & SCIENCE MAGNET

### 2016 Freshman:

- » Starts against Purdue and Michigan
- » Two tackles against Murray State, Nebraska and Purdue

### Personal:

- » Father, Keith, was a six-time NFL Pro Bowl selection during nine seasons with Philadelphia, Miami and Green Bay and an All-American player at Oklahoma
- » Brother, Keith Jackson Jr., was an All-SEC defensive lineman at Arkansas and was drafted by the Rams in the seventh round of the 2007 NFL draft

### DEFENSIVE CAREER HIGHS

Tackles: 4 at Michigan, 10/22/16  
 Solos: 3 at Rutgers, 10/15/16  
 TFLs: -  
 Sacks: -  
 QB Hurries: -  
 Fumbles Forced: -  
 Fumbles Recovered: -  
 PBUs: -  
 Interception: -  
 Interception Return Yards: -  
 Touchdowns: -

### DEFENSIVE STATISTICS

YEAR	G	UA	A	TOT	TFL	YDS	PBU	FF	FR	BLK	QBH
2016	5	5	8	13	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	0

### DEFENSIVE GAME-BY-GAME

2016	UA	AS	TOT	TFL-YDS	QBS-YDS	FF	FR-YDS	INT-YDS	QBH	PBU
MUR ST	0	2	2	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
UNC					DNP					
WMU					DNP					
@NEB	1	1	2	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
PUR	0	2	2	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
@RUT	3	0	3	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
@MICH	1	3	4	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
MINN										
MICH ST										
@WIS										
IOWA										
@NW										

# 12 CHRIS JAMES

DB, 5-11, 190, SO.

ORANGE, TEXAS / WEST ORANGE-STARK

### 2016 Sophomore:

- » Career-high two PBUs in the opener against Murray State
- » Started as third defensive back in each of the first three games

### CAREER HIGHS

Tackles: 6, twice (last vs. Western Michigan, 9/17/16)  
 Solos: 4 vs. North Carolina, 9/10/16  
 TFLs: 1.0 at Nebraska, 10/1/16  
 PBUs: 2 vs. Murray State, 9/3/16  
 Sacks: 0.5 vs. Western Michigan, 9/17/16

### DEFENSIVE STATISTICS

YEAR	G	UA	A	TOT	TFL	YDS	PBU	FF	FR	BLK	QBH
2015	10	5	1	6	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	0
2016	7	10	10	20	1.5	7	3	0	0	0	0
TOTAL	17	15	11	26	1.5	7	3	0	0	0	0

### SACKS STATISTICS

YEAR	G	UA	A	SACKS	YDS
2014	0	0	0	0.0	0
2015	10	0	0	0.0	0
2016	7	0	1	0.5	1
TOTAL	17	0	1	0.5	1

### DEFENSIVE GAME-BY-GAME

2016	UA	AS	TOT	TFL-YDS	QBS-YDS	FF	FR-YDS	INT-YDS	QBH	PBU
MUR ST	0	1	1	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	2
UNC	4	2	6	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
WMU	3	3	6	0.5-1	0.5-1	0	0-0	0-0	0	1
@NEB	2	0	2	1.0-6	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
PUR	1	4	5	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
@RUT	0	0	0	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
@MICH	0	0	0	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
MINN										
MICH ST										
@WIS										
IOWA										
@NW										

2015	UA	AS	TOT	TFL-Yds	QBS-Yds	FF	FR-Yds	INT-Yds	QBH	PBU
KENT ST	1	0	1	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
WIU	0	0	0	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
@UNC					DNP					
MTSU					DNP					
NEB	1	0	1	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
@IOWA	0	0	0	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
WIS	1	1	2	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
@PSU	0	0	0	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
@PUR	1	0	1	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
OSU	0	0	0	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
@MINN	1	0	1	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
NW	0	0	0	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0

# 80 AINSLIE JOHNSON

TE, 6-2, 230, SR.

ANAHEIM, CALIF. / SERVITE HS / CERRITOS COLLEGE

### Pronunciation: AINS-lee

### 2016 Senior:

- » First career start in the opener against Murray State
- » 56-yard TD reception on a reverse flea flicker against Western Michigan

### Personal:

- » Father, Damone, played seven years in the NFL as a tight end for the Los Angeles Rams

### RUSHING/RECEIVING CAREER HIGHS

Receptions: 3 vs. Western Michigan, 9/17/16  
 Receiving Yards: 64 vs. Western Michigan, 9/17/16  
 Long Reception: 56 vs. Western Michigan, 9/17/16  
 Receiving Touchdowns: 1 vs. Western Michigan, 9/17/16  
 All-Purpose Yards: 64 vs. Western Michigan, 9/17/16

### RECEIVING STATISTICS

## 2 JULIAN JONES

LB, 6-2, 215, SO.

ATLANTA, GA. / WESTLAKE

### 2016 Sophomore:

- » Career-high 11 tackles (5 solo) at Michigan in second career start
- » First career start at Nebraska

### Personal:

- » Father, Adrian Jones, played defensive back for Missouri from 1986-89 and is the Tigers' career interceptions leader with 15

### CAREER HIGHS

Tackles: 11 at Michigan, 10/22/16  
 Solos: 5 at Michigan, 10/22/16  
 TFL: 1.0, twice (last at Nebraska, 10/1/16)  
 QB Sacks: -  
 INT: -  
 PBU: -  
 QBH: -  
 FF: -  
 FR: -

### DEFENSIVE STATISTICS

YEAR	G	UA	A	TOT	TFL	YDS	PBU	FF	FR	BLK	QBH
2015	8	2	1	3	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	0
2016	7	12	15	27	2.0	8	0	0	0	0	0
TOTAL	15	14	16	30	2.0	8	0	0	0	0	0

### DEFENSIVE GAME-BY-GAME

2016	UA	AS	TOT	TFL-Yds	QBS-YDS	FF	FR-YDS	INT-YDS	QBH	PBU
MUR ST	3	3	6	1.0-6	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
UNC	0	1	1	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
WMU	0	0	0	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
@NEB	2	4	6	1.0-2	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
PUR	2	1	3	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
@RUT	0	0	0	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
@MICH	5	6	11	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
MINN										
MICH ST										
@WIS										
IOWA										
@NW										

2015	UA	AS	TOT	TFL-Yds	QBS-Yds	FF	FR-Yds	INT-Yds	QBH	PBU
KENT ST										
WIU	0	0	0	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
@UNC	0	0	0	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
MTSU	0	1	1	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
NEB	0	1	1	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
@IOWA	0	0	0	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
WIS	0	0	0	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
@PSU	0	0	0	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
@PUR	1	0	1	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
OSU										
@MINN										
vs. NW										

## 4 DARWYN KELLY

DB, 6-1, 210, JR.

UPPER MARLBORO, MD. / H.D. WOODSON

### 2016 Junior:

- » Career-high four tackles at Michigan

### DEFENSIVE CAREER HIGHS

Tackles: 4 at Michigan, 10/22/16  
 Solos: 1, three times (last at Michigan, 10/22/16)

### DEFENSIVE STATISTICS

YEAR	G	UA	A	TOT	TFL	YDS	PBU	FF	FR	BLK	QBH
2015	12	1	0	1	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	0
2016	4	3	4	7	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	0
TOTAL	16	4	4	8	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	0

### DEFENSIVE GAME-BY-GAME

2016	UA	AS	TOT	TFL-Yds	QBS-YDS	FF	FR-YDS	INT-YDS	QBH	PBU
MUR ST	1	1	2	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
UNC	0	0	0	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
WMU										
@NEB										
PUR										
@RUT	1	0	1	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
@MICH	1	3	4	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
MINN										
MICH ST										
@WIS										
IOWA										
@NW										

2015	UA	AS	TOT	TFL-Yds	QBS-YDS	INT-YDS	PBU	QBH	FF-FR
KENT ST	1	0	1	0.0-0	0.0-0	0-0	0	0	0-0

WIU	0	0	0	0.0-0	0.0-0	0-0	0	0	0-0
@UNC	0	0	0	0.0-0	0.0-0	0-0	0	0	0-0
MTSU	0	0	0	0.0-0	0.0-0	0-0	0	0	0-0
NEB	0	0	0	0.0-0	0.0-0	0-0	0	0	0-0
@IOWA	0	0	0	0.0-0	0.0-0	0-0	0	0	0-0
WIS	0	0	0	0.0-0	0.0-0	0-0	0	0	0-0
@PSU	0	0	0	0.0-0	0.0-0	0-0	0	0	0-0
@PUR	0	0	0	0.0-0	0.0-0	0-0	0	0	0-0
OSU	0	0	0	0.0-0	0.0-0	0-0	0	0	0-0
@MINN	0	0	0	0.0-0	0.0-0	0-0	0	0	0-0
vs. NW	0	0	0	0.0-0	0.0-0	0-0	0	0	0-0

## 61 DARTA LEE

OL, 6-3, 320, FR.

FRESNO, TEXAS / HIGHTOWER

### Pronunciation: dar-TAY

### 2016 Freshman:

- » Started at guard against Murray State and Nebraska
- » First Illini true freshman to start on the offensive line in the season opener in at least 20 seasons

## 12 WES LUNT

QB, 6-5, 225, SR.

ROCHESTER, ILL. / ROCHESTER HS / OKLAHOMA STATE

### » Team captain

### » Maxwell, Davey O'Brien, Unitas Golden Arm and Manning Award Preseason Watch Lists

### » Earned bachelor's degree in recreation, sport and tourism – sport management in May 2016

### » Currently pursuing a master's degree in RST

### 2016 Senior:

- » Starting quarterback
- » Miss the second half vs. Purdue and the Rutgers and Michigan games with an injury
- » 34 TDs, 10 INT in his Illinois career (25 G)
- » First interception of 2016 came on 96th pass attempt of the season

### 2015 Junior:

- » Started all 12 games at quarterback
- » 270-of-481 passing for 2,761 yards, 14 touchdowns and six interceptions on season
- » Ninth on Illinois single-season passing yards list (2,761)
- » Fourth on UI single-season completions list (270)
- » Averaged 230.1 yards passing per game with an efficiency rating of 111.46
- » Led the Big Ten and ranked 20th in the nation in completions per game (22.5)

- » Ranked sixth in the Big Ten in passing yards (2,761)
- » Threw for 250+ yards five times
- » 300-yard passing performances against Western Illinois (316) and Iowa (317)

- » Tied career high with four touchdown passes, all in the first half, in the season opener vs. Kent State

- » Led two touchdown drives in the fourth quarter to beat Nebraska 14-13, including game-winning 1-yard TD to Geronimo Allison with 10 seconds left

- » First career rushing touchdown vs. Northwestern

- » Academic All-Big Ten

### 2014 Redshirt Sophomore:

- » Saw action in eight games, starting seven
- » Was at his best in the fourth quarter, completing 36-of-48 passes for 449 yards, five TDs and zero interceptions to rank fourth in FBS in fourth-quarter efficiency (187.95) and third in completion percentage (75.0) (min. 30 att.)
- » Led the Illini to three fourth-quarter comeback wins in 2014
- » Led all Power Five QBs in 4th qtr QB rating when the game was within 7 points (20-for-25, 5 TD, 0 INT)

- » Threw for a career-high 456 yards against Western Kentucky, second-most in Memorial Stadium history (J. Williams, 462, 2008) and fourth on the UI single-game passing yardage list
- » Threw career-long 62-yard TD pass to Justin Hardee vs. WKU
- » Started his Illini debut against Youngstown State, turning in the best Illini quarterback debut in school history in terms of passing yards (285) and touchdowns (4)
- » Academic All-Big Ten honoree

### 2013 Sophomore:

- » Sat out season due to NCAA transfer rules

### 2012 Freshman (at Oklahoma State):

- » Enrolled early in January 2012 and entered the fall of 2013 atop the depth chart at quarterback
- » Made five starts for the Cowboys as a true-freshman, the first three games of the season and two in the middle of the season, before injuries ended both streaks
- » First true-freshman QB to start a season-opener at OSU since at least 1950, completing 11-of-11 passes for 123 yards in less than a quarter in an 84-0 win over Savannah State
- » Followed with a 436-yard, four-TD performance at Arizona in his first road start
- » On the season (six games), completed 81-of-131 passes (61.8 percent) for 1,108 yards, six TDs and seven INTs

### High School:

- » Two-time state champion, leading Rochester to Class 4A state titles in 2010 and '11
- » All-state pick by the *Chicago Tribune* and 2011 *Champaign News-Gazette* state player of the year after throwing for 3,650 yards, 31 touchdowns and just four interceptions despite missing several games early in the season due to injury
- » Set a state record with 590 passing yards and four TDs in 2011 state title game at Illinois' Memorial Stadium
- » Had more than 7,000 passing yards, 65 touchdowns and just eight interceptions over last two seasons at Rochester

### CAREER HIGHS

Attempts: 50 vs. Western Kentucky, 9/6/14  
 Completions: 35 vs. Western Kentucky, 9/6/14  
 Passing Yards: 456 vs. Western Kentucky, 9/6/14  
 Touchdown Passes: 4, twice (last vs. Kent State, 9/5/15)  
 Long Pass: 68 vs. Murray State, 9/3/16  
 Carries: 6 vs. North Carolina, 9/10/16  
 Rushing Yards: 5 at Nebraska, 10/1/16  
 Rushing Touchdowns: 1 vs. Northwestern, 11/28/15  
 Long Rush: 14, twice (last at Nebraska, 10/1/16)  
 Total Offense: 439 vs. Western Kentucky, 9/6/14

### PASSING STATISTICS

YEAR	G	ATT	CMP	INT	YDS	TD	LG	PCT	AVG/P	AVG/G	EFFIC
2014	8	241	153	3	1763	14	62	63.5	7.3	220.4	141.6
2015	12	481	270	6	2761	14	53	56.1	5.7	230.1	111.5
2016	5	129	78	1	840	6	68	60.5	6.5	168.0	129.0
TOTAL	25	851	501	10	5364	34	68	58.9	6.3	214.6	122.7

### RUSHING STATISTICS

YEAR	G	ATT	YDS	TD	LG	AVG/C	AVG/G
2014	8	16	-80	0	5	-5.0	-10.0
2015	12	24	-153	1	14	-6.4	-12.8
2016	5	14	-38	0	14	-2.7	-7.6
TOTAL	25	54	-271	1	14	-5.0	-10.8

### TOTAL OFFENSE STATISTICS

YEAR	G	RUSH	PASS	TOTAL	AVG/G
2014	8	-80	1763	1683	210.4
2015	12	-153	2761	2608	217.3
2016	5	-38	840	802	160.4
TOTAL	25	-271	5364	5093	203.7

### PASSING GAME-BY-GAME

2016	ATT	CMP	INT	YDS	TD	LG
MUR ST	21	15	0	226	3	68
UNC	35	17	0	127	2	19
WMU	42	29	1	312	1	56
@NEB	22	13	0	133	0	26
PUR	9	4	0	42	0	21
@RUT						
@MICH						
MINN						
MICH ST						
@WIS						
IOWA						
@NW						

2015	ATT	CMP	INT	YDS	TD	LG
KENT ST.	19	11	0	162	4	34
WIU	46	33	1	316	1	28
@UNC	32	15	1	140	0	22



MTSU	49	29	0	238	1	42
NEB	45	23	0	251	2	50
@IOWA	42	25	0	317	1	53
WIS	43	22	1	278	0	37
@PSU	37	16	1	129	0	15
@PUR	33	19	0	169	3	32
OSU	47	23	0	241	0	38
@MINN	47	34	1	279	2	28

2014	ATT	CMP	INT	YDS	TD	LG
YSU	38	24	0	285	4	49
WKU	50	35	1	456	3	62
@WASH	26	16	1	230	2	60
TXST	39	25	1	266	2	33
@NEB			DNP - Injured			
PUR	39	27	0	332	2	47
@WIS			DNP - Injured			
MIN			DNP - Injured			
@OSU			DNP - Injured			
IOWA	25	14	0	102	1	31
PSU	17	8	0	58	0	12
@NW			DNP			
LT*	8	4	0	34	0	20

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**RUSHING/RECEIVING GAME-BY-GAME**

2016	CAR	YDS	TD	LG	REC	YDS	TD	LG
MUR ST	2	-11	0	0	0	0	0	0
UNC	6	-12	0	7	0	0	0	0
WMU	4	-20	0	0	0	0	0	0
@NEB	2	5	0	14	0	0	0	0
PUR	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
@RUT					DNP - Injured			
@MICH					DNP - Injured			
MINN								
MICH ST								
@WIS								
IOWA								
@NW								

2015	CAR	YDS	TD	LG	REC	YDS	TD	LG
KENT ST	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
WIU	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
@UNC	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
MTSU	3	-27	0	0	0	0	0	0
NEB	3	-14	0	2	0	0	0	0
@IOWA	3	-20	0	0	0	0	0	0
WIS	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
@PSU	3	-33	0	0	0	0	0	0
@PUR	2	-5	0	6	0	0	0	0
OSU	3	-22	0	0	0	0	0	0
@MINN	3	-9	0	14	0	0	0	0
VS. NW	4	-23	1	1	0	0	0	0

2014	CAR	YDS	TD	LG	REC	YDS	TD	LG
YSU	1	-1	0	0	0	0	0	0
WKU	3	-17	0	0	0	0	0	0
@WASH	4	-22	0	0	0	0	0	0
TXST	1	-4	0	0	0	0	0	0
@NEB					DNP - Injured			
PUR	2	-17	0	0	0	0	0	0
@WIS					DNP - Injured			
MIN					DNP - Injured			
@OSU					DNP - Injured			
IOWA	3	-5	0	5	0	0	0	0
PSU	2	-14	0	0	0	0	0	0
@NW					DNP			
LT*	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

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## 41 JIMMY MARCHESE

LB, 6-2, 215, R-FR.

VERNON HILLS, ILL. / STEVENSON

Pronunciation: mar-CASE

2016 Senior:

» Plays primarily on special teams

## 56 MICHAEL MARTIN

LS, 6-4, 225, SR.

CHAMPAIGN, ILL. / CENTENNIAL

» Earned bachelor's degree in mechanical engineering in December 2015

» Pursuing master's degree in mechanical engineering

2016 Senior:

» Starting long snapper

» Put on scholarship during 2016 Training Camp

## 9 SAM MAYS

WR, 6-3, 200, SO.

MISSOURI CITY, TEXAS / THE KINKAID SCHOOL

2016 Sophomore:

» Two receptions for 27 yards in the opener against Murray State

**RUSHING/RECEIVING CAREER HIGHS**

Receptions: 2, three times (last at Iowa, 10/10/15)

Receiving Yards: 37 vs. Kent State, 9/5/15

Long Reception: 27 vs. Kent State, 9/5/15

Rec. Touchdowns: 1 vs. Kent State, 9/5/15

All-Purpose Yards: 37 vs. Kent State, 9/5/15

**RECEIVING STATISTICS**

YEAR	G	REC	YDS	TD	LG	REC/G	YDS/C	YDS/G
2015	12	7	78	1	27	0.6	11.1	6.5
2016	4	3	32	0	19	1.0	10.7	10.7
TOTAL	16	10	110	1	27	0.7	11.0	6.9

**RUSHING/RECEIVING GAME-BY-GAME**

2016	CAR	YDS	TD	LG	REC	YDS	TD	LG
MUR ST	0	0	0	0	2	27	0	19
UNC	0	0	0	0	1	5	0	0
WMU	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
@NEB					DNP			
PUR					DNP			
@RUT					DNP			
@MICH	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
MINN								
MICH ST								
@WIS								
IOWA								
@NW								

2015	CAR	YDS	TD	LG	REC	YDS	TD	LG
KENT ST	0	0	0	0	2	37	1	27
WIU	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
@UNC	0	0	0	0	1	15	0	15
MTSU	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
NEB	0	0	0	0	2	21	0	15
@IOWA	0	0	0	0	2	5	0	7
WIS	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
@PSU	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
@PUR	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
OSU	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
@MINN	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
VS. NW	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

## 45 HENRY MCGREW

DL, 6-3, 245, SO.

OVERLAND PARK, KAN. / BLUE VALLEY

2016 Sophomore:

» Plays primarily on special teams

**CAREER HIGHS**

Tackles: 3 vs. Kent State, 9/5/15

Solos: 1, five times (last at Rutgers, 10/15/16)

TFLs: 1.0, twice (last vs. North Carolina, 9/19/15)

**DEFENSIVE STATISTICS**

YEAR	G	UA	A	TOT	TFL	YDS	PBU	FF	FR	BLK	QBH
2015	11	3	4	7	2.0	4	0	0	0	0	0
2016	7	2	1	3	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	0
TOTAL	18	5	5	10	2.0	4	0	0	0	0	0

**DEFENSIVE GAME-BY-GAME**

2016	UA	AS	TOT	TFL-YDS	QBS-YDS	FF	FR-YDS	INT-YDS	QBH	PBU
MUR ST	0	0	0	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
UNC	1	1	2	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
WMU	0	0	0	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
@NEB	0	0	0	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
PUR	0	0	0	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
@RUT	1	0	1	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
@MICH	0	0	0	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
MINN										
MICH ST										
@WIS										
IOWA										
@NW										

2015	UA	AS	TOT	TFL-YDS	QBS-YDS	FF	FR-YDS	INT-YDS	QBH	PBU
KENT ST	1	2	3	1.0-3	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
WIU	1	0	1	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
@UNC	1	0	1	1.0-1	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
MTSU					DNP					
NEB	0	0	0	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
@IOWA	0	0	0	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
WIS	0	1	1	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
@PSU	0	1	1	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
@PUR	0	0	0	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
OSU	0	0	0	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
@MINN	0	0	0	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0

NW	0	0	0	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
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## 43 CHASE McLAUGHLIN

PK, 6-1, 175, SO.

CYPRESS, TEXAS / CYPRESS WOODS

2016 Sophomore:

» 9-12 on field goals, 17-17 on extra points

» 6-6 on field goals inside of 40 yards

» 48-yard field goal on first career attempt during the opener against Murray State

» First career game played in the opener against Murray State

» Kicked off for the first time in his career at Nebraska (63.5 average on four kickoffs)

**CAREER HIGHS**

FG Made: 3, twice (last vs. Purdue, 10/8/16)

FG Attempts: 4 vs. Purdue, 10/8/16

PAT Made: 7 vs. Murray State, 9/3/16

PAT Attempts: 7 vs. Murray State, 9/3/16

Points: 11 vs. Purdue, 10/8/16

Long Field Goal: 48 vs. Murray State, 9/3/16

Kickoffs: 4 at Nebraska, 10/1/16

Kickoff Yards: 453 vs. Purdue, 10/8/16

Kickoff Average: 64.0 vs. Purdue, 10/8/16

Touchbacks: 3 at Rutgers, 10/15/16

Tackles: -

**KICKING STATISTICS**

YEAR	PAT	FG	0-9	30-39	40-49	50+	PTS
2016	17-17	9-12	3-3	3-3	3-5	0-1	44

**KICKOFF STATISTICS**

YEAR	G	NO	YDS	AVG	TB	RT	RT YDS	YPR
2016	7	18	1,144	63.6	6	11	256	23.3

**KICKING GAME-BY-GAME**

2016	FGM-FGA	LG	BLKD	PAT	PTS
MUR ST	1-1	48	0	7-7	10
UNC	0-0	0	0	3-3	3
WMU	1-1	22	0	1-1	4
@NEB	3-3	43	0	1-1	10
PUR	3-4	47	0	2-2	11
@RUT	1-3	37	0	3-3	6
@MICH	0-0	0	0	0-0	0
MINN					
MICH ST					
@WIS					
IOWA					
@NW					

**KICKOFFS GAME-BY-GAME**

2016	KO	YDS	AVG	TB	RT	RT YDS	YPR
MUR ST	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
UNC	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
WMU							

» Two tackles in the opener against Murray State, his first career game

**CAREER HIGHS**

Tackles: 7 vs. Western Michigan, 9/17/16  
 Solos: 3 at Rutgers, 10/15/16  
 TFLs: 2.5 vs. Western Michigan, 9/17/16  
 Sacks: 1.0 vs. Western Michigan, 9/17/16  
 QB Hurries: -  
 Fumbles Forced: 2 at Rutgers, 10/15/16  
 Fumbles Recovered: -  
 PBUs: -  
 Interception: -  
 Interception Return Yards: -  
 Touchdowns: -

**DEFENSIVE STATISTICS**

YEAR	G	UA	A	TOT	TFL	YDS	PBU	FF	FR	BLK	QBH
2015	1	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	0
2016	6	7	11	18	3.5	6	0	2	0	0	0
TOTAL	7	7	11	18	3.5	6	0	2	0	0	0

**SACKS STATISTICS**

YEAR	G	UA	A	SACKS	YDS
2015	1	0	0	0.0	0
2016	6	1	0	1.0	2
TOTAL	7	1	0	1.0	2

**DEFENSIVE GAME-BY-GAME**

2016	UA	AS	TOT	TFL-YDS	QBS-YDS	FF	FR-YDS	INT-YDS	QBH	PBU
MUR ST	0	2	2	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
UNC	0	0	0	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
WMU	2	5	7	2.5-4	1.0-2	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
@NEB	1	2	3	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
PUR				DNP						
@RUT	3	0	3	1.0-2	0.0-0	2	0-0	0-0	0	0
@MICH	1	2	3	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
MINN										
MICH ST										
@WIS										
IOWA										
@NW										

2015	UA	AS	TOT	TFL-YDS	QBS-YDS	FF	FR-YDS	INT-YDS	QBH	PBU
KENT ST	0	0	0	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
WIU				DNP - Injured						
@UNC				DNP - Injured						
MTSU				DNP - Injured						
NEB				DNP - Injured						
@IOWA				DNP - Injured						
WIS				DNP - Injured						
@PSU				DNP - Injured						
@PUR				DNP - Injured						
OSU				DNP - Injured						
@MINN				DNP - Injured						
vs. NW				DNP - Injured						

**24 DARIUS MOSELY**

DB, 5-11, 190, SR.

O'FALLON, ILL. / O'FALLON TOWNSHIP

**2016 Senior:**

- » Starting corner
- » 78-yard interception return for a touchdown at Rutgers
- » 15-yard fumble recovery return at Rutgers
- » First career interception at Nebraska

**CAREER HIGHS**

Tackles: 9 vs. Northwestern, 11/30/13  
 Solos: 5, three times (last at Michigan, 10/22/16)  
 TFLs: 1.0, twice (last vs. Penn State, 11/22/14)  
 Sacks: -  
 QB Hurries: -  
 Fumbles Forced: -  
 Fumbles Recovered: 1, three times (last at Rutgers, 10/15/16)  
 PBUs: 1, five times (last at Michigan, 10/22/16)  
 Interception: 1, twice (last at Rutgers, 10/15/16)  
 Interception Return Yards: 78 at Rutgers, 10/15/16  
 Touchdowns: 1 at Rutgers, 10/15/16  
 Kick Returns: 2 at Ohio State, 11/1/14  
 Kick Return Yardage: 27 at Rutgers, 10/15/16  
 Punt Returns: 4 vs. Western Michigan, 9/17/16  
 Punt Return Yardage: 20 vs. Murray State, 9/3/16  
 Long Punt Return: 22 vs. Murray State, 9/3/16  
 All-Purpose Yards: 105 at Rutgers, 10/15/16

**DEFENSIVE STATISTICS**

YEAR	G	UA	A	TOT	TFL	YDS	PBU	FF	FR	BLK	QBH
2013	12	21	15	36	0.5	0	1	0	1	0	0
2014	13	18	10	28	2.0	9	2	0	1	0	0
2015	11	1	2	3	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	0
2016	7	18	11	29	1.0	3	4	0	1	0	0
TOTAL	43	58	38	96	3.5	12	7	0	3	0	0

**INTERCEPTION STATISTICS**

YEAR	G	INT	YDS	TD	LG	AVG/R	AVG/G
2013	12	0	0	0	0	0.0	0.0
2014	13	0	0	0	0	0.0	0.0
2015	11	0	0	0	0	0.0	0.0
2016	7	2	102	1	78	51.0	14.6
TOTAL	43	2	102	1	78	51.0	2.4

**KICK RETURN STATISTICS**

YEAR	G	NO.	YDS	TD	LG	AVG/R	AVG/G
2013	12	1	-2	0	0	-2.0	-0.2
2014	13	4	43	0	18	10.8	3.3
2015	11	0	0	0	0	0.0	0.0
2016	7	1	12	0	12	12.0	1.7
TOTAL	43	6	53	0	18	8.8	1.2

**PUNT RETURN STATISTICS**

YEAR	G	NO.	YDS	TD	LG	AVG/R	AVG/G
2013	12	0	0	0	0	0.0	0.0
2014	13	7	49	0	14	7.0	3.8
2015	11	1	-2	0	0	-2.0	-0.2
2016	7	12	73	0	22	6.1	10.4
TOTAL	43	20	120	0	22	6.0	2.8

**DEFENSIVE GAME-BY-GAME**

2016	UA	AS	TOT	TFL-YDS	QBS-YDS	FF	FR-YDS	INT-YDS	QBH	PBU
MUR ST	0	1	1	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
UNC	1	3	4	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	1
WMU	4	0	4	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
@NEB	2	2	4	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	1-24	0	0
PUR	2	2	4	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
@RUT	4	0	4	1.0-3	0.0-0	0	1-15	1-78	0	0
@MICH	5	3	8	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	1
MINN										
MICH ST										
@WIS										
IOWA										
@NW										

2015	UA	AS	TOT	TFL-YDS	QBS-YDS	FF	FR-YDS	INT-YDS	QBH	PBU
KENT ST	0	0	0	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
WIU	0	1	1	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
@UNC	0	1	1	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
MTSU				DNP						
NEB	0	0	0	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
@IOWA	0	0	0	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
WIS	1	0	1	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
@PSU	0	0	0	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
@PUR	0	0	0	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
OSU	0	0	0	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
@MINN	0	0	0	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
NW	0	0	0	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0

2014	ST	AT	TOT	TFL-YDS	QBS-YDS	INT-YDS	PBU	QBH	FF-FR
YSU	2	0	2	0.0-0	0.0-0	0-0	0	0	0-0
WKU	4	3	7	0.0-0	0.0-0	0-0	0	0	0-0
@WASH	0	1	1	0.0-0	0.0-0	0-0	0	0	0-0
TXST	1	1	2	0.0-0	0.0-0	0-0	1	0	0-0
@NEB	2	2	4	0.0-0	0.0-0	0-0	0	0	0-0
PUR	3	0	3	0.0-0	0.0-0	0-0	0	0	0-0
@WIS	1	0	1	1.0-1	0.0-0	0-0	0	0	0-0
MIN	0	1	1	0.0-0	0.0-0	0-0	1	0	0-0
@OSU	1	0	1	0.0-0	0.0-0	0-0	0	0	0-0
IOWA	1	1	2	0.0-0	0.0-0	0-0	0	0	0-0
PSU	2	1	3	1.0-8	0.0-0	0-0	0	0	0-1
@NW	1	0	1	0.0-0	0.0-0	0-0	0	0	0-0
LT*	0	0	0	0.0-0	0.0-0	0-0	0	0	0-0

\*Zaxby's Heart of Dallas Bowl

2013	ST	AT	TOT	TFL-YDS	QBS-YDS	INT-YDS	PBU	QBH	FF-FR
SIU	1	2	3	0.0-0	0.0-0	0-0	0	0	0-0
CIN	1	2	3	0.0-0	0.0-0	0-0	0	0	0-0
vs. WASH	0	0	0	0.0-0	0.0-0	0-0	0	0	0-0
MIAMI(OH)	0	1	1	0.0-0	0.0-0	0-0	0	0	0-0
@NEB	2	1	3	0.0-0	0.0-0	0-0	0	0	0-0
WIS	1	1	2	0.0-0	0.0-0	0-0	0	0	0-0
MSU	0	1	1	0.0-0	0.0-0	0-0	0	0	0-1
@PSU	5	2	7	0.0-0	0.0-0	0-0	1	0	0-0
@IND	3	0	3	0.0-0	0.0-0	0-0	0	0	0-0
OSU	0	0	0	0.0-0	0.0-0	0-0	0	0	0-0
@PUR	3	1	4	0.0-0	0.0-0	0-0	0	0	0-0
NW	5	4	9	0.5-0	0.0-0	0-0	0	0	0-0

**KICK/PUNT RETURN GAME-BY-GAME**

2016	KR-YDS	AVG	TD	LG	PR-YDS	AVG	TD	LG
MUR ST	0	0	0	0	3-20	6.7	0	22
UNC	0	0	0	0	1-12	12.0	0	12
WMU	0	0	0	0	4-6	1.5	0	4
@NEB	0	0	0	0	0-0	0	0	0
PUR	0	0	0	0	1-4	0	0	4
@RUT	0	0	0	0	2-27	13.5	0	20
@MICH	0	0	0	0	1-13	13.0	0	13
MINN								
MICH ST								
@WIS								
IOWA								
@NW								

MICH ST  
@WIS  
IOWA  
@NW

# 10 HARDY NICKERSON

LB, 6-0, 230, SR.

OAKLAND, CALIF. / BISHOP O'DOWD HS / CALIFORNIA

- » Team captain
- » Nagurski Trophy and Butkus Award Preseason Watch Lists
- » Earned bachelor's degree in legal studies from UC Berkeley in May 2016

## At Illinois (2016):

- » Leads the Big Ten in tackles per game (10.3)
- » Leads all active Power-5 linebackers in career tackles (318)
- » Two interceptions vs. Purdue
- » 10+ tackles in five of seven games
- » Transferred to Illinois with one year of eligibility left
- » Immediately eligible after graduating from California with a degree in legal studies

## At California (2012-15):

- » Three-year starter at linebacker (2013-15)
- » Team captain and Defensive MVP in 2015
- » Played in 35 games during his career with the Golden Bears
- » 246 tackles, 9.0 TFLs, one interception, two forced fumbles and three fumble recoveries
- » Led Cal in tackles with 112, including 54 solo, in 2015
- » Third in the Pac-12 with 112 tackles in 2015
- » 10+ tackles in six of the last eight games of 2015
- » All-PAC-12 Honorable Mention and Phil Steele All-PAC-12 second team in 2015
- » 16-tackle effort during a 48-46 win against Arizona State in his final game for Cal
- » Two-time Pac-12 All-Academic
- » Redshirted as a freshman in 2012

## Personal:

- » Father is the Illini's defensive coordinator
- » Father played 16 seasons in the NFL, earning four All-Pro and five Pro Bowl selections, is a member of the Cal Athletic Hall of Fame, still ranks second on the school's all-time list for tackles, and is currently the defensive coordinator at Illinois
- » Coached by his father during his final two seasons at Bishop O'Dowd High School
- » Played his first football game at the age of eight at Lambeau Field as a member of a Green Bay Pop Warner team
- » Attended eight different schools from kindergarten through his senior year of high school due to his father's NFL career
- » Ambidextrous as he plays sports and throws with his right hand but writes with his left
- » Majored in legal studies at Cal
- » Has known Illinois coach Lovie Smith since he was a child
- » Earned bachelor's degree in legal studies from California (Berkeley) in May 2016

## CAREER HIGHS (AT ILLINOIS)

Tackles: 14 at Michigan, 10/22/16  
Solos: 8 vs. Murray State, 9/3/16  
TFLs: 2.0 vs. North Carolina, 9/10/16  
TFL Yards: 6 vs. North Carolina, 9/10/16  
Sacks: 1.0, twice (last at Michigan, 10/22/16)  
QB Hurries: 1 at Nebraska, 10/1/16  
Fumbles Forced: -  
Fumbles Recovered: -  
PBUs: -  
Interception: 2 vs. Purdue, 10/8/16  
Interception Return Yards: 33 vs. Purdue, 10/8/16  
Long Interception Return: 33 vs. Purdue, 10/8/16  
Touchdowns: -

## CAREER HIGHS (OVERALL)

Tackles: 16 vs. Arizona State, 2015  
TFLs: 2.0, four times (last vs. North Carolina, 9/10/16)  
TFL Yards: 9 vs. Arizona, 2013  
Sacks: 1.0, four times (last at Michigan, 10/22/16)  
Sack Yards: 7 vs. Arizona, 2013  
Fumbles Forced: 1, twice (last vs. UCLA, 2014)

Fumbles Recovered: 1, three times (last at Washington, 2015)  
Fumble Return Yards: 27 vs. UCLA, 2014  
Interception: 2 vs. Purdue, 10/8/16  
Interception Return Yards: 33 vs. Purdue, 10/8/16  
Long Interception Return: 33 vs. Purdue, 10/8/16  
QB Hurries: 1 vs. Arizona, 2013  
PBUs: 1 at UCLA, 2013

## DEFENSIVE STATISTICS

YEAR	G	UA	AS	TOT	TFL	YDS	PBU	FF	FR	BLK	QBH
2013	10	35	29	64	5.0	16	1	1	1	0	-
2014	12	33	37	70	2.0	7	1	1	1	0	-
2015	13	54	58	112	2.0	4	0	0	1	0	-
2016	7	26	46	72	4.5	16	0	0	0	0	1
TOTAL	42	148	170	318	13.5	43	2	2	3	0	1

## SACKS STATISTICS

SACKS	G	UA	AS	TOTAL	YDS
2013	10	1	0	1.0	7
2014	12	0	0	0.0	0
2015	13	1	0	1.0	2
2016	7	2	0	2.0	9
TOTAL	42	4	0	4.0	18

## INTERCEPTION STATISTICS

YEAR	G	INT	YDS	TD	LG	AVG/R	AVG/G
2013	10	0	0	0	0	0.0	0.0
2014	12	0	0	0	0	0.0	0.0
2015	13	1	8	0	8	8.0	0.7
2016	7	2	33	0	33	16.5	4.7
TOTAL	42	3	41	0	33	8.0	1.0

## DEFENSIVE GAME-BY-GAME

2016	UA	AS	TOT	TFL-YDS	QBS-YDS	FF	FR-YDS	INT-YDS	QBH	PBU
MUR ST	8	3	11	1.0-1	1.0-1	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
UNC	3	8	11	2.0-6	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
WMU	1	6	7	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
@NEB	3	7	10	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	1	0
PUR	1	7	8	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	2-33	0	0
@RUT	4	7	11	0.5-1	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
@MICH	6	8	14	1.0-8	1.0-8	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
MINN										
MICH ST										
@WIS										
IOWA										
@NW										

# 94 TITO ODENIGBO

DL, 6-3, 290, SO.

CENTERVILLE, OHIO / CENTERVILLE

Pronunciation: oh-DEN-uh-bo

## 2015 Sophomore:

- » First career start at Michigan
- » Career-high two tackles in the opener against Murray State

## Personal:

- » Brother, Ifeadi, plays defensive end for Northwestern University

## CAREER HIGHS

Tackles: 3 vs. Western Michigan, 9/17/16  
Solos: 1, three times (last at Michigan, 10/22/16)  
TFLs: 1.0, twice (last vs. Murray State, 9/3/16)  
Sacks: 1 vs. Murray State, 9/3/16

## DEFENSIVE STATISTICS

YEAR	G	UA	A	TOT	TFL	YDS	PBU	FF	FR	BLK	QBH
2015	6	1	2	3	1.5	1	0	0	0	0	0
2016	7	2	8	10	1.5	6	0	0	0	0	0
TOTAL	13	3	10	13	3.0	7	0	0	0	0	0

## SACKS STATISTICS

SACKS	G	UA	A	TOTAL	YDS
2015	6	0	0	0.0	0
2016	7	1	0	1.0	6
TOTAL	13	1	0	1.0	6

## DEFENSIVE GAME-BY-GAME

2016	UA	AS	TOT	TFL-YDS	QBS-YDS	FF	FR-YDS	INT-YDS	QBH	PBU
MUR ST	1	1	2	1.0-6	1.0-6	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
UNC	0	1	1	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
WMU	0	3	3	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
@NEB	0	2	2	0.5-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
PUR	0	0	0	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
@RUT	0	1	1	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
@MICH	1	0	1	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
MINN										
MICH ST										
@WIS										
IOWA										
@NW										

2015	UA	AS	TOT	TFL-YDS	QBS-YDS	FF	FR-YDS	INT-YDS	QBH	PBU
KENT ST	0	1	1	0.5-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
WIU	1	1	2	1.0-1	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
@UNC	0	0	0	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
MTSU	0	0	0	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0

NEB	DNP
@IOWA	DNP
WIS	DNP
@PSU	0 0 0 0.0-0 0.0-0 0 0-0 0-0 0 0
@PUR	0 0 0 0.0-0 0.0-0 0 0-0 0-0 0 0
OSU	DNP
@MINN	DNP
NW	DNP

# 96 TYMIR OLIVER

DL, 6-4, 275, FR.

SHARON HILL, PA. / WEST PHILADELPHIA CATHOLIC

## 2016 Freshman:

- » Plays primarily on special teams

## DEFENSIVE CAREER HIGHS

Tackles: 1 vs. Murray State, 9/3/16

Solos: -

TFLs: -

Sacks: -

QB Hurries: -

Fumbles Forced: -

Fumbles Recovered: -

PBUs: -

Interception: -

Interception Return Yards: -

Touchdowns: -

## DEFENSIVE STATISTICS

YEAR	G	UA	A	TOT	TFL	YDS	PBU	FF	FR	BLK	QBH
2016	7	0	1	1	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	0

## DEFENSIVE GAME-BY-GAME

2016	UA	AS	TOT	TFL-YDS	QBS-YDS	FF	FR-YDS	INT-YDS	QBH	PBU
MUR ST	0	1	1	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
UNC	0	0	0	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
WMU	0	0	0	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
@NEB	0	0	0	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
PUR	0	0	0	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
@RUT	0	0	0	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
@MICH	0	0	0	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
MINN										
MICH ST										
@WIS										
IOWA										
@NW										

# 6 CARROLL PHILLIPS

DL, 6-3, 240, SR.

MIAMI, FLA. / MIAMI CENTRAL HS / COIAH LINCOLN CC

## 2016 Senior:

- » Fifth in the nation in TFLs per game (1.7)
- » Fourth in the Big Ten in sacks per game (0.71)
- » Missed the first half at Rutgers following targeting penalty in the fourth quarter vs. Purdue
- » Career-high 3.5 TFLs against North Carolina

## CAREER HIGHS

Tackles: 11 vs. Ohio State, 11/14/15  
Solos: 4, twice (last vs. North Carolina, 9/10/16)  
TFLs: 3.5 vs. North Carolina, 9/10/16  
Sacks: 2.0, twice (last vs. Western Michigan, 9/17/16)  
QB Hurries: 1, seven times (last vs. Northwestern, 11/28/15)  
Fumbles Forced: 1 at Michigan, 10/22/16  
Fumbles Recovered: 1, three times (last at Rutgers, 10/15/16)  
PBUs: 1, twice (last vs. Ohio State, 11/14/15)  
Interceptions: -  
Interception Return Yards: -  
Touchdowns: -

## DEFENSIVE STATISTICS

YEAR	G	UA	A	TOT	TFL	YDS	PBU	FF	FR	BLK	QBH
2014	7	4	2	6	1.0	6	0	0	1	0	2
2015	12	13	13	26	4.5	17	2	0	1	0	5
2016	7	14	15	29	12.0	54	0	1	1	0	1
TOTAL	26	31	30	61	17.5	77	2	1	3	0	8

## SACKS STATISTICS

SACKS	G	UA	A	TOTAL	YDS
2014	7	1	0	1.0	6
2015	12	2	0	2.0	7
2016	7	5	0	5.0	33
TOTAL	26	8	0	8.0	46

## DEFENSIVE GAME-BY-GAME

2016	UA	AS	TOT	TFL-YDS	QBS-YDS	FF	FR-YDS	INT-YDS	QBH	PBU
MUR ST	4	0	4	3.0-16	1.0-9	0	0-0	0-0	1	0
UNC	4	2	6	3.5-10	1.0-4	0	0-0	0-0	0</	

PUR	1	2	3	1.0-4	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	0	0
@RUT	0	1	1	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	1-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	0	0
@MICH	2	1	3	1.0-9	1.0-9	1	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	0	0
MINN														
MICH ST														
@WIS														
IOWA														
@NW														

2015	UA	AS	TOT	TFL-YDS	QBS-YDS	FF	FR-YDS	INT-YDS	QBH	PBU
KENT ST	1	1	2	0.5-1	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
WU	0	1	1	0.5-1	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
@UNC	2	1	3	1.0-8	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
MTSU	1	0	1	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	1	0
NEB	0	0	0	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
@IOWA	0	0	0	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	1	0
WIS	2	0	2	2.0-7	2.0-7	0	0-0	0-0	1	0
@PSU	0	0	0	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
@PUR	2	1	3	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	1
OSU	2	9	11	0.5-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	1	1
@MINN	1	0	1	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
NW	2	0	2	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	1-0	0-0	1	0

2014	ST	AT	TOT	TFL-YDS	QBS-YDS	INT-YDS	PBU	QBH	FF-FR
YSU	1	1	2	1.0-6	1.0-6	0-0	0	0	0-0
WKU	0	0	0	0.0-0	0.0-0	0-0	0	1	0-0
@WASH	1	0	1	0.0-0	0.0-0	0-0	0	0	0-1
TXST	0	0	0	0.0-0	0.0-0	0-0	0	0	0-0
@NEB	1	0	1	0.0-0	0.0-0	0-0	0	0	0-0
PUR	0	1	1	0.0-0	0.0-0	0-0	0	1	0-0
@WIS	1	0	1	0.0-0	0.0-0	0-0	0	0	0-0
MIN									DNP - Injured
@OSU									DNP - Injured
IOWA									DNP - Injured
PSU									DNP - Injured
@NW									DNP - Injured
LT*									DNP - Injured

\*Zaxby's Heart of Dallas Bowl

## 14 GIMEL PRESIDENT

DL, 6-4, 275, SR.  
MT. PLEASANT, S.C. / WANDO HS / AUBURN UNIVERSITY

Pronunciation: juh-MEAL

» Earned bachelor's degree in fitness, conditioning and performance at Auburn

At Illinois (2016):

- » 2.0 sacks in his Illini debut during the opener against Murray State
- » Transferred to Illinois for his final year of eligibility
- » Immediately eligible to play after graduating from Auburn

At Auburn (2012-15):

- » Played in 25 games for the Tigers over the last three seasons, including 10 starts
- » 45 tackles, 7.0 TFLs and 3.0 sacks during his career at Auburn
- » Redshirted as a freshman in 2012

DEFENSIVE CAREER HIGHS (AT ILLINOIS AND OVERALL)

- Tackles: 6 vs. Western Michigan, 9/17/16
- Solos: 3 vs. Murray State, 9/3/16
- TFLs: 3.0 vs. Murray State, 9/3/16
- Sacks: 2.0 vs. Murray State, 9/3/16
- QB Hurries: -
- Fumbles Forced: -
- Fumbles Recovered: -
- PBUs: 1, twice (last vs. Purdue, 10/8/16)
- Interception: -
- Interception Return Yards: -
- Touchdowns: -

DEFENSIVE STATISTICS

YEAR	G	UA	A	TOT	TFL	YDS	PBU	FF	FR	BLK	QBH
2013	3	3	0	3	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	-
2014	12	18	12	30	5.0	18	1	0	0	0	-
2015	10	8	4	12	2.0	16	0	0	0	0	-
2016	7	11	15	26	6.5	17	1	0	0	0	2
TOTAL	32	40	31	71	13.5	51	2	0	0	0	2

SACKS STATISTICS

SACKS	G	UA	A	TOTAL	YDS
2013	3	0	0	0.0	0
2014	12	1	0	1.0	9
2015	10	2	0	2.0	16
2016	6	2	1	2.5	5
TOTAL	31	5	1	5.5	30

DEFENSIVE GAME-BY-GAME

2016	UA	AS	TOT	TFL-YDS	QBS-YDS	FF	FR-YDS	INT-YDS	QBH	PBU
MUR ST	3	1	4	3.0-8	2.0-5	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
UNC	1	2	3	1.5-6	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0

WMU	1	5	6	0.5-0	0.5-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
@NEB	1	1	2	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
PUR	2	2	4	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	1	1
@RUT	2	2	4	0.5-1	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
@MICH	1	2	3	1.0-2	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	1	0
MINN										
MICH ST										
@WIS										
IOWA										
@NW										

## 13 CALEB REAMS

TE, 6-3, 240, R-FR.  
GURNEE, ILL. / WARREN TOWNSHIP

2016 Redshirt Freshman:

- » Two receptions for nine yards in the opener against Murray State

CAREER HIGHS

- Carries: -
- Rushing Yards: -
- Long Run: -
- Rush Touchdowns: -
- Receptions: 2 vs. Murray State, 9/3/16
- Receiving Yards: 9 vs. Murray State, 9/3/16
- Long Reception: 5 vs. Murray State, 9/3/16
- Rec. Touchdowns: -
- All-Purpose Yards: -

RECEIVING STATISTICS

YEAR	G	REC	YDS	TD	LG	REC/G	YDS/C	YDS/G
2016	4	2	9	0	5	0.5	4.5	2.2

RUSHING/RECEIVING GAME-BY-GAME

2016	CAR	YDS	TD	LG	REC	YDS	TD	LG
MUR ST	0	0	0	0	2	9	0	5
UNC	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
WMU	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
@NEB	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
PUR								
@RUT								
@MICH								
MINN								
MICH ST								
@WIS								
IOWA								
@NW								

## 38 DAVID REISNER

PK/P, 6-0, 205, SR.  
BARTLETT, ILL. / SOUTH ELGIN / NAVY

- » Earned bachelor's degree in advertising in May 2016
- » Pursuing a master's degree in business administration

2016 Senior:

- » Punted and kicked off against North Carolina and Western Michigan
- » Career-long 61-yard punt against Western Michigan

CAREER HIGHS

- FG Made: 3 vs. Penn State, 11/22/14
- FG Attempts: 4 vs. Penn State, 11/22/14
- PAT Made: 4, twice (last vs. Minnesota, 10/25/14)
- PAT Attempts: 4, 3x (last vs. Minnesota, 10/25/14)
- Points: 10 vs. Penn State, 11/22/14
- Long Field Goal: 43 vs. Louisiana Tech, 12/26/14
- Kickoffs: 7 vs. Texas State, 9/20/14
- Yards: 444 vs. Texas State, 9/20/14
- Average: 63.4 vs. Texas State, 9/20/14
- Touchbacks: 4 vs. Texas State, 9/20/14
- Punts: 9 vs. North Carolina, 9/10/16
- Punt yards: 350 vs. North Carolina, 9/10/16
- Long Punt: 61 vs. Western Michigan, 9/17/16
- Tackles: 1 vs. North Carolina, 9/10/16

KICKING STATISTICS

YEAR	PAT	FG	0-29	30-39	40-49	50+	PTS
2014	22-24	6-11	3-3	2-4	1-3	0-1	50
2015	1-1	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	1
2016	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0
TOTAL	23-25	6-11	3-3	2-4	1-3	0-1	51

KICKOFF STATISTICS

YEAR	G	NO	YDS	AVG	TB	RT	RT YDS	YPR
2014	10	10	590	59.0	5	4	83	26.3
2015	3	2	116	58.0	1	1	20	20.0
2016	3	7	416	57.2	1	6	195	32.5
TOTAL	18	19	1122	59.0	7	11	294	26.7

PUNTING STATISTICS

YEAR	G	NO	YDS	LG	AVG
2014	10	0	0	0	0.0
2015	3	3	136	50	45.3
2016	2	17	675	61	39.7
TOTAL	15	20	811	61	40.5

KICKING GAME-BY-GAME

2014	FGM-FGA	LG	BLKD	PAT	PTS
YSU					DNP
WKU					DNP
@WASH					DNP
TXST	1-1	19	0	3-3	6
@NEB	0-0	0	0	2-2	2
PUR	0-1	0	1	3-4	3
@WIS	0-0	0	0	4-4	4
MIN	0-0	0	0	4-4	4
@OSU	0-1	0	0	2-2	2
IOWA	0-0	0	0	2-2	2
PSU	3-4	36	0	1-1	10
@NW	1-2	33	0	1-2	4
LT*	1-2	43	0	0-0	3

\*Zaxby's Heart of Dallas Bowl

KICKOFFS GAME-BY-GAME

2016	KO	YDS	AVG	TB	RT	RT YDS	YPR
MUR ST	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
UNC	4	229	57.2	1	3	93	31.0
WMU	3	187	62.3	1	3	102	34.0
@NEB	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
PUR							
@RUT							
@MICH							
MINN							
MICH ST							
@WIS							
IOWA							
@NW							

2014

2014	KO	YDS	AVG	TB	RT	RT YDS	YPR
YSU							
WKU							
@WASH							
TXST	7	444	63.4	4	3	79	26.3
@NEB	3	146	48.7	1	1	4	4.0
PUR	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
@WIS	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
MIN	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
@OSU	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
IOWA	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
PSU	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
@NW	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

## 36 AUSTIN ROBERTS

RB, 6-2, 230, SO.  
RICE LAKE, WIS. / RICE LAKE

2016 Sophomore:

- » Injured after three games played
- » Switched from linebacker to fullback
- » Played at fullback in each of the first three games
- » Missed Nebraska game with an injury

CAREER HIGHS

- Carries: -
- Rushing Yards: -
- Long Run: -
- Rush Touchdowns: -
- Receptions: 1, twice (last vs. Western Michigan, 9/17/16)
- Receiving Yards: 3 vs. Western Michigan, 9/17/16
- Long Reception: 3 vs. Western Michigan, 9/17/16
- Rec. Touchdowns: -
- All-Purpose Yards: 3 vs. Western Michigan, 9/17/16

RUSHING STATISTICS

YEAR	G	RUSH	YDS	TD	LG	REC/G	YDS/C	YDS/G
2015	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
2016	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
TOTAL	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

RECEIVING STATISTICS

YEAR	G	REC	YDS	TD	LG	REC/G	YDS/C	YDS/G
2015	1	0	0	0	0	0.0	0.0	0.0
2016	3	2	5	0	3	0.7	2.5	1.7
TOTAL	4	2	5	0	3	0.5	2.5	1.2

MICH ST  
@WIS  
IOWA  
@NW

## 85 BRANDON ROBERTS

DL, 6-3, 265, JR.

PEORIA, ILL. / RICHWOODS

### 2016 Junior:

» Two tackles in the opener against Murray State

### DEFENSIVE CAREER HIGHS

Tackles: 2 vs. Murray State, 9/3/16  
Solos: -  
TFLs: -  
Sacks: -  
QB Hurries: -  
Fumbles Forced: -  
Fumbles Recovered: -  
PBUs: -  
Interception: -  
Interception Return Yards: -  
Touchdowns: -

### DEFENSIVE STATISTICS

YEAR	G	UA	A	TOT	TFL	YDS	PBU	FF	FR	BLK	QBH
2015	3	1	2	3	0.5	2	0	0	0	0	0
2016	1	0	2	2	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	0
TOTAL	4	1	4	5	0.5	2	0	0	0	0	0

### DEFENSIVE GAME-BY-GAME

2016	UA	AS	TOT	TFL-YDS	QBS-YDS	FF	FR-YDS	INT-YDS	QBH	PBU
MUR ST	0	2	2	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
UNC					DNP					
WMU					DNP					
@NEB					DNP					
PUR					DNP					
@RUT					DNP					
@MICH					DNP					
MINN										
MICH ST										
@WIS										
IOWA										
@NW										

2015	UA	AS	TOT	TFL-YDS	QBS-YDS	FF	FR-YDS	INT-YDS	QBH	PBU
KENT ST	0	1	1	0.5-2	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
WIU	1	1	2	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
@UNC	0	0	0	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
MTSU					DNP					
NEB					DNP					
@IOWA					DNP					
WIS					DNP					
@PSU					DNP					
@PUR					DNP					
OSU					DNP					
@MINN					DNP					
NW					DNP					

## 57 AUSTIN SCHMIDT

DL, 6-6, 300, SR.

GALENA, OHIO / OLENTANGY

### 2016 Senior:

» Starting tackle  
» Started 22 of the last 23 games  
» 19 straight starts before missing the Nebraska game with an injury

## 91 DAWUANE SMOOT

DL, 6-3, 255, SR.

GROVEPORT, OHIO / GROVEPORT MADISON

Pronunciation: duh-WON

» Team captain  
» Bednarik and Hendricks Award Preseason Watch Lists  
» Preseason Third-Team All-American by Pro Football Focus

### 2016 Senior:

» Starting defensive end  
» 19 straight starts  
» Third in the Big Ten in TFLs per conference game (1.5)

» Tied four career highs at Rutgers: Solo tackles (4), TFLs (3.0), QB hurries (2), forced fumbles (1)  
» Safety on a TFL in the end zone against North Carolina  
» Career-high eight tackles against Western Michigan and Nebraska

### CAREER HIGHS

Tackles: 8, twice (last at Nebraska, 10/1/16)  
Solos: 4, three times (last at Rutgers, 10/15/16)  
TFLs: 3.0, twice (last at Rutgers, 10/15/16)  
Sacks: 2.0, twice (last vs. Middle Tennessee, 9/26/15)  
QB Hurries: 2, twice (last at Rutgers, 10/15/16)  
Fumbles Forced: 1, twice (last at Rutgers, 10/15/16)  
Fumbles Recovered: 1 at Minnesota 11/21/15  
PBUs: 1, four times (last vs. Northwestern 11/28/15)  
Interceptions: -  
Interception Return Yards: -  
Touchdowns: -

### DEFENSIVE STATISTICS

YEAR	G	UA	A	TOT	TFL	YDS	PBU	FF	FR	BLK	QBH
2013	7	3	5	8	1.0	7	0	0	0	0	0
2014	13	17	16	33	7.5	33	2	0	0	0	3
2015	12	22	18	40	15.0	84	2	3	2	0	3
2016	7	15	16	31	8.0	23	0	2	0	0	5
TOTAL	39	57	55	112	31.5	147	4	5	2	0	11

### SACKS STATISTICS

SACKS	G	UA	A	TOTAL	YDS
2013	7	1	0	1.0	7
2014	13	2	1	2.5	18
2015	12	7	2	8.0	64
2016	7	1	0	1.0	6
TOTAL	39	11	3	12.5	95

### DEFENSIVE GAME-BY-GAME

2016	UA	AS	TOT	TFL-YDS	QBS-YDS	FF	FR-YDS	INT-YDS	QBH	PBU
MUR ST	0	1	1	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	2	0
UNC	1	2	3	1.5-4	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
WMU	4	4	8	0.5-1	0.0-0	1	0-0	0-0	0	0
@NEB	4	4	8	1.5-3	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	1	0
PUR	1	4	5	1.5-2	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
@RUT	4	1	5	3.0-13	1.0-6	1	0-0	0-0	2	0
@MICH	1	0	1	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
MINN										
MICH ST										
@WIS										
IOWA										
@NW										

2015	UA	AS	TOT	TFL-YDS	QBS-YDS	FF	FR-YDS	INT-YDS	QBH	PBU
KENT ST	2	0	2	2.0-8	1.0-5	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
WIU	0	0	0	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	1	1
@UNC	3	1	4	2.0-3	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
MTSU	2	2	4	3.0-23	2.0-22	1	0-0	0-0	0	0
NEB	1	4	5	1.5-16	1.0-15	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
@IOWA	3	1	4	3.0-13	1.0-4	0	0-0	0-0	1	0
WIS	1	2	3	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
@PSU	2	0	2	1.0-5	1.0-5	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
@PUR	4	1	5	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
OSU	1	2	3	1.5-9	1.0-6	1	1-0	0-0	1	0
@MINN	1	1	2	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	1-2	0-0	0	0
NW	2	4	6	1.0-7	1.0-7	1	0-0	0-0	0	1

2014	ST	AT	TOT	TFL-YDS	QBS-YDS	INT-YDS	PBU	QBH	FF-FR
YSU	1	2	3	1.0-2	0.0-0	0-0	0	0	0-0
WKU	1	2	3	0.5-4	0.5-4	0-0	1	0	0-0
@WASH	0	1	1	0.0-0	0.0-0	0-0	0	0	0-0
TXST	4	2	6	2.0-14	2.0-14	0-0	0	1	0-0
@NEB	1	1	2	0.5-1	0.0-0	0-0	0	1	0-0
PUR	0	1	1	0.0-0	0.0-0	0-0	0	0	0-0
@WIS	0	0	0	0.0-0	0.0-0	0-0	0	0	0-0
MIN	2	2	4	2.0-4	0.0-0	0-0	0	1	0-0
@OSU	1	0	1	0.0-0	0.0-0	0-0	1	0	0-0
IOWA	1	1	2	0.0-0	0.0-0	0-0	0	0	0-0
PSU	2	2	4	0.0-0	0.0-0	0-0	0	0	0-0
@NW	2	0	2	0.0-0	0.0-0	0-0	0	0	0-0
LT*	2	2	4	1.5-8	0.0-0	0-0	0	0	0-0

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2013	ST	AT	TOT	TFL-YDS	QBS-YDS	INT-YDS	PBU	QBH	FF-FR
SIU	1	0	1	0.0-0	0.0-0	0-0	0	0	0-0
CIN	1	0	1	0.0-0	0.0-0	0-0	0	0	0-0
vs. WASH					DNP				
MIAMI(OH)					DNP				
@NEB					DNP				
WIS	0	0	0	0.0-0	0.0-0	0-0	0	0	0-0
MSU	0	2	2	0.0-0	0.0-0	0-0	0	0	0-0
@PSU					DNP				
@IND	0	0	0	0.0-0	0.0-0	0-0	0	0	0-0
OSU	0	0	0	0.0-0	0.0-0	0-0	0	0	0-0
@PUR					DNP				
NW	1	3	4	1.0-7	1.0-7	0-0	0	0	0-0

## 52 ADAM SOLOMON

OL, 6-5, 315, R-FR.

INDIANAPOLIS, IND. / BISHOP CHATARD

### 2016 Redshirt Freshman:

» Plays primarily on special teams

## 71 JOE SPENCER

OL, 6-4, 300, SR.

MASON, OHIO / MASON

### » Team captain

» Campbell Trophy semifinalist (top student-athlete in college football)

» Rimington and Wuerffel Trophy Preseason Watch Lists

» Big Ten Distinguished Scholar (3.7+ GPA)

» Earned bachelor's degree in finance in May 2016

» Pursuing master's degree in business administration

### 2016 Senior:

» Starting center

» 32 career starts

» Missed the opener with an injury

» The Illini's all-time leader in rushing yards by a lineman after 14 yards rushing on a fumble recovery against North Carolina (records dating back to 1950)

» Serves as president of the Illinoi Uplifting Athletes chapter, which raises money for rare disease research and treatment

» Student-Athlete Advisory Committee president

» Illini Leadership Academy

» Freshman Athlete Mentor program

» Organized student-athlete variety show that has raised more than \$80,000 for charity in the last five years

» Organized the Illini's lift for life, which raised nearly \$40,000 for charity in the last two years

» "Big" at the local Big Brothers Big Sisters

» Spearheaded the Leadership Summit for local middle school students

» Leads the Illini's Thanksgiving Basket Program

» Has visited nearly every elementary school in Champaign-Urbana

» Visits to pediatric unit of local hospitals

» Volunteer at the Special Olympics

### CAREER HIGHS

Rushing Yards: 14 vs. North Carolina, 9/10/16 (Illini record for a lineman)

## 23 FRANK SUMPTER

DB, 5-10, 180, R-FR.

CLEVELAND, OHIO / GLENVILLE

### 2016 Redshirt Freshman:

» Plays primarily on special teams

### DEFENSIVE CAREER HIGHS

Tackles: 2 vs. Western Michigan, 9/17/16

Solos: -

TFLs: -

Sacks: -

QB Hurries: -

Fumbles Forced: -

Fumbles Recovered: -

@MICH 0 0 0 0.0-0 0.0-0 0 0-0 0-0 0 0  
 MINN  
 MICH ST  
 @WIS  
 IOWA  
 @NW

@NW 7 5 12 1.5-4 0.0-0 0-0 0 0 0-0

@NEB 0 0 0 0 0-0 0 0 0  
 PUR 0 0 0 0 1-(-1) 0 0 0  
 @RUT 0 0 0 0 0-0 0 0 0  
 @MICH  
 MINN DNP  
 MICH ST  
 @WIS  
 IOWA  
 @NW

# 40 MIKE SVETINA

LB, 6-2, 235, SR.  
 BRUNSWICK, OHIO / ST. IGNATIUS

Pronunciation: sve-TEE-nuh

- » Earned bachelor's degree in finance in May 2016
- » Pursuing master's degree in accountancy

2016 Senior:

- » Two tackles in the opener against Murray State
- » Plays primarily on special teams

### CAREER HIGHS

Tackles: 12 at Northwestern, 11/24/12  
 Solos: 7, twice (last at Penn State, 11/2/13)  
 TFLs: 1.5, twice (last vs. Wisconsin, 10/19/13)  
 Sacks: -  
 QB Hurries: -  
 Fumble Forced: 1 at Penn State, 11/2/13  
 Fumble Recovered: -  
 PBUs: 1 at Ohio State, 11/3/12  
 Interceptions: -  
 Interception Return Yards: -  
 Touchdowns: -

### DEFENSIVE STATISTICS

YEAR	G	UA	AS	TOT	TFL	YDS	PBU	FF	FR	BLK	QBH
2012	12	17	23	40	2.5	5	1	0	0	0	0
2013	12	25	32	57	2.0	5	0	1	0	0	0
2014	INJURED										
2015	6	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	0
2016	7	0	2	2	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	0
TOTAL	37	42	57	99	4.5	10	1	1	0	0	0

### DEFENSIVE GAME-BY-GAME

2016	UA	AS	TOT	TFL-YDS	QBS-YDS	FF	FR-YDS	INT-YDS	QBH	PBU
MUR ST	0	1	1	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	2
UNC	0	0	0	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
WMU	0	0	0	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
@NEB	0	0	0	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
PUR	0	0	0	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
@RUT	0	0	0	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
@MICH	0	0	0	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
MINN										
MICH ST										
@WIS										
IOWA										
@NW										

2015	UA	AS	TOT	TFL-YDS	QBS-YDS	FF	FR-YDS	INT-YDS	QBH	PBU
KENT ST										
WIU										
@UNC										
MTSU										
NEB										
@IOWA	0	0	0	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
WIS	0	0	0	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
@PSU	0	0	0	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
@PUR	0	0	0	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
OSU										
@MINN	0	0	0	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
NW	0	0	0	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0

2013	UA	AS	TOT	TFL-YDS	QBS-YDS	INT-YDS	YDS	PBU	QBH	FF-FR
SIU	2	0	2	0.0-0	0.0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0-0
CIN	1	1	2	0.0-0	0.0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0-0
vs. WASH	2	1	3	0.0-0	0.0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0-0
MIAMI(OH)	1	5	6	0.0-0	0.0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0-0
@NEB	0	1	1	0.5-3	0.0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0-0
WIS	1	5	6	1.5-2	0.0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0-0
MSU	1	5	6	0.0-0	0.0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0-0
@PSU	7	2	9	0.0-0	0.0-0	0-0	0	0	1-0	
@IND	2	0	2	0.0-0	0.0-0	0-0	0	0	0-0	
OSU	2	6	8	0.0-0	0.0-0	0-0	0	0	0-0	
@PUR	3	2	5	0.0-0	0.0-0	0-0	0	0	0-0	
NW	3	4	7	0.0-0	0.0-0	0-0	0	0	0-0	

2012	UA	AS	TOT	TFL-YDS	QBS-YDS	INT-YDS	PBU	QBH	FF-FR
WMU	0	0	0	0.0-0	0.0-0	0-0	0	0	0-0
@ASU	1	0	1	0.0-0	0.0-0	0-0	0	0	0-0
CSU	0	0	0	0.0-0	0.0-0	0-0	0	0	0-0
LT	1	0	1	0.0-0	0.0-0	0-0	0	0	0-0
PSU	2	3	5	0.0-0	0.0-0	0-0	0	0	0-0
@WIS	0	1	1	0.0-0	0.0-0	0-0	0	0	0-0
@MICH	1	1	2	0.0-0	0.0-0	0-0	0	0	0-0
IND	0	0	0	0.0-0	0.0-0	0-0	0	0	0-0
@OSU	0	4	4	0.0-0	0.0-0	0-0	1	0	0-0
MINN	2	5	7	0.0-0	0.0-0	0-0	0	0	0-0
PUR	3	4	7	1.0-1	0.0-0	0-0	0	0	0-0

# 4 D.J. TAYLOR

WR, 6-0, 190, SR.  
 FT. LAUDERDALE, FLA. / UNIVERSITY SCHOOL

2016 Senior:

- » Rotates in at wide receiver

### CAREER HIGHS

Receptions: 5 vs. Western Illinois 9/12/15  
 Receiving Yards: 46 vs. Western Illinois 9/12/15  
 Long Reception: 19 vs. Western Michigan 9/17/15  
 Receiving Touchdowns: -  
 Punt Returns: 1 vs. Purdue, 10/8/16  
 Punt Return Yards: -1 vs. Purdue, 10/8/16

### RECEIVING STATISTICS

YEAR	G	REC	YDS	TD	LG	REC/G	YDS/C	YDS/G
2013	8	1	5	0	5	0.1	5.0	0.6
2014	7	0	0	0	0	0.0	0.0	0.0
2015	11	22	216	0	19	2.0	9.8	19.6
2016	6	2	24	0	19	0.3	12.0	4.0
TOTAL	32	25	245	0	19	0.8	9.8	7.7

### PUNT RETURN STATISTICS

YEAR	G	NO.	YDS	TD	LG	AVG/R	AVG/G
2013	8	0	0	0	0	0.0	0.0
2014	7	0	0	0	0	0.0	0.0
2015	11	0	0	0	0	0.0	0.0
2016	6	1	-1	0	0	-1.0	-0.2
TOTAL	32	1	-1	0	0	-1.0	0.0

### RUSHING/RECEIVING GAME-BY-GAME

2016	CAR	YDS	TD	LG	REC	YDS	TD	LG
MUR ST	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
UNC	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
WMU	0	0	0	0	2	24	0	19
@NEB	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
PUR	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
@RUT	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
@MICH								
MINN								
MICH ST								
@WIS								
IOWA								
@NW								

2015	CAR	YDS	TD	LG	REC	YDS	TD	LG
KENT ST	0	0	0	0	1	9	0	9
WIU	0	0	0	0	5	46	0	13
@UNC	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
MTSU	0	0	0	0	2	17	0	10
NEB								
@IOWA	0	0	0	0	2	17	0	11
WIS	0	0	0	0	3	46	0	19
@PSU	0	0	0	0	4	45	0	15
@PUR	0	0	0	0	2	17	0	11
OSU	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
@MINN	0	0	0	0	3	19	0	7
VS. NW	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

2014	CAR	YDS	TD	LG	REC	YDS	TD	LG
YSU	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
WKU	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
@WASH	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
TXST								
@NEB								
PUR								
@WIS	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
MIN								
@OSU	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
IOWA								
PSU								
@NW	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
LT*								

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2013	CAR	YDS	TD	LG	REC	YDS	TD	LG
SIU	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
CIN	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
vs. WASH								
MIAMI(OH)	0	0	0	0	1	5	0	5
@NEB								
WIS								
MSU	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
@PSU								
@IND	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
OSU	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
@PUR	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
NW	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

### KICK/PUNT RETURN GAME-BY-GAME

2016	KR-YDS	AVG	TD	LG	PR-YDS	AVG	TD	LG
MUR ST	0	0	0	0	0-0	0	0	0
UNC	0	0	0	0	0-0	0	0	0
WMU	0	0	0	0	0-0	0	0	0

# 84 DOMINIC THIEMAN

WR, 6-3, 190, FR.  
 WILTON MANORS, FLA. / ST. THOMAS AQUINAS

2016 Freshman:

- » Rotates in at wide receiver
- » Two receptions for seven

**RUSHING/RECEIVING GAME-BY-GAME**

2016	CAR	YDS	TD	LG	REC	YDS	TD	LG
MUR ST	0	0	0	0	3	83	2	68
UNC	0	0	0	0	3	33	1	19
WMU	0	0	0	0	9	107	0	25
@NEB	0	0	0	0	5	57	0	25
PUR	0	0	0	0	9	129	0	38
@RUT	1	5	0	5	2	18	0	16
@MICH	1	0	0	0	2	86	1	43

2015	CAR	YDS	TD	LG	REC	YDS	TD	LG
KENT ST	0	0	0	0	1	8	0	8
WIU	0	0	0	0	1	7	0	7
@UNC	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
MTSU	0	0	0	0	4	17	1	7
NEB	0	0	0	0	4	70	0	50
@IOWA	0	0	0	0	3	53	0	34
WIS	0	0	0	0	4	80	0	37
@PSU	0	0	0	0	1	6	0	6
@PUR	0	0	0	0	2	36	1	32
OSU	0	0	0	0	5	61	0	22
@MINN	0	0	0	0	11	126	1	28
VS. NW	0	0	0	0	3	46	0	24

2014	CAR	YDS	TD	LG	REC	YDS	TD	LG
YSU	0	0	0	0	4	42	0	20
WKU	0	0	0	0	6	56	0	16
@WASH	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
TXST	0	0	0	0	1	2	0	2
@NEB	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
PUR	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
@WIS	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
MIN	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
@OSU	0	0	0	0	3	27	0	19
IOWA	0	0	0	0	1	11	0	11
PSU	0	0	0	0	2	19	0	11
@NW	0	0	0	0	2	15	1	10
LT*	0	0	0	0	6	84	0	20

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**5 KE'SHAWN VAUGHN**

**RB, 5-10, 210, SO.**

**NASHVILLE, TENN. / PEARL-COHN**

Pronunciation: KEY-shawn

» Doak Walker Award Preseason Watch List

**2016 Sophomore:**

- » Career-long 61-yard reception at Rutgers
- » Second career 100-yard rushing game in the second game of the season against North Carolina (15 carries, 116 yards), including a 65-yard TD run on his first carry of the game
- » 17 carries for 49 yards and one touchdown in the opener against Murray State

**RUSHING/RECEIVING CAREER HIGHS**

Carries: 24 vs. Nebraska, 10/3/15  
 Rushing Yards: 180 at Purdue, 11/7/15  
 Long Run: 78 at Purdue, 11/7/15  
 Rush Touchdowns: 2 at Purdue, 11/7/15  
 Receptions: 6 at Penn State, 10/31/15  
 Receiving Yards: 61 at Rutgers, 10/15/16  
 Long Reception: 61 at Rutgers, 10/15/16  
 Kickoff Returns: 1 at Nebraska, 10/1/16  
 Kickoff Return Yards: 13 at Nebraska, 10/1/16  
 Long Kickoff Return: 13 at Nebraska, 10/1/16  
 All-Purpose Yards: 203 at Purdue, 11/7/15

**RUSHING STATISTICS**

YEAR	G	ATT	YDS	TD	LG	AVG/C	AVG/G
2015	11	157	723	6	78	4.6	65.7
2016	7	51	264	2	65	5.2	37.7
TOTAL	18	208	987	8	78	4.7	54.8

**RECEIVING STATISTICS**

YEAR	G	REC	YDS	TD	LG	REC/G	YDS/C	YDS/G
2015	11	16	119	0	32	1.5	7.4	10.8
2016	7	8	86	0	61	1.1	10.8	12.3
TOTAL	18	24	205	0	61	1.3	8.5	11.4

**RUSHING/RECEIVING GAME-BY-GAME**

2016	CAR	YDS	TD	LG	REC	YDS	TD	LG
MUR ST	17	79	1	13	1	11	0	11
UNC	15	116	1	65	4	14	0	11
WMU	8	22	0	10	2	0	0	1
@NEB	1	1	0	1	0	0	0	0
PUR	2	31	0	29	0	0	0	0
@RUT	1	2	0	2	1	61	0	61
@MICH	7	43	0	45	0	0	0	0

**MINN**

MICH ST  
 @WIS  
 IOWA  
 @NW

2015	CAR	YDS	TD	LG	REC	YDS	TD	LG
KENT ST	11	43	1	15	0	0	0	0
WIU	15	53	0	8	0	0	0	0
@UNC	13	51	0	12	1	13	0	13
MTSU	13	80	1	24	1	3	0	3
NEB	24	98	0	48	1	-3	0	0
@IOWA	19	67	1	18	4	49	0	32
WIS	13	55	1	36	1	0	0	0
@PSU	15	38	0	21	6	33	0	13
@PUR	16	180	2	78	1	23	0	23
OSU	6	-4	0	2	0	0	0	0
@MINN				DNP - Injured				
VS. NW	12	62	0	16	1	1	0	1

**31 CAMERON WATKINS**

**DB, 6-0, 190, R-FR.**

**NASHVILLE, TENN. / PEARL-COHN**

**2016 Redshirt Freshman:**

» Plays primarily on special teams

**DEFENSIVE CAREER HIGHS**

Tackles: 2 at Nebraska, 10/1/16  
 Solos: 1 at Nebraska, 10/1/16  
 TFLs: -  
 Sacks: -  
 QB Hurries: -  
 Fumbles Forced: -  
 Fumbles Recovered: -  
 PBUs: -  
 Interception: -  
 Interception Return Yards: -  
 Touchdowns: -

**DEFENSIVE STATISTICS**

YEAR	G	UA	A	TOT	TFL	YDS	PBU	FF	FR	BLK	QBH
2016	5	1	3	4	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	0

**DEFENSIVE GAME-BY-GAME**

2016	UA	AS	TOT	TFL-YDS	QBS-YDS	FF	FR-YDS	INT-YDS	QBH	PBU
MUR ST	0	1	1	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
UNC	0	0	0	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
WMU	0	0	0	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
@NEB	1	1	2	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
PUR	0	1	1	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
@RUT				DNP - Injured						
@MICH				DNP - Injured						

**33 TRÉ WATSON**

**LB, 6-2, 235, SO.**

**TAMPA, FLA. / TAMPA CATHOLIC**

**2016 Sophomore:**

- » First career start at Nebraska
- » Career-high 13 tackles vs. Purdue
- » Career-high five solo tackles, 1.0 TFL and a forced fumble at Rutgers

**Personal:**

» Father played football at Howard University and had a five-year NFL career, playing for the Kansas City Chiefs, New York Giants and Philadelphia Eagles from 1993-97

**DEFENSIVE CAREER HIGHS**

Tackles: 13 vs. Purdue, 10/8/16  
 Solos: 5 at Rutgers, 10/15/16  
 TFLs: 1.5 at Michigan, 10/22/16  
 Sacks: 1.0 at Penn State, 10/31/15  
 QB Hurries: 1 at Michigan, 10/22/16  
 Fumbles Forced: 1, twice (last at Rutgers, 10/15/16)  
 Fumbles Recovered: -  
 PBUs: -  
 Interception: -  
 Interception Return Yards: -  
 Touchdowns: -

**DEFENSIVE STATISTICS**

YEAR	G	UA	A	TOT	TFL	YDS	PBU	FF	FR	BLK	QBH
2014	1	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	0
2015	12	9	12	21	1.0	7	0	0	0	0	0

2016	7	20	28	48	2.5	9	0	2	0	0	1
TOTAL	20	29	40	69	3.5	16	0	2	0	0	1

**SACKS STATISTICS**

SACKS	G	UA	A	TOTAL	YDS
2014	1	0	0	0.0	0
2015	12	1	0	1.0	7
2016	7	0	0	0.0	0
TOTAL	20	1	0	1.0	7

**DEFENSIVE GAME-BY-GAME**

2016	UA	AS	TOT	TFL-YDS	QBS-YDS	FF	FR-YDS	INT-YDS	QBH	PBU
MUR ST	2	1	3	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
UNC	0	0	0	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
WMU	3	3	6	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
@NEB	3	7	10	0.0-0	0.0-0	1	0-0	0-0	0	0
PUR	4	9	13	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
@RUT	5	4	9	1.0-3	0.0-0	1	0-0	0-0	0	0
@MICH	3	4	7	1.5-6	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	1	0

2015	UA	AS	TOT	TFL-YDS	QBS-YDS	FF	FR-YDS	INT-YDS	QBH	PBU
KENT ST	1	2	3	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
WIU	1	3	4	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
@UNC	2	0	2	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
MTSU	0	0	0	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
NEB	0	0	0	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
@IOWA	1	0	1	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
WIS	0	2	2	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
@PSU	1	1	2	1.0-7	1.0-7	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
@PUR	2	2	4	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
OSU	1	1	2	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
@MINN	0	0	0	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
NW	0	1	1	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0

**87 TYLER WHITE**

**TE, 6-5, 255, SR.**

**KALAMAZOO, MICH. / PLAINWELL**

**2016 Senior:**

» In the mix as a starting tight end

**CAREER HIGHS**

Receptions: 3 vs. Western Illinois 9/12/15  
 Receiving Yards: 31 vs. Western Illinois 9/12/15  
 Long Reception: 22 vs. Western Illinois 9/12/15  
 Touchdowns: 1, three times (vs. Western Illinois 9/12/15)

**RECEIVING STATISTICS**

YEAR	G	REC	YDS	TD	LG	REC/G	YDS/C	YDS/G
2013	12	0	0	0	0	0.0	0.0	0.0
2014	12	2	17	1	13	0.2	8.5	1.4
2015	6	5	46	2	22	0.8	9.2	7.7
2016	6	2	13	0	7	0.3	6.5	2.2
TOTAL	36	9	76	3	22	0.2	8.4	2.1

**RUSHING/RECEIVING GAME-BY-GAME**

2016	CAR	YDS	TD	LG	REC	YDS	TD	LG
MUR ST	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
UNC	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
WMU	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
@NEB	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
PUR	0	0	0	0	2	13	0	7
@RUT	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
@MICH	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

2015	CAR	YDS	TD	LG	REC	YDS	TD	LG
KENT ST	0	0	0	0	2-15	1	13	0
WIU	0	0	0					

MIN	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
@OSU	0	0	0	0	1	4	0	4	
IOWA	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
PSU	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
@NW	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	

LT\* DNP-Injured  
 \*Zaxby's Heart of Dallas Bowl

2013	CAR	YDS	TD	LG	REC	YDS	TD	LG
SIU	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
CIN	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
VS. WASH	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
MIAMI(OH)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
@NEB	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
WIS	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
MSU	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
@PSU	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
@IND	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
OSU	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
@PUR	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
NW	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

## 32 JUSTICE WILLIAMS

LB, 6-3, 215, R-FR.

FRISCO, TEXAS / WAKELAND

### 2016 Redshirt Freshman:

- » Backup linebacker
- » Plays on kickoff coverage, kickoff return and punt units

### DEFENSIVE CAREER HIGHS

- Tackles: -
- Solos: -
- TFLs: -
- Sacks: -
- QB Hurries: -
- Fumbles Forced: -
- Fumbles Recovered: -
- PBUs: -
- Interception: -
- Interception Return Yards: -
- Touchdowns: -

### DEFENSIVE STATISTICS

YEAR	G	UA	A	TOT	TFL	YDS	PBU	FF	FR	BLK	QBH
2016	7	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

### DEFENSIVE GAME-BY-GAME

2016	UA	AS	TOT	TFL-YDS	QBS-YDS	FF	FR-YDS	INT-YDS	QBH	PBU
MUR ST	0	0	0	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
UNC	0	0	0	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
WMU	0	0	0	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
@NEB	0	0	0	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
PUR	0	0	0	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
@RUT	0	0	0	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
@MICH	0	0	0	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
MINN										
MICH ST										
@WIS										
IOWA										
@NW										



Illinois Overall Team Statistics (as of Oct 22, 2016)  
All games



Team Statistics	ILL	OPP
SCORING	164	198
Points Per Game	23.4	28.3
Points Off Turnovers	34	20
FIRST DOWNS	103	154
Rushing	47	66
Passing	47	72
Penalty	9	16
RUSHING YARDAGE	1216	1381
Yards gained rushing	1366	1587
Yards lost rushing	150	206
Rushing Attempts	224	316
Average Per Rush	5.4	4.4
Average Per Game	173.7	197.3
TDs Rushing	10	17
PASSING YARDAGE	1184	1511
Comp-Att-Int	100-176-3	125-191-6
Average Per Pass	6.7	7.9
Average Per Catch	11.8	12.1
Average Per Game	169.1	215.9
TDs Passing	8	7
TOTAL OFFENSE	2400	2892
Total Plays	400	507
Average Per Play	6.0	5.7
Average Per Game	342.9	413.1
KICK RETURNS: #-Yards	23-476	21-515
PUNT RETURNS: #-Yards	14-72	12-102
INT RETURNS: #-Yards	6-133	3-27
KICK RETURN AVERAGE	20.7	24.5
PUNT RETURN AVERAGE	5.1	8.5
INT RETURN AVERAGE	22.2	9.0
FUMBLES-LOST	12-4	12-8
PENALTIES-Yards	57-480	32-268
Average Per Game	68.6	38.3
PUNTS-Yards	43-1744	25-1020
Average Per Punt	40.6	40.8
Net punt average	36.3	37.1
KICKOFFS-Yards	34-2142	40-2380
Average Per Kick	63.0	59.5
Net kick average	39.8	38.2
TIME OF POSSESSION/Game	27:25	32:35
3RD-DOWN Conversions	25/84	46/99
3rd-Down Pct	30%	46%
4TH-DOWN Conversions	2/6	2/8
4th-Down Pct	33%	25%
SACKS BY-Yards	17-79	13-89
MISC YARDS	0	0
TOUCHDOWNS SCORED	19	24
FIELD GOALS-ATTEMPTS	9-12	10-14
ON-SIDE KICKS	0-0	0-0
RED-ZONE SCORES	(15-19) 79%	(26-29) 90%
RED-ZONE TOUCHDOWNS	(9-19) 47%	(17-29) 59%
PAT-ATTEMPTS	(17-17) 100%	(24-24) 100%
ATTENDANCE	193180	244117
Games/Avg Per Game	4/48295	3/81372
Neutral Site Games		0/0

Score by Quarters	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	OT	Total
Illinois	31	63	30	40	0	164
Opponents	66	47	16	66	3	198

Illinois Overall Individual Statistics (as of Oct 22, 2016)  
All games



Rushing	gp	att	gain	loss	net	avg	td	lg	avg/g
Foster, Kendrick	7	70	437	8	429	6.1	5	56	61.3
Corbin, Reggie	7	39	339	11	328	8.4	1	53	46.9
Vaughn, Ke'Shawn	7	51	288	24	264	5.2	2	65	37.7
Crouch, Chayce	4	29	194	18	176	6.1	2	28	44.0
Nation, Tre	3	11	61	2	59	5.4	0	17	19.7
Spencer, Joe	6	0	14	0	14	0.0	0	0	2.3
Turner, Malik	7	2	5	0	5	2.5	0	5	0.7
Echard, Nathan	7	2	1	1	0	0.0	0	1	0.0
Team	5	4	0	9	-9	-2.2	0	0	-1.8
George, Jr., Jeff	2	2	1	13	-12	-6.0	0	1	-6.0
Lunt, Wes	5	14	26	64	-38	-2.7	0	14	-7.6
Total	7	224	1366	150	1216	5.4	10	65	173.7
Opponents	7	316	1587	206	1381	4.4	17	63	197.3

Passing	gp	effic	comp-att-int	pct	yds	td	lg	avg/g
Lunt, Wes	5	128.96	78-129-1	60.5	840	6	68	168.0
Crouch, Chayce	4	125.67	18-32-1	56.2	249	1	61	62.2
George, Jr., Jeff	2	88.53	4-15-1	26.7	95	1	43	47.5
Total	7	124.92	100-176-3	56.8	1184	8	68	169.1
Opponents	7	137.71	125-191-6	65.4	1511	7	45	215.9

Receiving	gp	no.	yds	avg	td	lg	avg/g
Turner, Malik	7	33	513	15.5	4	68	73.3
Hardee, Justin	7	11	106	9.6	0	31	15.1
Grant, Zach	7	10	93	9.3	0	19	13.3
Vaughn, Ke'Shawn	7	8	86	10.8	0	61	12.3
Corbin, Reggie	7	6	66	11.0	0	30	9.4
Johnson, Ainslie	7	5	85	17.0	1	56	12.1
Foster, Kendrick	7	5	33	6.6	2	15	4.7
Echard, Nathan	7	4	51	12.8	0	26	7.3
Cain, Desmond	2	3	44	14.7	1	30	22.0
Mays, Sam	3	3	32	10.7	0	19	10.7
Taylor, D.J.	6	2	24	12.0	0	19	4.0
Davis, Andrew	7	2	17	8.5	0	12	2.4
White, Tyler	7	2	13	6.5	0	7	1.9
Reams, Caleb	4	2	9	4.5	0	5	2.2
Thieman, Dominic	7	2	7	3.5	0	6	1.0
Roberts, Austin	3	2	5	2.5	0	3	1.7
Total	7	100	1184	11.8	8	68	169.1
Opponents	7	125	1511	12.1	7	45	215.9

Punt Returns	no.	yds	avg	td	lg
Mosely, Darius	12	73	6.1	0	22
Taylor, D.J.	1	-1	-1.0	0	0
Grant, Zach	1	0	0.0	0	0
Total	14	72	5.1	0	22
Opponents	12	102	8.5	0	28

Interceptions	no.	yds	avg	td	lg
Mosely, Darius	2	102	51.0	1	78
Nickerson, Hardy	2	33	16.5	0	33
Barton, Taylor	1	0	0.0	0	0
Hylton, Julian	1	-2	-2.0	0	0
Total	6	133	22.2	1	78
Opponents	3	27	9.0	0	23

Kick Returns	no.	yds	avg	td	lg
Foster, Kendrick	17	392	23.1	0	41
Echard, Nathan	2	45	22.5	0	30
Day, Caleb	1	8	8.0	0	8
Johnson, Ainslie	1	6	6.0	0	6
Mosely, Darius	1	12	12.0	0	12
Vaughn, Ke'Shawn	1	13	13.0	0	13
Total	23	476	20.7	0	41
Opponents	21	515	24.5	0	58

Fumble Returns	no.	yds	avg	td	lg
Mosely, Darius	1	15	15.0	0	15
Total	1	15	15.0	0	15
Opponents	1	18	18.0	0	18

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Scoring	td	fg	PAT				dxp	saf	pts
			kick	rush	rcv	pass			
McLaughlin, Chase	-	9-12	17-17	-	-	-	-	-	44
Foster, Kendrick	7	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	42
Turner, Malik	4	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	26
Vaughn, Ke'Shawn	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	12
Crouch, Chayce	2	-	-	-	-	1-1	-	-	12
Cain, Desmond	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6
Mosely, Darius	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6
Corbin, Reggie	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6
Johnson, Ainslie	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6
Smoot, Dawuane	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	2
Grant, Zach	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	2
George, Jr., Jeff	-	-	-	-	-	1-1	-	-	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>9-12</b>	<b>17-17</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>2-2</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>164</b>
<b>Opponents</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>10-14</b>	<b>24-24</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>198</b>

Total Offense	g	plays	rush	pass	total	avg/g
Lunt, Wes	5	143	-38	840	802	160.4
Foster, Kendrick	7	70	429	0	429	61.3
Crouch, Chayce	4	61	176	249	425	106.2
Corbin, Reggie	7	39	328	0	328	46.9
Vaughn, Ke'Shawn	7	51	264	0	264	37.7
George, Jr., Jeff	2	17	-12	95	83	41.5
Nation, Tre	3	11	59	0	59	19.7
Spencer, Joe	6	0	14	0	14	2.3
Turner, Malik	7	2	5	0	5	0.7
<b>Team</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>-9</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>-9</b>	<b>-1.8</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>400</b>	<b>1216</b>	<b>1184</b>	<b>2400</b>	<b>342.9</b>
<b>Opponents</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>507</b>	<b>1381</b>	<b>1511</b>	<b>2892</b>	<b>413.1</b>

Field Goals	fg	pct.	01-19	20-29	30-39	40-49	50-99	lg	blk
McLaughlin, Chase	9-12	75.0	0-0	3-3	3-3	3-5	0-1	48	0

FG Sequence	Illinois	Opponents
Murray State	(48)	50,(34)
North Carolina	-	(49),42,(41)
Western Michigan	(22)	43,(32),(22)
Nebraska	(24),(43),(33)	56,(29)
Purdue	(20),(47),(34),41	(37),(28)
Rutgers	51,(37),42	-
Michigan	-	(23),(27)

Numbers in (parentheses) indicate field goal was made.

Punting	no.	yds	avg	lg	tb	fc	i20	50+	blk
Frain, Ryan	25	1060	42.4	67	3	7	9	4	0
Reisner, David	17	675	39.7	61	1	4	4	3	0
<b>Team</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>9.0</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>43</b>	<b>1744</b>	<b>40.6</b>	<b>67</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>1</b>
<b>Opponents</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>1020</b>	<b>40.8</b>	<b>51</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>0</b>

Kickoffs	no.	yds	avg	tb	ob	retn	net	ydln
McLaughlin, Chase	18	1148	63.8	6	1			
Frain, Ryan	9	578	64.2	4	0			
Reisner, David	7	416	59.4	1	0			
<b>Total</b>	<b>34</b>	<b>2142</b>	<b>63.0</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>24.5</b>	<b>39.8</b>	<b>25</b>
<b>Opponents</b>	<b>40</b>	<b>2380</b>	<b>59.5</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>20.7</b>	<b>38.2</b>	<b>26</b>

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All Purpose	g	rush	rcv	pr	kr	ir	total	avg/g
Foster, Kendrick	7	429	33	0	392	0	854	122.0
Turner, Malik	7	5	513	0	0	0	518	74.0
Corbin, Reggie	7	328	66	0	0	0	394	56.3
Vaughn, Ke'Sha	7	264	86	0	13	0	363	51.9
Mosely, Darius	7	0	0	73	12	102	187	26.7
Crouch, Chayce	4	176	0	0	0	0	176	44.0
Hardee, Justin	7	0	106	0	0	0	106	15.1
Echard, Nathan	7	0	51	0	45	0	96	13.7
Grant, Zach	7	0	93	0	0	0	93	13.3
Johnson, Ainslie	7	0	85	0	6	0	91	13.0
Nation, Tre	3	59	0	0	0	0	59	19.7
Cain, Desmond	2	0	44	0	0	0	44	22.0
Nickerson, Hardy	7	0	0	0	0	33	33	4.7
Mays, Sam	3	0	32	0	0	0	32	10.7
Taylor, D.J.	6	0	24	-1	0	0	23	3.8
Davis, Andrew	7	0	17	0	0	0	17	2.4
Spencer, Joe	6	14	0	0	0	0	14	2.3
White, Tyler	7	0	13	0	0	0	13	1.9
Reams, Caleb	4	0	9	0	0	0	9	2.2
Day, Caleb	2	0	0	0	8	0	8	4.0
Thieman, Domini	7	0	7	0	0	0	7	1.0
Roberts, Austin	3	0	5	0	0	0	5	1.7
Hylton, Julian	7	0	0	0	0	-2	-2	-0.3
Team	5	-9	0	0	0	0	-9	-1.8
George, Jr., Jeff	2	-12	0	0	0	0	-12	-6.0
Lunt, Wes	5	-38	0	0	0	0	-38	-7.6
Total	7	1216	1184	72	476	133	3081	440.1
Opponents	7	1381	1511	102	515	27	3536	505.1

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##	Defensive Leaders	gp	Tackles				tfl/yds	Sacks no-yds	Pass defense			Fumbles		blkd	
			ua	a	tot				int-yds	brup	qbh	rcv-yds	ff	kick	saf
10	Nickerson,Hardy	7	26	46	72	4.5-16	2.0-9	2-33	.	1	.	.	.	.	
33	Watson,Tre	7	20	28	48	2.5-9	.	.	.	1	.	2	.	.	
21	Nelson,Patrick	7	21	27	48	2.0-6	0.5-2	.	.	.	1-0	.	.	.	
1	Dunlap,Jaylen	7	30	12	42	4.5-10	.	.	2	.	.	.	.	.	
91	Smoot,Dawuane	7	15	16	31	8.0-23	1.0-6	.	.	5	.	2	.	1	
24	Mosely,Darius	7	18	11	29	1.0-3	.	2-102	2	.	1-15	.	.	.	
6	Phillips, Carroll	7	14	15	29	12.0-54	5.0-33	.	.	1	1-0	1	.	.	
2	Jones,Julian	7	12	15	27	2.0-8	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	
14	President,Gimel	7	11	15	26	6.5-17	2.5-5	.	1	2	.	.	.	.	
3	Barton,Taylor	6	7	19	26	1.5-4	.	1-0	1	.	.	.	.	.	
11	Clements,Chunky	7	7	17	24	3.5-15	2.5-13	.	1	1	.	.	.	.	
12	James,Chris	7	10	10	20	1.5-7	0.5-1	.	3	.	.	.	.	.	
17	Green,Stanley	5	11	8	19	.	.	.	.	.	1-0	1	.	.	
55	Milan,Jamal	6	7	11	18	3.5-6	1.0-2	.	.	.	.	2	.	.	
16	Bain,Rob	7	6	12	18	2.0-4	1.0-2	.	.	.	1-0	.	1	.	
5	Crawford,James	7	6	11	17	0.5-4	.	.	.	.	1-0	.	.	.	
95	Jackson,Kenyon	5	5	8	13	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	
30	Hylton,Julian	7	8	2	10	1.0-5	.	1--2	1	.	.	.	.	.	
94	Odenigbo, Tito	7	2	8	10	1.5-6	1.0-6	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	
27	Hayes,Ahmari	4	7	1	8	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	
4	Kelly,Darwyn	4	3	4	7	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	
31	Watkins,Cameron	5	1	3	4	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	
8	Cazley, Dillan	2	2	2	4	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	
39	Echard,Nathan	7	2	2	4	.	.	.	.	.	1-0	.	.	.	
45	McGrew,Henry	7	2	1	3	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	
35	Hansen,Jake	7	.	3	3	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	
9	Harding,Dele	7	.	3	3	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	
23	Sumpster, Frank	7	3	.	3	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	
40	Svetina, Mike	7	.	2	2	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	
7	Day, Caleb	2	1	1	2	.	.	.	.	.	1-0	.	.	.	
66	Fagan, Jordan	5	.	2	2	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	
85	Roberts, Brandon	1	.	2	2	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	
96	Oliver, Tymir	7	.	1	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	
22	Foster, Kendrick	7	1	.	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	
74	Brennan, Connor	7	.	1	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	
1G	Holcombe, Zarrian	4	.	1	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	
38	Reisner, David	2	1	.	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	
19	Hardee, Justin	7	.	1	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	
5A	Vaughn, Ke'Shawn	7	.	1	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	
Total		7	259	322	581	58-197	17-79	6-133	11	11	8-15	8	1	1	
Opponents		7	175	279	454	34-134	13-89	3-27	21	18	4-18	3	1	.	