

TOM ARTH

HEAD COACH



Tom Arth was introduced as the 23rd head coach of Mocs football on Dec. 20, 2016. Arth was the 2016 NCAA Division III National Coach of the Year from John Carroll University in Cleveland, Ohio.

Arth hit the ground running, putting together a top-notch staff that went out and secured one of the best recruiting classes in the Football Championship Subdivision in less than two months. He mixed a talented roster of returners with some outstanding newcomers in 2017.

He followed up his first season with the Mocs with the top recruiting class in the Southern Conference. He heads into his second season in 2018 with a solid core of experienced returners looking to make another run at the FCS postseason.

A former NFL quarterback, Arth (37) owned a 40-8 overall record in four seasons at his alma mater. His building of the John Carroll program was highlighted by road victories over two No. 1 ranked opponents in Mount Union and Wisconsin-Whitewater.

The 2016 Ohio Athletic Conference Coach of the Year guided the Blue Streaks to the NCAA Division III Playoffs for the third time in his four-year tenure. In the four seasons under Arth's leadership, John Carroll was among the nation's elite, finishing inside the top 25 every season including top 5 finishes in 2016 (No. 3) and 2014 (No. 5).

John Carroll won the league's automatic bid for the first time in school history in 2016, breaking Mount Union's run of 24 consecutive OAC titles. The Blue Streaks finished the season ranked No. 3 in the nation, tying a school record with a 12-2 overall tally and a 9-0 mark in league action. It was their first outright conference championship since 1989.

"This is an incredibly special moment for my family and I," stated Arth when he was hired in December of 2016. "Lauren and I are so grateful for the humbling opportunity to carry on the standard of excellence and success that has been established within the Mocs football program.

"UTC, first and foremost, is an outstanding school that places a high value on excellence as well as the experience of their students. It is a university that we will confidently recruit to, knowing that our student-athletes will receive an incredible education, while competing at

the highest level within our football program.

"I am confident that our team will make the Chattanooga community proud and that our players will be well equipped to achieve success following graduation."

After graduating from JCU in 2003, Arth spent three seasons as a backup quarterback to Peyton Manning with the Indianapolis Colts. He spent part of those years playing in NFL Europe and was on the preseason roster with the Green Bay Packers in 2006.

Arth returned to John Carroll in 2010, where he assisted for three seasons before taking the reins in 2013. His roles included director of football operations, co-offensive coordinator, assistant recruiting coordinator and quarterbacks coach.

In the four seasons prior to Arth becoming head coach, JCU was 19-21. His squads averaged 10 wins per season since. Arth earned NCAA Division III Regional Coach of the Year honors after a 9-2 record in his first season in



Coach Arth and his wife, Lauren, with Kate, Tommy, Elizabeth, Patrick and Caroline.



Coach Arth leads the Mocs on to the field prior to a 23-21 win at No. 8 Samford on Oct. 28, 2017.

2013. Those nine wins were the most by a first-year JCU head coach, and the Blue Streaks climbed into the top 25 in the national polls.

squad won eight of 10 games, marking the first time since 1996-98 JCU had three-straight eight-win seasons.

The 2014 team made it back to the DIII playoffs, giving John Carroll back-to-back appearances for the first time in school history. His charges matched a school record soaring to a No. 5 national ranking, while advancing to the quarterfinals with an 11-2 record. The 2015

Arth earned his degree from John Carroll in Physical Education in 2003. He and his wife, Lauren, have five children, Caroline, Tommy, Kate, Patrick and Elizabeth.

MORE ON TOM ARTH

Honors

- 2016 D3Football.com National Coach of the Year
- 2016 Ohio Athletic Conference Coach of the Year
- 2013 NCAA Division III Regional Coach of the Year
- 2013 Ohio Athletic Conference co-Coach of the Year

Personal

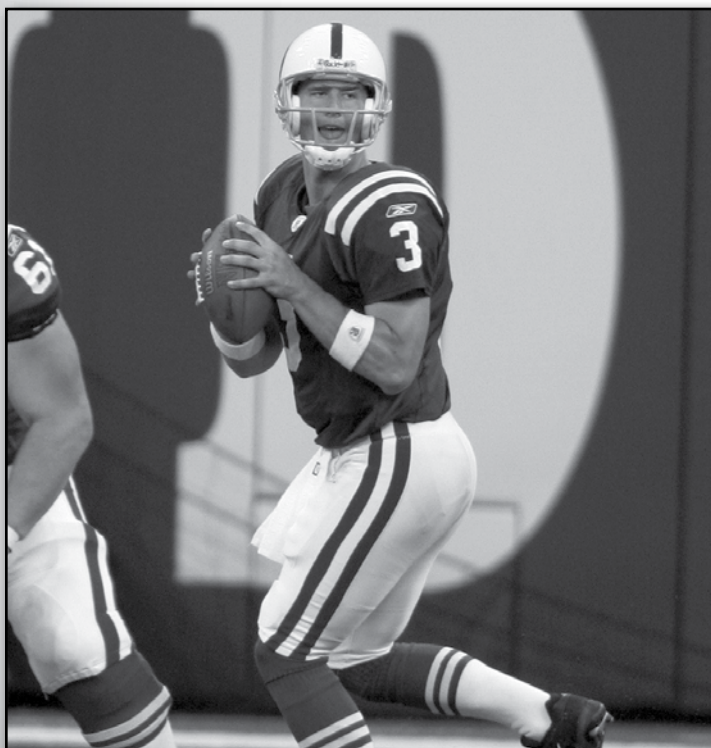
Full Name: Thomas Edward Arth
Born: May 11, 1981
Hometown: Westlake, Ohio
Age: 37
Wife: Lauren
Children: Caroline (11)
 Tommy (9)
 Kate (8)
 Patrick (6)
 Elizabeth (2)
Education: John Carroll University
 B.S. Physical Education (2003)

Assistant Coaching Experience

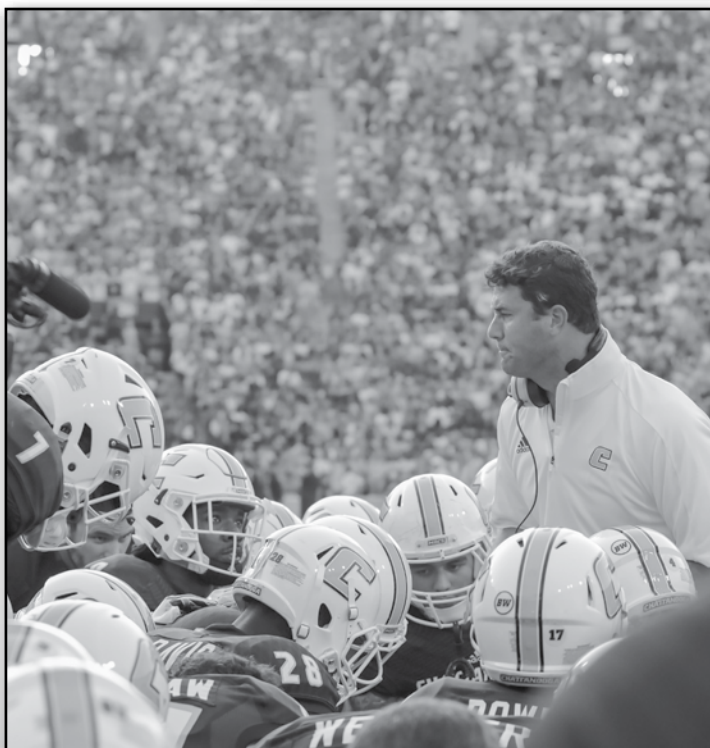
- 2010-12 – John Carroll University
 - Director of Football Operations
 - Co-offensive coordinator
 - Assistant recruiting coordinator
 - Quarterbacks coach

Professional Playing Career

- 2003-05 - Indianapolis Colts
 - 2004 - Scottish Claymores (NFL Europe)
 - 2005 - Hamburg Sea Devils (NFL Europe)
- 2006 - Green Bay Packers
- 2007 - Toronto Argonauts (CFL)
- 2007 - Grand Rapids Rampage (AFL)
- 2008 – Georgia Force (AFL)



Coach Arth during his playing days with the Indianapolis Colts (photo courtesy of the Indianapolis Colts).



Coach Arth and the Mocs prior to kickoff at LSU on Sept. 9, 2017.

TOM ARTH YEAR-BY-YEAR HEAD COACHING RECORD

| Year | Overall | Home | Away | Conf. | Place | Home | Away | Non. Conf. | Home | Away | Sept. | Oct. | Nov. | Post |
|---------------------|--------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------|-------------|-------------|------------|------------|------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|------------|
| 2013 ^{JCU} | 9-2 | 4-1 | 4-1 | 8-1 | 2nd | 4-0 | 4-1 | 1-1 | 0-1 | 0-0 | 3-0 | 4-0 | 2-2 | 0-1 |
| 2014 ^{JCU} | 11-2 | 7-0 | 4-2 | 8-1 | 2nd | 5-0 | 3-1 | 3-1 | 2-0 | 1-1 | 3-0 | 4-0 | 4-1 | 2-1 |
| 2015 ^{JCU} | 8-2 | 2-2 | 6-0 | 7-2 | T2nd | 2-2 | 5-0 | 1-0 | 0-0 | 1-0 | 3-0 | 4-1 | 1-1 | 0-0 |
| 2016 ^{JCU} | 12-2 | 7-0 | 5-2 | 9-0 | 1st | 5-0 | 4-0 | 3-2 | 2-0 | 1-2 | 2-1 | 5-0 | 4-0 | 3-1 |
| 2017 | 3-8 | 1-4 | 2-4 | 3-5 | --- | 1-3 | 2-2 | 0-3 | 0-1 | 0-2 | 1-3 | 1-3 | 1-1 | 0-0 |
| Totals | 43-16 | 21-7 | 22-9 | 35-9 | | 17-5 | 18-4 | 8-7 | 4-2 | 3-5 | 12-4 | 18-4 | 14-5 | 5-3 |

ARTH'S STATISTICS AS A HEAD COACH

| | 2013 | 2014 | 2015 | 2016 | 2017 |
|-----------------------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|
| Rushing Offense | 138.3 (7/160) | 176.6 (6/90) | 156.9 (7/123) | 178.1 (4/76) | 78.1 (8/115) |
| Passing Offense | 312.6 (1/14) | 305.5 (2/14) | 233.0 (3/83) | 209.4 (6/143) | 189.5 (5/77) |
| Pass Efficiency | 150.64 (3/25) | 171.76 (2/3) | 129.2 (5/98) | 131.6 (5/101) | 109.77 (8/97) |
| Total Offense | 450.9 (3/30) | 482.2 (3/18) | 389.9 (6/108) | 387.6 (6/119) | 276.6 (8/113) |
| Scoring Offense | 41.9 (3/14) | 48.2 (2/4) | 31.3 (5/73) | 32.9 (4/72) | 17.7 (8/100) |
| Turnover Margin | +7 (2/47) | +9 (2/41) | +1 (3/110) | +7 (6/95) | -1.09 (8/97) |
| Rushing Defense | 101.7 (2/16) | 96.8 (2/15) | 115.3 (2/35) | 78.3 (2/13) | 163.2 (5/73) |
| Passing Yards Allowed | 127.4 (1/5) | 154.3 (1/17) | 154.6 (2/9) | 139.7 (1/8) | 163.2 (1/12) |
| Pass Efficiency Def. Rating | 81.8 (1/3) | 91.19 (1/9) | 98.48 (2/19) | 91.6 (1/6) | 133.57 (8/97) |
| Total Defense | 229.1 (1/2) | 251.1 (1/7) | 269.9 (2/14) | 218.0 (1/3) | 326.4 (1/25) |
| Scoring Defense | 9.1 (1/2) | 13.4 (2/10) | 13.6 (2/12) | 12.6 (1/4) | 25.8 (5/60) |
| Net Punting | 30.8 (6/148) | 32.6 (1/90) | 33.6 (4/66) | 32.5 (7/120) | 36.28 (6/49) |
| Punt Returns | 11.5 (5/36) | 9.7 (5/66) | 11.3 (2/43) | 6.1 (5/174) | 10.06 (2/29) |
| Kickoff Returns | 22.2 (2/45) | 20.8 (4/64) | 25.6 (1/5) | 23.6 (1/15) | 19.15 (8/82) |
| Interceptions | 14 (3/56) | 17 (2/25) | 13 (3/66) | 15 (2/373) | 8 (7/81) |
| Fumbles Recovered | 13 (2/22) | 11 (4/44) | 3 (8/235) | 10 (2/49) | 5 (8/107) |
| 3rd Down Conversion | 44% (3/44) | 49% (1/10) | 43% (5/50) | 43% (5/60) | 31.3% (8/101) |
| Opponent 3rd Down Conv | 25% (1/3) | 24% (1/3) | 31% (2/28) | 25% (1/7) | 40.3% (6/93) |
| 4th Down Conversion | 64% (1/15) | 50% (6/80) | 13% (10/241) | 67% (1/8) | 50.0% (3/43) |
| Opponent 4th Down Conv | 30% (3/20) | 30% (1/14) | 29% (1/16) | 39% (2/80) | 36.4% (1/26) |
| Sacks | 35 (1/17) | 33 (4/607) | 59 (2/2) | 35 (3/26) | 11 (9/115) |
| Sacks Allowed | 7 (1/9) | 10 (1/12) | 5 (1/1) | 15 (2/50) | 34 (9/109) |
| Time of Possession | 32:07 (2/44) | 31:09 (3/65) | 29:24 (6/145) | 33:35 (1/14) | 30:13 (4/52) |
| Penalty Yards | 58.4 (6/144) | 72.3 (10/202) | 77.9 (10/218) | 54.4 (5/97) | 57.27 (8/51) |
| Red Zone Offense | 86% (2/23) | 84% (4/38) | 73% (8/155) | 78% (7/97) | 78.1% (6/60) |
| Red Zone Defense | 50% (1/2) | 66.7% (1/36) | 65% (1/24) | 67% (2/38) | 81.8% (6/75) |
| Home Attendance/Game | 2,679 (3/52) | 2,703 (3/43) | 2,759 (2/42) | 2,553 (5/53) | 9,170 (3/31) |
| Home Total Attendance | 13,396 (3/52) | 18,918 (3/20) | 11,036 (5/74) | 17,871 (2/25) | 45,848 (6/46) |

(SoCon/National Rank) • Bold Highlights Conference Leader and/or NCAA Top 10



Coach Arth with New England Patriots head coach Bill Belichick at Scrappy Moore Field.

WHAT THEY ARE SAYING ABOUT TOM ARTH

"I am very happy for Tom Arth. Tom was with the Indianapolis Colts with me. You could tell then he was very cerebral and had the qualities to be a great coach. I have stayed in touch with him and he worked our Manning Passing Academy. He did a great job at John Carroll and I think he will be an excellent coach for UTC. He has strong work ethic, a passion for football and is a great hire for UTC."

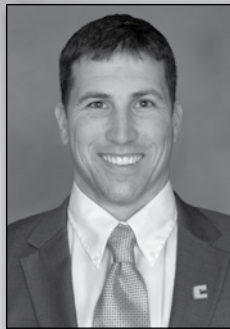
- Peyton Manning

"Tom is an incredible football coach and leader and an even better friend. His work ethic, knowledge and passion for the game of football is infectious, and I am grateful to have shared the opportunity to work with him. Tom has done a great job at John Carroll over the past seven seasons and the University of Tennessee at Chattanooga should be very excited about the quality of work that he will bring to their university and football program on a daily basis. I look forward to seeing his continued success and the impact he can make on so many individuals."

- Dave Caldwell - Jacksonville Jaguars General Manager

"Congratulations on making a great hire in Tom Arth. You have chosen a high-quality guy that will do very well as the Mocs' head coach. Tom and I attended the same high school in Cleveland (St. Ignatius) and I have followed closely his career with John Carroll University. Well done!"

- Oliver Luck - NCAA



Justin Rascati

**Offensive Coordinator • Second Year
James Madison '05**

Justin Rascati is in his second season as the Mocs' offensive coordinator. A former national championship-winning quarterback at James Madison, Rascati is in his third year overall as an FCS offensive coordinator.

He joined the Mocs after spending the 2016 in the same position at Tennessee Tech. There he helped the Golden Eagles to their first winning record in OVC play since 2011 (5-6, 5-3 OVC).

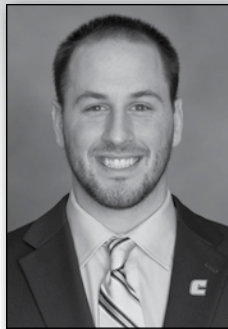
Prior to his time at TTU, he was the receivers coach at UT Martin for two seasons. He also held the title of passing game coordinator for the Skyhawks, as well as serving as the assistant recruiting coordinator for the OVC school.

Before joining the Skyhawks, Rascati guided the quarterbacks at Weber State in 2012 and 2013.

Rascati enjoyed a remarkable collegiate playing career at quarterback. He began at Louisville before transferring to James Madison. There he led the Dukes to a 13-2 record and the program's first FCS national championship in 2004.

After graduating from James Madison in 2005, Rascati earned tryouts with the NFL's Chicago Bears and the CFL's Montreal Alouettes before playing two seasons in the Arena Football League. He then served as offensive coordinator at Kentucky Country Day School in Louisville from 2010-11 before joining the Weber State coaching staff.

A native of Gainesville, Fla., Rascati enjoyed a remarkable prep career at Buchholz High School where he was the all-time leader in career passing yards (5,033) and touchdown passes (45). He and his wife, Jennifer, have two sons, Rhett and Rhys.



Matt Feeney

**Defensive Coordinator • Second Year
John Carroll '14**

Matt Feeney is in his second season at UTC and his first as the Mocs' defensive coordinator. He came to UTC as a part of head coach Tom Arth's first staff in 2017 and was in charge of the linebackers.

Feeney helped lead a UTC defensive side that was No. 1 in the Southern Conference and No. 25 in the FCS in total defense (326.4). Prior to joining Chattanooga's program, he spent three seasons on Arth's staff at John Carroll University.

Feeney was a standout linebacker and team captain for the Blue Streaks from 2010-13, earning the Gene Slaughter Most Outstanding Linebacker Award as a senior. This honor goes to the top linebacker in the Ohio Athletic Conference.

After earning his degree in Marketing in 2014, he stepped in as the linebackers coach at JCU. His first season, he coached Kevin Cope to a Gene Slaughter Award and All-American honors. His other linebacker, Jimmy King, also earned second team all-league honors as well.

In 2015, Feeney helped Andy Bryan earn first team All-OAC recognition, while also adding the duties of Special Teams co-Coordinator. Last season, Mason McKenrick also earned the Slaughter Award under Feeney's guidance. McKenrick was the North Region Defensive Player of the Year and a first team All-American selection.

The Blue Streaks defense finished in the top-15 in the nation each of the last three years. Feeney is also completed his M.B.A. from John Carroll in May 2017.





Chris Cook

**Tackles/TEs/Recruiting • Second Year
Chattanooga '09**

Chris Cook enters his second season as the Mocs Tight Ends-Tackles coach and now serves as Recruiting Coordinator. A former UTC All-American, Cook helped Bailey Lenior (TE) to All-Southern Conference recognition in 2017.

Cook returned to his alma mater after serving as the offensive quality control coordinator and assisting with the offensive line at East Carolina University. He was a three-year letterwinner (2001-03) and All-American center for the Mocs in 2002. In 2002, he was also named offensive MVP.

In 2015, Cook served as defensive line coach and was named defensive coordinator at Independence High School in Charlotte, N.C. prior to joining Scottie Montgomery's staff at ECU. He helped the Patriots to a second round NCHSAA playoff appearance. The defensive unit held opposing offenses to seven points or less six times in 2015, including two shutouts.

Cook served as director of the Boys & Girls Club - Teen Center in Raleigh, N.C. from 2010-2015. During that time he spent each year working with the Duke Football staff at their high school prospect camps.

In 2009, he served as the defensive line coach at Weddington High School where he coached former University of Maryland defensive lineman, Darius Kilgo, who was drafted in the 6th round by the Denver Broncos in 2015.

Cook also co-founded the Gamechangers Football Academy in 2008 with the goal of developing community youth on academics, personal conduct, and sportsmanship. As a coach, Cook delivered speeches to reinforce the value of high standards for personal behavior on and off the field.

After his college career, Cook pursued a professional football career playing in the Arena Football League - Kansas City Brigade (2007-09). Prior to signing with the Brigade, Cook worked out for the Chicago Bears, Philadelphia Eagles, Buffalo Bills and Indianapolis Colts.

Cook, a native of Wingate, N.C., graduated from UTC with a Bachelor's Degree in Communications and a Minor in Psychology. He and his wife Mandisa have two children, Mayor (4) and Paige (3).



Greg Harbaugh, Jr.

**Receivers • First Year
Averett '09**

Greg Harbaugh, Jr. (Har-bow) enters his first season as the Mocs' receivers coach. He comes to UTC from Minnesota where he spent the previous year as a quality control assistant. Prior to that he was an offensive graduate assistant at Western Michigan.

During his time at WMU, the Broncos won the MAC Title and earned a berth in the 2016 Cotton Bowl. Western Michigan also won the Bahamas Bowl in 2015. while Harbaugh was on staff.

Harbaugh worked the previous two years at Marietta (Ohio) College. There he was the recruiting coordinator, academic coordinator, video coordinator and passing game coordinator. He also spent two seasons coaching the cornerbacks at Methodist University from 2011-13.

Harbaugh began his coaching career at North Carolina Wesleyan College in 2009-10. There he coached the receivers and running backs. The Battling Bishops won the USA South Conference title and an appearance in the NCAA Division III playoffs in 2009. Wesleyan was also USA South co-champs in 2010.

Harbaugh earned a bachelor's degree in Sport Management from Averett University in 2009 and a Master's Degree in Sport Management from Western Michigan (2016). He and his wife, Emily, live in Chattanooga.





Nick Hennessey

**Offensive Line • Second Year
Colgate '09**

Nick Hennessey is in his second season as the Mocs' offensive line coach. A former FCS All-American and NFL offensive lineman, Hennessey guided Cole Strange to FCS Freshman All-American honors and Josh Cardiello to All-Southern Conference recognition in 2017.

Hennessey joined the Mocs after spending 2016 on Tom Arth's staff at John Carroll University. At JCU, he coached Dominic DiTirro to NCAA Division III All-American honors. DiTirro appeared in all 14 games and led an offensive line that played a major role in a JCU offense that averaged 388.0 yards and 32.9 points per game.

Hennessey has seven years of collegiate experience on his resume, including stops at St. Lawrence University (2010-13) and Western Michigan (2014-15). He was a graduate assistant with the offensive line at WMU.

A former All-American at Colgate University (2005-08), Hennessey spent the 2009 season with the NFL's Buffalo Bills. He continued his playing career for three more seasons in both the UFL and the CFL.



Chris Hurd

**RBs/Special Teams • Second Year
North Texas '04**

Chris Hurd enters his second season as the Mocs as the Special Teams Coordinator and Running Backs coach. He helped freshman Brandon Dowdell lead the SoCon and finish No. 6 in the FCS with 12.6 yards per punt return.

Hurd also worked at Florida Atlantic, Arkansas and Tennessee. He started with the Owls in January 2014 and had an immediate impact in both areas he coached. The tight ends caught six scores that season, while Lucky Whitehead finished in the top-10 in the nation in kick return yards and Dalton Schomp averaged 45.4 yards per punt.

The 2015 special teams unit excelled in its second season under Hurd's direction. Most notably, Schomp led the nation with 48.0 yards per punt. Nearly half of Schomp's punts (22-of-45, 49%) were for 50 yards or more and he pinned 18 inside the 20. FAU tight ends also emerged as a solid unit in 2015. Nate Terry led all Owls receivers with four touchdown receptions.

Last season, all-conference member Kerrith Whyte led the squad in kick returns and was third in the nation in combined kick returns. Whyte tallied 1,002 kick return yards for an average of 25.7 yards per return. Schomp averaged 42.6 yards per punt and earned honorable mention all-conference recognition. Tight end Harrison Bryant emerged as a significant contributor with six catches for 63 yards and a spot on the Conference USA All-Freshman team.

Prior to FAU, Hurd was the special teams quality control at Arkansas in 2012 and spent two years on Tennessee's strength & conditioning staff in 2011-12. He also served as the special teams quality control with the Volunteers. Hurd was the defensive coordinator at Cisco College from 2007-10 and was a graduate assistant at North Texas from 2004-06.

Hurd was a walk-on who lettered four seasons at North Texas (2000-03). He earned a scholarship and was a two-year starter, for the three-time Sun Belt Champions (2001-03). He earned the team's Byron Gross Award, bestowed to the best linebacker, in 2002 and 2003, first-team All-Sun Belt in 2003 and Defensive Player of the Year the same season.

Hurd is a native of Killeen, Texas. He and his wife, Emily, have one son, Ryker. Hurd earned his degree in History with a minor in Criminal Justice from North Texas in 2004.





Oscar Rodriguez

**Linebackers • First Year
Troy '08**

Rodriguez is in his first season as the linebackers coach for the Mocs. He was most recently the defensive coordinator for three seasons at the University of La Verne (Calif.) where he was the 2017 NCAA Division III AFCA National Assistant Coach of the Year.

Rodriguez orchestrated a Leopards' defense that led the SCIAC in defensive touchdowns and tied for second in sacks in conference play. The Leopards allowed just 383.3 yards per game, the fewest in the conference. La Verne ranked third in its league in forced turnovers with 10 and rushing yards allowed per game at 155.2.

After going 2-7 the season before Rodriguez's arrival, the Leopards went a perfect 7-0 in SCIAC play in 2015. They claimed their first SCIAC championship since 1995 and made the NCAA National Championship for the first time since 1994.

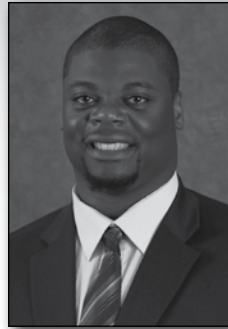
Rodriguez came to La Verne from Garden City (Kan.) Community College where he served as the football team's defensive coordinator, special teams coordinator, recruiting coordinator and director of operations.

At Garden City, Rodriguez sent eight student-athletes to NCAA Division I schools while overseeing Kansas Jayhawk Community College Conference's (KJCCC) No. 1 defense. Garden City was also ranked No. 1 in the KJCCC in starting field position, kickoff coverage, field goal percentage and blocked kicks with Rodriguez in charge of the special teams.

Prior to Garden City, Rodriguez was the associate head coach and defensive coordinator for NCAA Division II Emporia State (Kan.) University. There he mentored two All-Americans and 11 All-Mid-America Intercollegiate Athletic Association (MIAA). Emporia State was ranked in the top-five in the MIAA in all defensive categories in 2011-13.

Rodriguez is active off the field and in the community as well. He founded the Coaches Against Cancer Foundation and is involved in the Big Brothers Big Sisters program. He served on the diversity committee at Baker. He is also bilingual in English and Spanish.

A native of Liberal, Kan., Rodriguez played at Fort Hays State University, Coffeyville Community College and Emporia State as a safety.



Davern Williams

**Offensive Line • First Year
Troy '03**

Davern Williams is in his first year as the defensive line coach for the Mocs. Williams spent the last four seasons (2014-17) in the same position at East Mississippi Community College in Scooba, Miss. The Lions posted a 42-3 record with two NJCAA national championships (2014 & 2017) and three MACJC state titles (2014, 2016 & 2017) while Williams was on staff.

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During the past four years, a total of 23 EMCC defensive linemen moved on to the four-year level under Davern's tutelage, including seven players to Power Five Conference schools. Headlining that list is current San Francisco 49ers rookie D.J. Jones, a product of Ole Miss.

In Williams' first season on the Scooba campus, the 2014 Lions led the nation in scoring defense (7.6 ppg), while going the entire nine-game regular season without allowing a rushing touchdown. The following year, EMCC finished third nationally (14.8 ppg).

A seventh-round selection by the Miami Dolphins in the 2003 NFL Draft, Williams previously spent the 2013 season as an assistant coach at Murray State. Prior to that, he worked four seasons at fellow OVC member Jacksonville State (2009-12). While serving as Jack Crowe's defensive line coach at JSU, Williams helped produce at least one All-OVC defensive lineman during each of his four years with the Gamecocks, including 2011 NFL free agent signees Monte Lewis and Torrey Davis.

Upon getting drafted as the No. 248 pick overall in 2003, Williams spent his debut pro season with the Dolphins on injured reserve, before being picked up as a free agent signee by the New York Giants the following year. He saw action in three games during an injury-plagued 2004 season, including one start, totaling seven tackles.

Following a successful prep career at Jefferson Davis High School in Montgomery, Williams signed with Auburn and played sparingly during the 1998 season. He then transferred to Troy University, where was credited with 164 career tackles, including 19.5 tackles for loss and eight sacks as a three-year starter.

A three-time all-metro selection during his high school playing days, Williams helped lead the JDHS Volunteers to the 1996 Class 6A state championship as a junior after a state runner-up finish the year prior. As a prep senior, Williams was tabbed the Montgomery Advertiser's Class 6A Player of the Year.





Jeremiah Wilson

**Cornerbacks • First Year
Huntingdon '09**

Jeremiah Wilson is in his first season as the Mocs cornerbacks coach. He spent the previous five years working with the defense at Florida State.

Wilson joined the Seminoles in 2013 as a defensive quality control specialist for then-coordinator and current Tennessee head coach Jeremy Pruitt. After FSU won the national championship, Wilson stayed on as a defensive graduate assistant, while earning his Master's Degree in International Affairs. He worked for three years under current Tennessee special teams coordinator and safeties coach Charles Kelley.

He primarily worked with the secondary and in recruiting at Florida State. The Seminoles signed a top-five class each year he was there, to go with two ACC titles and appearances in four other bowl games. While at FSU, Wilson worked with no less than six NFL Draft picks, highlighted by Jalen Ramsey, Lamarcus Joyner, Terrence Brooks, P.J. Williams and Derwin James.

Prior to his stint at Florida State, Wilson was an assistant coach at Amos Golby High School in Tallahassee, Fla., from 2010-12. There he helped the Cougars to the 2012 Florida 5A state championship while coaching the secondary, special teams and serving as the outgoing recruiting coordinator. He coached eight defensive backs who signed to Power-5 schools, while a total of 14 earned college scholarships.

Wilson started his playing career at Lenior-Rhyne University in Hickory, N.C. He transferred to Huntingdon College in Montgomery, Ala., and graduated with a degree in Sport Management in 2009. There he started his coaching career as a defensive assistant.

While at Huntingdon College, Wilson worked closely with current Oakland Raiders Secondary Coach Derrick Ansley. He helped the Hawks to their first ever appearance in the NCAA Division III playoffs. All-American safety Keith Anthony led the nation with nine interceptions as a freshman, giving the Hawks to the top secondary in Division III.

He is a 2005 graduate of Chattooga High School in Summerville, Ga.



Steve Donatell

**Outside Linebackers • First Year
Wake Forest '16**

Steve Donatell is in his first season with the Mocs coaching staff. He was most recently a tight end on the Seattle Seahawks practice squad during the 2017 season.

Donatell started his collegiate career as a linebacker at Wake Forest. He started the first three games for the Demon Deacons in 2013 before suffering a season-ending knee injury. He graduated in 2016 and spent the 2016 season as a graduate-transfer tight end at Western Kentucky.

A native of Highlands Ranch, Colo., Donatell had football offers from Colorado and Nebraska out of high school. His father, Ed, is the secondary coach for the Chicago Bears and a former defensive coordinator for the Green Bay Packers.



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Mike Royster

**Assistant A.D. • 45th Year
Chattanooga '77**

Mike Royster has served UTC for 45 years. He was appointed Equipment Manager and Assistant Athletics Director for Facilities and Equipment in January of 2000. He worked as Director of Athletic Equipment the 27 years before that.

Royster's responsibilities include overseeing the equipment purchases and inventory of UTC's 15 intercollegiate athletic programs as well as the repair and maintenance of athletic equipment.

In his role as Assistant Athletics Director, he directs the many facets of gameday management for all UTC sports, including game administration, game officials, promotional event coordination and facilities scheduling and use.

A respected leader in his profession, Royster has served on the Schutt Athletic Council, the Russell Athletic Council, the Adams Athletic Council and the executive committee of the Chattanooga Quarterback Club. He was elected to the UTC Athletics Hall of Fame in 2005. He has been a certified Athletic Equipment Manager since July, 1991, and has served as the Executive Director of the Athletic Equipment Managers Association since 2010.

While at UTC, Royster has assisted with the educational and career development of numerous student managers. Many of those have gone on to full-time work in the profession at the secondary school, college, university and professional levels.

A native of Nashville, Tenn., Royster came to Chattanooga in 1974, from St. Andrew's School in Sewanee, Tenn., where he coached football, baseball and basketball and was the trainer and equipment manager. Prior to that, he served as equipment manager and trainer at Columbia State Community College from 1968-71. He received a B.S. degree in Elementary Education from UTC in 1977.

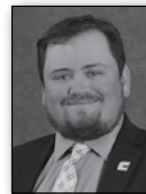
He is married to the former Pat Smartt of Monteagle, Tenn. They have two children, a daughter, Robin, a son, Joey. They also have five grandchildren, Benjamin, Carson and Bailey Kate Arp; and Keegan and Michael Royster.



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Scott Aligo
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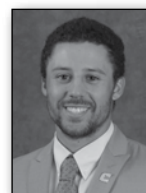
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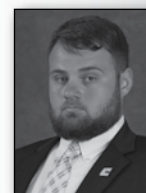
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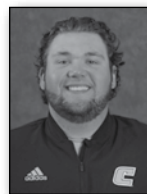
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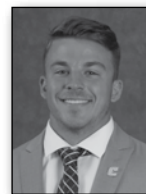
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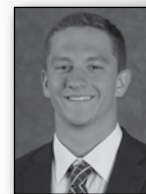
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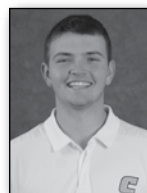
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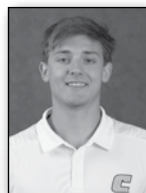
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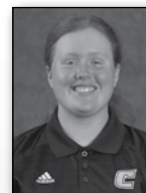
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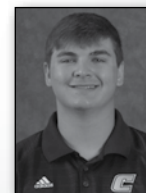
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