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2019 NFL DRAFT GUIDE

- Wednesday, March 27 -

LIST OF EXPECTED PARTICIPANTS

#	FULL NAME	POS.	HT.	WT.	YR.	EXP.	HOMETOWN / HS / PREVIOUS SCHOOL
38	Johnathan Abram	S	6-0	215	Sr.	2L	Columbia, Miss. / Jones County [Miss.] JC
66	Joel Baldwin	LS	6-3	230	Sr.	1L	Tupelo, Miss. / Tupelo HS
61	Deion Calhoun	OL	6-3	320	Sr.	4L	Pleasant Grove, Ala. / Restoration Academy
7	Nick Fitzgerald	QB	6-5	230	Sr.	4L	Richmond Hill, Ga. / Richmond Hill HS
4	Gerri Green	DE	6-4	255	Sr.	4L	Greenville, Miss. / Greenville Weston HS
90	Grant Harris	DT	6-3	290	Sr.	2L	Bolton, Miss. / Clinton HS
95	Braxton Hoyett	DT	6-3	310	Sr.	3L	Pelham, Ala. / Pelham HS
86	Jesse Jackson	WR	6-2	215	Sr.	4L	Petal, Miss. / Petal HS
74	Elgton Jenkins	OL	6-4	310	Sr.	4L	Clarksdale, Miss. / Clarksdale HS
81	Justin Johnson	TE	6-3	245	Sr.	4L	Birmingham, Ala. / Hoover HS
28	Dontavian Lee	RB	6-1	230	Sr.	4L	Hattiesburg, Miss. / Forrest County Agricultural HS
41	Mark McLaurin	S	6-2	215	Sr.	4L	Collins, Miss. / Collins HS
2	Jamal Peters	CB	6-2	220	Sr.	4L	Bassfield, Miss. / Bassfield HS
24	Chris Rayford	CB	6-0	200	Sr.	4L	Byhalia, Miss. / Byhalia HS
94	Jeffery Simmons	DT	6-4	300	Jr.	3L	Macon, Miss. / Noxubee County HS
9	Montez Sweat	DE	6-6	245	Sr.	2L	Stone Mountain, Ga. / Copiah-Lincoln [Miss.] CC
34	Cory Thomas	DT	6-5	310	Sr.	4L	Bessemer, Ala. / McAdory HS
26	Aeris Williams	RB	6-1	215	Sr.	4L	West Point, Miss. / West Point HS
*6	Donald Gray	WR	5-10	200	Sr.	3L	Memphis, Tenn. / Copiah-Lincoln [Miss.] CC

* - denotes former player



S JOHNATHAN ABRAM

#38 • Senior • Safety • 6-0 • 215 • Columbia, Miss. • Jones County [Miss.] JC

HONORS

- 2019 NFL Combine Participant
- 2019 Senior Bowl Selection
- 2018 Second-Team All-American (The Athletic, SI, CBS Sports, AFCA)
- 2018 Third-Team All-American (Associated Press, Phil Steele)
- 2018 First-Team All-SEC (Associated Press)
- 2018 Second-Team All-SEC (Coaches)
- 2018 SEC Defensive Player of the Week (vs. Arkansas)

CAREER HIGHS

- Tackles: 12, vs. Arkansas (11-17-18)
- Tackles For Loss: 3.5, vs. Arkansas (11-17-18)
- Sacks: 1.5, (twice) last vs. Arkansas (11-17-18)
- Pass Breakups: 2, (twice) last at Ole Miss (11-22-18)
- Interceptions: 1, (twice) last at Ole Miss (11-22-18)

CAREER STATS

DEFENSIVE STATS										
YEAR	G/GS	TT	UT	AT	TFL-YDS	SCK-YDS	FF/FR	PBU	INT-YD	
2017	13/7	71	43	28	5.0-25	2.0-18	2/0	5	0-0	
2018	13/11	99	53	46	9.0-36	3.0-18	1/1	5	2-9	
TOTAL	26/18	170	96	74	14.0-61	5.0-36	3/1	10	2-9	

CAREER

Hard-hitting, instinctive safety who has a nose for the football ... Has been touted as the No. 1 safety in the 2019 NFL Draft ... Vocal leader on and off the field ... Boasts three years of SEC experience with his last two at MSU ... Played in 26 games with 18 starts at MSU ... Totaled 170 tackles, 14 tackles for loss, five sacks, three fumbles forced and two interceptions in two seasons in Starkville ... Put together an All-America senior season ... Teamed with Mark McLaurin to form one of the elite safety tandems in the country ... Arrived at MSU via the junior college ranks and prior to that played as a freshman at Georgia ... Graduated from MSU in December 2018 with a degree in interdisciplinary studies.

2018 SENIOR SEASON

Regarded as one of the top defensive backs in college football ... Saw action in 13 games with 11 starts – nine at safety and twice at star ... Earned six All-America honors which included The Athletic (second team), Sports Illustrated (second team),

The Associated Press (third team), CBS Sports (second team), American Football Coaches Association (second team) and Phil Steele (third team) ... Also collected All-SEC first-team honors from the AP and second-team honors from the coaches ... Led the team and ranked eighth in the SEC in tackles (99) ... Filled the stat sheet with nine tackles for loss, three sacks, two interceptions, five pass breakups, one fumble forced and one fumble recovered ... Was tops in the SEC and third in the nation in total pressures among safeties (16) according to Pro Football Focus ... Five of his recorded pressures were QB hits, which led the SEC and tied for third in the country among safeties ... His 99 tackles also were the most of any SEC defensive back ... Finished with at least one tackle for loss in each of the last four games, including a career-high 3.5 on Senior Day vs. Arkansas (11/17) and totaled seven during that span ... Closed out the regular season tops in the SEC among safeties with a 43.6 passer rating allowed, per PFF ... Dominated the month of November with 31 tackles, six tackles for loss, 1.5 sacks, one interception, a forced fumble and a recovered fumble ... Averaged 8.4 tackles in conference games, which led all SEC defensive backs ... Logged at least eight tackles in eight different games ... His nine tackles for loss were the second-most in the SEC among defensive backs ... Recorded his first interception of the season in the third game vs. Louisiana (9/15) ... Turned in his first of two double-digit tackle efforts (10) and added one sack at No. 5 LSU (10/20) ... Was a ballhawk at No. 1 Alabama (11/10) as he tallied nine tackles, one tackle for loss and three pressures, including a pair of QB hits ... Earned SEC Defensive Player of the Week honors for his performance vs. Arkansas (11/17) which included career highs in tackles (12), tackles for loss (3.5) and sacks (1.5) ... Also forced and recovered a fumble and was responsible for a season-high five pressures according to PFF against the Razorbacks ... Closed the regular season with four tackles, including one for loss, and an interception at Ole Miss (11/22).

2017 JUNIOR SEASON

Appeared in 13 games with seven starts at safety ... Over his debut season, recorded at least five tackles in nine of his 13 appearances, including a career-high nine in the TaxSlayer Bowl vs. Louisville (12/30) ... Ranked second on the team with 71 total tackles, which was 29th in the SEC ... His 43 solo tackles led MSU ... Also had five tackles for loss ... Starts came against Louisiana Tech, Georgia, BYU, UMass, Arkansas, Ole Miss and Louisville ... Made his debut as a Bulldog in MSU's season opener against Charleston Southern (9/2) ... Earned his first-

career start at Louisiana Tech (9/9) and tallied seven tackles ... Grabbed four tackles and recorded his first-career pass break-up in MSU's historic win over No. 11 LSU (9/16) ... Led the defense on the road at Arkansas (11/18) with five tackles, matching his career-high 1.0 TFL and forcing his first fumble as a Bulldog ... Tallied career-highs in tackles (9), sacks (1.5) and TFL (2.0) in TaxSlayer Bowl victory over Louisville (12/30).

2016 JUNIOR COLLEGE

No. 1 junior college safety in America and a consensus four-star prospect ... Among all JUCO prospects ranked No. 10 overall by 247Sports and No. 25 overall by Scout.com ... Spent one season at Jones County and made 23 tackles, including 2.5 for loss to go along with one pass breakup and one forced fumble ... Also saw some action at quarterback in "Wildcat" formations.

2015 AT GEORGIA

Appeared in 10 games and made four starts at Georgia ... Collected 25 tackles and 1.5 tackles for loss ... Had five tackles vs. No. 11 Florida ... Collected four tackles at Tennessee ... Made his first college start against South Carolina, finishing with four tackles ... Originally enrolled at Georgia in January 2015.

HIGH SCHOOL

Prepped at East Marion, coached by Kevin Jackson ... 2014 MAC Defensive Player of the Year ... A three-star prospect by ESPN.com, Scout.com and 247Sports and No. 14 overall prospect in the state of Mississippi ... Returned an interception for a touchdown in the Mississippi-Alabama All-Star game ... Led East Marion to a 10-5 record and a berth in the 2014 2A Mississippi state semifinal game ... Played quarterback in addition to safety for East Marion ... Finished his junior season with 88 total tackles, five interceptions, two forced fumbles and one fumble recovery as well as 1,288 rushing yards, 19 rushing yards, 1,737 passing yards and 21 passing touchdowns ... Two-sport athlete who was a three-time varsity player for the baseball team.

PERSONAL

Born Johnathan Jauquez Abram on Oct. 25, 1996 ... Twitter handle is @JohnathanAbram1.



LS JOEL BALDWIN

#66 • Senior • Long Snapper • 6-3 • 230 • Tupelo, Miss. • Tupelo HS

HONORS

2018 SEC Fall Academic Honor Roll

CAREER

Walk on long snapper from Tupelo who spent three seasons with the program, including his senior year as the primary long snapper ... Took over the starting snapper duties in 2018 following the NFL Draft departure of Hunter Bradley, who was the starting snapper from 2015-17 ... Played in 15 career games ... Graduated from MSU in December 2018 with a degree in political science.

2018 SENIOR SEASON

Played in all 13 games as the primary long snapper ... Recovered a muffed punt vs. Auburn (10/6) on the Tigers' 36-yard line to help set up a touchdown drive eight plays later late in the second quarter of the win.

2017 JUNIOR SEASON

Saw action against Charleston Southern (9/2).

2016 SOPHOMORE SEASON

Did not appear in any contests.

2015 FRESHMAN SEASON

Made his first career appearance in the Bulldogs' 62-13 victory against Northwestern State (9/19).

HIGH SCHOOL

Was named 6A all-state first team during his junior and senior seasons ... Lettered in his final three seasons of high school ... Led Tupelo to a North Half championship title and one state championship game appearance.

PERSONAL

Born Joel Baldwin on Feb. 11, 1996 ... Parents are Morgan and Renee Baldwin ... Has two siblings, Zac and Bonnie Catherine Baldwin.



OL DEION CALHOUN

#61 • Senior • Offensive Lineman • 6-3 • 320 • Pleasant Grove, Ala. • Restoration Academy

HONORS

2019 NFL Combine Participant
 2019 NFLPA Collegiate Bowl Participant
 2018 Second-Team All-SEC (Coaches)
 2018 SEC Fall Academic Honor Roll
 2018 SEC Offensive Lineman of the Week (vs. Arkansas)
 2017 SEC Offensive Lineman of the Week (vs. Kentucky)

CAREER

One of the top offensive guards in the SEC who was a four-year starter ... Played in 48 games and finished with 36 starts ... Saw action in 2,495 career snaps according to Pro Football Focus ... Allowed only three sacks over 1,200 career snaps in pass protection ... Had a solid senior season that saw him earn second-team All-SEC honors from the coaches ... The first from his high school to be offered a scholarship at an FBS school ... Graduated from MSU in December 2018 with a degree in industrial technology.

2018 SENIOR SEASON

Started all 13 games at right guard ... Part of an offensive line that helped the offense rank second in the SEC in both rushing yards per game (223.6) and yards per rush (5.7) ... Helped pave the way for the offense to rush for 300 or more yards in an SEC-best four games ... Allowed only two sacks over 356 pass-blocking snaps, according to Pro Football Focus ... Allowed just 12 pressures across 748 total snaps played ... Earned a 74.7 pass-blocking grade from PFF, his highest since 2016 ... Did not allow a sack over the last five games of the season ... Collected a season-high 75.6 overall grade from PFF in the second game of the season at Kansas State (9/8) ... Aided in the offense's 384 yards on the ground and had an 80.7 grade in the run game ... Finished with the third-highest run-blocking grade in the country among guards (73.3) at No. 5 LSU (10/20) to earn a spot on PFF's National Team of the Week ... Allowed just one QB hurry on 28 snaps in pass protection against the Tigers ... Garnered SEC Offensive Lineman of the Week honors vs. Arkansas (11/17) ... Registered two knockdowns, did not allow a sack and anchored an offensive line that paved the way for the offense to rush for 287 yards (102 to his side according to PFF) against the Razorbacks.

2017 JUNIOR SEASON

Started all 13 games at right guard ... Earned SEC Offensive Lineman of the Week honors vs. Kentucky (10/23) ... Graded out the highest against the Wildcats at 93 percent with three knockdowns and paved the way for an MSU offense that rushed for 282 yards vs. a UK defense that was ranked 10th nationally ... Part of an MSU offensive line that allowed the fewest sacks in the SEC and the fifth-fewest nationally (13).

2016 SOPHOMORE SEASON

Started all nine games he played in with all starts coming at right guard ... Missed the Kentucky (10/22), Samford (10/29), Ole Miss (11/26) and Miami (12/26) games due to an ankle injury ... Played 528 snaps during the year with a season-high of 90 at UMass (9/24) ... His highest snap count during an SEC game was 80 against South Carolina (9/10), a contest the Bulldogs rushed for 290 yards in.

2015 R-FRESHMAN SEASON

Played in all 13 games for the Bulldogs during the 2015 season with one start ... Saw action in 282 snaps during the regular season ... Made his collegiate debut on the road at in-state rival Southern Mississippi (9/5), helping the Bulldogs rush for 205 yards in the 34-16 victory ... Provided time for Dak Prescott to break the MSU single-game passing yards record with 508 against Arkansas ... Finished the year earning his first-career start at right guard in the Belk Bowl against NC State, helping the team put up 569 total yards in the 51-28 victory.

2014 TRUE FRESHMAN SEASON

Redshirted during first year on campus.

HIGH SCHOOL

A two-way standout for Coach DeWayne Coker and the first Restoration Academy player ever to sign a Division I football scholarship ... Rated the No. 46 overall prospect in Alabama by Scout.com, and the No. 7 offensive lineman in the state ... Played all three positions on the line during his career at some point ... A first-team all-state recipient as a defensive lineman in the AISA by the Alabama Sports Writers Association ... Selected by the AISA for the East-West All-Star Game as an offensive lineman, and he was named All-Metro first-team offensive lineman by the Birmingham News ... Played a leading role in the Bulldogs' run to the AISA Class A championship game ... Also saw some duty as a short-yardage running back and scored a touchdown in that role ... As a junior, was the leading lineman on the Class A championship squad which only began playing 11-man football in 2004 ... The 2012 squad posted a 13-1 record with its only loss to the eventual AAA state champions from Tuscaloosa Academy ... His junior and senior teams posted a combined 25-3 record with consecutive Region 1 championships.

PERSONAL

Born Deion Lenard Calhoun on Feb. 20, 1996, in Ensley, Ala. ... Nickname is "Shaq" which was given to him because he is a really good basketball player ... Parents are Tracie and Derrick ... Has two siblings, Raven and Zion ... Chose MSU because "it is a family" ... Former Alabama standout David Palmer is a relative ... Twitter handle is @SHQ205.



QB NICK FITZGERALD

#7 • Senior • Quarterback • 6-5 • 230 • Richmond Hill, Ga. • Richmond Hill HS

HONORS

- 2019 NFL Combine Participant
- 2018 SEC Offensive Player of the Week (vs. Auburn, vs. A&M)
- 2018 Davey O'Brien Great 8 QB List (vs. Auburn)
- 2018 Team Captain
- 2018 SEC Academic Honor Roll
- 2017 Maxwell Award Semifinalist
- 2017 Davey O'Brien Award Semifinalist
- 2017 Johnny Unitas Golden Arm Award Finalist
- 2017 Maxwell Award National Player of the Week (vs. LSU)
- 2017 Davey O'Brien Award QB of the Week (vs. LSU)
- 2017 Manning Award Star of the Week (vs. LSU)
- 2017 SEC Offensive Player of the Week (vs. LSU, at A&M)
- 2017 SEC Academic Honor Roll
- 2016 St. Petersburg Bowl MVP
- 2016 Third-Team All-SEC (Phil Steele)
- 2016 SEC Offensive Player of the Week (vs. A&M, at Ole Miss)
- 2016 Davey O'Brien Great 8 QB List (vs. A&M, at Ole Miss)
- 2016 Manning Award Star of the Week (vs. A&M, at Ole Miss)
- 2016 SEC Academic Honor Roll
- 2015 SEC Academic Honor Roll

CAREER HIGHS

- Pass Attempts: 39, at UMass (9-24-16)
- Pass Completions: 26, at UMass (9-24-16)
- Pass Yards: 417, vs. Samford (10-29-16)
- Passing TD: 5, vs. Samford (10-29-16)
- Long Pass: 84, vs. Texas A&M (10-27-18)
- Completion Pct: 69.7, vs. Arkansas (11-18-16)
- Rush Attempts: 28, vs. Auburn (10-6-18)
- Rush Yards: 258, at Ole Miss (11-26-16)
- Rushing TD: 4, (twice) last vs. Louisiana (9-15-18)
- Long Rush: 76, vs. Texas A&M (10-27-18)
- Total Offense Yards: 536, vs. Samford (10-29-16)
- TD Responsible: 7, vs. Samford (10-29-16)

CAREER STATS

PASSING STATS									
YEAR	G/GS	CMP	ATT	INT	PCT	YDS	TD	LP/OPPONENT	
2015	8/0	11	14	0	.786	235	3	49/NW STATE	
2016	13/13	196	361	10	.543	2423	21	74/SAMFORD	
2017	12/12	159	286	11	.556	1782	15	62/CSU	
2018	12/12	145	281	9	.516	1767	16	84/TEXAS A&M	
TOTAL	45/37	511	942	30	.542	6207	55	84/TEXAS A&M	

RUSHING STATS						
YEAR	G/GS	NO.	YDS	AVG.	TD	LP/OPPONENT
2015	8/0	23	127	5.5	3	21/NW STATE
2016	13/13	195	1375	7.1	16	74/USC, A&M
2017	12/12	162	984	6.1	14	45/TEXAS A&M
2018	12/12	221	1121	5.1	13	76/TEXAS A&M
TOTAL	45/37	601	3607	6.0	46	76/TEXAS A&M

TOTAL OFFENSE STATS					
YEAR	G/GS	RUSH	PASS	TOTAL	AVG./G
2015	8/0	127	235	362	45.3
2016	13/13	1375	2423	3798	292.2
2017	12/12	984	1782	2766	230.5
2018	12/12	1121	1767	2888	240.7
TOTAL	45/37	3607	6207	9814	218.1

MSU CAREER RECORDS (4)

- Rushing Yards by a QB – 3,607
- Yards Per Rush – 6.0
- 100-Yard Rushing Games by all players – 21*
- Rushing TD by all players – 46

* - denotes SEC record among QBs

MSU SINGLE-SEASON RECORDS (4)

- Yards Per Rush – 7.1 (2016)
- Rushing Yards by a QB – 1,375 (2016)
- 100-Yard Rushing Games – 8 (2016)
- 100-Yard Rushing Games by a QB – 8 (2016)*

* - denotes SEC record

MSU SINGLE-GAME RECORDS (5)

- Rushing Yards – 258 at Ole Miss (2016)
- Rushing Yards by a QB – 258 at Ole Miss (2016)
- Yards Per Rush – 18.4 at Ole Miss (2016)^
- TD Responsible – 7 vs. Samford (2016)*
- Passing TD – 5 vs. Samford (2016)

* - denotes SEC record

^ - denotes second in SEC history

CAREER

One of the most decorated players in school history ... A dual-threat playmaker who was a starter for three straight seasons after serving as the backup to now Dallas Cowboys starter Dak Prescott as a redshirt freshman in 2015 ... Played in 45 games with 37 starts ... The SEC's all-time leading rusher at quarterback who was one of the toughest quarterbacks in the nation ... Set 13 school records – four career, four single-season and five single-game – and shattered four SEC records – career rushing yards by a QB (3,607), career 100-yard rushing games by a QB (21), single-season 100-yard rushing games by a QB (8 in 2016) and single-season average yards per rush by a QB (7.1 in 2016) ... Earned the most SEC Offensive Player of the Week honors in school history (6) ... Only the second MSU quarterback with 9,000-plus career total offense yards (9,814), joining Dak Prescott (11,897) ... Of his 101 career touchdowns, a school-record 46 came on the ground, which also tied for fourth in SEC history with LSU's Kevin Faulk (1995-98) ... Just the second player in MSU history to be responsible for 100-plus touchdowns (101) in a career, joining Dak Prescott (114) ... Totaled 21 individual 100-yard rushing games, the most in school history and the most by a QB in SEC history ... MSU went 17-4 when he topped the 100-yard rushing mark ... Finished ranked second in Bulldog history in career rushing yards (3,607), career touchdowns responsible for (101), career total offense (9,814) and passing touchdowns (55) and third in career passing yards (6,207) ... Averaged 6.0 yards per carry ... In 45 career games, recorded a run of 20+ yards in 26 contests ... Rushed for multiple touchdowns in a game 17 times, the most in the SEC in the last 20 years ... Nine times threw for multiple touchdowns and rushed for multiple touchdowns in the same game ... Recorded 120 rushes of 10 or more yards in his career, the most in the SEC since 2016 ... No player in school history owns more 300-yard passing/100-yard rushing games (3) ... 10 times rushed for at least two touchdowns, rushed for at least 100 yards and threw at least one touchdown pass in the same game, the most in the FBS dating back to 2000 ... In 601 career carries, lost a fumble only three times (twice vs. Auburn in 2016 and once at UMass in 2016) ... Engineered two fourth-quarter comebacks – Arkansas (2017) and St. Petersburg Bowl (2016) ... Arrived on campus for Liberty Bowl practices in December 2013, redshirted as a true freshman in 2014 and spent five years with the program ... Came from an offense at Richmond Hill High School that ran the triple-option where he threw only 78 passes as a senior ... Played wide receiver as a junior at Richmond Hill before shifting

to quarterback as a senior ... Was offered a scholarship only by MSU and Middle Tennessee ... A four-time member of the SEC Academic Honor Roll, who received his undergraduate degree in December 2017 ... Played senior season while working on his Master of Business Administration.

2018 SENIOR SEASON

Returned to the field for his senior season after suffering a broken right ankle on Nov. 23, 2017 in the Egg Bowl ... Underwent surgery on Nov. 24 and resumed running on March 7, 2018 ... Participated in 2018 spring practice, doing 7-on-7 and individual drills but did not take a live rush and did not play in the spring game ... Started all 12 games he played ... Served as a team captain along with Gerri Green ... Totaled 2,888 yards of total offense and averaged 240.7 yards per game, good for seventh in the SEC ... Completed 145-of-281 passes for 16 touchdowns with nine interceptions ... Responsible for 29 touchdowns for the second straight season – 13 rushing and 16 passing ... Led all FBS quarterbacks in 100-yard rushing games (7), which tied for seventh nationally and second in the SEC overall ... Tied for the FBS lead in 100-yard rushing/100-yard passing games (5) ... Joined Heisman Trophy winner Kyler Murray of Oklahoma and David Pindell of Connecticut as the only quarterbacks in the FBS to rush for more than 1,000 yards and throw for at 1,700-plus yards ... Top rushing QB in the SEC for the third straight season with 1,121 yards on 221 attempts ... Led all SEC QBs and ranked fourth among all positions in rushing touchdowns (13) ... Topped all SEC QBs and ranked third overall in rushes that resulted in a first down (59) and in rushes that gained 10 or more yards (36) ... Finished second in the SEC and led all quarterbacks in rushes that resulted in 20-plus yards (14) ... Paced the SEC in the following third-down rushing categories: yards (266), touchdowns (4), rushes of at least 20 yards (4) ... Tied for second in the SEC and led all QBs in rushing touchdowns in conference games (8) ... Finished third in the SEC and first among QBs in rushing yards per game at home (102.3) ... The only player in the SEC and one of only five in the FBS with at least 13 rushing touchdowns and 13 passing touchdowns ... Rushed 221 times, which was the most in the SEC by a QB and the fifth-most at all positions ... Threw 70 passes that converted a first down, 44 for 15-plus yards and 15 for 25-plus yards ... Longest pass was a career-long 84 yards and longest rush was a 76-yard touchdown, both vs. No. 16 Texas A&M (10/27) ... Did not play in the season opener vs. Stephen F. Austin (9/1) ... Rushed for 159 yards on 19 carries and averaged 8.4 yards per rush at Kansas State (9/8) in his first game since the 2017 Egg Bowl on Nov. 23, 2017 to pass Dak Prescott as MSU's all-time leader in QB rushing yards (2,645) ... Rushed for eight first downs ... Completed 11-of-27 passes with one interception and tossed touchdown passes to Kylin Hill and Austin Williams ... Accounted for six touchdowns, which was one shy of his SEC record – four rushing and two passing – vs. Louisiana (9/15) in first home start of the year ... Racked up 350 yards of total offense, rushing for over 100 yards for the second straight game ... Tallied three rushing scores in the first half and connected with Stephen Guidry on the big strike of the night, a beautiful 39-yard touchdown pass ... Became only the third player in SEC history with at least 35 touchdowns both rushing and passing ... Heisman Trophy winner Tim Tebow of Florida (2006-09) and Dak Prescott (2012-15) the others ... Marked his second career game with four rushing scores (other was vs. Arkansas on Nov. 19, 2016) ... Joined Peyton Barber (Auburn) and Tre Mason (Auburn) as the only SEC players in the last 20 seasons with multiple games of four rushing scores ... Three of his four scores on the ground came

inside the red zone ... Accounted for his ninth touchdown over his first three games – a 1-yard rushing score – at Kentucky (9/22) ... Also completed 16-of-32 passes with one interception for 145 yards ... Amassed 264 yards of total offense and two touchdowns in the big home win vs. No. 8 Auburn (10/6) and was named SEC Offensive Player of the Week ... Shattered Tim Tebow's SEC career record for rushing yards by a quarterback, rushing for 195 yards and scoring both of the Bulldogs' touchdowns ... It was his 17th career 100-yard rushing game, which tied Anthony Dixon for the school record ... Also reached 40 rushing touchdowns for his career ... Put the finishing touch on the Bulldogs' most lopsided victory over a top 10 team since 2014 on a 21-yard touchdown run with 2:02 left in the game ... Also completed 9-of-17 passes for 69 yards ... Finished with five 15-plus yard runs on the night, while 10 runs resulted in either a first down or touchdown ... 195 rushing yards were the most Auburn had allowed by an individual since 2015 ... Crossed the 8,000-yard mark for total offense ... Logged 131 yards on the ground on 24 attempts at No. 5 LSU (10/20) ... It was his 18th 100-yard rushing game, which set the school record ... Earned SEC Co-Offensive Player of the Week honors for his efforts in the win vs. No. 16 Texas A&M (10/27) ... Surpassed Dak Prescott for the most selections in MSU history ... In addition, was named to the Davey O'Brien Award's "Great 8" list for Week 9 by the award's selection committee and was one of eight quarterbacks announced as a Star of the Week by the Manning Award ... Accounted for 329 yards of total offense and four touchdowns, including a career-long, game-clinching 76-yard touchdown run with 2:17 remaining in the game ... Threw for a then season-best 241 yards on 14-of-22 passing and two touchdowns ... His two rushing touchdowns against the Aggies tied Anthony Dixon (2006-09) for the school record at the time (42) ... Led MSU to its second victory over a top-20 team on the year ... Continued his hot streak vs. Louisiana Tech (11/3), throwing a season-high four touchdowns – all in the first half ... Completed 17-of-28 passes and also rushed 18 times for 107 yards ... Claimed sole possession of first place on the Bulldogs' career 100-yard rushing games list (19) ... Accounted for five touchdowns – one rushing and a season-high tying four passing – on Senior Day vs. Arkansas (11/17) ... Completed 9-of-14 passes for 127 yards ... Also rushed 14 times for 85 yards ... Scored the 43rd rushing touchdown of his career to earn sole possession of first place in program history ... Ran for two touchdowns and threw for another score to lead MSU over Ole Miss (11/22) on Thanksgiving night ... Grounded out 117 yards for his 20th career 100-yard rushing game ... Completed 11-of-18 passes for 111 yards ... The pair of rushing scores tied him for fifth in SEC history with Carnell Williams (Auburn) ... In the final game as a Bulldog, rushed for 100-yards (103) for the 21st time in his career vs. Iowa (1/1) in the Outback Bowl ... Completed 14-of-32 passes for 152 yards and one touchdown against two interceptions ... Also added a 33-yard rushing touchdown ... Finished career with 46 rushing touchdowns, the most in school history and tied for fourth in SEC history with LSU's Kevin Faulk (1995-98).

2017 JUNIOR SEASON

Proved to be one of the top quarterbacks in the SEC, starting 12 games ... Suffered a broken right ankle with 9:13 to go in the first quarter of the Egg Bowl on Thanksgiving night and underwent surgery the following day ... Selected as a finalist for the Johnny Unitas Golden Arm Award and a semifinalist for the Maxwell and Davey O'Brien Awards ... Compiled 2,766 yards of total offense and averaged 230.5 yards per game, which was third in the SEC ... Completed 159-of-286 passes for 1,782 yards

and 15 touchdowns with 11 interceptions ... Accounted for 29 touchdowns – 14 rushing and 15 passing – which was second in the SEC ... Ranked second in the FBS in 100-yard rushing/100-yard passing games (6) behind only Lamar Jackson ... Led all SEC QBs in 100-yard rushing games and was third among all positions ... One of only three QBs in the FBS to throw for over 1,700 yards and rush for over 900 yards ... The top rushing QB in the SEC, rushing for 984 yards on 162 carries ... Ranked fifth overall in the SEC in rushing touchdowns (14) ... Accounted for five scores and 235 yards of total offense in win at Louisiana Tech (9/9), including 111 yards on the ground ... Named the Maxwell Award National Player of the Week and SEC Offensive Player of the Week after his performance in win against No. 11 LSU (9/16) ... Tallied four touchdowns – two rushing and two passing – to go along with 286 yards of total offense in win versus Tigers ... Season-high in total offense came against BYU (10/14) with 344 yards and four touchdowns ... Threw for a season-best 241 yards and set the MSU career record for 100-yard rushing games in the win against the Cougars with 103 on the ground ... Best passing game of the year in win versus Kentucky (10/21) when he completed a season-best .692 (18-of-26) with three total touchdowns ... Named SEC Offensive Player of the Week for the second time of the season after leading MSU to road win at No. 24 Texas A&M (10/28) ... Racked up 246 yards of total offense and three touchdowns against the Aggies and rushed for 105 yards ... Recorded 224 yards of total offense and rushed for a touchdown against No. 1 Alabama (11/11) ... Tallied the largest fourth-quarter comeback of his career, rallying from 14 down with 254 yards of total offense and two touchdown passes in the final four minutes ... Also rushed for 101 yards and one score against the Razorbacks ... Threw the 6-yard game-winner to Dedrick Thomas with 17 seconds left in the game just three minutes after he found Reggie Todd for a 37-yard game-tying TD pass ... With MSU trailing 14-0, his comeback tied for the second-largest in MSU history and largest comeback since 1999.

2016 SOPHOMORE SEASON

Delivered one of the most remarkable seasons by a first-year starter in SEC history ... Started all 13 games and broke nine school records – four single-season and five single-game ... Single-season school records were yards per rush (7.1), rushing yards by a quarterback (1,375), 100-yard rushing games (8) and 100-yard rushing games by a QB ... Also set SEC records by a QB in 100-yard rushing games and average yards per rush ... Third behind only Johnny Manziel and Cam Newton in single-season rushing yards by a QB in SEC history ... Tops in the nation in 300-yard passing/100-yard rushing games (3) and became the first SEC QB to do it three times since Manziel in 2012 ... Led the SEC in total offensive yards (3,798), rushing touchdowns (16) and 100-yard rushing games (8) ... Responsible for 37 touchdowns – 21 passing and 16 rushing – which was second in the SEC and third in school history behind only Dak Prescott ... Second nationally to only Heisman winner Lamar Jackson in 100-yard passing/100-yard rushing games (7) ... Ranked third nationally in QB rushing yards and third in MSU history among all positions ... Completed 196-of-361 passes for 2,423 yards, which was fourth in school history ... No. 1 in the SEC in 10+-yard plays from scrimmage (45) ... Ranked third overall in the SEC in rushing yards per game (105.8) ... Registered his first career 300-yard passing game, completing 26-of-39 for 305 yards and three scores at UMass (9/24) ... Joined Dak Prescott as the only two players in SEC history to account for over 530 yards of total offense and seven TDs in a game when he did

it against Samford (10/29) ... Was the only FBS QB in 2016 to achieve the feat as he tied an SEC record for single-game TDs responsible ... A week later, led the Bulldogs to win over No. 4 Texas A&M (11/5), accounting for 391 yards of total offense and four TDs ... Was named SEC Co-Offensive Player of the Week for his effort against the Aggies and became just the third SEC QB in the last 20 years to pass for over 200 yards and rush for over 175 yards in a game joining Manziel and Newton ... Spectacular passing game against Arkansas (11/19), completing 22-of-33 for 328 yards with two TDs and zero interceptions ... Accounted for six TDs against the Razorbacks, rushing for a season-best four scores, fourth-most in a game in school records ... Produced the greatest QB performance in Egg Bowl history and was named SEC Offensive Player of the Week, breaking three MSU single-game records and accounting for five touchdowns in the 11/26 win ... Broke marks for rushing yards (258), rushing yards by a QB and average yards per rush (18.4) at Ole Miss ... The 18.4 mark also is second in SEC single-game history and highest since LSU's Harvey Williams' 19.6 vs. Rice in 1987 (minimum 10 carries) ... His 258 rushing yards in the Egg Bowl was the most by an FBS QB since Navy's Keenan Reynolds had 277 vs. Georgia Southern on Nov. 15, 2014 ... Voted MVP of the St. Petersburg Bowl after accounting for 268 yards of total offense and two scores.

FRESHMAN SEASON

Served as the backup to Dak Prescott, seeing action in eight games ... Completed 11-of-14 passes for 235 yards with three touchdowns and no interceptions ... Rushed 23 times for 127 yards and three touchdowns, which ranked second on the team ... Made his collegiate debut late in the season-opening victory at Southern Miss (9/5), rushing two times for 36 yards ... Accounted for three touchdowns against Northwestern State (9/19) – his third collegiate game – throwing for one and rushing for two more ... Was a perfect 4-of-4 through the air for 90 yards against the Demons ... Spelled an ill Dak Prescott early against Troy (10/10) and completed 6-of-7 passes for 141 yards and two touchdowns, while also carrying the ball eight times for 29 yards and a score ... Maintained over a 3.0 GPA and was named to the SEC Academic Honor Roll.

2014 TRUE FRESHMAN SEASON

Redshirted during initial year with the program after officially enrolling at MSU in January 2014 ... Went through 2013 Liberty Bowl practices and then spring practice in 2014.

HIGH SCHOOL

A four-year letterwinner for head coach Lyman Guy who guided the Wildcats to a 10-2 overall record and the second round of the Georgia High School Association Class 5A State Football Championship as a senior ... Earned Honorable Mention Georgia Sports Writers Association and Atlanta Journal Constitution Class 5A All-State selections following senior year ... Named the Region 3-5A Player of the Year after final campaign ... A three-star recruit according to ESPN.com and 247Sports and a two-star by Rivals.com ... A triple-option quarterback who went 33-for-76 in the air, throwing for 778 yards and 12 touchdowns while tossing just three interceptions during final campaign ... Carried the ball 182 times for 1,429 yards and 25 scores in 2013 ... Lifted the Wildcats to opening-round playoff win over Thomas County Central with 150 rushing yards and both of the team's TDs ... Tabbed the WSAV Memorial Health/Chatham Orthopaedic

Associates Blitz Performer of the Week and Enmark Player of the Week for the fourth week of the season after accounting for seven touchdowns against Glynn Academy ... Rushed for 162 yards and five scores and tossed two TD passes in the contest ... Named to the Greater Savannah Area Football Team as both a junior and senior ... Started as a wide receiver in 2012, catching 18 passes for 321 yards and four touchdowns ... Played wide receiver and was backup QB during junior campaign, tallying 334 yards rushing and six scores as part of the triple-option offense ... Helped the Wildcats go 8-3 and reach the state playoffs for the first time since 1996 as a junior, when he was a First-Team All-Region 3-5A selection ... Also named First Team All-County during after 2012 season ... Played three years of basketball for Richmond Hill, averaging 7.9 points per game and 5.8 rebounds a contest as a junior.

PERSONAL

Born Nicholas Dylan Fitzgerald on Jan. 14, 1996 in Germany ... Parents are Derrick and Annetta Fitzgerald ... Father served in the Air Force ... Also lived in Illinois and Florida before moving to Georgia when he was in second grade ... Has two siblings, Justin and Kristjan ... Uncle Charles Pledger played cornerback at the University of Georgia from 1990-93 ... Grew up attending Georgia football games ... Lists David Greene as favorite athlete and Marshmello as favorite musical artist ... Is a huge Pittsburgh Penguins hockey fan ... Three-time member of the SEC Academic Honor Roll who earned his degree in finance in December 2017 ... Currently pursuing his Master of Business Administration ... Twitter handle is @NickFitz07.



DE GERRI GREEN

#4 • Senior • Defensive End • 6-4 • 255 • Greenville, Miss. • Greenville Weston HS

HONORS

- 2019 NFL Combine Participant
- 2018 Senior Bowl Selection
- 2018 SEC Community Service Team
- 2018 Team Captain
- 2018 Wuerffel Trophy Nominee
- 2018 SEC Football Leadership Council
- 2017 SEC Football Leadership Council
- 2015 All-SEC Freshman Team

CAREER HIGHS

- Tackles: 11, vs Troy (10-10-15)
- Tackles for Loss: 2, (twice) last at Ole Miss (11-22-18)
- Sacks: 2, at Louisiana Tech (9-9-17)
- Interceptions: 1, (three times) last vs. Kentucky (10-21-17)
- Pass Breakups: 1 several times
- Fumble Recoveries: 1, twice, last at Auburn (9-30-17)
- Forced Fumbles: 2, at Louisiana Tech (9-9-17)

CAREER STATS

DEFENSIVE STATS										
YEAR	G/GS	TT	UT	AT	TFL-YDS	SCK-YDS	FF/FR	PBU	INT	INT-YD
2015	13/1	49	20	29	2.5-9	0.0-0	0/0	1	2	0
2016	13/0	43	18	25	0.5-2	0.0-0	0/1	1	0	0
2017	13/13	38	13	25	11.0-35	5.0-22	3/1	3	1	84
2018	13/13	31	8	23	6.5-30	3.5-26	0/0	1	0	0
TOTAL	52/27	161	59	102	20.5-76	8.5-48	3/2	6	3	84

CAREER

Extremely athletic and physical edge rusher whose leadership played a pivotal role in the Bulldogs' success during his five years with the program ... Selected by his teammates as the 2018 defensive captain following the spring game ... Played defensive end in the 4-3 in 2018 after he illustrated his versatility in the 3-4 in 2017 ... Has all the tools to play at the next level and likely a 2019 NFL Draft selection ... Played in 52 games and had 27 starts to his credit ... Forced six turnovers in his career – three forced fumbles and three interceptions, including one returned for a touchdown ... Tallied 161 total tackles, 20.5 tackles for loss and 8.5 sacks ... Arrived in Starkville as one of the state of Mississippi's top recruits in the Class of 2014 ... Served on MSU's Student-Athlete Advisory Council (SAAC) for the 2015-16 athletic year and was elected to the first SEC Football Student-Athlete Leadership Council in back-to-back years of 2017 and 2018 ... MSU's leader in community service ... Graduated from MSU in December 2018 with a degree in agribusiness.

2018 SENIOR SEASON

Started all 13 games at defensive end ... Finished with 31 tackles, 6.5 tackles for loss and 3.5 sacks ... His 6.5 sacks were the third-most among MSU defensive linemen behind Montez Sweat (14) and Jeffery Simmons (17) ... Collected at least a half tackle for loss in six games and a half sack in four games ... 4.5 of his tackles for loss came against SEC opponents ... Opened the season with three tackles, 1.5 tackles for loss and one sack vs. Stephen F. Austin (9/1) ... Two games later, logged a half sack and finished with a pair of tackles vs. Louisiana (9/15) ... Turned in a half tackle for loss at Kentucky (9/22) ... Recorded four tackles, 1.5 tackles for loss and one sack vs. Florida (9/29), his third straight game with at least a half tackle for loss ... Had a half tackle for loss in his final game at Davis Wade Stadium on Senior Day vs. Arkansas (11/17) ... Registered a season-high 2.0 tackles for loss and one sack at Ole Miss (11/22) ... It was his second career game with 2.0 tackles for loss.

2017 JUNIOR SEASON

Delivered a breakout junior season, starting all 13 games at outside linebacker ... Ranked third on the team in tackles for loss (11), third in sacks (5) and was tops on the squad in forced fumbles (3) ... Tallied one interception and returned it 84 yards for a touchdown in win vs. Kentucky (10/21) ... Finished the year with 38 total tackles ... Tied for fourth in the SEC in forced fumbles and was 14th in the league in tackles for loss ... Recorded at least one tackle for loss in eight of the 13 games he played ... Huge game at Louisiana Tech (9/9), collecting seven tackles, the first two sacks of his career and forcing two fumbles, one which led to a Jeffery Simmons touchdown ... Recovered a fumble at Auburn and added a tackle for loss (9/30) ... Back-to-back games with 1.5 tackles for loss against UMass (11/4) and Alabama (11/11) ... Stepped up in TaxSlayer Bowl victory, sacking Lamar Jackson 1.5 times and finishing with three tackles.

2016 SOPHOMORE SEASON

Played in all 13 games with no starts ... Collected 43 tackles on the year ... Recovered his first career fumble at LSU, when Leonard Fournette was stripped in the fourth quarter (9/17) ... Added 0.5 tackles for loss and five tackles in game at LSU ... Made a season-high eight tackles at Kentucky (10/22) ... Notched six tackles at home against Arkansas (11/19).

2015 R-FRESHMAN SEASON

Named to the All-SEC Freshman Team in his first season on the field ... Saw action in all 13 games with one start, his

first coming in the Belk Bowl ... Ranked fifth among all SEC freshmen in tackles with 49 ... Led all SEC freshmen linebackers in interceptions with two ... Added 2.5 tackles for loss on the year ... Made his MSU debut in the season-opening victory at Southern Miss (9/5), tallying three solo tackles ... Recorded a game-high seven tackles in the Northwestern State (9/19) win, including 1.5 tackles for loss ... Tallied four tackles at No. 14 Texas A&M (10/3) ... Registered his first career double-digit tackle game in the Troy (10/10) victory, finishing with a game-high 11 stops ... Hauled in his first career interception at Missouri (11/5), notching three tackles and a tackle for loss ... Intercepted NC State's Jacoby Brissett on the first play of scrimmage at the Belk Bowl (12/30) that led to MSU's first score ... Pick came on the first play of his first career start.

2014 TRUE FRESHMAN SEASON

Practiced but did not play in any games.

HIGH SCHOOL

A four-star recruit by 247Sports and Scout.com ... Ranked as the 12th-best prospect in the state by ESPN.com ... Played for head coach Shannon Williams' Hornets ... Invited to participate in the Mississippi-Alabama All-Star Classic and Semper Fidelis All-American Bowl ... A member of The Mississippi Press' Fantastic 15 list of the state's top collegiate football prospects at the beginning of the 2013 season ... A 2013 Clarion-Ledger Dandy Dozen selection, just the second in school history joining Quentin Groves (2002) ... A member of the MaxPreps 2013 Mississippi Preseason All-State Football Team and the Mississippi Gridiron 2013 All-Gridiron First Team ... Named to the 2013 247Sports All-State All-Prospect First-Team Defense ... As a senior, tallied 98 tackles with 11.5 for lost yardage and 5.0 sacks ... Broke up seven passes, forced a trio of fumbles and recovered one during 2013 campaign ... On offense, made six catches for 96 yards and two touchdowns ... Selected as the MaxPreps Defensive Player of the Game following performances versus Clarksdale and Gentry ... During junior year, booked 89 tackles, four pass breakups, three fumble recoveries and two forced fumbles ... On offense, carried just eight times for 37 yards, but caught 10 passes for 172 yards and a pair of touchdowns as a tight end ... Coached by Shannon Williams.

PERSONAL

Born Gerri Germaine Green on Sept. 14, 1995, in Jackson, Miss. ... Nickname is "G4" ... Parents are Gerri Sr. and Valerie Green ... Has one sibling, Geoshua ... Father played football at Arkansas-Pine Bluff ... Looks up to former Bulldog linebacker and Super Bowl champion Seattle Seahawk K.J. Wright ... Twitter handle is @GerriG_14.



DT GRANT HARRIS

#90 • Senior • Defensive Tackle • 6-3 • 290 • Bolton, Miss. • Clinton HS

HONORS

2018 Fall SEC Academic Honor Roll
2015 Fall SEC Academic Honor Roll

CAREER HIGHS

Tackles: 3, vs. Louisiana Tech (11-3-18)
Tackles for Loss: 1.0, vs. Ole Miss (11-23-17)
Sacks: 1.0, vs. Ole Miss (11-23-17)

CAREER STATS

DEFENSIVE STATS

YEAR	G/GS	TT	UT	AT	TFL-YDS	SCK-YDS	FF/FR	PBU	INT-YD
2015	5/0	3	0	3	0.0-0	0.0-0	0/0	0	0-0
2016	6/0	3	3	0	0.0-0	0.0-0	0/0	0	0-0
2017	13/0	14	5	9	1.0-10	1.0-10	0/0	0	0-0
2018	13/1	12	3	9	0.5-2	0.0-0	0/0	0	0-0
TOTAL	37/1	32	11	21	1.5-12	1.0-10	0/0	0	0-0

CAREER

Veteran defensive lineman who added quality depth at tackle ... Played in 37 career games with one start ... Made 32 career tackles, including 1.5 tackles for loss and one sack ... Graduated from MSU in December 2018 with a degree in business administration.

2018 SENIOR SEASON

Saw action in all 13 games and started once ... Collected 12 tackles, including a half tackle for loss ... Started at defensive tackle on Senior Day vs. Arkansas (11/17) ... Logged multiple tackles in five different games ... Had a half tackle for loss in the season opener vs. Stephen F. Austin (9/1) ... Posted a season-high three tackles on Homecoming vs. Louisiana Tech (11/3).

2017 JUNIOR SEASON

Appeared in all 13 games as a backup defensive lineman ... Totaled 14 tackles, including his first career sack ... Notched a tackle in 10 of 12 contests played in during the season with four multi-tackle performances ... Two of his multi-tackle outings came on the road in conference play at No. 11 Georgia (9/23) and at No. 13 Auburn (9/30) ... Lone tackle versus Ole Miss (11/23) was the first sack of his career for a total loss of 10 yards.

2016 SOPHOMORE SEASON

Appeared in six games on the year, including the final four conference games (No. 4 Texas A&M, at No. 1 Alabama, Arkansas and at Ole Miss) ... Recorded two solo tackles in the season-opener against South Alabama (9/3).

2015 R-FRESHMAN SEASON

Played in five games during the 2015 campaign, making his first-career appearance in a 62-13 victory against Northwestern State ... Recorded a career-high two tackles against Troy (10/10) ... Notched a tackle in two of five games played during the season.

2014 TRUE FRESHMAN SEASON

Redshirted during his first year on campus.

HIGH SCHOOL

A three-year player for head coach Judd Boswell's Arrows ... A three-star recruit according to ESPN.com, Rivals.com, Scout.com and 247Sports ... The 19th-best player in the state and the 56th-best defensive end according to ESPN.com ... Tabbed by Rivals.com as the 16th-best prospect in Mississippi ... Selected to The Clarion-Ledger Dandy Dozen, becoming just the fourth Clinton player to make the list, joining Dontae Walker (1998), Clarence McDougal (2000) and CoCo Hodge (2000) ... Named to the Clarion-Ledger All-Metro First Team ... A member of the MaxPreps 2013 Mississippi Preseason All-State Football Team ... Selected to the 2013 All-Gridiron First Team by the Mississippi Gridiron ... Earned a spot in the Alabama-Mississippi All-Star Classic and the 10th Annual Max Emfinger All-American Bowl ... Named to the 2013 247Sports All-State All-Prospect Second-Team Defense ... Booked 92 tackles during senior year, including 10.0 stops for lost yardage and six sacks ... Added a pair of pass breakups and two forced fumbles ... Selected as the Sept. 13 MaxPreps Defensive Player of the Game after booking 11 tackles against Meridian ... As a junior, tallied 71 hits, 13.0 TFL and 6.0 sacks while forcing one fumble and recovering another ... A second-team All-State selection by the Mississippi Association of Coaches following junior campaign ... Tallied 40 tackles, 8.0 hits for lost yardage and 3.0 sacks during sophomore season ... Did not start playing football until high school after being home schooled prior to eighth grade.

PERSONAL

Born Grant Everett Harris on Oct. 7, 1995 ... Father, Reggie, was a two-year starter at linebacker for Hinds Community College before transferring to Delta State ... Reggie was inducted into the Hinds Community College Sports Hall of Fame in 2003 ... Uncle played football at Southern Miss ... Mother is Angela ... Twitter handle is @GrantH_9.



DT BRAXTON HOYETT

#95 • Senior • Defensive Tackle • 6-3 • 310 • Pelham, Ala. • Pelham HS

CAREER HIGHS

Tackles: 4, (twice) last vs. Iowa (1-1-19)
 Tackles for loss: 2, at Kentucky 9-22-18)
 Sacks: 0.5, (three times) last at Kentucky (9-22-18)
 Fumble Recoveries: 1, (twice) last at Alabama (11-10-18)

CAREER STATS

DEFENSIVE STATS

YEAR	G/GS	TT	UT	AT	TFL-YDS	SCK-YDS	FF/FR	PBU	INT-YD
2015	7/0	4	0	4	0.5-2	0.0-0	0/0	0	0-0
2016	13/0	15	6	9	2.0-4	0.0-0	0/1	0	0-0
2017	12/11	21	5	16	2.5-3	0.5-1	0/0	0	1-2
2018	12/11	22	8	14	2.5-11	1.0-9	0/1	0	0-0
TOTAL	44/22	62	19	43	7.5-20	1.5-10	0/2	0	1-2

CAREER

A leader at defensive tackle during his five years with the program ... Played in 44 career games with 22 starts ... Accumulated 62 tackles, including 7.5 tackles for loss, and 1.5 sacks ... Graduated from MSU in December 2018 with a degree in communication.

2018 SENIOR SEASON

Started 11 of 12 games played ... Collected 22 tackles, including 2.5 tackles for loss, and one sack ... Recorded at least one tackle in 10 different games ... Tallied a half sack and finished with a season-high four total tackles vs. Louisiana (9/15) ... Turned in a career-high 2.0 tackles for loss and a half sack at Kentucky (9/22) ... Matched season high in tackles (4) vs. Iowa (1/1/19) in the Outback Bowl.

2017 JUNIOR SEASON

Played in 12 games with 11 starts at defensive tackle ... Suffered a left shoulder injury during preseason camp and was sidelined for the season-opener vs. Charleston Southern ... Worked his way back, returning the following week at Louisiana Tech (9/9) and then started the final 11 weeks of the year ... Gathered 21 tackles, 2.5 for loss and 0.5 sacks on the year ... Made his first career start vs. No. 11 LSU (9/9) and notched two tackles, including one TFL ... Outstanding game in start vs. Kentucky (10/21), collecting his first sack and then snagging his first career interception on an athletic play that set up an MSU touchdown ... Returned the pick two yards to the UK 38 ... Tallied a career-high four tackles in the Egg Bowl (11/23).

2016 SOPHOMORE SEASON

Saw action in all 13 games with no starts ... Made 15 total tackles including six solo and two tackles for loss ... Recorded a tackle for loss vs. Samford (10/29) and vs. Miami (Ohio) in the St. Petersburg Bowl (12/26) ... Notched a career-high three tackles twice: at Kentucky (10/22) and vs. Miami (Ohio) ... Recovered first fumble of career in win vs. No. 4 Texas A&M (11/5).

2015 R-FRESHMAN SEASON

Appeared in seven games on the season ... Tallied four tackles and 0.5 tackles for loss ... Recorded a tackle in two games with each of those having been two-tackle performances – vs. Northwestern State (9/19) and Troy (10/10) ... Made his collegiate debut vs. LSU (9/12) and made his first career tackle against Northwestern State (9/19) ... Posted a shared tackle for loss with Nelson Adams vs. Troy (10/10) for a 3-yard loss just before halftime.

2014 TRUE FRESHMAN SEASON

Redshirted during his first year on campus.

HIGH SCHOOL

A three-star recruit according to ESPN.com, Rivals.com and 247Sports ... The 30th-best prospect in Alabama, and the 84th-best defensive tackle in the country, according to ESPN.com ... Played for head coach Brett Burnett and helped the Panthers to a 6-5 overall record as a senior ... An AlabamaVarsity.com Super All-State Second Team selection and a Friday Night Fuel Team Alabama Defense pick ... Earned a spot in the Alabama-Mississippi All-Star Classic ... Made 73 tackles with 9.0 tackles for loss and 3.0 sacks while adding one fumble recovery during senior year ... As a junior, booked 101 tackles with 15.0 TFL and 10.0 sacks ... Broke up three passes as a junior ... Ran track for Pelham and was the Shelby County champion in the shot put with a throw of 42-feet, 9.5 inches.

PERSONAL

Born Braxton Keyonte Hoyett on Feb. 5, 1996, in Alexander City, Ala. ... Parents are Lasonjia and the late Nicholas Hoyett ... Has one sibling, Brayton ... Plays in honor of his father who passed away at the age of 38 from cirrhosis of the liver in the summer of 2017.



WR JESSE JACKSON

#86 • Senior • Wide Receiver • 6-2 • 215 • Petal, Miss. • Petal HS

HONORS

2018 SEC Fall Academic Honor Roll
 2017 SEC Fall Academic Honor Roll
 2016 SEC Fall Academic Honor Roll

CAREER HIGHS

Receptions: 4 (twice), last vs. UMass (11-3-17)
 Receiving Yards: 45, vs. Ole Miss (11-23-17)
 Receiving Touchdowns: 1, vs. LA Tech (11-3-18)
 Longest Reception: 32, vs. Ole Miss (11-23-17)

CAREER STATS

RECEIVING STATS

YEAR	G/GS	NO.	YDS	AVG.	TD	LP/OPPONENT
2015	12/0	0	0	0.0	0	N/A
2016	13/1	1	7	7.0	0	7 / KENTUCKY
2017	13/8	27	276	10.2	0	32 / OLE MISS
2018	13/8	9	90	10.0	1	24 / LA TECH
TOTAL	51/17	37	373	10.1	1	32 / OLE MISS

CAREER

Veteran receiver who was the squad's leading receiver in 2017 ... Spent five years with the program ... Three-time member of the SEC Academic Honor Roll ... Played in 51 games with 17 starts ... Caught 37 passes for 373 yards and a touchdown ... Graduated from MSU in December 2018 with a degree in manufacturing and maintenance.

2018 SENIOR SEASON

Started eight of 13 games ... Had nine receptions for 90 yards and one touchdown ... Also contributed on special teams ... Hauled in at least one pass in five different games ... Had season highs in catches (3) and receiving yards (44) and caught his first career touchdown pass vs. Louisiana Tech (11/3) ... Collected a pair of receptions for 31 yards at Ole Miss (11/22).

2017 JUNIOR SEASON

Led the team with 27 receptions for 276 yards, averaging 21.1 yards per game ... Played in all 13 games with eight starts – LSU, Georgia, Auburn, Texas A&M, UMass, Arkansas, Ole Miss and Louisville ... Recorded multiple receptions in nine of the last 10 games, finishing the year strong ... Caught two passes for 15 yards at Georgia (9/23) ... Also had two catches against Auburn and BYU ... Hauled in three catches for 24 yards, including a long of 17 in win vs. Kentucky (10/21) ... Solid back-to-back weeks vs. Texas A&M and UMass, setting a career high with four catches in both ... Career-high in receiving yards came in the Egg Bowl (11/23) with 45 yards spearheaded by a 32-yard reception ... Tallied three receptions for 38 yards in the TaxSlayer Bowl (12/30).

2016 SOPHOMORE SEASON

Played in all 13 games during the 2016 campaign, with his first career start coming at UMass (9/24) ... Caught a 7-yard pass at Kentucky, representing the first of his career (10/22) ... Named to the 2016 SEC Academic Honor Roll.

2015 R-FRESHMAN SEASON

Played in 12 games but did not record any statistics.

2014 TRUE FRESHMAN SEASON

Redshirted during first year on campus.

HIGH SCHOOL

A four-star recruit according to ESPN.com and checked in No. 129 on the ESPN300 list ... The fourth-best in-state prospect according to ESPN.com ... Selected to participate in the 2014 Under Armour All-America High School Football Game ... Played for head coach Marcus Boyles ... A three-star prospect according to Scout.com and 247Sports ... Stated at No. 4 on The Mississippi Press' Fantastic 15 list of the state's top collegiate football prospects at the beginning of the season ... A member of the MaxPreps 2013 Mississippi Preseason All-State Football Team ... Selected to the 2013 All-Gridiron First Team by the Mississippi Gridiron ... Named to the 2013 247Sports All-State All-Prospect Second-Team Offense ... Rated as the No. 27 wide receiver in the nation by the 247Sports Composite ... Finished the year as the No. 11 recruit in Mississippi according to Scout.com ... Helped Petal to a 10-3 record and a trip to the second round of the Mississippi High School Athletic Association Class 6A state playoffs ... Did not play entire senior season due to injury suffered during 42-7 win against Jim Hill ... Prior to injury, caught 22 passes for 332 yards and three touchdowns ... As a junior, hauled in 39 passes for 842 yards and 11 TDs ... Tallied 1,018 all-purpose yards as a junior after adding 176 yards on kickoff returns ... Contributed on defense with 17 tackles during junior campaign ... Transitioned from quarterback to wide receiver following freshman year ... Also played basketball as a freshman at Petal and played baseball as a freshman and sophomore.

PERSONAL

Born Jesse Tyler Jackson on Dec. 15, 1995, in Hattiesburg, Miss. ... Parents are Otis and Angela ... Mother, Angela, played basketball at Southern Miss (1997-2000) and spent time with the WNBA's Cleveland Rockers and Portland Fire ... Has two siblings – Jayden and Jaycee.



OL ELGTON JENKINS

#74 • Senior • Offensive Lineman • 6-4 • 310 • Clarksdale, Miss. • Clarksdale HS

HONORS

- 2019 NFL Combine Participant
- 2018 Senior Bowl Selection
- 2018 Kent Hull Trophy Winner (top OL in Mississippi)
- 2018 First-Team All-American (The Athletic)
- 2018 Fourth-Team All-American (Phil Steele)
- 2018 SEC Offensive Lineman of the Week (vs. Louisiana, at Ole Miss)
- 2018 SEC Fall Academic Honor Roll
- 2017 SEC Fall Academic Honor Roll
- 2015 SEC First-Year Academic Honor Roll

CAREER

The No. 1 center prospect for the 2019 NFL Draft, according to ESPN draft analyst Mel Kiper Jr., who is also versatile enough to play every position on the line ... Transitioned into the starting center role in 2017 preseason camp and shined as a junior ... Played in 49 career games with 34 starts – 26 at center, five at left tackle, two at left guard and one at right tackle ... Allowed only one sack over 762 pass-blocking snaps at center during his junior and senior seasons, per Pro Football Focus ... Two-time member of the SEC Academic Honor Roll ... Graduated from MSU in December 2018 with a degree in industrial technology.

2018 SENIOR SEASON

Started all 13 games at center ... Recipient of the Kent Hull Trophy, awarded annually to the top offensive lineman in the state of Mississippi ... Earned first-team All-America honors from The Athletic and fourth-team honors from Phil Steele ... Played 773 total snaps, including 369 in pass protection, according to Pro Football Focus ... Did not allow a sack through the first nine games of the season ... Surrendered zero QB hits and only six total pressures ... Committed just one penalty ... Tied for the SEC lead in fewest total pressures allowed (6) among centers who played at least 200 pass-blocking snaps ... Earned a pass-blocking grade of 80.0 or better from PFF in seven different games, including four times in SEC action ... Earned the third-best overall PFF grade (74.1) in the SEC among centers who played a minimum of 770 snaps ... His 74.1 overall grade was his highest since 2015 when he finished with a 73.1 grade ... Collected the second-highest PFF pass-blocking grade (84.8) in the conference among centers ... Finished as one of only four centers in the SEC who did not allow a QB hit over at least 350 snaps played in pass protection ... Led an offensive line that

helped the offense rank second in the SEC in both rushing yards per game (223.6) and yards per rush (5.7) ... Helped pave the way for the offense to rush for 300 or more yards in an SEC-best four games ... Earned SEC Offensive Lineman of the Week honors for the first time in his career after his performance vs. Louisiana (9/15) ... Did not allow a single pressure and anchored an offensive front that cleared paths for 331 yards rushing against the Ragin' Cajuns as the offense averaged 8.5 yards per play ... Was the highest-graded center by PFF in the SEC for the week with a season-high 81.0 overall grade ... Added an 82.2 grade in the pass game and a 75.7 grade in the run game from PFF ... Participated in a season-high 75 snaps vs. No. 8 Auburn (10/6) ... Helped spearhead a rushing attack that generated 349 yards and averaged 6.1 yards per carry against the Tigers ... Picked up his second SEC Offensive Lineman of the Week award after blocking for a rushing attack that pounded out 309 yards on the ground in the Egg Bowl at Ole Miss (11/22) ... Helped the offense finish with 420 yards of total offense, its highest output in a conference game on the year ... Did not allow a pressure against the Rebels and finished with an 81.3 pass-blocking grade from PFF ... Produced a season-best 84.0 pass-blocking grade from PFF in the Outback Bowl vs. Iowa (1/1) ... Did not allow a single pressure in 35 snaps in pass protection ... His 84.0 pass-blocking grade was the fifth-best among centers nationally in bowl games.

2017 JUNIOR SEASON

Started all 13 games at center ... Made his first career start at center in the season-opener vs. Charleston Southern (9/2) ... Paved the way for a dominant rushing offense that ranked second in the SEC, racking up 251.7 yards per game, which was also 11th nationally ... Part of an offensive line that allowed the fewest sacks in the SEC and the fewest by an MSU team since 1988 (13).

2016 SOPHOMORE SEASON

Played in 12 games with five starts ... Did not play against Samford (10/29) ... According to Pro Football Focus, ranked second in the SEC in pass block efficiency with a 97.8 percentile ... Was in on 514 snaps during the year, including a season-high 70 in a dominating performance against No. 4 Texas A&M (11/5) ... Started at left tackle the first three games of the year – South Alabama (9/3), South Carolina (9/10) and LSU (9/17) and then moved to guard ... Started at left guard at Ole Miss (11/26) and in the St. Petersburg Bowl (12/26).

2015 R-FRESHMAN SEASON

Played in 11 games with three starts ... Started at left tackle against Troy (10/10) and Ole Miss (11/28) ... Started at right tackle at Arkansas (11/21) ... Saw action in 420 snaps during the regular season ... Played in 54 snaps during his first career start vs. Troy ... Played a season-high 87 snaps during start at Arkansas ... Did not play against LSU and Missouri.

2014 TRUE FRESHMAN SEASON

Redshirted during first year on campus ... Named to the SEC Academic Honor Roll.

HIGH SCHOOL

A three-star recruit according to 247Sports ... Rated as the 15th best prospect in Mississippi by 247Sports ... Was a high school teammate of fellow MSU teammate signee J.T. Gray as a senior ... Two are the first SEC prospects from Clarksdale since Charles Mitchell went to the NFL after four years at Mississippi State ... Earned Second-Team 5A Mississippi Association of Coaches All-State honors as a senior ... Selected to play for the North Team as an offensive lineman in the Bernard Blackwell All-Star Football Game following final year ... Earned a place on the Mississippi High School Athletic Association (MHSAA) Region 1-5A First All-Region Team ... Played for head coach Henry Johnson and helped the Cougars to a 7-5 record in 2013 ... Team advanced to the second round of the MHSAA 5A state playoffs after a 38-21 victory against Ridgeland in the postseason opener ... Played on both sides of the line during final campaign ... Collected 19 tackles with 2.0 sacks in 2014.

PERSONAL

Born Elgton Torrance Jenkins Jr. on Dec. 26, 1995 ... Nickname is "Big E" ... Parents are Delandra and Elgton Jenkins Sr. ... Has two siblings – Indigol and Jerry ... All-time favorite MSU player is Mario Haggan.



TE JUSTIN JOHNSON

#81 • Senior • Tight End • 6-3 • 245 • Birmingham, Ala. • Hoover HS

HONORS

2016 SEC First-Year Academic Honor Roll

CAREER HIGHS

Receptions: 3, (twice) last vs. Arkansas (11-17-18)
 Receiving Yards: 59, vs. Arkansas (11-17-18)
 Receiving TD: 1, (three times) last vs. Arkansas (11-17-18)
 Longest Reception: 37, vs. Louisiana Tech (11-3-18)

CAREER STATS

YEAR	G/GS	NO.	YDS	AVG.	TD	LP/OPPONENT
2015	11/0	5	41	8.2	1	12/USM
2016	13/2	5	34	6.8	0	18/USA
2017	13/0	8	44	5.5	1	12/UMASS
2018	13/13	17	238	14.0	1	37/LA TECH
TOTAL	50/15	35	357	10.2	3	37/LA TECH

CAREER

Extremely athletic playmaker who played a pivotal role at tight end for four seasons ... Saw action in 50 career games with 15 starts ... Made 35 catches for 357 yards and three touchdowns ... Arrived in Starkville after a stellar prep career at Alabama high school powerhouse Hoover.

2018 SENIOR SEASON

Started all 13 games ... Averaged 14.0 yards per catch and finished with 17 catches for 238 yards and a touchdown ... Fourth-leading receiver on the team and first among tight ends ... Collected more receiving yards in 2018 than during the previous three seasons combined ... Had a reception of at least 30 yards in four different games – 34 yards vs. Stephen F. Austin (9/1), 32 yards at Kansas State (9/8), 37 yards vs. Louisiana Tech (11/3) and 34 yards vs. Arkansas (11/17) ... Logged seven multi-catch games and caught a pass in 10 games ... 59 receiving yards on three catches vs. Arkansas (11-17-18) was a career high ... Also caught a touchdown pass against the Razorbacks.

2017 JUNIOR SEASON

Appeared in all 13 games as a reserve tight end ... Finished the season with eight receptions for 44 yards and a touchdown ... First catch of the season came at Louisiana Tech (9/9) for five yards ... Caught a career-high three passes for nine yards at No. 13 Auburn (9/30) with a 5-yard touchdown pass in the second quarter ... Made a four-yard catch in College Station vs. No. 24 Texas A&M (10/28) ... Gained a season-high 12 yards with a lone catch vs. UMass (11/3) ... Reeled in a seven-yard catch vs. No. 2 Alabama (11/11) ... Also had a seven-yard catch vs. Ole Miss (11/23).

2016 SOPHOMORE SEASON

Played in all 13 games with two starts ... Earned the first two starts of his career in victories against South Carolina and Ole Miss ... Snagged a total of five passes for 34 yards ... Caught two passes for 22 yards in the season-opener against South Alabama (9/3) ... Had one catch for five yards at No. 1 Alabama (11/12) ... Grabbed an eight yard pass in the St. Petersburg Bowl against Miami (Ohio) (12/26).

2015 TRUE FRESHMAN SEASON

Played in 11 games as a reserve tight end ... Did not play against Missouri and Ole Miss ... Hauled in five passes for 41 yards with one touchdown ... Scored a touchdown in his collegiate debut at Southern Miss (9/5), finishing with two catches for 17 yards ... TD came on a 5-yard pass from Dak Prescott in the second quarter that gave the Bulldogs the lead for good ... Had one catch for nine yards against No. 14 LSU (9/12) ... Also had one catch for six yards against Troy (10/10) and one catch for nine yards against Kentucky (10/24) ... Member of the SEC Academic Honor Roll.

HIGH SCHOOL

A three-star wide out by ESPN, Scout, Rivals and 247Sports ... Rated the 50th-best receiver according to Rivals.com ... Ranked the No. 1 receiver in the state of Alabama by Rivals.com, Scout.com and 247Sports ... An AlabamaVarsity.com Preseason First-Team All-State selection ... Member of the 2014 Hoover squad that won the 7A state championship game under head coach Josh Niblett ... Caught 22 passes for 297 yards and two touchdowns as a senior despite battling through knee tendonitis ... Racked up 617 receiving yards and six touchdowns as a junior ... Caught three passes for 49 yards, including the game-winning touchdown, in the Alabama-Mississippi All-Star Classic at the end of his senior season ... Committed to Mississippi State in July 2014.

PERSONAL

Born Justin Johnson on Nov. 8, 1996, in Birmingham, Ala. ... Son of Eric and Kenya Johnson ... Has six siblings – Eric, Raelan, Daednan, Kennedy, Jordan and Evann ... Majoring in criminology ... Twitter handle is @JustinJohnson1.



RB DONTAVIAN LEE

#28 • Senior • Running Back • 6-1 • 230 • Hattiesburg, Miss. • Forrest County Agricultural HS

CAREER HIGHS

Rush attempts: 7, vs. Arkansas (11-17-18)
 Rush yards: 38, vs. Arkansas (11-17-18)
 Rush TD: 1, (twice) last vs. Stephen F. Austin (9-1-18)
 Long Rush: 24, vs. Northwestern State (9-19-15)
 Receptions: 1, (four times) last vs. Alabama (11-12-16)
 Receiving yards: 11, vs. Louisiana Tech (10-17-15)
 Long reception: 11, vs. Louisiana Tech (10-17-15)

CAREER STATS

RUSHING STATS						
YEAR	G/GS	NO.	YDS	AVG.	TD	LP/OPPONENT
2015	10/0	22	137	6.2	0	24/NW STATE
2016	13/0	7	27	3.9	0	9/Auburn
2017	12/0	16	64	4.0	1	9/LA TECH
2018	13/0	19	82	4.3	1	13/Arkansas
TOTAL	48/0	64	310	4.8	2	24/NW STATE

RECEIVING STATS						
YEAR	G/GS	NO.	YDS	AVG.	TD	LP/OPPONENT
2015	10/0	2	15	7.5	0	11/LA TECH
2016	13/0	2	5	2.5	0	5/Alabama
2017	12/0	0	0	0.0	0	N/A
2018	13/0	0	0	0.0	0	N/A
TOTAL	48/0	4	20	5.0	0	11/LA TECH

CAREER

Powerful running back who spent five years with the program ... Saw time in 49 games in his career after redshirting in 2014 ... Scored his first collegiate touchdown in 2017 ... Rushed 64 times for 310 yards and a pair of touchdowns ... Graduated from MSU in December 2018.

2018 SENIOR SEASON

Played in all 13 games ... Saw action primarily on special teams and provided depth at running back ... Rushed 19 times for 82 yards and one touchdown ... Had a 5-yard rushing touchdown in the season opener vs. Stephen F. Austin (9/1) ... Finished the night with 29 yards on six carries ... On Senior Day vs. Arkansas (11/17), rushed a season-high seven times for a season-best 38 yards.

2017 JUNIOR SEASON

Appeared in all 12 games of the regular season ... Did not see any action in the TaxSlayer Bowl (12/30) ... Rushed for 64 total yards off 16 carries and scored the first touchdown of his career ... Scored first collegiate touchdown on a 1-yard rush in the season-opener vs. Charleston Southern (9/2) ... Rushed for a season-high 15 yards at Louisiana Tech (9/9) on two carries, including a season-long rush of nine yards.

2016 SOPHOMORE SEASON

Participated in all 13 games ... Carried the ball seven times for 27 yards; also caught two passes for five yards ... Tallied a season-high 14 yards vs. Auburn on two carries including a season-long 9-yard carry (10/8) ... Toted the ball eight yards on two carries at Kentucky (10/22) ... Caught one pass for five yards at Alabama (11/12).

2015 R-FRESHMAN SEASON

Saw action in 10 games with no starts as a backup running back ... Did not play against Missouri (11/5), Alabama (11/14) or Arkansas (11/21) ... Rushed 22 times for 137 yards and added two catches for 15 yards ... Made his collegiate debut in the season-opening victory at Southern Miss (9/5), rushing once for six yards ... Carried the ball five times for a season-high 57 yards against Northwestern State (9/19) ... Averaged a game-high 8.8 yards per carry in the Troy victory ... Ran three times for 21 yards and caught one pass for 11 yards against Louisiana Tech (10/17).

2014 TRUE FRESHMAN SEASON

Redshirted during initial year with the program.

HIGH SCHOOL

A three-star recruit according to ESPN.com, Rivals.com and 247Sports for head coach Larry Dolan ... Earned a spot on the Mississippi High School Football Coaches Class 4A First-Team All-State Offense squad as a senior and the second team as a junior ... The 59th-best running back in the country according to Scout.com and rated as the 23rd-best prospect in the state by ESPN.com ... A member of the MaxPreps 2013 Mississippi Preseason All-State Football Team ... Named to the 2013 247Sports All-State All-Prospect Second-Team Offense ... Selected to the 2013 All-Gridiron Second Team by the Mississippi Gridiron ... Checked in at No. 17 in the Clarion-Ledger's Targeted 22 ... Took part in the Mississippi-Alabama All-Star Classic ... Carried Forrest County to the Mississippi High School Athletic Association 4A state championship with a 21-6 victory against Lafayette ... Title was the first in the history of the Aggie program, which finished the campaign with a 13-2 overall record and made its initial appearance in the state finals ... In the championship game, rushed for 43 yards and had a key 15-yard touchdown reception that put the Aggies ahead 21-6 with 4:20 remaining in the third quarter ... In the state quarterfinal game versus St. Stanislaus, tallied 253 all-purpose yards, including 90 rushing and 128 receiving ... For the season, gained 1,590 yards rushing on 222 carries and registered 13 touchdowns while hauling in 29 passes for 432 yards and eight scores as a senior ... Defensively, tallied 43 tackles (31 solo stops), 5.0 tackles for lost yardage, 1.0 sack, four fumble recoveries and two forced fumbles as a linebacker ... Tallied a pair of defensive touchdowns with a fumble and interception return for TDs ... Returned 11 kickoffs for 250 yards ... As a junior, carried the ball 138 times for 1,392 yards and 13 touchdowns ... As a sophomore was named a Hattiesburg American All-Star ... Recorded 1,163 rushing yards on 167 carries and scored seven touchdowns as a sophomore ... Added nine receptions for 242 yards and four scores that year ... Also participated in basketball and track for Forrest County ... In track, ran the 100-meter dash and threw the shot put.

PERSONAL

Full name is Dontavian Da'Shun Lee ... Born April 27, 1996 ... Mother is Kathy Gilbert ... Twitter handle is @dontavianlee.



S MARK McLAURIN

#41 • Senior • Safety • 6-2 • 215 • Collins, Miss. • Collins HS

HONORS

2019 NFL Combine Participant
 2017 Associated Press All-Bowl Team
 2017 TaxSlayer Bowl MVP
 2016 SEC Fall Academic Honor Roll

CAREER HIGHS

Tackles: 11, three times, last vs. Louisville (12-30-17)
 Tackles For Loss: 1.5, vs. Alabama (11-11-17)
 Sacks: 1.5, vs. Alabama (11-11-17)
 Interceptions: 3, vs. Louisville (12-30-17)
 Pass Breakups: 2, vs. Kentucky (10-21-17)
 Forced Fumbles: 1, (twice) last vs. Auburn (10-6-18)

CAREER STATS

DEFENSIVE STATS

YEAR	G/GS	TT	UT	AT	TFL-YDS	SCK-YDS	FF/FR	PBU	INT-YD
2015	12/0	20	10	10	0.0-0	0.0-0	0/0	3	0-0
2016	13/6	51	28	23	2.0-5	1.0-4	0/2	5	2-27
2017	13/12	79	36	43	3.5-10	1.5-7	1/0	6	6-85
2018	13/12	74	41	33	4.5-13	0.0-0	1/1	4	0-0
TOTAL	51/30	224	115	109	10.0-28	2.5-11	2/3	18	8-112

CAREER

Instinctive safety who was one of the best in the SEC at his position during his last two seasons ... Had a breakout junior campaign in which he led the SEC in interceptions and was the TaxSlayer Bowl MVP ... Owns the MSU single-season record for picks ... Was a preseason All-America candidate by several publications as a senior ... Teamed with Johnathan Abram to form one of the top safety tandems in the country ... Played in 51 games with 30 starts ... Finished as MSU's active career leader in interceptions with eight ... Totaled 224 tackles, 10 tackles for loss and 2.5 sacks ... Defended 26 passes, forced a pair of fumbles and recovered three ... Racked up 10 or more tackles in seven different games.

2018 SENIOR SEASON

Started 12 of 13 games and recorded 74 tackles, 4.5 for loss, and four pass breakups ... Also forced a fumble and recovered one ... Did not start at No. 5 LSU (10/20) ... Played 820 snaps according to Pro Football Focus, which was the seventh-most among safeties in the SEC ... Posted double-digit tackle efforts in back-to-back games vs. No. 8 Auburn (10/6) and at No. 5 LSU (10/20) ... Collected seven or more tackles in five different games ... Recorded at least a half tackle for loss in six different contests ... Earned a 79.1 tackling grade from PFF, which was the third-best among SEC safeties who played at least 800 snaps ... Finished fourth in the SEC at his position in total pressures (7) and tied for second in hurries (6) ... His 74 tackles ranked third on the team ... Opened the season with five tackles, including 1.0 for loss, vs. Stephen F. Austin (9/1) ... Followed up with five tackles at Kansas State (9/8) and then five more vs. Louisiana (9/15) ... Collected six tackles, including 1.0 for loss, at Kentucky (9/22) ... Turned in seven tackles vs. Florida (9/29) ... Led the team with 10 tackles, including 1.0 for loss, in the big win vs. No. 8 Auburn (10/6) ... Eight of those tackles were of the solo variety ... Also forced a key fumble at State's 1-yard line and teammate Kobe Jones recovered it in the end zone for a touchback late in the third quarter ... Tied for the team lead in tackles the following game at No. 5 LSU (10/20) ... Also logged a half tackle for loss ... Registered seven tackles on Homecoming vs. Louisiana Tech (11/3) ... Tallied eight tackles, including one half for loss, on Senior Day vs. Arkansas (11/17) ... Had three tackles with a half tackle for loss in the Egg Bowl win at Ole Miss (11/22).

2017 JUNIOR SEASON

MSU's leading tackler (79) and the SEC leader in interceptions (6) ... Started 12 of the 13 games he played in at safety ... Did not start at Arkansas ... Tied the MSU single-season record for interceptions, becoming the first Bulldog since 2009 to tally six picks in a season ... Tied for fourth nationally in interceptions ... Added 3.5 tackles for loss, 1.5 sacks and one forced fumble ... Second on the team in pass breakups with six ... Recorded four games with double-digit tackles ... Named to the Associated Press All-Bowl Team and TaxSlayer Bowl MVP after a spectacular game in leading MSU to a win against Louisville ... Tallied a team-high 11 tackles and tied the school single-game record with three interceptions of Heisman Trophy winner Lamar Jackson ... Became the first Bulldog since 2014 with three

picks in a game ... Was the first FBS player to intercept three or more passes in a bowl game since Notre Dame's Harrison Smith did it in the 2010 Sun Bowl against Miami ... Was also only the second Power Five player to record three interceptions in a game in 2017 ... Two of the interceptions occurred in the fourth quarter, including the game-clincher in the final two minutes ... Recorded 10 tackles and returned an interception 32 yards at Louisiana Tech (9/9) ... Forced his first career fumble and set a career high with 11 tackles against Kentucky (10/21) ... Also had interceptions in games vs. Texas A&M (10/28) and Ole Miss (11/23) ... Disruptive game against No. 1 Alabama with 11 tackles and a career-best 1.5 sacks (11/11).

2016 SOPHOMORE SEASON

Burst onto the scene in 2016, earning a starting safety spot midway through the year ... Played in all 13 games with six starts ... Starts came against BYU, Kentucky, Samford, Texas A&M, Alabama and Arkansas ... Accounted for 51 tackles with two behind the line of scrimmage ... Ranked second on the team in interceptions with two (BYU, Texas A&M) ... Led the squad in fumble recoveries with two ... His seven passes defended was second on the team ... Tallied a season-high 10 tackles and one pass breakup against Auburn (10/8) ... Broke into the starting lineup at BYU (10/14) and collected his first career interception, returning it 27 yards in the second quarter ... A week later in start at Kentucky (10/22), scooped up a fumble and took it back 81 yards for a touchdown to put the Bulldogs back in the game in the fourth quarter ... Sealed the victory for MSU over No. 4 Texas A&M (11/5) with a diving interception at midfield and 0:27 remaining ... His tackles for loss came against South Alabama and Texas A&M.

2015 TRUE FRESHMAN SEASON

Saw time in 12 games on the year, missing only the opener at Southern Miss (9/5) ... Notched 20 tackles (10 solo) and three pass breakups ... Made a tackle in 10 games with multiple-tackle performances in six of those - Northwestern State (9/19), Troy (10/10), Kentucky (10/24), Missouri (11/5), Ole Miss (11/28), NC State (12/30) ... Tallied one pass break up in three games - vs. Northwestern State (9/19), Troy (10/10) and Kentucky (10/24) ... Made a season-high three tackles in four games with all three of those at Missouri (11/5) solo.

HIGH SCHOOL

Solid defensive back awarded four starts by 247Sports ... Played wide receiver and safety and was the No. 8 ranked player in Mississippi by 247Sports ... Ranked No. 14 in the state by Scout.com and No. 26 by ESPN.com who also had him as a three-star recruit ... A three-star prospect according to Rivals.com who was the No. 18 player in the state ... Helped Collins to be crowned the 2014 Class 3A State Champions and a 14-2 record during his senior season ... In 16 games played during his senior season, recorded 35 receptions for 665 yards and eight touchdowns as a receiver ... As a safety in 2014, recorded 38 total tackles and five for loss ... Also picked off seven passes, deflected four passes, recovered three fumbles and caused one ... Played baseball, basketball and football in high school ... Coached by Ryan Earnest ... Committed to Mississippi State in July 2014.

PERSONAL

Born Mark Lamar McLaurin on April 11, 1997 ... Son of Tijuana and Mark McLaurin ... Has six siblings – Tela, Meshia, Stokes, Jaylen, Mike and Devion ... A business administration major ... Twitter handle is @McLaurinBoy41.



CB JAMAL PETERS

#2 • Senior • Cornerback • 6-2 • 220 • Bassfield, Miss. • Bassfield HS

HONORS

2019 NFL Combine Participant

CAREER HIGHS

Tackles: 8, vs. Arkansas (11-17-18)
 Tackles For Loss: 1.5, vs. Northwestern State (9-19-15)
 Sacks: 1, (three times) vs. Northwestern State (9-19-15)
 Interceptions: 1, (three times), last vs. Texas A&M (10-28-17)
 Pass Breakups: 2, vs. Troy (10-10-15)
 Forced Fumbles: 1, (twice), last vs. Miami (12-26-16)

CAREER STATS

DEFENSIVE STATS

YEAR	G/GS	TT	UT	AT	TFL-YDS	SCK-YDS	FF/FR	PBU	INT-YD
2015	12/2	25	12	13	1.5-7	1.0-5	0/0	2	0-0
2016	12/2	18	12	6	1.0-2	0.0-0	2/0	2	2-0
2017	12/3	23	8	15	0.0-0	0.0-0	0/1	2	1-90
2018	10/9	33	24	9	1.0-1	0.0-0	0/0	4	0-0
TOTAL	46/16	99	56	43	3.5-10	1.0-5	2/1	10	3-90

CAREER

Lengthy, athletic playmaker who played in 46 games with 16 starts ... Collected 99 tackles, 3.5 tackles for loss, one sack, 10 pass breakups ... Forced five turnovers during his career – three interceptions and two forced fumbles ... Played his 2015 true freshman year at safety and made the switch to corner during the 2016 season ... Thrust into cornerback role midway through 2016 due to injuries in the secondary ... At 6-foot-2 can matchup with most lengthy receivers ... Arrived at MSU as the No. 1 high school player in the state of Mississippi.

2018 SENIOR SEASON

Saw action in 10 games with nine starts at cornerback ... Started the first three contests of the year – vs. Stephen F. Austin (9/1), at Kansas State (9/8), vs. Louisiana (9/15), before missing the next three games due to injury ... Returned at No. 5 LSU (10/20) but did not start ... Started at cornerback the final six games of the season ... vs. No. 16 Texas A&M (10/27), vs. LA Tech (11/3), at No. 1 Alabama (11/10), vs. Arkansas (11/17), at Ole Miss (11/22) and vs. Iowa (1/1) ... Closed out the season with 33 tackles, one tackle for loss and a career-high four pass breakups ... Recorded 18 tackles over his last four games ... Was thrown at three times

against No. 16 Texas A&M (10/27) and allowed just one catch for -1 yards to go along with one tackle for loss ... Racked up a career-high eight tackles and broke up a pass on Senior Day against Arkansas (11/17).

2017 JUNIOR SEASON

Appeared in 12 games with three starts at cornerback – vs. Kentucky (10/21), vs. UMass (11/3) and vs. No. 2 Alabama (11/11) ... Did not see action in the TaxSlayer Bowl vs. Louisville due to a death in the family ... Finished the season with 23 tackles and one interception and the first fumble recovery of his career ... Recovered the first fumble of his career during the second quarter at No. 11 Georgia (9/23) ... Made first start of the season vs. Kentucky (10/21) and finished with two tackles ... Lone interception of the season was a 90-yard pick return for a touchdown, the first of his career, at No. 24 Texas A&M (10/28) ... The pick was the longest interception return by a Bulldog since a Johnthan Banks 100-yard pick six in 2009 ... Saw the first offensive action of his career with an eight-yard rush on a jet sweep vs. UMass (11/3) to go along with two tackles and a pass break up.

2016 SOPHOMORE SEASON

Played in 12 games with two starts at cornerback – vs. Kentucky and at Ole Miss ... Ranked second on the team in interceptions with two and finished the year with 18 tackles ... Tied for the team lead in forced fumbles with two ... Snagged his first career interception in the second quarter against South Carolina (9/10) ... Made first start of the season at Kentucky (10/22) and finished with a season-best four tackles ... Forced a fumble to go along with four tackles at No. 1 Alabama (11/12) ... Made a crucial one-handed interception in the back of the endzone in the second quarter of the Egg Bowl (11/26) that proved to be the turning point in the game ... Forced a fumble to start the second quarter of the St. Petersburg Bowl (12/26).

2015 TRUE FRESHMAN SEASON

Saw time in 12 games with two starts – at Missouri (11/5) and vs. Ole Miss (11/28) ... Tallied 25 tackles (12 solo), 1.5 tackles for loss, one sack and two pass breakups ... Recorded a tackle in 10 games with multiple-tackle performances in seven of those ... Notched his first-career sack in the fourth quarter vs. Northwestern State (9/19) for a loss of five yards ... Recorded

another tackle for loss against Northwestern State, a three-yard loss on a rushing attempt ... Broke up two passes against Troy (10/10) on back-to-back plays in the first quarter ... Made a season-best five tackles (four solo, also a season best) at Missouri (11/5).

HIGH SCHOOL

A blue-chip defensive back who was the No. 1 prospect in the state of Mississippi for 2015 ... Talented safety rated four stars by ESPN, Scout, Rivals and 247Sports ... Ranked the 40th overall player in the country by ESPN.com and the 57th overall by Scout.com ... Ranked the top overall player in the state by ESPN.com and Scout.com and the second-best in the state by 247Sports ... The top safety prospect in Mississippi according to all major recruiting services and the second-best safety in the country by ESPN.com ... Selected to The Clarion-Ledger's Dandy Dozen for 2014 ... Named MaxPreps 2014 Mississippi Mr. Football ... Named to the 2014 247Sports All-State All-Prospect First-Team Defense ... Tallied 60 tackles, 13 pass deflections, five interceptions, 4.5 tackles for loss and one forced fumble as a senior for head coach Lance Mancuso ... Also was an offensive standout, hauling in 28 passes for 581 yards and six touchdowns ... Led his team to a third-straight Class 2A state championship ... Rushed for 109 yards and a touchdown in the title game, while also booking five tackles and a half sack ... Named to the Mississippi Association of Coaches Class 2A All-State Team, the American Family Insurance All-USA Mississippi Football Team, and the MaxPreps Small Schools All-American Football Team ... Was chosen to participate in the Alabama-Mississippi All-Star Classic, where he totaled seven tackles and one tackle for loss ... Selected to the U.S. Army All-American Bowl following his senior season ... Recorded 72 tackles, five sacks, two forced fumbles and a fumble return for a touchdown as a junior ... Displayed his athleticism as a member of the basketball team, collecting MaxPreps Player of the Year honors after averaging 18.2 points and eight rebounds per game during his junior season ... Committed to Mississippi State in July 2014.

PERSONAL

Born Quinn Jamal Peters on Dec. 22, 1996, in Hattiesburg, Miss. ... Son of Yashica Peters ... Has one sibling, Gerobe Jr. ... Majored in interdisciplinary studies ... All-time favorite MSU player in Johnthan Banks ... Twitter handle is @JamalPeters21.



CB CHRIS RAYFORD

#24 • Senior • Cornerback • 6-0 • 200 • Byhalia, Miss. • Byhalia HS

HONORS

2018 SEC Fall Academic Honor Roll
2016 SEC Fall Academic Honor Roll

CAREER HIGHS

Tackles: 7, vs. Samford (10-29-16)
Tackles For Loss: 1, (twice) last vs. Arkansas (11-17-18)
Forced Fumbles: 1, vs. Arkansas (11-17-18)
Fumble Recoveries: 1, vs. Arkansas (11-17-18)
Pass Breakups: 1, (four times) last vs. Louisiana Tech (11-3-18)

CAREER STATS

DEFENSIVE STATS

YEAR	G/GS	TT	UT	AT	TFL-YDS	SCK-YDS	FF/FR	PBU	INT-YD
2015	13/0	5	3	2	0.0-0	0.0-0	0/0	0	0-0
2016	13/3	23	16	7	0.0-0	0.0-0	0/0	0	0-0
2017	13/6	14	8	6	1.0-2	0.0-0	0/0	0	0-0
2018	13/2	13	11	2	1.0-16	0.0-0	1/1	4	0-0
TOTAL	52/11	55	38	17	2.0-18	0.0-0	1/1	4	0-0

CAREER

An experienced cornerback who was part of MSU's starting rotation during three of his five years with the program ... Excellent leadership skills and also contributed on special teams ... Played in 52 games with 11 starts ... Collected 55 tackles, including 2.0 tackles for loss ... Also broke up four passes, forced a fumble and recovered a fumble ... Graduated from MSU in December 2018 with a degree in interdisciplinary studies.

2018 SENIOR SEASON

Played in all 13 games and started twice ... Started at strong safety vs. Louisiana (9/15) and at cornerback at Kentucky (9/22) ... Totaled 13 tackles, including one tackle for loss ... Broke up a pass in four different games and recorded a tackle in nine ... Registered one solo tackle, one tackle for loss, one forced fumble and one fumble recovery on Senior Day vs. Arkansas (11/17) ... Made the special teams play of the game when he forced and recovered a fumble on the punt team inside the Razorbacks' 4-yard line ... Collected a season-high three tackles vs. Iowa (1/1) in the Outback Bowl.

2017 JUNIOR SEASON

Played in all 13 games with six starts at cornerback ... Starts came against LSU, Auburn, BYU, Kentucky, Arkansas and Louisville ... Helped form of the Top 12 pass defenses in the nation, allowing only 174.7 yards per game through the air ... Collected at least one tackle in all but three games ... Two tackles at Auburn (9/30) ... Registered a season-high four tackles at Arkansas (11/18) ... Had one tackle in TaxSlayer Bowl start.

2016 SOPHOMORE SEASON

Saw action in all 13 games, including starts against Samford, Texas A&M and Alabama ... Made 23 total tackles ... Recorded three solo tackles in the season-opener against South Alabama (9/3) ... Tallied a career-high seven tackles, including five unassisted tackles, against Samford Bulldogs in his first career start (10/29) ... Made three tackles in start against No. 1 Alabama.

2015 R-FRESHMAN SEASON

Played in all 13 games during the 2015 campaign ... Recorded a tackle in three games, including picking up a season-high three stops against NC State in the 2015 Belk Bowl victory.

2014 TRUE FRESHMAN SEASON

Redshirted during initial year with the program.

HIGH SCHOOL

A three-star recruit according to 247Sports and Scout.com ... Helped Byhalia to a 4-8 overall mark and a trip to the second round of the Mississippi High School Athletic Association (MHSAA) Class 4A playoffs ... Played for head coach John Danley ... Earned a spot on the state coaches' 4A First-Team All-State Defense ... A FOX Memphis All-Mid-South Team pick and an All-Gridiron Third Team selection by the Mississippi Gridiron prior to the start of the 2013 campaign ... A First-Team All-District honoree as a junior and senior and a second-team selection following sophomore campaign ... Named to the 2013 247Sports All-State All-Prospect Second-Team Defense ... Battled through injuries, but still recorded 32 rushes for 324 yards and three touchdowns while adding a catch for 71 yards and a score ... On

defense, booked 64 tackles, 6.0 hits for lost yardage, 2.0 sacks, three fumble recoveries (two returned for touchdowns) and two pass breakups ... Anchor of a defense that held opponents to 12 or fewer ... Ran track for the Indians and qualified for the 2013 state meet in the 100-meter relay, 400-meter relay and 100-meter dash ... Took fourth place at the North State meet in the 100-meter sprint as a junior.

PERSONAL

Born Christopher Rayford on May 28, 1996 ... Parents are Joann Osborn and Douglas Rye ... Has three siblings, Corneshia, Brandon.



DT JEFFERY SIMMONS

#94 • Junior • Defensive Tackle • 6-4 • 300 • Macon, Miss. • Noxubee County HS

HONORS

- 2018 Bednarik Award Semifinalist
- 2018 Conerly Trophy Winner (top player in Mississippi)
- 2018 Second-Team All-American (AP, The Athletic)
- 2018 Fourth-Team All-American (Phil Steele)
- 2018 First-Team All-SEC (AP, Coaches)
- 2018 ESPN All-Bowl Team
- 2018 SEC Defensive Lineman of the Week (vs. Ole Miss)
- 2017 First-Team All-SEC (AP, Coaches, PFF)
- 2017 Bednarik Award Semifinalist
- 2017 SEC Defensive Lineman of the Week (vs. LA Tech, LSU)
- 2017 SEC Academic Honor Roll
- 2016 SEC All-Freshman Team (Coaches)
- 2016 SEC First-Year Academic Honor Roll

CAREER HIGHS

- Tackles: 10, at LSU (10-20-18)
- Tackles For Loss: 3.5, vs. Stephen F. Austin (9-1-18)
- Sacks: 1.5, vs. LSU (9-16-17)
- Forced Fumbles: 1, (five times) last at Ole Miss (11-22-18)
- Fumble Recoveries: 1, (twice) last vs. Ole Miss (11-23-17)
- Pass Breakups: 1, (seven times) last at Ole Miss (11-22-18)

CAREER STATS

DEFENSIVE STATS										
YEAR	G/GS	TT	UT	AT	TFL-YDS	SCK-YDS	FF/FR	PBU	INT-YD	
2016	12/3	40	13	27	3.5-8	0.0-0	2/0	2	0-0	
2017	13/13	60	21	39	12.0-51	5.0-35	2/2	1	0-0	
2018	13/12	63	25	38	17.0-49	2.0-15	1/0	4	0-0	
TOTAL	38/28	163	59	104	32.5-108	7.0-50	5/2	7	0-0	

CAREER

An All-American who was one of the best defensive players in the nation and in MSU history during his three years with the program ... Provided tremendous leadership as a starter at defensive tackle ... Despite being double-teamed constantly, showed incredible power to shake off blocks with great quickness ... Teamed with Montez Sweat to form one of the best defensive line duos in the nation and in school history during the 2017 and 2018 seasons ... Named a Bednarik Award Semifinalist in both 2017 and 2018 (one of just two players to make the list both seasons) ... Played in 38 games with 28 starts ... Totaled 163 tackles, 32.5 tackles for loss, seven sacks, seven pass

breakups, five forced fumbles and three blocked kicks ... Owns two defensive touchdowns ... In MSU career history, finished ranked sixth in tackles for loss (32.5), tied for sixth in forced fumbles (5) and tied for fourth in blocked kicks (3) ... Racked up 86 total pressures, 12 quarterback hits and 62 hurries according to Pro Football Focus ... Selected to NFL.com's most freakish college football athletes in June 2018 ... Can bench over 450 pounds, squat over 600 pounds and carries just 15 percent body fat at 300 pounds ... Underwent a minor procedure to his shoulder following the 2017 season ... A two-time member of the SEC Academic Honor Roll with over a 3.0 cumulative GPA ... Produced a 4.0 GPA the same fall he earned Freshman All-SEC ... Along with Gerri Green, was MSU's team leader in community service ... Visited schools throughout the Golden Triangle, including several during the spring and summer on his own accord ... Visited Camp Rising Sun, Earl Nash Elementary and Fifth Street School in West Point to give motivational support to kids before spring testing.

2018 JUNIOR SEASON

Despite drawing double teams play after play, still found ways to be disruptive and make his way into backfields ... Was a candidate for virtually every national defensive player of the year award on defense ... Teamed with Montez Sweat on the SEC Coaches and Associated Press All-SEC First Team for the second straight season (first pair of Bulldogs to ever accomplish that feat) and formed one of the nation's best defensive line duos ... Earned second-team All-America honors from the Associated Press and The Athletic and fourth-team status from Phil Steele ... Named the winner of the 23rd annual C Spire Conerly Trophy by the Mississippi Sports Hall of Fame and Museum ... Picked up SEC Defensive Lineman of the Week acclaim (vs. Ole Miss) ... Started 12 of 13 games played ... Led the team and ranked fourth in the SEC in tackles for loss (17) ... Ranked third in the SEC and second among defensive linemen in tackles for loss per game (1.3) ... Finished with 63 total tackles and added a pair of sacks ... His 17 tackles for loss were the third-most in single-season school history ... Also forced a fumble and defended four passes ... Closed the season with the No. 4 overall grade (91.6) and No. 3 run-defense grade (93.2) among defensive interior linemen, according to Pro Football Focus ... Recorded 34 total pressures, seven quarterback hits, 23 hurries and 34 stops according to PFF ... One of only five defensive interior linemen in the SEC with 20+ hurries ... His 34 pressures were the fourth-most in the SEC among defensive interior linemen ... Missed only five

tackles according to PFF ... Tied for second in the SEC among defensive linemen in total tackles (63) ... Ranked third in the SEC among defensive linemen in tackles in conference games (45) ... Committed only three penalties, including just one over the last nine games ... Collected two or more tackles for loss in six different games and had at least one in nine contests ... Opened the season with four tackles, including a career-high 3.5 tackles for loss against Stephen F. Austin (9/1) ... Followed up the next week with four total tackles, including a pair of tackles for loss at Kansas State (9/8) ... Collected six tackles, including two tackles for loss, at Kentucky (9/22) ... Made one tackle for loss as part of five total tackles against No. 8 Auburn (10/6) ... Followed up with a career-high 10 tackles, including one for lost yardage at No. 5 LSU (10/20) ... Fended off double teams and made his way into the backfield throughout the day with six tackles and two tackles for loss at No. 1 Alabama (11/10) ... In his final game at Davis Wade Stadium, racked up seven tackles, one tackle for loss and a pass breakup ... Helped the Bulldogs bring the Golden Egg back to Starkville with four tackles, including two for loss, a sack, a forced fumble and a pass breakup against Ole Miss (11/22) ... Named SEC Defensive Lineman of the Week for his efforts ... Also earned a 93.6 overall grade from PFF ... In his final game at MSU, finished with four tackles, including 2.5 for loss, and a sack in the Outback Bowl vs. Iowa (1/1) ... Over the first three plays of the game, recorded a sack and 1.5 tackles for loss ... Recorded a season-high five total pressures, including a pair of quarterback hits ... Earned a spot on ESPN's All-Bowl team for his performance ... Competed in the State Farm All-Star Football Challenge in Dallas following the season's end.

2017 SOPHOMORE SEASON

Joined Montez Sweat on the SEC Coaches and Associated Press All-SEC First Team ... Started all 13 games and shined ... Became the first SEC player since 2004 to lead the nation in blocked punts/kicks with three ... Ranked 11th in the SEC in tackles for loss with 12 despite being double-teamed ... A two-time recipient of the SEC Defensive Lineman of the Week (vs. Kentucky, Texas A&M) ... Recorded five sacks, 41 quarterback pressures and maintained a 3.1 GPA in the fall ... Recovered two fumbles and forced two as well ... Became the first Bulldog since 2009 to register two touchdowns in a game, providing the highlight of the year when he skied into the air to block a punt and recover it for a touchdown at Louisiana Tech (9/9) ... Added a recovered fumble in which he returned it 90 yards for a score at LA Tech

in addition to a blocked field goal ... Dominated against No. 11 LSU (9/16), recording seven tackles, 1.5 tackles for loss and 1.5 sacks ... Had six tackles, 1.5 tackles for loss and one sack at No. 13 Auburn (9/30) ... Racked up a career-best eight tackles against UMass (11/3) with one tackle for loss ... Collected 1.5 tackles for loss against No. 1 Alabama (11/11) ... Two tackles for loss at Arkansas (11/18) ... A constant in the backfield in the TaxSlayer Bowl, pressuring Heisman Trophy winner Lamar Jackson nine times and recording one tackle for loss.

2016 TRUE FRESHMAN SEASON

Played in 12 games with three starts at defensive tackle ... One of two true freshmen defenders on the squad to see action ... Starts came against Kentucky, Texas A&M and in the St. Petersburg Bowl against Miami (Ohio) ... Finished with 40 tackles, 3.5 tackles for loss and four quarterback hurries ... Led all SEC freshman and tied for the team lead in forced fumbles with two ... Became the first MSU defensive lineman to earn Freshman All-SEC honors since Chris Jones (now with Kansas City Chiefs) in 2013 ... Made his collegiate debut against South Carolina (9/10) and had an immediate impact with four tackles, two tackles for loss and one forced fumble ... Produced a season-high six tackles at Kentucky (10/22) and made a key forced fumble in the fourth quarter that led to a Mark McLaurin fumble recovery touchdown ... Jarred the ball loose and put MSU back in the game against the Wildcats ... Also collected six tackles and 0.5 tackles for loss against Arkansas (11/19).

HIGH SCHOOL

Dominant, blue-chip five-star defensive line prospect ... The No. 1 player in the state of Mississippi ... Considered the nation's No. 10 overall player and No. 2 defensive end by Scout.com ... A five-star prospect according to Rivals.com and Scout.com ... A four-star prospect by 247Sports.com and ESPN.com ... The top-rated player in the state of Mississippi by Rivals.com and 247Sports.com ... Played in the U.S. Army All-American Game ... Competed in the 29th annual Mississippi-Alabama All-Star Game ... Key player on Noxubee County squad that won its second straight MHSAA Class 4A state championship and went 12-4 overall ... Led the Tigers with 20.5 tackles for loss, 18.5 sacks, 21 quarterback hurries, three blocked field goals and two blocked punts as a senior ... Also forced two fumbles, recovered two fumbles, broke up five passes and recorded an interception ... Finished second on the team in tackles (105) and solo tackles (88) despite missing four games ... Tallied 3.5 sacks and four quarterback hurries in the state championship game against St. Stanislaus High School ... Earned five-star rating after 2015 season-opener against Starkville High School where he totaled 17 tackles, five sacks, five hurries, three pass breakups, a fumble recovery and a blocked field goal ... Coached by Tyrone Shorter.

PERSONAL

Born Jeffery Bernard Simmons Jr. on July 28, 1997, in Lasalle, La. ... Mother is Brenda ... Has one brother, Dylan, and two sisters – Brooke and Ashley ... Lists J.J. Watt as his favorite NFL player ... Majoring in human development and family studies ... Twitter handle is @GrindSimmons94.



DE MONTEZ SWEAT

#9 • Senior • Defensive End • 6-6 • 245 • Stone Mountain, Ga. • Copiah-Lincoln [Miss.] CC

HONORS

- 2019 NFL Combine Participant
- 2019 Senior Bowl Selection
- 2018 First-Team All-American (FWAA, Sporting News, Phil Steele)
- 2018 Second-Team All-American (Associated Press, Sports Illustrated, CBS Sports)
- First-Team All-SEC (Associated Press, Coaches)
- 2018 Bednarik Award Semifinalist
- 2018 Bednarik National Player of the Week (vs. Auburn)
- 2018 Bronko Nagurski National Player of the Week (vs. Auburn)
- 2018 SEC Defensive Lineman of the Week (vs. K-State, vs. Auburn)
- 2018 Senior Bowl Defensive Senior of the Week (vs. K-State)
- 2017 First-Team All-SEC (Associated Press, Coaches)
- 2017 SEC Defensive Lineman of the Week (vs. UK, A&M, Arkansas)

CAREER HIGHS

- Tackles: 7, (twice) last at LSU (10-20-18)
- Tackles For Loss: 3.5, vs. Stephen F. Austin (9-1-18)
- Sacks: 3.0, vs. Auburn (10-6-18)
- Forced Fumbles: 1, vs. Auburn (10-6-18)
- Fumble Recoveries: 1, at Auburn (9-30-17)

CAREER STATS

DEFENSIVE STATS									
YEAR	G/GS	TT	UT	AT	TFL-YDS	SCK-YDS	FF/FR	PBU	INT-YD
2017	13/13	48	21	27	15.5-73	10.5-64	0/1	0	0-0
2018	13/12	53	27	26	14.0-100	11.5-96	1/0	0	0-0
TOTAL	26/25	101	48	53	29.5-173	22.0-160	1/1	0	0-0

CAREER

One of the most feared edge rushers in America, who makes his presence known in the backfield ... Returned for his senior season after he tied for the SEC lead in sacks and tackles for loss in 2017 ... Earned first-team All-SEC honors by both the AP and coaches in each of his two seasons in Starkville ... Teamed with Jeffery Simmons to become one of the best defensive line duos in America ... He and Simmons were the first SEC Coaches First-Team duo to return the following year ... Likely to be a high pick in the 2019 NFL Draft ... Collected 22 sacks in 26 career games at MSU ... Totaled 101 tackles and 29.5 tackles for loss ... His 0.85 career sacks per game ranked second nationally among active players, while his 22 sacks were the second most since

the start of the 2017 season among Power 5 players ... Finished his MSU career ranked tied for fifth on the school's career list for sacks (22) and eighth for tackles for loss (29.5) ... The 22 sacks were also good for ninth in the country among active players ... Appeared on MSU's single-season career list for sacks in each of his two years in Starkville, ranking seventh in 2018 (11.5) and eighth in 2017 (10.5) ... Five-time SEC Defensive Lineman of the Week, good for the most in MSU history ... Logged at least a half sack in 16 of 26 games at MSU ... Came to MSU as one of the top junior college pass rushers and played his freshman season at Michigan State ... Enrolled at MSU in January 2017 ... Graduated from MSU in December 2018 with a degree in communication.

2018 SENIOR SEASON

One of the nation's best defensive ends for the second straight season ... Started 12 of 13 games ... Earned first-team All-America honors from the Football Writers Association of America, Sporting News and Phil Steele ... Collected second-team All-America status from The Associated Press, Sports Illustrated and CBS Sports ... Finished as a semifinalist for the Bednarik Award, given annually to the nation's top defensive player ... Teamed with Jeffery Simmons to become the first defensive line duo in MSU history to win first-team All-SEC honors from the AP in back-to-back seasons ... Also was named a first-team All-SEC selection by the league's coaches for the second straight year ... Led MSU in sacks for the second straight year (11.5) ... Finished second in the SEC and tied for sixth nationally in sacks after leading the league as a junior ... His 11.5 sacks were also good for seventh in single-season MSU history ... Racked up 14 tackles for loss, which ranked second on the team behind Simmons' 17 and seventh in the SEC ... Totaled 100 yards on tackles for loss, which ranked second in the SEC and eighth nationally ... Had seven sacks and seven tackles for loss in SEC games ... Logged at least 0.5 sacks in eight games and tallied four games with at least 1.5 sacks ... Recorded the second-most total pressures in the SEC (47) and tied for the second-most QB Hits (10) among edge defenders according to Pro Football Focus ... Earned the third-highest overall grade (86.3) and the fourth-best pass-rushing grade (83.2) among edge defenders from PFF ... Was also strong in the run game with the third-best PFF run-defense grade (86.8) among edge defenders ... Ranked second in the SEC and sixth nationally in sacks per game (0.89) ... Opened the season with six tackles, a career-high 3.5 tackles for loss and a pair of sacks vs. Stephen F. Austin (9/1) ... A week later, was honored as SEC Defensive

Lineman of the Week and Senior Bowl Defensive Senior of the Week at Kansas State (9/8) ... Registered three tackles, two tackles for loss and one sack against the Wildcats ... Had six tackles and 1.5 sacks at Kentucky (9/22) ... Named the Bronko Nagurski National Defensive Player of the Week, SEC Defensive Lineman of the Week and Bednarik Player of the Week vs. No. 8 Auburn (10/6) ... Was unstoppable off the edge against the Tigers, posting a career-best three sacks for a loss of 27 yards ... Also forced one fumble and added two quarterback hurries that forced incompletions and became the first Bulldog with three or more sacks in a game since Willie Evans had three versus Tulane on Sept. 17, 2005 ... Became only the third Bulldog in the last 20 years to achieve the feat and the first in a conference game since Ed Smith versus Arkansas on Nov. 21, 1998. All three sacks in that game came in the second half ... Turned in seven tackles and one sack at No. 5 LSU (10/20) ... Posted three tackles and a sack vs. Louisiana Tech (11/3) ... Closed the regular-season with six tackles and 1.5 sacks at Ole Miss (11/22) ... In his final college game against Iowa (1/1) in the Outback Bowl, collected a pair of tackles and a half sack.

2017 JUNIOR SEASON

A first-team All-SEC selection in his first season, starting all 13 games ... Played outside linebacker in the 3-4 and defensive end in the 4-3 ... Joined Jeffery Simmons as the two became just the second duo in the SEC West since 2003 to both earn first-team All-SEC honors ... Became the first Bulldog to lead the SEC in sacks since 2005 with 10.5 for a loss of 64 yards ... Tied for eighth nationally in sacks ... Also had 7.5 sacks in SEC only games, which tied for the league lead ... Produced 11 games with at least 0.5 tackles for loss ... Ranked seventh in MSU single-season history in sacks ... The only player in the SEC to earn SEC Defensive Lineman of the Week honors three times (vs. Kentucky, Texas A&M, Arkansas) ... Tied for the SEC lead in tackles for loss with the fifth-highest total in MSU single-season history (15.5) ... Had three tackles in his debut against Charleston Southern (9/2) ... Collected three tackles, including the first sack of his career, and a recovered fumble nearly for a touchdown at No. 13 Auburn (9/30) ... Turned in his best SEC performance against Kentucky (10/21) and was named SEC Defensive Lineman of the Week with a career-best seven tackles, 2.5 tackles for loss and 1.5 sacks ... Racked up six tackles and two sacks in win at No. 24 Texas A&M (10/28) ... Earned his second SEC Defensive Lineman of the Week honor with four tackles and a season-high 2.5 sacks that helped

MSU to a comeback win at Arkansas (11/18) ... Dominating performance in the TaxSlayer Bowl with four tackles, three tackles for loss and one sack of Heisman Trophy winner Lamar Jackson ... Ended the year with a combined 6.5 tackles for loss in the final three games.

JUNIOR COLLEGE

Considered the sixth-best junior college defensive end prospect in the nation according to 247 Sports and was listed No. 43 on Scout.com's Top 100 prospects ... No. 47 on 247Sports' Top 100 JUCO recruits ... A three-star recruit who posted 39 tackles with six for loss in 2016 at Co-Lin ... Also recorded five sacks, forced two fumbles and grabbed one interception.

2014 AT MICHIGAN STATE

Appeared in two games at defensive end in his first season at Michigan State (vs. Jacksonville State and Eastern Michigan) ... In his collegiate debut, collected four tackles, including a half sack (2 yards), against Jacksonville State.

HIGH SCHOOL

Ranked one of the top tight ends in the nation coming out of Stephenson High School, the home of former Bulldog and current Washington Redskin pass rusher Preston Smith ... Recorded 33 tackles, including six for losses with one sack, in 12 games his senior season playing for Coach Ron Gartrell ... Helped lead Stephenson to a 9-3 record and the round of 16 in the Georgia high school state playoffs ... Also played basketball and averaged 12.3 points, 8.1 rebounds and 1.4 blocks as a senior.

PERSONAL

Born Shaquan Montez Sweat in Richmond, Ky., on Sept. 4, 1996 ... Nickname is "Tez" ... Grandparents are Charles and Deborah Sweat ... Has one brother, Anthony and one sister, Yvette ... Twitter handle is @_sweat9.



DT CORY THOMAS

#34 • Senior • Defensive Tackle • 6-5 • 310 • Bessemer, Ala. • McAdory HS

CAREER HIGHS

Tackles: 4, (three times) last vs. Charleston Southern (9-2-17)
 Tackles For Loss: 1.5, vs. Texas A&M (10-27-18)
 Sacks: 1, vs. Texas A&M (10-27-18)
 Pass Breakups: 1, (twice) last vs. Alabama (11-11-17)
 Interceptions: 1, vs. Kentucky (10-24-15)
 Forced Fumbles: 1, vs. Charleston Southern (9-2-17)

CAREER STATS

DEFENSIVE STATS

YEAR	G/GS	TT	UT	AT	TFL-YDS	SCK-YDS	FF/FR	PBU	INT-YD
2015	8/0	3	1	2	1.0-4	1.0-4	0/0	0	1-12
2016	13/4	24	6	18	4.5-14	0.0-0	0/0	1	0-0
2017	6/2	12	4	8	0.0-0	0.0-0	1/0	1	0-0
2018	12/0	12	4	8	1.5-8	1.0-8	0/0	0	0-0
TOTAL	39/6	51	15	36	7.0-26	2.0-12	1/0	2	1-12

CAREER

Physical defensive tackle who made an impact as soon as he took the field for the first time in 2015 ... Saw time in 39 games, including six starts at defensive tackle ... Finished with 51 total tackles, 7.0 tackles for loss and one sack ... Also recorded one interception, forced one fumble and defended three passes ... Was limited during his junior season in 2017 due to a foot injury ... Added depth to the defensive line with his large frame and physical nature ... Arrived in Starkville after a standout prep career in Alabama ... Graduate from MSU in December 2018 with a degree in interdisciplinary studies.

2018 SENIOR SEASON

Played in 12 games ... Recorded 12 total tackles, including 1.5 for loss and one sack ... Did not play against Louisiana (9/15) ... Collected a season-high three tackles against Florida (9/29) ... Matched a season-high in tackles (3), equaled a career-high in sacks (1) and set a career-high in tackles for loss (1.5) against No. 16 Texas A&M (10/27) ... His solo sack against the Aggies resulted in an 8-yard loss and came on first and goal from State's 15-yard line during A&M's second to last drive of the game.

2017 JUNIOR SEASON

Appeared in six games and made two starts ... Missed the majority of the season with a foot injury ... Grabbed a career-high four tackles against Charleston Southern, while forcing his first-career fumble (9/2) ... Returned from a foot injury and recorded at tackle against No. 24 Texas A&M (10/28) ... Recorded his first pass breakup of the season, along with two tackles, vs. No. 1 Alabama (11/11).

2016 SOPHOMORE SEASON

Participated in every tilt of the season; started in four... Tallied at least three tackles for the first six matchups of the season, including a career-high four tackles twice: vs. South Alabama (9/3) and vs. Auburn (10/8)... Made four tackles including a four-yard TFL in the season opener vs. South Alabama (9/3)... Recorded a career-high 1.0 TFL four times this season against South Alabama (9/3), South Carolina (9/10), at BYU (10/14) and vs. Arkansas (11/19)... Totaled two quarterback hurries against the Samford Bulldogs (10/29).

2015 R-FRESHMAN SEASON

Saw time in eight games, with seven of those coming in the first nine games of the season ... Totaled three tackles, one sack and one interception on the year ... Made his debut vs. LSU (9/12) and notched his first tackle against Northwestern State (9/19) ... Intercepted a pass vs. Kentucky (10/24) and recorded a 12-yard return on the play ... His first-career sack came against NC State (12/30) in the Belk Bowl for a loss of four yards.

2014 TRUE FRESHMAN SEASON

Redshirted during his first year on campus.

HIGH SCHOOL

A three-star defensive tackle according to ESPN.com, Rivals.com, Scout.com and 247Sports ... Rated as the 19th-best prospect in the state of Alabama by ESPN.com ... A four-year letterwinner for head coach David Powell ... 2013 Alabama Sports Writers Association First-Team 5A All-State selection following junior and senior campaigns ... Earned a place on the MaxPreps 2013 Alabama Preseason All-State Football Team ... Helped the Yellow Jackets to a 10-3 overall record and 6-1 mark in Region 5 contests as a senior ... Squad advanced to the quarterfinals of the AHSAA 5A state playoffs before falling to Southside 28-25 ... Anchor of a defense that surrendered only 161 points, an average of 12.4 per contest ... Recorded 75 tackles and 3.0 sacks during final campaign ... Recovered a fumble against Southside in the quarterfinals that led to a touchdown and 7-0 McAdory lead ... Played as a safety as a freshman ... Also suited up for the basketball program.

PERSONAL

Born Cory Tyrone Thomas on Aug. 2, 1995 ... Nickname is "Big Cory" ... Parents are Pearl and Orlando Thomas ... Wears the No. 34 because of Bo Jackson ... Twitter handle is @bigohmie_34.



RB AERIS WILLIAMS

#26 • Senior • Running Back • 6-1 • 215 • West Point, Miss. • West Point HS

CAREER HIGHS

Rush Attempts: 25, at Ole Miss (11-26-16)
 Rush Yards: 191, at Ole Miss (11-26-16)
 Rush TD: 2 (twice), last vs. Alabama (11-11-17)
 Long Rush: 59, at Louisiana Tech (9-9-17)
 Receptions: 5, at Georgia (9-23-17)
 Receiving Yards: 33, vs. BYU (10-14-17)
 Receiving TD: 1, vs. Stephen F. Austin (9-1-18)
 Long Reception: 28, at Louisiana Tech (9-9-17)

CAREER STATS

RUSHING STATS

YEAR	G/GS	NO.	YDS	AVG.	TD	LP/OPPONENT
2015	13/0	40	206	5.2	3	33/NC STATE
2016	13/3	137	720	5.3	4	36/OLE MISS
2017	13/12	236	1107	4.7	6	59/LA TECH
2018	12/2	85	524	6.2	3	29/LA TECH
TOTAL	51/17	498	2557	5.1	16	59/LA TECH

RECEIVING STATS

YEAR	G/GS	NO.	YDS	AVG.	TD	LP/OPPONENT
2015	13/0	6	18	3.0	0	9/KENTUCKY
2016	13/3	7	45	6.4	0	24/MIAMI
2017	13/12	16	142	8.9	0	28/LA TECH
2018	12/2	9	100	11.1	1	27/SFA
TOTAL	51/17	38	305	8.0	1	28/LA TECH

CAREER

One of the elite running backs in the SEC during his career ... Rushed for 1,000+ yards as a junior ... Nicknamed "A-Train" or "Train" ... Turned into a dominant ground force late in 2016 and followed that up with an outstanding junior campaign ... Spent five years with the program ... Showcased outstanding vision and pass-blocking ability ... Played in 51 games with 17 starts ... Rushed for 2,557 yards on 498 carries and 16 touchdowns, averaging 5.1 yards per carry ... Logged eight career 100-yard rushing games and two multi-touchdown contests ... No QB-RB combo in MSU history topped the 100-yard rushing mark more than he and Nick Fitzgerald (six times) ... Arrived at MSU after a standout career at nearby West Point High School ... Graduated from MSU in December 2018 with a degree in industrial technology.

2018 SENIOR SEASON

Appeared in 12 games with two starts, rushing for 524 yards and three touchdowns on 85 attempts ... Averaged 6.2 yards per carry ... Hauled in nine receptions for 100 yards and one touchdown ... Topped the 100-yard rushing mark twice ... Recorded 17 runs of 10 or more yards, including three for 20 or more ... Longest run was 29 yards and longest catch was 27 ... Caught a 27-yard touchdown pass in the season opener vs. Stephen F. Austin (9/1) ... Rushed for 101 yards and a touchdown on 11 carries vs. Louisiana (9/15) ... Broke runs of 28, 17, 16 and 15 yards ... Rushed twice for 42 yards, including a 29-yard touchdown run, vs. Louisiana Tech (11/3) ... Ran for 104 yards on 15 carries vs. Arkansas (11/17) on Senior Day ... Put the finishing touches on a 35-3 win at Ole Miss (11/22) with a 1-yard touchdown run midway through the fourth quarter ... Finished the game with 64 rushing yards on 11 attempts.

2017 JUNIOR SEASON

Played in 13 games with 12 starts ... Did not start against Arkansas ... Became MSU's first running back 1,000-yard rusher since Josh Robinson in 2014 ... Ranked sixth in the SEC in rushing, carrying it 236 times for 1,107 yards and six touchdowns ... Averaged 85.2 yards per game on the ground ... Also caught 16 passes for 142 yards ... Had four 100-yard rushing games ... Racked up 82 yards and a touchdown in season-opener start vs. Charleston Southern (9/2) ... Rushed for 107 yards on nine carries, averaging 11.9 yards per carry at Louisiana Tech (9/9) ... Season-high rushing output came the following week in big win against No. 11 LSU (9/16), carrying it 23 times for 146 yards ... Became the first MSU back with back-to-back 100-yard rushing games since 2014 ... Delivered a season-best 147 all-purpose yards against BYU (10/14), rushing for 114 yards and one touchdown on 23 carries and collected 33 yards through the air ... Also had 114 yards rushing in win against UMass (11/3) ... Tremendous game against top-ranked Alabama, rushing for 97 yards on 22 carries with two touchdowns ... Was his second career multi-score game and became the first running back with two rushing touchdowns against Alabama since Ohio State's Ezekiel Elliott on Jan. 1, 2015 ... Both of Williams' scores against Bama occurred in the first half ... Rushed for 88 yards on 12 carries and opening the scoring in the TaxSlayer Bowl with a 5-yard touchdown run.

2016 SOPHOMORE SEASON

Emerged as the starting running back late in the year and thrived ... Started the final three games – Arkansas, Ole Miss and the St. Petersburg Bowl ... Played in all 13 contests ... Rushed for 720 yards and four touchdowns ... Eclipsed the 100-yard mark twice – vs. Texas A&M and at Ole Miss ... Ranked fifth in the SEC in rushing in the month of November, averaging 112.5 yards per game ... Tallied his first rushing touchdown of the year at UMass (9/24) ... Carried it 21 times for 82 yards at BYU (10/14) ... Went over the 100-yard mark for the first time in his career with 24 carries for 140 yards and one touchdown in win over No. 4 Texas A&M (11/5) ... Delivered one of the most dominant running back performances in Egg Bowl history (11/26), rushing for a career-best 191 yards on 25 carries with two scores ... Was the highest yardage total by an MSU running back since Josh Robinson had 198 against Kentucky on Oct. 25, 2014 ... Averaged a career-best 7.6 yards per carry against Ole Miss and tallied his first career multi-touchdown game ... Carried it 12 times for 64 yards in the St. Petersburg Bowl (12/16).

2015 R-FRESHMAN SEASON

Played in all 13 games in a reserve role ... Ranked fourth on the team in rushing with 206 yards on 40 carries and three touchdowns ... Scored his first career touchdown in the Northwestern State win, finishing with seven carries for 36 yards ... Ran the ball six times for 26 yards and a touchdown against Louisiana Tech (10/17), while also recording his first two career receptions ... Averaged 7.7 rushing yards on six carries in the victory at Missouri (11/5), finishing with a season-best 46 yards ... Rushed three times for 39 yards in the Belk Bowl (12/30), including a season-long 33-yard touchdown that gave MSU a 30-point lead in the fourth quarter.

2014 TRUE FRESHMAN SEASON

Did not play in any games and earned a redshirt as true freshman.

HIGH SCHOOL

A four-star recruit according to ESPN.com, Scout.com and 247Sports and a three-star prospect by Yahoo.com ... A three-year starter for head coach Chris Chambless ... Ranked as the 42nd-best running back in the country and the 11th-best recruit in Mississippi by ESPN.com ... The Mississippi Association of Coaches 5A Offensive Player of the Year as a senior ... A 2013 Clarion-Ledger Dandy Dozen selection who was also a member of The Mississippi Press' Fantastic 15 list of the state's top collegiate football prospects at the beginning of senior season ... Became the fourth Dandy Dozen player from West Point, joining Chris Washington (1989), Chris Jefferson (1990) and Michael Carr (2009) ... Took part in the Alabama-Mississippi All-Star Classic ... A 2014 U.S. Army All-American Bowl nominee ... Finished just shy of the 4,000-yard rushing mark (3,994 yards) in prep career ... Gained 1,697 rushing yards and 21 touchdowns on 265 carries during senior year ... Registered nine receptions for 85 yards and a score during final campaign ... Selected as the WCBI-TV Offensive Player of the Year following senior year ... Against Center Hill, rushed for 252 yards and four touchdowns (32, 27, five and 15 yards) to help Green Wave to 69-41 victory ... Rushed for 1,519 yards as a junior with five touchdowns on 268 carries ... Added six receptions for 77 yards in 2012 ... A Columbus Dispatch All-Area Second-Team honoree as a junior, when the Green Wave advanced to the MHSAA 5A state semifinals ... Versus Hernando in 49-14 victory, ran for 112 yards and three scores (four, 10 and 15 yards) ... During sophomore season, rushed for 778 yards on 129 carries

PERSONAL

Born Aeris Lavontae Williams on Aug. 9, 1995, in Racine, Wis. ... Parents are Veronica and David ... Siblings are Calvin and Dahmarion ... Family lived in Racine, Wis., before moving to West Point ... Twitter handle is @aeris_williams.



WR DONALD GRAY

#6 • Wide Receiver • 5-10 • 200 • Memphis, Tenn. • Copiah-Lincoln [Miss] CC

CAREER HIGHS

Receptions: 8, at UMass (9-24-16)
 Receiving Yards: 207, vs. Samford (10-29-16)
 Longest Reception: 74, vs. Samford (10-29-16)
 Receiving Touchdowns: 3, vs. Samford (10-29-16)

CAREER STATS

RECEIVING STATS						
YEAR	G/GS	NO.	YDS	AVG.	TD	LP/OPPONENT
2015	13/0	21	386	18.4	2	54 / ALABAMA
2016	13/13	41	709	17.3	5	74 / SAMFORD
2017	8/8	24	214	8.9	3	24 / CSU
TOTAL	34/21	86	1309	15.2	10	74 / SAMFORD

RUSHING STATS						
YEAR	G/GS	NO.	YDS	AVG.	TD	LP/OPPONENT
2015	13/0	1	33	33.0	0	33 / OLE MISS
2016	13/13	4	83	20.8	0	28 / ARKANSAS
2017	8/8	2	85	8.9	0	52 / CSU
TOTAL	34/21	7	201	28.7	0	52 / CSU

PUNT RETURN STATS						
YEAR	G/GS	NO.	YDS	AVG.	TD	LP/OPPONENT
2015	13/0	1	21	21.0	0	21 / LATECH
2016	13/13	2	10	5.0	0	9 / A&M
2017	8/8	7	63	9.0	0	35 / LSU
TOTAL	34/21	10	94	9.4	0	35 / LSU

CAREER

Explosive receiver who served as a team captain in 2017 ... Has some of the strongest hands in the SEC ... Arrived at MSU as one of the nation's most coveted junior college skill players ... Played in 34 games with 21 starts in his three seasons ... Produced 86 catches for 1,309 yards and 10 touchdowns, which is 12th in school history ... Averaged an exceptional 15.2 yards per catch ... Five of his 10 scores came on plays of 49 yards or more, including two of 70 or more yards ... Tallied two 100-yard receiving games ... Enrolled at MSU in January 2015 ... Originally committed to MSU in July 2013 and then went the junior college route to Copiah-Lincoln in Wesson, Miss. ... One of two players on the squad who played the 2017 season with a degree already in hand.

2017 SENIOR SEASON

MSU's most explosive receiver who despite injuries still managed to finish second on the team in receptions (24) ... Recorded three touchdowns on 214 yards receiving ... Averaged 9.0 yards per punt return ... Played and started in eight games ... Missed the final five games of the year – UMass, Alabama, Arkansas, Ole Miss and the TaxSlayer Bowl – due to a sports hernia ... Caught three passes for a season-high 57 yards in season-opener vs. Charleston Southern (9/2) ... Also had a career-long 52-yard kickoff return in that game ... Hauled in his first touchdown catch at the year at Louisiana Tech (9/9) ... Solid game against LSU (9/16) with three catches for 19 yards and a career-long 35-yard punt return that helped set up at MSU drive ... Made four catches for 41 yards, including a 9-yard TD reception against BYU (10/14) ... Season-high six catches for 51 yards vs. Kentucky (10/21).

2016 JUNIOR SEASON

MSU's second-leading receiver behind Fred Ross ... Started all 13 games ... Caught 41 passes for 709 yards and five touchdowns ... Ranked fifth in the SEC in yards per catch (17.3) ... One of only two players in the SEC with multiple catches over 70 yards and he did it in the same game ... Tied for eighth nationally in 70+ yard receptions (2) ... Produced one of the best games in school history in win over Samford (10/29) as he tied the school record for touchdown catches with three and finished with four catches for 207 yards ... Became the first 200-yard receiver for MSU since Dec. 31, 2014 ... Had TD catches of 71 and 74 yards in the first half vs. Samford ... Grabbed a career-best eight catches for 79 yards at UMass (9/24) ... Put MSU up 14-0 vs. South Carolina (9/10) with a 17-yard TD catch and finished with five catches for 71 yards ... Made three catches for 86 yards at LSU (9/17) ... Hauled in seven passes for 92 yards against Arkansas (11/19), putting him over 1,000 for his career ... Gave MSU the lead for good in the Egg Bowl (11/26) on an 8-yard touchdown grab in the first quarter ... Caught at least one pass in seven straight games to end the year.

2015 SOPHOMORE SEASON

Made an immediate impact at receiver in his first season with the program ... Played in all 13 games with no starts ... Caught 21 passes for 386 yards and two touchdowns ... Averaged a team-best 18.4 yards per reception ... Had four receptions for a career-best 140 yards and a touchdown in the Northwestern

State win (9/19), recording the most receiving yards by a Bulldog since Jameon Lewis had 220 in the 2013 Liberty Bowl ... His score came on a 49-yard pass from Nick Fitzgerald in the fourth quarter ... Hauled in two catches for 58 yards against Troy (10/10), including a 49-yard touchdown reception ... Recorded his first career blocked punt and first career punt return (21 yards) in the Louisiana Tech (10/17) home win ... His blocked punt was recovered at the 2-yard line and set up a Dak Prescott score on the following play that gave MSU the lead for good ... Finished the Kentucky victory (10/24) with 56 receiving yards on a season-high five receptions ... Pulled down a brilliant season-long 54-yard reception over the shoulder against No. 2 Alabama (11/14).

JUNIOR COLLEGE

Ranked the No. 6 junior college prospect by ESPN.com ... Shifted solely to wide receiver at Copiah-Lincoln ... Named a 2014 National Junior College Athletic Association (NJCAA) All-American after having recorded 55 catches for 989 yards (eighth best in the nation) last season ... Reeled in 10 touchdowns and averaged 90 yards receiving per game in his only season at Copiah-Lincoln ... Also shined as a punt returner in 2014 with three touchdowns and 419 yards gained on 20 returns ... Finished as the team leader with 1,403 all-purpose yards ... Named NJCAA Region 23 Most Valuable Player, All-Region, First Team All-State as a wide receiver, Second Team All-State as a punt returner, and Mississippi Association of Community & Junior Colleges (MACJC) Most Valuable Back ... Twice named state player of the week and twice named national player of the week ... Missed the 2013 season due to a preseason ankle injury ... Coached by Glenn Davis.

HIGH SCHOOL

Attended White Station High School in Memphis ... Ranked the No. 2 player in Tennessee by 247Sports coming out of high school by ESPN.com ... Played the wide receiver and safety positions ... Four-star prospect.

PERSONAL

Born Donald Gray Jr. on Dec. 13, 1994 ... Parents are Donald Sr. and Lisa Gray ... Chris Carter was his favorite NFL player ... Earned his undergraduate degree in sociology in December 2016.