

# NIU FOOTBALL

## 2025 NORTHERN ILLINOIS UNIVERSITY HUSKIES

### HUSKIE FOOTBALL FACTS

Head Coach.....Thomas Hammock  
Alma Mater/Year.....NIU '02  
Record at NIU/Years.....33-39/6  
Career Record/Years.....Same  
Basic Offense/Defense.....Multiple/4-2-5  
Letterwinners Returning/Lost.....29/46  
Starters Returning/Lost.....5/21  
First Year of Football.....1899  
All-Time Record.....620-533-51  
2024 Record/MAC Record/Finish.....8-5/4-4/T-6th  
Last Bowl Game.....2024 Famous Idaho Potato Bowl  
.....NIU 28, Fresno State 20 (2OT)  
Bowl Appearances (FBS).....16  
MAC Championship Appearances, Last.....9, 2021  
MAC Championships, Last.....6, 2021

### NIU FACTS

Location.....DeKalb, Illinois  
Founded.....1895  
Enrollment.....15,649  
Affiliation.....NCAA Football Bowl Subdivision  
Conference.....Mid-American  
Colors.....Cardinal and Black  
Nickname.....Huskies  
Mascot.....Mission (live); Victor E. Huskie (costume)  
Stadium.....Brigham Field at Huskie Stadium  
Surface/Capacity.....AstroTurf / 23,595  
President.....Dr. Lisa Freeman  
Vice President/Director of Athletics.....Sean T. Frazier  
Alma Mater, Year.....Alabama '92  
Tickets.....815-753-PACK (7225)

### 2025 SCHEDULE

Day, Date	Opponent	Location
Sat., Aug. 30	HOLY CROSS	W, 19-17
Fri., Sept. 5	at Maryland	L, 20-9
Sat., Sept. 20	at Mississippi State	Starkville, Miss.
Sat., Sept. 27	SAN DIEGO STATE	DeKALB
Sat., Oct. 4	MIAMI* (Homecoming)	DeKALB
Sat., Oct. 11	at Eastern Michigan*	Ypsilanti, Mich.
Sat., Oct. 18	at Ohio*	Athens, Ohio
Sat., Oct. 25	BALL STATE*	DeKALB
Wed., Nov. 5	at Toledo*	Toledo, Ohio
Wed., Nov. 12	at UMASS*	Amherst, Mass.
Tue., Nov. 18	WESTERN MICHIGAN*	DeKALB
Fri., Nov. 28	KENT STATE*	DeKALB
Sat., Dec. 6	MAC Championship - Ford Field	Detroit, Mich.

\*Mid-American Conference Game

### GAME THREE

## NIU at Mississippi State

**Saturday, Sept. 20, 2025 - 3:15 pm (CT) - SEC Network**  
**Starkville, Miss. • Davis Wade Stadium (60,311)**

#### MISSISSIPPI STATE

#### NIU

3-0	Overall Record	1-1
SEC 0-0	Conference Record	MAC 0-0
Jeff Lebby	Head Coach	Thomas Hammock
Oklahoma '07	Alma Mater	NIU '02
5-10/2nd	School Record/Years	33-39/7th
Same	Career Record/Years	Same

### DOG TREATS

- NIU is back on the road after an open week, heading to Starkville, Miss. to take on the Mississippi State Bulldogs.
- Saturday's game is the first meeting between the Huskies and Mississippi State and NIU's 14th game against a member of the Southeastern Conference.
- Twenty-two years ago today (Sept. 20, 2003), NIU won at #21 Alabama 19-16 for the program's lone win against a SEC program. Defensive Line Coach Travis Moore had two tackles in that victory.
- The Huskies have held each of their last six opponents to 20 points or less. Only Florida (7) has a longer such streak in the Football Bowl Subdivision.
- Redshirt-Senior linebacker Quinn Urwiler has had a career-high 10 tackles in each of the first two games of the 2025 season. He is the fourth Huskie since 2010 to have double-digit tackles in back-to-back games to start a year.
- Redshirt-Senior running back Chavon Wright leads all active NCAA football players with 5,093 rushing yards and 76 touchdowns. He is the top rusher in the MAC so far this season at 83.5 rushing yards per game.
- Sophomore running back Telly Johnson Jr. had a 74-yard touchdown run at Maryland on Sept. 5, nearly doubling the longest rush of his career of 38 yards against Akron last season.
- Thomas Hammock's characterization of NIU as a "developmental program" will get another iteration in 2025, as the Huskies have 23 players on this week's depth chart that are freshmen or sophomores including redshirts.
- The Huskies have 48 newcomers for 2025 - 33 true freshmen and 15 transfers. Per ESPN, NIU returns the fewest amount of production in the Football Bowl Subdivision at 23 percent. Twenty-five percent of the offensive production and 22 percent of the defensive production is back from a season ago.
- 2025 marks NIU's final season in the Mid-American Conference before joining the Mountain West in 2026. The Huskies have been a member of the MAC for 38 seasons during two different stints in the league. NIU's five MAC Championship game wins are more than any other current league member.
- Since 2010 NIU is the winningest football program among Illinois' seven Division I (FBS and FCS) programs. The Huskies are 119-76 in that stretch for a .610 winning percentage.

## FOLLOW THE HUSKIES

### TV: NIU-MISSISSIPPI STATE ON SEC NETWORK

- The NIU-Mississippi State game will be televised on SEC Network. Check listings for channel information.
- Dave Neal (play-by-play), Fozzy Whitaker (color analyst) and Morgan Uber (sideline) will be on the call for SEC Network Saturday.

### RADIO: HUSKIE SPORTS NETWORK

- The Huskie Sports Radio Network coverage for the Mississippi State game begins 30 minutes before kickoff, at 2:45 p.m. (CT), on 94-9 WDKB in DeKalb.
- Hear the broadcast on mobile devices via the free NIU Huskies mobile app or stream online on 949wdkb.com.
- Andy Garcia starts his second season as "Voice of the Huskies" while color analyst Mark Lindo begins his 41st consecutive season calling NIU football games. Terry Bonadonna is the new sideline reporter for the second straight season.

### INSIDE HUSKIE FOOTBALL RADIO SHOW

- Fans are invited to attend the one-hour weekly show every Wednesday at Noon at Fatty's Pub & Grille in DeKalb (1312 W. Lincoln Hwy).
- Hear the show live on 94-9 WDKB, on the NIU Huskies app and on TuneIn, or stream on 949wdkb.com.
- Host Andy Garcia welcomes NIU Head Coach Thomas Hammock each week, along with Huskie players and special guests.

### NIU WEEKLY ON YOUTUBE

- Host Terry Bonadonna talks NIU football and more with the Huskie head coaches and administrators, including a weekly visit during football season from head coach Thomas Hammock. Get all the latest news and updates in this fast-paced show.
- Watch new episodes on the NIU Athletics Official YouTube Channel on Thursdays.

### NIU ATHLETICS ON YOUTUBE

- See weekly and post-game press conferences, special features, game highlights, NIU Weekly and more.
- Subscribe for FREE and click the bell to be notified every time NIU posts a new video.
- Search "NIU Athletics" on YouTube or go to YouTube.com/NIUAthleticsOfficial.
- Archived videos and highlights, replays of some of the greatest games in school history and special features are also available 24/7 on YouTube.

### NIU HUSKIES MOBILE APP

- Download the free NIU Huskies mobile app from the Apple Store or Google Play.
- Link to the NIU radio broadcasts, live stats, complete team rosters, digital game programs and more.
- Connect to the NIU social media channels and sign up for notifications on any Huskie team.

### 20 Points Or Less...

• NIU has held each of its last six opponents to 20 points or less, which includes its 28-20 double overtime victory over Fresno State in the 2024 Famous Idaho Potato Bowl.

• That is the second-longest such streak in the FBS. Florida has held its last seven opponents to 20 points or less. Nebraska has held five straight opponents to 20 points or less while BYU, Illinois and Utah have done this in four consecutive games.

• This is tied for the second-longest such streak by NIU since moving to the major college ranks in 1969. The Huskies held six straight opponents in 2008 to 20 points or less under former head coach Jerry Kill. NIU's longest streak of holding opposing teams to 20 points or fewer since 1969 is eight games from Oct. 18, 1980 to Sept. 26, 1981.

• Through three weeks this season NIU is third in the MAC in scoring defense. The Huskies are holding opponents to 18.5 points per game so far this year.

### Hang With Them...

• The Huskies have had a bit of a penchant for close games during Hammock's tenure. Of the 72 games coached by Hammock, 42 have been decided by one score (eight points or less). In NIU's 2021 MAC Championship season the Huskies were 7-3 in one-score games.

• Each of the last 14 games played by NIU have had a scoring margin of 14 points or less. NIU is 12-8 in games coached by Thomas Hammock decided by three points or less.

### No-Fly Zone...

• The Huskies are holding opponents to 204.5 passing yards per game in 2025.

• NIU has not allowed 300 passing yards in a game since Nov. 26, 2022 against Akron, a stretch of 28 consecutive games.

• In 21 of those games NIU held the opposition to 225 yards or less.

• Seven different Huskies have a pass breakup this season.

• Senior defensive end Roy Williams recorded his 11th career sack in the season-opening win over Holy Cross on Aug. 30. Williams has 7.5 sacks in his last 15 games.

### The Mighty Quinn...

• Redshirt-Senior linebacker Quinn Urwiler tied his career-high on Sept. 5 with 10 tackles at Maryland. He also had 10 tackles against Holy Cross in the season opener.

• Urwiler is the fourth Huskie since 2010 to have double-digit tackles in each of the first two games of the season, joining Daven Rayner in 2022, Jimmie Ward in 2012 and Tracy Wilson in 2010.

• Five Huskies have had at least 20 tackles in the first two games of a season since 2010 as Lance Deveaux had 21 to start the 2021 campaign.

### Run The Ball/Stop The Run...

• NIU ran the ball 48 times for 180 yards against Maryland on Sept. 5. The Huskies have had at least 40 rushing attempts in 17 of their last 18 games dating back to Nov. 14, 2023.

• Chavon Wright has led NIU in rushing in both games to start the season, running for 90 yards on 27 carries at Maryland on Sept. 5. The redshirt-senior now has 5,093 career rushing yards and 76 career rushing touchdowns which leads all

active NCAA football players across all divisions. Wright won back-to-back Mountain East Conference Offensive Player of the Year awards at University of Charleston and was second in the voting for the Harlon Hill Trophy in 2024, given to the Division II National Player of the Year.

- Telly Johnson Jr. added 86 yards at Maryland. The sophomore scored his first touchdown of the season on a 74-yard rush in the third quarter. The run nearly doubled his previous career long of 38 yards set last season against Akron. He rushed for 480 yards and four touchdowns in the final six games of 2024. Johnson had two 100-yard games last season, rushing for 141 yards and two touchdowns in NIU's win at Western Michigan on Nov. 6, earning MAC Co-Offensive Player of the Week honors. The next week Johnson rushed for 104 yards as the Huskies defeated Akron.

- The NIU defense has allowed just 148 rushing yards in its first two games. Since allowing 331 yards to Central Michigan on Oct. 31, 2023, the Huskies have allowed over 150 rushing yards in a game three times in a 19-game stretch.

- Last season the Huskies finished second in the MAC and 17th in FBS in rushing defense, holding opposing teams to 112.2 yards per game.

## Walk-Ons Welcome

- "The Hard Way" is the motto at NIU and earning a starting role as a walk-on is no easy task. Seven former walk-ons have started both games this season: quarterback Josh Holst, offensive linemen Abiathar Curry, Landon Hron and Izzy Ozoh, linebackers Filip Maciorowski and Quinn Urwiler and safety Muhammad Jammeh. Punter Danny Vuckovic is also a former walk-on who earned a scholarship during fall camp this season.

## Carrying Over

- The Huskies are holding opponents to 29.2 percent on third down to start the 2025 season. NIU finished second in FBS in 2024 in third-down defense with a conversion rate of 26.7 percent. The Huskies have finished in the top 30 of the FBS in third-down defense three times under Thomas Hammock: 2024 (2nd, 26.7), 2020 (9th, 31.1) and 2019 (27th, 34.0).

- The Huskies have averaged over 30 minutes of time of possession in each of head coach Thomas Hammock's six seasons at the helm of NIU. NIU has had at least 32:00 of possession in 12 of its last 14 games. The Huskies had the ball for 33:35 at Maryland on Sept. 5. In 2024 NIU was third in the nation in time of possession at 33:21. Only Army West Point (34:39) and Air Force (33:50) averaged more time of possession last season. NIU had the football for at least 34 minutes five times in 2024, posting a season-high 39:14 in the Famous Idaho Potato Bowl win over Fresno State.

## Take It Away, Take It Away, Take It Away Now

- The NIU Defense has had a turnover in six of its last seven games.

- Redshirt-Senior defensive end Jalonn Williams had his third career fumble recovery at Maryland on Sept. 5.

- Safety Muhammed Jammeh recorded his third career interception on Aug. 30 against

## WEEKLY MEDIA SCHEDULE

### NIU WEEKLY PRESS CONFERENCE

- NIU will host a weekly press conference with Thomas Hammock and several Huskie players throughout the season.
- **The press conference prior to the Mississippi State game will be held on Tuesday, Sept. 16 at 1:00 p.m. CT in the McCarens Auditorium (2nd floor) of the Yordon Center.**
- The press conference can be seen live or accessed at any time thereafter on the NIU Athletics' YouTube Channel (NIUAthleticsOfficial).

### NIU PLAYER & COACH AVAILABILITY

- Huskie players and coaches are available for interviews Monday through Thursday on Saturday game weeks.
- Contact the NIU Athletics Strategic Communications Office to arrange in-person, phone or Zoom interviews.
- Please provide 24-hour notice for phone requests.
- Contact Dalton Ray to arrange interviews.

### PRACTICE COVERAGE

- Media who wish to attend practice should contact the NIU Athletics Strategic Communications Office as access is limited for in-season practices.
- Practices are held in the mornings at Huskie Stadium and/or the Chessick Practice Center.
- Social media posts regarding practice - whether during or after practice - are not permitted during the season.

### INFORMATION, VIDEO & PHOTO REQUESTS

- To be added to the NIU football e-mail distribution list (media only), contact Mike Haase.
- Contact Mike Haase to request photos and/or video.
- Information on all MAC teams, including releases, depth charts and photos, logos, league stats and more are available online at CollegePressBox.com. Media can register for access at collegepressbox.com/register.

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## PRESEASON ALL-MAC 2025

**Roy Williams, DE, Sr.**  
Athlon (1st Team)  
Phil Steele (1st Team)

**Evan Malcore, OT, Jr.**  
Athlon (2nd Team)  
Phil Steele (1st Team)

**Telly Johnson Jr., RB, So.**  
Athlon (2nd Team)  
Phil Steele (2nd Team)

**Andrew Glass, K, Sr.-R**  
Athlon (2nd Team)  
Phil Steele (2nd Team)

**Jalonn Williams, DE, Sr.**  
Phil Steele (2nd Team)  
Athlon (3rd Team)

**Jacob Finley, CB, Jr.**  
Phil Steele (2nd Team)  
Athlon (3rd Team)

**Quinn Urwiler, LB, Sr.-R**  
Phil Steele (2nd Team)  
Athlon (3rd Team)

## BY THE NUMBERS

- .267 In 2024 NIU led the FBS in third down conversion percentage defense
- 1 Head Coach Thomas Hammock is the first NIU football coach to win two bowl games
- 4th The Huskies finished the 2024 season fourth in the country in total defense (284.6 yards per game)
- 5th NIU was fifth in FBS in passing defense last season, allowing 172.5 yards per game
- 6 Consecutive games the NIU defense has held an opponent to 20 points or less
- 7 NIU has had seven different running backs post a 100-yard rushing game during head coach Thomas Hammock's tenure
- 8.1 All-MAC selections for NIU in 2024, of which one (Roy Williams) returns for 2025
- 10 Career-high in tackles for senior linebacker Quinn Urwiler, set twice in two games this season
- 14 Saturday is NIU's 14th game against a member of the Southeastern Conference
- 15 Returning Huskies that played in all 13 games in 2024
- 28 Consecutive games in which the NIU defense has held its opponent under 300 passing yards
- 30+1 Number of states NIU has played a football game in, and one Canadian province
- >30:00 The Huskies have averaged over 30 minutes in time of possession in each of head coach Thomas Hammock's six seasons
- 31 Huskies from the state of Illinois on the 2023 roster
- 42 Of the 72 games Thomas Hammock has coached at NIU, 42 have been decided by eight points or less
- 62 NIU held Holy Cross to 62 rushing yards on Aug. 30, the fewest rushing yards allowed by NIU in a season-opener since 2019 (51 vs. Illinois State)
- 89.4% Percentage of NIU's rushing yards amassed by Chavon Wright and Telly Johnson Jr.
- 156 Rushing yards for Michael Turner in NIU's 19-16 win at Alabama on Sept. 20, 2003
- 179 Passing yards for Drew Hare in NIU's game at Arkansas on Sept. 20, 2014 with two touchdowns
- 1969 NIU earned its first win of the "Major College" era with a 47-30 win over Idaho on Sept. 20, 1969
- 1995 Last time NIU played a game in Mississippi - 8/31/95 at Southern Miss
- 5,093 Career rushing yards for senior running back Chavon Wright between University of Charleston and NIU

## MAC PRESEASON POLL

	Team (1st Place Votes)	Points
1.	Toledo (7)	119
2.	Miami (3)	109
3.	Ohio (3)	92
4.	Buffalo	92
5.	NIU	81
6.	Bowling Green	64
7.	Western Michigan	60
8.	Eastern Michigan	59
9.	Central Michigan	41
10.	Ball State	42
11.	Akron	37
	Massachusetts	24
13.	Kent State	13

**MAC Football Champion Votes**  
Toledo (6), Miami (4), Ohio (3)

### Here's Coach Hammock

- Huskie alum and 2022 NIU Athletics Hall of Fame inductee Thomas Hammock is in his seventh season at the helm of the NIU program in 2025. Hammock became the first NIU head coach to lead the Huskies to two bowl wins with NIU's 28-20 double overtime victory over Fresno State in the Famous Idaho Potato Bowl. He guided the Huskies to the 2021 MAC Championship, and in 2023 led NIU to its first bowl win since 2011 with a 21-19 victory over Arkansas State in the Camellia Bowl.

- In terms of tenure in the MAC, Hammock ranks

fourth behind Chris Creighton (Eastern Michigan) and Chuck Martin (Miami) who are in their 12th seasons, and Jason Candle of Toledo in his 10th season.

### Adding To The Boneyard

- Saturday is NIU's second chance this season to earn its 20th "Boneyard Win" and fourth under head coach Thomas Hammock. The Huskies have defeated a Power 4 team in three of the last four years, winning at then-#5 Notre Dame last season 16-14.

- NIU has the most Power 4 wins with three of any MAC program since the start of the 2021 season. Miami, Ohio and Toledo each have two.

### From The MAC To The Mountain West

- NIU was picked to finish fifth in the MAC Preseason Poll, 17 points ahead of sixth-place Bowling Green. The Huskies take on the top three teams in the preseason poll - Toledo, Miami and Ohio - in their final season in the league. The Huskies open MAC play on Oct. 4 against Miami in NIU's 118th Homecoming game and go to Ohio on Oct. 18 and Toledo on Nov. 5.

- On January 7, 2025 NIU announced it had accepted an invitation to join the Mountain West Conference as a football-only member beginning with the 2026 football season. NIU will join Air Force, Hawai'i, Nevada, New Mexico, San Jose State, UNLV, UTEP and Wyoming as members of the Mountain West. The Huskies have been a member of the Mid-American Conference for 38 seasons during two different stints in the league. NIU originally competed in the MAC from 1975-1985, then rejoined the conference in 1997. The Huskies have won six MAC championships with the most recent coming in 2021.

- The Huskies will play both of their "trophy game" foes at home in 2025 as Ball State visits Huskie Stadium on October 25 for the Bronze Stalk Trophy. NIU will look to secure the Mallory Cup in its Homecoming matchup against Miami on October 4.

### Next Game Up

- NIU returns home on Saturday, Sept. 27 to take on San Diego State at 2:30 p.m. at Huskie Stadium. The Huskies and Aztecs last played a home-and-home series in 2016 and 2017.

## 2025 NIU PERSONNEL CHART

## LETTERWINNERS\* RETURNING - 30

**Offense (14):** TE Jake Appleget, OL Abiathar Curry, WR George Dimopoulos, QB Josh Holst, RB Telly Johnson Jr., RB Justin Lynch, OL Evan Malcore, TE Izzy Ozoh, OL Thomas Paasch, WR Dane Pardridge, RB Jaylen Poe, OL Luke Skartvedt, OL Jacob Welch.

**Defense (15):** CB Malik Armstrong, DE Ivan Davis, CB Jacob Finley, LB Jake Gassaway, DT Mark Hensley, S Muhammad Jammeh, LB Filip Maciorowski, S Cyrus McGarrell, CB Ty Myles, DE Pierce Oppong, S Trey Porter, DE Jay'Shon Thomas, LB Quinn Urwiler, DE Jalonn Williams, DE Roy Williams.

**Specialist (1):** K Austin Bullock

## LETTERWINNERS LOST - 46

**Offense (21):** RB Antario Brown, TE Grayson Barnes, OL Evan Buss, TE Chris Carter, OG John Champe, WR Christopher Gore, QB Ethan Hampton, OL Drew Hoth%, WR Jalen Johnson%, FB Brock Lampe, OG J.J. Lippe, WR Andrew McElroy, WR Dane Pardridge, OL Luke Pinnick%, WR Keyshaun Pipkin, WR Trayvon Rudolph, OL Matthew Schooley, TE Tristen Tewes, WR Cam Thompson, RB Gavin Williams, OG Logan Zschernitz.

**Defense (21):** CB S Santana Banner, CB Isaiah Bragg, CB JaVaughn Byrd, DT Cam Crowell%, CB Shaad Dabney, LB Jaden Dolphin, LB Christian Fuhrman, DT Skyler Gill-Howard, DT Cade Haberman, S Jordan Hansen, CB Amariyun Knighten, LB Jordan Monroe, DT Devonte O'Malley, S Jashon Prophete, LB Joey Rattin, DE Nevaeh Sanders, DT Demond Taylor Jr., DE Raishein Thomas, S Ethan Tierney, S Nate Valcarcel, DT Jacob Waskow.

**Specialists (4):** P Tom Foley, LS Isaac Hatfield, K Jake Seibert%, K Kanon Woodill

% Previous year letterwinner (not 2024).

## +RETURNING STARTERS - 5

**Offense (2):** TE Jake Appleget, OT Evan Malcore.

**Defense (2):** DE Jalonn Williams, DE Roy Williams.

**Specialists (1):** KO Austin Bullock

## +STARTERS LOST - 21

**Offense (10):** RB Antario Brown, RT Evan Buss, RG John Champe, QB Ethan Hampton, FB Brock Lampe, LG J.J. Lippe, WR Trayvon Rudolph, TE Tristen Tewes, WR Cam Thompson, C Logan Zschernitz.

**Defense (9):** S Santana Banner, CB JaVaughn Byrd, LB Jaden Dolphin, LB Christian Fuhrman, DT Cade Haberman, CB Amariyun Knighten, DT Devonte O'Malley, DB Jashon Prophete, S Nate Valcarcel.

**Specialists (3):** P Tom Foley, LS Isaac Hatfield, PK Kanon Woodill

+Started at least 6 games in 2024 unless otherwise noted.

## NEW TRANSFERS - 15

S Jasper Beeler (Saginaw Valley State), TE Simon Brackin (Princeton), LB Danny Cronin (Dartmouth), DT Dasean Dixon (Albany), WR Gary Givens III (Valparaiso), K Andrew Glass (Kent State), CB Donte Harrison (Shepherd), LS Quinn Kelly (Eastern Michigan), CB Keshawn Lyons (McKendree), WR Thomas McCoy (Marshall), DE Davonte Murray (UT Martin), LS Ross Pedro (Southern Illinois), WR DeAree Rogers (Lenoir-Rhyne), CB Miles Thompson (Texas Tech), S Brody Windham (Saddleback CC).

## 2024 REDSHIRTS - 25

TE Devon Akers, LB Chidu Bekee, WR La'Don Bryant, TE Jason Fowler, OL Logan Gross, OL Ben Gustafson, LB Tristan Hunter, DE Lance Ingold, OL Ross Liegel, OL Lane Mahnesmith, WR Jamari McIvory, LB KJ McCrae, DE Ivan Moore Jr., DT Tanner Phelps, RB Elijah Porter, S Taylor Powell, LB Marc Pretto, CB Dev'ion Reynolds, OL Grey Rumohr, DT Samir Senenat, TE Joe Stein, WR Rickey Taylor Jr., DE CJ Wade, S Romelo Walker, RB Romelo Ware.

## ROSTER BREAKDOWN

BY EXPERIENCE	Off.	Def.	Spec.	Total
6th Season	1	0	0	1
5th Season	4	6	0	10
4th Season	7	12	3	22
3rd Season	9	7	1	17
2nd Season	17	12	1	30
1st Season	16	15	2	33

## BY POSITION

Offensive Line.....	18
Tight End.....	10
Wide Receiver .....	13
Running Back .....	8
Quarterback .....	5
Defensive End .....	10
Defensive Tackle .....	11
Linebacker.....	11
Defensive Back .....	4
Safety .....	8
Cornerback .....	8
Kicker/Punter .....	5
Long Snapper .....	2

## BY STATE/PROVINCE

Illinois.....	31
Iowa .....	11
Florida.....	10
Georgia .....	8
Wisconsin .....	8
Missouri .....	7
Nebraska.....	6
Indiana.....	5
Michigan.....	5
Minnesota.....	2
South Carolina .....	2
Tennessee.....	2
Washington, DC.....	2
West Virginia .....	2
Alabama .....	1
California.....	1
Maryland.....	1
New Jersey.....	1
Ontario (Canada) .....	1

## NIU OPPONENTS THIS WEEK

Holy Cross.....	at Yale
Maryland .....	at Wisconsin
<b>Mississippi State .....</b>	<b>NIU</b>
San Diego State.....	California
Miami .....	UNLV
Eastern Michigan .....	Louisiana
Ohio .....	Gardner-Webb
Ball State .....	at UConn
Toledo .....	at Western Michigan
UMass.....	Open
Western Michigan .....	Toledo
Kent State.....	at #7 Florida State

## A CHAMPIONSHIP TRADITION

**CHAMPIONSHIP PEDIGREE:** NIU's five MAC Championship game wins are more than any other current league member. The Huskies have played in the game nine times in the 28 years the game has been played. NIU has won six Mid-American Conference titles all-time, as the Huskies' first MAC crown came in 1983 before the days of conference championship games.

### MAC Championships (since 1997)

Current Members	MAC Champ. Game Appearances	MAC Championships
NIU	9	5
Toledo	8	4
Miami	7	4
Ohio	6	1
Central Michigan	4	3
Bowling Green	4	2
Western Michigan	3	1
Buffalo	3	1
Ball State	2	1
Akron	2	1
Kent State	2	0
Eastern Michigan	0	0

**HUSKIE BOWL FACTS:** NIU played in its 12th bowl game in the last 16 seasons in 2023, dating back to the 2008 Independence Bowl. The Camellia Bowl marked the Huskies' 15th bowl as a FBS team (since 1969) and 20th all-time. The Huskies appeared in a MAC-record eight consecutive bowl games from 2008-15. NIU's 12 bowl appearances since 2008 and 14 since 2003 lead the MAC. The Huskies' modern bowl history began at the 1983 California Bowl when the MAC Champions defeated Cal State Fullerton. NIU has won at least six games 18 times since 2000, but were not selected for a bowl in 2000, 2001, 2002, 2003 (with 10 wins!) and 2005 (despite playing in the MAC Championship game).

### MAC BOWL APPEARANCES\*

#### THOSE WHO STAY...

Former NIU head coach Joe Novak posted a sign on the wall of his team's locker room when he took over the program in 1996. It read "Those Who Stay Will Be Champions." Over the last 14 years, that promise has been fulfilled as every freshman class since 2008 has left NIU with at least one MAC Championship ring.

	Since 2003	Since 2008
NIU	15	13
Ohio	14	13
Toledo	14	12
Central Michigan	11	9
Bowling Green	11	9
Western Michigan	10	9
Miami	9	7
Buffalo	7	7
Ball State	6	6
Eastern Michigan	5	5
Kent State	3	3
Akron	3	2

\*through 2024

**HUSKIES IN THE MAC:** In 38 seasons as a member of the Mid-American Conference, the Huskies are 169-122-2 all-time. The Huskies own a winning percentage of .635 (134-77) versus MAC foes since re-joining the league in 1997. Since 2010, NIU is 78-32 (.709) against the MAC with three undefeated campaigns, two one-loss seasons and eight division championships, including a run of six-straight (2010-15). NIU originally competed in the MAC from 1975-85.

**MAC MVPS:** Dating back to 2006, Huskie players have won eight of the last 18

### "THE HARD WAY"

"The Hard Way" has been a mantra for NIU Football long before hashtags or Twitter/X. The slogan has been embraced by Huskie players and coaches alike since 1996 when it was first introduced at NIU by a junior college transfer named Kenneth Williams during preseason camp. The Hard Way describes the hard work, sacrifice and determination required to get the job done no matter the obstacle. It describes a culture of toughness. The hashtag evolved from a song/chant that is sung in the Huskie locker room following victories.

MAC Vern Smith Leadership Awards, which annually goes to the Most Valuable Player in the Mid-American Conference as voted by MAC head coaches. No other league team has had more than three players honored with the Vern Smith Award.

### ADDED TO THE BONEYARD:

With its 16-14 victory over Notre Dame on September 7, NIU added its 19th Boneyard Win all-time. "Boneyard Wins" date back to 1983 and are defined as wins over teams from "power" leagues, as well as independents like Notre Dame and (formerly) BYU. NIU has added three bones to the yard in the last four seasons under Thomas Hammock.

**NATIONAL RECOGNITION:** In the past 14 seasons, five Huskies have earned first or second team All-America recognition from a major outlet seven times, with Jordan Lynch and Sutton Smith collecting the honor in multiple years. In the 40 years prior (1969-2009), three NIU players earned first or second team All-America honors four times.

**LEADER OF THE MAC:** NIU currently ranks behind only Toledo for the most wins by a Mid-American Conference team since 2010. The Huskies have the edge in trips to the conference championship game and MAC championships (2011, 2012, 2014, 2018, 2021) while the Rockets have played in the game three times in that time (2017, 2022, 2023).

### MAC W-L Records Since 2010

Team	W	L
Toledo	126	65
NIU	119	76
Ohio	118	72
Western Michigan	94	93
Miami	83	101
Buffalo	84	99
Central Michigan	82	103
Bowling Green	81	105
Ball State	78	104
Eastern Michigan	69	114
Kent State	61	118
Akron	48	132

**LAND OF LINCOLN LEADERS:** Since 2010, NIU is the winningest football program among Illinois' seven Division I (FBS and FCS) football programs. During that time, the Huskies are 1-1 versus in-state FBS programs with a 2014 win over Northwestern and a 2010 loss at Illinois. NIU is 5-1 versus in-state FCS opponents over the last 13 seasons. The Huskies have played more games (192) since 2010 than any other state school.

### Illinois' Division I Schools Since 2010

Team	W	L	Pct.
NIU	119	76	.610
Illinois State	106	70	.602
Northwestern	96	93	.508
Southern Illinois	81	93	.466
Illinois	79	106	.427
Eastern Illinois	66	103	.391
Western Illinois	56	114	.329

**WINNERS:** NIU recorded its 19th winning season (out of 25) this century and finished the season 8-5 for the second consecutive year after winning four of its last five games in 2024. The Huskies rank among the Top 30 FBS programs in the country in wins over the last 15 seasons, with five conference championships, 11 winning seasons and 11 bowl appearances, including 2024. The Huskies were bowl eligible for the third time in the last four seasons.

## ABOUT THE OPPONENT

### FIRST MEETING

### NIU VS. THE SEC

Alabama.....NIU leads 1-0  
 Arkansas .....Arkansas leads 2-0  
 Auburn .....Auburn leads 1-0  
 Florida.....Florida leads 1-0  
 Kentucky .....Kentucky leads 1-0  
 Mississippi.....Ole Miss leads 1-0  
 Mississippi State .....First Meeting  
 Tennessee.....Tennessee leads 1-0  
 Vanderbilt.....Vanderbilt leads 5-0

## MISSISSIPPI STATE BULLDOGS

Head Coach (Alma Mater/Year).....Jeff Lebby  
 ..... (Oklahoma, 2007)  
 Record at Maryland/Years ..... 5-10/2nd  
 Career Record/Years..... 5-10/2nd  
 2024 Record ..... 2-10  
 Conference Record/Finish.....0-8/16th (SEC)  
 Location .....Starkville, Miss.  
 Enrollment.....23,150  
 Conference ..... Southeastern  
 Colors.....Maroon and White  
 Stadium.....Davis Wade Stadium  
 Surface/Capacity .....Grass/60,311  
 President.....Dr. Mark Keenum  
 Athletic Director.....Zac Selmon  
 Athletics Website.....HailState.com  
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## MISSISSIPPI STATE 2025 SCHEDULE

Day, Date	Opponent (TV)	Time (CT)/Result
Sat., Aug. 30	at Southern Miss (ESPN)	W, 34-17
Sat., Sept. 6	#12/10 ARIZONA STATE (ESPN2)	W, 24-20
Sat., Sept. 13	ALCORN STATE (ESPN+)	W, 63-0
Sat., Sept. 20	NIU (SECN)	3:15 PM
Sat., Sept. 27	TENNESSEE*	TBA
Sat., Oct. 4	at Texas A&M*	TBA
Sat., Oct. 18	at Florida*	TBA
Sat., Oct. 25	TEXAS*	TBA
Sat., Nov. 1	at Arkansas*	TBA
Sat., Nov. 8	GEORGIA*	11:00 AM
Sat., Nov. 15	at Missouri*	TBA
Fri., Nov. 28	OLE MISS*	11:00 AM

\*-SEC Game

## TEAM COMPARISON

	NIU	MISS. STATE
Scoring Off./G	14.0	40.3
Scoring Def./G	18.5	12.3
Rush Yds./G	179.0	178.0
Rush Defense/G	74.0	140.3
Pass Yards/G	100.0	263.3
Pass Defense/G	204.5	124.7
Total Offense/G	279.0	441.3
Total Defense/G	278.5	265.0
INT/Opp. INT	1/1	2/4
Sacks By/Allowed	2/4	4/4
3rd Down Off/Def	32.4%/29.2%	51.4%/35.6%
Red Zone Off/Def	100%/62.5%	100%/71.4%
Kickoff Return Avg.	27.0	13.0
Punt Return Avg.	0.0	14.3
Fumbles-Lost	3-0	1-0
Penalties/Yds. Game	13/51.5	30/84.3
Field Goals	3-4	3-3

# NIU Head Coach Thomas Hammock

In six seasons as head coach at Northern Illinois University, Thomas Hammock has successfully guided the Huskies to the 2021 Mid-American Conference Championship, back-to-back bowl victories and three "Boneyard Wins, including arguably the biggest win in school history in 2024. On September 7, 2024, Hammock's Huskies defeated fifth-ranked Notre Dame, 16-14, in South Bend, Indiana marking the first win by NIU, and the first win by a MAC school, over a Top 5 team.

The New Jersey native who originally came to NIU from Fort Wayne, Indiana, is the first African-American head coach in NIU football history and the first alumnus to lead the Huskies as a FBS program. In his third season as head coach in 2021, Hammock led the second-youngest team in the Football Bowl Subdivision (FBS) to a 9-5 record and the Mid-American Conference Championship after the Huskies went winless (0-6) during the COVID-shortened 2020 campaign. NIU became the first FBS team to win its conference championship game one year after going winless. Hammock was named the MAC Coach of the Year and was one of 13 finalists for the FWAA's Eddie Robinson Coach of the Year Award, becoming just the fourth coach from a MAC school to be named a finalist for the honor.

Hammock began his coaching career at Wisconsin, where he spent two seasons as a graduate assistant, followed by two seasons as an assistant at NIU under Huskie Hall of Famer Joe Novak (2005-06). He was an assistant at Minnesota and Wisconsin before joining the Ravens in 2014.

In his five seasons as the running backs coach for the Ravens, Baltimore's rushing attack finish in the top 11 in the NFL three times, including in 2018 when the Ravens had the second-best rushing offense in the league. The Ravens made the playoffs twice during his time in Baltimore.

Hammock helped mentor running back Justin Forsett to his first career Pro Bowl in 2014 as he rushed for a career-high 1,266 yards, fifth-most in the NFL. Baltimore fullback Kyle Juszyk was selected to the Pro Bowl for the first time in 2016 after leading the NFL in catches (37) and receiving yards (266) by a fullback.



## ABOUT HAMMOCK

### COACHING EXPERIENCE

2019-	NIU (Head Coach)
2014-18	Baltimore Ravens (Running Backs)
2011-13	Wisconsin
	• Asst. Head Coach/RBs/Recruiting Coord. (2012-13)
	• Running Backs (2011)
2007-10	Minnesota
	• Running Backs (2007-09)
	• Co-Offensive Coord./Running Backs (2010)
2005-06	NIU (Running Backs)
2003-04	Wisconsin (Graduate Assistant)

### POSTSEASON EXPERIENCE

2024	Famous Idaho Potato Bowl (NIU)
2023	Camellia Bowl (NIU)
2021	Tailgreeter Cure Bowl (NIU)
2021	MAC Championship (NIU)
2018	NFL Playoffs (Baltimore Ravens)
2014	NFL Playoffs (Baltimore Ravens)
2013	Capital One Bowl (Wisconsin)
2012	Rose Bowl Game (Wisconsin)
2012	Big Ten Championship Game (Wisconsin)
2011	Rose Bowl Game (Wisconsin)
2011	Big Ten Championship Game (Wisconsin)
2009	Insight Bowl (Minnesota)
2008	Insight Bowl (Minnesota)
2006	Poinsettia Bowl (NIU)
2005	MAC Championship (NIU)
2004	Outback Bowl (Wisconsin)
2003	Music City Bowl (Wisconsin)

### PLAYING EXPERIENCE

1999-2002	NIU (Tailback)
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### EDUCATION

College	B.S., NIU, 2002
	M.S., Wisconsin, 2005
High School	Bishop Luers (Ind.), 1999

### PERSONAL

Birthplace	Jersey City, N.J.
Hometown	Fort Wayne, Ind.
Family	Wife, Cheyennitha, daughter Tierra; son Thomas

Prior to his five seasons in Baltimore, Hammock spent three years at Wisconsin as running backs coach and assistant head coach. In 2011, the Badgers ranked 11th nationally in rushing, while Montee Ball led the nation in rushing yards (1,923) and broke the NCAA single-season touchdown record with 39. Ball was a consensus first team All-American and a Heisman Trophy finalist as the Badgers finished 11-3 and played in the Rose Bowl.

The following season, Wisconsin again ranked among the nation's elite rushing teams, Ball became the NCAA's all-time leader in rushing scores and won the Doak Walker Award as the nation's top running back.

Hammock returned to DeKalb as an assistant coach in 2005-06. In his first season, NIU Hall of Famer Garrett Wolfe rushed for 1,580 yards and 16 touchdowns in just nine games as NIU won the MAC West Division and appeared in the MAC Championship Game for the first time.

During the 2006 campaign, Wolfe rushed for an NCAA-best 1,928 yards as the Huskies reached the Poinsettia Bowl. Hammock helped Wolfe earn All-America and first team All-MAC honors in both 2005 and 2006. Wolfe was also the Vern Smith Leadership Award winner as the MAC's Most Valuable Player in 2006.

Hammock spent the 2007-10 seasons as the running backs coach at the University of Minnesota, helping the Golden Gophers to the Insight Bowl in both 2008 and 2009. Hammock was named the co-offensive coordinator at Minnesota for the 2010 season and the Gophers moved up 26 spots nationally in rushing and 34 spots in total offense.

Hammock earned his bachelor's degree in marketing from NIU in December 2002, and a master's in educational leadership and policy analysis from Wisconsin in 2004. He and his wife, Cheyennitha, also a NIU alum, have a daughter, Tierra, and a son, Thomas Douglas.

## YEAR BY YEAR RECORD

Year	Overall	MAC	Finish
2019	5-7	4-4	3rd, West
2020*	0-6	0-6	6th, West
2021	9-5	6-2	MAC Champions
2022	3-9	2-6	6th, West
2023	7-6	5-3	2nd, West
2024	8-5	4-4	6th
2025	1-1	0-0	
<b>Total</b>	<b>33-39</b>	<b>21-25</b>	

\*Season shortened due to COVID-19

**NIU COACHING STAFF**



**Quinn Sanders**  
Offensive Coordinator/QBs  
First Season at NIU  
Charleston



**Rob Harley**  
Defensive Coordinator  
First Season at NIU  
Ohio State



**DJ Bland**  
Cornerbacks/Pass Def. Coord.  
Third Season at NIU  
Eastern Illinois



**Ty Boles**  
Running Backs  
Third Season at NIU  
Samford



**Cory Connolly**  
Linebackers/Special Teams Coord.  
First Season at NIU  
Quincy



**Joseph Hawkins**  
Wide Receivers  
Fourth Season at NIU  
Norfolk State



**Luke Meadows**  
Offensive Line  
Second Season at NIU  
South Dakota State



**Travis Moore**  
Defensive Line  
Seventh Season at NIU  
NIU



**Brayden Patton**  
Tight Ends  
First Season at NIU  
NIU



**Justin Robinson**  
Defensive Tackles  
First Season at NIU  
Indianapolis



**Kai Ross**  
Safeties  
Second Season at NIU  
Lindenwood

NIU PLAYERS TO WATCH

22 JASPER BEELER

S | 6-2 | 194 | Jr. | Farmington, Mich. | North Farmington (Saginaw Valley State)

Year	G/GS	Solo	Ast.	Total	TFL	FF	INT	PBU
2025	2/2	5	2	7	1.0	1	0	1
Career	24	51	33	84	10.5	1	1	16

• Had five tackles at Maryland (9-5), including a forced fumble and a tackle for loss... Played two seasons at Saginaw Valley State... Had 53 tackles, seven tackles for loss and 15 pass breakups in 2024... Made 10 tackles in season-opening win at Winona State (9-5-24)... Totaled nine tackles against Michigan Tech (11-16-24)... Broke up four passes and added six tackles against Davenport (11-2-24)... Had five or more tackles in a game six times... Had 23 tackles in 2.5 tackles for loss in 2023.

3 JACOB FINLEY

CB | 5-11 | 176 | So.-R | Birmingham, Ala. | Hoover HS

Year	G/GS	Solo	Ast.	Total	TFL	QS	INT	PBU
2025	2/2	4	1	5	0	0	0	1
Career	31/16	58	20	78	3.5	0.5	1	13

• Had three tackles, including a pass breakup, at Maryland (9-5)... 2025 preseason All-MAC selections: Phil Steele (2nd Team), Athlon (3rd Team)... Led NIU with eight pass breakups in 2024... Started last five games of the year... Had his first career interception and also his first half-sack in NIU's win over Central Michigan (11-30-24)... Made four tackles, including a tackle for loss, in win over Akron (11-13-24)... Recorded a season-high seven tackles at Ball State (10-26-24)... Had four tackles in win at Notre Dame (9-9) and broke up a pass... Broke up two passes against Western Illinois (8-31-24) in season opener... Played in every game of the 2023 season, starting eight... Had three tackles in NIU's Camellia Bowl win over Arkansas State (12-23-23)... Forced a fumble and recovered it in the end zone for a touchdown at Kent State (11-25-23), locking up the Huskies'

15 JOSH HOLST

QB | 6-4 | 204 | So.-R | Marengo, Ill. | Marengo Community HS

Year	G/GS	Rush	Yds.	Avg.	TD	Lg	Comp-Att-Int	Pct.	Yds	TD	Lg
2025	2/2	18	13	0.7	0	9	26-40-1	65.0	192	0	25
Career	9/5	67	243	3.6	1	22	91-151-3	60.3	785	2	30

• Had 101 passing yards in season-opening win against Holy Cross (8-30)... Threw for 593 yards and two touchdowns in seven games in 2024... Named the Famous Idaho Potato Bowl MVP after completing 18-of-30 passes for 182 yards adn two touchdowns... Also ran the ball 16 times for 65 yards and caught a two-point conversion in the second overtime... Was 6-for-8 passing at Miami (11-19-24) for 31 yards, rushing for 15 yards... Completed 7-of-10 passes for 64 yards at Ball State (10-26-24), adding 27 yards rushing... Threw for 210 yards in his first career start against Toledo (10-19-24); had a season-high 14 carries for 48 yards... Was 10-for-14 passing for 89 yards in relief of Ethan Hampton in win at Bowling Green (10-12-24); ran for 47 yards including a 22-yard touchdown for his first career score... Made his NIU debut against Western Illinois (8-31).

22 TELLY JOHNSON JR.

RB | 5-11 | 205 | Fr. | Augusta, Ga. | Hephzibah

Year	G/GS	Rush	Yds.	Avg.	TD	Lg
2025	2/1	31	153	4.9	1	74
Career	8/3	134	633	4.7	5	74

• Scored his first touchdown of the season at Maryland (9-5) on a 74-yard run, a career-long... 2025 preseason All-MAC selections: Phil Steele (2nd Team), Athlon (3rd Team)... NIU's leading returning rusher after amassing 480 yards in just six games... Scored his fourth touchdown of the season in NIU's win over Central Michigan (11-30-24), carrying the ball 20 times for 84 yards... Rushed for 104 yards in win over Akron (11-13-24); had a season-long rush of 38 yards... MAC Co-Offensive Player of the Week (11-8)... Rushed for 141 yards on 23 carries in win at Western Michigan (11-6-24)... Scored his first two career touchdowns against the Broncos... Made his first appearance for NIU at Ball State (10-26-24), carrying the football six times for 48 yards.

17 FILIP MACIOROWSKI

LB | 6-3 | 225 | So.-R | Carol Stream, Ill. | Glenbard West HS

Year	G/GS	Solo	Ast.	Total	TFL	FF	INT	PBU
2025	2/2	9	2	11	0.5	0	0	1
Career	15/2	13	3	16	0.5	0	0	1

• Had a career-high six tackles at Maryland (9-5) with 0.5 tackles for loss... Made five tackles in his first career start against Holy Cross (8-30)... Played in all 13 games in 2024, primarily on special teams... Made two tackles in the 2024 season opener against Western Illinois (8-31-24).

54 EVAN MALCORE

OL | 6-6 | 305 | Jr.-R | Sun Prairie, Wis. | Sun Prairie HS

• 2025 preseason All-MAC selections: Phil Steele (1st Team), Athlon (2nd Team)... NIU's lone returning starter on the offensive line... Has started 21 consecutive games at left tackle... Huskies finished the 2024 regular season second in the MAC in total offense (383.4 yards/game) and rushing offense (207.3 yards per game)... Academic All-MAC and College Sports Communicators Academic All-District selection... Played in all 13 games in 2023; started seven of the last eight games at left tackle... Academic All-MAC selection... In his first career start NIU rushed for 380 yards and six touchdowns at Akron (10-7-23)... Huskies ranked second in the MAC with 179.6 rushing yards per game and 19th nationally with 1.23 sacks allowed per game.

## NIU PLAYERS TO WATCH

### 6 DEAREE ROGERS

WR | 5-11 | 200 | Jr. | Lexington, S.C. | Irmo HS (Lenoir-Rhyne)

Year	G/GS	Rec.	Yds.	Avg.	TD	Lg
2024	2/2	10	89	8.9	0	25
Career	25	100	1195	12.0	10	59

• Had three catches at Maryland (9-5)... Led NIU with seven receptions for 73 yards against Holy Cross (8-30); also had a 22-yard rush... Caught 37 passes for 416 yards and four touchdowns in 2024 at Lenoir-Rhyne... Earned First Team All-America honors as a return specialist in 2023, returning three punts for touchdowns... Also had 53 receptions for 690 yards and six touchdowns... Had 11 receptions for 150 yards against Barton (10-14-23)... Helped guide Lenoir-Rhyne to the 2023 NCAA Division II semifinals.

### 32 QUINN URWILER

LB | 6-0 | 226 | Sr.-R | Mooseheart, Ill. | Batavia HS (North Dakota)

Year	G/GS	Solo	Ast.	Total	TFL	QS	FF	PBU
2025	2/2	14	6	20	1.0	0.5	0	0
Career	47	47	33	80	4.0	1.5	0	2

• Led NIU with 10 tackles at Maryland (9-5)... Also had 10 tackles in win over Holy Cross (8-30)... 2025 preseason All-MAC selections: Phil Steele (2nd Team), Athlon (3rd Team)... Played in all 13 games of 2024... Made four tackles in the Famous Idaho Potato Bowl (12-23-24)... Had two tackles and a pass breakup in win over Central Michigan (11-30-24)... Made four tackles against both Western Michigan (11-6-24) and Akron (11-13-24)... Recorded a career-high six tackles against Toledo (10-19-24)... Had three tackles at NC State (9-28)... Made four tackles, including 0.5 tackles for loss, in season opener against Western Illinois (8-31-24)... Played in five games in 2023, primarily on special teams... Appeared in all 12 games of the 2022 season... Played in 14 games over two seasons at North Dakota (2020-21).

### 11 JALONNIE WILLIAMS

DE | 6-4 | 286 | Sr.-R | Milwaukee, Wis. | Greenfield HS

Year	G/GS	Solo	Ast.	Total	TFL	QS	FF	FR
2024	2/2	3	2	5	0	0	0	1
Career	21/14	17	20	37	5.0	1.5	0	3

• Recovered a fumble at Maryland (9-5)... Had three tackles in win over Holy Cross (8-30) and also recorded his first career pass breakup... 2025 preseason All-MAC selections: Phil Steele (2nd Team), Athlon (3rd Team)... Started all 12 games he played in 2024 at defensive end... Made four tackles with one for loss in win at Western Michigan (11-6-24)... Had three tackles and a tackle for loss against Toledo (10-19-24)... Recorded a sack and a 17-yard fumble recovery in win at Bowling Green (10-12-24)... Also recovered a fumble against UMass (10-5-24)... Set a career-high with four tackles and 1.5 tackles for loss at NC State (9-28-24)... Played in five games in 2023, making four tackles with 0.5 sacks... His half-sack came in NIU's Camellia Bowl win over Arkansas State (12-23-23).

### 97 ROY WILLIAMS

DE | 6-6 | 257 | Sr. | Crestwood, Ill. | Alan B. Shepard HS

Year	G/GS	Solo	Ast.	Total	TFL	QS	FF	FR
2025	2/2	6	0	6	1.0	1.0	0	0
Career	34/21	42	27	69	13.0	11.0	1	0

• Had four tackles at Maryland (9-5)... Recorded the first sack of the season for NIU in the win over Holy Cross (8-30)...2025 preseason All-MAC selections: Phil Steele (1st Team), Athlon (1st Team)... 2024 All-MAC Second Team selection... NIU's leading returning tackler (38), was second on the team in 2024 with 6.5 sacks... Had a sack in back-to-back games against Miami (11-19-24) and Central Michigan (11-30-24)... Made five tackles and a career-high 1.5 sacks in win over UMass (10-5-24)... Tied his career-high with six tackles at NC State (9-28-24), adding his second sack of the season... Led NIU with a career-high six tackles and a sack in win over Western Illinois (8-31-24)...Started first five games of 2023 season while appearing in all 13...Finished 2023 with 5.5 tackles for loss and 3.5 sacks... Had a half-sack in shutout win over Western Michigan (11-14-23)... Had a seven-yard sack and three solo tackles in win at Akron (10-7-23)... Season-high four tackles came against Tulsa (9-23-23)... Had first sack of career and a pass breakup in season-opening win at Boston College (9-2-23) ... Appeared in six games in 2022.

### 10 CHAVON WRIGHT

RB | 5-8 | 212 | Sr.-R | Opa Locka, Fla. | Cedar Grove HS (Charleston)

Year	G/GS	Rush	Yds.	Avg.	TD	Lg	Rec.	Yds.	TD	Lg
2025	2/1	38	167	4.4	1	45	3	7	0	3
Career	37	863	5,093	5.9	76	68	59	447	2	33

• Leads all active NCAA Football players with 5,093 career rushing yards... His 76 career rushing touchdowns lead all active college football players... Had 90 rushing yards at Maryland (9-5) on 27 carries... Ran the ball 11 times against Holy Cross (8-30) for a game-high 77 yards and a touchdown... Led NCAA Division II in 2024 with 2,233 rushing yards and 38 touchdowns... His 38 touchdowns set a single season Division II record... Also led the nation with 193.33 all-purpose yards per game... Named the Mountain East Conference Offensive Player of the Year and Co-Male Athlete of the Year... Earned All-American honors from the AFCA and D2CCA and was the D2CCA All-Super Region I Offensive Player of the Year... Finished second in the voting for the Harlon Hill Trophy, given to the Division II National Player of the Year... Was also named the MEC Offensive Player in the Year in 2023 after leading the league with 1,231 yards and 14 touchdowns.

GAME 1: NIU 19, HOLY CROSS 17

August 30 | 2:30 pm (CT) | ESPN+  
DeKalb, Ill. | Huskie Stadium | 10,569

The NIU defense held Holy Cross to just 217 yards of total offense as the Huskies outlasted the Holy Cross Crusaders, 19-17, at Huskie Stadium in the season opener for both teams.

NIU (1-0) allowed just 62 rushing yards to the Crusaders and held Holy Cross to 3-for-12 on third down. Quinn Urwiler recorded a team-high 10 tackles, Muhammed Jammeh made seven while Ty Myles had six, including 1.5 tackles for loss.

Holy Cross (0-1) took its first lead of the game with 10:34 to play in the fourth quarter as Cal Swanson connected with Blake Youngblood for a 16-yard touchdown pass to give the Crusaders a 10-6 lead.

On the ensuing kickoff, the Huskies went back in front as redshirt-freshman Dev'ion Reynolds returned the kick 96 yards for a touchdown as NIU took a 12-10 lead. After the Huskie defense forced a three-and-out, the fifth of six NIU would record in the contest, the Huskie offense went 61 yards in eight plays to go in front, 19-10.

DeAree Rogers had a 22-yard end around on the drive and Jaylen Poe had a 21-yard run to put the Huskies on the Holy Cross 2-yard line. One play later, Chavon Wright scored from a direct snap to put the Huskies in front by two scores with 4:15 remaining.

Wright finished with a game-high 77 yards rushing on 11 carries.

Holy Cross responded with a kick return touchdown of its own on the following play as Alijah Cason went 97 yards for the score, cutting the NIU lead to 19-17.

The Crusaders got the ball back with 2:17 to play following an NIU punt, but the Huskie defense came up big again, forcing Holy Cross into a fourth-and-four that resulted in an incomplete pass as the Huskies claimed the season opening victory.

Josh Holst was 12-of-18 for 101 yards passing while Rogers caught a game-high seven passes for 73 yards.

NIU scored first on its second drive of the game as Andrew Glass converted a 20-yard field goal. Holy Cross tied the game as the Crusaders took advantage of a Huskie special team miscue to start on the NIU 13. The drive resulted in just a field goal, however, as the game was tied at three with 3:22 left in the second quarter.

The Huskies came back with a 12-play, 71-yard drive, culminating in a 39-yard field goal by Glass just before halftime as NIU took a 6-3 lead into the intermission.

NIU maintained its lead through a scoreless third quarter and into the fourth before Holy Cross took its lone, brief, lead of the contest.

SCORING BY QUARTERS	1	2	3	4	Total
Holy Cross	0	3	0	14	17
NIU	3	3	0	13	19

SCORING SUMMARY

(4:00, 1Q) NIU - Glass 20 yd FG (8-63, 3:24)  
(3:22, 2Q) HC - Palenzuela 33 yd FG (4--2, 1:49)  
(0:10, 2Q) NIU - Glass 39 yd FG (12-71, 3:07)  
(10:34, 4Q) HC - Youngblood 16 yd pass from Swanson; Palenzuela PAT (4-77, 1:27)  
(10:21, 4Q) NIU - Reynolds 96 yd kickoff return; Glass PAT missed  
(4:15, 4Q) NIU - Wright 2 yd run; Glass PAT (8-61, 4:05)  
(4:03, 4Q) HC - Cason 97 yd kickoff return; Palenzuela PAT

TEAM & INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS

	HC	NIU
First Downs (R-P)	11 (3-7)	17 (10-7)
Rushes-Net Yards	26-62	48-178
Passing Yards	155	109
Passes (C-A-I)	17-29-1	14-24-1
Plays-Total Yards	55-217	72-287
Fumbles-Lost	0-0	3-0
Penalties-Yards	1-5	7-48
Kickoff Returns-Yds	5-201	4-139
Punt Returns-Yds	1-7	0-0
3rd Down Conv.	3-12	5-17
4th Down Conv.	0-2	2-3
Punts-Average	4-32.8	6-33.8
Possession Time	26:34	33:26
Sacks By-Yards	0-0	2-16

**Rushing** - HC: Swanson 12-51, Clerveaux 7-13; NIU: Wright 11-77-TD, Johnson 21-67, Poe 2-22, Rogers 1-22, Proctor 2-13, Holst 8-11.  
**Passing** - HC: Swanson 17-29-1TD-1INT, 155; NIU: Holst 12-18-0TD-1INT, 101; Proctor 2-6-0TD-0INT, 8.  
**Receiving** - HC: Mosey 6-71, Mullaly 4-34, Cason 3-10, Youngblood 1-16-TD, Schillinger 1-9, Williams 1-8, Slade 1-7. NIU: Rogers 7-73, Poe 5-24, Appleget 1-10, Johnson 1-2.  
**Tackles** - HC: Santee 10, Croley 8, Bestpitch 8. NIU: Urwiler 10, Jammeh 7, Myles 6.

GAME 2: MARYLAND 20, NIU 9

September 5 | 6:30 pm (CT) | BTN  
College Park, Md. | SECU Stadium | 35,331

The Northern Illinois University football team was within four points of the Maryland Terrapins into the fourth quarter at SECU Stadium, but a late Maryland touchdown gave the Terrapins a 20-9 win.

Running Backs Chavon Wright and Telly Johnson Jr. combined for 176 of NIU's 180 rushing yards. Wright led all players with 90 yards on 27 carries. Johnson had 86 yards on 10 carries including a 74-yard touchdown int he third quarter. Linebacker Quinn Urwiler led the Huskies' defense for the second straight game with 10 tackles. Filip Maciorowski added six tackles with a half-tackle for loss.

After trading punts to start the game, Maryland (2-0) got on the board with 4:30 to go in the first quarter on a 36-yard field goal by Sean O'Haire. Quarterback Malik Washington hit Dorian Fleming on a 48-yard pass to get the Terrapins to the NIU 22 yardline, but the NIU defense held strong to force the kick.

NIU (1-1) drove the ball to its own 45 yardline early in the second quarter, but were stopped on a fake punt run by Urwiler. The Terrapins then drove 47 yards in six plays, scoring on a 12-yard touchdown from Washington to Fleming to go up 10-0 with 8:46 to play until halftime.

The Huskies responded on their next drive. NIU went 75 yards in 19 plays, taking 8:37 off the clock. An Andrew Glass 20-yard field goal made the score 10-3 with 0:03 left in the half. Quarterback Josh Holst was 4-for-4 passing on the drive for 36 yards. He found DeAree Rogers on a third and nine for 11 yards and George Dimopoulos for eight yards on a fourth and two to keep the drive alive.

Maryland (2-0) extended its lead on its first drive of the third quarter. The Terrapins drove to the NIU 11 yardline but were kept out of the end zone on an incomplete pass on third and 10. O'Haire made a 29-yard field goal to make the score 13-3 with 7:52 to play in the quarter. Johnson Jr. got NIU back in the game with a 74-yard touchdown run on the ensuing possession, the longest rush of his career, to get NIU within four at 13-9 with 6:22 to go in the third. NIU went for a two-point conversion but was not successful.

The Terrapins drove ball to the NIU seven yardline on its next drive, but Washington fumbled the ball and Jalonnice Williams fell on it for NIU with 1:24 to go in the third. However, NIU was unable to capitalize on the turnover and punted from deep in their own territory. Washington threw his second touchdown pass of the game with 9:20 to play, finding Shaleak Knotts from 12 yards out to make the score 20-9.

SCORING BY QUARTERS	1	2	3	4	Total
NIU	0	3	6	0	9
Maryland	3	7	3	7	20

SCORING SUMMARY

(4:30, 1Q) UMD - O'Haire 36 yd FG (8-62, 2:57)  
(8:46, 2Q) UMD - Fleming 12 yd pass from Washington; O'Haire PAT (6-47, 2:51)  
(0:03, 2Q) NIU - Glass 20 yd FG (19-75, 8:37)  
(7:52, 3Q) UMD - O'Haire 29 yd FG (12-56, 5:09)  
(6:22, 3Q) NIU - Johnson Jr. 74 yd run; 2pt failed (3-73, 1:25)  
(9:20, 4Q) UMD - Knotts 42 yd pass from Washington; O'Haire PAT (6-77, 3:00)

TEAM & INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS

	NIU	UMD
First Downs (R-P)	13 (7-6)	21 (6-12)
Rushes-Net Yards	48-180	28-86
Passing Yards	91	254
Passes (C-A-I)	14-22-0	19-36-0
Plays-Total Yards	70-271	64-340
Fumbles-Lost	0-0	1-1
Penalties-Yards	6-55	3-30
Kickoff Returns-Yds	3-50	2-16
Punt Returns-Yds	0-0	3-15
3rd Down Conv.	7-20	4-12
4th Down Conv.	4-6	1-2
Punts-Average	6-42.5	3-46.0
Possession Time	33:35	26:25
Sacks By-Yards	0-0	2-16

**Rushing** - NIU: Wright 27-90, Johnson Jr. 10-86-TD, Holst 10-2, Urwiler 1-2; UMD: Ray 11-50, Williams 10-22, Smith Jr. 1-11, Howard 2-8, Washington 2--1.  
**Passing** - NIU: Holst 14-22-0TD-0INT, 91; UMD: Washington 19-35-2TD-0INT, 254; Martin 0-1-0TD-0INT, 0.  
**Receiving** - NIU: Rogers 3-16, Wright 3-7, Givens 2-26, Johnson Jr. 2-17, Dimopoulos 2-14, Bryant 1-8, Appleget 1-3. UMD: Farooq 5-55, Fleming 4-70-TD, Smith Jr. 3-18, Knotts 2-58-TD, Ray 2-7, Williams 1-25, Webb 1-19.  
**Tackles** - NIU: Urwiler 10, Maciorowski 6, Beeler 5. UMD: Wingate 14, Reddick 11.

# NIU FOOTBALL 2025 STATISTICS

## TEAM STATISTICS

	NIU	OPP				
<b>SCORING</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>37</b>				
Points Per Game	14.0	18.5				
Points Off Turnovers	0	0				
<b>FIRST DOWNS</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>32</b>				
Rushing	17	9				
Passing	17	19				
Penalty	0	4				
<b>RUSHING YARDAGE</b>	<b>358</b>	<b>148</b>				
Yards gained rushing	432	185				
Yards lost rushing	74	37				
Rushing Attempts	96	54				
Average Per Rush	3.7	2.7				
Average Per Game	179.0	74.0				
TDs Rushing	2	0				
<b>PASSING YARDAGE</b>	<b>200</b>	<b>409</b>				
Comp-Att-Int	28-46-1	36-65-1				
Average Per Pass	4.3	6.3				
Average Per Catch	7.1	11.4				
Average Per Game	100.0	204.5				
TDs Passing	0	3				
<b>TOTAL OFFENSE</b>	<b>558</b>	<b>557</b>				
Total Plays	142	119				
Average Per Play	3.9	4.7				
Average Per Game	279.0	278.5				
<b>KICK RETURNS: #-Yards</b>	<b>7-189</b>	<b>7-217</b>				
<b>PUNT RETURNS: #-Yards</b>	<b>0-0</b>	<b>4-15</b>				
<b>INT RETURNS: #-Yards</b>	<b>1-0</b>	<b>1-0</b>				
<b>KICK RETURN AVERAGE</b>	<b>27.0</b>	<b>31.0</b>				
<b>PUNT RETURN AVERAGE</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>3.8</b>				
<b>INT RETURN AVERAGE</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>0.0</b>				
<b>FUMBLES-LOST</b>	<b>3-0</b>	<b>1-1</b>				
<b>PENALTIES-Yards</b>	<b>13-103</b>	<b>4-35</b>				
Average Per Game	51.5	17.5				
<b>PUNTS-Yards</b>	<b>12-458</b>	<b>7-269</b>				
Average Per Punt	38.2	38.4				
Net punt average	35.3	35.6				
<b>KICKOFFS-Yards</b>	<b>8-413</b>	<b>9-530</b>				
Average Per Kick	51.6	58.9				
Net kick average	21.4	32.9				
<b>TIME OF POSSESSION/Game</b>	<b>33:30</b>	<b>26:29</b>				
<b>3RD-DOWN Conversions</b>	<b>12/37</b>	<b>7/24</b>				
3rd-Down Pct	32%	29%				
<b>4TH-DOWN Conversions</b>	<b>6/9</b>	<b>1/4</b>				
4th-Down Pct	67%	25%				
<b>SACKS BY-Yards</b>	<b>2-16</b>	<b>4-28</b>				
<b>MISC YARDS</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>				
<b>TOUCHDOWNS SCORED</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b>				
<b>FIELD GOALS-ATTEMPTS</b>	<b>3-4</b>	<b>3-6</b>				
<b>ON-SIDE KICKS</b>	<b>0-0</b>	<b>0-0</b>				
<b>RED-ZONE SCORES</b>	<b>(3-3) 100%</b>	<b>(5-8) 63%</b>				
<b>RED-ZONE TOUCHDOWNS</b>	<b>(1-3) 33%</b>	<b>(2-8) 25%</b>				
<b>PAT-ATTEMPTS</b>	<b>(1-2) 50%</b>	<b>(4-4) 100%</b>				
<b>2-PT CONVERSION-ATTEMPTS</b>	<b>(0-1) 0%</b>	<b>(0-0) 0%</b>				
<b>ATTENDANCE</b>	<b>10569</b>	<b>35331</b>				
Games/Avg Per Game	1/10569	1/35331				
Neutral Site Games	0/0					
<b>SCORE BY QUARTERS</b>	<b>1st</b>	<b>2nd</b>	<b>3rd</b>	<b>4th</b>	<b>OT</b>	<b>Total</b>
NIU	3	6	6	13	0	28
Opponents	3	10	3	21	0	37

## INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS

RUSHING	GP	Att	Gain	Loss	Net	Avg	TD	Lg	Avg/G
WRIGHT, Chavon	2	38	171	4	167	4.4	1	45	83.5
JOHNSON Jr., Telly	2	31	158	5	153	4.9	1	74	76.5
POE, Jaylen	2	2	22	0	22	11.0	0	22	11.0
ROGERS, DeAree	2	1	22	0	22	22.0	0	22	22.0
PROCTOR, Jackson	1	2	13	0	13	6.5	0	11	13.0
HOLST, Josh	2	18	44	31	13	0.7	0	9	6.5
URWILER, Quinn	2	1	0	2	2	0	0	2	2.0
TEAM	2	3	0	34	-34	-11.3	0	0	1.0
Total.....	2	96	432	74	358	3.7	2	74	179.0
Opponents.....	2	54	185	37	148	2.7	0	33	74.0
PASSING	G	Effic.	C-A-I	Pct.	Yds	TD	Lg	Avg/G	
HOLST, Josh	2	100.3	26-40-1	65.0	192	0	25	96.0	
PROCTOR, Jackson	1	8.0	2-6-0	33.3	8	0	7	8.0	
Total.....	2	93.0	28-46-1	60.9	200	0	25	100.0	
Opponents.....	2	120.4	36-65-1	55.4	409	3	48	204.5	
RECEIVING	G	No.	Yds	Avg	TD	Lg	Avg/G		
ROGERS, DeAree	2	10	89	8.9	0	25	44.5		
POE, Jaylen	2	5	24	4.8	0	9	12.0		
JOHNSON Jr., Telly	2	3	19	6.3	0	17	9.5		
WRIGHT, Chavon	2	3	7	2.3	0	3	3.5		
GIVENS III, Gary	2	2	26	13.0	0	15	13.0		
DIMOPOULOS, George	2	2	14	7.0	0	8	7.0		
APPLEGET, Jake	2	2	13	6.5	0	10	6.5		
BRYANT, La'Don	2	1	8	8.0	0	8	4.0		
Total.....	2	28	200	7.1	0	25	100.0		
Opponents.....	2	36	409	11.4	3	48	204.4		
TOTAL OFFENSE	G	Plays	Rush	Pass	Total	Avg/G			
HOLST, Josh	2	58	13	192	205	102.5			
WRIGHT, Chavon	2	38	167	0	167	83.5			
JOHNSON Jr., Telly	2	31	153	0	153	76.5			
ROGERS, DeAree	2	1	22	0	22	11.0			
POE, Jaylen	2	2	22	0	22	11.0			
PROCTOR, Jackson	1	8	13	8	21	21.0			
URWILER, Quinn	2	1	2	0	2	1.0			
PEDRO, Ross	1	1	-32	0	-32	-32.0			
TEAM	1	2	-2	0	-2	-2.0			
Total.....	2	142	358	200	558	279.0			
Opponents.....	2	119	148	409	577	278.5			
PUNT RETURNS	No.	Yds	Avg	TD	Long				
	0	0	0.0	0	0				
Total.....	0	0	0.0	0	0				
Opponents.....	4	15	3.8	0	9				
KICK RETURNS	No.	Yds	Avg	TD	Long				
REYNOLDS, Dev'ion	6	180	30.0	1	96				
POE, Jaylen	1	9	9.0	0	0				
Total.....	7	189	30.0	1	96				
Opponents.....	7	217	31.0	1	97				
PUNTING	No.	Yds	Avg	Long	TB	FC	I20	50+	Blkd
VUCKOVIC, Danny	11	458	41.6	54	1	2	3	4	0
TEAM	1	0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Total.....	12	458	38.2	54	1	2	3	4	1
Opponents.....	7	269	38.4	49	1	4	0	0	0
KICKOFFS	No.	Yds	Avg	TB	OB	Retn	Net	YdLn	
GLASS, Andrew	8	413	51.6	1	0	0	0	0	
Total.....	8	413	51.6	1	0	7	21.4	43	
Opponents.....	9	530	58.9	1	0	7	32.9	32	
FIELD GOALS	FG-FGA	Pct	1-19	20-29	30-39	40-49	50+	Lg	Blk
GLASS, Andrew	3-4	75.0	0-0	2-2	1-1	0-0	0-1	39	0
Opponents.....	3-6	50.0	0-0	1-1	2-3	0-2	0-0	36	0

# NIU FOOTBALL 2024 STATISTICS

## 2025 LONG PLAYS

	No.	Long
NIU	4	96, Reynolds! kick return vs. Holy Cross, 8/30
Rushing	2	74, Johnson Jr. vs. Maryland, 9/5
C. Wright	1	45 vs. Holy Cross, 8/30
T. Johnson Jr.	1	74, Johnson Jr.! vs. Maryland, 9/5
Passing	1	25, Holst to Rogers vs. Holy Cross, 8/30
by Holst	1	25 to Rogers vs. Holy Cross, 8/30
to Rogers	1	25 from Holst vs. Holy Cross, 8/30
Returns	1	96, Reynolds! kick return vs. Holy Cross, 8/30
by Reynolds	1	96, Reynolds! kick return vs. Holy Cross, 8/30
OPPONENT	6	97! return, A. Cason, Holy Cross, 8/30
Rushing	0	
Passing	5	46, Swanson to Mosey, Holy Cross, 8/30
Returns	1	97! return, A. Cason, Holy Cross, 8/30

\* 25 Yards or Longer / ! - TD

## FG SEQUENCE

### NIU

### Opponent

Holy Cross	(20), (39)	(33), 41, 44
Maryland	(20), 58	(36), (29), 37

Numbers in (parentheses) indicate field goal was made

SCORING	TD	FGs	PATs					DXP	Saf	Pts
			Kick	Rush	Rcv	Pass				
GLASS, Andrew	-	3-4	1-2	-	-	-	-	-	-	10
WRIGHT, Chavin	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6
JOHNSON Jr., Telly	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6
REYNOLDS, Dev'ion	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6
Total.....	3	3-4	1-2	0	0	0	0	0	0	28
Opponents.....	4	3-6	4-4	0	0	0	0	0	0	37

ALL PURPOSE	G	Rush	Rec	PR	KOR	IR	Tot	Avg/G
REYNOLDS, Dev'ion	2	0	0	0	180	0	180	90.0
WRIGHT, Chavon	2	167	7	0	0	0	174	87.0
JOHNSON Jr., Telly	2	153	19	0	0	0	172	86.0
ROGERS, DeAree	2	22	89	0	0	0	111	55.5
POE, Jaylen	2	22	24	0	9	0	55	27.5
DIMOPOULOS, George	2	0	14	0	0	0	14	7.0
PROCTOR, Jackson	1	13	0	0	0	0	13	13.0
HOLST, Josh	2	13	0	0	0	0	13	6.5
APPLEGET, Jake	2	13	0	0	0	0	13	6.5
BRYANT, La'Don	2	0	8	0	0	0	8	4.0
URWILER, Quinn	2	2	0	0	0	0	2	1.0
PEDRO, Ross	1	-32	0	0	0	0	-32	-16.0
TEAM	1	-2	0	0	0	0	-2	-2.0
Total.....	2	358	200	0	189	0	747	373.5
Opponents.....	2	148	409	15	217	0	789	394.5

# NIU FOOTBALL 2025 DEFENSIVE STATISTICS

		-----Tackles-----				-Sacks-		---Pass Def---		-Fumbles-		Blkd		
		GP	Solo	Ast	Total	TFL/Yds	No-Yds	Int-Yds	BrUp	QBH	FR-Yds	FF	Kick	Safety
32	URWILER, Quinn	1	14	6	20	1-5	0.5-4	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
4	JAMMEH, Muhammad	1	7	4	11	.	.	1-0	1	.	.	.	.	.
17	MACIOROWSKI, Filip	1	9	2	11	0.5-1	.	.	1	.	.	.	.	.
1	MYLES, Ty	1	6	2	8	1.5-4	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
22	BEELER, Jasper	1	5	2	7	1-5	.	.	1	.	.	1	.	.
97	WILLIAMS, Roy	1	6	.	6	1-8	1-8	.	.	2	.	.	.	.
7	HARRISON, Donte	1	5	2	6	1.5-1	.	.	.	1	.	.	.	.
23	PRETTO, Marc	1	1	4	5	1-5	0.5-4	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
3	FINLEY, Jacob	1	4	1	5	.	.	.	.	1	.	.	.	.
11	WILLIAMS, Jalonnie	1	3	2	5	.	.	.	1	.	1-0	.	.	.
6	DIXON, Dasean	1	1	4	5	2-4	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
10	HENSLEY, Mark	1	1	2	3	0.5-1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
9	REYNOLDS, Dev'ion	1	3	.	3	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
27	PORTER, Trey	1	2	1	3	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
12	LYONS, Keshawn	2	1	1	2	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
24	PORTER, Elijah	1	1	.	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
33	POWELL, Taylor	1	1	.	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
24	WINDHAM, Broderick	1	1	.	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
44	PEDRO, Ross	1	.	1	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
5	LYNCH, Justin	1	.	1	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
60	GLASS, Andrew	1	.	1	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
16	THOMAS, Jay'shon	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	1	.	.	.	.
Total.....		1	32	24	57	8-28	2-16	1-0	4	2	1-0	1	0	0
Opponents.....		1	38	40	78	3-4	0-0	1-0	2	1	0-0	0	1	0

# NIU FOOTBALL 2025 PARTICIPATION

No.	Name	GP/GS	HC	MD	MissSt	SDSU	Miami	EMU	Ohio	BallSt	Toledo	UMass	WMich	KentSt	BOWL
0	GULLEY Jr., Alvin	2/0	XXX	XXX	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
0	BRYANT, La'Don	2/0	XXX	XXX	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
1	MYLES, Ty	2/2	NB	NB	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
2	McGARRELL, Cyrus	2/0	XXX	XXX	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
3	FINLEY, Jacob	2/2	CB	CB	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
4	JAMMEH, Muhammed	2/2	S	S	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
4	LEWIS, Kenji	1/0	XXX	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
5	LYNCH, Justin	2/0	XXX	XXX	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
6	DIXON, Dasean	2/2	DT	DT	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
6	ROGERS, DeAree	2/0	XXX	XXX	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
7	HARRISON, Donte	2/2	CB	CB	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
7	GIVENS III, Gary	2/2	WR	WR	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
8	OPPONG, Pierce	2/1	XXX	TE	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
9	REYNOLDS, Dev'ion	2/0	XXX	XXX	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
9	DIMOPOULOUS, George	2/2	WR	WR	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
10	WRIGHT, Chavon	2/1	XXX	RB	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
10	HENSLEY, Mark	2/2	DT	DT	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
11	WILLIAMS, Jalonnice	2/2	DE	DE	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
12	PROCTOR, Jackson	1/0	XXX	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
12	LYONS, Keshawn	2/0	XXX	XXX	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
13	MOORE Jr., Ivan	2/0	XXX	XXX	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
15	HOLST, Josh	2/2	QB	QB	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
16	THOMAS, Jay'shon	2/0	XXX	XXX	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
17	MACIOROWSKI, Filip	2/2	LB	LB	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
19	CRONIN, Danny	2/0	XXX	XXX	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
22	BEELER, Jasper	2/2	S	S	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
23	PRETTO, Marc	2/0	XXX	XXX	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
24	PORTER, Elijah	2/0	XXX	XXX	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
24	WINDHAM, Broderick	2/0	XXX	XXX	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
26	FINLEY IV, James	2/0	XXX	XXX	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
27	PORTER, Trey	2/0	XXX	XXX	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
28	POE, Jaylen	2/1	RB	XXX	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
32	URWILER, Quinn	2/2	LB	LB	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
33	POWELL, Taylor	2/0	XXX	XXX	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
37	THOMPSON, Miles	2/0	XXX	XXX	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
41	McRAE, KJ	2/0	XXX	XXX	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
44	PEDRO, Ross	2/0	XXX	XXX	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
44	CANION, Montrel	1/0	---	XXX	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
45	JOHNSON Jr., Telly	2/1	RB	XXX	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
52	DAVIS, Ivan	2/0	XXX	XXX	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
54	MALCORE, Evan	2/2	OL	OL	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
55	CURRY, Abiathar	2/2	OL	OL	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
58	LIEGEL, Ross	2/0	XXX	XXX	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
60	GLASS, Andrew	2/0	XXX	XXX	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
63	HRON, Landon	2/2	OL	OL	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
64	TWEEDY, Aidan	2/0	XXX	XXX	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
66	MAHNESMITH, Lane	1/0	XXX	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
70	JIMMAR, Michael	1/0	---	XXX	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
75	PAASCH, Thomas	2/2	OL	OL	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
77	OZOH, Izuchukwu	2/2	OL	OL	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
78	WELCH, Jacob	2/0	XXX	XXX	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
80	APPLEGET, Jake	2/2	TE	TE	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
83	FOWLER, Jason	2/0	XXX	XXX	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
85	STEIN, Joe	2/0	XXX	XXX	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
90	JEAN, Reggie	2/0	XXX	XXX	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
90	VUCKOVIC, Danny	2/0	XXX	XXX	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
97	WILLIAMS, Roy	2/2	DE	DE	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---

*X-indicates played; letters indicate position started*

# NIU FOOTBALL 2025 STARTERS

## OFFENSIVE STARTERS GAME-BY-GAME

Opponent	QB	TB	TE	TE/FB	WR	WR	LT	LG	C	RG	RT
Holy Cross	Holst	Johnson	Appleget	Poe (RB)	Givens	Dimopoulos	Malcore	Curry	Hron	Paasch	Ozoh
at Maryland	Holst	Wright	Appleget	Oppong	Givens	Dimopoulos	Malcore	Curry	Hron	Paach	Ozoh
at Miss. St.											
San Diego St.											
Miami											
at EMU											
at Ohio											
Ball State											
at Toledo											
at UMass											
WMU											
Kent State											
BOWL											

## DEFENSIVE STARTERS GAME-BY-GAME

Opponent	DE	DT	DT	DE	LB	LB	N/DB	CB	S	S	CB
Holy Cross	R. Williams	Dixon	Hensley	J. Williams	Urwiler	Maciorowski	Myles	Finley	Beeler	Jammeh	Harrison
at Maryland	R. Williams	Dixon	Hensley	J. Williams	Urwiler	Maciorowski	Myles	Finley	Beeler	Jammeh	Harrison
at Miss. St.											
San Diego St.											
Miami											
at EMU											
at Ohio											
Ball State											
at Toledo											
at UMass											
WMU											
Kent State											
BOWL											

## CAREER GAMES PLAYED/STARTED

Name, Pos.	Class	GP	GS*	Name, Pos.	Class	GP	GS*
Jake Appleget, TE	Sr.-R	17	8	Cyrus McGarrell, S	Sr.-R	38	3
Malik Armstrong, CB	Jr.-R	18	-	KJ McRae, LB	Fr.-R	2	-
Jasper Beeler, S	Jr.	24	2	Ivan Moore Jr., DE	Fr.-R	1	-
Owen Belman, S	Sr.-R	2	-	Davonte Murray, DE	Sr.	38	-
La'Don Bryant, WR	Fr.-R	7	1	Ty Myles, CB	Sr.-R	38	2
Austin Bullock, K	So.	13	-	Pierce Oppong, DE/TE	Sr.-R	48	10
Danny Cronin, LB	Sr.-R	33	-	Izzy Ozoh, TE/OL	Sr.-R	35	5
Abiathar Curry, OL	So.-R	16	6	Thomas Paasch, OL	So.-R	12	4
Ivan Davis, DE	Sr.	39	-	Ross Pedro, LS	Sr.	42	-
George Dimopoulos, WR	So.	15	5	Jaylen Poe, RB	So.-R	11	1
Dasean Dixon, DT	Sr.	37	2	Elijah Porter, RB	Fr.-R	2	-
Jacob Finley, CB	Jr.-R	32	17	Trey Porter, S	Jr.-R	32	-
James Finley IV, S	Fr.	2	-	Taylor Powell, S	Fr.-R	4	-
Jason Fowler, TE	Fr.-R	3	-	Marc Pretto, LB	Jr.-R	30	-
Jake Gassaway, LB	Jr.-R	25	-	Jackson Proctor, QB	Jr.-R	18	-
Gary Givens, WR	So.	13	2	Dev'ion Reynolds, CB	Fr.-R	3	-
Andrew Glass, K	Sr.	44	-	DeAree Rogers, WR	Jr.	25	1
Alvin Gulley, DT	Sr.	31	-	Luke Skartvedt, OL	So.-R	12	-
Donte Harrison, CB	Sr.	36	2	Joe Stein, TE	Fr.-R	2	-
Mark Hensley, DT	So.-R	15	2	Jay'shon Thomas, DE	So.-R	11	-
Josh Holst, QB	Fr.-R	9	5	Miles Thompson, CB	So.	2	-
Landon Hron, OL	So.-R	5	2	Aidan Tweedy, OL	Sr.-R	31	-
Lance Ingold, DE	Fr.-R	2	-	Quinn Urwiler, LB	Sr.-R	46	2
Muhammed Jammeh, S	Jr.-R	42	7	Danny Vuckovic, P	So.-R	2	-
Reggie Jean, DT	Jr.-R	4	-	Romelo Ware, RB	Fr.-R	1	-
Telly Johnson Jr., RB	So.	8	3	Jacob Welch, OL	So.-R	15	-
Quinn Kelly, LS	So.	1	-	Jalonnne Williams, DL	Sr.-R	21	14
Kenji Lewis, WR	Sr.	20	-	Roy Williams, DE	Sr.	34	21
Justin Lynch, QB/RB	Sr.-R	40	4	Broderick Windham, S	Jr.	2	-
Keshawn Lyons, CB	Jr.	23	-	Chavon Wright, RB	Sr.-R	37	1
Filip Maciorowski, LB	So.-R	15	2				
Jalen Macon, QB	Jr.-R	11	-				
Lane Mahnesmith, OL	Fr.-R	5	-				
Evan Malcore, OL	Jr.-R	28	22				

\* - Games started at NIU

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# NIU FOOTBALL 2025 SCORING DRIVES

## NIU

Opponent	Plays	Yds.	TOP	Score	Qtr./Time	Play
HOLY CROSS	8	63	3:24	3-0	1/4:00	Glass 20 FG
HOLY CROSS	12	71	3:07	6-3	2/00:10	Glass 39 FG
HOLY CROSS	---	---	---	12-10	4/10:21	Reynolds 96 KR TD
HOLY CROSS	8	61	4:05	19-10	4/4:15	Wright 2 TD (R)
MARYLAND	19	75	8:37	3-10	2/00:03	Glass 20 FG
MARYLAND	3	73	1:25	9-13	3/6:22	T. Johnson 74 TD (R)

## OPPONENT

Opponent	Plays	Yds.	TOP	Score	Qtr./Clock	Play
HOLY CROSS	4	-2	1:49	3-3	2/3:22	Palenzuela 44 FG
HOLY CROSS	4	77	1:27	10-6	4/10:34	Youngblood 16 TD (P)
HOLY CROSS	---	---	---	17-19	4/4:03	Cason 97 KR TD
MARYLAND	8	62	2:57	3-0	1/4:30	O'Haire 36 FG
MARYLAND	6	47	2:51	10-0	2/8:46	Fleming 12 TD (P)
MARYLAND	12	56	5:09	13-3	3/7:52	O'Haire 29 FG
MARYLAND	6	77	3:00	20-9	4/9:20	Knotts 42 TD (P)

(R) - Rushing TD  
(P) - Receiving TD

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Game	Score	---1st Downs---		Rushing	-----Passing-----			Total Off.	Punts	Fum	Penalties	3rd	Time of
		Total	R-P-Pen	No-Yds-TD	C-A-I	Yds	TD	Pl-Yds	No-Avg	No-L	No-Yds	Downs	Poss
(8-30) NIU	19	17	10-7-0	48-178-1	14-24-1	109	0	72-287	6-33.8	0-0	7-48	5-of-17	33:26
vs. Holy Cross	17	11	3-7-1	26-62-0	17-29-1	155	1	55-217	6-35.3	0-0	1-5	3-of-12	26:34
(9-5) NIU	9	13	7-6-0	48-180-1	14-22-0	91	0	70-271	6-42.5	0-0	6-55	7-20	33:35
at Maryland	20	21	6-12-3	28-86-0	19-36-0	254	2	64-340	3-46.0	1-1	3-30	4-of-12	26:25
(9-20) NIU													
at Mississippi State													
(9-27) NIU													
vs San Diego State													
(10-4) NIU													
vs Miami													
(10-11) NIU													
at Eastern Michigan													
(10-18) NIU													
at Ohio													
(10-25) NIU													
vs. Ball State													
(11-5) NIU													
at Toledo													
(11-12) NIU													
at UMASS													
(11-18) NIU													
vs. Western Michigan													
(11-28) NIU													
vs. Kent State													
(TBD) NIU													
vs. BOWL GAME													

## — NIU in the NCAA and MAC Rankings —

TEAM CATEGORY	Avg./No.	NCAA	MAC	TEAM CATEGORY	Avg./No.	NCAA	MAC
Total Offense	279.0	125	8	Passes Had Intercepted	1	23	2
Rushing Offense	179.0	59	3	Passes Intercepted	1	85	7
Passing Offense	100.0	130	12	Fumbles Lost	0	T-1	T-1
Passing Efficiency	93.04	131	12	Fumbles Recovered	1	56	5
Completion Percentage	0.609	91	9	Sacks	1.00	117	9
Scoring Offense	14.0	126	8	Tackles for Loss	5.5	77	6
First Downs Offense	30	132	12	Sacks Allowed	2.00	79	4
Red Zone Offense	1.000	T-1	T-1	Tackles for Loss Allowed	6.00	93	7
Total Defense	278.5	37	2	Time of Possession	33:30	19	1
Rushing Defense	74.0	13	1	Fewest Penalties/Game	6.50	80	9
Pass Efficiency Defense	120.39	59	2	Fewest Penalty Yards/Game	51.50	64	9
Passing Yards Allowed	204.5	67	3	Third Down Conversion Pct.	.324	112	7
Scoring Defense	18.5	51	3	Third Down Conv. Pct. Defense	.292	38	2
Red Zone Defense	.625	10	1	Fourth Down Conversion Pct.	.667	40	T-1
First Downs Defense	32	14	1	Fourth Down Conv. Pct. Defense	.250	18	2
Net Punting	35.25	118	11				
Punt Returns	0.00	127	11	<b>Individuals (Top 60 Nationally)</b>			
Punt Return Defense	3.75	59	4	Dav'ion Reynolds, Kickoff Return TDs	1	1	1
Kickoff Returns	27.00	24	3	Quinn Urwiler, Total Tackles Per Game	10	15	2
Kickoff Return Defense	31.00	125	12	Quinn Urwiler, Solo Tackles	7	3	1
Turnover Margin	0.50	50	4	Danny Vuckovic, Punting Yards Average	41.6	50	7
Turnovers Gained	2	95	8	Chavon Wright, Rushing Yards Per Game	83.5	38	1
Turnovers Lost	1	10	2	Telly Johnson, Rushing Yards Per Game	76.5	52	3

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## INDIVIDUAL GAME-BY-GAME STATS

### RUSHING (No.-Yards/TD)

	Total	HC	MD	MissSt	SDSU	Miami	EMU	Ohio	BallSt	Toledo	UMASS	WMU	KentSt	Bowl
WRIGHT, Chavon	11-77/1	11-77/1	27-90/0	0-0/0	0-0/0	0-0/0	0-0/0	0-0/0	0-0/0	0-0/0	0-0/0	0-0/0	0-0/0	0-0/0
JOHNSON Jr, Telly	21-70/0	21-70/0	10-86/1	0-0/0	0-0/0	0-0/0	0-0/0	0-0/0	0-0/0	0-0/0	0-0/0	0-0/0	0-0/0	0-0/0
ROGERS, DeAree	1-22/0	1-22/0	0-0/0	0-0/0	0-0/0	0-0/0	0-0/0	0-0/0	0-0/0	0-0/0	0-0/0	0-0/0	0-0/0	0-0/0
POE, Jaylen	2-22/0	2-22/0	0-0/0	0-0/0	0-0/0	0-0/0	0-0/0	0-0/0	0-0/0	0-0/0	0-0/0	0-0/0	0-0/0	0-0/0
HOLST, Josh	8-14/0	8-14/0	10-2/0	0-0/0	0-0/0	0-0/0	0-0/0	0-0/0	0-0/0	0-0/0	0-0/0	0-0/0	0-0/0	0-0/0
PROCTOR, Jackson	2-13/0	2-13/0	0-0/0	0-0/0	0-0/0	0-0/0	0-0/0	0-0/0	0-0/0	0-0/0	0-0/0	0-0/0	0-0/0	0-0/0
URWILER, Quinn	0-0/0	1-2/0	0-0/0	0-0/0	0-0/0	0-0/0	0-0/0	0-0/0	0-0/0	0-0/0	0-0/0	0-0/0	0-0/0	0-0/0

### RECEIVING (No.-Yards/TD)

	Total	HC	MD	MissSt	SDSU	Miami	EMU	Ohio	BallSt	Toledo	UMASS	WMU	KentSt	Bowl
ROGERS, DeAree	7-73/0	7-73/0	3-16/0	0-0/0	0-0/0	0-0/0	0-0/0	0-0/0	0-0/0	0-0/0	0-0/0	0-0/0	0-0/0	0-0/0
POE, Jaylen	5-24/0	5-95/1	0-0/0	0-0/0	0-0/0	0-0/0	0-0/0	0-0/0	0-0/0	0-0/0	0-0/0	0-0/0	0-0/0	0-0/0
APPLEGET, Jake	1-10/0	1-10/0	1-3/0	0-0/0	0-0/0	0-0/0	0-0/0	0-0/0	0-0/0	0-0/0	0-0/0	0-0/0	0-0/0	0-0/0
JOHNSON Jr, Telly	1-2/0	1-2/0	2-17/0	0-0/0	0-0/0	0-0/0	0-0/0	0-0/0	0-0/0	0-0/0	0-0/0	0-0/0	0-0/0	0-0/0
WRIGHT, Chavon	0-0/0	0-0/0	3-7/0	0-0/0	0-0/0	0-0/0	0-0/0	0-0/0	0-0/0	0-0/0	0-0/0	0-0/0	0-0/0	0-0/0
GIVENS III, Gary	0-0/0	0-0/0	2-26/0	0-0/0	0-0/0	0-0/0	0-0/0	0-0/0	0-0/0	0-0/0	0-0/0	0-0/0	0-0/0	0-0/0
BRYANT, La'Don	0-0/0	0-0/0	1-8/0	0-0/0	0-0/0	0-0/0	0-0/0	0-0/0	0-0/0	0-0/0	0-0/0	0-0/0	0-0/0	0-0/0
DIMOPOULOS, George	0-0/0	0-0/0	2-14/0	0-0/0	0-0/0	0-0/0	0-0/0	0-0/0	0-0/0	0-0/0	0-0/0	0-0/0	0-0/0	0-0/0

### PASSING (Comp.-Att.-INT, Yards; TD)

Game	Holst	Proctor
Holy Cross	12-18-1, 101; 0	2-6-0, 8; 0
Maryland	14-22-0, 91; 0	0-0-0, 0; 0
Mississippi State	0-0-0, 0; 0	0-0-0, 0; 0
San Diego State	0-0-0, 0; 0	0-0-0, 0; 0
Miami	0-0-0, 0; 0	0-0-0, 0; 0
Eastern Michigan	0-0-0, 0; 0	0-0-0, 0; 0
Ohio	0-0-0, 0; 0	0-0-0, 0; 0
Ball State	0-0-0, 0; 0	0-0-0, 0; 0
Toledo	0-0-0, 0; 0	0-0-0, 0; 0
UMASS	0-0-0, 0; 0	0-0-0, 0; 0
Western Michigan	0-0-0, 0; 0	0-0-0, 0; 0
Kent State	0-0-0, 0; 0	0-0-0, 0; 0
Bowl Game	0-0-0, 0; 0	0-0-0, 0; 0

### PUNTING (No.-Average, Inside 20; Long)

Game	Vuckovic
Holy Cross	5-40.6, 2; 54
Maryland	6-42.5, 1; 54
Mississippi State	0-0, 0; 0
San Diego State	0-0, 0; 0
Miami	0-0, 0; 0
Eastern Michigan	0-0, 0; 0
Ohio	0-0, 0; 0
Ball State	0-0, 0; 0
Toledo	0-0, 0; 0
UMASS	0-0, 0; 0
Western Michigan	0-0, 0; 0
Kent State	0-0, 0; 0
Bowl Game	0-0, 0; 0

### KICK RETURNS (No.-Yards, Long; TD)

Reynolds	Poe
4-139-96; 1	0-0-0; 0
2-41-24; 0	1-9-9; 0
0-0-0; 0	0-0-0; 0
0-0-0; 0	0-0-0; 0
0-0-0; 0	0-0-0; 0
0-0-0; 0	0-0-0; 0
0-0-0; 0	0-0-0; 0
0-0-0; 0	0-0-0; 0
0-0-0; 0	0-0-0; 0
0-0-0; 0	0-0-0; 0
0-0-0; 0	0-0-0; 0
0-0-0; 0	0-0-0; 0
0-0-0; 0	0-0-0; 0

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## DEFENSE

Solo-Ast.	Holy Cross	MD	MissSt	SDSU	Miami	EMU	Ohio	BallSt	Toledo	UMASS	WMU	KentSt	Bowl
BEELER, Jasper	0-1	5-1											
		TFL, FF											
DIXON, Dasean	1-2 1.5 TFL	0-2											
FINLEY, Jacob	2-0	2-1 PBU											
GULLEY, Alvin	0-0	0-0 PBU											
HARRISON, Donte	2-2 1.5 TFL	2-0 PBU											
HENSLEY, Mark	0-2 1.0 TFL	1-0 1.0 TFL											
JAMMEH, Muhammed	4-3 INT, PBU	3-1											
LYONS, Keshawn	0-0	1-1											
MACIOROWSKI, Filip	5-0	4-2 0.5 TFL											
MYLES, Ty	4-2 1.5 TFL	2-0											
PRETTO, Marc	1-4 0.5 QS	0-1											
REYNOLDS, Dav'ion	2-0	1-0											
URWILER, Quinn	5-5 TFL, 0.5 QS	9-1											
WILLIAMS, Jalannie	0-0	2-0 FR											
WILLIAMS, Roy	2-0 QS	4-0											
WINDHAM, Broderick	0-0	1-0											

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## THE LAST TIME A HUSKIE TEAM...

DEFEATED A RANKED OPPONENT – 16-14 at No. 5 Notre Dame (9-7-24)  
RECORDED A SHUTOUT – 24-0 vs. Western Michigan (11-14-23)  
SHUTOUT AN OPPONENT FOR A HALF – 2nd vs. Fresno State (12-23-24)  
HAD AT LEAST 25 FIRST DOWNS – 25 vs. Toledo (10-19-24)  
HAD AT LEAST 30 FIRST DOWNS – 30 vs. Western Illinois (8-31-24)  
HAD AT LEAST 35 FIRST DOWNS – 35 vs. Ball State (10-10-15)  
HAD AT LEAST 40 FIRST DOWNS – 43 vs. Ball State (11-15-11)  
SCORED 40 OR MORE POINTS – 42 at Western Michigan (11-6-24)  
SCORED 45 OR MORE POINTS – 54 vs. Western Illinois (8-31-24)  
SCORED 50 OR MORE POINTS – 54 vs. Western Illinois (8-31-24)  
SCORED 60 OR MORE POINTS – 63 vs. Ball State (11-9-17)  
SCORED A SAFETY – Michael Kennedy, tackled RB in end zone at Eastern Michigan (12-12-20)  
SCORED TWO OR MORE DEFENSIVE TOUCHDOWNS – 2 (Fumble Recovery in End Zone; INT Return) vs. Akron (10-26-19)  
GAINED 200 OR LESS YARDS OF TOTAL OFFENSE – 149 at Nebraska (9-16-23)  
GAINED 500 OR MORE YARDS OF TOTAL OFFENSE – 706 vs. Western Illinois (8-31-24)  
GAINED 600 OR MORE YARDS OF TOTAL OFFENSE – 706 vs. Western Illinois (8-31-24)  
GAINED 100 OR LESS YARDS RUSHING – 26 at Nebraska (9-16-23)  
GAINED 300 OR MORE YARDS RUSHING – 367 vs. UMass (10-5-24)  
GAINED 400 OR MORE YARDS RUSHING – 433 vs. Miami (10-18-14)  
**THREW FOR LESS THAN 100 YARDS – 91 at Maryland (9-5-25)**  
THREW FOR MORE THAN 300 YARDS – 394 vs. Western Illinois (8-31-24)  
**DID NOT COMMIT A TURNOVER – at Maryland (9-5-25)**  
HAD A SUCCESSFUL ON-SIDE KICK – 2 vs. Toledo (10-8-22)  
HAD 40 MINUTES TIME OF POSSESSION – vs. Arkansas State, Camellia Bowl (12-23-23)  
**HELD OPPONENT TO 100 YARDS OR LESS RUSHING – 86 yards at Maryland (9-5-25)**  
HELD OPPONENT TO 50 YARDS OR LESS RUSHING – 50 yards vs. Akron (11-13-24)  
HELD OPPONENT TO NEGATIVE YARDS RUSHING – (-11) at Miami (10-24-09)  
HELD OPPONENT TO 100 YARDS OR LESS PASSING – 92 yards vs. Central Michigan (11-30-24)  
HELD OPPONENT TO 200 YARDS OR LESS TOTAL OFFENSE – 171 at NC State (9-28-24)  
HELD OPPONENT TO 150 YARDS OR LESS TOTAL OFFENSE – 145 vs. Akron (10-26-19)  
HELD OPPONENT TO 100 YARDS OR LESS TOTAL OFFENSE – 64 vs. Kent State (10-8-11)  
HELD AN OPPONENT WITHOUT A TOUCHDOWN – vs. Western Michigan (11-14-23)  
WAS INVOLVED IN AN OVERTIME GAME – W, 28-20 (2OT) vs. Fresno State, Famous Idaho Potato Bowl (12-23-24)

## THE LAST TIME A HUSKIE OPPONENT...

HAD 35 MINUTES OF POSSESSION – 36:06, Akron (10-7-23)  
**RETURNED A KICKOFF FOR A TOUCHDOWN – 97 yards, Alijah Cason of Holy Cross (8-30-25)**  
RETURNED A PUNT FOR A TOUCHDOWN – 91 yards, LaVon Brazill of Ohio (11-21-09)  
RETURNED AN INTERCEPTION FOR A TOUCHDOWN – 76 yards, Tyson Durant of Akron (11-26-22)  
RETURNED A FUMBLE FOR A TOUCHDOWN – 2 yards, DK Kaufman of NC State (9-28-24)  
SCORED A SAFETY – Tulsa (9-23-23), NIU fumble recovery in own end zone  
**BLOCKED A PUNT – Adam Due of Holy Cross (8-30-25)**  
BLOCKED A PUNT FOR A TOUCHDOWN – Noel Roach (block)/Terence Thomas (recovered ball in end zone) of Akron (11-13-24)  
BLOCKED A FIELD GOAL – Corey Suttle of Miami (11-19-24)  
BLOCKED A PAT KICK – Mayo Bola of Western Illinois (8-31-24)  
MISSED A PAT KICK (not blocked) – Jackson Courville of Ball State (10-26-24)  
SHUT OUT THE HUSKIES – Navy 16, NIU 0 (11-25-08)  
SHUT OUT THE HUSKIES FOR A HALF – 2nd, Toledo (10-19-24)  
PASSED FOR 300 OR MORE YARDS – 312, Jeff Undercuffler of Akron (11-26-22)  
PASSED FOR 400 OR MORE YARDS – 403, John Paddock of Ball State (10-1-22)  
RUSHED FOR 100 OR MORE YARDS – 106, Jase Bauer of Central Michigan (10-31-23)  
RUSHED FOR 200 OR MORE YARDS – 202, Marion Lukes of Central Michigan (10-31-23)  
HAD A RUSH OF 60 YARDS OR LONGER – 66, Jaden Nixon of Western Michigan (11-6-24)  
TWO OR MORE PLAYERS RUSHED FOR 100 YARDS – 202, Marion Lukes and 106, Jase Bauer of Central Michigan (10-31-23)  
HAD 10 OR MORE RECEPTIONS – 11, Corey Crooms of Western Michigan (11-9-22)  
HAD 100 OR MORE RECEIVING YARDS – 118, Mac Dalena of Fresno State, Famous Idaho Potato Bowl (12-23-24)  
HAD 200 OR MORE RECEIVING YARDS – 206, Skyy Moore of Western Michigan (11-23-21)

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## THE LAST TIME A HUSKIE PLAYER...

RETURNED THE OPENING KICKOFF FOR A TD – Aregeros Turner (97 yards) vs. Buffalo (10-22-16)

**RETURNED A KICKOFF FOR A TOUCHDOWN – Dev'ion Reynolds (96 yards) vs. Holy Cross (8-30-25)**

RETURNED A PUNT FOR A TOUCHDOWN (NOT BLOCKED) – Dane Pardridge (55 yards) vs. Western Michigan (11-14-23)

RETURNED AN INTERCEPTION FOR A TOUCHDOWN – James Ester (0 yards) at Eastern Michigan (10-15-22)

RETURNED A FUMBLE FOR A TOUCHDOWN – Jacob Finley (0 yards) at Kent State (11-25-23)

SCORED A SAFETY – Michael Kennedy (tackled RB in end zone) at Eastern Michigan (12-12-20)

A NON-QB THREW A TOUCHDOWN PASS – WR George Dimopoulos (25 yds to WR Dane Pardridge) vs. Fresno State,  
Famous Idaho Potato Bowl (12-23-24)

A NON-QB COMPLETED A PASS – WR George Dimopoulos (25 yds to WR Dane Pardridge) vs. Fresno State,  
Famous Idaho Potato Bowl (12-23-24)

BLOCKED A PUNT – Corey Lersch at Ohio (10-12-19)

BLOCKED TWO PUNTS IN A GAME – Jordan Delegal (2) at Ball State (11-20-10)

BLOCKED A PUNT FOR A TOUCHDOWN – Corey Lersch blocked; Adam Buirge scored on a three-yard return at Ohio (10-12-19)

BLOCKED A FIELD GOAL – Santana Banner at Ball State (10-26-24)

BLOCKED A PAT KICK – Cade Haberman vs. Central Michigan (11-30-24)

CONVERTED A FAKE FG FOR A TOUCHDOWN – Kanon Woodill 32 yard pass from Tom Foley vs. Arkansas State (12-23-23)

RAN A SUCCESSFUL FAKE PUNT – Andrew Haidet to Messiah Travis (8-yard pass) at Western Michigan (11-28-20)

**MISSED A PAT KICK (not blocked) – Andrew Glass vs. Holy Cross (8-30-25)**

CONVERTED A TWO-POINT ATTEMPT – WR George Dimopoulos pass to Josh Holst vs. Fresno State, Famous Idaho Potato Bowl (12-23-24)

**FAILED TO CONVERT A TWO-POINT ATTEMPT – Josh Holst pass failed at Maryland (9-5-25)**

PASSED FOR 300 OR MORE YARDS – Ethan Hampton (328) vs. Western Illinois (8-31-24)

PASSED FOR 400 OR MORE YARDS – Rocky Lombardi (532) at Kent State (11-3-21) – *NIU SCHOOL RECORD*

THREW FOUR OR MORE TD PASSES IN A GAME – Ethan Hampton (5) vs. Western Illinois (8-31-24)

THREW FIVE OR MORE TD PASSES IN A GAME – Ethan Hampton (5) vs. Western Illinois (8-31-24)

COMPLETED A 60-YARD PASS – Ethan Hampton (83) to Antario Brown (TD) vs. Notre Dame (9-7-24)

COMPLETED A 70-YARD PASS – Ethan Hampton (83) to Antario Brown (TD) vs. Notre Dame (9-7-24)

COMPLETED AN 80-YARD PASS – Ethan Hampton (83) to Antario Brown (TD) vs. Notre Dame (9-7-24)

RUSHED FOR 100 OR MORE YARDS – Telly Johnson Jr. (104) & Gavin Williams (101) vs. Akron (11-13-24)

RUSHED FOR 200 OR MORE YARDS – Antario Brown (280) at Akron (10-7-22)

RUSHED FOR 300 OR MORE YARDS – Jordan Lynch (321) vs. Western Michigan (11-26-13) – *Set NCAA QB RECORD*

HAD A RUSH OF 60 YARDS OR LONGER – Gavin Williams (71, TD) vs. Akron (11-13-24)

**HAD A RUSH OF 70 YARDS OR LONGER – Telly Johnson Jr. (74, TD) at Maryland (9-5-25)**

HAD A RUSH OF 80 YARDS OR LONGER – Antario Brown (80) at Toledo (9-30-23)

CONSECUTIVE GAMES RUSHING FOR 100 YARDS OR MORE – Telly Johnson Jr., 2 games (at WMU, 11-6-24; vs. Akron, 11-13-24)

RUSHED FOR FOUR OR MORE TOUCHDOWNS IN A GAME – Antario Brown (4) at Akron (10-7-23)

RUSHED FOR TWO OR MORE TDS IN CONSECUTIVE GAMES – Tre Harbison vs. Ball State (2), Ohio (3) – (10-5-19, 10-12-19)

TWO PLAYERS RUSHED FOR 100 YARDS, SAME GAME – Telly Johnson Jr. (104) & Gavin Williams (101) vs. Akron (11-13-24)

TWO PLAYERS HAD 100 RECEIVING YARDS, SAME GAME – Trayvon Rudolph (108) and Cole Tucker (103) vs. Ball State (11-10-21)

QB RUSHED FOR 150 YARDS OR MORE – Marcus Childers (169) vs. Ohio (10-13-18)

HAD 10 OR MORE RECEPTIONS – Harrison Waylee (10) vs. Toledo (10-8-22)

HAD 100 OR MORE RECEIVING YARDS – Antario Brown (126) vs. Notre Dame (9-7-24)

HAD 200 OR MORE RECEIVING YARDS – Trayvon Rudolph (309) at Kent State (11-3-21) – *NIU SCHOOL RECORD*

CAUGHT TWO OR MORE TOUCHDOWN PASSES IN A GAME – Grayson Barnes (2) vs. Fresno State, Famous Idaho Potato Bowl (12-23-24)

CAUGHT THREE OR MORE TOUCHDOWN PASSES IN A GAME – Trayvon Rudolph (3) at Kent State (11-3-21)

HAD 200 RUSHING AND 200 PASSING YARDS IN A GAME – Chandler Harnish (229 rushing/203 passing) vs. Western Michigan (10-15-11)

HAD 100 RUSHING AND 100 RECEIVING YARDS IN A GAME – Garrett Wolfe (171 rushing/114 receiving) at Ohio State (9-2-06)

SCORED THREE OR MORE TOUCHDOWNS IN A GAME – Antario Brown (4 rushing) at Akron (10-7-23)

INTERCEPTED TWO OR MORE PASSES IN A GAME – Eric Rogers (2) vs. Eastern Illinois (9-1-22)

HAD THREE OR MORE SACKS IN A GAME – Neveah Sanders (3) vs. Buffalo (9-21-24)

**HAD 10+ TACKLES IN A GAME – Quinn Urwiler (10) at Maryland (9-5-25)**

HAD 15+ TACKLES IN A GAME – Antonio Jones-Davis (17) vs. Ball State (10-5-19)

SCORED A RUSHING AND RECEIVING TD IN A GAME – Gavin Williams (1 rushing, 1 receiving) at Western Michigan (11-6-24)

KICKED A FG OF 50 OR MORE YARDS – 50 yards, Kanon Woodill at NC State (9-28-24)

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## NIU TEAM HIGHS & LOWS

	HIGH	LOW
Points, Game	19 vs. Holy Cross (8-30)	9 at Maryland (9-5)
Points, Half	13 (2H) vs. Holy Cross (8-30)	3 (1H) at Maryland (9-5)
Points, Quarter	13 (4Q) vs. Holy Cross (8-30)	0, 3x (M.R. 4Q at Maryland (9-5)
First Downs	17 vs. Holy Cross (8-30)	13 at Maryland (9-5)
Rushing Yards	180 at Maryland (9-5)	178 vs. Holy Cross (8-30)
Rushing Attempts	48, 2x (Holy Cross, 8-30 & Maryland, 9-5)	---
Passing Yards	109 vs. Holy Cross (8-30)	91 at Maryland (9-5)
Pass Attempts	24 vs. Holy Cross (8-30)	22 at Maryland (9-5)
Pass Completions	14, 2x (Holy Cross, 8-30 & Maryland, 9-5)	---
Total Offensive Plays	72 vs. Holy Cross (8-30)	70 at Maryland (9-5)
Total Offense Yards	287 vs. Holy Cross (8-30)	271 at Maryland (9-5)
Punts	6, 2x (Holy Cross, 8-30 & Maryland, 9-5)	---
Penalties	7 vs. Holy Cross (8-30)	6 at Maryland (9-5)
Turnovers Lost	1 vs. Holy Cross (8-30)	0 at Maryland (9-5)
Sacks (By Defense)	2 vs. Holy Cross (8-30)	0 at Maryland (9-5)
Time of Possession	33:35 at Maryland (9-5)	33:26 vs. Holy Cross (8-30)

## OPPONENTS TEAM HIGHS & LOWS

	HIGH	LOW
Points, Game	20, Maryland (9-5)	17, Holy Cross (8-30)
Points, Half	14 (2H), Holy Cross (8-30)	3 (1H), Holy Cross (8-30)
Points, Quarter	13 (3Q), Holy Cross (8-30)	0, 2x (M.R. 1Q & 3Q, Holy Cross 8-30)
First Downs	21, Maryland (9-5)	11, Holy Cross (8-30)
Rushing Yards	86, Maryland (9-5)	62, Holy Cross (8-30)
Rushing Attempts	28, Maryland (9-5)	26, Holy Cross (8-30)
Passing Yards	254, Maryland (9-5)	155, Holy Cross (8-30)
Pass Attempts	36, Maryland (9-5)	29, Holy Cross (8-30)
Pass Completions	19, Maryland (9-5)	17, Holy Cross (8-30)
Total Offensive Plays	64, Maryland (9-5)	55, Holy Cross (8-30)
Total Offense Yards	340, Maryland (9-5)	217, Holy Cross (8-30)
Punts	4, Holy Cross (8-30)	3, Maryland (9-5)
Penalties	3, Maryland (9-5)	1, Holy Cross (8-30)
Turnovers Lost	1, 2x (Holy Cross, 8-30 & Maryland, 9-5)	---
Sacks (By Defense)	4, Maryland (9-5)	0, Holy Cross (8-30)
Time of Possession	26:34, Holy Cross (8-30)	26:25, Maryland (9-5)

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## NIU

Rushing Attempts: 27, Chavon Wright at Maryland (9-5)  
 Net Rushing Yards: 90, Chavon Wright at Maryland (9-5)  
 Rushing TDs: 1, Chavon Wright vs. Holy Cross (8-30)  
 1, Telly Johnson Jr. at Maryland (9-5)  
 Long TD Run: 74 yards, Telly Johnson Jr. at Maryland (9-5)  
 Non-Scoring Run: 45 yards, Chavon Wright vs. Holy Cross (8-30)

Passes Attempted: 22, Josh Holst at Maryland (9-5)  
 Passes Completed: 14, Josh Holst at Maryland (9-5)  
 Passing Yards: 101, Josh Holst vs. Holy Cross (8-30)  
 Passes Had Intercepted: 1, Josh Holst vs. Holy Cross (8-30)  
 Completion Percentage: 67.0 (12-18), Josh Holst vs. Holy Cross (8-30)  
 TD Passes: ---  
 Long TD Pass: ---  
 Non-Scoring Pass: 25, Holst to Rogers vs. Holy Cross (8-30)

Receptions: 7, DeAree Rogers vs. Holy Cross (8-30)  
 Receiving Yards: 73, DeAree Rogers vs. Holy Cross (8-30)  
 Receiving TDs: ---

Punt Returns (not blocks): ---  
 Punt Return Yards: ---  
 Punt Return, Long: ---

Kickoff Returns: 4, Dev'ion Reynolds vs. Holy Cross (8-30)  
 Kickoff Return Yards: 139, Dev'ion Reynolds vs. Holy Cross (8-30)  
 Kickoff Return, Long: 96, Dev'ion Reynolds vs. Holy Cross (8-30)

Total Plays: 32, Josh Holst at Maryland (9-5)  
 Total Offensive Yards: 112, Josh Holst vs. Holy Cross (8-30)

All-Purpose Attempts: 30, Chavon Wright at Maryland (9-5)  
 All-Purpose Yards: 139, Dev'ion Reynolds vs. Holy Cross (8-30)

Points & Touchdowns: 6 & 1, Chavon Wright vs. Holy Cross (8-30)  
 6 & 1, Dev'ion Reynolds vs. Holy Cross (8-30)  
 6 & 1, Telly Johnson Jr. at Maryland (9-5)  
 Points Kicking: 7, Andrew Glass vs. Holy Cross (8-30)

Field Goals Attempted: 2, Andrew Glass vs. Holy Cross (8-30)  
 2, Andrew Glass at Maryland (9-5)  
 Field Goals Made: 2, Andrew Glass vs. Holy Cross (8-30)  
 Longest Field Goal Attempt: 58, Andrew Glass at Maryland (9-5)  
 Longest Field Goal Made: 39, Andrew Glass vs. Holy Cross (8-30)

Punts: 5, Danny Vuckovic vs. Holy Cross (8-30)  
 Best Punting Average (min. 2): 42.5, Danny Vuckovic at Maryland (9-5)  
 Longest Punt: 54, Danny Vuckovic vs. Holy Cross (8-30)  
 54, Danny Vuckovic at Maryland (9-5)

Tackles: 10, Quinn Urwiler vs. Holy Cross (8-30)  
 10, Quinn Urwiler at Maryland (9-5)  
 Tackles for Loss: 1.5, Dasean Dixon vs. Holy Cross (8-30)  
 1.5, Ty Myles vs. Holy Cross (8-30)  
 1.5, Donte Harrison vs. Holy Cross (8-30)

Sacks: 1, Roy Williams vs. Holy Cross (8-30)  
 Interceptions: 1, Muhammad Jammeh vs. Holy Cross (8-30)  
 Long Interception Return: ---  
 INT Return, TD: ---  
 Fumbles Forced: 1, Jasper Beeler at Maryland (9-5)  
 Fumbles Recovered: 1, Jalonn Williams at Maryland (9-5)  
 Long Fumble Return: ---

## OPPONENTS

Rushing Attempts: 12, Cal Swanson, Holy Cross (8-30)  
 Net Rushing Yards: 51, Cal Swanson, Holy Cross (8-30)  
 Rushing TDs: ---  
 Long TD Run: ---  
 Non-Scoring Run: 33, Cal Swanson, Holy Cross (8-30)

Passes Attempted: 35, Malik Washington, Maryland (9-5)  
 Passes Completed: 19, Malik Washington, Maryland (9-5)  
 Passes Had Intercepted: 1, Cal Swanson, Holy Cross (8-30)  
 Completion Percentage: 58.6 (17-29), Cal Swanson, Holy Cross (8-30)  
 Passing Yards: 254, Malik Washington, Maryland (9-5)  
 TD Passes: 2, Malik Washington, Maryland (9-5)  
 Long TD Pass: 42, M. Washington to S. Knotts, Maryland (9-5)  
 Non-Scoring Pass: 54, C. Swanson to M. Mosey, Holy Cross (8-30)

Receptions: 6, Max Mosey, Holy Cross (8-30)  
 Receiving Yards: 71, Max Mosey, Holy Cross (8-30)  
 Receiving TDs: 1, Blake Youngblood, Holy Cross (8-30)  
 1, Dorian Flemming, Maryland (9-5)  
 1, Shaleak Knotts, Maryland (9-5)

Punt Returns: 3, Josiah McLaurin, Maryland (9-5)  
 Punt Return Yards: 15, Josiah McLaurin, Maryland (9-5)  
 Punt Return, Long: 9, Josiah McLaurin, Maryland (9-5)

Kickoff Returns: 3, Alijah Cason, Holy Cross (8-30)  
 Kickoff Return Yards: 187, Alijah Cason, Holy Cross (8-30)  
 Kickoff Return, Long: 97, Alijah Cason, Holy Cross (8-30)

Total Plays: 41, Cal Swanson, Holy Cross (8-30)  
 Total Offensive Yards: 253, Malik Washington, Maryland (9-5)

All-Purpose Attempts: 13, Nolan Ray, Maryland (9-5)  
 All-Purpose Yards: 201, Alijah Cason, Holy Cross (8-30)

Points & Touchdowns: 6 & 1, Alijah Cason, Holy Cross (8-30)  
 6 & 1, Blake Youngblood, Holy Cross (8-30)  
 6 & 1, Dorian Flemming, Maryland (9-5)  
 6 & 1, Shaleak Knotts, Maryland (9-5)

Points Kicking: 5, Luis Palenzuela, Holy Cross (8-30)

Field Goals Attempted: 3, Luis Palenzuela, Holy Cross (8-30)  
 3, Sean O'Haire, Maryland (9-5)

Field Goals Made: 1, Luis Palenzuela, Holy Cross (8-30)  
 Sean O'Haire, Maryland (9-5)

Longest Field Goal Attempt: 44, Luis Palenzuela, Holy Cross (8-30)  
 Longest Field Goal Made: 36, Sean O'Haire, Maryland (9-5)

Punts: 4, Ethan Moss, Holy Cross (8-30)  
 Best Punting Average: 46.0, Bryce McFerson, Maryland (9-5)  
 Longest Punt: 49, Bryce McFerson, Maryland (9-5)

Tackles: 14, Daniel Wingate Maryland (9-5),  
 Tackles for Loss: 2.5, Dillan Fontus, Maryland (9-5)  
 Sacks: 1, Trey Reddick, Maryland (9-5)  
 1, Zahir Mahis, Maryland (9-5)  
 1, Sidney Stewart, Maryland (9-5)

Interceptions: 1, Carlo Crocetti, Holy Cross (8-30)  
 INT Return, Long: ---  
 INT Return, TD: ---  
 Fumbles Forced: ---  
 Fumbles Recovered: ---  
 Long Fumble Return: ---

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## SEASON & CAREER HIGHS

### RUSHING

Name	Carries	Yards	TDs	Long
2025 Josh Holst Career	10 at Maryland, 9-5 16 vs. Fresno St. (FIPB), 12-23-24	11 vs. Holy Cross, 8-30 65 vs. Fresno St. (FIPB), 12-23-24	--- 1 at Bowling Green, 10-12-24	9 at Maryland, 9-5 22 at Bowling Green, 10-12-24
2025 Telly Johnson Jr. Career	21 vs. Holy Cross, 8-30 23 at WMU, 11-6-24	86 at Maryland, 9-5 141 at WMU, 11-6-24	1 at Maryland, 9-5 2 at WMU, 11-6-24	74 (TD) at Maryland, 9-5 74 (TD) at Maryland, 9-5
2024 Justin Lynch Career*	6, 2x (M.R. vs. CMU, 11-30) 21 vs. Boston College, 9-11-21	42 vs. Western Illinois, 8-31 89 at Ball State, 10-1-22	--- 1, 5x last vs. Tulsa, 9-23-23	31 vs. Western Illinois, 8-31 52 at WMU, 11-9-22
2025 Jaylen Poe Career	2 vs. Holy Cross, 8-30 15 vs. UMass, 10-5-24	22 vs. Holy Cross, 8-30 98 vs. UMass, 10-5-24	--- 2 vs. UMass, 10-5-24	21 vs. Holy Cross, 8-30 22 vs. UMass, 10-5-24
2025 Jackson Proctor Career*	2 vs. Holy Cross, 8-30 13 vs. Brown, 11-23-24	13 vs. Holy Cross, 8-30 171 vs. Brown, 11-23-24	--- 3 vs. Brown, 11-23-24	11, vs. Holy Cross, 8-30 78 vs. Brown, 11-23-24
2025 Chavon Wright Career*	27 at Maryland, 9-5 42 vs. Ashland, 11-23-24	90 at Maryland, 9-5 276 vs. Notre Dame (OH), 10-14-23	1 vs. Holy Cross, 8-30 6 vs. New Haven, 11-18-23	45 vs. Holy Cross, 8-30 68 vs. California (PA), 9-7-24

### RECEIVING

Name	Catches	Yards	TDs	Long
2025 Jake Appleget Career*	1, 2x (M.R. at Maryland), 9-5 2 vs. Fresno St. (FIPB), 12-23-24	10 vs. Holy Cross, 8-30 29 vs. Fresno St. (FIPB), 12-23-24	--- ---	10 vs. Holy Cross, 8-30 20 vs. Fresno St. (FIPB), 12-23-24
2025 La'Don Bryant Career	1, at Maryland, 9-5 1, 3x (M.R. at Maryland), 9-5	8, at Maryland, 9-5 28 vs. Fresno St. (FIPB), 12-23-24	--- ---	8, at Maryland, 9-5 28 vs. Fresno St. (FIPB), 12-23-24
2025 George Dimopoulos Career	2, at Maryland, 9-5 2, 2x (M.R. at Maryland), 9-5	14, at Maryland, 9-5 25 vs. WIU, 8-31-24	--- ---	8, at Maryland, 9-5 14 vs. WIU, 8-31-24
2025 Gary Givens III Career*	2, at Maryland, 9-5 5 at Dayton, 11-16-24	26, at Maryland, 9-5 93 vs. Butler, 11-9-24	--- 1, 3x (M.R. vs. Davidson) 11-23-24	15, at Maryland, 9-5 39 at Youngstown St., 9-7-24
2025 DeAree Rogers Career*	7 vs. Holy Cross, 8-30 11 vs. Barton, 10-14-23	73 vs. Holy Cross, 8-30 150 vs. Barton, 10-14-23	--- 2, 3x (M.R. vs. Newberry) 10-12-24	25 vs. Holy Cross, 8-30 59 at UVA Wise, 9-30-23

### PASSING

Name	Completions	Attempts	Interceptions	Touchdowns	Yards	Long
2025 Josh Holst Career	14 at Maryland, 9-5 22 vs. Toledo, 10-19-24	22 at Maryland, 9-5 46 vs. Toledo, 10-19-24	1 vs. Holy Cross, 8-30 1, 2x (M.R. vs Fresno St.)	--- 2 vs. Fresno St., 12-23-24	101 vs. Holy Cross, 8-30 210 vs. Toledo, 10-19-24	25 vs. Holy Cross, 8-30 30 vs. Toledo, 10-19-24
2024 Jalen Macon Career*	4 vs. WIU, 8-31 19 vs. Tenn. St., 9-9-23	7 vs. WIU, 8-31 29 at Ala. A&M, 9-21-23	--- 3 at Southern, 10-1-22	--- 2 at Ala. A&M, 9-21-23	50 vs. WIU, 8-31 227 at Ala. A&M, 9-21-23	14 vs. WIU, 8-31 80 at Ala. A&M, 9-21-23
2025 Jackson Proctor Career*	2 vs. Holy Cross, 8-30 26 at Cornell, 11-16-24	6 vs. Holy Cross, 8-30 37 at Cornell, 11-16-24	--- 2, 2x (M.R. at Cornell)	--- 4 vs. Brown, 11-23-24	8 vs. Holy Cross, 8-30 308 vs. Brown, 11-23-24	7 vs. Holy Cross, 8-30 75 at Merrimack, 9-28-24

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## DEFENSE - FRONT SEVEN

Name	Total Tackles	Solo Stops	Tackles for Loss	Sacks
2025 Danny Cronin Career*	--- 12, 2x (M.R. at Brown, 11-18-23)	--- 11 at Colgate, 10-14-23	--- 2.0, 2x (M.R. vs. Fordham, 9-21-24)	--- 1, 3x (M.R. vs. Fordham, 9-21-24)
2025 Ivan Davis Career	--- 5 vs. Miami, 11-16-22	--- 2 vs. UMass, 10-5-24	--- 1.0, 3x (M.R. vs. Buffalo, 9-21-24)	--- 1.0, 2x (M.R. at WMU, 11-9-22)
2025 Dasean Dixon Career*	3 vs. Holy Cross, 8-30 11 vs. Shippensburg, 10-28-23	1 vs. Holy Cross, 8-30 5 vs. Shippensburg, 10-28-23	1.5 vs. Holy Cross, 8-30 3.5 at West Chester, 10-14-23	--- 2.5, 2x (M.R. vs Shipp., 10-28-23)
2025 Alvin Gulley Career*	--- 6 vs. CCSU, 10-5-24	--- 3, 2x (M.R. at Cornell, 9-28-24)	--- 2 vs. Dartmouth, 10-8-22	--- 1.0, 2x (M.R. at Harvard, 11-23-24)
2025 Mark Hensley Career	2 vs. Holy Cross, 8-30 2 vs. Western Ill., 8-31-24	1 at Maryland, 9-5 1 2x (M.R. vs. Fresno St., 12-23)	1.0 at Maryland, 9-5 1.0, 2x (M.R. at Maryland), 9-5	--- ---
2025 Filip Maciorowski Career	6 at Maryland, 9-5 6 at Maryland, 9-5-25	4 at Maryland, 9-5 4 at Maryland, 9-5-25	0.5 at Maryland, 9-5 0.5 at Maryland, 9-5-25	--- ---
2025 Pierce Oppong Career	--- 5 at EMU, 12-12-20	--- 3, 2x (M.R. vs Fresno State, 12-23-24)	--- 1.0, 2x (M.R. vs Fresno State, 12-23-24)	--- 1.0, 2x (M.R. vs Fresno St., 12-23-24)
2025 Marc Pretto Career	4 vs. Holy Cross, 8-30 13 at Georgetown, 9-30-23	1 vs. Holy Cross, 8-30 6 at Georgetown, 9-30-23	1.0 vs. Holy Cross, 8-30 2.0 vs. Holy Cross, 10-28-23	0.5 vs. Holy Cross, 8-30 1.0 vs. Wagner, 9-2-23
2025 Quinn Urwiler Career*	10, 2x (M.R. at Maryland), 9-5 10, 2x (M.R. at Maryland), 9-5-25	9 at Maryland, 9-5 9 at Maryland, 9-5-25	1 vs. Holy Cross, 8-30 1 vs. Holy Cross, 8-30-25	0.5 vs. Holy Cross, 8-30 1.0 at Utah State, 9-10-21
2025 Jalonnice Williams Career	3 vs. Holy Cross, 8-30 4, 3x (M.R. at WMU, 11-6-24)	1 vs. Holy Cross, 8-30 3, 3x (M.R. vs. WMU, 11-6-24)	--- 1.5 at NC State, 9-28-24	--- 1.0 at Bowling Green, 10-12-24
2025 Roy Williams Career	4 at Maryland, 9-5 6, 2x (M.R. at NC State, 9-28-24)	4 at Maryland, 9-5 4 vs. Western Illinois, 8-31-24	1 vs. Holy Cross, 8-30 1.5 vs. UMass, 10-5-24	1 vs. Holy Cross, 8-30 1.5 vs. UMass, 10-5-24

## DEFENSE - BACKFIELD

Name	Total Tackles	Solo Stops	Tackles for Loss	Pass Break Ups	Interceptions
2025 Jasper Beeler Career*	6 at Maryland, 9-5 10 at Winona St., 9-5-24	5 at Maryland, 9-5 5, 2x M.R. vs. Mich. Tech (11-16-25)	1 at Maryland, 9-5 2.0 at Northern Mich., 10-5-24	1 vs. Holy Cross, 8-30 4 vs. Davenport, 11-2-25	--- 1 vs. Winona St., 8-31-23
2025 Jacob Finley Career	3 at Maryland 9-5 10 last vs. Akron, 11-26-22	2 vs. Holy Cross, 8-30 8 vs. WMU, 11-23-21	--- 1.0, 2x (M.R. vs. Akron, 11-13-24)	1 at Maryland 9-5 2 vs. Western Illinois, 8-31-24	--- 1 vs. CMU, 11-30-24
2025 Muhammed Jammeh Career	7 vs. Holy Cross, 8-30 8 vs. Kent St. (MACC), 12-4-21	4 vs. Holy Cross, 8-30 4, last vs. Holy Cross, 8-30	--- 1.0, last vs. WMU, 11-14-23	1 vs. Holy Cross, 8-30 1, (M.R. vs. Holy Cross), 8-30	1 vs. Holy Cross, 8-30 1, M.R. vs. Holy Cross, 8-30
2025 Donte Harrison Career	4 vs. Holy Cross, 8-30 8 vs. Shippensburg, 9-30-23	2 vs. Holy Cross, 8-30 8 vs. Shippensburg, 9-30-23	1.5 vs. Holy Cross, 8-30 1.5 vs. Holy Cross, 8-30	1 at Maryland 9-5 2 vs. Millersville, 10-19-24	--- 1, 6x
2025 Keshawn Lyons Career*	2 at Maryland 9-5 7, 2x (M.R. vs UIndy 10-19-24)	2 at Maryland, 9-5 1 at Maryland, 9-5-25	--- 2 at William Jewell, 11-16-24	--- ---	--- 1, 3x
2025 Cyrus McGarrell Career	--- 5 at Akron, 10-7-23	--- 4 at Akron, 10-7-23	--- ---	--- ---	--- 1, last vs. EMU, 10-21-23

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No.	Name	Pos.	Hgt.	Wgt.	Yr.	Hometown (HS/Previous School)	No.	Name	Pos.
0	Alvin Gulley	DT	6-0	302	Sr.	Belleville, Ill. (Belleville West Twp./Yale)	86	Devon Akers	TE
0	La'Don Bryant	WR	6-4	204	Fr.-R	Savannah, Ga. (Benedictine Military School)	80	Jake Appleget	TE
1	Ty Myles	DB	5-10	186	Jr.-R	Blackshear, Ga. (Pierce County)	14	Malik Armstrong	S
2	Brady Davidson	QB	6-5	224	Fr.	Columbia, Mo. (Rock Bridge)	22	Jasper Beeler	S
2	Cyrus McGarrell	S	6-2	197	Sr.-R	Windsor, Ontario, Can. (Clearwater Acad. Int'l. [Fla.]	20	Chidu Bekee	LB
3	Jacob Finley	CB	5-11	184	Jr.-R	Birmingham, Ala. (Hoover)	55	Jordan Bellamy	DT
3	Rickey Taylor Jr.	WR	6-1	180	Fr.-R	Chicago, Ill. (Brother Rice)	31	Owen Belman	S
4	Kenji Lewis	WR	6-1	200	Sr.	Memphis, Tenn. (Memphis East/UAPB)	88	Andrew Bond	WR
4	Muhammed Jammeh	S	6-1	201	Sr.-R	Detroit, Mich. (Renaissance)	53	Charles Brooks III	DE
5	Davonte Murray	DE	6-3	256	Sr.	Detroit, Mich. (Cass Tech/UT Martin)	0	La'Don Bryant	WR
5	Justin Lynch	WR/ATH	6-1	205	Sr.-R	Chicago, Ill. (Mount Carmel/Temple)	99	Austin Bullock	K
6	Dasean Dixon	DT	6-1	296	Sr.	Washington, D.C. (Archbishop Carroll/Albany)	44	Montrel Canion	DT
6	DeAree Rogers	WR	5-11	200	Jr.	Lexington, S.C. (Irmo/Lenoir-Rhyne)	76	Tyler Chambers	OL
7	Donte Harrison	CB	6-1	185	Sr.	Washington, D.C. (Archbishop Carroll/Shepherd)	87	Micah Cook	DE
7	Gary Givens	WR	6-1	200	So.	Tampa, Fla. (Jesuit/Valparaiso)	32	Reginald Craig	RB
8	Pierce Oppong	DE/TE	6-3	264	Sr.-R	Bloomington, Minn. (Jefferson)	19	Danny Cronin	LB
9	George Dimopoulos	WR	6-2	200	So.	Crystal Lake, Ill. (Crystal Lake Central)	55	Abiathar Curry	OL
9	Dev'ion Reynolds	CB	6-1	190	Fr.-R	Zion, Ill. (Carmel Catholic)	2	Brady Davidson	QB
10	Chavon Wright	RB	5-8	212	Sr.-R	Opa Locka, Fla. (Cedar Grove/Univ. of Charleston)	52	Ivan Davis	DE
10	Mark Hensley	DT	6-3	290	So.-R	Labadie, Mo. (Washington)	9	George Dimopoulos	WR
11	Jalonnice Williams	DE	6-4	286	Sr.-R	Milwaukee, Wis. (Greenfield)	6	Dasean Dixon	DT
11	Romelo Ware	RB	5-9	190	Fr.-R	Orlando, Fla. (Olympia)	30	Andruw Ellis	DB
12	Jackson Proctor	QB	6-2	210	Jr.-R	Kent, Wash. (Kentwood/Dartmouth)	36	Jake Ference	P
12	Keshawn Lyons	CB	6-1	180	Jr.	Cahokia, Ill. (Cahokia/McKendree)	3	Jacob Finley	CB
13	Ivan Moore Jr.	DE	6-4	228	Fr.-R	Chicago, Ill. (Kenwood Academy)	26	James Finley IV	S
14	Jalen Macon	QB	6-5	230	Jr.-R	Nashville, Tenn. (Hillsboro/UAPB)	83	Jason Fowler	TE
14	Malik Armstrong	S	6-0	192	Jr.-R	Joliet, Ill. (Minooka Community)	25	Jake Gassaway	LB
15	Josh Holst	QB	6-4	204	So.-R	Marengo, Ill. (Marengo Community)	7	Gary Givens	WR
15	Broderick Windham	S	6-2	200	Jr.	Corona, Calif. (Norco/Saddleback CC)	60	Andrew Glass	K
16	Jay'shon Thomas	DE	6-4	246	So.-R	Cataula, Ga. (Harris County)	69	Logan Gross	OL
17	Filip Maciorowski	LB	6-3	225	So.-R	Carol Stream, Ill. (Glenbard West)	0	Alvin Gulley	DT
17	Jamari McIvory	WR	6-0	185	Fr.-R	Guyton, Ga. (Savannah Christian Prep)	61	Ben Gustafson	OL
18	Thomas McCoy	WR	6-1	208	Fr.-R	Baltimore, Md. (Mt. Zion Prep/Marshall)	82	Caleb Haack	TE
19	Danny Cronin	LB	6-3	225	Sr.	Elmhurst, Ill. (IC Catholic/Dartmouth)	49	Devin Habermehl	TE
20	Chidu Bekee	LB	6-3	227	Fr.-R	Plainfield, Ill. (Plainfield East)	7	Donte Harrison	CB
20	Afy Ibekwe	WR	6-1	190	Fr.	Anoka, Minn. (Anoka)	10	Mark Hensley	DT
21	Austin Tillman	CB	5-11	179	Fr.	St. Louis, Mo. (Christan Brothers College Prep)	15	Josh Holst	QB
21	Lazaro Rogers	RB	5-10	200	Fr.	Fort Myers, Fla. (East Lee County)	63	Landon Hron	OL
22	Jasper Beeler	S	6-2	194	Jr.	Farmington, Mich. (North Farmington/Saginaw Valley State)	47	Eliot Hummer	LB
23	Marc Pretto	LB	6-2	225	Jr.-R	Montclair, N.J. (St. Peter's Prep/Fordham)	35	Tristan Hunter	S
24	Elijah Porter	RB	5-11	202	Fr.-R	Ankeny, Iowa (Centennial)	20	Afy Ibekwe	WR
25	Jake Gassaway	LB	6-0	225	Jr.-R	Omaha, Neb. (Millard South)	95	Lance Ingold	DE
25	Landon Tate	WR	5-10	181	Fr.	Omaha, Neb. (Elkhorn South)	4	Muhammed Jammeh	S
26	James Finley IV	S	6-1	183	Fr.	Portage, Ind. (Andrean)	90	Reggie Jean	DT
27	Trey Porter	S	6-0	198	Jr.-R	Ankeny, Iowa (Centennial)	70	Michael Jimmar	OL
28	Jaylen Poe	RB	5-10	212	So.-R	Dallas, Ga. (North Paulding)	45	Telly Johnson Jr.	RB
29	Romelo Walker	DB	6-1	195	Fr.-R	Orlando, Fla. (Olympia)	42	Quinn Kelly	LS
30	Andruw Ellis	DB	6-0	196	Fr.	Roxana, Ill. (Roxana)	4	Kenji Lewis	WR
30	Keagan Ruane-Martino	WR	5-11	183	Fr.	Frankfort, Ill. (Lincoln-Way East)	58	Ross Liegel	OL
31	Owen Belman	S	6-1	195	Sr.-R	Davenport, Iowa (Pleasant Valley/Iowa Western CC)	34	James Little IV	CB
32	Quinn Urwiler	LB	6-0	226	Sr.-R	Mooseheart, Ill. (Batavia/North Dakota)	5	Justin Lynch	WR
32	Reginald Craig	RB	5-11	210	Fr.	Chicago, Ill. (South Shore)	12	Keshawn Lyons	CB
33	JJ Schlenhardt	K	5-11	185	Fr.	Park Ridge, Ill. (Maine South)	17	Filip Maciorowski	LB
33	Taylor Powell	S	6-4	198	Fr.-R	Belleville, Ill. (East St. Louis)	14	Jalen Macon	QB
34	James Little IV	CB	5-11	170	Fr.	Fort Myers, Fla. (Bishop Verot)	66	Lane Mahnesmith	OL
34	Triston White	RB	5-10	209	Fr.	Nashville, Ga. (Valwood)	54	Evan Malcore	OL
35	Tristan Hunter	LB	6-2	203	Fr.-R	Chicago, Ill. (Urban Prep)	18	Thomas McCoy	WR
36	Jake Ference	P	6-0	188	Fr.	St. Louis, Mo. (Lafayette)	2	Cyrus McGarrell	S

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37	Miles Thompson	CB	5-11	180	So.	Cedar Rapids, Iowa (Washington/Texas Tech)	17	Jamari McIvory	WR
38	Amari Williams	DB	6-1	172	Fr.	Wheaton, Ill. (Wheaton Warrenville South)	41	KJ McRae	LB
41	KJ McRae	LB	6-3	222	Fr.-R	Covington, Ga. (Riverwood)	13	Ivan Moore Jr.	DE
42	Quinn Kelly	LS	6-1	215	So.	Chicago, Ill. (St. Rita/Eastern Michigan)	54	Zach Morrisroe	DT
44	Montrel Canion	DT	6-2	295	Fr.	Fort Lauderdale, Fla. (Western)	5	Davonte Murray	DE
44	Ross Pedro	LS	6-0	220	Sr.	Schaumburg, Ill. (Conant/Southern Illinois)	74	Erik Murray	OL
45	Telly Johnson Jr.	RB	5-11	209	So.	Augusta, Ga. (Hephzibah)	1	Ty Myles	DB
46	CJ Wade	DE	6-3	239	Fr.-R	Cedar Rapids, Iowa (Prairie)	57	Kimar Nelson	LB
47	Eliot Hummer	LB	6-2	222	Fr.	O'Fallon, Mo. (Fort Zumwalt West)	45	Trenton Nixon	LB
49	Devin Habermehl	TE	6-1	246	Fr.	Collinsville, Ill. (Collinsville)	93	Fawzy Omotoso	DT
52	Ivan Davis	DE	6-3	244	Sr.	Canton, Mich. (Plymouth)	8	Pierce Oppong	DE/TE
53	Charles Brooks III	DE	6-5	220	Fr.	St. Louis, Mo. (Cardinal Ritter)	77	Izuchukwu "Izzy" Ozoh	OL
53	Luke Skartvedt	OL	6-3	321	So.-R	Indianapolis, Ind. (Roncalli)	75	Thomas Paasch	OL
54	Evan Malcore	OL	6-6	305	Jr.-R	Sun Prairie, Wis. (Sun Prairie)	44	Ross Pedro	LS
54	Zach Morrisroe	DT	6-2	291	Fr.	Oswego, Ill. (Oswego East)	92	Tanner Phelps	DT
55	Abiathar Curry	OL	6-3	307	Jr.-R	Janesville, Wis. (Parker)	28	Jaylen Poe	RB
55	Jordan Bellamy	DT	6-2	310	Fr.	St. Petersburg, Fla. (Armwood)	89	Casey Popish	TE
57	Kimar Nelson	LB	6-2	220	Fr.	Fort Wayne, Ind. (Wayne)	24	Elijah Porter	RB
58	Ross Liegel	OL	6-6	278	Fr.-R	Rock Springs, Wis. (Baraboo)	27	Trey Porter	S
60	Andrew Glass	K	5-10	184	Sr.	Wheeling, W. Va. (Wheeling/Kent State)	33	Taylor Powell	S
61	Ben Gustafson	OL	6-8	302	Fr.-R	Elkhorn, Neb. (Elkhorn South)	23	Marc Pretto	LB
62	Grey Rumohr	OL	6-5	305	Fr.-R	Wales, Wis. (Kettle Moraine)	12	Jackson Proctor	QB
63	Landon Hron	OL	6-3	318	So.-R	Hartford, Wis. (Hartford)	9	Dev'ion Reynolds	CB
64	Aidan Tweedy	OL	6-2	301	Sr.-R	Oswego, Ill. (Oswego/Wayne State)	67	Tyler Rindels	OL
66	Lane Mahnesmith	OL	6-8	320	Fr.-R	Troy, Ill. (Triad)	72	Tanner Rinderknecht	OL
67	Tyler Rindels	OL	6-4	282	Fr.	Iowa City, Iowa (Iowa City)	6	DeAree Rogers	WR
68	Samir Senenat	DT	6-4	278	Fr.-R	Carol Stream, Ill. (Glenbard North)	21	Lazaro Rogers	RB
69	Logan Gross	OL	6-4	296	Fr.-R	Sun Prairie, Wis. (Sun Prairie East)	62	Grey Rumohr	OL
70	Michael Jimmar	OL	6-5	312	So.-R	Plainfield, Ill. (Plainfield East)	87	Liam Russo	TE
72	Tanner Rinderknecht	OL	6-6	345	Fr.	Whitmore Lake, Mich. (Dexter)	33	JJ Schlenhardt	K
74	Erik Murray	OL	6-5	260	Fr.	Arlington Heights, Ill. (Prospect)	68	Samir Senenat	DT
75	Thomas Paasch	OL	6-5	306	So.-R	Green Bay, Wis. (Green Bay Southwest)	53	Luke Skartvedt	OL
76	Tyler Chambers	OL	6-5	297	Fr.	Western Springs, Ill. (Lyons Township)	85	Joe Stein	TE
77	Izuchukwu "Izzy" Ozoh	OL	6-4	290	Sr.-R	Hazel Crest, Ill. (Homewood-Flossmoor)	25	Landon Tate	WR
78	Jacob Welch	OL	6-6	316	So.-R	Johnsburg, Ill. (Johnsburg)	3	Rickey Taylor Jr.	WR
80	Jake Appleget	TE	6-4	242	Jr.-R	Lincoln, Neb. (Southeast HS/Nebraska)	16	Jay'shon Thomas	DE
82	Caleb Haack	TE	6-9	220	Fr.	Marengo, Iowa (Iowa Valley)	37	Miles Thompson	CB
83	Jason Fowler	TE	6-5	252	Fr.-R	Skokie, Ill. (Niles West)	21	Austin Tillman	CB
85	Joe Stein	TE	6-6	252	Fr.-R	Grand Island, Neb. (Northwest)	64	Aidan Tweedy	OL
86	Devon Akers	TE	6-7	223	Fr.-R	Ankeny, Iowa (Ankeny)	32	Quinn Urwiler	LB
87	Liam Russo	TE	6-5	226	Fr.	St. Louis, Mo. (De Smet Jesuit)	90	Danny Vuckovic	K
87	Micah Cook	DE	6-6	251	Fr.	Johnston, Iowa (Johnston)	46	CJ Wade	DE
88	Andrew Bond	WR	5-11	187	Jr.	Lexington, S.C. (White Knoll/South Carolina)	29	Romelo Walker	CB
89	Casey Popish	TE	6-4	235	Fr.	Papillion, Neb. (Papio South)	11	Romelo Ware	RB
90	Danny Vuckovic	P	6-1	206	So.-R	Kildeer, Ill. (Lake Zurich)	99	Amari Washington	DT
90	Reggie Jean	DT	6-1	298	Jr.-R	Ocoee, Fla. (Foundation Academy)	78	Jacob Welch	OL
92	Tanner Phelps	DT	6-3	271	Fr.-R	Milwaukee, Wis. (Greenfield)	34	Triston White	RB
93	Fawzy Omotoso	DT	6-3	251	Fr.	Avon, Ind. (Avon)	11	Jalonnies Williams	DE
95	Lance Ingold	DE	6-5	258	Fr.-R	Rochester, Ill. (Rochester)	97	Roy Williams	DE
97	Roy Williams	DE	6-6	257	Sr.	Crestwood, Ill. (Shepard)	15	Broderick Windham	S
99	Austin Bullock	K	5-10	195	So.	Bettendorf, Iowa (Pleasant Valley)	10	Chavon Wright	RB
99	Amari Washington	DT	6-3	283	Fr.	Bettendorf, Iowa (Bettendorf)			

Head Coach: Thomas Hammock (Seventh Season)

Assistant Coaches: Quinn Sanders (Offensive Coordinator/Quarterbacks), Rob Harley (Defensive Coordinator), DJ Bland (Cornerbacks/Pass Defense Coordinator), Ty Boles (Running Backs), Cory Connolly (Linebackers/Special Teams Coordinator), Joseph Hawkins (Wide Receivers), Luke Meadows (Offensive Line), Travis Moore (Defensive Line), Brayden Patton (Tight Ends), Justin Robinson (Defensive Tackles), Kai Ross (Safeties)

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## DEPTH CHART

### OFFENSE

	No.	Name (Hgt., Wgt., Yr., Hometown, High School/Previous School)
QB	15	Josh Holst (6-4, 204, So.-R, Marengo, Ill., Marengo)
	12	Jackson Proctor (6-2, 210, Jr.-R, Kent, Wash., Kentwood/Dartmouth)
	or 2	Brady Davidson (6-5, 224, Fr., Columbia, Mo., Rock Bridge)
RB	45	Telly Johnson Jr. (5-11, 209, So., Savannah, Ga., Beach HS)
	10	Chavon Wright (5-8, 212, Sr.-R, Opa Locka, Fla., Cedar Grove/Charleston)
TE	80	Jake Appleget (6-4, 242, Jr.-R, Lincoln, Neb., Southeast HS/Nebraska)
	8	Pierce Oppong (6-3, 264, Sr.-R, Bloomington, Minn., Jefferson)
WR	7	Gary Givens (6-1, 200, So., Tampa, Fla., Jesuit/Valparaiso)
	0	La'Don Bryant (6-4, 204, Fr.-R, Savannah, Ga., Benedictine Military School)
WR	6	DeAree Rogers (5-11, 200, Jr., Lexington, S.C., Irmo/Lenoir-Rhyne)
	3	Rickey Taylor Jr. (6-1, 180, Fr.-R, Chicago, Ill., Brother Rice)
WR	9	George Dimopoulos (6-2, 200, So., Crystal Lake, Ill., Crystal Lake Central)
	4	Kenji Lewis (6-1, 200, Sr., Memphis, Tenn., Memphis East/UAPB)
LT	54	Evan Malcore (6-6, 305, Jr.-R, Sun Prairie, Wis., Sun Prairie)
	58	Ross Liegel (6-6, 278, Fr.-R, Rock Springs, Wis., Baraboo)
LG	64	Aidan Tweedy (6-2, 301, Sr.-R, Oswego, Ill., Oswego/Wayne State)
	55	Abiathar Curry (6-3, 307, Jr.-R, Janesville, Wis., Parker)
C	63	Landon Hron (6-3, 318, So.-R, Hartford, Wis., Hartford)
	78	Jacob Welch (6-6, 316, So.-R, Johnsburg, Ill., Johnsburg)
RG	75	Thomas Paasch (6-5, 306, So.-R, Green Bay, Wis., Southwest)
	70	Michael Jimmar (6-5, 312, So.-R, Plainfield, Ill., Plainfield East)
RT	77	Izzy Ozoh (6-4, 290, Sr.-R, Hazel Crest, Ill., Homewood-Flossmoor)
	66	Lane Mahnesmith (6-8, 320, Fr.-R, Troy, Ill., Triad)

### DEFENSE

	No.	Name (Hgt., Wgt., Yr., Hometown, High School/Previous School)
DE	11	Jalonnies Williams (6-4, 286, Sr.-R, Milwaukee, Wis., Greenfield)
	95	Lance Ingold (6-5, 258, Fr.-R, Rochester, Ill., Rochester)
DT	10	Mark Hensley (6-3, 290, So.-R, Labadie, Mo., Washington)
	0	Alvin Guley (6-0, 302, Sr., Belleville, Ill., Belleville West/Yale)
DT	6	Dasean Dixon (6-1, 296, Sr., Washington, D.C., Archbishop Carroll/Albany)
	90	Reggie Jean (6-1, 298, Jr.-R, Ocoee, Fla., Foundation Academy)
DE	97	Roy Williams (6-6, 257, Sr., Crestwood, Ill., Shepard)
	16	Jay'shon Thomas (6-4, 246, So.-R, Cataula, Ga., Harris County)
LB	32	Quinn Urwiler (6-0, 226, Sr.-R, Mooseheart, Ill., Batavia HS/North Dakota)
	19	Danny Cronin (6-3, 225, Sr., Elmhurst, Ill., IC Catholic Prep/Dartmouth)
LB	41	KJ McRae (6-3, 222, Fr.-R, Covington, Ga., Riverwood)
	17	Filip Maciorowski (6-3, 225, So.-R, Carol Stream, Ill., Glenbard West)
N	23	Marc Pretto (6-2, 225, Jr.-R, Montclair, N.J., St. Peter's Prep/Fordham)
	1	Ty Myles (5-10, 191, Sr.-R, Blackshear, Ga., Pierce County)
CB	2	Cyrus McGarrell (6-2, 197, Sr.-R, Windsor, Ontario, Clearwater Acad. Int'l. [Fla.])
	33	Taylor Powell (6-4, 198, Fr.-R, Belleville, Ill., East St. Louis)
S	3	Jacob Finley (5-11, 184, Jr.-R, Birmingham, Ala., Hoover)
	12	Keshawn Lyons (6-1, 180, Jr., Cahokia, Ill., Cahokia/McKendree)
S	22	Jasper Beeler (6-2, 194, Jr., Farmington, Mich., North Farmington/Saginaw Valley State)
	26	James Finley IV (6-1, 183, Fr., Portage, Ind., Andrean)
S	4	Muhammed Jammeh (6-1, 201, Sr.-R, Detroit, Mich., Renaissance HS)
	15	Broderick Windham (6-2, 200, Jr., Corona, Calif., Norco/Saddleback CC)
CB	7	Donte Harrison (6-1, 185, Sr., Washington, D.C., Archbishop Carroll/Shepherd)
	9	Dev'ion Reynolds (6-1, 190, Fr.-R, Zion, Ill., Carmel Catholic)

### SPECIALISTS

	No.	Name (Hgt., Wgt., Yr., Hometown, High School/Previous School)
P	90	Danny Vuckovic (6-1, 206, Fr.-R, Kildeer, Ill., Lake Zurich)
	36	Jake Ference (6-0, 188, Fr., St. Louis, Mo., Lafayette)
PK	60	Andrew Glass (5-10, 184, Sr., Wheeling, W. Va., Wheeling/Kent State)
	99	Austin Bullock (5-10, 195, So., Bettendorf, Iowa, Pleasant Valley)
KO	60	Andrew Glass (5-10, 184, Sr., Wheeling, W. Va., Wheeling/Kent State)
	99	Austin Bullock (5-10, 195, So., Bettendorf, Iowa, Pleasant Valley)
LS	44	Ross Pedro (6-0, 220, Sr., Schaumburg, Ill., Conant/Southern Illinois)
	42	Quinn Kelly (6-1, 215, So., Chicago, Ill., St. Rita/Eastern Michigan)
HO	90	Danny Vuckovic (6-1, 206, Fr.-R, Kildeer, Ill., Lake Zurich)
	36	Jake Ference (6-0, 188, Fr., St. Louis, Mo., Lafayette)
KOR	9	Dev'ion Reynolds (6-1, 190, Fr.-R, Zion, Ill., Carmel Catholic)
AND	3	Rickey Taylor Jr. (6-1, 180, Fr.-R, Chicago, Ill., Brother Rice)
PR	6	DeAree Rogers (5-11, 200, Jr., Lexington, S.C., Irmo/Lenoir-Rhyne)
	9	Dev'ion Reynolds (6-1, 190, Fr.-R, Zion, Ill., Carmel Catholic)

### Pronunciations

Name	Pronunciation
DEVON Akers	DEV-in
CHIDU BEKEE	Chee-DO BAY-kay
LA'DON Bryant	la-DON
Montrel CANION	Canyon
ABIATHAR Curry	uh-BYE-uh-THUR
George DIMOPOULOS	Duh-MOP-oh-liss
DASEAN Dixon	DAY-shawn
Caleb HAACK	Hawk
Devin Habermehl	HA-ber-mel
Landon HRON	RONE
AFY IBEKWE	AFF-ee EE-beck-way
Muhammed JAMMEH	Juh-MAY
Michael JIMMAR	Ji-MAR
Ross LIEGEL	Legal
Filip MACIOROWSKI	MATCH-er-OW-skee
FAWZY OMOTOSO	Fozzy OH-mo-TOE-so
Pierce OPPONG	OH-pong
Izzy OZOH	OH-zoe
Thomas PAASCH	POSH
Marc PRETTO	PRET-oh
DEV'ION Reynolds	dev-EE-on
DEAREE Rogers	dee-AR-ee
LAZARO Rogers	LAZ-a-ro
Grey RUMOHR	ROO-more
SAMIR SENENAT	Suh-MEER SEN-eh-NOT
Luke SKARTVEDT	scar-STWEET
Joe STEIN	STINE
Quinn URWILER	er-WILE-er
Danny VUCKOVIC	Voo-KUH-vich
CHAVON Wright	CHAY-von

### Hometown

DeKalb	de-CAL-b
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### Conference

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