

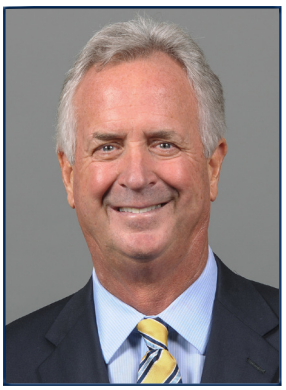


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▶▶▶▶ Ron Turner - Head Coach



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 fourth season with the Panthers, Turner's 39 years in coaching have included 12 as a head coach with FIU, Illinois and San Jose State.

Since arriving at FIU, Turner has laid the foundation for a championship program. The Panthers have continued to build off of their success each year under Turner and are focused to be winners on and off the field. His success with the Panthers has been recognized by Conference USA as Turner has coached 18 all-conference, five all-freshman and 40 academic honor roll selections in his three years at the helm.

Last season, FIU's offense had some of its most-impressive numbers in recent years. The Panthers gained 4,173 yards (fifth-most in school history), including 2,854 yards through the air (second-most in school history). FIU averaged 25.5 points-per-game (third-most in school history), posting 306 points in 2015, including a record-setting first half versus UTEP (10/10), where the Panthers scored 42 points in the first two quarters en route to a 52-12 win over the Miners – fourth-largest margin of victory in FIU's 14-year history.

On the defensive side of the ball, the Panthers were second in the conference in passing defense and No. 16 in the nation in red zone defense.

Eight Panthers garnered All-Conference USA honors for their play in 2015.

During the 2014 season, FIU finished ranked No. 35 in the nation in total defense. Holding teams to 20-or-fewer points six times that past season (zero in 2013), the Panthers were No. 5 in the nation in turnovers forced (33), including 19 fumble recoveries. FIU's red zone defense was one of the best in the country as opponents had a 69.2 percent success rate (No. 4 in the nation). On third downs, FIU held its opponents 35.9 percent of the time, good for No. 28 nationally.

Offensively, the Panthers threw for 2,016 yards and 15 touchdowns opposed to 1,713 yards and eight touchdowns in 2013. FIU rushed for 1,502 yards (No. 4 all-time at FIU in a single season), finding the endzone 11 times; an improvement from the 2013 season (5).

For the team's performance on the field in 2014, FIU had seven All-C-USA selections and three C-USA All-Freshman honorees.





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.

Following Turner's first season with FIU in which the then-first-year coach instilled the core values expected of the football program, the Panthers nearly doubled the amount of community service hours from the previous season and finished the year with the highest team GPA in program history.

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.

"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."



Devin Hester
Atlanta Falcons

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 and was a finalist for the Eddie Robinson National Coach of the Year Award.

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, Turner spent 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.

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.

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.

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.

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.

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

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.

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.

"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
Quarterback Illinois
(1998-2001)



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.

"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

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.

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

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).

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.

Older brother, Norv, is one of the most respected offensive coaches in the NFL. Currently the offensive coordinator for the Minnesota Vikings, 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.

Turner and his wife Wendy have four children – sons Morgan (wife Melissa) and Cameron (wife Janie) and daughters Callan and Madison – and two granddaughters – Charliejane and Luella.

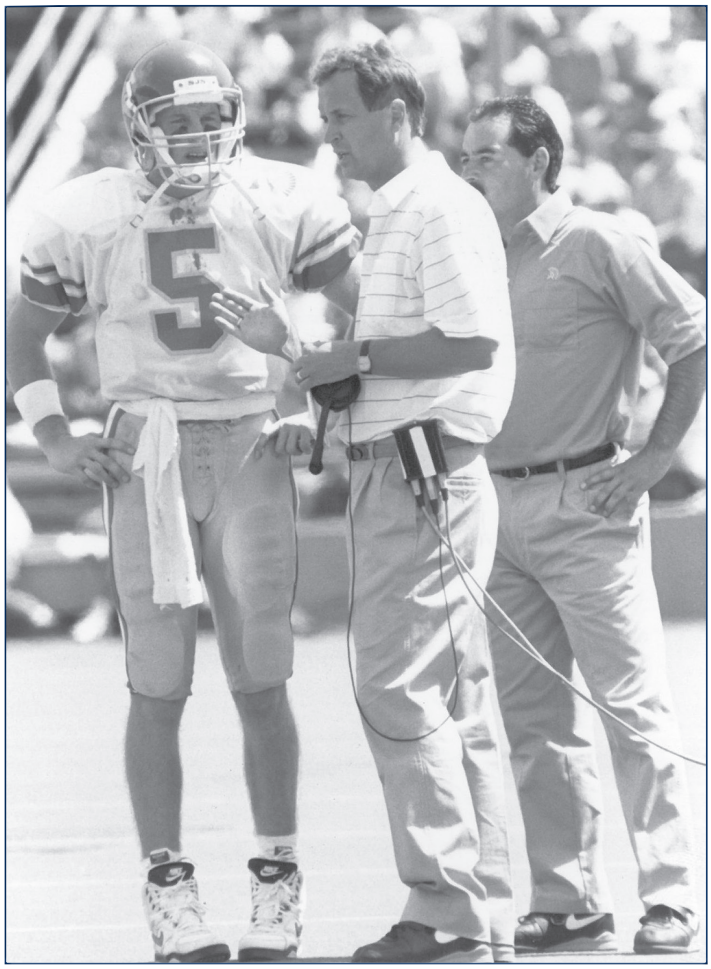
Turner's sons Morgan and Cameron followed in their father's footsteps with Morgan coaching tight ends at Stanford and Cameron is the assistant wide receivers coach with the Carolina Panthers.



Ron Turner - Head Coach



Prior to becoming the third coach in FIU history, Turner coached quarterback Josh Freeman (current Miami Dolphin) 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).



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.

Personal Information

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

Coaching Career

2013-2016	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



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.

Ron Cooper - Assist. Head Coach/Defensive Coordinator/Linebackers



Ron Cooper enters his second season on Head Coach Ron Turner's staff as the Panthers' assistant head coach and his first as defensive coordinator. Cooper served as the team's defensive backs coach in 2015.

Cooper brings over 30 years of coaching experience to the Panthers' staff, including three as a head coach on the collegiate level. The 2016 season will mark his fourth stint as a defensive coordinator.

Cooper wrapped up his first season with the Panthers in 2015, overseeing a unit that recorded the sixth-most passes defended (51) and pass breakups (42) in school history. The Panthers had the second-best pass defense in Conference USA, allowing just 221.0 yards-per-game through the air (No. 62 nationally).

Cooper coached Jeremiah McKinnon and Richard Leonard to all-conference honors as the two combined for 16 pass breakups and four interceptions. The secondary accounted for eight of the team's nine picks last season, including a pair for touchdowns (McKinnon -31 yards; Niko Gonzalez – 58 yards).

Prior to FIU, Cooper served as defensive backs coach at USF (2013-2014).

In his two seasons at USF, Cooper helped see the Bulls record 20-or-more turnovers each season, while the defense scored five touchdowns. In 2013, the Bulls triple their forced turnovers from nine the previous season to 25 and score three defensive touchdowns. USF grabbed 11 interceptions, after posting just two the previous season, and ranked 26th in the FBS against the pass.

Cooper transitioned to the NFL after spending three seasons (2009-11) as LSU's secondary coach. He mentored one of the top secondaries in the country that included national award winners in CB Morris Claiborne, CB Patrick Peterson and CB Tyrann Mathieu. Cooper coached two Thorpe Award winners, Peterson in 2010 and Claiborne in 2011, which is given to the top defensive back in college football, and two Bednarik Award winners, Peterson in 2010 and Mathieu in 2011, given to the nation's Defensive Player of the Year. As a sophomore in 2011, Mathieu was also named as a finalist for the Heisman Trophy.

All three players earned consensus All-American honors under Cooper, with Claiborne and Mathieu becoming the first cornerback teammates to earn first-team AP honors in NCAA history. In 2011, Claiborne (Coaches) and Mathieu (AP) each earned SEC Defensive Player of the Year honors, while Peterson (Coaches) earned SEC Defensive Player of the Year in 2010 before being selected fifth overall in the 2010 NFL Draft.

Cooper spent five years at South Carolina prior to being hired by LSU, serving as the defensive backs coach (2004), outside linebackers/special teams coordinator (2005), secondary/assistant head coach (2006-07) and safeties coach (2008). In 2008, Cooper assisted with a defense that ranked No. 1 in the SEC and No. 2 in the nation in pass defense, allowing just 160 yards per game. With the Gamecocks, Cooper helped the team to appearances in the 2005 Independence Bowl, 2006 Liberty Bowl and 2009 Outback Bowl.

Prior to his stint at South Carolina, Cooper spent 2003 as the defensive coordinator at Mississippi State and 2002 as the secondary coach at Wisconsin. He broke into the head coaching ranks with Eastern Michigan (1993-94) and went on to become head coach at Louisville (1995-97) and Alabama A&M (1998-01). Cooper's 1995 Louisville team led the nation in takeaways and finished No. 9 in the nation in scoring defense. The following season, the Cardinals ranked No. 4 in the country in both total defense and rushing defense. At Alabama A&M, Cooper guided the Bulldogs to the Southwestern Athletic Conference Championship Game in 2000. His squad led the nation in rushing defense and they ranked No. 8 nationally in scoring defense. He also discovered DE Robert Mathis and coached him in his first three collegiate seasons with Mathis still holding the school record for career sacks and tackles for loss.

Before becoming the head coach at Eastern Michigan, Cooper served as an assistant coach at Notre Dame (1991-92), helping the Irish to victories over No. 3-ranked Florida in the 1992 Sugar Bowl and No. 4-ranked Texas A&M in the 1993 Cotton Bowl.

Cooper also served as the defensive coordinator at UNLV (1990), assistant coach at East Carolina (1989), defensive coordinator at Murray State (1987-88), assistant coach at Austin Peay (1985-86), graduate assistant at Minnesota (1984) and graduate assistant at Appalachian State (1983).

On the field, Cooper was a four-year letter winner at Jacksonville State, where he was a part of two Gulf South Conference championships in 1981 and 1982. Cooper also played in the NCAA Division II playoffs three times during his career, reaching the semifinal round in 1982.

Cooper earned his bachelor's degree from Jacksonville State in 1983 and later received his master's degree from Appalachian State in 1986. He and his wife, Djuna, have a daughter, Tyler, and two sons, Tristan and Deuce.

Personal Information

Full Name:	Ronald Cooper
Hometown:	Huntsville, Alabama
Family:	Wife, Djuna; Two children, one daughter,Tyler, and two sons Tristan and Duece
Education:	Bachelor's Jacksonville State (1983) Master's Appalachian State (1986)

Coaching Career

2016	FIU, Assistant Head Coach/Defensive Coordinator/Linebackers
2015	FIU, Assistant Head Coach/Defensive Secondary Coach
2013-2014	USF, Assistant Head Coach/Secondary Coach
2012	Tampa Bay Buccaneers, Defensive Backs Coach
2009-2011	LSU, Secondary Coach
2008	South Carolina, Safeties Coach
2006-2007	South Carolina, Assistant Head Coach/Secondary Coach
2005	South Carolina, Outside Linebackers/Special Teams Coach
2004	South Carolina, Defensive Backs Coach
2003	Mississippi State, Defensive Coordinator
2002	Wisconsin, Assistant Coach
1998-2001	Alabama A&M, Head Coach
1995-1997	Louisville, Head Coach
1993-1994	Eastern Michigan, Head Coach
1991-1992	Notre Dame, Assistant Head Coach
1990	UNLV, Defensive Coordinator
1989	East Carolina, Assistant Coach
1987-1988	Murray State, Defensive Coordinator
1985-1986	Austin Peay, Assistant Coach
1984	Minnesota, Graduate Assistant
1983	Appalachian State, Graduate Assistant

Postseason as a Coach

2011	LSU (NCAA): 2012 BCS National Championship
2010	LSU (NCAA): 2011 Cotton Bowl Classic
2009	LSU (NCAA): 2010 Capital One Bowl
2008	South Carolina (NCAA): 2009 Outback Bowl
2005	South Carolina (NCAA): 2006 Liberty Bowl
2004	South Carolina (NCAA): 2005 Independence Bowl
1992	Notre Dame (NCAA): 1993 Cotton Bowl
1991	Notre Dame (NCAA): 1992 Sugar Bowl



Steve Shankeiler - Offensive Coordinator/Offensive Line



Steve Shankeiler enters his fourth season at FIU in 2016, serving as the Panthers' offensive coordinator and the team's offensive line coach. Prior to FIU, he spent three seasons at the University of South Florida.

Shankweiler is a veteran coach with 42 years of experience, primarily teaching the offensive line. His career includes 33 seasons at the collegiate level, with another nine as a high school coach.

Last season, FIU's offense had some of its most-impressive numbers in recent years. The Panthers gained 4,173 yards (fifth-most in school history), including 2,854 yards through the air (second-most in school history). FIU averaged 25.5 points-per-game (third-most in school history), posting 306 points in 2015, including a record-setting first half versus UTEP (10/10), where the Panthers scored 42 points in the first two quarters en route to a 52-12 win over the Miners – fourth-largest margin of victory in FIU's 14-year history.

During the 2014 season, Shankweiler' s offensive line helped FIU record 1,502 net rushing yards (4th-most in school history) and led the Panther's offense to 125.5 net yards-per-game (5th-best average all-time at FIU). FIU's offense also finished with 11 rushing touchdowns (10th-most in school history).

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 a pair of Liberty Bowl appearances, 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 co-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 under Art Baker. He became the Pirate's offensive coordinator under Bill Lewis 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. Prior to his time at The Citadel, Shankweiler got his first head coaching job at Redan High School in Stone Mountain, Ga. There, as the first head coach in school history, he led Redan to the 1979 state title with programs second senior class.

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 quarterbacks and wide receivers coach, and pass-came coordinator at FIU.

Personal Information

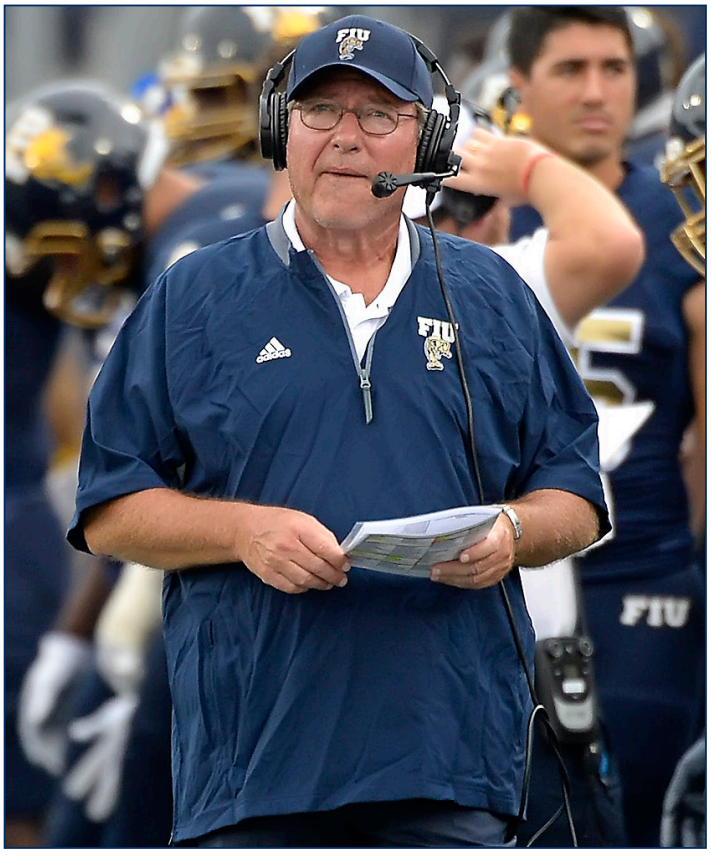
Full Name:	Steven R. Shankweiler
Hometown:	Atlanta, Georgia
Family:	Wife, Patti; Two daughters, Lori and Jennifer, and one son, Kort
Education:	B.A. in History Davidson (1974) M.Ed. in Physical Education Georgia State (1980)

Coaching Career

2014-2016	FIU, Offensive Coordinator/Offensive Line
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



▶▶▶▶ Bobby Babich - Secondary/Defensive Pass Game Coordinator



Bobby Babich enters his first season on Head Coach Ron Turner's staff as secondary coach and defensive pass-game coordinator.

Babich comes to FIU with a decade of experience, including five years in the NFL.

Following a brief stint at Edinboro University (defensive coordinator/defensive backs coach in 2016), Babich served as the assistant secondary coach for the Cleveland Browns the last three years, working with the safeties. During that time, he worked with the likes of All-Pros Joe Haden and T.J. Ward, along with Tashaun Gibson and Donte Whitner.

Before joining the Browns, Babich spent two seasons with the Carolina Panthers as a defensive assistant (2012) and administrative assistant for the coaching staff (2011). He assisted with day-to-day operations and worked with the nickelbacks.

Prior to joining the Panthers, Babich served as secondary coach at Eastern Illinois University from 2007-10. In 2009, Babich's secondary was instrumental in helping the Panthers rank in the top 20 nationally in takeaways as Rashad Haynes and C.J. James each earned All-Ohio Valley Conference honors.

Originally from Tulsa, Oklahoma, Babich began his coaching career in 2006 as a graduate assistant at Kent State. He worked with a secondary that featured future NFL Draft picks Usama Young (2007 third round, New Orleans) and Jack Williams (2008 fourth round, Denver).

Babich was a four-year letterman as a cornerback at North Dakota State. He was a two-time academic all-conference honoree and led the team in interceptions as a senior. His father, Bob, has coached in the NFL since 2003 and is currently the linebackers coach for the San Diego Chargers after serving the last three years as the defensive coordinator with the Jacksonville Jaguars.

Babich and his wife Lacey have two children - daughter Lainey and son Bray.

Personal Information

Full Name:	Robert Thomas Babich
Hometown:	Tulsa, Okla.
Family:	Wfie, Lacey, Two children, one daughter, Lainey, and one son, Bray
Education:	Bachelor's in Business Adminstration North Dakota State (2006)

Coaching Career

2016	FIU, Secondary/Defensive Pass Game Coordinator
2016	Edinboro University, Defensive Coordinator
2013-2015	Cleveland Browns, Assist. Defensive Backs Coach - Safeties
2012	Carolina Panthers, Assist. Defensive Backs Coach
2007-2010	Eastern Illinois, Secondary Coach
2006	Kent State, Graduate Assistant/Cornerbacks



Jason Brooks - Tight Ends



Jason Brooks begins his fourth season with FIU football in 2016, and his second serving as the Panthers' tight end's coach, after spending the first two years in charge of the secondary.

Brooks took over the tight ends corps in 2015 that was led by All-Conference USA preseason and Mackey Award Watch List selection Jonnu Smith. Smith, who enters his senior season, finished last year fourth on the team in receiving pulling in 36 passes for 397 yards, and four touchdowns, in eight games. Joining Smith on the Mackey Award Watch List was Ya'Keem Griner, who posted 21 catches for 225 yards and two touchdowns in seven games played.

During the 2014 season, FIU's secondary led a defense that finished second the nation in turnovers forced (33), including 19 fumble recoveries. Of those 19 fumble recoveries, eight took place in the red zone. The 33 turnovers rank No. 3 all-time at FIU, while the 19 fumble recoveries rank No. 2 all-time. FIU recorded multiple turnover games eight times, including a school-record six turnovers twice (vs. Wagner; at UAB). Those turnovers ultimately led to 105 points for the Panthers.

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

The Panthers' defense also did their part to score points during the season, recording six defensive touchdowns (No. 2 in the nation). FIU had five pick sixes (school record) and one fumble recovery for a touchdown

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.

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 senior defensive assistant 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, and a son Avery.

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

2015-16	FIU, Tight Ends
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



▶▶▶▶ Kirk Doll - Special Teams



Kirk Doll enters his first season on Head Coach Ron Turner's staff as the Panthers' special teams coordinator after serving in the same role at East Carolina for the past four seasons.

Doll brings a wealth of coaching experience, having spent the past 36 years coaching at college football's highest level with eight programs and in the professional ranks with two organizations. He has coached on teams that played in 17 bowl games and a pair of American Football Conference (AFC) playoff contests.

Prior to coming to FIU, Doll was ECU's special teams coordinator and running backs coach from 2012 to 2015. During that time, he directed ECU's first 2,000-yard rushing season since 2009 (only the program's fourth since 1989) and completed an overhaul of the Pirates' special teams units that produced upper tier national statistical rankings despite working with a first-year punter (twice), placekicker and deep snapper.

After tutoring back-to-back 1,000-rushing performances by Vintavious Cooper in 2012 and 2013, which marked the first consecutive 1K seasons by a Pirate running back since 1993 and 1994, Doll successfully managed a multi-pronged ground attack in 2014 that netted 2,094 yards and an average of 4.8 an attempt -- ECU's highest per-carry clip since 2007.

After ranking last (120th) nationally in net punting in 2011 before his arrival, Doll's reconstruction assignment paid immediate dividends with a No. 55 standing in 2012. A year later, ECU stood seventh in the country with a kickoff return average of 25.1 yards-per-game and ranked among the FBS's Top 50 in three other special teams categories -- punt returns (39th), field goals made-per-game (39th) and punt return coverage (50th).

From 2012 to 2014, Doll's units have averaged over 42.0 yards-per-boot in three-straight seasons for only the second time in school history (and first since the 2001, 2002 and 2003 campaigns). He coached first-year punter Worth Gregory to a No. 23 national rank with a 43.6 average, which also included 13 kicks that traveled beyond 50 yards. Gregory followed that up with a sophomore campaign (2015), averaging 43.1 yards-per-punt. In Doll's final year with the Pirates (2015), ECU ranked No. 39, nationally, in net punting (38.64 ypp), No. 48 in punt returns (9.78 ypr) and No. 10 in punt return defense, allowing just 3.98 yards-per-return.

His lengthy and accomplished coaching career was deservedly recognized by his hometown in the spring of 2015 when he was inducted into the Wichita (Kan.) Sports Hall of Fame & Museum on April 18.

Before accepting the offer to return to his alma mater, Doll spent the 2011 season as San Jose State's special teams coordinator and running backs coach. The Spartans' kicking game thrived under his guidance as kicker Jens Alvernik finished second nationally in field goals per game and punter Harrison Waid ranked 26th in the FBS with a 42.79 average.

His decorated coaching career began at Wichita State in 1975 as a graduate assistant and continued with full-time appointments as offensive line coach at Tulsa (1980-84), outside linebackers coach at Arizona State (1985-87) and linebackers coach at Texas A&M (1988-93) before handling various responsibilities, including assistant head coach duties, at Notre Dame from 1994 to 2001.

He helped Louisiana State to a two-year mark of 21-6 as assistant head coach and linebackers coach in 2002 and 2003. The 2003 Tigers, which were guided by head coach Nick Saban and coordinators Jimbo Fisher and Will Muschamp, rolled to a 13-1 record and the BCS championship after a 21-14 victory over Oklahoma in the Sugar Bowl.

Doll's reputation as a special teams mentor was validated in the National Football League when he assisted Denver's special teams unit in 2004 before being named linebackers coach in 2005 and 2006. In each of his three seasons in the Mile High City, the Broncos had a winning record and advanced to the 2005 AFC championship game.

He returned to Texas A&M for two more seasons (2008-09) as tight ends coach/special teams coach and had a one-year stint as special teams coach for the Omaha Nighthawks of the United Football League in 2010 before joining the San Jose State staff. In all, a total of 17 of his collegiate players have gone on to enjoy NFL careers.

Doll earned a bachelor's degree from ECU in 1973 before adding a second undergraduate degree from Wichita State in 1977. Doll lettered as a defensive end at East Carolina in 1971 and 1972, and helped Sonny Randle's Pirates to a Southern Conference title as a senior.

He and his wife, Kathy, are the parents of three children - Kate, Kelsey and Kyle.

Personal Information

Full Name:	Kirk Douglas Doll
Hometown:	Wichita, Kan.
Family:	Wife, Kathy; Two daughters, Kate and Kelsey, and one son, Kyle
Education:	B.S. in Parks and Recreation East Carolina (1973) B.A. in Education Wichita State (1976)

Coaching Career

2016	FIU, Special Teams Coordinator
2012-2015	East Carolina, Special Teams Coordintor/Running Backs Coach
2011	San Jose State, Special Teams Coordintor/Running Backs Coach
2010	Omaha Nighthawks, Special Teams Coord./Linebackers Coach
2008-2009	Texas A&M, Special Teams Coordinator/Tight Ends Coach
2005-2006	Denver Broncos, Linebackers Coach
2004	Denver Broncos, Defensive Assist./ST Assist./Assist. DBs Coach
2002-2003	LSU, Assist. Head Coach/Linebackers/Special Teams Assistant
1996-2001	Notre Dame, Assist. HC/Linebackers/Special Teams Assistant
1995	Notre Dame, Assist. HC/DEs Coach/Special Teams Assistant
1994	Notre Dame, Assist. HC/Linebackers/Special Teams Assistant
1989-1993	Texas A&M, Outside Linebackers/Special Teams Assistant
1988	Texas A&M, Inside Linebackers/Special Teams Assistant
1985-1987	Arizona State, Outside Linebackers/Special Teams Assistant
1983-84	Tulsa, Offensive Guards and Centers Coach
1980-83	Tulsa, Offensive Tackles and Tight Ends Coach
1979	Iowa State, Part-Time Assistant Tight Ends Coach
1977-78	Texas City H.S., Defensive Ends/Offensive Line Coach
1975-76	Wichita State, Student Assistant Defensive Ends Coach

Postseason as a Coach

2014	East Carolina (NCAA); 2015 Birmingham Bowl
2013	East Carolina (NCAA); 2013 Beef 'O' Brady's Bowl
2012	East Carolina (NCAA); 2012 R+L Carrier New Orleans Bowl
2009	Texas A&M (NCAA); 2009 Independence Bowl
2003	LSU (NCAA); 2004 Nokia Sugar Bowl
2002	LSU (NCAA); 2003 SBC Cotton Bowl
2000	Notre Dame (NCAA); 2001 Fiesta Bowl
1998	Notre Dame (NCAA); 1999 Gator Bowl
1997	Notre Dame (NCAA); 1997 Independence Bowl
1995	Notre Dame (NCAA); 1996 Orange Bowl
1994	Notre Dame (NCAA); 1995 Fiesta Bowl
1993	Texas A&M (NCAA); 1994 Mobil Cotton Bowl Classic
1992	Texas A&M (NCAA); 1993 Mobil Cotton Bowl Classic
1991	Texas A&M (NCAA); 1992 Mobil Cotton Bowl Classic
1990	Texas A&M (NCAA); 1990 SeaWorld Holiday Bowl
1989	Texas A&M (NCAA); 1989 John Hancock Bowl
1987	Arizona State (NCAA); 1987 Freedom Bowl
1986	Arizona State (NCAA); 1987 Rose Bowl
1985	Arizona State (NCAA); 1985 Holiday Bowl



Tim Harris - Running Backs/Run Game Coordinator



Tim Harris, Jr., enters his second season on Head Coach Ron Turner's staff as the Panthers' running back coach with added responsibility as run-game coordinator.

Under Harris, Jr.'s guidance, the 2015 running backs corps logged 1,319 yards on the year. In addition, FIU's ground game totaled 15 rushing touchdowns (sixth-most in school history), and Alex Gardner rushed for 760 yards on 186 carries (No. 9 in C-USA) with nine rushing touchdowns (third-most in school history).

Harris, Jr., comes to FIU after one year as the head coach of Booker T. Washington High School. In his first season as head coach, Harris, Jr., the Class 4A Coach of the Year and the son of legendary Washington coach and two-time Florida Dairy Farmers Coach-of-the-Year Tim "Ice" Harris (2012, 2013), led the Tornadoes to their second-straight 14-0 record, their third-straight Class 4A state title and a No. 2 final national ranking (USA Today). The Tornadoes capped this year's title run with a 54-35 state championship win over the Jacksonville Bolles. Harris, Jr., was named the 2014 Florida Dairy Farmers Football Coach of the Year, the 2014 Miami Dolphins George Smith South Florida High School Football Coach of the Year, the 2014 NIKE Football State Coach of the Year and a finalist for the 2014 U.S. Army All-American National Coach of the Year.

Prior to taking over the reins in 2014, Harris, Jr., was the offensive coordinator for the Tornadoes for five seasons. During that time he also coached wide receivers and quarterbacks. In 2013, Harris, Jr., helped Booker T. Washington win the 2013 National Championship, averaging 41.9 points-per-game. He also served as the Tornadoes' Head Track & Field Coach from 2010-2014. During that time, Harris, Jr., won the 2014 FHSAA Class 2A Boy Track & Field State Championships and was the state runner-up in 2013. He was awarded the Miami-Dade County Boys Track & Field Coach of the Year in 2013.

Harris, Jr., was four-time NCAA All-American and ACC champion for the University of Miami's track and field team. He earned a degree in English and creative writing from UM in 2008.

Harris, Jr. and his wife, Nicolette, reside in Miramar, Florida. Nicolette is an athletic trainer and assistant clinical professor in the Nicole Wertheim College of Nursing and Health Sciences at FIU.

Personal Information

Full Name:	Tim Harris, Jr.
Hometown:	Miami, Fla.
Family:	Wife, Nicolette
Education:	B.A. in English University of Miami (2008)

Coaching Career

2015	FIU, Running Backs Coach/Run Game Coordintor
2015	FIU, Running Backs Coach
2014	Booker T. Washington High School, Head Coach
2009-2013	Booker T. Washington High School, Offensive Coordinator/ Assistant Coach





Greg Moss enters the 2016 season as cornerbacks coach on the FIU coaching staff for the second-straight year, after serving as a defensive quality control assistant for the Panthers for the previous three years, primarily working with the defensive backs. Among his many duties, Moss prepared film breakdown, developed opponent receiver reports, assisted with the 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.

Following his playing career, Moss got into coaching, first as an assistant coach for Nova High School in Davie (2008-11). 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.

Moss earned his bachelor's degree in physical education/sports management in 2005 from FIU and received a master's in sports administration in 2013 from St. Thomas.

Moss and his wife Shaun have two daughters, Sai and Taylor.

Personal Information

Full Name:	Greg Moss
Hometown:	Miami, Florida
Family:	Wife, Shaun; Two daughters, Sai and Taylor
Education:	B.S. in Physical Education/Sports Management FIU (2005) Master's in in Sports Administration FIU (2013)

Coaching Career

2015-2016	FIU, Cornerbacks Coach
2012-2014	FIU, Quality Control/Defense
2008-2011	Nova High School, Assistant Defensive Coach



Kort Shankweiler - Quarterbacks/Wide Receivers/Pass Game Coord.



Kort Shankweiler enters the 2016 season as the quarterbacks and wide receivers coach on the FIU football staff, for the second-straight year, after spending two seasons as the Panthers' tight ends coach. In addition, Head Coach Ron Turner has also handed Shankweiler responsibilities as pass-game coordinator.

In 2015, under Shankweiler, Alex McGough had one of the top seasons for a quarterback at FIU, setting the single-season records in completions (269), attempts (420), passing yards (2,722) and passing touchdowns (21). The receivers were led by Thomas Owens, who tied the school record for touchdown receptions in a season (8), while setting a new school record with a touchdown catch in six-straight games.

During the 2014 season, Shankweiler guided a tight end corps that was led by John Mackey Award Watch List selection and First-Team All-C-USA honoree Jonnu Smith, who tallied 61 catches for 710 yards and eight touchdowns to lead all tight ends nationally.

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 Mark Dantonio's staff. 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.

Shankweiler earned a master's degree in sports administration from Michigan State in 2009. Shankweiler and his wife Aubrey reside in Pembroke Pines, Florida.

Personal Information

Full Name:	Steven Kort Shankweiler
Hometown:	Greenville, North Carolina
Family:	Wife, Aubrey
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

2016	FIU, Quarterbacks/Wide Receivers/Pass Game Coordinator
2015	FIU, Quarterbacks and Wide Receivers Coach
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





Paul Volero begins his first season with FIU football in 2016, serving as the Panthers' defensive line coach after spending the three season as the outside linebackers coach at Washington State as well as last season aiding the FIU as a defensive quality control coach.

Prior to last year's stint with FIU, Volero was the outside linebackers coach at Washington State (2012-2014) under Head Coach Mike Leach. In 2013 with the Cougars, he helped the defense force 30 turnovers, second-most in the Pac-12 Conference.

In 2012, Volero worked with senior All-Pac-12 honorable-mention honoree Travis Long, who led the team in sacks (9.5) and tackles for loss (13).

Prior to WSU, Volero spent two years in Key West, Fla., where he was the defensive coordinator at Key West High School.

Prior to that he spent three seasons as a member of the Central Michigan University coaching staff (2007-09). He joined the staff as the defensive line coach in 2007 through 2009 and served as special teams coordinator while continuing to work with the defensive tackles. During his time at CMU, the Chippewas had the No. 1 run defense for three-straight years in the MAC having lost only three games in that span.

Volero coached the entire defensive line during his first two seasons at CMU. In 2008, CMU's defensive linemen combined for 32 sacks, more than the team total of every other program in the Mid-American Conference and the third-most of any defensive line in the country. Three defensive linemen earned All-MAC accolades under Volero's watch.

Frank Zombo, who also earned academic all-conference and academic all-district honors, was an All-MAC first team selection after leading the conference in tackles for loss (15.5) and ranking second in sacks (nine) in 2008. Volero also worked directly with All-MAC third team selections Sean Murnane (2008) and Steven Friend (2007).

Antonio Brown was named Mid-American Conference Special Teams Player of the Year in 2009, while Murnane was an All-MAC third team selection for the second-straight season.

Volero spent the 2004-06 seasons as the special teams quality control coach and academic graduate assistant at West Virginia. He was a part of the staff that led the Mountaineers to Big East Conference championships in 2004 and 2005 and victories in the Sugar Bowl and Gator Bowl during his final two seasons.

In his role at WVU, Volero assisted with special teams breakdown and scheme implementation, along with monitoring the Mountaineers' production on special teams.

Volero began his coaching career at Glenville State College in West Virginia, coaching the defensive line during the 1996 season. Volero helped Glenville State to an NAIA national runner-up finish as a player in 1993.

Volero then served as the defensive coordinator at Miami Senior High School, North Miami Senior High School and Booker T. Washington High School from 1997-2002 before moving to the University of South Florida in 2003. He spent one season as the assistant strength coach and working with the defensive linemen at USF before assuming his post at West Virginia.

Volero played collegiately at both Arizona Western College and Glenville State. He earned his bachelor's degree from Nova Southeastern University in 2004 and his master's from West Virginia in 2006.

Volero and his wife, Nersa, have two children, son Henry and daughter Amy.

Personal Information

Full Name:	Paul Volero
Hometown:	Miami, Fla.
Family:	Wife, Nersa; Two children, one daughter, Amy, and son, Henry
Education:	B.A. in Humanities Nova Southeastern (2004) Master's in Coaching Education West Virginia (2006)

Coaching Career

2016	FIU, Defenisve Line Coach
2012-2014	Washington State, Outside Linebackers Coach
2010-2011	Key West High School, Defensive Coordinator
2009	Central Michigan, Defensive Tackles/Special Teams Coordinator
2007-2008	Cetnral Michigan, Defensive Line Coach
2004-2006	West Virginia, G.A./Special Teams Quality Control
2003	USF, Assistant Strength Coach/Defenisve Lineman
1997-2002	Miami Senior High, Defensive Coordinator North Miami Senior High, Defensive Coordinator Booker T. Washington, Defensive Coordinator
1996	Glenville State (W.Va.), Defensive Line

Postseason as a Coach

2013	Washington State (NCAA); 2013 New Mexico Bowl
2009	Central Michigan (NCAA); 2010 GMAC Bowl
2008	Central Michigan (NCAA); 2008 Motor City Bowl
2007	Central Michigan (NCAA); 2007 Motor City Bowl
2006	West Virginia (NCAA); 2007 Gator Bowl
2005	West Virginia (NCAA); 2006 Sugar Bowl
2004	West Virginia (NCAA); 2005 Gator Bowl

