

HEAD COACH | 1ST SEASON | FRESNO STATE (1992)

Jeff Tedford, 55, was named the 19th head football coach in Fresno State history on Nov. 10, 2016 and was introduced to the Red Wave by Director of Athletics Jim Bartko at a press conference on Nov. 11, 2016.

Tedford, a former Bulldog quarterback and Fresno State assistant coach, returned to the Valley after holding the position of offensive consultant for the Washington Huskies – a 2016 College Football Playoff team.

Tedford assumed the role of acting head coach on Nov. 27, following the conclusion of the 2016 season as interim head coach Eric Kiesau carried out his duties for the remaining two games following Tedford's introduction.

Tedford, who is a proven winner on the West Coast, comes to the Valley with 11 years of head coaching experience at the Division I level - having led the California Golden Bears to 82 wins from 2002-2012. He left as the school's all-time winningest coach.

Tedford's ties to the Valley and Fresno State run deep. He played quarterback at Fresno State in 1981-82 under Jim Sweeney and coached at Fresno State under Sweeney from 1987-88 and 1992-96, and under a then-first-year head coach Pat Hill in 1997.

Tedford's coaching career started at Fresno State, volunteering as an assistant for the 1987-88 seasons, from there he picked up his first full-time position as an assistant for the Calgary Stampeders of the Canadian Football League - a familiar league in which he played quarterback for six seasons after his collegiate career at Fresno State.

He returned to Fresno State in 1992 as the quarterbacks coach and served as the offensive coordinator for the Bulldogs over the ensuing five seasons.

Tedford held the same position at Oregon (1998-2001) before he became the head coach at Cal. He was named the Pac-10 Coach of the Year twice, led the Golden Bears to a school record seven consecutive bowl games and to a conference title in 2006.

Following Tedford's stint at Cal, he moved on to the NFL in 2014 as the Tampa Bay Buccaneers' offensive coordinator. The stop did not last long due to health issues during the preseason that evolved into an indefinite leave of absence which resulted in the two sides mutually agreeing to part ways.

Tedford made his return to the CFL in 2015 as he was named the head coach of the B.C. Lions. At the conclusion of the season, Tedford elected to exercise an option in his contract to resign and pursue opportunities in college football.

Tedford made his return to college football as an offensive consultant for the Washington Huskies under head coach Chris Peterson in 2016. A relationship rekindled after their time together as assistants at Oregon under then-coach Mike Belotti. Washington's staff also included associate head coach Bob Gregory, who served as Tedford's defensive coordinator at Cal for eight seasons.

Tedford graduated from Warren High School in Downey, California and attended Cerritos Junior College for two seasons before becoming the Bulldogs' quarterback in 1981.

He and his wife Donna have two children, Taylor and Quinn.



### Cal Football (Head Coach, 2002-2012):

After accepting his first head coaching position in 2002, Tedford spent 11 seasons at the helm of the Cal football team. Tedford left Cal as the winningest coach in program history with 82 wins; the Golden Bears posted a school-record run of seven straight bowl appearances from 2003-09 and ranked as high as No. 2 in the nation in 2007 - its highest ranking since 1951.

The Bears were 5-3 in the postseason under Tedford, including a school-record string of four consecutive bowl wins from 2005-08, making him the only Cal mentor with more than two postseason victories. The Bears also won enough games to be bowl eligible with a seven-victory season in his first campaign in 2002, but were ineligible for a bowl. In addition, Cal put together a school-record-tying eight consecutive winning campaigns from 2002-09 and added a ninth in 10 seasons in 2011. Cal twice posted a school record-tying 10 wins under Tedford, the sixth and seventh times in school history, in 2004 and 2006.

All of this at the head of a program that won just one game in 2001, the year prior to his arrival - making the renaissance of the Cal football program over that decade arguably one of the most impressive turnarounds in college football history.

The Bears had 40 players selected in the NFL Draft during the 11 drafts following seasons that have occurred while Tedford was the head coach at Cal, including eight first-round picks.

Tedford also has earned a reputation as a strong recruiter, with his last three classes in 2010, '11 and '12 being ranked as high as No. 11, No. 13 and No. 15 nationally. Prior to the 2011 campaign, Sporting News bestowed the honor of the Pac-12's best recruiter on him.

But Tedford's teams not only got it done on the field, they got it done in the classroom in Berkeley. His players were recognized as conference All-Academic honorees 110 times in 11 seasons.

Tedford's success with the Cal program also resulted in local devotion and national attention. Cal averaged more than 57,000 fans per contest for seven consecutive seasons from 2004-10, before moving to the 45,000-seat AT&T Park in 2011 while Memorial Stadium underwent an extensive renovation and retrofit prior to reopening for the team's 2012 home contests. The seven-year stretch included a string of 43 consecutive games in front of at least 50,000 fans at Memorial Stadium (Sept. 11, 2004 - Nov. 20, 2010). In 2006, the Bears set school records for average fans per home game (64,318) and overall spectators (450,223). The following year in 2007, Cal established a school record with 41,366 season-ticket holders.

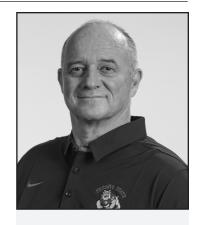
Nationally, Cal had multiple Heisman Trophy candidates under Tedford's tutelage, with J.J. Arrington (2004), Marshawn Lynch (2006), DeSean Jackson (2007) and Jahvid Best (2009) among top candidates for the prestigious honor at some point in the season; Arrington finished eighth in the final voting.

Tedford has used his own signal-calling experience to build a reputation as a quarterback guru. During his lengthy collegiate coaching career at Cal (2002-2012), Oregon (1998-2001) and Fresno State (1992-97), Tedford has been an integral piece in the development of six quarterbacks that became NFL first-round picks - Kyle Boller, David Carr, Trent Dilfer, Joey Harrington, Aaron Rodgers and Akili

Tedford Year-by-Year College Head Coaching Record					
Year	School	Overall	Conference	Postseason	
2002	Cal	7-5	4-4 (T-4th)		
2003	Cal	8-6	5-3 (T-3rd)	Insight	
2004	Cal	10-2	7-1 (2nd)	Holiday	
2005	Cal	8-4	4-4 (T-4th)	Las Vegas	
2006	Cal	10-3	7-2 (T-1st)	Holiday	
2007	Cal	7-6	3-6 (T-7th)	Armed Forces	
2008	Cal	9-4	6-3 (4th)	Emerald	
2009	Cal	8-5	5-4 (T-5th)	Poinsettia	
2010	Cal	5-7	3-6 (8th)		
2011	Cal	7-6	4-5 (4th North)	Holiday	
2012	Cal	3-9	2-7 (5th North)		
Totals	12 Years	82-57 (.590)	50-45 (.526)	8 Bowl Appearances	

Rodgers, an under-theradar junior college transfer like Tedford, ranked No. 8 nationally in pass efficiency in 2004 when he completed 66.1 percent of his passes for 2,566 yards and 24 touchdowns with only eight interceptions for the Bears. He put up similar numbers the previous season when he

Smith.



## COACHING EXPERIENCE

#### Fresno State (2016-2017)

• Head Coach

#### Washington (2016)

Offensive Consultant

#### B.C. Lions (2015)

• Head Coach

#### Tampa Bay Bucaneers (2014)

Offensive Coordinator

### California (2002-12)

• Head Coach

#### Oregon (1998-2001)

Offensive Coordinator

#### Fresno State (1992-97)

- Offensive Coordinator (1993-97)
- Quarterbacks Coach (1992)

## Calgary Stampeders (1989-91)

· Offensive Assistant

#### Fresno State (1987-88)

· Volunteer Assistant Coach

#### PERSONAL

## Hometown

· Downey, Calif.

#### Education

• Fresno State - B.A. (1992)

#### Playing Exp.

- Hamilton Tiger-Cats (1983-85)
- Calgary Stampeders (1986)
- Saskatchewan Roghriders (1987)
- Winnipeg Blue Bombers (1988)
- Fresno State (QB, 1981-82)
- Cerritos College (QB, 1979-80)

- Wife: Donna
- Children: Taylor, Quinn



completed 61.6 percent of his passes for 2,903 yards and 19 touchdowns with only five interceptions. After being drafted by the Green Bay Packers in the first round of the 2005 NFL Draft, Rodgers has become one of the top quarterbacks in the NFL and followed his first Pro Bowl selection in 2009 by earning Super Bowl XLV MVP honors the following season after leading the Packers to a victory over the Pittsburgh Steelers.

In addition to his success with quarterbacks, Tedford's teams have featured balanced attacks and became notorious for their ferocity on the ground. In nine of his first 10 seasons at Cal, Tedford had at least one running back post a 1,000-yard rushing season, including a string of seven consecutive years with a 1,000-yard rusher from 2002-08 and then again in 2010 and 2011.

**'**CI can't think of a better place to lead a group of young men onto the football field. Coming to Fresno State is coming home for myself and my family. To have this special opportunity to return to my coaching roots is truly a dream come true. Our mission will be to grow and develop young people to reach their full potential in all areas ... academically, athletically, socially and spiritually ... to complete at high levels in the classroom and on the field while doing so with great character and high integrity."

Fresno State head coach Jeff Tedford

In 2004, Arrington broke Chuck Muncie's single-season school record with 2,018 yards, which led the country (168.2 ypg) as Arrington rushed for at least 100 yards in each of his 12 contests. In 2007, Justin Forsett's 1,546 rushing yards were briefly the second-best in Cal history, but Best's four-game flourish (814 yards) at the end of 2008 gave him 1,580 for the year to move past Forsett. Lynch had back-toback 1,000-yard seasons in 2005 and 2006, while Adimchinobe Echemandu (1,195 yards in 2003), Isi Sofele (1,322 yards in 2011), Shane Vereen (1,167 yards in 2010), and Joe Igber (1,075 yards in 2002) each reached the 1,000-yard milestone under Tedford as well.

While offense has been Tedford's forte, Cal's defense toughened considerably during his reign as the Bears' coach. His 2004 team ranked eighth nationally in scoring defense, allowing just 16.0 points per game. In 2005, the Bears led the Pac-10 in scoring defense, giving up only 21.2 points per contest. In 2008, Cal led the Pac-10 in the two key categories of red zone defense (68.2%) and takeaways (34). The Bears were second in the conference in rush defense (112.0 ypg) in 2009. Cal then had a stellar season on defense in 2010 in their first year under former Super Bowl coordinator Clancy Pendergast, leading the league and ranking among the top 25 nationally in sacks (2.83 spg, No. 13 NCAA), total defense (319.08 ypg, No. 18 NCAA) and pass defense (187.0 ypg, No. 21 NCAA). In 2011, Cal again led the Pac-12 in total defense (332.92 ypg) and pass defense (204.23 ypg), ranking 25th and 37th nationally. Cal also continued to make big plays on defense in 2011 as the Pac-12's top team in tackles for loss (7.69 tflpg, No. 7 NCAA) while ranking third in the conference in sacks (2.62 spg, No. 19 NCAA). In addition, the Bears led the Pac-12 in opponents' first downs, allowing only 17.4 per game.

Other national recognition that came the Bears way under Tedford was: Alex Mack picking up the 2008 Draddy Award (often referred to as the Academic Heisman), while Mike Mohamed was one of 16 players across the country in the National Football Foundation's Scholar-Athlete Class of 2010 and a finalist for the prestigious honor won by Mack now known as the William V. Campbell Trophy. Giorgio

## First Round NFL Quarterbacks Coached by Tedford

- Kyle Boller (Cal) 2003: 19th pick (Baltimore)
- Coached in 2002
- David Carr (Fresno State) 2002: 1st pick (Houston)
  - Coached in 1997
- Trent Dilfer (Fresno State) 1994: 6th pick (Tampa Bay)
- Coached from 1992-93
- Joey Harrington (Oregon) 2002: 3rd pick (Detroit)
  - Coached from 1998-2001
- Aaron Rodgers (Cal) 2005: 24th pick (Green Bay)
- Coached from 2003-04
- Akili Smith (Oregon) 1999: 3rd pick (Cincinnati)
- Coached in 1998

Tavecchio was a semifinalist for the same honor in 2011. In 2006, the Bears had a pair of players collect national awards. Jackson was the recipient of the inaugural Randy Moss Award as the top returner in the country, while Daymeion Hughes earned The Lott IMPACT Trophy, given to the nation's top defensive player to equally recognize his athletic performance and personal character.

### As an Assistant Coach:

Prior to his arrival in Berkeley, Tedford was the offensive coordinator and quarterbacks coach at Oregon, serving in that role for four seasons, including the 2001 campaign when the Ducks finished with a No. 2 national ranking.

Tedford played an integral role in the rise of the Oregon program during his tenure in Eugene – a period in which the Ducks posted the Pac-10's best record (38-10) while finishing progressively better each year (8-4 in 1998, 9-3 in 1999, 10-2 in 2000 and 11-1 in 2001). During his first season as offensive coordinator in 1998, Oregon set school records in passing yards, total offense and points scored. Tedford's passing acumen was clearly evident in the rapid development of Smith, who earned Pac-10 Offensive Player of the Year accolades as he finished second in the nation in pass efficiency and was later chosen third overall in the 1999 NFL Draft by Cincinnati.

Duck quarterbacks A.J. Feeley and Joey Harrington combined to pass for 3,131 yards and 24 TDs on the Sun Bowl champion team that ranked 13th nationally in scoring in 1999, while the 2000 club tied for the Pac-10 crown and defeated Texas in the Holiday Bowl. Tedford's last Oregon squad in 2001 showcased one of the nation's premier quarterbacks in Harrington, who won Pac-10 Offensive Player of the



Year honors and finished fourth in the Heisman Trophy balloting.

In 1992 as the quarterbacks coach at Fresno State, Tedford began honing the skills of Trent Dilfer. Under Tedford's guidance, the Bulldogs' quarterback earned first-team All-WAC honors for an offense that led the nation in scoring (44.2 ppg), ranked second in total offense (541.9 ypg) and beat USC in the Freedom Bowl. A season later, Tedford became the Bulldogs' offensive coordinator, and Fresno State ranked third nationally in scoring and total offense while earning an Aloha Bowl invitation. Dilfer ranked first nationally in passing efficiency (173.1 rating) and won the WAC Offensive Player of the Year award. He was later chosen by Tampa Bay with the sixth overall selection of the 1994 NFL Draft.

Tedford's coaching career began with two seasons as a volunteer assistant at Fresno State (1987-88) before he joined Calgary of the CFL for three seasons (1989-91), including the 1991 team that advanced to the Grey Cup title game.

#### Playing Career:

A relentless drive developed in Tedford as a young football player at Warren High School, in the

## Jeff Tedford Coaching Highlights

- Has coached in 14 Bowl Games.
- Led Cal to a school-record seven consecutive bowl games.
- Led the Golden Bears to a school-record-tying eight straight winning seasons (2002-09).
- Had 40 players at Cal drafted into the NFL.
- Recorded 14 wins over ranked teams during his 11 seasons at Cal.
- Two-time Pac-10 Coach of the Year (2002, 2004).
- Offenses at Cal averaged at least 29 points per game in nine of 11 seasons, including a then-program best of 36.8 in 2004.
- Produced seven-staight 1,000-yard rushing seasons and had a 1,000-yard rusher in nine of his 11 seasons at Cal.
- 2008: Offensive lineman Alex Mack was awarded the Draddy Trophy, otherwise known as the "Academic Heisman".
- 2007: Six players selected in the 2008 NFL Draft, a school-record for the seven-round version of the draft.
- 2006: Named a finalist for the Liberty Mutaul Coach of the Year Award.
- 2004: Posted school's best regular-season record (10-1) since 1950 team which was 9-0-1 en route to being named Pac-10 Coach of the Year for the second time, a feat that no other coach at Cal had accomplished.
- 2004: All-American J.J. Arrington rushed for a NCAA-best and program record, 2,018 yards.
- 2003: Led the Pac-10 in rushing for the first time in 45 years with 2,356 yards and a 168.3 yard per game average.
- 2002: Named Pac-10 Coach of the Year in his first season at Cal, tying for the biggest one-year turnaround in the nation, and second-largest in in program history, after a six-win increase.
- 2002: Led the Bears to three victories over nationally-ranked opponents in the same season for the first time in 52 years.

Coaching History in Bowl Games					
As a Head Coach	<u>School</u>	Result (Opponent)			
☐ 2011 Holiday	California	L, 21-10 (Texas)			
☐ 2009 Poinsettia	California	L, 37-27 (Utah)			
☐ 2008 Emerald	California	W, 24-17 (Miami)			
☐ 2007 Armed Forces	California	W, 42-36 (Air Force)			
☐ 2006 Holiday	California	W, 45-10 (Texas A&M)			
☐ 2005 Las Vegas	California	W, 35-28 (BYU)			
□ 2004 Holiday	California	L, 45-31 (Texas Tech)			
□ 2003 Insight	California	W, 52-49 (Virginia Tech)			
<ul> <li>As an Assistant</li> </ul>					
☐ 2001 Fiesta	Oregon	W, 38-16 (Colorado)			
□ 2000 Holiday	Oregon	W, 35-30 (Texas)			
☐ 1999 Sun	Oregon	W, 24-20 (Minnesota)			
☐ 1998 Aloha	Oregon	L, 51-43 (Colorado)			
☐ 1993 Aloha	Fresno State	L, 41-30 (Colorado)			
☐ 1992 Freedom	Fresno State	W, 24-7 (USC)			

Southern California city of Downey, that led the undersized quarterback to a solid prep career. Tedford had a standout two-year stint at Cerritos College (1979-80) before a record-setting two-year stay at Fresno State (1981-82). During his days as a Bulldog, he established several school passing records, including career marks for passing yardage (4,872) and touchdown passes (35), while earning honorable mention All-America notice in 1982 when he set single-season Fresno State standards for passing yardage (2,993) and TD passes (24).

After departing Fresno State, Tedford played professionally in the Canadian Football League for six seasons with Hamilton, Calgary, Saskatchewan and Winnipeg. He appeared in the league's championship game (Grey Cup) with Hamilton in 1984.



## KALEN DEBOER

Offensive Coordinator 1ST SEASON | SIOUX FALLS (1998)

Kalen DeBoer (pronounced duh-BOR) begins his first season at Fresno State in the role of offensive coordinator, after spending the previous three seasons at Eastern Michigan as the team's offensive coordinator and quarterbacks coach. He was hired December 24,

Prior to joining the Bulldogs' staff, DeBoer helped guide EMU to its first bowl bid since 1987 following a 7-5 regular season. Despite dropping the Popeyes Bahamas Bowl 24-20 to Old Dominion, Eastern Michigan finished its first season above .500 since 1995.

EMU tied the Football Bowl Subdivision mark for biggest turnarounds, improving on its win total from one win in 2015, to seven in 2016. As an offense, EMU ranked 35th in the FBS in total offense, posting 455.2 yards per game in 13 contests. The team also shattered the school record for total yards team offense with 5,917 yards, breaking the previous record of 5,010.

Total offense was not the only school record EMU bested in 2016 as DeBoer's offense set team season records for points scored (385), passing yards (3,849), touchdown passes (25), first downs (303), pass completions (309), plays (999) as well single-game plays (99). His squad racked up the second-most touchdowns (47) and rushing TDs (21) in a season and the second-most single-game touchdown (8) and first downs (35).

Eastern was led by redshirt junior quarterback Brogan Roback, who put up tall numbers in his 10 appearances in 2016. He finished with 219 completions for 2,694 yards and 18 touchdowns. He had six 300-yard games and a season-high of 468 yards. The offense got its start up front from an experienced offensive line, which had 166 combined starts under its belt. The group combined to allow the eighth fewest sacks in the nation, as well as the second fewest tackles for a loss

Other notable offensive highlights for the Eagles this past season include ranking 16th in the FBS in third down conversions, 26th in the FBS in first down offense, 18th in the FBS in passing offense and 21st in the FBS in red zone offense.

During the 2015 campaign, EMU finished the year with 39 touchdowns, a mark that is tied for the fifth-most in a single-season during the squad's 124-year history, while its 4,560 yards of total offense was also the fifth-most. On the ground, EMU churned out the 14th-best single-season rushing total at 1,894 yards. Through the air, EMU quarterbacks combined for 2,666 yards passing, ranking seventh in program single-season annals. EMU's passing attack spread the wealth with seven different receivers having 20-or-more receptions, Eastern Michigan was one of just three schools nationally to accomplish that feat.

Individually, running back Darius Jackson turned in one of the finest seasons in Eastern Michigan history in 2015, setting the school's single-season record with 16 touchdowns and was the 13th player in program history to break the 1,000-yard mark.

In DeBoer's first year running the EMU offense, he helped redshirt-freshman quarterback Reginald Bell Jr. burst on to the national scene, as he was one of just seven quarterbacks nationally to lead his team in both passing and rushing yardage. Bell finished the year with 1,859 total yards offense, which included a 510-yard performance against Ball State - the second-most single-game yardage by one individual in program history.

Prior to his three-year stint at Eastern Michigan, DeBoer spent four



seasons as the offensive coordinator at Southern Illinois (2010-13) while also seeing over the wide receiver unit.

In 2013, the Saluki offense led the Missouri Valley Football Conference (FCS) with 231.8 passing yards per game, the fourth highest total in school history. SIU's 25 passing touchdowns on the season tied for the third highest total in school history. The offense was led by senior quarterback Kory Faulkner, who ranked 32nd in the nation in passing yards per game. SIU also led the MVFC in first downs (20.5/game) and third down conversions (49.2%).

SIU totaled over 400 yards of offense in six of its first seven games before Faulkner suffered an injury with a second-half lead against No. 1 North Dakota State, Under DeBoer's tutelage, tight end MyCole Pruitt was named to the 2013 American Football Coaches Association (AFCA) FCS All-America team while John Lantz developed into an All-MVFC receiver.

During the 2011 campaign, the Salukis ranked third in the nation with an average of 183.1 rushing yards a contest while finishing third in the MVFC with 377.8 yards per game of total offense. Jewel Hampton rushed for 1,121 yards -- the second tailback at SIU to surpass the 1,000-yard plateau in DeBoer's offense. Bryan Boemer also developed into the Rimington Award winner, which is presented to the nation's premier center.

In 2010, the Saluki offense averaged 30.1 points and 378.2 yards of total offense per game behind a balanced attack. SIU ran for 189.5 yards per game and threw for 188.7.

In total, the Salukis beat 10 Top 25 opponents during DeBoer's

Before leading Eastern Michigan and Southern Illinois to prolific offensive numbers, DeBoer served as the head coach at the University of Sioux Falls, where he led one of the most dominant NAIA programs in the nation.

DeBoer was named a three-time NAIA National Coach of the Year and compiled an astonishing 67-3 (.957) record while guiding USF to three national championships in five seasons. DeBoer won four Great Plains Athletic Conference Championships, 50-straight home games and 29-straight games overall in his final two seasons. He also boasted a 17-2 record in the playoffs.

His teams won back-to-back NAIA National Championships in 2008 and 2009, and adding in his 2006 national championship, DeBoer had as many national championships as games lost during his five-year tenure as USF's head coach.

Under his direction, the Cougars averaged 51.7 points per game in 2009 and scored no less than 25 points in all 15 games. USF scored 40 or more points in 13-of-15 games and also put up 76 and 80 points in wins. Using a balanced attack, USF averaged 487.5 yards of total offense (256.1 rushing and 231.4 passing) in his final season as head coach.

During the 2009 season, USF racked up 775 points for the most points ever scored in a single year at the NAIA level. The total also ranks third-most in college football history at any level. In addition, that squad ranked second in the NAIA at 487 yards per game as it upset Football Championship Subdivision (FCS) foe North Dakota, 28-13.

DeBoer coached three NAIA National Players of the Year in quarterbacks Lorenzo Brown (2009), Chad Cavender (2007) and running back Nick Kortan (2002).

As a head coach, DeBoer coached 18 first-team All-Americans and 41 first-team all-conference honorees at USF. He also helped develop seven student-athletes into All-Americans while acting as the offensive coordinator.

A graduate of USF, DeBoer played for the Cougars from 1993-96, where he was an All-American wide receiver. He set school records for receptions (234), receiving yards (3,400) and touchdown catches

Following his playing days, he became a student assistant for Sioux Falls under coach Bob Young in 1997. From 2000-04, he served as USF's offensive coordinator and succeeded Young as head coach

He and his wife, Nicole, have two daughters, Alexis and Avery.



## COACHING EXPERIENCE

#### Fresno State (2017)

• Offensive Coordinator

#### Eastern Michigan (2014-16)

• Offensive Coordinator/QBs

#### **Southern Illinois** (2010-13)

• Offensive Coordinator/WRs

#### **Sioux Falls** (2000-09)

- Head Coach (2005-09)
- Offensive Coordinator (2000-04)

#### Washington HS (S.D.) (1998-99)

Assistant Coach

#### Sioux Falls (1997)

• Student Assistant Coach (WRs)

## PERSONAL

## Hometown

• Milbank, S.D.

#### Education

• Sioux Falls (1998)

## Playing Exp.

• Sioux Falls (WR)

- Wife: Nicole
- Children: Alexis, Avery



## ORLONDO STEINAUER

Defensive Coordinator

1ST SEASON | WESTERN WASHINGTON (1998)

Orlondo Steinauer was named Fresno State's defensive coordinator on December 14, 2016. He enters his first season leading the Bulldogs' defense after a seven-year career as a coach in the Canadian Football League with his most recent stop as the assistant head coach and defensive coordinator for the Hamilton Tiger-Cats.

Steinauer began his CFL career as a player in 1996 and carried over a 13-year playing career into a coaching career where he vaulted up the ranks.

Steinauer originally joined the Tiger-Cats as their defensive coordinator in 2013, and was elevated to assistant head coach (and defensive coordinator) prior to his fourth season with the team after a near historic defensive performance by his group in 2015.

In 2016, the Tiger-Cats owned the second-most interceptions (17) in the league and tied for the second-most fumble recoveries (19). They tied for third in takeaways (44) and generated the second-most points off turnovers (131). Hamilton also accounted for 50 sacks last season, two short of the league-high.

Individually, Hamilton accounted for four of the 12 East Division all-star positions on the defensive side of the ball in John Chick (DE), Ted Laurent (DT), Simoni Lawrence (LB) and Emanuel Davis (DB). Chick recorded 14 sacks and four forced fumbles while Laurent posted eight sacks – the d-line duo accounted for 22 of the team's 50 sacks. Lawrence had the league's fourth-most tackles (89) and Davis had the league's third-most interceptions (5). Chick would later be named to the CFL All-Star team.

Two seasons ago, the Tiger-Cats scored eight touchdowns on defense, including six interception returns and two fumble returns for touchdowns. The eight defensive touchdowns were the second highest total in franchise history (10 - 1971), and was exactly double the amount produced by the next closest CFL team in 2015, and nearly one quarter of the defensive touchdowns generated by the entire league. The unit's six interception return

touchdowns was just one shy of the CFL record set by the Toronto Argonauts in 2006, a team that Steinauer played on.

Hamilton's defense also accounted for the league's most takeaways (52), points off turnovers (184), most interceptions (tie-26) and most turnovers on downs (15) in 2015, and generated the East Division's Most Outstanding Defensive Player in linebacker Simoni Lawrence, as well as four 2015 CFL All-Stars in Lawrence, defensive backs Craig Butler and Emanuel Davis, and defensive tackle Ted Laurent.

In 2014, Steinauer's defense ranked at or near the top of the league in numerous defensive categories, including fewest rushing yards per game (76.8, 1st), average yards allowed per rush (4.6, 1st) and fewest yards of net offense (5656, 2nd).

Steinauer previously served as defensive backs coach for the Toronto Argonauts from 2010-12, and filled in as defensive coordinator on an interim basis for the final 12 weeks of the 2011 season. In 2012, Steinauer helped direct a stingy Argos defense that allowed opponents to complete just 58.8 percent of their passes – best in the CFL – while surrendering just 269 passing yards per game. The Argos also registered the second-most interceptions (24) and allowed the second-fewest touchdowns (27).

In three seasons under Steinauer, the Argos placed five defensive backs on the East Division All-Star team and two on the CFL All-Star team, including first-year cornerback Pat Watkins in 2012.

As a player, Steinauer captured two Grey Cup rings in 13 seasons as a dominant defensive back. After beginning his career with the Ottawa Rough Riders in 1996, he would spend four years with the Tiger-Cats and eight seasons with the Argonauts. Renowned for his intelligence on the field, Steinauer was named an all-star at three different positions (cornerback, halfback and safety), earning six East All-Star nods and five CFL All-Star honors in total.

His 1,178 interception return yards are the second most in CFL history.

Steinauer began his coaching career in earnest in 1996 when he worked as the defensive backs coach at Western Washington, his alma mater, during the off-season – a role he would continue until 1998.

A native of Seattle, Washington, Steinauer joined Sportsnet as their CFL Insider in 2009 and established 'The Ozone,' a foundation focused on improving the quality of life for those less fortunate.



## **COACHING EXPERIENCE**

#### Fresno State (2017)

• Defensive Coordinator

## Hamilton Tiger-Cats (2016)

 Assistant Head Coach/ Defensive Coordinator

## Hamilton Tiger-Cats (2013-15)

• Defensive Coordinator

## **Toronto Argonauts** (2011)

• Defensive Coordinator (interim)

#### **Toronto Argonauts** (2010-12)

• Assistant Coach (DBs)

#### PERSONAL

#### Hometown

• Seattle, Wash.

#### Education

• Western Washington (1998)

#### Playing Exp.

- Toronto Argonauts (2001-08)
- Hamilton Tiger-Cats (1997-2000)
- Ottawa Rough Riders (1996)
- Western Washington (DB)

- Wife: Gina
- Children: Kiana, Rheyna, Taeya





# JAMAR CAIN

Defensive Line

1ST SEASON | NEW MEXICO STATE (2002)

Jamar Cain enters his first season as the Bulldogs' assistant coach for the defensive line. He was hired March 23, 2017.

Cain coached the last three seasons at North Dakota State. He was part of NDSU's fourth and fifth straight FCS national championships in 2014 and 2015, and the team's sixth consecutive Missouri Valley Football Conference title in 2016.

Cain helped in developing 2014 Buck Buchanan Award winner (best defensive player in the FCS) and consensus All-American Kyle Emanuel, who had 19.5 sacks and 32.5 tackles for a loss his senior year and was a fifth round NFL draft pick. He also coached All-American Greg Menard, a nominee for the 2016 Buck Buchanan Award.



Prior to NDSU, Cain was an assistant coach for defensive lines at Wyoming (2013), Cal Poly (2009-12), and Missouri State (2006-08). While coaching for the Cowboys, Cain was elevated to interim defensive coordinator under head coach Dave Christensen eight games into the season.

Cain was a defensive graduate assistant on Frank Solich's staff at Ohio in 2005, and was the defensive line coach and recruiting coordinator at Sacramento City College in 2004.

Cain graduated from New Mexico State in 2002 with a bachelor's degree in family consumer sciences. He and his wife, DeCarla, have two children, Cosby and Cali.



## **COACHING EXPERIENCE**

### Fresno State (2017)

• Assistant Coach, DL

#### North Dakota State (2014-16)

• Assistant Coach (DE)

#### Wyoming (2013)

• Assistant Coach (DL)/ Defensive Coordinator (interim)

## Cal Poly (2009-12)

• Assistant Coach (DL)

## Missouri State (2006-08)

• Assistant Coach (DL)

#### **Ohio** (2005)

• Defensive Graduate Assistant

#### Sacramento City College (2014)

• Assistant Coach (DL)/ Recuiting Coordnator

#### PERSONAL

#### Hometown

• Sacramento, Calif.

### Education

• New Mexico State (2002)

## Playing Exp.

• New Mexico State (DE)

## Family

• Wife: DeCarla

• Children: Cosby, Cali



# JAMIE CHRISTIAN

RUNNING BACKS/SPECIAL TEAMS COORDINATOR 1ST SEASON | CENTRAL WASHINGTON (1999)

Jamie Christian enters his first season at Fresno State as an assistant coach for running backs as well as serving as the Bulldogs' special teams coordinator. He was hired on December 6, 2016.

The former Bulldog fullback (1991-93) spent the past two seasons as the running backs coach at UNLV; in his time there the Rebels rushing offense dramatically improved from ranking 102nd (129.2 yards/game) in the FBS before he arrived, to 36th (193.7 yards/game) in his first year, and 15th (241.5 yards/game) in 2016.

Christian arrived in Las Vegas after serving as the special teams coordinator and inside receivers and tight ends coach at Houston.

In Christian's final season at UH before the Tom Herman regime took over, the Cougars had a passing offense that produced 230.2 yards per game and was led by Fresno native (Washington Union HS) Deontay Greenberry, who was named a second-team All-American Athletic Conference wide receiver in 2014.

Greenberry led the team with 841 yards receiving, with the next closest teammate trailing him by 302 yards. He left the program with the ninth-most receiving yards in school history (2,612) and eighth on the all-time list for career receptions (201).

In 2013, Christian's special teams at UH earned

three honors from the American Athletic Conference as freshman Demarcus Ayers was named the league's Co-Special Teams Player of the Year and was named to the American's firstteam while Richie Leone was named second-team.

Christian's other unit, inside receivers, received postseason accolades in 2013 as well. Greenberry was named to The American's first-team as he led the league with an average of 100.2 receiving yards per game and was second with 11 receiving touchdowns. Greenberry was second in The American with five 100-yard games.

Noted as a strong recruiter with ties to California, and now Houston and Louisiana, he was named to Rivals' top recruiters list in 2013.

Before joining the Cougars in 2012, Christian spent five seasons coaching the special teams, running backs, tight ends and inside receivers at Arizona State of the Pac-12 Conference, including mentoring 2007 Lou Groza Award winner Thomas Weber.

Christian also tutored ASU's Gerell Robinson, one of college football's top pass-catchers in 2011, making 77 receptions for 1,397 yards and seven scores.

Prior to his time at Arizona State, Christian spent five seasons with Dennis Erickson (his uncle) at

> the University of Idaho (2006), the San Francisco 49ers (2003, 2004) and at Oregon State (2000, 2001). Christian has also coached at Northern Arizona (2002) and at Sacramento State (2005).

> Christian was fullback at Fresno State (1991-93) before transferring to Central Washington to finish out his collegiate career as a running back. In Christian's sophomore season in 1992, Tedford arrived to Fresno State as a firstvear assistant coach. Christian switched to running back as a senior at Central Washington and was its leader in rushing yards and touchdowns and helped lead the Wildcats to the 1995 NAIA National Championship.



## **COACHING EXPERIENCE**

#### Fresno State (2017)

Assistant Coach (RB/STC)

## UNLV (2015-16)

· Assistant Coach (RB)

#### Houston (2012-14)

• Assistant Coach (STC/TE/IWR)

#### Arizona State (2007-11)

• Assistant Coach (STC/IWR/RB)

#### Idaho (2006)

• Assistant Coach (RB)

## Sacramento State (2005)

• Assistant Coach (RB)

## San Francisco 49ers (2003-04)

• Defensive Quality Control

#### Northern Arizona (2002)

Assistant Coach (DB)

#### Oregon State (2000-01)

• Defensive Graduate Assistant

#### PERSONAL

## Hometown

• Milpitas, Calif.

## Education

• Central Washington (1999)

## Playing Exp.

- Central Washington (RB)
- Fresno State (FB)

- Wife: Deja
- Children: Cree
- Grand Children: Akari



## RYAN GRUBB

## Offensive Line/Run Game Coordinator 1st Season | Buena Vista (1999)

Ryan Grubb enters his first year at Fresno State, following three seasons at Eastern Michigan. Grubb will serve as the Bulldogs' offensive line coach and run game coordinator. He was hired on December 24, 2016.

As the offensive line coach at EMU, he guided an experienced unit in 2016: a line that had 166 combined starts under its belt. The group combined to allow the eighth-fewest sacks in the nation by allowing a program record-low of 13 sacks, as well as the second-fewest tackles for a loss in the nation.

Grubb's line produced two postseason All-MAC linemen in Cole Gardner and Andrew Wylie at seasons end.

Eastern Michigan ranked 35th in the FBS in total offense, posting 455.2 yards per game in 13 contests. The team also shattered the school record for total yards team offense with 5,917 yards, breaking the previous record of 5,010.

Total offense was not the only school record EMU bested in 2016 as the Eastern Michigan offense set team season records for points scored (385), passing yards (3,849), touchdown passes (25), first downs (303), pass completions (309), plays (999) as well singlegame plays (99). The squad racked up the second-most touchdowns (47) and rushing TDs (21) in a season and the second-most singlegame touchdown (8) and first downs (35).

On the ground, the team produced the seventh-most yards rushing in program history (2,068).

During the 2015 campaign, EMU finished the year with 39 touchdowns, a mark that tied for the fifth-most in a single-season in program history, while its 4,560 yards of total offense was also the fifth-most. On the ground, EMU churned out the 14th-best single-season rushing total at 1,894 yards.

In his first season at EMU, Grubb's offensive line helped the offense racked up 1,654 yards on the ground and 1,821 yards through the air.

Before arriving to Eastern Michigan, Grubb spent seven seasons at the University of Sioux Falls: the first three as the run game coordinator and offensive line coach followed by four seasons as the offensive coordinator. Grubb shared the same sideline with current Bulldog offensive coordinator Kalen DeBoer from 2007-09 at USF and took over DeBoer's OC duties upon his departure.

During Grubb's time at Sioux Falls, the team posted an astonishing 75-13 (.852) record, as Grubb helped guide USF to two national championships and four Great Plains Athletic Conference championships.

During the 2013 campaign, the Cougars' offense averaged 33.0 points and 467.9 yards of total offense per game. The USF rushing



attack was extremely potent, racking up 2,705 yards on the ground and 31 touchdowns. That number ranked 18th in Division II and was an increase of more than 1,300 yards from the previous season

Grubb's 2012 quick-strike offense played a vital role in USF's inaugural NCAA success (Division II). Nationally, the Cougar offense ranked 40th in passing efficiency (141.78), 47th in passing offense (253.50) and 49th in scoring (31.3 ppg). Within the conference, USF ranked sixth in passing offense. His high-powered unit scored 40 points or more on four occasions, including a 54-point explosion against Upper Iowa University, while tallying an impressive 60 plays of 25 yards or more, 15 of which resulted in a touchdown. Grubb mentored five all-conference selections and two Don Hansen All-Region honorces in 2012.

In 2011, Grubb's youthful offense posted 347 total yards per game en route to 31.2 points per contest. The Cougar scoring attack was especially efficient in the redzone, where they converted 89 percent of their chances, 66 percent of which resulted in a touchdown.

The Cougar offense thrived in its first year under the command of Grubb. During the 2010 season, the USF offense led the GPAC in pass offense (271.5 yds/gm), scoring offense (41.2 pts/gm), and total offense (432.6). In the NAIA, USF's offense ranked third in scoring offense (577 pts) and fourth in pass offense (3,821 yds). Under Grubb, senior receiver Jon Ryan was named the NAIA Football Player of the Year and the GPAC Offensive Player of the Year. Coach Grubb saw 15 offensive players grab GPAC All-Conference honors, three of which were honored on the first team.

Entering the 2010 season, the USF offense had the tough task of replacing seven starters from the previous season, including the quarterback position. Transfer Jon Eastman stepped into the quarterback position and filled the void exceptionally. During the 2010 season, he connected with Jon Ryan for 24 touchdowns, setting a school and NAIA record for touchdown receptions in a season. Eastman made his mark in the USF record books by taking over the sixth spot in career touchdowns with 45 touchdown tosses in just one season.

The 2009 offensive line provided spectacular blocking for both USF's running backs and NAIA Player of the Year quarterback Lorenzo Brown on the way to the program's fourth national title. The Cougar offense set school records for points in a game (80), points per game (51.6), points in a season (775), total offense (7,313 yards), rush offense (3,842) – and the most rushing yards by a team in the NAIA. Seniors TJ Wendt and Kyle Staudt earned first-team All-GPAC honors, while the Cougars other three starting offensive linemen, Travis Beaver, Kyle Wasson and Casey Peters, found themselves on either the second-team or honorable mention list for the conference. The unit only gave up 14 sacks in 15 games.

In 2008, the offensive line paved the way to the sixth-ranked rushing attack (235.6 yards per game) and 10th-best scoring attack (36.5) in the country, while only giving up 10 sacks in 14 games. Shawn Flanagan, Kyle Staudt and TJ Wendt earned all-conference recognition, while Wendt was named a first-team All-American, and Flanagan was named second-team All-American.

Grubb also served as the strength and conditioning coordinator for the USF football program and was named American Football Monthly's NAIA National Strength and Conditioning Coach of the Year for the 2008 season.

Prior to coaching at USF, Grubb coached wide receivers and running backs at South Dakota State University in 2005 and 2006, earning four team rushing records, four All-Great West selections, an ESPN All-American and one Hula Bowl selection while tutoring wide receiver JaRon Harris, who went on to play for the Green Bay Packers.

Prior to coaching at SDSU, Grubb was the offensive coordinator at Kingsley-Pierson High School in Iowa, producing six all-state selections and was named the 2004 Class 1A Assistant Coach of the Year.

Grubb, who's hometown is Kingsley, Iowa, is a 1999 graduate of Buena Vista University where he was a four-year starter and team captain. Grubb earned his master's in sports administration at South Dakota State University in 2006.



## **COACHING EXPERIENCE**

#### Fresno State (2017)

• Assistant Coach (OL/RGC)

### Eastern Michigan (2014-16)

• Assistant Coach (OL)

#### **Sioux Falls** (2007-13)

- Offensive Coordinator (2010-13)
- Assistant Coach (OL/RGC) (2007-09)

#### South Dakota State (2005-06)

• Assistant Coach (WR/RB)

### **Kingsley-Pierson HS**

### (Iowa) (2003-04)

• Offensive Coordinator

#### PERSONAL

#### Hometown

• Kingsley, Iowa

#### **Education**

- Buena Vista (1999) B.A.
- South Dakota State (2006) M.A.

#### Playing Exp.

• Buena Vista (RB/WR)

### **Family**

• Wife: Stephanie



## KIRBY MOORE

WIDE RECEIVERS
1ST SEASON | BOISE STATE (2012)

Kirby Moore joins Fresno State as a first-year wide receivers coach following two years as a graduate assistant at Washington. He was hired on December 6, 2016.

Moore, a former wide receiver at Boise State, reunited with college coach Chris Petersen at Washington, and was alongside Jeff Tedford while he was an offensive consultant for the Huskies in 2016.

The Boise State grad earned four varsity letters as a Bronco (2009, 2011-13), lettering on a 14-0 team as a true freshman in 2009. After redshirting the 2010 season, he helped Boise State compile a record of 31-8 over his final three seasons.

As a G.A. who worked with Washington's wide receivers corps, Huskies' wideouts John Ross and Dante Pettis led the nation in touchdown receptions as a duo with 32 in 2016. Ross was named a first-team All-Pac-12 selection. The Huskies won the Pac-12 Championship and advanced to its first College Football Playoff berth to cap a standout season.

In 2014, Moore's season in between his playing days at Boise State and serving as a graduate assistant at Washington, he coached the wide receivers at the College of Idaho.

As a senior in 2013, Moore caught 36 passes for 280 yards despite missing six games due to injury. In 2012, he was the team's second-leading receiver with 36 catches for 368 yards. Following the 2013 season, he earned Academic All-District VII and Academic All-Mountain West Conference honors.

As a freshman, united with older brother and current NFL quarterback, Kellen Moore, the two were a part of the Broncos' 2010 Fiesta Bowl win over TCU. Both brothers attended Prosser High in Washington, where Kirby set a national record with 95 career touchdown receptions. Playing for his father, Tom Moore, he was first-team all-state as a junior and senior and was named the Washington 2A Player of the Year as a senior, when he had 131 receptions for 2,126 yards and 34 TDs.

Moore resides in Fresno with his wife, Kayla.



### **COACHING EXPERIENCE**

Fresno State (2017)

Assistant Coach (WR)

Washington (2015-16)

• Offensive Graduate Assistant

College of Idaho (2014)

• Assistant Coach (WR)

#### PERSONAL

Hometown

• Prosser, Wash.

Education

• Boise State (2012)

Playing Exp.

• Boise State (WR)

**Family** 

• Wife: Kayla





## **SCOTT THOMPSON**

TIGHT ENDS

1ST SEASON | FRESNO STATE (2010)

Scott Thompson, a Fresno State alum, enters his first season coaching the Bulldog tight ends. He was hired on December 6, 2016.

Thompson spent the previous seven seasons at Southern California, holding positions of director of player personnel (2010-14), director of scouting/high school relations (2015) and as an offensive assistant that helped with the tight ends and specials teams (2016).

He managed all aspects of USC recruiting and supervised all official and unofficial visits for nearly six years, assisting in the Trojans bringing in 30 first-team All-Pac 12 selections from 2010-16.

Before the June Lake, California native returned home in 2010, he spent the 2009 season at Tennessee as an offensive assistant (tight ends/running backs). Thompson assisted the Volunteers in opponent film breakdown and evaluation and assisted in week-to-week game planning.

Prior to joining the college ranks, Thompson coached at Crespi High School (CA) from 2004-2009. He was the offensive coordinator while also focusing on quarterbacks and tight ends.

Thompson, a former Fresno State tight end, lettered from 1995-98, and was coached by then-offensive coordinator Jeff Tedford during his freshman, sophomore and junior seasons. As a senior, Fresno State quarterback Billy Volek connected with Thompson for 31 receptions and 375 yards and a touchdown. His older brother, Marty Thompson, played three seasons in the NFL after a standout Fresno State career from 1989-92.

He and his wife, Alise, have two children, Charlotte and Glenn.



## **COACHING EXPERIENCE**

#### Fresno State (2017)

• Assistant Coach (TE)

## USC (2010-16)

- Assistant Coach (TE/ST) (2016)
- Director of Scouting/High School Relations (2015)
- Director of Player Personnel (2010-14)

#### Tennessee (2009)

• Offensive Assistant (TE/RB)

### Crespi HS (2004-09)

• Offensive Coordinator

#### PERSONAL

#### Hometown

• Lake June, Calif.

## Education

• Fresno State (2010)

## Playing Exp.

• Fresno State (TE)

- Wife: Alise
- Children: Charlotte, Glenn





## **BERT WATTS**

LINEBACKERS

1ST SEASON | CALIFORNIA (2003)

Bert Watts enters his first season at Fresno State and will serve as the linebackers coach. He was hired on December 7, 2016.

Watts was most recently the defensive coordinator for four seasons at UC Davis under Aggie head football coach Ron Gould; his position group focus was with the defensive backs.

Watts' history with Jeff Tedford dates back to his playing days at Cal, and later as a graduate assistant at Cal.

Watts' first season overseeing the UC Davis defense in 2013 resulted in four of his players earning postseason recognition from the Big Sky Conference while it added two the next season and five more honors from the conference in 2016. UCD held Southern Utah to 260 total yards in a contest on Oct. 8 — the school's best defensive effort since 2013. A week later at Northern Colorado on Oct. 15, the Aggies allowed only 269 yards. It marked the best back-to-back defensive performances at the time in the Big Sky.

In 2012, defensive lineman Nick King was a secondteam pick after amassing eight sacks, cornerback Jonathan Perkins had four pass breakups on his way to third-team accolades, linebacker Steven Pitts earned honorable mention after tallying 74 tackles and 11.5 TFLs, and cornerback Shamawn



Wright was selected honorable mention after leading the team with nine PBUs.

Pitts returned to the All-Big Sky honorable mention squad in 2014 and was joined by safety Charles Boyett.

In 2016, defensive tackle Inoke Raikadroka was named a second-team selection after compiling 24 tackles, 3.5 TFLs, 1.0 sacks and one fumble recovery in nine games played. Defensive tackle Zak Pettit, inside linebacker Nas Anesi, cornerback Keleen Culberson and safety Zach Jones earned honorable mention recognition.

Watts joined the UC Davis staff after also gaining coaching experience at the collegiate level and overseas. Watts spent 2012 with the Denver Broncos, who went on to earn the top seed in the AFC playoffs. Prior to that, he spent two seasons at the University of Colorado as the Buffaloes' defensive technical intern.

Watts, who also coached two years of high school in Florida, was the defensive coordinator for the Raiffeisen Vikings in Austria in 2007.

He moved into coaching after playing for Cal where he led the Bears with 80 tackles as a senior in 2002, highlighting his year with a career-best 15 tackles at USC. The starting senior safety was the leading tackler for that season, which was Tedford's first Golden Bear football team. Following his final season, the three-year letterman was the recipient of the team's Joe Roth Award, which is given to the player that exemplifies superior courage, attitude and sportsmanship.

The Basking Ridge, N.J. native continued his football career as a graduate assistant coach under Tedford during the 2004 and 2005 seasons - helping the team to a combined 18-6 mark, including a 10-2 season in 2004 that ended with a berth in the Holiday Bowl.

Watts earned his undergraduate and graduate degrees in education from California and is married to Lyndsay Graubard. They have a 3-year-old son, Vedder.



#### **COACHING EXPERIENCE**

## Fresno State (2017)

• Assistant Coach (LB)

#### **UC Davis** (2013-16)

• Defensive Coordinator

## **Denver Broncos** (2012)

• Staff Assistant

#### Colorado (2010-11)

• Defensive Technical Intern

## Bishop Kenny HS (Fla.) (2009)

• Defensive Coordinator

### Bartram Trial (Fla.) (2008)

• Assistant Coach (TE)

## Raiffeisen Vikings-Austria

• Defensive Coordinator

#### California (2004-05)

• Defensive Graduate Assistant

### PERSONAL

#### Hometown

• Basking Ridge, New Jersey

## Education

- California (2003) B.A
- California (2006) M.A.

## Playing Exp.

• California (DB)

- Wife: Lyndsay
- Children: Vedder



# J.D. WILLIAMS

DEFENSIVE BACKS

1ST SEASON | FRESNO STATE (1997)

After the past two seasons at UNLV, former Bulldog player and coach J.D. Williams returns to Fresno State for his third coaching stint at Fresno State. He was hired on December 6, 2016 to coach the Bulldogs' defensive backs under first-year head coach Jeff Tedford.

A wide receiver turned cornerback at Fresno State from 1986-89, he is one of five Bulldogs to have been selected in the first round of the NFL Draft (16th overall by the Buffalo Bills, 1990) in school history. Williams was an AP honorable mention All-American in 1988, and a second-team Sporting News All-American and a third-team AP All-American in 1989. During his seven-year professional career, he was a member of all four Bills' teams that advanced to the Super Bowl from 1991-94.

Williams was a G.A. one season under Pat Hill (1997) – Tedford was on that staff as the offensive coordinator. And returned as an assistant coach under Pat Hill from 2000-01.

Most recently, Williams finished his second season of his second stop at UNLV. He returned to Las Vegas after serving as the defensive backs coach and special teams coordinator at Georgia State for two seasons (2013-14).

In 2013, the GSU special teams featured all-conference return specialist Albert Wilson, who ranked in the top five in the Sun Belt Conference in both punt returns and kickoff returns. He is now a member of the Kansas City Chiefs.

During the first go-around at UNLV, Williams served two seasons (2010-11) as the Rebels' assistant head coach, secondary coach and pass defense coordinator before he was elevated to defensive coordinator in 2012, when he continued to coach the defensive backs.

Williams went to UNLV after spending the 2009 season as the cornerbacks coach at Utah. The Utes posted a 10-3 record, including a victory over Washington in the Poinsettia Bowl, and ranked 16th in the nation in passing yards allowed and ninth in pass efficiency defense.

He joined Utah after seven years working in Pac-10. Williams was the defensive backs coach at Washington from 2006-08. He went to Washington after four seasons coaching the secondary at California.

Under then-head coach Jeff Tedford, the Bears amassed a 33-17 record and played in three bowl games during Williams' stay from 2002-05. In 2005, Cal led the Pac-10 in pass efficiency defense (24th in the nation) and finished second in the league in total defense. In 2004, Cal ranked eighth in the nation in scoring defense and 24th in total defense.

Prior to going to Berkeley, Williams served two seasons as secondary coach at his alma mater, Fresno State, from 2000-01. Fresno State posted an 18-7 record and made back-to-back Silicon Valley Bowl appearances.

He also coached the secondary at Cal Poly in 1998

and San Jose State in 1999. He began his coaching career in 1997 as a Fresno State graduate assistant.

As a player, in addition to being named an All-American, he was a two-time all-Big West first-team selection and the Defensive MVP of the East-West Shrine. He was also a standout triple jumper and sprinter, winning the 1986 Big West triple jump crown and competing on the conference championship 4x100-meter relay team that set a school record of 40.18. In 2002, he was inducted into the Fresno Athletic Hall of Fame.

Williams earned his bachelor's degree in criminology from Fresno State in 1997. He and his wife, Jamie, have four children: Nicole, Kyra, Zoe and David.



## **COACHING EXPERIENCE**

## Fresno State (2017)

• Assistant Coach (DB)

## UNLV (2015-16)

• Assistant Coach (DB)

#### Georgia State (2013-14)

• Assistant Coach (DB/ST)

#### UNLV (2010-12)

- Defensive Coordinator (2012)
- Assistant HC/pass defense coordinator/Defensive Backs Coach (2010-11)

#### Utah (2009)

• Assistant Coach (DB)

#### Washington (2006-08)

• Assistant Coach (DB)

#### California (2002-05)

• Assistant Coach (DB)

## Fresno State (2000-01)

• Assistant Coach (DB)

## San Jose State (1999)

• Assistant Coach (DB)

#### Cal Poly (1998)

• Assistant Coach (DB)

#### Fresno State (1997)

• Graduate Assistant

#### PERSONAL

#### Hometown

• Fresno, Calif.

#### Education

• Fresno State (1997)

## Playing Exp.

- San Francisco 49ers (1996)
- Arizona Cardinals (1994)
- Buffalo Bills (1990-93)
- Fresno State (DB)

- Wife: Jamie
- Children: Nicole, Kyra, Zoe, David





ANDY WARD
HEAD STRENGTH & CONDITIONING
COACH, FOOTBALL
1ST SEASON | CAL STATE STANISLAUS (2009)

Andy Ward was named Fresno State's head football strength and conditioning coach on January 8, 2017. He joins the program after six years at Stanford.

Ward worked full-time with the Cardinal football program for the past three seasons and with the team for the last six seasons. Before going full-time with football, he also oversaw developing strength training aspects for the Cardinal track and field program.

Prior to arriving at Stanford, Ward split the 2010-11 academic year with internships at UC San Diego and Sacramento State. At UC San Diego, Ward assisted with the design and implementation of 13 sport-specific programs. His time at Sacramento State was spent implementing programs for the men's soccer, women's soccer and men's golf teams while assisting with 11 other programs.

Ward earned an undergraduate degree in physical education from Cal State Stanislaus in 2009, where he was a student assistant in the strength program while serving as a performance trainer at nearby Custom Built Personal Training.

The Sutter, California native earned his master's degree in exercise science at California University (Pa.). He is married to Erin Blech-Ward.



## **BRIAN WILKINSON**

DIRECTOR OF OPERATIONS
1ST SEASON | CALIFORNIA COAST UNIV. (2016)

Brian Wilkinson, hired December 6, 2016, enters his first season as the director of football operations at Fresno State. He brings more than 10 years of football operations experience to the Bulldog football program.

Wilkinson has also served as a member of the College Football Playoff Advisory Board for Operations and was the Alabama team liaison for the 2016 National Championship Game.

The veteran of the position has led the postseason operations for four bowl games – Poinsettia Bowl (2015), Fiesta Bowl (2014), GoDaddy Bowl (2013), and Gildan New Mexico Bowl (2011) – and was an assistant for the 2007 Armed Forces Bowl.

Wilkinson was last the operations director for the U19 World Championships for USA Football in Harbin, China, and was responsible for its day to day operations and team travel to and from China as well its daily schedule and logistics.

Wilkinson spent the previous two seasons (2014-15) as the director of football operations at Boise State, remaining on Bryan Harsin's staff once he transitioned from Arkansas State. In one season with Harsin at Arkansas State in 2013, Wilkinson served as the team's assistant athletic director for football operations.

Prior to joining Arkansas State, Wilkinson was Wyoming's director of football operations from 2011-12.

He also spent time at California, alongside Jeff Tedford, as the assistant director of football operations, first from 2005-08, and then from 2010 until accepting his position with the Cowboys.

Between stints with the Golden Bears, Wilkinson worked with Sacramento State as its director of football operations from 2008-09.

Before accepting his first assistant director of operations position at Cal, he served as the Golden Bears equipment manager from 2003-05. Also while at Cal, Wilkinson was the director of softball operations from 2005-06.

Wilkinson served in the United States Air Force from 1991-94. After the military, he was a minor league clubhouse manager and equipment manager for the Oakland Athletics. He earned a bachelor's of science degree in management from California Coast University in 2016. He and his wife, Tami, have two sons, Bryce and Tyler.





SPENCER HARRIS

DIRECTOR OF PLAYER PERSONNEL 1ST SEASON | WASHINGTON (2015)

Spencer Harris is in his first season as the director of player personnel for the Bulldog football program. He was hired on December 6, 2016.

Harris was last on staff at the University of Washington, joining the program in April 2012. He rose sharply within the Husky football program as he learned how to manage staff needs, identify and evaluate prospects, manage scholarship numbers, organize recruit visits and market the program under the mentorship of Aaron Knotts (current director of player personnel at UW) and Marshall Malchow (current director of player personnel at Georgia).

Harris last served as an assistant director of player personnel for the Huskies during the 2016 season. Before that, he was Washington's head recruiting specialist from May 2015 until being elevated to assistant director of player personnel after the 2015 football season.

He graduated with a degree in finance from Washington in March 2015, and while a student, Harris was on staff as a recruiting specialist for the 2014 season after initially joining the program in 2012 as a student equipment manager.

Harris is a native of Sacramento, California and attended Rio Americano High School.



# Quinn Tedford

Asst. Director of Player Personnel 1st Season | California (2011)

Quinn Tedford is in his first season as the assistant director of player personnel for the Bulldog football program.

He spent the last four seasons as an assistant coach in various capacities. Tedford was last with the BC Lions of the CFL in 2015 as an offensive quality control/assistant wide receivers coach. Prior to that, he spent the 2014 season as an offensive intern/wide receivers coach with the Tampa Bay Buccaneers. At UC Davis in 2013, he served in the same capacity as his time with the BC Lions. Tedford began his venture into coaching in 2012 on his father's staff where he served as a volunteer assistant wide receivers coach at Cal.

He joined the Golden Bears' staff after playing in Berkeley from 2008-11 where he graduated with a degree in sociology.



## **BRAD VONNAHME**

Offensive Analyst 2nd Season | Utah State (2011)

Brad Vonnahme is in his second season as an offensive analyst for the Bulldog football coaching staff.

The Omaha, Neb., native comes to Fresno State after spending a year (2014) as a graduate assistant coach at Hawai`i and a year on staff at Utah State (2015).

Vonnahme spent the 2013 season as linebackers coach and special teams coordinator at Midland University in Fremont, Neb. He also assisted with the strength and conditioning program. Prior to that, he was a graduate assistant at Wayne State College in Wayne, Neb., from 2011-12.

During his two-year stint as defensive administrative assistant at Utah State from 2009-10, Vonnahme's duties included film breakdown, preparing scouting reports and running the scout teams.

From 2006-08, Vonnahme served as a student manager at the University of Nebraska before transferring to USU, where he earned his bachelor's degree in interdisciplinary studies in 2011. He also earned a master's degree in sport management from Wayne State in 2013.

He and his wife Ashley reside in Fresno.



## Lucas Gingold

SPECIAL TEAMS QUALITY CONTROL 2ND SEASON | CALIFORNIA (2014)

Lucus Gingold (pronounced GHIN-gold) enters his second season at Fresno State serving as a special teams quality control assistant. He joined the staff on June 20, 2016.

Prior to joining the Bulldogs, Gingold was on staff at Clovis West High School.

Gingold played collegiately at the University of California from 2012-14 after two seasons at Reedley College. He redshirted his first year at Cal before playing in all 12 games and starting four as a redshirt junior during the 2013 season, and then saw action in six games as a senior in 2014 before suffering a season-ending injury. He spent most of that stretch as the team's top fullback with blocking his primary responsibility. Statistically, he finished with four receptions for 41 yards and one touchdown catch during his Cal career.

As a senior, Gingold earned a scholarship during training camp after initially joining the squad as a walk-on and was subsequently named a team season captain. He also served as game captain in a contest vs. Arizona.

As a JuCo player, he was a first-team All-Central Valley Conference selection during his 2011 sophomore season as a fullback.

A Fresno native, Gingold attended Buchanan High School where he was a second-team All-Valley selection who was also a team captain and his squad's outstanding lineman of the year as a 2009 senior center for a club that finished 10-1 overall and won its second straight Tri-River League title with a 5-0 conference mark.

He graduated from Cal in December of 2014 with a bachelor's degree in sociology.





JOSH HARPER
DIRECTOR OF
On-CAMPUS RECRUITING
FRESNO STATE (2014)

Former Fresno State wide receiver Josh Harper was announced as the program's Director of On-Campus Recruiting on June 16, 2017.

Harper's playing career at Fresno State spanned from 2010-14, in that time he became the program's second-leading receiver in receptions (228) and touchdown catches (29) while amassing 2,938 yards receiving in 41 games played. He was a 2014 first-team All-Mountain West selection and a 2013 All-MW second-team selection.

After his playing career as a Bulldog, Harper had stints in the NFL and CFL. Harper was signed by the Oakland Raiders as an undrafted free agent in May 2015 and attended training camp. The following season the Calgary Stampeders signed Harper. An ongoing battle with various injuries hampered making his push in either league.

Harper joined Oregon State's staff as a recruiting assistant from June 2016-April 2017 and gave it one more try with football and received multiple contract offers this spring, but suffered a hamstring injury that led him to retiring from the gridiron.



**DYLAN CHMURA**G.A. - OFFENSE
MICHIGAN STATE (2017)

Dylan Chmura enters his first year as an offensive graduate assistant at Fresno State. He will assist with the offensive line.

Chmura is a former student-athlete at Michigan State (tight end) and student coach for the Spartans.

He joined the Spartans' staff as a student coach in the summer of 2016, foregoing two seasons of eligibility in respect to multiple concussions suffered. He saw action in 10 games as a third-year sophomore in 2015 and played in 13 games as a redshirt freshman in 2014.

Chmura completed his bachelor's degree in Interdisciplinary Studies of Social Science in the spring of 2017.

The Waukesha, Wis. native out of Waukesha West High School joined MSU as one of the nation's top tight end recruits – ranked by MaxPreps.com (No. 24) and Rivals. com (No. 35). His father Mark Chmura played tight end at Boston College and spent seven years with the National Football League's Green Bay Packers (1993-99).



D.J. HARPER G.A. - OFFENSE BOISE STATE (2012)



MATT LEA G.A. - Defense UNLV (2016)

Matt Lea returns home to Fresno for his first season as a defensive graduate assistant for the Bulldogs. He will assist with the linebackers.

The Fresno native, who attended Central High School, joins the Bulldogs after a collegiate playing career at UNLV.

Lea, a three-year starting linebacker, started 23 games and played in 33 games during his career. In his final season (2016), he started eight games and played in all 12. He recorded 30 tackles and one sack a season ago.

Lea is a 2012 graduate of Central HS under coach Casey Quinn. He was a three-year letterwinner that earned All-Tri-River Athletic Conference honors all three seasons on the field

He earned a bachelor's degree in criminal justice in the spring of 2016.



C.J. McGorisk G.A. - Defense Michigan (2016)

C.J. McGorisk enters his first year with Fresno State as a defensive graduate assistant.

McGorisk spent four seasons (2013-2016) at the University of Michigan holding various positions. During his time at Michigan he worked as a defensive student assistant, strength & conditioning intern and student equipment manager.

He earned his bachelor's degree in Movement Science from the University of Michigan.

McGorisk is a native of Wixom, Michigan and attended Walled Lake Western High School.

#### **TEAM DOCTORS**

**Head Team Physician** Dr. Eric Hanson

Family Practice/Sports Medicine Dr. Rod Kraft

**Internal Medicine**Dr. Jean Linder

**General Surgeon** Dr. William Carveth

**Orthopedics**Dr. Steven Thaxter

Orthopedics (Upper Extremity)
Dr. Cary Tanner

Orthopedics (Foot/Ankle)
Dr. Francis Glaser

**Orthopedics** Greg Mellor, PAC

**Physiatrist** Jerry Wiens, MD

**Team Dentist** Dr. Xavier Gutierrez

**Opthamologist** Dr. Andrew Maxwell

Chiropractic Care Dr. Mark Molthen

#### ADDITIONAL FOOTBALL SUPPORT STAFF



Henry Adelman



Michael Adsit Football Graphic Design



Willy Peterson



Travis Brown
Defensive Student Asst.



Clare Flores-Coleman



Luis Contreras



Alyssa De La Vega Football Admin Asst.



Charles Flood Equipment Room



Roland Ford Compliance Coordinator



Alex Jones Asst. Strength Coach



Tracy Keller Student-Athlete Services



Kyle Leslie Asst. Dir. of Compliance



Sean McMannes Asst. Athletic Trainer



**Tom Milord** G.A. Athletic Trainer



Ryan Raymond Student-Athlete Services



Bobby Thomas Asst. Strength Coach



Craig Tweedy Athletic Trainer



Equipment Manager



