



2015-16 MIZZOU WRESTLING MATCH NOTES

2015-16 SCHEDULE

DATE	OPPONENT	SCORE/TIME (CT)
N 20	at SIU-Edwardsville	W 36-7
N 28	at No. 25 Northern Iowa*	W 24-19

D 12	vs. No. 3 Ohio State	W 26-17
D 13	vs. No. 21 Ohio*	W 27-9
D 20	at Kent State*	W 35-12

J 8	vs. Buffalo*	W 32-6
J 10	vs. No. 14 Cornell (Jesse Auditorium)	1 P.M.
J 15	vs. Eastern Michigan*	7 P.M.
J 17	at No. 17 Central Michigan*	3 P.M.
J 22	at No. 7 Oklahoma State	7 P.M.
J 30	vs. No. 8 Oklahoma	2:30 P.M.
J 31	vs. No. 24 Old Dominion*	1 P.M.

F 7	at Northern Illinois*	1 P.M.
F 12	at Appalachian State	5:30 P.M.
F 14	at No. 3 North Carolina State	1 P.M.
F 21	vs. NWCA National Duals	ALL DAY

M 5	vs. MAC Championships	ALL DAY
M 06	vs. MAC Championships	ALL DAY
M 17	vs. NCAA Championships	ALL DAY
M 18	vs. NCAA Championships	ALL DAY
M 19	vs. NCAA Championships	ALL DAY

Bold denotes home // * denotes MAC dual

DUAL 7

(14) CORNELL BIG RED AT (4) MIZZOU TIGERS

SUNDAY, JANUARY 10, 2016 // 1 PM (CT) // JESSE AUDITORIUM // COLUMBIA, MO.

@MIZZOUWRESTLING

2015-16 RECORD:

6-0

MAC RECORD:

4-0

HEAD COACH:

BRIAN SMITH

RECORD AT MIZZOU:

229-90-3 (.711)

SERIES INFORMATION

ALL-TIME SERIES 5-3, MIZZOU

LAST MEETING Mizzou, 27-9

..... Jan. 10, 2015 (Ithaca, N.Y.)

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2015-16 RECORD:

1-2

IVY LEAGUE RECORD:

0-0

HEAD COACH:

ROB KOLL

RECORD AT CU:

262-84-5 (.746)

#ZOU NOTES

• Mizzou enters the dual ranked No. 4 in the *USA Today*/NWCA Coaches poll and No. 5 in the Interim Tournament Rankings.

• Mizzou currently holds a 34-dual win streak. The last time Mizzou lost a dual was Jan. 31, 2014, to Oklahoma State, 709 days ago.

• The Tigers lead the all-time series between the two schools, 5-3. In the last meeting, Mizzou beat Cornell, 27-9, on Jan. 10, 2015, in Ithaca, N.Y.

• There will be five ranked vs. ranked matches on Sunday. (125, 133, 165, 174, & 184).

• Cornell is Mizzou's fourth top-25 opponent of the season, ranking No. 14 in the *USA Today*/NWCA Coaches poll and No. 8 in the Interim Tournament Rankings.

• Redshirt junior 149-pounder **Lavion Mayes** is a perfect 14-0 on the season, the Tigers' only wrestler with an unblemished record. Mayes is 5-0 in dual competition, scoring 17 points in five victories.

• Sunday's dual will take place at Jesse Auditorium inside Jesse Hall on the Mizzou campus, the second time Mizzou has wrestled in Jesse (2013).

#TIGERSTYLE PROJECTED LINEUP



#6

barlow
MCGHEE

125

RS SO // ROCK ISLAND, ILL.

RECORD	DUALS
11-5	2-3



#11

zach
SYNON

133

RS JR // CARY, ILL.

RECORD	DUALS
12-4	4-1



#8

matt
MANLEY

141

RS JR // PERRY, OKLA.

RECORD	DUALS
19-4	5-0



#3

lavion
MAYES

149

RS JR // MASCOUTAH, ILL.

RECORD	DUALS
14-0	5-0



#3

le'roy
BARNES

157

RS SR // BELTON, MO.

RECORD	DUALS
17-4	0-0



#6

daniel
LEWIS

165

RS FR // BLUE SPRINGS, MO.

RECORD	DUALS
13-3	3-1



#2

blaise
BUTLER

174

RS SR // BELVIDERE, ILL.

RECORD	DUALS
9-1	4-0



#4

willie
MIKLUS

184

RS SO // ALTOONA, IOWA

RECORD	DUALS
9-2	5-0



#2

j'den
COX

197

JR // COLUMBIA, MO.

RECORD	DUALS
14-1	4-1



#2

james
ROMERO

HWT

FR // ALBUQUERQUE, N.M.

RECORD	DUALS
11-10	2-3

CU PROJECTED LINEUP

125 DALTON MACRI (FR)
No. 19 // 7-4 // 1-2

133 NASHON GARRETT (SR)
No. 1 // 23-0 // 3-0

141 WILL KROLL (FR)
13-4 // 1-0

149 JOEY GALASSO (FR)
13-8 // 0-3

157 CHRIS DOWDY (JR)
12-5 // 2-1

165 DUKE PICKETT (SR)
No. 17 // 19-7 // 1-2

174 BRIAN REALBUTO (JR)
No. 6 // 21-3 // 3-0

184 GABE DEAN (JR)
No. 1 // 21-0 // 3-0

197 JAKE TAYLOR (SO)
11-7 // 1-1

HWT JERAMY SWEENEY (FR)
17-7 // 2-1

QUICK FACTS

INSTITUTIONAL INFORMATION

Location: Columbia, Mo.
 Founded: 1839
 Enrollment: 35,050
 Nickname: Tigers
 Colors: Old Gold and Black
 Arena: Hearnes Center
 Conference: Mid-American
 Interim System President: Mike Middleton
 Interim Chancellor: Hank Foley
 Director of Athletics: Mack Rhoades
 Department Phone: 573-882-6501
 Ticket Office Phone: 573-884-7297
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THE MIZZOU TIGERS

Head Coach: Brian Smith (18th season)
 Michigan State, 1990
 Missouri Record: 229-90-3 (18th season)
 Associate Head Coach: Alex Clemens (Second season)
 Assistant Coach: Joe Johnston (Fourth season)
 Volunteer Assistant: Drake Houdashelt (First season)
 Strength and Conditioning: Mike Larson (Second Season)
 Wrestling Operations: Cody Shoemaker (First Season)
 2014-15 Record: 24-0
 MAC Record (Finish): 3-0 (1st)

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MIZZOU NOTABLES

BACK IN JESSE

- Sunday will be the second time Mizzou has hosted a dual at Jesse Auditorium. The Tigers defeated Ohio, 23-10, on Dec. 6, 2013.
- The dual vs. Ohio was the first sporting competition to ever take place in Jesse Auditorium. Upwards of 1,000 fans watched the Tigers defeat the Bobcats.
- Three Tigers who plan to wrestle Sunday picked up wins in the Ohio dual, including redshirt sophomore 125-pounder **Barlow McGhee**, redshirt junior 141-pounder **Matt Manley** (then 133), and redshirt junior 149-pounder **Lavion Mayes** (then 141).

SEARCH OF 100

- Junior 197-pounder **J'den Cox** earned his 90th career win on Jan. 8 with a 19-4 technical fall over James Benjamin (Buffalo).
- The Columbia, Mo. native now stands 10 victories away from the 24th member of the 100-Win Club in Mizzou history. For his career, Cox is 90-5 overall and captured the 197-pound championship in 2014 as a freshman.
- This season, Cox is 15-1 and 5-1 in dual competition, recording 23 points via one fall, two technical falls, a major decision, and a decision. Cox earned individual championships at the Joe Parisi Open and Cliff Keen Las Vegas Invitational.

DUAL WIN STREAK

34

• Mizzou has won 34 consecutive duals, dating back Jan. 31, 2014. The last dual lost for Mizzou came by the hands of Oklahoma State, 709 days ago.

709

SCOUTING CORNELL

SCHEDULE RUNDOWN

- Cornell is 1-2 on the season in dual competition, dropping duals to Nebraska and Rutgers at the Grapple at the Garden Nov. 29.
- The Big Red have enjoyed success in tournament competition this season, placing first in the New York State Intercollegiate Tournament (Nov. 22), second at the Las Vegas Cliff Keen Invitational (Dec. 4-5), and fourth at the Southern Scuffle (Jan. 1-2).
- Between the three tournaments, 10 members of the Big Red captured individual championships.

RETURNING NATIONAL CHAMP

- Cornell's junior 184-pounder Gabe Dean is the defending NCAA Champion at 184 pounds. Dean ended 2014-15 with a 43-2 overall record, defeating Lehigh's Nathaniel Brown in the finals to claim the championship.
- This season, Dean is 21-0, 3-0 in dual competition. The junior captured an individual championship at the Cliff Keen Las Vegas Invitational.
- Dean defeated Mizzou's redshirt sophomore 184-pounder **Willie Miklus** in the semifinals of Cliff Keen, by way of decision, 3-2.

#MAC STANDINGS

	MAC	PCT.	OVERALL	PCT.
#4 MIZZOU	4-0	.000	6-0	1.000
#16 Central Michigan	1-0	.000	4-0	1.000
Eastern Michigan	2-1	.000	7-3	.700
#21 Ohio	1-1	.000	5-1	.833
Kent State	1-1	.000	8-3	.727
Northern Iowa	1-2	.000	2-4	.333
#24 Old Dominion	0-0	.000	4-4	.500
Northern Illinois	0-2	.000	3-4	.429
Buffalo	0-3	.000	6-5	.545



DUAL DOMINATION



Dual Points:

1.	Willie Miklus	31
2.	J'den Cox	23
3.	Daniel Lewis	21
4.	Blaise Butler	20
	Lavion Mayes	20

- Mizzou has outscored its opponents 180-70 in five duals this season
- Redshirt sophomore 184-pounder **Willie Miklus** leads the team with 31 points in duals, tallying three falls, two technical falls, and a decision win. Miklus beat then-No. 11 Kenny Courts (Ohio State) by way of 15-0 technical fall on Dec. 12.

- Junior 197-pounder **J'den Cox** has recorded a fall, two technical falls, a major decision, and a decision for 23 points. Cox recorded a fall over Jerald Spohn (Kent State) on Dec. 20, his first fall in regular season dual competition since Jan. 25, 2015 against Alec Brown (Northern Illinois).

MAYES UNDEFEATED



- Redshirt junior 149-pounder **Lavion Mayes** has yet to drop a match this season, posting a 15-0 this season, 6-0 in duals. Mayes, an NCAA All-American (seventh place) a season ago at 141 pounds, has not had any struggles after being bumped up to 149 pounds at the beginning of the year. Mayes has captured two open championships this year, winning the Joe Parisi Open and the Cliff Keen Las Vegas Invitational. The final three wins at Cliff Keen came over opponents currently ranked in the top-20. The Illinois native has scored bonus points in eight of 15 matches this season, tallying six major decisions and two falls. In Mayes' four dual wins, he has outscored his opponents, 74-37.

MAC WRESTLER OF THE WEEK

- Redshirt junior 133-pounder **Zach Synon** was named MAC Wrestler of the Week on Dec. 16. Synon provided the most electric moment of #TigerStyle's win over then-No. 3 Ohio State on Dec. 12 when he pinned No. 5 Johnni DiJulius in the third period at 5:59. The Tiger grappler also picked up a 9-4 win against Cameron Kelly of then-No. 21 Ohio on Sunday. Synon is now 12-3 on the season, 4-0 in duals, and ranked as high as No. 11 in the individual rankings (TheOpenMat.com). The Cary, Ill., native has amassed 16 dual points in four matches.

MIKLUS NAMED USA WRESTLING ATHLETE OF THE WEEK

- Redshirt sophomore 184-pounder **Willie Miklus** was named USA Wrestling Athlete of the week on Dec. 14 following two duals wins against Ohio State and Ohio. Against then-No. 3 Ohio State, Miklus beat then-No. 11 Kenny Courts by way of a 15-0 technical fall. Miklus' five team point's pushed Mizzou ahead for good, helping #TigerStyle knock off the defending NCAA champion Buckeyes, 26-17. Miklus followed up the TF with a 9-3 decision win over Andrew Romanchik the following day.

TIGER RECORDS

Wt.	Wrestler	Season	Dual	Career
125	Barlow McGhee	12-4	3-2	33-15
133	Zach Synon	13-4	5-1	71-16
141	Matt Manley	19-4	5-0	53-24
149	Lavion Mayes	15-0	6-0	82-18
157	Le'Roy Barnes	18-4	1-0	40-12
165	Daniel Lewis	14-3	4-1	14-3
174	Blaise Butler	10-1	5-0	66-23**
184	Willie Miklus	10-2	6-0	43-11
197	J'den Cox	15-1	5-1	90-5
HWT	James Romero	11-11	2-4	11-11
Wt.	Wrestler	Season	Dual	Career
125	Aaron Assad	9-5	0-0	19-18
125	Boomer Boyd	0-0	0-0	15-12
125	Chase Brennan	3-3	0-0	15-12*
125	Chandler Fohey	6-3	0-0	6-3*
133	Jaydin Eierman	18-2	0-0	18-2*
133	John Erneste	9-4	0-0	9-4
133	Nick Nasenbeny	5-4	0-0	5-4
133	Sam Ritchie	7-4	0-0	7-4*
133	Quinn Smith	5-0	0-0	5-0
141	Cole Baumgartner	11-5	1-0	49-27
141	Kevin Kissane	12-5	0-0	12-5*
141	Will Roark	11-4	0-0	11-4*
149	Alex Butler	17-6	0-0	17-6*
149	Austin Eveler	9-3	0-0	9-3*
149	Grant Leeth	0-0	0-0	0-0
157	Blake Pepper	0-1	0-1	26-13
157	Phyllip DeLoach	10-6	0-0	10-6*
157	Luke Fortuna	13-8	0-3	13-8
157	Matt Lemanowicz	4-3	0-1	37-24
157	Joey Lavallee	10-3	0-0	64-27*
157	Keegan McCormick	11-2	0-0	11-2*
165	Nicholas DeLoach	8-5	0-1	8-5
165	Taylor Watkins	9-6	0-0	9-6*
174	Jon Goerke	2-4	0-0	18-25
174	Cody Johnston	4-2	0-0	43-18
174	Tim Miklus	6-5	0-0	6-5
174	Matt Striegel	10-8	0-0	10-8*
174	Dalton Voyles	9-5	0-0	9-5*
174	Dylan Wisman	12-6	0-0	12-6*
184	Jayden Bears	7-3	0-0	7-3
184	Nicholas Scherer	1-6	0-0	1-6*
197	Seth Pesek	6-4	0-0	6-4*
HWT	Wood Mancuso	0-0	0-0	0-0
HWT	Mike Monaghan	1-6	0-0	1-6

* - Competing as an unattached wrestler

** - 56-22 at Virginia

ROMERO EARNS FIRST DUAL WIN, PIN

• Freshman heavyweight **James Romero** earned the first dual victory of his career on Sunday when he defeated James Webb of Ohio by way of a 9-4 decision. The Albuquerque, N.M. native followed up his first career dual win with his first career dual pin against Devin Nye of Kent State on Dec. 20. The pin came in the first period at 0:58, the fatest pin of the dual season for #TigerStyle.

MIZZOU WINS CLIFF KEEN LAS VEGAS INVITAIONAL

• Mizzou Wrestling departed Las Vegas, Nev., as the 2015 Cliff Keen Las Vegas Invitational Team Champions. The Tigers finished the tournament with 154 team points, 41 points ahead of second place Cornell. #Tigerstyle had seven wrestlers place in the top-four, headlined by individual championships from junior 197-pounder **J'den Cox** and redshirt junior 149-pounder **Lavion Mayes**. Redshirt freshman 165-pounder **Daniel Lewis** and redshirt senior 174-pounder **Blaise Butler** finished the tournament with third-place finishes. Lewis earned the "Most Falls in the Least Amount of Time" Award after posting five first-period pins. Redshirt sophomore 125-pounder **Barlow McGhee**, redshirt junior 141-pounder **Matt Manley**, and redshirt sophomore 184-pounder **Willie Miklus** all finished in fourth place in the tournament.

BUTLER AND MIKLUS VAULT MIZZOU TO 24-19 WIN OVER UNI

Two falls from redshirt senior 174-pounder **Blaise Butler** and redshirt sophomore 184-pounder **Willie Miklus** gave No. 9 Mizzou Wrestling the lead it needed to defeat No. 25 Northern Iowa on Saturday by a score of 24-19. After Northern Iowa tied the score, 9-9, with a fall in the 157-pound matchup and grabbed the lead with a technical fall in the 165-pound matchup, 14-9, Butler regained the lead for the Tigers with his pin in the third period (6:37) over Kyle Lux. In his first match as a Tiger after transferring from Virginia, Butler came away with a massive debut win for #Tigerstyle. Butler led 14-4 in the third period when he put both of Lux's shoulders on the mat for six points. Miklus followed up the Butler pin with one of his own, pinning Cody Caldwell in the first period (1:22). Junior 197-pounder **J'den Cox** picked up the final win of the night for #Tigerstyle when he beat Jared Bartel by way of decision, 8-3. The win gave Mizzou three points and clinched the victory.

#TIGERSTYLE GRABS 5 CHAMPIONSHIP 5 AT JOE PARISI OPEN

• Among 38 teams competing at the Joe Parisi Open on Nov. 21, no team came away more victorious than Mizzou Wrestling. In all, #TigerStyle walked away with five championships, four in the elite division. Redshirt sophomore 125-pounder **Barlow McGhee** took home the 125 pound championship after he defeated last year's NCAA runner-up Zeke Moisey of West Virginia with a 14-4 major decision win. The 133 pound final was an All-Mizzou match, pitting redshirt junior 133-pounder **Zach Synon** against freshman 133-pounder **Jaydin Eierman**. The younger Tiger, Eierman, got the best of the bout, fending off Synon with a 5-3 decision win to capture the title. At 149, redshirt junior 149-pounder **Lavion Mayes** picked up four wins on the day, including a pin and two major decisions to win the 149 pound championship. In the 197 pound weight division, junior 197-pounder **J'den Cox** breezed through his competition, collecting three technical falls and a pin in four matches before reaching the finals. In the finals, Cox outlasted nationally ranked Jacob Smith of West Virginia, 2-0, to win the title. In the freshman/sophomore division, freshman 157-pounder **Luke Fortuna** won the 157 pound championship.

MIZZOU SELECTED TO WIN MAC

• As voted on by the conference head coaches, Mizzou was picked to win the Mid-American Conference, sitting atop the preseason poll with 20.0 points. #TigerStyle wrestlers were represented in seven of the 10 individual weight class rankings, with junior 133-pounder **Zach Synon** and junior 197-pounder **J'den Cox** leading the way at the top of their respective weight classes. Redshirt junior **Lavion Mayes** and redshirt sophomore 184-pounder **Willie Miklus**, and redshirt senior **Blaise Butler** were all ranked second in their respective weight classes. Redshirt freshman 165-pounder **Daniel Lewis** (Blue Springs, Mo.) was ranked third in his weight class, while redshirt sophomore 125-pounder **Barlow McGhee** was ranked fourth.

USA TODAY/NWCA POLL

Rank	Team	Record	Points
1	Penn State	6-0	300
2	Iowa	8-0	288
3	N.C. State	11-0	271
4	MIZZOU	5-0	262
5	Virginia Tech	4-1	255
6	Ohio State	5-1	236
7	Oklahoma State	4-2	234
8	Rutgers	10-2	203
9	Nebraska	6-1	201
10	Lehigh	7-1	190
11	Illinois	8-1	183
12	Oklahoma	5-2	173
13	Michigan	4-1	157
14	Cornell	1-2	148
15	North Carolina	6-1	130
16	Central Michigan	4-0	112
17	Virginia	4-2	107
18	Iowa State	3-2	103
19	Purdue	5-1	76
20	Pittsburgh	5-1	72
21	Ohio	4-1	65
22	Indiana	4-0	45
23	Minnesota	4-5	28
24	Old Dominion	2-3	24
25	West Virginia	5-2	16

Others Receiving Votes

Appalachian State (7), Wisconsin (7), Oregon State (4), Eastern Michigan (3)



INTERMAT TOURNAMENT

1	Penn State	118.5
2	Oklahoma State	99.5
3	Iowa	90.5
4	Ohio State	88.0
5	MIZZOU	83.0
6	N.C. State	73.0
7	Virginia Tech	71.0
8	Cornell	59.0
9	Illinois	51.0
10	Michigan	50.0
11	Nebraska	36.0
12	Minnesota	32.0
13	Lehigh	31.0
14	North Carolina	30.5
15	Kent State	27.5
16	Wisconsin	27.0
17	Oklahoma	25.0
18	Rutgers	24.0
	Stanford	24.0
20	Old Dominion	23.0
21	Northern Iowa	19.5
22	Edinboro	16.0
23	Duke	15.5
	Northwestern	15.5
25	Pittsburgh	15
	Virginia	15



LAST DUAL

No. 4 #TigerStyle Extends Dual Win Streak to 34 with Dominant 32-6 Win over Buffalo Cox earns his 90th career win with 19-4 technical fall

Pure domination was on display from Mizzou Wrestling at the Hearn Center on Friday as No. 4 Mizzou [6-0] defeated Buffalo [6-5] by a final score of, 32-6. Mizzou competed alongside with Mizzou Gymnastics, a part of the Beauty and the Beast event. The victory improved #TigerStyle's dual win streak to 34.

The Tigers set the tone early, winning the first five matches by decision. Redshirt sophomore 125-pounder **Barlow McGhee** (Rock Island, Ill.) started the night off for Mizzou with a 7-3 decision over Kyle Akins. Next, redshirt junior 133-pounder **Zach Synon** (Cary, Ill.) defeated Bryan Lantry, 5-0.

Redshirt junior 149-pounder **Lavion Mayes** (Mascoutah, Ill.) found himself in a close-fought bout with Colten Cotton. Mayes trailed 6-2 in the first period and 7-4 after two periods, but the undefeated Mayes used three takedowns to grab the lead late and sneak out a 13-10 win. With the win, Mayes improves to 15-0 on the season and 6-0 in duals.

Making their first dual starts of the season, redshirt junior 141-pounder **Cole Baumgartner** (Jefferson City, Mo.) and redshirt senior 157-pounder **Le'Roy Barnes** (Belton, Mo.) each earned decision victories. Baumgartner earned his victory by a score of, 3-0, over Brandon Lapi, and Barnes beat Tim Schaefer with a 6-1 win. Barnes' win gave Mizzou a 15-0 lead heading into the intermission.

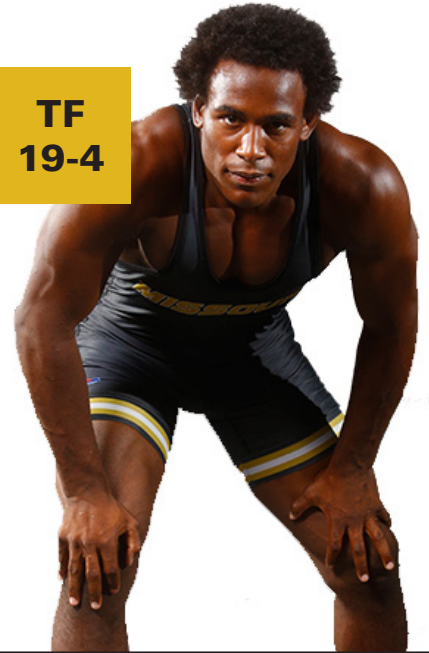
Following the break, Mizzou picked up the momentum, rattling off three bouts decided by bonus points in the last five matches. Beginning with redshirt freshman 165-pounder **Daniel Lewis** (Blue Springs, Mo.), who picked up a major decision, winning, 10-2, over Rrok Ndokaj. Next, redshirt senior 174-pounder **Blaise Butler** (Belvidere, Ill.) defeated Muhamed McBryde, 8-2.

Riding a 22-0 lead, redshirt sophomore 184-pounder **Willie Miklus** (Altoona, Iowa) earned a win by technical fall, 19-4, over Joe Ariola. Miklus picked up a near-fall near the end of the third period and riding time gave him the technical fall. Junior 197-pounder **J'den Cox** (Columbia, Mo.) picked up a takedown 20 seconds into his match with James Benjamin, earned three more takedowns in the second period, and grabbed a near-fall in the third period to earn a technical fall, 19-4, at 5:37. The win was Cox's 90th career win.

Match-By-Match Results

125: Barlow McGhee (Mizzou) def. Kyle Akins (Buffalo) by 7-3 decision
133: Zach Synon (Mizzou) def. Bryan Lantry (Buffalo) by 5-0 decision
141: Cole Baumgartner (Mizzou) def. Brandon Lapi (Buffalo) by 3-0 decision
149: Lavion Mayes (Mizzou) def. Colt Cotten (Buffalo) by 13-10 decision
157: Le'Roy Barnes (Mizzou) def. Timothy Schaefer (Buffalo) by 6-1 decision
165: Daniel Lewis (Mizzou) def. Rrok Ndokaj (Buffalo) by 11-2 major decision
174: Blaise Butler (Mizzou) def. Muhamed McBryde (Buffalo) by 8-2 decision
184: Willie Miklus (Mizzou) def. Joe Ariola (Buffalo) by 19-4 technical fall (7:00)
197: J'den Cox (Mizzou) def. James Benjamin (Buffalo) by 19-4 technical fall (5:37)
HWT: Jake Gunning (Buffalo) def. James Romero (Mizzou) by fall (2:29)

TF
19-4



MD
11-2





BARLOW MCGHEE

Rock Island, Ill.
Rock Island HS
RS So. \ 125

SEASON RECORD: 12-4
DUAL RECORD: 3-2
CAREER RECORD: 33-15

MCGHEE INDIVIDUAL RANKINGS

Intermat 8th
W.I.N. Magazine 6th
The Open Mat 9th
FloWrestling..... 9th

CAREER ACCOLADES:

▼ 2014 SEC First-Year Honor Roll

2015-16 (RS So.):

- Placed fourth at the Cliff Keen Las Vegas Invitational, posting a 5-2 record over the tournament
- Won the Championship at Joe Parisi Open, defeating last year's NCAA runner-up Zeke Moisey (West Virginia in the finals)

2014-15 (RS Fr.):

- Took his redshirt season, following a successful first-year 2013-14 campaign in Mizzou.
- Compiled a 14-5 overall record as unattached competitor.
- Four of his 14 season wins resulted in bonus points, including one Major Decision and three Tech. Falls.
- Competed in five tournaments this past season, highlighted by a Championship at 2015 Roger Denker Open.
- Also placed 3rd at 2014 Harold Nichols Cyclone Open, 2nd at 2014 UCM Open, and 2nd at 2014 Joe Parisi Open.
- Placed in four tournaments overall, T-2nd most among his Tiger teammates.

2013-14 (Fr.):

- Kept his redshirt off for his freshman season, competing at 125 pounds for the Tigers in dual competition as well as in three tournaments.
- His first collegiate win came at the North Dakota State dual over Hunter Weber, 5-2.

MCGHEE 2015-16 MATCH-BY-MATCH

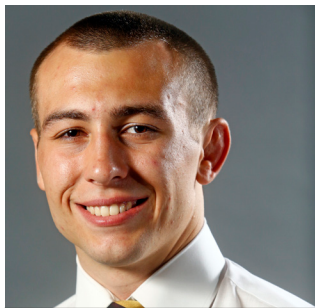
Date	Opponent	School	W/L	Score	Record
Nov. 20	Troy Gassaway	SIU Edwardsville	W	MD, 16-5	1-0
Joe Parisi Open (Champion // 125)					
Nov. 21	Robert Elliott	West Virginia	W	TF, 22-3	2-0
Nov. 21	Brady Sloup	Hannibal-LaGrande	W	TF, 21-5	3-0
Nov. 21	Zach D'Amico	Cen. Oklahoma	W	Dec., 3-1	4-0
Nov. 21	Zeke Moisey	West Virginia	W	MD, 14-4	5-0
Nov. 28	Dylan Peters	Northern Iowa	L	Dec., 7-5	5-1
Cliff Keen Las Vegas Invitational (4th Place // 1250)					
Dec. 4	Johnny Jimenez	Wisconsin	W	SV, 4-2	6-1
Dec. 4	Zeke Moisey	West Virginia	W	Dec., 4-2	7-1
Dec. 4	Joey Dance	Virginia Tech	L	SV, 3-1	7-2
Dec. 5	Joshua Rodriguez	North Dakota St.	W	Dec., 6-5	8-2
Dec. 5	David Terao	American	W	Fall, 6:04	9-2
Dec. 5	Ryan Milhoff	Oklahoma	W	MFF	10-2
Dec. 5	Ronnie Rios	Oregon State	L	Dec., 4-3	10-3
Dec. 12	Nathan Tomasello	Ohio State	L	MD, 10-1	10-4
Dec. 13	Shakur Laney	Ohio	W	Dec., 3-1	11-4
Jan. 8	Kyle Akins	Buffalo	W	Dec., 7-3	12-4

- Earned a third-place finish at the Warren Williams/Daktronics Open, losing only one of his seven matches, 4-3.
- Had a fourth place finish at the Joe Parisi Open.
- Took third at the UNI Open after defeating Da'Wayne Robertson of Ellsworth in a rematch to earn his spot in the third-place match.
- Competed at the 2014 MAC Championships where he finished in sixth place after picking up one win for the Tigers over Del Vinas of Kent State.

PERSONAL:

- Was born to Barlow and Danielle McGhee on January 15, 1995 in Topeka, Kan.
- Has two younger siblings - his sister Vilgie and brother Daniel.





ZACH SYNON

Cary, Ill.
Prairie Ridge HS
RS Jr. \ 133

SEASON RECORD: 13-4
DUAL RECORD: 5-1
CAREER RECORD: 71-16

SYNON INDIVIDUAL RANKINGS

Intermat..... 11th
W.I.N. Magazine N/R
The Open Mat 14th
FloWrestling..... 14th

CAREER ACCOLADES:

- 2015 MAC Champion (133)
- 2015 NCAA Nationals Qualifier (133)
- 2015 Academic All-MAC Team

2015-16 (RS Jr.):

- Pinned No. 5 Johnni DiJulius of Ohio State at 5:59 to help Mizzou knock off No. 3 Ohio State, named MAC Wrestler of the Week for his performance
- Won the Maryville Brand Kaufman Open and finished in second at the Joe Parisi Open

2014-15 (RS So.):

- Went 31-13 overall, recording a 133 pound MAC Championship and clinching first trip to NCAA Championships.
- His 31 season victories marked a new single season career high, passing his 27 victories during the 2013-14 campaign.
- Made 13 dual starts, finishing with an 8-5 record (3-0 in MAC duals).
- Competed in five tournaments before taking over 133 pound starting spot, placing in 4-of-5 events.
- Took home 3rd place at 2014 Harold Nichols Cyclone Open, 2nd place at 2014 UCM Open, 3rd place at 2014 Joe Parisi Open and 3rd place at 2014 UNI Open.
- Signature win of the season came on Jan. 10, 2015, as he defeated No. 3 (125 lbs.) Nahshon Garrett (Cornell) by 6-2 decision.
- Accumulated six different winning streaks of three matches or better throughout the season. Season best winning streak of six matches came between 2014 Cyclone Open & UCM Open.

SYNON 2015-16 MATCH-BY-MATCH

Date	Opponent	School	W/L	Score	Record
Maryville Kaufman Brand Open (1st Place // 133)					
Nov. 14	Andrew Rettke	McKendree	W	TF, 19-2	1-0
Nov. 14	John Ernest	Missouri	W	TB-1, 4-3	2-0
Nov. 14	Hunter Haralson	Lindenwood	W	Dec., 7-1	3-0
Nov. 20	Dakota Leach	SIU Edwardsville	W	MD, 10-2	4-0
Joe Parisi Open (2nd Place // 133)					
Nov. 21	Cody Pae	Purdue	W	Dec., 7-0	5-0
Nov. 21	Joe Wheeling	West Virginia	W	Dec., 5-0	6-0
Nov. 21	Jordan Olfus	Graceland	W	TF, 16-1	7-0
Nov. 21	John Ernest	Missouri	W	Dec., 4-2	8-0
Nov. 21	Jaydin Eierman	Missouri	L	Dec., 5-3	8-1
Nov. 28	Josh Alber	Northern Iowa	W	Dec., 2-1	9-1
Cliff Keen Las Vegas Invitational					
Dec. 4	Grimaldi Gonzalez	Bucknell	W	MD, 8-0	10-1
Dec. 4	George DiCamillo	Virginia	L	MD, 12-4	10-2
Dec. 4	Daniel DeShazer	Nebraska-Kearney	L	SV-3, 6-4	10-3
Dec. 12	Johnni DiJulius	Ohio State	W	Fall, 5:59	11-3
Dec. 13	Cameron Kelly	Ohio	W	Dec., 9-4	12-3
Dec. 20	Mack McGuire	Kent State	L	Dec., 8-5	12-4
Jan. 8	Bryan Lantry	Buffalo	W	Dec., 5-0	13-4

2013-14 (RS Fr.):

- In his first season as an attached wrestler for the Tigers, Synon competed in six tournaments and earned his first career dual start against Central Michigan's No. 12 Corey Keener on Jan. 19
- Named champion at UCM Open after winning five straight matches including a 5-0 decision over Connor Cline (Oklahoma St.) in the finals

2012-13 (Fr.)

- In his redshirt season, competed in five tournaments
- Picked up first collegiate win against Gunnar Woodburn (Oklahoma State) by 8-0 major decision
- Took second place at UCM Open, losing only to Eddie Klimara (Oklahoma State) in the finals

PERSONAL:

- Zach Synon was born on May 4, 1994 to Dan and Michelle Synon in Barrington, Ill.
- Has one younger brother, Max.
- His uncle, Ryan Geist, wrestled at Illinois State.
- Chose Mizzou over Northwestern and Iowa.





MATT MANLEY

Perry, Okla.
Perry HS
RS Jr. \ 141

SEASON RECORD: 19-4
DUAL RECORD: 5-0
CAREER RECORD: 53-24

MANLEY INDIVIDUAL RANKINGS

Intermat 12th
W.I.N. Magazine 15th
The Open Mat 11th
FloWrestling.....8th

CAREER ACCOLADES:

- 2014 NCAA Nationals Qualifier (133 pounds)

2015-16 (RS Jr.):

- Placed in second place at the Maryville Brand Kaufman Open, third place at the Joe Parisi Open, and fourth place at the Cliff Keen Las Vegas Invitational

2014-15 (RS So.):

- Finished with a 10-4 overall record, including a 6-4 mark in dual competitions.
- Crowned 2014 Harold Nichols Cyclone Open 133 pound Champion, winning four matches, two by major decision.
- Opened the season with an eight match winning streak, racking up five bonus points victories during that span.
- Tallied two pins this season with his fastest coming in 1:23 (Nov. 15, 2014 against Truman State's Ethan Retschler).

MANLEY 2015-16 MATCH-BY-MATCH

Date	Opponent	School	W/L	Score	Record
Maryville Brand Kaufman Open (2nd Place // 141)					
Nov. 14	Dante Padilla	Williams Baptist	W	Fall, 2:17	1-0
Nov. 14	Andrew Frey	Indianapolis	W	Fall, 2:44	2-0
Nov. 14	Le'Roy Barnes	Missouri	W	Dec., 2-1	3-0
Nov. 14	Nate Rodriguez	Maryville	L	Dec., 3-2	3-1
Nov. 20	Angelo Silvestro	SIU Edwardsville	W	MD, 16-4	4-1
Joe Parisi Open (3rd Place // 141)					
Nov. 21	Eli Stickley	Wisconsin	W	Dec., 9-3	5-1
Nov. 21	Tyler Tustin	Cen. Oklahoma	W	MD, 11-1	6-1
Nov. 21	Steve Bleise	Northern Illinois	W	Dec., 9-2	7-1
Nov. 21	Le'Roy Barnes	Missouri	L	Dec., 6-4	7-2
Nov. 21	Tristian Moran	Oklahoma State	W	Dec., 10-3	8-2
Nov. 21	Dusty Hone	Oklahoma State	W	Dec., 3-2	9-2
Nov. 28	Trevor Jauch	Northern Iowa	W	Dec., 4-3	10-2
Cliff Keen Las Vegas Invitational (4th Place // 141)					
Dec. 4	Austin Solari	Newberry	W	MD, 11-3	11-2
Dec. 4	Jack Hathaway	Oregon State	W	Dec., 6-3	12-2
Dec. 4	Tony DeAngelo	West Virginia	W	MD, 11-3	13-2
Dec. 4	Tommy Thorn	Minnesota	L	Dec., 6-5	13-3
Dec. 5	Mitchell Bengston	North Dakota St.	W	Dec., 11-6	14-3
Dec. 5	Ian Nickell	CSU Bakersfield	W	TF, 16-1	15-3
Dec. 5	Solomon Chishko	Virginia Tech	W	Fall, 3:54	16-3
Dec. 5	Tommy Thorn	Minnesota	L	Dec., 11-5	16-4
Dec. 12	Micah Jordan	Ohio State	W	Dec., 4-3	17-4
Dec. 13	Noah Forrider	Ohio	W	TB-1, 6-5	18-4

2013-14 (RS Fr.):

- In his second season with the Tigers, Manley competed in four tournaments for the Tigers.
- Won five straight matches at the Warren Williams/Daktronics open to claim the title.
- His first career dual start and win occurred against Kagan Squire of Ohio, 1-0
- His first win over a ranked opponent was at the Southern Scuffle where he defeated No. 5 Ryan Mango (Stanford) 8-6 in sudden victory.
- Represented Missouri at 133 pounds at the 2014 MAC Championships. Manley finished in sixth place.
- Went 1-2 in matches at Nationals, with his win coming against No. 16 Mack McGuire, evening out their season series against each other to 2-2.

2012-13 (Fr.):

- In his redshirt season on the team, Manley competed in three tournaments at 125 pounds.
- Finished in second place at the UCM Open after picking up his first five collegiate wins, including a tournament opener against Jeramy Griffen (Labette CC) by fall at 6:05.
- Manley picked up 13 wins on the season, four of which came by either fall or major decision.

PERSONAL:

- Matthew Manley was born to Brian and Abby Manley.
- Has three siblings - Crystal, Coy, and Steve.





LAVION MAYES

Mascoutah, Ill.
Mascoutah HS
RS Jr. \ 149

SEASON RECORD: 15-0
DUAL RECORD: 6-0
CAREER RECORD: 82-18

MAYES INDIVIDUAL RANKINGS

Intermat 4th
W.I.N. Magazine 3rd
The Open Mat 4th
FloWrestling..... 4th

CAREER ACCOLADES:

- 2015 NCAA All-American (7th Place - 141 pounds)
- 2014 NCAA Championships Qualifier (141 pounds)

2015-16 (RS Jr.):

- Won Championships at the Joe Parisi Open and the Cliff Keen Las Vegas Invitational
- Has started the season on an 15-match win streak

2014-15 (RS So.):

- Compiled a 38-4 overall record, including a 20-1 dual record (6-1 MAC competitions).
- His 38 victories marked a new career high, upping his previous season best by nine wins (29 a season ago).
- In his 20 dual wins, racked up 73 points for the Tigers in his victories.
- 19 of his season dual starts came at 141 pounds, while two came at 149 pound weight class.
- Began the 2014-15 season with a 21 match winning streak.
- Earned first career All-American honors (7th place) after going 5-2 at 2015 NCAA Championships.
- Four of his five wins at NCAA's were against nationally ranked opponents.
- Claimed 141 pound event championships at 2014 Harold Nichols Cyclone Open and 2015 Southern Scuffle.
- Took home 11 wins over nationally ranked 141 pound opponents, including five over top-10 foes.
- Earned MAC Wrestler of the Week honors for the week of Jan. 19-25, 2015.

MAYES 2015-16 MATCH-BY-MATCH

Date	Opponent	School	W/L	Score	Record
Nov. 20	John Fahy	SIU Edwardsville	W	Dec., 11-6	1-0
Joe Parisi Open (Champion // 149)					
Nov. 21	Greg Jacquez	Lindenwood	W	Fall, 6:23	2-0
Nov. 21	Isaac Reinemann	Illinois	W	Dec., 10-4	3-0
Nov. 21	Jake Smith	West Virginia	W	MD, 9-0	4-0
Nov. 21	John Fahy	SIU Edwardsville	W	MD, 15-3	5-0
Nov. 28	Gunnar Wolfensperger	Northern Iowa	W	Dec., 9-3	6-0
Cliff Keen Las Vegas Invitational (Champion // 149)					
Dec. 4	Rylan Lubeck	Wisconsin	W	Fall, 6:39	7-0
Dec. 4	Tom Page	American	W	MD, 14-5	8-0
Dec. 4	Geordan Martinez	Boise State	W	MD, 13-5	9-0
Dec. 5	Davion Jeffries	Oklahoma	W	Dec., 5-4	10-0
Dec. 5	Jake Short	Minnesota	W	Dec., 8-6	11-0
Dec. 12	Cody Burcher	Ohio State	W	MD, 12-3	12-0
Dec. 13	Cullen Cummings	Ohio	W	MD, 20-12	13-0
Dec. 20	Mike DePalma	Kent State	W	Dec., 9-3	14-0
Jan. 8	Colt Cotten	Buffalo	W	Dec., 13-10	15-0

2013-14 (RS Fr.):

- Earned "Most Improved Wrestler" Honors by Mizzou wrestling coaching staff.
- Competed in five tournaments as an attached wrestler and held a starting spot on the lineup at 141 pounds, helping him make his way to his first NCAA Championship.
- Placed second at both the UCM and UNI Opens, picking up seven wins between the two tournaments.
- Won all five matches at the Joe Parisi for his first tournament title in collegiate competition. Defeated Anthony Collica (Okla. State) in the finals with a pin at 6:47.
- First collegiate dual start was against Noah Forrider of Ohio. Mayes won by major decision, 12-3.
- His first win over a ranked opponent came by way of a 6-4 decision over No. 15 Nick Lester in the dual against Oklahoma.
- Represented Missouri at the 2014 MAC Championships, where he had a fourth-place finish and earned an automatic bid to the 2014 NCAA National Championships.

2012-13 (Fr.):

- Competed in three tournaments as a redshirt at 149 pounds.
- Took second place at the UCM Open, picking up his first collegiate win against Devin Patterson (McKendree), 9-6.
- Also finished second at the Joe Parisi Open, opening the day with a technical fall, 17-0, over Tre Ponting (Bethany).
- Earned another second-place finish at the Kaufman-Brand Open, picking up two decision wins, a 17-6 major decision, and a pin at 2:29.
- Overall, had 13 wins and six losses on the season.

PERSONAL:

- Lavion is the son of Clarence Mayes and Christina Whitson.
- Was born in Breese, Ill., on July 6, 1994.
- Has one older sister, Desiree.
- Chose to be a Tiger because it offered the best tools to help him become a National Champion.
- Picked Mizzou over Northern Illinois.





LE'ROY BARNES

Belton, Mo.
Belton HS
RS Sr. \ 157

SEASON RECORD: 18-4
DUAL RECORD: 1-0
CAREER RECORD: 40-12

2014-15 (RS Jr.):

- Competed at 141 pounds for the majority of the season for the Tigers.
- Started in six duals, winning all of them including four falls.
- Took fourth place at the Cyclone Open and fifth place at the Kaufman-Brand Open, picking up nine wins (eight by bonus) between the two tournaments.
- Took fifth place at the Edinboro Open, competing at 149 pounds. Notable wins include Connor Muli of Hofstra, Ian Brown of Lehigh and Tyson Dippery of Rutgers.
- Had a 22-8 season overall, including 10 falls, two major decisions, and two technical falls.

2013-14 (Jr.):

- Took a medical redshirt his first season with the Tigers.

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- Won the NJCAA Wrestling Championship his sophomore year at 133 pounds, finishing up a season record of 37-7.
- Finished in third place at the Championships his freshman season, posting a record of 41-10.

PERSONAL

- Born on November 11, 1992 to Adrian and Dashine Barnes, in Belton, Mo.
- Is the youngest of six children.

BARNES 2015-16 MATCH-BY-MATCH

Date	Opponent	School	W/L	Score	Record
Maryville Kaufman Brand Open (3rd Place // 141)					
Nov. 14	John Muldoon	SIU-Edwardsville	W	TF, 17-2	1-0
Nov. 14	Matt Manley	Missouri	L	Dec., 2-1	1-1
Nov. 14	Blake Clevenger	Quachita Baptist	W	Dec., 6-2	2-1
Nov. 14	Darren Wynn	McKendree	W	Fall, 2:43	3-1
Joe Parisi Open (2nd Place // 141)					
Nov. 21	Justin Kieffer	Indianapolis	W	Fall, 1:51	4-1
Nov. 21	Dusty Hone	Oklahoma State	W	Dec., 6-4	5-1
Nov. 21	Matt Manley	Missouri	W	Dec., 6-4	6-1
Nov. 21	Nate Rodriguez	Maryville	L	Dec., 9-5	6-2
UNI Open (Champion // 141)					
Dec. 12	Tyler Jones	Maryville	W	TF, 16-0	7-2
Dec. 12	Cole Martin	Wisconsin	W	Dec., 5-4	8-2
Dec. 12	Jake Hodges	Northern Iowa	W	Fall, 1:48	9-2
Dec. 12	Eli Stickley	Wisconsin	W	Dec., 9-2	10-2
Reno Tournament of Champions (4th Place // 157)					
Dec. 20	Luke Smith	Central Michigan	L	Dec., 4-2	10-3
Dec. 20	Isaiah Hokit	Drexel	W	MD, 13-0	11-3
Dec. 20	Merlin Bope	Miongolo Boise State	W	Fall, 3:46	12-3
Dec. 20	Austin Blaede	MSU-Northern	W	Fall, 0:45	13-3
Dec. 20	Eric Roach	Indiana	W	Dec., 9-6	14-3
Dec. 20	Oliver Pierce	Arizona State	W	Fall, 7:00	15-3
Dec. 20	Jacob Danishek	Indiana	W	Fall, 1:24	16-3
Dec. 20	Joey LaVallee	Missouri	W	MFF	17-3
Dec. 20	Luke Smith	Central Michigan	L	Dec., 7-0	17-4
Jan. 8	Tim Schaefer	Buffalo	W	Dec., 6-1	18-4



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DANIEL LEWIS

Blue Springs, Mo.
Blue Springs HS
RS Fr. \ 165

SEASON RECORD: 14-3
DUAL RECORD: 4-1
CAREER RECORD: 14-3

LEWIS INDIVIDUAL RANKINGS

Intermat 6th
W.I.N. Magazine 7th
The Open Mat 13th
FloWrestling..... 12th

2015-16 (Fr.):

- Placed third at the Cliff Keen Las Vegas Invitational and won the "Most Falls in the Least Amount of Time" Award after posting five first-period pins

2014-15 (Fr.):

- In his redshirt campaign, the first-year Tiger finished his 2014-15 season with a solid 21-8 record.
- Of his 21 season victories, an incredible 15 of those resulted in pins. The 15 falls ranked first among all 2014-15 Tiger grapplers.
- In his first 13 wins of the season, 10 came by falls with the fastest pin coming in just 0:28.
- Competed in five total tournaments this season, placing in four of them. Took home 165 pound top honors at 2014 UCM Open, going a perfect 5-0. Best streak of season resulted in wins in 14-of-15 matches (Nov. 16, 2014 - Dec. 13, 2014).
- His season best winning streak of nine matches came between Joe Parisi Open and UNI Open. Of those nine wins, six resulted in falls.

PERSONAL:

- Born to Christy and Craig Lewis on May 19, 1995 in Salina, Kan.

LEWIS 2015-16 MATCH-BY-MATCH

Date	Opponent	School	W/L	Score	Record
Nov. 20	Eric Travers	SIU Edwardsville	W	Fall, 0:58	1-0
Joe Parisi Open					
Nov. 21	Clayton Monebrake	Indianapolis	W	Fall, 0:55	2-0
Nov. 21	Ross Renzi	West Virginia	W	Dec., 6-0	3-0
Nov. 21	Dmitri Willis	Maryville	L	Fall, 4:15	3-1
Cliff Keen Las Vegas Invitational (3rd Place // 165)					
Dec. 4	Jade Lloyd	Gateway Bible	W	Fall, 0:50	4-1
Dec. 4	Jacen Peterson	Arizona State	W	Fall, 2:42	5-1
Dec. 4	Dave McFadden	Virginia Tech	L	Dec., 8-4	5-2
Dec. 4	Isaac Deaton	Nebraska-Kearney	W	Fall, 1:00	6-2
Dec. 4	Adam Fierro	CSU Bakersfield	W	Fall, 0:41	7-2
Dec. 5	Tyrel White	Columbia	W	Fall, 2:20	8-2
Dec. 5	Cooper Moore	Northern Iowa	W	Dec., 8-2	9-2
Dec. 5	George Pickett	Cornell	W	Dec., 4-2	10-2
Dec. 5	Clark Glass	Oklahoma	W	Dec., 8-2	11-2
Dec. 12	Jake Ryan	Ohio State	L	MD, 10-2	12-5
Dec. 13	Austin Reese	Ohio	W	TF, 17-1	12-3
Dec. 20	Tyler Buckwalter	Kent State	W	Fall, 2:30	13-3
Jan. 8	Tim Schaefer	Buffalo	W	Dec., 6-1	18-4





BLAISE BUTLER

Belvidere, Ill.
University of Virginia
RS Sr. \ 174

SEASON RECORD: 10-1
DUAL RECORD: 5-0
CAREER RECORD: 66-23

BUTLER INDIVIDUAL RANKINGS

Intermat 8th
W.I.N. Magazine 2nd
The Open Mat 7th
FloWrestling..... 7th

2015-16 (RS Sr.):

- Placed third at the Cliff Keen Las Vegas Invitational
- Posted his first #TigerStyle win in his debut, pinning Kyle Lux of Northern Iowa on Nov. 28

2014-15 (RS Jr. at Virginia):

- Posted a 21-6 individual mark at 174 pounds, including a 13-2 dual record
- Racked up 56 total points in a season for the second consecutive campaign
- Finished 2nd at the ACC Tournament

2013-14 (RS So. at Virginia)

- Went 22-8 as a redshirt junior and 15-5 in duals
- Captured the ACC title at 157 pounds
- Collected three major decisions and three pins
- Fastest pin came in 1:20
- Secured nine wins against eventual NCAA qualifiers

2012-13 (RS Fr. at Virginia)

- Went 13-6, competing at both 157 pounds and 165 pounds during the season
- Snagged three major decisions and two pins

2011-12 (Fr. at Virginia)

- During his redshirt season, he went 20-9 as an unattached wrestler in open tournaments
- Placed at four tournaments, winning the Appalachian Open title

PERSONAL

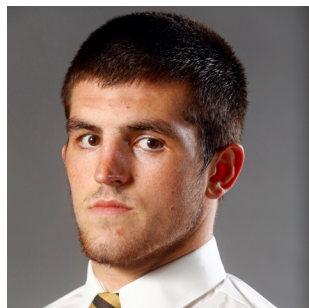
- Son of Martin and Debra Butler
- Has two brothers, Tyler and Alex
- Younger brother Alex is a freshman on the Mizzou Wrestling team
- Comes from a wrestling pedigree as his father wrestled at Amherst College

BUTLER 2015-16 MATCH-BY-MATCH

Date	Opponent	School	W/L	Score	Record
Nov. 28	Kyle Lux	Northern Iowa	W	Fall, 6:37	1-0
Cliff Keen Las Vegas Invitational (3rd Place // 174)					
Dec. 4	Rustin Barrick	Bucknell	W	MD, 13-3	2-0
Dec. 4	Drew Foster	Northern Iowa	W	Dec., 3-1	3-0
Dec. 4	Ricky Robertson	Wisconsin	W	Fall, 0:54	4-0
Dec. 5	Bryce Hammond	CSU Bakersfield	L	Dec., 10-7	4-1
Dec. 5	Brian Harvey	Army	W	TF, 18-3	5-1
Dec. 5	Jadaen Bernstein	Navy	W	Dec., 8-3	6-1
Dec. 12	Dominic Prezzia	Ohio State	W	MD, 13-3	7-1
Dec. 13	Cody Walters	Ohio	W	Dec., 5-4	8-1
Dec. 20	Mike Vollant	Kent State	W	MD, 14-5	9-1
Jan. 8	Muhammed McBryde	Buffalo	W	Dec., 8-2	10-1



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WILLIE MIKLUS

Altoona, Iowa
Southeast Polk HS
RS So. \ 184

SEASON RECORD: 10-2
DUAL RECORD: 6-0
CAREER RECORD: 43-11

MIKLUS INDIVIDUAL RANKINGS

Intermat 4th
W.I.N. Magazine 7th
The Open Mat 8th
FloWrestling..... 5th

CAREER ACCOLADES:

- 2015 NCAA All-American (7th Place - 184)
- 2015 MAC Freshman of the Year
- 2015 Academic All-MAC Team
- 2014 SEC First-Year Honor Roll

2015-16 (RS So.):

- Placed fourth at the Cliff Keen Las Vegas Invitational

2014-15 (RS Fr.):

- Went from preseason unranked grappler to nationally ranked and NCAA All-American at 184 pounds. Went 33-9 overall including an 18-3 dual (6-0 MAC) record.
 - Finished in 7th place at 2015 NCAA Championships, producing a 5-2 record along the way.
 - At NCAA's, defeated No. 6 Taylor Meeks (Oregon State), No. 7 Lorenzo Thomas (Penn), No. 14 Richard Robertson (Wisconsin) and No. 15 Timothy Dudley (Nebraska) nationally ranked opponents in the country.
 - Had 18 starts at 184 pounds for the Tigers and three starts at 197 pounds.
 - Began the 2014-15 season with an 18-0 record, highlighted by a win over No. 2 Jack Dechow (Old Dominion) on Nov. 23, 2014.
 - 24 of his 33 season wins resulted in bonus points, good enough for .727 percentage of his overall victories.
 - In his 18 dual victories this season, accumulated 82 points (2nd most on Mizzou, only trailed J'den Cox's 87).
- Tallied 14 pins throughout the season, tops among Tiger Style starters for the 2014-15 campaign.

- Took down six nationally ranked foes at 184 pounds, including four alone at 2015 NCAA Championships.

Named MAC Freshman of the Year by the league office on April 7, 2015.

2013-14 (Fr.):

- Took his redshirt in his first season with the Tigers and competed in five tournaments at 197 pounds
- Finished in fourth place at the Warren Williams / Daktronics Open, picking up his first collegiate win by a Fall at 4:09 against North Dakota State's Tommy Peterson
- Took third place at the Joe Parisi Open, winning five-of-six matches including a 6-4 decision over Missouri's Justin Heberlie
- Was crowned the champion at the Kaufman-Brand Open after winning his first two matches by Fall, followed by another win over Missouri's Heberlie
- Another third place finish came at the UNI Open with his only loss coming against Mizzou's J'den Cox
- Miklus picked up 17 wins this season with nine of them coming by Fall, the fastest of which occurred 0:50 into the match

PERSONAL:

- Willie was born to Garry and Luann Miklus on July 16, 1993 in Des Moines, Iowa.
- Has three younger siblings - Tim, who is also on the Tiger wrestling squad, Erin and Sean.

MIKLUS 2015-16 MATCH-BY-MATCH

Date	Opponent	School	W/L	Score	Record
Nov. 20	Derek Nagel	SIU Edwardsville	W	Fall, 2:49	1-0
Nov. 28	Cody Caldwell	Northern Iowa	W	Fall, 1:22	2-0
Cliff Keen Las Vegas Invitational (4th Place // 184)					
Dec. 4	Samson Imonode	Army	W	MD, 14-2	3-0
Dec. 4	Huston Evans	Newberry	W	Fall, 3:29	4-0
Dec. 4	Hayden Zillmer	North Dakota St.	W	Dec., 3-2	5-0
Dec. 5	Gabriel Dean	Cornell	L	Dec., 3-2	5-1
Dec. 5	Kenny Courts	Ohio State	W	MD, 13-5	6-1
Dec. 5	Zack Zavatsky	Virginia Tech	L	Dec., 9-4	6-2
Dec. 12	Kenny Courts	Ohio State	W	TF, 15-0	7-2
Dec. 13	Andrew Romanchik	Ohio	W	Dec., 9-3	8-2
Dec. 20	Cole Baxter	Kent State	W	Fall, 3:55	9-2
Jan. 8	Joe Ariola	Buffalo	W	TF, 19-4	10-2



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J'DEN COX

Columbia, Mo.
Hickman HS
Jr. \ 197

SEASON RECORD: 15-1
DUAL RECORD: 5-1
CAREER RECORD: 90-5

COX INDIVIDUAL RANKINGS

Intermat 2nd
W.I.N. Magazine 2nd
The Open Mat 2nd
FloWrestling..... 2nd

CAREER ACCOLADES:

- 2015 NCAA All-American (5th Place - 197)
- 2015 MAC Champion (197)
- 2014 NCAA National Champion (197)
- 2014 MAC Champion (197)
- 2014 MAC Wrestler of the Year
- 2014 MAC Freshmen of the Year
- 2014 SEC First-Year Honor Roll

2015-16 (Jr.):

- Won Championships at the Joe Parisi Open and Cliff Keen Las Vegas Invitational

2014-15 (So.):

- Earned All-American honors for the second straight year and cemented himself as one of the top 197 pound wrestlers in the country.
- Finished the season with a 37-2 total record, including a perfect 21-0 dual record (6-0 in MAC duals).
- Concluded the regular season with an unblemished 30-0 record, and stretched his perfect record well into NCAA Championships.
- Suffered his first season loss on March 20, 2015 in the 197 pound NCAA Championships semifinals matchup. Before the loss, had put together a 36-0 record and an NCAA leading 56 consecutive victories dating back to the end of his 2013-14 season.
- His perfect 3-0 record and 197 pound title at the MAC Wrestling Championships was his second straight crown.
- During his perfect 21-0 regular season dual record, he tallied 87 total dual points which led all Mizzou grapplers.
- Of his 37 season wins, 19 of those produced bonus points for the team (seven MD, four TF, and eight Falls).
- Defeated 12 nationally ranked wrestlers on the season, including two up a weight class at HWT.

2013-14 (Fr.):

- Picked up 38 wins his first year with the Tigers en route to a conference and national championship at 197 pounds
- At the 2014 MAC Championships, defeated No. Phil Wellington (Ohio) via major decision, 10-1
- At NCAA Nationals, Cox entered his bracket as the No. 2 seed and on the way to the title defeated No. 14 Chris Penny (Virginia Tech) with a 4-1 decision in the semifinals and then faced No. 1 Nick Heflin (Ohio State) in the finals
- In a match that came down to the wire, Cox defeated Heflin by decision, 2-1, and became the fourth Tiger wrestler to claim a national championship, giving Mizzou its fifth individual crown since '06.

PERSONAL:

- J'den was born to Michael and Cathy Cox on March 3, 1995 in Columbia, Mo.
- Is the third of four children, with two older brothers, Zach and Drae, and sister, Chai.
- Brother, Drae, wrestled for Lindenwood University.

COX 2015-16 MATCH-BY-MATCH

Date	Opponent	School	W/L	Score	Record
Nov. 20	Jake Tindle	SIU Edwardsville	W	TF, 25-10	1-0
Joe Parisi Open (Champion // 197)					
Nov. 21	Greg Wilson	Cen. Oklahoma	W	TF, 22-7	2-0
Nov. 21	Derrick Hawkins	Grand View	W	Fall, 1:27	3-0
Nov. 21	Austin Schafer	Oklahoma State	W	TF, 21-5	4-0
Nov. 21	Ryan Beltz	Maryville	W	TF, 25-10	5-0
Nov. 21	Jacob Smith	West Virginia	W	Dec., 2-0	6-0
Nov. 28	Jared Bartel	Northern Iowa	W	Dec., 8-3	7-0
Cliff Keen Las Vegas Invitational (Champion // 197)					
Dec. 4	Mark Tracy	Binghamton	W	Fall, 3:46	8-0
Dec. 4	Augustus Marker	Brown	W	Fall, 4:49	9-0
Dec. 4	Derek Thomas	Utah Valley	W	TF, 22-7	10-0
Dec. 5	Jacob Smith	West Virginia	W	Dec., 9-3	11-0
Dec. 5	Brett Pfarr	Minnesota	W	Dec., 4-1	12-0
Dec. 12	Mark Martin	Ohio State	W	MD, 13-2	13-0
Dec. 13	Phil Wellington	Ohio	L	DQ	13-1
Dec. 20	Jerald Spohn	Kent State	W	Fall, 1:02	14-1
Jan. 8	James Benjamin	Buffalo	W	TF, 19-4	15-1



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JAMES ROMERO

Albuquerque, N.M.
Atrisco Heritage Academy HS
Fr. \ HWT

SEASON RECORD: 11-11
DUAL RECORD: 2-4
CAREER RECORD: 11-11

2015-16 (Fr.):

- Picked up his first dual victory on Dec. 13 against Jesse Webb of Ohio by way of a 9-4 decision
- Placed third at the UCM Open, tallying four falls and a technical fall in the tournament

HIGH SCHOOL

- Two-time New Mexico state champion as a heavyweight
- Finished high school with a 114-17 career record
- Finished fifth as a freshman and second as a sophomore before clinching back-to-back state titles
- Won the 2015 Rocky Mountain Nationals heavyweight title
- Placed fourth at the USAW Junior Folkstyle Nationals

ROMERO 2015-16 MATCH-BY-MATCH

Date	Opponent	School	W/L	Score	Record
UCM Open (3rd Place // HWT)					
Nov. 7	Chance Schooler	Labette CC	W	Fall, 0:38	1-0
Nov. 7	Scott Kleinert	Neosho CC	W	Fall, 0:26	2-0
Nov. 7	Nick Lovejoy	Central Missouri	W	Fall, 1:12	3-0
Nov. 7	Jacob Borgmeyer	Lindenwood	L	Dec., 6-3	3-1
Nov. 7	Christian Boyles	McKendree	W	Fall, 2:10	4-1
Nov. 7	Nick Lovejoy	Central Missouri	W	TF, 15-0	5-1
Maryville Kaufman Brand Open					
Nov. 14	Kris Rahn	Baker	L	Fall, 1:25	5-2
Nov. 14	Brian Snyder	Indianapolis	L	Fall, 2:19	5-3
Nov. 20	Chris Johnson	SIU Edwardsville	L	Dec., 5-0	5-4
Joe Parisi Open					
Nov. 21	Chance Cooper	[Unattached]	W	Fall, 0:35	6-4
Nov. 21	Cory Barnett	Northern Illinois	W	Fall, 1:05	7-4
Nov. 21	Dylan Faulkenberg	Indianapolis	W	Fall, 0:26	8-4
Nov. 21	Dalonte Holland	Ellsworth CC	L	Dec., 7-5	8-5
Nov. 21	Robert Schneider	[Unattached]	W	Fall, 0:22	9-5
Nov. 21	Dylan Faulkenberg	Indianapolis	L	MD, 12-2	9-6
Nov. 28	Blaize Cabell	Northern Iowa	L	TF, 25-10	9-7
Cliff Keen Las Vegas Invitational					
Dec. 4	Stephen Suglio	Kent State	L	Fall, 6:08	9-8
Dec. 4	Marcus Malecek	Air Force	L	MD, 10-2	9-9
Dec. 12	Nick Tavanello	Ohio State	L	Fall, 4:40	9-10
Dec. 13	Jesse Webb	Ohio	W	Dec., 9-4	10-10
Dec. 20	Devin Nye	Kent State	W	Fall, 0:58	11-10
Jan. 8	Jake Gunning	Buffalo	L	Fall, 2:29	11-11



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2015-16 MIZZOU STATISTICS

Name	Wt.	Overall		Dual		Dual Points	Dec.	MD	Fall	TF	Forfeit	OT Matches	Fastest Fall
Aaron Asaad	125	9	5	0	0	0	5	2	0	1	1	0	--
Le'Roy Barnes	141 // 157	18	4	1	0	3	7	1	7	2	1	0	0:45
Cole Baumgartner	133	11	5	1	0	3	2	1	5	2	1	0	1:22
Jayden Bears	184	7	3	0	0	0	1	1	4	0	1	0	1:32
Chase Brennan	125	3	3	0	0	0	1	2	0	0	0	0	--
Alex Butler	149	17	6	0	0	0	14	1	0	1	1	4	--
Blaise Butler	174	10	1	5	0	20	4	3	2	1	0	0	6:37
J'den Cox	197	15	1	5	1	23	4	1	4	6	0	0	1:02
Nicholas DeLoach	165	8	5	0	1	0	3	3	1	0	1	0	1:30
Phyllip DeLoach	157	10	6	0	0	0	6	1	1	2	0	1	5:28
Jaydin Eierman	133	18	2	0	0	0	2	5	7	4	0	0	0:31
John Erneste	133	9	4	0	0	0	3	2	3	0	1	1	1:20
Austin Eveler	149	9	3	0	0	0	5	0	3	1	0	1	0:54
Chandler Fohey	125	6	3	0	0	0	4	0	2	0	0	0	0:58
Luke Fortuna	157	13	8	0	3	0	9	2	1	1	0	0	2:13
Jon Goerke	174	2	4	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	1:45
Cody Johnston	174	4	2	0	0	0	0	0	3	1	0	0	0:50
Kevin Kissane	141	12	5	0	0	0	7	2	2	0	1	0	4:11
Joey Lavallee	157	10	3	0	0	0	7	0	1	2	0	0	3:29
Matt Lemanowicz	157	4	3	0	1	0	2	0	1	1	0	0	3:00
Daniel Lewis	165	14	3	4	1	21	4	1	8	1	0	0	0:41
Matt Manley	141	19	4	5	0	17	10	5	3	1	0	1	2:17
Lavion Mayes	149	15	0	6	0	20	7	6	2	0	0	0	6:23
Keegan McCormick	157	11	2	0	0	0	2	3	4	1	1	0	1:39
Barlow McGhee	125	12	4	3	2	10	6	2	1	2	1	2	6:04
Tim Miklus	174	6	5	1	0	4	0	1	5	0	0	0	1:50
Willie Miklus	184	10	2	6	0	31	2	2	4	2	0	0	1:22
Mike Monaghan	HWT	1	6	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	--
Nick Nasenbeny	133	5	4	0	0	0	2	0	2	0	1	0	3:53
Blake Pepper	157	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	--
Seth Pesek	197	6	4	0	0	0	2	1	1	2	0	0	3:50
Sam Ritchie	133	7	4	0	0	0	4	1	1	1	0	0	3:00
Will Roark	141	11	4	0	0	0	2	1	4	4	0	0	1:14
James Romero	HWT	11	11	2	4	9	1	0	9	1	0	0	0:26
Nicholas Scherer	184	1	6	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	4:06
Quinn Smith	133	5	0	0	0	0	0	1	2	1	1	0	2:57
Matt Striegel	174	10	8	0	0	0	6	2	0	1	1	0	--
Zach Synon	133	13	4	5	1	19	8	2	1	2	0	2	--
Dalton Voyles	174	9	5	0	0	0	3	4	2	0	0	1	0:34
Taylor Watkins	165	9	6	0	0	0	6	1	1	1	0	2	3:36
Dylan Wisman	174	12	6	0	0	0	6	2	4	0	0	1	0:58
TOTAL	-	392	167	44	16	180	159	68	105	43	13	16	--

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Individual Dual Record by Weight

125	133	141	149	157	165	174	184	197	HWT	Total
3-2	5-1	6-0	6-0	1-5	4-2	6-0	6-0	5-1	2-4	44-16

Dual Pins by Weight

125	133	141	149	157	165	174	184	197	HWT	Total
0-0	1-0	0-0	0-0	0-1	2-0	1-0	3-0	1-0	1-2	9-3

Dual Technical Falls by Weight

125	133	141	149	157	165	174	184	197	HWT	Total
0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	1-1	0-0	2-0	2-0	0-1	5-2

Dual Major Decisions by Weight

125	133	141	149	157	165	174	184	197	HWT	Total
1-1	1-0	2-0	2-0	0-2	1-0	3-0	0-0	1-0	0-0	11-3

Dual Decisions by Weight

125	133	141	149	157	165	174	184	197	HWT	Total
2-1	3-1	4-0	4-0	1-2	0-1	2-0	1-0	1-0	1-1	19-6

Dual Disqualifications/Forfeits by Weight

125	133	141	149	157	165	174	184	197	HWT	Total
0-1	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-1	0-0	0-2

Team Record at Dual Starting Weight

125	133	141	149	157	165	174	184	197	HWT	Total
2-1	0-0	0-0	1-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-1	2-2

Team Ranking Week-By-Week

	NWCA	InterMat	WIN (TPI)	WIN (Dual)
Nov. 17	9th	10th	7th	9th
Nov. 24	9th	10th	8th	8th
Dec. 1	8th	8th	6th	8th
Dec. 8	8th	7th	4th	6th
Dec. 15	4th	6th	5th	5th
Dec. 22	4th	6th	5th	5th
Jan. 5	4th	6th	5th	5th

MISC. STATS CONT...
Match-By-Match Missouri Lineup

Date	Opponent	125	133	141	149	157	165	174	184	197	HWT
Nov. 20	at SIU Edwardsville	McGhee	Synon	Manley	Mayes	Lemanowicz	Lewis	T. Miklus	W. Miklus	Cox	Romero
Nov. 28	at Northern Iowa	McGhee	Synon	Manley	Mayes	Fortuna	DeLoach	B. Butler	W. Miklus	Cox	Romero
Dec. 12	Ohio State	McGhee	Synon	Manley	Mayes	Fortuna	Lewis	B. Butler	W. Miklus	Cox	Romero
Dec. 13	Ohio	McGhee	Synon	Manley	Mayes	Fortuna	Lewis	B. Butler	W. Miklus	Cox	Romero
Dec. 20	at Kent State	McGhee	Synon	Manley	Mayes	Pepper	Lewis	B. Butler	W. Miklus	Cox	Romero
Jan. 8	Buffalo	McGhee	Synon	Baumgartner	Mayes	Barnes	Lewis	B. Butler	W. Miklus	Cox	Romero
Jan. 10	Cornell	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Jan. 15	Eastern Michigan	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Jan. 17	at Central Michigan	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Jan. 22	at Oklahoma State	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Jan. 30	Oklahoma	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Jan. 31	Old Dominion	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Feb. 7	at Northern Illinois	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Feb. 12	at Appalachian State	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Feb. 14	at North Carolina State	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Feb. 21	NWCA National Duals	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

Dual Team Points Scored by Weight

Opp.		125	133	141	149	157	165	174	184	197	HWT	Total
Nov. 20	at SIU Edwardsville	4	4	4	3	0	6	4	6	5	0	36
Nov. 28	at Northern Iowa	0	3	3	3	0	0	6	6	3	0	24
Dec. 12	Ohio State	0	6	3	4	0	0	4	5	4	0	26
Dec. 13	Ohio	3	3	3	4	0	5	3	3	0	3	27
Dec. 20	at Kent State	0	0	4	3	0	6	4	6	6	6	35
Jan. 8	Buffalo	3	3	3	3	3	4	3	5	5	0	32
Jan. 10	Cornell	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Jan. 15	Eastern Michigan	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Jan. 17	at Central Michigan	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Jan. 22	at Oklahoma State	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Jan. 30	Oklahoma	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Jan. 31	Old Dominion	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Feb. 7	at Northern Illinois	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Feb. 12	at Appalachian State	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Feb. 14	at North Carolina State	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Feb. 21	NWCA National Duals	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Total		10	19	20	20	3	21	24	31	23	9	180



Brian Smith

Head Coach
18th Year At Mizzou

Alma Mater

- Michigan State, 1990

Playing Experience

- Michigan State, 1986-1990
- 3x All-Big Ten wrestler
- Team's Most Outstanding Wrestler, 1990
- 84 Career Victories

Coaching Experience

- Cornell University
- 1992-97
- Assistant Coach
- Syracuse University
- 1997-98
- Head Coach
- University of Missouri,
- 1998-present
- Head Coach

Mizzou Coaching Record

- Overall
- 229-90-3 (.711)
- 14 consecutive seasons
with .500 or better record
- 13-of-17 years at Mizzou
with double digit victories

Coaching Awards

- 2015 MAC Coach of the Year
- 2014 MAC Coach of the Year
- 2013 MAC Coach of the Year
- 2012 Big 12 Coach of the Year
- 2007 Dan Gable Coach of the Year

Misc. Accolades

- 2010-12 NWCA President
- Wrestling Commissioner for the Show-Me-State Games

HEAD COACH **Brian Smith**

Beginning his career as Missouri's seventh Head Wrestling Coach, Brian Smith sat down with his team and made a list of goals that he hoped would help the 1998 squad and future Tiger teams. Over the past 16 years, Smith and the many men that have come through the varsity program have slowly but surely checked items off that original list. Individual Big 12 and MAC Conference Champions, improved grade-point averages, record-setting attendances, a No. 1 national ranking and MU's first-ever National Champion in wrestling were all on Smith's "to-do" list. His unique "Tiger Style" training program has molded today's team into a national powerhouse that looks to contend for the program's first team NCAA title.

Since being introduced as Missouri's Head Wrestling Coach May 5, 1998, Smith has demanded nothing but the best from himself, his coaches and his wrestlers. Owning 13 consecutive seasons with a dual record at or above .500, beginning with 2001-02, Smith has coached 20 All-Americans to 33 top-eight performances and four Tigers to five national titles.

Additionally, Smith aided in two-time National Champion Ben Askren's run through the 2008 Olympics in Beijing, China. During Askren's Tiger career, Smith guided the 174-pound grappler Askren to the program's first back-to-back National Championship titles (2006 and 2007). On March 21, 2009, Mark Ellis became the second MU wrestler in program history to collect top honors. At heavyweight, Ellis bested his opponent, 3-2, in overtime with Smith coaching from the corner. In March 2010, Max Askren became the third Tiger Style national champion in the history of the program, as he dominated the No. 1 seed in the 184-pound weight class by a 10-3 score. Finally, true freshman J'den Cox claimed the program's fifth national title in 2013-14 after defeating Ohio State's Nick Heflin, 2-1.

The past 2014-15 Mizzou wrestling campaign will arguably go down as the best season in program history. Under Smith's guidance, the Tigers finished with a perfect 24-0 regular season, marking only the second undefeated season in program history (joining 1967-68 Tiger squad). Dating back to the 2013-14 season, the Tigers have reeled off 28 straight dual wins, marking the longest winning streak in program history.

As the only unbeaten program in Division I wrestling this past season, the Tigers also racked up national accolades with a title at the 2015 National Duals Finals, and 2014-15 MAC Regular Season and Postseason Championships. The 8-0 record and first place honors during the MAC regular season was the first ever regular season title in Mizzou wrestling history.

After the team's fourth consecutive conference championship and new all-time MAC Championships team points record of 139.5, all 10 Tiger Style grapplers earned automatic bids to the 2015 NCAA Championships. Led by five All-Americans (Alan Waters, Lavion Mayes, Drake Houdashelt, Willie Miklus and J'den Cox) and the program's sixth all-time individual National Champion, the Tigers finished in fourth place overall. The team trophy finish gave Mizzou their fourth top-10 NCAA finish in the past nine years, and their sixth top-10 NCAA finish in program history.

During the 2014 season, Smith helped the Tigers claim their third consecutive conference championship, while also earning back-to-back MAC Coach of the Year honors. Mizzou sent eight wrestlers to 2014 NAAs, and came away two more All-Americans in Drake Houdashelt and J'den Cox. With the two excellent individual performances in Oklahoma City, Okla., Tiger Style now holds 55 all-time All-Americans.

In 2013, after Mizzou departed from the Big 12 Conference, Smith would do it all again. In the new Mid-American Conference (MAC), he led the Tigers as an affiliate member, and took the conference crown by storm, ending an 11-year dominant reign by the Chippewas from Central Michigan. His squad posted a total of 136.0 team points, which shattered the MAC Championship record for team points. And again, all 10 of his wrestlers qualified for the NAAs. He was named Mid-American Conference Coach of the Year for his accomplishments.

At least one Tiger grappler has been selected to compete at the NCAA Championship event in each of Smith's 16 seasons at Missouri and his squads have finished among the top-20 programs at the NCAA Championships in 12 of the last 13 years. The Florida native graduated from Michigan State with a degree in education and married the former Denise Dean in 1993. Brian and Denise, have three children, Quinn, Kylie and Braden.

2015-16 ROSTER

<i>NAME</i>	<i>PRONUNCIATION</i>	<i>WEIGHT</i>	<i>YEAR</i>	<i>HOMETOWN / LAST SCHOOL</i>
Aaron Assad	(acid)	125	RS So.	Brecksville, Ohio/ Purdue University
Le'Roy Barnes		141 / 157	RS Sr.	Belton, Mo. / Neosho County CC
Cole Baumgartner	(bomb-gart-ner)	133 / 141	RS Jr.	Jefferson City, Mo. / Jefferson City HS
Jayden Bears		184	Fr.	Staley, Mo. / Staley HS
Boomer Boyd		125	RS Jr.	Wilmington, N.C. / Cary HS
Chase Brennan		125	So.	Monett, Mo. / Monett HS
Alex Butler		149	Fr.	Rockford, Ill. / Boylan Catholic HS
Blaise Butler		174	RS Sr.	Belvidere, Ill. /University of Virginia
J'den Cox		197	Jr.	Columbia, Mo. / Hickman HS
Nicholas DeLoach		149 /157	Fr.	Alton, Ill. /Alton HS
Phyllip DeLoach		157	Fr.	Alton, Ill. /Alton HS
Jaydin Eierman	(Air-man)	133	Fr.	Columbia, Mo./ Father Totlon HS
John Erneste	(earnest-E)	133	RS Fr.	Kansas City, Mo. / Park Hill HS
Austin Eveler	(ehv-eh-lurr)	149	Fr.	Lee's Summit, Mo./ Lee's Summit West
Chandler Fohey		125	Fr.	Hannibal, Mo. / Hannibal HS
Luke Fortuna		157	Fr.	Glen Ellyn, Ill. / Montini Catholic HS
Jon Goerke	(GOR-key)	174	Jr.	Union, Ill. / Marengo Community HS
Cody Johnston		174	RS Sr.	Warrensburg, Mo. / Warrensburg HS
Kevin Kissane	(kiss-eign)	141	Fr.	Wichita, Kan. / Maize South HS
Joey Lavallee	(luh-val-lee)	157	Jr.	Reno, Nev. / Reno HS
Grant Leeth		149	RS Fr.	Kearney, Mo. / Kearney HS
Matt Lemanowicz	(luh-man-oh-witz)	157	RS Jr.	Lee's Summit, Mo. / Lee's Summit HS
Daniel Lewis		165	RS Fr.	Blue Springs, Mo. / Blue Springs HS
Wood Mancuso		HWT	RS Fr.	Moorehead City, N.C. / West Carteret HS
Matt Manley		141	RS Jr.	Perry, Okla. / Perry HS
Lavion Mayes	(luh-VON)	149	RS Jr.	Mascoutah, Ill. / Mascoutah HS
Keegan McCormick		157	Fr.	Lee's Summit, Mo. / Lee's Summit North HS
Barlow McGhee		125	RS So.	Rock Island, Ill. / Rock Island HS
Tim Miklus		174	RS Fr.	Altoona, Iowa / Southeast Polk HS
Willie Miklus		184	RS So.	Altoona, Iowa / Southeast Polk HS
Mike Monaghan	(mahn-uh-han)	HWT	Sr.	Darien, Illinois/Downers Grove HS
Nick Nasenbeny		133	RS Fr.	Plainfield, Ill. / Plainfield Central HS
Blake Pepper		157	RS Jr.	Imperial, Mo. / Seckman HS
Seth Pesek		197	Fr.	Gardner, Kan. / Gardner Edgerton HS
Sam Ritchie		133	Fr.	St. Peters, Mo./Francis Howell North HS
Will Roark		141	Fr.	Seneca, Mo. / Seneca HS
James Romero		HWT	Fr.	Atrisco, N.M. / Atrisco Heritage Acaedey HS
Nicholas Scherer	(sheer-err)	184	Fr.	St. Louis, Mo. / MICDS High School
Quinn Smith		133	RS Fr.	Columbia, Mo. / Rock Bridge HS
Matt Striegel	(stree-gull)	174	Fr.	Belleville, Ill./Belleville East HS
Zach Synon	(sin-in)	133	RS Jr.	Cary, Ill. / Prairie Ridge HS
Dalton Voyles		174	Fr.	Pacific, Mo. / Pacific HS
Taylor Watkins		165	Fr.	Columbus, Kan./Columbus HS
Dylan Wisman	(wize-man)	174	Fr.	Winchester, Va. / Millbrook HS

Head Coach	Brian Smith (Michigan State, 1990) 18th Season at Mizzou
Associate Head Coach	Alex Clemson
Assistant Coaches	Joe Johnston and Drake Houdashelt
Strength & Conditioning Coach	Mike Larson
Director of Operations	Cody Shoemaker
Athletic Trainer	Mitch Swee

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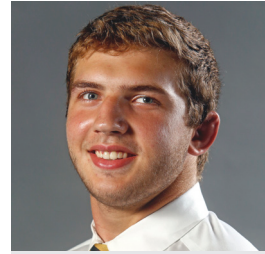
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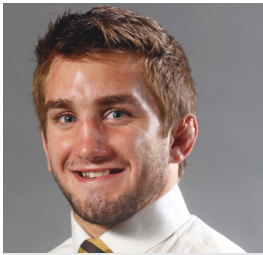
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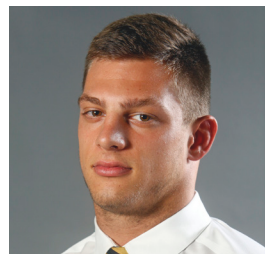
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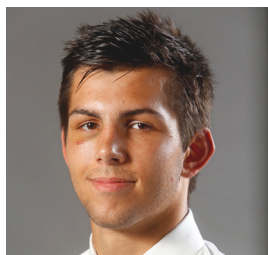
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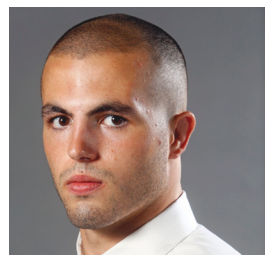
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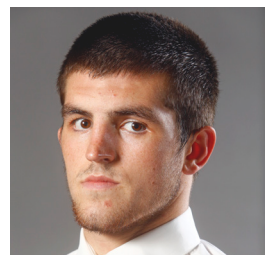
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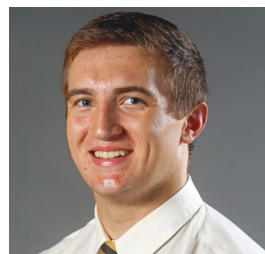
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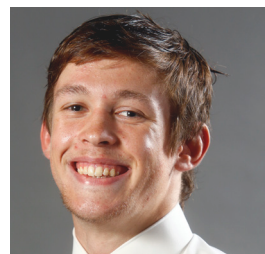
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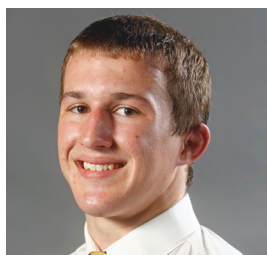
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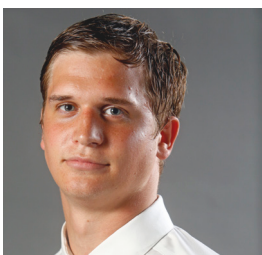
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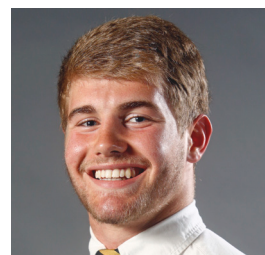
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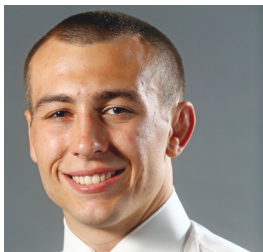


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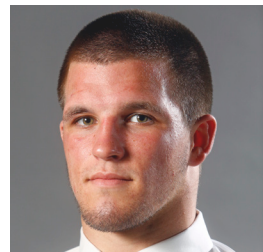
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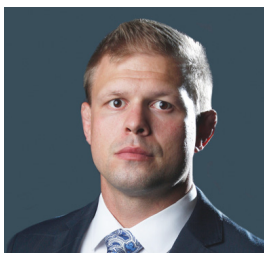
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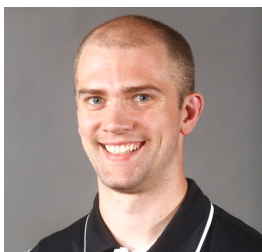
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