



FRESNO STATE FOOTBALL

2021 PUBG MOBILE NEW MEXICO BOWL

3X MOUNTAIN WEST CHAMPS • 108 NFL DRAFT PICKS • 117 ALL-AMERICANS

GAME 13 vs UTEP

Date - Dec. 18, 2021
Time - 11:15 a.m. PT
Site - Albuquerque, N.M.
Stadium - University Stadium
Surface - Artificial Turf
Capacity - 37,457
TV - ESPN

Play-By-Play - John Schriffen
Analyst - Rene Ingoglia
Sideline - Stormy Buonantony

Radio - Bulldog Sports Network
Play-by-Play - Paul Loeffler
Analyst - Pat Hill
Sideline - Cam Worrell

Radio - ESPN Radio
Play-by-Play - Mike Corey
Analyst - Hutson Mason

RECORD BREAKDOWN

Overall - 9-3
Mountain West - 6-2
Home - 5-1
Away - 4-2
Neutral - 0-0

IF THE 'DOGS WIN

- Fresno State would win its first Bowl Game since 2018.
- Fresno State would pick up its 10th win of the season, securing its third 10-win season in the last five years.
- Fresno State would pick up its 12th double-digit winning season in program history.
- Fresno State would earn its 15th bowl victory, evening its all-time bowl game record.
- Fresno State would move to 9-3-1 against UTEP.

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THE MATCHUP



Fresno State (9-3, 6-2 MW)
Interim Head Coach - Lee Marks
Record at FS - 0-0 (1st season)
Career Record (FBS) - Same

VS



UTEP (7-5, 4-4 C-USA)
Head Coach - Dana Dimel
Record at UTEP - 12-32 (4th season)
Career Record - 42-71 (9th season)

THE BREAKDOWN

- Fresno State and UTEP are set to meet in the 16th annual PUBG Mobile New Mexico Bowl on Saturday, Dec. 18, 2021.
- Fresno State leads the series record with its former WAC foe, 8-3-1.
- Fresno State is playing in its first bowl game since 2018.

THE BONES

- Fresno State Athletics is celebrating its centennial year and the 2021 football season is the 100th season of competition in program history.
- Team captains for this season are - QB Jake Haener, RB Ronnie Rivers, DE David Perales and LB Tyson Maeva.
- With a win against Nevada on Oct. 23, Fresno State became bowl eligible for the first time since 2018.
- With a bowl appearance this season, Fresno State will play in its 15th bowl game since 2000, and its 30th in program history. The Bulldogs are 14-15 in bowl games played, with the opportunity to even that mark this Saturday.
- The Mountain West will be featured in eight bowl games this season, setting a league record. The MW's eight bowl teams are tied for the fourth-most nationally among the 10 FBS conferences in 2021.
- Fresno State looks towards its third appearance at the New Mexico Bowl, and first since 2009. Fresno State has not won in its two trips to the New Mexico Bowl.
- With the departure of prior offensive coordinator Ryan Grubb, Fresno State interim head coach Lee Marks promoted wide receivers coach Kirby Moore to acting-offensive coordinator with offensive play call duties for the bowl game.
- The Mountain West announced its all-conference teams and recognitions on Nov. 30, and the Bulldogs saw 10 postseason honors by the league.
- Fresno State freshman tight end Tre Watson and senior offensive lineman Jalen Guerrero will return to their home state as the Bulldogs travel to New Mexico for their bowl game.
- Fresno State has five different Bulldogs who have registered at least one 100-yard receiving game this season. Wide receivers Jalen Cropper, Josh Kelly, Keric Wheatfall and Zane Pope each have 100-yard games. Running back Jordan Mims also has one.
- The Bulldogs have made quick work on the offensive scoring drives, having 11 touchdown scoring drives this season that have been scored in less than 1:00. Fresno State has already had more scoring drives in under 60 seconds this season than they had since 2014.
- Fresno State junior defensive back Evan Williams has had a breakout season this year, totaling a team-high 89 tackles (57 solo). He adds team-high numbers in interceptions (3), broken up passes (6) and fumble recoveries (2). He also records 4.5 tackles for loss and one forced fumble on the year.
- The collective anticipation of the Red Wave came to an exciting end on Dec. 8 when Director of Athletics Terry Tumey announced the hiring of Jeff Tedford as head coach of the Bulldog football program. Tedford, who coached the Bulldogs for the 2017-19 seasons, makes a return to the helm of the program for his second stint as head coach of his alma mater.

2021 SCHEDULE & RESULTS

 AUG. 28 FRESNO, CA W, 45-0	 SEPT. 4 EUGENE, OR L, 31-24	 SEPT. 11 FRESNO, CA W, 63-10	 SEPT. 18 PASADENA, CA W, 40-37	 SEPT. 24 FRESNO, CA W, 38-30	 OCT. 2 HONOLULU, HI L, 27-24	 OCT. 16 LARAMIE, WY W, 17-0	 OCT. 23 FRESNO, CA W, 34-32	 OCT. 30 CARSON, CA W, 30-20	 NOV. 6 FRESNO, CA L, 40-14	 NOV. 13 FRESNO, CA W, 34-7	 NOV. 25 SAN JOSE, CA W, 40-9
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QUICK FACTS

GENERAL INFORMATION:

Location: Fresno, Calif.
 Founded: 1911
 Enrollment: 25,200
 President: Dr. Saúl Jiménez-Sandoval
 Director of Athletics: Terry Tumey
 Faculty Athletic Rep: Dr. Victor Torres
 Senior Woman Administrator: Carrie Coll
 Colors: Red and Blue
 Nickname: Bulldogs
 Conference: Mountain West

TEAM HISTORY:

First Year of Football: 1921
 Seasons completed: 99
 All-Time Record: 620-439-27
 All-Time Home Record: 385-179-14
 Away Record: 222-242-13
 Neutral Record (not including bowl games): 0-3
 All-Time Bowl Record: 14-15
 All-Time Mountain West Games Only: 40-30
 Conference Championships: 28
 Last Conference Championship: 2018-Mountain West
 MW Conference Championships (since 2012): 3
 MW Division Titles (since 2013): 4
 Bowl Appearances: 29
 Last Bowl: 2018 Las Vegas Bowl
 All-America Selections: 117
 First-Team All-Americans: 18

STADIUM INFORMATION:

Name: Bulldog Stadium (40,727)
 Surface: AstroTurf
 Completed: 1980 (Beginning 41st Full Season)
 First Game: Nov. 15, 1980 vs. Montana State
 Record in Stadium: 182-60-2
 Largest Crowd: 42,881 (5x in 2001)
 Number of 40,000-plus crowds: 33
 Last 40,000-plus crowd: 9/13/14 vs. Nebraska (41,031)
 Press Box Phone: (559) 278-5959

TEAM INFORMATION:

2020 Overall Record: 3-3
 2020 Mountain West Record (Finish): 3-3 (t-5th)
 2020 Bowl: none
 Starters Returning/Lost: 21/4
 Offense: 9/2 | Defense: 10/1 | Special Teams: 2/1
 Lettermen Returning/Lost: 49/16
 Offense: 21/6 | Defense: 25/8 | Special Teams: 3/2
 Base Offense: Multiple
 Base Defense: 4-2-5

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FRESNO STATE TWO-DEEP

OFFENSE

Quarterback
 9 Jake Haener (6-1, 195, Sr.)
 or 10 Logan Fife (6-0, 197, RFr.)
 or 13 Jaylen Henderson (6-3, 207, Fr.)
Running Back
 20 Ronnie Rivers (5-9, 195, Sr.)
 7 Jordan Mims (6-0, 205, Sr.)
Left Tackle
 72 Dontae Bull (6-7, 326, Sr.)
 70 Torean Penright (6-3, 275, RFr.)
Left Guard
 65 Braylen Nelson (6-6, 308, Fr.)
 77 Nick Abbs (6-6, 303, Sr.)
Center
 54 Bula Schmidt (6-1, 294, Jr.)
 59 Matt Smith (6-0, 288, Sr.)
Right Guard
 51 Mose Vavao (6-3, 325, So.)
 73 Elijah Carson (6-8, 330, So.)
Right Tackle
 75 Alex Akingbulu (6-6, 300, Sr.)
 55 Dante Adkins Jr. (6-3, 305, So.)
Wide Receiver
 1 Keric Wheatfall (6-2, 185, Sr.)
 or 8 Ty Jones (6-4, 203, Sr.)
Wide Receiver
 5 Jalen Cropper (6-0, 172, Jr.)
 3 Erik Brooks (5-7, 171, Jr.)
Wide Receiver
 11 Josh Kelly (6-2, 185, So.)
 2 Zane Pope (6-2, 195, Sr.)
Tight End
 80 Juan Rodriguez (6-2, 237, Sr.)
 87 Raymond Pauwels Jr. (6-4, 242, Sr.)

DEFENSE

End
 99 David Perales (6-3, 246, Sr.)
 52 Da'Marcus Johnson (6-4, 250, Jr.)
Tackle
 90 Kevin Atkins (6-3, 307, Sr.)
 91 Matt Lawson (6-0, 280, Jr.)
 or 37 Ryan Boehm (6-2, 278, Sr.)
Tackle
 55 Leonard Payne Jr. (6-3, 315, Jr.)
 0 Evan Bennett (6-2, 286, So.)
End
 3 Arron Mosby (6-4, 246, Sr.)
 33 Kwami Jones (6-2, 250, Sr.)
Linebacker
 35 Malachi Langley (6-1, 232, So.)
 or 42 Tyler Mello (6-2, 220, So.)
Linebacker
 6 Levelle Bailey (6-2, 218, Jr.)
 49 Tanner Blount (6-0, 217, So.)
 or 19 Zeke Branham (6-1, 221, Fr.)
Husky
 13 Justin Houston (6-4, 193, So.)
 25 Emari Pait (6-2, 200, Fr.)
Cornerback
 11 Cale Sanders Jr. (5-10, 178, Fr.)
 38 Bralyn Lux (5-11, 175, So.)
Strong Safety
 2 Elijah Gates (5-11, 190, Sr.)
 or 10 Kosi Agina (6-0, 195, So.)
 27 L.J. Early (5-10, 180, Sr.)
Free Safety
 32 Evan Williams (6-0, 198, Jr.)
 17 Deonte Perry (6-0, 188, Sr.)
Cornerback
 1 DaRon Bland (6-0, 200, Sr.)
 4 Wylan Free (6-2, 176, Sr.)

SPECIAL TEAMS

Place Kicker
 28 Cesar Silva (5-11, 180, Sr.)
 48 Abraham Montano (6-1, 184, So.)
Punter
 45 Carson King (6-1, 193 So.)
 36 Matthew Goodyear (6-1, 210, Sr.)
Longsnapper
 47 Jacob Westberry (6-3, 268, Sr.)
 40 Michael Munoz (6-2, 198, So.)
Holder
 45 Carson King (6-1, 193, So.)
 10 Logan Fife (6-0, 197, RFr.)
Kick Returner
 7 Jordan Mims (6-0, 205, Sr.)
 5 Jalen Cropper (6-0, 172, Jr.)
Punt Returner
 20 Ronnie Rivers (5-9, 195, Sr.)
 2 Zane Pope (6-2, 195, Sr.)

FRESNO STATE PRONUNCIATION GUIDE

Kosi Aginako-SEE, ah-ghee-na
 Alex Akingbuluah-King-Boo-Lu
 Levelle Baileyluh-Vell
 Tanner Blountblunt
 Ryan Boehm.....bame
 Emoryie Edwardse-more-e-aye
 Wylan Freeway-lynn
 Jake Haener.....HAY-ner
 Alzillion Hamilton.....AL-zill-e-on
 Tyson Maeva..... my-aye-vah
 Arron Mosby.....mose-bee
 Morice Norris.....mor-reece
 Emari Paituh-mar-ee
 Raymond PauwelsPowell's
 Deonte Perry.....Dee-On-tay
 Mose Vavaomo-say, vah-vah-oh
 Vallee Washington.....val-lay
 Keric WheatfallCare-ick

THE MINERS

SCOUTING THE MINERS

UTEP (4-4 USA) is 7-5 this season, capped off the regular-season with a 42-25 loss to UAB.

The Miners' seven victories ties their most in a season since 2005. UTEP is in pursuit of an eight-win season for only the 11th time in school history.

The Miners will make their 15th postseason appearance on Saturday. UTEP will compete in the PUBG Mobile New Mexico Bowl for the third time in 12 years after facing BYU in 2010 and Utah State in 2014.

UTEP is 5-9 all-time in bowl games (0-2 in the PUBG Mobile New Mexico Bowl). The Miners are seeking their first postseason victory since defeating Mississippi in the 1967 Sun Bowl, 14-7.

UTEP had 16 players receive All-Conference USA honors. Defensive end Praise Amaewhule and wide receiver Jacob Cowing were first team selections, and linebacker Breon Hayward received second team accolades. An additional 13 Miners made the honorable mention list.

Cowing ranks second in C-USA and sixth nationally with 1,330 yards receiving (67 receptions). The wide receiver scored a total of eight touchdowns - seven receiving, one rushing. He was second in C-USA with 110.8 receiving yards per game. Cowing tied a school record with 13 100-yard games during his career. The sophomore's yards in 2021 also ranks second-best all-time during a single season in school history.

Amaewhule leads the Miner's defense with 13.0 tackles for loss (46 yards), while the sophomore defensive end is tied for team lead with seven breakups. The Katy, Texas, product recorded 39 tackles with 5.5 sacks (23 yards), which is tied fifth in C-USA and ranks second on the team. He's also posted a team-best 10 QB hurries, and is tied second in the league with three forced fumbles.

Hayward leads UTEP with 97 tackles. The Houston product ranks tied for fourth in C-USA in total tackles and fifth in tackles per game (8.1). Hayward ranks second in C-USA with 71 tackles in league only games, while also ranking second with 8.9 stops per game in league only contests. He added 6.5 TFL (20 yards), 1.5 sacks (nine yards), three breakups, four QB hurries and a fumble recovery for a touchdown.

The Miners are led by fourth-year head coach Dana Dimel. Dimel has turned around the program, leading UTEP to its first winning season since 2014 and bowl appearance since 2014.

UTEP and Fresno State have had two common opponents this season - Boise State and New Mexico. The Miners lost at Boise State, 54-13, on Sept. 10 and beat New Mexico in the Sun Bowl, 20-13, on Sept. 25.

SERIES HISTORY

Fresno State leads the all-time series with UTEP 8-3-1. The Miners have won the last two matchups between the teams.

In the last meeting during the 2004 season, UTEP defeated the Bulldogs in Fresno, 24-21. The last time Fresno State defeated UTEP was on Nov. 29, 2003. The 'Dogs defeated the Miners in El Paso 23-20. The last two games between the programs were decided by three points.

TALE OF THE TAPE

FRESNO STATE

Team Statistics	FS	OPP
Points Per Game	33.58	20.25
First Down	290	221
Rushing Yards/Game	133.5	128.5
Passing Yards/Game	330.08	215.25
Total Off. Yards/Game	463.6	343.8
Third Down Conv.	73-169	63-175
Penalty Yards/Game	94-868	76-680
Time of Poss.	6:14:07	5:45:53
Turnovers - INT/Fumbles	21	25

Individual Leaders

Rushing	Att.	Net	Avg.	TD	YPG
Ronnie Rivers	162	788	4.9	5	71.64
Jordan Mims	98	545	5.6	4	45.42

Passing	C-A-I	TD	YPG
Jake Haener	303-449-9	32	317.50

Receiving	Rec.	Net	Avg.	TD	YPG
Jalen Cropper	76	827	10.88	11	68.92
Josh Kelly	50	768	15.36	3	64.00
Keric Wheatfall	36	582	16.17	4	48.50

Defense	U-A-TT	TFL	INT	FF-FR
Evan Williams	57-32-89	4.5	3	1-2
Levelle Bailey	31-22-53	7.0	2	0-1
Arron Mosby	23-16-39	14.5	0	5-2

UTEP

Team Statistics	UTEP	OPP
Points Per Game	25.17	24.75
First Down	220	222
Rushing Yards/Game	143.6	134.8
Passing Yards/Game	247.92	203.67
Total Off. Yards/Game	391.5	338.5
Third Down Conv.	56-169	55-173
Penalty Yards/Game	103-922	88-822
Time of Poss.	6:29:01	5:29:04
Turnovers - INT/Fumbles	22	14

Individual Leaders

Rushing	Att.	Net	Avg.	TD	YPG
Ronald Awatt	145	804	5.5	5	67.00

Passing	C-A-I	TD	YPG
Galvin Hardison	186-332-12	17	247.17

Receiving	Rec.	Net	Avg.	TD	YPG
Jacob Cowing	67	1,330	19.85	7	110.83

Defense	U-A-TT	TFL	INT	FF-FR
Breon Hayward	54-43-97	6.5	0	0-1
Praise Amaewhule	22-17-39	13.0	0	3-0

WHERE THEY RANK

FRESNO STATE

Kevin Atkins	MW	FBS
Fumbles Recovered	4	21

Jalen Cropper	MW	FBS
Receiving Touchdowns	1	11
Receptions Per Game	5	24

Jake Haener	MW	FBS
Completion Pct	2	20
Completions Per Game	2	10
Passing Efficiency	1	15
Passing Touchdowns	3	11
Passing Yards	2	9
Passing Yards Per Game	2	8
Points Responsible For	3	14
Points Responsible For Per Game	2	14
Total Offense	2	12
Yards Per Pass Attempt	1	30

Arron Mosby	MW	FBS
Forced Fumbles	1	3
Fumbles Recovered	4	21

David Perales	MW	FBS
Forced Fumbles	7	29

Zane Pope	MW	FBS
Yards Per Receptions	3	25

Cesar Silva	MW	FBS
Field Goals per Game	5	30

Evan Williams	MW	FBS
Fumbles Recovered	4	21

UTEP

Praise Amaewhule	C-USA	FBS
Forced Fumbles	3	29

Gavin Hardison	C-USA	FBS
Passing Yards per Completion	2	3
Yards per Pass Attempt	2	15

Jacob Cowing	C-USA	FBS
Receiving Yards	2	6
Receiving Yards Per Game	2	8
Yards per Reception	4	11

MW/C-USA RANKINGS

FRESNO STATE

UTEP

3rd Down Conversion Pct: 5
 3rd Down Conversion Pct Defense: 3
 4th Down Conversion Pct: 4
 4th Down Conversion Pct Defense: 1
 Completion Percentage: 2
 Fewest Penalties: 12
 Fewest Penalties Per Game: 12
 Fewest Penalty Yards: 12
 Fewest Penalty Yards Per Game: 12
 First Downs Defense: 2
 First Downs Offense: 2
 Fumbles Lost: 9
 Fumbles Recovered: 2
 Kickoff Return Defense: 10
 Kickoff Returns: 10
 Net Punting: 8
 Passes Had Intercepted: 5
 Passes Intercepted: 6
 Passing Offense: 2
 Passing Yards Allowed: 5
 Passing Yards Per Completion: 8
 Punt Return Defense: 8
 Punt Returns: 12
 Red Zone Defense: 7
 Red Zone Offense: 4
 Tackles for Loss Allowed: 5
 Team Passing Efficiency: 1
 Team Passing Efficiency Defense: 2
 Team Sacks: 5
 Team Tackles for Loss: 2
 Time of Possession: 3
 Total Defense: 3
 Total Offense: 1
 Turnover Margin: 6
 Turnovers Gained: 3
 Turnovers Lost: 10

3rd Down Conversion Pct: 11
 3rd Down Conversion Pct Defense: 2
 4th Down Conversion Pct: 1
 4th Down Conversion Pct Defense: 6
 Completion Percentage: 12
 Fewest Penalties: 13
 Fewest Penalties Per Game: 13
 Fewest Penalty Yards: 13
 Fewest Penalty Yards Per Game: 13
 First Downs Defense: 3
 First Downs Offense: 11
 Fumbles Lost: 10
 Fumbles Recovered: 12
 Kickoff Return Defense: 8
 Kickoff Returns: 13
 Net Punting: 12
 Passes Had Intercepted: 9
 Passes Intercepted: 10
 Passing Offense: 8
 Passing Yards Allowed: 3
 Passing Yards Per Completion: 1
 Punt Return Defense: 9
 Punt Returns: 13
 Red Zone Defense: 4
 Red Zone Offense: 4
 Tackles for Loss Allowed: 5
 Team Passing Efficiency: 6
 Team Passing Efficiency Defense: 2
 Team Sacks: 8
 Team Tackles for Loss: 3
 Time of Possession: 2
 Total Defense: 2
 Total Offense: 7
 Turnover Margin: 13
 Turnovers Gained: 13
 Turnovers Lost: 9

FBS RANKINGS

FRESNO STATE

UTEP

3rd Down Conversion Pct: 42
 3rd Down Conversion Pct Defense: 37
 4th Down Conversion Pct: 61
 4th Down Conversion Pct Defense: 2
 Completion Percentage: 17
 Fewest Penalties: 114
 Fewest Penalties Per Game: 118
 Fewest Penalty Yards: 121
 Fewest Penalty Yards Per Game: 118
 First Downs Defense: 19
 First Downs Offense: 20
 Fumbles Lost: 122
 Fumbles Recovered: 6
 Kickoff Return Defense: 86
 Kickoff Returns: 95
 Net Punting: 75
 Passes Had Intercepted: 64
 Passes Intercepted: 52
 Passing Offense: 9
 Passing Yards Allowed: 43
 Passing Yards Per Completion: 53
 Punt Return Defense: 91
 Punt Returns: 127
 Red Zone Defense: 71
 Red Zone Offense: 37
 Tackles for Loss Allowed: 49
 Team Passing Efficiency: 15
 Team Passing Efficiency Defense: 19
 Team Sacks: 56
 Team Tackles for Loss: 14
 Time of Possession: 26
 Total Defense: 33
 Total Offense: 14
 Turnover Margin: 69
 Turnovers Gained: 18
 Turnovers Lost: 110

3rd Down Conversion Pct: 115
 3rd Down Conversion Pct Defense: 9
 4th Down Conversion Pct: 5
 4th Down Conversion Pct Defense: 55
 Completion Percentage: 113
 Fewest Penalties: 125
 Fewest Penalties Per Game: 125
 Fewest Penalty Yards: 126
 Fewest Penalty Yards Per Game: 126
 First Downs Defense: 26
 First Downs Offense: 106
 Fumbles Lost: 107
 Fumbles Recovered: 84
 Kickoff Return Defense: 76
 Kickoff Returns: 110
 Net Punting: 109
 Passes Had Intercepted: 106
 Passes Intercepted: 87
 Passing Offense: 54
 Passing Yards Allowed: 30
 Passing Yards Per Completion: 3
 Punt Return Defense: 102
 Punt Returns: 98
 Red Zone Defense: 19
 Red Zone Offense: 64
 Tackles for Loss Allowed: 36
 Team Passing Efficiency: 63
 Team Passing Efficiency Defense: 23
 Team Sacks: 77
 Team Tackles for Loss: 48
 Time of Possession: 12
 Total Defense: 31
 Total Offense: 73
 Turnover Margin: 121
 Turnovers Gained: 97
 Turnovers Lost: 110

FRESNO STATE NOTES

HE'S BACK!

The collective anticipation of the Red Wave came to an exciting end on Dec. 8 when Director of Athletics Terry Tumey announced the hiring of Jeff Tedford as head coach of the Bulldog football program.

Tedford, who coached the Bulldogs for the 2017-19 seasons, makes a return to the helm of the program for his second stint as head coach of his alma mater.

Tedford will assume the role as the acting head coach at the conclusion of the 2021 season. Interim head coach Lee Marks will continue to carry out his duties for the PUBG Mobile New Mexico Bowl, scheduled for Dec. 18.

"I am incredibly excited to welcome Jeff Tedford back as the head coach of Fresno State Football," said Tumey. "Jeff is a true Bulldog alumnus, an incredible coach and leader, and has continued to be a vital member of our Valley community. The Pride and Tradition of Bulldog Football is alive and well."

Tedford's first stint as Fresno State's head coach began in 2016 as he led the program to one of the best turnaround stories in college football history. He inherited a 1-11 football program when he took over the reins of his alma mater and was driven to re-instill the pride and tradition of Bulldog football. In three seasons as head coach, he guided Fresno State to a 2018 Mountain West Championship, two MW West division titles, two bowl wins and 26 wins.

Until surpassed, 2018 will remain in the record books as the winningest season in the now 100-year history of the program by achieving 12 wins during their championship run. The renaissance under Tedford also led to FBS history being made as Fresno State became the first team to ever secure back-to-back double-digit winning seasons following a double-digit loss season.

Individual accolades in his time at Fresno State included being a two-time finalist for the Eddie Robinson Coach of the Year Award, a 2018 Paul "Bear" Bryant Coach of the Year Award finalist, a 2017 semifinalist for the George Munger College Coach of the Year Award, the 2017 AFCA Region-5 Coach of the Year and 2017 Mountain West Coach of the Year.

Tedford is a proven winner in the world of college football, having accumulated a 108-71 all-time head coaching record. He was head coach at Cal from 2002-12 and left the program as the all-time winningest coach and a two time Pac-10 Coach of the Year. In three seasons as head coach at Fresno State (2016-19), Tedford has a 26-14 record with two Mountain West championship appearances, one championship title and two bowl game victories.

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

GOING BOWLING

With a win against Nevada on Oct. 23, Fresno State became bowl eligible for the first time since 2018.

Fresno State's last bowl game was a memorable one, defeating Arizona State 31-20 in the Mitsubishi Motors Las Vegas Bowl at Sam Boyd Stadium in 2018. The win in the bowl game secured Fresno State's first-ever 12-win season. Running back Ronnie Rivers was named the game's Most Valuable Player after accounting for 286 all-purpose yards, the fourth-most in a game in program history. He totaled 212 yards rushing and two touchdowns on 24 carries, while adding 41 punt return yards and 33 yards receiving.

With a bowl appearance this season, Fresno State will play in its 15th bowl game since 2000, and its 30th in program history. The Bulldogs are 14-15 in bowl games played, with the opportunity to even that mark this Saturday.

Fresno State has won its last two appearances in a bowl game, defeating Houston 33-27 in the 2017 Hawai'i Bowl before its 31-20 victory over Arizona State in the 2018 Las Vegas Bowl.

SHOUTOUT TO THE MOUNTAIN WEST

The Mountain West will be featured in eight bowl games this season, setting a league record. The MW's eight bowl teams are tied for the fourth-most nationally among the 10 FBS conferences in 2021.

The Mountain West, which has earned 106 bowl bids since 1999, including Boise State's no contest in the 2018 First Responder Bowl, holds a 58-47 (.552) all-time record. The MW owns the third-best win percentage in bowl games in the last 17 seasons among the 10 FBS conferences (.567), trailing only the SEC (.638) and the Sun Belt (.582).

The MW, which has had at least six bowl teams in seven of the last nine seasons, enters postseason play with five eight-win teams, the third-most nationally and owns the nation's fifth-best win percentage in nonconference action (best among the non-autonomous five).

COACHING STAFF

Interim Head Coach

Lee Marks[^]

Assistant Coach (DC/Linebackers)

William Inge[^]

Assistant Coach (Tight Ends)

Paul Creighton[^]

Assistant Coach (Wide Receivers)

Kirby Moore[^]

Assistant Coach (Safeties)

Chuck Morrell[^]

Assistant Coach (Offensive Line/Run Game)

Roman Sapolu[^]

Assistant Coach (Defensive Line/Special Team)

Eric Schmidt[^]

Assistant Coach (Cornerbacks/Defensive Pass Games)

J.D. Williams[^]

Offensive Graduate Assistant

Jordan Loeffler

Offensive Graduate Assistant

Taylor Pope

Defensive Graduate Assistant

Patrick Belony

Defensive Graduate Assistant

Ben Watkins

Offensive Quality Control

Mitch Dahlen

Defensive Quality Control

Jim Nelson

Special Teams Quality Control

Matt Phipps

* in the press box

[^] on the field

SUPPORT STAFF

Assistant AD For Football Ops/Chief of Football Staff

Mike McHugh

Assistant AD For Sports Performance

Ron McKeefery

Director of Football Sports Performance

Sam Lackey

Director of Player Personnel

Albert Garcia

Director of On-Campus Recruiting

Librado Barocio

Administrative Support Coordinator

Becky Brown

Football Assistant

Alyssa De La Vega

Assistant AD for Student-Athlete Services

Shawn McGuire

Associate Director of Sports Medicine

Martin Caine

Associate Director of Sports Medicine

Kaitlin Bolles

'DOGS THIS SEASON

CATEGORY	2021
Record.....	9-3
MW.....	6-2
Non-Conference.....	3-1
MW Championships.....	0-0
Bowl games.....	0-0
Home.....	5-1
Away.....	4-2
Neutral.....	0-0
Day.....	5-3
Night (6 p.m. or later).....	3-0
ABC.....	0-0
AT&T SportsNet/ROOT Sports.....	0-0
CBS Sports Network.....	3-2
ESPN.....	0-0
ESPN2.....	0-0
ESPN3/WatchESPN.....	0-0
ESPNU.....	0-0
FS1.....	2-0
FS2.....	1-0
KSEE-24.....	0-0
Pac-12 Network.....	1-1
Scoring First.....	6-0
Opponent Scores First.....	3-3
Leading at Half.....	8-1
Trailing at Half.....	1-2
Tied at the Half.....	0-0
Leading after Third.....	9-1
Trailing after Third.....	0-1
Tied after Third.....	0-1
Overtime Games.....	0-0
Scoring less than 20 pts.....	1-1
Scoring 20-29 pts.....	0-2
Scoring 30+ pts.....	8-0
Allowing less than 20 pts.....	5-0
Allowing 20-29 pts.....	1-1
Allowing 30+ pts.....	3-2
Rushing for less than 100 yds.....	2-2
Rushing for 100-199 yds.....	6-1
Rushing for 200+ yds.....	1-0
Passing for less than 200 yds.....	1-0
Passing for 200-299 yds.....	1-2
Passing for 300+ yds.....	7-1
Totalling less than 300 yds.....	1-0
300-399 yds. of total offense.....	1-2
400+ yds of total offense.....	7-1
Allowing less than 100 yds. rushing.....	4-0
Allowing 100-199 yds. rushing.....	5-1
Allowing 200+ yds. rushing.....	0-2
Allowing less than 200 yds. passing.....	3-3
Allowing 200-299 yds. passing.....	4-0
Allowing 300+ yds. passing.....	1-0
Allowing less than 300 yds. total off.....	3-0
Allowing 300-399 yds. total off.....	2-2
Allowing 400+ yds. total off.....	3-1
Having 100-yd. rusher.....	3-0
Opp. have 100-yd. rusher.....	2-2
No turnovers.....	1-0
1-2 turnovers.....	7-0
3 or more turnovers.....	0-3
No takeaways.....	0-0
1-2 takeaways.....	6-3
3 or more takeaways.....	3-0
30:00+ min. of possession.....	7-2
Under 30:00 min. of possession.....	2-1
Winning the coin toss.....	2-1
Losing the coin toss.....	7-2
Receiving opening kickoff.....	5-2
Kicking off to start the game.....	4-1

NOT THE NEW GUYS TO THIS BOWL

Fresno State looks towards its third appearance at the New Mexico Bowl, and first since 2009. Fresno State has not won in its two trips to the New Mexico Bowl.

The 'Dogs made back-to-back trips to the New Mexico Bowl in 2008 and 2009. The first appearance in the bowl game was against Colorado State as the 'Dogs fell 40-35.

A season later, the Bulldogs fell to Wyoming 35-28 in a game that was the first in New Mexico Bowl game history to go into double overtime.

With those two bowl appearances, Fresno State had made 10 bowl games in the previous 11 seasons.

NEW FACE CALLING PLAYS

With the departure of prior offensive coordinator Ryan Grubb, Fresno State interim head coach Lee Marks promoted wide receivers coach Kirby Moore to acting-offensive coordinator with offensive play call duties for the bowl game.

Moore, who has been with the Bulldogs as the wide receivers coach since 2017, has proven since then that he is more than fit for the role. With 2017 being his first year as a full-time assistant coach, Moore was named to the annual 247sports.com 30-under-30 lists as one of college football's rising stars in each of his first two seasons.

Prior to the 2020 season, Moore earned the additional title of pass game coordinator. The 2020 season, while a modified six-game season due to the COVID-19 pandemic, displayed an explosive offense led by a wealth of talent in the wide receiver room. Two in the room, sophomore Jalen Cropper and senior Keric Wheatfall, both earned all-conference honorable mention recognition at the season's end. The Bulldogs' offense produced a conference-best 479.3 yards total offense per game in 2020, and a large reason for that was because of Cropper, Wheatfall and others under Moore's tutelage.

ALL-CONFERENCE HONORS

The Mountain West announced its all-conference teams and recognitions on Nov. 30, and the Bulldogs saw 10 postseason honors by the league.

Led by a pair of first team honorees in offensive lineman Alex Akingbulu and defensive back Evan Williams, Fresno State picked up an additional three second team honors and five honorable mentions.

FIRST TEAM OFFENSIVE LINEMAN: ALEX AKINGBULU, SENIOR

- Alex Akingbulu helped block for one of the top passing, scoring and total offenses in the Mountain West.
- Akingbulu was a part of an offensive line unit that allowed 24 sacks on the quarterback, tying its least in a season since 2019.
- Akingbulu recorded 45 knock downs on the season.
- Akingbulu started all 12 games at right tackle - one of only two positions on the Bulldog offensive line to not see different starters on the year.
- Had the highest Pro Football Focus grade on an offensive line that is ranked first in the conference in total offense and second in scoring.
- Akingbulu is the first Bulldog offensive lineman to earn first team all-conference honors since 2018.
- It is the first career all-conference honor for the senior.

FIRST TEAM DEFENSIVE BACK: EVAN WILLIAMS, JUNIOR

- Evan Williams leads the team in total tackles (89), interceptions (3), broken up passes (6), fumble recoveries (2).
- Had a career-best 13 tackles at then-No. 21 San Diego State.
- Williams has recorded five double-digit tackle performances this season, the most by a Bulldog defensive back since 2016.
- Williams has a single-season best three interceptions this season, with two grabbed at Wyoming. He is the first Bulldog since 2018 to have at least three INTs in a season.
- Three interceptions in Mountain West games is tied for second among defensive backs.
- An 81.9 overall grade by Pro Football Focus is best among safeties in the Mountain West Conference and fifth in all Group of Five conferences.
- Part of a Bulldog defense who only allowed 20.25 points per game this season, while also holding two opponents scoreless. It was the first time since 2017 that a Fresno State team had multiple shutouts in a season.
- Williams is the first Bulldog defensive back to earn all-conference honors since 2018. He is the first Bulldog safety since Derron Smith in 2014.
- The announcement marks the first time Williams has been a first team honoree, but his second post-season recognition after getting honorable mention honors in 2020.

Fresno State's second team honorees were wide receiver Jalen Cropper, quarterback Jake Haener and defensive end David Perales. The honorable mention selections for the 'Dogs included wide receiver Josh Kelly, running back Ronnie Rivers, defensive end Arron Mosby, defensive tackle Kevin Atkins and linebacker Levelle Bailey.

OFFENSIVE NOTES**RONNIE RIVERS, ONE OF THE BEST TO EVER DO IT IN A BULLDOG UNIFORM**

Senior running back Ronnie Rivers has had quite the career as a Bulldog. Coming in in 2017, Rivers knew he wanted to break records set by his father Ron Rivers (1991-93). He also knew he wanted to come in, and not live in the shadow of his father. As the program's all-time leader in four statistical categories, it is safe to say that he came in and did what he wanted to do.

Not having redshirted in his career, but opting to return for his COVID season, Rivers has broke into the top 5 in career numbers in eight statistical categories, in five seasons played.

RONNIE IN THE RECORD BOOK

- Total Touchdowns: 51 TDs (1st)
- Rushing Touchdowns: 40 TDs (1st)
- Pass Receptions by a RB: 150 catches (1st)
- Receiving Touchdowns by a RB: 11 TDs (1st)
- Rushing Attempts: 672 attempts (2nd)
- Rushing Yards: 3,417 yards (3rd)
- All-Purpose Yards: 5,208 yards (4th)
- Scoring: 306 points (4th)

WHERE DOES HE STAND IF HE'S NOT FIRST?

Rivers owns the program record for career touchdowns scored, rushing touchdowns scored, pass receptions by a running back and receiving touchdowns by a running back. He's also close to several other program records.

Rushing Attempts - 658 (2nd in program history)

Record holder: Robbie Rouse (2009-12), 898 attempts

Rushing Yards - 3,352 yards (3rd in program history)

Record holder: Robbie Rouse (2009-12), 4,647 yards
2nd: Ron Rivers (1991-93), 3,473 yards

All-Purpose Yards - 5,039 yards (4th in program history)

Record holder: Isaiah Burse (2010-13), 5,873 yards
2nd: Bernard Berrian (1999-03), 5,828 yards
3rd: Robbie Rouse (2009-12), 5,441 yards

Scoring - 300 points (4th in program history)

Record holder: Kevin Goessling (2008-11), 373 points
2nd: Derek Mahoney (1990-93), 364 points
3rd: Barry Belli (1984-87), 333 points

NAME A BETTER DUO, WE'LL WAIT

The Bulldog backfield duo of Ronnie Rivers and Jordan Mims is a force to be reckoned with. Coming in together in 2017, the two running backs have seen the peaks and valleys of each other's careers.

As true freshmen in 2017, Mims led the team with 151 carries for 627 yards. That season, Rivers added 480 rushing yards in an offense that led the Bulldogs to one of the best turnaround stories in college football history.

2018 saw Rivers taking the majority of the yards as Mims had a late-season injury that would lead to a redshirt season in 2019. Rivers had 743 yards rushing and an additional 311 yards receiving in 2018, and followed up with a career-best season in 2019 with 899 yards rushing and 352 yards receiving.

2020 saw the slow return of both Bulldog running backs as Mims took the beginning of the season to get back in the swing of things. Towards the end of the season, it was Rivers who was out with injury. No yards were lost though, as Rivers totaled 507 rushing yards and Mims added 145 with the bulk of them coming in the final two games of the season.

2021 has seen the return of a healthy (for the most part) two-headed monster. Leading the way is Rivers, who has 162 carries for 788 yards and five rushing touchdowns this season. Mims isn't too far behind, having 98 carries for 545 yards and four touchdowns in the run game.

The two account for a total of 10, 100-yard rushing games (three for Mims, seven for Rivers). Together, Mims and Rivers have accounted for 58 of the 107 (54 percent) total rushing touchdowns scored by the Bulldogs since 2017.

THE MOUNTAIN WEST**2021 PREDICTED ORDER OF FINISH****West Division**

Rank	Team (first-place votes)	Points
1.	Nevada (19)	141
2.	San Jose State (5)	121
3.	San Diego State	96
4.	Fresno State (1)	85
5.	Hawai'i	56
6.	UNLV	26

Mountain Division

Rank	Team (first-place votes)	Points
1.	Boise State (23)	148
2.	Wyoming (2)	115
3.	Air Force	104
4.	Colorado State	72
5.	Utah State	47
6.	New Mexico	39

2021 PRESEASON ALL-MW TEAM**Offense**

QB	Carson Strong*, Jr., Nevada
WR	Romeo Doubs*, Sr., Nevada
WR	Khalil Shakir*, Sr., Boise State
RB	Xazavian Valladay*, Jr., Wyoming
RB	Ronnie Rivers*, Sr., Fresno State
OL	Keegan Cryder*, Jr., Wyoming
OL	John Ojukwu**, Sr., Boise State
OL	Jack Snyder*, Sr., San José State
OL	Zachary Thomas**, Sr., San Diego State
OL	Jake Stetz**, Sr., Boise State
TE	Cole Turner*, Sr., Nevada

Defense

DL	Cade Hall*, Sr., San José State
DL	Cameron Thomas*, Jr., San Diego State
DL	Scott Patchan*, Sr., Colorado State
DL	Viliami Fehoko*, Jr., San José State
LB	Chad Muma*, Jr., Wyoming
LB	Caden McDonald*, Sr., San Diego State
LB	Darius Muasau*, So., Hawai'i
DB	Kekaula Kaniho**, Sr., Boise State
DB	Jerrick Reed II*, Sr., New Mexico
DB	Cortez Davis**, Sr., Hawai'i
DB	Tre Jenkins**, Jr., San José State

Specialists

P	Ryan Stonehouse*, Sr., Colorado State
PK	Brandon Talton*, Jr., Nevada
PR	Calvin Turner, Sr., Hawai'i
KR	Savon Scarver, Sr., Utah State

* - member of the 2020 All-Mountain West first team

** - member of the 2020 All-Mountain West second team

THE MOUNTAIN WEST

2021 MW STANDINGS

Team	MW		Overall	
	W	L	W	L
West				
San Diego State	7	2	11	2
Fresno State	6	2	9	3
Nevada	5	3	8	4
Hawai'i	3	5	6	7
San Jose State	3	5	5	7
UNLV	2	6	2	10
Mountain				
Utah State	6	2	10	3
Air Force	6	2	9	3
Boise State	5	3	7	5
Wyoming	2	6	6	6
Colorado State	2	6	3	9
New Mexico	1	7	3	9

MOUNTAIN WEST RECORDS

(Since Fresno State joined the MW in 2012)

	MW			Overall	
	W	L	Pct.	W	L
Boise State	62	14	.816	94	30
San Diego State	58	21	.734	88	38
Utah State	44	27	.620	63	48
Fresno State	46	32	.590	68	54
Air Force	43	33	.566	69	50
Nevada	41	38	.519	62	56
Colorado State	37	39	.487	54	64
Wyoming	33	44	.429	53	64
San Jose State	26	44	.371	37	67
Hawai'i	25	53	.321	34	84
UNLV	23	54	.299	80	187
New Mexico	19	59	.244	39	78

MOUNTAIN WEST RECORDS - HOME GAMES ONLY

(Since Fresno State joined MW in 2012)

	Overall		
	W	L	Pct.
Boise State	51	10	.836
San Diego State	49	17	.742
Air Force	42	15	.737
Utah State*	35	17	.673
Fresno State	39	19	.672
Nevada	37	21	.638
Wyoming	34	23	.596
Colorado State	31	24	.564
Hawai'i	33	32	.508
San Jose State*	23	27	.460
New Mexico	24	35	.407
UNLV	21	38	.356

* denotes team joined MW in 2013

A WELCOME HOME PARTY, IF YOU WILL

Fresno State freshman tight end Tre Watson and senior offensive lineman Jalen Guerrero will return to their home state as the Bulldogs travel to New Mexico for their bowl game.

Watson, a native of Rio Rancho, N.M., makes his first trip as a collegiate football player back to his home state. Watson attended Cleveland High School.

Guerrero, from Las Cruces, N.M., returns to the state of New Mexico for the first time since his stint at New Mexico State. Guerrero spent four seasons at NM State from 2017-20.

LET'S TALK QUARTERBACKS

Fresno State has been known for its quarterbacks over the years, with big names as Derek Carr, David Carr and Jeff Tedford - to name a few.

LOGAN FIFE - Fife appeared in the season opener against UConn. He is in his second year with the program, having redshirted after no game action in 2020.

JAKE HAENER - Haener has started all 12 games this season for Fresno State, throwing for 3,810 yards and 32 touchdowns. He has completed 303-of-449 passes, with nine interceptions. The senior QB has eight 300-yard passing performances this season.

JAYLEN HENDERSON - Henderson has seen game action in three games this season. Henderson appeared in three games this season, seeing late-game action against Cal Poly, and at Hawai'i and at San Jose State. Henderson can still play in one game this season to retain his redshirt season. Henderson's stats this season are: 5-of-8 for 49 yards through the pass game. The freshman is strong in the run game, having an additional 68 yards on 14 carries

100-YARD CLUB

Fresno State has five different Bulldogs who have registered at least one 100-yard receiving game this season. Wide receivers Jalen Cropper, Josh Kelly, Keric Wheatfall and Zane Pope each have 100-yard games.

Last time out, it was running back Jordan Mims who registered a 100-yard receiving game, powered by a career-long 78-yard reception. It was his second career 100-yard receiving game, and the first since 2018. Mims also is the first Bulldog running back to record a 100-yard receiving game since his own 126-yard performance against Toldeo in 2018. With his performance in that game, Mims became the first Bulldog running back since Paris Gaines on Dec. 31, 2000 to account for 100 or more receiving yards in a game.

Mims leads all Bulldog running backs since 2000 with two 100-yard receiving games in his career. Kelly leads the team with three 100-yard receiving games and Cropper has two. Mims, Wheatfall and Pope have one each.

CESAR SILVA WITH THE BOOT

Fresno State senior kicker Cesar Silva, who began his Bulldog career as a transfer in 2019, has grown and slowly turned into a consistent presence for the Bulldogs this season.

Silva is 13-of-16 on his field goal attempts this season. Against New Mexico (Nov. 13), Silva hit a career-long 51-yard field goal to give the Bulldogs a cushion going into the half. Silva's 51-yarder was the first 50-yard FG of his career, and bested his previous career-best by two yards. The 51-yard shot was the longest field goal by any Bulldog since at least 2010. Silva adds additional points with 31 made PATs.

Not only does Silva handle field goal and PAT duties, but he takes care of the kickoff job as well. This season, he has 49 kickoffs for 3,056 yards, including 16 touchbacks.

INSTANT OFFENSE

The Bulldogs have made quick work on the offensive scoring drives, having 11 touchdown scoring drives this season that have been scored in less than 1:00. Fresno State has already had more scoring drives in under 60 seconds this season than they had since 2014.

2021 SCORING DRIVES UNDER 60 SECONDS:

- Rivers 61-yd pass from Haener vs. UConn, 10 seconds
- Cropper 86-yd pass from Haener vs. UConn, 14 seconds
- Cropper 24-yd pass from Haener vs. Cal Poly, 7 seconds
- Kelly 51-yd pass from Haener vs. Cal Poly, 11 seconds
- Pope 62-yd pass from Haener vs. Cal Poly, 54 seconds
- Cropper 13-yd pass from Haener at UCLA, 40 seconds
- Pope 65-yd pass from Haener at Hawai'i, 53 seconds
- Cropper 3-yd pass from Haener at Wyoming, 36 seconds
- Rivers 64-yd run vs Nevada, 28 seconds
- Mims 15-yd run at San Diego State, 46 seconds
- Mims 45-yd pass from Haener at San Jose State, 23 seconds

PLAYS UNDER 60 SECONDS IN LAST 10 SEASONS

- In 2020 - 4 in six games
- In 2019 - 4 in 12 games
- In 2018 - 9 in 14 games
- In 2017 - 6 in 14 games
- In 2016 - 5 in 12 games
- In 2015 - 4 in 12 games
- In 2014 - 12 in 14 games
- In 2013 - 12 in 13 games
- In 2012 - 16 in 13 games
- In 2011 - 7 in 13 games

DEFENSIVE NOTES**BIG KEY**

“Super Senior” Kevin Atkins is good at getting to the quarterback, and he’s only getting better.

Entering the 2021 season, Atkins had 11.0 career sacks. Through 12 games this season, Atkins has 7.0 for a new single-season career-best, passing his previous mark of 5.0 that he had in both 2019 and 2020.

The senior leader is half a sack away from breaking into the top 10 in career sacks at Fresno State. He has 18.0 in his career as a Bulldog. Atkins would become the first Bulldog since Ejiro Ederaine (2012-15) to make the Top 10 list.

Atkins needs 3.0 more sacks this season to break into the Top 10 in single-season sack numbers at Fresno State, joining Ederaine who put up 10.0 in 2013 for that 10 spot.

LEADER OF THE LOSSES

Kevin Atkins has 12.5 TFLs in the first 12 games this season, setting a new personal single-season mark.

In Fresno State program history, Atkins has the most TFL in a season by any Bulldog interior lineman since 2011.

Atkins has added 39 total tackles, 7.0 sacks and two fumble recoveries on the year.

SENIOR LEADERSHIP, LEADING THE DEFENSE

Fresno State has a wealth of experience on the defensive side of the ball.

The Bulldogs have six starting seniors on the defensive side of the ball - DE David Perales, DT Kevin Atkins, DE Arron Mosby, LB Tyson Maeva, S Elijah Gates, and CB DaRon Bland. Perales and Gates have one year of eligibility remaining due to the extra year granted following COVID-19, but the remaining four have exhausted their eligibility.

With an experienced group up front, the Bulldogs defensive line has been the strong point of the season. With Perales, Mosby, Atkins, and seniors Kwami Jones (DE) and Ryan Boehm (DT), the line up front has been looked to for accountability within that group on that side of the ball this season.

NEXT MAN UP MENTALITY

The Bulldog defense has been fairly consistent in its starting lineup, and game play rotation this season.

With senior linebacker Tyson Maeva suffering an injury against Boise State, sophomore Malachi Langley stepped up into that starting LB spot against New Mexico. Langley has started the last two regular-season games of the year, with one additional start at Wyoming.

Against the Lobos, Langley led the team with seven tackles. It was the first time this season that the young Bulldog led the defense in tackles.

This season, Langley is third on the team with 53 tackles. He adds 4.5 tackles for loss, one interception and an additional broken up pass.

DEATH, TAXES, AND EVAN WILLIAMS HAVING 10+ TACKLES

Fresno State junior defensive back Evan Williams has had a breakout season this year, totaling a team-high 89 tackles (57 solo). He adds team-high numbers in interceptions (3), broken up passes (6) and fumble recoveries (2). He also records 4.5 tackles for loss and one forced fumble on the year.

Having recorded nine tackles three times before this season, Williams exploded with a career-best 12 at then-No. 11 Oregon. Since then, Williams has had four 10+ tackle performances, adding 12 at then-No. 13 UCLA before having a span of three-straight games from Oct. 23-Nov. 6 with 10, 13, and 10 tackles, respectively.

Since 2000, Williams is one of 14 Bulldogs to have five career games with 10 or more tackles. His five games with 10+ tackles in a season is the most by a Bulldog since LB Justin Rice had eight in 2019. Of Bulldog defensive backs, Williams has the most since Stratton Brown had seven in 2016.

FRESNO STATE INTERIOR DEFENSIVE LINEMEN TFL NUMBERS

17.0, Logan Harrell (13 game - 2011)
14.0, Logan Harrell (13 games - 2010)
12.5, KEVIN ATKINS (12 GAMES - 2021)
12.0, Tyeler Davison (14 games - 2014)
11.0, Jon Monga (13 games - 2007)
9.5, Malik Forrester (14 games - 2017)
7.5, Tyeler Davison (13 games - 2013)
7.0, Kevin Atkins (12 games - 2019)

FRESNO STATE WATCH LISTS**WR JALEN CROPPER**

Biletnikoff Award

QB JAKE HAENER

Davey O'Brien Award Watch List
Maxwell Award Watch List
Reese's Senior Bowl Watch List
Manning Award Watch List

LB TYSON MAEVA

Polynesian College Football Player of the Year Award Watch List

C MATT SMITH

William V. Campbell Award Watch List

RB RONNIE RIVERS

Paul Hornung Award Watch List
Doak Walker Award Watch List
Maxwell Award Watch List
Reese's Senior Bowl Watch List

LS, JACOB WESTBERRY

Patrick Mannely Award Watch List

WR, KERIC WHEATFALL

Earl Campbell Tyler Rose Award Watch List

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BULLDOGS IN THE NFL**DENVER BRONCOS**

Netane Muti (OL)

ARIZONA CARDINALS

Charles Washington (S)

ATLANTA FALCONS

Mykal Walker (LB)

Tyeler Davison (DT)

GREEN BAY PACKERS

Davante Adams (WR)

LAS VEGAS RAIDERS

Derek Carr (QB)

LOS ANGELES RAMS

Juju Hughes (S)

PRACTICE SQUADS

San Francisco 49ers

Josh Hokit (FB)

Philadelphia Eagles

KeeSean Johnson (WR)

NATIONAL POLLS

AP TOP 25 POLL

1. Alabama (12-1)
2. Michigan (12-1)
3. Georgia (12-1)
4. Cincinnati (13-0)
5. Notre Dame (11-1)
6. Baylor (11-2)
7. Ohio State (10-2)
8. Ole Miss (10-2)
9. Oklahoma State (11-2)
10. Utah (10-3)
11. Michigan State (10-2)
12. BYU (10-2)
13. Pittsburgh (11-2)
14. Oklahoma (10-2)
15. Oregon (10-3)
16. Louisiana (12-1)
17. Iowa (10-3)
18. NC State (9-3)
19. Clemson (9-3)
20. Wake Forest (10-3)
21. Houston (11-2)
22. Arkansas (8-4)
23. Texas A&M (8-4)
24. UTSA (12-1)
25. Kentucky (9-3)

USA TODAY COACHES POLL

1. Alabama (12-1)
2. Michigan (12-1)
3. Georgia (12-1)
4. Cincinnati (13-0)
5. Norte Dame (11-1)
6. Baylor (11-2)
7. Ohio State (10-2)
8. Ole Miss (10-2)
9. Oklahoma State (11-2)
10. Michigan State (10-2)
11. Utah (10-3)
12. Pitt (11-2)
13. Oklahoma (10-2)
14. BYU (10-2)
15. Oregon (10-3)
16. Iowa (10-3)
17. Louisiana (12-1)
18. NC State (9-3)
19. Wake Forest (10-3)
20. Kentucky (9-3)
21. Houston (11-2)
22. Clemson (9-3)
23. Texas A&M (8-4)
24. Arkansas (8-4)
25. UTSA (12-1)

CFP RANKINGS

1. Alabama (12-1)
2. Michigan (12-1)
3. Georgia (12-1)
4. Cincinnati (13-0)
5. Notre Dame (11-1)
6. Ohio State (10-2)
7. Baylor (11-2)
8. Ole Miss (10-2)
9. Oklahoma State (11-2)
10. Michigan State (10-2)
11. Utah (10-3)
12. Pitt (11-2)
13. BYU (10-2)
14. Oregon (10-3)
15. Iowa (10-3)
16. Oklahoma (10-2)
17. Wake Forest (10-3)
18. NC State (9-3)
19. Clemson (9-3)
20. Houston (11-2)
21. Arkansas (8-4)
22. Kentucky (9-3)
23. Louisiana (12-1)
24. San Diego State (11-2)
25. Texas A&M (8-4)

BIG THINGS AHEAD FOR THE FRESHMAN FROM TEXAS

True freshman Cale Sanders Jr., from New Caney, Texas, has played all 12 games for the Bulldogs this season. Seeing early game time action as a special teams contributor this season, then working his way into the corner-back rotation, to securing a starting spot, Sanders Jr. has a bright future ahead of him.

Sanders earned his first career start against Boise State and stayed in the starting 11 against New Mexico and at San Jose State, becoming the first true freshman to earn a start on the Bulldogs' defense in the 2021 season.

On the season, Sanders has 17 tackles, 1.0 TFL, two broken up passes and a forced fumble. Against New Mexico, Sanders picked up his first career interception, on the first pass of the game that happened to be the second play for the Lobos.

Sanders had coverage grades of 82.7 and 74.7 in his first two career starts, according to Pro Football Focus. Those are two of the five highest single-game grades for a Bulldogs' starting cornerback this season.

OUR DEFINITION OF VERSATILE: ARRON MOSBY

Senior defensive end Arron Mosby has had himself A. YEAR. Opposing offenses have quickly taken note at where Mosby is on the field.

New to the defensive line this season, Mosby has wasted no time getting comfortable in the starting defensive end role. Coming in as a freshman, Mosby was a safety. He played that role until the 2019 season when he made the switch to linebacker. Entering the 2020 season, Mosby was a starter at linebacker but slowly saw some progression to the defensive line as he played some reps as a defensive end. The 2021 season secured Mosby's starting spot on the defensive line, and he has produced.

As a starting defensive end in all 12 games this season, Mosby has accumulated a team-high 14.5 tackles for loss and a team-leading five forced fumbles. Mosby tacked on 39 tackles, five sacks, three broken up passes, two quarterback hurries, two fumble recoveries, and an additional touchdown scored.

NO FLY ZONE

After the Bulldog defense had only one interception through the first six games of the season, something has been ignited in the hands of the 'Dogs D.

In the last six games, Fresno State has totaled nine interceptions with four against Wyoming, one against Nevada, two at San Diego State and one against Boise State and New Mexico.

Evan Williams (DB) leads the defense with three interceptions on the year. Williams is the first Bulldog since 2018 with at least three interceptions in a season. Levelle Bailey (LB) and DaRon Bland (CB) are second on the team with two INTs, and Malachi Langley (LB), Cale Sanders Jr. (DB) and LJ Early (S) have one each.

Fresno State's 10 interceptions is its most since 2019 when the 'Dogs had 11. The Bulldogs' streak of five-straight games with an interception is the longest streak since Fresno State had at least one in eight games in 2018.

TURNOVER TOWN

Fresno State's defense is averaging 1.8 turnovers gained per game this season. Its 22 total turnovers gained (10 INTS, 12 FR) are the seventh-most by any team in the FBS.

Although Fresno State hasn't gained as many turnovers in the last few games as it did earlier in the season, the Bulldogs still have some bright spots to look back on in the year. At Wyoming on Oct. 16, the Bulldog defense gained its most turnovers in a game (5) since the 2019 season. The five turnovers gained were from four different Bulldogs, as safety Evan Williams had two interceptions, fellow safety Elijah Gates had a fumble recovery, and L.J. Early (another safety) had his frist career interception. Linebacker Malachi Langley was responsible for the remaining turnover, as he swooped in for an interception against the Cowboys.

The Bulldogs had three turnovers gained (2 INT, 1 FR) at San Diego State. Fresno State's three turnovers gained were the most that San Diego State had surrendered in a game on the season. The Aztecs entered the game with just six on the year.

CASHING IT IN, AND MAKING IT COUNT

The turnovers gained are always a good thing, but its even better when the Bulldog offense gets its chance to score on those turnovers. The Bulldogs have earned points off turnovers in all but two games this season.

Fresno State has scored 85 points off turnovers this season. The Bulldogs have had a season-high 17 points off turnovers twice this season, its first in its 17-0 win at Wyoming (Oct. 16) and next at then-No. 21 San Diego State (Oct. 30).

INTERIM HEAD COACH **LEE MARKS****COACHING EXPERIENCE****Fresno State**

2020: Running Backs/Asst. Head Coach/
Run Game Coordinator

Boise State

2019: Running Backs/Director of Special
Teams

2015-18: Running Backs

2014: Asst. Strength & Conditioning Coach

Arkansas State

2013: Asst. Director of S&C

South Dakota State

2012: Running Backs

Sioux Falls

2010-11: Offensive Graduate Asst.

Colorado

2007-09: Asst. speed and S&C coach

PERSONAL**Hometown**

- Reseda, Calif.

Education

- Boise State (2007) - B.A
- Sioux Falls (2011) - M.A.

Playing Exp.

- Boise State (RB)

Family

- Wife: Kim
- Children: Liam, Logan

Lee Marks enters his second season with the Fresno State football program in 2021. Marks was named the interim head coach on Monday, Nov. 29. Prior to being named interim head coach, Marks was the Bulldogs' running backs coach and additionally held the titles of assistant head coach and run game coordinator with the Bulldogs.

The running back group steered by Marks in his first season at Fresno State (2020) was led by first team all-Mountain West senior Ronnie Rivers. Before suffering an injury in the second-to-last game of the season, Rivers was one of two MW backs averaging over 100 rushing yards per game, and led the conference in all-purpose yards (163.8/game) and scoring (10.8/game).

Marks joined the Fresno State football staff for the 2020 season following six seasons at his alma mater, Boise State. The former Boise State all-league running back spent the past five seasons as its running backs coach and was a member of its strength and conditioning staff in year one of his tenure. He added director of special teams to his duties in 2019.

In Marks' five seasons with the running backs at Boise State, they had a 1,000-yard rusher each season.

Under his watch, true freshman George Holani kept the streak going and was named the 2019 Mountain West Freshman of the Year and a second-team all-league selection, after Marks lost his second running back in three seasons declaring early for the NFL Draft – Alexander Mattison (3rd Rd. – Minnesota, 2019) and Jeremy McNichols (5th Rd. – Tampa Bay, 2017).

When he arrived, the Boise State backfield picked up right where it left off from 2014, as McNichols had a breakout season with 1,337 rushing yards (25th in the FBS) and 20 rushing touchdowns, a figure that was the Mountain West standard and ranked sixth in the country. McNichols also fully emerged as a dual threat, complementing his rushing prowess with 51 catches for 460 yards and six more touchdowns.

McNichols followed up his 2015 campaign with a stellar 2016, ranking second nationally in total touchdowns (27) and ranking sixth nationally in rushing yards (1,709).

In 2017, Marks oversaw the development of Alexander Mattison, who rushed for 1,086 yards and 12 touchdowns. A season later, Mattison led the Mountain West and ranked eighth nationally with 1,415 rushing yards en route to first-team all-league honors. He also added 17 rushing TDs to lead the MW and rank seventh nationally.

Marks initially returned to his alma mater in 2014, serving as assistant strength and conditioning coach. Before returning to Boise State, Marks spent the 2013 season as the assistant director of strength and conditioning at Arkansas State, where Bryan Harsin served as head coach. There, the Red Wolves earned a share of the Sun Belt Conference title and a victory in the GoDaddy Bowl.

He joined A-State after serving as running backs coach at South Dakota State in 2012. The Jackrabbits ranked as high as No. 21 in the Sports Network Football Championship Subdivision Poll, producing a 9-4 overall record during Marks' lone season in Brookings. Marks oversaw the efforts of All-America running back Zach Zenner, who rushed for 2,044 yards and 13 touchdowns while adding 28 receptions for another 197 yards. He topped 100 yards in nine games and rushed for 200-plus yards three times, including a school-record 295 yards in a win over Eastern Illinois.

Prior to working at South Dakota State, Marks spent two seasons as a graduate assistant that worked with the running backs at the University of Sioux Falls. The high-powered Cougar offense ranked second in the NAIA in total points (577) during the 2010 season and ranked 18th in rushing yards (2,254).

Before joining the Sioux Falls staff, Marks spent three seasons at Colorado, where he served as an assistant speed and strength and conditioning coach.

During his playing career at Boise State, Marks twice led the Broncos in rushing. He accumulated 1,773 rushing yards and eight touchdowns over his final two seasons as a starter, and helped lead the Broncos to four bowl games. He was a two-time All-Western Athletic Conference selection and was the team's offensive most valuable player in 2005.

He later played one season with the Boise Burn of the Arena Football League.

Lee and his wife Kim have a son, Liam, and a daughter, Logan.

SCHEDULE + FUTURES

Aug.	28	UConn		W, 45-0	
	September	4	at No. 11 Oregon		L, 31-24
11		Cal Poly		W, 63-10	CW59/MWN
18		at No. 13 UCLA		W, 40-37	
24		UNLV*		W, 38-30	
October	2	at Hawai'i*		L, 27-24	
	16	at Wyoming*		W, 17-0	
	23	Nevada*		W, 34-32	
	30	at No. 21 San Diego State*		W, 30-20	
November	6	Boise State*		L, 40-14	
	13	New Mexico*		W, 34-7	
	25	at San Jose State*		W, 40-9	
Dec.	18	UTEP - New Mexico Bowl		11:15 a.m. PT	

BULLDOG FOOTBALL CHANNEL FINDER...

AT&T UVERSE

CBS Sports Network: 643, 1643
 FS1: 652, 1652
 FS2: 651, 1651
 PAC-12 Network: N/A
 CW59: 1059, 59
 ESPN: N/A

COMCAST (FRESNO MARKET)

CBS Sports Network: 418, 732
 FS1: 35, 408, 731, 1208
 FS2: 410, 779, 1209
 PAC-12 Network: 434, 823
 CW59: 705, 708, 1059
 ESPN: 32

DIRECTV

CBS Sports Network: 221
 FS1: 219
 FS2: 618
 PAC-12 Network: N/A
 CW59: 59, 5
 ESPN: 206

DISH NETWORK

CBS Sports Network: 158
 FS1: 150
 FS2: 149
 PAC-12 Network: 409
 CW59: 59, 5
 ESPN: 140

Indicators

* conference game

FUTURE SCHEDULES

2022			2023			2024			2025		
Date	Opponent	Location	Date	Opponent	Location	Date	Opponent	Location	Date	Opponent	Location
S3	Cal Poly	Fresno, CA	S2	at Purdue	West Lafayette, IN	A31	at Michigan	Ann Arbor, MI	Aug. 23	--	at Kansas
S10	Oregon State	Fresno, CA	S9	Eastern Washington	Fresno, CA	S7	Sacramento State	Fresno, CA	Aug. 30	--	Georgia Southern
S17	at USC	Los Angeles, CA	S16	at Arizona State	Tempe, AZ	S14	at UCLA	Los Angeles, CA	Sept. 6	--	at Oregon State
O1	at UConn	East Hartford, CT	O7	BYU	Fresno, CA	O5	New Mexico State	Fresno, CA	Sept. 13	--	Southern Univ.
	Hawai'i*	Fresno, CA		Colorado State*	Fresno, CA		Boise State*	Fresno, CA	2026		
	San Diego State*	Fresno, CA		Nevada*	Fresno, CA		Nevada*	Fresno, CA	Sept. 5	--	at USC
	San Jose State*	Fresno, CA		UNLV*	Fresno, CA		UNLV*	Fresno, CA	Sept. 12	--	Sacramento State
	Wyoming*	Fresno, CA		Utah State*	Fresno, CA		New Mexico*	Fresno, CA	Sept. 19	--	at Washington State
	at Boise State*	Boise, ID		at Air Force*	USAFA, CO		at Hawai'i*	Honolulu, HI	2027		
	at Nevada*	Reno, NV		at Hawai'i*	Honolulu, HI		at San Diego State*	San Diego, CA	Aug. 28	--	Dixie State
	at UNLV*	Las Vegas, NV		at San Diego State*	San Diego, CA		at San Jose State*	San Jose, CA	Sept. 4	--	at Washington
	at New Mexico*	Albuquerque, NM		at San Jose State*	San Jose, CA		at Wyoming*	Laramie, WY	Sept. 18	--	Washington State
									Oct. 9	--	at BYU

* = Mountain West game

All future conference game dates are TBD

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2021 SCHEDULE/RESULTS

Date	Opponent	Result	Score	Overall	Conference	Time	Attend
Aug. 28, 2021	UConn	W	45-0	1-0	0-0	3:27	26,043
Sept. 4, 2021	at No. 11 Oregon	L	31-24	1-1	0-0	3:45	43,276
Sept. 11, 2021	Cal Poly	W	63-10	2-1	0-0	3:15	30,119
Sept. 18, 2021	at No. 13 UCLA	W	40-37	3-1	0-0	3:43	50,698
Sept. 24, 2021	UNLV*	W	38-30	4-1	1-0	3:36	35,093
Oct. 2, 2021	at Hawai'i*	L	27-24	4-2	1-1	3:39	0
Oct. 14, 2021	at Wyoming*	W	17-0	5-2	2-1	3:10	20,002
Oct. 23, 2021	Nevada*	W	34-32	6-2	3-1	3:45	33,012
Oct. 30, 2021	at San Diego State*	W	30-20	7-2	4-1	3:36	11,034
Nov. 6, 2021	Boise State*	L	40-14	7-3	4-2	4:07	41,031
Nov. 13, 2021	New Mexico*	W	34-7	8-3	5-2	2:57	35,020
Nov. 25, 2021	at San Jose State*	W	40-9	9-3	6-2	3:19	15,323

* MW game

TEAM STATISTICS

	FRESNO ST.	OPP
SCORING	403	243
Points Per Game	33.6	20.2
Points Off Turnovers	82	78
FIRST DOWNS	289	221
Rushing	93	83
Passing	168	108
Penalty	28	30
RUSHING YARDAGE	1602	1538
Yards gained rushing	1943	1846
Yards lost rushing	341	308
Rushing Attempts	405	425
Average Per Rush	4.0	3.6
Average Per Game	133.5	128.2
TDs Rushing	15	14
PASSING YARDAGE	3961	2583
Comp-Att-Int	316-472-10	199-378-10
Average Per Pass	8.4	6.8
Average Per Catch	12.5	13.0
Average Per Game	330.1	215.2
TDs Passing	34	15
TOTAL OFFENSE	5563	4121
Total Plays	877	803
Average Per Play	6.3	5.1
Average Per Game	463.6	343.4
KICK RETURNS: #-Yards	25-454	53-1184
PUNT RETURNS: #-Yards	14-43	8-77
INT RETURNS: #-Yards	10-192	10-76
KICK RETURN AVERAGE	18.2	22.3
PUNT RETURN AVERAGE	3.1	9.6
INT RETURN AVERAGE	19.2	7.6
FUMBLES-LOST	18-12	15-12
PENALTIES-Yards	94-868	76-680
Average Per Game	72.3	56.7
PUNTS-Yards	53-2185	68-2833
Average Per Punt	41.2	41.7
Net punt average	38.6	39.9
KICKOFFS-Yards	79-4784	55-3198
Average Per Kick	60.6	58.1
Net kick average	38.9	39.9
TIME OF POSSESSION/Game	31:11	28:49
3RD-DOWN Conversions	73/168	63/175
3rd-Down Pct	43%	36%
4TH-DOWN Conversions	8/15	4/17
4th-Down Pct	53%	24%
SACKS BY-Yards	30-166	24-178
MISC YARDS	0	0
TOUCHDOWNS SCORED	50	29
FIELD GOALS-ATTEMPTS	18-21	15-19
ON-SIDE KICKS	0-0	1-1
RED-ZONE SCORES	(42-48) 88%	(36-43) 84%
RED-ZONE TOUCHDOWNS	(33-48) 69%	(22-43) 51%
PAT-ATTEMPTS	(45-45) 100%	(24-24) 100%
ATTENDANCE	200318	140333
Games/Avg Per Game	6/33386	6/23389
Neutral Site Games		0/0

Score by Quarters	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	OT	Total
Fresno State	62	158	106	77		403
Opponents	61	46	40	96		243

Field Goals	FGM-FGA	Pct.	01-19	20-29	30-39	40-49	50-59	Lg	Blk
SILVA, Cesar	13-16	81.2	0-0	3-3	1-1	8-10	1-2	51	0
MONTANO, Abraham	5-5	100.0	0-0	2-2	3-3	0-0	0-0	39	0

FG Sequence	Fresno St.	Opponents
UConn	(24),51	-
Oregon	(33),(39),(22)	(25)
Cal Poly	-	38,(47)
UCLA	(21),(39)	(39)
UNLV	(25),(31)	(30)
Hawai'i	(48)	(34),(33)
Wyoming	40,(41)	53
Nevada	(47),(43)	(32),(38)
San Diego State	(49),(27),44,(42)	55
Boise State	-	(47),(27),(32),(27)
New Mexico	(51),(48)	46
San Jose St.	(43)	(31),(26),(36)

(parenthesis indicate field goal was made)

Punting	No.	Yds	Avg.	Long	TB	FC	I20	50+
KING, Carson	52	2161	41.6	71	3	20	21	12
GOODYEAR, Matthew	1	24	24.0	24	0	0	0	0
TOTAL	53	2185	41.2	71	3	20	21	12
Opponents.....	68	2833	41.7	56	4	35	28	11

Kickoffs	No.	Yds	Avg.	TB	OB	Retn	Net	YdLn
SILVA, Cesar	49	3056	62.4	16	0			
MONTANO, Abraham	24	1412	58.8	5	0			
MEONO, Andre	6	316	52.7	0	0			
TOTAL	79	4784	60.6	21	0	1184	38.9	26
Opponents.....	55	3198	58.1	22	2	454	39.9	25

Punt Returns	No.	Yds	Avg.	TD	Long
RIVERS, Ronnie	9	22	2.4	0	17
POPE, Zane	4	23	5.8	0	10
BROOKS, Erik	1	-2	-2.0	0	0
TOTAL	14	43	3.1	0	17
Opponents.....	8	77	9.6	0	22

Kick Returns	No.	Yds	Avg.	TD	Long
MIMS, Jordan	13	285	21.9	0	37
SHERROD, Malik	7	127	18.1	0	24
BROWN, Jordan	3	19	6.3	0	15
RIVERS, Ronnie	1	13	13.0	0	13
PAUWELS JR., Raymond	1	10	10.0	0	10
TOTAL	25	454	18.2	0	37
Opponents.....	53	1184	22.3	0	66

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Rushing	G	Att.	Gain	Loss	Net	Avg.	TD	Long	Avg/G
RIVERS, Ronnie	11	162	817	29	788	4.9	5	64	71.6
MIMS, Jordan	12	98	558	13	545	5.6	4	59	45.4
WILMORE, Jordan	6	14	78	1	77	5.5	1	14	12.8
HENDERSON, Jaylen	3	14	95	27	68	4.9	0	40	22.7
CROPPER, Jalen	12	18	89	29	60	3.3	2	22	5.0
SHERROD, Malik	7	11	47	6	41	3.7	0	19	5.9
KELLY, Josh	12	2	28	8	20	10.0	0	28	1.7
FIFE, Logan	1	4	14	1	13	3.2	0	7	13.0
POPE, Zane	12	1	3	0	3	3.0	0	3	0.2
HAENER, Jake	12	68	211	208	3	0.0	3	28	0.2
WHEATFALL, Keric	12	2	3	1	2	1.0	0	3	0.2
Team	9	11	0	18	-18	-1.6	0	0	-2.0
TOTAL	12	405	1943	341	1602	4.0	15	64	133.5
Opponents.....	12	425	1846	308	1538	3.6	14	63	128.2

Passing	G	Effic	Comp-Att-Int	Pct	Yds	TD	Long	Avg/G
HAENER, Jake	12	158.27	303-449-9	67.5	3810	32	86	317.5
FIFE, Logan	1	96.80	7-13-1	53.8	51	1	13	51.0
HENDERSON, Jaylen	3	113.95	5-8-0	62.5	49	0	19	16.3
CROPPER, Jalen	12	429.20	1-2-0	50.0	51	1	51	4.2
TOTAL	12	156.98	316-472-10	66.9	3961	34	86	330.1
Opponents.....	12	117.85	199-378-10	52.6	2583	15	80	215.2

Receiving	G	No.	Yards	Avg.	TD	Long	Avg/G
CROPPER, Jalen	12	76	827	10.9	11	86	68.9
KELLY, Josh	12	50	768	15.4	3	69	64.0
WHEATFALL, Keric	12	36	582	16.2	4	55	48.5
RIVERS, Ronnie	11	34	364	10.7	2	61	33.1
POPE, Zane	12	24	434	18.1	4	65	36.2
MIMS, Jordan	12	20	253	12.6	3	78	21.1
JONES, Ty	12	19	211	11.1	1	25	17.6
BROOKS, Erik	12	17	184	10.8	2	22	15.3
RODRIGUEZ, Juan	11	14	103	7.4	2	23	9.4
PAUWELS JR., Raymond	12	13	97	7.5	2	23	8.1
WATSON, Tre	11	8	93	11.6	0	25	8.5
WILMORE, Jordan	6	2	15	7.5	0	10	2.5
BROWN, Jordan	10	2	11	5.5	0	7	1.1
EDWARDS, Emoryie	7	1	19	19.0	0	19	2.7
TOTAL	12	316	3961	12.5	34	86	330.1
Opponents.....	12	199	2583	13.0	15	80	215.2

Interceptions	No.	Yds	Avg.	TD	Long
WILLIAMS, Evan	3	64	21.3	0	36
BLAND, DaRon	2	38	19.0	0	32
BAILEY, Levelle	2	27	13.5	0	22
SANDERS JR., Cale	1	18	18.0	0	18
EARLY, L.J.	1	12	12.0	0	12
LANGLEY, Malachi	1	33	33.0	0	33
TOTAL	10	192	19.2	0	36
Opponents.....	10	76	7.6	0	33

Scoring	TD	FGs	PATs					Saf	Pts
			Kick	Rush	Rcv	Pass	DPX		
CROPPER, Jalen	13	0-0	0-0	0-1	0	0-0	0	0	78
SILVA, Cesar	0	13-16	31-31	0-0	0	0-0	0	0	70
MIMS, Jordan	7	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0	0	42
RIVERS, Ronnie	7	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0	0	42
MONTANO, Abraham	0	5-5	14-14	0-0	0	0-0	0	0	29
WHEATFALL, Keric	4	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0	0	24
POPE, Zane	4	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0	0	24
KELLY, Josh	3	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0	0	18
HAENER, Jake	3	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	1-3	0	0	18
RODRIGUEZ, Juan	2	0-0	0-0	0-0	1	0-0	0	0	14
BROOKS, Erik	2	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0	0	12
PAUWELS JR., Raymond	2	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0	0	12
WILMORE, Jordan	1	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0	0	6
JONES, Ty	1	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0	0	6
MOSBY, Arron	1	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0	0	6
Team	0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0	1	2
KING, Carson	0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-1	0	0	0
TOTAL	50	18-21	45-45	0-1	1	1-4	0	1	403
Opponents.....	29	15-19	24-24	0-1	0	0-4	0	0	243

Total Offense	G	Plays	Rush	Pass	Total	Avg/G
HAENER, Jake	12	517	3	3810	3813	317.8
RIVERS, Ronnie	11	162	788	0	788	71.6
MIMS, Jordan	12	98	545	0	545	45.4
HENDERSON, Jaylen	3	22	68	49	117	39.0
CROPPER, Jalen	12	20	60	51	111	9.2
WILMORE, Jordan	6	14	77	0	77	12.8
FIFE, Logan	1	17	13	51	64	64.0
SHERROD, Malik	7	11	41	0	41	5.9
KELLY, Josh	12	2	20	0	20	1.7
POPE, Zane	12	1	3	0	3	0.2
WHEATFALL, Keric	12	2	2	0	2	0.2
Team	9	11	-18	0	-18	-2.0
TOTAL	12	877	1602	3961	5563	463.6
Opponents.....	12	803	1538	2583	4121	343.4

All Purpose	G	Rush	Rec	PR	KOR	IR	Tot	Avg/G
RIVERS, Ronnie	11	788	364	22	13	0	1187	107.9
MIMS, Jordan	12	545	253	0	285	0	1083	90.2
CROPPER, Jalen	12	60	827	0	0	0	887	73.9
KELLY, Josh	12	20	768	0	0	0	788	65.7
WHEATFALL, Keric	12	2	582	0	0	0	584	48.7
POPE, Zane	12	3	434	23	0	0	460	38.3
JONES, Ty	12	0	211	0	0	0	211	17.6
BROOKS, Erik	12	0	184	-2	0	0	182	15.2
SHERROD, Malik	7	41	0	0	127	0	168	24.0
PAUWELS JR., Raymond	12	0	97	0	10	0	107	8.9
RODRIGUEZ, Juan	11	0	103	0	0	0	103	9.4
WATSON, Tre	11	0	93	0	0	0	93	8.5
WILMORE, Jordan	6	77	15	0	0	0	92	15.3
HENDERSON, Jaylen	3	68	0	0	0	0	68	22.7
WILLIAMS, Evan	12	0	0	0	0	64	64	5.3
BLAND, DaRon	12	0	0	0	0	38	38	3.2
LANGLEY, Malachi	12	0	0	0	0	33	33	2.8
BROWN, Jordan	10	0	11	0	19	0	30	3.0
BAILEY, Levelle	12	0	0	0	0	27	27	2.2
EDWARDS, Emoryie	7	0	19	0	0	0	19	2.7
SANDERS JR., Cale	12	0	0	0	0	18	18	1.5
FIFE, Logan	1	13	0	0	0	0	13	13.0
EARLY, L.J.	12	0	0	0	0	12	12	1.0
HAENER, Jake	12	3	0	0	0	0	3	0.2
Team	9	-18	0	0	0	0	-18	-2.0
TOTAL	12	1602	3961	43	454	192	6252	521.0
Opponents.....	12	1538	2583	77	1184	76	5458	454.8

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Defensive Leaders	GP	-----Tackles-----			TFL/Yds	-Sacks-		--- Pass Def ---		QBH	- Fumbles -		Blkd	
		Solo	Ast	Total		No.-Yards	Int-Yds	BrUp	Rcv-Yds		FF	Kick	Saf	
WILLIAMS, Evan	12	57	32	89	4.5-12	.	3-64	6	.	2-0	1	.	.	
LANGLEY, Malachi	12	35	18	53	4.5-8	.	1-33	2	.	.	.	.	.
BAILEY, Levelle	12	31	22	53	7.0-19	2.5-9	2-27	5	.	1-0	.	.	.	
MAEVA, Tyson	10	22	22	44	5.5-10	1.5-3	.	1	1	.	.	.	.
BLAND, DaRon	12	32	10	42	1.0-1	.	2-38	5	1	.	1	.	.	
PERALES, David	12	19	21	40	13.0-76	7.0-60	.	1	2	.	3	.	.	
MOSBY, Arron	12	23	16	39	14.5-56	5.0-30	.	3	2	2-31	5	.	.	
ATKINS, Kevin	12	26	13	39	12.5-49	7.0-39	.	.	.	2-0	.	.	.	
HOUSTON, Justin	12	22	14	36	.	.	.	3	.	.	.	.	.
EARLY, L.J.	12	28	4	32	2.0-4	.	1-12	4	.	.	.	.	.
GATES, Elijah	9	25	6	31	3.0-7	.	.	6	.	1-0	.	.	.	
PAIT, Emari	12	17	7	24	5.5-18	.	.	4	.	.	.	.	.
PAYNE JR., Leonard	11	10	12	22	5.0-12	3.5-10	.	.	.	1-0	.	.	.	
BOEHM, Ryan	12	15	7	22	3.5-13	2.5-12	.	.	1	1-0	.	.	.	
LUX, Bralyn	12	18	3	21	1.0-2	.	.	4	.	1-0	.	.	.	
SANDERS JR., Cale	12	15	2	17	1.0-4	.	1-18	2	.	.	1	.	.	
FREE, Wylan	11	12	4	16	0.5-2	.	.	4	.	.	.	.	.
PERRY, Deonte	12	7	6	13	.	.	.	1	.	.	.	.	.
AGINA, Kosi	12	9	4	13	1.0-2	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
MELLO, Tyler	10	9	4	13	0.5-3	0.5-3	.	.	1	.	.	.	.
BENNETT, Evan	12	4	8	12	.	.	.	.	1	.	.	.	.
JONES, Kwami	11	6	6	12	.	.	.	.	1	1-0	.	.	.
GAGNON, Kenny	12	7	2	9	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
COMSTOCK, Steven	12	5	1	6	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
BLOUNT, Tanner	9	4	1	5	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
DALENA, Mac	12	5	.	5	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
BRIDGES, Devo	12	2	3	5	0.5-0	0.5-0	.	.	1	.	.	.	.
LAWSON, Matt	7	3	1	4	0.5-1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
JOHNSON, Da'Marcus	12	1	1	2	0.5-1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
GORDON, Chrishawn	2	1	1	2	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
BULL, Dontae	12	2	.	2	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
JORDAN, Randy	1	2	.	2	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
FIELDS, Rian	8	1	1	2	.	.	.	1	.	.	.	.	.
DIAZ JR., Jason	2	2	.	2	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
LEWIS, Julius	3	.	1	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
REMLINGER, Charles	1	1	.	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
HAENER, Jake	12	1	.	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
LAMANUZZI, Cam	8	1	.	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
BROWN, Jordan	10	.	1	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
WESTBERRY, Jacob	11	1	.	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
BRANHAM, Zeke	3	1	.	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
PAUWELS JR., Raymond	12	1	.	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
SCHMIDT, Bula	11	1	.	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
BROOKS, Erik	12	1	.	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
MONTANO, Abraham	4	1	.	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
CROPPER, Jalen	12	1	.	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
SILVA, Cesar	9	1	.	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
RIVERS, Ronnie	11	1	.	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
Team	9	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	1
TOTAL	12	490	254	744	87-300	30-166	10-192	53	11	12-31	11	.	1	
Opponents.....	12	539	224	763	64.0-321	24-178	10-76	35	13	12-48	15	.	.	

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RUSHING	No-Yds/TD	UConn	ORE	CP	UCLA	UNLV	UH	WYO	NEV	SDSU	BSU	UNM	SJSU
RIVERS, Ronnie	162-788/5	13-58/0	14-40/0	14-64/1	21-136/2	14-48/0	15-74/0	22-73/0	3-80/1	DNP	12-79/0	20-71/1	14-65/0
MIMS, Jordan	98-545/4	7-38/1	4-47/0	2-4/0	2-4/0	-	3-13/0	13-78/0	23-134/1	29-186/2	2-1/0	8-26/0	5-14/0
WILMORE, Jordan	14-77/1	5-28/0	-	5-31/1	-	-	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	4-18/0
HENDERSON, J	14-68/0	DNP	DNP	9-62/0	DNP	DNP	2-5/0	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	3-11/0
CROPPER, Jalen	18-60/2	1-13/0	1-8/0	1-9/0	1-1/1	2-1/0	2-1/0	3-4/0	1-1/0	1-6/0	1-8/0	2-4/0	2-24/1
SHERROD, Malik	11-41/0	3-2/0	DNP	3-12/0	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	-	-	2-22/0	-	3-5/0
KELLY, Josh	2-20/0	-	1-8/0	-	-	1-28/0	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
FIFE, Logan	4-13/0	4-13/0	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP
HAENER, Jake	68-3/3	2-7/0	9--8/1	3-11/2	13--27/0	4-12/0	9-36/0	3-12/0	3--10/0	3--11/0	9--16/0	8--6/0	2-3/0
POPE, Zane	1-3/0	-	-	1-3/0	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
WHEATFALL, K	2-2/0	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1-1/0	1-3/0	-
Team	11--18/0	3--3/0	1--2/0	DNP	-	2--4/0	-	2--4/0	DNP	1--2/0	DNP	1--1/0	1--2/0

RECEIVING	No-Yds/TD	UConn	ORE	CP	UCLA	UNLV	UH	WYO	NEV	SDSU	BSU	UNM	SJSU
CROPPER, Jalen	76-827/11	3-87/1	7-49/1	5-70/1	14-141/1	10-108/4	5-73/1	4-18/1	7-34/0	6-84/0	3-46/0	5-41/0	7-76/1
KELLY, Josh	50-768/3	3-54/0	5-72/0	3-127/2	8-120/0	4-28/0	6-60/0	1-1/0	2-21/0	5-107/0	5-76/0	6-76/1	2-26/0
WHEATFALL, K	36-582/4	3-19/0	5-76/0	1-53/1	2-33/0	5-115/0	2-29/0	-	5-84/1	4-47/1	6-81/1	1-20/0	2-25/0
POPE, Zane	24-434/4	2-22/0	3-30/0	3-95/1	-	-	5-113/2	2-33/0	4-59/0	-	3-58/1	1-8/0	1-16/0
RIVERS, Ronnie	34-364/2	2-66/1	4-19/0	4-43/0	3-26/0	2-22/0	6-59/0	4-19/0	-	DNP	3-14/0	1-5/0	5-91/1
MIMS, Jordan	20-253/3	2-22/0	-	1-19/0	2-16/0	2-4/0	-	2-18/0	4-20/1	1-2/0	-	4-103/1	2-49/1
JONES, Ty	19-211/1	1-9/1	2-25/0	1-15/0	5-61/0	2-32/0	1-14/0	1-5/0	-	3-33/0	1-0/0	1-8/0	1-9/0
BROOKS, Erik	17-184/2	5-61/0	2-14/0	1-7/0	1-19/1	3-31/1	-	-	3-33/0	-	-	-	2-19/0
RODRIGUEZ, Juan	14-103/2	-	-	2-27/0	3-25/0	DNP	-	1-2/1	-	1-6/0	-	2-8/0	5-35/1
PAUWELS JR., R	13-97/2	3-20/1	1-5/0	-	1-14/0	1-15/0	1-5/0	-	1-5/0	1-0/0	-	3-31/1	1-2/0
WATSON, Tre	8-93/0	DNP	1-8/0	-	-	1-23/0	2-35/0	-	-	4-27/0	-	-	-
EDWARDS, E	1-19/0	DNP	DNP	1-19/0	DNP	DNP	DNP	-	-	-	-	-	-
WILMORE, Jordan	2-15/0	2-15/0	-	-	-	-	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	-
BROWN, Jordan	2-11/0	1-7/0	-	-	DNP	DNP	-	-	-	-	1-4/0	-	-

PASSING

#9 HAENER	Att.	Comp	Int	Pct	Yards	TD	Long	Sack	Yds	Effic
UConn	26	20	0	76.9	331	3	86	0	0	221.9
Oregon	43	30	0	69.8	298	1	39	4	37	135.7
Cal Poly	22	17	0	77.3	380	4	62	0	0	282.4
UCLA	53	39	1	73.6	455	2	31	3	17	154.4
UNLV	42	30	1	71.4	378	5	55	1	7	181.6
Hawai'i	50	28	4	56.0	388	3	65	2	12	125.0
Wyoming	28	15	0	53.6	96	2	26	1	4	105.9
Nevada	38	26	0	68.4	256	2	42	1	6	142.4
San Diego State	42	25	0	59.5	306	1	69	2	15	128.6
Boise State	38	22	3	57.9	279	2	39	5	38	121.1
New Mexico	31	24	0	77.4	300	3	78	3	26	190.6
San Jose St.	36	27	0	75.0	343	4	45	0	0	191.7
TOTALS	449	303	9	67.5	3810	32	86	22	162	158.3

#10 FIFE	Att.	Comp	Int	Pct	Yards	TD	Long	Sack	Yds	Effic
UConn	13	7	1	53.8	51	1	13	0	0	96.8
TOTALS	13	7	1	53.8	51	1	13	0	0	96.8

#13 HENDERSON	Att.	Comp	Int	Pct	Yards	TD	Long	Sack	Yds	Effic
Cal Poly	6	4	0	66.7	44	0	19	1	8	128.3
Hawai'i	1	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	1	8	0.0
San Jose St.	1	1	0	100.0	5	0	5	0	0	142.0
TOTALS	8	5	0	62.5	49	0	19	2	16	113.9

PUNT RET.	No-Yds/TD	UConn	ORE	CP	UCLA	UNLV	UH	WYO	NEV	SDSU	BSU	UNM	SJSU
POPE, Zane	4-23	-	-	1-9	-	-	-	-	-	-	1-0	2-10	-
RIVERS, Ronnie	9-22	2--10	-	3--4	1-1	1-14	1-17	1-6	-	DNP	-	-	-
BROOKS, Erik	1--2	-	-	1--2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

KICK RET.	No-Yds/TD	UConn	ORE	CP	UCLA	UNLV	UH	WYO	NEV	SDSU	BSU	UNM	SJSU
MIMS, Jordan	13-285	-	1-15	2-40	1-19	6-140	1-37	-	1-12	-	-	-	1-22
SHERROD, Malik	7-127	-	DNP	-	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	-	-	6-106	1-21	-
BROWN, Jordan	3-19	-	-	-	DNP	DNP	-	-	-	-	2-4	-	1-15
RIVERS, Ronnie	1-13	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	DNP	-	-	1-13
PAUWELS JR., R	1-10	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1-10

INT RET.	No-Yds/TD	UConn	ORE	CP	UCLA	UNLV	UH	WYO	NEV	SDSU	BSU	UNM	SJSU
WILLIAMS, Evan	3-64	-	-	-	-	-	-	2-28	-	1-36	-	-	-
BLAND, DaRon	2-38	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1-6	-	1-32	-	-
BAILEY, Levelle	2-27	-	-	1-22	-	-	-	-	-	1-5	-	-	-
LANGLEY, M	1-33	-	-	-	-	-	-	1-33	-	-	-	-	-
SANDERS JR., C.	1-18	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1-18	-
EARLY, L.J.	1-12	-	-	-	-	-	-	1-12	-	-	-	-	-

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TACKLES	TOTAL	UConn	ORE	CP	UCLA	UNLV	UH	WYO	NEV	SDSU	BSU	UNM	SJSU
WILLIAMS, Evan	89	1-2	5-7	5-0	6-6	4-2	2-1	4-3	8-2	10-3	8-2	-	4-4
BAILEY, Levelle	53	1-1	5-3	0-1	0-2	1-6	5-0	4-1	4-2	1-3	5-1	3-1	2-1
LANGLEY, M	53	1-0	2-2	1-2	0-1	2-0	3-1	2-1	4-0	4-4	7-3	6-1	3-3
MAEVA, Tyson	44	2-2	5-4	3-1	2-4	3-2	3-1	2-3	2-1	0-1	0-3	DNP	DNP
BLAND, DaRon	42	3-0	0-1	0-2	1-0	3-0	4-0	0-1	5-1	2-1	4-2	4-1	6-1
PERALES, David	40	2-1	2-2	0-1	0-1	2-1	2-3	2-1	2-2	5-2	1-3	0-1	1-3
MOSBY, Arron	39	3-0	3-5	2-0	5-1	2-1	0-1	1-1	2-2	-	1-5	1-0	3-0
ATKINS, Kevin	39	1-1	3-2	3-1	1-0	2-2	5-0	2-2	2-0	0-1	1-3	3-0	3-1
HOUSTON, Justin	36	2-2	4-2	0-1	1-1	2-1	1-1	2-1	6-1	0-2	2-2	2-0	DNP
EARLY, L.J.	32	3-0	1-1	2-0	-	4-0	7-0	0-1	1-0	3-1	4-0	2-1	1-0
GATES, Elijah	31	3-1	3-1	4-0	4-1	4-1	DNP	3-0	3-1	DNP	DNP	1-0	0-1
PAIT, Emari	24	1-0	1-0	1-0	1-1	1-0	3-1	3-1	3-1	1-0	0-3	2-0	-
BOEHM, Ryan	22	1-0	1-0	1-1	-	2-1	0-2	1-0	-	2-0	1-2	3-0	3-1
PAYNE JR., L	22	0-2	1-2	3-1	-	1-1	2-0	2-2	0-1	-	1-3	-	DNP
LUX, Bralyn	21	1-0	-	4-0	0-1	3-1	2-0	1-0	4-0	1-0	-	0-1	2-0
SANDERS JR, C.	17	2-0	-	3-0	-	-	-	-	0-2	1-0	3-0	2-0	4-0
FREE, Wylan	16	2-0	3-4	1-0	2-0	-	-	-	4-0	-	-	DNP	-
PERRY, Deonte	13	-	1-1	1-0	1-0	-	-	-	3-3	-	-	1-1	0-1
AGINA, Kosi	13	-	1-1	2-1	-	-	-	1-0	3-1	1-0	0-1	-	1-0
MELLO, Tyler	13	2-1	-	2-0	-	-	DNP	DNP	-	0-1	1-1	3-1	1-0
JONES, Kwami	12	2-0	0-2	-	0-1	-	2-0	0-1	1-0	-	DNP	-	1-2
BENNETT, Evan	12	1-2	0-1	-	-	0-1	1-0	-	-	0-2	-	2-1	0-1
GAGNON, Kenny	9	2-0	-	-	1-0	1-0	-	-	-	0-1	1-0	1-1	1-0
COMSTOCK, S	6	-	-	1-0	-	-	1-0	-	-	2-0	-	-	1-1
BLOUNT, Tanner	5	-	0-1	2-0	1-0	1-0	-	-	-	DNP	-	DNP	DNP
DALENA, Mac	5	1-0	-	1-0	2-0	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1-0
BRIDGES, Devo	5	1-0	-	0-1	-	-	0-1	-	0-1	-	1-0	-	-

TFLS	TOTAL	UConn	ORE	CP	UCLA	UNLV	UH	WYO	NEV	SDSU	BSU	UNM	SJSU
MOSBY, Arron	14.5	1.0-10	3.5-10	-	2.0-2	2.0-13	0.5-1	-	1.0-3	-	1.5-3	1.0-5	2.0-9
PERALES, David	13.0	1.5-2	0.5-1	-	-	1.5-4	1.0-8	1.5-6	2.5-15	1.0-3	2.0-22	-	1.5-15
ATKINS, Kevin	12.5	1.0-3	1.5-2	2.0-10	-	1.5-7	1.0-1	1.5-4	2.0-11	-	0.5-4	-	1.5-7
BAILEY, Levelle	7.0	1.5-7	-	0.5-0	-	0.5-1	3.0-6	0.5-3	-	-	-	1.0-2	-
PAIT, Emari	5.5	-	-	-	-	1.0-1	1.0-3	-	1.0-1	-	0.5-2	2.0-11	-
MAEVA, Tyson	5.5	-	1.0-2	0.5-1	0.5-1	1.0-1	1.0-2	0.5-1	-	-	1.0-2	DNP	DNP
PAYNE JR., L	5.0	0.5-2	0.5-0	1.5-6	-	-	-	1.5-2	0.5-1	-	0.5-1	-	DNP
WILLIAMS, Evan	4.5	0.5-2	-	1.0-2	-	-	-	0.5-1	1.5-5	1.0-2	-	-	-
LANGLEY, M	4.5	1.0-3	0.5-1	0.5-1	0.5-1	-	-	-	1.0-1	-	-	1.0-1	-
BOEHM, Ryan	3.5	1.0-7	-	0.5-1	-	0.5-1	0.5-0	-	-	-	-	-	1.0-4
GATES, Elijah	3.0	-	-	2.0-4	-	-	DNP	-	1.0-3	DNP	DNP	-	-
EARLY, L.J.	2.0	-	-	1.0-2	-	-	1.0-2	-	-	-	-	-	-
SANDERS JR, C.	1.0	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1.0-4	-	-
LUX, Bralyn	1.0	-	-	-	-	-	-	1.0-2	-	-	-	-	-
BLAND, DaRon	1.0	1.0-1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
AGINA, Kosi	1.0	-	-	1.0-2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
JOHNSON, D	0.5	-	-	0.5-1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
BRIDGES, Devo	0.5	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0.5-0	-	-	-	-
LAWSON, Matt	0.5	0.5-1	DNP	-	DNP	DNP	DNP	-	-	-	DNP	-	-
MELLO, Tyler	0.5	0.5-3	-	-	-	-	DNP	DNP	-	-	-	-	-
FREE, Wylan	0.5	-	0.5-2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	DNP	-

SACKS	TOTAL	UConn	ORE	CP	UCLA	UNLV	UH	WYO	NEV	SDSU	BSU	UNM	SJSU
ATKINS, Kevin	7.0	-	1.0-1	2.0-10	-	1.5-7	-	0.5-3	1.0-8	-	0.5-4	-	0.5-6
PERALES, David	7.0	-	-	-	-	0.5-3	1.0-8	0.5-0	2.0-13	-	1.5-21	-	1.5-15
MOSBY, Arron	5.0	1.0-10	1.0-8	-	-	1.0-5	-	-	1.0-3	-	-	-	1.0-4
PAYNE JR., L	3.5	0.5-2	-	1.0-5	-	-	-	1.5-2	0.5-1	-	-	-	DNP
BOEHM, Ryan	2.5	1.0-7	-	-	-	0.5-1	-	-	-	-	-	-	1.0-4
BAILEY, Levelle	2.5	1.0-5	-	0.5-0	-	0.5-1	-	0.5-3	-	-	-	-	-
MAEVA, Tyson	1.5	-	1.0-2	0.5-1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	DNP	DNP
BRIDGES, Devo	0.5	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0.5-0	-	-	-	-
MELLO, Tyler	0.5	0.5-3	-	-	-	-	DNP	DNP	-	-	-	-	-

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DATE	OPPONENT	LT	LG	C	RG	RT	QB	RB	WR	WR	WR	TE
08/28	UConn	Bull	Vavao	Smith	Schmidt	Akingbulu	Haener	Rivers	Jones	Cropper	Pope	Rodriguez
09/4	at No. 11 Oregon	Bull	Vavao	Smith	Schmidt	Akingbulu	Haener	Rivers	Wheatfall	Cropper	Kelly	Rodriguez
09/11	Cal Poly	Bull	Vavao	Schmidt	Adkins	Akingbulu	Haener	Rivers	Jones	Cropper	Kelly	Rodriguez
09/18	at No. 13 UCLA	Bull	Vavao	Schmidt	Adkins	Akingbulu	Haener	Rivers	Wheatfall	Cropper	Kelly	Rodriguez
09/24	UNLV	Bull	Vavao	Schmidt	Adkins	Akingbulu	Haener	Rivers	Wheatfall	Cropper	Pope	Pauwels Jr.
10/2	at Hawai'i	Bull	Vavao	Schmidt	Adkins	Akingbulu	Haener	Rivers	Wheatfall	Cropper	Kelly	Rodriguez
10/16	at Wyoming	Bull	Nelson	Schmidt	Vavao	Akingbulu	Haener	Rivers	Wheatfall	Pauwels (TE)	Kelly	Rodriguez
10/23	Nevada	Bull	Nelson	Schmidt	Vavao	Akingbulu	Haener	Rivers	Jones	Cropper	Pope	Pauwels Jr.
10/30	at No. 21 San Diego St	Bull	Nelson	Schmidt	Vavao	Akingbulu	Haener	Mims	Wheatfall	Cropper	Kelly	Rodriguez
11/6	Boise State	Bull	Nelson	Schmidt	Vavao	Akingbulu	Haener	Rivers	Wheatfall	Cropper	Kelly	Rodriguez
11/13	New Mexico	Bull	Schmidt	Smith	Vavao	Akingbulu	Haener	Rivers	Wheatfall	Watson (TE)	Kelly	Rodriguez
11/25	at San Jose State	Adkins	Nelson	Schmidt	Vavao	Akingbulu	Haener	River	Jones	Watson (TE)	Kelly	Rodriguez

2021 GAME-BY-GAME DEFENSIVE STARTERS

DATE	OPPONENT	DE	DT	DT	DE	LB	LB	H	CB	FS	SS	CB
08/28	UConn	Mosby	Atkins	Payne	Perales	Maeva	Bailey	Houston	Free	Gates	Williams	Lux
09/4	at No. 11 Oregon	Mosby	Atkins	Payne	Perales	Maeva	Bailey	Houston	Free	Gates	Williams	Lux
09/11	Cal Poly	Mosby	Atkins	Bennett	Perales	Maeva	Bailey	Houston	Free	Gates	Williams	Lux
09/18	at No. 13 UCLA	Mosby	Atkins	Payne	Perales	Maeva	Bailey	Houston	Free	Gates	Williams	Lux
09/24	UNLV	Mosby	Atkins	Payne	Perales	Maeva	Bailey	Houston	Bland	Gates	Williams	Lux
10/2	at Hawai'i	Mosby	Atkins	Payne	Perales	Maeva	Bailey	Houston	Bland	Early	Williams	Lux
10/16	at Wyoming	Jones	Atkins	Payne	Perales	Maeva	Langley	Fields	Bland	Agina	Williams	Bennett (NT)
10/23	Nevada	Mosby	Atkins	Payne	Perales	Maeva	Bailey	Houston	Bland	Gates	Williams	Lux
10/30	at No. 21 San Diego St.	Mosby	Atkins	Payne	Perales	Maeva	Bailey	Houston	Bland	Early	Williams	Lux
11/6	Boise State	Mosby	Atkins	Payne	Perales	Maeva	Bailey	Houston	Bland	Early	Williams	Sanders
11/13	New Mexico	Mosby	Atkins	Boehm	Bridges	Langley	Bailey	Houston	Bland	Gates	Williams	Sanders
11/25	at San Jose State	Mosby	Atkins	Boehm	Perales	Langley	Bailey	Houston	Bland	Gates	Williams	Sanders

TEAM PARTICIPATION

#	Name	GP/GS	#	Name	GP/GS	#	Name	GP/GS
77	ABBS, Nick	12/0	2	GATES, Elijah	9/8	25	PAIT, Emari	12/0
55	ADKINS, Dante	12/5	36	GOODYEAR, Matthew	1/0	87	PAUWELS, Ray	12/3
10	AGINA, Kosi	12/1	26	GORDON, Chrishawn	1/0	55	PAYNE, Leonard	11/8
75	AKINGBULU, Alex	12/12	52	GUERRERO, Jalen	3/0	70	PENRIGHT, Toreon	3/0
90	ATKINS, Kevin	12/12	9	HAENER, Jake	12/12	99	PERALES, David	12/11
6	BAILEY, Levelle	12/11	20	HAMILTON, Alzillion	2/0	17	PERRY, Deonte	12/0
0	BENNETT, Evan	12/2	88	HANSON, Rory	3/0	2	POPE, Zane	12/3
1	BLAND, DaRon	12/8	13	HENDERSON, Jaylen	3/0	51	REMLINGER, Charles	1/0
49	BLOUNT, Tanner	9/0	13	HOUSTON, Justin	12/11	20	RIVERS, Ronnie	11/11
37	BOEHM, Ryan	12/2	52	JOHNSON, D.	12/0	80	RODRIGUEZ, Juan	11/10
86	BOUST, Jake	2/0	33	JONES, Kwami	11/1	11	SANDERS, Cale	12/3
19	BRANHAM, Zeke	3/0	8	JONES, Ty	12/4	54	SCHMIDT, Bula	12/12
5	BRIDGES, Devo	12/1	24	JORDAN, Randy	1/0	22	SHERROD, Malik	7/0
85	BROOKS, Erik	12/0	11	KELLY, Josh	12/9	28	SILVA, Cesar	9/0
23	BROOKS, Malik	4/0	45	KING, Carson	12/0	59	SMITH, Matt	6/3
81	BROWN, Jordan	10/0	46	LAMANUZZI, Cam	8/0	7	STRONG, Reggie	2/0
72	BULL, Dontae	12/11	35	LANGLEY, M.	12/2	89	TORRES, Jared	8/0
73	CARSON, Elijah	12/0	91	LAWSON, Matt	7/0	51	VAVAO, Mose	11/11
44	CHARLES, Charlotin	1/0	95	LEWIS, Julius	3/0	78	VELEZ, Osmar	1/0
22	COMSTOCK, Steven	12/0	38	LUX, Bralyn	12/8	19	WASHINGTON, Vallee	1/0
5	CROPPER, Jalen	12/9	58	MAEVA, Tyson	10/10	84	WATSON, Tre	11/2
0	DALENA, Mac	12/0	42	MELLO, Tyler	10/0	47	WESTBERRY, Jacob	11/0
39	DIAZ, Jason	2/0	41	MEONO, Andre	2/0	1	WHEATFALL, Keric	12/8
27	EARLY, LJ	12/3	7	MIMS, Jordan	12/1	32	WILLIAMS, Evan	12/12
4	EDWARDS, Emoryie	6/0	48	MONTANO, Abraham	4/0	8	WILLIAMS, Jalen	2/0
16	FIELDS, Rian	9/1	3	MOSBY, Arron	12/11	6	WILMORE, Jordan	6/0
10	FIFE, Logan	1/0	40	MUNOZ, Michael	1/0	17	WRIGHT, Rodney	2/0
4	FREE, Wylan	11/4	15	NEAL, Julian	3/0			
30	GAGNON, Kenny	12/0	65	NELSON, Braylen	7/5			

2021 STATS

FRESNO STATE CHUNK PLAYS (57)

Yards	Opponent	Play	Result
86	UConn	Haener pass to Cropper	TD
78	New Mexico	Haener pass to Mim	1st down
69	SDSU	Haener pass to Kelly	1st down
65	Hawai'i	Haener pass to Pope	TD
64	Nevada	Rivers run	TD
62	Cal Poly	Haener pass to Kelly	1st down
62	Cal Poly	Haener pass to Pope	TD
61	UConn	Haener pass to Rivers	TD
55	UNLV	Haener pass to Wheatfall	1st down
53	Cal Poly	Haener pass to Wheatfall	TD
51	Cal Poly	Cropper pass to Kelly	TD
45	Oregon	Mims run	1st down
59	SDSU	Mims run	1st down
42	Nevada	Haener pass to Wheatfall	1st down
40	Cal Poly	Henderson run	1st down
39	Oregon	Haener pass to Wheatfall	1st down
39	Boise St.	Haener pass to Pope	1st down
38	SDSU	Haener pass to Cropper	1st down
37	UConn	Haener pass to Kelly	1st down
36	UCLA	Rivers run	TD
36	Boise St.	Haener pass to Wheatfall	1st down
35	Hawai'i	Haener pass to Cropper	TD
31	UCLA	Haener pass to Kelly	1st down
33	SJSU	Haener pass to Rivers	1st down
30	Boise St.	Haener pass to Kelly	1st down
29	SJSU	Haener pass to Cropper	TD
28	UCLA	Haener pass to Kelly	1st down
28	UNLV	Kelly run	1st down
28	Hawai'i	Haener run	1st down
27	UCLA	Haener pass to Cropper	1st down
27	Boise St.	Haener pass to Cropper	1st down
26	UNLV	Haener pass to Cropper	TD
26	Wyoming	Haener pass to Pope	1st down
26	Nevada	Mims run	1st down
25	UCLA	Haener pass to T Jones	1st down
25	UNLV	Haener pass to Cropper	TD
25	Hawai'i	Haener pass to Watson	1st down
24	Cal Poly	Haener pass to Cropper	TD
24	SDSU	Haener pass to Kelly	1st down
23	Cal Poly	Haener pass to Rodriguez	1st down
23	UNLV	Haener pass to Watson	1st down
23	UNLV	Haener pass to Cropper	1st down
23	UNLV	Haener pass to T Jones	1st down
23	Wyoming	Mims run	1st down
23	Nevada	Mims run	1st down
23	New Mexico	Haener to Pauwels	TD
22	SJSU	Cropper run	1st down
22	SJSU	Haener pass to Wheatfall	1st down
22	UConn	Haener pass to Brooks	1st down
22	UCLA	Haener pass to Cropper	1st down
22	Nevada	Haener pass to Pope	1st down
22	Boise St.	Rivers rush	1st down
21	Oregon	Haener pass to Kelly	1st down
21	Cal Poly	Rivers run	1st down
21	Cal Poly	Haener pass to Cropper	1st down
21	Hawai'i	Haener pass to Rivers	1st down
21	New Mexico	Haener pass to Kelly	TD
21	New Mexico	Haener pass to Kelly	1st down
20	Boise St.	Haener pass to Kelly	1st down
20	Hawai'i	Haener pass to Wheatfall	1st down
20	New Mexico	Haener pass to Wheatfall	1st down

FRESNO STATE SPECIAL TEAMS CHUNK PLAYS (4)

Yards	Opponent	Play	Result
37	Hawai'i	Mims kickoff return	FS40
36	SDSU	Williams INT return	SDSU31
33	Wyoming	Langley INT return	WYO6
32	Boise St.	Bland INT return	FS35

Only KO returns of 35 yards or more or INT & PR of 25 yards or more are included

OPPONENT CHUNK PLAYS (47)

Yards	Opponent	Play	Result
80	UNLV	Brumfield to Collins	TD
63	New Mexico	Dumas rush	1st down
50	UNLV	Friel to Willaims	1st down
48	Boise St.	Bachmeier pass to Evans	1st down
42	UCLA	Thompson-Robinson pass Phillips	1st down
40	SJSU	Starkel pass to Robinson	1st down
40	Boise St.	Bachmeier pass to Holani	1st down
39	UCLA	Thompson-Robinson pass to Brown	1st down
38	UCLA	Thompson-Robinson pass to Brown	1st down
37	UNLV	Brumfield rush	1st down
37	Cal Poly	Brasch pass to Briscoe	1st down
35	Cal Poly	Brasch pass to Woods	1st down
34	Hawai'i	Parson rush	1st down
34	Hawai'i	Parson rush	1st down
33	Cal Poly	Brasch pass to Coleman	1st down
32	Oregon	Brown pass to Johnson	TD
32	Wyoming	Chambers pass to Eberhardt	1st down
32	Wyoming	Chambers pass to Welch	1st down
31	SJSU	Starkel pass to Deese	1st down
31	SJSU	Starkel pass to Miller	1st down
31	SDSU	Johnson pass to Kothe	1st down
30	Oregon	Brown rush	TD
30	Nevada	Strong pass to Lockhart	TD
30	Nevada	Strong pass to Turner	1st down
30	Boise St.	Bachmeier pass to Habibu-Likio	1st down
29	SDSU	Johnson pass to Matthews	1st down
29	Boise St.	Bachmeier pass to Holani	1st down
29	Boise St.	Bachmeier pass to Shakir	1st down
28	UNLV	Williams rush	1st down
28	UNLV	Friel to Williams	1st down
28	Nevada	Taua rush	1st down
27	SJSU	Starkel pass to Miller	1st down
26	Hawai'i	Schager pass to Mardner	1st down
26	Oregon	Brown pass to Pittman	1st down
26	Hawai'i	Schager pass to Phillips	TD
25	Nevada	Strong pass to Horton	1st down
24	Hawai'i	Hunter rush	1st down
24	Nevada	Strong pass to Doubs	1st down
24	Boise St.	Bachmeier pass to Hopper	1st down
23	Nevada	Strong pass to Doubs	1st down
22	UNLV	Williams rush	1st down
22	SDSU	Bell run	1st down
21	Nevada	Strong pass to Turner	1st down
21	Nevada	Strong pass to Lockhart	1st down
20	UNLV	Brumfield pass to Griffin	1st down
20	Wyoming	Chambers rush	1st down
20	Wyoming	Swen rush	1st down
20	SDSU	Johnson pass to Shaver	1st down

OPPONENT SPECIAL TEAMS CHUNK PLAYS (3)

Yards	Opponent	Play	Result
66	UCLA	Allen kick return	FS26
27	Hawai'i	Bethley INT return	FS44
40	SDSU	Jordan Byrd	SDSU41

Only KO returns of 35 yards or more or INT & PR of 25 yards or more are included

INDIVIDUAL SEASON & CAREER HIGHS

PASSING

Name	Attempts		Completions		Yards		Career 300-Yard Passing Games
	2021	Career	2021	Career	2021	Career	
Logan Fife	13 (UConn)	Same	7 (UConn)	Same	51 (UConn)	Same	0
Jake Haener	53 (UCLA)	65 (*20 at Nevada)	39 (UCLA)	41 (*20 at Nevada)	455 (UCLA)	485 (*20 at Nevada)	12
Jaylen Henderson	6 (Cal Poly)	Same	4 (Cal Poly)	Same	44 (Cal Poly)	Same	0

Name	Longest Pass		TDs		INTs	
	2021	Career	2021	Career	2021	Career
Logan Fife	13 (UConn)	Same	1 (UConn)	Same	1 (UConn)	Same
Jake Haener	86 (UConn)	Same	5 (UNLV)	Same	4 (Hawai'i)	Same
Jaylen Henderson	19 (Cal Poly)	Same	-	-	-	-

RUSHING

Name	Attempts		Yards		TDs		Longest Career Run	100-Yd Games
	2021	Career	2021	Career	2021	Career		
Jalen Cropper	3 (Wyoming)	5 (*19 at NMSU)	24 (San Jose St.)	118 (*19 at NMSU)	-	1 (3x)	82 (*19 UNLV)	1
Logan Fife	4 (UConn)	Same	13 (UConn)	Same	-	-	7 (*21 UConn)	-
Jake Haener	13 (UCLA)	13 (2x)	36 (Hawai'i)	79 (*20 at UNLV)	2 (Cal Poly)	Same	54 (*20 at UNLV)	--
Jaylen Henderson	9 (Cal Poly)	Same	62 (Cal Poly)	Same	-	-	40 (*21 Cal Poly)	--
Josh Kelly	1 (2x)	Same	28 (UNLV)	Same	-	-	28 (*21 UNLV)	-
Jordan Mims	29 (San Diego St.)	Same	186 (San Diego St.)	Same	2 (San Diego St.)	3 (*18 Idaho)	84 (*20 New Mexico)	3
Zane Pope	1 (Cal Poly)	Same	3 (Cal Poly)	Same	-	-	3 (*21 Cal Poly)	--
Ronnie Rivers	22 (Wyoming)	29 (*19 at SJSU)	136 (UCLA)	212 (*18 vs ASU)	2 (UCLA)	3 (2x)	76 (*18 Hawai'i)	9
Malik Sherrrod	3 (2x)	Same	12 (Cal Poly)	Same	-	-	6 (2x)	--
Jordan Wilmore	5 (2x)	Same	31 (Cal Poly)	Same	1 (Cal Poly)	Same	14 (*21 Cal Poly)	--

RECEIVING

Name	Receptions		Yards		TDs		Longest Career Reception	100-Yd Games
	2021	Career	2021	Career	2021	Career		
Erik Brooks	5 (UConn)	Same	61 (UConn)	65 (*20 at Nevada)	1 (2x)	Same	28 (*20 at Nevada)	--
Jordan Brown	1 (UConn)	Same	7 (UConn)	Same	-	-	7 (*21 UConn)	--
Jalen Cropper	14 (UCLA)	Same	141 (UCLA)	202 (*20 at Utah St.)	4 (UNLV)	Same	86 (*21 UConn)	5
Mac Dalena	-	4 (*20 vs. UNM)	-	88 (*20 vs. UNM)	-	1 (*20 vs. UNM)	51 (*20 vs. UNM)	--
Rory Hanson	-	3 (*20 at Utah St.)	-	25 (*20 at Utah St.)	-	-	15 (*20 at Utah St.)	--
Ty Jones	5 (UCLA)	Same	61 (UCLA)	Same	1 (UConn)	Same	25 (*21 UCLA)	--
Josh Kelly	8 (UCLA)	Same	127 (Cal Poly)	Same	2 (Cal Poly)	Same	71 (*20 at Utah St.)	3
Jordan Mims	4 (2x)	6 (*18 Toledo)	103 (New Mexico)	126 (*20 Toledo)	1 (2x)	1 (5x)	78 (*21 New Mexico)	2
Raymond Pauwels	3 (2x)	Same	31 (New Mexico)	Same	1 (2x)	Same	23 (*21 New Mexico)	--
Zane Pope	5 (Hawai'i)	6 (2x)	113 (Hawai'i)	Same	2 (Hawai'i)	Same	65 (*21 Hawai'i)	1
Ronnie Rivers	6 (Hawai'i)	9 (*20 at Nevada)	91 (San Jose St.)	99 (*20 at UNLV)	1 (UConn)	2 (*19 Minnesota)	61 (*21 UConn)	--
Juan Rodriguez	5 (San Jose St.)	Same	35 (San Jose St.)	Same	1 (Wyoming)	1 (*20 Hawai'i)	23 (*21 Cal Poly)	--
Tre Watson	4 (San Diego St.)	Same	35 (Hawai'i)	Same	-	-	25 (*21 Hawai'i)	--
Keric Wheatfall	5 (3x)	6 (*20 at Nevada)	115 (UNLV)	Same	1 (3x)	1 (5x)	55 (*21 UNLV)	1
Jordan Wilmore	2 (UConn)	Same	15 (UConn)	Same	-	-	10 (*21 UConn)	--

DEFENSE

Name	Tackles		Sacks		TFLs		INT	FF
	2021	Career	2021	Career	2021	Career		
Kosi Agina	4 (Nevada)	4 (2x)	-	-	1.0 (Cal Poly)	Same	-	-
Kevin Atkins	5 (2x)	6 (2x)	2.0 (Cal Poly)	2.5 (*20 at Utah St.)	2.0 (2x)	2.5 (*20 at Utah St.)	-	1 (*19 Minn)
Levelle Bailey	8 (Oregon)	8 (*21 Oregon)	1.0 (UConn)	1.0 (2x)	3.0 (Hawai'i)	Same	1 (3x)	1 (*20 at Nev.)
Evan Bennett	3 (2x)	Same	-	-	-	-	-	-
DaRon Bland	7 (San Jose St.)	Same	-	-	1.0 (UConn)	Same	1 (2x)	1 (*21 UCLA)
Ryan Boehm	3 (3x)	Same	1.0 (UConn)	Same	1.0 (UConn)	Same	-	-
LJ Early	7 (Hawai'i)	Same	-	-	1.0 (2x)	Same	1 (*21 Wyoming)	-
Wylan Free	7 (Oregon)	13 (*19 at Air Force)	-	-	0.5 (Oregon)	0.5 (2x)	2 (*19 at NMSU)	-
Kenny Gagnon	2 (UConn)	3 (2x)	-	-	-	-	-	-
Elijah Gates	5 (2x)	Same	-	-	2.0 (Cal Poly)	Same	-	-
Justin Houston	7 (Nevada)	11 (*20 vs. UNM)	-	1.0 (*20 vs. UNM)	-	1.5 (*20 vs. UNM)	-	-
DaMarcus Johnson	1 (Cal Poly)	6 (*20 Hawai'i)	-	1.0 (*20 Colorado St.)	0.5 (Cal Poly)	1.0 (2x)	-	1 (*20 Hawai'i)
Kwami Jones	3 (San Jose St.)	6 (*19 Utah State)	-	3.0 (*20 Hawai'i)	-	3.0 (*20 Hawai'i)	-	-
Randy Jordan	2 (Cal Poly)	7 (*19 at San Jose St.)	-	-	-	-	-	-
Sherwin King	-	9 (*20 Hawai'i)	-	1.0 (*20 at UNLV)	-	2.0 (*20 at UNLV)	-	1 (*20 CSU)
Malachi Langley	7 (2x)	7 (3x)	-	1.0 (*20 at UNLV)	1.0 (2x)	2.0 (*20 at UNLV)	1 (*21 Wyoming)	-
Bralyn Lux	4 (3x)	9 (*20 at UNLV)	-	-	1.0 (Wyoming)	1.0 (*20 Hawai'i)	1 (at *20 Nevada)	1 (*20 Hawai'i)
Tyson Maeva	9 (Oregon)	Same	1.0 (Oregon)	Same	1.0 (3x)	Same	-	-
Arron Mosby	8 (Oregon)	11 (*19 at SDSU)	1.0 (4x)	Same	3.5 (Oregon)	3.5 (*21 Oregon)	1 (2x)	1 (9x)
Tyler Mello	4 (New Mexico)	Same	0.5 (UConn)	Same	0.5 (UConn)	Same	-	-
Emari Pait	4 (3x)	Same	-	-	2.0 (New Mexico)	Same	-	-
Leonard Payne Jr.	4 (2x)	Same	1.5 (Wyoming)	Same	1.5 (2x)	Same	-	-
Deonte Perry	6 (Nevada)	Same	-	-	-	-	-	-
David Perales	7 (San Diego St.)	7 (2x)	2.0 (Nevada)	Same	2.5 (Nevada)	2.5 (2x)	-	1 (7x)
Cale Sanders Jr	4 (San Jose St.)	Same	-	-	-	-	1 (*21 New Mexico)	1 (*21 Boise St.)
Reggie Strong	-	9 (*20 vs. UNM)	-	-	-	-	-	-
Evan Williams	13 (San Diego St.)	Same	-	-	1.5 (Nevada)	Same	2 (*21 Wyoming)	1 (3x)

THE LAST TIME A BULLDOG PLAYER HAD...

RUSHING**300+ yards rushing:**

Never

250+ yards rushing:

261, Robbie Rouse at Nevada (11/10/12)

200+ yards rushing:

212, Ronnie Rivers vs. Arizona State (12/15/18)

100 yard rushing game by a quarterback:

142, Bill Yancy, at McNeese State (9/9/78)

100 yard rushing game by a wide receiver:

118, Jalen Cropper, at New Mexico State (9/28/19)

Back-to-back 200-yard rushing games:

Robbie Rouse, 11/6/10-11/13/10

Five+ consecutive 100-yard rushing games:

9 games, Ryan Matthews, 9/5-11/7/09

Four consecutive 100-yard rushing games:

Marteze Waller, 10/10-11/8/14

2 rushers with 100 yards:Marteze Waller (145) & Josh Quezada (112)
vs. San Jose State (11/8/14)**90+ yard rushing play:**

94, Robbie Rouse vs. Colorado (9/15/12) - TD

40+ rushing attempts:

43, Robbie Rouse at La Tech (11/6/10)

30+ rushing attempts:

36, Robbie Rouse at Nevada (11/10/12)

2 rushers with 2 TDs:Josh Hokit (2), Ronnie Rivers (2)
vs. Colorado State (10/26/19)**5 TDs rushing:** Don Driscoll vs. Cal State-Los Angeles (10/2/54)**4 TDs rushing:** Michael Pittman at San Jose State (11/15/97)**3 TDs rushing:** Ronnie Rivers at UNLV (11/7/20)**Four consecutive games with 2+ TDs rushing:** Ronnie RiversUNLV (2), Colorado St. (2), at Hawaii (2), Utah State (3)
10/18/19 - 11/9/19**4 TDs rushing by a quarterback:**

Marcus McMaryion at UCLA (9/15/18)

3 TDs rushing by a quarterback:

Trent DiIfer vs. UNLV (10/26/91)

2 TDs rushing by a quarterback:

Jake Haener vs Cal Poly (9/11/21)

RECEIVING**200+ yards receiving:**

202, Jalen Cropper at Utah State (11/14/20)

150-199 yards receiving:

173, KeeSean Johnson vs. San Jose St. (11/24/18)

2 receivers with 100 yards receiving:Jalen Cropper (108), Keric Wheatfall (115)
vs UNLV (9/24/21)**3 receivers with 100 yards receiving:**Davante Adams (246), Josh Harper (161),
Isaiah Burse (112) vs. New Mexico (11/23/13)**90+ yard pass play:**97, Isaiah Burse from Derek Carr vs. Colorado
(9/15/12) - TD**80-89 yard pass play:**

86, Jalen Cropper from Jake Haener vs UConn (8/28/21) - TD

10-14 receptions:

Jalen Cropper (10) vs UNLV (9/24/21)

15+ or more receptions:

Isaiah Burse (17) vs. Utah State (12/7/13)

2 receivers with 10 or more catches:Davante Adams (13), Isaiah Burse (10)
at San Jose St. (11/29/13)**2 receivers with 2 TDs:**

Davante Adams (4), Josh Harper (3) vs. New Mexico (11/23/13)

A RB with two TDs receiving:

Ronnie Rivers vs. Minnesota (9/7/19)

A TE with two TDs receiving

Chad Olsen vs. Abilene Christian (9/3/15)

3+ TDs receiving:

Jalen Cropper (4) vs UNLV (9/24/21)

Back-to-back games with 2+ TDs receiving:Davante Adams
11/23/13 vs. UNM (4), 11/29/13 (3) at SJSU**Back-to-back 200-yard plus receiving games:**Davante Adams
11/23/13 vs. UNM (246), 11/29/13 at SJSU (264)**Had three consec. 100-yard plus receiving games:**Jalen Cropper
11/14/20 (202) - 12/5/20 (107) - 12/12/20 (134)**Five receivers with TDs:**D. Scott (2), J. Jordan (1), J. Blandin (1),
C. Olsen (1), M. Waller at Hawaii (11/14/15)**Four receivers with TDs:**J. Cropper (1), R. Rivers (1), J. Rodriguez (1), J. Mims (1)
at San Jose St. (11/25/21)**Three receivers with TDs:**Josh Kelly (1), Jordan Mims (1), Raymond Pauwels Jr. (1)
vs. New Mexico (11/13/21)**Caught a TD in six-straight games:**

Jalen Cropper (8 games), 12/12/20-10/16/21)

An OL caught a pass:

Adam McDowell (3 yards) at No. 8 Boise State (11/28/08)

PASSING**500+ yards passing:**

519, Derek Carr at San Jose St. (11/29/13)

400-499 yards passing:

455, Jake Haener at No. 13 UCLA (9/18/21)

3+ consecutive 300+ passing games:Jake Haener (4), Cal Poly (9/11/21), at No. 13 UCLA (9/18/21), UNLV
(9/24/21), at Hawaii (10/2/21)**Back-to-back 500-yard plus passing games:**

Derek Carr, vs. UNM (522) 11/22/13, at SJSU (519) 11/29/13

Back-to-back 400-yard plus passing games:

Jake Haener, at USU (422) 11/14/20, at NEV (485) 12/5/20

7 TDs passing: Derek Carr vs. New Mexico (11/23/13)***6 TDs passing:** Zack Greenlee at Hawaii (11/14/15)**5 TDs passing:** Jake Haener vs. UNLV (9/24/21)**4 TDs passing:** Jake Haener vs. Cal Poly (9/11/21)**Three-straight games with 4+ TD passes:** Derek Carrat Wyoming (4), vs. New Mexico (7), SJSU (6)
11/9/13-11/29/2013**Three 50+ yard TD passes in the same game:**Derek Carr 59 yards to Davante Adams, 57 yards
to Davante Adams, 59 yards to Josh Harper
vs. New Mexico (11/23/13)**Two 50+ yard TD passes in the same game:**Jake Haener, 62 yards to Zane Pope, 53 yards to Keric Wheatfall
vs Cal Poly (9/11/21)**Two 50+ yard TD passes in the same quarter:**Jake Haener, 62 yards to Zane Pope, 53 yards to Keric Wheatfall
vs Cal Poly (9/11/21) - 3rd Qtr.**Three Quarterbacks throw TD in same game:**B. Burrell (2), B. Connette (1), Z. Greenlee (1)
vs. Southern Utah (9/20/14)**60+ pass attempts:**

65, Jake Haener at Nevada (12/5/20)

50-59 pass attempts:

50, Jake Haener at Hawaii (10/2/21)

40-49 pass attempts:

42, Jake Haener at No. 21 San Diego State (10/30/21)

40+ pass completions

41, Jake Haener at Nevada (12/5/20)

30-39 pass completions

31, Jake Haener vs New Mexico (11/13/21)

DEFENSE**15+ tackles:** 17, Jeff Allison at Nevada (10/6/18)**3.0+ sacks:** 3.0, Kwami Jones vs. Hawai'i (10/24/20)**4.0+ TFLs:** 4.0, Ejiro Ederaine at Boise St.-MWC Game (12/6/14)**3 interceptions:** Phillip Thomas vs. Colorado (9/15/12)**2 interceptions:** Evan Williams at Wyoming (10/16/21)**Interception return for TD**

Wylan Free (91 yards) vs. New Mexico State (9/28/19)

Two interception returns for TD

*Phillip Thomas (16 & 43 yards) vs. Colorado (9/15/12)

Two different players with interception returns for TDsPatrick Su'a (20) and Tristan Okpalaugo (21)
at Tulsa (9/22/12)**Fumble recovery for TD:**

Arron Mosby (31 yards) vs. UConn (8/28/21)

Two different players with fumble recoveries for TDs:Tyeler Davison (0 yards), Travis Brown (26 yards)
at Nevada (11/10/12)**Recovered two fumbles in a game:**

Ben Jacobs vs. Louisiana Tech (11/21/09)

Forced two fumbles in a game:

Justin Rice vs. Minnesota (9/7/19)

Forced three fumbles in a game:

Ben Jacobs vs. Louisiana Tech (11/29/09)

Forced & recovered a fumble on the same play:

Evan Williams vs Cal Poly (9/11/21)

Forced one fumble & recovered one fumble in the same game:

David Perales at Utah State (11/14/20)

Returned a fumble recovery for a touchdown:

Arron Mosby vs UConn (8/28/21)

Scored on a safety:

Ryan Boehm at San Jose State (11/25/21)

SPECIAL TEAMS**Blocked a field goal:**

Ricky McCoy at San Diego State (11/15/19)

Returned a blocked field goal for a touchdown:Jaron Bryant (74 yards) vs. Idaho (9/1/18)
Jaron Bryant (71 yards) vs. Idaho (9/1/18)**Blocked a PAT:** Evan Williams at Utah State (11/14/20)**Blocked 2 PATs in a game:** Cody Wichmann vs. Cal (9/3/11)**Returned a PAT for Two Points:**

Charles Washington vs. San Diego State (9/29/12)

Blocked a punt: Mykal Walker at UNLV (11/3/18)**Returned a blocked punt for a touchdown:**

T.J. Thomas (9 yards) vs. San Jose State (11/8/14)

Returned a field goal attempt for a touchdown (Kick-6):

Jamire Jordan (100 yards) vs. Hawai'i (10/27/18)

Returned a kickoff for a TD:

A.J. Jefferson (92 yards) vs. Nevada (11/7/08)

Recovered an onside kick attempt:

Michael Martens vs. Utah (9/19/15)

Returned a punt for a TD:

Isaiah Burse vs. Cal Poly (9/7/13)

Returned 2 punts for TD in same game:

Isaiah Burse (61 & 58 yards) vs. Cal Poly (9/7/13)

Made 4 FGs in a Game:

Jimmy Camacho vs. Houston (12/24/17)

Made a field goal 55+ yards

*58, Kevin Goessling at Utah State (10/25/08)

Made a field goal 50-54 yards

50, Jimmy Camacho vs. San Jose State (10/7/17)

TOTAL OFFENSE/ALL-PURPOSE**500+ yards total offense:**

502, Jake Haener at Nevada (12/5/20)

400-499 yards total offense:

428, Jake Haener at No. 13 UCLA (9/18/21)

300+ all-purpose yards:

311, Robbie Rouse at Louisiana Tech (11/6/10)

*denotes school record

THE LAST TIME A BULLDOG TEAM HAD...

OFFENSE

90+ points: 94, vs. New Mexico (10/5/91)
80-89 points: 80, vs. Fort Ord (1942)
70-79 points: 79, vs. Idaho 9/1/18
60-69 points: 63, vs. Cal Poly (9/11/21)
50-59 points: 56, vs. UNLV (10/18/19)
0 points: at Colorado State (11/5/16)
0 points in 1st half: at Colorado State (11/5/16)
0 points in 2nd half: at San Diego State (11/15/19)
Did not score a Touchdown: at Colorado State (11/5/16)
Scored 3+ TDs in 4th Qtr: 3 - vs. UNLV (10/18/19)
400+ yards rushing: *503, vs. Hawai'i (11/12/04)
300-399 yards rushing: 389, vs. Southern Utah (9/20/14)
Less than 100 yards rushing: 97, vs. New Mexico (11/13/21)
Negative rushing yards: -16, vs. SMU (12/24/12)
70+ rushing attempts: *71, vs. Pacific (11/9/91)
60-69 rushing attempts: 64, vs. Hawai'i (11/12/04)
Less than 10 rushing attempts: 6 vs. USC (12/21/13)
7+ rushing TDs: 7, vs. Idaho (9/1/18)
6 rushing TDs: vs. UNLV (10/18/19)
5 rushing TDs: vs. Utah State (11/9/19)
500+ yards passing: 519, at San Jose St. (11/29/13)
Less than 100 yards passing: 96, at Wyoming (10/16/21)
60+ pass attempts: 65, at Nevada (12/5/20)
50-59 pass attempts: 50, at Hawai'i (10/2/21)
40+ pass completions: 41, at Nevada (12/5/20)
30-39 pass completions: 39, at No. 13 UCLA (9/18/21)
Had 12+ players catch a pass: at No. 19 Oregon (9/15/07)
Had 10+ players catch a pass: vs. Cal Poly (9/11/21)
600+ total net yards: 671, vs. Cal Poly (9/11/21)
500-599 total net yards: 505, at Hawai'i (10/2/21)
Less than 150 total net yards: 125, at Boise State (11/19/11)
Less than 100 total net yards: 89, at San Diego State (10/3/15)
Had a 200-yard rusher and 200-yard passer: at Nevada (11/10/12)
 Robbie Rouse (261 rushing) & Derek Carr (220 passing)
37+ minutes of possession: 40:20, at No. 13 UCLA (9/18/21)

DEFENSE

Shutout an opponent: at Wyoming (10/16/21)
Shutout an opponent in the 1st half: vs. New Mexico (11/13/21)
Shutout an opponent in the 2nd half: at Wyoming (10/16/21)
Allowed 50+ points: 52, at Toledo (9/17/16)
Held two opponents scoreless in the same season:
 2021, UConn (45-0) & Wyoming (17-0)
Held an opponent to 0 or no yards in a quarter:
 -3 yards, 4th qtr, at Boise St.-MWC Game (12/6/14)
7+ interceptions: *7, vs. Idaho State (9/21/68)
6 interceptions: vs. Georgia Tech (12/31/02)
5 interceptions: vs. Idaho (9/1/18)
4 interceptions: at Wyoming (10/16/21)
3 interceptions: vs. UNLV (10/18/19)
Interception by a D-lineman: Mykal Walker vs. Toledo (9/29/18)
4 fumble recoveries: vs. New Mexico St. (11/11/06)
3 fumble recoveries: vs. Minnesota (9/7/19)
Four players with 10+ tackles: at Air Force (10/12/19)
Last 10+ TFL game: 11, vs. Nevada (10/23/21)
8 Sacks in a game: vs. Utah State (12/7/13)
7 Sacks in a game: at Idaho (10/5/13)
6 Sacks in a game: at Utah State (11/14/20)
5 Sacks in a game: vs. Nevada (10/23/21)
Scored 3 Defensive Touchdowns: at Nevada (11/10/12) -
 Tyeler Davison (0-yd FR); Travis Brown (26-yd FR);
 Derron Smith (34-yd INT return)
Scored on a safety: at San Jose State (11/30/19)

TURNOVERS

Forced 6 or more turnovers in a game:
 7 - vs. Idaho (9/1/18) - 5 INT, 2 FR
Forced 5 turnovers in a game:
 at Wyoming (10/16/21) - 4 INT, 1 FR
Forced 4 turnovers in a game:
 at USC (8/31/19) - 2 INT, 2 FR
Committed 6 or more turnovers in a game:
 6 - at Hawai'i (10/2/21) 2 FL, 4 INT
Committed 5 turnovers in a game:
 at Hawai'i (9/28/13) - 3 FL, 2 INT
Committed 4 turnovers in a game:
 vs. Hawai'i (10/24/20) - 1 FL, 3 INT
Did not force a turnover: vs. San Jose State (11/30/19)
Did not force a turnover in back-to-back games:
 vs. Boise State and at Boise State, 11/25/17-12/2/17
Did not force a turnover in 3-straight games:
 vs. Utah St., Idaho & Nevada, 10/31-11/14, 2009
Did not commit a turnover: at Wyoming (10/16/21)
Did not commit a turnover in back-to-back games:
 at Boise State and vs. San Diego State, 11/9/18, 11/17/18
Did not commit a turnover in 3-straight games:
 vs. Wyoming, New Mexico & Hawai'i, 10/13-10/27, 2018
Lost 4 or more fumbles: 4, vs. Idaho (11/27/10)
Lost 3 fumbles: at No. 13 UCLA (9/18/21)

SPECIAL TEAMS

Scored 15 or more points kicking:
 15, vs. Houston (12/24/17)
Punted 10+ times: 12, at Toledo (9/17/16)
Did not punt: vs. Hawai'i (10/4/08)
Totaled 200 or more kickoff return yards:
 209, vs. San Jose State (9/26/15)
Totaled 100 or more punt return yards:
 130, vs. Cal Poly (9/7/13)
Missed a PAT: at Nevada (12/5/20)
Successful two-point conversion: at No. 11 Oregon (9/4/21)
 - Juan Rodriguez reception
Recovered an onside kick: vs. Utah (9/19/15)
Had a PAT Blocked: vs. San Diego State (11/17/18)
Had a FG Blocked: vs. Houston (12/24/17)
Had a punt Blocked: at Nevada (12/5/20)

An Opposing Player Had...

30+ carries:
 40, Alexander Mattison, Boise State (10/14/16)
200+ yards rushing:
 200, Alexander Mattison, Boise State (12/1/18)
2 rushers with 100 yards:
 Chevan Cordeiro (116) & Miles Reed (109), Hawai'i (10/24/20)
45+ pass attempts: 61, Carson Strong, Nevada (10/23/21)
30+ pass completions: 49, Carson Strong, Nevada (10/23/21)
400+ yards passing:
 476, Carson Strong, Nevada (10/23/21)
80+ yard rushing play: 86, Jaylen Warren, Utah State (11/14/20)
80+ yard pass play:
 80, Doug Brumfield to Tyleek Collins, UNLV (9/24/21)
10+ receptions: 19, Romeo Doubs, Nevada (10/23/21)
200 yards receiving: 203, Romeo Doubs, Nevada (10/23/21)
150+ yards receiving:
 178, Warren Jackson, Colorado State (10/26/19)
4+ field goals: Daniel Gutierrez (4), UNLV (10/28/17)
A 50+ yard field goal: 50, Ryan Meskell, Hawai'i (11/2/19)
Punt return for a TD: Dante Pettis (77 yards), Washington (9/16/17)
Kickoff return for a TD: Savon Scarver (94 yards), Utah State (11/4/20)
Returned an opening kickoff for a TD:
 Wade Lockett (100 yards), CS Fullerton (11/2/85)
Fumble recovery for a TD:
 S. Tu'ikolovatu (37 yards), No. 21 Utah (9/19/15)
Interception return for a TD:
 Kyle Johnson (24 yards), at Air Force (10/12/19)
2 Interceptions: Khoury Bethley, Hawai'i (10/2/21)
3 Interceptions: Dameon Baber, Nevada (11/5/15)
Blocked Punt: Trevor Price, Nevada (12/5/20)
Blocked FG: J. Winchester, Houston (12/24/17)
Returned a blocked punt for a touchdown:
 Austin Cheney, Utah State (10/22/16)
Returned a blocked FG for a touchdown:
 A. Myres, Houston (12/24/17)

An Opposing Team Had...

400+ yards rushing: 458, Air Force (10/24/15)
300-399 yards rushing: 323, Hawai'i (10/24/20)
Less than 50 yards rushing: 47, Nevada (10/23/21)
Negative yards rushing: -30, Incarnate Word (9/2/17)
500+ yards passing: 547, San Jose State (11/29/13)
Less than 100 yards passing: 34, vs. New Mexico (11/13/21)
700+ yards total offense: 701, at No. 15 USC (8/30/14)
600-699 yards total offense: 617, Tulsa (9/24/16)
Less than 200 yards total offense: 196, vs. New Mexico (11/13/21)
Less than 110 yards total offense: 107, vs. UConn (8/28/21)
10 or fewer first downs: 7, vs. New Mexico (11/13/21)
60+ points: 73, at No. 14 Ole Miss (9/12/15)
50-59 points: 52, Toledo (9/17/16)
40-49 points: 40, Boise State (11/6/21)
Attempted a two-point conversion:
 No. 21 San Diego State (10/30/21) - failed pass
Successful two-point conversion:
 Sacramento State (9/21/19) - rush by BJ Perkinson
Scored on a safety: Utah State, team safety (10/10/15)
Successfully recovered an onside kick: Nevada (10/23/21)
37+ minutes of possession: 39:29, at Air Force (10/12/19)

GAME RECAPS

Game #1

Fresno State vs. UConn

Aug. 28, 2021 • Bulldog Stadium • Fresno, Calif.

SCORE BY QUARTERS	1	2	3	4	OT	FINAL	
UConn	0	0	0	0	-	0	Record (0-1, IND.)
Fresno State	7	24	7	7	-	45	Record (1-0, 0-0)

SCORING SUMMARY

	Plays	TOP	Score
FS 1st 02:40 MOSBY, Arron 31 yd fumble recovery (SILVA, Cesar kick)	0-7		
FS 2nd 10:47 JONES, Ty 9 yd pass from HAENER, Jake (SILVA, Cesar kick)	4-69	1:43	0-14
FS 2nd 03:50 RIVERS, Ronnie 61 yd pass from HAENER, Jake (SILVA, Cesar kick)	1-61	0:10	0-21
FS 2nd 01:46 CROPPER, Jalen 86 yd pass from HAENER, Jake (SILVA, Cesar kick)	1-86	0:14	0-28
FS 2nd 00:00 SILVA, Cesar 24 yd field goal	9-71	1:12	0-31
FS 3rd 03:21 MIMS, Jordan 8 yd run (SILVA, Cesar kick)	10-48	3:44	0-38
FS 4th 11:30 PAUWELS JR., R 1 yd pass from FIFE, Logan (SILVA, Cesar kick)	10-57	3:45	0-45

TEAM STATS

	UConn	Fresno St.
FIRST DOWNS	9	25
Rushing Attempts-Yds	31-35	38-156
Passing cmp-att-yds	14-30/72	27-39-382
Total plays-yards	61-107	77-538
Fumbles-Lost	1-1	0-0
Penalties-Yards	8-41	7-81
PUNTS-YARDS	11-433	5-192
Average	39.4	38.4
Net	40.3	34.0
Punt returns: Number-Yards-TD	2-22-0	2-10-0
Kickoff returns: Number-Yds-TD	2-54-0	2-54-0
Interceptions: Number-Yds-TD	1-0-0	0-0-0
Fumble Returns: Number-Yds-TD	0-0-0	1-31-1
Time of Possession	29:03	30:57
3rd Down	2 of 16	7 of 16
4th Down	1 of 3	2 of 2
Sacks By: Number-Yards	0-0	4-27
Points off turnovers	0	7

Individual Leaders

Rushing (att-yds-TD):
 FS - Rivers (13-58-0)
 UConn - Mensah (11-31-0)

Passing (cmp-att-int-yds-TD):
 0-0
 UConn - Zergiotis (12-24-0-61-0)

Receiving Yards (no-yds-TD):
 FS - Brooks (5-61-0)
 UConn - Ross (5-37-0)

Defense (ST-AT-TF-TFL-Sack):
 FS - Mosby (3-0-3-1-0-1.0)
 UConn - Harrell (8-0-0-1-0-0)

Interceptions (no-yds-TD):
 FS - N/A
 UConn - Lucien (1-0-0)

FRESNO, Calif. – The Fresno State football team opened the 2021 season with a dominant 45-0 win over UConn, the first shutout for the Bulldogs since 2017, as senior running back Ronnie Rivers rewrote the record books becoming the program’s leader in career touchdowns scored.

HOW IT HAPPENED

Following a slow start for both sides, Arron Mosby woke everyone up, stripping Jack Zergiotis and picking up the fumble before racing 31 yards into the end zone late in the first quarter. Fresno State doubled its lead less than three minutes into the second quarter. After a 17-yard completion to Jordan Mims got the ‘Dogs down to the nine-yard line, Haener tossed his first touchdown of the season to the corner of the end zone to Ty Jones to put the ‘Dogs up 14-0 with 12:30 on the clock.

Late in the quarter, the senior signal caller connected on a pair of 60-plus yard touchdowns. With four minutes remaining in the period, Haener found Rivers on a slant and the senior running back did the rest, scoring the 45th touchdown of his career on a 61-yard reception. Two minutes later, on the first play of the Bulldogs’ eighth possession, Haener hit Cropper over the middle. The junior wideout spun off a defender and away from two others, got to the sideline and raced out to an 86-yard score. Cesar Silva tacked on a 24-yard field goal in the waning seconds to put Fresno State up 31-0 at the break.

The Bulldogs added two more touchdowns in the second half, the first an 8-yard rush from Mims in the third, and the second coming in the fourth quarter, a 1-yard pass from Logan Fife to Raymond Pauwels Jr.



Game #2

Fresno State at No. 11 Oregon

Sept. 4, 2021 • Autzen Stadium • Eugene, Ore.

SCORE BY QUARTERS	1	2	3	4	OT	FINAL	
Fresno State	0	13	8	3	-	24	Record (1-1, 0-0)
Oregon	14	7	0	10	-	31	Record (1-0, 0-0)

SCORING SUMMARY

	Plays	TOP	Score
1st 08:07 ORE - #7 C.Verdell 2 yd rush (#49 C.Lewis kick)	3-3	0:11	0-7
1st 06:40 ORE - #26 T.Dye 4 yd rush (#49 C.Lewis kick)	3-27	00:58	0-14
2nd 14:16 FST - #48 A.Montano 33 yd FG	12-69	05:13	3-14
2nd 03:31 FST - #48 A.Montano 39 yd FG	14-66	06:09	6-14
2nd 01:16 ORE - #3 J.Johnson III 32 yd pass from #13 A.Brown (#49 C.Lewis kick)	6-74	02:12	6-21
2nd 00:07 FST - #5 J.Cropper 17 yd pass from #9 J.Haener (#48 A.Montano kick)	10-75	01:09	13-21
3rd 06:45 FST - #9 J.Haener 2 yd rush (#80 J.Rodriguez pass from #9 J.Haener)	9-85	04:26	21-21
4th 13:03 FST - #48 A.Montano 22 yd FG	5-22	01:51	24-21
4th 07:41 ORE - #49 C.Lewis 25 yd FG	7-25	02:35	24-24
4th 02:57 ORE - #13 A.Brown 30 yd rush (#49 C.Lewis kick)	6-63	03:04	24-31

TEAM STATS

	Fresno St.	Oregon
FIRST DOWNS	23	20
Rushing Attempts-Yds	30-75	49-186
Passing cmp-att-yds	30-43-298	15-24-172
Total plays-yards	73-373	73-358
Fumbles-Lost	5-3	2-1
Penalties-Yards	8-63	8-87
PUNTS-YARDS	4-176	5-234
Average	44.0	46.8
Net	39.8	42.8
Punt returns: Number-Yards-TD	0-0-0	1-17-0
Kickoff returns: Number-Yds-TD	1-15-0	6-107-0
Interceptions: Number-Yds-TD	0-0-0	0-0-0
Fumble Returns: Number-Yds-TD	0-0-0	1-13-0
Time of Possession	30:33	29:27
3rd Down	7 of 15	7 of 16
4th Down	0 of 1	2 of 3
Sacks By: Number-Yards	3-11	4-37
Points off turnovers	3	17

Individual Leaders

Rushing (att-yds-TD):
 FS - Mims (4-47-0)
 ORE - Verdell (18-74-1)

Passing (cmp-att-int-yds-TD):
 FS - Haener (30-43-0-298-1)
 ORE - Brown (15-24-0-172-1)

Receiving Yards (no-yds-TD):
 FS - Wheatfall (5-76-0)
 ORE - Johnson III (3-76-1)

Defense (ST-AT-TF-TFL-Sack):
 FS - Williams (4-6-10-0-0-0.0)
 ORE - Flowe (5-9-14-1-0-0.0)

Interceptions (no-yds-TD):
 FS - N/A
 ORE - N/A

EUGENE, Ore. – The Fresno State football team showed what it can bring to the table Saturday afternoon, pushing No. 11 Oregon to its limit on its home field at Autzen Stadium. The Bulldogs fell 31-24 in front of 43,276 fans in attendance at the season opener in Eugene.

HOW IT HAPPENED

Oregon got out to an early advantage on Saturday, getting a 14-0 lead before the Bulldogs could get on the board with a 33-yard field goal by Abraham Montano with 14:16 remaining in the half. It was Montano who would again score for the ‘Dogs, this time on a 39-yard field goal to make it 14-6 in favor of the home team.

Oregon scored another touchdown with just over a minute to go in the half, but Fresno State responded with a 17-yard touchdown pass from Jake Haener to Jalen Cropper with seven seconds remaining. The score at the half was 21-13, Oregon.

Fresno State came out firing in the second half with an explosive 85-yard scoring drive. After taking over on downs, Jordan Mims got the ‘Dogs into Duck territory with a 45-yard run. Three plays later, Haener broke into the endzone on a two-yard score. Fresno State completed the 2-point conversion on a pass by Haener to Juan Rodriguez to tie the game at 21-21 with 4:45 left in the third.

Montano nailed a 22-yard field goal to give Fresno State its only lead of the game with 13 minutes left on the clock.

The Bulldog defense held Oregon to a field goal mid-way through the fourth quarter, tying the game at 24. The Bulldog offense surrendered a fumble to the Ducks late in the fourth quarter, and they capitalized. No. 11 Oregon scored the go-ahead touchdown on a quarterback keeper score with 2:57 remaining in the game.



GAME RECAPS

Game #3

Fresno State vs Cal Poly

Sept. 11, 2021 • Bulldog Stadium • Fresno, Calif.

SCORE BY QUARTERS	1	2	3	4	OT	FINAL
Cal Poly	0	10	0	0		10 (1-1, 0-0)
Fresno State	7	28	21	7		63 (2-1, 0-0)

SCORING SUMMARY

	Plays	TOP	Score
FS 1st 00:37 HAENER, Jake 2 yd run (MONTANO, A kick)	8-80	3:05	0-7
FS 2nd 14:31 CROPPER, Jalen 24 yd pass from HAENER, Jake (MONTANO, A kick)	1-24	0:07	0-14
CP 2nd 11:13 OHLSEN, Jaden 47 yd field goal	8-45	3:18	3-14
FS 2nd 09:41 HAENER, Jake 1 yd run (MONTANO, A kick)	4-69	1:26	3-21
FS 2nd 07:44 KELLY, Josh 51 yd pass from CROPPER, Jalen (MONTANO, A kick)	1-51	0:11	3-28
FS 2nd 02:25 KELLY, Josh 14 yd pass from HAENER, Jake (MONTANO, A kick)	7-85	2:56	3-35
CP 2nd 00:00 COLEMAN, Chris 5 yd pass from BRASCH, Spencer (OHLSEN, Jaden kick)	4-5	0:46	10-35
FS 3rd 11:24 RIVERS, Ronnie 6 yd run (MONTANO, A kick)	5-33	2:33	10-42
FS 3rd 09:23 POPE, Zane 62 yd pass from HAENER, Jake (MONTANO, A kick)	3-81	0:54	10-49
FS 3rd 05:57 WHEATFALL, K 53 yd pass from HAENER, Jake (MONTANO, A kick)	4-65	1:33	10-56
FS 4th 14:01 WILMORE, Jordan 10 yd run (MONTANO, A kick)	6-40	2:08	10-63

TEAM STATS

	Cal Poly	Fresno State
FIRST DOWNS	13	25
Rushing Attempts-Yds	35-53	38-196
Passing cmp-att-yds	19-37-221	22-29-475
Total plays-yards	72-274	67-671
Fumbles-Lost	2-1	1-1
Penalties-Yards	4-28	7-65
PUNTS-YARDS	10-410	5-202
Average	41	40.4
Net	40.7	40.6
Punt returns: Number-Yards-TD	1-1-0	5-3-0
Kickoff returns: Number-Yds-TD	8-152-0	2-40-0
Interceptions: Number-Yds-TD	0-0-0	1-22-0
Fumble Returns: Number-Yds-TD	0-0-0	0-0-0
Time of Possession	30:53	29:07
3rd Down	4 of 19	4 of 10
4th Down	1 of 1	1 of 1
Sacks By: Number-Yards	1-8	4-16
Points off turnovers	7	14

Individual Leaders

Rushing (att-yds-TD):
 FS - Rivers (14-64-1)
 CP - Dunu (10-32-0)

Passing (cmp-att-int-yds-TD):
 FS - Haener (17-22-0-380-4)
 CP - Brasch (18-33-1-212-1)

Receiving Yards (no-yds-TD):
 FS - Kelly (3-127-2)
 CP - Coleman (4-63-1)

Defense (ST-AT-TT-TFL-Sack):
 FS - Williams (5-0-5-1.0-0.0)
 CP - Shotwell (5-2-7-1.5-0.0)

Interceptions (no-yds-TD):
 FS - Bailey (1-22-0)
 CP - N/A

FRESNO, Calif. -- Fresno State's offense lit up the scoreboard on Saturday evening as the Bulldogs piled on a 63-10 win over Cal Poly on Heroes Night at Bulldog Stadium.

Fresno State totaled 671 yards of total offense, its most in a game since 2014.

HOW IT HAPPENED

Following a slow start that saw Fresno State punt on its opening two possessions, the Bulldogs got on the board in the final minute of the first quarter with a two-yard run from Jake Haener.

That drive started a string of eight-straight offensive possessions with a touchdown by the 'Dogs as the game went from 7-0 to 56-10. Haener accounted for six of those touchdowns during the stretch, two on the ground and four through the air to four different receivers (Jalen Cropper - 24, Josh Kelly - 14, Zane Pope - 62, Keric Wheatfall - 53).

Kelly caught touchdown passes on the final two possessions of the first half, a 51-yard reception from Cropper and a 14-yard pass from Haener. The 'Dogs held a 35-10 lead at the half.

Fresno State kept Cal Poly off the scoreboard in the second half, outscoring the Mustangs 28-0 during the final 30 minutes.



Game #4

Fresno State at No. 13 UCLA

Sept. 18, 2021 • Rose Bowl Stadium • Pasadena, Calif.

SCORE BY QUARTERS	1	2	3	4	OT	FINAL
Fresno State	6	17	3	14		40
UCLA	7	3	7	20		37

SCORING SUMMARY

	Plays	TOP	Score
FS 1st 05:54 RIVERS, Ronnie 1 yd run (KING, Carson kick failed)	10-55	5:21	6-0
BRUINS1st 03:59 Charbonnet,Zach 6 yd run (Barr-Mira,Nicho kick)	5-73	1:49	6-7
FS 2nd 11:49 CROPPER, Jalen 1 yd run (MONTANO, A kick)	14-79	7:06	13-7
BRUINS2nd 09:43 Barr-Mira,Nicho 39 yd field goal	4-6	1:56	13-10
FS 2nd 06:37 RIVERS, Ronnie 36 yd run (MONTANO, A kick)	7-75	3:06	20-10
FS 2nd 00:08 MONTANO, A 21 yd field goal	6-16	0:50	23-10
BRUINS3rd 12:29 Brown,Kam 39 yd pass from Thompson-Robins (Barr-Mira,Nicho kick)	6-75	2:24	23-17
FS 3rd 07:33 MONTANO, A 39 yd field goal	5-30	0:55	26-17
BRUINS4th 08:10 Phillips,Kyle 42 yd pass from Thompson-Robins (Barr-Mira,Nicho kick)	3-57	1:13	26-24
BRUINS4th 07:27 Charbonnet,Zach 3 yd run (Thompson-Robins kick failed)	3-18	0:30	26-30
FS 4th 02:55 BROOKS, Erik 19 yd pass from HAENER, Jake (MONTANO, A kick)	10-75	4:32	33-30
BRUINS4th 00:54 Phillips,Kyle 15 yd pass from Thompson-Robins (Barr-Mira,Nicho kick)	9-75	2:01	33-37
FS 4th 00:14 CROPPER, Jalen 13 yd pass from HAENER, Jake (MONTANO, A kick)	6-75	0:40	40-37

TEAM STATS

	Fresno State	UCLA
FIRST DOWNS	32	17
Rushing Attempts-Yds	37-114	29-117
Passing cmp-att-yds	39-54-455	14-24-278
Total plays-yards	91-569	53-395
Fumbles-Lost	3-2	2-2
Penalties-Yards	8-55	5-29
PUNTS-YARDS	3-141	4-166
Average	47.0	41.5
Net	39.7	41.8
Punt returns: Number-Yards-TD	1-1-0	1-22-0
Kickoff returns: Number-Yds-TD	1-19-0	5-142-0
Interceptions: Number-Yds-TD	0-0-0	1-33-0
Fumble Returns: Number-Yds-TD	1-0-0	2-20-0
Time of Possession	40:20	19:40
3rd Down	5-of-14	4 of 10
4th Down	1-of-2	0 of 1
Sacks By: Number-Yards	0-0	3-17
Points off turnovers	3	13

Individual Leaders

Rushing (att-yds-TD):
 FS - Rivers (21-136-2)
 UCLA - Thompson-Robinson (13-67-0)

Passing (cmp-att-int-yds-TD):
 FS - Haener (39-53-1-455-2)
 UCLA - Thomson-Robinson (14-24-0-278-3)

Receiving Yards (no-yds-TD):
 FS - Cropper (14-141-1)
 UCLA - Phillips (7-113-2)

Defense (ST-AT-TT-TFL-Sack):
 FS - Williams (6-6-12-0.0-0.0)
 UCLA - Knight (6-3-9-2.0-1.0)

Interceptions (no-yds-TD):
 FS - N/A
 UCLA - Churchwell III (1-33-0)

PASADENA, Calif. - The Fresno State football team had yet another impressive performance on Saturday, defeating the 13th-ranked UCLA Bruins 40-37 at the Rose Bowl to improve to 3-1 on the season. The Bulldogs won their fourth-straight meeting with UCLA, dating back to 2003.

Senior quarterback Jake Haener did just what he was expected to do on Saturday night. Throwing for a season-high 455 yards, Haener showed true toughness and grit to lead the Bulldogs to their last-minute scoring drive to secure the victory.

HOW IT HAPPENED

Fresno State struck first as Ronnie Rivers broke into the endzone on a one-yard carry just under six minutes to go in the first quarter. Fresno State was unsuccessful on its 2-point conversion attempt, adding only six points to the board on the score. UCLA answered on its following drive, and took a 7-6 lead into the second quarter.

The 'Dogs outscored the Bruins 17-3 in the second quarter behind touchdowns from Jalen Cropper and Rivers, and a field goal from Abraham Montano. The Bulldogs took a 23-10 lead into the locker room at the break.

UCLA gained some momentum after the half, coming out in the third quarter and scoring on its opening drive to cut the lead. Montano had another field goal to give Fresno State a buffer heading into the fourth.

UCLA took advantage of a Bulldog fumble, recovering it and responding with a touchdown on its following drive to cut the lead to two, 26-24. Fresno State fumbled again on its following drive, and UCLA would recover and respond with another score to take a 30-26 lead with 7:27 to go.

Staying poised under pressure, Haener capped a 10-play 75 yard scoring drive on a 19-yard touchdown pass to Erik Brooks. Fresno State led 33-30 with 2:55 remaining. Defense held tough, but UCLA's Dorian Thompson-Robinson hit Kyle Phillips in the end zone to retake the lead, 37-33 with 54 seconds left in the game.

Behind smart play calling, Fresno State made its way down the field and quickly into UCLA territory. Haener had passes of 10, 27, and 26 yards to set the Bulldogs up at the UCLA 38-yard line. Haener used a 13-yard pass to Cropper to score the game-winning touchdown.



GAME RECAPS

Game #5

Fresno State vs UNLV

Sept. 24, 2021 • Bulldog Stadium • Fresno, Calif.

SCORE BY QUARTERS	1	2	3	4	OT	FINAL
UNLV	14	0	7	9		30 (0-4, 0-1)
Fresno State	0	9	13	116		38 (4-1, 1-0)

SCORING SUMMARY

	Plays	TOP	Score
UNLV 1st 10:00 Jenkins, Steve 10 yd pass from Brumfield, Doug/Gutierrez, Dani kick			7-0
UNLV 1st 01:16 Williams, Charl 1 yd run Gutierrez, Dani kick			14-0
FS 2nd 11:38 SILVA, Cesar 25 yd field goal			14-3
FS 2nd 00:32 BROOKS, Erik 18 yd pass from HAENER, Jake CROPPER, Jalen rush failed			14-9
UNLV 3rd 14:41 Collins, Tyleek 80 yd pass from Brumfield, Doug Gutierrez, Dani kick			21-9
FS 3rd 07:35 CROPPER, Jalen 4 yd pass from HAENER, Jake SILVA, Cesar kick			21-16
FS 3rd 03:47 CROPPER, Jalen 23 yd pass from HAENER, Jake HAENER, Jake pass failed			21-22
FS 4th 12:21 CROPPER, Jalen 25 yd pass from HAENER, Jake SILVA, Cesar kick			21-29
UNLV 4th 09:57 Reese, Courtney 6 yd run/Friel, Cameron pass failed			27-29
UNLV 4th 06:38 Gutierrez, Dani 30 yd field goal			30-29
FS 4th 04:53 CROPPER, Jalen 26 yd pass from HAENER, Jake/HAENER, Jake pass failed			30-35
FS 4th 02:29 SILVA, Cesar 31 yd field goal			30-38

TEAM STATS

	UNLV	Fresno State
FIRST DOWNS	18	23
Rushing Attempts-Yds	36-152	23-83
Passing cmp-att-yds	15-28-281	30-42-378
Total plays-yards	64-433	65-461
Fumbles-Lost	1-1	0-0
Penalties-Yards	5-36	4-45
PUNTS-YARDS	6-224	5-207
Average	37.3	41.4
Net	31.7	41.4
Punt returns: Number-Yards-TD	0-0-0	1-14-0
Kickoff returns: Number-Yds-TD	4-62-0	6-140-0
Interceptions: Number-Yds-TD	1-16-0	0-0-0
Fumble Returns: Number-Yds-TD	0-0-0	0-0-0
Time of Possession	31:36	28:24
3rd Down	5-of-13	3 of 11
4th Down	0 of 1	1 of 1
Sacks By: Number-Yards	1-7	4-17
Points off turnovers	3	3

Individual Leaders

Rushing (att-yds-TD):
 FS - Rivers (14-48-0)
 UNLV - Williams (19-102-1)
Passing (cmp-att-int-yds-TD):
 FS - Haener (30-42-1-378-5)
 UNLV - Friel (9-15-0-138-0)
Receiving Yards (no-yds-TD):
 FS - Cropper (10-108-4)
 UNLV - Collins (4-88-1)
Defense (ST-AT-TT-TFL-Sack):
 FS - Bailey (1-6-7-0-5-0.5)
 UNLV - Windmon (7-1-8-1.0-0)
Interceptions (no-yds-TD):
 FS - N/A
 UNLV - Hill (1-16-0)

FRESNO, Calif -- No. 22 Fresno State remains undefeated at home after a come-from-behind 38-30 victory over UNLV in its Mountain West opener at Bulldog Stadium on Friday night.

The Bulldogs were led offensively by Jake Haener who threw for 378 yards and five touchdowns. Four of Haener's five touchdown passes were to Jalen Cropper.

HOW IT HAPPENED

UNLV opened the game up 14-0, scoring on its first two possessions of the night. Fresno State got its first points of the game with 11:38 on the clock in the second, a 25-yard field goal from Cesar Silva.

Late in the quarter, a five-play, 46-yard drive was capped off by an 18-yard touchdown reception from Erik Brooks with 32 seconds on the clock. That cut the Bulldogs' deficit to 14-9 going into the half.

It took the Rebels one play on their opening possession of the second half to answer. An 80-yard screen to Tyleek Collins put UNLV up 12 at 21-9.

Then it became the Haener and Cropper show as the two hooked up for a touchdown on each of the next three Bulldog possessions. The 20 unanswered points gave Fresno State its largest lead of the night at 29-21 with 12:21 remaining in the game.

UNLV answered with nine unanswered to regain the lead. Haener and Cropper weren't done, though, finishing off a four-play, 61-yard drive with a 26-yard pitch and catch that put the Bulldogs up for good. Silva tacked on another field goal in the final minutes to make the final score 38-30.



Game #6

No. 18 Fresno State at Hawai'i

Oct. 2, 2021 • Clarence T.C. Chang Athletics Complex • Honolulu, HI

SCORE BY QUARTERS	1	2	3	4	OT	FINAL
Fresno State	7	7	10	0		24 (4-2, 1-1)
Hawai'i	10	0	0	17		27 (3-3, 1-1)

SCORING SUMMARY

	Plays	TOP	Score
UH 1st 10:11 TURNER, Calvin 1 yd run (SHIPLEY, M. kick)	11-72	3:49	0-7
UH 1st 05:06 SHIPLEY, M. 34 yd field goal	6-63	2:34	0-10
FS 1st 04:13 POPE, Zane 65 yd pass from HAENER, Jake (SILVA, Cesar kick)	3-75	0:53	7-10
FS 2nd 09:06 POPE, Zane 7 yd pass from HAENER, Jake (SILVA, Cesar kick)	9-52	4:08	14-10
FS 3rd 09:22 CROPPER, Jalen 35 yd pass from HAENER, Jake (SILVA, Cesar kick)	7-80	3:20	21-10
FS 3rd 04:29 SILVA, Cesar 48 yd field goal	5-30	2:11	24-10
UH 4th 12:06 PHILLIPS, Caleb 26 yd pass from SCHAGER, B. (SHIPLEY, M. kick)	4-44	2:07	24-17
UH 4th 07:05 TURNER, Calvin 18 yd pass from SCHAGER, B. (SHIPLEY, M. kick)	6-60	2:55	24-24
UH 4th 03:33 SHIPLEY, M. 33 yd field goal	8-28	2:54	24-27

TEAM STATS

	Fresno State	Hawai'i
FIRST DOWNS	31	21
Rushing Attempts-Yds	31-117	44-232
Passing cmp-att-yds	28-50-388	11-27-116
Total plays-yards	82-505	71-348
Fumbles-Lost	2-2	1-1
Penalties-Yards	10-120	7-81
PUNTS-YARDS	2-66	4-169
Average	33.0	42.2
Net	23.0	38.0
Punt returns: Number-Yards-TD	1-17-0	0-0-0
Kickoff returns: Number-Yds-TD	1-37-0	1-13-0
Interceptions: Number-Yds-TD	0-0-0	4-27-0
Fumble Returns: Number-Yds-TD	0-0-0	0-0-0
Time of Possession	31:18	28:42
3rd Down	7-of-14	5-of-15
4th Down	2 of 3	0-of-2
Sacks By: Number-Yards	1-8	3-20
Points off turnovers	0	17

Individual Leaders

Rushing (att-yds-TD):
 FS - Rivers (15-75-0)
 Hawai'i - Hunter (21-131-0)
Passing (cmp-att-int-yds-TD):
 FS - Haener (28-50-4-388-3)
 Hawai'i - Schager (11-27-0-116-2)
Receiving Yards (no-yds-TD):
 FS - Pope (5-113-2)
 Hawai'i - Turner (4-41-1)
Defense (ST-AT-TT-TFL-Sack):
 FS - Early (7-0-7-1.0-0.0)
 Hawai'i - Frazier (8-1-9-1.0-0.0)
Interceptions (no-yds-TD):
 FS - N/A
 Hawai'i - Bethley (2-27-0)

HONOLULU -- No. 18 Fresno State suffered a 27-24 loss to Hawai'i on the island on Saturday, moving the Bulldogs to 4-2 overall and 1-1 in conference play.

Fresno State struggled to maintain and capitalize on its offensive possessions, committing six turnovers (four interceptions and two fumbles) and converting on 1-of-4 red zone chances.

HOW IT HAPPENED

Like a week earlier, Fresno State went down double digits in the opening quarter as Hawai'i scored on its first two possessions (10-0). The Bulldogs responded quickly, though, on their next possession as Jake Haener connected with Zane Pope for a 65-yard touchdown reception to cut into the deficit with 4:13 on the clock in the first.

Ten minutes later, Haener found Pope, again, this time for 7-yard score to complete a 9-play, 52-yard drive to take a 14-10 lead. After the half, the Bulldogs tacked on 10 points in the third quarter to take a 24-10 advantage going in fourth.

Hawai'i outscored the Bulldogs 17-0 during final quarter. With the Bulldogs driving in the final minute, Haener was intercepted at the two-yard line with nine seconds on the clock.



Game #7

Fresno State at Wyoming

Oct. 16, 2021 • War Memorial Stadium • Laramie, Wyo.

SCORE BY QUARTERS	1	2	3	4	OT	FINAL
Fresno State	7	0	7	3		17 (5-2, 2-1)
Wyoming	0	0	0	0		0 (4-2, 0-2)

SCORING SUMMARY

FS	1st	06:57	RODRIGUEZ, Juan 2 yd pass from (SILVA, Cesar kick)	Plays	TOP	Score
FS	3rd	01:52	CROPPER, Jalen 3 yd pass from (SILVA, Cesar kick)	3-6	0:36	14-0
FS	4th	10:25	SILVA, Cesar 41 yd field goal	4-3	0:55	17-0

TEAM STATS

	Fresno State	Wyoming
FIRST DOWNS	15	16
Rushing Attempts-Yds	43-163	33-128
Passing cmp-att-yds	15-28-96	9-30-143
Total plays-yards	71-259	63-271
Fumbles-Lost	0-0	1-1
Penalties-Yards	6-52	3-23
PUNTS-YARDS	6-254	5-208
Average	42.3	41.6
Net	42.3	40.4
Punt returns: Number-Yards-TD	1-6-0	0-0-0
Kickoff returns: Number-Yds-TD	0-0-0	1-23-0
Interceptions: Number-Yds-TD	0-0-0	0-0-0
Fumble Returns: Number-Yds-TD	0-0-0	0-0-0
Time of Possession	32:40	27:20
3rd Down	7 of 17	7 of 14
4th Down	0 of 2	0 of 1
Sacks By: Number-Yards	3-8	-4
Points off turnovers	17	0

Individual Leaders

Rushing (att-yds-TD):
 FS - Mims (13-78-0)
 WYO - Chambers (12-51-0)
Passing (cmp-att-int-yds-TD):
 FS - Haener (15-28-0-96-2)
 WYO - Chambers (8-23-3-111-0)
Receiving Yards (no-yds-TD):
 FS - Pope (2-33-0)
 WYO - Eberhardt (2-45-0)
Defense (ST-AT-TT-TFL-Sack):
 FS - Williams (4-3-7-0.5-0.0)
 WYO - Muma (8-3-11-0.0-0.0)
Interceptions (no-yds-TD):
 FS - Williams (2-28-0)
 WYO - N/A

LARAMIE, Wyo. - It was a battle of the defenses in Fresno State's 17-0 shutout victory at Wyoming on Saturday afternoon. Fresno State shut out its second opponent of the 2021 season, halting the offensive efforts of the Cowboys at War Memorial Stadium.

Going up against a heavy rushing offense, Fresno State held Wyoming to only 128 yards rushing. Wyoming was forced to move to an air attack, where it was quickly covered as the Bulldogs had four interceptions in the game - highlighted by two by Evan Williams. Williams also led the team in tackles with seven.

Offensively, the Bulldogs put up 163 yards rushing with a team-high 78 rushing yards from Jordan Mims. Quarterback Jake Haener finished the game with 96 yards passing, two touchdowns and no interceptions.

HOW IT HAPPENED

Fresno State scored first as Haener found Juan Rodriguez on a 2-yard touchdown pass with 6:57 left in the first quarter. The rest of the half was a defensive battle, as neither team scored and Fresno State took a 7-0 lead into the locker room.

The Bulldog defense held the Cowboys to 4-of-7 on their third down conversions while also recovering a fumble and snagging an interception in the half.

Fresno State's next score was set up by the defense's second interception of the day as Levelle Bailey tipped the pass from Sean Chambers and Malachi Langley was there for the grab. Langley returned the interception for 33-yards to the Wyoming 6-yard line. From there, it took the offense just three plays before Haener found Jalen Cropper on a 3-yard completion to give the 'Dogs a 14-0 lead with 1:52 remaining in the third quarter.

The Bulldogs tacked on a field goal with 10:25 remaining in the game. Cesar Silva cashed in Evan Williams' second interception of the day, converting from 41 yards.

Wyoming brought in Levi Williams at quarterback, but the Bulldog defense did not give in. Forcing a turnover on downs and then its fourth interception of the day, the Bulldog defense shut down what Wyoming was trying to do offensively to close the game.



Game #8

Fresno State vs Nevada

Oct. 23, 2021 • Bulldog Stadium • Fresno, Calif.

SCORE BY QUARTERS	1	2	3	4	OT	FINAL
Nevada	3	7	6	16		32 (5-2, 2-1)
Fresno State	7	7	14	6		34 (6-2, 3-1)

SCORING SUMMARY

NEV	1st	05:37	Talton, Brandon 32 yd field goal	Plays	TOP	Score
FS	1st	05:08	RIVERS, Ronnie 64 yd run (SILVA, Cesar kick)	3-75	3:13	3-0
FS	2nd	14:11	MIMS, Jordan 1 yd run (SILVA, Cesar kick)	10-91	3:19	3-7
NEV	2nd	10:10	Turner, Cole 2 yd pass from Strong, Carson (Talton, Brandon kick)	2-12	0:41	3-14
FS	3rd	13:21	WHEATFALL, K 11 yd pass from HAENER, Jake (SILVA, Cesar kick)	5-65	1:39	10-21
NEV	3rd	08:46	Lockhart, Justi 30 yd pass from Strong, Carson (Strong, Carson pass failed)	10-65	4:29	16-21
FS	3rd	04:50	MIMS, Jordan 7 yd pass from HAENER, Jake (SILVA, Cesar kick)	9-88	3:52	16-28
NEV	4th	14:56	Doubs, Romeo 11 yd pass from Strong, Carson (Talton, Brandon kick)	9-68	4:46	23-28
FS	4th	12:37	SILVA, Cesar 47 yd field goal	8-46	2:19	23-31
FS	4th	05:48	SILVA, Cesar 43 yd field goal	9-39	4:16	23-34
NEV	4th	04:21	Talton, Brandon 38 yd field goal	7-58	1:21	26-34
NEV	4th	00:02	Turner, Cole 12 yd pass from Strong, Carson (Strong, Carson pass failed)	8-90	0:51	32-34

TEAM STATS

	Nevada	Fresno State
FIRST DOWNS	30	24
Rushing Attempts-Yds	21-47	30-250
Passing cmp-att-yds	49-61-476	26-38-256
Total plays-yards	82-523	68-461
Fumbles-Lost	1-1	2-1
Penalties-Yards	10-97	10-97
PUNTS-YARDS	4-176	6-256
Average	44.0	42.7
Net	39.0	39.8
Punt returns: Number-Yards-TD	2-17-0	0-0-0
Kickoff returns: Number-Yds-TD	7-179-0	1-12-0
Interceptions: Number-Yds-TD	0-0-0	1-6-0
Fumble Returns: Number-Yds-TD	0-0-0	0-0-0
Time of Possession	34:05	25:55
3rd Down	9 of 17	3 of 11
4th Down	0 of 1	0 of 0
Sacks By: Number-Yards	1-6	5-25
Points off turnovers	7	7

Individual Leaders

Rushing (att-yds-TD):
 FS - Mims (23-138-1)
 NEV - Tava (12-62-0)
Passing (cmp-att-int-yds-TD):
 FS - Haener (26-38-0-256-2)
 NEV - Strong (49-61-1-476-4)
Receiving Yards (no-yds-TD):
 FS - Williams (8-2-10-1.5-0.0)
 NEV - Doubs (19-203-1)
Defense (ST-AT-TT-TFL-Sack):
 FS - Williams (8-2-10-1.5-0.0)
 NEV - Hall (7-3-10-0.0-0.0)
Interceptions (no-yds-TD):
 FS - Bland (1-6-0)
 NEV - N/A

FRESNO, Calif. -- Fresno State won a pivotal Mountain West matchup against one of the top offenses in the conference with a 34-32 win against Nevada on Homecoming at Bulldog Stadium.

The Bulldogs used 134 rushing yards behind the legs of running back Jordan Mims. Quarterback Jake Haener threw for 256 yards on 26 completions.

Fresno State's defense held tough, limiting the Nevada offense to just 47 yards rushing. The 'Dogs D totaled a season-high 5.0 sacks and 11.0 TFLs.

The Bulldogs moved to 6-2 overall and 3-1 in MW play.

HOW IT HAPPENED

Nevada opened the scoring with a 32-yard field goal just over nine minutes into the game. Fresno State had a quick response as Ronnie Rivers broke loose down the right sideline for a 64-yard touchdown run on the third play of the Bulldogs' ensuing drive.

Mims extended the lead to 14-3 less than a minute into the second quarter with a 1-yard plunge, capping off a 10-play, 91-yard drive.

A fumble inside Fresno State's 20-yard line gave the Wolf Pack a short field with 11:01 remaining in the half. Nevada used just a minute off the clock to move the ball into the end zone and cut the Bulldogs' lead to 14-10.

Out of the half Fresno State and Nevada traded touchdowns on each of their first two possessions. The game stood 28-23 four seconds into the fourth quarter. Following the Wolf Pack pulling back within five for the second time in the half, Cesar Silva extended Fresno State's lead to eight with a 47-yard field goal with 12:37 on the clock.

Needing a stop, the Bulldog defense came up with a three-and-out following an Arron Mosby sack on third-and-9. The 'Dogs turned the stop into another Silva kick, this time from 43 yards to extend the advantage to 34-23. Nevada answered, though, with one of its own with Brandon Talton converting from 38 yards out.

With Fresno State leading 34-26, Nevada drove 90 yards on its final drive to pull within two. Needing the two-point conversion to force overtime, Carson Strong looked to Romeo Doubs but Justin Houston pushed the receiver out of bounds before he could get his feet down to all but end the game with only two seconds remaining on the clock.



GAME RECAPS

Game #9

Fresno State at No. 21 San Diego State

Oct. 30, 2021 • Dignity Health Sports Park • Carson, Calif.

SCORE BY QUARTERS	1	2	3	4	OT	FINAL
Fresno State	7	13	3	7		30 (7-2, 4-1 MW)
San Diego State	0	7	6	7		20 (7-1, 3-1 MW)

SCORING SUMMARY

FS 1st 03:53	MIMS, Jordan 13 yd run (SILVA, Cesar kick)
FS 2nd 14:17	WHEATFALL, K 16 yd pass from HAENER, Jake (SILVA, Cesar kick)
FS 2nd 09:04	SILVA, Cesar 49 yd field goal
FS 2nd 04:32	SILVA, Cesar 27 yd field goal
AZTECS 2nd 02:15	Shavers, Tyrell 19 yd pass from Johnson, Lucas (Araiza, Matt kick)
FS 3rd 04:00	SILVA, Cesar 42 yd field goal
AZTECS 3rd 00:13	Bell, Greg 3 yd run (Rudolph, Jay pass failed)
FS 4th 04:28	MIMS, Jordan 15 yd run (SILVA, Cesar kick)
AZTECS 4th 01:06	Haskell, Will 7 yd run (Araiza, Matt kick)

Plays	TOP	Score
15-86	6:51	7-0
4-31	1:38	14-0
5-60	2:49	17-0
7-75	2:48	20-0
6-82	2:12	20-7
7-24	2:24	23-7
10-80	3:38	23-13
2-31	0:46	30-13
11-75	3:22	30-20

TEAM STATS

	Fresno State	San Diego St.
FIRST DOWNS	24	23
Rushing Attempts-Yds	34-179	33-165
Passing cmp-att-yds	25-43-306	17-38-247
Total plays-yards	77-485	71-412
Fumbles-Lost	1-1	1-1
Penalties-Yards	6-53	6-70
PUNTS-YARDS	4-133	6-233
Average	33.2	38.8
Net	33.2	34.8
Punt returns: Number-Yards-TD	1-4-0	0-0-0
Kickoff returns: Number-Yds-TD	0-0-0	6-161-0
Interceptions: Number-Yds-TD	4-41-0	0-0-0
Fumble Returns: Number-Yds-TD	0-0-0	1-15-0
Time of Possession	32:58	27:02
3rd Down	9-of-18	6-of-14
4th Down	0 of 0	0 of 0
Sacks By: Number-Yards	0-0	2-15
Points off turnovers	17	0

Individual Leaders

Rushing (att-yds-TD):
 FS - Mims (29-186-2)
 SDSU - G. Bell (15-63-1)

Passing (cmp-att-int-yds-TD):
 FS - Haener (25-42-0-306-1)
 SDSU - Johnson (14-31-2-220-1)

Receiving Yards (no-yds-TD):
 FS - Kelly (5-107-0)
 SDSU - Kothe (4-105-0)

Defense (ST-AT-TT-TFL-Sack):
 FS - Williams (11-2-13-1.0-1.0)
 SDSU - Thomas (4-4-8-1.0-1.0)

Interceptions (no-yds-TD):
 FS - Williams (1-36-0), Bailey (1-5-0)
 SDSU - N/A

CARSON, Calif. – The Old Oil Can makes its way back to Fresno after the Bulldogs defeated No. 21 San Diego State 30-20 at Dignity Health Sports Park in a big Mountain West matchup on Saturday night.

Behind another strong performance on the ground by Jordan Mims, who finished the game with a career-high 186 yards and two touchdowns, the Bulldogs powered their way to their second win over a ranked opponent this season.

HOW IT HAPPENED

On its second possession of the night, Fresno State put together its longest drive of the year, a 15-play drive that saw the 'Dogs go 86 yards. Jordan Mims broke into the end zone from 13 yards out to give the 'Dogs an early 7-0 lead.

Late in the opening quarter, Evan Williams picked off Lucas Johnson on a third-and-13 and returned it 36 yards down to the Aztec 31-yard line. Four plays later, Jake Haener connected with Kerik Wheatfall from 16 yards to double the Bulldogs' advantage.

Following a defensive stop after San Diego State crossed the 50 again, the 'Dogs turned it into three points with a career-long 49-yard field goal from Cesar Silva. The Bulldogs did the same thing on the next set of possessions, a stop after SDSU crossed the 50, and Silva connected from 27 yards to put Fresno State up 20-0 with 2:48 on the clock. The Aztecs scored in the final minutes to make 20-7 going into the half.

Silva knocked in his season-high third field goal of the game 11 minutes into the third quarter to give the 'Dogs a 16-point lead. SDSU answered, though, with a 10-play, 80-yard drive to cut the Bulldogs' lead to 23-13 just before the end of the third.

With less than seven minutes remaining in the game, Carson King dropped a punt at the one-yard line into the awaiting hands of Deonte Perry. The Aztecs managed to get some breathing room, but on first-and-10 from their own 24, Johnson was picked off by Levelle Bailey. On the next offensive possession, it took Mims two carries to go 31 yards to seal the game, putting Fresno State up 30-13 with 4:28 on the clock.



Game #10

Boise State at No. 23 Fresno State

Nov. 6, 2021 • Bulldog Stadium • Fresno, Calif.

SCORE BY QUARTERS	1	2	3	4	OT	FINAL
Boise State	10	6	7	17		40 (5-4, 3-2 MW)
Fresno State	0	7	0	7		14 (7-3, 4-2 MW)

SCORING SUMMARY

BOISE 1st 07:17	Dalmas, Jonah 47 yd field goal
BOISE 1st 06:38	Van Buren, Andr 1 yd run (Dalmas, Jonah kick)
BOISE 2nd 12:45	Dalmas, Jonah 27 yd field goal
FS 2nd 05:50	WHEATFALL, K 10 yd pass from HAENER, Jake (SILVA, Cesar kick)
BOISE 2nd 00:41	Dalmas, Jonah 32 yd field goal
BOISE 3rd 06:43	Shakir, Khalil 10 yd pass from Bachmeier, Hank (Dalmas, Jonah kick)
BOISE 4th 13:30	Dalmas, Jonah 27 yd field goal
BOISE 4th 07:41	Van Buren, Andr 1 yd run (Dalmas, Jonah kick)
BOISE 4th 02:48	Crowe, Tyler 7 yd run (Dalmas, Jonah kick)
FS 4th 01:10	POPE, Zane 5 yd pass from HAENER, Jake (SILVA, Cesar kick)

Plays	TOP	Score
7-45	3:27	3-0
2-41	0:27	10-0
5-51	2:04	13-0
5-54	2:01	13-7
8-52	2:33	16-7
11-80	4:09	23-7
11-49	4:42	26-7
10-79	5:12	33-7
5-23	3:01	40-7
6-75	1:32	40-14

TEAM STATS

	Boise State	Fresno State
FIRST DOWNS	24	18
Rushing Attempts-Yds	50-187	27-77
Passing cmp-att-yds	15-28-283	22-38-279
Total plays-yards	78-470	65-356
Fumbles-Lost	1-0	0-0
Penalties-Yards	4-50	11-91
PUNTS-YARDS	3-148	6-260
Average	49.3	43.3
Net	49.3	36.7
Punt returns: Number-Yards-TD	1-0-0	1-0-0
Kickoff returns: Number-Yds-TD	1-22-0	8-110-0
Interceptions: Number-Yds-TD	3-0-0	1-32-0
Fumble Returns: Number-Yds-TD	0-0-0	0-0-0
Time of Possession	36:09	23:51
3rd Down	6-of-15	4-of-13
4th Down	0 of 1	0 of 2
Sacks By: Number-Yards	5-38	2-25
Points off turnovers	14	0

Individual Leaders

Rushing (att-yds-TD):
 FS - Rivers (12-79-0)
 BSU - Holani (21-117-0)

Passing (cmp-att-int-yds-TD):
 FS - Haener (22-38-3-279-2)
 BSU - Bachmeier (15-27-0-283-1)

Receiving Yards (no-yds-TD):
 FS - Wheatfall (6-81-1)
 BSU - Holani (2-69-0)

Defense (ST-AT-TT-TFL-Sack):
 FS - Williams (8-2-10-0.0-0.0)
 BSU - Kaniho (5-2-7-0.0-0.0)

Interceptions (no-yds-TD):
 FS - Bland (1-32-0)
 BSU - 3 players

FRESNO, Calif. – The Fresno State football team suffered its first home loss of the season, falling 40-14 to Boise State at Bulldog Stadium on Saturday. Fresno State moves to 7-3 on the season and 4-2 in Mountain West play.

HOW IT HAPPENED

Boise State led 10-0 midway through the opening quarter following a touchdown that resulted from an interception. The Broncos added three more just over two minutes into the second quarter following a Bulldog three-and-out.

After forcing a turnover on downs at the Fresno State 46-yard line, the Bulldogs went 54 yards in five plays, cutting the deficit to 13-7 with 5:50 on the clock in the second through a Kerik Wheatfall 10-yard reception.

With 41 seconds remaining in the half, Bronco Jonah Dalmas kicked a 27-yard field goal to make it a two-possession game at 16-7. That started a stretch of 27 unanswered points to give the visitors a 40-7 lead with less than two minutes remaining in the game. Zane Pope added a touchdown for the Bulldogs in the final minutes.



Game #11

New Mexico at Fresno State

Nov. 13, 2021 • Bulldog Stadium • Fresno, Calif.

SCORE BY QUARTERS	1	2	3	4	OT	FINAL
New Mexico	0	0	7	0		7 (3-7, 1-5 MW)
Fresno State	7	17	10	0		34 (8-3, 5-2 MW)

SCORING SUMMARY

	Plays	TOP	Score
FS 1st 10:33 RIVERS, Ronnie 4 yd run (SILVA, Cesar kick)	6-31	3:25	0-7
FS 2nd 13:31 PAUWELS JR., R 23 yd pass from HAENER, Jake (SILVA, Cesar kick)	9-71	4:19	0-14
FS 2nd 06:42 KELLY, Josh 21 yd pass from HAENER, Jake (SILVA, Cesar kick)	9-64	5:00	0-21
FS 2nd 00:28 SILVA, Cesar 51 yd field goal	10-38	3:53	0-24
FS 3rd 13:22 SILVA, Cesar 48 yd field goal	6-44	1:38	0-27
UNM 3rd 07:45 Dumas, Aaron 1 yd run (Shelley, Andrew kick)	10-74	5:29	7-27
FS 3rd 04:40 MIMS, Jordan 4 yd pass from HAENER, Jake (SILVA, Cesar kick)	6-75	2:59	7-34

TEAM STATS

	New Mexico	Fresno State
FIRST DOWNS	7	23
Rushing Attempts-Yds	38-162	40-97
Passing cmp-att-yds	2-8-1	24-31-300
Total plays-yards	46-196	71-397
Fumbles-Lost	0-0	1-1
Penalties-Yards	9-82	10-79
PUNTS-YARDS	6-247	3-129
Average	41.2	43.0
Net	39.5	43.0
Punt returns: Number-Yards-TD	0-0-0	2-10-0
Kickoff returns: Number-Yds-TD	6-136-0	1-21-0
Interceptions: Number-Yds-TD	0-0-0	1-18-0
Fumble Returns: Number-Yds-TD	0-0-0	0-0-0
Time of Possession	26:40	33:20
3rd Down	3-of-12	10-of-17
4th Down	0 of 1	1 of 1
Sacks By: Number-Yards	3-26	0-0
Points off turnovers	0	7

Individual Leaders

Rushing (att-yds-TD):

FS - Rivers (20-71-1)

UNM - Dumas (23-143-1)

Passing (cmp-att-int-yds-TD):

FS - Haener (24-31-0-300-3)

UNM - Chavez (2-7-1-34-0)

Receiving Yards (no-yds-TD):

FS - Mims (4-103-1)

UNM - Bruckler (1-25-0)

Defense (ST-AT-TT-TFL-Sack):

FS - Langley (6-1-7-1.0-0.0)

UNM - Wilson (7-1-8-0.0-0.0)

Interceptions (no-yds-TD):

FS - Sanders (1-18-0)

UNM - N/A

Game #12

Fresno State at San Jose State

Nov. 25, 2021 • CEFCU Stadium • San Jose, Calif.

SCORE BY QUARTERS	1	2	3	4	OT	FINAL
Fresno State	7	16	10	7		40
San Jose St.	3	6	0	0		9

SCORING SUMMARY

	Plays	TOP	Score
SJSU 1st 09:52 Mercurio, Matt 31 yd field goal	14-54	5:02	0-3
FS 1st 04:04 CROPPER, Jalen 2 yd run (SILVA, Cesar kick)	10-75	5:48	7-3
SJSU 2nd 08:36 Mercurio, Matt 26 yd field goal	5-40	1:51	7-6
FS 2nd 10:39 Safety (BOEHM, Ryan)			9-6
FS 2nd 04:54 RODRIGUEZ, Juan 6 yd pass from Haener, Jake (SILVA, Cesar kick)	9-78	3:38	16-6
FS 2nd 01:32 MIMS, Jordan 45 yd pass from Haener, Jake (SILVA, Cesar kick)	2-58	0:23	23-6
SJSU 2nd 00:25 Mercurio, Matt 36 yd field goal	7-51	1:02	23-9
FS 3rd 10:13 SILVA, Cesar 43 yd field goal	9-37	4:43	26-9
FS 3rd 05:14 CROPPER, Jalen 29 yd pass from HAENER, Jake (SILVA, Cesar kick)	6-92	2:36	33-9
FS 4th 11:29 RIVERS, Ronnie 13 yd pass from (SILVA, Cesar kick)	4-66	1:56	40-9

TEAM STATS

	Fresno St.	San Jose St.
FIRST DOWNS	27	21
Rushing Attempts-Yds	34-138	25-64
Passing cmp-att-yds	28-37-348	19-43-260
Total plays-yards	71-486	68-324
Fumbles-Lost	2-1	2-2
Penalties-Yards	7-67	7-56
PUNTS-YARDS	4-169	4-199
Average	42.2	49.8
Net	42.2	49.8
Punt returns: Number-Yards-TD	0-0-0	0-0-0
Kickoff returns: Number-Yds-TD	4-60-0	6-133-0
Interceptions: Number-Yds-TD	0-0-0	0-0-0
Fumble Returns: Number-Yds-TD	0-0-0	0-0-0
Time of Possession	34:44	25:16
3rd Down	7-of-13	5-of-15
4th Down	0-of-0	0 of 2
Sacks By: Number-Yards	3-21	0-0
Points off turnovers	7	3

Individual Leaders

Rushing (att-yds-TD):

FS - Rivers (14-65-0)

SJSU - Nevens (12-45-0)

Passing (cmp-att-int-yds-TD):

FS - Haener (27-36-0-343-4)

SJSU - Starkel (19-42-0-260-0)

Receiving Yards (no-yds-TD):

FS - Rivers (5-91-1)

SJSU - Miller (4-78-0)

Defense (ST-AT-TT-TFL-Sack):

FS - Williams (4-4-8-0.0-0.0)

SJSU - Harmon (9-3-12-0.0-0.0)

Interceptions (no-yds-TD):

FS - N/A

SJSU - N/A

FRESNO, Calif. - The Fresno State football team got back to its winning ways with a 34-7 win over New Mexico at Bulldog Stadium on Saturday.

The Bulldogs improve to 8-3 overall, and 5-2 in Mountain West play.

HOW IT HAPPENED

New Mexico won the coin toss, and elected to receive the opening kickoff. It took just one play before Isaiah Chavez threw an interception, picked off by Cale Sanders Jr.

Fresno State scored on its following drive, taking advantage of the turnover. Ronnie Rivers became the program's all-time leading career rushing touchdown scorer with a 4-yard rush into the checkerboard end zone with 10:33 left in the first quarter.

The second quarter began with another successful Bulldog scoring drive. Fresno State capped a nine play, 71-yard drive with a 23-yard touchdown pass from Jake Haener to Raymond Pauwels Jr. to put the 'Dogs up 14-0 with 13:31 left in the half.

The Bulldogs had their third touchdown scorer of the game as Josh Kelly scored on a 21-yard reception with 6:42 left in the half. Fresno State's defense had back-to-back 3-and-out performances in the quarter, limiting UNM to only eight yards of offense in the quarter.

The half was capped with a career-long 51-yard field goal by Cesar Silva to give Fresno State a 24-0 lead into the locker room.

Silva opened the third quarter with a 48-yard field goal to extend the lead, but New Mexico answered on its following drive with a push into the end zone with 7:45 on the clock.

Jordan Mims had the final score of the evening. Following a career-best 78-yard reception, Mims punched it in on a 4-yard catch to put the 'Dogs up 34-7 in the final minutes of the third quarter.

SAN JOSE, Calif. - Fresno State defeated San Jose State 40-9 in the regular season finale at CEFCU Stadium on Thanksgiving Day. The Bulldogs improve to 9-3 (6-2 MW) on the year with the possibility of a Mountain West Championship appearance still in reach.

The Bulldogs' offense was led by Jake Haener with 343 yards passing and four touchdowns, while throwing no interceptions. All four of Haener's touchdown passes were caught by different Bulldogs.

Defensively, the 'Dogs were led by Evan Williams with eight tackles. Defensive end David Perales had a powerful game, finishing with four tackles, 1.5 sacks, 1.5 tackles for loss, one forced fumble, one broken up pass and a quarterback hurry.

HOW IT HAPPENED

San Jose State scored on its first possession, but the Bulldog defense held to only a field goal from 31-yards out. Fresno State responded with a successful scoring drive of its own, capping a 10-play drive with a two-yard touchdown rush by Jalen Cropper.

The Bulldogs quickly got the ball back as Perales forced a fumble by Nick Starkel, and fellow defensive lineman Ryan Boehm was there to recover. Fresno State was unable to capitalize on the turnover, but Carson King punted the ball down to the SJSU two yard line to set up good field position for the defense.

The Bulldog defense put points on the scoreboard with a safety by Boehm, increasing Fresno State's lead to 9-3 with 10:23 left in the half.

San Jose State tacked on another field goal with 8:36 left in the half to close the gap, 9-6. The Bulldog offense gave itself some more cushion, this time scoring on a 6-yard touchdown catch by Juan Rodriguez.

The defense stayed firing, forcing another Spartan turnover - this time on the force by Arron Mosby and recovery by Levelle Bailey. Fresno State was able to turn that turnover into points, using just two plays to break into the end zone. Haener found a wide open Jordan Mims for the 45-yard touchdown reception and a 23-6 Bulldog lead.

SJSU added its third field goal of the afternoon just before the half, making it 23-9 in favor of Fresno State at the half.

The Bulldogs received the second half opening kickoff, and added three points on a 43-yard field goal by Cesar Silva. Fresno State scored again on a trick play, putting the 'Dogs up 33-9 with another touchdown by Cropper.

Haener found Ronnie Rivers on a 13-yard pass for touchdown number five of the game, putting the Bulldogs up 40-9 with 11:43 remaining. The Bulldogs' defense kept at it, holding the Spartans to two turnovers on downs. As the Spartans made the move into the red zone with 7:02 left in the game, it was husky Rian Fields who recorded a pivotal broken up pass in the end zone to keep the Spartans from scoring a touchdown.



2021 ROSTER

NUMERICAL

No.	Name	Pos.	Ht.	Wt.	Cl.	Exp.	Hometown (High School/Previous School)
0	Evan Bennett	DT	6-2	286	So.	3rd	Sacramento, Calif. (Mater Dei/Oregon State)
0	Mac Dalena	WR	5-11	173	So.	2nd	Fresno, Calif. (San Joaquin Memorial)
1	DaRon Bland	DB	6-2	200	Sr.	5th	Modesto, Calif. (Central Catholic/Sacramento State)
1	Keric Wheatfall	WR	6-2	185	Sr.	5th/#	Cypress, Texas (Cypress Ranch/Blinn College)
2	Elijah Gates	DB	5-11	190	Sr.	5th	Pasadena, Calif. (Buena Park/UCLA)
2	Zane Pope	WR	6-2	195	Sr.	5th	Moorpark, Calif. (Moorpark)
3	Erik Brooks	WR	5-7	171	Jr.	4th	Corona, Calif. (Roosevelt)
3	Arron Mosby	DE	6-4	246	Sr.	5th/#	Sanger, Calif. (Sanger)
4	Emoryie Edwards	WR	5-11	190	Jr.	4th	Tulare, Calif. (Tulare Union)
4	Wylan Free	DB	6-2	176	Sr.	5th	Compton, Calif. (Lynwood)
5	Devo Bridges	DE	6-2	247	So.	3rd	Rialto, Calif. (Carter)
5	Jalen Cropper	WR	6-0	172	Jr.	3rd	Parlier, Calif. (Buchanan)
6	Levelle Bailey	LB	6-2	218	Jr.	3rd	Sacramento, Calif. (Luther Burbank)
6	Jordan Wilmore	RB	5-8	203	So.	3rd	Inglewood, Calif. (Lawndale/Utah)
7	Jordan Mims	RB	6-0	205	Sr.	5th	East Palo Alto, Calif. (Menlo-Atherton)
7	Reggie Strong	H	5-11	196	So.	3rd	Vallejo, Calif. (Orange Lutheran)
8	Ty Jones	WR	6-4	203	Sr.	5th	Provo, Utah (Provo/Washington)
8	Jalen Williams	DB	5-11	193	Fr.	1st	Lancaster, Calif. (Paraclete)
9	Jake Haener	QB	6-1	195	Sr.	5th	Danville, Calif. (Monte Vista/Washington)
10	Kosi Agina	DB	6-0	195	So.	2nd	Fresno, Calif. (Sanger)
10	Logan Fife	QB	6-0	197	RFr.	2nd	Tracy, Calif. (Tracy)
11	Josh Kelly	WR	6-1	185	So.	3rd	Fresno, Calif. (San Joaquin Memorial)
11	Cale Sanders Jr.	DB	5-10	178	Fr.	1st	New Caney, Texas (New Caney)
13	Jaylen Henderson	QB	6-3	207	Fr.	1st	Encino, Calif. (Chaminade)
13	Justin Houston	H	6-4	193	So.	2nd	Gardena, Calif. (Junipero Serra)
15	Julian Neal	DB	6-2	203	Fr.	1st	San Francisco, Calif. (Mission)
16	Anthony Arnou	QB	6-2	245	Fr.	1st	Santa Montica, Calif. (Santa Monica)
16	Rian Fields	H	6-6	215	Jr.	4th	Irvine, Calif. (Irvine)
17	Deonte Perry	DB	6-0	188	Sr.	6th/#	Canoga Park, Calif. (Canoga Park)
17	Rodney Wright III	WR	5-9	182	So.	3rd	Fresno, Calif. (Clovis West)
18	Joseph Campbell	QB	6-1	207	RFr.	2nd	Bakersfield, Calif. (Garces Memorial)
19	Zeke Branham	LB	6-1	221	Fr.	1st	Mesa, Ariz. (Skyline)
19	Vallee Washington	WR	5-11	175	So.	3rd	Detroit, Mich. (Ripley/Langston/Fullerton College)
20	Alzillion Hamilton	DB	5-10	180	Fr.	1st	Castro Valley, Calif. (Hayward)
20	Ronnie Rivers	RB	5-9	195	Sr.	5th/#	Brentwood, Calif. (Freedom)
22	Steven Comstock	DB	6-1	204	Jr.	4th	Glendora, Calif. (Northview)
22	Malik Sherrod	RB	5-8	180	RFr.	2nd	Oxnard, Calif. (Pacifica)
23	Malik Brooks	H	6-1	207	Fr.	1st	Las Vegas, Nev. (Desert Pines)
23	Jordan Hornbeak	RB	5-11	200	Fr.	1st	Fresno, Calif. (San Joaquin Memorial)
24	Randy Jordan	DB	5-9	170	Jr.	3rd	Tulare, Calif. (Tulare Union)
25	Emari Pait	H	6-2	200	Fr.	1st	Los Angeles, Calif. (Culver City)
26	Isaiah Batton	WR	6-1	197	So.	2nd	Temecula, Calif. (Chaparral/Palomar College)
26	Chrishawn Gordon	DB	5-11	188	So.	3rd	Oceanside, Calif. (Valley Center/Dixie State/Butte College)
27	L.J. Early	DB	5-10	180	Sr.	5th	Tulare, Calif. (Tulare Western/Bakersfield College)
28	Cesar Silva	K	5-11	180	Sr.	6th/#	Milpitas, Calif. (Milpitas/College of San Mateo)
29	Johnathan Arceneaux	RB	5-10	178	Fr.	1st	Los Angeles, Calif. (Lawndale)
30	Kenny Gagnon	DB	5-11	191	Sr.	6th/#	La Quinta, Calif. (Desert Christian Academy)
30	Julius Peacock	WR	x-x	xxx	Fr.	1st	Winton, Calif. (Atwater HS)
31	Sherwin King Jr.	LB	6-0	190	Jr.	4th	Fresno, Calif. (Sunnyside)
32	Evan Williams	DB	6-0	198	Jr.	3rd	Campbell, Calif. (Saint Francis)
33	Kwami Jones	DE	6-2	250	Sr.	6th/#	San Francisco, Calif. (Serra/College of San Mateo)
34	Frankco Gratton Jr.	DE	6-3	215	Fr.	1st	Seattle, Wash. (Rainer Beach)
35	Malachi Langley	LB	6-1	232	So.	3rd	Los Angeles, Calif. (Pasadena)
36	Matthew Goodyear	P	6-1	210	Sr.	1st	Melbourne, Australia (Salesian College)
37	Ryan Boehm	DE	6-2	278	Sr.	6th/#	Temecula, Calif. (Great Oak/Cal Poly)
38	Bralyn Lux	DB	5-11	175	So.	3rd	Sunnyvale, Calif. (King's Academy)
39	Jason Diaz Jr.	DB	5-10	185	Sr.	6th/#	Fresno, Calif. (Clovis West/San Jose CC)
40	Michael Munoz	LS	6-2	198	RFr.	2nd	Upland, Calif. (Upland)
40	Hunter Nabers	LB	6-0	215	Fr.	1st	El Dorado Hills, Calif. (Oak Ridge)
41	Andre Meono	K	6-1	170	Fr.	1st	Redondo Beach, Calif. (St. John Bosco)

ALPHABETICAL

No.	Name	Pos.
77	Nick Abbs	OL
55	Dante Adkins Jr.	OL
10	Kosi Agina	DB
75	Alex Akingbulu	OL
29	Johnathan Arceneaux	RB
16	Anthony Arnou	QB
90	Kevin Atkins	DT
6	Levelle Bailey	LB
26	Isaiah Batton	WR
82	Kamron Beachem	TE
0	Evan Bennett	DT
1	DaRon Bland	DB
49	Tanner Blount	LB
37	Ryan Boehm	DE
86	Jake Boust	TE
19	Zeke Branham	LB
5	Devo Bridges	DE
3	Erik Brooks	WR
23	Malik Brooks	H
81	Jordan Brown	WR
72	Dontae Bull	OL
18	Joseph Campbell	QB
73	Elijah Carson	OL
44	Charlotin Charles	LB
79	Joseph Church	OL
22	Steven Comstock	DB
5	Jalen Cropper	WR
0	Mac Dalena	WR
39	Jason Diaz Jr.	DB
27	L.J. Early	DB
4	Emoryie Edwards	WR
16	Rian Fields	H
10	Logan Fife	QB
4	Wylan Free	DB
71	Rolan Fullwood	OL
30	Kenny Gagnon	DB
94	Julius Gandy	DL
2	Elijah Gates	DB
49	Elijah Gilliam	RB
36	Matthew Goodyear	P
26	Chrishawn Gordon	DB
34	Frankco Gratton Jr.	DE
52	Jalen Guerrero	OL
9	Jake Haener	QB
20	Alzillion Hamilton	DB
88	Rory Hanson	TE
13	Jaylen Henderson	QB
23	Jordan Hornbeak	RB
13	Justin Houston	H
47	Phoenix Jackson	LB
52	Da'Marcus Johnson	DE
33	Kwami Jones	DE
8	Ty Jones	WR
24	Randy Jordan	DB
11	Josh Kelly	WR
45	Carson King	P
31	Sherwin King Jr.	LB
46	Cam Lamanuzzi	LB

NUMERICAL

No.	Name	Pos.	Ht.	Wt.	Cl.	Exp.	Hometown (High School/Previous School)
42	Tyler Mello	LB	6-2	220	So.	2nd	Hanford, Calif. (Hanford)
43	Morice Norris	DB	x-x	xxx	Jr.	3rd	Fresno, Calif. (Sanger/Orange Coast College)
44	Charlotin Charles	LB	6-0	206	Fr.	1st	Las Vegas, Nev. (Bishop Gorman)
45	Carson King	P	6-0	193	Jr.	4th	Livermore, Calif. (Freedom)
46	Cam Lamanuzzi	LB	6-0	230	Sr.	5th	Fresno, Calif. (Bullard/Fresno City College)
47	Phoenix Jackson	DE	6-0	219	Fr.	1st	Modesto, Calif. (Central Catholic)
47	Jacob Westberry	LS	6-3	268	Sr.	6th/#	Bradenton, Fla. (Saint Stephen's Episcopal)
48	Abraham Montano	K	6-1	184	So.	3rd	Salinas, Calif. (Alisal/Hartnall College)
49	Tanner Blount	LB	6-0	217	So.	3rd	Clovis, Calif. (Buchanan)
49	Elijah Gilliam	RB	5-10	215	RFr.	2nd	Las Vegas, Nev. (Bishop Gorman)
51	Charles Remlinger	DE	6-3	235	Jr.	1st	Vancouver, Wash. (Mountain View)
51	Mose Vavao	OL	6-3	325	So.	2nd	Mountain View, Calif. (St. Francis)
52	Jalen Guerrero	OL	6-5	305	Sr.	5th	Las Cruces, N.M. (Mayfield/New Mexico State)
52	Da'Marcus Johnson	DE	6-4	250	Jr.	3rd	Sacramento, Calif. (Burbank/American River)
54	Bula Schmidt	OL	6-1	294	Jr.	3rd	Wahiawa, Hawai'i (O'Dea [Wash.])
55	Dante Adkins Jr.	OL	6-3	305	So.	3rd	Lancaster, Calif. (Highland)
55	Leonard Payne Jr.	DT	6-3	315	Jr.	4th	Downey, Calif. (St. Pius X-St. Matthias Academy)
56	Pedro Timoteo	OL	6-3	336	Fr.	1st	Anchorage, Alaska (East Anchorage)
58	Tyson Maeva	LB	6-0	240	Sr.	6th/#	San Diego, Calif. (San Diego Cathedral Catholic/Boise St/FIU)
59	Matt Smith	OL	6-0	288	Sr.	6th/#	Long Beach, Calif. (St. John Bosco)
65	Braylen Nelson	OL	6-6	308	Fr.	1st	Denver, Colo. (Vista Peak)
70	Toreon Penright	OL	6-3	275	RFr.	2nd	San Bernardino, Calif. (Cajon)
71	Rolan Fullwood	OL	6-6	315	Fr.	1st	Long Beach, Calif. (Lawndale)
72	Dontae Bull	OL	6-7	326	Sr.	5th	Victoria, Canada (Belmont Secondary)
73	Elijah Carson	OL	6-8	330	So.	3rd	San Diego, Calif. (Morse)
74	Julian Polendo	OL	6-5	320	RFr.	2nd	Palm Springs, Calif. (Palm Springs)
75	Alex Akingbulu	OL	6-6	300	Sr.	6th/#	Carson, Calif. (Narbonne/UCLA)
76	Matt Lowe	OL	6-6	267	RFr.	2nd	Hesperia, Calif. (Serrano)
77	Nick Abbs	OL	6-6	303	Sr.	6th/#	Portland, Ore. (Greshman/Fresno City College)
78	Osmar Velez	OL	6-1	295	So.	3rd	Lost Hills, Calif. (Wasco)
79	Joseph Church	OL	6-4	300	RFr.	2nd	Fontana, Calif. (Upland)
80	Juan Rodriguez	TE	6-2	237	Sr.	6th/#	Portola, Calif. (Portola/Butte College)
81	Jordan Brown	WR	5-8	171	So.	2nd	Bellflower, Calif. (Mayfair)
82	Kamron Beachem	TE	6-4	245	Fr.	1st	Oceanside, Calif. (Oceanside HS)
84	Tre Watson	TE	6-5	227	Fr.	1st	Rio Rancho, N.M. (Cleveland)
85	Donovan Williams	WR	5-11	172	Fr.	1st	Northridge, Calif. (Sierra Canyon HS)
86	Jake Boust	TE	6-4	246	Jr.	3rd	Sanger, Calif. (Sanger/Fresno City)
87	Raymond Pauwels Jr.	TE	6-4	242	Sr.	5th	Litchfield, Ariz. (Millennium/Glendale College)
88	Rory Hanson	TE	6-5	250	RJr.	4th	Tracy, Calif. (Modesto Christian/Modesto JC)
89	Jared Torres	TE	6-4	247	Jr.	4th	Visalia, Calif. (El Diamante)
90	Kevin Atkins	DT	6-2	307	Sr.	6th/#	Murrieta, Calif. (Vista Murrieta)
91	Matt Lawson	DT	6-0	280	Jr.	4th	Ontario, Calif. (Colony)
94	Julius Gandy	DL	6-4	xxx	Fr.	1st	Watsonville, Calif. (Pacheco)
95	Julius Lewis	DT	6-5	270	Fr.	1st	Modesto, Calif. (Central Catholic)
99	David Perales	DE	6-3	246	Sr.	5th	Merced, Calif. (Merced/Merced JC/Sacramento State)

ALPHABETICAL

No.	Name	Pos.
35	Malachi Langley	LB
91	Matt Lawson	DT
95	Julius Lewis	DT
76	Matt Lowe	OL
38	Bralyn Lux	DB
58	Tyson Maeva	LB
42	Tyler Mello	LB
41	Andre Meono	K
7	Jordan Mims	RB
48	Abraham Montano	K
3	Arron Mosby	DE
40	Michael Munoz	LS
40	Hunter Nabers	LB
15	Julian Neal	DB
65	Braylen Nelson	OL
43	Morice Norris	DB
25	Emari Pait	H
87	Raymond Pauwels Jr.	TE
55	Leonard Payne Jr.	DT
30	Julius Peacock	WR
70	Toreon Penright	OL
99	David Perales	DE
17	Deonte Perry	DB
74	Julian Polendo	OL
2	Zane Pope	WR
51	Charles Remlinger	DE
20	Ronnie Rivers	RB
80	Juan Rodriguez	TE
11	Cale Sanders	DB
54	Bula Schmidt	OL
22	Malik Sherrod	RB
28	Cesar Silva	K
59	Matt Smith	OL
7	Reggie Strong	H
56	Pedro Timoteo	OL
89	Jared Torres	TE
51	Mose Vavao	OL
78	Osmar Velez	OL
19	Vallee Washington	WR
84	Tre Watson	TE
47	Jacob Westberry	LS
1	Keric Wheatfall	WR
85	Donovan Williams	WR
32	Evan Williams	DB
8	Jalen Williams	DB
6	Jordan Wilmore	RB
17	Rodney Wright III	WR

- indicates individual has utilized the additional year of eligibility approved by the NCAA in the fall of 2020. The NCAA approved a blanket waiver for all 2020 fall sports student-athletes to retain a year of eligibility due to the COVID-19 pandemic. Each individual 2nd year experience or greater can utilize waiver in future seasons.

CAREER STARTS LEADERS

Kevin Atkins - DT	44
Ronnie Rivers - RB	41
Dontae Bull - OL	26
Arron Mosby - DE	23
Wylan Free - DB	22
Levelle Bailey - LB	21
Evan Williams - DB	21
Jalen Cropper - WR	20
Kwami Jones - DE	19
Jake Haener - QB	18
Matt Smith - OL	17
Keric Wheatfall - WR	17
David Perales - DE	17
Juan Rodriguez - TE	16
Bula Schmidt - OL	16
Alex Akingbulu - OL	16
Bralyn Lux - DB	15
Josh Kelly - WR	14
Justin Houston - H	14
Mose Vavao - OL	14
Zane Pope - WR	10
Jordan Mims - RB	10
Tyson Maeva - LB	10
Leonard Payne Jr. - DT	9
Dante Adkins - OL	9
Raymond Pauwels - TE	8
Elijah Gates - DB	8
DaRon Bland - DB	8
Malachi Langley - LB	7
Deonte Perry - DB	5
L.J. Early - DB	5
Nick Abbs - OL	4
Sherwin King Jr. - LB	4
Ty Jones - WR	4
Braylen Nelson - OL	4
Randy Jordan - DB	3
Cale Sanders Jr. - CB	3
Evan Bennett - DT	2
Tre Watson - TE	2
Ryan Boehm - DT	2
Kosi Agina - DB	1
Rian Fields - H	1
Emoryie Edwards - WR	1
Matt Lawson - DT	1
Jared Torres - TE	1
Rory Hanson - TE	1
Reggie Strong - H	1

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BY POSITION

Quarterbacks

9	Jake Haener	QB	6-1	195	Sr.	5th	Danville, Calif. (Monte Vista/Washington)
10	Logan Fife	QB	6-0	197	RFr.	2nd	Tracy, Calif. (Tracy)
13	Jaylen Henderson	QB	6-3	207	Fr.	1st	Encino, Calif. (Chaminade)
16	Anthony Arnou	QB	6-2	245	Fr.	1st	Santa Monica, Calif. (Santa Monica)
18	Joseph Campbell	QB	6-1	207	RFr.	2nd	Bakersfield, Calif. (Garces Memorial)

Running Backs

6	Jordan Wilmore	RB	5-8	203	So.	3rd	Inglewood, Calif. (Lawndale/Utah)
7	Jordan Mims	RB	6-0	205	Sr.	5th	East Palo Alto, Calif. (Menlo-Atherton)
20	Ronnie Rivers	RB	5-9	195	Sr.	5th/#	Brentwood, Calif. (Freedom)
22	Malik Sherrrod	RB	5-8	180	RFr.	2nd	Oxnard, Calif. (Pacifica)
23	Jordan Hornbeak	RB	5-11	200	Fr.	1st	Fresno, Calif. (San Joaquin Memorial)
29	Johnathan Arceneaux	RB	5-10	178	Fr.	1st	Los Angeles, Calif. (Lawndale)
49	Elijah Gilliam	RB	5-10	215	RFr.	2nd	Las Vegas, Nev. (Bishop Gorman)

Tight Ends

80	Juan Rodriguez	TE	6-2	237	Sr.	6th/#	Portola, Calif. (Portola/Butte College)
82	Kamron Beachem	TE	6-4	245	Fr.	1st	Oceanside, Calif. (Oceanside HS)
84	Tre Watson	TE	6-5	227	Fr.	1st	Rio Rancho, N.M. (Cleveland)
86	Jake Boust	TE	6-4	246	Jr.	3rd	Sanger, Calif. (Sanger/Fresno City)
87	Raymond Pauwels Jr.	TE	6-4	242	Sr.	5th	Litchfield, Ariz. (Millennium/Glendale College)
88	Rory Hanson	TE	6-5	250	RJr.	4th	Tracy, Calif. (Modesto Christian/Modesto JC)
89	Jared Torres	TE	6-4	247	Jr.	4th	Visalia, Calif. (El Diamante)

Wide Receivers

0	Mac Dalena	WR	5-11	173	So.	2nd	Fresno, Calif. (San Joaquin Memorial)
1	Keric Wheatfall	WR	6-2	185	Sr.	5th/#	Cypress, Texas (Cypress Ranch/Blinn College)
2	Zane Pope	WR	6-2	195	Sr.	5th	Moorpark, Calif. (Moorpark)
3	Erik Brooks	WR	5-7	171	Jr.	4th	Corona, Calif. (Roosevelt)
4	Emoryie Edwards	WR	5-11	190	Jr.	4th	Tulare, Calif. (Tulare Union)
5	Jalen Cropper	WR	6-0	172	Jr.	3rd	Parlier, Calif. (Buchanan)
8	Ty Jones	WR	6-4	203	Sr.	5th	Provo, Utah (Provo/Washington)
11	Josh Kelly	WR	6-1	185	So.	3rd	Fresno, Calif. (San Joaquin Memorial)
17	Rodney Wright III	WR	5-9	182	So.	3rd	Fresno, Calif. (Clovis West)
19	Vallee Washington	WR	5-11	175	So.	3rd	Detroit, Mich. (Ripley/Langston/Fullerton College)
26	Isaiah Batton	WR	6-1	197	So.	2nd	Temecula, Calif. (Chaparral/Palomar College)
30	Julius Peacock	WR	x-x	xxx	Fr.	1st	Winton, Calif. (Atwater HS)
81	Jordan Brown	WR	5-8	171	So.	2nd	Bellflower, Calif. (Mayfair)
85	Donovan Williams	WR	5-11	172	Fr.	1st	Northridge, Calif. (Sierra Canyon HS)

Offensive Line

51	Mose Vavao	OL	6-3	325	So.	2nd	Mountain View, Calif. (St. Francis)
52	Jalen Guerrero	OL	6-5	305	Sr.	5th	Las Cruces, N.M. (Mayfield/New Mexico State)
54	Bula Schmidt	OL	6-1	294	Jr.	3rd	Wahiawa, Hawai'i (O'Dea [Wash.]
55	Dante Adkins Jr.	OL	6-3	305	So.	3rd	Lancaster, Calif. (Highland)
56	Pedro Timoteo	OL	6-3	336	Fr.	1st	Anchorage, Alaska (East Anchorage)
59	Matt Smith	OL	6-0	288	Sr.	6th/#	Long Beach, Calif. (St. John Bosco)
65	Braylen Nelson	OL	6-6	308	Fr.	1st	Denver, Colo. (Vista Peak)
70	Toreon Penright	OL	6-3	275	RFr.	2nd	San Bernardino, Calif. (Caion)
71	Rolan Fullwood	OL	6-6	315	Fr.	1st	Long Beach, Calif. (Lawndale)
72	Dontae Bull	OL	6-7	326	Sr.	5th	Victoria, Canada (Belmont Secondary)
73	Elijah Carson	OL	6-8	330	So.	3rd	San Diego, Calif. (Morse)
74	Julian Polendo	OL	6-5	320	RFr.	2nd	Palm Springs, Calif. (Palm Springs)
75	Alex Akingbulu	OL	6-6	300	Sr.	6th/#	Carson, Calif. (Narbonne/UCLA)
76	Matt Lowe	OL	6-6	267	RFr.	2nd	Hesperia, Calif. (Serrano)
77	Nick Abbs	OL	6-6	303	Sr.	6th/#	Portland, Ore. (Greshman/Fresno City College)
78	Osmar Velez	OL	6-1	295	So.	3rd	Lost Hills, Calif. (Wasco)
79	Joseph Church	OL	6-4	300	RFr.	2nd	Fontana, Calif. (Upland)

BY POSITION

Defensive Line

0	Evan Bennett	DT	6-2	286	So.	3rd	Sacramento, Calif. (Mater Dei/Oregon State)
3	Arron Mosby	DE	6-4	246	Sr.	5th/#	Sanger, Calif. (Sanger)
5	Devo Bridges	DE	6-2	247	So.	3rd	Rialto, Calif. (Carter)
33	Kwami Jones	DE	6-2	250	Sr.	6th/#	San Francisco, Calif. (Serra/College of San Mateo)
34	Frankco Gratton Jr.	DE	6-3	215	Fr.	1st	Seattle, Wash. (Rainer Beach)
37	Ryan Boehm	DE	6-2	278	Sr.	6th/#	Temecula, Calif. (Great Oak/Cal Poly)
47	Phoenix Jackson	DE	6-0	219	Fr.	1st	Modesto, Calif. (Central Catholic)
51	Charles Remlinger	DE	6-3	235	Jr.	1st	Vancouver, Wash. (Mountain View)
52	Da'Marcus Johnson	DE	6-4	250	Jr.	3rd	Sacramento, Calif. (Burbank/American River)
55	Leonard Payne Jr.	DT	6-3	315	Jr.	4th	Downey, Calif. (St. Pius X-St. Matthias Academy)
90	Kevin Atkins	DT	6-2	307	Sr.	6th/#	Murrieta, Calif. (Vista Murrieta)
91	Matt Lawson	DT	6-0	280	Jr.	4th	Ontario, Calif. (Colony)
94	Julius Gandy	DL	6-4	xxx	Fr.	1st	Watsonville, Calif. (Pacheco)
95	Julius Lewis	DT	6-5	270	Fr.	1st	Modesto, Calif. (Central Catholic)
99	David Perales	DE	6-3	246	Sr.	5th	Merced, Calif. (Merced/Merced JC/Sacramento State)

Linebackers

6	Levelle Bailey	LB	6-2	218	Jr.	3rd	Sacramento, Calif. (Luther Burbank)
19	Zeke Branham	LB	6-1	221	Fr.	1st	Mesa, Ariz. (Skyline)
31	Sherwin King Jr.	LB	6-0	190	Jr.	4th	Fresno, Calif. (Sunnyside)
35	Malachi Langley	LB	6-1	232	So.	3rd	Los Angeles, Calif. (Pasadena)
40	Hunter Nabers	LB	6-0	215	Fr.	1st	El Dorado Hills, Calif. (Oak Ridge)
42	Tyler Mello	LB	6-2	220	So.	2nd	Hanford, Calif. (Hanford)
44	Charlotin Charles	LB	6-0	206	Fr.	1st	Las Vegas, Nev. (Bishop Gorman)
46	Cam Lamanuzzi	LB	6-0	230	Sr.	5th	Fresno, Calif. (Bullard/Fresno City College)
49	Tanner Blount	LB	6-0	217	So.	3rd	Clovis, Calif. (Buchanan)
58	Tyson Maeva	LB	6-0	240	Sr.	6th/#	San Diego, Calif. (San Diego Cathedral Catholic/Boise St/FIU)

Huskies

7	Reggie Strong	H	5-11	196	So.	3rd	Vallejo, Calif. (Orange Lutheran)
13	Justin Houston	H	6-4	193	So.	2nd	Gardena, Calif. (Junipero Serra)
16	Rian Fields	H	6-6	215	Jr.	4th	Irvine, Calif. (Irvine)
23	Malik Brooks	H	6-1	207	Fr.	1st	Las Vegas, Nev. (Desert Pines)
25	Emari Pait	H	6-2	200	Fr.	1st	Los Angeles, Calif. (Culver City)

Defensive Backs

1	DaRon Bland	DB	6-0	200	Sr.	5th	Modesto, Calif. (Central Catholic/Sacramento State)
2	Elijah Gates	DB	5-11	190	Sr.	5th	Pasadena, Calif. (Buena Park/UCLA)
4	Wylan Free	DB	6-2	176	Sr.	5th	Compton, Calif. (Lynwood)
8	Jalen Williams	DB	5-11	193	Fr.	1st	Lancaster, Calif. (Paraclete)
10	Kosi Agina	DB	6-0	195	So.	2nd	Fresno, Calif. (Sanger)
11	Cale Sanders Jr.	DB	5-10	178	Fr.	1st	New Caney, Texas (New Caney)
15	Julian Neal	DB	6-2	203	Fr.	1st	San Francisco, Calif. (Mission)
17	Deonte Perry	DB	6-0	188	Sr.	6th/#	Canoga Park, Calif. (Canoga Park)
20	Alzillion Hamilton	DB	5-10	180	Fr.	1st	Castro Valley, Calif. (Hayward)
22	Steven Comstock	DB	6-1	204	Jr.	4th	Glendora, Calif. (Northview)
24	Randy Jordan	DB	5-9	170	Jr.	3rd	Tulare, Calif. (Tulare Union)
26	Chrishawn Gordon	DB	5-11	188	So.	3rd	Oceanside, Calif. (Valley Center/Dixie State/Butte College)
27	L.J. Early	DB	5-10	180	Sr.	5th	Tulare, Calif. (Tulare Western/Bakersfield College)
30	Kenny Gagnon	DB	5-11	191	Sr.	6th/#	La Quinta, Calif. (Desert Christian Academy)
32	Evan Williams	DB	6-0	198	Jr.	3rd	Campbell, Calif. (Saint Francis)
38	Bralyn Lux	DB	5-11	175	So.	3rd	Sunnyvale, Calif. (King's Academy)
39	Jason Diaz Jr.	DB	5-10	185	Sr.	6th/#	Fresno, Calif. (Clovis West/San Jose CC)
43	Morice Norris	DB	x-x	xxx	Jr.	3rd	Sanger, Calif. (Sanger/Orange Coast College)

Specialists

28	Cesar Silva	K	5-11	180	Sr.	6th/#	Milpitas, Calif. (Milpitas/College of San Mateo)
36	Matthew Goodyear	P	6-1	210	Sr.	1st	Melbourne, Australia (Salesian College)
40	Michael Munoz	LS	6-2	198	RFr.	2nd	Upland, Calif. (Upland)
41	Andre Meono	K	6-1	170	Fr.	1st	Redondo Beach, Calif. (St. John Bosco)
45	Carson King	P	6-0	193	Jr.	4th	Livermore, Calif. (Freedom)
47	Jacob Westberry	LS	6-3	268	Sr.	6th/#	Bradenton, Fla. (Saint Stephen's Episcopal)
48	Abraham Montano	K	6-1	184	So.	3rd	Salinas, Calif. (Alisal/Hartnall College)

CAREER GP LEADERS

Kevin Atkins - DT	58
Arron Mosby - DE	57
Jacob Westberry - LS	56
Ronnie Rivers - RB	53
Kwami Jones - DE	47
Jordan Mims - RB	44
Wylan Free - DB	43
Matt Smith - OL	33
Dontae Bull - OL	33
Nick Abbs - OL	33
Levelle Bailey - LB	30
Kenny Gagnon - DB	30
Evan Williams - DB	28
Zane Pope - WR	28
Jalen Cropper - WR	28
Keric Wheatfall - WR	28
Cesar Silva - K	25
Deonte Perry - DB	25
Bula Schmidt - OL	25
Erik Brooks - WR	24
Jared Torres - TE	23
Juan Rodriguez - TE	23
Malachi Langley - LB	22
Alex Akingbulu - OL	21
Raymond Pauwels Jr. - TE	21
Sherwin King Jr. - LB	19
Josh Kelly - WR	19
Leonard Payne Jr. - DT	18
Kosi Agina - DB	18
Mac Dalena - WR	18
Jake Haener - QB	18
Justin Houston - H	18
Da'Marcus Johnson - DE	18
Bralyn Lux - DB	18
David Perales - DE	18
Mose Vavao - OL	18
Rian Fields - H	17
Elijah Carson - OL	17
Randy Jordan - DB	16
Tyler Mello - LB	16
Emoryie Edwards - WR	16
Jordan Brown - WR	16
Dante Adkins Jr. - OL	16
Steven Comstock - DB	15
L.J. Early - DB	15
Tanner Blount - LB	14
Cam Lamanuzzi - LB	13
Matt Lawson - DT	13
Devo Bridges - DE	13
Ty Jones - WR	12
Evan Bennett - DL	12
DaRon Bland - DB	12
Ryan Boehm - DL	12
Emari Pait - H	12
Cale Sanders Jr. - DB	12
Tre Watson - TE	11
Reggie Strong - H	10
Elijah Gates - DB	9
Malik Sherrrod - RB	9
Rory Hanson - TE	7
Braylen Nelson - OL	7
Jason Diaz Jr. - DB	6
Jordan Wilmore - RB	6
Abraham Montano - K	4
Malik Brooks - H	4
Julius Lewis - DL	3
Jalen Guerrero - OL	3
Toreon Penright - OL	3
Julian Neal - DB	3
Jake Boust - TE	3
Zeke Branham - LB	3
Jaylen Henderson - QB	3

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BY GEOGRAPHY

ALASKA (1)

Anchorage: Pedro Timoteo

ARIZONA (2)

Litchfield: Raymond Pauwels Jr.

Mesa: Zeke Branham

CALIFORNIA (86)

Bakersfield: Joseph Campbell

Bellflower: Jordan Brown

Brentwood: Ronnie Rivers

Campbell: Evan Williams

Canoga Park: Deonte Perry

Carson: Alex Akingbulu

Castro Valley: Alzillion Hamilton

Clovis: Tanner Blount

Compton: Wylan Free

Corona: Erik Brooks

Danville: Jake Haener

Downey: Leonard Payne

East Palo Alto: Jordan Mims

El Dorado Hills: Hunter Nabers

Encino: Jaylen Henderson

Fontana: Joseph Church

Fresno: Kosi Agina

Mac Dalena

Jason Diaz Jr.

Jordan Hornbeak

Josh Kelly

Sherwin King Jr.

Cam Lamanuzzi

Morice Norris

Rodney Wright III

Gardena: Justin Houston

Glendora: Steven Comstock

Hanford: Tyler Mello

Hesperia: Matt Lowe

Inglewood: Jordan Wilmore

Irvine: Rian Fields

La Quinta: Kenny Gagnon

Lancaster: Dante Adkins Jr.

Jalen Williams

Livermore: Carson King

Long Beach: Rolan Fullwood

Matt Smith

Los Angeles: Jonathan Arceneaux

Malachi Langley

Emari Pait

Lost Hills: Osmar Velez

Milpitas: Cesar Silva

Merced: David Perales

Modesto: DaRon Bland

Pheonix Jackson

Julius Lewis

Moorpark: Zane Pope

Mountain View: Mose Vavao

Murrieta: Kevin

Atkins

Northridge: Donovan Williams

Oceanside: Kamron Beachem

Ontario: Matt Lawson

Oxnard: Malik Sherrad

Palm Springs: Julian Polendo

Parlier: Jalen Cropper

Pasadena: Elijah Gates

Portola: Juan Rodriguez

Redondo Beach: Andre Meono

Rialto: Devo Bridges

Sacramento: Levelle Bailey

Evan Bennett

Da'Marcus Johnson

Salinas: Abraham Montano

San Bernardino: Toreon Penright

San Diego: Elijah Carson

Tyson Maeva

San Francisco: Kwami Jones

Julian Neal

Sanger: Jake Boust

Arron Mosby

Santa Monica: Anthony Arnou

Sunnyvale: Bralyn Lux

Temecula: Isaiah Batton

Ryan Boehm

Tracy: Logan Fife

Rory Hanson

Tulare: LJ Early

Emoryie Edwards

Randy Jordan

Upland: Michael Munoz

Vallejo: Reggie Strong

Visalia: Jared Torres

Valley Center: Chrishawn Gordon

Watsonville: Julius Gandy

Winton: Julius Peacock

COLORADO (1)

Denver: Braylen Nelson

FLORIDA (1)

Bradenton: Jacob Westberry

HAWAI'I (1)

Wahiawa: Bula Schmidt

MICHIGAN (1)

Detroit: Vallee Washington

NEW MEXICO (2)

Las Cruces: Jalen Guerrero

Rio Rancho: Tre Watson

NEVADA (3)

Las Vegas: Malik Brooks

Charlotin Charles

Elijah Gilliam

OREGON (1)

Portland: Nick Abbs

TEXAS (2)

Cypress: Keric Wheatfall

New Caney: Cale Sanders

UTAH (1)

Provo: Ty Jones

WASHINGTON (2)

Seattle: Frankco Gratton Jr.

Vancouver: Charles Remlinger

CANADA (1)

Victoria (B.C.): Dontae Bull

AUSTRALIA (1)

Melbourne: Matthew Goodyear



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NICK ABBS OL

6-6 | 303 | Sr. * | 6th Year
Portland, Ore. (Greshman HS/Fresno City College)

CAREER GAMES (AT FS): 33 STARTS: 4

2021 (SENIOR): Saw action in all 12 games as a crucial member of the special teams unit.

PERSONAL: Born in Portland, Ore. ...son of Virginia and William Abbs ... favorite athlete is Joe Thomas because he is an offensive lineman who hasn't missed a snap in his entire career ... biggest athletic thrill is the time leading up to a football game because of the "calm before the storm" feeling ... is a health science major at Fresno State.



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DANTE ADKINS JR. OL

6-3 | 305 | So. | 3rd Year
Lancaster, Calif. (Highland HS)

CAREER GAMES: 14 STARTS: 8

2021 (SOPHOMORE): Competed in 10 games with four starts at right guard ... helped block for one of the top passing, scoring and total offenses in the Mountain West ... was a part of an offensive line unit that allowed 24 sacks on the quarterback, tying its least in a season since 2019.

PERSONAL: Born in Lancaster, Calif. ... son of Dante and Bernadette Adkins ... has two older siblings - Simone and Byron ... favorite athlete is Tyrone Smith ... is a biology major ... chose to attend Fresno State because the school was open and loving towards him and it seemed like the perfect fit.



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KOSI AGINA DB

6-0 | 195 | So. | 2nd Year
Fresno, Calif. (Sanger HS)

CAREER GAMES: 18

2021 (SOPHOMORE): Played in all 12 games ... recorded one start against Hawai'i at safety ... totaled 13 tackles, nine solo stops ... tied his career-best with four tackles against Nevada (Sept. 23) ... had at least one tackle in seven games ... logged one TFL for two yards against Cal Poly (Sept. 11).

PERSONAL: Born in Fresno ... son of Cornelius and Hyacintha Agina ... has three older siblings, Sonachi, Chinenye and Chiazio, and one younger sibling Chidera ... favorite hobbies include hanging out with family, learning about his culture, giving back to the community and watching TV ... favorite athlete is LeBron James for everything he does in the community and on the court, he is an all-around great athlete ... chose to attend Fresno State because it is close to home, a school that his family and friends could come and support him ... also loves the pride that the Valley has for the program and says it is another reason to play harder ... is undecided on a major.



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ALEX AKINGBULU OL

6-6 | 285 | Sr.* | 6th Year
Carson, Calif. (Narbonne HS/UCLA)

CAREER GAMES (AT FS): 21 STARTS: 16

2021 (SENIOR): 2021 All-Mountain West First Team selection ... started all 12 games at right tackle ... helped block for one of the top passing, scoring and total offenses in the Mountain West ... recorded 45 knock downs on the season.

PERSONAL: Born in Los Angeles ... son of Samuel Akingbulu and Anna Ladipo ... has a brother, Emmanuel, and a sister Josephine ... lists his biggest thrill to date as winning the CIF State Division I championship bowl game ... the famous athlete he most admires is Kobe Bryant ... hobbies include basketball, playing video games and listening to music ... is a curriculum and instruction master's student.



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JOHNATHAN ARCENEAUX RB

5-10 | 178 | Fr. | 1st Year
Los Angeles, Calif. (Lawndale HS)

2021 (FRESHMAN): Did not see game action ... redshirted.

PERSONAL: From Los Angeles, California ... son of Chandra Abston ... has four siblings - Ronald, Damonte, Jason and Joshua ... favorite athlete is Alvin Kamara ... chose to attend Fresno State because he loves the city and the coaching staff ... intends to major in kinesiology.



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ANTHONY ARNOU QB

6-2 | 245 | Fr. | 1st Year
Santa Monica, Calif. (Santa Monica HS)

2021 (FRESHMAN): Did not see game action ... redshirted.

PERSONAL: From Santa Monica, California ... son of Cris and Cami Arnou ... has one younger sibling, Natalie ... enjoys lifting, playing piano, traveling and cooking ... favorite athlete is Aaron Rodgers because of his story and the way that he approaches the game of football ... biggest athletic thrill in a game has been getting out of a collapsed pocket and throwing for a 50-yard touchdown ... recruited by San Diego State, Pennsylvania, UNLV and Vanderbilt ... chose to attend Fresno State because it was the best fit for him ... intends to major in biochemistry.



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KEVIN ATKINS

DT

6-2 | 307 | Sr.* | 6th Year
Murrieta, Calif. (Vista Murrieta HS)

CAREER GAMES: 58

STARTS: 44

2021 (SENIOR): 2021 All-Mountain West Honorable Mention selection... started all 12 games at defensive tackle ... owned a team-high 6.5 sacks for 33 yards ...recorded at least one sack in six games ... had a season-high 2.0 sacks against Cal Poly (Sept. 11) ... was third on the team in TFLs with 11.0 for 49 yards ... recorded a season-high 2.0 TFLs twice this season against Cal Poly (Sept. 11) and Nevada (Sept. 23) ... chalked at least one TFL in eight games ... finished the season with 39 tackles, 26 solo stops ... had a season-high five tackles twice (Oregon, Hawai'i).

PERSONAL: Son of Raushaun and Kenneth Blue ... has one sister, LeeZhane ... is a sociology major at Fresno State.



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LEVELLE BAILEY

LB

6-2 | 218 | Jr. | 3rd Year
Sacramento, Calif. (Luther Burbank HS)

CAREER GAMES: 30

STARTS: 21

2021 (JUNIOR): 2021 All-Mountain West Honorable Mention selection ... saw action in all 12 games with 11 starts at linebacker ... was second on the team in tackles with 53, 31 solo stops ... recorded a career-high eight tackles against Oregon (Sept. 4) ... logged 7.0 TFLs for 19 yards ... had a career-high 3.0 TFLs against Hawai'i (Oct. 2) ... had 2.5 sacks for nine yards ... tied his career-high with 1.0 sacks against UConn (Aug. 28) ... totaled two interceptions (Cal Poly, SDSU), one fumble recovery (SJSU) and five pass breakups.

PERSONAL: Born in Sacramento, Calif. ... son of Lester Bailey and Diana Tapa ... has six older siblings - Jeilani, Mariah, Tyler, Kiana, Sam and Tre ... was also recruited by Nevada, UNLV, San Diego State, UC Davis, Idaho, Idaho State, Montana State, Sacramento State and Northern Arizona ... chose to attend Fresno State because it put emphasis on becoming a better man ... is a kinesiology major.



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ISAIAH BATTON

WR

6-1 | 197 | So. | 2nd Year
Temecula, Calif. (Chaparral HS/Palomar College)

2021 (SOPHOMORE): Did not see game action ... redshirted.

PERSONAL: From Temecula, Calif. ... son of Troy and Kim Batton ... has three sisters - Shay, Dajan and Destiny ... enjoys studying his bible, working out and hanging out with his teammates ... favorite athlete is Odell Beckham because he is the most explosive and swaggiest receiver ... biggest athletic thrill is catching a pass and taking it in for a touchdown ... chose to attend Fresno State because he was given the opportunity to compete on the football team while pursuing a degree ... intends to major in kinesiology - exercise science.



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KAMRON BEACHEM

TE

6-4 | 245 | Fr. | 1st Year
Oceanside, Calif. (Oceanside HS)

2021 (FRESHMAN): Did not see game action ... redshirted.

PERSONAL: From Oceanside, California ... son of Kedric and Kimetria Bechem ... has two siblings - Kedric Jr. and Kyrin ... hobbies include basketball, music and fashion ... favorite athletes are Kobe Bryant and LeBron James because they showed him that nothing can stop you from getting what you want, they are great role models ... biggest athletic thrill is grabbing a catch over somebody's head, or an in-game dunk in basketball ... chose to attend Fresno State because the coaching staff showed the most love, and wanted him to be the best he could be ... intends to major in psychology.



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EVAN BENNETT

DT

6-2 | 286 | So. | 3rd Year
Sacramento, Calif. (Mater Dei HS/Oregon State)

CAREER GAMES: 12

STARTS: 2

2021 (SOPHOMORE): Played in all 12 games and recorded two starts at defensive tackle ... totaled 12 tackles, four solo stops ... had a season-high three tackles twice (UConn, New Mexico) ... recorded one quarterback hurry.

PERSONAL: From Sacramento, California ... son of Shane and Katina Bennett ... father Shane played football at Texas State ... has one sibling - Mady ... chose to attend Fresno State to be close to home ... intends to major in sociology.



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DA'RON BLAND

DB

6-0 | 200 | Sr. | 5th Year
Modesto, Calif. (Central Catholic HS/Sacramento State)

CAREER GAMES: 12

STARTS: 8

2021 (SENIOR): Saw action in all 12 games this season while starting eight at cornerback ... finished fifth on the team with 42 tackles, 32 solo stops ... had a season-high seven tackles against San Jose State (Nov. 25) ... recorded 1.0 TFL for one yard against UConn (Aug. 28) ... grabbed two interceptions that were returned for a total of 38 yards (Nevada, Boise State) ... forced one fumble against then-No. 13 UCLA (Sept. 18) ... recorded five pass breakups and one quarterback hurry.

PERSONAL: Majoring in kinesiology ... parents are Dwight Bland and Adrienne Topkins ... brother, Keane, ran track at Fresno State and LSU.



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TANNER BLOUNT LB
 6-0 | 217 | So. | 3rd Year
 Clovis, Calif. (Buchanan HS)
 CAREER GAMES: 14

2021 (SOPHOMORE): Competed in nine games primarily on special teams ... recorded nine tackles, four solo stops ... had a career-high two tackles against Cal Poly (Sept. 11) ... logged a tackle in four games.

PERSONAL: Born in Clovis, Calif. ... son of Torin and Michelle Blount ... has one older sister Makayla and one younger brother Bryce ... enjoys traveling ... favorite athlete is Tyrann Mathieu because he prevailed through adversity ... was also recruited by Nevada, Sacramento State, Western Colorado and Montana State University - Northern ... chose to attend Fresno State because of the academics, football team and the great facilities ... is a liberal studies major.



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RYAN BOEHM DT
 6-2 | 278 | Sr.* | 6th Year
 Temecula, Calif. (Great Oak HS/Cal Poly)
 CAREER GAMES: 12 STARTS: 2

2021 (SENIOR): Played in all 12 games and started two this season as a member of the defensive line ... totaled 21 tackles, 14 solo stops ... had a season-high three tackles four times (UNLV, Boise State, New Mexico, San Jose State) ... logged 2.5 TFLs for nine yards ... posted a season-high 1.0 TFL against UConn (Sept. 23) ... recorded 1.5 sacks for eight yards ... posted a season-high 1.0 sacks against UConn (Sept. 23) ... forced a fumble and had one quarterback hurry against San Jose State (Nov. 25) ... also added a safety at San Jose State.

PERSONAL: From Temecula, Calif. ... son of Todd and Susan Boehm ... has two younger siblings - Connor and Sarah .. enjoys reading, playing video games, law and building computers ... favorite athlete is Aaron Donald for his work ethic and overall game ... also recruited by Ball State, Louisiana Tech, and other FCS programs ... chose to attend Fresno State to earn his Master's Degree while playing FBS football in California ... enrolled in the MBA program at Fresno State ... earned a degree in political science with a minor in law and global politics from Cal Poly.



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JAKE BOUST TE
 6-4 | 246 | Jr. | 3rd Year
 Sanger, Calif. (Sanger HS/Fresno City College)
 CAREER GAMES: 2

2021 (JUNIOR): Saw action in two games ... didn't record a stat.

PERSONAL: From Sanger, California ... son of Jason and Amy Boust ... has three siblings - Natalie, Luke and Wyatt ... father Jason played football at UC Davis ... enjoys working out, playing video games, and watching the Eagles (NFL) ... favorite athlete is Michael Vick because of how he changed the game ... biggest athletic thrill is scoring touchdowns ... chose to attend Fresno State because Fresno is home and he has wanted to be a Bulldog since he was a kid ... majoring in kinesiology.



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ZEKE BRANHAM LB
 6-1 | 221 | Fr. | 1st Year
 Mesa, Ariz. (Skyline HS)
 CAREER GAMES: 3

2021 (FRESHMAN): Saw action in three games ... recorded one tackle against Cal Poly (Sept. 11).

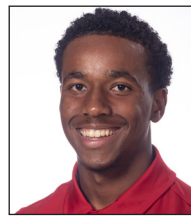
PERSONAL: From Mesa, Ariz. ... son of Marlon and Shannon Branham ... has an older sibling, Marlena ... enjoys collecting sneakers ... his favorite athlete is Larry Fitzgerald because of his humility and poise ... biggest athletic thrill is out-working an opponent ... chose to attend Fresno State because of the family-like atmosphere in the program ... intends to major in mechanical engineering.



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DEVO BRIDGES DE
 6-2 | 247 | So. | 3rd Year
 Rialto, Calif. (Carter HS)
 CAREER GAMES: 13 STARTS: 1

2021 (SOPHOMORE): Saw action in all 12 games and one start at defensive end ... totaled five tackles, two solo stops ... recorded one tackle in five games ... had 0.5 TFLs against Nevada (Oct. 23) ... had one quarterback hurry against then- No. 21 San Diego State (Oct. 30).

PERSONAL: Born in Rialto, Calif. ... son of Chris and Jaine Walker ... is the youngest of three siblings; Santorise, Arkasia and Kemetris ... favorite athlete is Khalil Mack because he is the best at what he does ... his biggest athletic thrill is making a big play and hearing the crowd go wild ... is a nursing major at Fresno State ... was recruited by San Jose State, New Mexico State, San Diego State, Arizona State and Colorado State ... chose to become a Bulldog because Fresno State was the first school to believe in him.



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ERIK BROOKS WR
 5-7 | 171 | Jr. | 4th Year
 Corona, Calif. (Roosevelt HS)
 CAREER GAMES: 24

2021 (JUNIOR): Played in all 12 games at wide receiver ... recorded 17 receptions for 184 yards and two touchdowns ... recorded at least one reception in seven games ... had a career-high five receptions for a season-high 65 yards ... against UConn (Aug. 28) ... had a touchdown in back-to-back games (UCLA, UNLV).

PERSONAL: Born in Irvine, Calif. ... son to Regina Manier and Tyrone Brooks ... has a sister, Taelor ... former high school teammate of Boise State's Evan Tyler and San Jose State's Cameron Smith ... is a marketing major at Fresno State.

**23****MALIK BROOKS****H****6-1 | 207 | Fr. | 1st Year**
Las Vegas, Nev. (Desert Pines HS)

CAREER GAMES: 4

2021 (FRESHMAN): Saw action in four games ... didn't record a stat.**PERSONAL:** From Las Vegas, Nevada ... son of Eugen and Latosha Brooks ... has three siblings - Marcus, Brittany and Eugene ... also enjoys playing basketball ... favorite athlete is LeBron James because of the way he carries himself ... biggest athletic thrill is walking out to the stadium on game day ... chose to attend Fresno State because it felt like home as soon as he talked to the coaches ... intends to major in electrical engineering.**81****JORDAN BROWN****WR****5-8 | 171 | So. | 2nd Year**
Bellflower, Calif. (Mayfair HS)

CAREER GAMES: 16

2021 (SOPHOMORE): Competed in ten games ... had a season-high two kick returns against Boise State (Nov. 6) and one punt return against Cal Poly (Sept. 11) ... logged a season-high 15-yard kick return against San Jose State (Nov. 25) ... recorded two receptions for a total of 11 yards ... logged one reception for seven yards against Cal Poly (Sept. 11) and one reception for four yards against Boise State (Nov. 6) ... owned 30 all purpose yards.**PERSONAL:** Son of Brian and Robyn Brown ... has two brothers, Jacob and Jalen ... father played football at UCLA (1986-1991) ... favorite athlete is Kobe Bryant because he represents the first jersey Jordan ever owned and he loved his mentality and drive for the game ... biggest athletic thrill is scoring and hearing the fans go crazy ... chose to attend Fresno State because it was away from home, but not too far ... is a kinesiology exercise science major.**72****DONTAE BULL****OL****6-7 | 326 | Sr. | 5th Year**
Victoria, Canada (Belmont Secondary)

CAREER GAMES: 33

STARTS: 26

2021 (SENIOR): Played in all 12 games and started 11 games at left tackle ... helped block for one of the top passing, scoring and total offenses in the Mountain West ... was a part of an offensive line unit that allowed 24 sacks on the quarterback, tying its least in a season since 2019.**PERSONAL:** Son of Angela Bull ... favorite athlete is Tyron Smith because he looks up to him and one day wants to be like him ... majoring in sociology at Fresno State.**18****JOSEPH CAMPBELL****QB****6-1 | 207 | RFr. | 2nd Year**
Bakersfield, Calif. (Garces Memorial HS)**2021 (R-FRESHMAN):** Did not see game action ... redshirted.**PERSONAL:** From Bakersfield, Calif. ... has two older brothers Jack and Grant ... brother Jack played football at Texas Tech (2007-08) and Cornell (2009-12) as a member of the defensive line ... brother Grant played football at Baylor (2014-15) after transferring from Bakersfield College. Grant was an All-Big 12 honorable mention linebacker in 2015 ... is a business major at Fresno State.**73****ELIJAH CARSON****OL****6-8 | 330 | So. | 3rd Year**
San Diego, Calif. (Morse HS)

CAREER GAMES: 17

2021 (SOPHOMORE): Competed in all 12 games ... was primarily a special teams contributor.**PERSONAL:** Born in San Diego, Calif. ... son of Ali and Yolanda Carson ... has four siblings - Tyren, Lakisha, Aliyah and Mario ... is the first person in his family to play collegiate athletics ... chose to attend Fresno State because he felt that loyalty, trust and faith while he was here, more than any other school. He feels like he has family here.**44****CHARLOTIN CHARLES****LB****6-0 | 206 | Fr. | 1st Year**
Las Vegas, Nev. (Bishop Gorman HS)

CAREER GAMES: 1

2021 (FRESHMAN): Saw action in the game against UConn (Aug. 28).**PERSONAL:** From Las Vegas ... son of Perode Charles and Ketly Bony ... has five siblings - Charleene, Tyrone, Devyn, Perode and Ketsia ... brother Devyn plays football at Robert Morris ... enjoys being outside, going on nature walks, and making things ... favorite athlete is Ray Lewis because he has a mindset that he can relate to ... chose to attend Fresno State because it showed the most love and made him feel like he was still at home ... intended major is finance.**79****JOSEPH CHURCH****OL****6-4 | 300 | RFr. | 2nd Year**
Fontana, Calif. (Upland HS)**2021 (R-FRESHMAN):** Did not see game action.**PERSONAL:** From Fontana, Calif. ... son of Julian and Filifili Church ... has two older siblings Jeannie and Julian ... favorite athlete is Tyron Smith because he said he is the best offensive tackle in the modern era ... chose to attend Fresno State because of the environment ... is an economics major.**22****STEVEN COMSTOCK****DB****6-1 | 204 | Jr. | 4th Year**
Glendora, Calif. (Northview HS)

CAREER GAMES: 15

2021 (JUNIOR): Played in all 12 games as a crucial member of the special teams unit ... totaled six tackles, five solo ... had a season-high two tackles against then-No. 21 ranked San Diego State (Oct. 30) and San Jose State (Nov. 25).**PERSONAL:** Born in Upland, Calif. ... son of Mary and John Comstock ... has two sisters, Stacy and Stephanie ... majoring in business at Fresno State.



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JALEN CROPPER

6-0 | 172 | Jr. | 3rd Year
Parlier, Calif. (Buchanan HS)

CAREER GAMES: 28

STARTS: 20

WR

2021 (JUNIOR): 2021 All-Mountain West Second Team honoree ... played in all 12 games with nine starts at wide receiver ... totaled 13 touchdowns, 11 receiving and two rushing ... led the team in all receiving categories - 76 catches, 827 yards and 11 touchdowns ... ranked No. 9 in the FBS in receiving touchdowns (11). Was also in the top 50 in the FBS in receptions per game (No. 24 - 6.3) and total touchdowns (No. 30 - 13) ... 11 receiving touchdowns were the sixth-most by a Bulldog in program history ... had a career-high four receiving touchdowns against UNLV (Sept. 24), tying the single game program record ... scored at least one receiving touchdown in seven-straight games to open the season ... had back-to-back 100-yard receiving games against then-No. 11 UCLA (Sept. 18) and UNLV (Sept. 24) ... had a career-best 51-yard touchdown pass against Cal Poly (Sept. 11) ... had a conference-high 21 receptions against Power Five opponents ... had one passing touchdown against Cal Poly (Sept. 11) ... named MW Offensive Player of the Week on Sept. 27 following his four-touchdown game against UNLV (Sept. 24) ... was named to the Biletnikoff Award watch list.

PERSONAL: Born in Parlier, Calif. ... son of Aaron Cropper and Lisette Moreno ... has four younger siblings - Marquis, Kaylee, Devin and Kameron ... also recruited by Utah, Oregon, Nebraska, Boise, UCLA and Oregon State ... chose to stay in Fresno because he loves every part of Bulldog football ... majoring in communication.



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MAC DALENA

5-11 | 173 | So. | 2nd Year
Fresno, Calif. (San Joaquin Memorial HS)

CAREER GAMES: 18

WR

2021 (SOPHOMORE): Played in all 12 games as a crucial member of the special teams unit ... saw action as a wide receiver as well ... recorded five tackles ... had a season-high two tackles against then-ranked No. 13 UCLA (Sept. 24).

PERSONAL: From Fresno, Calif. ... son of Brian and Lisa Dalena ... younger brother to former Bulldog wide receiver Frank Dalena (2015-19) ... has an older sister Ellie and younger brother Joe ... favorite athlete is Julian Edelman because he is a hard worker and has a simple play style ... biggest athletic thrill is scoring touchdowns ... chose to attend Fresno State because it is his hometown and he has always wanted to play in front of the Valley ... is a communication major at Fresno State.



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JASON DIAZ JR.

5-10 | 185 | Sr.* | 6th Year
Fresno, Calif. (Clovis West HS/San Jose City College)

CAREER GAMES (AT FS): 6

DB

2021 (SENIOR*): Will utilize the additional year of eligibility approved by the NCAA in the fall of 2020. The NCAA approved a blanket waiver for all 2020 fall sports student-athletes to retain a year of eligibility due to the COVID-19 pandemic ... Saw action in two games ... recorded a career-high two tackles against New Mexico (Nov. 13).

PERSONAL: Born in San Antonio, Texas ... son of Jason and Kathleen Diaz ... has three younger siblings - a sister Jordan and two brothers, Tyler and Tristen ... cousins Travis, Jordan and Eric Brown all played football for Fresno State ... his sister Jordan currently plays soccer at Youngstown State University ... spends time finding ways to improve himself and his game ... favorite athlete is Kobe Bryant for always perfecting his craft and having the willingness to do whatever it takes to reach his perception of success ... biggest athletic thrill is improving day in and day out and watching it transfer to the field ... chose to attend Fresno State because it is his hometown ... majoring in communication.



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L.J. EARLY

5-10 | 180 | Sr. | 5th Year
Tulare, Calif. (Tulare Western/Bakersfield College)

CAREER GAMES (AT FS): 15

STARTS: 5

DB

2021 (SENIOR): Competed in all 12 games as a member of the Bulldogs' secondary ... had three starts at free safety ... recorded 32 tackles, 28 solo stops ... logged a season-high four tackles three times (UNLV, SDSU, Boise State) ... finished with 2.0 TFLs for four yards ... grabbed his first career interception against Wyoming (Oct. 16) ... had four quarterback hurries.

PERSONAL: Born in Tulare, Calif. ... son of Louis and Maria Early ... has an older sister, Monica ... enjoys playing video games and lifting weights ... favorite athlete is Cam Newton because of his composure and passion for football ... biggest athletic thrill is getting an interception or a big hit ... chose to attend Fresno State because it was a good fit for him ... is majoring in africana studies.



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EMORYIE EDWARDS

5-11 | 190 | Jr. | 4th Year
Tulare, Calif. (Tulare Union HS)

CAREER GAMES: 16

STARTS: 1

WR

2021 (JUNIOR): Appeared in seven games, primarily as a member of the special teams unit ... recorded a season-high one reception for 19 yards against Cal Poly (Sept. 11).

PERSONAL: Born in Tulare, Calif. ... son of Takisha Baker and Tyrone Edwards ... has three brothers, Kaden, Darius and Alonzo, and four sisters, Jaida, Kaylee, Taraji and Kianna ... older sister Kianna plays basketball at Eastern Washington ... former high school teammate of Kazmeir Allen (UCLA), Bryson Allen (Sacramento State) and Brian Wendt (Air Force Academy) ... favorite athlete is LeBron James because he is the king and he makes everyone around him better ... majoring in psychology.



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BRIAN FIELDS

6-6 | 215 | Jr. | 4th Year
Irvine, Calif. (Irvine HS)

CAREER GAMES: 19

STARTS: 1

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2021 (JUNIOR): Appeared in nine games with one start at husky ... recorded two tackles ... had one pass breakup against San Jose State (Nov. 25).

PERSONAL: Born in Bellflower, Calif. ... son of Felicia Guytan and Brian Fields Sr. ... has two brothers, Brian and Khidhar, and one sister, Samiyah ... favorite athlete is Kam Chancellor because he has passion and aggression for the game ... biggest athletic thrill was winning the rivalry game against Irvine HS' rival during his junior season ... studying kinesiology-exercise science at Fresno State.



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LOGAN FIFE

QB

6-0 | 197 | RFr. | 2nd Year
Tracy, Calif. (Tracy HS)

CAREER GAMES: 1

2021 (R-FRESHMAN): Saw action against Cal Poly (Sept. 11) ... completed seven passes for 51 yards and one touchdown ... totaled 13 all-purpose yards.

PERSONAL: From Tracy, Calif. ... son of Gary and Natalie Fife ... has two siblings, Hayley and Carson ... favorite athlete is Russell Wilson because he looks up to him as a quarterback, says he is very humble and a confident leader ... biggest athletic thrill is playing the game of football because there is so much adrenaline involved ... chose to attend Fresno State because it felt like a comfortable environment, he liked the staff and has always been a fan of Fresno State football. He also said it was a great program, and Fresno State has the right major he wanted to study ... majoring in agriculture business.



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WYLAN FREE

DB

6-2 | 176 | Sr. | 5th Year
Compton, Calif. (Lynwood HS)

CAREER GAMES: 43

STARTS: 22

2021 (SENIOR): Played in 11 games as a member of the Bulldogs' secondary ... recorded four starts at cornerback ... had 16 tackles, 12 solo stops ... logged a season-high seven tackles against then-ranked No. 11 Oregon (Sept. 4) ... posted four multi-tackle games ... had 0.5 TFLs against Oregon ... finished with four pass breakups.

PERSONAL: Born in Lynwood, Calif. ... son of William Free and Mariorie Williams ... has four brothers (Dorrell, William, Waymon and Wyndell) and four sisters (Kyia, Qyarra, Aneras and Kimberly) ... favorite athlete is Patrick Peterson because he is calm and patient on the field ... favorite athletic thrill is either making an interception or forcing a 3-and-out ... africana studies major at Fresno State.



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ROLAN FULLWOOD

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6-6 | 315 | Fr. | 1st Year
Long Beach, Calif. (Lawndale HS)

2021 (FRESHMAN): Did not see game action ... redshirted.

PERSONAL: From Long Beach, California ... son of Nadra Fullwood ... has 11 siblings - Rohan, Andrew, Kavell, Karmella, Ashley, Donte, Chris, Jermain, Carla, Carl, and Aaden ... enjoys cooking and playing basketball ... favorite athlete is LeBron James because of his athleticism ... chose to attend Fresno State because it was a good distance from home and it was the best fit for him ... has not declared a major.



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KENNY GAGNON

DB

5-11 | 191 | Sr.* | 6th Year
La Quinta, Calif. (Desert Christian Academy)

CAREER GAMES: 30

2021 (SENIOR): Played in all 12 games as a crucial member of the special teams unit ... recorded nine tackles, seven solo ... had a season-high two tackles twice (UConn, New Mexico).

PERSONAL: Son of Connie and Robert Gagnon ... has one sister, Stephanie ... mother and father both competed at Point Loma University ... majoring in exercise science at Fresno State.



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JULIUS GANDY

DL

6-4 | 280 | Fr. | 1st Year
Watsonville, Calif. (Pacheco HS)

2021 (FRESHMAN): Did not see game action.

PERSONAL: From Watsonville, Calif. ... son of Will and Sally Gandy ... has five siblings ... father played football at San Jose State ... favorite athlete is Sean Taylor because of the way he loved his family and how he played the game ... chose to attend Fresno State because it is a Division I school, a great football program and it is close to home ... majoring in kinesiology.



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ELIJAH GATES

DB

5-11 | 190 | Sr. | 5th Year
Pasadena, Calif. (Buena Park HS/UCLA)

CAREER GAMES: 9

STARTS: 8

2021 (SENIOR): Played in nine games with eight starts at free safety ... totaled 31 tackles, 25 solo stops ... had a season-high five tackles twice (UCLA, UNLV) ... posted 3.0 TFLs for seven yards ... logged a season-high 2.0 TFLs against Cal Poly (Sept. 11) ... recovered one fumble against Wyoming (Oct. 16) ... recorded six pass breakups.

PERSONAL: From Pasadena, California ... son of Greg and Christy Gates ... has two older brothers and two older sisters ... chose to attend Fresno State because of the culture and winning mindset. He says that the Fresno State history is extensive and has winning in their veins. He liked the Bulldog mentality ... is enrolled in the graduate program in Education Curriculum and Instruction at Fresno State ... earned his degree in African American studies from UCLA.



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ELIJAH GILLIAM **DB**
 5-10 | 215 | R-Fr. | 2nd Year
 Las Vegas, Nev. (Bishop Gorman)

CAREER GAMES: 1

2021 (R-FRESHMAN): Did not see game action.

PERSONAL: Health major at Fresno State.



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MATTHEW GOODYEAR **P**
 6-1 | 210 | Sr. | 1st Year
 Melbourne, Australia (Salesian College)

CAREER GAMES: 1

2021 (SENIOR): Saw action against Cal Poly (Sept. 11) ... recorded one punt for 24 yards.

PERSONAL: From Melbourne, Australia ... son of Michael and Rachel Goodyear ... has two siblings - Wil and Tess ... enjoys sports, surfing and fishing ... favorite athlete is Tom Phillips (AFL Hawthorn) because he is one of his best mates and he works hard ... biggest athletic thrill has been debuting for Collingwood at the Melbourne Cricket Ground in front of a crowd of approximately 70,000 ... chose to attend Fresno State because they have a rich football history, have had huge success and have a great team of players and coaches. He wants to be a part of a championship team. He also hears they have the best fans out, and he is looking forward to seeing the Red Wave.



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CHRISHAWN GORDON **DB**
 5-11 | 188 | So. | 3rd Year
 Oceanside, Calif. (Valley Center HS/Dixie StateButte College)

CAREER GAMES: 2

2021 (SOPHOMORE): Played in two games ... recorded two tackles against Cal Poly (Sept. 11).

PERSONAL: From Oceanside, California ... son of Edward and Laevonne Gordon ... favorite athlete is Jalen Ramsey ... chose to attend Fresno State because they gave him an opportunity, when others wouldn't ... has not declared a major.



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FRANKCO GRATTON JR. **DE**
 6-3 | 215 | Fr. | 1st Year
 Seattle, Wash. (Rainer Beach HS)

2021 (FRESHMAN): Did not see game action.

PERSONAL: From Seattle, Washington ... son of Frankco Gratton Sr. and Michelle Gonzales ... has four siblings - Ny'Ceaha, Jachell, Ayanna and Josiana ... favorite athlete is Reggie White ... biggest athletic thrill is getting a sack ... was also recruited by Eastern Washington, Washington, Washington State, San Diego State and Boise State ... chose to attend Fresno State because he loves it and felt like the coaches took a chance on him. He wants to work hard to show the staff that they made the right choice ... intends to major in agriculture business.



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JALEN GUERRERO **OL**
 6-5 | 305 | Sr. | 5th Year
 Las Cruces, N.M. (Mayfield HS/New Mexico State)

CAREER GAMES: 3

2021 (SENIOR): Saw action in three games as a member of the offensive line and field goal protection unit.

PERSONAL: From Las Cruces, New Mexico ... son of Lorynn Guerrero ... has one younger sibling - Jarod ... hobbies include video games and working on cars ... favorite athletes are Quenton Nelson and Jason Peters ... biggest athletic thrill is the winning the Arizona Bowl in 2017 ... chose to attend Fresno State because he felt like it was a family and it was the best fit for him ... working towards his master's in curriculum and instruction at Fresno State.



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ALZILLION HAMILTON **DB**
 5-10 | 180 | Fr. | 1st Year
 Castro Valley, Calif. (Hayward HS)

CAREER GAMES: 2

2021 (FRESHMAN): Saw action in two games (Boise State, San Jose State).

PERSONAL: From Hayward, California ... son of Alfonso and Ukisha Hamilton ... has three siblings - Alfonso Jr., Alonso and Alleesha ... biggest athletic thrill is when he got a one-handed interception against the team's rivals ... chose to attend Fresno State because it was close to home and he loves the team ... intends to major in business.



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JAKE HAENER **QB**
 6-1 | 195 | Sr. | 5th Year
 Danville, Calif. (Monte Vista HS/Washington)

CAREER GAMES (AT FS): 18

STARTS: 18

2021 (SENIOR): Was the Bulldogs' starting quarterback in all 12 games this season ... threw for 3,810 yards and 32 touchdowns ... completed 303-of-449 passes ... had eight 300-yard passing performances this season, the third-most by a Bulldog in a season in program history ... he became the seventh Bulldog to have a 3,000-yard passing season ... had 10 games with multiple passing touchdowns ... had a career-high five passing touchdowns against UNLV (Sept. 24), tying the third-most in a game in program history ... had a season-high 455 yards passing with two touchdowns in Fresno State's 40-37 win at then-No. 13 UCLA (Sept. 18) ... named the Mountain West Offensive Player of the Week following the win against the Bruins ... was a semifinalist for the Davey O'Brien Award ... was also on the watch lists for the Maxwell Award, Manning Award and the Reese's Senior Bowl ... second team All-Mountain West quarterback.

PERSONAL: Son of Ryan and Julie Haener ... has a younger brother, Kyle ... chose to attend Fresno State because his dad grew up in Fresno and he had a lot of family and friends here ... said coming to Fresno State was an easy choice for him ... recruited out of high school by many Pac-12 schools, Wake Forest and North Carolina ... is a communications major at Fresno State.

**88****RORY HANSON****TE****6-5 | 250 | R.Jr. | 4th Year**
Tracy, Calif. (Modesto Christian HS/Modesto JC)

CAREER GAMES (AT FS): 7

STARTS: 1

2021 (R-JUNIOR): Played in three games ... did not record a stat.**PERSONAL:** Son of Matt and Lauren Hanson ... has a younger brother, Conor ... his favorite athlete is Kawhi Leonard because of how humble he is and how he is able to ignore all outside distractions and just focus on basketball ... his biggest athletic thrill is putting all of his hard work towards a game ... was also recruited by Sam Houston State, UTEP, UMASS ... received interest from UCLA and Texas Tech ... chose to attend Fresno State because of the great coaches, the strong and welcoming culture, and because it is close to home ... majoring in biology.**13****JAYLEN HENDERSON****QB****6-3 | 207 | Fr. | 1st Year**
Los Angeles, Calif. (Chaminade HS)

CAREER GAMES: 3

2021 (FRESHMAN): Played in three games as the Bulldogs' backup quarterback (Cal Poly, Hawai'i, San Jose State) ... totaled 68 yards ... had a season-high 44 yards passing against Cal Poly (Sept. 11) ... had a season-long pass of 19 yards against Cal Poly (Sept. 11) ... ran for a season-high 62 yards on nine attempts against Cal Poly (Sept. 11).**PERSONAL:** From Los Angeles, Calif.... son of Jamie and Shirell Henderson ... has three siblings - KaRonni, Miya & Brittiana ... has ties to the 'Dogs, being the younger cousin of former defensive captain and WAC Defensive Player of the Year, Chris Carter ... cousin David Carter & Alterraun Verner both played football collegiately at UCLA and went on to have NFL careers with the Arizona Cardinals and Tennessee Titans ... an advocate for his sister's childhood cancer foundation (BrittiCares) which has supported over 10,000 patients and family members through its programs, named after his sister Brittiana that passed away from cancer at the age of 13 (respectively why he wears the jersey number) ...enjoys video games and chess ... favorite athlete is Kobe Bryant because of his drive and mindset ... biggest athletic thrill is winning games as the underdog ... chose to attend Fresno State because of its winning tradition, and the Red Wave fans, it felt like a family environment, ... intends to major in business.**23****JORDAN HORNBEAK****RB****5-11 | 200 | Fr. | 1st Year**
Fresno, Calif. (San Joaquin Memorial HS)**2021 (FRESHMAN):** Did not see game action.**PERSONAL:** From Chowchilla, California ... son of Shirley Jordan and Tina Hornbeak ... has three siblings - Nic, Halle, and Melody ... favorite athlete is Cam Newton because of his style, fashion and aura ... biggest athletic thrill is scoring touchdowns ... chose to attend Fresno State because it was close to home and he believed in what the coaching staff was wanting to build here ... intends to major in agriculture business.**13****JUSTIN HOUSTON****H****6-4 | 193 | So. | 2nd Year**
Gardena, Calif. (Junipero Serra HS)

CAREER GAMES: 18

STARTS: 14

2021 (SOPHOMORE): Played in all 12 games and recorded 11 starts at the husky position ... totaled 36 tackles, 22 solo tackles ... had a season-high seven tackles against Nevada (Oct. 23) ... recorded 10 multi-tackle games ... logged three pass breakups.**PERSONAL:** Born in Carson, Calif. ... son of John and Yvette Houston ... has two older siblings, John and Jayla ... has one younger sibling Jace ... brother John was a linebacker at USC from 2015-19 ... decided to attend Fresno State because he felt it was the perfect fit for him ... is a kinesiology - physical education major.**47****PHOENIX JACKSON****DE****6-0 | 219 | Fr. | 1st Year**
Modesto, Calif. (Central Catholic HS)**2021 (FRESHMAN):** Did not see game action.**PERSONAL:** From Modesto, California ... son of Phillip and Christina Jackson ... has one older sibling - Phillip Jr. ... his grandfather played baseball with the Seattle Mariners ... favorite athlete is LeBron James because of how he takes care of his body ... biggest athletic thrill is his aggressiveness and athleticism ... also recruited by NAU, Cal Poly, Montana State, Arizona State, Sacramento State, and Weber State ... chose to attend Fresno State because they believed in him and made him feel at home ... intended sociology major.**52****DA'MARCUS JOHNSON****DE****6-4 | 250 | Jr. | 3rd Year**
Sacramento, Calif. (Burbank HS/American River)

CAREER GAMES (AT FS): 18

2021 (JUNIOR): Played in all 12 games ... recorded one tackle against Cal Poly (Sept. 11) and New Mexico (Nov. 13) ... added 0.5 TFL against Cal Poly (Sept. 11).**PERSONAL:** Son of PJ Johnson and Tangela Holmes ... has three brothers - George, PJ and DJ - and one sister, Zaria ... favorite athlete is Shaquille O'Neal because of his dominance ... biggest athletic thrill is playing in a close game and winning ... was also recruited by Arizona State, Hawai'i and Western Kentucky ... chose to attend Fresno State because he liked the energy of the coaches and players, and it felt like home ... is a pre-business - accounting major at Fresno State.**33****KWAMI JONES****DE****6-2 | 250 | Sr.* | 6th Year**
San Francisco, Calif. (Serra HS/College of San Mateo)

CAREER GAMES (AT FS): 47

STARTS: 19

2021 (SENIOR*): Saw action in 11 games with one start at defensive end ... totaled 12 tackles and one quarterback hurry ... had a season-high three tackles against San Jose State (Nov. 25) ... recorded four multi-tackle games ... forced one fumble against UNLV (Sept. 24).**PERSONAL:** Born in San Mateo, Calif. ... son of Naima and Kareem Jones ... is a finance major at Fresno State.



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TY JONES

WR

6-4 | 203 | Sr. | 5th Year
Provo, Utah (Provo HS/Washington)

CAREER GAMES: 12

STARTS: 4

2021 (SENIOR): Played in all 12 games with four starts at wide receiver ... recorded 211 receiving yards on 19 receptions ... scored one touchdown in the season-opener against UConn (Aug. 28) ... had a season-high 61 yards on five receptions against then-No. 11 UCLA (Sept. 18) ... had a season-long 25-yard reception against then-No. 13 UCLA (Sept. 18) ... had three multi-reception games.

PERSONAL: From Provo, Utah ... son of Randy Jones and Julie Creed ... favorite athlete is Israel Adesanya ... biggest athletic thrill is winning ... was the co-president of the Black Student-Athlete Alliance (BSAA) at Washington ... pursuing his MBA at Fresno State.



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RANDY JORDAN

DB

5-9 | 170 | Jr. | 3rd Year
Tulare, Calif. (Tulare Union HS)

CAREER GAMES: 14

STARTS: 3

2021 (JUNIOR): Saw action against Cal Poly (Sept. 11) ... did not record a stat.

PERSONAL: Born in Visalia, Calif. ... son of Randy Jordan and Teqia Velyines ... is the oldest of four children - Amir, Ransom and Rysun ... enjoys reading ... favorite athlete is Denzel Ward ... also recruited by Hawai'i ... is an economics major ... chose Fresno State because of the coaching staff.



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JOSH KELLY

WR

6-1 | 185 | So. | 3rd Year
Fresno, Calif. (San Joaquin Memorial HS)

CAREER GAMES: 19

STARTS: 14

2021 (SOPHOMORE): 2021 All-Mountain West Honorable Mention ... played in 12 games with nine starts ... was second on the team with 768 receiving yards on 50 receptions ... scored three touchdowns ... averaged 65.7 yards per game and 15.4 yards per catch ... recorded a team-high three 100-yard games (Cal Poly, UCLA, SDSU) ... scored a career-high two touchdowns against Cal Poly (Sept. 11) ... had a career-high 127 yards against Cal Poly (Sept. 11) ... had a career-long 69-yard reception against then-ranked No. 21 SDSU (Oct. 30) ... notched career-high eight receptions against then-ranked No. 13 UCLA ... logged a career-high 28 rushing yards.

PERSONAL: Born in Fresno, Calif. ... son of Chris and De'andra Kelly ... has one older brother, Chris ... former teammate Aleo Trujillo plays quarterback at San Jose State ... favorite athlete is Jerry Rice ... biggest athletic thrill is scoring late game touchdowns ... also recruited by Nevada, San Jose State, Oregon State and Hawai'i ... chose to stay in Fresno because he has been around the program for years and he feels like it was the best fit ... majoring in kinesiology.



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CARSON KING

P

6-0 | 193 | Jr. | 4th Year
Livermore, Calif. (Freedom HS)

CAREER GAMES: 18

2021 (JUNIOR): Played in all 12 games as the team's primary punter ... totaled 52 punts for 2,161 yards ... averaged 41.6 yards per punt ... had 21 punts within the 20-yard line ... recorded 12 punts that were 50+ yards ... posted a career-long 71-yard punt against Wyoming (Oct. 16) ... had three punts within the 20-yard line in three games ... logged two punts that were 50+ yards in three games.

PERSONAL: Born in Fremont, Calif. ... son of Kerry and Darren King ... has one sister, Payton (15) ... most admires his parents because they always believe in him ... chose to be a Bulldog because he saw it as a great opportunity to continue his football career ... major at Fresno State is criminology-forensic behavior.



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SHERWIN KING JR.

LB

6-0 | 190 | Jr. | 4th Year
Fresno, Calif. (Sunnyside HS)

CAREER GAMES: 19

STARTS: 4

2021 (JUNIOR): Did not see game action.

PERSONAL: Born in Fresno, Calif. ... son of Shameca Sorrells and Sherwin King, Sr. ... has three brothers, Kayin, Kaylin and Kamaree ... favorite athlete is Sean Taylor ... major at Fresno State is africana studies.



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CAM LAMANUZZI

LB

6-0 | 230 | Sr. | 5th Year
Fresno, Calif. (Bullard HS/Fresno CC)

CAREER GAMES (AT FS): 13

2021 (SENIOR): Played in eight games as a key member of the special teams unit ... recorded one tackle against Cal Poly (Sept. 11).

PERSONAL: Son of Robert and Nichole Lamanuzzi ... has two younger siblings, Koda and Ella ... former high school teammate of UNLV's Charles Williams ... favorite athlete is Kobe Bryant because he showed you have to grind for everything in life ... biggest athletic thrill is getting big hits ... chose to attend Fresno State because he grew up in the Valley and this was the best opportunity for him to succeed ... is an agriculture business major.



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MALACHI LANGLEY

LB

6-1 | 232 | So. | 3rd Year
Los Angeles, Calif. (Pasadena HS)

CAREER GAMES: 22

STARTS: 7

2021 (SOPHOMORE): Played in all 12 games with two starts at linebacker ... was third on the team in tackles with 53 tackles, 35 solo stops ... led the team with a career-high 10 tackles against Boise State (Nov. 6) ... had 10 multi-tackle games ... recorded 4.5 TFLs for eight yards ... posted a career-high 1.0 TFL against UConn (Aug. 28) ... grabbed his first career interception against Wyoming (Nov. 16) and returned it for 33 yards ... logged two pass breakups.

PERSONAL: Born in Los Angeles ... son of Rodney Langley and Ebone Fuller ... has two older siblings - Jade and Michael ... favorite athlete is Walter Paxton because he always plays his hardest ... biggest athletic thrill is getting a big hit that changes the momentum of the game ... is a sociology major.



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MATT LAWSON

DT

6-0 | 280 | Jr. | 4th Year
Ontario, Calif. (Colony HS)

CAREER GAMES: 12

STARTS: 1

2021 (JUNIOR): Saw action in seven games ... had four tackles, three solo stops ... recorded a career-high two tackles against Cal Poly (Sep. 11) ... had 0.5 TFL against UConn (Aug. 28).

PERSONAL: Born in Ontario, Calif. ... son of Sherri Williams and Bobby Lawson ... favorite athlete is Aaron Donald of the Los Angeles Rams because he proves that a defensive lineman's height doesn't correlate with their ability to play ... majoring in criminology-law enforcement at Fresno State.



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JULIUS LEWIS

DT

6-5 | 255 | Fr. | 1st Year
Modesto, Calif. (Central Catholic HS)

CAREER GAMES: 3

2021 (FRESHMAN): Saw action in three games as a member of the defensive line.

PERSONAL: From Modesto, California ... son of LaPrice Reynolds and Delores Bowen ... has two siblings - Dominique and Jaleel ... father LaPrice played college football at San Diego State, and went on to play in the AFL ... biggest athletic thrill has been getting the defense off the field on his own with two pass deflections and a tackle ... chose to attend Fresno State because the staff treated him like a man first, and because it was close to home. He feels this is the best opportunity for him to make it to the next level ... intends to major in business.



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MATT LOWE

OL

6-6 | 267 | RFr. | 2nd Year
Hesperia, Calif. (Serrano HS)

CAREER GAMES: 1

2021 (R-FRESHMAN): Did not see game action in his first full season in transition from tight end to offensive line.

PERSONAL: From Hesperia, Calif. ... son of Darnell and Andrea Lowe ... is the oldest of five children ... has three brothers; Joshua, Daniel and Kaleb ... has one sister, Megan ... cousin of Lance Briggs, former Chicago Bear (2003-14) ... enjoys golfing ... favorite athlete is Travis Kelce because he is a great tight end and always talks about him and his brother playing football ... says his best memory is playing high school football with his younger brother ... biggest athletic thrill is catching a game-winning touchdown ... decided to attend Fresno State because of the brotherhood on the football team ... majoring in forensic behavioral science.



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BRALYN LUX

DB

5-11 | 175 | So. | 3rd Year
San Jose, Calif. (The King's Academy)

CAREER GAMES: 18

STARTS: 14

2021 (SOPHOMORE): Played in all 12 games with eight starts at cornerback ... finished with 21 tackles, 18 solo stops ... had a season-high four tackles three times (Cal Poly, UNLV, Nevada) ... recorded 1.0 TFL for two yards against Wyoming (Oct. 16) ... had first career fumble recovery against then-ranked No. 13 UCLA (Sept. 18) ... logged four pass breakups.

PERSONAL: Born in San Jose, Calif. ... son of Brunet and Sarah Lux ... has one older brother Blajon and an older sister Nina ... he enjoys playing dominos ... his biggest athletic thrill is getting interceptions ... chose to attend Fresno State because he felt it was the best fit for him ... undecided on a major.



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TYSON MAEVA

LB

6-0 | 240 | Sr.* | 6th Year
San Diego, Calif (San Diego Cathedral Catholic HS/Boise St./FIU)

CAREER GAMES: 10

STARTS: 10

2021 (SENIOR*): Will utilize the additional year of eligibility approved by the NCAA in the fall of 2020. The NCAA approved a blanket waiver for all 2020 fall sports student-athletes to retain a year of eligibility due to the COVID-19 pandemic .. started 10 games at linebacker ... was fourth on the team in tackles with 44, 22 solo stops ... had a season-high nine tackles against then-ranked No. 11 Oregon ... tied for fifth on the team with 5.5 TFLs for 10 yards ... had 1.5 sacks for three yards ... recorded a TFL in seven games ... logged one quarterback hurry and one pass breakup ... 2021 Team Captain.

PERSONAL: From San Diego, California ... son of Tutu and Michelle Maeva ... has two siblings - Derek and Tehya ... favorite athlete is James Harrison ... biggest athletic thrill is making a play in a crunch time moment ... chose to attend Fresno State because it allowed him to move closer to family for his last season of collegiate football ... enrolled in the master's program for curriculum and instruction at Fresno State.



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TYLER MELLO

LB

6-2 | 220 | So. | 2nd Year
Hanford, Calif. (Hanford HS)

CAREER GAMES: 16

2021 (SOPHOMORE): Saw action in 10 games ... finished the season with 13 tackles, nine solo stops ... had 0.5 sack for three yards against UConn (Aug. 28) ... tied his career-high with four tackles against New Mexico (Nov. 13) ... recorded one quarterback hurry.

PERSONAL: Born in Hanford Calif. ... son of Amy Arevalo and Bryan Mello ... his stepdad is Paul Arevalo and stepmom is Michelle Mello ... has three younger siblings (Kade Arevalo, Isabella Mello, Thane Herman) and three older siblings (Cole, Grace and Jake Herman) ... his uncle, Duncan Reid, played at Fresno State ... is into hunting, fishing and hiking ... favorite athlete is Jack Lambert, "he was lean, mean and tough as nails" ... chose Fresno State because the Valley is home ... majoring in mechanical engineering.



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ANDRE MEONO

K

6-1 | 170 | Fr. | 1st Year
Redondo Beach, Calif. (St. John Bosco HS)

CAREER GAMES: 2

2021 (FRESHMAN): Saw action against Cal Poly (Sept. 11) and UNLV (Sept. 24) ... had six kickoffs for 316 yards ... averaged 52.7 yards per kickoff.

PERSONAL: From Redondo Beach, California ... son of James and Melissa Meono ... has a younger sibling, Aaron ... father played soccer at UCLA ... favorite athlete is Kobe Bryant because of his work ethic and mentality to the game ... biggest athletic thrill was making all of his kicks on Senior Night ... chose to attend Fresno State because he felt it was his best opportunity to be a student-athlete ... intends to graduate in business.



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JORDAN MIMS

RB

6-0 | 205 | Sr. | 5th Year
East Palo Alto, Calif. (Menlo-Atherton HS)

CAREER GAMES: 44

STARTS: 10

2021 (SENIOR): Played in all 12 games with one start at running back ... was named Mountain West Player of the Week back-to-back weeks (Oct. 25, Nov. 1) ... totaled 1,083 all-purpose yards and seven touchdowns ... was second on the team with 98 carries for 545 yards and four rushing touchdowns ... averaged 5.6 yards per carry and 45.4 rushing yards per game ... had 100-yard rushing games against Nevada (Oct. 24) and then-ranked No. 21 SDSU (Oct. 31) ... had a career-high game against undefeated SDSU with 29 carries for 186 yards and two touchdowns ... had a career-long 59-yard carry against SDSU ... recorded 253 receiving yards and three receiving touchdowns ... averaged 12.6 yards per catch ... posted a 100-yard receiving game against New Mexico (Nov. 13) ... had a career-long 78-yard reception against New Mexico (Nov. 13) ... received 13 kick returns for a total of 285 yards ... averaged 21.9 yards per kick return.

PERSONAL: Son of Tenisha Mims ... has two brothers, Justin and Jaden ... favorite athlete is Christian McCaffrey ... earned an undergraduate degree in mass communication and journalism-advertising from Fresno State ... pursuing a graduate degree in curriculum and instruction.



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ABRAHAM MONTANO

K

6-1 | 184 | So. | 3rd Year
Salinas, Calif. (Alisal HS/Hartnell College)

CAREER GAMES: 4

2021 (SOPHOMORE): Played in four games this season, stepping in to the team's primary kicker role for an injured Cesar Silva ... logged 24 kickoffs for 1,412 yards and five touchbacks ... averaged 58.8 yards on kickoffs ... was a perfect 5-for-5 in field goal attempts and a perfect 14-for-14 in PAT attempts ... scored a total of 44 points for the Bulldogs ... played his first career game against then-ranked No. 13 Oregon (Sept. 4) and went 3-for-3 in field goal attempts ... had a season-high eight kickoffs for 449 yards against then-ranked No. 11 UCLA (Sept. 11) ... hit a season-long 39-yard field goal twice (Oregon, UCLA).

PERSONAL: From Salinas, California ... son if Jose Alfredo and Aida Montano ... has three siblings - Aylin, Enrique and Vanessa ... former high school teammate of San Jose State's Matt Mercurio (kicker) ... enjoys plying soccer as a hobby because it was his first sport, and he played it for 15 years ... also recruited by San Jose State ... chose to attend Fresno State because they showed interest and pursued him. He says it reminds him of his hometown. He also has friends here and it is the alma mater of his oldest sister ... majoring in mass communication and journalism.



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ARRON MOSBY

DE

6-4 | 246 | Sr.* | 5th Year
Sanger, Calif. (Sanger HS)

CAREER GAMES: 57

STARTS: 23

2021 (SENIOR*): Will utilize the additional year of eligibility approved by the NCAA in the fall of 2020. The NCAA approved a blanket waiver for all 2020 fall sports student-athletes to retain a year of eligibility due to the COVID-19 pandemic ... 2021 All-Mountain West Honorable Mention ... played in all 12 games with 11 starts at defensive end ... totaled 39 tackles, 23 solo stops ... owned a team-high and single-season best and team-high 12.5 TFLs for 53 yards ... recorded 4.0 sacks for 26 yards ... ranked third in FBS with a conference high five forced fumbles ... recovered two fumbles for 31 yards ... had three pass breakups and two quarterback hurries ... scored a touchdown off a scoop and score against UConn (Aug. 28) ... posted a career-high 3.5 TFLs and a season-high eight tackles against then-ranked No. 11 Oregon (Sept. 4) ... recorded a TFL in eight games ... had four games with multiple tackles ... logged a sack in four games.

PERSONAL: Son of Ponder Richardson II and Sonya Murphy ... has three brothers, Kevin Price, Ronnie Yancy and Ponder Richardson III ... former high school teammate Miguel Garcia plays at Sacramento State ... favorite athlete is Odell Beckham Jr. ... africana studies major at Fresno State.

**40****MICHAEL MUNOZ****LS****6-2 | 198 | RFr. | 2nd Year
Upland, Calif. (Upland HS)**

CAREER GAMES: 1

2021 (R-FRESHMAN): Saw action against Cal Poly (Sept. 11).**PERSONAL:** From Upland, Calif. ... son of Gary and Stacy Munoz ... favorite athlete is Lamar Jackson because he likes his attitude ... chose to attend Fresno State because it felt like home, he liked the attitude of the players and coaches, and he liked the community support ... is a kinesiology - physical education major.**40****HUNTER NABERS****LB****6-0 | 215 | Fr. | 1st Year
El Dorado Hills, Calif. (Oak Ridge HS)****2021 (FRESHMAN):** Did not see game action.**PERSONAL:** From El Dorado Hills, California ... son of Jim and Cindi Nabers ... has one older sibling, Hayden ... mom Cindi was a cheerleader at Mizzou for four years ... favorite athlete is Ray Lewis ... biggest athletic thrill has been getting a pick six as a sophomore on the varsity team ... also recruited by Cal Poly, Cal, Air Force, New Mexico State, and Valparaiso ... chose to attend Fresno State because of the location, the chemistry between the coaches, the coaches' backgrounds and the high level of football ... intends to major in business.**15****JULIAN NEAL****DB****6-2 | 203 | Fr. | 1st Year
San Francisco, Calif. (Mission HS)**

CAREER GAMES: 3

2021 (FRESHMAN): Saw action in three games as a member of the Bulldogs' special teams unit ... did not record a stat.**PERSONAL:** From San Francisco, California ... son of Emmett and Malka Neal ... has two siblings - Emmett Jr. and Jonny ... uncle Aaron Criswell played football as a wide receiver at UNLV from 2013-15 ... chose to attend Fresno State because of the relationships he had with the coaching staff.**65****BRAYLEN NELSON****OL****6-6 | 308 | Fr. | 1st Year
Denver, Colo. (Vista Peak HS)**

CAREER GAMES: 7

STARTS: 5

2021 (FRESHMAN): Played in seven games with five starts as a true freshman on the offensive line ... helped block for one of the top passing, scoring and total offenses in the Mountain West ... was a part of an offensive line unit that allowed 24 sacks on the quarterback, tying its least in a season since 2019.**PERSONAL:** From Denver, Colorado ... son of Tajuana Williams ... has six siblings - Cynthia, Blaine, Eric, Markus, Brett and Brylie ... enjoys gaming and cooking ... favorite athlete is Bo Jackson because he is the first athlete that comes to mind when asked the question ... biggest athletic thrill is winning ... chose to attend Fresno State because it was a different environment that he felt was perfect for him ... has not declared a major.**43****MORICE NORRIS****DB****X-XX | XXX | Jr. | 3rd Year
Fresno, Calif. (Sanger HS/Orange Coast College)****2021 (JUNIOR):** Did not see game action.**PERSONAL:** From Fresno, California ... son of Francina Pleasant ... has four siblings - Jonathan, Faith, Joshua and Malachi ... enjoys sports, reading, volunteering, and family time ... biggest athletic thrill is playing great teams in front of big crowds ... chose to attend Fresno State because it made him feel the most at home, and it gave him the opportunity to play at the next level ... majoring in philosophy.**25****EMARI PAIK****H****6-2 | 200 | Fr. | 1st Year
Los Angeles, Calif. (Culver City HS)**

CAREER GAMES: 12

2021 (FRESHMAN): Saw action in all 12 games as a true freshman ... totaled 24 tackles, 17 solo stops ... had 5.5 TFLs for 18 yards ... logged four pass breakups ... recorded a season-high four tackles three times (Hawai'i, Wyoming, Nevada) ... posted six games with multiple tackles ... logged a season-high 2.0 TFLs against New Mexico (Nov. 13) ... had a TFL in five games.**PERSONAL:** From Denver, Colorado ... son of Tajuana Williams ... has six siblings - Cynthia, Blaine, Eric, Markus, Brett and Brylie ... enjoys gaming and cooking ... favorite athlete is Bo Jackson because he is the first athlete that comes to mind when asked the question ... biggest athletic thrill is winning ... chose to attend Fresno State because it was a different environment that he felt was perfect for him ... has not declared a major.**87****RAYMOND PAUWELS JR.****TE****6-4 | 242 | Sr. | 5th Year
Litchfield Park, Ariz. (Millennium HS/Glendale College)**

CAREER GAMES (AT FS): 21

STARTS: 7

2021 (SENIOR): Played in all 12 games with three starts at tight end ... had 13 receptions for 97 yards and two touchdowns ... scored his first career touchdown against UConn (Aug. 28) ... logged a career-high 31 yards on three receptions against New Mexico (Nov. 13) ... had multiple receptions in two games ... had one tackle on special teams.**PERSONAL:** Born in Litchfield Park, Ariz. ... son of Ray and Linda Pauwels ... has a younger brother, Nathan ... his hobbies include riding ATV's and doing anything outdoors ... his favorite athlete is JJ Watt because he is always the hardest worker in the room, he changes lives off the football field and he is always in the media for good things ... biggest athletic thrill is scoring touchdowns or making a big-time catch ... was also recruited by Northern Arizona and Boise State ... is a criminology - law enforcement major ... chose to become a Bulldog because it felt like home, fit his style of play best and he wanted to be a part of the team's rise.



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LEONARD PAYNE JR. DT
 6-3 | 315 | Jr. | 4th Year
 Downey, Calif. (St. Pius X-St. Matthias Academy)

CAREER GAMES: 18

STARTS: 8

2021 (JUNIOR): Played in 11 games with eight starts at defensive tackle ... recorded 22 tackles (10 solo), 5.0 TFLs for 10 yards and 3.5 sacks for 10 yards ... posted a career-high four tackles in three games (Cal Poly, Wyoming, Boise State) ... logged seven games with multiple tackles ... had a career-high 1.5 sacks against Wyoming (Oct. 16) ... recovered one fumble against then-ranked No. 13 UCLA.

PERSONAL: Born in Los Angeles, Calif. ... son of Nesha Drape and Leonard Payne ... has three brothers Josiah, Kris, John and one sister, Journee ... is a philosophy major at Fresno State.



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JULIUS PEACOCK WR
 x-x | xxx | Fr. | 1st Year
 Winton, Calif. (Atwater HS)

2021 (FRESHMAN): Did not see game action.

PERSONAL: From Winton, Calif. ... son of Alejandro Fierro and Amy Peacock ... has one sibling - Adriel ... favorite athlete is Deshaun Watson because he looked up to him as a quarterback ... biggest athletic thrill was a 60-yard run in a key rival game ... chose to attend Fresno State because it was a great school for his area of study, and he had the opportunity to play football ... majoring in agriculture business.



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TOREON PENRIGHT OL
 6-3 | 275 | RFr. | 2nd Year
 San Bernardino, Calif. (Cajon HS)

CAREER GAMES: 3

2021 (R-FRESHMAN): Saw action in three games as a member of the offensive line.

PERSONAL: Undecided on a major.



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DAVID PERALES DE
 6-3 | 246 | Sr. | 5th Year
 Merced, Calif. (Merced HS/Merced JC/Sacramento State)

CAREER GAMES (AT FS): 18

STARTS: 17

2021 (SENIOR): 2021 All-Mountain West Second Team ... played in all 12 games with 11 starts at defensive end ... totaled 40 tackles, 19 solo stops ... had 11.5 TFLs for 72 yards ... logged 5.5 sacks for 45 yards ... recorded three forced fumbles, two quarterback hurries and one pass breakup ... tied his career-high with seven tackles against then-ranked No. 21 SDSU (Oct. 30) ... had a career-high 2.5 TFLs, 2.0 sacks and fumble recovery against Nevada (Oct. 23) ... recorded a sack in four games and had two games with multiple sacks ... 2021 Team Captain.

PERSONAL: Born in San Jose, Calif. ... son of Arturo and Leticia Perales ... has three brothers; Carlos, Victor and Arturo, and one sister, Marisol ... favorite athlete is Bruce Irvin ... is a forensic behavioral science major ... chose to be a Bulldog because it was close to home and he loves the program.



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DEONTE PERRY DB
 6-0 | 188 | Sr.* | 6th Year
 Canoga Park, Calif. (Canoga Park HS)

CAREER GAMES: 25

STARTS: 5

2021 (SENIOR*): Will utilize the additional year of eligibility approved by the NCAA in the fall of 2020. The NCAA approved a blanket waiver for all 2020 fall sports student-athletes to retain a year of eligibility due to the COVID-19 pandemic .. played in all 12 games as a crucial member of the special teams unit ... totaled 13 tackles with seven solo stops ... had a career-high six tackles against Nevada (Oct. 23) ... posted three games with multiple tackles.

PERSONAL: Born in Madera, Calif. ... son of Tanya Perry ... has an older brother, Keondre and an older sister Dana ... received his undergraduate degree in criminology - law enforcement ... pursuing master's degree in curriculum and instruction.



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JULIAN POLENDO OL
 6-5 | 320 | RFr. | 2nd Year
 Palm Springs, Calif. (Palm Springs HS)

2021 (R-FRESHMAN): Did not see game action.

PERSONAL: Raised by grandparents, Manuel and Teresa ... has younger sister Serena ... favorite athlete is Mike Tyson ... was also recruited by Arizona State, Cal, Utah State, San Jose State, UNLV, UTEP, Sacramento State and San Diego State ... chose to attend Fresno State because it was "home" from the top down, even outside of football ... said Fresno is a family ... is undeclared on a major.

**2****ZANE POPE****WR****6-2 | 195 | Sr. | 5th Year**
Moorpark, Calif. (Moorpark HS)

CAREER GAMES: 27

CAREER STARTS: 10

2021 (SENIOR): Played in all 12 games with three starts at wide receiver ... totaled 24 catches for 434 yards and four touchdowns ... was third in the conference averaging 18.1 yards per catch ... had a career-high 113 yards on five receptions and two touchdowns against Hawai'i (Oct. 1) ... recorded a career-long 65-yard touchdown pass against Hawai'i (Oct. 1) ... logged multiple catches in seven games ... returned four punts for 23 yards ... finished with 460 all-purpose yards.

PERSONAL: Born in Thousand Oaks, Calif. ... son of Ron and Lisa Pope ... has one brother, Devin ... brother plays football at Rocky Mountain College ... favorite athlete is Odell Beckham Jr. ... biggest athletic thrill is returning a kickoff for a 99-yard touchdown against Calabasas ... is a management major at Fresno State.

**51****CHARLES REMLINGER****DE****6-3 | 235 | Jr. | 1st Year**
Vancouver, Wash. (Mountain View HS)

CAREER GAMES: 1

2021 (JUNIOR): Saw action against Cal Poly ... had one tackle.

PERSONAL: From Vancouver, Washington ... son of Andrew and Lorelei Remlinger ... has two younger siblings - Anne and Tino ... favorite athlete is Patrick Willis because he is smart and aggressive ... is also a member of the track & field team at Fresno State (Throws/Multis) ... chose to attend Fresno State because he was able to do track and play football ... majoring in data analytics.

**20****RONNIE RIVERS****RB****5-9 | 195 | Sr.* | 5th Year**
Brentwood, Calif. (Freedom HS)

CAREER GAMES: 53

STARTS: 41

2021 (SENIOR*): Will utilize the additional year of eligibility approved by the NCAA in the fall of 2020. The NCAA approved a blanket waiver for all 2020 fall sports student-athletes to retain a year of eligibility due to the COVID-19 pandemic ... 2021 All-Mountain West Honorable Mention running back ... became the program's leader in most touchdowns scored in a career (51), most rushing touchdowns scored in a career (40) and most career pass receptions by a running back (150) ... started 11 games for the Bulldogs ... had a team-best 788 yards on 162 carries ... totaled 364 receiving yards on 34 catches ... scored seven touchdowns (five rushing, two receiving) ... scored a touchdown in six games ... averaged 107.9 all-purpose yards per game ... recorded a season-high 136 rushing yards for two touchdowns against then-ranked No. 11 UCLA ... logged a season-high 91-yard receiving game against San Jose State (Nov. 25) ... had a career-long 64-yard catch against UConn (Aug. 28) ... posted a season-long 64-yard rushing touchdown against Nevada (Oct. 23) ... had three games with 100+ all purpose yards ... Paul Hornung Award watch list ... Preseason All-Mountain West ... Maxwell Award watch list ... Doak Walker Award candidate ... First team preseason All-Mountain West selection by Athlon Sports ... First team preseason All-Mountain West selection by Phil Steele ... 2021 Team Captain.

PERSONAL: Born in Castro Valley, Calif. ... son of Ron and Myla Rivers ... father Ron is Fresno State's second-leading rusher (3,473) in school history, who played at Fresno State from 1991-93 ... sister is Malia Rivers, also a Bulldog alum, who completed her senior softball season at Fresno State in 2017 ... also has a younger brother, Devon ... lists his favorite athletic thrill as any time he rushes for a touchdown ... earned an undergraduate degree in finance ... pursuing an MBA from Fresno State.

**80****JUAN RODRIGUEZ****TE****6-2 | 237 | Sr.* | 6th Year**
Portola, Calif. (Portola HS/Butte College)

CAREER GAMES (AT FS): 23

STARTS: 16

2021 (SENIOR*): Will utilize the additional year of eligibility approved by the NCAA in the fall of 2020. The NCAA approved a blanket waiver for all 2020 fall sports student-athletes to retain a year of eligibility due to the COVID-19 pandemic ... played in 11 games with 10 starts at tight end ... finished the season with a career-best 103 yards on 14 catches and two touchdowns ... scored his first career touchdown against Wyoming (Oct. 13) ... posted a career-high 35 yards on five receptions against SJSU (Nov. 11) ... had a career-long 23-yard catch against Cal Poly (Sept. 11) ... recorded multiple catches in four games.

PERSONAL: Born in Portola, Calif. ... son of Ascencion and Maria Rodriguez ... has two older siblings; Mario and Mayri ... brother Mario played football at Western Michigan from 2013-15 ... favorite athlete is Tyrann Mathive because of his playmaking abilities ... his biggest athletic thrill is making a clutch play in a big moment of a game ... majoring in sociology ... was also recruited by Eastern Michigan, Bowling Green and Louisville ... decided to become a Bulldog because the program had established itself as one of the tops in the Mountain West and he wanted to be a part of something that was bigger than himself ... received an undergraduate degree in sociology ... pursuing a graduate degree in curriculum and instruction.

**11****CALE SANDERS JR.****DB****5-10 | 178 | Fr. | 1st Year**
New Caney, Texas (New Caney HS)

CAREER GAMES: 12

STARTS: 3

2021 (FRESHMAN): Saw action in all 12 games ... had three starts at cornerback as a true freshman ... totaled 17 tackles with 15 solo stops ... recorded two pass breakups ... had a season-high four tackles against Boise State (Nov. 6) ... logged 1.0 TFL for four yards against then-ranked No. 21 SDSU ... forced a fumble against Boise State (Nov. 6) ... grabbed his first career interception against New Mexico (Nov. 13).

PERSONAL: From Porter, Texas ... son of Cale and Natesha Sanders ... has three siblings ... enjoys gaming ... lists his biggest athletic thrill as big moments in games ... has not declared a major at Fresno State.

**54****BULA SCHMIDT****OL****6-1 | 294 | Jr. | 3rd Year**
Wahiawa, Hawai'i (O'Dea HS [Wash.]

CAREER GAMES: 25

STARTS: 16

2021 (JUNIOR): Started all 12 games ... was versatile on the offensive line recording starts in three different positions ... was one of four Bulldogs to start all 12 games ... helped block for one of the top passing, scoring and total offenses in the Mountain West ... was a part of an offensive line unit that allowed 24 sacks on the quarterback, tying its least in a season since 2019.

PERSONAL: Born in Wahiawa, Hawai'i (same hometown as teammate Netane Muti) ... son of Peter and Koko Schmidt ... has two older brothers; Austin and Alema and a younger sister, Anela ... he enjoys spending time with his siblings ... was also recruited by Idaho State, Portland State and the University of Idaho ... chose to become a Bulldog because he wanted a great opportunity to make it to the next level and to be coached by Coach Tedford.



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MALIK SHERROD RB
5-8 | 180 | RFr. | 2nd Year
Oxnard, Calif. (Pacifica HS)

CAREER GAMES: 9

2021 (R-FRESHMAN): Played in seven games primarily as a member of the special teams unit ... saw action at running back in four games ... totaled seven kick returns for 127 yards ... had a career-high six kick returns for 106 yards against Boise State (Nov. 6) also notched a career-long 24-yard kick return against the Broncos ... recorded 11 carries for 41 rushing yards ... had a season-high 22 yards against Boise State (Nov. 6) and a career-long 19-yard rush ... logged a season-high three carries in three games (UConn, Cal Poly, SJSU) ... finished with 168 all-purpose yards.

PERSONAL: From Oxnard, Calif. ... son of Garrick and Vulnavia Sherrod ... favorite athlete is LeBron James ... biggest athletic thrill is playing in a CIF championship game ... chose to attend Fresno State because of its tradition of winning ... majoring in psychology.



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CESAR SILVA K
5-11 | 180 | Sr.* | 6th Year
Milpitas, Calif. (Milpitas HS/College of San Mateo)

CAREER GAMES (AT FS): 25

2021 (SENIOR*): Will utilize the additional year of eligibility approved by the NCAA in the fall of 2020. The NCAA approved a blanket waiver for all 2020 fall sports student-athletes to retain a year of eligibility due to the COVID-19 pandemic ... played in nine games as the team's primary place kicker ... ranked fifth in the conference in scoring with 70 total points ... was a perfect 31-for-31 in PAT attempts ... converted a career-best 6-of-6 field goal attempts against UConn (Aug. 28) ... went 13-for-16 in field goal attempts ... had a career-long 51-yard field goal against New Mexico ... made five field goals that were 40+ yards ... kicked off 49 times for 3,056 yards ... averaged 62.4 yards per kickoff ... recorded 16 touchbacks.

PERSONAL: Born in Milpitas, Calif. ... son of Antonia and Rosa Silva ... has one older brother, Domingo ... his favorite athlete is Adolfo Bautista ... his biggest athletic thrill is scoring points ... is a sociology major ... chose Fresno State because it is close to home and the coaches had a relationship with his hometown and many previous teammates.



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MATT SMITH OL
6-0 | 288 | Sr.* | 6th Year
Long Beach, Calif. (St. John Bosco HS)

CAREER GAMES: 33

STARTS: 17

2021 (SENIOR*): Will utilize the additional year of eligibility approved by the NCAA in the fall of 2020. The NCAA approved a blanket waiver for all 2020 fall sports student-athletes to retain a year of eligibility due to the COVID-19 pandemic. ... played in six games ... recorded three starts at center.

PERSONAL: Son of Linda and Brian Smith ... has one sister, Madison ... father played football at Long Beach State ... earned his degree in business - sports marketing ... pursuing a graduate degree in curriculum and instruction.



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REGGIE STRONG H
5-11 | 196 | So. | 3rd Year
Vallejo, Calif. (Orange Lutheran HS)

CAREER GAMES: 10

STARTS: 1

2021 (SOPHOMORE): Saw action against Cal Poly and UNLV ... did not record a stat.

PERSONAL: Born in Vallejo, Calif. ... son of Teresa Davis ... is the youngest of six children ... has one older brother Joshua and four older sisters; Teresa, Trish, Shania and Danielle ... one of his favorite hobbies is to go out and learn new things ... was recruited by the Montana, Tulane, UNLV, San Jose State, Hawai'i, Colorado State, Wyoming, Nevada, Eastern Washington, New Mexico and Utah State ... is a Kinesiology major at Fresno State ... chose to be a Bulldog because it felt most like home. Also because of the atmosphere, the leadership, how genuine everybody is and being close to home. He felt that Fresno State has a championship team that works hard for everything.



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PEDRO TIMOTEO OL
6-3 | 336 | Fr. | 1st Year
Anchorage, Alaska (East Anchorage HS)

2021 (FRESHMAN): Did not see game action ... redshirted.

PERSONAL: From Anchorage, Alaska ... son of Itagia and Patricia Timoteo ... has two siblings - Preston and Precious ... enjoys watching documentaries and listening to music ... his favorite athlete is his cousin A.J. Epenesa because he inspired him to be the best player possible ... biggest athletic thrill is making big plays ... was also recruited by Oregon State, Northern Arizona, and Washington State ... chose to attend Fresno State because it was the best fit for him, and he liked the coaching staff and culture at Fresno State ... undecided on a major.



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JARED TORRES TE
6-4 | 247 | Jr. | 4th Year
Visalia, Calif. (El Diamante HS)

CAREER GAMES: 24

STARTS: 1

2021 (JUNIOR): Saw action in nine games primarily as a member of the special teams unit.

PERSONAL: Son of Leticia and Barnabe Torres... has two older sisters, Lauren and Larissa... Lauren played volleyball at Fresno State from 2014-17... enjoys fishing and hunting in his free time... criminology major... wants to be an FBI agent... favorite athlete is New England Patriots tight end Rob Gronkowski... most admires his mother who keeps him going... wanted to be a Bulldog since he was little and is bulldog born bulldog bred ... major at Fresno State is criminology-law enforcement.



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MOSE VAVAO

OL

6-3 | 325 | So. | 2nd Year
Mountain View, Calif. (St. Francis HS)

CAREER GAMES: 17

STARTS: 13

2021 (SOPHOMORE): Started 11 games for the Bulldogs on the offensive line ... started the season at left guard and transitioned to right guard ... helped block for one of the top passing, scoring and total offenses in the Mountain West ... was a part of an offensive line unit that allowed 24 sacks on the quarterback, tying its least in a season since 2019.

PERSONAL: From Newark, Calif. ... son of James and Joli Vavao ... has three siblings - Mathias, Malia and Brittany ... favorite athlete is Kobe Bryant for his "mamba mentality" ... chose to attend Fresno State because he liked the people and the atmosphere in the Valley ... intended business finance major.



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OSMAR VELEZ

OL

6-1 | 295 | So. | 3rd Year
Lost Hills, Calif. (Wasco HS)

CAREER GAMES: 1

2021 (SOPHOMORE): Saw action against UConn (Aug. 28).

PERSONAL: Born in Bakersfield, Calif. ... son of Guadalupe Velez and Rosa Ruiz ... has an older brother, Alan ... has one younger brother, Eddie ... enjoys weight lifting ... favorite athlete is Kobe Bryant because he never gives up ... his biggest athletic thrill is the energy of the game ... majoring in plant science.



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VALLEE WASHINGTON

WR

5-11 | 175 | So. | 3rd Year
Detroit, Mich. (Ripley HS/Langston/Fullerton College)

CAREER GAMES: 1

2021 (SOPHOMORE): Saw action against Cal Poly (Sept. 11).

PERSONAL: From Detroit, Michigan ... son of Vallee and Rachel Washington ... has six siblings - Valeezna, Nyeisha, Agnes, Demetrius, Summer and Bryson ... has a daughter named Laylani ... hobbies include cutting hair, singing, acrobatics, and drawing ... his favorite athlete is Calvin Ridley because he is hard working and his routes are different ... lists his biggest athletic thrill as flipping ... chose to attend Fresno State because Coach Kirby Moore built a relationship with him in a short period of time, and the rest of the coaching staff built a relationship as well.



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TRE WATSON

TE

6-5 | 227 | Fr. | 1st Year
Rio Rancho, N.M. (Cleveland HS)

CAREER GAMES: 11

STARTS: 2

2021 (FRESHMAN): Played in 11 games and recorded two starts at tight end as a true freshman ... totaled 93 yards on eight catches ... had a season-high 35 yards on two receptions at Hawai'i (Oct. 2) and logged a season-long 25-yard catch against the Rainbow Warriors ... recorded a season-high four receptions against then-ranked No. 21 SDSU ... recorded a catch in four games.

PERSONAL: From Rio Rancho, New Mexico ... son of CJ and Michelle Watson ... has one sibling, China ... father played baseball at Christopher Newport University (1994-1996) ... favorite athlete is Calvin Johnson ... biggest athletic thrill is scoring his first varsity touchdown as a freshman ... was also recruited by Liberty, New Mexico, Texas State, Army, Air Force, Washington, UCLA, San Jose State and New Mexico State ... chose to be a Bulldog because of the relationships between the players and the coaches, and the culture around the football program ... intends to major in business.



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JACOB WESTBERRY

LS

6-3 | 268 | Sr.* | 6th Year
Bradenton, Fla. (Saint Stephen's Episcopal)

CAREER GAMES: 55

2021 (SENIOR*): Will utilize the additional year of eligibility approved by the NCAA in the fall of 2020. The NCAA approved a blanket waiver for all 2020 fall sports student-athletes to retain a year of eligibility due to the COVID-19 pandemic ... played in 11 games as the team's primary long snapper ... recorded a tackle against Boise State.

PERSONAL: Son of Alisa and Michael Westberry ... has two younger brothers, Cade and Steven ... earned an undergraduate degree in finance ... pursuing an MBA.



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KERIK WHEATFALL

WR

6-2 | 185 | Sr.* | 5th Year
Cypress, Texas (Cypress Ranch HS/Blinn College)

CAREER GAMES (AT FS): 27

STARTS: 17

2021 (SENIOR*): Will utilize the additional year of eligibility approved by the NCAA in the fall of 2020. The NCAA approved a blanket waiver for all 2020 fall sports student-athletes to retain a year of eligibility due to the COVID-19 pandemic ... played in all 12 games with eight starts at wide receiver ... was third on the team with 582 yards on 36 catches ... scored career-best four touchdowns in a season ... averaged 16.2 yards per catch ... had a career-high 115 receiving yards against UNLV (Sept. 24) ... tied his career-high with six receptions against Boise State (Nov. 6) ... recorded a career-long 55-yard catch against UNLV (Sept. 24) ... averaged 48.5 receiving yards per game ... logged a catch in 11 games and had multiple catches in 10 games ... Earl Campbell Tyler Rose Award watch list.

PERSONAL: Born in Brenham, Texas ... son of Kerry and Carol Wheatfall ... has five brothers - two younger and three older ... younger brothers are Isaiah and Colten and his older brothers are KT, Gerrald and Kerry Jr. ... older brother Kerry Jr. played football at Texas A&M from 2011-12 ... favorite athletes are Michael Irvin and Deandre Hopkins ... his biggest athletic thrill was a one-handed catch for a touchdown ... is a africana studies major ... chose Fresno State for the opportunity to become successful on and off the football field.



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DONOVAN WILLIAMS **WR**
 5-11 | 172 | Fr. | 1st Year
 Northridge, Calif. (Sierra Canyon HS)

2021 (FRESHMAN): Did not see game action.

PERSONAL: From Northridge, California ... son of George and Patricia Williams ... has two siblings - Kalia and Shyla ... enjoys fitness and snowboarding ... favorite athlete is Kobe Bryant because of his mindset ... biggest athletic thrill has been winning the CIF championship ... chose to attend Fresno State because it seemed like the coaches were interested in both him and his abilities on the football field ... undecided on a major.



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EVAN WILLIAMS **DB**
 6-0 | 198 | Jr. | 3rd Year
 Campbell, Calif. (Saint Francis HS)

CAREER GAMES: 28

STARTS: 22

2021 (JUNIOR): 2021 All-Mountain West First Team selection ... started all 12 games at strong safety ... was one of four Bulldogs to start all 12 games ... lead the team in tackles with 89, 32 solo stops ... had a career-high 13 tackles against then-ranked No. 21 SDSU ... recorded 10+ tackles in five games (Oregon, UCLA, Nevada, SDSU, Boise State) ... grabbed a team-best three interceptions, ranking fourth in the MW ... had a career-high two interceptions against Wyoming (Oct. 16) ... logged 4.5 TFLs for 12 yards ... posted a career-high 1.5 TFLs against Nevada (Oct. 23) ... forced one fumble and had two fumble recoveries ... had six pass breakups ... was named Mountain West Defensive Player of the Week on Nov. 1 after having 13 tackles, 1.0 TFL, one interception and two pass breakups into the win over an undefeated SDSU ... 2021 CoSIDA Academic All-District.

PERSONAL: Born in Los Gatos, Calif. ... son of Garey and Dani Williams ... has one older brother, Bennett ... brother plays football at the College of San Mateo and his father played football at Cal ... was also recruited by Air Force, UC Davis, Columbia, Colorado State and Montana State ... his hobbies include basketball, juggling, eating and playing video games ... his favorite athlete is Tyrann Mathieu because he plays fast and he is undersized and underestimated ... his biggest athletic thrill is a big hit in football ... undecided on a major ... chose to attend Fresno State because it is the highest level of football and he is able to stay close to home.



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JALEN WILLIAMS **DB**
 5-11 | 193 | Fr. | 1st Year
 Lancaster, Calif. (Parclete HS)

CAREER GAMES: 1

2021 (FRESHMAN): Saw action against Boise State and SJSU ... did not record a stat.

PERSONAL: From Lancaster, California ... son of Dion Mabrie and Donnetta Williams ... has six siblings ... hobbies include community service work and playing video games ... favorite athlete is Jalen Ramsey because he is physical and a top talent at his position ... biggest athletic thrill is getting to play Division I Football ... chose to attend Fresno State because he fell in love with the staff, and the pride of being a Bulldog. He says Fresno State is the only place that truly felt like home ... undecided on a major.



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JORDAN WILMORE **RB**
 5-8 | 203 | So. | 3rd Year
 Inglewood, Calif. (Lawndale HS/Utah)

CAREER GAMES: 6

2021 (SOPHOMORE): Saw action in six games primarily as a member of the kick return unit ... saw time at running back in three games ... totaled 77 rushing yards on 14 carries and one touchdown ... scored his first career touchdown against Cal Poly (Sept. 11) ... had a season-high 31 yards on 5 receptions against Cal Poly and a season-long 14-yard rush.

PERSONAL: From Inglewood, Calif. ... son of Romalire Wilmore Jr. and La Vonda Christophe-Wilmore ... two brothers ... favorite athlete is Mike Tyson because of his attitude ... biggest athletic thrill is winning games with his teammates ... chose to attend Fresno State because it felt like the right decision ... majoring in sociology.



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RODNEY WRIGHT III **WR**
 5-9 | 182 | So. | 3rd Year
 Fresno, Calif. (Clovis West HS)

CAREER GAMES: 3

2021 (SOPHOMORE): Saw action in two games - UConn (Aug. 28) and Cal Poly (Sept. 11) ... did not record a stat.

PERSONAL: Born in Bakersfield, Calif. ... son of Rodney and Michele Wright ... has a younger sister, Alex ... his father, Rodney Wright II, had a nation-leading 104 catches for Fresno State alongside quarterback David Carr in 2001. His father is the second-leading receiver by yardage (3,274) in school history and third-leading receiver by catches (222) in school history ... enjoys fishing ... also recruited by Air Force and Cal Poly ... is a mass communication and journalism major with an emphasis in advertising ... chose Fresno State because there is no better place than it.

Fresno State's offense can be even more explosive in the 2021 football season. Here's why

By Robert Kuwada

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Fresno State ended its spring with its offense ripping through a final scrimmage on Friday night in Bulldog Stadium, scoring touchdown after touchdown, 11 of them in all, making the three digits and a decimal point on a whiteboard in the office of offensive coordinator Ryan Grubb look like an understatement.

On that board he has written 41.3, a goal for points per game in 2021, which likely would put the Bulldogs in the top 10 in the nation, some years in the top 5.

"We can do that if we put the work in and are consistent not only in our preparation, but in how we execute in practice and things like that," Grubb said. "I think that's the level of skill that we have and the potential.

"But potential has never scored one touchdown, yet, that I know of. There's still a lot of work to do, but that may be my favorite part about these guys. They're not scared of the work. They just aren't. That's going to be the special part. If they're not scared of the work and the preparation is good, I think good things will happen."

But with that work, there are several reasons why a Bulldogs' offense that led the Mountain West Conference in total offense and was second in scoring offense could be better in 2021.

That list starts with quarterback Jake Haener, who worked the scout team in 2018 after transferring in from Washington, then had no spring practices and no summer with the offense before going out and hitting 64.7% of his passes and averaging 338.6 yards per game with 14 touchdowns and five interceptions.

Can they get to 41.3? Here are four reasons why they can ...

HAENER AND SEAT TIME BEHIND THE WHEEL

The next time Fresno State takes the field, Jake Haener will have had six games, a spring and a summer and he obviously did not last season when he got off to arguably the best six-game start of any Bulldogs' quarterback going back to 2000 and eventual No. 1 overall NFL Draft pick David Carr.

With a depth and base of knowledge now in the offense and with an improving arsenal of firepower around him, Haener very likely takes a step forward not only in but out of the pocket, making plays with a developing knack for off-platform throws from a variety of arm angles.

After Super Bowl LV, coach Kalen DeBoer sent Grubb a photo of Kansas City Chiefs quarterback Patrick Mahomes making that mind-blowing throw when on the run, got tripped up and was falling down, essentially parallel to the ground. DeBoer asked Grubb to come up with some drills for Haener to work on that throw. He was joking, but that ability to make plays outside of the X's and O's and a more experienced set of wideouts only adds to the explosiveness of an offense that last season put up 32.8 points per game.

But, no question, Haener is well ahead of where he was at this time a year ago. CANNABIS WEEKLY

"He's processing really fast and when you get a guy who is processing fast and has high arm speed, high accuracy and good receivers then good things can happen," Grubb said.

THEY HAVE MORE AND BETTER ANSWERS

Injuries happen, but the Bulldogs are much better equipped to deal with them, whether long- or short-term.

Think about those wideout spots. They opened the season a year ago with Keric Wheatfall and Jamal Gaspie at the X. They had Jalen Cropper and Eric Brooks at the H. They had Chris Coleman and Josh Kelly at the Z.

Those six wideouts had just 14 starts (no one had more than five) and 49 receptions between them (no one had more than 17), which obviously is not the case headed into 2021.

But it also extends to the offensive line, a spot the Bulldogs have struggled to develop depth and with injuries the past two seasons – in 2019 they started four players at left guard and three at left tackle, center and right guard, and last season injuries and coronavirus safety protocols took a toll on their depth.

"I feel like we've finally recruited to a point where now we can have some better answers when things do go wrong," Grubb said.

SUCCESS RUSHING THE FOOTBALL

The Bulldogs' offense ripped off big play after big play in the scrimmage to close out the spring, but there were some plays that might have escaped notice: a 7-yard run on third-and-3 against the No. 1 defense, a 3-yard run on fourth-and-1, a touchdown run on first-and-goal from inside the 5, again, against the ones.

Fresno State vs. Cal Poly: Bulldogs take care of business

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The Dogs improve to 2-1

The Fresno State Bulldogs were anxious to bounce back against Cal Poly, after coming off their first loss of the season to number twelve ranked Oregon. Fresno State knew they had one slip last week but that was not the case against Cal Poly as they rolled over the Mustangs 63-10.

The Dogs started off with a quick first two drives and then never looked back, scoring on the next eight drives. Jake Haener kicked off things with a two yard touchdown run late in the first quarter after the Dogs dropped twenty-eight points in the second quarter. Fresno State got a little creative in the second quarter as Jalen Cropper threw his second career-passing touchdown to Josh Kelly for fifty-one yards. The Mustangs just couldn't find an answer for the Fresno State offense today. Later in the third quarter, Jake Haener would find Zane Pope for a 62-yard yard touchdown.

Jake Haener was on fire all game as he finished the game with six touchdowns, four passing, two rushing touchdowns and threw for 380 yards. WR Josh Kelly had one of his best games as Bulldog with two touchdowns and 127 receiving yards.

On the other side of the ball, the Bulldog defense came to play as they held Cal Poly to only ten points and fifty-three yards on the ground. The Bulldogs defense also forced two turnovers today as Levelle Bailey came up with his first interception of the season.

Takeaways:

Fresno State's rushing game was much better today as the Dogs ran for nearly 200 yards and four rushing touchdowns. Ronnie Rivers accounted for sixty-four of those rushing yards and a touchdown. Fresno State also did a much better job taking care of the ball today, having only one turnover that came on special teams.

Fresno State is still undefeated at home, improving to 2-0 at Bulldog Stadium and 2-1 overall. The Dogs nearly pulled off the upset in Eugene last week but will have another shot next weekend when Fresno State heads down south to take on the UCLA Bruins at the Rose Bowl.

Fresno State beats UCLA football in last minute upset

By Benjamin Royer

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Coming off an "improvement week," the Bruins did just the opposite, falling behind from the start and losing in a crushing defeat.

No. 13 UCLA football (2-1) came back to take the lead after trailing for most of the night, but Fresno State (3-1) shot back at every stage. A quarterback who could barely stand put up a memorable night for Bulldogs fans.

The Bruins were coming off of an upset victory against LSU, rising in the past two AP polls, but the Bulldogs threw a wrench causing an upset of their own.

And 54 seconds is all they needed.

Haener led a comeback drive to win the after falling behind late in the fourth quarter. On the Bulldogs' previous drive, which resulted in a touchdown, Haener injured himself while throwing the ball. He immediately ran to the sidelines in pain, receiving treatment in quick fashion. On the center stage, Haener came out for the final drive, connecting with his receiver Jalen Cropper in open space on the right side of the endzone for an 11-yard game-winning touchdown.

Haener was thrust into the Rose Bowl spotlight and found open space against the Bruins all night. Haener threw for 455 yards, two touchdowns and one interception on 39-of-55 passing with a 154.4 passer rating.

The Bruins' run defense did not have much of an answer for Bulldogs' running back Ronnie Rivers either. Rivers ran for 136 yards and two touchdowns allowing for Haener to attack the Bruins' secondary. The success Rivers had running the ball was a complete reversal of the previous two games, where the Bruins severely limited yardage on the ground.

On the other side of the ball, quarterback Dorian Thompson-Robinson threw for 278 yards and three touchdowns, completed 14 of his 24 passing attempts with a 196.9 passer rating. Thompson-Robinson had one turnover – a fumble late in the 2nd half that resulted in Fresno State getting three more points on the board.

Wide receivers Kyle Phillips and Kam Brown both had big nights. On the receiving end of Thompson-Robinson's three touchdowns, Phillips had two touchdowns and 113 yards and Brown had one touchdown and 111 yards receiving.

During the first half, the Bruins were arguably outcoached by the Bulldogs. On defense, the Bulldogs had answers for offensive approaches the Bruins attempted. In the 2nd half, the Bruins gained most of its offensive yards with 314 of 395 yards coming in the latter half of the game.

Running backs Zach Charbonnet and Brittain Brown ran for 397 yards combined in the first two games. The Bulldogs rendered the Bruins' rushing duo into a background role for the duration of the night. Saturday, the pair of running backs could only muster up a combined 90 yards.

Defensive lineman Otito Ogbornia and safety Quentin Lake both left the game with injuries, not seeing action after being removed. It was next man up for the Bruins with

safety Kenny Churchwell II playing a larger role throughout the night. Churchwell II intercepted Haener left in the first half, the possession before the Thompson-Robinson fumble.

The Bruins caused two other fumbles during the game with linebackers Myles Jackson and Jordan Genmark Heath recovering each.

Fresno State had previously put up a fight against No. 4 Oregon, losing by just seven. Now, the Bulldogs defeat a Pac-12 foe and make their case for the Top-25.

Inside Fresno State QB Jake Haener's unpredictable rise

By Kyle Bonagura

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At about 11:09 p.m. PT on Saturday, Fresno State quarterback Jake Haener double pumped, got rid of the ball late and immediately paid for it. He absorbed a UCLA defender on his right side, while another crashed into his unpadded left.

He went down in pain. The incompleteness meant it was third-and-goal from the 19-yard line and the Bulldogs trailed by four. So with only three minutes left in the game, his competitive instincts quickly overruled what his body was telling him.

Haener received the next snap from shotgun, took a three-step drop and fired to the front right corner of the end zone. As receiver Erik Brooks hauled in the perfectly placed ball to put Fresno ahead, Haener writhed on the ground in agony. He could barely rotate his hips and as he limped off the field it would have been easy to assume his night was over.

If UCLA didn't march right down the field and retake the lead with 54 seconds left, maybe it would have been. But with the Bulldogs down 37-33, the idea that Haener wouldn't return wasn't worth considering.

"Jake knows he's got to get back up because we need him," Fresno State coach Kalen DeBoer said. "I'm not saying that in a way where you're taking it for granted. I'm saying it in a way where he just wills himself to do that. That's the toughness he has and the competitiveness."

When Fresno took over at its own 25, the pain had not subsided.

"It was just getting a little worse and worse and worse with each throw," Haener said. "I feel like I was throwing all with my arm, because I couldn't rotate because it hurt so bad."

Somehow, it didn't affect his performance. After throwing an incompleteness on the first play, Haener took the Bulldogs down the field in one of the most memorable drives in the program's 100-year history. He completed five straight passes, hobbling in between plays, and connected with Jalen Cropper for the winning touchdown with 14 seconds left.

As Haener went to his knees to celebrate the win, his parents watched from a suite at the 40-yard line, soaking it all in. After the game, they met him at the gate near the locker room for what his father called "a moment of pure joy."

"Having a kid since he was 8 years old want to play a game and win a game in the Rose Bowl, it was a kind of storybook thing for it to happen," Ryan Haener said.

After almost taking down current-No. 3 Oregon two weeks earlier, the win established the Bulldogs as possible Mountain West Conference favorites and pushed them into both the AP (No. 22) and Coaches (25) polls. Fresno State (3-1) opens conference play Friday night against UNLV (0-3).

"We want to do something special this year and something that we've never done in the program," Haener said. "We want to go to a New Year's Six bowl and we want to win."

If that happens, it'll have a lot to do with Haener. Building off a promising 2020 season, the former Washington quarterback has established himself as one of the best -- and toughest -- in the country. Through four games, he leads the nation with 1,464 passing yards and has thrown 10 touchdowns to just one interception.

Haener's rise would have been hard to predict just two years ago.

After serving as established starter Jake Browning's backup in 2018, Haener went into training camp with the Huskies needing to beat out Georgia transfer Jacob Eason for the top job, which was easier said than done. A local product and a former five-star recruit, Eason was the fan base's preference.

Haener, by comparison, was a consensus three-star recruit from California who had frequently been told by coaches throughout the recruiting process that at 6-foot-1 he was too short. Still, as camp progressed Haener believed he was outplaying Eason.

On the day when everyone on the team was told what the depth chart would be for the season opener, the coaches informed Haener and Eason they were undecided and needed to evaluate the final scrimmage before choosing a starter.

"They basically said whoever has the better scrimmage tonight is going to be the starter," Haener said.

And Haener felt good about his performance. In the final overtime period, Haener threw a touchdown pass and was mobbed by his teammates in the end zone.

"It's done. I was like there's no way [I didn't win the job]," he said. "And then the next morning they said they were gonna go with him. I was just like, 'OK, it is what it is.' Called my dad. I was heartbroken. It was really hard for me to deal with that especially after I felt like I'd won the job at the end of the day.

"But they went with him and I have no problem with that."

As is almost customary at this point for a quarterback in Haener's situation, he immediately decided to transfer. Prior to Eason winning the job, he was already projected as a possible 2020 NFL draft pick and still had two years of eligibility remaining. If Haener stayed, it was possible he would have to sit for two more years and then go through another quarterback competition before his final year of eligibility.

Haener drew offers from Baylor and Kansas State among others, but Fresno State was the obvious landing spot from the beginning. He had known Bulldogs coach Jeff Tedford since he was around 11 years old, and that familiarity, paired with the outlook for a starting role in 2020, lined up.

"When he called and said he had made the decision to move on, it was pretty much a slam dunk for us," Tedford said. "I evaluated him pretty heavily in high school [as an analyst for Washington]. Not only did I know how good of a player he was, I knew how dedicated he was to play the position."

Years earlier, shortly after his 11-year tenure as the head coach at Cal ended, Tedford went out to a local park with Haener and helped him with some fundamentals, running him through drills. He determined Haener needed to work on his footwork and left him with a challenge: jump rope 500 times without missing.

"I don't know how long it was -- a couple months or whatever. I got a phone call from him and he says, 'I did it, Coach, I did it,'" Tedford said. "That was just kind of an example of how he locked on to things and set goals to do certain things. He was really dedicated to being the best quarterback he could be and as much as anything, that gave me an understanding of his mindset."

Haener spent the 2019 season as Fresno State's scout team quarterback as he sat out the season due to NCAA transfer rules. At the end of the season, Tedford stepped down due to health reasons and he was replaced by Indiana offensive coordinator DeBoer, who spent the 2017-18 seasons in Fresno as Tedford's OC.

DeBoer and Haener connected for the first time a couple of days after DeBoer got the job. It was a whirlwind period for DeBoer as he balanced the initial responsibilities of being a head coach with Indiana's bowl game preparation, but Haener made a positive impression.

"Jake really laid out at that time what his goals were and it was all written out," DeBoer said. "He laid out exactly what the action plans were to reach those goals and it was very descriptive.

"It probably wouldn't have really mattered what was on there -- what mattered was that he took the time to do it and had thought everything through. That's representative of who he is. There's a lot of time and effort, and it's really important to him."

That happened in December 2019. It wouldn't be until late September 2020 when DeBoer finally got to see Haener throw a ball in person.

Through four games, Jake Haener leads the nation with 1,464 passing yards and has thrown 10 touchdowns to just one interception. Photo by Michael Owens/Getty Images
The coronavirus pandemic wiped out Fresno State's spring practice and the team wasn't cleared to return to campus until just a few weeks before the Mountain West announced it would start its delayed season on Oct. 24. Haener won the job and put up big numbers -- he averaged 336.8 passing yards per game -- but Fresno State played in just six games and struggled to field a full team due to COVID-19.

There was a sense last year that because of the lack of time together -- and the timing with DeBoer's arrival -- the team never got the chance to gel.

"You could see the talent Jake had a year ago, but he hadn't had enough time to work with the guys around him," DeBoer said. "We can probably find seven, eight throws from this weekend's game that he physically could have made a year ago, but it wouldn't have been successful because he just wouldn't have been dialed in with his receivers.

"What's really cool is you're seeing all the work that they put in come to a head where the success is a big deal. It's fun to watch."

Seeing the team's success is especially gratifying for Tedford, who after undergoing a few medical procedures since stepping down is feeling good.

Watching the game from home, Tedford was blown away by what he saw from Haener.

"It's one of the top quarterback performances I've seen," Tedford said. "On the road in that stadium against a really good football team. For him to keep responding the way he did, while really showing the grit and toughness of how he performed that way. He was making unbelievable throws. It was awesome."

Fresno State gets boost in win over Nevada from Jordan Mims, and a line finally finding itself

By Robert Kuwada

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It was the third series, and Fresno State had not done much with its first two against the Nevada Wolf Pack. It had gained 24 yards on eight plays, punted twice. Then, boom, Ronnie Rivers, with a deft cut, blasted past a block by guard Mose Vavao and was gone on a 64-yard touchdown run.

It was the Bulldogs' longest run from scrimmage this season and Rivers' 49th career touchdown, but at the end of it, the Bulldogs' back injured his left ankle when tackled by Nevada corner Berdale Robins and did not return.

But a Fresno State run game that has struggled to find any degree of consistency kept right on motor along in a crucial 34-32 Mountain West victory over Nevada behind Jordan Mims and an offensive line that played its best game of the season. That was, without question, one of the more encouraging things to come out of a victory that kept the Bulldogs (6-2, 3-1 in the MW) in the West Division race in the conference, made them bowl eligible for the first time since 2018 and sent everyone home happy on a night Lorenzo Neal had his No. 22 jersey retired.

“Jordan is a guy who is ready every single game,” Coach Kalen DeBoer said. “I can promise you, with the preparation that he puts in, he was ready four weeks ago, he was ready two weeks ago, and he showed he was ready today. I couldn’t be more proud of the guy. He popped off a couple big runs there after he kind of got put in that position tonight, and I went over and said, “This is why you do the work. This is why you prepare.”

Mims rushed the football 23 times for a career-high 134 yards and one touchdown and caught four passes for 20 yards and another score, keeping the offense moving.

“I just took every play and tried to execute what I had to do,” he said.

“Jordan stepped up,” said quarterback Jake Haener, who hit 26 of 38 passes for 256 yards and two touchdowns without an interception. “He’s a great player, great friend of mine, good kid – ran his tail off. He’s the reason we got this win, stepping up the way he did and just being a physical runner and a great ballplayer. Really proud of him.”

It’s easy to forget – 2017 was a long time ago. But when Rivers and Mims came in and played as true freshmen, it was Mims who led the Bulldogs in rushing attempts. It was Mims, Josh Hokit, and Rivers, with 151, 128, and 101 carries. Mims was sidelined by a lower leg injury late the following season, missed all of 2019, and was limited to just 28 carries last year with a high of just nine rushing plays in any one game.

MIMS, HEALTHY AND HEAVIER THAN A YEAR AGO, SHOWS HIS POWER

But, healthy and with a few more pounds on his frame, Mims is more than capable if Rivers is to miss any time, and he watched the second half in street clothes with his left foot in a protective walking boot.

“I know Riv is special, but Jordan knows the offense inside and out,” DeBoer said. “The offense for both those guys has always been completely available because they’re diverse. They can run the ball. They can catch the ball out of the backfield. They’re great pass protectors.”

On both touchdowns, Mims’ power running the football was evident. On the second score, a 7-yard flip pass from Haener, Mims was hit and spun away from two Nevada defenders at the 5-yard line, was stopped at the 3-yard line and kept his legs churning until he was in the end zone with an assist and push from behind from tight end Tre Watson, center Bula Schmidt, left guard Braylen Nelson and left tackle Dontae Bull.

Fresno State and its offensive line face a much tougher task next week in another must-win game at San Diego State, which went into the weekend allowing just 2.1 yards per rush and 60.8 rushing yards per game.

The Aztecs on Saturday held the conference’s best rushing offense in Air Force to 194 yards on the ground at 4.0 yards per play, more than 140 yards less than it was averaging.

But for the second game in a row and after inserting the true freshman Nelson into the starting lineup at left guard and moving Vavao to right guard, there were signs of improvement and consistency.

FRESNO STATE LINE CHANGES SHOWING PROMISE

Fresno State allowed just one sack, and Nevada was leading the nation with 4.5 sacks per game. The Bulldogs allowed only one tackle for loss, and the Wolf Pack was averaging 6.5 per game.

They did not have much success rushing it on third downs, a minus-3 yards on four plays, and whiffed on a 3rd-and-3 and a 3rd-and-4. But they were much more consistent on first downs, keeping the Bulldogs on schedule against a defense that has had some trouble getting off the football field on third down plays.

Fresno State rushed for 152 yards on 14 first-down rushing plays, including Rivers’ TD run. But even taking that 64-yard burst out of the equation, the Bulldogs averaged 6.8 yards per play.

And in the two games, the offensive line unit has played together, picked, and paired to try to insert a nastier mindset into the group, the Bulldogs have averaged 5.1 yards per rush, up from 3.8, and they have averaged 184.0 yards per game, up from 106.1. They also have allowed just two sacks.

“I thought we were pretty consistent, probably the best consistent-wise that we’ve been all year running the football,” DeBoer said.

“I thought the line played their most complete game. A couple of things you always want better that we’ll work on. But I thought they continued to improve, and that’s the key as we go through the second half of the season.”

Fresno State Hands SDSU Their First Loss of the Season, 30-20.

By Tyler Collins

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SAN DIEGO STATE AZTECS (7-1, 3-1) vs FRESNO STATE BULLDOGS (7-2, 4-1)

The San Diego State Aztecs lost a tough at-home matchup to the Fresno State Bulldogs, 30-20 at Dignity Health Sports Park in Carson, California Saturday night.

The loss was the Aztecs' first of the season, dropping them to 7-1 overall and 3-1 in conference play. On the bright side, SDSU has had just four 7-0 starts in program history.

The Bulldogs ended the Aztecs perfect season, catapulting them back to the AP Poll. After this win against arguably the best team in the Mountain West, Fresno State could be the team to beat and could run away with a West Division title and a chance at a Mountain West championship with 3 games left to play.

RECAP

Fresno QB Jake Haener passed for 306 yards and a touchdown, while RB Jordan Mims rushed for a career-high 186 yards and a touchdown. That was just the second time this year that an opposing back rushed for over 100 yards against the Aztecs. Mims' fourth quarter touchdown was also the first rushing touchdown allowed by SDSU in regulation this year.

After the Bulldogs put together a 20-0 score during the second quarter, the Aztecs didn't have a chance at a comeback.

Despite his 6th touchdown of the year, tying his career-high, RB Greg Bell of SDSU rushed for just 63 yards on 15 attempts. Bell is still the third ranked RN overall in the Mountain West.

QB Lucas Johnson had the second most rushing yards for the Aztecs with 60 on 8 attempts. Johnson also threw for 220 yards, a touchdown and two interceptions. WR Elijah Kothe amassed a career-high 105 yards, though the lone touchdown pass went to WR Tyrell Shavers which came late in the second quarter.

Heading into halftime it was 20-7, the largest deficit SDSU has faced all year. Still outscoring it's opponent 82-17 in the third quarter, the Aztecs couldn't quite catch up.

The second half consisted of two touchdowns for the Aztecs, closing the deficit to 23-13 as the third quarter ended. A failed two-point conversion pass depleted the offense a little bit, especially since the Aztec defense finally gave in and allowed a rushing touchdown which has been unheard of all year.

SDSU freshman QB Will Haskell also had a rushing touchdown, which came at the end of the 4th quarter making the score 30-20. Haskell also completed 3 passes for 27 yards and two rushed for 10 yards each.

Fresno State finished with 485 total yards on offense, 306 through the air and 179 on the ground. SDSU finished with 412 total yards, 247 passing and 165 rushing.

Bulldogs QB Jake Haener completed 25 passes with zero interceptions, which was a plus considering Aztec QB Lucas Johnson gave it a way twice by interception, which both led to points. Scoring in each quarter of the game kept the Aztecs out of reach.

BIGGEST TAKEAWAYS

When the run game gets neutralized, SDSU has a hard time scoring. They have also relied on a big play each game, whether it be a return kick or punt for a touchdown, a 50-yard touchdown run or a pick-6. The Aztecs seem to work well with momentum and they didn't have much against Fresno State.

SDSU QB Lucas Johnson was solid, throwing for a season-high 220 yards, completing just 14 passes. The Aztecs haven't been a passing team much at all this year, but it may be time to switch gears and put some more work into it. Good news is, Aztec QB's combined for 247 passing yards in this game, their most in any game so far this year.

Fresno State is for real. QB Jake Haener throwing for 306 yards, RB Jordan Mims running for 186 yards and WR Josh Kelly receiving for 107 yards are great numbers. Keep the offense rolling and use the variety of talent to continue breaking down defenses.

UP NEXT FOR AZTECS

Aloha! San Diego State travels to Hawaii for another conference matchup facing the Rainbow Warriors in Honolulu. Kick off is slated for Saturday, November 6th at 5:00pm PT.

Fresno State is No. 23 in College Football Playoff rankings – what that means for Bulldogs

By Robert Kuwada

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Fresno State landed a spot in the first College Football Playoff Rankings, coming in at No. 23. What does that mean for the Bulldogs? At the moment, not much. But it is a reason for Bulldogs fans to root for Cincinnati, No. 6 in the rankings, to lose a few games and it could be useful as a down-the-list tiebreaker in the Mountain West Conference.

With the Bulldogs leading the West Division at 4-1 and Utah State leading the Mountain at 4-1, the CFP ranking could come into play in determining the host for the conference championship game.

The title game is to be played in the home stadium of the divisional champion with the highest winning percentage in conference games and at this point there is a tie – Fresno State on Saturday plays Boise State and finishes with New Mexico and San Jose State and Utah State plays a non-conference game at New Mexico State and ends its regular season at San Jose State, against Wyoming and at New Mexico.

A head-to-head result would be the tiebreaker and Fresno State and Utah State do not play this season.

The next tiebreaker: if one team is ranked in the latest available CFP rankings and wins on the final weekend of the regular season, it will host. If that team were to lose, a composite average of selected computer rankings would be used to determine the host.

There also are tiebreaker scenarios in the event both teams are included in the CFP rankings.

The Bulldogs' CFP ranking could also come into play in breaking a tie in the West Division, but Fresno State already holds the first head-to-head tiebreaker over San Diego State and Nevada, which are tied for second at 3-1.

Fresno State beat San Diego State last week 30-20 and beat Nevada before that 34-32.

The highest-ranked champion from a Group of Five conference (the American Athletic Conference, Conference USA, Mid-American, Mountain West and Sun Belt) is guaranteed a spot in a New Years Six bowl game, but Cincinnati, 8-0 and No. 6 in the CFP rankings, holds a significant lead there.

The Bearcats do have one tough game on the schedule down the stretch – they play 7-1 Southern Methodist on Nov. 20. But they also close out the regular season with games on Saturday against 3-5 Tulsa, at 2-6 South Florida and after matching up against SMU at 4-4 East Carolina.

Cincinnati, Fresno State and No. 24 San Diego State were the only Group of Five programs in the first CFP rankings.

Fresno State back Ronnie Rivers sets another record in an emotional Senior Day victory

By Robert Kuwada

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The Fresno State Bulldogs created a lot of memories in a football game that years from now might not be all that memorable, an uncomplicated 34-7 victory over a struggling New Mexico on Senior Day Saturday.

Most will be from before or after a victory the Bulldogs needed to remain in the West Division race in the Mountain West Conference. There's the pregame, with 17 seniors honored before playing what likely was their final home game. There's the walk down and up the storied ramp and into Bulldog Stadium, a special stretch of real estate for those who have traversed it for four or five football seasons. There's the reception from a crowd of 35,020, marking the first time in a long time, 2013, Fresno State has had four home crowds of more than 33,000 in a season.

But there was one moment from the field that will stand a test of time. It was career touchdown No. 50 and career rushing touchdown No. 40 for running back Ronnie Rivers, one of those 17 seniors.

He took a direct snap on a third-and-2 from the New Mexico 4-yard line in the first quarter, flanked in the backfield by tight end Juan Rodriguez and running back Jordan Mims, bounced outside right and outran Lobos cornerback Corey Hightower into the corner of the end zone.

Rivers then took a bow to that crowd before he was surrounded by his teammates, tight ends Tre Watson and Raymond Pauwels Jr., right tackle Alex Akingbulu and Mims the first to get there.

"I had that one planned out a little bit – just to do that celebration and thank all of the fans and everybody that has shown support over these past five years," said Rivers, who passed Ryan Mathews with his 40th career rushing touchdown and to the top of the program's all-time list.

RIVERS HITS 50, AND 40 CAREER TOUCHDOWNS

It was a big moment for the Bulldogs, their fans and for Rivers, the son of Ron Rivers, a star running back at Fresno State in the early 1990s.

"What an amazing accomplishment," center Matt Smith said. "To be on the field when he did that, it's just a blessing. It's history. There's not many times you get to witness it, let alone be a part of it."

"Ever since I came here, that's one of the first people you just gravitate toward," Akingbulu said. "That's one of the first people you see on the field. Man, he's a great running back – fast, quick. He's everything you need in a running back. He makes you look good, as well. He's also a leader, a funny guy. There's nothing you can say bad about that guy. Organizations are blessed to have talent like that."

"Super happy for him," coach Kalen DeBoer said. "That is a really big number. That's a lot of touchdowns."

From an appreciation standpoint, DeBoer said Rivers simply stands out.

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"He never wavers with his mindset, his attitude," the Bulldogs coach said. "He's just a guy that keeps working and is happy. He has a swagger about him that is contagious and rubs off on our entire team.

"When he's out there, it just feels different. Our entire team and specifically the offense, when No. 20 is in the huddle you know you have a really good chance."

The Lobos obviously didn't. Fresno State held the visiting team to just 196 yards of offense, the eighth game in a row they have failed to hit even 300. The Rivers touchdown was followed by touchdown passes from Jake Haener to Pauwels and to Josh Kelly and 51- and 48-yard field goals by Cesar Silva. It was 27-0 before the Lobos scored their lone touchdown on a drive fueled by a roughing the passer penalty on the Bulldogs.

Haener ended up hitting 24 of 31 passes for 300 yards with three touchdowns, the final one to Mims from 4 yards out, his seventh 300-yard game this season and 11th in 17 games at Fresno State.

The Bulldogs outgained New Mexico 397 to 196. They had 23 first downs to the Lobos' seven, the fewest allowed to a FBS opponent going back through the 2000 season.

It was not close, or a very clean game for Fresno State, which was penalized 10 times including six false starts and had a holding call that wiped out a punt return touchdown by Zane Pope.

But it kept the Bulldogs (8-3, 5-2 in the MW) in the West Division race in the Mountain West Conference. And for 17 Bulldogs, there was much more to it.

BULLDOGS' SENIORS HAVE THEIR SAY

Some of those seniors had been in the program for six seasons, were there for a 1-11 season, and played a role in flipping the Bulldogs' football fortunes faster than anyone had before in college football history.

Fresno State went 10-4 with a victory in the Hawaii Bowl the next season, and 12-2 with a Mountain West championship and victory in the Las Vegas Bowl the one after that.

"Oh, man, it was sad for me," defensive tackle Kevin Atkins said. "I shed a few tears. I've been here, I'm one of the oldest dudes on the team. It has been a long journey. It's bittersweet. I know football is not over for me and I know this season is not over. We still have steps to take. But after this, after our last game, whenever that may be, I'll never play another game in this stadium. That kind of broke my heart to know that I'll never play another game here, because this is really a special place.

"You know, when you first get here they tell you that and you don't really believe in it until you actually play here. Just knowing that comes to an end, that really broke my heart."

Some of those 17 had been here just this one year, or three, like Akingbulu, who transferred to Fresno State from UCLA. The pregame ceremony got him, and many of his teammates.

"I tried not to cry," he said. "Then I looked to my right and looked to my left, all the other seniors were crying. So I was like, 'OK, it might be good to cry.' Just seeing my mom there and how proud she is and seeing the crowd for the last time. Wow. I just took everything in.

"I don't know if I'll ever necessarily feel that again. Especially at home with the crowd cheering you on. I just took everything in. Having the opportunity to say, 'Hi,' to all the fans is something I am going to hold dear to my heart."

"It's an amazing feeling," Rivers said. "Just being able to share that with the teammates I have out here. None of this is possible without them. Just being able to share this moment with my teammates and family and everyone that came to support us is a great feeling."

NEXT FOR BULLDOGS

Thanksgiving Day: at San Jose State, 12:30 p.m.

Tedford, round 2 starts at Fresno State. 'It's just in my blood. I'm a football coach'

By Robert Kuwada

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Fresno State landed the football coach that it wanted in Jeff Tedford, who had stepped away from the position three years ago due to heart-related health issues and is now back, ready to go and all in as he said — in the meeting room, on the practice field and in renovating Bulldog Stadium.

"As I departed, the exit was a very emotional one and it was for good reasons," Tedford said Wednesday at his introductory press conference. "I had no idea what was going to happen with the procedure (a cardiac ablation). I heard different things and different experiences people had. Maybe it took once, twice, three times or whatever, and I didn't feel like I wanted to put the program in a position. I felt the right thing to do for the program and the university at that time was to back out and make sure to take care of that.

"As that went along, it took great the first time, and then a couple of months to really heal and recover and then it kind of started. The mind started working about different things and missing it and really a lot of interaction with players over the last really year and a half. When that happened, having a lot of players reach out, kind of goes back to the purpose piece, of being able to have an impact on young people's lives, really started having me reflect on what this role is and the impact that it has in so many people's lives.

"The last year, I knew I was going to get back into football. because it's just in my blood. It's who I am. I'm a football coach. I like to think I'm a leader of young people. Really, I knew that I was going to reengage. I was energized and ready to reengage, and the Lord just happened to create this position again. I'm a firm believer everything happens for a reason and I'm just fortunate that this is it."

Now it's back to football for Tedford, 60, who takes over a program reeling a bit after the departure of coach Kalen DeBoer to Washington. But Tedford will be well ahead of where he was in 2002 when hired at Cal to try to rebuild the Golden Bears' program and in 2017 when the former Fresno State quarterback returned to his alma mater to resuscitate a team and fan base that had fallen hard.

TEDFORD'S HISTORY OF SUCCESS

Both times Tedford had immediate success, which is one big reason he was the smart-money pick that athletics director Terry Tumey would broker a return to Fresno State. In 14 seasons as a head coach, Tedford is 108-71, a .603 winning percentage, a remarkable figure considering he inherited football programs that were coming off a 1-10 season at Cal and a 1-11 season at Fresno State.

Cal was 7-5 in its first season under Tedford and 10-2 and was ranked as high as No. 4 in the Associated Press Top 25 in just his third season. Fresno State went 10-4 in its first season under Tedford and 12-2 with the conference title in his second, becoming the first team in history to go from double-digit losses in one season to double-digit wins in the next two.

He is, he believes, a better coach now than he was then with the past three years behind him.

"Absolutely," he said. "I think when you do reflect, there's self evaluation of everything. There's evaluation of everything, but part of that is self-evaluation and so I think one of the great things about this go-round is I understand the culture here as it pertains to the last few years. I understand our strengths. I understand our challenges. When you first come back to a place after being gone so long the first time, you have to kind of learn the landscape. Well, I feel really comfortable in understanding the landscape and how we can continue to improve what we need to accomplish."

FAMILY SUPPORT

His family, he said, supported a return to a high-stress job after a second heart issue. In 2014 when the offensive coordinator of the NFL Tampa Bay Buccaneers, he had a coronary angioplasty in which two stents were placed in an artery in his heart and after a brief return decided to take an indefinite leave of absence.

"They know what I'm about," Tedford said. "My wife has always been very, very supportive of what is going on. If we were going to move away and go coach somewhere else, she was supportive of that, as well. Obviously, to be able to stay here and be a part of the community, be around our kids, we have a new grandchild and so we're fired up about that. Of course, they want me to be happy and now that they know that I'm healthy, it makes us all happy. My kids are very involved and very supportive. It wasn't a difficult conversation at all."

The pace of the job will not change, and Tedford isn't about to change his approach. But he said he will take time to maintain an exercise regimen, to eat better.

"As far as coaching is concerned, I know one way to do it, really," he said. "That's attention to detail. I can't see that changing whatsoever. I'm not in this to be average or mediocre. We have a job to do. I do realize that there needs to be a balance as far as that's concerned, so you may see me jogging around the building here every now and then and things like that just to make sure that everything is good that way. But I feel great."

TO-DO LIST

In 2022, the Bulldogs will have some roster repair to be done after losing 17 seniors including record-setting running back Ronnie Rivers, first-team all-conference right tackle Alex Akingbulu, defensive tackle Kevin Atkins, defensive end Arron Mosby, tight end Juan Rodriguez, long snapper Jacob Westberry and wideout Keric Wheatfall.

But Fresno State could contend in the Mountain West again next season, and make a 4-8 season in 2019 more of an outlier in a run with Tedford and DeBoer, who Tedford had hired from Eastern Michigan to run the offense on his first staff. Tedford met with the Bulldogs on Wednesday morning, but first and second on the to-do list is hiring a staff and recruiting. With the early national letter of intent signing period starting Dec. 15.

After the press conference, he went right into a recruiting meeting.

Back to work, in his former office, empty for now.

"I couldn't tell you what it means to our institution that we are moving forward with probably the most highly-acclaimed, most-recognized coach in our conference, and one of the most proficient offensive minds here on the West Coast," athletics director Terry Tumey said.

"The fact that he has returned to the university in a way that is totally endearing of his partnership and thought as an alum to this place shows his commitment not only to this university but to the Valley and to the community. I feel honored to be able to work beside him to build his alma mater to where he also believes it should be. This institution should be recognized as one of the premier athletics departments and athletic entities here on the West Coast, because our Valley deserves that. To have a person of that magnitude to take the helm of one of our most community-engaging sports, football, does extremely well for the future of Fresno State."

FRESNO STATE BOWL GAMES

LITTLE ALL AMERICAN BOWL

FRESNO STATE 27
 ARKANSAS STATE 26

Dec. 25, 1937 • Los Angeles, Calif.

Scoring By Quarters

Fresno State	0	7	7	13	-	27
Arkansas State	0	7	7	12	-	26

Scoring Summary

- FS Toby Heeb, 6 yard pass from Ken Gleason (Ray Sturgill kick)
- ASU Rabbit Burnett, 16 yard run (C. Turner kick)
- ASU Peewee Montgomery, 4 yard run (Turner kick)
- FS Granny Holbrook, 10 yard pass from Gleason (Sturgill Kick)
- FS Heeb, 15 yard run (kick failed)
- ASU Turner, 18 yard pass from Burnett (kick failed)
- FS Holbrook, 7 yard run (Sturgill kick)
- ASU Montgomery, 85 yard kickoff return (kick blocked)

Attendance: 5,000

LOS ANGELES – In a benefit charity bowl aiding the Under Privileged Children's Milk Fund of Los Angeles, the Bulldogs spent Christmas day battling through a game filled with deadlocked scores, intricate passing and a strong running game.

Before 5,000 roaring fans in Gilmore Stadium, Los Angeles, the Fresno State College Bulldogs clinched a last second 27-26 victory over the Arkansas State College Teachers (ASU Bears) from Conway Arkansas.

Fresno State jumped out with an early 7-0 lead in the first period starting from the 47-yard line and scoring with an acrobatic catch by Toby Heeb from quarterback Ken Gleason. ASU answered, ending the first half 7-7.

The final half of the game started with a quick seven for ASU as Montgomery crossed into the endzone standing up after a nearly 35-yard drive.

Down by seven, the Bulldogs took the ball at the 17-yard line beginning an offensive attack that resulted in a seven point boost with a touchdown from Granville Holbrook and an extra point from Ray Sturgill.

Tied at 14-14 the fourth quarter opened with a 35-yard punt return placing the ball on Fresno's 41. The offense did not stop there as the Bulldogs ran the ball 59 yards to score. The extra point went wide putting Fresno State up 20-14.

The Bears yet again retaliated tying the game 20-20 with a 65-yard drive and an endzone trip by Turner. The extra point edged ASU once again on par with the Bulldogs.

Fresno State found their way on top scoring their fourth touchdown by Holbrook on a 33-yard run and successfully placing the extra point.

Arkansas State would not give up as the game minutes were diminishing. Returning the kickoff, Bears' Montgomery faked a pass to teammate Burnett and ran an 85-yard touchdown. Threatening to tie the game, the Bulldogs' Frank McClurg blocked the kick securing a one-point Fresno State lead that would determine the Bulldogs' first-ever bowl game victory.

Team Stats

	FS	ASU
Fumbles	8	1
Passes A-C	11-7	21-7
First Downs	19	9

Individual Stats - Unavailable

PINEAPPLE BOWL

FRESNO STATE 3
 HAWAII 0

Jan. 1, 1941 • Honolulu, Hawaii

Scoring By Quarters

Fresno State	0	0	0	3	-	3
Hawaii	0	0	0	0	-	0

Scoring Summary

- FS Dale Mickelwait, 18 yard FG

Attendance: 22,000

HONOLULU – The Bulldogs traveled to Honolulu to play before 22,000 wind-blown and rowdy spectators in the Pineapple Bowl. Matching up against the Hawai'i Rainbows, the Bulldogs found the needed three-point difference early in the fourth quarter to seal the Fresno State victory.

The 'Dogs produced the three-point game spread off a Dale Mickelwait 18-yard field goal held by Lloyd Leest. The Pineapple Bowl game-winner marked the second time Mickelwait booted the Bulldogs to victory this season. He secured the extra point conversion against Nevada to push the Bulldogs to a 7-6 triumph.

The 3-0 score is a misleading summary of the game considering both teams had several empty scoring attempts and the Bulldogs and Rainbows gained at least 200 yards apiece. Both teams found themselves with penalty problems - Hawai'i lost 40 yards and the Bulldogs dropped 55, but fumble action was fairly clean as Hawai'i created the game's one and only loose ball. Hawai'i held the Bulldogs twice within their five-yard line before Fresno State broke the three-quarter scoreless streak.

Team Stats

	FS	UH
First Downs	12	15
Rushing Yds.	208	197
Passing Yds.	17	66
Punts/Avg.	8/36	6/34
Fumbles	0	1
Yards Penalized	55	40

Individual Stats - Unavailable

RAISIN BOWL

DRAKE 13
 FRESNO STATE 12

Jan. 1, 1946 • Fresno, Calif.

Scoring By Quarters

Drake	6	0	0	7	-	13
Fresno State	0	6	0	6	-	12

Scoring Summary

- DU Wallace Rooker, 1 yard run (kick failed)
- FS Jack Kelley, 19 yard run (kick blocked)
- FS Mel Gustafson, 1 yard run (kick failed)
- DU Charles McDowell, 24 yard pass from Jack Coupe (Jim Baer kick)

Attendance: 10,000

FRESNO, Calif. – Ratcliff Stadium and the Fresno State Bulldogs played host to 10,000 fans and the Drake Bulldogs for the first-ever Raisin Bowl.

Fresno State led for most of the game entering the fourth quarter with a 12-6 spread over Drake. With only 6:30 remaining in the game the Bulldogs opted not to utilize their successful running game, but instead went to their passing game on the second down. To quarterback Mel Gustafson's dismay, the pass did not find Bulldog hands but was interrupted by Drake guard Ralph Gruben who advanced the ball to the FS 24-yard line.

The following play proved fatal for Fresno State as Drake's halfback Jake Coupe connected a pass to Charles McDowell who ran the ball in from the 1-yard line. Jim Baer converted for the final point needed to defeat the Bulldogs 13-12.

Fresno State found six of their total points in the first half, but not until after the Drake 'Dogs sent their first seven to the scoreboard.

Down by six, the Bulldogs opened the second quarter with an impressive offensive drive. Jack Kelley produced a 19-yard running touchdown play on a double-reverse crossing into the endzone standing. With a failed field goal attempt the score stood at 6-6 heading into the half.

Opening the final period, FS scored when Louis Papac received a shallow Drake punt on the Drake 44. Papac pulled defenders to his right then reversed his motion to hustle the ball all the way to the Drake 1-yard line where Hobza knocked him out of bounds. Gustafson was credited with the TD bulldozing into the endzone to score. Taylor's kick soared wide, but the 'Dogs were on top again leading 12-7.

With less than seven minutes remaining, the game appeared to be wrapped up, but the Bulldogs could not foresee the fatal intercepted pass that would put the game away for good.

Team Stats

	FS	Drake
First Downs	9	9
Rushing Yds.	163	155
Punts/Avg.	13/32.4	8/28.6
Fumbles	1	6

Individual Stats - Unavailable



1937
 LITTLE ALL-AMERICAN BOWL



1941
 PINEAPPLE BOWL



1946
 RAISIN BOWL

FRESNO STATE BOWL GAMES

MERCY BOWL 1

FRESNO STATE 36

BOWLING GREEN 6

Nov. 23, 1961 • Los Angeles, Calif.

Score by Quarters	1	2	3	4	Score
Fresno State	3	7	20	6	36
Bowling Green	0	6	0	0	6

Scoring Summary

FS	Nick Masich, 29 yard FG
BG	Ray Bell, 2 yard run (kick failed)
FS	Jan Barrett, 45 yard pass from Beau Carter ((Masich kick)
FS	Bruce Seifert, 1 yard run (Masich kick)
FS	Barrett, 23 yard pass from Carter (kick failed)
FS	Carter, 4 yard run (Masich kick)
FS	Carter, 8 yard run (pass failed)

Attendance: 33,146

LOS ANGELES – In remembrance of the 17 Cal Poly football players killed in a plane crash following a Bowling Green vs. Cal Poly game a year earlier, Fresno State and Bowling Green matched up for the Mercy Bowl Classic to raise money for the surviving widows and children and to dedicate a memorial in their honor. Before a then record breaking crowd of 33,145, the Bulldogs and Falcons raised \$200,000 as they played what would become known as one of the greatest victories in Bulldog head coach Cecil Coleman's career.

Six point underdogs entering the game, the Bulldogs surprised everyone but themselves in a trouncing 36-6 victory over Bowling Green ending the Bulldogs' unblemished season with a 10-0 record.

With a passing attack that would not, or could not be stopped, the Bulldogs trailed only once in the game defeating what was known as the fourth ranked team in the nation in total defense with their relentless air-strike.

The Bulldogs scored the next five touchdowns, breaking numerous school records and grabbing six interceptions to soundly win the game.

Bulldog Bruce Seifert scored a TD on a 1-yard run to start the third period. Masich gained a Bulldog point on the conversion.

Ahead 17-6, the Bulldogs passed over the grounded Falcons, a 23-yard strike from Carter to Barrett in the endzone. Although the extra point failed, the 'Dogs moved further out of reach.

On a 4-yard run Carter scored the final TD of the 20-point third quarter. Masich's extra point pushed the Bulldog spread to 30-6.

Carter found himself on a final 8-yard scoring run for the 'Dogs in the fourth, his second TD for the game. With the failed extra point attempt the Bulldogs retired the game 36-6.

Fresno State Lineups

Offense — LE Jay Buckert, LT Monte Day, LG Bill Laughlin, C Don Brockett, RG Jack Bohan, RE Jan Faris, QB Jon Anabo, LH Herman Hamp, RH Bill Kendrick, RB Bruce Seifert.



1961
MERCY BOWL 1

TEAM STATS

	FS	BG
First Downs	17	23
Rushing Yds.	133	108
Passing A-C-1	22-11-3	43-22-1
Punts/Avg.	4/34	4/32
Penalties-Yds.	4-20	7-75
Fumbles	5	1

INDIVIDUAL STATS

Rushing		
Bowling Green	Att.	Yds.
Heoner	13	42
Bell	7	28
Potts	3	1
Lisbon	2	10
Hartshorn	3	9
R. Reynolds	2	2
Junior	3	22
Tunnoll	1	-5
Ruggero	1	2

Fresno State	Att.	Yds.
Carter	7	32
Kendrick	5	16
Morris	3	10
Masich	2	6
Hamp	4	11
Selfert	5	12
Sanderson	1	-5
Allen	2	5
Ward	1	3
Anabo	1	10
Knocke	1	0

Passing			
Bowling Green	A-C-1	TD	Yds.
Potts	17-9-2	0	155
Heoner	3-1-1	0	21
Fearnside	2-1-0	0	32

Fresno State	A-C-1	TD	Yds.
Anabo	13-8-0	0	120
Carter	28-14-1	2	248
Stockton	2-0-0	0	0

Receiving		
Bowling Green	Yds.	TD
L. Smith	69	0
R. Reynolds	50	0
Lisbon	34	0
Weaver	38	0
Hepner	17	0

Fresno State	Yds.	TD
Barrett	161	2
Houser	71	0
Buckert	45	0
Hamp	45	0
Farls	12	0
Morris	2	0
Folgerstrom	13	0
Allen	17	0

FRESNO STATE BOWL GAMES

CAMELLIA BOWL

HUMBOLDT STATE 29

FRESNO STATE 14

Dec. 14, 1968 • Sacramento, Calif.

Score by Quarters	1	2	3	4	Score
Humboldt State	0	16	7	6	29
Fresno State	7	0	7	0	14

Scoring Summary

- FS Walt Jensen, 1 yard run (Ken Casida kick)
- HSU Mike Cremer, 1 yard run (Dave Banducci kick)
- HSU Banducci, 27 yard FG
- HSU Banducci, 45 yard FG
- HSU Banducci, 37 yard FG
- FS Jensen, 1 yard run (Casida kick)
- HSU Don Del Grande, 30 yard pass from Jim Costello (Banducci kick)
- HSU Dennis Sousa, 4 yard pass from Banducci (kick failed)

Attendance: 8,168

SACRAMENTO, Calif. – The eighth annual Camellia Bowl, played in a muddy Hughes Stadium in Sacramento, Calif., produced a Fresno State defeat as the Bulldogs fell to the Humboldt State Lumberjacks 29-14.

Blocking three Lumberjack kicks would generally predict a Fresno State win, but the Bulldogs' 12 turnovers, seven intercepted passes and five fumbles made up the difference. The California Collegiate Athletic Association champion Bulldogs' effort was stunted even more with out-of-service phone communication between the press box coaching staff and field staff.

Despite the confusion, the Bulldogs opened the scoring by Tony Welch blocking a Lumberjack punt. Welch recovered the ball and ran it to the Humboldt State 5 where Walt Jensen drove it in to score and Ken Casida nailed the extra point.

With a seven point deficit the Lumberjacks, 10-1 and Far Western Conference champions, capitalized on the Bulldogs' offensive glitches and phone service problems coming from behind to take a 16-7 lead heading into the half.

The second half was more of the first as the Bulldogs came out strong. Jack Olson intercepted a likely TD pass from Lumberjack Dennis Sommer and ran the length of the field to set the 'Dogs up on the Humboldt State 1-yard line. Jensen scored and Casida converted cutting the spread to Humboldt State 16, Fresno State 14.

The Lumberjacks avenged the Bulldog seven with a Costello pass to Don Del Grande who found the endzone. Casida converted for the 23-14 lead.

Humboldt was not finished yet however finding Sousa crossing into Fresno State territory on a 4-yard pass from Banducci. The extra point sailed wide cementing the final score Humboldt State 29, Fresno State 14.

Fresno State Lineups

Offense – TE Dave Harris, T John Stahl, LG Hank Corda, C Daryl Waroniecki, RG Brad Fishel, T Bob Inderbleten, SE Steve Sommer, FL Fred Vickers, QB Ron Hudson, HB Walt Jensen, FB Mike Flores.

Defense – DE Gene Suglian, DT Tony Welch, NG John Focke, DT Ron Remington, DE Dave Auxier, LB Tom McCall, LB Pat Callahan, CB Lloyd Madden, CB Ted Cowles, S Sam Germany, S Ervin Hunt.



1968
CAMELLIA BOWL

MERCY BOWL 2

CAL STATE FULLERTON 17

FRESNO STATE 14

Dec. 11, 1971 • Anaheim, Calif.

Score by Quarters	1	2	3	4	Score
CS Fullerton	7	3	0	7	17
Fresno State	0	0	7	7	14

Scoring Summary

- CSF Don Cotalic, 22 yard block punt recovery (Craig Hiatt kick)
- CSF Hiatt, 25 yard FG
- FS Ben Childers, 12 yard pass from John Behrens (Stoetzl kick)
- FS Gene Austin, 54 yard pass from Behrens (Stoetzl kick)
- CSF Tyrone Perry, 5 yard pass from Mike Ernst (Hiatt kick)

Attendance: 16,854

ANAHEIM, Calif. – Playing for the 14 surviving children of three Fullerton State assistant coaches and a pilot who died in an airplane crash only a month earlier, the Fullerton State Titans came from behind to take the 17-14 Mercy Bowl II victory over the Fresno State Bulldogs.

In the second bowl in Fresno State history played for plane crash victims (1961 Mercy Bowl), the 'Dogs were never able to find a rhythm that would disassemble the Fullerton State offense.

The Titans led for the greater part of the match heading into the second half with a 10-0 lead over the Bulldogs. With 3:21 remaining in the first period Titan Don Cotalic blocked a Bulldog punt scoring on a 22-yard run. Bare-foot kicker Craig Hiatt earned the extra point for the Titans finding the early 7-0 lead. Before the half ended Fullerton State capitalized on more Bulldog trouble as a wild pass from Bulldog center Harry Mestjian caused a desperation kick from Atomic Torosian netting only five yards. Bulldog penalties moved Fullerton State to the nine-yard line where the shoeless Titan nailed a 25-yard field goal for the 10-0 lead.

The Bulldogs found their strength after halftime driving 66 yards in just six plays and scoring off a 12-yard strike from John Behrens to Ben Childers. Childers caught the pigskin at the three-yard line and barreled his way into the endzone with two Fullerton State defenders hanging on his shirrtail. Luis Stoetzl secured the extra point cutting the Titan lead to only three.

Fresno State fed off the Bulldog momentum finding seven more points to send to the scoreboard from a Fullerton fumble recovery and a 54-yard rocket from Behrens to flanker Gene Austin. Stoetzl nailed the extra point giving the Bulldogs their first 14-10 lead of the game.

The Titans retaliated however finding their last seven on an 88-yard drive, 11-play, 5-yard pass TD with only 3:32 left to play

Fresno State Lineups

Offense – SE Daren Gee, T Pat Pickford, G Steve Verry, C Lee Munson, G Pat Plummer, T Dave Vietty, TE Ben Childers, QB John Inglehart, HB Herbie Phillips, FB Atomic Torosian, FL Mike Harris.

Defense – DE Jack Fisher, DT Dennis Keran, NG Theodore Lambert, DT Elmer Cummings, DE Bob Serowick, LB Bill Crawford, LB Gary Weaver, CB Dwayne Crump, CB Ben Davis, SS Phil Borjas, FS Ray Sherman.



1971
MERCY BOWL 2

FRESNO STATE BOWL GAMES

CALIFORNIA RAISIN BOWL 2

FRESNO STATE 29

BOWLING GREEN 28

Dec. 18, 1982 • Fresno, Calif.

Score by Quarters	1	2	3	4	Score
Fresno State	0	0	7	22	29
Bowling Green	0	14	14	0	28

Scoring Summary

BG	Chip Otten, 4 yard run (Gehad Youssef kick)
BG	John Meek, 1 yard pass from Brian McClure (Youssef kick)
BG	Shawn Potts, 5 yard pass from McClure (Youssef kick)
FS	Stephone Paige, 1 yard 1 pass from Jeff Tedford (Scott Darrow kick)
BG	Potts, 6 yard advance of fumble after Greg Taylor 29 yard pass from McClure (Youssef kick)
FS	Paige, 4 yard run (Darrow kick)
FS	Paige, 27 yard pass from Tedford (Terry Carter pass from Darrow)
FS	Vince Wesson, 2 yard pass from Tedford (Darrow kick)

Attendance: 30,000

FRESNO, Calif. – Fresno State kept its tradition of last minute wins intact trailing by three TDs with 15:42 to play and bouncing back with a 22-point fourth quarter to capture the 29-28 victory with just 11 seconds remaining.

Bulldog flanker Vince Wesson caught a 2-yard pass from Jeff Tedford in the endzone to tie the game 28-28. The Bulldogs pushed ahead 29-28 when kicker Scott Darrow sent fans into a victory frenzy booting the extra point through the uprights.

The dramatic ending was the result of a slow Bulldogs start as the 'Dogs went scoreless until the third quarter. The Falcons however had no trouble jumping into the lead finding the endzone twice before the first half ended.

Trailing by 21, the Bulldogs awoke to the roar of Fresno State fans and proceeded to find their mark on the scoreboard. With an 11-yard pass to Stephone Paige from Jeff Tedford and the extra point from Scott Barrow, the 'Dogs cut the Falcon lead to 14.

The Falcons did not let the 'Dogs back in the game without a fight scoring another goal off a fumble recovery by Potts before the third period expired. The quarter is not the only thing that expired however, so had the Falcon scoring summary.

The remaining 15-minutes contained a Bulldog scoring spree beginning with an 80-yard series resulting in a four-yard run by Paige into the endzone. With the score now Bowling Green 28, Fresno State 14, the 'Dogs set out to find two more TDs.

Setting up on the Falcon 27-yard line, Tedford connected with Paige up the middle who evaded defenders and scored. Playing the odds, the 'Dogs completed a two-point conversion off a pass from Tedford to Terry Carter.

Trailing now by six, with game time steadily dropping from 3:16, the 'Dogs went into what would come to be a 44-yard series of seven plays, a Bowling Green facemask penalty and a Fresno State win with only 11 seconds remaining.

Paige set a school record with 246 yards receiving and tied another with 15 receptions. Tedford tied a school record with 373 yards in passing and set a single game record with 31 completions.

Fresno State Lineups

Offense — SE Stephone Paige, LT Kevin Molle, LG Jerry Lockwood, C John Blacksill, RG Tom Neville, RT Ed Carter, TE Bill Griever, QB Jeff Tedford, TB Terry Carter, FB Dave Adams, FL Vince Wesson.

Defense — LB Kepa Kaaekuahiwi, T Clyde Glover, NG Morris Brown, E Kevin Jones, MLB Kevin Johnson, WLB Bobby Stevenson, ROV Ron Yrigollen, CB Kent Paine, SS Don Turner, FS Matt McKnight, CB Derrick Franklin.



TEAM STATS

	FS	BG
First Downs	27	17
Rushes-Yds.	24-80	44-126
Passing-Yds.	373	246
Return-Yds	59	32
Passes	31-50-4	22-32-1
Punts	2-39	7-40
Fumbles-Lost	4-3	2-0
Penalties-Yds.	4-35	8-68
Time of Possession	24:20	35:40

INDIVIDUAL STATS

	Rushing	
Fresno State	Att.	Yds.
Thomas	5	48
Carter	6	41

	Att.	Yds.
Bowling Green		
Otten	31	136
Wagner	5	18

	Passing	
Fresno State	A-C-I	Yds.
Tedford	31-50-4	373

	A-C-I	Yds.
Bowling Green		
McClure	22-32-1	246

	Receiving	TD
Fresno State	Yds.	
Paige	15	246
Griever	4	43
Wesson	3	21

	Yds.	TD
Bowling Green		
Otten	11	76
Meek	4	55
Taylor	3	74



FRESNO STATE BOWL GAMES

CALIFORNIA RAISIN BOWL 5

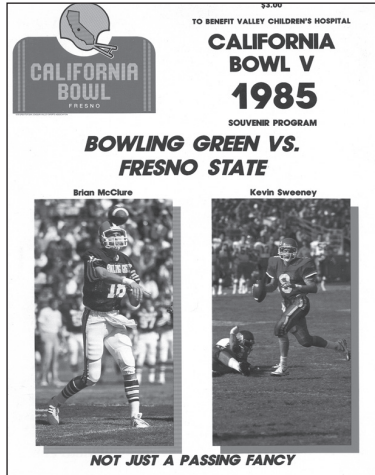
FRESNO STATE 51
BOWLING GREEN 7
Dec. 14, 1985 • Fresno, Calif.

Score by Quarters	1	2	3	4	Score
Bowling Green	0	0	0	7	7
Fresno State	7	16	14	14	51

Scoring Summary

- FS James Williams, 10 yard run (Barry Belli kick)
- FS Anthony Mosley, 1 yard run (Belli kick)
- FS Gene Taylor, 33 yard pass from Kevin Sweeney (Belli kick)
- FS Safety, BG's Brian McClure tackled in end zone
- FS Taylor, 53 yard pass from Sweeney (Belli kick)
- FS Kelly Skipper, 29 yard run (Belli kick)
- BG Jeff Davis, 18 yard run (Paul Silvi kick)
- FS Stephen Baker, 40 yard pass from Sweeney (Belli kick)
- FS Skipper, 13 yard run (Belli kick)

Attendance: 32,554



FRESNO, Calif. – With a reputation as the highest scoring team in the nation, Fresno State dismantled Bowling Green, the Mid American Conference champion, 51-7 in a rematch of the 1982 Cal Bowl II. The 'Dogs finished the season as the nation's only unbeaten Division I team in standing-room only Bulldog Stadium.

Quarterback Kevin Sweeney helped Fresno State's cause throwing for three touchdowns and the Bulldog running game churned out 225 yards, not to mention the Bulldog defense recovering five fumbles and intercepting three passes. The Falcons, stunned by the Bulldog strength, stood by watching their undefeated season and 14-game winning streak, the longest in the nation, come to an end.

The Bulldogs ended the first quarter with only seven of their to-be 51 points off a touchdown from James Williams on a 10-yard run down the center. Barry Belli nailed the extra point

The Bulldogs 14-point second period boosted a 21-0 lead over the then-nationally ranked Falcons with an Anthony Mosley 1-yard run resulting from a Bulldog fumble recovery on the Bowling Green 12-yard line. Then, with 6:59 left in the half Sweeney connected a 33-yard strike to Gene Taylor in the endzone. Belli secured both extra points.

The second half was simply more of the first with the Bulldogs scoring 23 points before time dissolved. Five minutes into the third quarter, Sweeney found Taylor alone on the sideline who scored on a 53-yard touchdown pass. Then, after an official timeout due to crowd noise, the Bulldogs marched 73 yards up the field scoring from a Kelly Skipper 29-yard run. Once again Belli completed the extra point pushing the score to 37-0 entering in the final period of play.

Sweeney connected a 40-yard pass with double-teamed Stephan Baker standing in the endzone. Then with 5:57 left in the game and the Bulldogs setting up on the 13-yard line, Skipper ran the ball through a wide gap down the center to seal the Fresno State California Bowl V victory. The 51-7 scoring margin ranks in Bulldog records as the highest bowl game spread and scoring game in Fresno State history.

Fresno State Lineups

Offense – SE Stephen Baker, LT David Lerma, LG Mike Chuhliantseff, C Mike Savage, RG Terry Laffitte, RT Greg Lovering, TE Mark Scambray, QB Kevin Sweeney, FB Anthony Mosley, TB James Williams, FL Gene Taylor.

Defense – LE Greg Ramsey, NG Chris Pacheco, RE Mark Olson, SLB David Grayson, MLB George Petersen, WLB Anthony Nunn, ROV Cliff Hannemann, LC Anthony Dollarhide, RC Roark Kelly, SS Michael Stewart, FS Rod Webster.

TEAM STATS

	FS	BG
First Downs	21	15
Rushes-Yds.	36-89	48-225
Passing-Yds.	259	194
Return-Yds	10	58
Passes	23-48-3	10-21-1
Punts	6-35	7-47
Fumbles-Lost	6-5	2-1
Penalties-Yds.	11-71	12-112
Time of Possession	32:19	27:51

INDIVIDUAL STATS

	Rushing	
	Att.	Yds.
Bowling Green		
Davis	7	78
Story	9	41
White	8	12
Schmelzle	2	7
McClure	9	-50
Fresno State	Att.	Yds.
Williams	18	94
Skipper	7	77
Mosley	9	59
Thomas	3	11
Sweeney	8	-16

	Passing	
	A-C-I	Yds.
Bowling Green		
McClure	42-22-3	254
Neiman	6-1-0	5

	A-C-I	Yds.
Fresno State		
Sweeney	19-9-1	185
Defabio	1-1-0	9

	Receiving	
	Yds.	TD
Bowling Green		
Schmelzle	7	84
Meehan	7	65
Bayless	3	31
Rankin	1	19

	Yds.	TD
Fresno State		
Mosley	3	34
Taylor	2	86
Baker	2	49
Williams	2	16



FRESNO STATE BOWL GAMES

CALIFORNIA RAISIN BOWL 8

FRESNO STATE 35

WESTERN MICHIGAN 30

Dec. 10, 1988 • Fresno, Calif.

Score by Quarters	1	2	3	4	Score
Fresno State	7	7	21	0	35
Western Michigan	0	17	7	6	30

Scoring Summary

FS	A. Alexander, 55 yard pass from Barsotti (Loop kick)
FS	Alexander, 38 yard pass from Barsotti (Loop kick)
WMU	R. Oliver, 31 yard pass from Kimbrough (Creek kick)
WMU	Davis, 51 yard run (Creek kick)
WMU	Creek, 29 yard FG
FS	Rosette, 65 yard run (Loop kick)
WMU	Davis, 15 yard pass from Kimbrough (Creek kick)
FS	Rosette, 4 yard run (Loop kick)
FS	Jones, 26 yard run (Loop kick)
WMU	Kimbrough, 6 yard run (pass failed)

Attendance: 31,272

FRESNO, Calif. – Big West Conference champion Fresno State captured its third California Bowl title in seven years, before 31,272 fans in Bulldog Stadium.

The 'Dogs jumped out to an early 7-0 lead over the Broncos of Western Michigan when Mark Barsotti connected a 55-yard pass to Andre Alexander and Steve Loop nailed the extra point attempt.

The touchdown pair struck again in the second period when Barsotti found Alexander covering 38 yards, ball-in-hand, entering the endzone. Loop's extra point hit the target carrying the 'Dogs to a 14-0 lead.

The Broncos, silent through the first quarter, and the first minutes of the second, awoke to stun the Bulldogs with two consecutive touchdowns before the half dissolved. Robert Oliver crossed the line dragging a Bulldog defender off a 31-yard pass from Tony Kimbrough. John Creek gave the Broncos the extra point closing in on the Bulldog lead.

Less than two minutes passed before the Broncos landed in the endzone again. Setting up on the WMU 49-yard line, Rob Davis found an open tunnel through the defense and traveled into the endzone. Creek sent the extra point to the scoreboard tying the game 14-14.

Before time ran out, Bronco's Creek nailed a 29-yard field goal leaving the Bulldogs on their heels trailing 17-14 at the half for the first time at home during the '88 season.

The Bulldogs countered the Bronco lead in the second half with a ferocious running attack. On the Fresno State 35, Darrell Rosette located a hole in WMU defense and motored the ball 65-yards to score. Loop secured the extra point putting the Bulldogs again in the lead 21-20.

WMU responded with a touchdown by Davis only minutes later, but the Bulldogs held the momentum scoring on a 80-yard drive and a 4-yard run by Rosette.

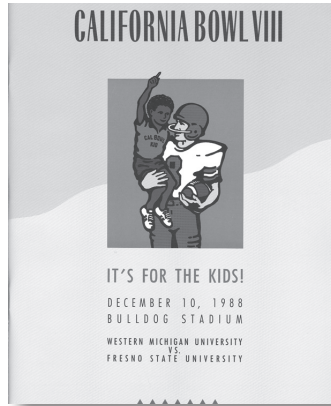
Ahead 28-24, the Bulldogs relentlessly pushed the Broncos tallying seven more points before the third quarter closed. Bulldog Myron Jones, handled the ball on the WMU 26-yard line, faked hitting the middle and veered to the corner to run it in and score.

Fresno State's senior running back Darrell Rosette earned the Cal Bowl Most Valuable Player award after rushing for a career-high 149 yards.

Fresno State Lineups

Offense – SE Dwight Pickens, LT Fil Lujan, LG Paul Vial, C Jim Rademann, RG Jeff Skidmore, RT Jeff Truschel, TE Craig Jones, TB Kelly Skipper, FB Myron Jones, QB Mark Barsotti, FL Andre Alexander.

Defense – SLB Tracy Rogers, LE Nick Ruggeroli, NG Chuck McCutchen, RE Willie Howard, MLB Brian Greer, WLB Blair Holloway, ROV Ron Cox, LC James Williams, SS Tony Harris, FS Craig Bowens, RC Darrel Martin.



TEAM STATS

	FS	WMU
First Downs	17	24
Rushing Atts	46	35
Rushing Yds.	242	187
Passes A-C-I	29-15-3	57-24-0
Passing Yds.	240	366
Total Yds.	440	503
Punts/Yds.	9-325	10-372
Fumbles	1	3
Penalties-Yds.	20-166	8-65

INDIVIDUAL STATS

	Rushing		
	Att.	Yds.	
Fresno State			
Skipper	4	6	
Vones	6	69	
Cooks	4	9	
Rosette	23	149	
Dickens	1	-3	
Barsotti	8	-30	
Western Michigan			
Davis	15	71	
Kimbrough	17	65	
Agema	3	1	
	Passing		
	A-C-I	TD	Yds.
Fresno State			
Barsotti	29-15-3	2	240
Western Michigan			
Kimbrough	57-24-0	2	366
	Receiving		
	Rec.	Yds.	TD
Fresno State			
Pickens	3	24	0
Alexander	3	103	2
Jones	5	76	0
Shelley	1	76	0
Rosette	2	6	0
Williams A.	1	5	0
Western Michigan			
Oliver	7	119	1
Boyko A.	5	120	0
Agema	6	120	0
Boyko B.	3	40	0
Davis	2	20	1
Belle	1	14	0



FRESNO STATE BOWL GAMES

CALIFORNIA RAISIN BOWL 9

FRESNO STATE 27

BALL STATE 6

Dec. 9, 1989 • Fresno, Calif.

Score by Quarters	1	2	3	4	Score
Ball State	0	6	0	0	6
Fresno State	0	10	3	14	27

Scoring Summary

FS	Steve Loop, 34 yard field goal
BSU	Barbee, 1 yard run (kick failed)
FS	Stephen Shelley, 91 yard pass from Barsotti (Loop kick)
FS	Ron Cox, 58 yard interception return (Loop kick)
FS	Curt Thornton, 5 yard pass from Buechele (Loop kick)

Attendance: 31,610

FRESNO, Calif. – With the coin flip landing in Ball State favor the Bulldogs kicked off the last Fresno State football game of the decade unaware that the game would result in a 27-6 victory over Ball State, an 11-1 winning season, the second consecutive California Raisin Bowl victory and the Bulldogs' fourth California Raisin Bowl title in eight years ('82, '85, '88, '89).

With 31,610 Fresno State fans packing Bulldog Stadium the 'Dogs led the Ball State Cardinals through a scoreless first period. The second quarter brought 10 more minutes of empty scoreboard windows until the Bulldogs took control of the game kicking a 33-yard field goal by Steve Loop.

The three point Ball State deficit did not hold as Ball State drove 73 yards, following a failed 44-yard Bulldog field goal attempt, to threaten Fresno State from 1-yard line. Cardinal Tom Barbee snuck into the endzone, but the extra point soared wide to the left putting Ball State ahead 6-3.

The Bulldogs retaliated in full force with a completed pass from Mark Barsotti to Stephen Shelley who ran the ball unscathed into the endzone for a 91-yard touchdown. Loop's extra point sent the 'Dogs into halftime with a 10-6 lead.

The third quarter of play continued to boost the Fresno State Red Wave moral. Loop nailed a field goal through the uprights from 27-yards pushing the Bulldog spread to 13-6.

The final minutes of play cemented the Bulldog win as Fresno State pulled away with two more touchdowns, holding the Cardinal to the original six points they found in the second quarter.

Less than a minute into the fourth quarter Ron Cox, a junior All-American, intercepted a BSU desperation pass and ran the ball 58 yards into the endzone. Loop sent another extra point to the scoreboard that now displayed a 20-6 Fresno State lead.

The contest was put to an end with an easy touchdown pass from Eric Buechele to wide-open Curt Thornton standing alone in the endzone. Loop rocketed his third successful extra point of the game tallying the 27-6 Fresno State California Raisin Bowl victory.

Cox received Most Valuable Player of the game.

Fresno State Lineups

Offense – SE Stephen Shelley, LT Fil Lujan, LG Paul Vial, C Dave Ewing, RG Melvin Johnson, RT Mike Foust, TE Rich Bartlewski, QB Mark Barsotti, TB Aaron Craver, FB Myron Jones, FL Dwight Pickens.

Defense – SLB Jeff Thiesen, LE Terry Cook, NG Zack Rix, RE Nick Ruggeroli, MLB Pete Jenkins, WLB Devonne Edwards, ROV Ron Cox, LC Courtney Griffin, SS David Shelton, FS Marquez Pope, RC James Williams.



TEAM STATS

	FS	BSU
First Downs	18	16
Rushing Atts	40	36
Rushing Yds.	134	115
Passes A-C-I	28-17-0	32-15-4
Passing Yds.	309	160
Total Yds.	425	221
Punts/Yds.	6-31.7	7-34
Fumbles	0	0
Penalties-Yds.	9-57	4-30

INDIVIDUAL STATS

	Rushing		Passing			Receiving		
	Att.	Yds.	A-C-I	TD	Yds.	Rec.	Yds.	TD
Fresno State								
Barsotti	2	-3	23-14-0	1	246	7	70	0
Cramer	22	65	4-3-0	1	63	2	16	1
Cooks	8	31	1-0-0	0	0	2	66	0
Jones	5	12				2	6	0
Lewis	2	12				1	91	1
Buechele	1	-1				1	18	0
						2	42	0
Ball State								
Riley	11	-22	A-C-I	TD	Yds.	3	53	0
Parmalee	21	77	29-13-3	0	138	5	46	0
Barbee	2	3	3-2-1	0	22	4	18	0
Wilson	1	0				2	12	0
Hammeroley	1	3				1	31	0



FRESNO STATE BOWL GAMES

CALIFORNIA RAISIN BOWL 11

BOWLING GREEN 28

FRESNO STATE 21

Dec. 14, 1991 • Fresno, Calif.

Score by Quarters	1	2	3	4	Score
Bowling Green	14	7	0	7	28
Fresno State	7	7	0	7	21

Scoring Summary

BG	Brett Landman, 5 pass from LeRoy Smith (Leaver kick)
BG	Mark Szlachcic, 29 pass from Erik White (Leaver kick)
FS	Mark Barsotti, 3 run (Mahoney kick)
BG	Szlachcic, 9 pass from White (Leaver kick)
FS	Anthony Daigle, 57 run (Mahoney kick)
BG	LeRoy Smith, 1 run (Leaver kick)
FS	Marty Thompson, 5 pass from Mark Barsotti (Mahoney kick)

Attendance: 34,877

FRESNO, Calif. – Bowling Green ended Fresno State's hope for a fourth California Raisin Bowl championship since 1982 on Bowling Green's 3-yard line, holding on for a 28-21 victory over the Bulldogs before a record bowl crowd of 34,877.

The Bulldogs, the Big West Conference champions who ended their season with a 10-2 record, needed to drive 99 yards inside the final three minutes for the game-tying touchdown. Behind senior quarterback Mark Barsotti, who was playing for the first time since breaking his leg on Oct. 19, Fresno State set up on Bowling Green's 3-yard line with 19 seconds to play. The Falcon defense played tight forcing Barsotti into three consecutive incomplete passes preserving the Bowling Green win.

Fresno State never ceased the relentless Bulldog attack entering the game as a two-touchdown favorite. The Falcons bolted out to leads of 14-0, 21-7 and 28-14 behind the passing combinations of quarterback Erik White and receiver Mark Szlachcic.

The Bulldogs cut the spread to 28-21 on a Barsotti TD pass to tight end Marty Thompson, then once again put themselves in position for the final drive on the Bowling Green 3-yard line after cornerback Tony Brown intercepted a White pass at the Fresno state 1-yard line.

The Bulldogs out-gained the Falcons 484-383, but the 'Dogs were constantly set back by costly penalties. Fresno State was flagged 11 times totaling 86 lost yards.

Fresno State Lineups

Offense – SE Kelvin Means, LT Ron Collins, LG Rus Hartmann, C Jason James, RG Melvin Johnson, RT Jesse Hardwick, TE Marty Thompson, QB Mark Barsotti, TB Ron Rivers, FB Lorenzo Neal, FL Malcolm Seabron.

Defense – SLB Jeff Thiesen, LE Judd Foell, NG Zack Rix, RE Earl Oliver, MLB Pete Jenkins, WLB Darren Boyer, ROV Steve Lee, LC Tony Brown, SS Stacey Wilcots, FS Marquez Pope, RC Emery Braxton.



TEAM STATS

	FS	BG
First Downs	24	22
Rushing Atts	42	39
Rushing Yds.	225	138
Passes A-C-I	36-25-1	31-19-1
Passing Yds.	286	268
Total Yds.	484	383
Punts/Yds.	3-32	4-31.5
Fumbles	2	2
Penalties-Yds.	11-86	3-36

INDIVIDUAL STATS

	Rushing Att.	Yds.
Fresno State		
Barsotti	9	21
Rivers	7	5
Neal	14	78
Daigle	8	77
Christian	2	10
Allison	2	7

	Att.	Yds.
Bowling Green		
Jackson	16	59
Smith	13	46
Lindsey	2	4
White	7	1
Lee	1	5

	Passing A-C-I	TD	Yds.
Fresno State			
Barsotti	36-25-1	1	286

	Passing A-C-I	TD	Yds.
Bowling Green			
White	30-18-1	2	263
Smith	1-1-0	1	5

	Receiving Rec.	Yds.	TD
Fresno State			
Rivers	6	84	0
Neal	4	8	0
Winans	3	66	0
Thompson	4	25	1
Ross	3	28	0
Seabron	1	23	0
Means	2	39	0
Daigle	2	13	0

	Receiving Rec.	Yds.	TD
Bowling Green			
Redd	2	47	0
Szlachcic	11	189	2
Landman	3	14	1
Jackson	3	18	0



FRESNO STATE BOWL GAMES

FREEDOM BOWL

FRESNO STATE 24

USC 7

Dec. 29, 1992 • Anaheim, Calif.

Score by Quarters	1	2	3	4	Score
No. 23 USC	0	7	0	0	7
Fresno State	0	7	3	14	24

Scoring Summary

- USC Strother 1 yard run (Ford kick)
- FS Neal 1 yard run (Mahoney kick)
- FS Mahoney 43 yard field goal
- FS Daigle 2 yard run (Mahoney kick)
- FS Rivers 5 yard run (Mahoney kick)

Attendance: 58,546

ANAHEIM, Calif. – Fresno State pulled the bowl season’s biggest and most talked about upset with a stunning 24-7 win over Southern Cal in the Freedom Bowl IX held in Anaheim Stadium. The Bulldogs dominated the Trojans in every facet of the game, most notably in total offense, where Fresno State enjoyed a 405-183 advantage.

Offense is what took Fresno State to the Freedom Bowl, but defense is what won the game that Bulldogs’ head coach Jim Sweeney said was the “biggest game in Bulldog history.”

The ‘Dogs stole four turnovers from the favored Trojans and allowed only one third-down conversion in nine attempts. USC quarterback Rob Johnson found only seven completions in the Bulldogs’ secondary and threw three interceptions. Those defensive numbers, plus a Fresno State offense that ran 84 plays created chaos for the tradition-packed Trojans.

In the second, the always-responsive Bulldogs answered an early Trojan touchdown with an 11-play, 70-yard drive resulting in a 1-yard plunge by game MVP Lorenzo Neal. Four mid-range passes by Trent Dilfer, including a 10-yarder to Tydus Winans on fourth down at the USC 33, energized the drive.

Derek Mahoney added a field goal in the third quarter to give the ‘Dogs the lead, but two fourth quarter touchdowns sent the 30,000 Red Wavers in attendance back home with a win. Eight runs for 32 yards helped set up a 22-yard pass from Dilfer to Winans that put Fresno State at the USC two-yard line with just under six minutes to play. From there, Anthony Daigle took the ball across the goal line.

Big runs of 32 yards by Ron Rivers and 17 by Daigle moved the ‘Dogs up the field while using most of the remaining time on the clock. It took only five plays for Fresno State to travel 56 yards and get the game-clinching score on a 5-yard dash up the middle by Rivers.

Fresno State Lineups

Offense – SE Lee Harris, LT Ron Collins, LG Josh Coldiron, C Jason James, RG Rus Hartmann, RT Jesse Hardwick, TE Marty Thompson, QB Trent Dilfer, TB Ron Rivers, FB Lorenzo Neal, FL Malcolm Seabron.
 Defense – SLB Wendell Valentine, LE Brad Bell, NG Zack Rix, RE Nick Serfas, MLB Chris Peters, WLB Earl Oliver, ROV Gene Smith, LC Brian Porter, SS Sam Watson, FS Johnny Johnson, RC James Burton.

TEAM STATS			
	FS	USC	
First Downs	24	14	
Rushing Atts	56	32	
Rushing Yds.	262	112	
Passes A-C-I	28-13-0	18-7-3	
Passing Yds.	164	95	
Total Yds.	405	183	
Punts/Yds.	5-40.2	5-43	
Fumbles	1	1	
Penalties-Yds.	9-61	7-35	

INDIVIDUAL STATS			
	Rushing		
	Att.	Yds.	
Fresno State			
Daigle	11	54	
Dilfer	7	8	
Rivers	19	104	
Neal	19	75	

	Passing		
	A-C-I	TD	Yds.
Fresno State			
Dilfer	28-13-0	0	164

	Receiving		
	Rec.	Yds.	TD
Fresno State			
Ross	2	18	0
Winans	3	56	0
Neal	2	21	0
Thompson	2	29	0
Seabron	1	20	0
Rivers	2	13	0
Daigle	1	7	0

	Receiving		
	Rec.	Yds.	TD
USC			
Crayton	2	10	0
Jackson	1	16	0
Hannah	1	8	0
Morton	3	61	0



FRESNO STATE BOWL GAMES

JEEP EAGLE ALOHA BOWL

COLORADO 41

FRESNO STATE 30

Dec. 25, 1993 • Honolulu, Hawai'i

Score by Quarters	1	2	3	4	Score
Fresno State	0	10	14	6	30
Colorado	10	10	14	7	41

Scoring Summary

CU	Salaam 2 yard run (Berger kick)
CU	Berger 44 yard field goal
CU	Hill 7 yard run (Berger kick)
FS	Mahoney 27 field goal
CU	Berger 49 yard field goal
FS	Seabron 68 yard fumble return (Mahoney kick)
CU	Salaam 40 yard run (Berger kick)
FS	Daigle 1 yard run (kick blocked)
CU	Leomiti 28 yard fumble return (Berger kick)
FS	Winans 8 yard pass from Dilfer (Daigle pass from Dilfer)
CU	Salaam 4 yard run (Berger kick)
FS	Winans 11 yard pass from Dilfer (pass failed)

Attendance: 44,009

HONOLULU – Before 44,009 fans Trent Dilfer passed for a career-best 523 yards and two touchdowns, but it was not enough for the Bulldogs to overcome 17th-ranked Colorado in a 41-30 loss at Aloha Stadium in the 12th annual Jeep Eagle Aloha Bowl on Christmas Day.

The Bulldogs, who finished second nationally in turnover margin, turned the ball over an uncharacteristic five times in the game which led directly to 24 Colorado points. The Buffaloes, Big Eight runner-up, led the entire game, once by as many as 18 points, but were never able to put the Bulldogs away.

Fresno State trailed 20-3 with one second left in the first half, but before time could run out Jamie Christian and Malcolm Seabron combined on an 81-yard kickoff return for a touchdown pulling the Bulldogs within 10 (20-10) heading into the second half.

The remaining 30 minutes were filled with scoring as the Buffaloes connected for 21 more points including a 40-yard run by Buffaloes' Salaam and a 28-yard fumble return by Leomiti. The Bulldogs contributed to the excitement closing in on the Buffaloes with three touchdowns of their own. Daigle found the endzone on a 1-yard carry in the third quarter followed by two Tydas Winans' TDs near the end of the third quarter and again at the conclusion of the fourth.

The Bulldogs, who came into the contest ranked 20th nationally in rushing (221.6 ypg), were held to just three net yards in the bowl contest. The Bulldogs out-gained the Buffaloes in total yards, 526-395.

Fresno State Lineups

Offense — SE Tydas Winans, LT Ron Collins, LG Josh Coldiron, C Jason James, RG Rus Hartmann, RT Kenny Hall, TE David Dunn, QB Trent Dilfer, TB Ron Rivers, FB Sal Mejico, FL Malcolm Seabron.

Defense — LE Chris Rockwell, NG Demetrius Edwards, RE Brad Bell, MLB Chris Peters, WLB Ron Papazian, ROV Gene Smith, LC James Burton, SS Sam Watson, FS Lance Thomas, RC Tommy Jones, CB Omar Stoutmire.



TEAM STATS

	FS	CU
First Downs	34	19
Rushing Atts	25	46
Rushing Yds.	79	295
Passes A-C-I	63-37-1	15-8-0
Passing Yds.	523	124
Total Yds.	526	395
Punts/Yds.	3-31.3	43.3
Fumbles	5	1
Penalties-Yds.	9-88	7-84

INDIVIDUAL STATS

	Rushing	
	Att.	Yds.
Fresno State		
Rivers	14	37
Daigle	5	14
Christian	1	6
Duhn	1	-5
Dilfer	4	-49

	Att.		Yds.
	Att.	Yds.	
Colorado			
Salaam	23	135	
Warren	10	68	
Stewart	8	50	
Hill	4	13	
Joseph	1	5	

	Passing		
	A-C-I	TD	Yds.
Fresno State			
Dilfer	63-37-1	2	523

	A-C-I			TD	Yds.
	A-C-I	TD	Yds.		
Colorado					
Stewart	15-8-0	0	124		

	Receiving		
	Rec.	Yds.	TD
Fresno State			
Dunn	9	149	0
C. Jones	6	84	0
Harris	5	87	0
Daigle	5	69	0
Rivers	5	58	0
Winans	3	33	2
Seabron	2	29	0
Christian	2	14	0

	Rec.			Yds.	TD
	Rec.	Yds.	TD		
Colorado					
Fourja	3	27	0		
C. Johnson	3	27	0		
Westbrook	1	43	0		
Cunningham	1	27	0		



FRESNO STATE BOWL GAMES

EA SPORTS LAS VEGAS BOWL

UTAH 17

FRESNO STATE 16

Dec. 18, 1999 • Las Vegas, Nev.

Score by Quarters	1	2	3	4	Score
Fresno State	7	0	3	6	16
Utah	7	0	7	3	17

Scoring Summary

- FS P. Williams 75 yard return of blocked field goal (Hanna kick)
- Utah M. Anderson 34 yard run (Truhe kick)
- FS Hanna 27 yard field goal
- Utah M. Anderson 5 yard run (Truhe kick)
- FS Ward 2 yard run (kick failed)
- Utah Truhe 33 yard field goal

Attendance: 28,277

LAS VEGAS – In their first bowl appearance since the 1993 season, the Bulldogs battled the Utah Utes of the Mountain West Conference in one of the best games of the bowl season, highlighted by the running of Mike Anderson, who ran for a game-record 254 yards and two touchdowns. Cletus Truhe kicked a 33-yard field goal with five minutes left as Utah beat Fresno State 17-16.

Fresno State went ahead 16-14 on the first play of the fourth quarter, but Colby Knight blocked Jeff Hanna's extra point attempt, setting the stage for Truhe's game winner. The game-winning kick was vindication for Truhe, whose first two field goal tries were blocked by Fresno's Terence Brown. The first block was returned 75 yards for a touchdown by Payton Williams.

Anderson scored on runs of 34 and 5 yards, the latter giving Utah (9-3) a 14-10 third-quarter lead. Fresno State answered with Derrick Ward's 2-yard TD run as the fourth quarter opened, giving the Bulldogs a 2-point lead.

Utah dominated the ball, gaining a bowl-record 334 yards rushing. Despite outgaining Fresno State 331 yards to 103, the Utes managed only a 7-all tie at halftime, the score coming on Anderson's 34-yard run with 3:51 left in the first quarter.

The Bulldogs went ahead 10-7 on Hanna's 27-yard field goal with 9:24 remaining in the third quarter.

The Utes regained the lead when Anderson finished a 68-yard drive with a 5-yard scoring run, breaking three tackles en route to his second touchdown of the night.

With Anderson breaking off key gains, the Utes drove 70 yards to the Bulldogs 14 before Truhe came on to kick the game-winning field goal with 5:03 remaining.



TEAM STATS

	FS	UTAH
First downs	16	25
Rushing Attempts	32	54
Net Yards Rushing	132	334
Net Yards Passing	147	214
Passes Attempted	28	24
Passes Completed	14	11
Had Intercepted	0	1
Total Offensive Plays	60	78
Total Net Yards	279	548
Fumbles-Lost	0-0	2-0
Penalties-Yards	6-59	15-151
Punts-Yards	5-185	4-144
Yards per punt	37.0	39.0
Interceptions-Yards	0-0	0-0
Fumble Returns-Yards	0-0	0-0
Time of Possession	24:06	35:54

INDIVIDUAL STATS

Rushing			
	Att.	Yds.	
Fresno State			
Ward	15	51	
Gaines	8	31	
Armstrong	4	29	
C.Smith	3	17	
Wright	2	4	
Utah			
Anderson	34	254	
Bacon	8	9	
Russell	1	4	
Arceneaux	9	(minus 6)	
Croschaw	2	(minus 9)	
Passing			
	A-C-I	TD	Yds.
Fresno State			
Volek	14-28-0	0	147
Utah			
Arceneaux	A-C-I	TD	Yds.
Arceneaux	8-15-0	0	94
Croschaw	3-9-1	0	120
Receiving			
	Rec.	Yds.	TD
Fresno State			
Wright	6	55	0
C.Smith	4	53	0
Armstrong	1	20	0
Mahdi	1	8	0
Branstetter	1	6	0
Berrian	1	5	0
Utah			
Russell	5	96	0
Bendinger	2	70	0
Utu	2	28	0
Anderson	1	15	0
Richardson	1	5	0



FRESNO STATE BOWL GAMES

SILICON VALLEY FOOTBALL CLASSIC 1

AIR FORCE 37

FRESNO STATE 34

Dec. 31, 2000 • San Jose, Calif.



Score by Quarters	1	2	3	4	Score
Air Force	19	15	3	0	37
Fresno State	7	0	13	14	34

Scoring Summary

- AF Adams 37 FG
- AF McKay 29 pass from Thiessen (Adams kick)
- AF Adams 46 FG
- AF McKay 13 pass from Thiessen (run failed)
- FS Gaines 71 pass from Carr (Asparuhov kick)
- AF Thiessen 1 run (Adams kick)
- AF Thiessen 9 run (Jessop pass from Thiessen)
- FS Greco 2 pass from Carr (Asparuhov kick)
- AF Adams 24 FG
- FS Burch 8 pass from Carr (pass failed)
- FS Berrian 47 pass from Carr (Asparuhov kick)
- FS Berrian 51 pass from Carr (Asparuhov kick)

Attendance: 26,524

SAN JOSE, Calif. – After being down 34-7 at halftime many thought the Bulldogs would be in for a rout, but Fresno State responded only to come up 33 yards short with 14 seconds remaining as Air Force defeated Fresno State 37-34 in the inaugural bowl game at Spartan Stadium.

David Carr threw five touchdown passes for the Bulldogs, who nearly pulled a comeback win off. With 14 seconds left, Fresno State brought in Asen Asparuhov for a 33-yard field-goal attempt to tie it. But holder Jason Simpson pulled a fake, aiming for Giachino Chiamonte in the end zone. The pass fell incomplete.

Trailing 19-0 late in the first quarter, Fresno State finally got on the board with a 71-yard touchdown pass from Carr to Paris Gaines with 23 second left in the opening quarter. It was the longest reception of Gaines' career.

Carr completed 22 of 33 passes for 391 yards.

Thiessen's pass to Chris Jessop gave Air Force a 34-7 lead in the first half.

Fresno State mounted a comeback in the second half. The Bulldogs took a chance on fourth-and-2 in the third quarter and Carr's completion to Alec Greco in the end zone made it 34-14.

After Dave Adams booted his 24-yard field goal for Air Force, Carr threw an 8-yard scoring pass to Donnell Burch to narrow the margin to 37-20.

Adams attempted a 30-yard field goal with 10:47 left in the game, but Fresno State's Terence Brown blocked the kick. That set up a scoring drive that ended with Carr's 47-yard pass to Bernard Berrian.

Berrian caught a 51-yard pass from Carr a little more than three minutes later, and the crowd - mostly Fresno State fans - went wild.

TEAM STATS

	AFA	FS
First Downs	28	18
Rushing Attempts	65	22
Net Yards Rushing	267	59
Net Yards Passing	204	391
Passes Attempted	24	38
Passes Completed	12	22
Had Intercepted	0	1
Total Offensive Plays	89	60
Total Net Yards	471	450
Fumbles-Lost	0-0	2-1
Penalties-Yards	4-41	9-82
Punts-Yards	3-78	5-201
Yards per punt	26.0	40.2
Interceptions-Yards	1-14	0-0
Fumble Returns-Yards	0-0	0-0
Time of Possession	38:17	21:43

INDIVIDUAL STATS

	Rushing		Passing		Receiving	
	Att.	Yds.	A-C-I	TD	Yds.	TD
Air Force						
Thiessen	18	99	24-12-0	2	204	
Palmer	4	56				
McKay	10	43				
Beard	11	33				
Becker	10	28				
Brown	9	14				
Giovanetti	1	-2				
Fresno State						
Ward	5	27				
Gaines	5	16				
Wright	1	7				
Smith	2	6				
Carr	9	3				
Fresno State						
Carr	33-22-1	5	391			
Simpson	1-0-0	0	0			
Air Force						
McKay	4	56	2			
Labasco	3	68	0			
Brown	2	46	0			
Fleming	1	14	0			
Jessop	1	12	0			
Amezaga	1	8	0			
Fresno State						
Berrian	7	162	2			
Wright	5	77	0			
Gaines	4	102	1			
Smith	3	34	0			
Greco	2	8	1			
Burch	1	8	1			



FRESNO STATE BOWL GAMES

SILICON VALLEY FOOTBALL CLASSIC 2

MICHIGAN STATE 44

No. 20 FRESNO STATE 35

DEC. 31, 2001 • SAN JOSE, CALIF.



Score by Quarters	1	2	3	4	Score
Michigan State	17	20	0	7	44
Fresno State	14	7	7	7	35

SCORING SUMMARY

- FS Stephen Spach 5-yard pass from David Carr (Asen Asparuhov kick)
- MSU Charles Rogers 72-yard from Jeff Smoker (Dave Rayner kick)
- MSU Monquiz Wedlow 0-yard fumble recovery (Dave Rayner kick)
- FS Rodney Wright 36-yard pass from David Carr (Asen Asparuhov kick)
- MSU Dave Rayner 41-yard field goal
- MSU T.J. Duckett 5-yard run (Dave Rayner kick)
- FS Rodney Wright 79-yard pass from David Carr (Asen Asparuhov kick)
- MSU T.J. Duckett 39-yard run (Dave Rayner kick)
- MSU Charles Rogers 69-yard pass from Jeff Smoker (Dave Rayner kick)
- FS Paris Gaines 2-yard run (Asen Asparuhov kick)
- FS Paris Gaines 15-yard pass from David Carr (Asen Asparuhov kick)
- MSU Ivory McCoy 5-yard pass from Jeff Smoker (Dave Rayner kick)

ATTENDANCE: 30,456

SAN JOSE, Calif. – Charles Rogers set a Michigan State record with 270 yards receiving - and he wasn't even the most prolific pass-catcher on the field at the Silicon Valley Football Classic.

It was that kind of a day in San Jose, as Rogers caught two of Jeff Smoker's three touchdown passes during the Spartans' phenomenal first half in a 44-35 victory over Fresno State on Monday.

In a matchup of two potent offenses that combined for 1,146 total yards, Smoker and Rogers outdueled Fresno State's high-profile combo of David Carr and Rodney Wright, who finished with 13 catches for a school-record 299 yards and two TDs.

After an inconsistent season in which they finished eighth in the Big Ten and barely qualified for a bowl, the Spartans (7-5) gained 405 yards and scored 37 points before halftime.

Carr threw for 531 yards to Smoker's 376, but the Spartans' big early lead proved too large to overcome. After Fresno State (11-3) pulled within two points in the final minutes, the Spartans made one last scoring drive to clinch their second bowl victory under coach Bobby Williams.

T.J. Duckett rushed for 184 yards and two scores as Michigan State overwhelmed the Bulldogs, whose high-octane offense was expected to dominate the game. Instead, Fresno State ended its breakout season with its first loss in four games against teams from BCS conferences.

Carr, who won the Johnny Unitas award as the nation's top senior quarterback, ended his prolific career with another amazing game, but he couldn't play defense. Fresno State fell to 0-3 in bowl games during Pat Hill's otherwise successful tenure.

After the teams exchanged handshakes, Michigan State defensive end Nick Myers, the game's defensive MVP, planted the school flag at midfield. Trailing 37-28 with 6:52 left, Fresno State's Bryce McGill blocked Craig Jarrett's punt and returned it to the Spartans 16. Two plays later, Paris Gaines caught a screen pass and ran through several blocks for a TD.

But Michigan State came alive once again for a 77-yard drive. After a 43-yard reception by Rogers, Smoker hit Ivory McCoy for a 5-yard TD with 1:59 left.

After just two seasons, this unassuming lower-tier bowl game is building a reputation for exciting, bizarre football. Last season, the Bulldogs overcame a 27-point deficit, but lost the inaugural game to Air Force when a superbly executed fake field goal failed in the closing seconds.

Though Spartan Stadium was dominated by thousands of red-clad fans who made the two-hour drive from Fresno, Michigan State had a large rooting section of transplanted Michiganders and thousands of fans who made the trip for the bowl and the Michigan State basketball team's game against Stanford last Saturday.

Fresno State opened the frenzied first half by driving 63 yards in four plays for the first TD just 59 seconds in. Less than eight minutes later, Michigan State replied with a 72-yard TD pass from Smoker to Rogers.

Offensive milestones fell faster than snow in East Lansing on a surprisingly warm, dry day after a week of rain in the San Francisco Bay area.

In the first quarter alone, the Spartans had the longest rush in the school's bowl history, the second-longest pass in their bowl history, their longest field goal of the season and their first defensive touchdown of the year.

With a 69-yard TD pass to Rogers 3:05 before halftime, Michigan State went ahead 37-21. The teams combined for 752 total yards in the first half.

TEAM STATS

	MSU	FS
First Downs	23	25
Rushing	10	3
Passing	13	22
Penalty	0	0
Rushing Attempts	42	22
Yards Gained Rushing	227	71
Yards Lost Rushing	17	42
Net Yards Rushing	210	29
Net Yards Passing	376	531
Passes Att.-Comp.	32-22	58-35
Total Offensive Plays	74	80
Total Net Yards	586	560
Fumbles: Number-Lost	1-0	2-1
Penalties: Number-Lost	8-64	6-30
Number of Punts-Yards	6-232	5-198
Average Per Punt	38.7	39.6
Punt Returns: No.-Yards	2-3	3-27
Kickoff Returns: No.-Yards	5-108	6-115
Interceptions: No.-Yards	2-23	1-0
Possession Time	34:43	25:17
Third-Down Conversions	4/13	7/16
Fourth-Down Conversions	1/2	1/1

INDIVIDUAL STATS

	Att.	Yds.
Rushing		
Michigan State		
Duckett	27	184
Smoker	9	17
Flowers	5	11
Team	1	(-2)

	Att.	Yds.
Fresno State		
Gaines	10	26
Wright	2	19
Fontenot	2	17
Levi 1	6	
Team	1	(-6)
Berrian	1	(-10)
Carr 5	(-23)	

	A-C-I	TD	Yds.
Passing			
Michigan State			
Smoker	22-32-1	3	376

	A-C-I	TD	Yds.
Fresno State			
Carr 35-56-2	4	531	

	Att.	Yds.
Receiving		
Michigan State		
Rogers	10	270
Haygood	5	49
Baker	4	44
McCoy	2	10
Lovett	1	3

	Att.	Yds.
Fresno State		
Wright	13	299
Berrian	9	94
Smith	5	77
Gaines	2	18
Greco	2	15
Gilbert	1	15
Shabaglian	1	11
Spach	1	5
Davis	1	(-3)

DEFENSIVE LEADERS
 MICHIGAN STATE: (UA-A-S) Guess 9-3-1, Nelson 5-3-0, Maples 4-4-0.
 FRESNO STATE: (UA-A-S) McGill 4-6-0, Dailey 3-6-0, Williams 4-2-0
Interceptions-Yards
 MICHIGAN STATE: Maples 1-23, Bryan 1-0.
 FRESNO STATE: Banks 1-0
Sacks-Yards
 MICHIGAN STATE: Vickerson 1-7, Myers 1-7, Dukes 1-6. FRESNO STATE: Burley 1-7, Johnson 1-6.



FRESNO STATE BOWL GAMES

SILICON VALLEY FOOTBALL CLASSIC 3

FRESNO STATE 30

GEORGIA TECH 21

Dec. 31, 2002 • San Jose, Calif.



Score by Quarters	1	2	3	4	Score
Georgia Tech	7	0	14	0	21
Fresno State	3	10	7	10	30

Scoring Summary

FS	Asparuhov 22-yard FG, 11:00
GT	Watkins 35-yard pass from Suggs (Manget kick), 2:51
FS	Asparuhov 42-yard FG, 5:35
FS	Meza 48-yard INT return (Asparuhov kick), 0:14
GT	Bilbo 1-yard run (Manget kick), 8:45
FS	R. Davis 3-yard run (Asparuhov kick), 6:06
GT	Smith 42-yard pass from Bilbo (Manget kick), 0:51
FS	Asparuhov 33-yard FG, 3:43
FS	R. Davis 28-yard run (Asparuhov kick), 2:23

Attendance: 26,524

SAN JOSE, Calif. – Rodney Davis rushed for 153 yards and two touchdowns and Fresno State's defense forced seven turnovers as the Bulldogs – playing with a depleted roster – defeated Georgia Tech 30-21 at Spartan Stadium.

The Bulldogs (9-5) had not won a postseason game since beating USC in the 1992 Freedom Bowl, a string of four losses in a row.

And they were even more proud they did it with a roster missing some of the team's best players. Fresno State suited only 45 players and was missing five starters.

"This win was for the guys who couldn't make it," Davis said.

A new Western Athletic Conference rule requires athletes to pass at least six credits to play in a bowl game, and seven didn't meet the requirement. They may have had incompletes or grades that had not yet been finalized, for example.

"For the nation to think we played with ineligible players is a misconception," coach Pat Hill said. "We were playing with non-certified players. ...I'm so proud of this football team. We had some adversity this week and this season."

Three seniors stayed home, some because their grades weren't posted.

"That drives me nuts," Hill said. "But we persevered."

Asen Asparuhov kicked a 33-yard field goal with 3:43 left, one of his three in the game, and Davis clinched the victory with a 28-yard TD run just more than a minute later for the Bulldogs.

And the Fresno State defense did an impressive job after halftime of weathering a strong second-half comeback attempt by Georgia Tech freshman backup quarterback Damarius Bilbo.

Bilbo passed for a touchdown and ran for another after replacing the ineffective A.J. Suggs, but Bilbo also threw four interceptions as the Yellow Jackets (7-6) committed seven turnovers.

Georgia Tech was the only team in the ACC to throw more interceptions (14) than touchdowns (13) this season.

The game turned into a muddy mess after hard rain fell Monday night. It took only a few plays for Georgia Tech's gleaming white uniforms to turn a dull brown, and there were plenty of slips and missed plays.

In a lackluster first half, the teams struggled to take advantage of their scoring opportunities, with Fresno State leading 13-7 at halftime.

Dee Meza's 48-yard interception return for a touchdown with 14 seconds left in the second quarter highlighted the half.

Fresno State was playing in the Silicon Valley Classic for the third consecutive year, and Bulldogs fans took up the majority of the seats at Spartan Stadium.

TEAM STATS

	GT	FS
First Downs	16	20
Rushing	6	12
Passing	7	6
Penalty	3	2
Rushing Attempts	31	55
Yards Gained Rushing	150	230
Yards Lost Rushing	20	44
Net Yards Rushing	130	186
Net Yards Passing	218	188
Passes Att.-Comp.-Int.	27-9-6	31-16-0
Total Offensive Plays	58	86
Total Net Yards	348	374
Average Gain Per Play	6.0	4.3
Fumbles: No.-Lost	2-1	3-2
Penalties: No.-Yards	5-53	10-94
Number of Punts-Yards	5-193	7-261
Average Per Punt	38.6	37.3
Punt Returns: No.-Yards	4-59	3-7
Kickoff Returns: No.-Yards	3-54	2-72
Interceptions: No.-Yards	0-0	6-53
Fumble Returns: No.-Yards	0-0	0-0
Possession Time	21:54	38:06
Third-Down Conversions	4 of 11	8 of 22
Fourth-Down Conversions	0 of 1	1 of 1
Sacks By: Number-Yards	3-23	2-9

INDIVIDUAL STATS

	Att.	Yds.
Rushing		
Georgia Tech		
Eziemeife	3	38
Smith	7	35
Bilbo	12	30
Sampson	7	17
Suggs	1	12
Team	1	(-2)

	Att.	Yds.
Fresno State		
R. Davis	37	153
Pinegar	9	20
Sumlin	6	15
Ray	1	2
Jamison	1	(-2)
Team	1	(-2)

	A-C-I	TD	Yds.
Passing			
Georgia Tech			
Bilbo	7-20-4	1	178
Suggs	2-7-2	1	40

	A-C-I	TD	Yds.
Fresno State			
Pinegar	16-31-0	0	188

	Att.	Yds.
Receiving		
Georgia Tech		
Watkins	5	82
Bridges	3	94
Smith	1	42

	Att.	Yds.
Fresno State		
Jamison	5	50
Gilbert	4	84
Spach	3	22
Reid	2	14
Jennings	1	15
R. Davis	1	3

DEFENSIVE LEADERS

Tackles (UA-A)
 GEORGIA TECH: Fox 6-10, Smith 2-10, Wimbush 5-6, Henderson 4-7, Muires 4-6, Butler 5-1.
 FRESNO STATE: McGill 4-7, Meza 2-4, Sanders 1-5, Sanders 0-6, Dailey 1-4, Stewart 1-4, Worrell 0-5.

Interceptions-Yards
 GEORGIA TECH: None
 FRESNO STATE: Meza 2-48, Stewart 1-5, McGill 1-0; Sanders 1(-3), Worrell 1-3.

Sacks (UA-A)
 GEORGIA TECH: Fox 1-0, Parker 1-0, Henderson 1-0.
 FRESNO STATE: Stewart 1-0, Sanders 2-0.



FRESNO STATE BOWL GAMES

SILICON VALLEY FOOTBALL CLASSIC 4

FRESNO STATE 17

UCLA 9

Dec. 30, 2003 • San Jose, Calif.

Score by Quarters	1	2	3	4	Score
UCLA	0	7	2	0	9
Fresno State	14	3	0	0	17

Scoring Summary

- FS Sumlin, Bryson 1 yd run (Visintainer, B kick)
- FS Sumlin, Bryson 44 yd pass from Pinegar, Paul (Visintainer, B kick)
- FS Visintainer, B 36 yd field goal
- UCLA Bragg, Craig 27 yd pass from Olson, Drew (Medlock, Justin kick)
- UCLA TEAM safety

Attendance: 30,456

SAN JOSE, Calif. -- Pat Hill used to watch Rodney Davis grind out yards in the snow and mud in high school - so Fresno State's coach knew the star senior would be well suited for the conditions Tuesday night.

Davis rushed for 77 yards to win his second straight Silicon Valley Classic offensive MVP award in Fresno State's 17-9 victory over UCLA on a messy field at Spartan Stadium. Nearly one year ago, Davis rushed for 153 yards and two TDs -- the last being the game-clincher -- in Fresno State's victory over Georgia Tech.

"I just had to fight through it and stick with it," Davis said. "I've played on fields like this for a long time. The mud is no problem." It sure seemed to be bad for the Bruins.

Though even a dry field might have caused them problems the way their offense has been performing.

UCLA (6-7) lost its last five games to turn what once was a promising season into a disappointment under first-year coach Karl Dorrell. The inefficient offense was again the culprit, going 2-for-14 on third-down conversions.

Bryson Sumlin made his first career touchdown catch and also ran for a score for Fresno State (9-5), which made its school-record fifth straight bowl appearance and fourth in a row in this game. Sumlin, a sophomore backup who began his Fresno State career as a cornerback, capitalized on two big chances to score and helped the Bulldogs beat the Bruins for the first time in six meetings. And once again, the Bulldogs seized the opportunity to spoil things for a bigger, more prominent program in a game dominated by defense.

Paul Pinegar passed for 133 yards, but Fresno State didn't exactly need a prolific offense to beat the inept Bruins, who managed just 164 total yards - 97 in one series shortly before halftime.

Manuel Sanchez intercepted Bruins quarterback Drew Olson with 2:42 left and several Bulldogs celebrated their win by sliding face-first through the mud.

"Our defense just played awesome the whole game," Hill said.

Fresno State seemed to be in control until a drive midway through the third quarter in which a series of mistakes left the Bulldogs facing fourth-and-37. Asi Faoa blocked the ensuing punt in the end zone for a UCLA safety.

Later in the quarter, Pinegar fumbled when he attempted to throw and left Fresno State stranded at its own 1. But the Bruins bailed out the Bulldogs by roughing punter Mike Lingua, and UCLA never mounted another significant drive.

The Bruins swore they were happy with their less than glamorous bowl destination, but they sure didn't play that way. UCLA seemed disinterested and disorganized, struggling to stop Fresno State's offense and failing to move the ball through the air or on the ground while falling behind 17-0 early in the second quarter.

After Fresno State stopped UCLA on fourth-and-1 late in the first quarter, Pinegar completed a 44-yard TD pass to Sumlin, who also had a 1-yard scoring run earlier in the period.

When Fresno State downed a punt inside the 3 shortly before halftime, the Bruins briefly woke up. UCLA went 97 yards in just seven plays, with Craig Bragg making a spectacular 27-yard diving catch in the corner of the end zone 20 seconds before halftime for the Bruins' first score.

Fresno State lost the first two Silicon Valley Classics, including a thrilling last-second defeat on a failed fake field goal in the inaugural game. The Bulldogs beat Georgia Tech in the game last season, overcoming several injuries for the school's first bowl victory since 1992.



TEAM STATS

	UCLA	FS
First Downs	11	20
Rushing	4	11
Passing	4	7
Penalty	3	2
Rushing Attempts	25	49
Yards Gained Rushing	91	188
Yards Lost Rushing	23	32
Net Yards Rushing	68	156
Net Yards Passing	96	133
Passes Att.-Comp.-Int.	31-11-1	26-12-1
Total Offensive Plays	56	75
Total Net Yards	164	289
Average Gain Per Play	2.9	3.9
Fumbles: No.-Lost	2-0	2-0
Penalties: No.-Yards	5-55	8-71
Number of Punts-Yards	9-399	7-230
Average Per Punt	44.3	32.9
Punt Returns: No.-Yards	2-12	4-31
Kickoff Returns: No.-Yards	4-75	1-12
Interceptions: No.-Yards	1-0	1-15
Fumble Returns: No.-Yards	0-0	0-0
Possession Time	24:02	35:58
Third-Down Conversions	2-14	5-15
Fourth-Down Conversions	0-1	0-0
Sacks By: No.-Yards	1-7	2-13

INDIVIDUAL STATS

Rushing	Att.	Yds.
UCLA	17	65
Drew	5	12
Harris		(-9)
Olson	5	

Fresno State	Att.	Yds.
R. Davis	13	77
Wright	13	58
Sumlin	7	28
Pinegar	7	(-2)
Team	3	(-5)

Passing	A-C-I	TD	Yds.
UCLA	31-11-1	1	96
Olson			

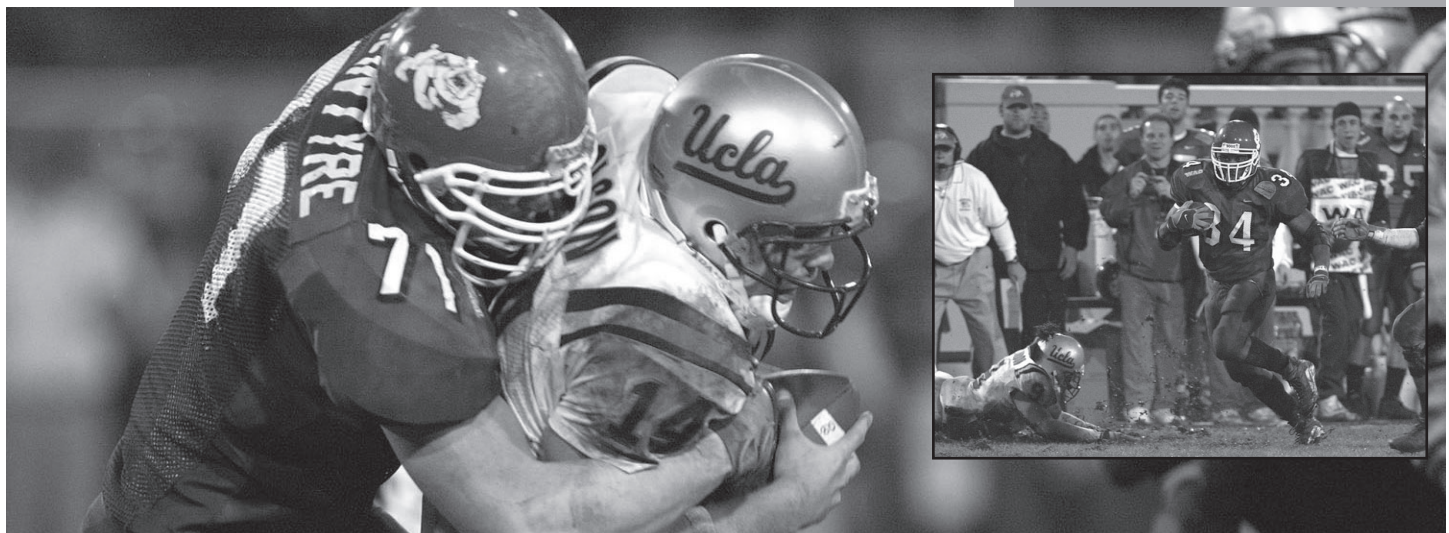
Fresno State	A-C-I	TD	Yds.
Pinegar	26-12-1	1	133

Receiving	Att.	Yds.
UCLA	5	71
Bragg	5	16
Cowan	2	13
Lewis	1	(-4)
Drew	1	

Fresno State	Att.	Yds.
Wood	3	33
Berrian	2	1
Sumlin	1	44
Jennings	1	24
R. Davis	1	10
Spach	1	10
Jamison	1	7
Gilbert	1	4
Williams	1	0

DEFENSIVE LEADERS

- Tackles (UA-A)
- UCLA: Leslie 0-10, Ohaeri 3-6, McNeal 2-5, Lorier 1-6, Niusulu 0-7, Havner 0-7, Chillar 2-4
- FRESNO STATE: J. Sanders 6-3, Meza 6-3, Marshall 2-2, McGill 2-2, McIntyre 2-2, Dailey 1-3, Morris 1-2, Leonard 0-2
- Interceptions-Yards
- UCLA: Leslie 1-0
- FRESNO STATE: Sanchez 1-15
- Sacks-Yards
- UCLA: Boschetti 1-7
- FRESNO STATE: McIntyre 1-8, Morris 1-5



FRESNO STATE BOWL GAMES

MPC COMPUTERS BOWL

FRESNO STATE 37

VIRGINIA 34

Dec. 27, 2004 • Boise, Idaho



Score by Quarters	1	2	3	4	OT	Score
Virginia	14	7	3	7	3	34
Fresno State	7	3	7	14	6	37

Scoring Summary

UVA	Pearman, A 13 yd run (Hughes, C kick)
FS	Jennings 13 yd pass from Pinegar (Visintainer kick)
UVA	McGrew 7 yd pass from Hagans (Hughes, C kick)
UVA	Hagans 8 yd run (Hughes kick)
FS	Visintainer 49 yd field goal
FS	Jamison 22 yd pass from Pinegar (Visintainer kick)
UVA	Hughes 33 yd field goal
FS	Wood 22 yd pass from Pinegar (Visintainer kick)
UVA	Lundy 20 yd run (Hughes kick)
FS	Fairman 3 yd pass from Pinegar (Visintainer kick)
UVA	Hughes 26 yd field goal
FS	Spach 25 yd pass from Pinegar

Attendance: 28,156

BOISE, Idaho – Paul Pinegar shrugged off midseason criticism and kept throwing for touchdowns.

Pinegar had five TD passes, including the game-winning 25-yarder to Stephen Spach in overtime, as Fresno State beat No. 18 Virginia 37-34 in the MPC Computers Bowl on Monday.

“Winning feels great, especially against a Virginia team that has a great defense,” Pinegar said.

He was fabulous, completing 23 of 36 passes for 235 yards without an interception, helping the Bulldogs (9-3) erase a 21-7 second-quarter deficit and notch another win against a big-name team.

“We’ve got a lot of great teams in the WAC: Boise State, Hawaii, UTEP,” Pinegar said. “We’ve showed that we definitely can compete with some of the best teams in the nation.”

His five touchdown passes were a record for the game, formerly known as the Humanitarian Bowl.

Virginia got the first possession of overtime, taking a 34-31 lead on a 26-yard field goal by Connor Hughes.

It didn’t take Pinegar long to end it, though. He froze the defense with a play-action call and zipped a pass inside the 5 to Spach, who fought off a pair of would-be tacklers and dropped into the end zone.

The Bulldogs stormed off the sideline in celebration while the Cavaliers were left dazed.

“When you catch the ball in that situation, you’re just looking for the end zone,” Spach said. “You just keep on running. I knew I was really close.”

Virginia had things in hand after Wali Lundy followed his big blockers and rumbled across the blue turf at Boise State’s home field on a 20-yard TD run that put the Cavaliers up 31-24 with 6:20 remaining.

But Pinegar wasn’t finished. He started on the 17, turning to the ground game and working the clock to give Fresno State a chance to tie.

Wendell Mathis ran 22 yards to Virginia’s 25 and Bryson Sumlin reached the 15 on a 6-yard burst. On third-and-6 at the 10, Pinegar threaded a 7-yard pass into double coverage to tight end Duncan Reid, then spiked the ball to stop the clock at 28 seconds.

That put the ball at the 3, but soon the Bulldogs faced fourth-and-goal. Pinegar rolled right and connected with Jaron Fairman for a TD with 11 seconds to go.

“My last option was to tuck it and run, but that would have been tough sledding to get in,” Pinegar said. “Jaron made a great catch. After he caught it, they swiped at his arm but he did a great job to hold on.”

Brent Visintainer added the point after, and it was tied at 31.

“We never panicked when we were down 14 points,” said Pinegar, who was harshly criticized when Fresno State lost three straight games after a 3-0 start.

“We knew we just needed to stop making mistakes.”

Pinegar is now 3-0 in bowl games as Fresno State’s quarterback.

Mathis ran for 126 yards on 15 carries, and Sumlin added 94 yards on 21 attempts. The Bulldogs established a second-half ground game after being outplayed by the bigger Cavaliers in the first half.

“In the first half, we were just a little bit out of sync,” Hill said. “It was a feeling-out process. I felt we were capable of moving the ball. At halftime, we talked about playing a physical game.”

Virginia quarterback Marques Hagans also had a great game, throwing for 162 yards on 18-of-30 passing with one TD. He ran for 85 yards and a TD, and his team’s best play was often a drop-back pass that morphed into a long scramble.

TEAM STATS

	UVA	FS
FIRST DOWNS	21	25
Rushing	12	9
Passing	7	14
Penalty	2	2
NET YARDS RUSHING	260	222
Rushing Attempts	36	38
Average Per Rush	7.2	5.8
Yards Gained Rushing	269	223
Yards Lost Rushing	9	1
NET YARDS PASSING	162	235
Comp.-Att.-Int	18-31-0	23-38-0
TOTAL OFFENSE YARDS	422	457
Total offense plays	67	76
Fumbles: No.-Lost	0-0	0-0
Penalties: No.-Yards	10-82	7-64
PUNTS-YARDS	4-128	5-178
Average Yds. Per Punt	32.0	35.6
Punt returns: No.-Yards	0-0	0-0
KICKOFFS-YARDS	6-393	5-287
Touchbacks	3	1
Kickoff returns: No.-Yds-TD	3-97-0	3-67-0
Average Per Return	32.3	22.3
Interceptions: No.-Yds	0-0	0-0
Possession Time	27:12	32:48
Third-Down Conversions	8-15	8-16
Fourth-Down Conversions	1-1	2-2
Red-Zone Scores-Chances	5-5	3-4
Sacks By: No.-Yards	1-0	1-2
Field Goals	2-2	1-1

Individual Stats

	Att.	Net Yds.	TD
Rushing			
Virginia			
Hagans, M	7	85	1
Lundy, W	14	63	1
Pearman, A	9	52	1
Snelling, J	5	46	0
Davis, B	1	14	0

	Att.	Net Yds.	TD
Fresno State			
Wendell Mathis	15	126	0
Bryson Sumlin	21	94	0
Paul Pinegar	2	2	0

	A-C-1	TD	Yds.
Passing			
Virginia			
Hagans, M	30-18-0	1	162
Lundy, W	1-0-0	0	0

	A-C-1	Att.	Yds.
Fresno State			
Paul Pinegar	36-23-0	5	235

	Att.	Yds.	TD
Receiving			
Virginia			
Miller, H	5	66	0
McGrew, M	4	30	1
Pearman, A	3	21	0
Mines, F	2	16	0
Snelling, J	2	10	0
Davis, B	1	15	0
Lundy, W	1	4	0

	Att.	Yds.	TD
Fresno State			
Joe Fernandez	5	12	0
Jermaine Jamison	4	46	1
Adam Jennings	4	43	1
Stephen Spach	2	29	1
Wendell Mathis	2	18	0
Matt Rivera	2	5	0
Mark Wood	1	22	1
Duncan Reid	1	7	0
Jaron Fairman	1	3	1
Paul Pinegar	1	(-10)	0

Defensive Leaders

Tackles (UA-A)	
Virginia: Hardy, J 7-6; Parham K, 2-9; Hamilton, M, 7-3.	
Fresno State: Dwayne Andrews 2-7; James Sanders 4-3; Todd Garcia 3-4.	
Sacks (No.-Yds.)	
Virginia: Schmidt 1-0.	
Fresno State: Todd Garcia 1-2	



FRESNO STATE BOWL GAMES

AUTOZONE LIBERTY BOWL

TULSA 31

FRESNO STATE 24

Dec. 31, 2005 • Memphis, Tenn.

Score by Quarters	1	2	3	4	Score
Fresno State	7	7	3	7	24
Tulsa	0	17	0	14	31

Scoring Summary

FS	Mathis 6 yd run (Zimmerman kick)
TLS	Parrish 22 yd run (DeVault kick)
TLS	Adams 63 yd run (DeVault kick)
FS	Sumlin 25 yd run (Zimmerman kick)
TLS	DeVault 41 yd field goal
FS	Zimmerman 27 yd field goal
FS	Fernandez 21 yd pass from Pinegar (Zimmerman kick)
TLS	Davis 54 yd pass from Smith (DeVault kick)
TLS	Smith 4 yd run (DeVault kick)

Attendance: 54,894

MEMPHIS, Tenn. – Paul Smith ran four yards for the winning touchdown with 2:55 remaining and Tulsa’s defense had two key fourth-quarter interceptions in a 31-24 victory over Fresno State in the Liberty Bowl on Saturday.

Smith, the game’s MVP, finished 18-of-27 passing for 234 yards with a 54-yard touchdown pass to Ashlan Davis, but made his biggest play on the ground when he scrambled around three Fresno State defenders and into the end zone to secure Tulsa’s first bowl victory since 1991.

Defensive back Anthony Germany set up that play by picking off Paul Pinegar’s pass with just under 7 minutes remaining. Smith then led Tulsa on the decisive eight-play, 52-yard drive.

Fresno State (8-5) had one final chance to force overtime and Pinegar drove the Bulldogs to the Tulsa 42 before his pass toward the sideline was picked off by linebacker Nelson Coleman.

The Golden Hurricane (9-4) then ran out the clock and celebrated their first bowl victory since they beat San Diego State in the Freedom Bowl in 1991.

Tulsa had to come from behind to beat its former WAC rival in Fresno State, which was ranked as high as No. 16 in the nation back in November. Fresno State took a 24-17 lead on Pinegar’s 21-yard touchdown pass to Joe Fernandez on the second play of the quarter.

The Golden Hurricane tied it at 24-24 two possessions later when Smith found Davis streaking behind the secondary for a 54-yard TD pass.

Tarrison Adams led Tulsa with 102 yards rushing, but most of that came on a 63-yard touchdown burst in the second quarter. That scoring run gave Tulsa its first lead at 14-7 and came about 4 minutes after teammate Uiril Parrish tied it by running 22 yards for the Golden Hurricane’s first touchdown.

Pinegar finished 19-of-30 passing for 213 yards with one touchdown and two interceptions, while Wendell Mathis had 117 yards rushing and his WAC-best 15th rushing touchdown of the season for Fresno State.

Pinegar also was denied in his attempt to become the first quarterback to go 4-0 as a starter in bowl games.

The former WAC rivals traded field goals in the second and third quarters, with Brad DeVault kicking a 41-yarder on the final play of the first half to give Tulsa a 17-14 halftime lead. Fresno State tied it at 17 on Kyle Zimmerman’s 27-yard field goal early in the third.

Fresno State backup Bryson Sumlin had a 25-yard TD run late in the first half.

The game was sponsored by AutoZone.



Team Stats

FIRST DOWNS	FS 22	TLS 20
Rushing	11	9
Passing	11	10
Penalty	0	1
NET YARDS RUSHING	208	196
Rushing Attempts	47	28
Average Per Rush	4.4	7.0
Yards Gained Rushing	225	209
Yards Lost Rushing	17	13
NET YARDS PASSING	213	234
Comp.-Att.-Int	19-30-2	18-27-0
TOTAL OFFENSE YARDS	421	430
Total offense plays	77	55
Fumbles: No.-Lost	1-0	1-1
Penalties: No.-Yards	5-35	4-10
PUNTS-YARDS	3-103	4-161
Average Yds Per Punt	34.3	40.2
Punt returns: No.-Yds	2-6	0-0
KICKOFFS-YARDS	5-278	5-277
Touchbacks	1	1
Kickoff returns: No.-Yds	3-79-0	3-49-0
Average Per Return	26.3	16.3
Interceptions: No.-Yds	0-0-0	2-1-0
Possession Time	38:20	21:40
Third-Down Conversions	11-18	4-9
Fourth-Down Conversions	1-2	0-1
Red-Zone Scores-Chances	2-4	1-1
Sacks By: Number-Yards	0-0	0-0
Field Goals	1-2	1-1

Individual Stats

Rushing			
Fresno State	Att.	Net Yds.	TD
Wendell Mathis	31	117	1
Bryson Sumlin	11	57	1
Paul Pinegar	3	27	0
Matt Rivera	2	7	0
Tulsa			
Adams, Tarrison	11	102	1
Parrish, Uiril	9	51	1
Smith, Paul	7	45	1

Passing			
Fresno State	A-C-I	Att.	Yds.
Paul Pinegar	30-19-2	1	213

Tulsa			
Smith, Paul	A-C-I	Att.	Yds.
	27-18-0	1	234

Receiving			
Fresno State	Att.	Yds.	TD
Jaron Fairman	6	73	0
Paul Williams	3	47	0
Joe Fernandez	2	25	1
Adam Jennings	2	20	0
Bear Pascoe	2	10	0
Matt Rivera	1	19	0
Wendell Mathis	1	13	0
Jesus Tapia	1	6	0
J. Jamison	1	0	0

Tulsa			
Davis, Ashlan	8	128	1
Mills, Garrett	4	52	0
Parrish, Uiril	3	19	0
Adams, Tarrison	2	29	0
Keopple, Landon	1	6	0

Defensive Leaders

Tackles (UA-A)			
Fresno State:	Emanuel Sanchez 5-7;	Dwayne Andrews 5-5;	Rich Marshall 6-1;
Alan Goodwin 2-4.			
Tulsa:	Nelson Coleman 5-9;	Nick Graham 8-4;	C. Chamberlain 7-4;
Nick Bunting 4-4.			
Sacks (No.-Yds.)			
Fresno State:	None.		
Tulsa:	None.		



FRESNO STATE BOWL GAMES

ROADY'S HUMANITARIAN BOWL

FRESNO STATE 40

GEORGIA TECH 28

Dec. 31, 2007 • Boise, Idaho



Score by Quarters	1	2	3	4	Score
Fresno State	3	17	14	6	40
Georgia Tech	7	0	14	7	28

Scoring Summary

GT	DThomas 35 yd pass from T. Bennett (T. Bell kick)
FS	Stitser, Clint 21 yd field goal
FS	Moore, Marlon 6 yd run (Stitser, Clint kick)
FS	Lubinsky, Drew 3 yd pass from Brandstater, T. (Stitser, Clint kick)
FS	Stitser, Clint 39 yd field goal
FS	Smith, Clifton 43 yd run (Stitser, Clint kick)
GT	J. Dwyer 36 yd run (T. Bell kick)
FS	Brandstater, T 24 yd run (Stitser, Clint kick)
GT	J. Dwyer 2 yd run (T. Bell kick)
GT	D.J. Donley 20 yd pass from C. Booker (T. Bell kick)
FS	Smith, Clifton 32 yd run (Brandstater, T pass failed)

Attendance: 27,062

BOISE, Idaho – Fresno State capped a terrific season by adding Georgia Tech - again - to their list of conquests from BCS conferences. Clifton Smith rushed for 152 yards and two touchdowns, Tom Brandstater threw for a score and ran for another and the Bulldogs beat Georgia Tech 40-28 in the Humanitarian Bowl.

It's Fresno State's second bowl win over Georgia Tech, after beating the Yellow Jackets 30-21 in the 2002 Silicon Valley Football Classic, and it made the Bulldogs 3-0 against the ACC in bowls. Fresno State has won four of its last five bowl games, all four wins coming against teams from the six conferences with automatic bids to the Bowl Championship Series.

Fresno State scored 27 consecutive points after Tech jumped ahead 7-0, and rolled up 571 yards of total offense, the most allowed by the Yellow Jackets this season. Georgia Tech, which led the country in sacks with 47, never got to Brandstater.

Brandstater was Tech's biggest problem early on, before Smith took over with 135 yards rushing in the second half and both of his TDs. Brandstater even added a 24-yard TD run in the third quarter, behind an escort from tight end Bear Pascoe.

But it was his first half that was most impressive, when Brandstater directed scoring drives of 82, 90 and 91 yards, and the Bulldogs scored 17 points in the second quarter, including 10 in the final 2 minutes.

Brandstater, who finished 23 of 30 passing, threw a 3-yard TD pass to Drew Lubinsky with 1:54 left in the half, the first catch of the junior's college career.

Georgia Tech drove to the Fresno State 47, but on fourth down with 23 seconds left, quarterback Taylor Bennett was sacked. Brandstater then completed three straight passes and Clint Stitser kicked a 39-yard field goal, his second of the half, to give the Bulldogs a 20-7 lead. Smith then started the second half with a 43-yard TD run to give Fresno State a 27-7 lead.

Backup quarterback Calvin Booker, in for injured starter Taylor Bennett, threw a towering jump ball that D.J. Donley wrestled from Fresno State defensive backs Moses Harris and Damion Owens, pulling the Yellow Jackets within six with 13:06 left.

Brandstater tried to answer, leading the Bulldogs inside the Tech 10. But wide receiver Marlon Moore, who scored on a 6-yard run in the first half, fumbled on a hit by safety Joe Gaston. After Darryl Richard recovered, the Bulldogs' defense held and Smith capped his career-best day with a 32-yard sprint with 1:50 remaining.

TEAM STATS

	GT	FS
FIRST DOWNS	23	29
Rushing	10	16
Passing	11	11
Penalty	2	2
NET YARDS RUSHING	161	286
Rushing Attempts	40	42
Average Per Rush	4.0	6.8
NET YARDS PASSING	218	285
Completions-Attempts-Int	17-32-1	23-31-0
TOTAL OFFENSE YARDS	379	571
Total offense plays	72	73
Average Gain Per Play	5.3	7.8
Fumbles: Number-Lost	1-0	2-1
Penalties: Number-Yards	8-62	10-80
PUNTS-YARDS	4-151	2-24
Average Yards Per Punt	37.8	12.0
Net Yards Per Punt	37.8	7.0
KICKOFFS-YARDS	5-310	7-413
Punt returns: Number-Yards-TD	1-10-0	0-0-0
Average Per Return	10.0	0.0
Kickoff returns: Number-Yds-TD	7-60-0	5-125-0
Average Per Return	8.6	25.0
Interceptions: Number-Yds-TD	0-0-0	1-0-0
Possession Time	26:31	33:29
Third-Down Conversions	10 of 16	8 of 11
Fourth-Down Conversions	1 of 2	0 of 0
Red-Zone Scores-Chances	2-2	3-4
Sacks By: Number-Yards	0-0	3-23

INDIVIDUAL STATS

	Att.	Net Yds.	TD
Rushing			
Georgia Tech			
Choice, T.	12	69	0
Dwyer, J.	12	62	2
Nesbitt, J.	6	37	0
Fresno State			
Smith, Clifton	18	152	2
Harding, Anthony	11	46	0
Brandstater, Tom	3	40	1
Miller, Lonyae	7	38	0
Moore, Marlon	2	11	1
Passing			
Georgia Tech	A-C-I	TD	Yds.
Bennett, T.	9-15-0	1	91
Booker, C.	7-15-1	1	116
Fresno State	A-C-I	TD	Yds.
Brandstater, Tom	23-30-0	1	285
Receiving			
Georgia Tech	Att.	Yds.	TD
Thomas, D.	4	69	1
Johnson, J.	4	61	0
Smith, G.	3	45	0
Donley, D.J.	3	33	1
Fresno State	Att.	Yds.	TD
Moore, Marlon	7	80	0
Pascoe, Bear	6	72	0
Smith, Clifton	4	57	0
Ajirrotutu, Seyi	2	39	0
Crawley, Jason	1	15	0
Tapia, Jesus	1	10	0
Hamlar, Jamel	1	9	0
Lubinsky, Drew	1	3	1

DEFENSIVE LEADERS

Tackles (UA-A)	
GEORGIA TECH:	Wheeler, P. 6-5; Guyton, G. 5-5; Lewis, J. 5-3; Jones, D. 5-2
FRESNO STATE:	Riley, Marcus 5-4; Jacobs, Ben 2-7; Haynes, Marvin 3-5; Clutts, Tyler 6-1
Sacks (No.-Yds.)	
GEORGIA TECH:	None
FRESNO STATE:	Clutts, Tyler 2-13; Monga, Jon 1-10.



FRESNO STATE BOWL GAMES

NEW MEXICO BOWL 1

COLORADO STATE 40

FRESNO STATE 35

Dec. 20, 2008 • Albuquerque, N.M.

Score by Quarters	1	2	3	4	Score
Colorado State	10	10	0	20	40
Fresno State	14	7	7	7	35



Scoring Summary

FS	Miller, Lonyae 1 yd run (Goessling, K. kick)
CSU	Stucker, Grant 18 yd run (Smith, Jason kick)
FS	Harding, A. 2 yd run (Goessling, K. kick)
CSU	Smith, Jason 29 yd field goal
CSU	Smith, Jason 22 yd field goal
FS	Miller, Lonyae 69 yd run (Goessling, K. kick)
CSU	Sperry, Kory 22 yd pass from Farris, Billy (Smith, Jason kick)
FS	Harding, A. 2 yd run (Goessling, K. kick)
CSU	Johnson, Gartre 1 yd run (Johnson, Gartre rush failed)
CSU	Greer, Rashaun 69 yd pass from Farris, Billy (Smith, Jason kick)
CSU	Johnson, Gartre 77 yd run (Smith, Jason kick)
FS	Skidmore, Ryan 7 yd pass from Brandstater, T. (Goessling, K. kick)

ALBUQUERQUE, N.M. -- Fresno State had two backs each rush for 100 yards and two touchdowns, but Bulldog miscues in the final quarter saw Colorado State outscore the Bulldogs 20-7 and win 40-35.

The Dogs couldn't find an answer for Ram back Gartrell Johnson, who rushed for a career-high 285 yards and scored two touchdowns.

The Rams (7-6) took their first lead at 33-28 when Billy Farris threw a 69-yard TD to Rashaun Greer with seven minutes left. Fresno State cornerback Sharrod Davis took a big chance but whiffed on his attempt to bat the ball. Greer made the catch at the 30 and went untouched into the end zone.

The loss also spoiled big rushing efforts by Anthony Harding and Lonyae Miller, who each scored twice. Harding finished with 120 yards rushing, and Miller added 113. Fresno State got within 40-35 with 55 seconds to go when Tom Brandstater threw a 7-yard pass to Ryan Skidmore. But Colorado State's Kyle Bell had no trouble fielding the ensuing onside kick.

The loss capped a rough season for the injury-depleted Bulldogs (7-6), who talked in fall workouts about a possible Bowl Championship Series run. They led 28-20 early in the fourth quarter.

Johnson was named most valuable offensive player in front of 24,735 fans.

This was the second bowl game of the bowl season.

He broke a 57-yard run in the first quarter and went another 57 yards on a shovel pass from Farris in the second, leaving defenders reaching for the dreadlocks tumbling out of his helmet.

Johnson, who averaged 99 yards rushing this season, had 97 by the end of the first quarter. He went wild against a young Fresno State defense that had allowed 197 yards rushing per game.

The Rams trailed 21-20 after 6-foot-6 Kory Sperry caught a perfectly placed ball from Farris and beat two defenders in the corner of the end zone with two seconds remaining in the first half.

The Bulldogs played without six starters--four on defense--who were lost for the season. But they were in control most of the way. Miller scored Fresno State's first TD on a 1-yard plunge. Then he bounced outside for a 69-yard TD run to put the Bulldogs up 21-13 late in the second quarter.

The Bulldogs were playing in their ninth bowl game in the last 10 years. Only 16 other schools playing in bowl games this season have been as successful.

TEAM STATS

	FS	CSU
FIRST DOWNS	22	20
Rushing	12	12
Passing	9	7
Penalty	1	1
NET YARDS RUSHING	362	248
Rushing Attempts	39	39
Average Per Rush	9.3	6.4
Rushing Touchdowns	3	4
NET YARDS PASSING	257	186
Completions-Attempts-Int	17-30-1	13-23-1
Average Per Attempt	8.6	8.1
Average Per Completion	15.1	14.3
Passing Touchdowns	2	1
TOTAL OFFENSE YARDS	619	434
Total offense plays	69	62
Average Gain Per Play	9.0	7.0
Fumbles: Number-Lost	3-0	0-0
Penalties: Number-Yards	6-60	3-25
PUNTS-YARDS	2-84	5-217
KICKOFFS-YARDS	8-534	5-320
Kickoff returns: Number-Yds-TD	5-87-0	4-96-0
Average Per Return	17.4	24.0
Interceptions: Number-Yds-TD	1-15-0	1-26-0
Possession Time	31:49	28:11
Third-Down Conversions	8 of 14	5 of 11
Fourth-Down Conversions	0 of 1	0 of 0
Red-Zone Scores-Chances	4-4	4-4
Sacks By: Number-Yards	0-0	1-4

INDIVIDUAL STATS

Rushing			
Colorado State	Att.	Net Yds.	TD
Johnson, G.	27	285	2
Morton, D.	3	41	0
Stucker, J.	2	6	0
Mosure, J.	2	17	0
Bell, K.	2	6	0
Farris, B.	3	-1	0
Fresno State			
Harding, Anthony	Att.	Net Yds.	TD
Harding, Anthony	18	120	2
Miller, Lonyae	13	113	2
Mathews, Ryan	4	13	0
Wylie, Devon	1	6	0
Brandstater, Tom	2	4	0
West, Chastin	1	-8	0
Passing			
Colorado State	A-C-I	TD	Yds.
Farris, B.	29-17-1	2	257
Borcky, T.J.	1-0-0	0	0
Fresno State			
Brandstater, Tom	A-C-I	TD	Yds.
Brandstater, Tom	23-13-1	1	186
Receiving			
Colorado State	Att.	Yds.	TD
Johnson, G.	5	90	0
Pauga, Z.	4	36	0
Morton, D.	3	29	0
Greer, R.	1	69	1
Sperry, K.	1	22	1
Fresno State			
Ajirotutu, Seyi	Att.	Yds.	TD
Ajirotutu, Seyi	3	81	0
Pascoe, Bear	3	39	0
Moore, Marlon	3	25	0
Evans, Rashad	1	28	0
Harding, Anthony	1	8	0
Skidmore, Ryan	1	7	1

DEFENSIVE LEADERS

Tackles (UA-A)

COLORADO STATE: Brewer, R. 6-4; Galusha, J. 7-2; Pagnotta, M. 6-3; Sisson, M. 3-3; Oppenheer, N. 3-3; Horinek, J. 2-2; Clark, J. 1-3; Owens, B. 2-0.
 FRESNO STATE: Carter, C. 2-7; Plummer, S. 4-4; Bell, L. 3-5; Jacobs, B. 3-4; Herron, N. 1-6; Dunn, D. 2-4; Harris, M. 2-3; Ike, I. 2-2; Davis, S. 1-3; Jorde, J. 3-0.

Sacks (No.-Yds.)

COLORADO STATE: None
 FRESNO STATE: Ike, I. 1.0-4



FRESNO STATE BOWL GAMES

NEW MEXICO BOWL 2

WYOMING 35

FRESNO STATE 28

Dec. 19, 2009 • Albuquerque, N.M.

Score by Quarters	1	2	3	4	2OT	Score
Wyoming	7	7	3	11	7	35
Fresno State	0	14	7	7	0	28



Scoring Summary

WY	ALEXANDER, A. 68 yd run (WATTS, Ian kick)
FS	Mathews, Ryan 4 yd run (Goessling, K. kick)
WY	BOLLING, Greg 21 yd pass from CARTA-SAMUELS,A (WATTS, Ian Kick)
FS	Hamlar, Jamel 10 yd pass from Colburn, Ryan (Goessling, K. kick)
FS	Hamlar, Jamel 43 yd pass from West, Chastin (Goessling, K. kick)
WY	WATTS, Ian 40 yd field goal
FS	Mathews, Ryan 5 yd run (Goessling, K. kick)
WY	LEONARD, David 11 yd pass from CARTA-SAMUELS,A (BOLLING, Greg pass from CARTA-SAMUELS,A)
WY	WATTS, Ian 37 yd field goal
WY	LEONARD, David 13 yd pass from CARTA-SAMUELS,A (WATTS, Ian kick)

ALBUQUERQUE, N.M. – Freshman Austyn Carta-Samuels threw three touchdown passes, the last a 13-yarder to David Leonard in the second overtime Saturday, and Wyoming beat Fresno State 35-28 in the New Mexico Bowl.

The first of 34 bowls was a high-scoring matchup that was decided by defense.

Wyoming (7-6) stopped the nation's leading rusher, Fresno State's Ryan Mathews, on three rushing attempts from the 1 in the first overtime. The Bulldogs (8-5) tried a quarterback sneak on fourth down and came up short.

The Cowboys scored on the first possession in double overtime, then held Fresno State on downs.

The Bulldogs were playing in their 10th bowl game in the last 11 seasons and for the second straight year played in the New Mexico Bowl.

Game Notes:

- Fresno State made its 10th bowl appearance in the last 11 seasons.
- Ryan Mathews scored his 37th and 38th career rushing touchdowns in the game, tying a New Mexico Bowl record for most rushing TDs in game. His first tied the game at 7-7 with a 4-yard run. That followed a big fourth down conversion in which Mathews reeled off a 29-yard run to put the ball at the 4 yard line. His touchdown extended his career school record.
- Mathews posted his 11th 100-yard rushing game of the season, most by a back in school history and tying the WAC record set in 2000 by LaDainian Tomlinson of TCU.
- On the day, Mathews had 144 yards on 31 carries. He finishes his third season at Fresno State second for career rushing with 3,280 yards on 530 carries with 38 TDs to average 6.2 yards per carry. Mathews ran for 1,808 yards in 2009, surpassing Rodney Davis's record of 1,586 by 222 yards.
- In the WAC record book, Mathews finishes fourth in single season rushing yards, 16th all-time in career rushing yards and 12th in rushing touchdowns.
- Jamel Hamlar's two-touchdown game gives him four in the last four games. Two of those touchdowns were acrobatic, as he scored with 2 seconds remaining against Illinois as he stretched the ball across the goal line and then a leaping catch against Wyoming and landing with his feet in bounds. Replays on both plays proved touchdowns were the correct calls on the field. He added his second TD of the game on a reverse pass from fellow receiver Chastin West.
- Hamlar's two touchdowns tied a New Mexico Bowl record for most in a game, held by five other players in including teammates Lonyae Miller (2008), Anthony Harding (2008) and Ryan Mathews (2009).
- Ben Jacob's blocked kick at the end of the half of a 50-yard field goal attempt by the Cowboys was the fifth of his career. It was Fresno State's fifth of the season, 84th of the Pat Hill era and the 49th since 2002, most in the nation. It was the second on New Mexico Bowl history.
- Chastin West completed his first pass attempt of his career, a 43-yard pass to Jamel Hamlar on Fresno State's first drive of the third quarter to give the Dogs their first lead of the game, 21-14.
- Junior Chris Lewis got his first career interception and had a 27-yard interception return, breaking a New Mexico Bowl game record for most return yards on an interception. His interception was tipped by Cornell Banks and he returned to the Wyoming 6 yard line. Mathews scored two plays later to give the Dogs a 28-17 lead.
- Senior Wilson Ramos made his first quarterback sack of the season, UW dropping quarterback Austyn Carta-Samuels in the third quarter.
- The game was the first overtime game in New Mexico Bowl history and Fresno State's second double-overtime game in the 2009 season.

TEAM STATS

	FS	WY
FIRST DOWNS	19	26
Rushing	10	14
Passing	8	11
Penalty	1	1
NET YARDS RUSHING	197	234
Rushing Attempts	44	50
Average Per Rush	4.5	4.7
Rushing Touchdowns	2	1
Yards Gained Rushing	206	271
Yards Lost Rushing	9	37
NET YARDS PASSING	169	204
C-A-I	14-20-0	18-33-1
Average Per Attempt	8.4	6.2
Average Per Completion	12.1	11.3
Passing Touchdowns	2	3
TOTAL OFFENSE YARDS	366	438
Total offense plays	64	83
Average Gain Per Play	5.7	5.3
Fumbles: Number-Lost	2-2	1-0
Penalties: Number-Yards	5-61	3-19
PUNTS-YARDS	3-139	3-112
Average Yards Per Punt	46.3	37.3
Net Yards Per Punt	38.0	38.0
Inside 20	1	1
50+ Yards	1	0
Touchbacks	1	0
Fair catch	0	0
KICKOFFS-YARDS	5-335	6-345
Average Yards Per Return	67.0	57.5
Net Yards Per Kickoff	51.6	39.3
Touchbacks	1	0
Punt returns: #-Yards-TD	2--2-0	1-5-0
Average Per Return	-1.0	5.0
Kickoff returns: #-Yds-TD	5-109-0	3-57-0
Average Per Return	21.8	19.0
Interceptions: #-Yds-TD	1-27-0	0-0-0
Fumble Returns: #-Yds-TD	0-0-0	0-0-0
Miscellaneous Yards	0	0
Possession Time	26:47	33:13
1st Quarter	7:46	7:14
2nd Quarter	7:06	7:54
3rd Quarter	8:42	6:18
4th Quarter	3:13	11:47
OT Quarter	0:00	0:00
Third-Down Conversions	2 of 10	9 of 20
Fourth-Down Conversions	2 of 4	4 of 4
Red-Zone Scores-Chances	3-5	2-2
Sacks By: Number-Yards	2-9	3-5
PAT Kicks	4-4	3-3
Field Goals	0-0	2-4



FRESNO STATE BOWL GAMES

uDROVE HUMANITARIAN BOWL

NORTHERN ILLINOIS 40

FRESNO STATE 17

Dec. 18, 2010 • Boise, Idaho

Score by Quarters	1	2	3	4	Score
Northern Illinois	6	17	10	7	40
Fresno State	7	3	0	7	17

SCORING SUMMARY

- FS Hamler, Jamel 11 yd pass from Colburn, Ryan (Goessling, kick)
- NIU HARNISH, Chand 7 yd run (CKLAMOVSKI, M kick failed)
- NIU HARNISH, Chand 28 yd run (CKLAMOVSKI, M kick)
- NIU CKLAMOVSKI, M 45 yd field goal
- FS Goessling, 45 yd field goal
- NIU SKARB, Kyle 22 yd pass from HARNISH, Chand (CKLAMOVSKI, M kick)
- NIU CKLAMOVSKI, M 51 yd field goal
- NIU SPANN, Chad 18 yd run (CKLAMOVSKI, M kick)
- NIU SPANN, Chad 8 yd run (CKLAMOVSKI, M kick)
- FS Evans, Rashad 11 yd pass from Colburn, Ryan (Goessling, kick)

BOISE, Idaho--The Dogs got out to a fast start in the first quarter, forcing the Huskies to turn the ball over on downs on their opening possession. The Bulldogs responded with a 69-yard scoring drive, capped by Colburn's 11-yard scoring strike to Jamel Hamler, who was named the Most Valuable Player for Fresno State.

Colburn was 28-for-38 on the night and threw for two touchdowns.

The Bulldogs finished the 2010 season with an 8-5 record and made its 11th bowl appearance in 12 seasons. Overall, the 'Dogs have played in 24 bowl games in school history.

Freshman Jalen Saunders recorded a career-high 58 yards on five carries for the most rushing yards of the night. His longest rush was 19-yards.

Kicker Kevin Goessling hit a field goal, his 21st of the season, from 45-yards.



Team Stats	NIU	FS
FIRST DOWNS	22	26
Rushing	7	5
Passing	14	17
Penalty	1	4
NET YARDS RUSHING	203	74
Rushing Attempts	28	35
Avg. Per Rush	7.2	2.1
Rushing Touchdowns	4	0
Yards Gained Rushing	208	120
Yards Lost Rushing	5	46
NET YARDS PASSING	300	288
C-A-I	17-27-0	28-38-0
Avg. Per Attempt	11.1	7.6
Avg. Per Completion	17.6	10.3
Passing Touchdowns	1	2
TOTAL OFFENSE YARDS	503	362
Total offense plays	55	73
Average Gain Per Play	9.1	5.0
Fumbles: Number-Lost	1-0	2-1
Penalties: Number-Yards	6-65	4-43
PUNTS-YARDS	0-0	3-91
Average Yards Per Punt	0.0	30.3
Net Yards Per Punt	0.0	30.3
Inside 20	0	1
50+ Yards	0	0
Touchbacks	0	0
Fair catch	0	2
KICKOFFS-YARDS	8-529	4-257
Avg. Yards Per Kickoff	66.1	64.2
Interceptions: Number-Yds-TD	0-0-0	0-0-0
Fumble Returns: Number-Yds-TD	0-0-0	0-0-0
Miscellaneous Yards	0	0
Possession Time	24:07	35:53
1st Quarter	6:02	8:58
2nd Quarter	6:23	8:37
3rd Quarter	6:07	8:53
4th Quarter	5:35	9:25
Third-Down Conversions	2 of 6	6 of 15
Fourth-Down Conversions	0 of 2	1 of 3
Red-Zone Scores-Chances	3-3	2-3
Touchdowns	3-3	2-3
Field goals	0-3	0-3
Sacks By: Number-Yards	6-36	0-0
PAT Kicks	4-5	2-2
Field Goals	2-2	1-2



FRESNO STATE BOWL GAMES

SHERATON HAWAII BOWL

SMU 43

FRESNO STATE 10

Dec. 24, 2012 • Honolulu, Hawaii (Aloha Stadium)



Score by Quarters	1	2	3	4	Score
Fresno State (9-4, 7-1 MW)	0	0	7	3	10
SMU (7-6, 5-3 C-USA)	0	22	7	14	43

SCORING SUMMARY	Drive	Time	Score
SMU 2nd 14:07	GILBERT, G. 17 yd run (HOVER kick)	5-93	2:26 0-7
SMU 2nd 12:16	HOVER, Chase 30 yd field goal	4-3	0:56 0-10
SMU 2nd 10:50	HUNT, Margus safety	--	-- 0-12
SMU 2nd 05:24	LINE, Zach 8 yd run (HOVER kick)	11-67	5:18 0-19
SMU 2nd 01:37	HOVER, Chase 48 yd field goal	4--5	2:11 0-22
FS 3rd 10:21	ADAMS, Davante 6 yd pass from CARR, Derek (BRESHEARS kick)	3-15	1:05 7-22
SMU 3rd 07:01	JOHNSON, Darius 21 yd pass from GILBERT, G. (HOVER kick)	7-75	3:20 7-29
FS 4th 13:21	BRESHEARS, Quen 32 yd field goal	7-72	1:30 10-29
SMU 4th 09:05	REED, Taylor 69 yd interception return (HOVER kick)	--	-- 10-36
SMU 4th 01:14	GREENBAUER, H. 83 yd interception return (HOVER kick)	--	-- 10-43

HONOLULU- The SMU Mustangs denied the Fresno State football team a chance at registering its first 10-win season since 2001, as they defeated the Bulldogs 43-10 Monday in the 2012 Sheraton Hawaii Bowl at Hawaiian Airlines Field at Aloha Stadium.

The loss ends Fresno State's five-game winning streak it carried with them after capturing the Mountain West title in its first season in the league. The Bulldogs end the season with a 9-4 overall record while SMU finished 7-6.

"I was surprised, I thought it was going to be a very competitive game," said head coach Tim DeRuyter, who already had become the winningest first-year coach in Fresno State history. "People were talking about the explosive offensives, but we thought both defenses were pretty good and it was going to come down to take-aways. They are a well-coached team, got good players and outplayed us today."

SMU's defense out powered the Bulldog offense, forcing the 'Dogs to turn the ball over four times and sacking Derek Carr seven times. Margus Hunt, the SMU MVP of the Sheraton Hawaii Bowl, had two of those sacks, one of which was in the end zone for a safety and he forced a fumble on the other.

The seven sacks Fresno State allowed in the game were the most all year. The Bulldogs had five sacks of their own, which was the third time this year they registered five sacks in a game.

"We got to protect better, but give SMU all the credit they did a heck of a job," DeRuyter said. "I thought in the first half [Hunt] was clearly a problem for us. He did a heck of a job and was a beast to be blocked."

The Mustangs held a 22-0 lead at the half. Fresno State, set up by a 50-yard interception return by Sean Alston, got on the board early in the third with a Carr six-yard touchdown pass to Davante Adams.

However, SMU countered on the drive after that with a seven-play, 75-yard touchdown drive to take the wind out of the Bulldogs' sail.

Carr finished the game completing 33-of-54 passes for 362 yards and one touchdown with two interceptions. He set a new Mountain West single-season record for passing yards with 4,104, which is just the second 4,000-yard passing season in school history.

"We got humbled. Sometimes I guess you don't want to say that, but you may need that," Carr said. "I know this gives us something to work for in the offseason. I can't wait to move on from this one and get going."

Adams' touchdown gave him a TD reception in eight-straight games to end the year. He tied Henry Ellard's record set back in 1982 for consecutive games with a touchdown.

Adams was named the Bulldog MVP of the Sheraton Hawaii Bowl. He finished the game with 13 catches for 144 yards and the one touchdown. This was his third-straight 100-yard receiving game and sixth this year, which ties for the third-most in Bulldog history.

The Bulldog defense, which has already recorded the biggest turnover turnaround from one year to the next, got two turnovers in the game. Alston was responsible for both, picking off two passes and he extended Fresno State's streak to 11-straight games with a pick. That is the longest active streak in the FBS.

DeRuyter said the Bulldogs will now be able to build off this season and use this loss to relight the team's fire going into the offseason.

"We challenged our returning guys to use this as motivation for next year, we are not where we need to be," DeRuyter said. "I hate that this obviously takes a little bit of the shine of this season that we didn't finish the way we wanted to, especially for these seniors, but I'm sure this is motivation for these guys."

Team Stats	FS	SMU
FIRST DOWNS	21	15
Rushing	3	9
Passing	18	6
Penalty	0	0
NET YARDS RUSHING	-16	169
Rushing Attempts	22	37
Avg. Per Rush	-0.7	4.6
Rushing Touchdowns	0	2
Yards Gained Rushing	51	199
Yards Lost Rushing	67	30
NET YARDS PASSING	362	212
C-A-I	33-55-2	14-28-2
Avg. Per Attempt	6.6	7.6
Avg. Per Completion	11.0	15.1
Passing Touchdowns	1	1
TOTAL OFFENSE YARDS	346	381
Total offense plays	77	65
Average Gain Per Play	4.5	5.9
Fumbles: Number-Lost	2-2	1-0
Penalties: Number-Yards	3-15	3-15
PUNTS-YARDS	6-288	5-179
Average Yards Per Punt	38.0	35.8
Net Yards Per Punt	32.2	35.8
Inside 20	2	3
50+ Yards	0	0
Touchbacks	0	0
Fair catch	2	3
KICKOFFS-YARDS	4-259	8-495
Avg. Yards Per Kickoff	64.8	61.9
Punt Returns: #-Yds-TD	0-0-0	2-35-0
Kickoff Returns: #-Yds-TD	7-139-0	1-17-0
Interceptions: #-Yds-TD	2-50-0	2-152-2
Fumble Returns: #-Yds-TD	0-0-0	2-32-0
Miscellaneous Yards	0	0
Possession Time	26:41	33:19
1st Quarter	6:29	8:31
2nd Quarter	5:34	9:26
3rd Quarter	5:44	9:16
4th Quarter	8:54	6:06
Third-Down Conversions	4-of-14	8-of-17
Fourth-Down Conversions	0-of-2	0-of-0
Red-Zone Scores-Chances	2-of-3	4-of-4
Touchdowns	1-of-3	2-of-4
Field goals	1-of-3	2-of-4
Sacks By: Number-Yards	5-24	7-53
PAT Kicks	1-of-1	5-of-5
Field Goals	1-of-1	2-of-3



FRESNO STATE BOWL GAMES

ROYAL PURPLE LAS VEGAS BOWL

No. 21/20 FRESNO STATE 20

USC 45

Dec. 21, 2013 • Las Vegas, Nev. (Sam Boyd Stadium)



Score by Quarters	1	2	3	4	Score
Fresno State (11-2, 7-1 MW)	6	0	7	7	20
USC (10-4, 6-3 Pac-12)	14	21	3	7	45

SCORING SUMMARY	Drive	Time	Score
USC 1st	08:54 Lee, M. 10 yd pass from Kessler, C. (Heidari kick)	12-65	6:06 0-7
FS 1st	08:33 BURSE, I. 8 yd pass from CARR, D. (MCGUIRE kick blockd)	3-33	0:21 6-7
USC 1st	06:22 Agholor, N. 40 yd pass from Kessler, C. (Heidari kick)	5-65	2:11 6-14
USC 2nd	09:05 Agholor, N. 17 yd pass from Kessler, C. (Heidari kick)	9-65	5:19 6-21
USC 2nd	07:27 Allen, J. 24 yd run (Heidari kick)	2-30	0:47 6-28
USC 2nd	00:37 Lee, M. 40 yd pass from Kessler, C. (Heidari kick)	6-88	3:41 6-35
FS 3rd	11:42 ADAMS, D. 23 yd pass from CARR, D. (MCGUIRE kick)	6-37	1:54 13-35
USC 3rd	06:44 Heidari, Andre 39 yd field goal	9-48	4:51 13-38
FS 4th	14:40 SMITH, D. 41 yd interception return (MCGUIRE kick)	--	-- 20-38
USC 4th	04:44 Allen, J. 1 yd run (Heidari kick)	12-80	7:14 20-45



LAS VEGAS - USC scored five first-half touchdowns to open up a 29-point point lead and cruised to a 45-20 win over the 21st-ranked Fresno State Bulldogs at Sam Boyd Stadium in the 2013 Royal Purple Las Vegas Bowl.

"Clearly early in the game, we didn't make enough plays to get into a rhythm," head coach Tim DeRuyter said. "We have a lot of respect for USC, they have a lot of good players and are really well coached. They came out very inspired today and you have to give coach [Clay] Helton credit."

Despite losing its fifth-straight bowl game, Fresno State's season is still one of the greatest in school history. The Bulldogs close the year with an 11-2 record, tying the school record for victories.

"This team won 11 ball games and won a second-straight conference championship," DeRuyter said. "I know in my heart that we had a really fine football team and I'm very proud of them. We didn't play our best game today and that goes on me, I got to do a better job getting our guys ready."

Trojan quarterback Cody Kessler set new career-highs with 344 yards passing and four touchdowns to lead USC in its victory. The Trojans (10-4) racked up 487 total yards against the Bulldogs.

Fresno State's offense struggled against the USC defense that came into the game ranked 16th nationally in total defense. The 'Dogs only converted 2-of-14 third-down attempts and finished with 254 total yards, the lowest output of the season.

"They're a good defense for a reason," DeRuyter said. "They're physically very, very good and did a nice job mixing things up."

Bulldog safety Derron Smith, a two-time first-team All-Mountain West selection, led Fresno State on the day. He set a new career-high with 18 tackles and had an interception that he returned 41 yards for a touchdown. It was his seventh pick of the season and 14th of his career.

"Schematically wise, they don't do anything too confusing, they just have a lot of athletes all over the field," Smith said of USC's offense. "They got a good solid quarterback and a tough run game."

USC scored touchdowns on five of its seven drives in the first half to jump out to a 35-6 lead. The Bulldogs only converted 1-of-8 third down attempts in that first half and were out-gained by 175 yards.

After Karl Mickelsen recovered a muffed punt that came following Fresno State's first drive of the third quarter, Derek Carr hit Davante Adams on a 23-yard touchdown pass for his 50th TD of the season.

On that play Carr became just the fourth quarterback in FBS history to throw for over 5,000 yards in a season and have 50 touchdown passes. He finished the game going 30-for-54 passing for 217 yards and two touchdowns against one interception.

"It's been so fun," Carr said when asked to reflect on his storybook career at Fresno State. "It's bittersweet, like I [say all the time] I should be a Bulldog for the next 20 years, but I got to feed [my son] Dallas."

Isaiah Burse had six catches for 39 yards and one touchdown in the game where he went over 1,000 yards receiving for the season. With Davante Adams and Josh Harper already having over 1,000 yards, the Bulldogs became the fifth team in FBS history to have three 1,000-yard receivers in a season.

Adams set a new MW single-season record for catches in a year with 131 after catching nine passes for 74 yards and a touchdown against USC. He finished his record season with 24 touchdown catches, which is the fourth-most in FBS history.

The 2013 season was a record-setting one for Fresno State. The Bulldogs are 20-6 in two seasons under DeRuyter and have a promising future ahead of them.

"I think it's good, we got a lot of talented players, great coaches and the sky is the limit," Smith said of the outlook for the program. "We just got to keep working and using this as fuel for next year."

Team Stats	FS	USC
FIRST DOWNS	14	24
Rushing	1	10
Passing	9	14
Penalty	4	0
NET YARDS RUSHING	37	154
Rushing Attempts	6	46
Avg. Per Rush	6.2	3.3
Rushing Touchdowns	0	2
Yards Gained Rushing	37	194
Yards Lost Rushing	0	40
NET YARDS PASSING	216	345
C-A-I	29-55-1	22-30-1
Avg. Per Attempt	3.9	11.5
Avg. Per Completion	7.4	15.7
Passing Touchdowns	2	4
TOTAL OFFENSE YARDS	253	499
Total offense plays	61	76
Average Gain Per Play	4.1	6.6
Fumbles: Number-Lost	0-0	1-1
Penalties: Number-Yards	5-45	10-101
PUNTS-YARDS	8-359	4-144
Average Yards Per Punt	44.9	36.0
Net Yards Per Punt	42.8	36.0
Inside 20	2	0
50+ Yards	2	0
Touchbacks	1	0
Fair catch	3	4
KICKOFFS-YARDS	4-167	7-485
Avg. Yards Per Kickoff	41.8	69.3
Punt Returns: #-Yds-TD	0-0-0	2--3-0
Kickoff Returns: #-Yds-TD	6-119-0	3-14-0
Interceptions: #-Yds-TD	1-41-1	1-0-0
Fumble Returns: #-Yds-TD	0-0-0	0-0-0
Miscellaneous Yards	0	0
Possession Time	18:33	41:27
1st Quarter	4:10	10:50
2nd Quarter	5:12	9:48
3rd Quarter	6:04	8:56
4th Quarter	3:07	11:53
Third-Down Conversions	2-of-14	6-of-13
Fourth-Down Conversions	1-of-3	2-of-2
Red-Zone Scores-Chances	1-of-2	4-of-4
Touchdowns	1-of-2	3-of-4
Field goals	0-of-2	1-of-4
Sacks By: Number-Yards	1-17	0-0
PAT Kicks	2-of-3	6-of-6
Field Goals	0-of-0	1-of-1



FRESNO STATE BOWL GAMES

HAWAII BOWL

RICE 30

FRESNO STATE 6

Dec. 24, 2014 • Honolulu, Hawai'i (Aloha Stadium)

Score by Quarters	1	2	3	4	Score
Fresno State (6-9)	3	3	0	0	6
Rice (8-5)	16	0	7	7	30



SCORING SUMMARY	Drive	Time	Score
RICE 1st 10:32	HAIRSTON, J. 21 yd field goal	11-71	4:28 0-3
FS 1st 02:16	KROENING, K. 44 yd field goal	10-37	3:11 3-3
RICE 1st 00:23	TAYLOR, J. 14 yd pass from JACKSON, D. (HAIRSTON, J. kick failed)	5-78	1:48 3-9
RICE 1st 00:04	HULL, M. 69 yd pass from JACKSON, D. (HAIRSTON, J. kick)	1-69	0:11 3-16
FS 2nd 08:53	KROENING, K. 40 yd field goal	10-51	2:43 6-16
RICE 3rd 06:18	PARKS, D. 40 yd pass from JACKSON, D. (HAIRSTON, J. kick)	7-73	2:48 6-23
RICE 4th 10:07	DILLARD, D. 1 yd run (HAIRSTON, J. kick)	2-59	0:27 6-30



HONOLULU - Rice outgained Fresno State 463-255 as the Owls handed the Bulldogs their sixth-straight bowl defeat with a 30-6 victory on Christmas Eve in the 2014 Hawai'i Bowl at Hawaiian Airlines Field at Aloha Stadium.

"Give Rice credit, they played very well today," head coach Tim DeRuyter said. "Played with a lot of energy and got after our offense. On offense, they made some big plays. Give them the credit, they finished the season after starting 0-3, they finished the season the way we wanted to finish the season, but we didn't get it done."

The Bulldogs conclude their season with a 6-8 record while Rice finishes 8-5. This game was a

matchup of two teams that both started their seasons out 0-3, but rebounded to make a bowl game. Since 1980, 496 teams had started out 0-3, but Rice and Fresno State became just the 20th and 21st of those teams to make it to a bowl game.

"Clearly it is frustrating," DeRuyter said. "You prepare in practice, I thought our guys were extremely competitive in practice. When you come out against a good Rice team and get outplayed that hurts. Each year is different, you have a different identity each year, but when you play in bowl games obviously you play against good teams. They are well coached and we've got to figure out a way to get over the top."

The Owls were led by quarterback Driphus Jackson who threw three touchdowns passes to three different players and completed 15-of-24 attempts for 318 yards. Jackson was named Rice's MVP of the game while the MVP award for Fresno State went to inside linebacker Karl Mickelsen.

Mickelsen tied for the team lead with 11 tackles, had a career-high 3.5 tackles for a loss and one sack.

"This one hurts the most just because as a senior you don't like losing your last game going out," Mickelsen said.

Fresno State struggled offensively, getting just 93 yards passing in the game. The `Dogs did not score a touchdown in the game for the first time since Nov. 19, 2010 when they were shutout at No. 3 Boise State.

Running backs Marteze Waller and Josh Quezada tried to carry their load, combining to account for 134 of Fresno State 255 yards in the game. Waller had 76 yards rushing while Quezada had 52 and a pair of catches for six yards.

Quarterback Brian Burrell was 10-of-20 passing for 44 yards with two interceptions.

Derron Smith, who is one of just 11 players in school history to be named first-team all-conference three times, finished the game with seven tackles. He concludes his career with 304 tackles - one of just six players ever at Fresno State to post over 300 tackles in a career.

Rice scored a pair of touchdowns in the span of 19 seconds at the end of the first quarter to open up a 16-3 lead. The `Dogs gave up a 14-yard Jackson to Jordan Taylor TD pass and then right after a Burrell interception, Jackson hit Mario Hull on a 69-yard touchdown pass.

All that Fresno State was able to muster up in the first half was a pair of field goals from true freshman kicker Kody Kroening. The first was a 44-yarder in the first quarter and the second was from 40 in the second.

Quezada was mainly the only productive Bulldog on offense in the first half, as he had 49 rushing yards while the `Dogs as a team totaled just 90 yards in the first half. Rice led 16-6 at the break.

After the tough opening quarter, the Bulldogs held Rice to just four total yards in the second quarter. They came out fired up in the third quarter, but that only lasted for one drive before missed tackles cost the `Dogs on Jackson's third touchdown pass of the game. Jackson found Dennis Parks at the line of scrimmage on the Bulldogs sideline and two defenders couldn't get Parks down on the scoring play that gave Rice a 23-6 lead.

Fresno State could not pull itself back into the game and ended up losing its sixth-straight bowl game and second in the last three years playing in the Hawai'i Bowl.

Team Stats	FS	Rice
FIRST DOWNS	15	16
Rushing	7	7
Passing	6	8
Penalty	2	1
NET YARDS RUSHING	162	137
Rushing Attempts	42	40
Avg. Per Rush	3.9	3.4
Rushing Touchdowns	0	1
Yards Gained Rushing	205	163
Yards Lost Rushing	43	26
NET YARDS PASSING	93	326
C-A-I	17-38-2	16-26-0
Avg. Per Attempt	2.4	12.5
Avg. Per Completion	5.5	20.4
Passing Touchdowns	0	3
TOTAL OFFENSE YARDS	255	463
Total offense plays	80	66
Average Gain Per Play	3.2	7.0
Fumbles: Number-Lost	1-0	0-0
Penalties: Number-Yards	1-15	12-100
PUNTS-YARDS	6-261	8-324
Average Yards Per Punt	43.5	40.5
Net Yards Per Punt	42.2	36.9
Inside 20	2	1
50+ Yards	1	0
Touchbacks	0	1
Fair catch	3	5
KICKOFFS-YARDS	3-189	6-374
Avg. Yards Per Kickoff	63.0	62.3
Punt Returns: #-Yds-TD	2-9-0	2-8-0
Kickoff Returns: #-Yds-TD	2-40-0	2-41-0
Interceptions: #-Yds-TD	0-0-0	2-0-0
Fumble Returns: #-Yds-TD	0-0-0	0-0-0
Miscellaneous Yards	0	0
Possession Time	24:45	32:15
1st Quarter	6:35	8:25
2nd Quarter	8:19	6:41
3rd Quarter	7:51	7:09
4th Quarter	5:00	10:00
Third-Down Conversions	7-of-21	3-of-14
Fourth-Down Conversions	0-of-4	0-of-1
Red-Zone Scores-Chances	0-of-1	3-of-3
Touchdowns	0-of-1	2-of-3
Field goals	0-of-1	1-of-3
Sacks By: Number-Yards	2-14	4-24
PAT Kicks	0-of-0	3-of-4
Field Goals	2-of-3	1-of-1



FRESNO STATE BOWL GAMES

HAWAII BOWL

FRESNO STATE 33

HOUSTON 27

Dec. 24, 2017 • Honolulu, Hawai'i (Aloha Stadium)



Score by Quarters	1	2	3	4	Score
Fresno State (10-4, 7-1 MW)	0	13	7	13	33
Houston (7-5, 5-3 AAC)	7	3	10	7	27

SCORING SUMMARY	Drive	Time	Score
HOU 1st 11:35	OLIVER, Ed 1 yd run (NOVIKOFF, Caden kick)	4-63	1:33 0-7
FS 2nd 14:13	McMARYION, M. 1 yd run (CAMACHO, Jimmy kick)	11-68	2:34 7-7
FS 2nd 09:45	CAMACHO, Jimmy 27 yd field goal	9-60	3:44 10-7
HOU 2nd 07:17	NOVIKOFF, Caden 31 yd field goal	8-69	2:22 10-10
FS 2nd 00:00	CAMACHO, Jimmy 38 yd field goal	10-50	1:11 13-10
HOU 3rd 07:57	NOVIKOFF, Caden 31 yd field goal	10-45	4:39 13-13
FS 3rd 04:21	McMARYION, M. 6 yd run (CAMACHO, Jimmy kick)	9-75	3:38 20-13
HOU 3rd 02:54	MYRES, A. 94 yd blocked FG return (NOVIKOFF, Caden kick)	--	-- 20-20
FS 4th 13:56	CAMACHO, Jimmy 26 yd field goal	10-81	3:50 23-20
FS 4th 06:00	CAMACHO, Jimmy 33 yd field goal	13-66	5:01 26-20
FS 4th 03:49	BRYANT, Jaron 44 yd interception return (CAMACHO, Jimmy kick)	--	-- 33-20
HOU 4th 00:45	BONNER, Linell 2 yd pass from KING, D'Eriq (NOVIKOFF, Caden kick)	16-76	2:55 33-27



HONOLULU - Securing its 10th 10-win season in program history and picking up its first bowl win since 2007, the Fresno State Bulldogs defeated the Houston Cougars, 33-27 in the Hawai'i Bowl on Sunday evening at Aloha Stadium.

"I can't say enough about this team and the coaching staff," said head coach Jeff Tedford. "To go from one win to 10 wins is a great accomplishment and these guys are such great kids, they've worked really hard and I'm so proud of the effort they gave all year. These guys deserve everything they're getting right now, because they did buy in and they worked really hard to get this done."

Only the second team in Football Bowl Subdivision history to go from a season with double-digit losses to a season with double-digit wins, the Bulldogs used a strong game offensively from junior quarterback Marcus McMaryion and the leg of senior kicker Jimmy Camacho.

McMaryion had a career-night, completing 33-of-48 through the air for 342 yards and added 50 yards and a pair of touchdowns on the ground on his way to Most Valuable Player honors. His 33 completions tied a Hawai'i Bowl record as he now shares that mark with former Bulldog gunslinger Derek Carr who also completed 33 passes in the 2012 Hawai'i Bowl. Junior wide receiver KeeSean Johnson led the Bulldogs' pass-catching corps with eight receptions for 95 yards while sophomore tight end Jared Rice added six catches for 84 yards. On the ground, Fresno State ran for 131 yards as sophomore running back Josh Hokit led the way with 64 yards on 11 carries.

Defensively, first-team All-Mountain West linebacker Jeffrey Allison led a stingy Bulldog defense with 13 tackles, eight solo, and added one tackle for loss. Sophomore safety Mike Bell made seven tackles, six solo, and junior linebacker George Helmuth added six solo tackles. Sophomore defensive backs Juju Hughes (fumble recovery) and Jaron Bryant (INT returned for a TD) accounted for the Bulldogs' two turnovers. The Fresno State defense held the Houston offense to 341 yards of total offense limiting the Cougars to 72 rushing yards.

Team Stats	FS	HOU
FIRST DOWNS	26	17
Rushing	8	3
Passing	15	13
Penalty	3	1
NET YARDS RUSHING	131	72
Rushing Attempts	39	30
Average Per Rush	3.4	2.4
Rushing Touchdowns	2	1
Yards Gained Rushing	157	89
Yards Lost Rushing	26	17
NET YARDS PASSING	342	269
Completions-Attempts-Int	33-49-1	23-43-1
Average Per Attempt	7.0	6.3
Average Per Completion	10.4	11.7
Passing Touchdowns	0	1
TOTAL OFFENSE YARDS	473	341
Total offense plays	88	73
Average Gain Per Play	5.4	4.7
Fumbles: Number-Lost	1-1	1-1
Penalties: Number-Yards	7-52	6-44
PUNTS-YARDS	3-137	5-217
Average Yards Per Punt	45.7	43.4
Net Yards Per Punt	45.7	43.2
Inside 20	1	2
50+ Yards	1	1
Touchbacks	0	0
Fair catch	2	4
KICKOFFS-YARDS	7-435	5-324
Average Yards Per Kickoff	62.1	64.8
Net Yards Per Kickoff	44.9	43.0
Touchbacks	3	1
Punt returns: Number-Yards-TD	1-1-0	0-0-0
Average Per Return	1.0	0.0
Kickoff returns: Number-Yds-TD	4-84-0	4-46-0
Average Per Return	21.0	11.5
Interceptions: Number-Yds-TD	1-44-1	1-0-0
Fumble Returns: Number-Yds-TD	0-0-0	0-0-1
Miscellaneous Yards	0	94
Possession Time	33:18	26:42
1st Quarter	7:10	7:50
2nd Quarter	8:57	6:03
3rd Quarter	10:21	4:39
4th Quarter	6:50	8:10
Third-Down Conversions	7-of-19	9-of-19
Fourth-Down Conversions	1-of-1	1-of-2
Red-Zone Scores-Chances	5-6	4-4
Touchdowns	2-6	2-4
Field goals	3-6	2-4
Sacks By: Number-Yards	2-10	1-7
PAT Kicks	3-3	3-3
Field Goals	4-6	2-3
Points off turnovers	7	3



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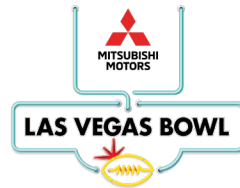
MITSUBISHI MOTORS LAS VEGAS BOWL

NO. 19/21 FRESNO STATE 31

ARIZONA STATE 20

Dec. 15, 2018 • Las Vegas, Nev. (Sam Boyd Stadium)

Score by Quarters	1	2	3	4	Score
Arizona State (7-6, 5-4)	7	10	3	0	20
Fresno State (12-2, 7-1)	10	7	7	7	31



SCORING SUMMARY	Drive	Time	Score
FS 1st 07:02	FULLER 39 yd field goal	11-71	4:28 0-3
FS 1st 04:58	KELLY 70 yd interception return (FULLER kick)	10-37	3:11 3-3
ASU 1st 01:25	WILLIAMS 3 yd pass from WILKINS (RUIZ kick)	5-78	1:48 3-9
ASU 2nd 12:43	BENJAMIN 17 yd run (RUIZ kick)	1-69	0:11 3-16
FS 2nd 08:03	MCMARYION 10 yd run (FULLER kick)	10-51	2:43 6-16
ASU 2nd 00:51	RUIZ 20 yd field goal	7-73	2:48 6-23
ASU 3rd 05:33	RUIZ 44 yd field goal	2-59	0:27 6-30
FS 3rd 01:00	RIVERS 68 yd run (FULLER kick)	7-73	2:48 6-23
FS 4th 05:19	RIVERS 5 yd run (FULLER kick)	2-59	0:27 6-30



LAS VEGAS – For the first time in program history, Fresno State earned its 12th win in a single season, defeating Arizona State 31-20 at the 2018 Mitsubishi Motors Las Vegas Bowl on Saturday afternoon at Sam Boyd Stadium.

“It’s a good feeling. It’s for the players. The memories that they are going to take away from this are going to last them a lifetime,” said head coach Jeff Tedford. “They’re going to have reunions for many years to come. Last night in our team meeting we talked about the bond they’re going to have for the rest of their lives. They can say they did something that no one else has done. It didn’t come easy, they overcame a lot through their time here, especially the seniors. I’m just really proud of them. I’ve asked them how history is going to record this team. They can put a stamp on it with 12 wins, that’s how history is going to record this team.”

Sophomore running back Ronnie Rivers was named the game’s Most Valuable Player after accounting for 286 all-purpose yards, the fourth-most in program history. He totaled 212 yards rushing and two touchdowns on 24 carries, while also posting 41 punt return yards and 33 receiving yards.

While Rivers accounted for nearly half of the Bulldogs’ 436 yards of offense on the ground, senior quarterback Marcus McMaryion passed for 176 yards on 15-of-29 attempts while rushing for 41 yards.

Having surrendered 230 yards and 17 points to Arizona State in the first half, the Bulldog defense shut down the explosive backfield duo of running back Eno Benjamin and quarterback Manny Wilkins in the second half as the Sun Devils gained only 63 yards and registered one field goal during the final 30 minutes.

The Bulldogs forced two turnovers while giving away three. Juju Hughes and Anthoula Kelly each recorded their fourth interceptions of the season for the Bulldogs’ two turnovers gained. Kelly’s INT was returned 70 yards for a touchdown that put the ‘Dogs on top 10-0 midway through the first quarter.

Jeff Allison and George Helmuth each had a game-high 11 tackles.

Team Stats	ASU	FS
FIRST DOWNS	18	18
Rushing	11	11
Passing	7	7
Penalty	0	0
NET YARDS RUSHING	164	260
Rushing Attempts	38	35
Average Per Rush	4.3	7.4
Rushing Touchdowns	1	3
Yards Gained Rushing	178	268
Yards Lost Rushing	14	8
NET YARDS PASSING	129	176
Completions-Attempts-Int	19-31-2	15-29-2
Average Per Attempt	4.2	6.1
Average Per Completion	6.8	11.7
Passing Touchdowns	1	0
TOTAL OFFENSE YARDS	293	436
Total offense plays	69	64
Average Gain Per Play	4.2	6.8
Fumbles: Number-Lost	0-0	1-1
Penalties: Number-Yards	3-20	3-20
PUNTS-YARDS	6-268	3-134
Average Yards Per Punt	44.7	44.7
Net Yards Per Punt	37.8	32.3
Inside 20	1	1
50+ Yards	1	0
Touchbacks	0	1
Fair catch	2	0
KICKOFFS-YARDS	5-325	6-316
Average Yards Per Kickoff	65.0	52.7
Net Yards Per Kickoff	40.4	33.5
Touchbacks	4	0
Fair Catch Yards	0	0
Punt returns: Number-Yards-TD	1-17-0	1-41-0
Average Per Return	17.0	41.0
Kickoff returns: Number-Yds-TD	5-115-0	1-23-0
Average Per Return	23.0	23.0
Interceptions: Number-Yds-TD	2-6-0	2-71-1
Fumble Returns: Number-Yds-TD	0-0-0	0-0-0
Miscellaneous Yards	0	0
Possession Time	31:01	28:59
1st Quarter	7:40	7:20
2nd Quarter	9:29	5:31
3rd Quarter	9:52	5:08
4th Quarter	4:00	11:00
Third-Down Conversions	8 of 18	4 of 10
Fourth-Down Conversions	1 of 1	0 of 0
Red-Zone Scores-Chances	3-3	2-2
Touchdowns	2-3	2-2
Field goals	1-3	0-2
Sacks By: Number-Yards	0-0	1-6
PAT Kicks	2-2	4-4
Field Goals	2-2	1-1
Points off turnovers	3	7



FRESNO STATE BOWL GAME RECORDS

TEAM BOWL RECORDS

Rushing

Most rushes: 56 vs. USC, 1992 Freedom Bowl IX
 Most net yards gained: 260 (2x)
 260 vs. Colorado State, 2008 New Mexico Bowl
 260 vs. Arizona State, 2018 Las Vegas Bowl
 Most TDs: 4 vs. Bowling Green, 1985 California Bowl V

Passing

Most attempts: 63 vs. Colorado, 1993 Jeep Eagle Aloha Bowl
 Most completions:
 37 vs. Colorado, 1993 Jeep Eagle Aloha Bowl
 Most had intercepted:
 4 vs. Ball State, 1989 California Raisin Bowl IX
 Most yards gained:
 531 vs. Michigan State, 2001 Silicon Valley Football Classic
 Highest pct.:
 694 vs. Bowling Green, 1991 California Raisin Bowl XI
 Most touchdowns:
 5, 2x; vs. Air Force, 2000 Silicon Valley Football
 Classic; vs. Virginia, 2004 MPC Computers Bowl

Total Offense

Most plays (passing & rushing):
 88 vs. Colorado, 1993 Jeep Eagle Aloha Bowl
 88 vs. Houston, 2017 Hawai'i Bowl
 Most yards gained:
 560 vs. Michigan State, 2001 Silicon Valley Football Classic

Punting

Most punts: 9 vs. Western Michigan, 1988 California Bowl VIII
 Most yards: 359 vs. USC, 2013 Las Vegas Bowl
 Highest average per punt:
 47.4 vs. Bowling Green, 1985 California Bowl V

Punt Returns

Most punt returns: 13 vs. Drake, 1946 Raisin Bowl
 Most yards returned:
 59 vs. Bowling Green, 1982 California Bowl II

Kickoff Returns

Most kickoff returns:
 8 vs. Air Force, 2000 Silicon Valley Football Classic
 Most return Yards:
 156 vs. vs. Air Force, 2000 Silicon Valley Football Classic

Miscellaneous

Most first downs:
 34 vs. Colorado, 1993 Jeep Eagle Aloha Bowl
 Most first downs rushing: 16 vs. USC, 1992 Freedom Bowl IX
 Most first downs passing:
 25 vs. Colorado, 1993 Jeep Eagle Aloha Bowl
 Most first downs penalty:
 16 vs. Western Michigan, 1988 California Bowl VIII
 Most fumbles:
 8 vs. Arkansas State, 1937 Little All-American Bowl
 Most fumbles lost:
 6 vs. Arkansas State, 1937 Little All-American Bowl; vs.
 Drake, 1946 Raisin Bowl

Scoring

Most touchdowns:
 7 vs. Bowling Green, 1985 California Bowl V
 Most points after touchdown:
 7 vs. Bowling Green, 1985 California Bowl V
 Most field goals:
 4, vs. Houston, 2017 Hawai'i Bowl
 Most points, first half:
 23 vs. Bowling Green, 1985 California Bowl V
 Most points, second half:
 27 vs. Air Force, 2000 Silicon Valley Football Classic
 Most total points:
 51 vs. Bowling Green, 1985 California Bowl V

TEAM DEFENSE

Rushing

Fewest rushes: 28, Tulsa, 2005 Liberty Bowl
 Fewest net yards:
 61 vs. Ball State, 1989 California Raisin Bowl IX

Passing

Fewest attempts: 13 vs. Drake, 1946 Raisin Bowl
 Fewest completions: 6 vs. Drake, 1946 Raisin Bowl
 Passes intercepted:
 7 vs. Humboldt State, 1968 Camellia Bowl

Total Defense

Fewest rushing & passing plays:
 50 vs. USC, 1992 Freedom Bowl IX
 Fewest yards gained: 147 vs. Drake, 1946 Raisin Bowl

Scoring

Fewest pts allowed: 6, 2x
 vs. Bowling Green, 1961 Mercy Bowl I
 vs. Ball State, 1989 California Bowl IX

Miscellaneous

Fewest total first downs: 9 vs. Drake, 1946 Raisin Bowl

INDIVIDUAL BOWL RECORDS

RUSHING

Rushing attempts

Game: 37, Rodney Davis vs. Georgia Tech, 2002 Silicon Valley Football Classic III

Career: 51, Bryson Sumlin, Silicon Valley Football Classic III & IV, 2004 MPC Computers Bowl, 2005 Liberty Bowl

Rushing yards (net)

Game: 212, Ronnie Rivers vs. Arizona State, 2018 Las Vegas Bowl

Career: 243, Wendell Mathis, 2004 MPC Computers Bowl; 2005 Liberty Bowl

Touchdowns

Game: 3, Stephone Paige vs. Bowling Green, 1982 California Bowl II

Career: 3 (3 players), Stephone Paige, 1982 California Bowl II; Anthony Daigle, 1991 California Raisin Bowl XI, 1992 Freedom Bowl IX, 1993 Jeep Eagle Aloha Bowl; Marcus McMaryion (QB), 2017 Hawaii Bowl, 2018 Las Vegas Bowl

PASSING

Pass Attempts

Game: 63, Trent Dilfer vs. Colorado, 1993 Jeep Eagle Aloha Bowl

Career: 123, Paul Pinegar, 2002 Silicon Valley Football Classic III, 2003 Silicon Valley Football Classic IV, 2004 MPC Computers Bowl, 2005 Liberty Bowl

Pass Completions

Game: 37, Trent Dilfer vs. Colorado, 1993 Jeep Eagle Aloha Bowl

Career: 70, Paul Pinegar, 2002 Silicon Valley Football Classic III, 2003 Silicon Valley Football Classic IV, 2004 MPC Computers Bowl, 2005 Liberty Bowl

Completion Percentage

Game (min. 10): .694, Mark Barsotti vs. Bowling Green, 1991 California Raisin Bowl XI

Career: .640, David Carr, 2000 Silicon Valley Football Classic and 2001 Silicon Valley Football Classic II

Passing yards

Game: 531, David Carr vs. Michigan State, 2001 Silicon Valley Football Classic

Career: 992, David Carr, 2000 Silicon Valley Football Classic, 2001 Silicon Valley Football Classic II

Touchdown passes

Game: 5, (2 players) David Carr vs. Air Force, 2000 Silicon Valley Football Classic; Paul Pinegar vs. Virginia, 2004 MPC Computers Bowl

Career: 9, David Carr, 2000 Silicon Valley Football Classic, 2001 Silicon Valley Football Classic II

Passes intercepted

Game: 6, Mel Gustafson vs. Drake, 1946 Raisin Bowl; Rod Hudson vs. Humboldt State, 1968 Camellia Bowl

Career: 6, Mel Gustafson, 1946 Raisin Bowl; Rod Hudson, 1968 Camellia Bowl

Longest pass: 91, Mark Barsotti to Stephen Shelley vs. Ball State, 1989 California Raisin Bowl IX

RECEIVING

Pass receptions

Game: 15, Stephone Paige vs. Bowling Green, 1982 California Bowl II

Career: 24, Rodney Wright, 1999 EA Sports Las Vegas Bowl, 2000 Silicon Valley Football Classic, 2001 Silicon Valley Football Classic

Receiving yards

Game: 299, Rodney Wright, 2001 Silicon Valley Football Classic

Career: 431, Rodney Wright, 1999 EA Sports Las Vegas Bowl, 2000 Silicon Valley Football Classic, 2001 Silicon Valley Football Classic

Touchdown receptions

Game: 2 (7 players), Bernard Berrian, 2000 Silicon Valley Football Classic, Jan Barrett, 1961 Mercy Bowl I; Stephone Paige, 1982 California Bowl; Gene Taylor, 1985 California Bowl; Andre Alexander, 1988 California Bowl; Tyodus Winans, 1993 Jeep Eagle Aloha Bowl; Rodney Wright, 2001, Silicon Valley Football Classic

Career: 2 (6 players), Bernard Berrian, 2000 Silicon Valley Football Classic, Jan Barrett, 1961 Mercy Bowl I; Stephone Paige, 1982 California Bowl; Gene Taylor, 1985 California Bowl; Andre Alexander, 1988 California Bowl; Tyodus Winans, 1993 Jeep Eagle Aloha Bowl; Rodney Wright, 2001 Silicon Valley Football Classic

Longest reception: 91, Stephen Shelly from Mark Barsotti, 1989 California Raisin Bowl IX

SCORING

Touchdowns scored

Game: 3, Stephone Paige vs. Bowling Green, 1982 California Bowl II

Career: 3 (4 players) Stephone Paige, 1982 California Bowl; Anthony Daigle, 1991 California Raisin Bowl, 1992 Freedom Bowl IX, 1993 Jeep Eagle Aloha Bowl; Paris Gaines, 2000 Silicon Valley Football Classic, 2001 Silicon Valley Football Classic; Bryson Sumlin, 2002 Silicon Valley Football Classic III, 2003 Silicon Valley Football Classic IV, 2004 MPC Computers Bowl, 2005 Liberty Bowl; Marcus McMaryion (QB), 2017 Hawaii Bowl, 2018 Las Vegas Bowl

Touchdowns responsible for

Game: 5, (2 players) David Carr vs. Air Force, 2000 Silicon Valley Football Classic; Paul Pinegar vs. Virginia, 2004 MPC Computers Bowl

Career: 9, David Carr (9 passes) vs. Air Force, 2000 Silicon Valley Football Classic; vs. Michigan State, 2001 Silicon Valley Football Classic

PAT's made

Game: 7, Barry Belli vs. Bowling Green, 1985 California Bowl V

Career: 12, Asen Asparuhov, Silicon Valley Football Classic I-III

PAT's attempted

Game: 7, Barry Belli vs. Bowling Green, 1985 California Bowl V

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Career: 13, [Asen Asparuhov](#), Silicon Valley Football Classic I-III

Field goals attempted

Game: 6, [Jimmy Camacho](#), 2017 Hawai'i Bowl

Career: 6, [Jimmy Camacho](#), 2017 Hawai'i Bowl

Field goals made

Game: 4, [Jimmy Camacho](#), 2017 Hawai'i Bowl

Career: 4, [Jimmy Camacho](#), 2017 Hawai'i Bowl

Longest field goal made

Game: 49, [Brett Visintainer](#), 2004 MPC Computers Bowl

Most two-point conversions

Game: 1, [Terry Carter](#) vs. Bowling Green, 1982 California Bowl II;

Anthony Daigle vs. Colorado, 1993 Jeep Eagle Aloha Bowl

Career: 1, [Terry Carter](#), 1982 California Bowl II; Anthony Daigle, 1993 Jeep Eagle Aloha Bowl

Most two-point attempts

Game: 2, [Trent Dilfer](#) vs. Colorado, 1993 Jeep Eagle Aloha Bowl

Career: 2, [Trent Dilfer](#), 1993 Jeep Eagle Aloha Bowl

Most kicking points

Game: 14, [Jimmy Camacho](#), 2017 Hawai'i Bowl

Career: 21, [Asen Asparuhov](#), Silicon Valley Football Classic I-III

RETURNS

Longest punt return

Game: 41, [Ronnie Rivers](#), 2018 Las Vegas Bowl

Kickoff returns

Game: 5, [Isaiah Burse](#) vs. SMU, 2012 Sheraton Hawai'i Bowl;

Isaiah Burse vs. Northern Illinois, 2010 uDrove Humanitarian Bowl

Career: 10, [Isaiah Burse](#), 2010 uDrove Humanitarian Bowl, 2012 Sheraton Hawai'i Bowl

Kickoff yards

Game: 131, [Isaiah Burse](#), 2010 uDrove Humanitarian Bowl

Career: 236, [Isaiah Burse](#), 2010 uDrove Humanitarian Bowl, 2012 Sheraton Hawai'i Bowl

Touchdowns from kickoff returns

Game: 0, all teams

Career: 0, all teams

Longest return

Game: 55, [Isaiah Burse](#) vs. Northern Illinois, 2010 uDrove Humanitarian Bowl

PUNTING

Punts

Game: 9, [Lance Oberparleiter](#) vs. Western Michigan, 1988 California Bowl VIII

Career: 17, [Jason Simpson](#), Silicon Valley Football Classic I-III

Average per punt

Game: (min. 5) 47.4 (7 for 332), [Mike Mancini](#) vs. Bowling Green, 1985, California Bowl V

Career: 47.4, [Mike Mancini](#), 1985 California Bowl V

Punting yards

Game: 332, [Mike Mancini](#) vs. Bowling Green, 1985 California Bowl V

Career: 660, [Jason Simpson](#), Silicon Valley Football Classic I-III

Longest punt

Game: 69, [Garrett Swanson](#), vs. USC, 2013 Las Vegas Bowl

DEFENSE

Solo tackles

Game: 13, James Williams vs. Ball State, 1989 California Raisin Bowl IX

Total tackles

Game: 18, (2 players); [Derron Smith](#) vs. USC, 2013 Las Vegas

Bowl; [Don Turner](#) vs. Bowling Green, 1982 California Bowl II

Sacks

Game: 3, (2 players); [Clyde Glover](#) vs. Bowling Green, 1982

California Bowl II; [Greg Ramsey](#) vs. Bowling Green, 1985

California Bowl V

Career: 3, (2 players); [Clyde Glover](#) vs. Bowling Green, 1982

California Bowl II; [Greg Ramsey](#) vs. Bowling Green, 1985

California Bowl V

Interceptions

Passes intercepted

Game: 2, (3 players); [Rod Webster](#) vs. Bowling Green, 1985

California Bowl V; [Dee Meza](#) vs. Georgia Tech, 2002 Silicon Valley

Football Classic III; [Sean Alston](#), 2012 Sheraton Hawai'i Bowl

Career: 2, (3 players); [Rod Webster](#), 1985 California Bowl; [Dee](#)

[Meza](#) vs. Georgia Tech, 2002 Silicon Valley Football Classic III;

[Sean Alston](#), 2012 Sheraton Hawai'i Bowl

Interception yards

Game: 70, [Anthoula "Tank" Kelly](#) vs. Arizona State, 2018 Las Vegas Bowl

Career: 70, [Anthoula "Tank" Kelly](#) vs. Arizona State, 2018 Las Vegas Bowl

Most touchdowns

Game: 1, (5 players); [Anthoula "Tank" Kelly](#) vs. Arizona State,

2018 Las Vegas Bowl; [Jaron Bryant](#) vs. Houston, 2017 Hawai'i

Bowl; [Derron Smith](#) vs. USC, 2013 Las Vegas Bowl; [Ron Cox](#) vs.

Ball State, 1989 California Raisin Bowl IX; [Dee Meza](#), 2002 Silicon

Valley Football Classic III

Career: 1, (5 players); [Anthoula "Tank" Kelly](#) vs. Arizona State,

2018 Las Vegas Bowl; [Jaron Bryant](#) vs. Houston, 2017 Hawai'i

Bowl; [Derron Smith](#) vs. USC, 2013 Las Vegas Bowl; [Ron Cox](#) vs.

Ball State, 1989 California Raisin Bowl IX; [Dee Meza](#), 2002 Silicon

Valley Football Classic III