

# 2017 FOOTBALL GAME NOTES



## SCHEDULE/RESULTS

### SEPTEMBER

1....No. 8/7 Washington (FS1) .....L, 30-14  
9....Eastern Michigan (BTN)..... 3:30 p.m.  
16...Morgan State (BTN)..... 3:30 p.m.  
23...at Nebraska\* ..... 3:30 p.m.  
30...Ohio State\* ..... TBA

### OCTOBER

14...at Illinois\* ..... TBA  
21...Purdue\* ..... Noon  
28...at Michigan\* ..... Noon

### NOVEMBER

4....Maryland\*^ ..... TBA  
11...at Penn State\* ..... Noon  
18...at Indiana\* ..... TBA  
25...Michigan State\* ..... TBA

\* Denotes Big Ten game

^ - Yankee Stadium

All game times Eastern Standard Time

## BROADCAST INFORMATION

**TV:** Big Ten Network (BTN2Go)

**Play-By-Play:** Jason Horowitz

**Analyst:** Chuck Long

**Radio:** Rutgers IMG Sports Network  
WCTC 1450-AM, ESPN NY 98.7-FM,  
WENJ 97.3-FM, WNJE 920-AM,  
Sirius 83\*, XM 83\*

\* Home team broadcast

**Play-By-Play:** Chris Carlin

**Analyst:** Ray Lucas

**Analyst:** Eric LeGrand

**Sideline:** Anthony Fucilli

**Engineer:** Paul Shrager

**Pregame:** 2:30 p.m. with Marc Malusis  
and David Milewski

**Radio:** WRSU 88.7-FM (Student Radio)

## SERIES HISTORY

**All-Time Series:** Rutgers leads, 1-0

**Last Meeting:** Sept. 14, 2013 at Piscataway  
Rutgers 28, Eastern Michigan 10

## RUTGERS STAT LEADERS

**Passing:** Bolin (24-34, 178 yds, 2 TDs)

**Rushing:** Edwards (24 att, 79 yds, 0 TDs)

**Receiving:** Washington (6 rec, 36 yds, 0 TDs)

**Tackles:** Roberts (8)

**Sacks:** Davis (1.0)

## GAME 2 • RUTGERS VS. EASTERN MICHIGAN SATURDAY, SEPT. 9 • HIGH POINT SOLUTIONS STADIUM (52,454)

### SCARLET KNIGHTS

0-1	Record	1-0
0-0 (Big Ten)	Conference Record	0-0 (MAC)
NR/NR	Ranking (AP/Coaches)	NR/NR
L, 30-14 vs. No. 8/7 Washington (9/1)	Last Game	W, 24-7 vs. Charlotte (9/1)
Chris Ash	Head Coach	Chris Creighton
2-11 (Second season)	Career Record	150-73 (21st season)
Same	Record at School	11-27 (Fourth season)
0-0	Record vs. Opponent	0-0
@RFootball	Twitter	@EMUFB

### EAGLES



*Rutgers held eighth-ranked Washington to 84 overall rushing yards last week and owned a 148-97 advantage in total yardage at halftime. The Huskies went just 3-for-11 on third downs in the game.*

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## NOTABLE

- Rutgers will continue its three-game home-stand to start the season by hosting Eastern Michigan. It is the first time since 2009 that the Scarlet Knights begin with three-straight home games.
- Rutgers, "The Birthplace of College Football," is in its 149th year and 148th season of competition. The program has played the most games in the history of the sport (1,326).

## LAST TIME OUT

- Rutgers opened its 2017 season by hosting No. 8/7 Washington last Friday night. The Scarlet Knights took the early lead, but the Huskies rallied for a 30-14 win in front of a crowd of 46,093 at High Point Solutions Stadium.
- The Scarlet Knights held UW's offense out of the end zone in the first half and to only 84 rushing yards overall compared to 131 for RU.

# GAME 2: RUTGERS VS. EASTERN MICHIGAN

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## MEDIA AVAILABILITY

### Monday, Sept. 4

11:45 a.m. – HC Chris Ash Press Conference

Noon – DC Jay Niemann

12:15 p.m. – OC Jerry Kill

12:30 p.m. – Select player availability

### Tuesday, Sept. 5

Noon – Big Ten teleconference (HC Chris Ash)

4:15 - 5:15 p.m. – First hour of practice open to the media, with first 30 minutes open for video and photos (only during individual periods)

Approximately 6:15 p.m. – post-practice availability (select offensive assistant coaches and offensive players)

### Wednesday, Sept. 6

No practice access

Approximately 6:15 p.m. – post-practice availability (select defensive assistant coaches and defensive players)

### Thursday, Sept. 7

No practice access

Approximately 6:15 p.m. – post-practice availability with head coach Chris Ash

### Friday, Sept. 8

No availability

### Saturday, Sept. 9

Rutgers vs. Eastern Michigan – 3:30 p.m. (BTN)

## MEDIA POLICIES & INFORMATION

### RUTGERS ATHLETIC COMMUNICATIONS

The Rutgers Athletic Communications Office is committed to assisting members of the media with their coverage of the Rutgers football team. Hasim Phillips serves as the primary contact for the football program with support from Jimmy Gill and Brad Derechailo.

The Athletic Communications Office is located on level one of the press box at High Point Solutions Stadium. For information regarding credentials, interviews, statistics, press conferences, etc., please call the Athletic Communications Office at 732-445-7028, visit CollegePressBox.com or e-mail Hasim Phillips at hphillips@scarletknights.com. To assist in your coverage throughout the year, please read the media information on this page. All interview requests must be directed to and arranged through the Athletic Communications Office at least one day (24 hours) in advance. Coaches, players and support staff are prohibited from participating in any interviews without prior authorization from the Athletic Communications Office.

### MEDIA CREDENTIALS

All media credential requests must be submitted via email to credentials@scarletknights.com. Admittance to the High Point Solutions Stadium press box is limited to working media members only. Credential requests must be made formally to the credential email address.

Requests for game day credentials must be received at least two weeks in advance of the date of the contest to provide sufficient time for processing and mailing. Media credentials which cannot be mailed will be left at the West Gate Media Will Call (Media Entrance) beneath the press box at High Point Solutions Stadium.

Working space in the High Point Solutions Stadium Press Box is allotted on the following basis: (1) daily newspaper writers covering for next-day publication covering Rutgers or the current game opponent; (2) sports editors of newspapers in New Jersey, New York and Eastern Pennsylvania; (3) radio personnel for broadcast originations; (4) official school student daily newspaper; (5) approved special coverage; (6) press and TV working photographers; (7) weekly press representatives; non-originating radio representatives of AM news stations; and Internet writers for sites affiliated with established, nationally-recognized media outlets will be considered on a game-by-game basis as space permits. Visiting freelance and amateur photographers are not eligible for media credentials.

### PHOTOGRAPHERS

Sideline photographers and media members must follow NCAA guidelines, which prohibit entry to the bench areas.

### PARKING

Media parking is located in the Green Lot, which is located adjacent to the Indoor Practice Bubble. To enter the Green Lot, take River Road to Sutphen Road. Once on Sutphen, make your first left at Fitch Road and attendants will direct you to the media lot. You should request your parking at the same time you request your game credential. If time permits, both will be mailed to you. There is no day-of-game media parking list and therefore members of the media must have a media parking pass in advance of the game.

### PRESS BOX SERVICES

Complete NCAA statistics, play-by-play and quote sheets from both teams are all regular services on gameday. Upon your arrival, you will receive information with a game program, flipcard, updated stats and game day notes.

The press box has wireless internet access. Login information will be provided on the day of game.

### PHONES

A limited number of courtesy phones are available in the press box at High Point Solutions Stadium. The phones are all operator-assisted calls, or third-party billing calls can be made. Should you wish to have a phone installed at High Point Solutions Stadium, contact Verizon at 1-800-564-9911 or 9922.

### PLAYER INTERVIEWS

All player interviews must be arranged through the Athletic Communications Office at least one day (24 hours) in advance. Players are available in person on Monday at the weekly Rutgers football press conference, and following practice on Tuesday and Wednesday, pending class schedules/availability.

Please consult with Hasim Phillips regarding availability as it will vary from week to week. A time mutually convenient for the player and media member can be set up by the Athletic Communications Office. During a traditional game week, there will be no player interviews after Wednesday until following the game.

### COACH ASH INTERVIEWS

All interview requests for Rutgers head coach Chris Ash must be arranged through Hasim Phillips. In addition to post-practice media availability, coach Ash will be available to the media every Monday morning at his weekly press conference in the team meeting room of the Hale Center and on the weekly Big Ten teleconference on Tuesday at noon.

### POST PRACTICE INTERVIEWS

On Tuesday, select offensive coaches and players will be available to the media post practice, while select defensive coaches and players will be available on Wednesday. Head coach Chris Ash will address the media following practice on Thursday.

### PRACTICE COVERAGE

The use of social media (Twitter, Facebook, Instagram, Snapchat or Periscope) is strictly prohibited during practice. Live reporting is NOT permitted during practice. Live video/audio broadcast of any kind is also NOT permitted. This includes the use of social media platforms such as Facebook Live, Instagram, Snapchat or Periscope. All reports must be filed at the conclusion of any open media practice windows.

### POST-GAME INTERVIEWS

Head coach Chris Ash and select players, following the designated cooling off period, will be made available for interviews after each game. Following home games, the press conference for coach Ash will take place in the team meeting room on the second floor of the Hale Center, which is located on the east side of the stadium opposite the press box.

With approximately five minutes remaining in the game, members of the media will be escorted across the field towards the Hale Center.

The visiting team's press conference will be held in the defensive line meeting room on the second floor of the Hale Center.

### WEEKLY PRESS CONFERENCE

Requested players will be available each Monday at the Rutgers football press conference at 12:30 p.m. in the team room on the second floor of the Hale Center. Live video/audio broadcast of any kind will not be permitted during the weekly press conference. This includes the use of live video features on social media platforms such as Facebook Live, Instagram, Snapchat, Twitter or Periscope.

### RUTGERS RADIO NETWORK

All Rutgers football games will be broadcast over the Rutgers IMG Sports Network to 50,000 watt WOR 710-AM in New York City and Central Jersey's WCTC 1450-AM.

Play-by-play announcer Chris Carlin is well known to sports radio fans throughout the State of Rutgers. Carlin is in his 17th year with the Rutgers Radio Network, including his 14th as the play-by-play voice of Rutgers football. Carlin, who has nearly 20 years of experience in radio and television, is the afternoon host on WIP in Philadelphia. He began his career as producer with Mike & The Mad Dog on WFAN and later hosted joined SNY hosting "Loud Mouths," "Geico Sportsnite," as well as New York Mets pregame and post-game shows.

Former Rutgers standout quarterback Ray Lucas begins his ninth season as the color analyst on the Rutgers Radio Network. The seven-year NFL veteran has also been an analyst for SNY on its New York Jets programming since 1996 and won a New York Emmy for best analyst in 2010 for his work on SNY.

Anthony "Foch" Fucilli returns for his 14th season as the Rutgers Radio Network sideline reporter. Fucilli has also worked as a field producer and reporter for MSG Network since 1989.

Marc Malusis is back for his ninth year as the pre-game and post-game host on the Rutgers Radio Network. The pre-game shows starts one hour prior to kickoff while the post-game show stays on the air one hour following the game.

Former Rutgers defensive lineman Eric LeGrand begins his seventh season on the Rutgers Radio Network. LeGrand will provide insight and commentary on the pre-game show, halftime report and post-game.

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- In addition, Rutgers held the advantage in first downs (19 to 17), total plays (77 to 54), third downs (9-of-19 to 3-of-11) and time of possession (38:09 to 21:51). It was the first time since the 2012 game at Arkansas that RU held the ball for over 38 minutes.

- Rutgers received an immediate impact from transfers on offense. Kyle Bolin (24-for-34, 178 yards, two touchdowns) made his RU debut at quarterback, while Gus Edwards led the team in rushing (24 attempts, 79 yards), Jerome Washington had the most receptions (6) and Damon Mitchell collected the highest amount of receiving yards (46).

- The offensive line protected Bolin with only one sack permitted on the last snap of the game.

- RU opened a season against a top-10 opponent for the first time since traveling to No. 3 Florida to begin the 1985 campaign. The Scarlet Knights have hosted 11 top-10 opponents on campus, with five of those being since the start of the 2015 season.

## COLLEGIATE DEBUTS

- Rutgers debuted 22 new players in the game against Washington, the most in an opener in the last 16 seasons. Sixteen of those players made their collegiate debut, with six transfers.

- Rutgers played nine true freshmen in the season opener for the first time since 10 saw action in the first game of the 2007 season.

- First career start (6): DL Jon Bateky, C Jonah Jackson, DL Elorm Lumor, WR Bo Melton, TE Myles Nash, TE Jerome Washington

- Transfers to make first Rutgers start (3): QB Kyle Bolin, RB Gus Edwards, TE Jerome Washington

- Collegiate debut (16): FB Max Anthony, RB Raheem Blackshear, PK Justin Davidovicz, LB Brendan DeVera, LB Olakunle Fatukasi, WR Hunter Hayek, WR Mohamed Jabbie, OL Nick Krimin, DL Elorm Lumor, WR Bo Melton, LB CJ Onyechi, DL Willington Previlon, LS Bill Taylor, WR Prince Taylor, DL Julius Turner, WR Everett Wormley

- Transfers to make Rutgers debut (6): P Ryan Anderson, QB Kyle Bolin, RB Gus Edwards, PK Andre Harte, WR Damon Mitchell, TE Jerome Washington

- True freshmen to play (9): RB Raheem Blackshear, PK Justin Davidovicz, LB Brendan DeVera, LB Olakunle Fatukasi, WR Hunter Hayek, WR Bo Melton, LB CJ Onyechi, LS Bill Taylor, WR Everett Wormley

- True freshmen to start (1): WR Bo Melton

## LAST TIME VERSUS EASTERN MICHIGAN

- In a game remembered for the retirement of Eric LeGrand's No. 52, Rutgers beat Eastern Michigan, 28-10, in the first meeting between the teams on Sept. 14, 2013.

- Paul James led the offensive attack with 192 rushing yards and three touchdowns, while Quon Pratt had a 99-yard kickoff return for a touchdown.

- Rutgers held EMU to 38 rushing yards and registered six sacks.

- LeGrand's number was the first and still the only number retired in the history of Rutgers football. The former defensive lineman has continued to inspire many since suffering a spinal cord injury in a 2010 game against Army. He has raised over \$875,000 towards Team LeGrand and Christopher and Dana Reeve Foundation, with the goal of reaching \$1,000,000. Visit TeamLeGrand.org for more information.

- Janarion Grant is the only current Scarlet Knight to have appeared in the 2013 game, as the true freshman fielded four punts (three fair catches).

## AGAINST THE MAC

- Rutgers is 12-3-1 all-time against teams currently in the Mid-American Conference. Saturday will mark the first time the Scarlet Knights face an opponent from the MAC since joining the Big Ten in 2014.

- Series History vs. MAC Opponents

Akron	1-0
Ball State	1-0-1
Buffalo	5-1
Eastern Michigan	1-0
Kent State	2-1
Ohio	2-1

## BATTAGLIA PRACTICE COMPLEX

- Rutgers Athletics held a ribbon-cutting ceremony for the newly dedicated Marco Battaglia Practice Complex on Aug. 6. Named for the former consensus All-American and Big East Offensive Player of the Year, the complex will serve as the practice site for the football program. The upgraded practice facility features two new Kentucky Bluegrass fields equipped with a state-of-the-art drainage and irrigation system. A separate FieldTurf playing surface with CoolPlay technology was installed, providing the Scarlet Knights with an additional area for practice drills. The complex has been fitted with a high-powered Musco LED light system. Two permanent 54-foot film towers were constructed in the complex along with two new scoreboards, a new LED video board and six game clocks. A 5,000 square foot storage unit was installed along with new maintenance equipment and permanent restrooms. In addition to the functional improvements, the practice complex also underwent several aesthetical changes, including a new brick entranceway and wall, fencing around the perimeter and redesigned landscaping throughout the facility.

## STAFF CHANGES

- Head coach Chris Ash hired three new members of the coaching staff in the off-season - offensive coordinator/quarterback coach Jerry Kill, cornerbacks coach Henry Baker and running backs coach Lester Erb.
- A native of Paterson, N.J., Baker spent the

## QUICK FACTS

### UNIVERSITY INFORMATION

Location .....	New Brunswick, N.J.
Founded .....	1766
Enrollment.....	67,000
President .....	Dr. Robert L. Barchi
Director of Athletics .....	Patrick Hobbs
Nickname .....	Scarlet Knights
Website .....	ScarletKnights.com

### STADIUM INFORMATION

Name .....	High Point Solutions Stadium
Location .....	Piscataway, N.J.
Capacity .....	52,454
Surface.....	FieldTurf
Largest Crowd .....	53,774
.....	vs. Penn State, 2014

### PROGRAM HISTORY

First Year of Football.....	1869
All-Time Record .....	645-639-42
All-Time Bowl Record .....	6-4
All-Americans .....	70
College Football Hall of Famers .....	6

### TEAM INFORMATION

Offense .....	Multiple
Defense .....	4-3

## NFL KNIGHTS

Name	Team	Pos.
Carlton Agudosi	Arizona Cardinals	WR
Kenny Britt	Cleveland Browns	WR
Michael Burton	Chicago Bears	FB
Leonte Carroo	Miami Dolphins	WR
Brandon Coleman	New Orleans Saints	WR
Marcus Cooper	Chicago Bears	CB
Duron Harmon	New England Patriots	DB
Clark Harris	Cincinnati Bengals	LS
Tyler Kroft	Cincinnati Bengals	TE
Steve Longa	Detroit Lions	LB
Devin McCourty	New England Patriots	DB
Jason McCourty	Cleveland Browns	CB
Andre Patton	Los Angeles Chargers	WR
Logan Ryan	Tennessee Titans	CB
Mohamed Sanu	Atlanta Falcons	WR

previous six years at Delaware. He coached cornerbacks with the Blue Hens from 2011-16 and served as special teams coordinator in 2012. In 2016, he was part of a defensive staff that ranked 19th nationally in fewest passing yards allowed per game (181.5), 21st in interceptions (15) and first overall as a team in fewest penalties per game (3.64).

- Kill returns to the sidelines after spending the 2016 season as Associate Athletics Director for Administration at Kansas State. A three-time national coach of the year honoree with over 30 years of experience, Kill recorded winning seasons in 15 of his 22 years as a college head coach. He most recently coached at Minnesota from 2011-2015, where he guided the Gophers to three bowl games in four and a half seasons, including the Buffalo Wild Wings Citrus Bowl in 2014. It marked the first Jan. 1 bowl game for Minnesota since 1962. For his efforts, Kill was voted the Big Ten's Hayes-Schembechler Coach

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of the Year by the conference's coaches and the Dave McClain Coach of the Year by the media who cover the Big Ten.

- Erb returns to the Big Ten after spending the last four seasons at Nevada. With over 25 years of coaching experience, he worked at Iowa from 2000-12. In his first season working with the Iowa running backs in 2008, Erb coached Shonn Greene to the Doak Walker Award and consensus All-American honors while being named the Offensive Player of the Year in the Big Ten Conference. He rushed for 1,850 yards to set an Iowa single-season rushing mark and was the only running back in the nation to surpass 100 yards in every game during the season. A standout recruiter throughout his career, Erb was twice recognized by *Rivals.com* as one of the nation's top-25 recruiters in 2005 and 2011.

### CAPTAINS

- Rutgers football voted on its 2017 representatives for captain, selecting fifth-year senior offensive lineman Dorian Miller, fifth-year senior quarterback Kyle Bolin, fifth-year senior defensive lineman Darnell Davis and junior linebacker Deonte Roberts.

- Miller: A fifth-year senior on the offensive line, who appeared in 26 career games with 22 starts. Sophomore offensive lineman Jonah Jackson on Dorian Miller during spring practice: "He's the calming factor. When I'm out there amped up, excited to go, he lets me know it's good (and that) there's no need to be nervous. He helps me with everything."

- Bolin: A fifth-year graduate transfer from Louisville, who appeared in 17 career games at quarterback. Head coach Chris Ash on Bolin in the offseason: "Kyle is really a grown man. He's mature. He's intelligent. You can tell he's been around a high-level game of football. He's been well-coached, understands offense and concepts. He's a competitor, and he's just a good teammate, too."

- Davis: A fifth-year senior defensive lineman, appeared in 34 career games, including eight starts. Had 41 tackles, forced two fumbles and recovered two others, including one for a touchdown in 2016. Davis on his decision to come to Rutgers: "I wanted to stay at home. A lot of guys don't stay at home. I got the opportunity to come to Rutgers. Rutgers is a great institution. I'm a business guy. This is a great business school. Football, I knew they were going into the Big Ten and that's one of the best conferences in the country."

- Roberts: A junior linebacker, who started in 13 of 24 career games and was second on the team in 2016 with 95 total tackles. Defensive coordinator Jay Niemann on Deonte Roberts during spring practice: "With his own play and the quality of where we were defensively at the end of the season, it wasn't where we wanted it or needed it to be. He's gone to extreme measures to push in the right direction and really get things going. You can't say

enough good things about all the hard work he's put in."

### BIG TEN BATTLE IN THE BRONX

- The Rutgers University Department of Intercollegiate Athletics announced in Sept. 2016 it will host the "Big Ten Battle in the Bronx," a football and wrestling doubleheader between the Scarlet Knights and Maryland, at Yankee Stadium on Saturday, Nov. 4, 2017. The wrestling match, which will be the first in the history of the Stadium, will take place first, before head coach Chris Ash leads the football team into action later that day. "Never before has a doubleheader such as this taken place at a venue so iconic," said Director of Athletics Patrick Hobbs. "We are thrilled to provide our fans this one-of-a-kind experience while enhancing the Big Ten brand in the world's media capital. This is certain to be a very special day. We are thankful to the New York Yankees, the Big Ten Conference and the University of Maryland for helping to make it possible."

### ADIDAS

- When the clock struck midnight to begin the month of July, the "Three Stripe Life" officially launched "On the Banks." Via a partnership originally announced on Feb. 13, adidas is now the official athletic footwear, apparel and accessory brand of the Scarlet Knights through the 2023-24 season. "The excitement has continually grown since the initial announcement," said Director of Athletics Pat Hobbs. "adidas is a global brand that makes an impact not just athletically, but socially, due to its innovative design and initiatives. The positive sentiment that we receive from student-athletes and recruits on a daily basis is tremendous. adidas is the ideal partner for us to enhance and expand our brand." With the all-school deal, adidas will outfit RU's 24 athletic teams, including new strategic uniforms for the football and basketball teams. Additionally, Rutgers receives adidas' product & marketing expertise and the two will collaborate on marketing opportunities and the development and enhancement of the licensed retail landscape on campus.

### WATCH LISTS

- Janarion Grant: Maxwell Award (given to America's College Player of the Year), Hornung Award (most versatile player in the nation).

- Sebastian Joseph: Allstate AFCA Good Works Team (honors student-athletes for their dedication to volunteerism and enriching the lives of others). Joseph has dedicated time to numerous causes such as Saturdays in Motion, Bright Beginnings Learning Center, New Jersey Special Olympics, Read Across America, Rutgers Dance Marathon, Walk to Believe and more. He has also made trips to hospitals, served food to the homeless and volunteered at area youth football

## RECORD BREAKDOWN

	2017	ASH
Overall	0-1	2-11
Big Ten	0-0	0-9
Home	0-1	2-6
Away	0-0	0-5
Natural Grass	0-0	0-1
Artificial Turf	0-1	2-10
vs. Ranked Opponent	0-1	0-5
September	0-1	2-3
October	0-0	0-4
November	0-0	0-4
December/January	0-0	0-0
Scoring First	0-1	0-1
Opponent Scoring First	0-0	2-10
Leading at Halftime	0-0	1-1
Trailing at Halftime	0-1	0-10
Tied at Halftime	0-0	1-0
Leading After Third Quarter	0-0	2-0
Trailing After Third Quarter	0-1	0-11
Tied After Third Quarter	0-0	0-0
Score < 20 Points	0-1	0-9
Score 20+ Points	0-0	2-2
Score 30+ Points	0-0	2-1
Score 40+ Points	0-0	1-0
Opponent Scores < 20 Points	0-0	1-1
Opponent Scores 20+ Points	0-1	1-10
Opponent Scores 30+ Points	0-1	0-9
Opponent Scores 40+ Points	0-0	0-4
Gain < 20 First Downs	0-1	1-6
Gain 20+ First Downs	0-0	1-5
Opponent Gains < 20 First Downs	0-1	1-6
Opponent Gains 20+ First Downs	0-0	1-5
More Rushing Yards Than Opponent	0-1	1-2
Fewer Rushing Yards Than Opponent	0-0	1-8
Same Rushing Yards as Opponent	0-0	0-1
Rush For < 100 Yards	0-0	0-4
Rush For 100+ Yards	0-1	2-7
Opponent Rushes For < 100 Yards	0-1	0-2
Opponent Rushes For 100+ Yards	0-0	2-9
More Passing Yards Than Opponent	0-0	2-4
Fewer Passing Yards Than Opponent	0-1	0-7
Pass For < 200 Yards	0-1	2-8
Pass For 200+ Yards	0-0	0-3
Opponent Passes For < 200 Yards	0-0	2-6
Opponent Passes For 200+ Yards	0-1	0-5
More Total Yards Than Opponent	0-0	1-2
Fewer Total Yards Than Opponent	0-1	1-9
Gain < 300 Total Yards	0-0	0-5
Gain 300+ Total Yards	0-1	2-6
Opponent Gains < 300 Total Yards	0-0	1-0
Opponent Gains 300+ Total Yards	0-1	1-11
Commit No Turnovers	0-0	0-2
Commit < 3 Turnovers	0-1	2-6
Commit 3+ Turnovers	0-0	0-3
Force < 3 Turnovers	0-1	2-10
Force 3+ Turnovers	0-0	0-1
Commit < 6 Penalties	0-1	1-6
Commit 6+ Penalties	0-0	1-5
Lead Time of Possession	0-1	0-5
Trail Time of Possession	0-0	2-6
Games Decided by 7 Points or Less	0-0	0-3
Games Decided by 14 Points or More	0-1	1-8
Temperature 85+ Degrees	0-0	1-0
Temperature 60-85 Degrees	0-1	1-5
Temperature 40-59+ Degrees	0-0	0-6
Temperature < 40 Degrees	0-0	0-0

## SINGLE-GAME RECORDS

### RUSHING

**Yards (Team: 591 vs. Stevens - 11/21/1914)**

1. Ray Rice vs. Ball State (1/5/2008) 280

**Attempts (Team: 83 vs. NYU - 10/13/1952)**

1. Savon Huggins at Cincinnati (11/17/2012) 41

Jawan Jamison at USF (9/13/2012) 41

**Touchdowns (Team: 12 vs. RPI - 10/9/1915)**

1. "JJ" Jennings at Princeton (9/29/1973) 5

Howard Talman vs. RPI (10/9/1915) 5

**Longest Rushing Play From Scrimmage**

1. Mohamed Sanu vs. Tulane (10/2/10) 91

### RECEIVING

**Yards**

1. Tiquan Underwood vs. Buffalo (8/30/2007) 248

**Receptions**

1. Mohamed Sanu vs. Ohio (9/24/2011) 16

**Touchdowns**

1. Mark Harrison at Cincinnati (11/20/2010) 4

Chris Brantley vs. Virginia Tech (10/31/1992) 4

**Longest Reception**

1. George Carter at Temple (11/5/1977) 95

### PASSING

**Yards (Team: 447 vs. Louisville - 12/4/2008)**

1. Mike Teel vs. Louisville (12/4/2008) 447

**Attempts (Team: 57 vs. Boston College - 9/17/1983 & vs. Pittsburgh - 10/23/2004)**

1. Ryan Hart at Pittsburgh (10/23/2004) 57

**Completions (Team: 35 vs. Vanderbilt - 9/17/1988 & vs. West Virginia (10/30/2004)**

1. Ryan Hart vs. West Virginia (10/30/2004) 35

Scott Erney vs. Vanderbilt (9/17/1988) 35

**Touchdowns (Team: 7 vs. Louisville - 12/4/2008)**

1. Mike Teel vs. Louisville (12/4/2008) 7

**Longest Completion**

1. Bert Kosup at Temple (11/5/1977) 95

### DEFENSE

**Total Tackles**

1. Tyronne Stowe vs. West Virginia (11/8/1986) 27

**Sacks**

1. Mike Pellowski at Lafayette (9/20/1969) 4

**Interceptions**

1. Malik Jackson vs. Virginia Tech (10/31/1992) 3

Tony Pawlik vs. Lafayette (10/13/1973) 3

Larry Clymer vs. Colgate (11/21/1970) 3

John Pollock vs. Colgate (11/23/1968) 3

Sam Mudie at Colgate (11/18/1961) 3

**Longest Interception Return**

1. Mike Wittpen vs. Stevens (TD, 11/20/1915) 98

**Longest Fumble Return**

1. Paul Rivers vs. Pittsburgh, 10/28/1995 100

### SPECIAL TEAMS

**Longest Field Goal**

1. John Benestad vs. West Virginia (11/10/1990) 55

**Field Goal Attempts**

1. Jeremy Ito at Illinois (9/3/2005) 7

Jeremy Ito vs. Michigan State (9/4/2004) 7

**Field Goals Converted**

1. Tom Angstadt vs. Cincinnati (9/29/1984) 5

**Extra Point Attempts**

1. Howard Talman vs. RPI (10/9/1915) 14

**Extra Points Converted**

1. Howard Talman vs. RPI (10/9/1915) 12

**Longest Punt**

1. Joe Radigan vs. Illinois (9/9/2006) 78

**Longest Punt Return**

1. Tony Pawlik at Princeton (TD, 9/28/1974) 94

**Longest Kickoff Return**

1. Janarion Grant vs. Washington State (9/12/2015) 100

Janarion Grant at Fresno State (8/27/2013) 100

Nate Jones at Syracuse (10/26/2002) 100

Nate Jones at #11 Tennessee (9/28/2002) 100

### TOTAL OFFENSE

**Total Offense (Team: 781 vs. Colgate - 11/23/1974)**

1. Mike Teel vs. Louisville (12/4/2008) 447

**Scoring (Team: 96 vs. RPI - 10/9/1915)**

1. Howard Talman vs. RPI (10/9/1915) 48

**Total All-Purpose Yardage**

1. Janarion Grant vs. Washington State (9/12/2015) 337

organizations. In addition, Joseph spent his 2017 spring break traveling to South Africa for a service trip through Athletes in Action. It involved visiting University of KwaZulu-Natal and UKZN Howard to start a ministry program.

### LIFE BEYOND THE GAME

• Rutgers head coach Chris Ash instituted the "Life Beyond the Game" program, designed at preparing football players for their careers after their college playing days have ended. "The percentage of our guys going to the NFL is very small," said Ash. "Even if you do go to the NFL, your lifespan there could be very short and then what are you going to do for the rest of your life? Universities have programs set up to help the general students population with alumni, but I think it's our obligation to help student-athletes in their life after football."

### ACADEMICS

• Rutgers returns six student-athletes who earned Academic All-Big Ten status last fall: Marcus Applefield, David Bonagura, Darnell Davis, Jimmy Hogan, Sebastian Joseph and Trevor Morris.

### PLAYER NUTRITION

• Upon taking over the Rutgers football program, head coach Chris Ash hired Allison Kreimeier, the team's first full-time director of performance nutrition who's responsible for making sure players understand the do's and don'ts of eating right and staying hydrated. "There is so much that we're putting into sports science and nutrition. We're trying to promote the right type of lifestyle that helps you maximize performance."

### THE HUNT

• Throughout the Rutgers football facilities are signs that read "The Hunt." "The Hunt" is really the theme of the team," said Ash. "We're basically chasing the other teams in the Big Ten. We can't make any secret about that. To chase them, we gotta go hunt every single day. Whether it's in the weight room, out in the indoor (bubble) with our special workouts or in practice."

### OFFENSE

• Under Jerry Kill, the Scarlet Knights are multiple on offense with elements of the spread and pro-style in the playbook.

### Quarterbacks

#### Kyle Bolin

• Tied his career high with 24 completions against Washington, previously done versus Syracuse in 2014. Completed passes to eight different receivers in the season opener.

• Led an 11-play, 59-yard drive over 5:59 on the first series of the season that resulted in a three-yard passing touchdown to Janarion Grant on third-and-goal.

• Went 11-of-13 on first-down throws versus

Washington.

• Became the fourth different Rutgers quarterback to start the opener in as many years. Also just the ninth different quarterback to start a game for the Scarlet Knights since the start of the 2006 season (excluding the wild-cat formation).

• Graduated from Louisville in May and transferred to Rutgers in the summer.

• Voted a team captain.

• Played in 17 career games for Louisville with six starts. Totaled 2,104 passing yards with 13 touchdowns for the Cardinals. Had a career-high 381 passing yards in a 2014 win over Kentucky. Served as the backup behind Heisman Trophy winner Lamar Jackson last season.

### Giovanni Rescigno

• Started the last five games of the 2016 season. Had three games with at least 200 passing yards.

• Threw for a career-best 258 yards versus Indiana with one passing and one rushing score. Accounted for seven touchdowns last season (five passing, two rushing).

• Made first career start at Minnesota and went 22-for-38 with 220 passing yards and three touchdowns. It was the most passing yards by a RU quarterback in their first career start since Chas Dodd had 322 versus Connecticut in 2010.

• Ran for a 42-yard touchdown on first collegiate carry versus Howard.

### Running Backs

• Rutgers has three backs who average over 5.0 yards per carry in their career (Edwards 5.0, Hicks 5.2, Martin 5.2).

### Gus Edwards

• Made the start in the season opener against Washington and totaled 79 yards on the ground. Picked up eight first downs (six rushing, two receiving).

• Had career-highs with 27 carries and three receptions in the game.

• Passed 1,000 career rushing yards versus Washington, now having 1,056.

• Graduated from Miami (Fla.) in May and transferred to Rutgers in the summer.

• Collected 977 career rushing yards on 186 carries (5.3/attempt) with 12 touchdowns in 35 games for the Hurricanes.

• Has three career games with at least 100 yards, with the most recent being 113 yards in the 2016 opener against Florida A&M.

### Josh Hicks

• Averaging 5.2 yards per carry during career over 244 attempts, tied for the fifth-best mark in program history with a minimum of 100 rushes.

• Rushed for 202 yards in the 2014 Quick Lane Bowl to become sixth Scarlet Knight in program history to reach 200 yards in a game.



GAME 2: RUTGERS VS. EASTERN MICHIGAN

STAT COMPARISON				
Category	Rutgers	EMU	NCAA Ranking	
			Rutgers	EMU
Record	0-1	1-0		
Conference	0-0	0-0		
3rd Down Conversion	.474	.467	42	45
First Downs Defense	17	13	48	28
First Downs Offense	19	19	77	77
Kickoff Returns	16.40	18.00	90	75
Passes Intercepted	0	3	-	4
Passing Offense	178.0	267.0	95	49
Passing Yards Allowed	284.0	114.0	91	25
Passing Yards/Completion	7.42	12.14	118	70
Red Zone Defense	1.000	.000	75	1
Red Zone Offense	1.000	1.000	1	1
Rushing Defense	84.0	166.0	42	85
Rushing Offense	131.0	126.0	84	86
Sacks Allowed Per Game	1.00	1.00	28	28
Scoring Defense	30.0	7.0	85	15
Scoring Offense	14.0	24.0	108	87
Team Passing Efficiency	118.72	136.86	90	58
Team Passing Efficiency Def.	158.19	65.09	108	12
Team Sacks Per Game	1.00	2.00	73	43
Team Tackles For Loss/Game	2.00	7.0	119	50
Time of Possession	38:09	33:03	6	33
Total Defense	368.0	280.0	66	41
Total Offense	309.0	393.0	99	76
Turnover Margin	-2.00	1.00	104	27

RUTGERS NCAA/BIG TEN RANKINGS		
Team Rankings		
Category	NCAA/B1G	Actual
3rd Down Conversion	42/4	.474
4th Down Conversion	47/9	.500
Completion Percentage	33/3	.686
First Downs Defense	48/7	17
First Downs Offense	77/10	19
Kickoff Returns	90/9	16.40
Passes Had Intercepted	101/11	2
Passes Intercepted	-/-	-
Passing Offense	95/12	178.0
Passing Yards Allowed	91/9	284.0
Passing Yards per Completion	118/14	7.42
Red Zone Defense	75/10	1.000
Red Zone Offense	1/1	1.000
Rushing Defense	42/8	84.0
Rushing Offense	84/11	131.0
Sacks Allowed	28/4	1.00
Scoring Defense	85/10	30.0
Scoring Offense	108/14	14.0
Team Passing Efficiency	90/12	118.72
Team Passing Efficiency Defense	108/13	158.19
Team Sacks	73/7	1.00
Team Tackles For Loss	119/12	2.0
Time of Possession	6/2	38:09
Total Defense	66/8	368.0
Total Offense	99/12	309.0
Turnover Margin	104/11	-2.00
Player Rankings		
Combined Kick Returns		
Janarion Grant	42/6	71
Completions Percentage		
Kyle Bolin	28/3	0.706
Completions Per Game		
Kyle Bolin	20/3	24.00
Forced Fumbles		
Darnell Davis Jr.	5/3	1
Passes Defended		
Saquan Hampton	20/3	2
Kiy Hester	20/3	2
Willington Previlon	20/3	2
Punting		
Ryan Anderson	27/6	44.4
Sacks		
Darnell Davis Jr.	28/5	1

<u><b>PRONUNCIATION GUIDE</b></u>		
<b>COACHING STAFF</b>		
Vince Okruch	O-crew	
AJ Blazek	blah - zek	
Jafar Williams	juh - far	
<b>PLAYERS</b>		
Blessuan Austin	BLESS-awn	
Dacoven Bailey	duh-coven	
Jon Bateky	Ba-te-key	
Rashad Blunt	ruh-SHAHD	
Tariq Cole	Tar-eek	
Micah Clark	my-cuh	
Justin Davidovicz	da-vid-uh-vic	
Jaohne Duggan	jay-own / doo-gan	
Olakunle Fatukasi	oh-la-koon-le / fah-too-kah-see	
Nakia Griffin-Stewart	nuh-KEE-uh	
Saquan Hampton	Say-quan	
Jawuan Harris	juh-WHAWN	
Elorm Lumor	elum / lu-more	
Tijaun Mason	tee-juan	
Ahmir Mitchell	ah-meer	
CJ Onyechi	on-yeh-chi	
Willington Previlon	PREV-ih-lahn	
Skiy Pyrame	Sky / Pee-RAHM	
Giovanni Rescigno	Resh-sheen-yo	
Deonte Roberts	dee-ahn-tay	
Kamaal Seymour	kuh-MALL	
Charles Snorweah	snore-way	
Kemoko Turay	Ka-mo-ko / tur-ay	
Zach Venesky	vuh-NESS-key	
Eric Wiafe	Wayf	
Nyhsere Woodson	ni-seer	

- Owns four career games with at least 100 yards rushing, with the most recent being 113 versus Kansas in 2015.

## Robert Martin

- Picked up 55 yards in the season opener on 13 carries.
- Owns 1,877 career rushing yards, needing just 247 more to move in the program top-10 list.
- Led the team in rushing in each of the last two seasons with 625 yards in 2016 and 763 yards in 2015.
- Ranks tied for fifth in the school record books with 5.2 yards per carry.
- Has five career 100-yard games, with the most recent being a 106-yard performance against Iowa last season.
- Ranked sixth in the Big Ten with 5.17 yards per carry in 2016.
- Led Rutgers with seven rushing touchdowns as a freshman, the most for a Rutgers true freshman since Justise Hairston had eight in 2003.

## Wide Receivers

### Janarion Grant

- See page eight for notes.

### Jawuan Harris

- Led the team with 39 receptions and 481 yards last season.
- Registered first career 100-yard game with 118 yards on a career-high eight catches against Indiana. Also forced a fumble on special teams.
- Had a 75-yard touchdown reception against New Mexico, the longest by a Scarlet Knight since Andrew Turzilli had an 80-yard catch and score versus Michigan in 2014.
- Also a member of the Rutgers baseball team. Led the team and ranked tied for 13th in the Big Ten following the regular season with eight home runs, including three in one game at USC Upstate. Owns 60 career stolen bases in two seasons, sixth-most in program history.

### Bo Melton

- Became the sixth true freshman to start the season opener on offense or defense since 2002, joining CB Blessuan Austin (2015), WR Mohamed Sanu (2009), S Courtney Greene (2005), RB Ray Rice (2005) and RB Markis Facyson (2002).

### Damon Mitchell

- Led the team with 46 receiving yards against Washington, including a 21-yard grab.
- Graduated from Arkansas last December and enrolled at Rutgers in Jan. 2017.
- Appeared in 28 career games for the Razorbacks.

## Tight Ends

### Jerome Washington

- Had a team-high six receptions in Rutgers debut against Washington. It was the most

catches by an RU tight end in a game since Tyler Kroft had eight at Maryland in 2014.

## DEFENSE

- Rutgers had seven pass break-ups against Washington, a total reached twice last season (Howard, Indiana).
- Rutgers finished sixth in the nation last season in red zone defense (.727).
- The unit ranked No. 18 nationally with 186.5 passing yards permitted per game in 2016, down from 207.1 in 2015 (-20.6).
- Rutgers also increased its sack total by seven last season.
- Rutgers implements the rugby-style tackling technique.

## Defensive Line

### Darnell Davis

- Forced a fumble on a sack against Washington.
- Owns 12.0 career tackles-for-loss.
- Voted a team captain.
- Started his career as a walk-on.
- Led the team with two fumbles forced and two recovered last season.
- Returned a fumble for a 75-yard touchdown against Indiana, the longest by a Scarlet Knight since Paul Rivers' 100-yard scoop-and-score versus Pittsburgh in 1995.

### Sebastian Joseph

- Nominated for the AFCA Good Works Team.
- Has 40 games of experience, second-most on the team behind Janarion Grant (43).

### Kemoko Turay

- Had a career-high five tackles against Washington, with four against the run.
- Leads the active roster with 13.5 tackles-for-loss and 11.5 sacks.

## Linebackers

### Trevor Morris

- Led the team with 102 tackles last season with 84 against the run. Rutgers has had a player reach 100 tackles in each season since 2010.
- Ranked fifth in the Big Ten with 8.5 tackles per game in 2016.
- Had a career-high 15 tackles at Minnesota.

### Deonte Roberts

- Led the team with eight tackles against Washington. Has led or tied for team lead in tackles in a game four times.
- Voted a team captain.
- Ranked 13th in the Big Ten with 7.9 tackles per game in 2016. Totaled 95 overall, second-most on the team.
- Had 60 assisted tackles, tied for ninth-most in a season in RU history.
- Had a team-season-high 17 tackles at Michigan State last season, adding a forced fumble.
- Notched first career interception versus Indiana.

## Secondary

- Rutgers' starting secondary has 69 games of starting experience (Wharton 25, Austin 22, Hester 13, Hampton 9).

### Blessuan Austin

- Named honorable mention All-Big Ten by the media in 2016.
- Ranked second in the Big Ten and 12th nationally with 1.4 passes defended per game
- Totaled 14 pass break-ups, the most by a Scarlet Knight since 2012 (Logan Ryan). Registered 11 deflections against Big Ten competition.
- Credited with 20 passes defended the previous last two years (18 break-ups).
- Had a 50-yard pick-six in 2015 at Wisconsin.

### Isaiah Wharton

- Owns 15 career pass break-ups.
- Has three career games with multiple pass deflections, with a high of four against Maryland in 2015.

## SPECIAL TEAMS

- Since 2009, Rutgers has blocked 47 kicks (field goals & punts) on special teams, the most by any team in the NCAA during that span. USC has 32 during that time period, while Fresno State has 29 and Arkansas State has 27.
- The Scarlet Knights have blocked multiple kicks every year since 2007, including three last season.
- Sebastian Joseph and Isaiah Wharton both blocked field goals versus Indiana last year to make it 19 rejected field goals since 2009. It was the first game with two field goal blocks since 2012 versus Army.
- Tyreek Maddox-Williams blocked a punt against Howard to make it 22 deflected punts since 2009.
- Dacoven Bailey led the team with six special teams tackles last season.

### Ryan Anderson

- Punted five times with a long of 60 yards in Rutgers debut against Washington. Landed two inside the 20-yard line.
- Transferred from Olivet after previously competing at Saginaw Valley State. Has participate in all three NCAA divisions.
- Had a career-long punt of 69 yards in 2015.

### Andrew Harte

- Went 2-for-2 on PATs and 0-for-1 on field goals in Rutgers debut versus Washington.
- Started career at Minnesota under head coach Jerry Kill, who is now the offensive coordinator at Rutgers. Saw action in three games, with one PAT kick and three on-side kick attempts.

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### TOUCHDOWNS

DATE	OPPONENT	SCORE	YARDS
9/1/17	Washington	Receive	3
9/17/16	New Mexico	Punt	69
9/17/16	New Mexico	Pass	21
9/10/16	Howard	Rush	21
9/10/16	Howard	Rush	58
9/10/16	Howard	Kickoff	84
9/3/16	at Washington	Rush	10
11/28/15	Maryland	Receive	7
11/14/15	Nebraska	Pass	5
11/7/15	at Michigan	Kickoff	98
9/12/15	Washington St.	Punt	55
9/12/15	Washington St.	Kickoff	100
9/5/15	Norfolk St.	Kickoff	80
9/21/13	Arkansas	Punt	58
8/29/13	at Fresno St.	Kickoff	100

**Total - 15 • Kickoff Return - 5 • Rushing - 3  
Punt Return - 3 • Passing - 2 • Receiving - 2**

### NCAA ALL-TIME LEADERS

#### Most Touchdowns Scored on Kick Returns

(must have at least one punt return and one kickoff return)

1. Janarion Grant (Rutgers, 2013-present)  
8 (three punts, five kickoffs)
1. Adoree Jackson (Southern California, 2014-16)  
8 (four punts, four kickoffs)
1. Phillip Livas (Louisiana Tech, 2007-10)  
8 (four punts, four kickoffs)
1. C.J. Spiller (Clemson, 2006-09)  
8 (1 punt, seven kickoffs)
1. Chad Owens (Hawaii, 2001-04)  
8 (6 punts, two kickoffs)
1. Derek Abney (Kentucky, 2000-03)  
8 (6 punts, two kickoffs)
1. Johnny Rodgers (Nebraska, 1970-72)  
8 (7 punts, 1 kickoff)
1. Cliff Branch (Colorado, 1970-71)  
8 (6 punts, two kickoffs)

## JANARION GRANT

### Big Ten Special Teams Player of the Week (Three Times)

2015 Second Team All-Big Ten (Media)

2015 Third Team All-Big Ten (Coaches)

2015 First Team All-Big Ten (Phil Steele)

2015 & 2013 Rutgers Special Teams MVP

2014 First Team All-Big Ten (Phil Steele)

2013 Second Team All-American Athletic Conference (Coaches, Phil Steele)  
American Athletic Conference Special Teams Player of the Week

### ALL-PURPOSE YARDS

- Ranks fourth in school history with 4,342 yards (2,675 kickoff return, 915 receiving, 482 punt return, 270 rushing).
- Needs 302 yards to move into third place and 999 to claim the school record.
- Averages 101.0 all-purpose yards over 43 career games.
- Had 91 all-purpose in return to the field against Washington (69 kick returns, 20 receiving, two punt return). Picked up 655 in four games last season before suffering an injury.
- Has 11 career games with at least 150 all-purpose yards.
- Had 10 plays gaining at least 20 yards last season and 88 such plays in his career (one versus Washington). Had 31 in 2015, 34 in 2014 and 12 in 2013.
- Finished second in the Big Ten in 2015 with 1,583 all-purpose yards (984 kick returns, 352 receiving, 167 punt returns, 80 rushing). Averaged 131.92 yards per game to rank No. 20 nationally.
- Had a school-record 337 all-purpose yards versus Washington State in 2015.

#### Rutgers Career All-Purpose Years Leaders

1. Terrell Willis (1993-95) 5,340
2. Ray Rice (2005-07) 5,260
3. Brian Leonard (2003-06) 4,643
4. Janarion Grant (2013-present) 4,342

### RECEIVING

- Recorded a three-yard touchdown catch to cap the first offensive drive of the season.
- Leads the active roster with 86 career receptions for 915 yards.
- Averaged five receptions per game last season.
- Had a career-high 76-yard reception against Iowa.
- Reeled in a career-high nine receptions at Washington and career-best 105 yards at Maryland in 2014.
- Picked up first career receiving touchdown versus Maryland in 2015
- Averages 10.6 yards per catch during career.

### KICK/PUNT RETURN

- Has eight career kick return touchdowns (five kickoff, three punt) with one of each in 2016. The total ties for first in NCAA history for combined kick return touchdowns.
- Had fifth career kickoff return for a touchdown against Howard to tie Purdue's Stan Brown (1968-70) for the Big Ten record.
- Leads all active FBS players with 3,157 career combined kick return yards (2,675 kick return, 482 punt return).
- Has a school-record 2,675 career kickoff return yards. Ranks fifth with 482 career punt return yards.
- Returned both a kickoff and a punt for a touchdown versus Washington State, the first Rutgers player to do both in the same game in the modern era.
- Owns seven career kick returns of at least 70 yards.
- Recorded a school-record 984 kickoff return yards in 2015, tops in the conference.

### RUSHING

- Rushed for a career-high 105 rushing yards versus Howard to become the first Rutgers wide receiver to top the century mark on the ground since Jeremy Deering had 166 yards versus Syracuse in 2010. Had a long rushing attempt of 58 yards.
- Averages 9.0 yards per carry over 30 career tries.
- Had first career rushing touchdown at Washington last season and added two more versus Howard.



## GAME 1

No. 8/7 Washington 30, Rutgers 14

Sept. 1, 2017 • Piscataway, N.J.

High Point Solutions Stadium • 46,093



**Football Drops Opener to No. 8/7 Washington**

**PISCATAWAY, N.J.** – Rutgers football opened its 2017 season against No. 8/7 Washington on Friday night at High Point Solutions Stadium. Despite the close margin in the first half of the contest thanks to the Scarlet Knights' hot start, the Huskies took the lead in the second quarter en route to a 30-14 win in both teams' season opener.

Rutgers' first strike came from fifth-year senior wide receiver Janarion Grant registering a three-yard touchdown grab from classmate and quarterback Kyle Bolin to give RU a 7-0 lead with 7:08 remaining in the first quarter. However, Washington responded with 27 unanswered points spanning into the fourth quarter to claim the advantage. An RU touchdown from Bolin to sophomore wide receiver Dacoven Bailey in the fourth frame would break up the surge, but it was not enough to erase the deficit.

Bolin finished his first game "On the Banks" with a pair of touchdown passes on 178 yards (24-of-34 passing), along with two interceptions. Fifth-year senior running back Gus Edwards also made his Rutgers debut with 79 yards on 24 rushes, with his highlight coming on a 13-yard scamper in the second quarter. Bailey totaled three catches for 42 yards receiving to go with his score, while fifth-year senior Damon Mitchell paced the wideouts with 46 yards on four receptions.

Rutgers held margins of victory in first downs (19-17), rushing yards (131-84), time of possession (38:09-21:51) and third-down conversions (47%-27%).

		1	2	3	4	Score
Washington		3	7	10	10	30
Rutgers		7	0	0	7	14
<b>Rushing:</b>		<b>No.</b>		<b>Yds</b>	<b>TD</b>	
WASH	Gaskin, Myles	7		59	0	
RU	Edwards, Gus	24		79	0	
<b>Passing:</b>		<b>Cmp-Att-Int</b>		<b>Yds</b>	<b>TD</b>	
WASH	Browning, Jake	17-30-0		284	2	
RU	Bolin, Kyle	24-34-2		178	2	
<b>Receiving:</b>		<b>No.</b>		<b>Yds</b>	<b>TD</b>	
WASH	Gaskin, Myles	5		79	1	
RU	Washington, Jerome	6		36	0	
<b>Tackles:</b>		<b>Solo</b>	<b>Ast</b>	<b>Total</b>	<b>TFL/Yds</b>	
WASH	Burr-Kirven, Ben	7	4	11	1.0-2	
RU	Roberts, Deonte	2	6	8	-	

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### 2017 RUTGERS SCORING DRIVES

Quarter	Time	Scoring Play (Conversion)	Plays	Yards	TOP	Score (Rutgers-OPP)
Washington						
1	7:08	Grant 3-yard pass from Bolin (Harte kick)	11	59	5:59	7-0
4	10:31	Bailey 34-yard pass from Bolin (Harte kick)	9	71	4:18	14-27

### TOUCHDOWN SUMMARY

Yards	TDs	TD Drives	Poss. Time	TD Drives	Plays	TD Drives
1-9	1	0	0:01-0:30	0	1	0
10-19	0	0	0:31-1:00	0	2	0
20-29	0	0	1:01-1:30	0	3	0
30-39	1	0	1:31-2:00	0	4	0
40-49	0	0	2:01-3:00	0	5	0
50-59	0	1	3:01-4:00	0	6	0
60-69	0	0	4:01-5:00	1	7	0
70-79	0	1	5:01-6:00	1	8	0
80-89	0	0	6:01-7:00	0	9	1
90-99	0	0	7:01 +	0	10	0
			OT	0	11+	1

#### Most plays on a TD drive:

11 vs. Washington (Grant 3-yard pass reception)

#### Fewest plays on a TD drive:

9 vs. Washington (Bailey 34-yard pass reception)

#### Longest TD Drive (yards):

71 vs. Washington (Bailey 34-yard pass reception)

#### Shortest TD drive (yards):

59 vs. Washington (Grant 3-yard pass reception)

#### Longest TD drive (time):

5:59 vs. Washington (Grant 3-yard pass reception)

#### Shortest TD drive (time):

4:18 vs. Washington (Grant 3-yard pass reception)

#### Most Plays on a drive:

12 vs. Washington (Harte missed field goal)

#### Longest Drive (time):

5:59 vs. Washington (Grant 3-yard pass reception)

#### Longest Drive (yards):

71 vs. Washington (Bailey 34-yard pass reception)

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## THE LAST TIME

### MISCELLANEOUS

300+ all-purpose yards	337 - Janarion Grant vs. Washington State, 9/12/15
Kickoff and punt return for TD in same game	Janarion Grant vs. Washington State, 9/12/15
3 rushing TDs & 3 receiving TDs in same game	Robert Martin (Rushing), Leonte Carroo (Receiving) at Indiana, 10/17/15
Game-winning field goal	26 yards, Kyle Federico at Indiana, 10/17/15
Blocked a punt	Tyreek Maddox-Williams vs. Howard, 9/10/16
Blocked a field goal	Isaiah Wharton vs. Indiana, 11/6/16
Blocked two (or more) kicks	Sebastian Joseph (field goal), Isaiah Wharton (field goal) vs. Indiana, 11/5/16
Two-point conversion	Chris Laviano to Leonte Carroo vs. Washington State, 9/12/15

### Opponents

#### RUSHING

30+ attempts	32 - Tevin Coleman, Indiana, 11/15/14
300+ yards	307 - Tevin Coleman, Indiana, 11/15/14
200-299 yards	225 - Ameer Abdullah, Nebraska, 10/25/14
4 TDs	Isaiah Pead, Cincinnati, 11/20/10
3 TDs	Brandon Ross, Maryland, 11/28/15
Two 100-yard performances (same game)	153 - Chris Evans, Michigan, 10/8/16
	108 - Karan Higdon, Michigan, 10/8/16
Three 100-yard performances (same game)	127 - Demetrius Perry, Army, 10/12/96
	126 - Adam Thompson, Army, 10/12/96
	117 - Paul Hewitt, Army, 10/12/96

#### PASSING

30-39 attempts	30 - Jake Browning, Washington, 9/1/17
40-49 attempts	40 - Richard Lagow, Indiana, 11/5/16
50-59 attempts	56 - Connor Halliday, Washington State, 8/28/14
60+ attempts	66 - Luke Falk, Washington State, 9/12/15
20-29 completions	28 - Richard Lagow, Indiana, 11/5/16
30-39 completions	32 - Nate Sudfeld, Indiana, 10/17/15
40+ completions	47 - Luke Falk, Washington State, 9/12/15
300-399 yards	394 - Richard Lagow, Indiana, 11/5/16
400+ yards	464 - Nate Sudfeld, Indiana, 10/17/15
3 TDs	Tyler O'Connor, Michigan State, 11/12/16
4 TDs	J.T. Barrett, Ohio State, 10/1/16
5 TDs	Connor Halliday, Washington State, 8/28/14
6 TDs	Ricky Santos, New Hampshire, 9/11/04
7 TDs	Pete Gonzalez, Pittsburgh, 10/25/97
4 interceptions	Chandler Whitmer, Connecticut, 10/6/12
5+ interceptions	5 - Clint Park, Villanova, 8/31/96

#### RECEIVING

10+ receptions	10 - Aaron Burbridge, Michigan State, 10/10/15
200+ yards	217 - Jeremy Johnson, SMU, 10/5/13
175-200 yards	183 - Joshua Tinch, Louisville, 11/11/05
150-174 yards	156 - Aaron Burbridge, Michigan State, 10/10/15
140-149 yards	146 - Gabe Marks, Washington State, 9/12/15
130-139 yards	139 - Jon Baldwin, Pittsburgh, 10/23/10
3 TDs	Mekale McKay, Cincinnati, 11/16/13
4 TDs	Billy Davis, Pittsburgh, 11/19/94

#### TOTAL OFFENSE

500+ yards	507 - Luke Falk, Washington State, 9/12/15
400-499 yards	456 - Nate Sudfeld, Indiana, 10/17/15
300-399 yards	386 - Richard Lagow, Indiana, 11/5/16

#### FIELD GOALS

50+ yards	50 - Brad Craddock, Maryland, 11/29/14
5+ FG attempts	6 - Kyle Brindza, Notre Dame, 12/28/13
4 FG made	4 - Tyler Davis, Penn State, 11/19/16

#### TOUCHDOWN RETURNS

Kickoff	94 - Rodney Smith, Minnesota, 10/22/16
Punt	61 - Dante Pettis, Washington, 9/1/17
Interception	30 - Demetrius Cox, Michigan State, 11/12/16
Fumble	4 - Eli Apple, Ohio State, 10/18/14
Blocked Punt	0 - Da'Mon Merkerson, Syracuse, 11/8/08

#### RUN/PASS DISTANCE

80+ run	80 - Brandon Ross, Maryland, 11/28/15
70-79 run	75 - Akeel Lynch, Penn State, 9/19/15
60-69 run	63 - Jabrill Peppers, Michigan, 10/8/16
50-59 run	55 - Ty Johnson, Maryland, 11/26/16
90+ pass	91 - Alex Van Pelt to Dietrich Jells, Pittsburgh, 9/17/92
80-89 pass	83 - John O'Korn to Deontay Greenberry, Houston, 10/26/13
70-79 pass	71 - C.J. Brown to Amba Etta-Tawo, Maryland, 11/29/14

#### TEAM

Shut out Rutgers at home	39-0 by Penn State, 11/19/16
Shut out Rutgers on road	49-0 at Michigan State, 11/12/16
Shut out Rutgers back-to-back	49-0 at Michigan State, 11/12/16
	39-0 by Penn State, 11/19/16
Scored 30-39 points	30-14 Washington victory, 9/1/17
Scored 40-49 points	49-0 Michigan State victory, 11/12/16
Scored 50-59 points	58-0 Ohio State win, 10/1/16
Scored 60+ points	78-0 Michigan victory, 10/8/16
Scored safety	USF, 11/3/10
Blocked a field goal	Nebraska, 10/25/14
Blocked a punt	Penn State, 11/19/16
Blocked an extra point	Maryland, 11/26/16
Two-point conversion	Garrett Moores run, Michigan, 10/8/16

### Rutgers

#### RUSHING

30-39 attempts	31 - Justin Goodwin vs. Houston, 10/26/13
40+ attempts	41 - Savon Huggins at Cincinnati, 11/17/12
200+ yards	202 - Josh Hicks vs. North Carolina, 12/26/14
4 TDs	Ray Rice vs. Ball State, 1/5/08
3 TDs	Paul James at Army, 11/21/15
Two 100-yard performances (same game)	113 - Josh Hicks vs. Kansas, 9/26/15
	102 - Robert Martin vs. Kansas, 9/26/15
Four consecutive 100 yard games (same season)	Jawan Jamison
112 at Tulane, 9/1/12; 110 vs. Howard, 9/8/12; 151 at USF, 9/13/12; 118 at Arkansas, 9/22/12	

#### PASSING

30-39 attempts	34 - Kyle Bolin vs. Washington, 9/1/17
40-49 attempts	40 - Chris Laviano at Washington, 9/3/16
50+ attempts	52 - Mike Teel vs. Connecticut, 11/3/07
20-29 completions	24 - Kyle Bolin vs. Washington, 9/1/17
30-39 completions	32 - Mike Teel vs. Connecticut, 11/3/07
300-399 yards	344 - Chris Laviano vs. Maryland, 11/28/15
400+ yards	404 - Gary Nova vs. Michigan, 10/4/14
3 TDs	Giovanni Rescigno at Minnesota, 10/22/16
4 TDs	Chris Laviano vs. Maryland, 11/28/15
5 TDs	Gary Nova at Fresno State, 8/29/13
6 TDs	Mike Teel at Pittsburgh, 10/25/08
7 TDs	Mike Teel vs. Louisville, 12/4/08
4 interceptions	Gary Nova at Louisville, 10/10/13
5+ interceptions	5 - Gary Nova vs. Penn State, 9/13/14

#### RECEIVING

10+ receptions	13 - Mohamed Sanu at Army, 11/12/11
150-199 yards	183 - Leonte Carroo vs. Maryland, 11/28/15
200+ yards	240 - Mark Harrison at Cincinnati, 11/20/10
3 TDs	Leonte Carroo at Indiana, 10/17/15
Two 100-yard performances (same game)	223 - Brandon Coleman at Connecticut, 11/26/11
	133 - Mohamed Sanu at Connecticut, 11/26/11
Three 100-yard performances (same game)	105 - Janarion Grant at Maryland, 11/29/14
	104 - Leonte Carroo at Maryland, 11/29/14
	101 - Andre Patton at Maryland, 11/29/14

#### TOTAL OFFENSE

400+ yards	409 - Gary Nova vs. Michigan, 10/4/14
300-399 yards	344 - Chris Laviano vs. Maryland, 11/28/15

#### FIELD GOALS

50 yards	52 - Kyle Federico at USF, 9/13/12
4 FG made	4 - San San Te at Syracuse, 10/1/11
5 FG made	5 - Tom Angstadt vs. Cincinnati, 9/29/84
6 FG attempted	7 - Jeremy Ito vs. Illinois, 9/3/05

#### TOUCHDOWN RETURNS (YARDAGE)

Kickoff	84 - Janarion Grant vs. Howard, 9/10/16
Punt	69 - Janarion Grant vs. New Mexico, 9/17/16
Interception	55 - Damon Hayes at Minnesota, 10/22/16
Fumble	75 - Darnell Davis vs. Indiana, 11/5/16
Blocked Field Goal	88 - Brandon Haw vs. Navy, 9/27/03
Blocked Punt	0 - Andre Patton at UCF, 11/21/13
Two TD returns by same player	Janarion Grant vs. Washington State, 9/12/15
	100 - Kick Return & 55 - Punt Return

#### RUN/PASS DISTANCE

90+ run	91 - Mohamed Sanu vs. Tulane, 10/2/10
80-89 run	80 - Robert Martin, 9/17/16
70-79 run	72 - Paul James vs. Michigan State, 10/10/15
60-69 run	65 - Paul James at Fresno State, 8/29/13
50-59 run	58 - Janarion Grant vs. Howard, 9/10/16
40-49 run	40 - Paul James at Indiana, 10/17/15
90+ pass	93 - Gary Nova to Andrew Turzilli vs. Tulane, 9/27/14
80-89 pass	80 - Gary Nova to Andrew Turzilli vs. Michigan, 10/4/14
70-79 pass	76 - Chris Laviano to Janarion Grant vs. Iowa, 9/24/16
60-69 pass	68 - Giovanni Rescigno to Andre Patton vs. Indiana, 11/5/16

#### TEAM

Shut out opponent at High Point Solutions Stadium	38-0 vs. Norfolk State, 9/7/13
Shut out opponent on road	34-0 vs. Navy, 10/14/06
Shut out opponents, back-to-back	35-0 vs. Lafayette, 11/9/74
	6-0 vs. Boston University, 11/16/74
Scoreless tie	Fort Monmouth, 11/14/42
Won in overtime	55-52 at SMU, 10/5/13
Forced five turnovers	24-22 loss at North Carolina, 9/10/11
Scored 40-49 points	41-20 win vs. North Carolina, 12/26/14
Scored 50-59 points	52-14 win vs. Howard, 9/10/16
Scored 60-69 points	63-13 win vs. Norfolk State, 9/5/15
Scored 70-79 points	70-0 win vs. NYU, 1915
Scored 80-89 points	83-0 win vs. Stevens, 1914
Scored 90+ points	90-0 win vs. Fort Wadsworth, 1917
Scored safety	at Syracuse, 11/21/09
500 yards of total offense	512 vs. Howard, 9/10/16
7-win season	7-5 in 2005
8-win season	8-5 in 2014
9-win season	9-4 in 2012
11-win season	11-2 in 2006
Undefeated season	11-0 in 1976
Double-digit winning streak	18; between 10/18/75 and 11/20/76



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RUTGERS GAME-BY-GAME STARTERS

Opponent	LT	LG	C	RG	RT	TE	QB	RB	WR	WR	WR	PK
Washington	Cole	Miller	Jackson	Applefield	Seymour	Washington	Bolin	Edwards	Grant	Melton	Nash#	Harte
Eastern Michigan												
Morgan State												
Nebraska												
Ohio State												
Illinois												
Purdue												
Michigan												
Maryland												
Penn State												
Indiana												
Michigan State												
# - Tight End												

Opponent	DE	NT	DT	DE	LB	LB	LB	CB	SS	FS	CB	P
Washington	Wilkins	Joseph	Bateky	Lumor	Douglas	Roberts	Morris	Austin	Hester	Hampton	Wharton	Anderson
Eastern Michigan												
Morgan State												
Nebraska												
Ohio State												
Illinois												
Purdue												
Michigan												
Maryland												
Penn State												
Indiana												
Michigan State												

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## ROSTER BREAKDOWN

### Most Games Played

Player	Total
Janarion Grant	43
Sebastian Joseph	39
Alan Lucy	37
Darnell Davis	35
Josh Hicks	35
Robert Martin	35

### Consecutive Games Played

Player	Streak
Sebastian Joseph	38

### Most Games Started

Player	Total
Alan Lucy	37
Isaiah Wharton	25
Sebastian Joseph	24
Dorian Miller	23
Blessuan Austin	22

### Consecutive Games Started

Player	Streak
Isaiah Wharton	25

### Played in All Career Games (min. 25)

Player	Games
Trevor Morris	25
Deonte Roberts	25
Isaiah Wharton	25
Kevin Wilkins	25

GFC - Gattica Football Club

RS - Redshirt

TR - Sat out as a transfer

& - Louisville

\* - Miami (Fla.)

! - Michigan

^ - Saginaw Valley State

% - TCU

@ - Wesley

## RUTGERS FOOTBALL PARTICIPATION CHART

	Career G-GS	2017 G-GS	2016 G-GS	2015 G-GS	2014 G-GS	2013 G-GS	Cons. Games	Cons. Starts
Zach Allen	28-0	0-0	2-0	13-0%	13-0%	RS	-	-
Ryan Anderson	22-1	1-1	11#	10#	0-0^	RS	1	1
Max Anthony	1-0	1-0	0-0	RS	-	-	1	-
Marcus Applefield	16-2	1-1	8-0	7-1	RS	-	1	1
Blessuan Austin	23-22	1-1	11-11	11-10	-	-	3	3
Dacoven Bailey	13-1	1-0	12-1	-	-	-	13	-
Jon Bateky	23-1	1-1	12-0	10-0	-	-	14	1
Raheem Blackshear	1-0	1-0	-	-	-	-	1	-
Kyle Bolin	18-7	1-1	6-0&	7-5&	4-1&	RS	1	1
David Bonagura	12-12	0-0	12-12	0-0	0-0	RS	-	-
Zane Campbell	28-23	1-0	2-0	TR	13-13@	12-10@	1	-
Michael Cintron	14-12	1-1	12-12	1-0	RS	-	13	-
Tariq Cole	20-12	1-1	11-11	8-0	RS	-	7	7
Justin Davidovicz	1-0	1-0	-	-	-	-	1	-
Darnell Davis	35-8	1-0	12-8	12-0	10-0	RS	25	-
Brendan DeVera	1-0	1-0	-	-	-	-	1	-
Ross Douglas	29-2	1-1	10-1	6-0!	12-0!	RS	9	1
Gus Edwards	36-2	1-1	11-1*	RS*	12-0*	12-0*	7	1
Olakunle Fatukasi	1-0	1-0	-	-	-	-	1	-
Janarion Grant	43-9	1-1	4-4	12-0	13-4	13-0	1	1
K.J. Gray	11-0	1-0	10-0	-	-	-	5	-
Nakia Griffin-Stewart	2-0	1-0	1-0	RS	-	-	1	-
Saquan Hampton	20-9	1-1	7-7	12-1	RS	-	7	7
Jawuan Harris	12-8	0-0	12-8	RS	-	-	-	-
Andrew Harte	5-1	1-1	0-0	2-0	2-0	RS	1	1
Damon Hayes	12-1	1-0	11-1	-	-	-	12	-
Hunter Hayek	1-0	1-0	-	-	-	-	1	-
Zack Heeman	11-3	0-0	4-1	7-2	RS	-	-	-
Kiy Hester	19-13	1-1	8-5	10-7	RS	-	2	2
Josh Hicks	35-5	1-0	10-2	12-2	12-1	-	1	-
Jimmy Hogan	20-0	1-0	9-0	10-0	RS	-	1	-
Mohamed Jabbie	1-0	1-0	RS	-	-	-	1	-
Jonah Jackson	13-1	1-1	12-0	RS	-	-	13	1
Sebastian Joseph	39-24	1-1	12-11	12-12	13-0	1-0	38	8
Nick Krimin	1-0	1-0	RS	-	-	-	1	-
Alan Lucy	37-37	0-0	12-12	12-12	13-13	-	-	-
Elorm Lumor	1-0	1-0	RS	-	-	-	1	-
Tyreek Maddox-Williams	11-6	0-0	11-6	-	-	-	-	-
Eric Margolis	21-1	1-0	9-1	11-0	-	-	3	-
Robert Martin	35-10	1-0	10-7	12-1	12-2	-	5	-
Bo Melton	1-1	1-1	-	-	-	-	1	1
Dorian Miller	27-23	1-1	12-12	10-10	4-0	RS	13	13
Damon Mitchell	29-1	1-0	11-0	13-1	4-0	RS	10	-
Trevor Morris	25-12	1-1	12-11	12-0	-	-	25	1
Myles Nash	22-1	1-1	12-0	1-0	8-0	RS	13	1
CJ Onyechi	1-0	1-0	-	-	-	-	1	-
Willington Previlon	1-0	1-0	RS	-	-	-	1	-
Giovanni Rescigno	7-5	0-0	7-5	0-0	RS	-	-	-
Deonte Roberts	25-14	1-1	12-12	12-1	-	-	25	13
Brandon Russell	14-1	1-0	12-1	1-0	RS	-	13	-
Kamaal Seymour	11-6	1-1	10-5	RS	-	-	10	6
Trey Sneed	12-0	0-0	12-0	-	-	-	-	-
Charles Snorweah	8-0	0-0	8-0	RS	-	-	-	-
Lawrence Stevens	4-0	1-0	3-0	-	-	-	1	-
Bill Taylor	1-1	1-1	-	-	-	-	1	1
Prince Taylor	1-0	1-0	RS	-	-	-	1	-
T.J. Taylor	25-0	0-0	12-0	0-0	13-0	RS	-	-
Kemoko Turay	33-1	1-0	8-0	11-1	13-0	RS	7	-
Julius Turner	1-0	1-0	RS	-	-	-	1	-
Jerome Washington	10-0	1-1	TR	9-0*	GFC	-	1	1
Isaiah Wharton	25-25	1-1	12-12	12-12	RS	-	25	25
Eric Wiafe	13-0	1-0	4-0	8-0	RS	-	1	-
Kevin Wilkins	25-2	1-1	12-1	12-0	RS	-	25	1
Everett Wormley	1-0	1-0	-	-	-	-	1	-

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### 2017 RUTGERS DEPTH CHART

#### OFFENSE

LT	<b>65</b> 77	<b>Tariq Cole</b> Sam Vretman	<b>Jr., 6-6, 320</b> Fr., 6-6, 305
LG	<b>60</b> 66	<b>Dorian Miller</b> Nick Krimin	<b>5th-Sr., 6-2, 300</b> R-Fr., 6-5, 308
C	<b>73</b> 55	<b>Jonah Jackson</b> Michael Maietti	<b>So., 6-4, 299</b> R-Fr., 6-1, 292
RG	<b>71</b> 75	<b>Marcus Applefield</b> Zach Venesky	<b>Jr., 6-5, 308</b> So., 6-3, 300
RT	<b>54</b> 56 79	<b>Kamaal Seymour</b> Micah Clark Zack Heeman	<b>So., 6-6, 312</b> Fr., 6-4, 289 Jr., 6-7, 308
TE	<b>88</b> 12 86	<b>Jerome Washington</b> Myles Nash Nakia Griffin-Stewart	<b>Jr., 6-4, 258</b> 5th-Sr., 6-5, 257 So., 6-5, 255
QB	<b>9</b> 17 11	<b>Kyle Bolin</b> Giovanni Rescigno Johnathan Lewis	<b>5th-Sr., 6-2, 212</b> Jr., 6-3, 228 Fr., 6-3, 240
RB	<b>13</b> 7	<b>Gus Edwards</b> Robert Martin	<b>5th-Sr., 6-1, 235</b> Sr., 5-11, 212
FB	<b>44</b> 45	<b>Max Anthony</b> Jim Brady	<b>So., 6-0, 240</b> R-Fr., 6-1, 237
WR	<b>18</b> 14	<b>Bo Melton</b> Everett Wormley	<b>Fr., 5-11, 185</b> Fr., 6-0, 198
WR	<b>1</b> 82	<b>Janarion Grant</b> Hunter Hayek	<b>5th-Sr., 5-10, 178</b> Fr., 5-9, 170
WR	<b>5</b> 23	<b>Damon Mitchell</b> Dacoven Bailey	<b>5th-Sr., 6-2, 213</b> So., 5-10, 205

#### DEFENSE

DE	<b>99</b> 59 96	<b>Kevin Wilkins</b> Darnell Davis Willington Previlon	<b>Jr., 6-5, 306</b> 5th-Sr., 6-2, 247 So., 6-5, 290
NT	<b>51</b> 50	<b>Sebastian Joseph</b> Julius Turner	<b>5th-Sr., 6-4, 305</b> R-Fr., 6-0, 282
DT	<b>95</b> 92 98	<b>Jon Bateky</b> Eric Wiafe Jimmy Hogan	<b>Jr., 6-3, 300</b> Jr., 6-2, 290 Jr., 6-4, 265
DE	<b>58</b> 7	<b>Kemoko Turay</b> Elorm Lumor	<b>5th-Sr., 6-5, 252</b> R-Fr., 6-3, 245
LB	<b>15</b> 8	<b>Trevor Morris</b> Tyshon Fogg	<b>Jr., 6-1, 232</b> Fr., 6-1, 240
LB	<b>6</b> 40 56	<b>Deonte Roberts</b> Brendan DeVera Rashawn Battle	<b>Jr., 6-1, 235</b> Fr., 6-1, 242 R-Fr., 6-1, 235
LB	<b>21</b> 35 49	<b>Ross Douglas</b> Eric Margolis Brandon Russell	<b>5th-Sr., 5-10, 205</b> Jr., 6-3, 240 Jr., 6-0, 235
CB	<b>11</b> 22	<b>Isaiah Wharton</b> Damon Hayes	<b>Jr., 6-1, 205</b> So., 6-1, 198
FS	<b>9</b> 37	<b>Saquan Hampton</b> Zane Campbell	<b>Jr., 6-1, 207</b> 5th-Sr., 6-1, 194
SS	<b>2</b> 17	<b>Kiy Hester</b> K.J. Gray	<b>Jr., 6-0, 208</b> So., 6-1, 205
CB	<b>10</b> 31 27	<b>Blessuan Austin</b> Edwin Lopez Kobe Marfo	<b>Jr., 6-1, 195</b> Fr., 5-11, 175 Jr., 5-10, 190

#### SPECIALISTS

K	<b>97</b> 98	<b>Andrew Harte</b> David Bonagura	<b>5th-Sr., 6-0, 190</b> 5th-Sr., 6-0, 230
P	<b>96</b> 94	<b>Ryan Anderson</b> Michael Cintron	<b>5th-Sr., 6-1, 203</b> Jr., 6-3, 222
LS	<b>47</b> 85	<b>Bill Taylor</b> Alan Lucy	<b>Fr., 6-1, 221</b> Sr., 6-0, 218
H	<b>94</b> 96	<b>Michael Cintron</b> Ryan Anderson	<b>Jr., 6-3, 222</b> 5th-Sr., 6-1, 203



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## 2017 RUTGERS FOOTBALL NUMERICAL ROSTER

No.	Name	Pos.	Cl.	Elig.	Ht.	Wt.	Hometown/High School (Previous School)
1	Janarion Grant	WR	Sr.	5th-Sr.	5-10	178	Trilby, Fla./Pasco
2	Kiy Hester	DB	Sr.	Jr.	6-0	208	Plainfield, N.J./DePaul Catholic (Miami [Fla.])
2	Ahmir Mitchell	WR	So.	R-Fr.	6-3	206	Egg Harbor City, N.J./Cedar Creek (Michigan)
3	Olakunle Fatukasi	LB	Fr.	Fr.	6-1	230	Far Rockaway, N.Y./Grand Street Campus
3	Jawuan Harris	WR	Jr.	So.	5-9	190	Pembroke Pines, Fla./St. Thomas Aquinas
4	Tre Avery	DB	So.	R-Fr.	5-10	170	Baltimore, Md./Franklin (Toledo)
4	Trey Sneed	RB	So.	So.	5-10	214	Orange Park, Fla./Fleming Island
5	Damon Mitchell	WR	Sr.	5th-Sr.	6-2	213	Egg Harbor City, N.J./Cedar Creek (Arkansas)
6	Mohamed Jabbe	WR	So.	R-Fr.	5-11	197	Monmouth Junction, N.J./South Brunswick
6	Deonte Roberts	LB	Jr.	Jr.	6-1	235	Brooklyn, N.Y./Erasmus Hall
7	Elorm Lumor	DL	So.	R-Fr.	6-3	245	Piscataway, N.J./Piscataway (Milford Academy)
7	Robert Martin	RB	Sr.	Sr.	5-11	212	Harrisburg, Pa./Harrisburg
8	Tyshon Fogg	LB	Fr.	Fr.	6-1	240	Baltimore, Md./Calvert Hall
8	Josh Hicks	RB	Sr.	Sr.	5-10	210	Palmetto, Fla./Palmetto
9	Kyle Bolin	QB	Sr.	5th-Sr.	6-2	212	Lexington, Ky./Lexington Catholic (Louisville)
9	Saquan Hampton	DB	Sr.	Jr.	6-1	207	Hamilton, N.J./Nottingham
10	Blessuan Austin	DB	Jr.	Jr.	6-1	195	Queens, N.Y./Campus Magnet (Milford Academy)
11	Johnathan Lewis	QB	Fr.	Fr.	6-3	240	East Orange, N.J./St. Peter's Prep
11	Isaiah Wharton	DB	Sr.	Jr.	6-1	205	Kissimmee, Fla./Gateway
12	Zach Allen	QB	Sr.	5th-Sr.	6-3	212	Temple, Texas/Temple (TCU)
12	Myles Nash	TE	Sr.	5th-Sr.	6-5	257	Sicklerville, N.J./Timber Creek
13	Gus Edwards	RB	Sr.	5th-Sr.	6-1	235	Staten Island, N.Y./Tottenville (Miami [Fla.])
14	Rob Nittolo	QB	Sr.	Jr.	6-1	216	Palm Beach Gardens, Fla./Hillsborough [N.J.] (S. Conn. State)
14	Everett Wormley	WR	Fr.	Fr.	6-0	198	Burlington, N.J./Burlington Twp.
15	Shameen Jones	WR	Fr.	Fr.	6-1	175	Bronx, N.Y./Cardinal Hayes
15	Trevor Morris	LB	Jr.	Jr.	6-1	232	King of Prussia, Pa./Malvern Prep
16	Jelani Ray Garvin	DB	So.	So.	5-8	175	Allendale, N.J./Northern Highlands
16	Tommy Wyatt	WR	So.	R-Fr.	6-3	206	Pine Hills, N.J./Overbrook (Temple)
17	K.J. Gray	DB	So.	So.	6-1	205	Newark, N.J./St. Peter's Prep
17	Giovanni Rescigno	QB	Sr.	Jr.	6-3	228	Macomb Twp., Mich./De La Salle
18	Bo Melton	WR	Fr.	Fr.	5-11	185	Mays Landing, N.J./Cedar Creek
19	Tom Flacco	QB	Jr.	Jr.	6-1	185	Voorhees, N.J./Eastern (Western Michigan)
20	Elijah Barnwell	RB	Fr.	Fr.	5-11	205	Piscataway, N.J./Piscataway
21	Ross Douglas	LB	Sr.	5th-Sr.	5-10	205	Avon, Ohio/Avon (Michigan)
22	Damon Hayes	DB	So.	So.	6-1	198	Upper Marlboro, Md./Dr. Henry A. Wise
23	Dacoven Bailey	WR	So.	So.	5-10	205	Pilot Point, Texas/Pilot Point
24	Naijee Jones	DB	Fr.	Fr.	5-11	195	Erial, N.J./Timber Creek
24	Charles Snorweah	RB	Jr.	So.	5-10	178	Levittown, Pa./Pennsbury
25	Raheem Blackshear	RB	Fr.	Fr.	5-9	185	Warminster, Pa./Archbishop Wood Catholic
25	Syhiem Simmons	LB	Fr.	Fr.	5-11	214	Jersey City, N.J./George Washington Carver [Ala.]
26	CJ Onyechi	LB	Fr.	Fr.	6-0	231	West Orange, N.J./West Orange
27	McDerby Ceneus	RB	Sr.	Jr.	5-8	190	West Orange, N.J./West Orange (William Paterson)
27	Kobe Marfo	DB	Jr.	Jr.	5-10	190	Alexandria, Va./Hayfield (Reedley College)
28	Aslan Pugh	RB	So.	R-Fr.	6-0	215	Wilmington, Del./Wilmington Charter
29	Lawrence Stevens	DB	So.	R-Fr.	5-8	190	Lawrenceville, N.J./Don Bosco Prep
31	Edwin Lopez	DB	Fr.	Fr.	5-11	175	Camden, N.J./Woodrow Wilson
32	Rani Abdulaziz	DB	Fr.	Fr.	5-10	176	Roseland, N.J./West Essex
33	Tim Barrow	DB	Fr.	Fr.	5-11	185	Staten Island, N.Y./Tottenville
34	Parker Day	DB	Fr.	Fr.	5-8	187	Toms River, N.J./Toms River North
34	Solomon Manning	FB	So.	R-Fr.	6-1	241	Colonia, N.J./Colonia
35	Eric Margolis	LB	Sr.	Jr.	6-3	240	New City, N.Y./Clarkstown South
36	T.J. Taylor	LB	Sr.	5th-Sr.	6-3	221	Kendall Park, N.J./South Brunswick
37	Zane Campbell	DB	Sr.	5th-Sr.	6-1	194	Delran, N.J./Delran (Wesley College)
38	Nyhsera Woodson	WR	Fr.	Fr.	5-10	201	Trenton, N.J./Pennington School
40	Brendan DeVera	LB	Fr.	Fr.	6-1	242	Monticello, N.Y./Wayne Hills [N.J.]
44	Max Anthony	RB	Jr.	So.	6-0	240	Albany, N.Y./Christian Brothers Academy (Phillips Academy)
44	Tyreek Maddox-Williams	LB	So.	So.	6-0	232	Erial, N.J./Timber Creek
45	Jim Brady	RB	So.	R-Fr.	6-1	237	Egg Harbor, N.J./St. Augustine Prep
46	Davante McDuffie	DB	Sr.	Jr.	6-0	198	Linden, N.J./Bergen Catholic (West Virginia Wesleyan)
47	Bill Taylor	LS	Fr.	Fr.	6-1	221	Parsippany, N.J./Parsippany Hills
49	Brandon Russell	LB	Sr.	Jr.	6-0	235	Pembroke Pines, Fla./University
50	Owen Bowles	OL	Fr.	Fr.	6-4	291	Galloway, N.J./Cedar Creek
50	Julius Turner	DL	So.	R-Fr.	6-0	282	Meridian, Miss./Meridian
51	Jamaal Beaty	OL	Fr.	Fr.	6-2	291	Cliffwood, N.J./St. John Vianney
51	Sebastian Joseph	DL	Sr.	5th-Sr.	6-4	305	Stroudsburg, Pa./Stroudsburg
53	Brendan Bordner	DL	Fr.	Fr.	6-4	280	Columbus, Ohio/Hilliard Bradley
54	Kamaal Seymour	OL	Jr.	So.	6-6	312	Brooklyn, N.Y./Grand Street Campus
55	Michael Maietti	OL	So.	R-Fr.	6-1	292	West Orange, N.J./Don Bosco Prep

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### 2017 RUTGERS FOOTBALL NUMERICAL ROSTER

No.	Name	Pos.	Cl.	Elig.	Ht.	Wt.	Hometown/High School (Previous School)
55	Austin Rosa	LB	Jr.	So.	5-10	220	Reading, Pa./Wilson West Lawn
56	Rashawn Battle	LB	So.	R-Fr.	6-1	235	Grentown, Pa./Wallenpaupack
56	Micah Clark	OL	Fr.	Fr.	6-4	289	Cliffwood, N.J./St. John Vianney
57	Jaohne Duggan	DL	Fr.	Fr.	6-1	292	Bethlehem, Pa./Liberty
57	Zach Miseo	OL	Fr.	Fr.	6-3	285	Bridgewater, N.J./Bridgewater-Raritan
58	Kemoko Turay	DL	Sr.	5th-Sr.	6-5	252	Newark, N.J./Barringer
58	Charles Zarzecki	OL	Fr.	Fr.	6-7	345	Boonton, N.J./Boonton
59	Darnell Davis Jr.	DL	Sr.	5th-Sr.	6-2	247	Union, N.J./Avon Old Farms
60	Dorian Miller	OL	Sr.	5th-Sr.	6-2	300	Metuchen, N.J./Metuchen
61	Mike Lonsdorf	OL	So.	R-Fr.	6-6	300	Bound Brook, N.J./Immaculata
62	Matthew Sportelli	LS	So.	R-Fr.	6-1	253	Wayne, N.J./Wayne Hills
63	Jim Onulak	OL	So.	R-Fr.	6-2	282	Belmar, N.J./Trinity Pawling School
64	Skiy Pyrame	OL	Jr.	So.	6-1	270	Queens, N.Y./Christ the King
65	Tariq Cole	OL	Sr.	Jr.	6-6	320	Long Beach, N.Y./Long Beach
66	Nick Krimin	OL	So.	R-Fr.	6-5	308	South Amboy, N.J./St. Joseph's [Metuchen]
71	Marcus Applefield	OL	Sr.	Jr.	6-5	308	Weeki Wachee, Fla./Weeki Wachee
72	Manny Taylor	OL	Jr.	So.	6-5	300	Philadelphia, Pa./Roman Catholic
73	Jonah Jackson	OL	Jr.	So.	6-4	299	Media, Pa./Penncrest
74	Sam Howson	OL	So.	R-Fr.	6-4	292	Sparta, N.J./Pope John XXIII
75	Zach Venesky	OL	Jr.	So.	6-3	300	Peckville, Pa./Valley View
77	Sam Vretman	OL	Fr.	Fr.	6-6	305	Upplands Vasby, Sweden/Cheshire Academy [Conn.]
79	Zack Heeman	OL	Sr.	Jr.	6-7	308	Budd Lake, N.J./Mount Olive
80	Nixon Provillon	WR	Sr.	5th-Sr.	6-2	202	Irvington, N.J./Newark Vo-Tech (Cheney)
81	Tyler Hayek	WR	Fr.	Fr.	6-3	190	Wayne, N.J./Wayne Hills
82	Hunter Hayek	WR	Fr.	Fr.	5-9	170	Wayne, N.J./Wayne Hills
83	Rashad Blunt	WR	Jr.	So.	6-1	195	St. John's, Fla./Creekside
84	Cole Murphy	WR	Jr.	Jr.	6-1	201	Olathe, Kan./Olathe North (Coffeyville CC)
85	Alan Lucy	LS	Sr.	Sr.	6-0	218	Dinwiddie, Va./Dinwiddie
86	Nakia Griffin-Stewart	TE	Jr.	So.	6-5	255	Tenafly, N.J./Tenafly
87	Prince Taylor	WR	So.	R-Fr.	5-10	195	Hackensack, N.J./Hackensack (Utica)
88	Jerome Washington	TE	Jr.	Jr.	6-4	258	Elizabeth, N.J./Stony Brook School [N.Y.] (Miami [Fla.])
89	Travis Vokolek	TE	Fr.	Fr.	6-6	235	Springfield, Mo./Kickapoo
91	Tijaun Mason	DL	Fr.	Fr.	6-5	225	Memphis, Tenn./Trezevant
92	Eric Wiafe	DL	Sr.	Jr.	6-5	290	Egg Harbor Twp., N.J./Egg Harbor Twp. (Milford Academy)
93	Jason Griggs	DL	So.	R-Fr.	6-1	282	Highland Park, N.J./Highland Park (Wesley College)
94	Michael Cintron	P	Sr.	Jr.	6-3	222	Piscataway, N.J./St. Joseph's [Metuchen]
95	Jon Bateky	DL	Jr.	Jr.	6-3	300	Boyd's, Md./Poolesville
95	Justin Davidovicz	PK	Fr.	Fr.	5-9	177	Bridgewater, N.J./Bridgewater-Raritan
96	Ryan Anderson	P	Sr.	5th-Sr.	6-1	203	DeWitt, Mich./DeWitt (Olivet College)
96	Willington Previlon	DL	Jr.	So.	6-5	290	Orange, N.J./Orange
97	Andrew Harte	PK	Sr.	5th-Sr.	6-0	190	Downers Grove, Ill./Montini Catholic (Minnesota)
97	Mike Tverdov	DL	Fr.	Fr.	6-4	252	Union, N.J./Union
98	David Bonagura	PK	Sr.	5th-Sr.	6-0	230	Franklin Lakes, N.J./Ramapo
98	Jimmy Hogan	DL	Sr.	Jr.	6-4	265	Wyckoff, N.J./Ramapo
99	Gavin Haggerty	P	Jr.	So.	5-8	180	Montvale, N.J./St. Joseph's [Montvale]
99	Kevin Wilkins	DL	Sr.	Jr.	6-2	306	Mahwah, N.J./St. Joseph's [Montvale]

#### Coaching Staff

Chris Ash - Head Coach

Jerry Kill - Offensive Coordinator/Quarterbacks

Jay Niemann - Defensive Coordinator/Linebackers

Vince Okruch - Special Teams Coordinator/Tight Ends

AJ Blazek - Assistant Head Coach/Offensive Line

Shane Burnham - Defensive Line

Bill Busch - Co-Defensive Coordinator/Defensive Backs

Henry Baker - Cornerbacks

Lester Erb - Running Backs

Jafar Williams - Wide Receivers

Kenny Parker - Head Football Strength and Conditioning

David Galante - Offensive Assistant

Mason Judd - Defensive Assistant

Mark Rosenbaum - Offensive Assistant

Anthony Van Curen - Defensive Assistant

## HEAD COACH CHRIS ASH • SECOND SEASON



Chris Ash took over the helm of the Rutgers football program, his first season as a head coach in 2016, culminating a nearly 20-year career as an assistant coach.

A coach with a national championship pedigree, Ash enjoyed a decorated and accomplished career prior to arriving “On the Banks,” including five years in the Big Ten Conference (four as a defensive coordinator) with four Big Ten championships.

An accomplished and decorated coach, Ash built a reputation as a relentless and tireless worker throughout his various stops. Upon becoming the 30th head coach in the 147-year history at the Birthplace of College Football, Ash made clear his vision for the Scarlet Knights program - “I want to build a first-class program here, a program that the University, the State of New Jersey, high school coaches and high school players can be proud to say that this program is theirs and they want to come here and be a part of it.”

Ash has embarked on outlining the plans to complete that vision, which includes a mission to create an environment to develop student-athletes mentally, physically and spiritually to reach their full potential and to be successful in life after football.

In his previous post before Rutgers, Ash served as co-defensive coordinator and safeties coach at Ohio State and helped lead the Buckeyes to the 2014 national championship.

In his five seasons as a defensive coordinator, Ash pioneered four groups ranked in the top 25 statistically, including a top-10 defensive unit in 2015. As the defense coordinator at Wisconsin in 2011 and 2012, the Badgers put together back-to-back seasons ranked 15th overall in total defense. The 2011 squad was 13th in scoring defense while the 2012 team turned in a 17th-place ranking.

Ash was hired by Ohio State head coach Urban Meyer in January 2014 to improve a Buckeye defense that placed 112th in pass defense and 47th in total defense in 2013. In his first season, OSU’s defense ranked 19th nationally in total defense and 29th in pass defense. The Buckeyes also ranked fourth in the country with 24 interceptions en route to Big Ten, Sugar Bowl and national championships.

In 2015, the Ohio State defense continued its strides under Ash, ranking second in scoring defense nationally and ninth-best in total defense. The Buckeyes earned a berth in the Fiesta Bowl, finishing the season with a 12-1 record after defeating Notre Dame in the bowl game.

The 2016 NFL Draft saw numerous players from Ash’s defensive unit selected, including the first overall defensive player in Joey Bosa, who was picked third by the San Diego Chargers. In all, the draft featured six defensive players taken from Ohio State with three in the first round.

Prior to taking over the OSU defense, Ash held the defensive coordinator post and coached the secondary at the University of Arkansas in the Southeastern Conference in 2013 under head coach Bret Bielema. He helped improve Arkansas’ pass defense in his one season in Fayetteville, with the Razorbacks’ defense finishing 72nd nationally in passing yards allowed after ranking 113th in 2012.

Ash was first promoted to the defensive coordinator role in the Big Ten while at the University of Wisconsin, where he spent three seasons with the Badgers. His 2011 defense led the Big Ten (conference games only) in total defense and pass defense efficiency, and it ranked fourth nationally in fewest passing yards allowed (163.6), 13th in scoring (19.0) and 15th in total defense (316.4). In 2012, the UW defense ranked 15th nationally in total defense (322.5), 17th in scoring (19.1), 18th in fewest passing yards allowed (193.6), 22nd in pass efficiency and 24th against the run (128.9).

Ash began his coaching career as a defensive graduate assistant at his alma mater, Drake University, in 1997. He was promoted to defensive coordinator for the next two seasons before moving on to Iowa State University in 2000. Ash spent eight seasons over two different stints in Ames, including the 2009 season, during which current Texas head coach Tom Herman was also on the staff. Ash progressed from graduate assistant with the Cyclones in 2000-01 to defensive backs coach for a total of six seasons.

Ash spent the 2007 and 2008 seasons at San Diego State University as the defensive backs coach and recruiting coordinator under head coach and College Football Hall of Fame inductee Chuck Long.

Ash has produced numerous instructional videos, including a three-video series -- “Aggressive 4-3 Defense” -- that includes shutting down the passing game and stuffing the run segments. He has coached 34 different players that have gone on to sign NFL contracts.

A native of Ottumwa, Iowa, Ash earned his undergraduate degree from Drake in 1996, and was a two-time letterwinner at defensive back for the Bulldogs. He is one of three from that era of Drake football who became a FBS head coach, joining Dave Doeren (NC State) and Charlie Partridge (formerly with Florida Atlantic). Ash completed his master’s degree in education from Iowa State in 2005.

Ash and his wife, Doreen, are the parents of a son, Brady and daughter, Alexis. Ash also has a son, Tanner, and a daughter, Jacey.

### THE ASH FILE

**Hometown:** Ottumwa, Iowa  
**Alma Mater:** Drake, 1996  
**Master’s Degree:** Iowa State, 2005  
**Wife:** Doreen  
**Children:** Sons, Tanner and Brady; Daughters, Jacey and Alexis

### THE ROAD TO RU

#### Rutgers

**2016-Present:** Head Coach

#### Ohio State

**2014-15:** Co-Defensive Coordinator/Safeties

#### Arkansas

**2013:** Defensive Coordinator/Secondary

#### Wisconsin

**2011-12:** Defensive Coordinator/Defensive Backs  
**2010:** Defensive Backs

#### Iowa State

**2009:** Defensive Backs/Recruiting Coordinator  
**2006:** Defensive Backs/Recruiting Coordinator  
**2002-05:** Defensive Backs  
**2000-01:** GA - Defense

#### San Diego State

**2007-08:** Defensive Backs/Recruiting Coordinator

#### Drake

**1998-99:** Defensive Coordinator  
**1997:** Graduate Assistant

### Bowl Games as Coach (12)

2016 Fiesta Bowl\*  
 2015 National Championship Game\*  
 2015 Sugar Bowl\*  
 2012 Rose Bowl  
 2011 Rose Bowl  
 2010 Rose Bowl  
 2009 Insight Bowl\*  
 2005 Houston Bowl  
 2004 Independence Bowl\*  
 2002 Humanitarian Bowl  
 2001 Independence Bowl  
 2000 Insight Bowl\*  
 \* Denotes win

### Big Ten Championships (4)

2010 Wisconsin  
 2011 Wisconsin  
 2012 Wisconsin  
 2014 Ohio State



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### OFFENSE - QUARTERBACKS

#### 9 • KYLE BOLIN

QB

5th-Sr. • Lexington, Ky. • 6-2 • 212

Category	Season-High	Career-High
Pass Att	34, Washington (9/1)	40, Georgia (12/30/14)
Completions	24, Washington (9/1)	24, Syracuse (11/7/15); Washington (9/1/17)
Pass Yds	178, Washington (9/1)	381, Kentucky (11/29/14)
Pass TDs	2, Washington (9/1)	3, Kentucky (11/29/14)
Pass LG	34, Washington (9/1)	57, at Pittsburgh (11/21/15)
Rush Yds	-	18, at Pittsburgh (11/21/15)
Rush TDs	-	-
Rush LG	-	11, Virginia (11/14/15)

**2017 (Redshirt Senior):** Started the season opener versus No. 8 Washington (9/1) and went 24-for-34 for 178 yards and two touchdowns ... led the Scarlet Knights on an 11-play touchdown drive on first series of the season ... voted a team captain ... graduated from Louisville in May ... transferred to Rutgers in the summer and immediately eligible for the season.

**2016 (Redshirt Junior at Louisville):** Appeared in six games off the bench ... totaled 324 yards on 18-of-27 passing with two touchdowns ... went 7-for-12 for 74 yards passing against Boston College (11/5) ... came off the bench to complete 1-of-2 passes for 35 yards versus NC State (10/22) ... completed his only pass for 20 yards in the win over Syracuse (9/9) ... went 9-of-12 for 105 yards and two scores in victory over Charlotte (9/1).

**2015 (Redshirt Sophomore at Louisville):** Played in seven games ... made starts versus Clemson (9/17), Syracuse (11/7), Virginia (11/14), Pittsburgh (11/21) and Kentucky (11/28) ... had a 3-2 record as a starter ... threw for 1,154 yards and seven touchdowns ... completed 56.9 percent of his throws ... connected with Jamari Staples for a 57-yard reception in the second quarter against Pittsburgh (11/21) for the longest pass play of the season for the Cardinals ... tallied 139 yards and a score on 10-of-21 passing in the win over Virginia (11/14) ... started against Syracuse (11/7) and threw 24-for-35 for 362 yards and three touchdown passes ... appeared against Wake Forest (10/30) and completed 3-of-4 passes for 38 yards ... made the start versus Clemson (9/17), going 19-of-34 for 238 yards ... totaled 157 passing yards with a touchdown against Houston (9/12).

#### Career Notes

- Had 17 career games of experience with six starts at Louisville ... served as the backup behind Heisman Trophy winner Lamar Jackson last season.
- Totaled 2,104 career passing yards with 13 touchdowns for the Cardinals.
- Passed for 7,038 yards and 63 touchdowns during his career at Lexington Catholic High School ... rated as the No. 4 prospect in Kentucky by *Rivals* and *ESPN*.

#### 17 • GIOVANNI RESCIGNO

QB

R-Jr. • Macomb Township, Mich. • 6-3 • 228

Category	Season-High	Career-High
Pass Att	-	39, at Maryland (11/26/16)
Completions	-	22, at Maryland (11/26/16); at Minnesota (10/22/16)
Pass Yds	-	258, Indiana (11/5/16)
Pass TDs	-	3, at Minnesota (10/22/16)
Pass LG	-	68, Indiana (11/5/16)
Rush Yds	-	42, Howard (9/10/16)
Rush TDs	-	1, Howard (9/10/16); Indiana (11/5/16)
Rush LG	-	42, Howard (9/10/16)

**2016 (Redshirt Sophomore):** Played in seven games with starts in each of the last five games at quarterback ... went 86-for-153 passing for 889 yards and five touchdowns ... totaled 107 rushing yards with two scores ... led the team with 996 yards of total offense for the season ... recorded 22 completions for 203 passing yards in season finale at Maryland (11/26) ... completed seven passes versus No. 9 Penn State (11/19) ... threw for a 68-yard touchdown and ran for a one-yard score against Indiana (11/5), finishing with 258 passing yards ... made first career start at Minnesota (10/22) and went 22-of-38 for 220 yards passing with three touchdowns ... it was the most passing yards by a RU quarterback in their first career start since 2010 ... played in the second half against Illinois (10/15) and went

10-for-18 for 120 yards with a three-yard passing touchdown ... added 37 yards on the ground versus the Fighting Illini ... made collegiate debut in home opener against Howard (9/10) and rushed for a 42-yard touchdown on first career carry.

#### Career Notes

- Started at quarterback as a high school senior in 2013 and totaled 1,396 passing yards with 15 touchdowns in nine games ... also rushed for 512 yards on the ground with five scores.
- A four-star prospect and the 21st-ranked quarterback nationally according to *ESPN.com*.

### OFFENSE - RUNNING BACKS

#### 25 • RAHEEM BLACKSHEAR

RB

Fr. • Warminster, Pa. • 5-9 • 185

Category	Season-High	Career-High
Rush Att	3, Washington (9/1)	Same
Rush Yds	9, Washington (9/1)	Same
LG Rush	6, Washington (9/1)	Same
Rush TDs	-	-
Receptions	-	-
Rec. Yds	-	-
LG Reception	-	-

**2017 (Freshman):** Had three carries in collegiate debut versus No. 8 Washington (9/1), including a six-yard run on the third offensive play of the season.

**Prior to Rutgers:** Coached by Steve Devlin at Archbishop Wood Catholic ... helped the Vikings to a 11-2 record and a PIAA Class AAAAA state title ... produced 236 yards rushing and three touchdowns in the championship game ... finished 2016 with 1,257 yards rushing with 19 touchdowns on the ground ... also caught 26 passes for 433 yards and five receiving scores ... First Team 5A All-State selection as an athlete by the *Pennsylvania Football Writers* ... contributed 409 rushing yards and 10 touchdowns along with 395 receiving yards and seven touchdown receptions as a junior ... three-star prospect and second overall running back in Pennsylvania by *Scout* ... 29th best recruit in the Keystone State and a three-star player by *ESPN* ... top-40 player in the state and a three-star recruit by *247Sports*.

#### 13 • GUS EDWARDS

RB

5th-Sr. • Staten Island, N.Y. • 6-1 • 235

Category	Season-High	Career-High
Rush Att	24, Washington (9/1)	Same
Rush Yds	79, Washington (9/1)	115, at Virginia Tech (10/23/14)
LG Rush	13, Washington (9/1)	74, Florida A&M (9/3/16)
Rush TDs	-	3, Savannah State (9/21/14)
Receptions	3, Washington (9/1)	Same
Rec. Yds	18, Washington (9/1)	25, at Virginia Tech (10/23/14)
LG Reception	12, Washington (9/1)	25, at Virginia Tech (10/23/14)

**2017 (Redshirt Senior):** Started the season opener at running back vs. No. 8 Washington (9/1) and totaled 79 yards on 24 carries, adding three receptions ... graduated from Miami (Fla.) in May ... transferred to Rutgers in the summer and immediately eligible for the season.

**2016 (Redshirt Junior at Miami):** Saw action in 11 games and made one start ... totaled 290 rushing yards on 59 carries, averaging 4.9 yards per attempt ... scored one rushing touchdown ... rushed 10 times in Russell Athletic Bowl victory over West Virginia (12/28) ... recorded 55 rushing yards on 11 carries in regular season finale win over Duke (11/26) ... totaled 68 rushing yards on 11 carries in win at Virginia (11/12) ... made first start of season at Notre Dame (10/29) and totaled three carries ... carried two times for seven yards in win at Georgia Tech (10/1) ... picked up 14 yards on four attempts at Appalachian State (9/17) ... collected 106 yards on seven carries versus Florida A&M (9/3), adding a 74-yard touchdown run.

#### Career Notes

- Played in 35 career games at Miami (Fla.) with one start ... totaled 977 rushing yards and 12 touchdowns for the Hurricanes.
- Owns three career 100-yard games, with the most recent being a 106-yard performance in the 2016 opener against Florida A&M.

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### 8 • JOSH HICKS

RB

Sr. • Palmetto, Fla. • 5-10 • 210

Category	Season-High	Career-High
Rush Att	-	21, Kansas (9/26/15)
Rush Yds	-	202, vs. North Carolina (12/26/14)
LG Rush	-	49, vs. North Carolina (12/26/14)
Touchdowns	-	2, Norfolk State (9/5/15); Kansas (9/26/15)
Receptions	-	2, at Penn State (9/19/15)
Rec. Yds	-	21, at Penn State (9/19/15)
Rec. TD	-	1, Maryland (11/28/15)
LG Reception	-	14, at Penn State (9/19/15)
KOR LG	13, Washington (9/1)	44, Howard (9/6/14)
Tackles	-	6, at Army (11/21/15)
Interceptions	-	1, at Army (11/21/15)

**2017 (Senior):** Saw action on special teams in the season opener against No. 8 Washington (9/1), including a 13-yard kickoff return.

**2016 (Junior):** Played in seven games with two starts ... rushed 45 times for 157 yards ... made three tackles on special teams ... had seven carries at Michigan State (11/12) ... started versus Indiana (11/5) and rushed four times with one reception ... rushed five times for 27 yards at Minnesota (10/22) ... returned six kickoffs at No. 2 Ohio State (10/1) with a long of 20 yards ... rushed three times and made a tackle on kickoff coverage against Iowa (9/24) ... carried the ball three times versus New Mexico (9/17) ... made two special teams tackles and ran for 44 yards on seven attempts in win over Howard (9/10) ... rushed for a game-high 70 yards on 14 carries in season opener at No. 14 Washington (9/3).

#### Career Notes

- Owns four career games with at least 100 yards rushing.
- Named MVP of the Quick Lane Bowl after rushing for 202 yards.
- One of six Scarlet Knights to run for at least 200 yards in a game.
- Rushed for 1,087 yards and 17 touchdowns, returning punts and kickoffs and playing safety in nine games as a senior in high school.
- Also excelled in track in high school.

### 7 • ROBERT MARTIN

RB

Sr. • Harrisburg, Pa. • 5-11 • 212

Category	Season-High	Career-High
Rush Att	13, Washington (9/1)	21, New Mexico (9/17/16); Iowa (9/24/16)
Rush Yds	55, Washington (9/1)	169, New Mexico (9/17/16)
LG Rush	12, Washington (9/1)	80, New Mexico (9/17/16)
Rush TDs	-	3, Indiana (11/15/14); at Indiana (10/17/15)
Receptions	3, Washington (9/1)	Same
Rec. Yds	18, Washington (9/1)	21, at Nebraska (10/25/14)
LG Reception	12, Washington (9/1)	21, at Nebraska (10/25/14)

**2017 (Senior):** Picked up 55 rushing yards on 13 attempts in the season opener against No. 8 Washington (9/1).

**2016 (Junior):** Played in 10 games with six starts at running back ... led the team with 625 rushing yards on 121 carries ... ranked sixth in the Big Ten with 5.17 yards per carry ... scored two rushing touchdowns ... added five receptions for 37 yards ... rushed on the team with 662 all-purpose yards ... made two tackles on punt coverage ... ran for 73 yards on 14 rushes with a touchdown in season finale at Maryland (11/26) ... picked up 32 yards on eight attempts at Michigan State (11/12) ... rushed for 95 yards on 16 attempts against Illinois (10/15) with a long carry of 32 ... picked up 40 yards on the ground at No. 2 Ohio State (10/1) ... had a game-high 106 yards on the ground versus Iowa (9/24) on 21 attempts, adding a 19-yard reception ... rushed for 169 yards on 21 carries against New Mexico (9/17), including an 80-yard dash for a touchdown to tie the game in the second quarter ... the 80-yard carry marked the second-longest in the Big Ten on the season ... started in season debut versus Howard (9/10) and rushed for 83 yards on 16 attempts.

#### Career Notes

- Owns five career games with at least 100 yards rushing.
- Led Rutgers with seven rushing touchdowns as a freshman.
- Missed senior season of high school football due to injury.

- One of the top running backs out of Pennsylvania ... rushed for 360 yards in a game as a sophomore.

## OFFENSE - WIDE RECEIVERS

### 23 • DACOVEN BAILEY

WR

So. • Pilot Point, Texas • 5-10 • 205

Category	Season-High	Career-High
Receptions	3, Washington (9/1)	Same
Rec. Yards	42, Washington (9/1)	Same
Long	34, Washington (9/1)	Same
Rec. TDs	1, Washington (9/1)	Same
Tackles	-	3, at Washington (9/3/16)

**2017 (Sophomore):** Totaled three receptions for 42 yards in the season opener against No. 8 Washington (9/1), including first career touchdown on a 34-yard catch.

**2016 (Freshman):** Played in all 12 games with one start ... saw action on offense, defense and special teams ... totaled four rushing attempts and three receptions during the season ... led the team with six tackles on special teams ... assisted on a stop at Maryland (11/26) ... made first career start against No. 9 Penn State (11/19), lining up at wide receiver ... recorded a tackle on punt coverage at No. 2 Ohio State (10/1) ... saw action on defense versus New Mexico (9/17) ... switched from No. 38 to No. 23 for home opener against Howard (9/10) ... made collegiate debut in season opener at No. 14 Washington (9/3) and had one reception and one rushing attempt, also making a team-best three tackles on special teams.

#### Career Notes

- Ended senior year of high school with 1,172 rushing yards and 13 touchdowns, averaging 9.3 yards per carry ... also added 31 receptions for 321 yards and a touchdown pass.
- Also played basketball and baseball.

### 1 • JANARION GRANT

WR

5th-Sr. • Trilby, Fla. • 5-10 • 178

Category	Season-High	Career-High
Receptions	3, Washington (9/1)	9, at Washington (9/3/16)
Rec. Yds	20, Washington (9/1)	105, at Maryland (11/29/14)
LG Reception	13, Washington (9/1)	76, Iowa (9/24/16)
Rec. TDs	1, Washington (9/1)	1, Maryland (11/28/15); Washington (9/1/17)
Rush Yds	-	105, Howard (9/10/16)
LG Rush	-	58, Howard (9/10/16)
Rush TDs	-	2, Howard (9/10/16)
Kick Ret Yds	69, Washington (9/1)	195, Washington State (9/12/15)
LG Kick Ret	27, Washington (9/1)	100, at Fresno State (8/29/13); Washington State (9/12/15)
Kick Ret TDs	-	1, five times
Punt Ret Yds	2, Washington (9/1)	112, New Mexico (9/17/16)
LG Punt Ret	2, Washington (9/1)	69, New Mexico (9/17/16)
Punt Ret TDs	-	1, three times
TD Pass	-	1, Nebraska (11/14/15); New Mexico (9/17/16)
All-Purpose Yds	91, Washington (9/1)	337, Washington State (9/12/15)

**2017 (Redshirt Senior):** Returned to the field for the season opener against No. 8 Washington (9/1) and totaled 91 all-purpose yards, including a three-yard touchdown catch on the first drive ... named to the watch lists for the Hornung (7/17) and Maxwell (7/10) awards ... earned a spot on the *Athlon Sports* Preseason All-America Team as a kick returner (6/20).

**2016 (Senior):** Started first four games at wide receiver before suffering a season-ending injury ... averaged 163.75 all-purpose yards per game ... totaled 20 receptions and 16 rushing attempts ... responsible for six touchdowns (three rushing, one kickoff return, one punt return, one passing) ... one of three players in the Big Ten with a kickoff return touchdown on the season ... also added a punt return score for eighth career combined kick return, tied for most in NCAA history ... had five receptions for 98 yards against Iowa (9/24), including a 76-yard dash, before departing due to injury ... totaled 112 punt return yards with a 69-yard touchdown versus New Mexico (9/17), adding four receptions and four rushes to finish with 154 all-purpose yards ... named Big Ten Special Teams Player of the Week (9/12) for fourth career conference weekly honor ... totaled three touchdowns and 248

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all-purpose yards in win over Howard (9/10), including an 84-yard kickoff return for a score and two runs to the end zone ... collected 105 rushing yards versus the Bison on six attempts ... started the season opener at No. 14 Washington (9/3) and totaled 160 all-purpose yards, including a 10-yard rushing touchdown off a direct snap ... had a game-high nine receptions against the Huskies ... selected to the preseason watch list for the Hornung Award (7/15) ... named Preseason First Team All-Big Ten by ESPN.com (8/22), Athlon Sports (6/15) and Phil Steele.

### Career Notes

- Earned conference special teams player of the week four times in career.
- Has eight career special teams touchdowns (five on kickoffs, three on punts) to tie NCAA career combined kick return touchdown record.
- Five career kickoff return touchdowns are tied for the Big Ten record.
- First in school history with 2,675 kickoff return yards on 107 returns.
- Ranks fifth in school history with 482 punt return yards.
- Owns seven career kick returns of at least 70 yards, including a 100-yard run for a touchdown on first collegiate touch as a freshman.
- Scored 20 total touchdowns in seven games as a high school senior ... set Pasco County record with 77 career touchdowns ... lined up at quarterback, running back, wide receiver, punt/kickoff return and defensive back in high school.

### 3 • JAWUAN HARRIS

WR

R-So. • Pembroke Pines, Fla. • 5-9 • 190

Category	Season-High	Career-High
Receptions	-	8, Indiana (11/5/16)
Rec. Yards	-	118, Indiana (11/5/16)
Long	-	75, New Mexico (9/17/16)
Rec. TDs	-	1, three times
LG Punt Ret	-	15, Illinois (10/15/16)

**2016 (Redshirt Freshman):** Played in all 12 games with eight starts at wide receiver ... named to the All-Freshman Team by Big Ten Network and ESPN.com ... first on the team with 39 receptions for 481 yards, as both totals led Big Ten freshmen ... led the offense in receiving yards in six games ... added three receiving touchdowns ... tied for second on the team with five tackles on special teams and also forced a fumble ... had 15 punt returns with a long of 15 yards ... collected six catches for 62 yards in season finale at Maryland (11/26) ... picked up a 19-yard reception and a 10-yard punt return against No. 9 Penn State (11/19) ... had 27 yards on three catches at Michigan State (11/12) ... notched first career 100-yard game with 118 receiving yards on eight receptions versus Indiana (11/5) ... also forced a fumble on kickoff coverage against the Hoosiers ... collected five catches for 47 yards and a touchdown at Minnesota (10/22) ... had three receptions against Illinois (10/15) and a 15-yard punt return ... picked up six yards on a catch versus No. 4 Michigan (10/8) ... registered three receptions for 33 yards at No. 2 Ohio State (10/1) ... had three catches for 21 yards versus Iowa (9/24) ... totaled a game-high 94 receiving yards in first career start against New Mexico (9/17), recording a 75-yard touchdown reception to start comeback ... had first two career receptions in home opener versus Howard (9/10), including a 29-yard touchdown catch, with a team-high 46 receiving yards ... made collegiate debut at No. 14 Washington (9/3) with action at wide receiver and on special teams.

### Career Notes

- Two-sport athlete who plays outfield for the baseball team ... Led the team and ranked tied for 13th in the Big Ten following the regular season with eight home runs in 2017, including three in one game at USC Upstate ... owns 60 career stolen bases in two seasons, sixth-most in program history.
- Played two seasons of varsity football for St. Thomas Aquinas, a South Florida powerhouse, and led the team in receiving yards, catches and receiving touchdowns both years ... played wide receiver (flanker and slot) and returned punts and kickoffs.

### 82 • HUNTER HAYEK

WR

Fr. • Wayne, N.J. • 5-9 • 170

Category	Season-High	Career-High
Receptions	-	-
Rec. Yards	-	-
Long	-	-
Rec. TDs	-	-

**2017 (Freshman):** Made collegiate debut in the season opener against No. 8 Washington (9/1).

**Prior to Rutgers:** Coached by Wayne Demikoff at Wayne Hills ... two-way player for the Patriots, competing in the slot and at cornerback as a senior ... helped Wayne Hills to an 11-1 record and a NJSIAA North Jersey 1, Group 4 title ... finished 2016 with 1,233 all-purpose yards and 15 touchdowns, including 896 yards receiving and 14 touchdown receptions ... also contributed 39 tackles, nine passes defended, five interceptions, four fumble recoveries and two sacks as a defensive back ... Second Team All-Group 4 on defense and Third Team All-State by the *Star-Ledger* ... First Team All- Passaic County and All-Freedom White Division by *NorthJersey.com* ... helped Wayne Hills advance to the North Jersey 1, Group 4 final as a junior ... contributed 213 yards receiving and three touchdowns on offense and added 23 tackles and three interceptions during junior campaign ... also a standout track athlete who secured Group 3, North 1 section titles in the 100m, 200m and 4x100m relay for Wayne Hills ... twin brother of Rutgers teammate Tyler Hayek ... also high school teammates with teammate Brendan DeVera.

### 18 • BO MELTON

WR

Fr. • Mays Landing, N.J. • 5-11 • 185

Category	Season-High	Career-High
Receptions	-	-
Rec. Yards	-	-
Long	-	-
Rec. TDs	-	-

**2017 (Freshman):** Made start at wide receiver in collegiate debut against No. 8 Washington (9/1) ... only the sixth true freshman to start the season opener on offense or defense since 2002.

**Prior to Rutgers:** Coached by Tim Watson at Cedar Creek ... led the Pirates to a 10-2 record and an appearance in the NJSIAA South Jersey, Group 2 final as a senior ... despite an injury sustained early in his final season, finished with 51 receptions for 766 yards and nine touchdowns ... also added 451 rushing yards and seven scores on the ground ... First Team All-State and All-Group 2 by the *Star-Ledger* ... Athlete of the Fall and First Team Football All-Star by the *Press of Atlantic City* ... First Team All-South Jersey by *Philly.com* ... All-South Jersey Offense by the *Courier-Post* ... accumulated 13 rushing touchdowns with 742 yards on the ground and added 31 catches for 676 yards and 11 touchdowns as a junior ... helped Cedar Creek capture 2015 NJSIAA South Jersey, Group 2 Championship as a junior ... First Team All-State and All-Group 2 as a junior by the *Star-Ledger* ... also the *Star-Ledger's* Cape-Atlantic League Football Player of the Year in 2015 ... Offensive Player of the Year by the *Courier-Post* ... a consensus four-star recruit and top wide receiver in New Jersey ... seventh-best player in New Jersey and a top-50 pass catcher nationally by *Rivals* ... top receiver in the Garden State and 54th-best wideout nationally by *Scout* ... pegged the top wide receiver in New Jersey by *ESPN* ... 34th-best pass catcher in the country by *247Sports* ... also played basketball and competes in track and field at Cedar Creek ... captured the Cape-Atlantic League 200m, 400m and long jump titles in 2016 ... father, Gary, played wide receiver and running back at Rutgers from 1987-91 ... mother, Vicky, competed on the Rutgers women's basketball team from 1989-93 ... high school teammate of fellow 2017 freshman Owen Bowles.

### 5 • DAMON MITCHELL

WR

5th-Sr. • Egg Harbor City, N.J. • 6-2 • 213

Category	Season-High	Career-High
Receptions	4, Washington (9/1)	Same
Rec. Yards	46, Washington (9/1)	66, vs. UT Martin (10/31/15)
Long	21, Washington (9/1)	49, vs. UT Martin (10/31/15)
Rec. TDs	-	1, vs. UT Martin (10/31/15)
Rush Att	-	4, vs. Alcorn State (10/1/16)
Rush Yds	-	36, vs. Nicholls State (9/6/14)

**2017 (Redshirt Senior):** Hauled in four receptions for 46 yards in Rutgers debut against No. 8 Washington (9/1) ... graduated from Arkansas last December as an English/journalism major ... enrolled at Rutgers in January and participated in spring practice.

**2016 (Redshirt Junior at Arkansas):** Appeared in 11 games as a reserve running back ... totaled seven carries for 18 yards ... had six tackles on special teams ... produced a four-yard rush against Auburn (10/22) ... had four carries for 12 yards, including a seven-yard scamper, against Alcorn State (10/1) ... carried the ball twice against Texas State (9/17).

### Career Notes

- Played in 28 career games at Arkansas with one start.

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- Joins brother, Ahmir, on the team.
- Threw for 2,025 yards and 22 touchdowns and ran for 1,027 yards and 21 touchdowns during senior campaign as a quarterback.

### 10 • EVERETT WORMLEY

WR

Fr. • Burlington, N.J. • 6-0 • 198

Category	Season-High	Career-High
Receptions	1, Washington (9/1)	Same
Rec. Yards	5, Washington (9/1)	Same
Long	5, Washington (9/1)	Same
Rec. TDs	-	-

**2017 (Freshman):** Made collegiate debut against No. 8 Washington (9/1) and had one reception for five yards.

**Prior to Rutgers:** Coached by Tom Maderia at Burlington Township ... two-way player for the Falcons ... helped Burlington Township to a 9-2 record and an appearance in the NJSIAA South Jersey, Group 3 playoffs ... finished 2016 with 28 receptions for 486 yards and four touchdowns along with 215 yards on the ground and a score ... also contributed 11 tackles and two interceptions on defense ... Second Team All-Group 3 by the *Star-Ledger* ... Second Team Preseason All-South Jersey by the *Courier-Post* ... hauled in 29 receptions for 573 yards and eight touchdowns along with 204 rushing yards as a junior ... three-star receiver by *Rivals* ... three-star recruit and 28th-overall player in New Jersey by *ESPN* ... top-30 talent in the Garden State and three-star prospect by *247Sports* ... also competed in track and field and helped Burlington Township finish third in the 4x100m relay at the NJSIAA Sectional Championship in 2016.

## OFFENSE - TIGHT ENDS

### 88 • JEROME WASHINGTON

TE

Jr. • Elizabeth, N.J. • 6-4 • 258

Category	Season-High	Career-High
Receptions	6, Washington (9/1)	Same
Rec. Yards	36, Washington (9/1)	Same
Long	11, Washington (9/1)	13, at FAU (9/11/15)
Rec. TDs	-	-

**2017 (Redshirt Junior):** Led the team with six receptions in Rutgers debut against No. 8 Washington (9/1).

**2016 (Junior):** Transferred to Rutgers in the summer with two seasons of eligibility remaining ... sat out season due to NCAA transfer regulations.

**2015 (Sophomore at Miami):** Saw action in nine games, mostly on special teams ... saw action against Nebraska (9/19) ... recorded first career reception with a 13-yard catch in action at FAU (9/11) ... made career debut versus Bethune-Cookman (9/5).

#### Career Notes

- Started collegiate career in 2014 with the Gattica Football Club while being enrolled at Mercer Community College ... recorded 24 receptions for 510 yards and eight touchdowns.
- Competed at Gunnery Prep School in Washington, Conn., in 2013.

## OFFENSE - OFFENSIVE LINE

### 71 • MARCUS APPLEFIELD

OL

R-Jr. • Weeki Wachee, Fla. • 6-5 • 308

**2017 (Redshirt Junior):** Started the season opener at right guard against No. 8 Washington (9/1).

**2016 (Redshirt Sophomore):** Played in eight games on the offensive line ... named to the Academic All-Big Ten list (12/7) ... saw time at right tackle against Illinois (10/15) and at left tackle versus No. 4 Michigan (10/8) ... appeared in the win over Howard (9/10), as the offense rushed for 375 yards and allowed just one sack ... saw extensive action off the bench at right guard in season opener at No. 14 Washington (9/3).

#### Career Notes

- A two-time Academic All-Big Ten selection.

- Enrolled for the spring semester in 2014 and redshirted the season.
- First player from his high school to receive a Division I football scholarship offer ... started every game and served as captain all four high school seasons.

### 65 • TARIQ COLE

OL

R-Jr. • Long Beach, N.Y. • 6-6 • 320

**2017 (Redshirt Junior):** Started the season opener at left tackle against No. 8 Washington (9/1).

**2016 (Redshirt Sophomore):** Started 11 games at left tackle ... named honorable mention All-Big Ten in the coaches' votes (11/30) ... recovered a loose ball against No. 9 Penn State (11/19) ... part of the line that allowed no sacks and sprung an 80-yard rushing touchdown versus New Mexico (9/17) ... helped offense rush for 375 yards in win over Howard (9/10) ... made first career start at left tackle in season opener at No. 14 Washington (9/3).

#### Career Notes

- Earned a 96.9 pass blocking efficiency rating from *Pro Football Focus* in 2016, the highest mark among returning Big Ten offensive tackles.
- Redshirted in 2014.
- A four-year starter at left tackle in high school.
- Also played high school basketball and competed in the shot put and 55-meter dash with the track and field team.

### 73 • JONAH JACKSON

OL

R-So. • Media, Pa. • 6-4 • 299

**2017 (Redshirt Sophomore):** Made first career start at center against No. 8 Washington (9/1).

**2016 (Redshirt Freshman):** Played in all 12 games ... a member of the protection unit on field goals ... also saw time at right guard ... made collegiate debut at No. 14 Washington (9/3) as a blocker on the field goal unit.

#### Career Notes

- Redshirted in 2015.
- Played mostly left tackle and defensive tackle in high school.
- Named First Team All-Delaware County and All-Central Athletic League as a senior.

### 60 • DORIAN MILLER

OL

5th-Sr. • Metuchen, N.J. • 6-2 • 300

**2017 (Redshirt Senior):** Started the season opener at left guard against No. 8 Washington (9/1) ... voted a team captain.

**2016 (Redshirt Junior):** Started all 12 games at left guard ... part of the line that allowed no sacks and sprung an 80-yard rushing touchdown versus New Mexico (9/17) ... helped offense rush for 375 yards in win over Howard (9/10) ... started the season opener at left guard at No. 14 Washington (9/3).

#### Career Notes

- Redshirted in 2013.
- Helped the Metuchen rush for 3,941 yards and 48 touchdowns combined during his junior and senior seasons, as 90 percent of rushing players were run behind Miller.
- Brother, Dejuan, played 38 games as a wide receiver at Oklahoma and made 75 career receptions for the Sooners.

### 54 • KAMAAL SEYMOUR

OL

R-So. • Brooklyn, N.Y. • 6-6 • 312

**2017 (Redshirt Sophomore):** Started the season opener at right tackle against No. 8 Washington (9/1).

**2016 (Redshirt Freshman):** Played in 10 games with five starts at right tackle ... made first career start at right tackle at Minnesota (10/22) ... made collegiate debut at right tackle in the win over Howard (9/10) ... moved to the offensive line during summer camp.



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### Career Notes

- Redshirted in 2015 as a defensive lineman.
- Recorded 10 sacks and 61 tackles as a high school senior.
- Ranked No. 2 defensive tackle prospect in the state and No. 5 overall from New York.
- Moved from Jamaica at age five.

## DEFENSE - DEFENSIVE LINE

### 95 • JON BATEKY

DL

Jr. • Boyds, Md. • 6-3 • 300

Category	Season-High	Career-High
Tackles	4, Washington (9/1)	4, Indiana (11/5/16); Washington (9/1/17)
TFLs	-	2.5, Indiana (11/5/16)
Sacks	-	0.5, at Maryland (11/26/16)
Interceptions	-	-
PBUs	-	1, at Michigan (11/7/15); at Michigan State (11/12/16)

**2017 (Junior):** Totaled four tackles in first career start against No. 8 Washington (9/1).

**2016 (Sophomore):** Played in all 12 games on the defensive line ... made 14 tackles with four for a loss ... added a pass break-up ... assisted on a sack at Maryland (11/26) ... made two solo tackles against No. 9 Penn State (11/19) ... batted down a pass at Michigan State (11/12) ... notched a team season-high 2.5 tackles-for-loss on four stops versus Indiana (11/5) ... had two stops against No. 4 Michigan (10/8) ... recorded a tackle-for-loss at No. 2 Ohio State (10/1) ... assisted on a stop versus New Mexico (9/17) ... made two tackles in the win over Howard (9/10) ... saw action in season opener at No. 14 Washington (9/3).

### Career Notes

- Played on both the defensive and offensive lines in high school.
- Totaled 61 tackles, 17 for loss, 11.5 sacks, seven pass break-ups, four forced fumbles and a field goal block as a senior.

### 59 • DARNELL DAVIS

DL

5th-Sr. • Union, N.J. • 6-2 • 247

Category	Season-High	Career-High
Tackles	1, Washington (9/1)	6, three times
TFLs	1.0, Washington (9/1)	2.0, at Michigan (11/7/15)
Sacks	1.0, Washington (9/1)	1.0, Illinois (10/15/16); Washington (9/1/17)
Interceptions	-	-
PBUs	-	-

**2017 (Redshirt Senior):** Forced a fumble on a sack in the season opener against No. 8 Washington (9/1) ... voted a team captain.

**2016 (Redshirt Junior):** Played in all 12 games with eight starts at defensive end ... named to the Academic All-Big Ten list (12/7) ... made 41 tackles with eight for a loss and two sacks ... the eight tackles-for-loss ranked second on the team ... also forced two fumbles and recovered two others, including one for a touchdown ... in on three tackles with an assisted sack at Maryland (11/26) ... assisted on a sack versus No. 9 Penn State (11/19) ... made four tackles with an assist on one for a loss at Michigan State (11/12) ... recovered a fumble and ran 75 yards for a touchdown against Indiana (11/5), forcing another fumble and having six tackles with 1.5 for loss ... in on three stops with one for a loss at Minnesota (10/22) ... led the defensive line with six tackles with first career sack against Illinois (10/15) ... recovered a fumble and made three stops versus No. 4 Michigan (10/8) ... made first career start at No. 2 Ohio State (10/1) and recorded six tackles with one for a loss ... assisted on a stop against Iowa (9/24) ... totaled five tackles and forced a fumble versus New Mexico (9/17) ... made two tackles with one for a two-yard loss in the win over Howard (9/10) ... saw action in season opener at No. 14 Washington (9/3).

### Career Notes

- A two-time Academic All-Big Ten selection.
- Led the team with 11 tackles on special teams in 2015.
- Joined the program as a walk-on ... redshirted in 2013.
- A three-year member of the varsity football squad ... also played baseball and basketball as a member of the varsity teams for three years.

### 51 • SEBASTIAN JOSEPH

DL

5th-Sr. • Stroudsburg, Pa. • 6-4 • 305

Category	Season-High	Career-High
Tackles	4, Washington (9/1)	6, at Army (11/21/15)
TFLs	-	1.0, six times
Sacks	-	0.5, four times
Interceptions	-	-
PBUs	-	1, Iowa (9/24/16)
Blocks	-	1, Indiana (11/5/16)

**2017 (Redshirt Senior):** Started the season opener against No. 8 Washington (9/1) and totaled four tackles and a quarterback hurry ... nominated for the AFCA Good Works Team (7/10).

**2016 (Redshirt Junior):** Played in all 12 games with 11 starts at nose tackle ... named to the Academic All-Big Ten list (12/7) ... made 30 tackles on the season with 3.5 for loss, one sack, a forced fumble and a blocked field goal ... assisted on a tackle at Maryland (11/26) ... picked up four tackles and three quarterback hurries against No. 9 Penn State (11/19) ... assisted on a tackle-for-loss at Michigan State (11/12) ... blocked a field goal and had three tackles with one for a loss versus Indiana (11/5) ... picked up four tackles at Minnesota (10/22) ... assisted on a sack against Illinois (10/15) ... forced a fumble and had a tackle-for-loss versus No. 4 Michigan (10/8) ... collected three tackles and deflected a pass against Iowa (9/24) ... in on five stops versus New Mexico (9/17) with one sack for a four-yard loss ... made two tackles in the win over Howard (9/10) ... started the season opener at No. 14 Washington (9/3) and recorded a solo tackle.

### Career Notes

- A two-time Academic All-Big Ten selection.
- Granted a medical redshirt in 2013 after playing in one game.
- Totaled 40 tackles – 17 for loss – and two forced fumbles as a high school senior ... helped lead the Mountaineers to back-to-back Mountain Valley Conference champions with a 10-2 record in his final season.

### 7 • ELORM LUMOR

DL

R-Fr. • Piscataway, N.J. • 6-3 • 245

Category	Season-High	Career-High
Tackles	2, Washington (9/1)	Same
TFLs	-	-
Sacks	-	-
Interceptions	-	-
PBUs	-	-
Blocks	-	-

**2017 (Redshirt Freshman):** Started collegiate debut at defensive end against No. 8 Washington (9/1) and totaled two tackles.

### Career Notes

- Redshirted in 2016 after playing at Milford Academy in 2015.
- Contributed 19 tackles-for-loss, 9.5 sacks, seven quarterback hurries and a forced fumble during senior season at Piscataway.

### 96 • WILLINGTON PREVILON

DL

R-Fr. • Piscataway, N.J. • 6-3 • 245

Category	Season-High	Career-High
Tackles	-	-
TFLs	-	-
Sacks	-	-
Interceptions	-	-
PBUs	2, Washington (9/1)	Same
Blocks	-	-

**2017 (Redshirt Freshman):** Made collegiate debut in the season opener against No. 8 Washington (9/1) and deflected two passes with one hurry.

### Career Notes

- Redshirted in 2016.
- Recorded nine sacks, 61 tackles and forced two fumbles during senior campaign in high school ... named First Team All-Group III by the *Star-Ledger*.

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### 58 • KEMOKO TURAY

DL

5th-Sr. • Newark, N.J. • 6-5 • 252

Category	Season-High	Career-High
Tackles	5, Washington (9/1)	Same
TFLs	0.5, Washington (9/1)	2.0, at Washington State (8/28/14)
Sacks	-	2.0, at Washington State (8/28/14)
Interceptions	-	-
PBU's	-	1, three times
Blocks	-	1, three times

**2017 (Redshirt Senior):** Picked up five tackles with an assist on one for a loss and two quarterback hurries in the season opener against No. 8 Washington (9/1).

**2016 (Redshirt Junior):** Played in eight games on the defensive line ... picked up three tackles with two sacks ... had a sack for an eight-yard loss in season finale at Maryland (11/26) ... dropped the quarterback for a nine-yard loss against Indiana (11/5) ... made season debut versus Iowa (9/24).

#### Career Notes

- Named a FWAA Freshman All-American and honorable mention All-Big Ten by the media in 2014 after picking up 7.5 sacks and three blocked kicks.
- Redshirted in 2013.
- Led New Jersey with 19 sacks as a senior in 2012 after not playing football as a sophomore or junior.

### 99 • KEVIN WILKINS

DL

R-Jr. • Mahwah, N.J. • 6-2 • 306

Category	Season-High	Career-High
Tackles	3, Washington (9/1)	4, at Army (11/21/15)
TFLs	-	1.0, four times
Sacks	-	1.0, New Mexico (9/17/16)
Interceptions	-	1, Nebraska (11/14/15)
PBU's	1, Washington (9/1)	1, Indiana (11/5/16); Washington (9/1/17)
Blocks	-	1, at Army (11/21/15)

**2017 (Redshirt Junior):** Started the season opener against No. 8 Washington (9/1) at defensive end and totaled three tackles, one pass break-up and one hurry.

**2016 (Redshirt Sophomore):** Played in all 12 games with one start at nose tackle ... picked up 15 tackles on the season with 1.5 sacks and a pass break-up ... knocked down a pass and assisted on a tackle-for-loss versus Indiana (11/5) ... assisted on a stop at Minnesota (10/22) ... tackled the runner once against Illinois (10/15) ... made first career start at No. 2 Ohio State (10/1) and made two solo tackles ... assisted on two stops against Iowa (9/24) ... had first career solo sack versus New Mexico (9/17) ... made three stops with a half sack in the win over Howard (9/10) ... saw action in season opener at No. 14 Washington (9/3).

#### Career Notes

- Redshirted in 2014.
- Won four high school state football championships ... played first two seasons at Don Bosco Prep before transferring to St. Joseph's Regional (Montvale) for junior year.
- Totalled 47 tackles as a senior to earn *Bergen Record* First Team All-North Jersey on defense.
- Former Scarlet Knights Jason McCourty, Devin McCourty, Patrick Kivlehan, Steve Beauharnais and Ron Girault also went to St. Joseph's Regional (Montvale).

## DEFENSE - LINEBACKERS

### 21 • ROSS DOUGLAS

LB

5th-Sr. • Avon, Ohio • 5-10 • 205

Category	Season-High	Career-High
Tackles	-	2, at Washington (9/3/16); Michigan (10/8/16)
TFLs	-	0.5, at Washington (9/3/16)
Sacks	-	0.5, at Washington (9/3/16)
Interceptions	-	-
PBU's	-	-

**2017 (Redshirt Senior):** Started the season opener against No. 8 Washington (9/1) at linebacker ... transitioned to outside linebacker in the spring.

**2016 (Redshirt Junior):** Played in 10 games with one start at free safety ... contributed on special teams ... had five tackles on the season ... recorded a tackle on kickoff coverage versus Illinois (10/15) ... made first career start against No. 4 Michigan (10/8) with two tackles at free safety ... saw action in the win over Howard (9/10) ... made Rutgers debut at No. 14 Washington (9/3) with two tackles, assisting on a sack.

#### Career Notes

- Transferred to Rutgers in the summer of 2016 ... earned degree from Michigan as a general studies major with a concentration in history.
- Played in 18 games at Michigan as a running back ... redshirted in 2013 as a defensive back.
- Pegged a four-star recruit, the No. 22 overall cornerback prospect nationally and the 14th-best player in Ohio by Rivals
- Recorded three interceptions and rushed for 1,363 yards and 24 touchdowns as a high school senior.

### 15 • TREVOR MORRIS

LB

Jr. • King of Prussia, Pa. • 6-1 • 232

Category	Season-High	Career-High
Tackles	3, Washington (9/1)	15, at Minnesota (10/22/16)
TFLs	-	2.0, Indiana (11/5/16)
Sacks	-	1.0, Iowa (9/24/16)
Interceptions	-	-
PBU's	-	1, at Ohio State (10/1/16)

**2017 (Junior):** Started the season opener against No. 8 Washington (9/1) at linebacker and picked up three tackles.

**2016 (Sophomore):** Played in all 12 games with 11 starts at weak-side linebacker ... named to the Academic All-Big Ten list (12/7) ... led the team with 102 tackles, including 54 solo stops ... ranked seventh in the Big Ten and 55th nationally with 8.5 tackles per game ... registered 89 tackles in league games to sit fourth in the conference with 9.9 per contest ... reached double-digit tackles in five games ... added 3.5 stops for a loss with one pass break-up ... notched tackles at Maryland (11/26) ... collected 10 stops against No. 9 Penn State (11/19) ... totaled 11 tackles at Michigan State (11/12) ... picked up 10 stops with two for a loss versus Indiana (11/5) ... made a game-high 15 tackles at Minnesota (10/22) ... credited with seven tackles against Illinois (10/15) ... had a game-high 11 stops versus No. 4 Michigan (10/8) with an assist on a tackle-for-loss ... registered nine tackles and a pass break-up at No. 2 Ohio State (10/1) ... logged eight stops with first career sack against Iowa (9/24) ... in on three tackles versus New Mexico (9/17) ... assisted on four stops and notched a quarterback hurry in win over Howard (9/10) ... made first career start in the season opener at No. 14 Washington (9/3) and recorded six tackles.

#### Career Notes

- Two-way player in high school, playing linebacker, safety and wide receiver.
- Ran track in high school, competing in the 100 and 200 meter dashes.

### 6 • DEONTE ROBERTS

LB

Jr. • Brooklyn, N.Y. • 6-1 • 235

Category	Season-High	Career-High
Tackles	8, Washington (9/1)	17, at Michigan State (11/12/16)
TFLs	-	1.0, Howard (9/10/16); New Mexico (9/17/16)
Sacks	-	-
Interceptions	-	1, Indiana (11/5/16)
PBU's	-	1, Howard (9/10/16); at Ohio State (10/1/16)

**2017 (Junior):** Started the season opener against No. 8 Washington (9/1) at middle linebacker and led the team with eight tackles ... voted a team captain.

**2016 (Sophomore):** Started all 12 games at middle linebacker ... finished second on the team with 95 tackles on the season ... ranked seventh in the Big Ten with nine tackles per conference game ... made three stops for a loss overall ... had 60 assisted tackles, tied for ninth-most in a season in school history ... added one interception, two pass break-ups and a forced fumble ... totaled nine tackles in season finale at Maryland (11/26) ... picked up eight stops against No. 9 Penn

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State (11/19) ... collected a game-high 17 tackles at Michigan State (11/12) with a forced fumble ... notched first career interception versus Indiana (11/5) and had eight stops ... led the team with nine tackles against Illinois (10/15) ... racked up 10 stops with an assist on a tackle-for-loss versus No. 4 Michigan (10/8) ... logged 10 tackles and broke up a pass at Ohio State (10/1) ... had nine stops against Iowa (9/24) ... made five tackles with one for a loss versus New Mexico (9/17) ... tied the team lead with six stops in win over Howard (9/10), having one tackle-for-loss and a pass break-up ... started the season opener at No. 14 Washington (9/3) and made three tackles.

### Career Notes

- Enrolled in January 2015 and participated in spring practice.
- Named All-Brooklyn Defensive MVP by the *Brooklyn Eagle* as a senior in 2014 after totaling 77 tackles, 15 for loss, three sacks, five forced fumbles and three pass break-ups as a senior.

## DEFENSE - SECONDARY

### 10 • BLESSUAN AUSTIN

DB

Jr. • Queens, N.Y. • 6-1 • 195

Category	Season-High	Career-High
Tackles	4, Washington (9/1)	10, Michigan State (10/10/15)
TFLs	-	1.0, three times
Sacks	-	1.0, Indiana (11/5/16)
Interceptions	-	1, at Wisconsin (10/31/15); Illinois (10/15/16)
PBUs	-	3, Michigan (10/8/16); Indiana (11/5/16)

**2017 (Junior):** Started the season opener against No. 8 Washington (9/1) at cornerback and collected four tackles.

**2016 (Sophomore):** Started 11 games at cornerback ... named honorable mention All-Big Ten by the media (11/29) ... ranked second in the Big Ten and 12th nationally with 1.4 passes defended per game ... totaled 14 pass break-ups, the most by a Scarlet Knight since 2012 ... registered 11 deflections against Big Ten competition ... made 41 tackles with one sack, an interception and a fumble recovery ... assisted on a stop at Maryland (11/26) ... deflected a pass and made a solo tackle against No. 9 Penn State (11/19) ... broke up three passes, recorded first career sack and made seven tackles versus Indiana (11/5) ... knocked away a pass and made three solo stops at Minnesota (10/22) ... intercepted a pass in the end zone against Illinois (10/15) and deflected another ... broke up three passes and made five tackles versus No. 4 Michigan (10/8) ... picked up five solo tackles and deflected a pass that led to an interception at No. 2 Ohio State (10/1) ... had three stops and knocked away a pass against Iowa (9/24) ... made six solo tackles, broke up a pass and returned a fumble 13 yards versus New Mexico (9/17) ... broke up two passes and made two tackles in win over Howard (9/10) ... started the season opener at No. 14 Washington (9/3) and was in on six tackles.

### Career Notes

- Became first Rutgers true freshman to start the season opener on offense or defense since Mohamed Sanu in 2009.
- Enrolled for spring practice in 2015.
- Played the 2014 season at Milford Academy and totaled 14 solo tackles, seven for loss, eight pass break-ups and three interceptions.
- Named First Team All-Queens as a senior in high school after posting 578 passing yards, 682 rushing yards and nine total touchdowns on offense ... also made 51 tackles on defense at Campus Magnet.

### 17 • K.J. GRAY

DB

So. • Newark, N.J. • 6-1 • 205

Category	Season-High	Career-High
Tackles	1, Washington (9/1)	6, Michigan (10/8/16)
TFLs	-	-
Sacks	-	-
Interceptions	-	1, New Mexico (9/17/16)
PBUs	-	-

**2017 (Sophomore):** Made one solo tackle in the season opener against Washington (9/1).

**2016 (Freshman):** Played in 10 games as a reserve safety and on special teams ... finished the season with 15 tackles, two fumble recoveries and an interception

... made a solo stop at Maryland (11/26) ... recovered a fumble on the opening kickoff against No. 9 Penn State (11/19) ... picked up three tackles at Michigan State (11/12) ... recovered a fumble versus Indiana (11/5) ... credited with a solo tackle against Illinois (10/15) ... collected six tackles versus No. 4 Michigan (10/8) ... picked up first career interception against New Mexico (9/17) ... made collegiate debut with one tackle in the home opener versus Howard (9/10).

### Career Notes

- Finished senior season of high school with 38 receptions for 820 yards and 11 touchdowns ... also produced 37 tackles, six pass deflections and an interception on defense.
- Labeled the third-best athlete in New Jersey and eighth-overall athlete in the Northeast by *Scout*.

### 9 • SAQUAN HAMPTON

DB

R-Jr. • Hamilton, N.J. • 6-1 • 207

Category	Season-High	Career-High
Tackles	4, Washington (9/1)	11, Penn State (11/19/16)
TFLs	-	1.0, four times
Sacks	-	-
Interceptions	-	1, Nebraska (11/14/15); Indiana (11/5/16)
PBUs	2, Washington (9/1)	Same

**2017 (Redshirt Junior):** Started the season opener against No. 8 Washington (9/1) at free safety and totaled four tackles and two pass break-ups.

**2016 (Redshirt Sophomore):** Started seven games at free safety ... totaled 46 tackles with three for a loss and an interception ... picked up eight stops in season finale at Maryland (11/26) ... made a game-high 11 tackles and knocked away a pass against No. 9 Penn State (11/19) ... credited with seven stops at Michigan State (11/12) ... intercepted a pass with a 30-yard return and collected six tackles with one for a loss versus Indiana (11/5) ... picked up eight tackles at Minnesota (10/22) ... returned to the field against Illinois (10/15) and made four tackles ... missed five games due to injury ... started the season opener at free safety at No. 14 Washington (9/3) and made two tackles with one for a loss.

### Career Notes

- Redshirted in 2014.
- Totaled 17 tackles, four interceptions, averaged more than 38 yards per kickoff return and averaged 13 yards per punt return as a senior in high school ... scored a touchdown off a punt return, kick return and interception ... additionally recorded 12 carries for 160 yards and a score and five receptions for 73 yards on offense.

### 22 • DAMON HAYES

DB

So. • Upper Marlboro, Md. • 6-1 • 198

Category	Season-High	Career-High
Tackles	3, Washington (9/1)	10, at Michigan State (11/12/16)
TFLs	-	1.0, Howard (9/10/16); at Michigan State (11/12/16)
Sacks	-	1.0, at Michigan State (11/12/16)
Interceptions	-	1, at Michigan State (11/12/16)
PBUs	-	2, Indiana (11/5/16)

**2017 (Sophomore):** Collected three tackles in the season opener against No. 8 Washington (9/1).

**2016 (Freshman):** Played in 11 games with one start at cornerback ... named honorable mention to the Big Ten Network All-Freshman Team ... made 25 tackles with two for a loss ... broke up three passes and had a 55-yard interception return for a touchdown ... in on two stops in season finale at Maryland (11/26) ... credited with a solo tackle against No. 9 Penn State (11/19) ... made first career start at Michigan State (11/12) and made 10 tackles with one for a loss ... broke up two passes and made three stops versus Indiana (11/5) ... snared first career interception at Minnesota (10/22) and returned it 55 yards for a touchdown ... also had two tackles versus the Golden Gophers ... broke up a pass and assisted on a tackle against Illinois (10/15) ... assisted on a stop versus No. 4 Michigan (10/8) ... registered one tackle in victory versus New Mexico (9/17) ... made collegiate debut in win over Howard (9/10), picking up four stops with one sack plus a quarterback hurry.

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## Career Notes

- Produced 40 tackles, eight passes defended, three interceptions, two tackles-for-loss and a sack as a high school senior to earn Honorable Mention All-Met by the *Washington Post* ... team won Maryland 4A State Championship with a 14-0 record.

## SPECIALISTS

### 96 • RYAN ANDERSON

P

5th-Sr. • DeWitt, Mich. • 6-1 • 203

Category	Season-High	Career-High
Punts	5, Washington (9/1)	Same
Yards	222, Washington (9/1)	Same
LG	60, Washington (9/1)	Same

**2017 (Redshirt Senior):** Had five punts in Rutgers debut against No. 8 Washington (9/1) with a long of 60 yards ... transferred to Rutgers in the summer and immediately eligible for the season.

**2016 (Senior at Olivet):** Appeared in 11 games as team's primary punter while also seeing time at receiver ... 2016 *D3football.com* All-America Second Team and All-North Region selection at punter ... American Football Coaches Association All-American ... All-Michigan Intercollegiate Athletic Association honoree ... voted 2016 COSIDA Academic All-American of the Year ... finished 2016 season with an NCAA Division III single-season record 46.2-yard punting average ... punted 47 times, with 18 punts going more than 50 yards ... longest punt was 65 yards ... also had 15 punts land inside the opponents 20-yard line and nine punts go for touchbacks ... contributed 11 receptions for 129 yards, including a season-high 30 yard reception ... helped Comets to a 9-2 record and an outright MIAA title.

## Career Notes

- Competed at Division III Olivet in 2015 and 2016 after starting career at Division II Saginaw Valley State ... set to participate at all three NCAA levels.
- Had a 69-yard punt in 2015.
- A two-time Division III All-America selection.
- Played baseball, basketball and football in high school and earned three varsity letters

### 94 • MICHAEL CINTRON

P

R-Jr. • Piscataway, N.J. • 6-3 • 222

Category	Season-High	Career-High
Punts	-	16, Michigan (10/8/16)
Yards	-	603, Michigan (10/8/16)
LG	-	61, Michigan (10/8/16); Penn State (11/19/16)

**2017 (Redshirt Junior):** Served as the holder in the season opener against No. 8 Washington (9/1).

**2016 (Redshirt Sophomore):** Started all 12 games at punter ... led the nation and set a school and Big Ten record with 95 punt attempts ... averaged 37.9 yards per punt with seven kicks over 50 yards and two of 61 yards ... pinned 20 inside the 20-yard line ... forced 27 fair catches ... launched a 57-yard punt on six attempts at Maryland (11/26) ... matched season-high with a 61-yard punt on 11 kicks against No. 9 Penn State (11/19) ... had a 50-yard attempt and knocked three inside the 20-yard line at Michigan State (11/12) ... recorded nine punts versus Indiana (11/5) ... had a 50-yard punt on five attempts at Minnesota (10/22) ... recorded a long of 45 yards on four tries versus Illinois (10/15) ... attempt 16 punts for 603 yards against No. 4 Michigan (10/8) with a season-long of 61 ... punted 10 times at No. 2 Ohio State (10/1) with a long of 47 yards ... knocked 3-of-6 tries inside the 20 with a 40.5 average against Iowa (9/24) ... had seven attempts versus New Mexico (9/17), pinning one down at the one-yard line ... booted two punts on four attempts inside the 20 versus Howard (9/10), having a long of 53 yards ... started the season opener at No. 14 Washington (9/3) and had eight punts with a long of 53 yards, also downing three inside the 20.

## Career Notes

- Joined the program as a walk-on ... redshirted in 2014.
- Played football, soccer, basketball and volleyball at St. Joseph's (Metuchen).

### 2 • KIY HESTER

DB

R-Jr. • Plainfield, N.J. • 6-0 • 208

Category	Season-High	Career-High
Tackles	3, Washington (9/1)	11, Iowa (9/24/16)
TFLs	-	2.0, at Washington (9/3/16)
Sacks	-	1.0, at Maryland (11/26/16)
Interceptions	-	1, Michigan State (10/10/15)
PBUs	2, Washington (9/1)	2, four times

**2017 (Redshirt Junior):** Started the season opener against No. 8 Washington (9/1) at strong safety and collected three tackles and two pass break-ups.

**2016 (Redshirt Sophomore):** Played in eight games with four starts at safety ... totaled 52 tackles with 6.5 for a loss ... added a sack and three pass break-ups ... picked up a sack at Maryland (11/26) ... had seven tackles at Michigan State (11/12) ... made six stops versus Indiana (11/5) ... had 10 tackles with one for a loss at No. 2 Ohio State (10/1) ... led the defense with 11 tackles and two pass break-ups against Iowa (9/24) ... made three solo tackles and four overall versus New Mexico (9/17) ... started at free safety in win over Howard (9/10) and made three stops with one for a loss ... had a team-high eight tackles in the season opener at No. 14 Washington (9/3), having two for a loss and a pass break-up.

## Career Notes

- Enrolled in September 2014 after transferring from Miami (Fla.) ... redshirted the 2014 season.
- Tallied 56 tackles, five interceptions, three tackles for loss, one sack and 18 passes defended as senior in high school ... also added five touchdowns and 379 receiving yards on offense.
- A four-star recruit by multiple services ... ranked the sixth-best player from New Jersey by *Rivals.com* and seventh by *ESPN.com*.

### 11 • ISAAH WHARTON

DB

R-Jr. • Kissimmee, Fla. • 6-1 • 205

Category	Season-High	Career-High
Tackles	5, Washington (9/1)	7, five times
TFLs	0.5, Washington (9/1)	1.0, seven times
Sacks	-	-
Interceptions	-	1, at Indiana (10/17/15); Howard (9/10/16)
PBUs	-	4, Maryland (11/28/15)
Blocks	-	1, Indiana (11/5/16)

**2017 (Redshirt Junior):** Started the season opener against No. 8 Washington (9/1) at cornerback and collected five tackles with an assist on one for a loss.

**2016 (Redshirt Sophomore):** Started all 12 games at cornerback ... made 46 tackles with five for a loss ... had one interception and second on the team with five pass break-ups ... added a blocked kick ... broke up a pass and made three tackles with one for a two-yard loss at Maryland (11/26) ... credited with five stops and a pass break-up versus No. 9 Penn State (11/19) ... picked up four tackles and quarterback hurry at Michigan State (11/12) ... blocked a field goal and made seven solo tackles with one for a loss against Indiana (11/5) ... credited with three stops at Minnesota (10/22) ... registered a tackle in the backfield against Illinois (10/15) ... had four tackles versus No. 4 Michigan (10/8) ... recorded five tackles and deflected two passes at No. 2 Ohio State (10/1) ... broke up a pass and made six solo stops, with one for a five-yard loss, versus New Mexico (9/17) ... tied the team lead with six tackles in the win over Howard (9/10), also bringing down an interception ... started the season opener at No. 14 Washington (9/3) and made one tackle.

## Career Notes

- Redshirted in 2014.
- Earned *Orlando Sentinel* Second Team Class 7A All-State after recording 19 tackles (18 solo) and three interceptions as a senior ... routinely covered the opponent's top receiver in a man-to-man scheme ... also totaled 892 rushing yards on offense with seven touchdowns.



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### 98 • DAVID BONAGURA

PK

5th-Sr. • Franklin Lakes, N.J. • 6-0 • 230

Category	Season-High	Career-High
Points	-	12, New Mexico (9/17/16)
PATs	-	7, Howard (9/10/16)
FGM	-	3, New Mexico (9/17/16)
FGA	-	3, New Mexico (9/17/16); Indiana (11/5/16)
FG LG	-	41, New Mexico (9/17/16)

**2016 (Redshirt Junior):** Starting place kicker for all 12 games ... named to the Academic All-Big Ten list (12/7) ... made 10-of-14 field goals with a long of 41 yards and 20-of-22 extra points during the season ... converted 9-of-10 field goal attempts inside 40 yards ... led team with 50 points scored ... handled kickoffs for the last nine games of the season, collecting four touchbacks ... hit from 32 and 20 yards versus Indiana (11/5) ... connected on a 39-yard field goal to give Rutgers the lead with 4:01 left in the fourth quarter at Minnesota (10/22) ... also had a tackle on kickoff coverage versus the Golden Gophers ... booted first career kickoff for a touchback against Iowa (9/24) ... nailed all three attempts versus New Mexico (9/17) with a long of 41 yards ... recorded seven successful extra-points in as many tries in home opener against Howard (9/10) ... made collegiate debut at No. 14 Washington (9/3) and converted two field goals and an extra point for 13 points, the most by a Rutgers kicker in their debut since 2004 ... made first career attempt from 38 yards away.

#### Career Notes

- Joined the program as a walk-on ... redshirted in 2013.
- Named all-county first team kicker, all-county second team punter, *MSG Varsity* All-Metro Second Team Specialist, *MSG Varsity* All-State Second Team specialist and Big North Conference All-Division First Team specialist as a senior in high school.
- Helped the Raiders to a 10-2 season, securing the 2012 North I, Group III New Jersey State Championship with a 48-yard field goal with 11 seconds remaining in the game ... the 48-yarder led all New Jersey high school kickers in 2012 ... led the state in kick points scored for the season (68), points per game (5.7), touchbacks (51) and 14 punts inside the 20-yard line as a senior.
- Member of the track and field team, tallying four varsity letters as a thrower.

### 97 • ANDREW HARTE

PK

5th-Sr. • Downers Grove, Ill. • 6-0 • 190

Category	Season-High	Career-High
Points	2, Washington (9/1)	Same
PATs	2, Washington (9/1)	Same
FGM	-	-
FGA	-	-
FG LG	-	-

**2017 (Redshirt Senior):** Made Rutgers debut against No. 8 Washington (9/1) and converted two extra points ... graduated from Minnesota in May ... transferred to Rutgers in the summer and immediately eligible for the season.

#### Career Notes

- Saw action in four career games at Minnesota with one point-after attempt and three on-side kick tries.
- Set the nation's second-longest high school streak ever of made PATs with 112 in a row ... made 13-of-18 field goals with a long of 54 yards as a senior.
- Also played soccer.

### 85 • ALAN LUCY

LS

Sr. • Dinwiddie, Va. • 6-0 • 218

**2016 (Junior):** Played in all 12 games as the primary long snapper ... snapped for 97 punts and 14 field goal attempts during the season ... also handled extra points ... made a tackle on punt coverage versus New Mexico (9/17) ... appeared in win over Howard (9/10) ... started as the long snapper in the season opener at No. 14 Washington (9/3).

#### Career Notes

- Handled all long snaps from 2014 through 2016.
- Rated No. 3 long snapping prospect out of high school by Chris Rubio.

### 47 • BILL TAYLOR

LS

Fr. • Parsippany, N.J. • 6-1 • 221

**2016 (Freshman):** Made collegiate debut as the starting long snapper against No. 8 Washington (9/1).

#### Career Notes

- Graded a five-star specialist, the top long snapper in New Jersey and the ninth-overall long snapper recruit nationally by Rubio Long Snapping.
- Finished senior season of high school with 62 tackles, 10 sacks and 10 tackles-for-loss ... named Third Team All-Group III by the *Star-Ledger*.



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**Rutgers Overall Team Statistics (as of Sep 04, 2017)**  
**All games**



<b>Team Statistics</b>	<b>RU</b>	<b>OPP</b>
SCORING	14	30
Points Per Game	14.0	30.0
Points Off Turnovers	0	7
FIRST DOWNS	19	17
Rushing	9	5
Passing	9	12
Penalty	1	0
RUSHING YARDAGE	131	84
Yards gained rushing	148	103
Yards lost rushing	17	19
Rushing Attempts	42	24
Average Per Rush	3.1	3.5
Average Per Game	131.0	84.0
TDs Rushing	0	0
PASSING YARDAGE	178	284
Comp-Att-Int	24-35-2	17-30-0
Average Per Pass	5.1	9.5
Average Per Catch	7.4	16.7
Average Per Game	178.0	284.0
TDs Passing	2	2
TOTAL OFFENSE	309	368
Total Plays	77	54
Average Per Play	4.0	6.8
Average Per Game	309.0	368.0
KICK RETURNS: #-Yards	5-82	2-33
PUNT RETURNS: #-Yards	1-2	2-80
INT RETURNS: #-Yards	0-0	2-17
KICK RETURN AVERAGE	16.4	16.5
PUNT RETURN AVERAGE	2.0	40.0
INT RETURN AVERAGE	0.0	8.5
FUMBLES-LOST	0-0	1-0
PENALTIES-Yards	4-25	6-56
Average Per Game	25.0	56.0
PUNTS-Yards	5-222	5-177
Average Per Punt	44.4	35.4
Net punt average	24.4	35.0
KICKOFFS-Yards	3-186	7-351
Average Per Kick	62.0	50.1
Net kick average	42.7	38.4
TIME OF POSSESSION/Game	38:09	21:51
3RD-DOWN Conversions	9/19	3/11
3rd-Down Pct	47%	27%
4TH-DOWN Conversions	1/2	0/0
4th-Down Pct	50%	0%
SACKS BY-Yards	1-9	1-12
MISC YARDS	0	0
TOUCHDOWNS SCORED	2	3
FIELD GOALS-ATTEMPTS	0-1	3-3
ON-SIDE KICKS	0-0	0-0
RED-ZONE SCORES	(1-1) 100%	(4-4) 100%
RED-ZONE TOUCHDOWNS	(1-1) 100%	(2-4) 50%
PAT-ATTEMPTS	(2-2) 100%	(3-3) 100%
ATTENDANCE	46093	0
Games/Avg Per Game	1/46093	0/0
Neutral Site Games		0/0

<b>Score by Quarters</b>	<b>1st</b>	<b>2nd</b>	<b>3rd</b>	<b>4th</b>	<b>OT</b>	<b>Total</b>
Rutgers	7	0	0	7	0	14
Opponents	3	7	10	10	0	30



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Rutgers Individual Season/Career Statistics (as of Sep 02, 2017)  
**All games**



**SEASON**

**CAREER**

Rushing	gp	att	gain	loss	net	avg	td	lg	avg/g	gp	att	gain	loss	net	avg	td	lg	avg/g
Edwards, Gus	1	24	83	4	79	3.3	0	13	79.0	1	24	83	4	79	3.3	0	13	79.0
Martin, Robert	1	13	56	1	55	4.2	0	12	55.0	35	362	1933	56	1877	5.2	15	80	53.6
Blackshear, Raheem	1	3	9	0	9	3.0	0	6	9.0	1	3	9	0	9	3.0	0	6	9.0
Grant, Janarion	1	1	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0	43	30	282	12	270	9.0	3	58	6.3
Bolin, Kyle	1	1	0	12	-12	-12.0	0	0	-12.0	1	1	0	12	-12	-12.0	0	0	-12.0
Total	1	42	148	17	131	3.1	0	13	131.0									
Opponents	1	24	103	19	84	3.5	0	17	84.0									
Passing	gp	effic	comp-att-int		pct	yds	td	lg	avg/g	gp	effic	comp-att-int		pct	yds	td	lg	avg/g
Bolin, Kyle	1	122.21	24-34-2		70.6	178	2	34	178.0	1	122.21	24-34-2		70.6	178	2	34	178.0
TEAM	1	0.00	0-1-0		0.0	0	0	0	0.0									
Total	1	118.72	24-35-2		68.6	178	2	34	178.0									
Opponents	1	158.19	17-30-0		56.7	284	2	51	284.0									
Receiving	gp	no.	yds	avg	td	lg	avg/g		gp	no.	yds	avg	td	lg	avg/g			
Washington, Jerome	1	6	36	6.0	0	11	36.0		1	6	36	6.0	0	11	36.0			
Mitchell, Damon	1	4	46	11.5	0	21	46.0		1	4	46	11.5	0	21	46.0			
Bailey, Dacoven	1	3	42	14.0	1	34	42.0		13	6	37	6.2	1	34	2.8			
Grant, Janarion	1	3	20	6.7	1	13	20.0		43	86	915	10.6	2	76	21.3			
Edwards, Gus	1	3	18	6.0	0	12	18.0		1	3	18	6.0	0	12	18.0			
Martin, Robert	1	3	6	2.0	0	7	6.0		35	15	85	5.7	0	21	2.4			
Griffin-Stewart, N.	1	1	5	5.0	0	5	5.0		2	1	5	5.0	0	5	2.5			
Wormley, Everett	1	1	5	5.0	0	5	5.0		1	1	5	5.0	0	5	5.0			
Total	1	24	178	7.4	2	34	178.0											
Opponents	1	17	284	16.7	2	51	284.0											
Total Offense	g	plays	rush	pass	total	avg/g		g	plays	rush	pass	total	avg/g					
Bolin, Kyle	1	35	-12	178	166	166.0		1	35	-12	178	166	166.0					
Edwards, Gus	1	24	79	0	79	79.0		1	24	79	0	79	79.0					
Martin, Robert	1	13	55	0	55	55.0		35	362	1877	0	1877	53.6					
Blackshear, Raheem	1	3	9	0	9	9.0		1	3	9	0	9	9.0					
Total	1	77	131	178	309	309.0												
Opponents	1	54	84	284	368	368.0												
Scoring	td	fg	PAT				td	fg	PAT				td	fg	PAT			
			kick	rush	rcv	pass	dxp	saf	pts			kick	rush	rcv	pass	dxp	saf	pts
Bailey, Dacoven	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6
Grant, Janarion	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6	13	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	78
Harte, Andrew	-	0-1	2-2	-	-	-	-	-	2	-	0-1	2-2	-	-	-	-	-	2
Total	2	0-1	2-2	-	-	-	-	-	14									
Opponents	3	3-3	3-3	-	-	-	-	-	30									
Punt Returns	no.	yds	avg	td	lg													
Grant, Janarion	1	2	2.0	0	2													
Total	1	2	2.0	0	2													
Opponents	2	80	40.0	1	61													
Kick Returns	no.	yds	avg	td	lg													
Grant, Janarion	4	69	17.2	0	27													
Hicks, Josh	1	13	13.0	0	13													
Total	5	82	16.4	0	27													
Opponents	2	33	16.5	0	19													
Interceptions	no.	yds	avg	td	lg													
Total	0	0	0.0	0	0													
Opponents	2	17	8.5	0	16													
Fumble Returns	no.	yds	avg	td	lg													
Total	0	0	0.0	0	0													
Opponents	0	0	0.0	0	0													

