

TROJAN FOOTBALL

11 National Championships
33 Bowl Victories
163 All-Americans
6 Heisman Trophy Winners



496 NFL Players
79 NFL 1st Round Draftees
5 No. 1 Overall Draft Picks
22 Academic All-Americans

2016 SCHEDULE (0-0)

DATE	OPPONENT	TIME/RESULT
Sept. 3	vs. Alabama (@Arlington, Tex.)	7 p.m. CT (ABC)
Sept. 10	Utah State	11 a.m. PT (P12N)
Sept. 17	at Stanford	5 p.m. PT (ABC)
Sept. 23 (Fr.)	at Utah	7 p.m. MT (FS1, FOXD)
Oct. 1	Arizona State	TBA
Oct. 8	Colorado	TBA
Oct. 15	at Arizona	TBA
Oct. 27 (Th.)	California	7:30 p.m. PT (ESPN)
Nov. 5	Oregon	TBA
Nov. 12	at Washington	TBA
Nov. 19	at UCLA	TBA
Nov. 26	Notre Dame	TBA

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Live local radio: 1 p.m. (PT), ESPNLA 710 Radio (KSPN-AM), Pete Arbogast, John Jackson, Jordan Moore, Shaun Cody, Chris Fisher, Travis Rodgers, Jeremy Hogue (includes 4-hour pre-game and 2-hour post-game shows). Fans also can hear the live 710 ESPN Radio broadcast on USCTrojans.com and ESPNLA.com, on SiriusXM satellite radio (channel 84) and on the TuneIn Radio app.

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Tickets for USC home football games are on sale online at USCTrojans.com/tickets or by calling (213) 740-GOSC (4672). To reserve a Coliseum Field Suite, contact the USC Premium Department at premium@usc.edu.

Release Date: Aug. 26, 2016



GAME 1 #20 USC (0-0 overall, 0-0 Pac-12 South) vs. #1 Alabama (0-0 overall, 0-0 SEC West)



Saturday, Sept. 3, 2016, 7 p.m. CT (5 p.m. PT), AT&T Stadium, Arlington, Tex.

NO. 20 USC FOOTBALL OPENS 2016 SEASON VERSUS NO. 1 ALABAMA IN TEXAS

THEMES

*Two of college football's traditional giants—No. 20 USC and No. 1 Alabama, the defending national champion—meet in Texas to open their 2016 seasons on Labor Day weekend in primetime on ABC.

*It's the first meeting between the teams since 1985.

*Something has to give, as USC has won its past 17 openers and Alabama its last 14.

*Although the Crimson Tide holds a decisive edge in the series, both of USC's victories were historic (and both came in Birmingham): the 1970 win helped integrate Southern football (one of Troy's stars that day was African-American fullback Sam Cunningham, who will serve as the Trojans' honorary captain this week) and the 1978 win knocked off top-ranked Alabama (although both teams ended up splitting the national title that season).

*USC's 7 victories over No. 1 teams are among the most of any school, but the last time Troy did so was in 1984.

*It has been 10 years since USC has met a team from the Southeastern Conference (Troy has won nearly two-thirds of its games against SEC foes).

*It is USC's third consecutive game in an NFL stadium, as well as at a neutral site (Troy is listed as the visiting team). This will be USC's first visit to 80,000-seat AT&T Stadium, which is familiar territory for Alabama (the Tide played there twice last season)...and if the roof is closed, it will be just the fourth time a Trojan football game has occurred inside.

*Although USC played in Texas just 4 years ago, it has been 21 years since the Trojans' came to the Dallas area. Five USC players hail from Texas, as does Trojan head coach **Clay Helton**, and a pair of USC assistants used to work for the Cowboys (even the state's governor has a USC link).

*USC also has many Alabama connections, including assistant coach **Neil Callaway**, who played under Tide legend Bear Bryant in a mid-70s victory over the top-ranked Trojans. Eyes figure to be on former USC head coach **Lane Kiffin**, now Alabama's offensive coordinator (19 current Trojans played for Kiffin).

*It's the start of a grueling 2016 schedule for USC, featuring 11 bowl teams from 2015 and 6 teams in the AP pre-season poll (both more than anyone).

*Helton, who was named USC's permanent head coach late last season after twice serving in an interim role, fields a 2016 squad with 14 returning starters (9 on offense) and 82 scholarship players (Troy's deepest team since its 2010 NCAA sanctions). QB **Max Browne**, who has thrown just 19 passes in 9 games while waiting in the wings the past 3 seasons under Cody Kessler (Troy's most efficient passer ever), won the starting job at the end of fall camp over redshirt freshman **Sam Darnold**. USC is loaded at the skill offensive spots, with a pair of 900-yard runners from 2015 (TBs **Justin Davis** and Texan **Ronald Jones II**, who set the school frosh rushing record last fall) and Biletnikoff Award nominee WR **JuJu Smith-Schuster** (89 receptions for 1,454 yards and 10 TDs in 2015) leading a deep receiving corps. USC's entire offensive line is back, led by massive All-American candidate OT **Zach Banner**. Tee **Martin**, an Alabama native, takes over Helton's playcalling duty. Triple threat Thorpe/Hornung Awards nominee CB-WR-RET **Adoree' Jackson** headlines the defense (he is also an elite long jumper) and is joined by the likes of ILB **Cameron Smith** and CB **Iman Marshall**, both 2015 Freshman All-Americans. The biggest challenge for defensive coordinator **Clancy Pendergast**, who returned to USC this year, will be overhauling of d-line. There will be new faces in the Trojan kicking game, which should be helped by the return of special teams coordinator **John Baxter**.

***Nick Saban** has led Alabama to 4 national championships in the past 7 years. The Crimson Tide return 14 starters from the 2015 titlists, but among the losses are a Heisman runner, a Rimington center, a school record-setting quarterback and a pair of All-American defenders. Like USC, Alabama will be breaking in a new signalcaller this year. Whoever wins the job gets to throw to the likes of WRs **Calvin Ridley** (89 catches, 1,045 yards, 7 TDs last fall) and **ArDarius Steward** (63 grabs in 2015) and TE **D.J. Howard**, Offensive MVP of the CFP title game. OT **Cam Robinson** and 2015 Freshman All-American C **Ross Pierschbacher** will block for the new QB and running back. The Tide's traditionally tough defense features such seniors as LB **Reuben Foster**, the team's top returning tackler, S **Eddie Jackson** (6 interceptions last year), DE **Jonathan Allen** (12 sacks in 2015) and LB **Tim Williams** (10.5 sacks in 2015).

*By the way, another USC football team will be playing an Alabama school on Labor Day weekend, as the Women of Troy soccer (futbol) squad plays in a tourney at Auburn.



PAC-12 STANDINGS

	PAC-12		OVERALL	
	W	L	W	L
SOUTH				
ARIZ	0	0	0	0
ASU	0	0	0	0
COLO	0	0	0	0
UCLA	0	0	0	0
USC	0	0	0	0
UTAH	0	0	0	0
NORTH				
CAL	0	0	0	0
ORE	0	0	0	0
OSU	0	0	0	0
STAN	0	0	0	0
WASH	0	0	0	0
WSU	0	0	0	0

AP POLL

- Alabama
- Clemson
- Oklahoma
- Florida State
- LSU
- Ohio State
- Michigan
- Stanford
- Tennessee
- Notre Dame
- Mississippi
- Michigan State
- TCU
- Washington
- Houston
- UCLA
- Iowa
- Georgia
- Louisville
- USC**
- Oklahoma State
- North Carolina
- Baylor
- Oregon
- Florida

USA TODAY POLL

- Alabama
- Clemson
- Oklahoma
- Florida State
- Ohio State
- LSU
- Stanford
- Michigan
- Notre Dame
- Tennessee
- Michigan State
- Mississippi
- Houston
- TCU
- Iowa
- Georgia
- Washington
- Oklahoma State
- North Carolina
- Baylor
- Oregon
- Louisville
- UCLA
- Florida

USC VS. ALABAMA (2-5-0)

1938	L	7-19	H
1945*	L	14-34	N1
1970	W	42-21	N2
1971	L	10-17	H
1977	L	20-21	H
1978	W	24-14	N2
1985+	L	3-24	N3

N1-Rose Bowl, Pasadena, California
 N2-Legion Stadium, Birmingham, Alabama
 N3-Aloha Stadium, Honolulu, Hawaii
 *-1946 Rose Bowl
 +-1985 Aloha Bowl

RANKINGS

USC is ranked No. 20 in the current AP sports media poll and No. 17 in the USA Today coaches poll. Alabama is No. 1 in both polls.

SERIES

USC trails in its series with Alabama, 2-5. The teams last met in 1985, a 24-3 win by No. 15 Alabama in the Aloha Bowl (the Trojans were not ranked and finished the season 6-6). USC's victories both came on the road in Birmingham, Ala.: a 42-21 win in 1970 (see below) and 24-14 in 1978 over the top-ranked Crimson Tide (Troy, No. 7 in that game, ended up winning the UPI national title, but was second to Alabama in the AP poll). The teams' first meeting dates to 1938 in the Coliseum, a 19-7 Alabama win when both squads were unranked. The teams next met in the 1946 Rose Bowl (following the 1945 season), as the No. 2 Tide beat No. 11 USC, 34-14, to give the Trojans their first-ever loss in the Rose Bowl after 8 victories (Harry Gilmer ran for 113 yards and the Tide defense allowed just 41 yards, including just 6 on the ground). Alabama followed up its 1970 loss to Troy with a 17-10 win the following season under the lights in the Coliseum (the Tide was ranked No. 16, while USC was fifth). No. 7 Alabama upended No. 1 USC in 1977 in the Coliseum, 21-20, when the Trojans scored a touchdown with 35 seconds left but Rob Hertel's 2-point conversion pass to Mosi Tatupu was intercepted by Barry Krauss (Hertel was pressured by Wayne Hamilton).

1970 USC-ALABAMA GAME

College Football Hall of Famer **Sam Cunningham**, an All-American fullback on USC's 1972 national championship team who went on to star with the New England Patriots, will serve as USC's honorary captain for this week's game, and it is a fitting captaincy. In 1970, No. 3 USC's 42-21 season-opening win over No. 16 Alabama was historically significant because it helped to change societal attitudes in the South. The Trojans traveled to Birmingham where they faced an all-white Crimson Tide team coached by Paul "Bear" Bryant. Thanks to dominating performances for USC by a trio of African-Americans (Cunningham, Clarence Davis and Jimmy Jones), Bryant was convinced that he needed to recruit African-American players for his program. The rest of the Southeastern Conference soon followed suit and opportunities for African-American athletes in the South began to improve tremendously. Bryant was so impressed by Cunningham (who had 135 yards and 2 touchdowns on just 12 carries in the game) that legend has it he invited the sophomore fullback into the Alabama locker room after the game. He brought his players to Cunningham one-by-one. Alabama won at least a share of 3 national titles the rest of the 1970s.

VERSUS SEC

USC has a 21-11-1 all-time record against current Southeastern Conference teams (not including 1 win vacated due to NCAA penalty; original record: 22-11-1). The Trojans last faced an SEC opponent in 2006, a 50-14 road win at Arkansas. Troy has won its past 3 games against SEC foes (not including 1 win vacated due to NCAA penalty; original record: 4 games). Besides its 2-5 mark against Alabama, USC is 4-0 against Tennessee, 3-0 against both Georgia and Texas A&M, 3-1 against Arkansas (not including 1 win vacated due to NCAA penalty; original record: 4-1), 2-1 against both Auburn and Missouri, 1-1 against both LSU and South Carolina and 0-1-1 against Florida.

OPENERS

USC's record in all season openers is 91-23-8 (.779), with 36 shutout victories. USC has won its last 17 openers. In season openers on the road, the Trojans are 28-7-1 (.792). In road openers, USC is 81-28-8 (.726). (In each instance, does not include 1 win vacated due to NCAA penalty; original records: 92-23-8, .780 overall; 29-7-1, .797 on the road; 82-28-8, .729 road openers.)

VERSUS AP NO. 1

USC is 7-12 against teams ranked No. 1 by AP (those 7 victories are tied for fourth most by any school, behind Miami's 9 and the 8 by both Alabama and Notre Dame). The last time the Trojans faced a No. 1 AP team was in 2012, a 22-12 home loss to Notre Dame (the last time USC faced a No. 1 AP team on the road was 1992, a 17-10 loss at Washington). USC last beat a No. 1 AP team in 1984 (a 16-7 home victory over Washington). USC has lost its last 5 games against No. 1 AP teams. USC has previously faced a No. 1 AP Alabama team once, winning in 1978 in Birmingham (24-14) en route to a Trojan national championship (by UPI). Here is a list of USC's games against AP No. 1 teams:

YEAR	OPPONENT	RESULT	LOCATION	USC RANK
1937	California	L, 20-6	A	11
1938	Notre Dame	W, 13-0	H	8
1947	Notre Dame	L, 38-7	H	3
1949	Notre Dame	L, 32-0	A	17
1951	California	W, 21-14	A	11
1954	Ohio State	L, 20-7	N (Rose)	17
1961	Iowa	L, 35-34*	H	--
1964	Notre Dame	W, 20-17	H	--
1966	Notre Dame	L, 51-0	H	10
1967	UCLA	W, 21-20	H	4
1968	Ohio State	L, 27-16	N (Rose)	2
1978	Alabama	W, 24-14	A (Birmingham)	7
1979	Ohio State	W, 17-16	N (Rose)	3
1984	Washington	W, 16-7	H	12
1988	Notre Dame	L, 27-10	H	2
1989	Notre Dame	L, 28-24	A	9
1992	Washington	L, 17-10	A	20
2010	Oregon	L, 53-32	H	24
2012	Notre Dame	L, 22-13	H	--

*USC failed on 2-point conversion with 48 seconds to play



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WEEKLY MEDIA SCHEDULE

MONDAY

**No media availability

**Coach Helton video Q&A released in afternoon on USCTrojans.com

TUESDAY

**11:45 a.m. PT--Coach Helton on Pac-12 Coaches Teleconference. Pac-12 football coaches are available for 10 minutes each on a media teleconference beginning at 10 a.m. PT every Tuesday (through Nov. 22) during the season. Beginning at 3:30 p.m. PT each Tuesday, a taped replay of the teleconference is available (the replay can also be heard on Pac-12.com). Call the Pac-12 office (415-580-4200) or USC sports information office (213-740-8480) to obtain the media-only phone numbers for the teleconference.

**4 p.m. PT--USC practice open to local/national media. Offensive players/coaches and Coach Helton available to media after practice on Howard Jones Field.

WEDNESDAY

**4 p.m. PT--USC practice open to local/national media. Defensive and special teams players/coaches and Coach Helton available to media after practice on Howard Jones Field.

THURSDAY

**3 p.m. PT--USC practice open to local/national media. Coach Helton available to media after practice on Howard Jones Field.

**Travel to Dallas

FRIDAY

**No media availability

SATURDAY

**7 p.m. CT--USC vs. Alabama, AT&T Stadium, Arlington, Tex.

SUNDAY

**6 p.m.--Coach Helton teleconference with beat media

USC ONLINE--USC's official athletic website is USCTrojans.com and its official blog is at USCTrojans.com/blog. Live GameTracker stats are available on the website. USC Athletics also can be followed on Twitter ([Twitter.com/USC_Athletics](https://twitter.com/USC_Athletics)), Facebook ([Facebook.com/USCTrojans](https://facebook.com/USCTrojans)), Instagram ([Instagram.com/USC_Athletics](https://instagram.com/USC_Athletics)) and YouTube (YouTube.com/USCAthletics). The USC Trojan Text Alert program allows fans to get real-time news about the Trojans (text "Trojans" to 51234). There are also free apps for USCTrojans.com and USC Game Day. USC's Game Day Central page is at USCTrojans.com/gameday.

PAC-12 ONLINE--The Pac-12's official website is Pac-12.com.

IN SEPTEMBER

USC has a 176-45-8 (.786) all-time record while playing in the month of September (not including 3 wins vacated due to NCAA penalty; original record: 179-45-8, .789).

AT NIGHT

USC owns a 161-53-4 (.748) record at night, including 94-27-4 in the Coliseum, 53-21 on the road and 14-5 at neutral sites. (Does not include 5 wins and 1 loss vacated due to NCAA penalty; original record: 166-54-4, .750 overall, 97-27-4 in the Coliseum, 16-6 at neutral sites.)

INSIDE

USC is 3-0 inside domed (or closed roof) stadiums, beating Washington State in Seattle's Kingdome in 1976, Texas A&M in the 1977 Bluebonnet Bowl in Houston's Astrodome and Houston in the Astrodome in 1996.

IN TEXAS

This will be USC's first visit to AT&T Stadium, its first visit to the Metroplex area since playing in the 1995 Cotton Bowl versus Texas Tech and its first visit to the state of Texas since the 2012 Sun Bowl in El Paso versus Georgia Tech. USC is 9-4 in games played in Texas: 2-0 at Texas, 2-0 against Texas Tech (1 game in Lubbock and 1 in the Cotton Bowl in Dallas), 1-1 at Baylor, 1-0 each versus Texas A&M (in the Bluebonnet Bowl in Houston), Rice, SMU and Houston, and 0-1 each versus Michigan State in the John Hancock Bowl, TCU in the Sun Bowl and Georgia Tech in the Sun Bowl. USC's most recent game in Texas was a 21-7 loss to Georgia Tech in the 2012 Sun Bowl. USC will return to the state for a regular season contest against Texas in 2018. On the other hand, this will be the third time since the start of the 2015 season that Alabama has played in AT&T Stadium. The Crimson Tide opened their 2015 season with a 35-17 win over Wisconsin in that stadium, then defeated Michigan State, 38-0, there in the 2015 CFP semifinal game (Cotton Bowl).

NFL STADIUMS

This will be the third consecutive game that USC has played in a current NFL stadium (the Trojans lost to Stanford, 41-22, in the 2015 Pac-12 Championship Game in Levi's Stadium in Santa Clara and then ended its 2015 season with a 23-21 loss to Wisconsin in the Holiday Bowl in Qualcomm Stadium in San Diego). And USC's next game in 2016, at home versus Utah State on Sept. 10, will be played in the Los Angeles Memorial Coliseum, which the Trojans are sharing this year with the Los Angeles Rams. This also is the third consecutive year that Troy has played in a current NFL stadium, as it beat Nebraska, 45-42, in the 2014 Holiday Bowl in Qualcomm Stadium. Before that, Troy did so twice in 2012, first defeating Syracuse, 42-29, in MetLife Stadium in the inaugural New York's College Classic and then defeating Washington, 24-14, in Seattle's CenturyLink Field (while Husky Stadium underwent renovations).

NEUTRAL SITE

This will be USC's third consecutive game at a neutral site (following the 2015 Pac-12 Championship Game in Levi's Stadium in Santa Clara and the 2015 Holiday Bowl in San Diego's Qualcomm Stadium). USC once had 4 consecutive neutral site games, all in 1898, as well as 3 in a row in the 1922 season (both occurrences were in the Southern California area).

ARTIFICIAL TURF

USC is 38-21-1 in its last 60 games on artificial turf (not including 3 wins vacated due to NCAA penalty; original record: 41-21-1).

WINNING TRADITIONS

USC and Alabama have 2 of the top gridiron heritages in the country. USC has won 11 national championships (1928-31-32-39-62-67-72-74-78-2003-04) and Alabama claims 16 (1925-26-30-34-41-61-64-65-73-78-79-92-2009-11-12-15). Alabama is sixth among Division I-A schools in both career winning percentage (.718) and all-time victories (864), not including 21 wins vacated due to NCAA penalty (original records: .723, 885). USC is eighth in career winning percentage (.700) and 10th in all-time wins (813), not including 14 wins vacated due to NCAA penalty (original records: .703, 827). USC has appeared in 50 bowls (with 33 wins, not including 1 win and 2 appearances vacated due to NCAA penalty), while Alabama has been in 63 bowls (with 36 wins, not including 1 win vacated due to NCAA penalty). Both schools have had Heisman Trophy recipients (USC's Mike Garrett, O.J. Simpson, Charles White, Marcus Allen, Carson Palmer, Matt Leinart and Alabama's Mark Ingram, Derrick Henry). USC has had 163 All-American first teamers, while Alabama claims 153. USC has 31 players in the College Football Hall of Fame and Alabama has 23. USC has had 22 Academic All-American footballers and Alabama has had 21. Both schools are well-represented in the Pro Football Hall of Fame (USC with 12 inductees, Alabama with 8). Both programs have had legendary coaches (USC's Elmer "Gloomy Gus" Henderson, Howard Jones, John McKay, John Robinson and Pete Carroll, and Alabama's Wallace Wade, Frank Thomas, Paul "Bear" Bryant and Nick Saban).

2016 TROJANS UNDER KIFFIN

Nineteen current USC players played for Alabama offensive coordinator/quarterbacks coach Lane Kiffin while he was USC's head coach in 2013: OT Zach Banner, DT Kenny Bigelow Jr., QB Max Browne, CB Kevin Carrasco, TB Justin Davis, C-OT Nico Falah, S Chris Hawkins, ILB Michael Hutchings, S Matt Lopes, S Leon McQuay III, WR Steven Mitchell Jr., ILB Quinton Powell, DT Khaliel Rodgers, WR Darreus Rogers, DE Jabari Ruffin, OG Jordan Simmons, SNP Zach Smith, TB James Toland IV and OT Chad Wheeler. Also, 5 current Trojan coaches worked on Kiffin's 2013 staff: head coach Clay Helton, offensive coordinator/wide receivers coach Tee Martin, defensive coordinator Clancy Pendergast, special teams coordinator/tight ends coach John Baxter and running backs coach/run game coordinator Tommie Robinson.



WATCH LISTS

The following Trojans have made the official "Watch Lists" for national 2016 post-season awards, to date:

OT Zach Banner

Lombardi Award (top lineman/linebacker)
Outland Trophy (top interior lineman)

QB Max Browne

Unitas Award (top senior/4th-year quarterback)

TB Justin Davis

Doak Walker Award (top running back)

CB-WR-RET Adoree' Jackson

Bednarik Award (top defensive player)
Nagurski Trophy (top defensive player)
Hornung Award (most versatile player)
Thorpe Award (top defensive back)
Lott IMPACT Trophy (defensive impact player)

TB Ronald Jones II

Maxwell Award (top player)
Doak Walker Award (top running back)
Earl Campbell Tyler Rose Award (top Texas off. player)

C Toa Lobendahn

Rimington Trophy (top center)
Polynesian Player of the Year Award

OG Damien Mama

Lombardi Award (top lineman/linebacker)
Outland Trophy (top interior lineman)
Polynesian Player of the Year Award

S John Plattenburg

Wuerffel Trophy (athlete/academics/service)
Good Works Team (top community service)

ILB Cameron Smith

Nagurski Trophy (top defensive player)
Lombardi Award (top lineman/linebacker)
Butkus Award (top linebacker)
Lott IMPACT Trophy (defensive impact player)

WR JuJu Smith-Schuster

Maxwell Award (top player)
Walter Camp Award (top player)
Biletnikoff Award (top receiver)
Polynesian Player of the Year Award

OT Chad Wheeler

Outland Trophy (top interior lineman)

HC Clay Helton

Dodd Trophy (top head coach)

FUN FACT I

In its history, only one Trojan letterman has hailed from Alabama (C George Dye, 1929, Birmingham, Ala.).

FUN FACT II

This season marks the 60th anniversary of USC's first night football game played outside of California. The game was played in Austin, Tex., when the Trojans defeated the Longhorns, 44-20, to open the 1956 season.

ALABAMA CONNECTIONS

USC has one player on its 2016 roster from Alabama (WR **Velus Jones Jr.** of Saraland HS), while 4 Crimson Tide players hail from California (QB **Blake Barnett** of Santiago HS in Corona, SNP **Cole Mazza** of Liberty HS in Bakersfield, TE **Cam Stewart** of Valley Christian HS in San Jose and OL **Jonah Williams** of Folsom HS)... USC offensive administrative assistant **Keary Colbert** held a similar position at Alabama (2014-15)...USC TE **Taylor McNamara** faced Alabama while a 2013 redshirt freshman at Oklahoma, catching a 4-yard pass against the Crimson Tide in the 2014 Sugar Bowl...USC offensive line coach **Neil Callaway** was a lineman and linebacker at Alabama (1974-77) under coach Paul "Bear" Bryant and even played against USC in 1977 (a 21-20 Crimson Tide victory in the Coliseum over the No. 1 Trojans); he then was an assistant at Auburn (1981-92) and Alabama (1997-2000) before becoming the head coach at Alabama Birmingham...USC running backs coach/run game coordinator **Tommie Robinson** prepped at Central HS in Phenix City, Ala., and then was an assistant there (1988-90); collegiately, he played safety at Troy (Ala.) State (1982-85), where he was a member of the 1984 NCAA Division II national championship team...USC offensive coordinator/wide receivers coach **Tee Martin** prepped at Williamson HS in Mobile, Ala., and was named to the Mobile Sports Hall of Fame in 2016...USC quarterbacks coach/pass game coordinator **Tyson Helton** was an assistant coach at Alabama Birmingham (2007-12); his father (and head coach **Clay Helton's** father), Kim Helton, was an assistant at Alabama Birmingham (2007-11)...USC senior director of university development **Greg Gilbert**, the husband of USC director of track and field Caryl Smith Gilbert, was a linebacker at Alabama (1985-88)...USC WR **Darreus Rogers** will celebrate his 23rd birthday on Sept. 3...Alabama offensive coordinator/quarterbacks coach **Lane Kiffin** was an assistant coach (2001-06) and head coach (2010-13) at USC...Alabama men's tennis head coach **George Husack** was USC's associate head coach (2010-12)...Alabama men's basketball director of player development **David Miller** is the son of former USC men's basketball assistant coach Dave Miller (1997-2001).

TEXAS CONNECTIONS

USC has 5 players from Texas (TB **Ronald Jones II** of McKinney North HS, TB **Aca'Cedric Ware** of Cedar Hill HS, S **John Plattenburg** of Lamar HS in Houston, QB **Thomas Fitts** of Episcopal School of Dallas and FB **Chris Edmondson** of Clemens HS in Schetz)... USC S **Deion Hart** spent part of 2015 fall camp at Sam Houston State in Huntsville, Tex., before transferring to USC...USC head coach **Clay Helton** prepped at Clements HS in Sugar Land, Tex., as did his brother, Trojan quarterback coach/pass game coordinator **Tyson Helton**...Both **Clay Helton** and **Tyson Helton** played quarterback at Houston (Clay in 1993-94 and Tyson 1996-99) and Clay was an assistant coach there (1997-99)...USC defensive coordinator **Clancy Pendergast** (1996-2002) and USC running backs coach/run game coordinator **Tommie Robinson** (1998-2000) were assistant coaches with the Dallas Cowboys; Robinson also was an assistant coach at Texas (2014-15)...USC assistant strength and conditioning coach **Torre Becton** served in a similar role with Baylor (2003-06) and the Houston Texans (2009)...Texas governor **Greg Abbott's** daughter, Audrey, is a student at USC.

PRE-SEASON RANKINGS

The 2016 Trojans are picked to finish in the Top 25 nationally and in the Top 2 in the Pac-12 South standings, according to various pre-season prognosticators. Here are some of the picks:

	National	Pac-12 South
CollegeSportsMadness.com	13 th	1 st
Sporting News	15 th	1 st
ESPN Magazine	16 th	1 st
USA Today Coaches Poll	17 th	1 st
Lindy's	17 th	1 st
Bleacher Report	17 th	1 st
AP Media Poll	20 th	2 nd
Athlon	23 rd	2 nd
USA Today	25 th	2 nd
Phil Steele	25 th	2 nd
Yahoo	16 th	1 st
Pac-12 Media	--	2 nd

PRE-SEASON HONORS

WR **JuJu Smith-Schuster** (ESPN.com, Athlon, Lindy's, Sporting News, Phil Steele, CollegeSportsMadness.com), OT **Zach Banner** (Athlon, Lindy's, CollegeSportsMadness.com) and CB-WR-RET **Adoree' Jackson** (ESPN.com, CollegeSportsMadness.com) were named to 2016 pre-season All-American first teams. SNP **Zach Smith** (Phil Steele) was a pre-season All-American second teamer, while ILB **Cameron Smith** (Phil Steele) was a pre-season All-American third team pick. Smith-Schuster, Banner, Jackson, Cameron Smith, Zach Smith, OT **Chad Wheeler**, C **Toa Lobendahn** and OG **Damien Mama** were selected to various pre-season All-Pac-12 first teams.

SCHEDULE

USC's 2016 schedule, one of the most challenging in the nation, features 6 home games in the Coliseum, including the annual battle with intersectional rival Notre Dame, Oregon's first visit to the Coliseum since 2012 and a Thursday night contest against California. For USC football tickets, go to www.usctrojans.com/tickets or call 213-740-GO SC. Overall, USC's 12-game slate features a nation-leading 11 teams that played in 2015 bowls (including 3 in New Year's Six bowls), 7 that won at least 8 games (including 4 that had 10-plus victories) and 5 that were in the final AP Top 25 poll. Troy's non-conference opponents in 2016 are Alabama, Notre Dame and Utah State. The Trojans will play nine Pac-12 foes in the 2016 regular season (all but Oregon State and Washington State). Six of USC's 2016 opponents are ranked in the pre-season AP Top 25 poll (the most of any Power 5 team), with 3 in the Top 10 (including No. 1 Alabama). In the pre-season USA Today coaches poll, all 6 of USC's 2016 road foes are ranked in the Top 25 or received votes. ESPN's Football Power Index lists USC's 2016 schedule as the nation's toughest, while FOXSports.com lists USC's 2016 non-conference schedule as the toughest among Power 5 teams. USC opens on Sept. 3 of Labor Day weekend



against defending national champion Alabama at AT&T Stadium in Arlington, Tex. (the first meeting between the Trojans and Crimson Tide since 1985). The Trojans then have their home opener as they welcome Utah State of the Mountain West Conference on Sept. 10. Next, for the sixth year in a row, USC will play the Pac-12's first conference game of the year when it travels to defending league champion Stanford on Sept. 17. USC then goes to Utah, which tied for the Pac-12 South crown, for a Friday night encounter on Sept. 23. Troy then returns home for a pair of games, first versus Arizona State on Oct. 1 and then Colorado on Oct. 8, before traveling to Arizona on Oct. 15. After a bye, USC hosts California on Thursday night, Oct. 27 (just the fourth non-Thanksgiving or non-bowl Thursday game that Troy has played in the Coliseum). The Trojans remain at home the following week to host Oregon on Nov. 5, the Ducks' first appearance in the Coliseum in four years. USC then will play its first game in Husky Stadium since 2009 when it faces Washington on Nov. 12 (Troy's last game against UW in Seattle was at CenturyLink Field in 2012 while Husky Stadium underwent renovations). Troy stays on the road when it meets crosstown rival UCLA on Nov. 19 in the Rose Bowl. USC then concludes its regular season by hosting traditional foe Notre Dame in a Thanksgiving weekend clash on Nov. 26.

LAST YEAR

USC went 8-6 overall in 2015 (including winning 5 of its last 6 regular-season games) and Troy had a 6-3 league mark to capture the challenging Pac-12 South co-championship (prevailing in all of its in-division contests), despite a mid-season coaching change. The Trojans played in the Pac-12 Championship Game and the Holiday Bowl.

RETURNING TROJANS

USC returns 14 starters (9 on offense, 5 on defense) from 2015. The 2016 Trojans, with 82 players on scholarship, could be USC's deepest team of the decade, with experience showing at every position group but quarterback, defensive line and the kicking game. Even USC's younger players have been tested; over the past 2 years, 26 true freshmen have played, including 15 who have started and 6 who have won Freshman All-American first team acclaim. In all, 78 USC squadmen return from 2015 (including 59 who saw action), with 33 of those on the season-ending 2-deep chart and 34 having started at least once in their career. Joining them will be 7 promising true freshmen who enrolled at USC for the spring semester and participated in spring practice. Another 15 highly-regarded scholarship newcomers became Trojans in the fall and, along with the 7 mid-year enrollees, comprise a 2016 recruiting class that was ranked in the Top 10 nationally (and best in the Pac-12). USC's offense, which brings back a pair of 900-yard runners, its top 5 pass catchers and the entire line from a year ago, features 9 returning starters: WRs **JuJu Smith-Schuster**, a candidate for the Biletnikoff Award and All-American honors in 2016 who is 13th on Troy's career receptions chart (143) after grabbing 89 passes for 1,454 yards with 10 TDs last year as an All-Pac-12 first teamer and ranking in the national Top 20 in receptions, receiving yards and receiving TDs, and **Darreus Rogers** (71 career catches, including 28 last year); TB **Justin Davis** (902 rushing yards in 2015 and 1,848 in his career); OTs **Zach Banner** (a 2015 All-Pac-12 first teamer and now an All-American candidate) and **Chad Wheeler**; OGs **Damien Mama** and **Viane Talamaivao**; C-OG **Khaliel Rodgers** (he now is playing defensive tackle); and TE **Taylor McNamara** (4 TDs among his 12 receptions in 2015). Other offensive players back with starting experience are C **Toa Lobendahn**, a 2-year line starter before suffering a season-ending knee injury midway through last year, TB **Ronald Jones II** (whose team-best 987 rushing yards in 2015 was a USC freshman record), WRs **Steven Mitchell Jr.** (37 catches in 2015), **Isaac Whitney**, **Jalen Greene** and **Ajene Harris** (he likely play cornerback), OLs **Chuma Edoga**, **Chris Brown** and **Nico Falah** and TE **Tyler Petite**. The 5 returning starters on the Trojan defense include the entire secondary—2016 All-American candidate and Thorpe/Hornung Awards nominee CB-WR-RET **Adoree' Jackson**, a 2015 All-Pac-12 first team selection and Hornung finalist when he had 35 tackles on defense, 27 catches on offense and 941 return yards with 2 scores, 2015 Freshman All-American first team CB **Iman Marshall** (67 tackles, 3 interceptions last year) and Ss **Chris Hawkins** (70 tackles in 2015) and **John Plattenburg**—plus ILB **Cameron Smith** (another 2015 Freshman All-American first teamer who had 78 stops last fall before a late knee injury). Other defenders back with career starts are Ss **Leon McQuay III** and **Marvell Tell III**, ILBs **Olajuwon Tucker** and **Michael Hutchings**, DEs **Porter Gustin**, **Jabari Ruffin** and **Uchenna Nwosu**, CB **Jonathan Lockett** and DT **Noah Jefferson**. USC must find a new placekicker (although PK **Matt Boormeester** saw action in the last 4 contests of 2015), punter and holder in 2015. But Jackson, Justin Davis and Smith-Schuster are experienced returners and **Zach Smith** has been Troy's snapper the past 3 years.

GONE FROM 2015

USC's biggest offensive loss is 3-year starting quarterback Cody Kessler, the most efficient QB in USC history. He established school career records for completion percentage (67.5%) and interception rate (1.51%), and he is in the Trojan all-time Top 4 in TD passes (88), completions (851), passing yards (10,339) and total offense (9,914). A 2-time Unitas Golden Arm Award finalist, he hit 66.8% of his throws last season for 3,536 yards with 29 TDs and just 7 picks. He also owns USC season records for completions (315), completion percentage (69.7%), passing efficiency (167.1), interception rate (1.11%) and TD passes (39), all set in 2014 when he also threw a Trojan record 7 TDs in a game. Among the other offensive losses are TB Tre Madden, who had 1,155 yards (452 in 2015) and 32 receptions in an oft-injured career, and FBs Jahleel Pinner and special teams player extraordinaire Soma Vainuku, as well as C Max Tuerk (38 career starts at center, guard and tackle), who suffered a season-ending knee injury in the fifth game of 2015 after earning All-Pac-12 first team honors the previous year. OLB Su'a Cravens, a 3-year starter and 2-time All-Pac-12 first teamer who made 206 tackles and 9 interceptions as a Trojan, declared for the NFL Draft following a 2015 junior season in which he led USC in tackles (86), tackles for loss (15) and sacks (5.5). Other key defensive losses include all 3 starting defensive linemen—DTs Antwaun Woods (a 3-year starter and an All-Pac-12 first teamer in 2015 when he had 41 tackles, with 7 for losses) and Delvon Simmons (another starter for 3 years collegiately; he had 57 tackles, 10.5 for losses, 4 sacks in 2015) and DE Greg Townsend Jr. (44 tackles, 6.5 for losses in 2015)—plus ILB Anthony Sarao, a 3-year starter with 217 career stops, including 59 in 2015, and OLB Scott Felix, who had 28 tackles last year. Also gone are CB Kevon Seymour (24 starts and 126 career tackles), ILB Lamar Dawson (21 career starts with 168 tackles) and DE Claude Pelon. Kris Albarado, USC's punter the past 3 years (he had a 39.6 career average, with more than a quarter of his 204 punts pinning opponents within the 20-yard line), and PK Alex Wood (13 field goals and 74 PATs in his career) both are gone.

OFFENSIVE OVERVIEW

Nine starters returned on offense from 2015: WRs **JuJu Smith-Schuster** and **Darreus Rogers**, OTs **Zach Banner** and **Chad Wheeler**, OGs **Damien Mama** and **Viane Talamaivao**, C-OG **Khaliel Rodgers** (he now is playing defensive tackle) and TE **Taylor McNamara**. Others back with starting experience are C **Toa Lobendahn**, TB **Ronald Jones II**, WRs **Steven Mitchell Jr.**, **Isaac Whitney**, **Jalen Greene** and **Ajene Harris** (he likely will be used at cornerback), OLs **Chuma Edoga**, **Chris Brown** and **Nico Falah** and TE **Tyler Petite**. Although USC must develop a new quarterback for the first time since 2013, the Trojans returned 8 of their top 9 ball carriers (75% of Troy's ground output of 2,355 yards from 2015 is back this season) and 13 players who caught passes last fall, including their leading 5 pass catchers (92% of USC's 309 receptions are back from a year ago). USC's offensive output in 2015 (437.9 total yards, including 269.7 passing, and 33.9 points) was nearly equal to what it was in 2014, when Troy's total and passing yardage was its best in a decade. Last fall, the Trojans ranked ninth nationally in fumbles lost (5, none by a running back), 11th in both passes had intercepted (7) and completion percentage (.667), 16th in fourth down conversions (.654) and 20th in passing efficiency (153.6). Wide receiver coach **Tee Martin** has taken over the offensive coordinator duties in 2016, with quarterbacks coach **Tyson Helton** assisting as the pass game coordinator and running backs coach **Tommie Robinson** serving as the run game coordinator.

QUARTERBACKS

USC's biggest offensive challenge will be replacing quarterback Cody Kessler. The 3-year starter, who ranks in the school's all-time Top 4 in touchdown passes (88), completions (851), passing yards (10,339) and total offense (9,914), had the most efficient career in Trojan history as he set school career standards for completion percentage (67.5%) and interception rate (1.51%). The 2-time Unitas Golden Arm Award finalist completed 66.8% of his aeriels last season for 3,536 yards with 29 TDs and just 7 picks. That was coming off a 2014 junior campaign in which he established USC season marks for completions (315), completion percentage (69.7%), passing efficiency (167.1), interception rate (1.11%) and TD passes (39). The third round NFL Draft pick also once threw 7 TDs in a game, another Trojan record. Five players battled to replace him. The most experienced is junior **Max Browne** (8-of-12, 66.7%, 113 yds in 2015), the 2012 National High School Player of the Year who has seen mop-up action in 9 games over the past 2 seasons. Browne came out of 2016 fall camp as the starter. Then there are **Sam Darnold**, a high-potential redshirt freshman who has shown ability in practices with both his arm and legs, and mobile first-year freshman **Matt Fink**, a prep All-American who graduated a semester early from high school and enrolled at USC this past spring. Also in the quarterback ranks are redshirt freshman **Thomas Fitts** and first-year frosh **Holden Thomas**, both walk-ons.

TAILBACKS

USC is loaded at tailback, missing only Tre Madden from last year's roster. Madden ran for 1,155 yards (with 6 100-yard outings) and had 32 receptions in his career (452 and 17 in 2015) while starting 13 times, but was injured throughout much of his Trojan career. Leading the 2016 tailback corps are senior **Justin Davis** (169 tcb, 902 yds, 5.3 avg, 7 TD in 2015, plus 18 rec, 189 yds, 10.5 avg and 11 KOR, 211 yds, 19.2 avg), an 8-game starter in 2015 whose 1,858 career yards is 22nd on USC's all-time list, and exciting sophomore **Ronald Jones II** (153 tcb, team-best 987 yds, 6.5 avg, 8 TD in 2015, plus 7 rec, 39 yds, 5.6 avg, 1 TD), who broke Charles White's USC freshman rushing record (987 yards) and joined LenDale White as the only true freshmen to lead the Trojans in rushing in a season. Jones' 177 rushing yards versus Arizona in 2015 eclipsed LenDale White's USC freshman game mark. Sophomores **Dominic Davis** (14 tcb, 69 yds, 4.9 avg in 2015, plus 7 rec, 102 yds, 14.6 avg and 1 KOR, 2 yds, 2.0 avg and 1 tac), who doubles as a sprinter for USC's track team, and **Aca'Cedric Ware** (12 tcb, 36 yds, 3.0 avg, 1 TD in 2015) also flashed in 2015 as true freshmen and will battle to get into the tailback rotation in 2016. Adding depth at tailback are junior **James Toland IV** (3 tcb, 23 yds, 7.7 avg in 2015, plus 6 tac), a former walk-on who was awarded a scholarship this fall, and walk-on sophomore **Lance Mudd**, who sat out 2015 after transferring from Cal Poly. Joining the tailback mix this fall as a freshman was **Vavae Malepeai**.

FULLBACKS

There are no true fullbacks on Troy's 2016 roster after the graduation of Jahleel Pinner and Soma Vainuku, both of whom were used mostly as blockers (Vainuku also was a superb special teams player, being recognized as an All-Pac-12 first teamer in such a role in 2013). So USC could use tight ends as hybrid fullbacks, similar to how current NFLer Rhett Ellison was employed during his Trojan days, or Troy might call upon converted inside linebacker **Reuben Peters** (6 tac in 2015, plus 1 KOR, 3 yds, 3.0 avg), a former walk-on who was awarded a scholarship this fall as a sophomore, or walk-on frosh **Chris Edmondson**.

JUJU SMITH-SCHUSTER

Leading the wideouts is junior **JuJu Smith-Schuster** (team-best 89 rec, team-best 1,454 yds, 16.3 avg, 10 TD in 2015, plus 4 KOR, 51 yds, 12.8 avg and 1 tac), a candidate for All-American and the Biletnikoff Award in 2016 (last year, he was an All-American second teamer and a Biletnikoff semifinalist). The 2015 All-Pac-12 first team pick, who ranks 13th on Troy's career receptions chart (143), was in last fall's national Top 20 in receptions (89), receiving yards (1,454) and receiving TDs (10). He has 8 career 100-yard games, including 6 times in 2015.

USC CAREER PASS CATCHING LEADERS

(Includes bowl games)

	NO.	YDS	AVG.	TD
1. Robert Woods	252	2930	11.63	32
2. Marqise Lee	248	3655	14.74	29
3. Dwayne Jarrett	216	3138	14.53	41
4. Kearney Colbert	207	2964	14.32	19
5. Kareem Kelly	204	3104	15.22	15
6. Johnnie Morton	201	3201	15.93	23
7. Steve Smith	190	3019	15.89	22
8. Nelson Agholor	179	2571	14.36	20
9. Mike Williams	176	2579	14.65	30
10. Keyshawn Johnson	168	2796	16.64	16
11. John Jackson	163	2379	14.60	17
12. R. Jay Soward	161	2672	16.60	23
13. JuJu Smith-Schuster	143	2178	15.23	15

WHAT THEY ARE SAYING ABOUT JUJU SMITH-SCHUSTER

Jake Davidson, Daily Trojan: "JuJu Smith-Schuster is a physical phenom with the potential to go down as the best Trojan receiver ever. His rare mix of speed and power combined with a penchant for elusive moves is truly remarkable."

Michael Lev, Orange County Register: "There's nothing he can't do on a football field...If every Trojan worked and played as hard as Smith-Schuster, USC would be undefeated...Smith-Schuster is deadly after the catch, using strength to power through defensive backs and speed to run away from them. He also has proved he can catch the ball in tight quarters. In short, Smith-Schuster has become the go-to guy he was destined to be...His physical gifts are extraordinary. No Photoshopping would be required to put him in ESPN The Magazine's 'Body Issue.' He has excellent speed for a 215-pounder. He also offers a lot in the way of intangibles. He is among the Trojans' most enthusiastic and hardest-working players. His positive attitude is infectious. He's already a team leader. Smith-Schuster is unquestionably one of USC's most valuable players."

Jeremy Shapiro, WeAreSC.com: "JuJu Smith-Schuster is a mismatch for defenses—too fast for safeties and too strong for most corners."

OTHER WIDE RECEIVERS

USC's receiving unit remains fully stocked, as the Trojans suffered no significant departures here. Troy returns 8 wideouts who caught passes in 2015 and they totaled 224 receptions with 21 touchdowns between them. In addition to junior **JuJu Smith-Schuster** (see above), senior **Darreus Rogers** (28 rec, 289 yds, 10.3 avg, 3 TD in 2015, plus 1 tcb, 1 yd, 1.0 avg), who has 71 career catches, returns after starting opposite Smith-Schuster last year. Junior **Steven Mitchell Jr.** (37 rec, 335 yds, 9.1 avg, 4 TD in 2015, plus 1 PR, 1 yd, 1.0 avg) also is back. He saw ample playing time last fall, even starting 6 times. Also back are seniors **De'Quan Hampton** (15 rec, 165 yds, 11.0 avg in 2015, plus 1 tac) and **Isaac Whitney** (8 rec, 112 yds, 14.0 avg, 2 TD in 2015), who were productive in 2015 after both transferred to Troy from junior colleges, even though Whitney played in only the season's first 5 games before breaking his collarbone. Then there are sophomores **Jalen Greene** (10 rec, 104 yds, 10.4 avg in 2015, plus 3-of-4 passing, 75.0%, 127 yards, 1 TD and 3 tcb, 7 yds, 2.3 avg), who was impressive in 2015 at wide receiver (he even completed 3 flanker passes) following a 2014 season redshirting as a quarterback, and **Deontay Burnett** (10 rec, 161 yds, 16.1 avg in 2015), who contributed in limited opportunities last year. Soph **Ajene Harris**, who redshirted last year with a hip injury, returns healthy in 2016 and could re-enter the playing mix, but so far in 2016 he is being used at cornerback. Also available are 3 untested walk-ons in juniors **Jackson Boyer** (he sat out last fall after transferring from North Carolina) and **Milo Stewart** and redshirt freshman **Jake Russell**. Five first-year freshmen joined the 2016 wide receiver corps, including a pair—prep All-Americans **Josh Imatorbhebhe**, whose brother, Daniel, is a tight end at USC, and **Michael Pittman Jr.**, whose father played in the NFL—who graduated a semester early from high school and enrolled at USC this past spring. The others are prep All-Americans **Trevon Sidney** and **Tyler Vaughns**, plus **Velus Jones Jr.** As he has the past 2 years, junior **Adoree' Jackson** (27 rec, 414 yds, 15.3 avg, 2 TD in 2015, plus 35 tac, 1 int with 1 TD, 8 dfl, 1 FF and 24 PR, 251 yds, 10.5 avg, 2 TD and 30 KOR, 690 yds, 23.0 avg and 7 tcb, 36 yds, 5.1 avg) figures to see action at wideout in addition to his cornerback and return duties (16% of his 981 total plays in 2015 came on offense). He is a candidate for All-American honors and both the Thorpe and Hornung Awards in 2016 after earning All-Pac-12 first team notice in 2015 in addition to being a Hornung semifinalist. Last year, he was the only player nationally with at least 400 yards receiving, 600 in kickoff returns, 200 in punt returns and 30 tackles. In his career, he has scored a touchdown via reception, interception, punt return and kickoff return. He missed 2016 spring practice while long jumping and sprinting for the Trojan tracksters (he was the 2015 and 2016 Pac-12 long jump champ).

TIGHT ENDS

Tight end is another deep and experienced position for USC. There is senior **Taylor McNamara** (12 rec, 83 yds, 6.9 avg, 4 TD in 2015, plus 1 KOR, 10 yds, 10.0 avg), who started all last season after transferring from Oklahoma, where he had received his bachelor's degree. He averaged a TD every 3 catches in 2015. Soph **Tyler Petite** (15 rec, 145 yds, 9.7 avg, 1 TD in 2015) also is back after seeing extensive action as a first-year freshman. Adding to the unit are redshirt freshman **Daniel Imatorbhebhe**, who sat out last fall after transferring from Florida (he's the older brother of Trojan wide receiver Josh), and walk-on sophomore **Alec Hursh**. Joining the tight end mix in the fall as a freshman was prep All-American **Cary Angeline**.

OFFENSIVE LINEMEN

USC will field one of the premier offensive lines in the nation in 2016, as all the starters—and then some—return. According to college football analyst Phil Steele, the USC line's 131 career starts is tied for second most in the nation entering 2016. The only loss is center Max Tuerk, a 3-year starter at every line position whose 2015 season ended after 5 games because of a knee injury. A 2014 All-Pac-12 first teamer, he was picked in the third round of the NFL Draft. Both starting tackles are back as seniors: **Zach Banner** on the right side and **Chad Wheeler** on the left. Banner, a 2015 All-Pac-12 first team choice, now is an All-American candidate. The starting guards return as juniors in **Viane Talamaivao** (19 career starts), who was a Freshman All-American first teamer in 2014, and **Damien Mama** (1 tac in 2015), who has 17 career starts. Versatile junior **Toa Lobendahn**, another 2014 Freshman All-American who has 20 career starts, returns after being sidelined for the last 7 contests of 2015 with a knee injury. So far as a Trojan, he has started at left guard, left tackle, right guard (including the first 5 games of 2015) and center (for 2 mid-season games in 2015 when Tuerk went down). He was slowed in 2016 spring practice while recovering from his knee surgery. Also

in the line mix are junior center-tackle **Nico Falah** and sophomores **Chuma Edoga** at tackle and **Chris Brown** at guard. All of them had starting opportunities in 2015 (Falah started at center once). Angling to get into the playing rotation are senior **Jordan Simmons**, sophomore **Jordan Austin** and redshirt freshman **Roy Hemsley** at guard (Austin and Hemsley can also play tackle), redshirt frosh **Clayton Johnston** at tackle, and redshirt freshman center **Cole Smith**, as well as walk-on soph guard-center **Richie Wenzel**. Prep All-American tackle **Nathan Smith** graduated from high school a semester early and enrolled at USC this past spring as a freshman. Fellow prep All-Americans **Frank Martin II** at guard and tackle **E.J. Price** came aboard in the fall as freshmen.

DEFENSIVE OVERVIEW

Five defensive starters returned from 2015: CB-WR-RET **Adoree' Jackson**, ILB **Cameron Smith**, CB **Iman Marshall** and Ss **Chris Hawkins** and **John Plattenburg**. Other defensive players back with career starts are Ss **Leon McQuay III** and **Marvell Tell III**, ILBs **Olajuwon Tucker** and **Michael Hutchings**, DEs **Porter Gustin**, **Jabari Ruffin** and **Uchenna Nwosu**, CB **Jonathan Lockett** and DT **Noah Jefferson**. USC's defense returned 3 of its top 4 tacklers, as well as its leaders in interceptions, deflections and fumble recoveries. The Trojans were third nationally in defensive TDs (5), 11th in turnover margin (0.8), 18th in fourth down conversion defense (.381) and 21st in sacks (2.6). Troy returned 5 turnovers for touchdowns in 2015. However, last year USC allowed 400.8 total yards (its second most ever, behind only 2014), including 149.3 rushing yards (the second most since 2002), and 25.7 points, the second highest total since 2001. **Clancy Pendergast**, who employs an attacking 5-2 defensive system that morphs into a 3-4 and a 4-3, has returned to USC as defensive coordinator this year. He handled that responsibility in 2013 when the Trojans finished in the national Top 20 in total defense, pass efficiency defense, rushing defense and scoring defense. In half of USC's 14 games in 2013, opponents were held to 300 total yards or less; they also were kept to 14 points or less 7 times.

DEFENSIVE LINEMEN

The front line of USC's defense could be challenged in 2016. All 5 starters are gone, leaving mostly young players who will have to step up quickly. In Pendergast's 5-2 system, there is a trio of interior defensive linemen, while last year's outside linebackers now move up to the line, with the ability to rush, run stop or drop in coverage. USC will have to replace all 3 of its starting inside linemen from 2015: nose tackle Antwaun Woods, tackle Delvon Simmons and end Greg Townsend Jr. Woods was a 3-year starter who last year earned All-Pac-12 first team honors while notching 41 tackles (including 7 for losses). Simmons, who also started for 3 seasons (the first at Texas Tech and the last 2 at Troy), recorded 57 tackles in 2015, including 10.5 for losses with 4 sacks. Townsend was solid in his only year as a starter, notching 44 tackles, with 6.5 for losses in 2015. If that's not difficult enough to overcome, the Trojans also lost both outside linebackers. Su'a Cravens, a 3-year starter, declared for the NFL Draft at the conclusion of his 2015 junior campaign and was a second round pick. The 2-time All-Pac-12 first teamer had 206 tackles and 9 interceptions as a Trojan. Last fall, he led USC in tackles (86), tackles for loss (15) and sacks (5.5). Scott Felix, who had 28 tackles last year (including 5.5 for losses with 4 sacks), lost his 2016 senior season of eligibility after testing positive for an over-the-counter supplement banned by the NCAA. High-potential sophomore tackles **Rasheem Green** (19 tac, 1 for loss, 0.5 sack, 1 FR for TD in 2015) and **Noah Jefferson** (23 tac in 2015) gained invaluable playing time up front last year and they will compete for starting roles. Junior tackle **Kenny Bigelow Jr.** (10 tac, 3 for loss, 3 sack, 1 dfl in 2015) was expected to battle for key playing time, but he tore knee ligaments in 2016 spring drills and is likely sidelined this season. Other returnees looking to get into the tackle action are sophomores **Jacob Daniel** (3 tac, 1 dfl in 2015) and **Malik Dorton** (2 tac in 2015) and redshirt freshmen **Kevin Scott** and **Christian Rector**. Junior **Khaliel Rodgers**, who has spent the first part of his Trojan career playing on the offensive line (he started the last half of 2015 at center and also had some starts at left guard in 2014), was moved to defensive tackle in the fall of 2016 to bolster the corps. He had shoulder surgery after the 2015 season, which limited him in 2016 spring practice. There also are 4 new faces at tackle. Senior **Stevie Tu'ikolovatu** transferred this fall from Utah and can play for Troy in 2016 because he received his undergraduate degree from Utah. He had 28 tackles (6 for losses) and a Pac-12-high 4 fumble recoveries (with a TD) in 2015. First-year freshman **Liam Jimmons** graduated from high school a semester early and enrolled at USC this past spring as a freshman, while joining the line unit in the fall as a junior was junior college transfer **Josh Fatu**. Then there's walk-on freshman tackle **Connor Rossow**. There are a number of talented players vying for action at outside linebacker: senior **Jabari**

Ruffin (11 tac, 1 FF in 2015, plus 2 KOR, 21 yds, 10.5 avg), junior **Uchenna Nwosu** (31 tac, 1.5 for loss, 1 dfl in 2015), sophomores **Porter Gustin** (25 tac, 7 for loss, team-best 5.5 sack in 2015) and **Don Hill** (7 tac, 0.5 for loss in 2015), who sat out 2016 spring practice because of a team rules violation. Also available is walk-on redshirt freshman end **Matt Bayle**. Prep All-American and Nigeria native **Oluwale Betiku Jr.**, another player who graduated from high school a semester early and enrolled at USC this past spring, and **Connor Murphy**, a fall enrollee whose brother plays in the NFL, are first-year freshmen outside linebackers.

INSIDE LINEBACKERS

Although USC lost 3-year starting inside linebacker Anthony Sarao, who recorded 217 stops in his career (59 in 2015), as well as 2015 backup Lamar Dawson, who had 21 career starts and notched 168 tackles, the Trojans are in good shape here. Leading the way is sophomore **Cameron Smith** (78 tac, 1 for loss, 1 sack, 3 dfl, 1 FR, team-best 3 int with 1 TD in 2015), a 2015 Freshman All-American first team selection and the Pac-12 Defensive Freshman of the Year. He was on pace last fall to become the first true freshman to top the Trojans in tackles in a season since records were first kept in 1954, but then was sidelined by a late-season knee injury (he was limited in spring practice while recuperating from that and a shoulder sprain). Senior **Michael Hutchings** (13 tac in 2015) and junior **Olajuwon Tucker** (40 tac, 3.5 for loss, 2.5 sack in 2015) have starting experience. Then there is senior **Quinton Powell** (12 tac, 1 FF in 2015), a one-time outside linebacker who also shines on special teams, sophomore **Osa Masina** (25 tac, 1.5 for loss, 1 FR for TD in 2015) and redshirt freshman **John Houston Jr.** Three walk-ons add depth to the inside linebacker corps: juniors **Joel Foy** (1 tac in 2015) and **Christian Herrera**, who transferred from a junior college in the fall of 2016, and sophomore converted outside linebacker **Grant Moore** (1 tac in 2015). Enrolling in the fall as a first-year frosh inside backer was **Jordan Iosefa**.

ADOREE' JACKSON

The secondary's marquee player is junior cornerback-wide receiver-returner **Adoree' Jackson** (27 rec, 414 yds, 15.3 avg, 2 TD in 2015, plus 35 tac, 1 int with 1 TD, 8 dfl, 1 FF and 24 PR, 251 yds, 10.5 avg, 2 TD and 30 KOR, 690 yds, 23.0 avg and 7 tcb, 36 yds, 5.1 avg). The 2-year starter and 3-way performer is among the nation's most exciting players. In addition to his cornerback duty, the Thorpe and Hornung Award candidate and All-American nominee figures to see action again as a wideout and returner. He made the 2015 All-Pac-12 first team as a defensive back and was a Hornung semifinalist when he was the only player in college football with at least 400 yards receiving, 600 in kickoff returns, 200 in punt returns and 30 tackles. Also the 2015 and 2016 Pac-12 long jump champion (and runnerup in the 100 meters at the 2016 Pac-12 meet) and twice finishing fifth in the NCAA long jump, his competing with the USC track team kept him out of 2016 spring football participation.

CAREER KICKOFF RETURN LEADERS

(Includes bowl games)

	NO.	YDS	AVG.	TD
1. Curtis Conway	73	1723	23.60	1
2. Reggie Bush*	67	1522	22.72	1
3. R. Jay Soward	56	1414	25.25	3
4. Adoree' Jackson	53	1374	25.92	2

*Participation in 2 games in 2004 and all of 2005 later vacated due to NCAA penalty

ADOREE' JACKSON VS. CHARLES WOODSON

Here is how CB-WR-RET **Adoree' Jackson's** 2014 freshman year and 2015 sophomore year statistics compared to the last 3-way player to win the Heisman Trophy, 1997 winner **Charles Woodson** (CB-WR-RET) of Michigan:

Adoree' Jackson, 2014, Freshman:

49 tac, 4 for loss, 10 dfl
10 rec, 138 yds (13.8 avg), 3 TD
23 KOR, 684 yds (29.7 avg), 2 TD

Adoree' Jackson, 2015, Sophomore:

35 tac, 1 int for TD, 8 dfl, 1 FF
27 rec, 414 yds (15.3 avg), 2 TD
30 KOR, 690 yds (23.0 avg)
24 PR, 251 yds (10.5 avg), 2 TD
7 tcb, 36 yds (5.1 avg)

Charles Woodson, 1997 (Heisman Trophy), Junior:

44 tac, 5 for loss, 9 dfl, 8 int
12 rec, 238 yds (19.8 avg), 2 TD
36 PR, 301 yds (8.4 avg), 1 TD

WHAT THEY ARE SAYING ABOUT ADOREE' JACKSON

Tee Martin, USC offensive coordinator and wide receivers coach: "He has an unbelievable amount of talent. He can handle the installation on offense and defense and it's seamless. The one thing that stands out is how smart and productive he is."

USC quarterback Max Browne: "I'm just impressed with the way he moves back and forth between offense and defense."

USC head coach Clay Helton: "Whether it's defense, offense--we fight over him every day. I've been fortunate enough to be around here and in other years it's, 'There's Robert Woods, there's Margise Lee, there's Nelson Agholor.' Who is the next superstar? This guy is. He's an ultra-special talent and I don't care if it's wideout, running back, corner. He's just really special...Every time he touches the ball, you hold your breath because he can take it 80 yards. He's electric. He's such an offensive weapon that I'm glad we're allowed to borrow him at times."

Jake Davidson, Daily Trojan: "Jackson already is the best cover corner in the secondary. His return skills are so feared that teams are already kicking away from him. Not to mention the fact that though he has touched the ball sparingly on offense, he is a threat to score every time he gets his gloves on the pigskin."

Michael Lev, Orange County Register: "If you're looking for something to feel good about regarding the present and future of USC football, look no further than Adoree' Jackson. What a player. What a playmaker...It's safe to say no one on the Trojans' roster impacts more elements of the game than Jackson. Besides his God-given tools--speed, quickness, leaping ability--Jackson has terrific instincts for the cornerback position and a relentless competitive drive. He simply refuses to allow opponents to beat him."

Tom Fornelli, CBSSports.com: "Oh how I adore Jackson...He could easily wind up being the country's most exciting player. Jackson is the kind of talent who could cause a coaching staff civil war as offensive and defensive coaches battle to keep Jackson to themselves. While it'd be understandable to want to limit Jackson to one side of the ball, USC is probably better served just getting him on the field as often as possible, because good things happen when he is."

Vincent Bonsignore, Los Angeles Daily News: "Jackson isn't just fast, he's really fast. Mix that with uncanny football skills, Floyd Mayweather head fakes and the ability to make his hips go one way and the rest of his body another is the sort of unfair combination most opponents can't quite deal with."

Cooper Perkins, Fox Sports: "Fans and media watching practices struggle to understand why opposing quarterbacks would so much as consider throwing in Adoree's direction. With his fantastic closing ability and natural feel for the cornerback position, he is already leaps and bounds ahead of the curve."

Kyle Bonagura, ESPN.com: "His presence alone had a tendency to affect play calling and decision-making...Jackson is a rarity in college football for the number of ways he can change a game. Whether it's on defense, offense or special teams, there's always the potential to see something special from him...He's one of the most exciting players in college football."

Ted Miller, ESPN.com: "Jackson could become a Heisman Trophy candidate as a two-way player, and as a cornerback he's among the nation's elite in coverage."

Chris Low, ESPN.com: "Jackson is one of college football's most versatile and exciting players...He has everything it takes to be a shutdown cornerback at the next level. A big junior season would make him a hot commodity."

OTHER DEFENSIVE BACKS

USC's entire starting secondary returns in 2016 and there is ample depth. The returning cornerback starter opposite junior **Adoree' Jackson** (see above) is physical sophomore **Iman Marshall** (67 tac, team-best 3 int, team-best 9 dfl in 2015), who was a 2015 Freshman All-American first teamer. Both of last year's starting safeties are back: juniors **Chris Hawkins** (70 tac, 1.5 for loss, 2 FR with 1 TD, 2 int in 2015) at free and **John Plattenburg** (34 tac, 3.5 for loss, 1 sack, 2 int in 2015) at strong. Hawkins was limited in 2016 spring drills while recovering from post-season ankle surgery. Two other safeties with starting experience--senior **Leon McQuay III** (18 tac, 1.5 for loss, 3 dfl, 1 FR, 1 FF in 2015) and sophomore **Marvell Tell III** (36 tac, 1 for loss, 4 dfl in 2015), whose future appears bright--also return. Also at safety are **Ykili Ross**, a redshirt freshman who was limited in spring ball after having post-season shoulder surgery, and junior **Matt Lopes** (14 tac, 1.5 for loss in 2015), a former walk-on who was awarded a scholarship this fall after seeing significant action in his career (a foot injury slowed him for the last half of 2015). Pushing to get into the cornerback playing rotation are junior **Jonathan Lockett** (18 tac in 2015), who has started a couple times in the past, and sophomore **Isaiah Langley** (12 tac, 1 dfl in 2015), as well as soph **Ajene Harris**, a converted wide receiver who redshirted last year with a hip injury but returned healthy in 2016. There are 5 walk-ons available: junior cornerbacks **Kevin Carrasco** and **Yoofi Quansah** (a converted wide receiver) and sophomore corner **Jalen Jones**, along with safeties **Deion Hart**, a senior, and soph **Davonte Nunnery**. A quartet of prep All-Americans will fight for action in the defensive backfield as first-year freshmen: safety **C.J. Pollard**, who graduated a semester early from high school in order to enroll at USC this past spring (his father played for the Trojans), along with fall enrollees **Jamel Cook** at safety and cornerbacks **Jack Jones** and **Keyshawn "Pie" Young**.

SPECIAL TEAMS OVERVIEW

USC will have a new punter, placekicker (although **Matt Boermeester** kicked some in the final 4 games of 2015) and holder in 2016. But the Trojans return their snapper (**Zach Smith**) and their top return men (**Adoree' Jackson**, **Justin Davis** and **JuJu Smith-Schuster**). Last season, USC returned 2 punts for a touchdown for the third consecutive year and nailed 13 field goals. But the Trojans also allowed 2 blocked punts and a scoring punt return, had only 11 of their 87 kickoffs go as touchbacks and ranked in the nation's bottom 25 in kickoff returns, net punting and punt return defense. **John Baxter** is back as USC's special teams coordinator. During his previous 4 years at Troy (2010-13), the Trojans blocked 24 kicks and punts, had 8 scoring kick/punt returns (including an NCAA record-tying 3 punt runback TDs in a game), scored 2-point conversions 10 times and made first downs on fake punts and kicks. He produced a pair of players who earned All-Pac-12 first team honors as special teams performers (and another as a kick returner), as well as having a Freshman All-American kicker.

SPECIALISTS

USC must find a punter now that 3-year starter Kris Albarado, who had a career punting average of 39.6 (41.0 in 2015), has departed. Of his 204 career punts, 58 pinned opponents within the 20-yard line. Untested sophomore **Chris Tilbey**, a native of Australia who has played Australian Rules Football, and left-footed walk-on **Reid Budrovich** will vie for the punting job. The Trojans also must unveil a new placekicker, now that Alex Wood has graduated. In 2015 in his year as Troy's primary kicker, Wood connected on all 13 of his career field goals and 54 of his 74 career PATs. He also kicked off the last half of 2014 and all but the final 4 games of 2015, although he managed just 24 touchbacks on his 113 career kickoffs. Junior lefty **Matt Boermeester** (4-of-4 PAT in 2015, plus 3), whose father was a noted kicker at UCLA, has a bit of experience here, as he handled some of Troy's kicking chores in the final 4 games of 2015. He kicked off in all of those contests and did the placements in a game for an injured Wood. Freshman **Michael Brown** joined the placekicking corps in the fall. Senior **Zach Smith** returns for his fourth year as USC's snapper on punts and placements, a duty he has performed flawlessly. Another snapper on the roster is blind walk-on redshirt freshman **Jake Olson**, the winner of the 2016 Uplifting Athletes Rare Disease Champions Award. He was born with retinoblastoma (a cancer of the retina) and had both of his eyes removed as a youth. He snapped in high school for 2 years despite his blindness. Although USC currently prevents contact during any practice drills in which he is involved to make sure he is protected, the hope is he will snap in a game some day. A new holder for placekicks must develop after the graduation of quarterbacks Conner Sullivan and Cody Kessler, who handled the duty previously (Sullivan in 2014 and 2015, Kessler in 2012 and 2013). Sophomore walk-on **Wyatt Schmidt**, a one-time placekicker and punter who has yet to see action at USC, likely will be the holder and also is a backup snapper, with **Reid Budrovich** the backup holder. USC's main returners from the past 2 years are back and each is a threat: junior cornerback-wide receiver-returner **Adoree' Jackson** (24 PR, 251 yds, 10.5 avg, 2 TD in 2015, plus 30 KOR, 690 yds, 23.0 avg), senior tailback **Justin Davis** (11 KOR, 211 yds, 19.2 avg in 2015) and junior wide receiver **JuJu Smith-Schuster** (4 KOR, 51 yds, 12.8 avg in 2015), who has 15 career kickoff runbacks. Jackson, who already ranks fourth on USC's career kickoff return chart with 1,374 yards, has returned 2 punts and 2 kickoffs for scores as a Trojan. Last year, the 3-way player was honored not only as an All-Pac-12 first team defensive back, but also made the second team as a return specialist (in addition to being a Hornung Award finalist). Also likely to be tried as returners are senior wide receiver **Steven Mitchell Jr.** and freshman cornerback **Jack Jones**.



STATS OF NOTE

RANKINGS

***USC has been ranked in the AP Top 25 for 144 of its past 183 games.
***USC has been in the AP Top 10 for 95 of its past 175 games, including a since-snapped school record of 62 consecutive games.
***USC has been in the AP Top 5 in 65 of the last 168 games.

SCORING

***USC has scored at least 20 points in 162 of its past 185 contests (including a since-broken NCAA record 63 consecutive games, a streak that was snapped in the 2006 UCLA game).
***USC has scored at least 30 points in 114 of its last 175 games.
***USC has scored at least 40 points 71 times since the start of the 2001 season (including 26 times with at least 50 points).
***Since 2003, USC has scored touchdowns of 20-plus yards 298 times.
***USC has scored in its past 235 games, a school record (although 15 scoring games later vacated due to NCAA penalty; revised record streak: 186 games, 1976 to 1983).
***USC scored to open the game's scoring in its first 7 outings in 2015 (including its opening drives in the first 3 games) and 9 times overall.
***USC did not hold a lead at the end of the first quarter in its last 9 games of 2015 (5 were wins).
***Six USC true freshmen scored a TD in 2015 (TBs **Ronald Jones** and **Aca'Cedric Ware**, ILBs **Cameron Smith** and **Osa Masina**, TE **Tyler Petite** and DT **Rasheem Green**).

OFFENSE

***USC's offense in 2015 was ninth nationally in fumbles lost (5, first in Pac-12), 11th in both passes had intercepted (7, first in Pac-12) and completion percentage (.667, third in Pac-12), 16th in fourth down conversions (.654, fourth in Pac-12) and 20th in passing efficiency (153.6, fourth in Pac-12).
***2015 was the first time ever that USC had 3 players who averaged more than 100 all-purpose yards per game: WR **JuJu Smith Schuster** (107.8), CB-WR-RET **Adoree' Jackson** (102.6) and TB **Justin Davis** (100.2).
***USC started 4 different centers in 2015 (Max Tuerk 5 games, **Toa Lobendahn** 2 games, **Khaliel Rodgers** 5 games and **Nico Falah** once).
***None of USC's 5 lost fumbles in 2015 were by a running back.
***USC averaged 6.2 yards per play in 2015.
***USC scored 50-out-of-57 times (87.7%) it was in the red zone in 2015.
***USC received the opening kickoff in the first 6 games in 2015 and 9 times overall.

DEFENSE

***USC's defense in 2015 was third nationally in defensive TDs (5, first in Pac-12), 11th in turnover margin (0.8, second in Pac-12), 18th in fourth down conversion defense (.381, first in Pac-12) and 21st in sacks (2.6, fourth in Pac-12).
***USC returned fumbles for TDs 3 times in 2015 (46 yards by ILB **Osa Masina** versus Arkansas State, 94 yards by S **Chris Hawkins** versus Arizona State and 31 yards by DT **Rasheem Green**) and interceptions for a TD twice (54 yards by ILB **Cameron Smith** and 46 yards by CB-WR-RET **Adoree' Jackson**).
***USC has intercepted a pass in 124 of the last 179 games.
***USC has held 94 of its last 177 opposing teams to 100 rushing yards or less (including 4 times in 2015).
***Only 39 opposing runners have rushed for 100 yards against USC in the past 166 games (most recently, Stanford's Christian McCaffrey with 207 in 2015).
***Since the start of the 2001 season, USC is 69-7 when holding opponents to 300 yards of total offense or less (the losses were against UCLA in 2006, Stanford in 2007, Washington in 2009, Notre Dame in 2010, Washington State and Notre Dame in 2013 and Washington in 2015).

MISCELLANEOUS

***USC has blocked 29 kicks since 2010.
***USC has appeared on live national, regional or local telecasts 478 times, including 344 of the past 346 games (Troy's last 185 games have been televised live, a school record).

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RANDOM NOTES

***USC is 189-59-10 (.752) in seasons that the Summer Olympics have been held. The Trojans won 4 national titles (1928, 1932, 1972, 2004) and played in 10 bowls (winning 7) during those Olympic seasons. (Does not include 2 wins--including 1 bowl appearance and 1 bowl win--vacated by NCAA penalty; original record: 191-59-10, .754.) Two football lettermen have won Olympic gold medals: Fred Kelly (1914, 15, 16) in the high hurdles in the 1912 Games (he is USC's first gold medalist) and Ken Carpenter (1934, 37) in the discus in the 1936 Games. Although 2-time gold medalist Quincy Watts (400 meters and 1600 meter relay in the 1992 Olympics) never lettered in football, he was a receiver on the 1990 Trojans (he didn't get into a game). Current QB **Sam Darnold's** late grandfather, Dick Hammer, was a member of the USA's 1964 Olympic volleyball team. At the 2016 Rio Olympics, 44 USC-affiliated athletes (the most of any U.S. university) won 21 medals (tied for second most of any American university), including 9 golds (fourth most of any U.S. university), 5 silvers and 7 bronzes. It was the third consecutive Summer Olympics that USC athletes have won at least 20 medals. If USC athletes had competed as a country in 2016, they would have tied for eighth in the gold medal standings at the Rio Games and tied for 11th in overall medals. It was the fifth consecutive Summer Games that USC had at least 40 Olympians. In Rio, those Trojans competed in 9 sports and represented 21 countries. Overall, USC has produced more Olympians, medalists and gold medalists than any U.S. university: 451 Trojan athletes who attended USC before, during or after their Summer or Winter Olympic appearance have competed in the Games since 1904, taking home 144 gold medals (with at least 1 gold in every Summer Olympics from 1912), 93 silver and 72 bronze. If USC competed as a country, its overall total medals would be 14th among all countries (while its gold medals would be 13th). USC Olympians have represented 64 different countries and have participated in 29 different sports in history.

***USC is 206-66-14 (.745) during presidential election years. The Trojans are 117-26-5 (.807) in years when Republicans won the White House and 89-40-9 (.678) when Democrats won. (Does not include 1 win vacated due to NCAA penalty; revised record: 207-66-14, .746 overall and 118-26-5, .809 with Republicans.) USC has won 4 national championships (1928-32-72-2004) during presidential election years. Since 1929, USC has played in the Rose Bowl during the term of every U.S. President except Barack Obama.

***In 123 seasons of USC football, the Trojans have lost 4 or more games 40 times (Troy was 8-6 in 2015). Following 8 of those 4-plus loss seasons, USC won the Rose Bowl the next year (1938-43-62-67-72-76-78-84).

***USC is the only FBS school never to have had surnames on the back of its jerseys. Interestingly, the Trojan uniform was named the nation's seventh best in college football by USA Today in 2014.

***USC is one of only 3 NCAA FBS (formerly Division I-A) schools that has never played an FCS (formerly non-Division I-A) opponent since the divisions were established in 1978. The other schools are UCLA and Notre Dame, both Trojan opponents every season.

***USC's future non-conference schedule features Texas in 2017 (home) and 2018 (away)--the Trojans and Longhorns last met in the 2006 BCS Championship Game, one of the most memorable games in college football history--and BYU in 2019 (away), 2021 (home) and 2023 (home), plus home games versus Western Michigan (2017), UNLV (2018), Fresno State (2019, 2022, 2025), New Mexico (2020) and Rice (2022). Since 1926, USC has annually (except during World War II) played Notre Dame in a home-and-home series that currently runs through 2023. Since 2000, Troy also has had Ohio State, Auburn, Nebraska, Penn State, Arkansas, Virginia Tech, Kansas State, Syracuse, Boston College, Hawaii, Minnesota, Virginia, Fresno State, Utah State, Idaho and Arkansas State on its regular season non-conference slate.

***USC's 2 conference "misses" in 2016 are Oregon State and Washington State, for the second consecutive season. Before then, the last time that USC played neither the Beavers nor the Cougars in a season was 2012.

***When USC opens the 2016 season against Alabama, it will be the teams' first meeting since the 1985 Aloha Bowl (a 24-3 Crimson Tide victory). However, it will spark memories of one of the most historic games in college football history, USC's 42-21 victory over Alabama in 1970 that helped change societal attitudes. Coach John McKay's Trojans traveled to Birmingham where they faced an all-white Crimson Tide team coached by Paul "Bear" Bryant. Thanks to dominating performances for USC by a trio of African-Americans (fullback Sam Cunningham, tailback Clarence Davis and quarterback Jimmy Jones), Bryant was convinced that he needed to recruit African-American players for his program. The rest of the Southeastern Conference soon followed suit and opportunities for African-American athletes in the South began to improve tremendously. Bryant was so impressed by Cunningham (who had 135 yards and 2 touchdowns on just 12 carries) that legend has it he invited the sophomore fullback into the Alabama locker room after the game and brought his players to Cunningham one-by-one to introduce him.

***USC's Sept. 3 season against Alabama in AT&T Stadium in Arlington, Tex., will be the third consecutive game that USC has played in a current NFL stadium (Troy lost the previous 2 such games, to Stanford, 41-22, in the 2015 Pac-12 Championship Game in Levi's Stadium in Santa Clara and to Wisconsin, 23-21, in the 2015 Holiday Bowl in Qualcomm Stadium in San Diego). The following week (Sept. 10), USC will begin its home slate in the Coliseum, temporary home to the NFL's Los Angeles Rams. This also is the third consecutive year that USC has played in a current NFL stadium, as it beat Nebraska, 45-42, in the 2014 Holiday Bowl in Qualcomm Stadium.

***USC will be playing its third consecutive game at a neutral site when it opens its 2016 season in AT&T Stadium in Arlington, Tex., versus Alabama on Sept. 3. (following the 2015 Pac-12 Championship Game in Levi's Stadium in Santa Clara, Calif., and the 2015 Holiday Bowl in Qualcomm Stadium in San Diego, Calif.). USC once had 4 consecutive neutral site games, all in the same season, in 1898, as well as 3 in a row in the 1922 season (both occurrences were in Southern California).

***USC's Sept. 10 home opener against Utah State will kick off at 11 a.m. PT. That is the earliest kickoff time for a Trojan home game since at least the early 1950s when complete records became available (a home contest against Loyola in the 1891 season began at 9:30 a.m.). The last time USC began a game before noon at home was the 1998 season opener against Purdue at 11:30 a.m. (the Trojans hosted Boston College in 2013 and Arizona State in 2012 in noon games).

***AP commemorated the 80th anniversary of its weekly college football poll by ranking its all-time Top 25, using a formula based on poll appearances, No. 1 rankings and national championships. USC ranked fifth, behind No. 1 Ohio State, No. 2 Oklahoma, No. 3 Notre Dame and No. 4 Alabama. And in an ESPN list of college football's "Blue Blood" programs (described as "the royalty of the game"), USC tied for first.

***Nine Trojans previously attended other 4-year schools: WR **Isaac Whitney** (Central Oklahoma), ILB **Joel Foy** (Air Force), CB **Yoofi Quansah** (UC San Diego), WR **Jackson Boyer** (North Carolina), TB **Lance Mudd** (Cal Poly), TE **Taylor McNamara** (Oklahoma), TE **Daniel Imatorbhebhe** (Florida), DT **Stevie Tu'ikolovatu** (Utah) and S **Deion Hart** (Sam Houston State).

***Ten Trojans played their high school football at Serra High in Gardena (Calif.): CB-WR-RET **Adoree' Jackson**, ILB **Olajuwon Tucker**, WR **Jalen Greene**, CB **Jalen Jones**, DT **Rasheem Green**, ILB **John Houston Jr.**, WR **Deontay Burnett**, DE **Oluwale Betiku Jr.**, S **C.J. Pollard** and ILB **Christian Herrera**.



***Four Trojans already earned their bachelor's degrees and are working on master's degrees. QB **Max Browne** received his bachelor's degree in communication from USC in the fall of 2015 and is now working towards a master's degree in business administration at USC, where he has a B+ average (3.48 GPA). WR **Steven Mitchell Jr.** received his bachelor's degree in communication from USC in the spring of 2016 and is now working towards a master's degree in communication management. TE **Taylor McNamara** received his bachelor's degree in economics and communications from Oklahoma in the spring of 2015 (thus allowing him to be eligible to play immediately at USC in 2015 without having to sit out after transferring) and is now working towards a master's degree in communication management at USC. DT **Stevie Tu'ikolovatu** received his bachelor's degree in sociology from Utah in 2016 (making him eligible to play at USC in 2016) and is working on another bachelor's degree in gerontology. Three other Trojans also have received their bachelor's degrees and now are pursuing a second bachelor's degree: OTs **Zach Banner** and **Chad Wheeler** and S **Leon McQuay III** (Banner and McQuay in sociology and Wheeler to be determined).

***USC currently has 20 players who graduated a semester early from high school and enrolled at USC in the spring. OT **Chad Wheeler** enrolled in the spring of 2012. DT **Kenny Bigelow Jr.**, QB **Max Browne**, TB **Justin Davis**, S **Chris Hawkins** and S **Leon McQuay III** all enrolled in the spring of 2013. OG-OT **Jordan Austin**, WR **Jalen Greene**, DE **Don Hill** and C **Toa Lobendahn** all enrolled in the spring of 2014. OT **Chuma Edoga**, OG-OT **Roy Hemsley** and ILB **Cameron Smith** all enrolled in the spring of 2015. DE **Oluwale Betiku Jr.**, QB **Matt Fink**, WR **Josh Imatorbhebhe**, DT **Liam Jimmons**, WR **Michael Pittman Jr.**, S **C.J. Pollard** and OT **Nathan Smith** all enrolled in the spring of 2016. Since 1999, 43 Trojans have graduated at least a semester early from high school and come to USC (including 1 who graduated a full year early). Also, TE **Daniel Imatorbhebhe** graduated a semester early from high school and enrolled at Florida before transferring to USC.

***SNP **Jake Olson** has been an inspiration to and involved with the USC football program since the age of 12 in 2009 when he lost his eyesight to cancer. Olson was born with retinoblastoma, a cancer of the retina. He lost his left eye when he was 10 months old and, despite numerous procedures on his other eye, he had his right eye removed when he was 12 in 2009 (he spent the day before his 2009 surgery at a USC football practice). His story was chronicled nationally, including several ESPN stories. After long snapping in high school as a junior and senior in 2013 and 2014 (he also played golf in high school and usually shot in the 80s), he received a scholarship in 2015 to attend USC from Swim With Mike's Physically Challenged Athletes Scholarship Fund (because that scholarship is regarded as athletic aid, USC sought and received a waiver from the NCAA so that he did not count against the Trojans' NCAA-mandated 85 scholarship roster limit). Now a walk-on redshirt freshman, USC will prevent contact during any practice drills in which he is involved to make sure he is protected and the hope is he will snap in a game some day. He is guided onto the field and positioned over the ball by a teammate. He is a motivational speaker and has co-authored 2 books about overcoming adversity. His guide dog's name is Quebec. The Swim With Mike swim-a-thon fundraiser, celebrating its 35th anniversary, has raised more than \$18 million for 200-plus physically challenged athletes' scholarships at nearly 100 universities for students who have overcome life-challenging accidents or illnesses. Olson won the 2015 Rare Disease Champion Award and was a nominee for the 2015 Orange Bowl-FWAA Courage Award.

***Defensive line coach **Kenechi Udeze** was diagnosed with acute lymphoblastic leukemia (a blood cancer) in 2008 while playing for the NFL's Minnesota Vikings and he was placed on injured reserve that season. He received chemotherapy treatments and had a bone marrow transplant from his brother. He was the Vikings' recipient of the 2008 NFL Ed Block Courage Award, as voted by his teammates. After attempting to return to the playing field in 2009 but struggling with peripheral neuropathy in his feet as a result of chemotherapy, Udeze retired from the NFL that summer. His leukemia is in remission. He has been involved with charities that raise money for cancer research.

***CB-WR-RET **Adoree' Jackson** is one of the nation's premier long jumpers. He placed 10th at the 2016 U.S. Olympic Trials with a leap of 25-8.25 (he had a 25-10.75 jump in the prelims). His career best long jump mark is 25-11.50 to place fifth at the 2015 NCAA Meet, becoming the first USC football letterman to earn track All-America honors in an individual event since Sultan McCullough in 2000 (100-meter dash) and in a field event since long jumper Luther Hayes in 1961. He repeated his fifth place long jump showing at the 2016 NCAA Meet. He also was the 2015 and 2016 Pac-12 long jump champ (both times going 25-3.50) and he won the event at the UCLA dual meet both years. In high school, he was the 2012 state long jump champ and then the runner-up in 2013. Jackson also is a top-class sprinter, with lifetime bests of 10.38 (10.35 wind-aided) in the 100 and 21.08 in the 200.

***Who's the fastest among the 2016 Trojans? CB-WR-RET **Adoree' Jackson** has lifetime bests of 10.38 (10.35 wind-aided) in the 100 and 21.08 in the 200. TB **Ronald Jones II**, who sprinted briefly with the 2016 Trojan tracksters, had high school bests of 10.37 in the 100 meters and 21.88 in the 200 meters. TB **Dominic Davis** has posted lifetime bests of 10.47 in the 100 meters (10.39 wind-aided) and 21.48 (21.27 wind-aided) in the 200 meters. He set a USC freshman indoor record in the 60 meters (6.78) at the 2016 MPSF Championships. He was fourth in the 100 (10.51) at the 2014 California high school state meet as a junior and third in the event as a 2015 senior (10.56). TB **Lance Mudd** had high school bests of 10.50 in the 100 and 21.68 in the 200. Jackson, Jones, Davis and WR **Isaac Whitney** all have sprinted for USC's track team.

***OT **Zach Banner** was on the 2013 USC men's basketball team, but did not see any action.

***PK-HLD **Wyatt Schmidt** was on a Minnesota state champion ice hockey team in high school, then played junior ice hockey in South Dakota in 2013 before coming to USC.

***If P **Chris Tilbey**, a Melbourne native who played Australian Rules Football (as well as cricket), letters at USC, he will be the only Trojan football letterman ever from Australia. Former Trojan Riki (Gray) Ellison (1978-82) was born in New Zealand, but claimed Tucson, Ariz., as his home.

***DE **Oluwale Betiku Jr.** was born in in Lagos, Nigeria, where he participated in soccer and boxing. He moved to the United States when he was a sophomore in high school.

***Among the other foreign feel to USC's 2016 football team, besides Australian P **Chris Tilbey** and Nigerian DE **Oluwale Betiku Jr.** (see above): DT **Stevie Tu'ikolovatu** spent 3 seasons (2010-12) on a Mormon mission in the Philippines; strength and conditioning coach/sports performance **Danny van Dijk** is from Australia, where he worked with rugby teams; director of player personnel and NFL research **Eric Ziskin** spent the past year in Norway working for a business and technology services company; and assistant coach **Tee Martin** played professionally in Canada (CFL's Winnipeg Blue Bombers) and Europe (NFL Europe's Rhein Fire). Also, DT **Noah Jefferson's** father, Ben, played in the CFL, World League and NFL Europe, while S **Leon McQuay III's** grandfather, the late Leon McQuay, played in the CFL (Toronto, Calgary).

***DT **Stevie Tu'ikolovatu** is USC's oldest player (25, born June 28, 1991), thanks to spending 3 seasons on a Mormon mission in the Philippines while at Utah. He is nearly 2 years older than USC's next oldest player (WR **Darreus Rogers**, born on Sept. 3, 1993) and nearly 7 years older than USC's youngest player (ILB **Jordan Iosefa**, born on Sept. 20, 1998).

***OG **Jordan Simmons** had his artwork displayed at the 2014 "Artletics" on-campus exhibit that featured the works of USC student-athletes.

***S **Leon McQuay III**, a music industry major at USC, has produced his own music tracks.

***CB **Kevin Carrasco** is fluent in Spanish and speaks some Korean.

***A YouTube video of SNP **Zach Smith's** long snapping trick shots has more than 610,000 views.

***ILB **Cameron Smith** played youth football against eighth graders when he was in fourth grade.

***P **Reid Budrovich's** brother, Evan, was a student journalist at USC who covered the Trojan football team.

***USC has 4 players with the surname of Smith (ILB **Cameron Smith**, C **Cole Smith**, OT **Nathan Smith** and SNP **Zach Smith**, plus WR **JuJu Smith-Schuster**, who previously was just JuJu Smith) and 4 named Jones (CB **Jack Jones**, CB **Jalen Jones**, TB **Ronald Jones II** and WR **Velus Jones Jr.**), but none are related.

***USC's roster features players who are a Jr. (OT **Kenny Bigelow Jr.**, WR **Steven Mitchell Jr.**, ILB **John Houston Jr.**, DE **Oluwale Betiku Jr.**, WR **Michael Pittman Jr.**, WR **Velus Jones Jr.**), a II (TB **Ronald Jones II**, OG-OT **Frank Martin II**), a III (S **Leon McQuay III**, S **Marvell Tell III**) and a IV (TB **James Toland IV**).

***USC's roster palette has OG **Chris Brown**, PK **Michael Brown** and QB **Max Browne**, as well as DE **Rasheem Green** and WR **Jalen Greene**.

***No USC football letterman in history has a longer non-hyphenated single word surname than the 12-letter last name of TE **Daniel Imatorbhebhe** and WR **Josh Imatorbhebhe**. Two former lettermen also have 12-letter surnames: TE Dean Lingenfelter (1973) and P Mike MacGillivray (1998-2001). Also on the 2016 Trojan roster are a pair of 11-letter surnamed players (PK **Matt Boermeester** and DT **Stevie Tu'ikolovatu**), as well as the 13-letter hyphenated surnamed WR **JuJu Smith-Schuster**. Fortunately, USC does not put players' last names on the back of its jerseys.

***TE **Daniel Imatorbhebhe** and WR **Josh Imatorbhebhe** are USC's only player brothers. Head coach **Clay Helton** and quarterback coach/pass game coordinator **Tyson Helton** are brothers.

***WR **JuJu Smith-Schuster's** and TE **Tyler Petite's** real first names are John, S **C.J. Pollard's** is Christopher, ILB **Jordan Iosefa's** is Loveni, OT **E.J. Price's** is Edward and assistant coach **Tee Martin's** is Tamaurice. ILB **Olajuwon Tucker's** nickname is "Boodah, CB **Iman Marshall's** is "Biggie" and CB **Keyshawn Young's** is "Pie." In the summer of 2015, WR **JuJu Smith-Schuster** legally changed his last name (from just Smith) in honor of his stepfather. Defensive line coach **Kenechi Udeze's** first name means "God's love will always be with me" in Nigerian; his nickname as a USC player was "BKU," which stood for Big Kenechi Udeze (he enrolled at USC weighing 375 pounds, but left at 275).

***How's this for a colorful player: PK **Matt Boermeester** "greyshirted" in 2012 (he did not enroll as a full-time college student) coming out of high school. He then was awarded a scholarship at USC in the fall of 2014 by virtue of an NCAA rule known as "blueshirting" (it allows a non-recruited student-athlete to receive athletic financial aid after beginning practice and have that student-athlete count towards the next year's signing class if the school has reached its NCAA-maximum aid limit for the current year). Boermeester then "redshirted" at USC in 2014. USC currently has 7 other players who received scholarships as blueshirts: TE **Taylor McNamara**, TE **Daniel Imatorbhebhe**, OT **Clayton Johnston**, WR **Deontay Burnett** and P **Chris Tilbey** all arrived in the fall of 2015, while DT **Stevie Tu'ikolovatu** and PK **Michael Brown** both joined in the fall of 2016.

***Assistant coach **Tee Martin's** wife, Toya, is a recording artist with hit singles "I Do!" (2001) and "No Matta What (Party All Night)" (2002).

***Offensive line coach **Neil Callaway** served as the head coach at Alabama Birmingham (2007-11). As a player at Alabama (1974-77), he played under legendary head coach Paul "Bear" Bryant. He played against USC in 1977, a 21-20 Crimson Tide victory in the Coliseum over the No. 1 Trojans.

***Quarterbacks coach/pass game coordinator **Tyson Helton** played for his father, Kim, at Houston and now coaches for his brother, Clay, at USC. Clay also played for father Kim at Houston.

***Assistant coach **Ronnie Bradford** played in Super Bowl XXXIII with the Atlanta Falcons, defensive coordinator **Clancy Pendergast** coached in Super Bowl XLIII with the Arizona Cardinals and WR **Michael Pittman Jr.'s** father, Michael Pittman, played in Super Bowl XXXVII with the Tampa Bay Buccaneers.

***In 2007 while playing with the San Diego Chargers, offensive assistant **Mike Goff** cut his signature long hair and donated it to Locks of Love.

***The NFL's Rams returned to Los Angeles in 2016 and will share the Coliseum with USC (as they did for part of their previous stint in L.A.) until their new stadium is completed in Inglewood in 2019. The Rams and Trojans previously shared the Coliseum for 34 years, from 1946 through 1979 (the Rams moved to Los Angeles from Cleveland and then departed L.A. for Anaheim). UCLA also played in the Coliseum during that 34-year span. Since the stadium opened in 1923, USC has been its sole football tenant in 25 seasons (1923-27, 1995-2000, 2002-15). There are 2 weekends this fall when the Trojans and Rams play back-to-back games in the Coliseum: Oct. 8 (USC hosts Colorado)/Oct. 9 (Rams host Buffalo) and Nov. 5 (USC hosts Oregon)/Nov. 6 (Rams host Carolina).

***USC took control of the management of the Coliseum in the summer of 2013, becoming responsible for the operation, maintenance and upgrading of the facility. USC is required to spend \$70 million over a 10-year period for enhancements and improvements to the Coliseum's infrastructure (\$100 million by 2054). In October of 2015, USC announced preliminary plans to renovate and restore the Coliseum, including building a new structure on the stadium's south side (with suites, loge boxes, club seats, a new concourse and new press box), replacing every seat with wider ones, increasing leg room, adding aisles, restoring the iconic peristyle, upgrading Wi-Fi, improving audio and video with two new large screens, adding concession stands and installing new lighting. Work is scheduled to begin after the 2017 USC season and be completed for the 2019 home opener. The renovation will be privately funded by USC and will preserve the Coliseum's historic nature. Improvements will reduce seating capacity to approximately 77,500 (from the current 93,607. USC has been a tenant in the Coliseum since the historic stadium opened in 1923. For more information, go to www.ColiseumRenovation.com .

***To provide a safer environment for the public and significantly expedite guest entry into the venue, the Coliseum has implemented a new "clear bag policy" this year that limits the size and type of bags that may be brought into the stadium for all events. The new policy does not affect other items that fans normally bring to a game, which still can be carried in their pockets or openly in their arms. The new clear bag policy is detailed further at <http://www.lacoliseum.com/beclear> . Also, for increased security, all guests entering the Coliseum will walk through metal detector screening with arms raised (guests should remove metal items from pockets) and the fence line encircling the Coliseum has been moved further from the stadium in some areas. Because some tailgating space has been lost due to construction, fans are encouraged to tailgate by their cars and be considerate of the space they use.

***The Trojan Athletic Fund, founded in 1923, provides the funding necessary to sustain USC's athletic excellence. The TAF motto is "Investing In Today's Champions and Tomorrow's Leaders." TAF members form a global group of more than 5,000 alumni, parents, former student-athletes and friends who directly contribute to the success of our student-athletes. TAF members who join the Trojan Club, Cardinal & Gold, Women of Troy, Cardinal & Gold Premier, Committee or Scholarship Club receive a variety of benefits and event invitations. For more information, go to: <http://www.trojanathleticfund.com>.

***USC Athletics announced in the spring of 2016 a subtle yet modern design evolution of its graphic identity system. Beginning in the upcoming 2016-17 season, USC Athletics is employing updated marks and logos for all sports and athletically-related publications, displays and broadcasts. The SC interlock remains the primary logo and mark for USC Athletics, but the script-face TROJANS above the SC interlock has been eliminated (however, the specific logos currently used by USC baseball and track will continue to be used by those programs). A new Trojan Head logo has been designed (however, the current Trojan Head used on the football helmet will continue in use on the helmet). A new custom alphabet and numeral type font is used for USC's word marks ("USC," "Trojans," "Fight On"), its sport-specific logo lock-ups and other typography. USC's primary colors remain Cardinal and Gold, but secondary colors of Black and White and a tertiary color of Metallic Gold have been added for occasional use. USC's 2016 football uniform incorporates some of these updates that "respect the past and represent the future."

***USC Gameday is the official app for fans following the Trojans and going to a Trojan event at the Coliseum, Galen Center or any other USC athletic venue. The free app for iOS and Android devices is available for download on iTunes and Google Play. Among the app's features: customized sport selection, countdown to the next games, schedules and scores, game day related alerts (traffic, tailgating, etc.), live stats (for football and basketball), detailed Coliseum and Galen Center seating maps (with concession stands, restrooms, gate locations, etc.), USC area maps (with parking lots, official USC events, restaurants), A to Z guide for frequently asked game day questions, USC Athletics' social media links, safety information, USC Fan Shop, USC ticket information and USC videos and photos. The app also incorporates information about USC teams, including rosters, biographical, statistical and historical information and exclusive videos, as well as a virtual tour of USC's athletic facilities, including the McKay Center and the Coliseum. USC merchandise and tickets also are available for purchase within the app, which will have new video and elements added throughout the year.

***Several Trojan staffers have been associated with national championship teams. Assistant coach **Tee Martin** quarterbacked Tennessee to the 1998 national championship. Assistant coach **Kenechi Udezue** was an All-American defensive end on USC's 2003 national championship team. Assistant coach **Ronnie Bradford** played on Colorado's 1990 national championship team. Assistant coach **Tommie Robinson** played on Troy State's 1984 NCAA Division II national title squad. Football executive assistant **Cheryl Taplin** was a sprinter on 7 of LSU's NCAA champion outdoor and indoor women's track and field teams.

***Several Trojans have relatives with USC football connections. ILB **Grant Moore's** father, Rex, was a 4-year (1984-87) letterman linebacker at USC, leading the Trojans in tackles in 1986 while earning team Most Inspirational Player accolades. S **C.J. Pollard's** father, Marvin, was a cornerback at USC (1988-91). C **Cole Smith's** father, Doug, was an assistant coach at USC (1993-97, the first 2 years handling the defensive line and the last 3 working with the offensive line). C **Toa Lobendahn's** second cousin, Faaesea Mailo, was a USC offensive lineman (1996-2001). S **Matt Lopes'** mother, Helaine, was an assistant athletic trainer at USC in the 1980s and 1990s, including working with the Trojan football program. Assistant coach **Johnny Nansen** is the cousin of current USC WR **JuJu Smith-Schuster**.

***Speaking of genes: TE **Cary Angeline's** grandfather, Fran, was a tight end and defensive end at Colgate (1955 captain), then was the 1979 National High School Coach of the Year while at Union-Endicott (N.Y.) High, while his father, Chris, was a quarterback and tight end at Columbia, his brother, Ryley, is a sophomore tight end at Delaware, his uncle, Larry, played football at Mansfield and another uncle, Jerry, played football at Hobart. OG-OT **Jordan Austin's** father, Ray, played football at UNLV and Southern Utah. PK **Matt Boermeester's** father, Peter, was a placekicker at UCLA (1977-78-79), where he still ranks 10th on the Bruins' career field goals list (31) and 20th in points scored (160, leading UCLA in scoring his last 2 seasons) and setting a school record for consecutive games with a field goal (15) as he earned 1978 All-Pac-10 first team honors, then he played with the Cleveland Browns in 1980. QB **Max Browne's** brother, Mitch, played quarterback at Claremont McKenna College (2001-04). S **Jamel Cook's** cousin is Florida State junior running back Dalvin Cook. QB **Sam Darnold's** father, Mike, played football (guard) at Redlands and his mother, Chris, played volleyball at Long Beach City College, while his sister, Franki, played volleyball at Rhode Island (2012-15) and his late grandfather, Dick Hammer, played basketball at USC (lettering in 1952 and on the Trojans' 1954 NCAA Final Four team) and was a member of the USA's 1964 Olympic volleyball team, then he appeared in films, television (including in "Emergency!") and commercials (including as the Marlboro Man) and also was a captain in the L.A. County Fire Department. DE **Porter Gustin's** father, John Gustin, played quarterback at Wyoming (1991-94), while his mother, Scarlett Overly Gustin, and his aunt, Amberli Gustin, were the Gatorade Idaho Girls High School Basketball Players of the Year in 1987 and 1989, respectively (they both played basketball at BYU, Scarlett from 1987 to 1989 and Amberli from 1989 to 1994). DT **Noah Jefferson's** father, Ben, played offensive line at Maryland, with the Cleveland Browns (1990), Los Angeles Raiders and Indianapolis Colts and then in the CFL, World League and NFL Europe, while his brother, Cameron played offensive line at UNLV (2011-13) and Arkansas (2014). C **Toa Lobendahn's** father, Vince, was a lineman at Utah (1990-93) and then in the Arena League with the Albany Firebirds (1994) and St. Louis Stampede (1995) before coaching at BYU as a graduate assistant (1998-99) and as an assistant and head coach at the high school level. S **Matt Lopes'** father, Steve, is a senior associate athletic director and chief operating officer at USC who was a 1983 College Division All-American offensive lineman at Linfield College, which won the NAIA national championship in his 1982 junior season (he also wrestled and played golf at Linfield), while his uncle, Lance Lopes, also played football at Linfield and now is a senior associate athletic director at Washington (he previously was a senior vice president and general counsel of the Seattle Seahawks and before that held a similar position with the Green Bay Packers). TB **Vavae Malepeai's** uncles, Silila (1990-94), Pulou (1993-95) and Tasi (1994-96), played football at Oregon. ILB **Osa Masina's** brother, Uaea, is a junior linebacker at Utah. S **Leon McQuay III's** grandfather, the late Leon McQuay, was a running back at Tampa (1968-70) and then in the CFL (Toronto, Calgary) and NFL (Giants, Patriots, Saints). DE **Connor Murphy's** brother, Trent, was a consensus All-American outside linebacker at Stanford (2010-13) and now plays for the Washington Redskins, while his sister, Kayli, played women's basketball at Arizona State (2007-10) and competed in the 2011 Miss Arizona USA pageant. WR **Michael Pittman Jr.'s** father, Michael, was a running back at Fresno State (1993, 95-97) and then in the NFL with the Arizona Cardinals (1998-2001), Tampa Bay Buccaneers (2002-07), including on the Super Bowl XXXVII champion in the 2002 season, and Denver Broncos (2008). PK-HLD **Wyatt Schmidt's** father, Paul, played tennis at Minnesota, while his brother, Foley, was a 3-year (2009-11) All-Ivy League placekicker at Dartmouth. C **Cole Smith's** father, Doug, played at Bowling Green (1974-77) and then was a 6-time Pro Bowl center for the Los Angeles Rams (1978-91) before serving as a volunteer coach with the Rams (1992) and then at USC (1993-97, the first 2 years handling the defensive line and the last 3 working with the offensive line) and since 2000 as the offensive line coach at Orange Coast Junior College. ILB **Olajuwon Tucker's** brother, Tim, played fullback and linebacker at Washington in 2010 and 2011. DT **Stevie Tu'ikolovatu's** uncle is former Utah (2001-04) defensive lineman Sione Pouha, who played with the New York Jets (2005-12) and was a student assistant coach at Utah in 2015. Head coach **Clay Helton's** and quarterback coach **Tyson Helton's** father, Kim, was Houston's head coach from 1993 to 1999, as well as an assistant in college (Florida, Miami and Alabama Birmingham), the NFL (Tampa Bay Buccaneers, Houston Oilers, Los Angeles Raiders, Washington Redskins) and the CFL (Toronto Argonauts) following his playing career at Florida. Special teams coordinator/tight ends coach **John Baxter's** father-in-law is former Utah and Weber State head coach Ron McBride. Defensive assistant **Brett Arce's** father, Mark, is the athletic director and head men's basketball coach at West Hills Community College in Coalinga (Calif.) after previously serving as an assistant coach at Utah State and Cal State Bakersfield and the head coach at Bakersfield Junior College. Defensive assistant **Austin Clark's** sister, Adrienne, is an assistant softball coach at Connecticut after previously serving as an assistant at Delaware, Columbia and her alma mater Hofstra, where she starred as a pitcher (she once went 31.0 consecutive innings in the NCAA tourney without allowing a run, second most in NCAA history).

ROSE BOWL ANNIVERSARIES

The 2016 season marks the anniversaries of 3 USC Rose Bowl seasons. It is the 50th anniversary of the 1966 season, when coach John McKay's Trojans started off 6-0 and captured the Pac-8 title to earn the first of 4 consecutive Rose Bowl berths (falling to No. 7 Purdue, 14-13, on a failed USC 2-point conversion pass with less than 3 minutes to play in the 1967 Rose Bowl). It is the 40th anniversary of the 1976 season, when first-year head coach John Robinson's squad ran off 11 consecutive victories after dropping the opener (capped by a 14-6 win over No. 2 Michigan in the 1977 Rose Bowl to end up with a No. 2 ranking in the final AP poll). It is the 10th anniversary of the 2006 season, as the Trojans made the second of 4 straight Rose Bowl trips (beating No. 3 Michigan 32-18 in the 2007 Rose Bowl after a regular season-ending defeat knocked the Trojans out of the BCS Championship Game).

IN THE NFL

USC is always well-represented in the NFL. Twelve former Trojan players are in the Pro Football Hall of Fame (tied for most of any other school). A Trojan has appeared in all but 5 of the 50 Super Bowls and Trojans have been selected to play in the Pro Bowl 228 times. Troy has produced more NFL draft picks (496) than any school (USC and Michigan are the only schools with a draftee every year since 1939) and there have been 485 USC players who have played in the NFL or its sister leagues. USC has had more first round NFL draft picks (79) than any school and is tied with Notre Dame and Auburn for most players selected as the top pick in the NFL draft (5). At the start of training camp this summer, there were 51 ex-Trojans on NFL rosters. There were 35 Trojans on 2015 opening day NFL rosters, the most of all but two schools (since records were available, USC has been first 19 of the last 40 years) and USC had the most quarterbacks and linebackers, and tied for the most centers of any school. Among USC's NFLers are QBs Carson Palmer, Matt Cassel, Mark Sanchez and Matt Barkley, RB Javorius Allen, LBs Clay Matthews, Brian Cushing, Rey Mauluga, Nick Perry, Devon Kennard and Malcolm Smith, DBs T.J. McDonald and Nickell Robey, DLs Jurrell Casey, Leonard Williams and Everson Griffen, WRs Robert Woods, Marqise Lee and Nelson Agholor, OLs Ryan Kalil, Matt Kalil, Tyron Smith, Charles Brown and Marcus Martin and TEs Jordan Cameron and Rhett Ellison. Five NFL head coaches have USC ties (either as former players or coaches): Seattle's Pete Carroll (Super Bowl XLVIII champion), Los Angeles' Jeff Fisher, Oakland's Jack Del Rio, Cleveland's Hue Jackson and Indianapolis' Chuck Pagano. Seven current USC players have relatives with NFL playing backgrounds: PK **Matt Boermeester** (father, Peter), DT **Noah Jefferson** (father, Ben Jefferson), S **Leon McQuay III** (grandfather, Leon McQuay), DE **Connor Murphy** (brother, Trent Murphy), WR **Michael Pittman Jr.** (father, Michael Pittman), C **Cole Smith** (father, Doug Smith) and DT **Stevie Tu'ikolovatu** (uncle, Sione Pouha). Also, Jefferson's father, Ben, also played in the CFL, World League and NFL Europe, while C **Toa Lobendahn's** father, Vince, was an offensive lineman in the Arena League with the Albany Firebirds (1994) and St. Louis Stampede (1995). Additionally, assistant coaches **Ronnie Bradford** and **Kenechi Udezue** played in the NFL, while assistant coach **Tee Martin** played in the NFL, NFL Europe and CFL. Offensive assistant **Mike Goff** played in the NFL (Cincinnati Bengals, San Diego Chargers, Kansas City Chiefs). Assistant coaches Bradford, Udezue, **Clancy Pendergast** and **Tommie Robinson** were NFL assistants.

ACADEMICS

Ten Trojans have cumulative grade point averages of 3.00 or higher (through spring 2016 semester). Among the top scholars on the 2015 Trojan squad are: C **Cole Smith** (3.48), QB **Max Browne** (3.42, business administration master's), SNP **Jake Olson** (3.41, business administration), PK **Matt Boermeester** (3.20, communication), ILB **Joel Foy** (3.11, communication), OT **Nathan Smith** (3.10, business administration), WR **Milo Stewart** (3.09, human biology), QB **Sam Darnold** (3.01, communication), OG-OT **Jordan Austin** (3.01, international relations) and TE **Alec Hursh** (3.01, biomedical engineering/mechanical engineering). Four Trojans already earned their bachelor's degrees and are working on master's degrees: QB **Max Browne** received his bachelor's degree in communication from USC in the fall of 2015 and is now working towards a master's degree in business administration at USC, where he has a B+ average (3.48 GPA), WR **Steven Mitchell Jr.** received his bachelor's degree in communication from USC in the spring of 2016 and is now working towards a master's degree in communication management, TE **Taylor McNamara** received his bachelor's degree in economics and communications from Oklahoma in the spring of 2015 (thus allowing him to be eligible to play immediately at USC in 2015 without having to sit out after transferring) and is now working towards a master's degree in communication management at USC and DT **Stevie Tu'ikolovatu** received his bachelor's degree in sociology from Utah in 2016 (making him eligible to play at USC in 2016). Three other Trojans also have received their bachelor's degrees and now are pursuing a second bachelor's degree: OTs **Zach Banner** and **Chad Wheeler** and S **Leon McQuay III** (Banner and McQuay in sociology and Wheeler to be determined). In its history, USC football has produced 22 Academic All-American first teamers (tied for tops in the Pac-12 and among the Top 10 in the nation), 20 NCAA Post-Graduate Scholarship winners, 13 National Football Foundation Scholar-Athletes, 7 NCAA Silver Anniversary Award winners, 4 NCAA Today's Top 10 winners, 1 Rhodes Scholar (Pat Haden) and 2 Academic All-American Hall of Famers (Haden and Dick Nunis).

USC WOMEN'S SOCCER IN ALABAMA

The No. 11-ranked USC women's soccer team will play in the Auburn Soccer Classic, meeting Georgia on Friday (Sept. 2) at 4:30 p.m. CT and then host Auburn on Sunday (Sept. 4) at 6 p.m. CT.

SCOUTING ALABAMA

Tenth-year head coach **Nick Saban** has led Alabama to 4 national championships (2009-11-12-15), culminating last season's crown with a 45-40 win over Clemson in the College Football Playoff title game. Fourteen starters return from the 2015 squad, including 6 on offense and 5 on defense, but the Crimson Tide must replace some top talent: Heisman Trophy-winning RB Derrick Henry, school record-setting QB Jake Coker, Rimington Trophy-winning C Ryan Kelly and All-Americans LB Reggie Ragland and DL A'Shawn Robinson. Like USC, Alabama will be starting a new signalcaller in 2016, either junior **Cooper Bateman** (37-of-52, 71.2%, 291 yds, 1 TD, 2 int in 2015), sophomore **David Cornwell**, redshirt freshman **Blake Barnett** or true freshman **Jalen Hurts**. Whoever wins the QB job will have the luxury of throwing the ball to sophomore WR **Calvin Ridley** (89 rec, 1,045 yds, 11.7 avg, 7 TD in 2015), a Freshman All-American last fall, junior WR **ArDarius Stewart** (63 rec, 700 yds, 11.1 avg, 4 TD in 2015) and senior TE **O.J. Howard** (38 rec, 602 yds, 15.8 avg, 2 TD in 2015), who was the Offensive MVP of the CFP finale. The Tide also will unveil a new running back, likely either sophs **Damien Harris** (46 tcb, 157 yds, 3.4 avg, 1 TD in 2015) or **Bo Scarborough** (18 tcb, 104 yds, 5.8 avg, 1 TD in 2015). Junior OT **Cam Robinson** and sophomore C **Ross Pierschbacher**, a Freshman All-American last season, anchor the Tide line. Among Alabama's top defenders are a quartet of seniors in LB **Reuben Foster** (73 tac, 8 for loss, 2 sack, 9 dfl in 2015), the team's top returning tackler, S **Eddie Jackson** (46 tac, 3 for loss, 6 int, 2 dfl, 1 FR, 1 FF in 2015), a 2015 All-American second teamer, DE **Jonathan Allen** (36 tac, 14.5 for loss, 12 sack, 4 dfl in 2015), a 2015 All-SEC pick, and LB **Tim Williams** (19 tac, 12.5 for loss, 10.5 sack, 1 dfl in 2015), along with soph DL **Da'Ron Payne** (13 tac, 0.5 sack, 1 dfl, 1 FF in 2015), a 2015 Freshman All-American.

INJURY/STATUS UPDATE

OUT: DT **Kenny Bigelow Jr.** (knee), TB **Vavae Malepeai** (shoulder blade), DT **Connor Rossow** (shoulder).



ROSTER UPDATES

Here are updates to the roster in the 2016 USC football regular season media guide:

--Change the jersey numbers: CB-WR **Ajene Harris** is now #6, S **Jamel Cook** is now #21, FB **Reuben Peters** is now #47, ILB **Jordan Iosefa** is now #56.

--Change the positions: **Jordan Austin** to OG-OT, **Nico Falah** to C-OT, **Jalen Greene** to WR, **Ajene Harris** to DB-WR, **Roy Hemsley** to OG-OT, **John Houston Jr.** to ILB, **Jack Jones** to DB, **Frank Martin II** to OG-OT, **Osa Masina** to ILB, **Reuben Peters** to FB, **Yoofi Quansah** to DB, **Khaliel Rodgers** to DT, **Wyatt Schmidt** to PK-HLD, **Richie Wenzel** to OG-C and **Keyshawn "Pie" Young** to DB.

--Correct pronunciation: TE **Cary Angeline** is ANN-juh-line and WR **Trevon Sidney** is TRAY-von.

--Add 2 new scholarship players (their bios are below): #49 **Michael Brown** (PK, 6-2, 195, 12/23/97, Fr./Fr., --, Temecula, Linfield Christian); #96 **Stevie Tu'ikolovatu** (DT, 6-1, 320, 6/28/91, Sr.*/Sr., TR, Salt Lake City, UT, East/Utah).

--Three walk-ons were awarded scholarships this fall (their bios are below): S **Matt Lopes**, FB **Reuben Peters** and TB **James Toland IV**.

--Add 4 new walk-ons: #38 **Chris Edmondson** (FB, 5-11, 210, 3/5/98, Fr./Fr., --, Cibola, TX, Clemens); #52 **Christian Herrera** (ILB, 6-1, 210, 7/15/94, Jr.*/Sr., JC, Manhattan Beach, Serra/Harbor JC/El Camino JC); #79 **Connor Rossow** (DT, 6-2, 305, 4/23/98, Fr./Fr., --, Tustin, Mater Dei); #16 **Holden Thomas** (QB, 6-5, 195, 6/20/97, Fr./Fr., --, Pacific Palisades, Brentwood).

BIOS OF NEW SCHOLARSHIP PLAYERS

M. BROWN: 2016: Brown will compete for the placekicking job as a first-year freshman in 2016. He was awarded a scholarship at USC by virtue of an NCAA rule known as "blueshirting" (it allows a non-recruited student-athlete to receive athletic financial aid after beginning practice and have that student-athlete count towards the next year's signing class if the school has reached its NCAA-maximum aid limit for the current year). **HIGH SCHOOL:** He was **2015 Cal-Hi Sports All-State Small Schools first team, Max Preps All-State Small Schools first team and All-CIF Northwest Division** as a senior placekicker, punter and defensive back at Linfield Christian High in Temecula (Calif.). He made 9-of-13 field goals (with a long of 57 yards) and 66-of-70 PATs, had touchbacks on 62 of 68 kickoffs and averaged 41.7 yards punting (with a long of 55 yards) as a senior. As a junior in 2014, he made **Max Preps All-State Division IV second team and All-CIF Northwest Division** while hitting 10-of-14 field goals and 36-of-37 PATs, had touchbacks on 41 of 50 kickoffs and averaged 37.3 yards on 30 punts (with a long of 54 yards), plus he had 3 interceptions on defense. As a 2013 sophomore, he made 2-of-6 field goals (including a 53-yarder) and 30-of-32 PATs and had touchbacks on 24 of 33 kickoffs, plus he had 14 tackles on defense. As a freshman in 2012, he hit 4-of-5 field goals and 22-of-23 PATs, plus on defense he had 20 tackles, 6 deflections and 2 interceptions. He also played baseball and soccer at Linfield Christian.

TU'IKOLOVATU: 2016: Tu'ikolovatu, who transferred to USC in the fall of 2016 after receiving his bachelor's degree from Utah (allowing him to be eligible to play in 2016), will compete for key playing time at defensive tackle as a senior in 2016. He was awarded a scholarship at USC by virtue of an NCAA rule known as "blueshirting" (it allows a non-recruited student-athlete to receive athletic financial aid after beginning practice and have that student-athlete count towards the next year's signing class if the school has reached its NCAA-maximum aid limit for the current year). **UTAH:** As a junior defensive lineman at Utah in 2015 while appearing in all 13 games (starting twice), he had 28 tackles, with 6 for losses of 19 yards (including 2 sacks for minus 14 yards), plus a Pac-12-leading 4 fumble recoveries (tied for second nationally), including a 37-yard TD return, and 2 deflections (he had 4 tackles with a sack against USC). As a 2014 sophomore, he had 8 tackles (1 for a loss of 1 yard) while appearing in 12 games. He missed the 2013 season with a foot injury as a redshirt freshman. He went on a Mormon mission to the Philippines during the 2010-12 seasons after redshirting in 2009 at Utah as a first-year freshman. **HIGH SCHOOL:** He was a 2-way lineman as a 2008 senior at East High in Salt Lake City (Utah). He also was on East's track team. **PERSONAL:** He received his bachelor's degree in sociology from Utah in 2016 (making him eligible to play at USC in 2016) and he is now working on another bachelor's degree in gerontology. His uncle is former Utah (2001-04) defensive lineman Sione Pouha, who played with the New York Jets (2005-12) and was a student assistant coach at Utah in 2015. He is married and his wife is from Southern California. His last name is pronounced TOO-ee-koe-loe-VAH-too.

LOPES: 2016: Lopes, a former walk-on who was awarded a scholarship in the fall of 2016, will compete for playing time at safety as a junior in 2016. **2015:** Lopes was a backup walk-on sophomore safety in 2015. Overall in 2015, he saw action in 9 games (all but the last 5) and had 14 tackles, including 1.5 for losses. He had a team-best 7 tackles (1 for a loss) against Arkansas State, 4 tackles (0.5 for a loss) versus Idaho, 1 stop at Arizona State and 2 tackles against Utah. He broke his left foot prior to the Colorado game and was sidelined the rest of 2015. **2014:** Lopes saw action in 5 games (Fresno State, Colorado, Utah, Washington State, Nebraska) in 2014 as a reserve walk-on redshirt freshman safety, including playing the entire second half at Washington State when Su'a Cravens was injured. Overall in 2014, he had 4 tackles (3 at Washington State and 1 versus Fresno State). **2013:** Lopes did not see any action as a reserve walk-on first-year freshman safety in 2013. **HIGH SCHOOL:** He made **2012 Max Preps All-State Division II second team, All-CIF Northern Division Offensive Player of the Year and South Bay Daily Breeze All-South Bay and All-Bay League Offensive Player of the Year** as a senior running back and safety at Palos Verdes High in Palos Verdes Estates (Calif.). He ran for 1,651 yards on 233 carries (7.1 avg.) with 25 TDs in 2012, including gaining 200 yards 4 times and 100 yards 9 times. He also caught 14 passes for 144 yards (10.3 avg.) with 1 TD, had 25 tackles, 3 interceptions, 6 deflections and a forced fumble on defense and returned 6 punts for 105 yards (17.5 avg.) and 4 kickoffs for 104 yards (26.0 avg.) in 2012. Palos Verdes won the 2012 CIF Northern Division title. As a 2011 junior, he made **All-Bay League first team** as he had 36 carries for 256 yards (7.1 avg.) with 2 TDs and caught a 30-yard pass, made 38 tackles, 6 interceptions, 5 deflections and a forced fumble, and returned 5 kickoffs for 116 yards (23.2 avg.). He had 62 yards on 15 carries (4.1 avg.) as a 2010 sophomore. He also played baseball at Palos Verdes. **PERSONAL:** He is a business administration major at USC. His father, Steve, is a senior associate athletic director and chief operating officer at USC who was a 1983 College Division All-American offensive lineman at Linfield College, which won the NAIA national championship in his 1982 junior season (he also wrestled and played golf at Linfield). His mother, Helaine, was an assistant athletic trainer at USC in the 1980s and 1990s. His uncle, Lance Lopes, also played football at Linfield and now is a senior associate athletic director at Washington (he previously was senior vice president and general counsel of the Seattle Seahawks and before that held a similar position with the Green Bay Packers).

PETERS: 2016: Peters, a former walk-on who was awarded a scholarship in the fall of 2016, will serve as a reserve fullback as a sophomore in 2016 (he was converted from inside linebacker in the fall of 2016). **2015:** Peters was a reserve walk-on redshirt freshman inside linebacker in 2015. Overall in 2015, he saw action in 6 games (Arkansas State, Idaho, Utah, California, Arizona, Colorado), including some on special teams, and he had 6 tackles and returned a short kickoff for 3 yards (3.0 avg.). He had 2 tackles against Arkansas State and 4 versus Idaho. He won the **2015 USC Joe Collins Walk-on Award**. **2014:** Peters redshirted as a reserve walk-on freshman inside linebacker in 2014, his first year at USC. He was named **USC's 2014 Defensive Service Team Player of the Year**. **HIGH SCHOOL:** Peters was a **2013 All-Serra League first team** pick at Loyola High in Los Angeles (Calif.) as a senior linebacker while getting 32 tackles and a deflection. **PERSONAL:** He is a real estate development major at USC.

TOLAND: 2016: Toland, a former walk-on who was awarded a scholarship in the fall of 2016, will serve as a reserve tailback as a junior in 2016. **2015:** Toland was a reserve walk-on sophomore tailback in 2015 and he played on special teams. Overall in 2015, he appeared in 10 games (all but Stanford, Arizona State, Washington and Notre Dame), primarily on special teams, and he had 3 carries for 23 yards (7.7 average), which all came against Idaho, and 6 tackles (2 versus California and 1 each against Arizona, Oregon, UCLA and Stanford in the Pac-12 Championship Game). **2014:** Toland saw late-game action in 5 contests (Fresno State, Oregon State, Colorado, Notre Dame, Nebraska) in 2014 as a reserve walk-on redshirt freshman tailback. Overall in 2014, he ran for 102 yards (third on USC) on 29 carries (3.5 avg.) and he made 1 tackle. He had 47 yards on 12 carries against Fresno State, 30 yards on 7 carries against Oregon State, 5 yards on 4 tries versus Colorado and 20 yards on 6 carries against Notre Dame. **2013:** Toland did not see any action as a reserve walk-on first-year freshman tailback in 2013. **HIGH SCHOOL:** As a senior running back and safety at Shadow Hills High in Indio (Calif.), he made **2012 Cal-Hi Sports All-State Small Schools first team and All-CIF East Valley Division first team** as he ran for 2,649 yards on 315 carries (8.4 avg.) with 39 TDs, and he caught 5 passes for 40 yards (8.0 avg.). He had 11 tackles, 1 interception and 3 deflections on defense in 2012. He ran for 494 yards (with a 90-yard rush) against Banning High and 357 yards against Ramona in 2012. As a 2011 junior, he ran for 823 yards on 143 carries (5.8 avg.) on offense and had 19 tackles (with a sack), 1 deflection and 1 forced fumble on defense despite being hampered by ankle and shoulder injuries. As a sophomore in 2010, he had 134 carries for 770 yards (5.8 avg.) with 8 TDs and 21 receptions for 179 yards (8.5 avg.) with 1 TD, plus 38 tackles, 11 deflections, 2 forced fumbles and 1 fumble recovery and he returned 26 kickoffs for 436 yards (16.8 avg.) and 9 punts for 19 yards (2.1 avg.). **PERSONAL:** He is a social sciences (psychology) major at USC.





CLAY HELTON

After starting the 2015 season as the offensive coordinator/quarterbacks coach, Clay Helton was named USC's permanent head coach on Nov. 30 of that year, dropping the interim head coach title he had held for USC's final 7 regular season games. The 44-year-old Helton, who has been at USC since 2010, is 6-4 as the Trojan head coach (5-4 in 2015, with wins over a pair of Top 25 teams). He guided the 2015 Trojans to 5 wins in the last 6 regular-season games (including victories over No. 3 Utah and No. 22 UCLA), the co-championship of the challenging Pac-12 South Division, a berth in the Pac-12 Championship Game and a trip to the Holiday Bowl. He was named the 2015 Los Angeles Sports Council Coach of the Year. Helton joined the USC staff in February of 2010 as the quarterbacks coach after spending 10 seasons as an assistant at Memphis. He added the passing game coordinator role in 2012 and became the Trojans' offensive coordinator in 2013 (he served as USC's interim head coach in its victory over Fresno State in the 2013 Las Vegas Bowl). He began his 10-year

(2000-09) Memphis career as the running backs coach for 3 seasons, then coached the Tigers' receivers for the next 4 seasons before becoming the offensive coordinator and quarterbacks coach the final 3 years. He served as Memphis' interim head coach for several months in early 2006 when head coach Tommie West had off-season heart surgery. Before Memphis, he was the running backs coach at Houston, his alma mater, for 3 seasons (1997-99), working under his father, head coach Kim Helton. He began his coaching career at Duke, serving as a graduate assistant in 1995 and then the running backs coach in 1996. He played quarterback at Houston in 1993 and 1994, playing for his father both seasons and captaining the Cougars as a 1994 senior. He spent 1991 and 1992 at Auburn, where he earned 1992 SEC All-Academic honors. He redshirted there in 1990. He prepped at Clements High in Sugar Land (Tex.). He and his wife, Angela, have 3 children. Besides being Houston's head coach from 1993 to 1999, his father, Kim, was an assistant in college, the NFL and CFL. His brother, Tyson, is USC's quarterbacks coach and pass game coordinator.

ASSISTANT COACHES

Although much of USC's fulltime assistant coaching staff is new in 2016, there are some familiar faces. Joining holdovers **Tee Martin** (now the offensive coordinator in addition to continuing to coach the wide receivers) and **Johnny Nansen** (now the linebackers coach and recruiting coordinator besides remaining as the assistant head coach) are defensive coordinator **Clancy Pendergast**, who used a 5-2 alignment to turn the 2013 Trojan defense into one of the nation's best as its DC before going to coach the San Francisco 49ers' linebackers last season; special teams coordinator/tight ends coach **John Baxter**, who made a huge impact at USC from 2010 to 2013 before spending last year at Michigan; defensive line coach **Kenechi Udeze**, a former USC All-American who was a first round NFL Draft pick and starter; running backs coach/run game coordinator **Tommie Robinson**, who coached USC's runners in 2013 before moving to Texas; quarterbacks coach/pass game coordinator **Tyson Helton**, Clay's younger brother who coordinated Western Kentucky's highly-ranked, record-setting offenses the last 2 years while also coaching the Hilltopper signalcallers; offensive line coach **Neil Callaway**, who played for Bear Bryant at Alabama and has 37 years of coaching experience, most recently at Western Kentucky after being the head coach at Alabama-Birmingham; and secondary coach **Ronnie Bradford**, a one-time Colorado and NFL defensive back who has coached a dozen years at the NFL and college levels. Joining returnee **Mike Goff** (offense) as graduate assistants are newcomers **Brett Arce** (defense), a former assistant at Stony Brook, ex-California defensive lineman **Austin Clark** (defense) and **Prentice Gill** (offense), who was a GA at San Jose State last season.

Assistant Coaches



Tee Martin

Offensive Coordinator/Wide Receivers

In the Booth



Clancy Pendergast

Defensive Coordinator

On the Field



Neil Callaway

Offensive Line

In the On the Field



Ronnie Bradford

Secondary

On the Field



Tyson Helton

Quarterbacks/Pass Game Coordinator

In the Booth



Johnny Nansen

Linebackers/Assistant Head Coach

On the Field



Tommie Robinson

Running Backs/Run Game Coordinator

On the Field



Kenechi Udeze

Defensive Line

In the Booth



John Baxter

Special Teams Coordinator/Tight Ends

On the Field



DEPTH CHART

OFFENSE

Pos.	No.	Name	Twitter • Instagram	Major
WR	1	Darreus Rogers (6-1, 215, Sr.)	@DROG_UNO • @drog_1	Communication
	10	Jalen Greene (6-1, 200, So.)* OR	— • —	Communication
	6	Michael Pittman Jr. (6-4, 210, Fr.)	@Mikepitt32 • @michael_pittman_jr	
	<u>15</u>	Isaac Whitney (6-3, 220, Sr.)*	@isaacwhitney8 • @isaacwhitney15	Sociology
	85	Jackson Boyer (6-3, 185, Jr.)*	— • @jackson_boyer	Economics
WR	7	Steven Mitchell Jr. (5-10, 190, Jr.)* OR	@smj_vii • @smj.vii	Communication Mgmt. • Master's
	80	Deontay Burnett (6-0, 170, So.)	@Deontay_Burnett • @tay.80	Communication
	81	Trevon Sidney (5-11, 170, Fr.) OR	@TrevonSidney • @t.sid2	Communication
	<u>23</u>	Velus Jones Jr. (6-0, 185, Fr.)	@VelusJr • @iam_vjj	Psychology
	41	Milo Stewart (5-9, 170, Jr.)*	— • @miloclark41	Human Biology
TE	48	Taylor McNamara (6-5, 245, Sr.)*	@tmcnamara88 • @tmcnamara88	Communication Mgmt. • Master's
	82	Tyler Petite (6-5, 235, So.) OR	@TylerPetite • @tylerpetite	Communication
	88	Daniel Imatorbhebhe (6-4, 240, Fr.)*	@_bhex2 • @1bhebhe5	
	<u>86</u>	Cary Angeline (6-6, 230, Fr.)	@CaryAngeline • @caryangeline	Business Administration
	87	Alec Hursh (6-3, 210, So.)*	— • —	Biomedical Engineering
RT	73	Zach Banner (6-9, 360, Sr.)*	@zachbanner73 • @zachbanner73	Sociology
	70	Chuma Edoga (6-4, 290, So.)	@edogawd • —	
	<u>78</u>	Nathan Smith (6-6, 275, Fr.)	@Nathan7099 • @nathansmith70	Business Administration
RG	60	Viane Talamaivao (6-2, 315, Jr.)	— • —	Political Science
	68	Jordan Simmons (6-4, 325, Sr.)*	@PaPaChubbs74 • @ifeellikechubbs	African American Studies
	56	Jordan Austin (6-5, 300, So.)*	@jaustin0056 • @jaustin56	International Relations
	<u>65</u>	Frank Martin II (6-5, 310, Fr.)	@IAMFMII • @iamfmii	Communication
C	50	Toa Lobendahn (6-3, 295, Jr.)	@T_Lo55 • @godswarriorr	Policy, Planning and Development
	74	Nico Falah (6-4, 280, Jr.)*	@NicoFalah • @nicofalah	Non-Governmental Organizations
	<u>66</u>	Cole Smith (6-4, 280, Fr.)*	@coledsmith56 • @coledsmith66	
LG	77	Chris Brown (6-5, 300, So.)* OR	@ChrisBrown77 • @chrisryanbrown77	Real Estate Development
	51	Damien Mama (6-4, 325, Jr.)	@dmama75 • @dmama51	Sociology
	63	Roy Hemsley (6-5, 310, Fr.)*	@leagueeme_roy • @bigsmooth_63	Psychology
	64	Richie Wenzel (6-3, 250, So.)*	— • @r_wenzel3	Real Estate Development
LT	72	Chad Wheeler (6-6, 310, Sr.)*	@chadwheelerusc • —	Sociology
	75	E.J. Price (6-6, 325, Fr.) OR	— • —	
	<u>76</u>	Clayton Johnston (6-6, 285, Fr.)*	@KingClayton76 • @kingclayton76	Communication
WR	9	JuJu Smith-Schuster (6-2, 220, Jr.)	@team_juju9 • @team_juju9	Psychology
	13	De'Quan Hampton (6-4, 225, Sr.)	@DeQuanHampton • @_megaquan	Sociology
	17	Josh Imatorbhebhe (6-2, 210, Fr.) OR	@Ball4Him_24 • @josh_imatorbhebhe	Business Administration
	<u>21</u>	Tyler Vaughns (6-2, 180, Fr.)	@tswag03 • @tamarv_21	Communication
	44	Jake Russell (5-11, 170, Fr.)*	@jakeruss5 • @jake__russ	Business Administration
QB	4	Max Browne (6-5, 220, Jr.)*	@MaxBrowne4 • @maxbrowne_4	Business Administration • Master's
	14	Sam Darnold (6-4, 225, Fr.)*	— • @samdarnold	Communication
	19	Matt Fink (6-3, 195, Fr.)	@FinkMattfink • @matt_fink12	Communication
	15	Thomas Fitts (6-2, 195, Fr.)*	@thomasfitts12 • @thomasfitts	Business Administration
	16	Holden Thomas (6-5, 195, Fr.)	@holdenthomas12 • @holdenthomass	Business Administration
FB	47	Reuben Peters (6-0, 225, So.)*	— • @reubenrpeters	Real Estate Development
	38	Chris Edmondson (5-11, 210, Fr.)	@C_Edmondson7 • @chrisedmondson	Economics
TB	22	Justin Davis (6-1, 200, Sr.)	@JD_22bsm • @jdsolid_22	Social Sciences (Economics)
	25	Ronald Jones II (6-1, 195, So.)	@RonaldJones25 • @rojo25live	Communication
	28	Aca'Cedric Ware (6-0, 195, So.)	@ware_ced • @acacedric.ware	
	16	Dominic Davis (5-10, 180, So.) OR	@dominicadjr • @domo_fast	Communication
	<u>26</u>	James Toland IV (5-11, 195, Jr.)*	@Toland25 • @jtoland26	Social Sciences Psychology
	27	Lance Mudd (6-1, 200, So.)*	@LanceMudd • @lance_mudd	Real Estate Development
	29	#Vavae Malepaei (6-0, 190, Fr.)	@vavaeee • @vavaeee	Communication

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DEPTH CHART

DEFENSE

Pos.	No.	Name	Twitter • Instagram	Major
ILB	42	Uchenna Nwosu (6-3, 235, Jr.)	@UchennaN_42 • @nwosu42	Policy, Planning and Development
	40	Jabari Ruffin (6-3, 245, Sr.)*	@Jayruff7 • @jabariruffin	
DT	91	Noah Jefferson (6-6, 315, So.) OR	@noahjefferson_ • @noahjefferson_	Economics Communication
	94	Rasheem Green (6-5, 280, So.)	@ras_green • @ras_green	
	89	Christian Rector (6-5, 275, Fr.)*	@the_real_rector • @christian_rector	
	53	Kevin Scott (6-5, 300, Fr.)*	@53_kev • @kfs.53	
NT	96	Stevie Tu'ikolovatu (6-1, 320, Sr.)*	@steviet_90 • @steviet_90	Gerontology Sociology Psychology Health and Human Sciences
	62	Khaliel Rodgers (6-3, 315, Jr.)*	@K_rodgers62 • @k_rodgers62	
	92	Jacob Daniel (6-4, 310, So.)	– • @jdanxpapi	
	79	#Connor Rossow (6-2, 305, Fr.)	@connorw52 • @connorw	
DE	44	Malik Dorton (6-2, 280, So.)* OR	@theeEliteMalik • –	Communication
	94	Rasheem Greene (6-5, 280, So.)	@ras_green • @ras_green	
	98	Josh Fatu (6-3, 290, Jr.)	– • @jayfatu_	Sociology
	93	Liam Jimmons (6-5, 280, Fr.)	@LJblack98 • @liam_usc93	
	95	#Kenny Biglow Jr. (6-3, 295, Jr.)*	@_mcmxcv_ • @kennybigelow95_	Sociology
OLB	45	Porter Gustin (6-5, 260, So.)	@portgus45 • @portgus15	Sociology
	59	Don Hill (6-2, 240, So.)* OR	– • @don_hill	
	99	Oluwole Betiku Jr. (6-3, 250, Fr.) OR	@oluwolebetiku • @kingwolehoudini	Communication Communication
	90	Connor Murphy (6-7, 255, Fr.)	@CMurph_90 • @cmurphy_90	
	49	Matt Bayle (6-2, 215, Fr.)*	matthewbayle13 • realmartbayle	
ILB	35	Cameron Smith (6-2, 245, So.)	@CamSc35 • @camusc35	Communication Int. Relations (Global Business)
	34	Olajuwon Tucker (6-3, 230, Jr.)	@BThree4 • @bthree4	
	56	Jordan Iosefa (6-2, 215, Fr.)	@JordanIosefa • @iosefa_4	Real Estate Development Communication
	50	Grant Moore (6-0, 210, So.)*	– • @grantmoore_50	
	51	Joel Foy (6-1, 220, Jr.)*	@joelfoy51 • @joelfoy11	
ILB	19	Michael Hutchings (6-1, 215, Sr.)	@CaliHutch_17 • @calihutch	Communication
	58	Osa Masina (6-4, 230, So.) OR	@OS_tertag • @sosamasina	
	18	Quinton Powell (6-2, 200, Sr.)	@coolboyq_52 • @empire_18	Sociology Psychology
	10	John Houston Jr. (6-3, 220, Fr.)*	@Official_John10 • @johnhouston10	
	52	Christian Herrera (6-1, 210, Jr.)*	– • –	
CB	8	Iman Marshall (6-1, 200, So.)	@iman_marshall8 • @imanmarshall	Communication
	6	Ajene Harris (5-11, 190, So.)* OR	@ajeneharris • @harristhechosen1	
	1	Jack Jones (5-11, 170, Fr.)	@presidentjacc • @unojacc	Real Estate Development Political Science
	38	Jalen Jones (5-8, 165, So.)*	– • –	
	29	Kevin Carrasco (6-0, 180, Jr.)*	@KCarrasco29 • @kcarrasco29	
SS	4	Chris Hawkins (5-11, 185, Jr.)* OR	@CHawk_4 • @chawk_4	Policy, Planning and Development Music Industry Business Administration Communication Sociology
	22	Leon McQuay III (6-1, 195, Sr.)	@lmquay22 • @lmquay22	
	37	Matt Lopes (5-11, 195, Jr.)*	– • @lopeseyy	
	28	C.J. Pollard (6-1, 185, Fr.)	@CJPollard1 • @cjpollard_	
	26	Davonte Nunnery (5-10, 200, So.)*	@USC_26 • –	
FS	7	Marvell Tell III (6-3, 190, So.)	– • –	International Relations Communication
	30	Ykili Ross (6-0, 200, Fr.)*	@TheRealYK_7 • @bilix30	
	24	John Plattenberg (5-11, 180, Jr.)	@Prczn_Paq • @prczn_paq	
	21	Jamel Cook (6-3, 185, Fr.)	@JamelCook3 • @noflyzonejamel	
	41	Deion Hart (5-9, 180, Sr.)*	@deionhart20 • @dhart20	
CB	2	Adoree' Jackson (5-11, 185, Jr.)	@AdoreeKnows • @adoreeknows	Communication Non-Governmental Organizations Economics Communication Computer Science
	23	Jonathan Lockett (5-11, 180, Jr.) OR	@Jlock_23 • @jlock23_	
	14	Isaiah Langley (6-0, 170, So.)	@_IsaiahLangley • @_isaiahlangley	
	17	Keyshawn "Pie" Young (5-11, 175, Fr.)	@youngpie_1 • @miami_pie	
	34	Yoofi Quansah (5-8, 170, Jr.)*	@stemyoof • @yoofster1	

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SPECIALISTS

Pos.	No.	Name	Twitter • Instagram	Major
P	<u>36</u> <u>46</u>	Chris Tilbey (6-5, 205, So.*) OR Reid Budrovich (5-11, 185, So.*)	@Chris36Tilbey • @christilbey @Reid_Bud • @reidbud	Economics Business Administration
PK	39 49 <u>46</u>	Matt Boermeester (6-0, 180, Jr.) Michael Brown (6-2, 195, Fr.) OR Reid Budrovich (5-11, 185, So.*)	@MattBoermeester • @matt_boermeester @michaelbrown15 • @brownieboi15 @Reid_Bud • @reidbud	Communication Business Administration
SNP	92 <u>46</u> 61	Zach Smith (6-1, 220, Sr.) Wyatt Schmidt (6-3, 210, So.*) Jake Olson (6-4, 210, Fr.*)	@zachsnaps3 • @zacharie_smith @yitschmidt • @yitschmidt @jakethesnakeo • @jakethesnakeolson	Policy, Planning and Development Real Estate Development Business Administration
HLD	<u>46</u> <u>46</u>	Wyatt Schmidt (6-3, 210, So.*) Reid Budrovich (5-11, 185, So.*)	@yitschmidt • @yitschmidt @Reid_Bud • @reidbud	Real Estate Development Business Administration

RETURNERS

KOR	2 7 1	Adoree' Jackson (5-11, 185, Jr.) Steven Mitchell Jr. (5-10, 190, Jr.*) Jack Jones (5-11, 170, Fr.)	@AdoreeKnows • @adoreeknows @smj_vii • @smj.vii @presidentjacc • @unojacc	Communication Communication
PR	2 1	Adoree' Jackson (5-11, 185, Jr.) Jack Jones (5-11, 170, Fr.)	@AdoreeKnows • @adoreeknows @presidentjacc • @unojacc	Communication

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PLAYERS

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49 Matt BAYLE	BAIL	22 Leon McQUAY III	muh-KWAY
99 Oluwole BETIKU Jr.	OE-loo-WOE-lee buh-TEE-koo	26 Davonte NUNNERY	duh-VON-tay NONE-ur-ee
95 Kenny BIGELOW Jr.	BIG-uh-loe	42 Uchenna NWOSU	oo-CHEN-uh noo-WOE-sue
39 Matt BOERMEESTER	BORE-my-stir	47 Reuben PETERS	RUE-bin
85 Jackson BOYER	BOY-ur	82 Tyler PETITE	puh-TEET
46 Reid BUDROVICH	BUD-roe-vitch	24 John PLATTENBURG	PLAT-un-berg
80 Deontay BURNETT	dee-ON-tay bur-NET	28 C.J. POLLARD	PAUL-urd
29 Kevin CARRASCO	cuh-RASK-oe	18 Quinton POWELL	KWIN-tun
21 Jamel COOK	juh-MEL	34 Yoofi QUANSEH	YO-fee KWAN-suh
14 Sam DARNOLD	DAR-nuld	89 Christian RECTOR	RECK-tur
16 Dominic DAVIS	DOM-in-ick	62 Khaliel RODGERS	kuh-LEEL
44 Malik DORTON	muh-LEEK DOOR-tun	1 Darreus ROGERS	DARE-ee-us
38 Chris EDMONDSON	ED-mun-sun	30 Ykili ROSS	eye-KEE-lee
70 Chuma EDOGA	CHOO-muh uh-DOE-guh	79 Connor ROSSOW	ROSS-oe
74 Nico FALAH	NEE-coe FAA-laa	40 Jabari RUFFIN	juh-BAR-ee RUF-un
98 Josh FATU	FAH-too	46 Wyatt SCHMIDT	WHY-ut SHMIT
94 Rasheem GREEN	ruh-SHEEM	81 Trevon SIDNEY	TRAY-von SID-nee
10 Jalen GREENE	JAY-lin	9 JuJu SMITH-SCHUSTER	JUE-JUE SMITH-SHUE-stur
45 Porter GUSTIN	GUS-tin	41 Milo STEWART	MY-low
13 De'Quan HAMPTON	duh-KWAN	60 Viane TALAMAIVAO	vee-ON-ee tal-uh-MY-vow
6 Ajene HARRIS	uh-JAY-nay	7 Marvell TELL III	mar-VELL
41 Deion HART	DEE-on	36 Chris TILBEY	TILL-bee
63 Roy HEMSLEY	HEMS-lee	26 James TOLAND IV	TOE-lund
52 Christian HERRERA	huh-RARE-uh	34 Olajuwon TUCKER	uh-LAW-juh-wawn
87 Alec HURSCH	AL-eck HERSH	96 Stevie TU'IKOLOVATU	TOO-ee-koe-loe-VAH-too
88 Daniel IMATORBHEBHE	ee-MAT-tor-bay-bay	21 Tyler VAUGHNS	VONS
17 Josh IMATORBHEBHE	ee-MAT-tor-bay-bay	28 Aca'Cedric WARE	awk-uh-SAID-rick
56 Jordan IOSEFA	ee-oe-SEF-uh	64 Richie WENZEL	WEN-zul
2 Adoree' JACKSON	uh-DOOR-ee	15 Isaac WHITNEY	EYE-zek WHIT-nee
91 Noah JEFFERSON	NO-uh	17 Keyshawn YOUNG	KEY-shon
93 Liam JIMMONS	LEE-um JIM-uns		
38 Jalen JONES	JAY-lin		
23 Velus JONES Jr.	VAY-lus		
14 Isaiah LANGLEY	eye-ZAY-uh LANG-lee		
50 Toa LOEBENDAHN	TOE-uh low-ben-DON		
37 Matt LOPES	LOEPS (as in Copes)		
29 Vavae MALEPEAI	vah-VYE mah-lay-PAY-eye		
51 Damien MAMA	DAY-mee-un MA-muh		
8 Iman MARSHALL	EE-mon		

COACHES/STAFF

Brett ARCE	ARE-see
Neil CALLAWAY	CAL-uh-way
Prentice GILL	PREN-tis
Clay/Tyson HELTON	HELL-tun
Ivan LEWIS	EYE-vun
Johnny NANSEN	NAN-sun
Clancy PENDERGAST	PEN-dur-gassed
Kenechi UDEZE	kun-EE-chee oo-DEZ-zay



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86	ANGELINE, Cary	TE	6-6	230	9/8/97	Fr./Fr.	--	Chester Springs, PA (Dowington East)
56	AUSTIN, Jordan	OG-OT	6-5	300	5/4/96	So.*/Jr.	SQ	Claremont (Claremont)
73	BANNER, Zach	OT	6-9	360	12/25/93	Sr.*/Sr.	3V	Tacoma, WA (Lakes)
49	BAYLE, Matt	DE	6-2	215	2/27/97	Fr.*/So.	SQ	San Marino (St. Francis)
99	BETIKU JR., Oluwole	DE	6-3	250	6/22/97	Fr./Fr.	--	Lagos, Nigeria (Serra)
95	BIGELOW JR., Kenny	DT	6-3	295	3/31/95	Jr.*/Sr.	1V	Elkton, MD (Eastern Christian Academy)
39	BOERMEESTER, Matt	PK	6-0	180	4/29/94	Jr.*/Sr.	1V	San Diego (Cathedral Catholic/Saddleback JC)
85	BOYER, Jackson	WR	6-3	185	6/22/94	Jr.*/Sr.	SQ	Chapel Hill, NC (East Chapel Hill/North Carolina)
77	BROWN, Chris	OG	6-5	300	4/26/96	So.*/Jr.	1V	Los Angeles (Loyola)
49	BROWN, Michael	PK	6-2	195	12/23/97	Fr./Fr.	--	Temecula (Linfield Christian)
4	BROWNE, Max	QB	6-5	220	2/2/95	Jr.*/Sr.	2V	Sammamish, WA (Skyline)
46	BUDROVICH, Reid	P	5-11	185	5/1/96	So.*/Jr.	SQ	Torrance (St. John Bosco)
80	BURNETT, Deontay	WR	6-0	170	10/4/97	So./So.	1V	Compton (Serra)
29	CARRASCO, Kevin	DB	6-0	180	11/11/94	Jr.*/Sr.	SQ	Santa Clarita (Notre Dame)
21	COOK, Jamel	DB	6-3	185	12/11/97	Fr./Fr.	--	Miami, FL (Miami Central)
92	DANIEL, Jacob	DT	6-4	310	4/7/97	So./So.	1V	Fresno (Clovis North)
14	DARNOLD, Sam	QB	6-4	225	6/5/97	Fr.*/So.	SQ	Capistrano Beach (San Clemente)
16	DAVIS, Dominic	TB	5-10	180	12/8/96	So./So.	1V	Los Angeles (Bishop Alemany)
22	DAVIS, Justin	TB	6-1	200	11/11/95	Sr./Sr.	3V	Stockton (Lincoln)
44	DORTON, Malik	DT	6-2	280	5/23/96	So.*/Jr.	1V	Los Angeles (St. John Bosco)
38	EDMONDSON, Chris	FB	5-11	210	3/5/98	Fr./Fr.	--	Cibola, TX (Clemens)
70	EDOGA, Chuma	OT	6-4	290	5/25/97	So./So.	1V	Atlanta, GA (McEachern)
74	FALAH, Nico	C-OT	6-4	280	1/6/95	Jr.*/Sr.	2V	Hermosa Beach (St. John Bosco)
98	FATU, Josh	DE	6-3	290	3/8/96	Jr./Jr.	JC	Long Beach (Lakewood/Long Beach CC)
19	FINK, Matt	QB	6-3	195	12/13/97	Fr./Fr.	--	Rancho Cucamonga (Glendora)
15	FITTS, Thomas	QB	6-2	195	9/24/96	Fr.*/So.	--	Dallas, TX (Episcopal School of Dallas)
51	FOY, Joel	ILB	6-1	220	6/13/94	Jr.*/Sr.	2V	Anaheim (Servite/Air Force)
94	GREEN, Rasheem	DT	6-5	280	5/15/97	So./So.	1V	Los Angeles (Serra)
10	GREENE, Jalen	WR	6-1	200	6/13/96	So.*/Jr.	1V	Inglewood (Serra)
45	GUSTIN, Porter	DE	6-5	260	2/8/97	So./So.	1V	Elk Ridge, UT (Salem Hills)
13	HAMPTON, De'Quan	WR	6-4	225	4/18/94	Sr./Sr.	1V	Carson (Dominguez /Long Beach CC)
6	HARRIS, Ajene	DB-WR	5-11	190	6/1/96	So.*/Jr.	1V	Los Angeles (Crenshaw)
41	HART, Deion	DB	5-9	180	5/14/94	Sr.*/Sr.	SQ	Hacienda Heights (Troy/Fullerton JC/ Santa Ana JC/Sam Houston State)
4	HAWKINS, Chris	DB	5-11	185	3/11/95	Jr.*/Sr.	2V	Rancho Cucamonga (Rancho Cucamonga)
63	HEMSLEY, Roy	OG-OT	6-5	310	3/4/97	Fr.*/So.	SQ	Los Angeles (Windward School)
52	HERRERA, Christian	ILB	6-1	210	7/15/94	Jr.*/Sr.	JC	Manhattan Beach (Serra/Harbor JC/ El Camino JC)
59	HILL, Don	DE	6-2	240	1/4/96	So.*/Jr.	1V	Boise, ID (Timberline)
10	HOUSTON JR., John	ILB	6-3	220	6/25/97	Fr.*/So.	SQ	Carson (Serra)
87	HURSH, Alec	TE	6-3	210	4/26/96	So.*/Jr.	--	Kansas City, KS (Pembroke Hill)
19	HUTCHINGS, Michael	ILB	6-1	215	3/27/95	Sr./Sr.	3V	Antioch (De La Salle)
88	IMATORBHEBHE, Daniel	TE	6-4	240	12/9/96	Fr.*/So.	SQ	Suwanee, GA (North Gwinnett/Florida)
17	IMATORBHEBHE, Josh	WR	6-2	210	4/12/98	Fr./Fr.	--	Suwanee, GA (North Gwinnett)
56	IOSEFA, Jordan	ILB	6-2	215	9/20/98	Fr./Fr.	--	Waipahu, HI (St. Louis)
2	JACKSON, Adoree'	DB-WR-RET	5-11	185	9/18/95	Jr./Jr.	2V	Belleville, IL (Serra)
91	JEFFERSON, Noah	DT	6-6	315	8/21/97	So./So.	1V	Las Vegas, NV (Liberty)
93	JIMMONS, Liam	DT	6-5	280	1/6/98	Fr./Fr.	--	Huntington Beach (Huntington Beach)
76	JOHNSTON, Clayton	OT	6-6	285	10/7/96	Fr.*/So.	SQ	Orange (Servite)
1	JONES, Jack	DB	5-11	170	12/20/97	Fr./Fr.	--	Long Beach (Long Beach Poly)
38	JONES, Jalen	DB	5-8	165	2/10/96	So.*/Jr.	SQ	Los Angeles (Serra)
25	JONES II, Ronald	TB	6-1	195	8/3/97	So./So.	1V	McKinney, TX (McKinney North)
23	JONES JR., Velus	WR	6-0	185	5/11/97	Fr./Fr.	--	Saraland, AL (Saraland)
14	LANGLEY, Isaiah	DB	6-0	170	10/13/96	So./So.	1V	Hayward (Foothill)
50	LOBENDAHN, Toa	C	6-3	295	2/14/96	Jr./Jr.	2V	Cerritos (La Habra)
23	LOCKETT, Jonathan	DB	5-11	180	4/18/96	Jr./Jr.	2V	Bellflower (Mater Dei)
37	LOPES, Matt	DB	5-11	195	5/12/95	Jr.*/Sr.	3V	Palos Verdes Estates (Palos Verdes)
29	MALEPEAI, Vavae	TB	6-0	190	1/21/98	Fr./Fr.	--	Aiea, HI (Mililani)
51	MAMA, Damien	OG	6-4	325	6/27/95	Jr./Jr.	2V	Moreno Valley (St. John Bosco)
8	MARSHALL, Iman	DB	6-1	200	2/27/97	So./So.	1V	Long Beach (Long Beach Poly)
65	MARTIN II, Frank	OG-OT	6-5	310	9/5/97	Fr./Fr.	--	West Covina (Mater Dei)



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58	MASINA, Osa	ILB	6-4	230	6/26/97	So./So.	1V	Salt Lake City, UT (Brighton)
48	McNAMARA, Taylor	TE	6-5	245	8/12/94	Sr.*/Sr.	1V	San Diego (Westview/Oklahoma)
22	McQUAY III, Leon	DB	6-1	195	11/21/94	Sr./Sr.	3V	Seffner, FL (Armwood)
7	MITCHELL JR., Steven	WR	5-10	190	5/2/94	Jr.*/Sr.	2V	Pasadena (Bishop Alemany)
50	MOORE, Grant	ILB	6-0	210	2/8/96	So.*/Jr.	SQ	Santa Ana (Mater Dei)
27	MUDD, Lance	TB	6-1	200	7/3/96	So.*/Jr.	SQ	San Diego (Poway/Cal Poly)
90	MURPHY, Connor	DE	6-7	255	10/29/97	Fr./Fr.	--	Mesa, AZ (Brophy Prep)
26	NUNNERY, Davonte	DB	5-10	200	10/12/95	So.*/Jr.	SQ	Oxnard (St. Bonaventure)
42	NWOSU, Uchenna	ILB	6-3	235	12/28/96	Jr./Jr.	2V	Carson (Narbonne)
61	OLSON, Jake	SNP	6-4	210	3/26/97	Fr.*/So.	SQ	Huntington Beach (Orange Lutheran)
47	PETERS, Reuben	FB	6-0	225	10/25/96	So.*/Jr.	1V	Westchester (Loyola)
82	PETITE, Tyler	TE	6-5	235	12/14/96	So./So.	1V	Lafayette (Campolindo)
6	PITTMAN JR., Michael	WR	6-4	210	10/5/97	Fr./Fr.	--	Woodland Hills (Oaks Christian)
24	PLATTENBURG, John	DB	5-11	180	1/10/96	Jr./Jr.	2V	Houston, TX (Lamar)
28	POLLARD, C.J.	DB	6-1	185	10/31/97	Fr./Fr.	--	Carson (Serra)
18	POWELL, Quinton	ILB	6-2	200	10/25/93	Sr./Sr.	3V	Deltona, FL (Mainland)
75	PRICE, E.J.	OT	6-6	325	6/18/97	Fr./Fr.	--	Dacula, GA (Archer)
34	QUANSAH, Yoofi	DB	5-8	170	10/13/95	Jr.*/Sr.	SQ	Chino Hills (Chino Hills/UC San Diego)
89	RECTOR, Christian	DE	6-5	275	4/22/97	Fr.*/So.	SQ	South Pasadena (Loyola)
62	RODGERS, Khaliel	DT	6-3	315	1/12/94	Jr.*/Sr.	2V	New Castle, DE (Eastern Christian Academy)
1	ROGERS, Darreus	WR	6-1	215	9/3/93	Sr./Sr.	3V	Compton (Carson)
30	ROSS, Ykili	DB	6-0	200	9/17/96	Fr.*/So.	SQ	Riverside (Riverside Poly)
79	ROSSOW, Connor	DT	6-2	305	4/23/98	Fr./Fr.	--	Tustin (Mater Dei)
40	RUFFIN, Jabari	DE	6-3	245	9/14/94	Sr.*/Sr.	2V	Downey (Downey)
44	RUSSELL, Jake	WR	5-11	170	12/18/96	Fr.*/So.	SQ	San Clemente (San Clemente)
46	SCHMIDT, Wyatt	PK-HLD	6-3	210	12/25/94	So.*/Jr.	SQ	Inver Grove Heights, MN (St. Thomas Academy)
53	SCOTT, Kevin	DT	6-5	300	9/24/97	Fr.*/So.	SQ	Duarte (Salesian)
81	SIDNEY, Trevon	WR	5-11	170	10/24/97	Fr./Fr.	--	Covina (Bishop Amat)
68	SIMMONS, Jordan	OG	6-4	325	7/15/94	Sr.*/Sr.	2V	Inglewood (Crespi)
35	SMITH, Cameron	ILB	6-2	245	3/26/97	So./So.	1V	Roseville (Granite Bay)
66	SMITH, Cole	C	6-4	280	8/19/96	Fr.*/So.	SQ	Mission Viejo (Mission Viejo)
78	SMITH, Nathan	OT	6-6	275	4/17/98	Fr./Fr.	--	Murrieta (Murrieta Mesa)
92	SMITH, Zach	SNP	6-1	220	6/3/95	Sr./Sr.	3V	Redwood City (Menlo School)
9	SMITH-SCHUSTER, JuJu	WR	6-2	220	11/22/96	Jr./Jr.	2V	Long Beach (Poly)
41	STEWART, Milo	WR	5-9	170	10/29/94	Jr.*/Sr.	--	Palm Desert (Marywood-Palm Valley)
60	TALAMAIVAO, Viane	OG	6-2	315	12/13/95	Jr./Jr.	2V	Moreno Valley (Centennial)
7	TELL III, Marvell	DB	6-3	190	8/2/96	So./So.	1V	Pasadena (Crespi)
16	THOMAS, Holden	QB	6-5	195	6/20/97	Fr./Fr.	--	Pacific Palisades (Brentwood)
36	TILBEY, Chris	P	6-5	205	12/31/93	So.*/Jr.	SQ	Melbourne, Australia(Sandringham/ San Francisco CC)
26	TOLAND IV, James	TB	5-11	195	12/29/94	Jr.*/Sr.	1V	Indio (Shadow Hills)
34	TUCKER, Olajuwon	ILB	6-3	230	7/30/96	Jr./Jr.	2V	Harbor City (Serra)
96	TU'IKOLOVATU, Stevie	DT	6-1	320	6/28/91	Sr.*/Sr.	TR	Salt Lake City, UT (East/Utah)
21	VAUGHNS, Tyler	WR	6-2	180	6/1/97	Fr./Fr.	--	Covina (Bishop Amat)
28	WARE, Aca'Cedric	TB	6-0	195	6/29/97	So./So.	1V	DeSoto, TX (Cedar Hill)
64	WENZEL, Richie	OG-C	6-3	250	2/10/95	So.*/Jr.	SQ	Chevy Chase, MD (Our Lady of Good Counsel)
72	WHEELER, Chad	OT	6-6	310	1/19/94	Sr.*/Sr.	3V	Santa Monica (Santa Monica)
15	WHITNEY, Isaac	WR	6-3	220	6/22/94	Sr.*/Sr.	1V	Oklahoma City, OK (Southmoore/ Central Oklahoma/Riverside CC)
17	YOUNG, Keyshawn "Pie"	DB	5-11	175	12/29/96	Fr./Fr.	--	Miami, FL (Miami Senior)

*Used up redshirt year

HEAD COACH: Clay HELTON (Houston, 1994), Third Year

ASSISTANT COACHES: Brett ARCE, Defensive Assistant (Stony Brook, 2011); John BAXTER, Special Teams Coordinator/Tight Ends (Loras College, 1985); Ronnie BRADFORD, Secondary (Colorado, 1995); Neil CALLAWAY, Offensive Line (Alabama, 1978); Austin CLARK, Defensive Assistant (California, 2014); Prentice GILL, Offensive Assistant (Old Dominion, 2012); Mike GOFF, Offensive Assistant (Iowa, 2012); Tyson HELTON, Quarterbacks/Pass Game Coordinator (Houston, 1999); Tee MARTIN, Offensive Coordinator/Wide Receivers (Tennessee/U.S. Sports Academy, 2004); Johnny NANSEN, Assistant Head Coach/Linebackers/Recruiting Coordinator (Washington State, 1997); Clancy PENDERGAST, Defensive Coordinator (Arizona, 1990); Tommie ROBINSON, Running Backs/Run Game Coordinator (Troy State, 1985); Kenechi UDEZE, Defensive Line (USC, 2010)

STRENGTH AND CONDITIONING COACH: Ivan LEWIS (Idaho, 2000)



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1	ROGERS, Darreus	WR	6-1	215	9/3/93	Sr./Sr.	3V	Compton (Carson)
1	JONES, Jack	DB	5-11	170	12/20/97	Fr./Fr.	--	Long Beach (Long Beach Poly)
2	JACKSON, Adoree'	DB-WR-RET	5-11	185	9/18/95	Jr./Jr.	2V	Belleville, IL (Serra)
4	BROWNE, Max	QB	6-5	220	2/2/95	Jr.*/Sr.	2V	Sammamish, WA (Skyline)
4	HAWKINS, Chris	DB	5-11	185	3/11/95	Jr.*/Sr.	2V	Rancho Cucamonga (Rancho Cucamonga)
6	PITTMAN JR., Michael	WR	6-4	210	10/5/97	Fr./Fr.	--	Woodland Hills (Oaks Christian)
6	HARRIS, Ajene	DB-WR	5-11	190	6/1/96	So.*/Jr.	1V	Los Angeles (Crenshaw)
7	MITCHELL JR., Steven	WR	5-10	190	5/2/94	Jr.*/Sr.	2V	Pasadena (Bishop Alemany)
7	TELL III, Marvell	DB	6-3	190	8/2/96	So./So.	1V	Pasadena (Crespi)
8	MARSHALL, Iman	DB	6-1	200	2/27/97	So./So.	1V	Long Beach (Long Beach Poly)
9	SMITH-SCHUSTER, JuJu	WR	6-2	220	11/22/96	Jr./Jr.	2V	Long Beach (Poly)
10	GREENE, Jalen	WR	6-1	200	6/13/96	So.*/Jr.	1V	Inglewood (Serra)
10	HOUSTON JR., John	ILB	6-3	220	6/25/97	Fr.*/So.	SQ	Carson (Serra)
13	HAMPTON, De'Quan	WR	6-4	225	4/18/94	Sr./Sr.	1V	Carson (Dominguez /Long Beach CC)
14	DARNOLD, Sam	QB	6-4	225	6/5/97	Fr.*/So.	SQ	Capistrano Beach (San Clemente)
14	LANGLEY, Isaiah	DB	6-0	170	10/13/96	So./So.	1V	Hayward (Foothill)
15	WHITNEY, Isaac	WR	6-3	220	6/22/94	Sr.*/Sr.	1V	Oklahoma City, OK (Southmoore/ Central Oklahoma/Riverside CC)
15	FITTS, Thomas	QB	6-2	195	9/24/96	Fr.*/So.	--	Dallas, TX (Episcopal School of Dallas)
16	DAVIS, Dominic	TB	5-10	180	12/8/96	So./So.	1V	Los Angeles (Bishop Alemany)
16	THOMAS, Holden	QB	6-5	195	6/20/97	Fr./Fr.	--	Pacific Palisades (Brentwood)
17	IMATORBHEBHE, Josh	WR	6-2	210	4/12/98	Fr./Fr.	--	Suwanee, GA (North Gwinnett)
17	YOUNG, Keyshawn "Pie"	DB	5-11	175	12/29/96	Fr./Fr.	--	Miami, FL (Miami Senior)
18	POWELL, Quinton	ILB	6-2	200	10/25/93	Sr./Sr.	3V	Deltona, FL (Mainland)
19	HUTCHINGS, Michael	ILB	6-1	215	3/27/95	Sr./Sr.	3V	Antioch (De La Salle)
19	FINK, Matt	QB	6-3	195	12/13/97	Fr./Fr.	--	Rancho Cucamonga (Glendora)
21	VAUGHNS, Tyler	WR	6-2	180	6/1/97	Fr./Fr.	--	Covina (Bishop Amat)
21	COOK, Jamel	DB	6-3	185	12/11/97	Fr./Fr.	--	Miami, FL (Miami Central)
22	DAVIS, Justin	TB	6-1	200	11/11/95	Sr./Sr.	3V	Stockton (Lincoln)
22	McQUAY III, Leon	DB	6-1	195	11/21/94	Sr./Sr.	3V	Seffner, FL (Armwood)
23	LOCKETT, Jonathan	DB	5-11	180	4/18/96	Jr./Jr.	2V	Bellflower (Mater Dei)
23	JONES JR., Velus	WR	6-0	185	5/11/97	Fr./Fr.	--	Saraland, AL (Saraland)
24	PLATTENBURG, John	DB	5-11	180	1/10/96	Jr./Jr.	2V	Houston, TX (Lamar)
25	JONES II, Ronald	TB	6-1	195	8/3/97	So./So.	1V	McKinney, TX (McKinney North)
26	TOLAND IV, James	TB	5-11	195	12/29/94	Jr.*/Sr.	1V	Indio (Shadow Hills)
26	NUNNERY, Davonte	DB	5-10	200	10/12/95	So.*/Jr.	SQ	Oxnard (St. Bonaventure)
27	MUDD, Lance	TB	6-1	200	7/3/96	So.*/Jr.	SQ	San Diego (Poway/Cal Poly)
28	WARE, Aca'Cedric	TB	6-0	195	6/29/97	So./So.	1V	DeSoto, TX (Cedar Hill)
28	POLLARD, C.J.	DB	6-1	185	10/31/97	Fr./Fr.	--	Carson (Serra)
29	MALEPEAI, Vavae	TB	6-0	190	1/21/98	Fr./Fr.	--	Aiea, HI (Mililani)
29	CARRASCO, Kevin	DB	6-0	180	11/11/94	Jr.*/Sr.	SQ	Santa Clarita (Notre Dame)
30	ROSS, Ykili	DB	6-0	200	9/17/96	Fr.*/So.	SQ	Riverside (Riverside Poly)
34	TUCKER, Olajuwon	ILB	6-3	230	7/30/96	Jr./Jr.	2V	Harbor City (Serra)
34	QUANSAH, Yoofi	DB	5-8	170	10/13/95	Jr.*/Sr.	SQ	Chino Hills (Chino Hills/UC San Diego)
35	SMITH, Cameron	ILB	6-2	245	3/26/97	So./So.	1V	Roseville (Granite Bay)
36	TILBEY, Chris	P	6-5	205	12/31/93	So.*/Jr.	SQ	Melbourne, Australia (Sandringham/ San Francisco CC)
37	LOPES, Matt	DB	5-11	195	5/12/95	Jr.*/Sr.	3V	Palos Verdes Estates (Palos Verdes)
38	JONES, Jalen	DB	5-8	165	2/10/96	So.*/Jr.	SQ	Los Angeles (Serra)
38	EDMONDSON, Chris	FB	5-11	210	3/5/98	Fr./Fr.	--	Cibola, TX (Clemens)
39	BOERMEESTER, Matt	PK	6-0	180	4/29/94	Jr.*/Sr.	1V	San Diego (Cathedral Catholic/Saddleback JC)
40	RUFFIN, Jabari	DE	6-3	245	9/14/94	Sr.*/Sr.	2V	Downey (Downey)
41	HART, Deion	DB	5-9	180	5/14/94	Sr.*/Sr.	SQ	Hacienda Heights (Troy/Fullerton JC/ Santa Ana JC/Sam Houston State)
41	STEWART, Milo	WR	5-9	170	10/29/94	Jr.*/Sr.	--	Palm Desert (Marywood-Palm Valley)
42	NWOSU, Uchenna	ILB	6-3	235	12/28/96	Jr./Jr.	2V	Carson (Narbonne)
44	DORTON, Malik	DT	6-2	280	5/23/96	So.*/Jr.	1V	Los Angeles (St. John Bosco)
44	RUSSELL, Jake	WR	5-11	170	12/18/96	Fr.*/So.	SQ	San Clemente (San Clemente)
45	GUSTIN, Porter	DE	6-5	260	2/8/97	So./So.	1V	Elk Ridge, UT (Salem Hills)
46	BUDROVICH, Reid	P	5-11	185	5/1/96	So.*/Jr.	SQ	Torrance (St. John Bosco)
46	SCHMIDT, Wyatt	PK-HLD	6-3	210	12/25/94	So.*/Jr.	SQ	Inver Grove Heights, MN (St. Thomas Academy)



No.	Name	Pos	Hgt	Wgt	Birthday	Cl (Ath/Ac)	Exp.	Hometown(High School/JC/College)
47	PETERS, Reuben	FB	6-0	225	10/25/96	So.*/Jr.	1V	Westchester (Loyola)
48	McNAMARA, Taylor	TE	6-5	245	8/12/94	Sr.*/Sr.	1V	San Diego (Westview/Oklahoma)
49	BROWN, Michael	PK	6-2	195	12/23/97	Fr./Fr.	--	Temecula (Linfield Christian)
49	BAYLE, Matt	DE	6-2	215	2/27/97	Fr.*/So.	SQ	San Marino (St. Francis)
50	LOBENDAHN, Toa	C	6-3	295	2/14/96	Jr./Jr.	2V	Cerritos (La Habra)
50	MOORE, Grant	ILB	6-0	210	2/8/96	So.*/Jr.	SQ	Santa Ana (Mater Dei)
51	MAMA, Damien	OG	6-4	325	6/27/95	Jr./Jr.	2V	Moreno Valley (St. John Bosco)
51	FOY, Joel	ILB	6-1	220	6/13/94	Jr.*/Sr.	2V	Anaheim (Servite/Air Force)
52	HERRERA, Christian	ILB	6-1	210	7/15/94	Jr.*/Sr.	JC	Manhattan Beach (Serra/Harbor JC/ El Camino JC)
53	SCOTT, Kevin	DT	6-5	300	9/24/97	Fr.*/So.	SQ	Duarte (Salesian)
56	AUSTIN, Jordan	OG-DT	6-5	300	5/4/96	So.*/Jr.	SQ	Claremont (Claremont)
56	IOSEFA, Jordan	ILB	6-2	215	9/20/98	Fr./Fr.	--	Waipahu, HI (St. Louis)
58	MASINA, Osa	ILB	6-4	230	6/26/97	So./So.	1V	Salt Lake City, UT (Brighton)
59	HILL, Don	DE	6-2	240	1/4/96	So.*/Jr.	1V	Boise, ID (Timberline)
60	TALAMAIVAO, Viane	OG	6-2	315	12/13/95	Jr./Jr.	2V	Moreno Valley (Centennial)
61	OLSON, Jake	SNP	6-4	210	3/26/97	Fr.*/So.	SQ	Huntington Beach (Orange Lutheran)
62	RODGERS, Khaliel	DT	6-3	315	1/12/94	Jr.*/Sr.	2V	New Castle, DE (Eastern Christian Academy)
63	HEMSLEY, Roy	OG-DT	6-5	310	3/4/97	Fr.*/So.	SQ	Los Angeles (Windward School)
64	WENZEL, Richie	OG-C	6-3	250	2/10/95	So.*/Jr.	SQ	Chevy Chase, MD (Our Lady of Good Counsel)
65	MARTIN II, Frank	OG-DT	6-5	310	9/5/97	Fr./Fr.	--	West Covina (Mater Dei)
66	SMITH, Cole	C	6-4	280	8/19/96	Fr.*/So.	SQ	Mission Viejo (Mission Viejo)
68	SIMMONS, Jordan	OG	6-4	325	7/15/94	Sr.*/Sr.	2V	Inglewood (Crespi)
70	EDOGA, Chuma	OT	6-4	290	5/25/97	So./So.	1V	Atlanta, GA (McEachern)
72	WHEELER, Chad	OT	6-6	310	1/19/94	Sr.*/Sr.	3V	Santa Monica (Santa Monica)
73	BANNER, Zach	OT	6-9	360	12/25/93	Sr.*/Sr.	3V	Tacoma, WA (Lakes)
74	FALAH, Nico	C-DT	6-4	280	1/6/95	Jr.*/Sr.	2V	Hermosa Beach (St. John Bosco)
75	PRICE, E.J.	OT	6-6	325	6/18/97	Fr./Fr.	--	Dacula, GA (Archer)
76	JOHNSTON, Clayton	OT	6-6	285	10/7/96	Fr.*/So.	SQ	Orange (Servite)
77	BROWN, Chris	OG	6-5	300	4/26/96	So.*/Jr.	1V	Los Angeles (Loyola)
78	SMITH, Nathan	OT	6-6	275	4/17/98	Fr./Fr.	--	Murrieta (Murrieta Mesa)
79	ROSSOW, Connor	DT	6-2	305	4/23/98	Fr./Fr.	--	Tustin (Mater Dei)
80	BURNETT, Deontay	WR	6-0	170	10/4/97	So./So.	1V	Compton (Serra)
81	SIDNEY, Trevon	WR	5-11	170	10/24/97	Fr./Fr.	--	Covina (Bishop Amat)
82	PETITE, Tyler	TE	6-5	235	12/14/96	So./So.	1V	Lafayette (Campolindo)
85	BOYER, Jackson	WR	6-3	185	6/22/94	Jr.*/Sr.	SQ	Chapel Hill, NC (East Chapel Hill/North Carolina)
86	ANGELINE, Cary	TE	6-6	230	9/8/97	Fr./Fr.	--	Chester Springs, PA (Dowington East)
87	HURSH, Alec	TE	6-3	210	4/26/96	So.*/Jr.	--	Kansas City, KS (Pembroke Hill)
88	IMATORBHEBHE, Daniel	TE	6-4	240	12/9/96	Fr.*/So.	SQ	Suwanee, GA (North Gwinnett/Florida)
89	RECTOR, Christian	DE	6-5	275	4/22/97	Fr.*/So.	SQ	South Pasadena (Loyola)
90	MURPHY, Connor	DE	6-7	255	10/29/97	Fr./Fr.	--	Mesa, AZ (Brophy Prep)
91	JEFFERSON, Noah	DT	6-6	315	8/21/97	So./So.	1V	Las Vegas, NV (Liberty)
92	DANIEL, Jacob	DT	6-4	310	4/7/97	So./So.	1V	Fresno (Clovis North)
92	SMITH, Zach	SNP	6-1	220	6/3/95	Sr./Sr.	3V	Redwood City (Menlo School)
93	JIMMONS, Liam	DT	6-5	280	1/6/98	Fr./Fr.	--	Huntington Beach (Huntington Beach)
94	GREEN, Rasheem	DT	6-5	280	5/15/97	So./So.	1V	Los Angeles (Serra)
95	BIGELOW JR., Kenny	DT	6-3	295	3/31/95	Jr.*/Sr.	1V	Elkton, MD (Eastern Christian Academy)
96	TU'IKOLOVATU, Stevie	DT	6-1	320	6/28/91	Sr.*/Sr.	TR	Salt Lake City, UT (East/Utah)
98	FATU, Josh	DT	6-3	290	3/8/96	Jr./Jr.	JC	Long Beach (Lakewood/Long Beach CC)
99	BETIKU JR., Oluwole	DE	6-3	250	6/22/97	Fr./Fr.	--	Lagos, Nigeria (Serra)

*Used up redshirt year

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