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Ron Turner

Head Coach



Ron Turner was named FIU's head football coach on January 4, 2013, bringing with him an outstanding resume from coaching at the collegiate and professional levels.

Entering his second season with the Panthers, Turner's 37 years in coaching have included nine as a head coach with Illinois and San Jose State. During his 24 previous seasons in college football, Turner's career was highlighted with participation in eight bowl games: Rose, Fiesta, Sugar, Aloha, Citrus and Micron PC.

After he led an impressive turnaround at the University of Illinois, which resulted in the school's 2001 Big Ten championship, the league unanimously voted him that season's Big Ten Coach of the Year.

In 12 seasons coaching in the National Football League, Turner spent the majority of those seasons with the Chicago Bears, in addition to the Tampa Bay Buccaneers and Indianapolis Colts.

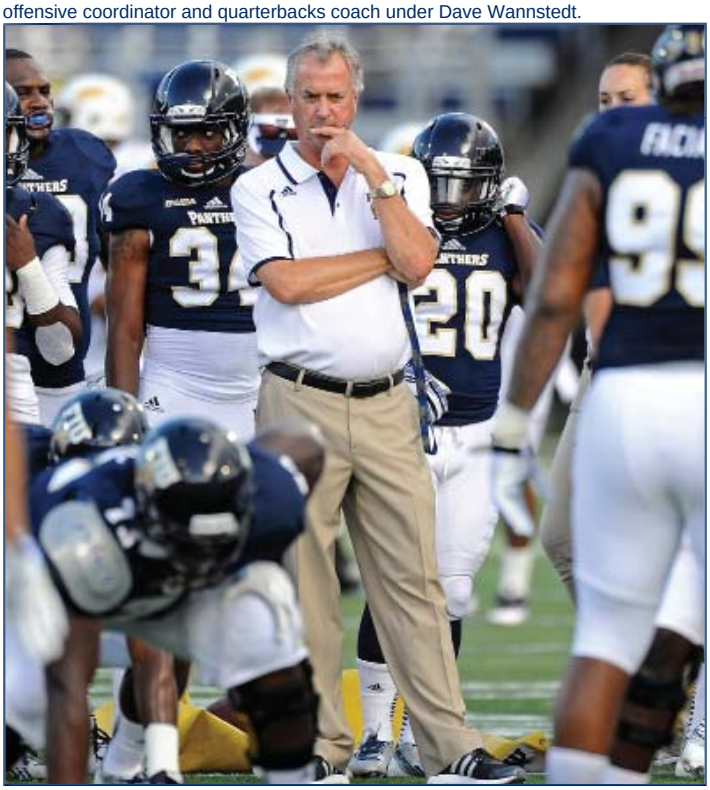
His NFL resume includes being named the 1995 *Pro Football Weekly* Assistant Coach of the Year; four playoff appearances; Offensive Coordinator during the Bears' 2006 NFC Championship and Super Bowl season; an assistant with the Colts' 2010 AFC South title team; quarterbacks coach with a 2012 Tampa Bay squad that netted team records for total yards, passing yards and passing touchdowns.

Prior to becoming FIU's third all-time head football coach last January, Turner the previous season with the Buccaneers where he coached quarterback Josh Freeman to franchise records in passing yards (4,065) and passing touchdowns (27). In just one season with the Bucs, Turner helped Tampa Bay amass team records in total yards (5,820) and total points scored (389).

Turner spent the two previous seasons with the Colts coaching quarterbacks in 2011 and wide receivers in 2010.

In 2010, Reggie Wayne produced his seventh-consecutive 1,000-plus yard season, a third 100-plus reception season and a career season-best reception total. With expected starter Anthony Gonzalez out with an injury, Turner mentored young receivers Austin Collie and Pierre Garcon each to 55-plus receptions, 600-plus yards and five-plus touchdown catches.

Overall, Turner coached for nine seasons in Chicago. For five years, 2005-09, he was Lovie Smith's offensive coordinator. From 1993-96, four seasons, Turner was the offensive coordinator and quarterbacks coach under Dave Wannstedt.





Head Coach Ron Turner is joined by FIU Trustee Jorge L. Arrizurieta, 2013 Student Government President Laura Farinas and FIU Executive Director for Sports & Entertainment Pete Garcia.

In his second stint with the Bears, Turner directed quarterback Jay Cutler to a record-setting season in 2009, with the most completions (336) and attempts (555) in team history. As a team, Chicago had 3,473 net passing yards in 2009, the third-best passing total in team history.

> *"Coach Turner was one of the greatest mentors to have when I first came into the National Football League and over the following seasons. The players at FIU will learn a lot from him and no question will have great success in the years to come."*
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> ***Devin Hester***
> ***Atlanta Falcons***

Under Turner, the Bears also had top-ranked passing seasons in 2007 (3,362) and 1995 (3,743). In all, Turner's offenses produced four of the top-five and seven of the top-17 passing attacks in club history, topping 3,000 net passing yards in seven of his nine seasons.

The rushing attack produced 8,512 yards in Turner's last five seasons, including the second- and third-best club totals in a 19-season span (2,099 in 2005; 1,918 in 2006).

In 2008, Turner helped quarterback Kyle Orton set a record streak with 205 attempts without an interception. Running back Matt Forte also had success, rushing 316 times for 1,238 yards and eight touchdowns while adding 63 receptions for 477 yards and four touchdowns, setting club rookie marks in yards, scrimmage yards (1,715) and receptions. The team's 375 points tied the seventh-best seasonal mark in club history.

Turner and the 2006 Bears went 13-3 and won the NFC North. They earned home-field advantage in the playoffs en route to an NFC title and a trip to Super Bowl XLI. During the season, the team topped 30-plus points seven times, the best seasonal total since 1956, and produced 5,199 net yards.

The club's 38 offensive touchdowns were the most since 44 in 1995 under Turner. The Bears were the only NFL team with six players scoring five-plus touchdowns, with the last time the club achieving that mark being in 1948.

In 2005, with Orton as a rookie, Turner helped coach the team to an 11-5 record. The club rushed for 2,099 yards – the first 2,000-plus yard season by Chicago since 1990. Chicago ranked eighth in rushing offense (131.2), topped 100-plus yards 13 times and tied for the league lead with 19 rushes of 20 or more yards.

From 1993-96, Turner would seemingly coach a different starter in each of those seasons. The club would go 33-33 overall, however, the completion percentages in 1994 (61.4%) and 1995 (60.2%) ranked among the highest in team history.

Chicago's net passing total of 3,743 yards in 1995 ranked second in team history. With Erik Kramer at quarterback in 1995, the Bears set a team record for passing offense (233.9 yards per game) and scored the fifth-most points (392) in club history.

Kramer set a club record with 29 touchdown passes. The 1995 squad had the third-most net yards (5,673) and second-most first downs (340) in team history. The offense also featured a 1,000-plus yard rusher (Rashaan Salaam, 1,074 yards) and two 1,000-plus yard receivers (Jeff Graham, 1,301 yards and Curtis Conway, 1,037 yards) for the first time in team history.

In between his time with the Bears, Turner spent eight seasons as head coach at the University of Illinois (1997-2004), where he is the fourth-winningest coach in school history. Turner guided the Illini to two bowl bids, the Big Ten Championship in 2001 and a BCS Bowl bid to the Nokia Sugar Bowl.

Ron Turner

Head Coach



From 2005-09, Ron Turner served as Lovie Smith's Offensive Coordinator with the Chicago Bears. Together, the franchise won the 2006 NFC Championship and berth in Super Bowl XLI.



The Chicago Bears' Devin Hester was among the first of Ron Turner's former NFL players to visit the coach during FIU's most recent spring football practice schedule.

In 2001, Turner was the unanimous selection for Big Ten Coach of the Year. He would preside over three of the top-six offenses in Illini history in terms of total yards, while four of his eight squads ranked in the school's top-11 for scoring. The 2001 unit had a school-record 390 points. Three of the top-six all-time leading rushers at Illinois and three of the school's top-10 all-time leading receivers played under Turner, as he helped place more than 20 players on NFL rosters.

The championship run in 2001 marked many firsts for the Illini. It was the first outright Big Ten title for Illinois in 18 years and the teams' first-ever berth in the Bowl Championship Series. The 10-win season was only the fourth for an Illini squad in its storied history.

For his efforts, Turner was unanimously named the 2001 Big Ten Coach of the Year. He also was a finalist for the Eddie Robinson, Bear Bryant and the AFCA Coach of the Year awards. Illinois' No. 7 ranking in both the *Associated Press* and coaches' poll at the end of the regular season was the highest for an Illini squad since 1990. The team finished No. 12 in both final polls.

Turner's NFL Quarterbacks

Tampa Bay	**Chicago**
Josh Freeman	Jay Cutler
Dan Orlovsky	Rex Grossman
	Kyle Orton
Indianapolis	Brian Griese
Kerry Collins	Jeff Blake
Dan Orlovsky	Kurt Kittner
Curtis Painter	Erik Kramer
Peyton Manning	Dave Krieg
	Shane Matthews
	Steve Walsh
	Jim Harbaugh
	Peter Tom Willis

Aside from mentoring several notable quarterbacks at the NFL level, Turner is also known for his development of college quarterbacks. '

At Illinois, Turner tutored Kurt Kittner, who was a Johnny Unitas Award finalist and a Davey O'Brien Award semifinalist.

Kittner became only the sixth Illinois quarterback to pass for over 3,000 yards in a season and with a win over Northwestern in 2001, he became the winningest quarterback in school history (24-15). He set the school record for touchdown passes in a career with 70 and broke his own single-season record of 24 set in 1999 with 27 in 2001.

Kittner became one in a long line of successful Turner-coached quarterbacks at the college level including: John Congemi (Pittsburgh), Jeff Garcia (San Jose State), Rodney Peete (Southern California), Bucky Richardson (Texas A&M), Sean Salisbury (Southern California), Sandy Schwab (Northwestern) and Steve Stenstrom (Stanford).

Prior to the Bears, Turner coached for one season at San Jose State in 1992. In just one season at San Jose State, Turner led a remarkable turnaround, leading the Spartans to a 7-4 record and a second-place finish in the Big West Conference. Turner guided San Jose State to its best record in six years and directed a potent offense that churned out 400 yards per game while averaging 30 points per contest, good for 15th in the nation.

A proven offensive teacher and tenacious recruiter, Turner would earn the opportunity to coach at San Jose State after coordinating Stanford's offense for three seasons under Dennis Green (1989-91). The Cardinal would score 23 or more points in 10 straight games on the way to earning a 1991 Aloha Bowl bid. The 351 points scored that year was the third-highest total in over a century at the school.

Prior to Stanford, Turner would spend one season in the old Southwest Conference with Texas A&M under legendary head coach Jackie Sherrill in his final season.

In 1985, Ted Tollner hired Turner to be his quarterbacks coach at Southern California before elevating him to offensive coordinator in 1986.

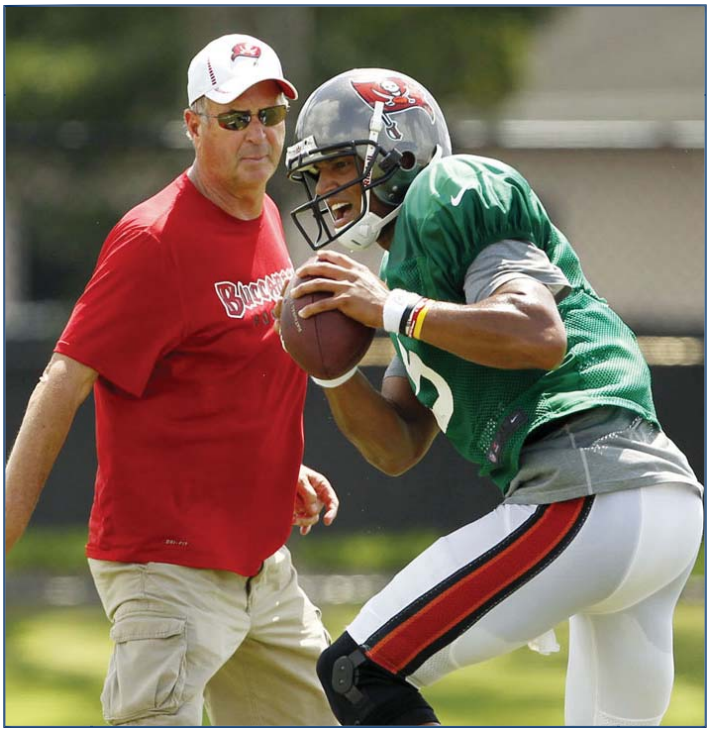
The Trojans would play in three bowl games during his time in Los Angeles. When Larry Smith was named head coach prior to 1987, he retained Turner as wide receivers coach, and the Trojans would go on to win the Pac 10 conference.

"Coach (Ron) Turner has a great mind for football. He turned the program around from the bottom of the Big Ten to the top by the time I was a senior. He knows how to get the most out of his players, which is the most important job for a coach. He is a family man and a great friend. He makes the players he brings in feel like they are part of his family. It goes beyond football for him."



Kurt Kittner
Illinois Football
Radio Analyst

Peete would go on to become the runner-up for the Heisman Trophy in 1988, First-Team All-American and the first USC quarterback to win the Johnny Unitas Award.



Prior to FIU, Ron Turner served as quarterback coach for the Tampa Bay Buccaneers in 2012 and helped to guide signal-caller Josh Freeman to one of the top offensive seasons in franchise history.

Ron Turner

Head Coach

At Pittsburgh, 1983-84, under Foge Fazio, Turner helped mentor Congemi, who would finish his Panther career second all-time in passing yards. Congemi would lead Pittsburgh to a berth in the 1984 Fiesta Bowl, where he was game MVP, before having professional success in the Canadian Football League.

Turner's first connection with Green came at Northwestern where he served as the quarterbacks and wide receivers coach in 1981-82.

Turner helped shape the Wildcat offense into one of the most exciting in the Big Ten, coaching Northwestern quarterback Sandy Schwab to several school and league records. In his two seasons, the Wildcats set several milestones including most pass completions in a game (45).

"I've known Ron Turner for over 25 years and was very fortunate to have him as my coach at Pittsburgh. Not only did Coach mold me into a quality quarterback, he molded me into the person I am today. He is one of the coaches, if I had a son who was a prospective football player; I would not hesitate to send him to FIU now that Ron Turner is the head coach."



John Congemi
NFL and NCAA
Television Analyst

Turner also recruited all-time Northwestern punt and kickoff return leader Steve Tasker to the program after scouting him at Dodge City Community College. Tasker, drafted by the Houston Oilers, would be claimed off waivers after two seasons by the Buffalo Bills. With the Bills, Tasker played in seven Pro Bowls (1987 and 1990-1995) and became the only special teamer ever to be named the NFL's MVP in 1993.

Turner's first coaching position came at Arizona from 1979-80, after his one season as a graduate assistant with his alma mater, the University of the Pacific. Turner would be one of the youngest assistant coaches in major college football and his first taste of success came when the Wildcats earned an invitation to the 1979 Fiesta Bowl against Pittsburgh.

Turner was a second-team junior college All-America wide receiver at Diablo Valley Community College and was inducted into the school's athletic Hall of Fame in 2009. He then earned a scholarship at Pacific, where he led the Tigers in receiving in 1975 and 1976.

Turner's sons Morgan and Cameron followed in their father's footsteps with Morgan coaching tight ends at Stanford and Cameron joining his father as wide receivers and quarterbacks coach at FIU.

Older brother, Norv, is one of the most respected offensive coaches in the NFL. Norv has been head coach for the San Diego Chargers, Oakland Raiders and Washington Redskins and has coordinated the offenses for the Cleveland Browns, San Francisco 49ers, Miami Dolphins and Dallas Cowboys.

Personal Information

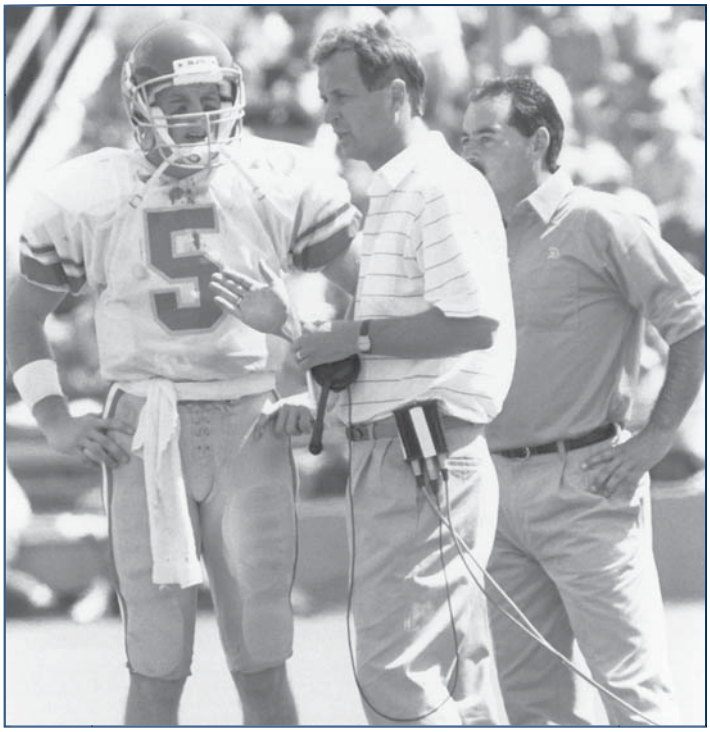
Name:	Ronald D. Turner
Hometown:	Martinez, California
Family:	Wife, Wendy; Four children - sons Morgan and Cameron, and daughters, Callan and Madison
Education:	A.A. in General Studies Diablo Valley Community College (1974) B.S. in Physical Education University of the Pacific (1977)

Coaching Career

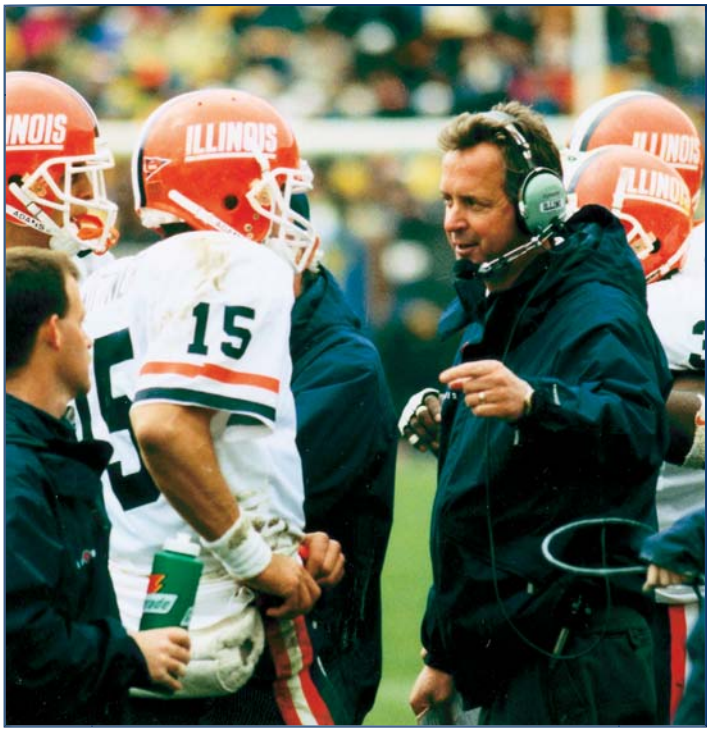
2013-14	FIU, Head Coach
2012	Tampa Bay Buccaneers, Quarterbacks Coach
2011	Indianapolis Colts, Quarterbacks Coach
2010	Indianapolis Colts, Wide Receivers Coach
2005-2009	Chicago Bears, Offensive Coordinator
1997-2004	Illinois, Head Coach
1993-1996	Chicago Bears, Offensive Coordinator/Quarterbacks Coach
1992	San Jose State, Head Coach
1989-1991	Stanford, Offensive Coordinator/Quarterbacks Coach
1988	Texas A&M, Quarterbacks Coach
1987	Southern California, Wide Receivers Coach
1986	Southern California, Offensive Coordinator/Quarterbacks Coach
1985	Southern California, Quarterbacks Coach
1983-1984	Pittsburgh, Quarterbacks Coach
1981-1982	Northwestern, Quarterbacks/Wide Receivers Coach
1978-1980	Arizona, Running Backs/Receivers Coach
1977	Pacific, Graduate Assistant Coach

Postseason as a Coach

2010	Indianapolis (NFL); AFC Wild Card Game
2006	Chicago (NFL); Super Bowl XLI Chicago (NFL); NFC Championship Game Chicago (NFL); NFC Division Playoff
2005	Chicago (NFL); NFC Division Playoff
2001	Illinois (NCAA); 2002 Nokia Sugar Bowl
1999	Illinois (NCAA); 1999 Micron PC Bowl
1994	Chicago (NFL); NFC Division Playoff Chicago (NFL): NFC Wild Card Game
1991	Stanford (NCAA): Jeep Aloha Bowl
1987	Southern California (NCAA); 1988 Rose Bowl
1986	Southern California (NCAA); 1987 Citrus Bowl
1985	Southern California (NCAA); 1985 Jeep Aloha Bowl
1983	Pittsburgh (NCAA); 1984 Fiesta Bowl
1979	Arizona (NCAA); 1979 Fiesta Bowl



In just one season at San Jose State, with Jeff Garcia at quarterback, Ron Turner led the Spartans to a 7-4 record and a second-place finish in the Big West Conference.



Ron Turner guided Illinois quarterback Kurt Kittner in a senior season where he was a Johnny Unitas Award finalist and a Davey O'Brien Award semifinalist.

Steve Shankweiler

Offensive Coordinator



Steve Shankweiler enters his second season at FIU in 2014, serving as the Panthers' offensive coordinator after one season as the team's offensive line coach and run-game coordinator. Prior to FIU, he spent three seasons at the University of South Florida.

Shankweiler is a veteran coach with 40 years of experience, primarily teaching the offensive line. His career includes 31 seasons at the collegiate level, with another nine as a high school coach.

In three seasons at USF, under Skip Holtz, Shankweiler mentored several young linemen into one of the Big East's top units. In 2011, despite losing three seniors from 2010, and shifting a guard to center, the Bulls went on to rank 35th nationally and first in the Big East in both rushing offense and sacks allowed.

Most notably, Shankweiler coached for three separate five-year runs at East Carolina spanning the past three decades. During those 15 total seasons ECU would play in seven bowl games, including an historical 1991 season that culminated in a Peach Bowl victory over N.C. State. Other such notable accomplishments were ECU's return to bowl play with its 2006 Papajohns.com Bowl invitation, defeating Boise State in the 2007 Sheraton Hawai'i Bowl and winning Conference USA titles in 2008 and 2009.

His third, and most recent, appointment at East Carolina (2005-09) saw Shankweiler hired as the offensive line coach, but quickly elevated to offensive coordinator. In 2005, he guided a unit that passed for 2,816 yards, which ranked as the highest total in nearly 10 years (1996) and fourth-best all-time at ECU. The offense averaged 393.5 total yards per game, a mark which stands among the school's top 10 in history.

In 2006, ECU set a new single-season record for first downs (264), while turning in the school's third-best passing mark (3,024 yards) and sixth-best total offense tally (4,526) in the program's annals. Perhaps more impressive was that the success came behind a line he developed and tutored, which featured just one senior and two full-time rookie starters, who both earned selection to the Conference USA All-Freshman squads (media and coaches). The Pirates' rushing attack, behind future NFL star Chris Johnson, ranked among the nation's top 35 with 182.9 yards per game. In addition, he helped coordinate an offensive unit that set a pair of single-season scoring records as the Pirates tallied 52 touchdowns and rang up 403 points in 2006 - surpassing the previous standard that was set in 1979.

Prior to ECU, Shankweiler was offensive line coach at South Carolina in 2004 under Lou Holtz after spending 2003 in the same capacity at Cincinnati under Rick Minter.

Shankweiler would join the ECU staff for a second time in 1998 as offensive line coach under Steve Logan and helped coach the Pirates to three consecutive winning seasons and bowl appearances in 1999 (Mobile Alabama Bowl), 2000 (GalleryFurniture.com Bowl) and 2001 (GMAC Bowl).

Prior to a pair of high school head coaching positions in the state of Georgia from 1995-97, Shankweiler was Bill Lewis's offensive coordinator at Georgia Tech for three seasons beginning in 1992, where he guided the Yellow Jackets' to their second-highest-rated offense in school history at that time.

Shankweiler first joined the ECU program in 1987 as offensive line coach and offensive coordinator under Art Baker, and played a key role in one of the most successful seasons in Pirate history in 1991. After falling to Illinois 38-31 in the opener, ECU ran off 11 consecutive wins and capped the campaign with a 37-34 win against N.C. State in the Peach Bowl to earn a final No. 9 national rank.

Shankweiler began his collegiate coaching career at The Citadel in 1980, leading the Bulldogs to the top of the Southern Conference rankings in total defense and passing offense as defensive and offensive line coach before moving on to accept the offensive coordinator's position at Western Kentucky in 1984.

A six-time football and track letterman at Davidson, Shankweiler earned All-SoCon honors and served as captain of the track program in 1974. He earned a bachelor's degree in history from Davidson in 1974 before following with a master's degree in physical education from Georgia State in 1980.

Shankweiler's son, Kort, a former fullback at ECU, followed in his father's footsteps into coaching and is the present tight ends and tackles coach at FIU.

Personal Information

Full Name:	Steven R. Shankweiler
Hometown:	Atlanta, Georgia
Family:	Wife, Patti; Two daughters, Lori and Jennifer, and one son, Kort
Education:	B.A. in History Davidson (1974) M.Ed. in Physical Education Georgia State (1980)

Coaching Career

2014	FIU, Offensive Coordinator
2013	FIU, Offensive Line Coach/Run-Game Coordinator
2010-2012	South Florida, Offensive Line Coach
2005-2009	East Carolina, Offensive Coordinator/Offensive Line Coach
2004	South Carolina, Offensive Line Coach
2003	Cincinnati, Offensive Line Coach
1998-2002	East Carolina, Offensive Line Coach
1996-1997	Griffin High School, Head Coach/Athletics Director
1995	Glynn Academy High School, Head Coach
1992-1994	Georgia Tech, Offensive Coordinator/Offensive Line Coach
1990-1991	East Carolina, Co-Offensive Coordinator/Offensive Line Coach
1987-1989	East Carolina, Offensive Line Coach
1984-1986	WKU, Offensive Coord./Offensive Line Coach/Asst. Head Coach
1980-1983	The Citadel, Offensive Line/Defensive Line Coach
1976-1979	Redan High School, Head Coach (State Champions)
1974-1975	Avondale High School, Offensive Coordinator/Head T&F Coach

Postseason as a Coach

2010	South Florida (NCAA); 2010 Meineke Car Care Bowl
2009	East Carolina (NCAA); 2010 AutoZone Liberty Bowl
2008	East Carolina (NCAA); 2008 AutoZone Liberty Bowl
2007	East Carolina (NCAA); 2007 Sheraton Hawai'i Bowl
2006	East Carolina (NCAA); 2006 Papa John's Bowl
2001	East Carolina (NCAA); 2001 GMAC Bowl
2000	East Carolina (NCAA); 2000 Gallery Furniture Bowl
1999	East Carolina (NCAA); 1999 Mobile Alabama Bowl
1991	East Carolina (NCAA); 1992 Peach Bowl



Josh Conklin

Defensive Coordinator



Josh Conklin begins his second season with FIU football as the Panthers' defensive coordinator.

In 2012, Conklin served as the safeties coach for former head coach Derek Dooley at the University of Tennessee.

Prior to his stint in Knoxville, Conklin served as defensive coordinator and safeties coach under Kevin Higgins at The Citadel in 2010 and 2011.

Conklin's Citadel defense ranked third in the Southern Conference in total defense in 2011. That season, seven of 11 Bulldogs opponents were limited to fewer than 20 points, and in 2010, eight of 11 foes scored fewer than 20.

The Citadel allowed averages of 23.4 points and 343.8 yards an outing to rank second and third, respectively, in the league in 2011. In his first season in 2010, the Bulldogs ranked third in the conference in total defense, allowing 338.4 yards per game.

Also during Conklin's tenure with The Citadel, cornerback Cortez Allen was selected by the Pittsburgh Steelers in the 2011 NFL Draft and played in 15 games as well as the NFL Wild Card playoff game against the Denver Broncos. Defensive end Erik Clanton, who finished tied for 12th in the FCS in sacks in 2010, earned a free agent opportunity with the Steelers after originally signing with the Montreal Alouettes.

Prior to joining the staff at The Citadel, Conklin spent three seasons coaching defensive backs (2007-09) at Wofford and added special teams to his responsibilities in his final season in Spartanburg.

In his first two years working with the cornerbacks, two earned All-Southern Conference honors. Under Conklin's assistance, the Terriers led the Southern Conference in scoring defense with 24.8 points allowed per game in 2007. Overall, the Terriers led the conference with 20 interceptions. In 2008, the Terriers were tied for second in the Southern Conference with 13 interceptions.

Conklin began his coaching career at South Dakota State, serving as a graduate assistant in 2003 and 2004 before being elevated to a full-time position coaching the secondary and special teams during the 2005-06 seasons.

In 2006, South Dakota finished 21st in the nation in the final *College Sporting News* coaches poll. Conklin's secondary ranked second in the Great West Conference in pass defense, allowing just 165.4 yards per game through the air, while the kickoff return and kickoff coverage teams were the top-ranked units in the Great West Conference.

A native of Gillette, Wyo., Conklin graduated from Campbell County High School in 1998 before enrolling at Dakota State. A 2003 graduate with a degree in physical education, Conklin started at linebacker his junior and senior seasons and was an Academic All-America selection. Conklin earned a masters degree in sports administration in 2008 from South Dakota State.

Conklin and his wife, Molly, reside in South Florida with their son, Clark.

Personal Information

Full Name:	Josh Conklin
Hometown:	Gillette, Wyoming
Family:	Wife, Molly; Son, Clark
Education:	B.S. in Physical Education Dakota State (2003) M.S. in Sports Administration South Dakota State (2008)

Coaching Career

2013-14	FIU, Defensive Coordinator
2012	Tennessee, Safeties Coach
2010-2011	The Citadel, Defensive Coordinator/Safeties Coach
2009	Wofford, Defensive Backs/Special Teams Coach
2007-2008	Wofford, Defensive Backs Coach
2005-2006	South Dakota State, Secondary/Special Teams Coach
2003-2004	South Dakota State, Graduate Assistant Coach

Postseason as a Coach

2008	Wofford (NCAA-FCS); 2008 Playoff First Round
2007	Wofford (NCAA-FCS); 2007 Playoff Quarterfinals Wofford (NCAA-FCS); 2007 Playoff First Round



Jason Brooks

Defensive Secondary



Jason Brooks begins his second season with FIU football in 2014, serving as the Panthers' defensive secondary coach.

Brooks arrived at FIU in 2013 after spending the four seasons in the National Football League with the Baltimore Ravens, the Super Bowl XLVII Champions.

With Baltimore, Brooks served under Head Coach John Harbaugh as an assistant to the offense, offensive quality control and offensive assistant. His responsibilities also included the coordination and coaching of the Ravens defensive scout team, assisting with the special teams scout squad, film breakdown and self-scouting reports.

As well as other duties assigned, Brooks worked first-hand in the coaching of the wide receivers in 2009 and 2011 and running backs in 2010 and 2012.

Brooks' Baltimore Ravens

Running Backs
Willis McGahee
Bernard Pierce
Ray Rice
Ricky Williams

Receivers
Anquan Boldin
Mark Clayton
T.J. Houshmandzadeh
Jacoby Jones
Derrick Mason
Torrey Smith
Donte Stallworth
Kelley Washington
Demetrius Williams

Tight Ends
Ed Dickson
Todd Heap
Dennis Pitta

Prior to the Ravens, Brooks was the wide receivers coach in 2008 at Norwich University in Northfield, Vermont.

At Norwich, Brooks coached in a no-huddle offense, as well as coached the gunners on the punt team and corners on the punt block team, assisted in coordinating the scout kickoff coverage and kickoff return teams, coordinated and assisted in coaching the defensive scout team.

Brooks also served the Miami Dolphins in parts of 2007-08 as a scouting assistant. In that capacity, he was in charge of video library maintenance, logging all college and NFL film. He also utilized the team's video scouting tools to create film study for the player personnel department and coaching staff.

To start the 2007 season, he worked at the University of Massachusetts as an assistant defensive backs coach following a season as a student assistant coach at Middle Tennessee.

With Middle Tennessee, Brooks worked with the running backs and special teams units. He was part of the staff that guided the Blue Raiders to the 2006 Sun Belt Championship and bid to play in the 2006 Motor City Bowl.

Brooks graduated from Middle Tennessee in 2006 where he earned a bachelor's of science in physical education, with an emphasis in athletic coaching. He also attended Cuyahoga Community College in Cleveland Ohio.

Brooks' father, Clarence, is presently the defensive line coach for the Baltimore Ravens, where he has worked since 2005. Brooks, Sr., has more than three decades of coaching experience with the Miami Dolphins, Chicago Bears and Cleveland Browns and on the college level with Massachusetts, Arizona and Syracuse.

Clarence and Jason were the first father and son to coach together on a Super Bowl winning franchise when the Ravens defeated the 49ers in 2013.

Brooks and his wife, Sandy, have one daughter, Aviana.

Personal Information

Full Name:	Jason Brooks
Hometown:	Grayslake, Illinois
Family:	Wife, Sandy; Daughter, Aviana
Education:	B.S. in Physical Education Middle Tennessee (2006)

Coaching Career

2013-14	FIU, Defensive Secondary
2009-2012	Baltimore Ravens, Offensive Quality Control/Offensive Assistant
2008	Norwich, Wide Receivers Coach
2007-2008	Miami Dolphins, Scouting Assistant
2007	Massachusetts, Assistant Defensive Backs Coach
2006	Middle Tennessee, Student Assistant Coach

Postseason as a Coach

2012	Baltimore (NFL); Super Bowl XLVII Champions
	Baltimore (NFL); AFC Championship Game
	Baltimore (NFL); AFC Division Game
	Baltimore (NFL); AFC Wild Card Game
2011	Baltimore (NFL); AFC Championship Game
	Baltimore (NFL); AFC Division Game
2010	Baltimore (NFL); AFC Division Game
	Baltimore (NFL); AFC Wild Card Game
2009	Baltimore (NFL); AFC Division Game
	Baltimore (NFL); AFC Wild Card Game
2006	Middle Tennessee (NCAA); 2006 Motor City Bowl



Kerry Dixon II

Running Backs



Kerry Dixon II joins the FIU staff as the running backs coach after previously serving in the same role up the road at FAU. Dixon brings eight years of coaching experience at the collegiate level to the Panther football program.

Dixon joined FAU's staff in January 2012 after having previous working experience with the Owls' offensive coordinator Brian Wright at Montana State. In 2013, the Owls finished fifth in Conference USA with 2,215 rushing yards (184.6). Behind the athleticism of quarterback Jaquez Johnson, the Owls had three backs that averaged at least 34 rushing yards per game, with Johnathan Wallace leading the way with 573 yards on the ground.

One of Dixon's top priorities for the 2012 season at FAU was to replace FAU's all-time leading rusher and current Washington Redskin Alfred Morris. Dixon and the Owl coaching staff used multiple players to fill the role, a group that would combine for just 38 yards less and 167 more receiving yards.

Prior to his time with the Owls, Dixon spent the 2010 and 2011 seasons as Montana State's running backs coach. After mentoring Second-Team All-Big Sky running back Orenzo Davis in 2010, Dixon had a running back tandem of Cody Kirk (1,351 yards) and Tray Robinson (641) combine for nearly 2,000 rushing yards in 2011, reaching the end zone 19 times on the ground and 21 times overall. Kirk earned First Team All-Big Sky honors for his efforts, while Robinson was named to the second team, landing Big Sky Newcomer of the Year honors.

Dixon was the offensive coordinator and quarterbacks coach at NCAA Division II Stillman College in 2009. He was responsible for overseeing an offense that produced honorable mention All-America running back Quinn Porter, who rushed 138.6 yards per game to lead Stillman's conference in 2009. Porter went on to have a professional career with the St. Louis Rams.

Prior to his time at Stillman, Dixon was a quarterbacks coach at Texas Southern in 2008 and Morgan State in 2007. He began his coaching career at Booker T. Washington High School in Houston, Texas.

Dixon played quarterback at Baylor in 2000, starting twice as a true freshman, but moved to receiver the next season and redshirted with an injury. He transferred to Hampton, playing both receiver and quarterback for the Pirates from 2002-04. He served as a team captain at Hampton as a senior, and played in the Historically Black Colleges and Universities All-Star Classic in 2005.

Personal Information

Full Name:	Kerry Dixon II
Hometown:	Hosuton, Texas
Education:	B.A. in Political Science Hampton University (2001)

Coaching Career

2014	FIU, Running Backs Coach
2012-13	Florida Atlantic, Running Backs Coach
2010-11	Montana State, Running Backs Coach
2009	Stillman College, Offensive Coordinator/Wide Receivers
2008	Texas Southern, Quarterbacks Coach
2007	Morgan State, Quarterbacks Coach
2005-06	Booker T. Washington, Offensive Coordinator/Quarterbacks

Postseason as a Coach

2011	Montana State (NCAA-FCS): 2011 Playoff Quarterfinals
2002	Montana State (NCAA-FCS): 2012 Playoff Quarterfinals



Rob Harley

Linebackers



A former Ohio State safety, Rob Harley comes to FIU after a successful two-year stint on the Michigan State Spartans coaching staff. Harley served as a graduate assistant on Mark Dantonio's staff, working primarily with the linebackers and special teams in 2013. During the 2012 campaign, he worked with the offensive staff, primarily the skill players.

During his time with the Spartans, Harley and Michigan State won two bowl games, including the 2014 Rose Bowl over Stanford by a score of 24-20. Michigan State previously defeated Ohio State in the Big Ten Championship game to earn the outright 2013 conference title. The Spartans ranked second nationally in total defense, allowing an average of just 252.2 yards per contest and 13.2 points per game.

Prior to his time in East Lansing, Harley spent two seasons as a defensive backs/linebackers coach and assistant special teams coordinator at NCAA Division II Ohio Dominican University in Columbus, Ohio. The Panthers joined the Great Lakes Intercollegiate Athletic Conference and the 2010 and 2011 seasons marked the program's first two at the Division II level. During his tenure there, Harley tutored a total of four Division II All-Ohio and four All-GLIAC selections.

A three-year lettwerwinner at Ohio State, Harley was a member of the Buckeyes' 2002 National Championship squad as a strong safety. During his time on the field from 2003-05, Harley's squads posted a 29-8 record under Head Coach Jim Tressel, including three-straight postseason bowl appearances (2003 Fiesta, 2004 Alamo and 2005 Fiesta). He earned a bachelor's degree in business administration in 2006. He was pursuing a master's degree in kinesiology while at Michigan State as a graduate assistant.

Harley's ties to the Buckeye football program go much deeper, as his uncle, Chic Harley, was Ohio State's first three-time All-American. Due largely to his popularity as a player, Ohio State outgrew its 20,000-seat stadium and inspired the construction of Ohio Stadium, nicknamed "The House that Harley Built."

Harley worked as a broadcaster prior to pursuing a coaching career. He has served as a college football color commentator for ESPN and has worked as a sideline reporter for the Big Ten Network.

Personal Information

Full Name:	Rob Harley
Hometown:	Elmhurst, Ill.
Education:	Bachelor's in Business Administration Ohio State (2006) Master's in Kinesiology Michigan State (2013)

Coaching Career

2014	FIU, Linebackers Coach
2013	Michigan State, Linebackers/Special Teams
2012	Michigan State, Offensive Staff/Skill Players
2010-11	Ohio Dominican, Defensive Backs/Linebackers

Postseason as a Coach

2013	Michigan State (NCAA): 2014 Rose Bowl
2012	Michigan State (NCAA): 2012 Buffalo Wild Wings Bowl



Randy Melvin

Defensive Line



Randy Melvin joins Ron Turner's staff as the defensive line coach, most recently coming off a stint in the same role with the Tampa Bay Buccaneers from 2012-13. Melvin brings 30 years of coaching experience to the Panthers, including seven years in the NFL.

Melvin coached on Greg Schiano's Tampa Bay Buccaneers staff for the last two seasons. He coached alongside Ron Turner during the 2012 season, when Turner was the quarterbacks coach for the Bucs. In 2013, Melvin coached defensive tackle Gerald McCoy to an Associated Press All-Pro Team status. Melvin spent the 2011 season with the British Columbia Lions of the CFL, where the squad won the Grey Cup.

Melvin spent one year on the Rutgers staff in 2010 after serving as a member of Al Golden's Temple staff in 2009, where he coached the defensive line. He played part in helping tutor future NFL talent Muhammad Wilkerson. Currently, Wilkerson is a starting defensive tackle for the New York Jets.

Melvin returned to the NFL ranks in 2005, joining Romeo Crennel's Cleveland Browns staff. He served as the defensive line coach for three seasons from 2005-08.

Melvin spent the 2002-04 seasons at Rutgers, his first stint with the Scarlet Knights. Prior to that, Bill Belichick named Melvin to his staff when he was hired by the New England Patriots in 2000. Melvin spent two seasons in New England, serving as defensive line coach, where he enjoyed a Super Bowl win during the 2001 season over the St. Louis Rams.

Melvin spent the 1997-99 seasons at Purdue, where he was responsible for tutoring some great defensive line talent. Boilermaker ends Rosevelt Colvin, Chike Okeafor, Chukie Nwokorie and Warren Moore combined for 45 of the team's 66 quarterback sacks in 1997 and 1998. Colvin earned Third-Team All-American and First-Team All-Big Ten accolades while racking up 50 tackles and a school-record 15 his senior year. Three of those four ends advanced to the NFL as Okeafor was drafted in the third round by the San Francisco 49ers, Colvin was selected fourth by the Chicago Bears and Nwokorie signed as a free agent with the Indianapolis Colts.

Prior to his time at Purdue, Melvin coached Wyoming's defensive tackles for two seasons. Wyoming led the Western Athletic Conference in quarterback sacks in 1995 and 1996 with 33 and 46, respectively.

Melvin also served as the defensive line coach at his alma mater, Eastern Illinois, from 1988-94. He was a high school coach for six years (1982-87), including three seasons as the head coach at Aurora, Ill., West High (1985-87).

A 1982 graduate of Eastern Illinois, Melvin was an Associated Press Division II All-American in 1979 and 1980. He started on EIU's 1978 national championship squad, and the 1980 team finished as national runner-up.



Personal Information

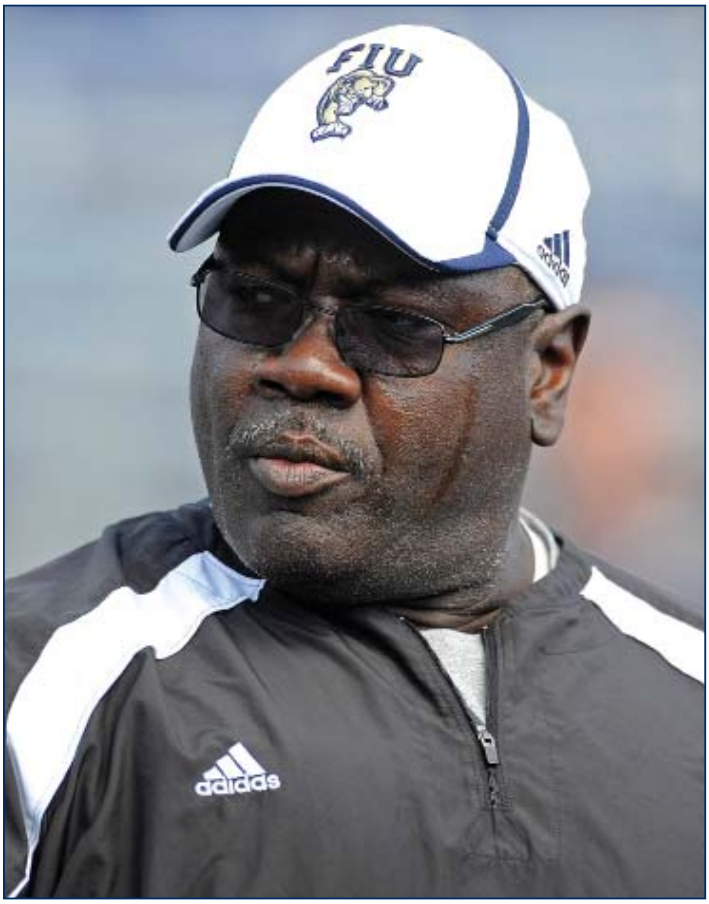
Full Name:	Randy Melvin
Hometown:	Aurora, Ill.
Education:	Bachelor's
	Easter Illinois University (1982)
	Master's
	Eastern Illinois University (1993)

Coaching Career

2014	FIU, Defensive Line Coach
2012-13	Tampa Bay Buccaneers, Defensive Line Coach
2011	British Columbia Lions, Defensive Line Coach
2010	Rutgers University, Defensive Line Coach
2009	Temple University, Defensive Line Coach
2005-08	Cleveland Browns, Defensive Line Coach
2002-04	Rutgers University, Defensive Line Coach
2000-01	New England Patriots, Defensive Line Coach
1997-99	Purdue University, Defensive Line Coach
1995-96	University of Wyoming, Defensive Line Coach
1988-94	Eastern Illinois University, Defensive Line Coach
1985-87	Aurora West High School, Head Coach
1983-84	Aurora West High School, Assistant Coach
1982	Urbana High School, Assistant Coach

Postseason as a Coach

2011	British Columbia (CFL); Grey Cup Champions
2009	Temple (NCAA): Eagle Bank Bowl
2001	New England (NFL): Super Bowl XXXVI Champions
	New England (NFL): AFC Championship Game
	New England (NFL): AFC Divisional Playoff
1999	Purdue (NCAA): Outback Bowl
1998	Purdue (NCAA): Alamo Bowl
1997	Purdue (NCAA): Alamo Bowl
1989	Eastern Illinois (NCAA-FCS): 1989 Playoffs First Round
	Eastern Illinois (NCAA-FCS): 1989 Playoffs Quarterfinals



Shannon Moore

Special Teams



Shannon Moore joins the FIU coaching staff, serving as the special teams coach, after previously spending eight seasons at South Dakota State under Head Coach John Stiegelemeier. Moore most recently served as the special teams coordinator and tight ends coach for the Jackrabbits.

Moore was the running backs and tight ends coach from 2006-08, before taking on the duties of special teams coordinator and quarterbacks coach during the 2009 season. Moore returned to coaching the tight ends in 2010, while still handling the special teams responsibilities.

The Jackrabbits consistently ranked among the top special team units under Moore in the Missouri Valley Football Conference. SDSU ranked second in net kickoff coverage in 2011 and 2012, while ranking in the top-20 nationally for net punting. The Jackrabbits also ranked ninth nationally for kickoff returns with an average of 23.86 yards per attempt in 2010.

Moore served as a graduate assistant at SDSU during the 2003 and 2004 seasons, working with the running backs, tight ends and special teams while pursuing a master's degree in education administration. He later added a master's degree in sports administration at SDSU.

Prior to SDSU, he served as head coach of the Wyoming Cavalry of the National Indoor Football League, where he compiled an 18-11 record over two seasons. In 2005, Moore led the Casper-based Cavalry to a franchise-best 10-5 record and a playoff berth.

A native of Gordon, Neb., Moore played three seasons at Black Hills State in Spearfish, S.D., where he earned a bachelor's degree in secondary education in 2000.

Personal Information

Full Name:	Shannon Moore
Hometown:	Gordon, Neb.
Education:	Bachelor's in Secondary Education Black State Hills (Spearfish, S.D.) (2000) Master's in Education Administration South Dakota State (2004) Master's in Sports Administration

Coaching Career

2014	FIU, Special Teams Coach
2010-13	South Dakota State University, Tight Ends/Special Teams
2009	South Dakota State University, Quarterbacks/Special Teams
2006-08	South Dakota State University, Running Backs/Tight Ends
2005	Wyoming Cavalry, Head Coach
2003-04	South Dakota State University, Running Backs/Tight Ends/Special Teams

Postseason as a Coach

2013	South Dakota State (NCAA-FCS): 2013 Playoffs First Round South Dakota State (NCAA-FCS): 2013 Playoffs Quarterfinals
2012	South Dakota State (NCAA-FCS): 2012 Playoffs First Round South Dakota State (NCAA-FCS): 2012 Playoffs Quarterfinals
2009	South Dakota State (NCAA-FCS): 2009 Playoffs First Round



Kort Shankweiler

Tight Ends / Offensive Tackles



Kort Shankweiler enters his second season with FIU football in 2014, serving as the Panthers' tight ends and offensive tackles coach.

Shankweiler came to FIU in 2013 after spending three seasons as running backs coach and recruiting coordinator at Central Michigan University.

During his three seasons with CMU, Shankweiler would guide a unit that saw improvement each year. In his final 2012 campaign, where the Chippewas would finish with a victory over Western Kentucky in the Little Caesars Bowl, his position accounted for 1,952 rushing yards, averaged 150.2 yards on the ground per game with 22 rushing touchdowns.

He also mentored running back Zurlon Tipton, who recorded 1,779 all-purpose yards and 20 touchdowns culminating with All-MAC honors.

In 2011, CMU had 1,389 team rushing yards using an attack by a committee of four players. Three of the running backs in 2011, Paris Cotton, Tipton and Anthony Garland, posted 100-yard rushing games.

In 2010, Shankweiler mentored a corps of running backs that combined to rush for 1,269 yards and 18 touchdowns. Cotton provided the 2010 season's top highlight, rushing for 209 yards and three touchdowns on 21 carries in a 52-14 win at Eastern Michigan. It was the first 200-yard effort for a Chippewa since 2004 and the 31st in school history.

Shankweiler arrived at CMU after two seasons as a graduate assistant coach at Michigan State where he was part of the same Mark Dantonio staff as future CMU head coach Dan Enos. He worked with the Spartans' offensive linemen during seasons where the school played in the 2009 Capital One Bowl and the 2010 Alamo Bowl.

Relating to Shankweiler's areas, the 2009 Spartans led the Big Ten in fewest sacks allowed (14 in 13 games) and passing efficiency (145.1), ranked second in scoring (29.7 ppg) and passing (269.4 ypg) and ranked third total offense (406.2 ypg).

Shankweiler spent the 2007 season as an assistant coach at the United States Coast Guard Academy under Bill George where he coached the receivers and served as the video coordinator. The Coast Guard won the New England Football Conference Bogan Division in 2007 and competed in the NEFC Championship Game.

Shankweiler, the son of FIU offensive line coach and run-game coordinator Steve Shankweiler, is a 2006 graduate of East Carolina where he earned bachelor degrees in history and classical studies.

He was a four-year letterman for Skip Holtz' Pirates, lining up at quarterback, fullback and tight end during his career and helping lead East Carolina to the 2006 Papajohns.com Bowl. As a fullback, he served as the lead blocker for current Tennessee Titans running back Chris Johnson.

Shankweiler earned a master's degree in sports administration from Michigan State in 2009.

Personal Information

Full Name:	Steven Kort Shankweiler
Hometown:	Greenville, North Carolina
Education:	B.A. in History
	East Carolina University (2006)
	B.A. in Multi-Disciplinary Studies: The Classics
	East Carolina (2006)
	M.S. in Sports Administration
	Michigan State (2009)

Coaching Career

2013-14	FIU, Tight Ends/Offensive Tackles Coach
2010-2012	Central Michigan, Running Backs Coach/Recruiting Coordinator
2008-2009	Michigan State, Offensive Graduate Asst. Coach/Offensive Line
2007	U.S. Coast Guard Academy, Wide Receivers Coach/Video Coord.

Postseason as a Coach

2012	Central Michigan (NCAA); 2012 Little Caesars Bowl
2009	Michigan State (NCAA); 2010 Valero Energy Alamo Bowl
2008	Michigan State (NCAA); 2009 Capitol One Bowl
2007	U.S. Coast Guard (NCAA-DIII); NEFC Championship Game



Cameron Turner

Wide Receivers / Quarterbacks



Cameron Turner enters his second season as an assistant coach with FIU football in 2014 working with the Panthers quarterbacks and wide receivers.

In 2011, Cameron joined the Minnesota Vikings as Assistant to Head Coach Leslie Frazier. He spent two years in Minnesota, embracing every preparatory aspect of managing an NFL coaching staff, from administrative details to coaching strategies.

"In the short amount of time Cameron worked for me I could see such a great display of loyalty," said Frazier. "Cameron has a tremendous work ethic. I was very impressed with him. Nobody was a harder worker. He is very bright. He can see beyond the moment, has a vision for what he is doing and can see the big picture."

Turner's duties included serving as liaison for the coaching department to all departments of the Vikings as well as the NFL Officials. He coordinated schedules and team travel itineraries. On game day, Turner would oversee the inactive list, charted game management for the offense and defense, responsible for clock management, timeouts, coaches' challenges and rules.

"He saw how we were able to develop a young quarterback in Christian Ponder, along with being around the development of young wide receivers in Percy Harvin and Jarius Wright. He was able to pick up the details that will help him in developing the young players at FIU. I saw his ability to relate and teach and that is one of the most important aspects of coaching. The fact he is a good communicator and excellent teacher will make him very successful as a coach."



Leslie Frazier
Head Coach
Minnesota Vikings

His degree and background in business administration came into great use, as Turner was also charged with formulating and managing the coaching budget.

"Cameron understands coaching and what it takes to be a successful coach," added Frazier. "He really knows how to communicate and relate to the players. There are so many positive attributes about Cameron. You just know and can see that his parents did an outstanding job in raising him."

Beyond the operation of a coaching staff, Frazier made sure Turner had exposure to coaching. Along with his attendance at coaching staff meetings and film studies, Turner was right there on the sidelines taking in everything.

"With us, he saw how we were able to develop a young quarterback in Christian Ponder, along with being around the development of young wide receivers in Percy Harvin and Jarius Wright," continued Frazier. "He was able to pick up the details that will help him in developing the young players at FIU. I saw his ability to relate and teach and that is one of the most important aspects of coaching. The fact he is a good communicator and excellent teacher will make him very successful as a coach."

Turner attended The Citadel, the Military College of South Carolina, where he was a quarterback and wide receiver for the Bulldogs from 2006-09.

"Cam was a highly-rated quarterback coming out of High school," said Kevin Higgins, the longtime Citadel head coach. "He was attracted to our school for not only football but also the leadership opportunities as well. Cam was a very bright player that had a very good understanding of our offense. He spent countless hours hanging around the office looking for ways to improve his knowledge of the game."

He first played quarterback, into his junior season, then after a sustaining a shoulder injury was moved to wide receiver for his final season.

"Unfortunately Cam tore his labrum in the last game of his junior year against the University of Florida," said Higgins. "Despite the injury, Cam threw and caught a touchdown pass in the game. So, for his senior year we moved him to wide receiver. He was just such a natural talent."

In addition to his leadership on the field, Cameron embodied leadership off the field, in the locker room and classroom. He was a four-time scholar-athlete, five-time Dean's List recipient, two-time Citadel Gold Star recipient and earned a spot on the 2009 Southern Conference All-Academic Team, amongst other school acknowledgment. He graduated in 2010 with a degree in Business Administration.

Following his playing career, Turner joined Higgins' Citadel staff as an assistant coach in 2010 working with the receivers and special teams.

"Cam helped coach in the spring of his senior year and it was apparent that he had the skill set necessary to be successful," added Higgins. "The following season I hired him full-time to coach the receivers. He did an excellent job in all areas of his responsibilities."

Along with his coaching duties, Turner served as team liaison with academic and military issues and coordinated all team community service projects. His primary recruiting regions were 10 states throughout the Midwest and West regions.

Personal Information

Full Name:	Cameron Turner
Hometown:	Libertyville, Illinois
Education:	B.S. in Business Administration
	The Citadel (2010)

Coaching Career

2013-14	FIU, Quarterbacks/Wide Receivers Coach
2011-2012	Minnesota Vikings, Assistant to the Head Coach
2010	The Citadel, Wide Receivers Coach

Postseason as a Coach

2012	Minnesota (NFL); NFC Wild Card Game



Graduate Assistants

Offense



Josh Beekman

Josh Beekman enters his second season as an offensive graduate assistant coach for the Panthers in 2014.

Beekman, a former Boston College All-American, was a four-year NFL lineman with the Jacksonville Jaguars, Indianapolis Colts and Chicago Bears. He also spent a season with the Florida Tuskers of the United Football League.

Off the field, Beekman interned with the Miami Dolphins in June 2012, and earlier that year spent the offseason with Eastern Kentucky as an offensive line graduate assistant. From January to May 2011, Beekman was an intern strength coach at Boston College.

Beekman was a decorated offensive guard for Boston College from 2003-06. As a senior, he earned *Associated Press* First-Team All-America honors, BC's first AP first-teamer since in 2001. He was also a second-team All-American from Walter Camp and *Scout.com*. Beekman was also the recipient of the 2006 Jacobs Blocking Trophy for the most valuable blocker in the Atlantic Coast Conference, where he was first-team All-Conference in 2006.

A senior team captain, Beekman started 37 straight games for the Eagles dating back to 2004 and was honored with the Scanlan Trophy, the highest honor bestowed on a Boston College football player.

Josh is the youngest of Valerie and Charles R. Beekman Sr.'s three children. He received both his Bachelors and Masters degrees from Boston College.

Personal Information

Full Name:	Joshua M. Beekman
Hometown:	Amsterdam, New York
Education:	B.A. in History
	Boston College (2006)
	M.S. in Administrative Studies
	Boston College (2011)

Professional Career

2012	Miami Dolphins, Intern
2012	Eastern Kentucky, Offensive Line Graduate Assistant
2011	Boston College, Strength & Conditioning Intern
2006	Boston College, Orientation Leader

Playing Career

2012	Jacksonville Jaguars (NFL)
2011	Indianapolis Colts (NFL)
2010	Florida Tuskers (UFL)
2007-2011	Chicago Bears (NFL)

Postseason Career

2010	Chicago Bears (NFL); NFC Championship Game
	Chicago Bears (NFL); NFC Division Playoff
2006	Boston College (NCAA); 2006 Meineke Car Care Bowl
2005	Boston College (NCAA); 2005 MPC Computers Bowl
2004	Boston College (NCAA); 2004 Continental Tires Bowl
2003	Boston College (NCAA); Diamond Foods San Francisco Bowl





Pete Collins

Pete Collins begins his second season as an offensive graduate assistant coach for the Panthers in 2014.

Collins came to FIU in 2013 after serving in player development for Rutgers since 2010. In that role, he helped monitor and develop the Scarlet Knights in aspects of their educational process. He also worked closely with the offensive positions, and helped oversee the defensive scout team.

From 2009-10, Collins was an Assistant Defensive Line Coach at Northeastern and was also responsible for recruiting high school and junior colleges in 15 western states.

Prior to Northeastern, Collins was on the coaching staff at Delaware Valley College from 2007-09, where he worked with the running backs. At DVC, he organized and ran the defensive scout team, was responsible for offensive and special team cut-ups, opponent film breakdown, compiling a weekly scouting report and Offensive Coordinator for the junior varsity team.

In the summer of 2006, Collins worked with the Indianapolis Colts as a football operations intern.

He received a Bachelor's in 2007 from Mary Washington with an emphasis in Secondary Education and Political Science.

Personal Information

Full Name:	Peter B. Collins
Hometown:	Marshfield, Massachusetts
Education:	B.A. in Secondary Education and Political Science
	Mary Washington (2007)

Professional Career

2010-2013	Rutgers, Player Development
2009-2010	Northeastern, Assistant Defensive Line Coach
2007-2009	Delaware Valley, Assistant Running Backs Coach
2006	Indianapolis Colts, Football Operations Intern



Graduate Assistants

Defense



Matt Garris

Former FIU football player Matt Garris begins his third season as a defensive graduate assistant coach for the Panthers in 2014.

Garris returned to the FIU sidelines in 2012, after starring for the team at linebacker from 2006-08. In addition to playing defense, Garris was a valued special teams player.

In 2012, Garris assisted in the defensive secondary, working with both the safeties and cornerbacks. Among the defensive backs he assisted were Johnathan Cyprien, Jose Cheeseborough and Junior Mertile. Cyprien was a second-round draft pick by the Jacksonville Jaguars, while Cheeseborough and Mertile each signed free agent contracts with the Baltimore Ravens and New York Giants, respectively.

He also was responsible for opponent film breakdown, cut-ups, reports, scripting and compiling weekly scouting reports for defense and special teams. Garris also worked in running offensive and special teams scout squads.

Garris was a star high school player coming out of St. Augustine in 2005, where he was team captain for the 15-0 Class 3A state champion Yellow Jackets. An All-First Coast and All-St. John's County player, Garris also received all-state honors during his senior season.

Prior to coming back to FIU, Garris was a student assistant coach with the Panthers in 2009. He was employed by Broward County Public Schools in 2010-2011 at West Broward High School. In addition to teaching at West Broward, Garris also served as defensive coordinator and linebackers coach, track and field head coach, and girls flag football head coach. With West Broward, Garris was able to coach linebackers for the South Team in the 2011 Broward County Athletics Association (BCAA) All-Star Game.

Garris earned his B.A. in Business Administration from FIU in 2010.

Personal Information

Full Name: Matthew J. Garris
Hometown: St. Augustine, Florida
Education: B.A. in Business Administration
FIU (2010)





Kasey Smith

Kasey Smith is in his first season as a defensive graduate assistant coach for the Panthers in 2014.

Smith spent two seasons season volunteering for the football coaching staff during the 2012-13 campaigns. The former FIU defensive lineman first spent his senior season as a coaching intern in 2012.

Smith was a part of film evaluation, special teams scouting reports and scouting formations, assisted in the strength and conditioning department, worked with the defensive line and creating various game day personnel reports.

He coached in high school as a student assistant at Daytona Beach Seabreeze High School (2007-08), defensive coordinator and assistant defensive line coach for the Boynton Beach High School Junior Varsity (2011) and Boynton Beach varsity (2012).

As a player at FIU, Smith saw action in 25 games from 2009-11, with five starts coming in 2010. He played in both of the team's bowl games in 2010 and 2011.

As a student at Seabreeze, Smith was named to the *FSWA* 4A All-State Second Team, chosen Volusia County Defensive Player of the Year, ranked second on the team with 65 tackles and helped the team to an undefeated regular season and a regional playoff appearance. After his senior year, the former team captain was named the East Defensive MVP of the Central Florida All-Star Game.

Smith received his Bachelor's degree in Criminal Justice from FIU in 2012.

Personal Information

Full Name: Kasey Smith
Hometown: Daytona Beach, Florida
Education: B.A. in Criminal Justice
FIU (2012)



Administrative Staff



Marc Davis
Director of Football Operations

Marc Davis enters his first year with FIU Football in 2014 as the program's Director of Football Operations.

His duties at FIU will include assisting Head Coach Ron Turner with the day-to-day operations of the football program, team travel, football event management and all football related special events. In addition, Davis will assist administratively with academics, compliance, recruiting, scheduling and serves as FIU's pro liaison.

Davis comes to FIU after serving two years as the football operations coordinator at South Dakota State University. There he was responsible for the operational needs of the Jackrabbits' football program. While coordinating the team travel, Davis oversaw the SDSU football budget, organized the team's recruiting weekends, coordinated special events and worked with the program's Difference Makers Club. He also helped organize team community service events and coordinated the team's training table. Prior to his time a SDSU, Davis served as the football operations assistant for two seasons (2010-11) at the University of New Mexico.

From 2009-2010, Davis was a stadium operations intern at the University of Minnesota's TCF Bank Stadium. There he assisted in the hiring, training and supervising of more than 75 student employees. He was also responsible for creating logistics for visiting teams to TFC Bank Stadium, from team arrival, team departure and locker room setup.

A 2009 graduate of Wisconsin-Eau Claire, he served as a student assistant for the offensive line during the 2008 season and was a graduate assistant for the tight ends at the University of St. Thomas (Minn.) in 2009, where he earned a master's degree in activities administration.

Personal Information

Full Name:	Marc Davis
Hometown:	Duluth, Minn.
Education:	B.S. in Kinesiology Wisconsin-Eau Claire (2008) M.S. in Athletics and Activities Administration St. Thomas (Minn.) (2009)



Jedidiah Keime
Assistant Director of Football Operations

Jedidiah Keime returns for his third season with the Panthers in 2014. He has served in an operations and recruiting support role for the program since July 2012.

Keime assists in the day-to-day and game day operations of the team, along with editing practice film, game footage and opponent footage.

Prior to FIU, Keime worked with US Road Sports and Entertainment Group as an Intern and Operations & Events Team Member. He would help in the management of operations for the 2012 and 2013 ING Miami Marathon.

Keime also worked operations for the Ocean Drive 5K; All-State Life Insurance series; Miami Beach 13.1; New York 13.1; First Watch Sarasota 13.1; and New Jersey Marathon, Half Marathon and Relay.

Personal Information

Full Name:	Jedidiah Keime
Hometown:	Colorado Springs, Colorado
Education:	B.S. in Recreation and Sport Management FIU (2012)



Greg Moss
Quality Control

Greg Moss begins his third season as a defensive quality control assistant for the Panthers in 2013, primarily working with the defensive backs.

Among his many duties, Moss prepared film breakdown, developed opponent receiver reports, assisted with offensive scout team, game day passing charts and self-scouting reports.

Moss, who starred in FIU's defensive backfield from 2002-04, finished his professional football career in 2008. He played two seasons in the Canadian Football League with the Winnipeg Blue Bombers (2007-08) and Ottawa Renegades (2005-06). He was a starter for Winnipeg's 2007 Grey Cup Championship team. With Ottawa, he was the team's Rookie of the Year and started all 18 regular season games.

Moss would then go into coaching, first as an assistant coach for Nova High School in Davie (2008-12). He was an assistant defensive coach working with the defensive backs and special teams returners. He then moved over to Miramar High School where he was the Defensive Backs Coach.

As an FIU student-athlete, Moss was a Dean's List honoree and defensive team captain. In 2003, he was voted FIU Special Teams Player of the Year and earned NCAA I-AA Special Teams Player of the Week during September, 2003. He would go onto to establish nearly all of the school's records for kickoff and punt returns.

Personal Information

Full Name:	Greg T. Moss, Jr.
Hometown:	Miami, Florida
Education:	B.S. in Physical Education/Sport Management FIU (2005) M.S. in Sports Administration St. Thomas (2013)



Jessica Van Nice
Assistant to the Head Coach

Jessica Van Nice joined FIU Football in 2013 as the Assistant to the Head Coach.

Prior to FIU, Van Nice was an account manager with SheKnows, LLC, in Scottsdale, Ariz. She also worked as a wedding planner and spa coordinator in Scottsdale.

Van Nice is an avid volunteer, currently assisted with Autism Speaks. While an undergraduate at WVU, she worked with resident life and the Betty Puskar Fashion Show. From 2003-05, she was a junior advisor for the Army Teen Panel.

Husband, Justin, is presently the Director of Facilities & Operations for FIU Athletics.

Personal Information

Full Name:	Jessica Van Nice
Hometown:	Fayetteville, North Carolina
Education:	B.S. in Journalism West Virginia (2010)

Sports Medicine

Athletic Training Staff



Dave Ahouse
Head Football Athletic Trainer

Dave Ahouse begins his eighth season as the head football athletic trainer for the FIU Panthers football team in 2014.

Prior to FIU, Ahouse had the opportunity to work in professional football during the 2006 season as an assistant athletic trainer with NFL Europe's Hamburg Sea Devils.

Ahouse, who had familiarity with the FIU program, was a two-year graduate assistant trainer at with the Panthers' football and track teams during 2004-05, while earning a master's degree. In 2005, Ahouse received his Masters in Physical Education with a concentration in Sports Management.

As an undergraduate, Ahouse attended Cornell University where he was a four-year football varsity letterwinner and graduated with a bachelor's degree in human services in 1998.

After his student tenure, Ahouse spent four years at Cornell as an assistant athletic trainer, working mainly with the women's basketball team as its head athletic trainer. His experiences also included international travel with various teams, teaching a Principles of Weight Lifting physical education class and also assisting the strength and conditioning coaches at Cornell for several semesters.

Personal Information

Full Name:	David Ahouse
Hometown:	Boiceville, New York
Family:	Wife, Emily; Son, Henry
Education:	B.S. in Human Services Cornell University (1998) M.S. in Physical Education FIU (2005)

Professional Career

2007-2014	FIU, Head Athletic Trainer - Football
2006	Hamburg Sea Devils (NFL Europe), Assistant Athletic Trainer
2004-2005	FIU, Graduate Assistant Trainer
2000-2004	Cornell, Assistant Trainer





John Steele
Assistant Football Athletic Trainer

John Steele joined the FIU Sports Medicine staff in March 2008, after spending two years as a graduate assistant at Villanova University. He is presently the Assistant Athletic Trainer for Football.

With FIU, Steele assists the Head Athletic Trainer in all daily operations of treatment and care for the football team. He is also responsible for post-operative and long-term rehabilitations, graduate assistant and student athletic trainers, implemented an updated concussion management program including baseline balance assessment and implemented functional movement screening (FMS) program.

At Villanova, 2006-08, Steele worked with the Wildcats' football, men's tennis and women's water polo teams.

During 2007, Steele interned with the Philadelphia Eagles, gaining further experience at the professional level. His pro football experience dates back an additional two years. In the spring of 2006, Steele was an Assistant Athletic Trainer for the Cologne (German) Centurions of NFL Europe. After his graduation from Lasell, he was an intern in the athletic training room for the New England Patriots from 2005-06.

Steele started as a trainer for the Region One Girls Olympic Development Program (soccer), 2002-07, providing care to players at camps in several locations in the United States and abroad.

Steele received his Bachelor's degree in Athletic Training from Lasell in 2005 and a Master's in Public Administration from Villanova in 2011.

He is now a teacher in FIU's athletic training program working as a Secondary Instructor for Clinical Education II. He is certifications includes: CPR, AED, Florida State licensure, NATABOC, FMS Level 1 and 2 and American Red Cross. He is a member of NATA.

Personal Information

Full Name:	John W. Steele
Hometown:	Wilmington, Vermont
Family:	Wife, Melisa; Son, Aiden John
Education:	B.S. in Athletic Training Lasell (2005) M.S. in Public Administration Villanova (2011)

Professional Career

2008-2014	FIU, Assistant Football Athletic Trainer
2006-2008	Villanova, Graduate Assistant Athletic Trainer
2007	Philadelphia Eagles, Athletic Trainer Intern
2006	Cologne Centurions (NFL Europe), Assistant Athletic Trainer
2005-2006	New England Patriots, Athletic Trainer Intern
2002-2007	Region One Girls ODP, Athletic Trainer



Strength & Conditioning

Strength & Conditioning Staff



Chad Smith

Director of Strength & Conditioning

Chad Smith begins his third season at FIU in 2014 as the Panthers' Director of Strength and Conditioning. Smith came to FIU from Mississippi State where he was the Bulldogs' Assistant Football Strength and Conditioning Coach from 2009-12.

Working under Bulldogs' Head Strength and Conditioning Coach Matt Balis, the MSU football program saw great success in recent seasons, most notably winning both the 2011 Progressive Gator Bowl and the 2012 Franklin American Music City Bowl. Smith not only assisted in the development and implementation of the strength and conditioning program for football, he also was the head strength and conditioning coach for men's and women's tennis and men's and women's track and field.

Smith, a four-year letterwinner at fullback for the University of Tennessee at Chattanooga during the 2000-04 seasons, went on to graduate from the school in May 2006 with a bachelor's degree in Exercise Science as a Fitness/Wellness Specialist.

Following UT-Chattanooga, Smith went on to earn a graduate assistant's position with the University of Memphis strength and conditioning staff. From 2006-09, Smith worked under Mike Stark while earning his Master's degree in Human Movement Sciences, completed in May 2009. With Memphis, Smith was part of a football staff that directed the Tigers to back-to-back bowl seasons, the 2008 R+L Carriers New Orleans Bowl and the 2009 MagicJack St. Petersburg Bowl. In addition to his football duties, Smith worked with the UM baseball program, focusing on the pitchers, and was the head strength and conditioning coach for softball.

Prior to Memphis, Smith gained valuable experience in the strength and conditioning field serving several key internships during 2006. His broke into the profession first as an intern at his alma mater, UT-Chattanooga, then on to the University of South Florida. In May and June of the same year, Smith was invited to work at the NFL Jacksonville Jaguars mini-camps.

Smith's certifications include: a CSCS from the National Strength and Conditioning Association, Adult CPR, AED and Standard First Aid from the American Red Cross Association and is a Club Coach with the United States Weightlifting Federation.

Personal Information

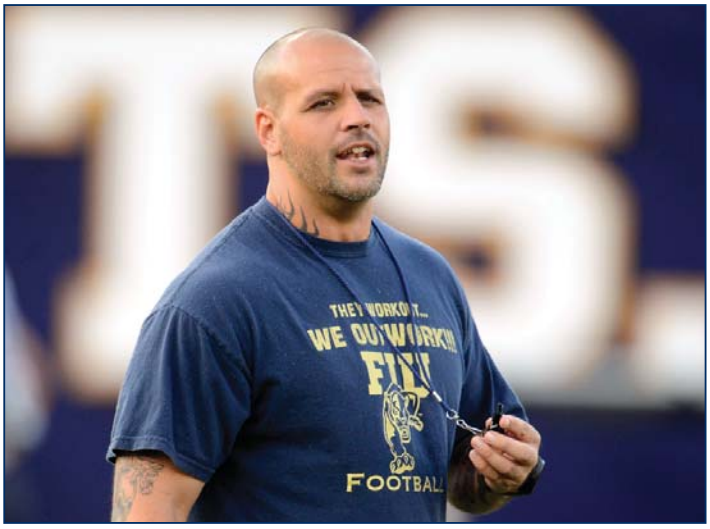
Full Name:	Chad Smith
Hometown:	Cleveland, Tennessee
Education:	B.S. in Exercise Science University of Tennessee at Chattanooga (2006) M.S. in Human Movement Sciences University of Memphis (2009)

Coaching Career

2012-2014	FIU, Director of Strength & Conditioning
2009-2012	Mississippi State, Assistant Strength and Conditioning Coach
2006-2009	Memphis, Graduate Assistant

Postseason as a Coach

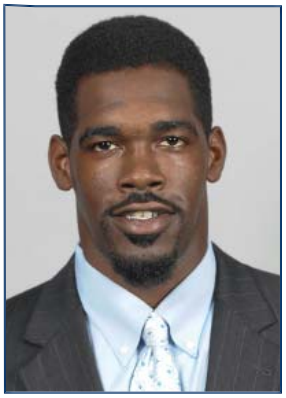
2011	Mississippi State (NCAA); 2011 Franklin American Music City Bowl
2010	Mississippi State (NCAA); 2011 Progressive Insurance Gator Bowl
2008	Memphis (NCAA); 2008 MagicJack St. Petersburg Bowl
2007	Memphis (NCAA); 2007 R+L Carries New Orleans Bowl





Strength & Conditioning

Strength & Conditioning Staff



Thomas Carroll
Assistant Strength & Conditioning Coach

Thomas Carroll is in his third season with FIU in 2014 assisting with daily oversight of the Panthers' strength and conditioning program.

In 2008, Carroll became a volunteer coach at his high school alma mater in Lakewood, N.J. He then got an opportunity to join the South Florida football staff as a part-time strength and conditioning assistant. He would rejoin Lakewood a year later as Defensive Coordinator, while working as a substitute teacher and paraprofessional for the school district.

An accomplished defensive end for the Miami Hurricanes (2001-05), Carroll was part of one of the most dominant eras in school history. He was a freshman on the team that beat Nebraska for the national championship in the Rose Bowl. A year-later, UM would play Ohio State in the title game. As a sophomore, his team defeated Florida State in the FedEx Orange Bowl. His final two seasons concluded with appearances in the Chick-fil-A Peach Bowl.

Personal Information

Full Name:	Thomas Carroll
Hometown:	Lakewood, New Jersey
Education:	B.A. in Sociology
	University of Miami (2006)
	Continuing Ed. in Community Leadership
	Mississippi State (2009)

Professional Career

2012-2014	FIU, Assistant Strength & Conditioning Coach
2010-2011	Lakewood High School, Defensive Coordinator
2009	South Florida, Part-Time Strength and Conditioning Assistant
2008-2009	Lakewood High School, Volunteer Coach

Playing Career

2008	Florida Firecats (Arena Football League), Defensive End
2007	Edmonton Eskimos (Canadian Football League), Defensive End
2006	New York Giants (National Football League), Defensive End
2001-2005	University of Miami (NCAA), Defensive End

Postseason Career

2008	Florida Firecats (AFL); Arena Cup Playoffs First Round
2006	New York Giants (NFL); NFC Wild Card Game
2005	Miami, Fla. (NCAA); 2005 Chick-fil-A Peach Bowl
2004	Miami, Fla. (NCAA); 2004 Chick-fil-A Peach Bowl
2003	Miami, Fla. (NCAA); 2004 FedEx Orange Bowl
2002	Miami, Fla. (NCAA); 2003 Tostitos Fiesta Bowl
2001	Miami, Fla. (NCAA); 2002 Rose Bowl presented by AT&T



Cory Houston
Assistant Strength & Conditioning Coach

Cory Houston enters his third season with FIU in 2014 as an Assistant Strength and Conditioning Coach. He presently works with the Panthers' football, baseball, softball and women's tennis programs.

A semester before Houston was named to the FIU full-time staff, he interned for FIU Director of Strength and Conditioning Chad Smith during spring 2012.

Houston came to FIU from Mississippi State, where he earned a second Master's degree in 2011. While a Graduate Assistant Strength and Conditioning Coach at MSU, Houston also worked with the football, baseball, softball and tennis teams.

Houston, a standout college baseball player at the University of West Alabama, earned his Bachelor's degree in Physical Education in 2008. He remained at the school to earn a Master's degree in Art and Teaching in 2009, while receiving valuable training as a graduate assistant with the Physical Education Department and as an exercise consultant with the school's Fitness and Wellness Center.

Houston was certified as a Strength & Conditioning Specialist (CSCS) by the National Strength & Conditioning Association (NSCA) in 2009. He also has CPR and First Aid certification from the American Red Cross.

Personal Information

Full Name:	Cory Houston
Hometown:	Columbus, Mississippi
Education:	B.S. in Physical Education
	West Alabama (2008)
	M.A. in Teaching
	West Alabama (2009)
	M.S. in Education
	Mississippi State (2011)

Professional Career

2012-2014	FIU, Assistant Strength & Conditioning Coach
2012	FIU, Strength & Conditioning Intern
2010-2011	Mississippi State, Grad. Assistant Strength & Conditioning Coach
2009	Mississippi State, Strength & Conditioning Intern
2008-2009	West Alabama, Grad. Assistant Strength & Conditioning Coach
2008-2009	West Alabama, Exercise Consultant; Fitness/Wellness Center
2008	Mississippi State, Strength & Conditioning Intern

Video Operations

Football Video Staff



Joe Maggio
Video Coordinator

Joe Maggio enters his second season with FIU Football in 2014 as the Panthers' Video Coordinator.

Maggio came to FIU in 2013 from Stony Brook University where he was Video Operations Manager for the Seawolves football program, as well as Pro Liaison Assistant.

Maggio, a Stony Brook graduate in 2012 with a Bachelor's of Business Management in Economics, had worked with the Seawolves since 2008. In his role at Stony Brook he coordinated the purchase and installation of the XOS Thunder digital software program. He also oversaw the filming of games and practices and edit video for the coaching staff on a daily basis. Additionally, he coordinated Stony Brook film exchange with opponents through Dragon Fly exchange software. Among his efforts were establishing a video logging system in 2009, to coordinate recruiting efforts and compile an annual library and catalog of prospect profiles.

Maggio is proficient in using both XOS Thunder and Lightning software; Adobe Premiere Pro CS6 for post-production video; LTS Ultimate software; Dragon Fly Video Exchange software, Hudl Video software; along with the video hardware associated with sports filming.

He also worked with the Stony Brook lacrosse program since 2009 and served as a videographer for the Major League Lacrosse Long Island Lizards franchise.

Prior to leaving Stony Brook, Maggio was enrolled in the school's Master's program in Higher Education Administration.

Personal Information

Full Name: Joseph Maggio
Hometown: Melville, New York
Education: B.S. in Business Management-Economics
Stony Brook (2012)

Equipment Operations

Equipment Staff



Christian Terlizzo
Equipment Manager

Christian Terlizzo has been a part of FIU Football since 2008, when he started as a student equipment manager. In 2014, Terlizzo begins his second season as Head Equipment Manager.

For the last four seasons, Terlizzo had served as Assistant Football Equipment Manager, after his one season on the student staff.

As Head Equipment Manager, Terlizzo is charged with the purchasing and maintenance of all team-related equipment, apparel and footwear. He supervises a staff of managers composed of students and volunteers.

Terlizzo is a 2012 graduate of FIU with a Bachelor's in Recreation and Sport Management.

He is certified through the Athletic Equipment Manager's Association.

Personal Information

Full Name: Christian Terlizzo
Hometown: Miami, Florida
Education: B.S. in Recreation and Sport Management
FIU (2012)