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GAME ELEVEN

Saturday, Nov. 23, 2019 // 11 am // BTN
Iowa City, Iowa // Kinnick Stadium (69,250)



#19/20 IOWA (7-3, 4-3)



ILLINOIS (6-4, 4-3)

TELEVISION BROADCAST | BTN

» Kevin Kugler (PBP), Matt Millen (analyst) & Rick Pizzo (sidelines) + Bart Fox (producer) & Andrew Bloustein (director).

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» Brian Barnhart (PBP), Martin O'Donnell (analysis), Michael Martin (sidelines) & Steve Kelly (Pre/HT/Post)
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GAMEDAY LINKS

Gameday Information: FightingIllini.com/gameday

TRAVEL & TICKET INFORMATION

The team plans to depart for Iowa on Friday afternoon. There will not be any media availability until after the game. Illinois-Iowa tickets are available at hawkeye-sports.com.

ILLINOIS SCOREBOARD

Aug. 31	..... Akron	..... W, 42-3
Sept. 7	..... at UConn	..... W, 31-23
Sept. 14	..... Eastern Michigan	..... L, 31-34
Sept. 21	..... Nebraska	..... L, 38-42
Oct. 5	..... at Minnesota	..... L, 17-40
Oct. 12	..... #16/16 Michigan	..... L, 25-42
Oct. 19	..... #6/6 Wisconsin (Homecoming)	..... W, 24-23
Oct. 26	..... at Purdue	..... W, 24-6
Nov. 2	..... Rutgers	..... W, 38-10
Nov. 9	..... at Michigan State	..... W, 37-24
Nov. 23	..... at #19/20 Iowa	..... 11 am (BTN)
Nov. 30	..... Northwestern	..... 11 am (FS1)
Dec. 7	..... Big Ten Championship	..... 7 pm (FOX)

All times Central ... Rankings are AP/Coaches poll week of game prior to November. CFP/AP/Coaches from November on.

IOWA SCOREBOARD

Aug. 31	..... Miami (Ohio)	..... W, 38-14
Sept. 7	..... Rutgers	..... W, 30-0
Sept. 14	..... at Iowa State	..... W 18-17
Sept. 28	..... Middle Tennessee State	..... W, 48-3
Oct. 5	..... at #19/18 Michigan	..... L, 3-10
Oct. 12	..... #10/9 Penn State	..... L, 12-17
Oct. 19	..... Purdue	..... W, 26-20
Oct. 26	..... at Northwestern	..... W, 20-0
Nov. 9	..... at #13/16 Wisconsin	..... L 22-24
Nov. 16	..... #8/7/7 Minnesota	..... W, 23-19
Nov. 23	..... Illinois	..... 11 am (BTN)
Nov. 29	..... at Nebraska	..... 1:30 pm (BTN)

OPENING KICK

- **On a Roll:** The bowl-eligible Fighting Illini (6-4, 4-3), winners of four straight and coming off an open week, look to stay hot when they travel to Iowa City on Saturday to face the 19th-ranked Iowa Hawkeyes (11 am CT on BTN).
- **Bowl Bound:** The Fighting Illini, who opened a bowling alley in the players lounge this August as part of the new Smith Football Center, are bowl eligible for the first time since 2014.
- **We're Streaking:** The Illini are on a four-game winning streak for the first time since starting the 2011 season 6-0.
 - » Illinois has won four straight Big Ten games for the first time since the 2001 Big Ten Championship team finished the regular season with seven straight conference victories.
 - » The four-game streak is tied for the sixth-longest current streak among power-five teams: Clemson 26, Ohio State 16, LSU 11, Oregon 9, Utah 6, **Illinois 4**, Georgia 4, Texas A&M 4.
 - » Illinois has won consecutive Big Ten road games in a single season (at Purdue 10/26 & at Michigan State 11/9) for the first time since winning at Minnesota and No. 1 Ohio State in November 2007. The last time the Illini won three straight BIG road games was in 2001 (at Indiana, at Purdue, at Ohio State).
- **Winning Streak Notes:** Some standout stats and notes during the Illini's current four-game winning streak.
 - » The Illini have outscored opponents 79-22 in the second half, including 35-10 in the third quarter and 44-12 in the fourth.
 - » The Illini have forced 3.0 turnovers per game and have a +2.25 turnover margin (12-3)
 - » WR **Josh Imatorbhebhe** has nine catches for 276 yards, a whopping 30.7 yards per catch, and four TDs.
 - » LB **Dele Harding** is averaging 12.8 tackles and has 5.0 TFLs, 2 forced fumbles and one pick-six.
 - » S **Sydney Brown** is averaging 9.3 tackles with two interceptions, one TFL, one PBU and one TD.
 - » S **Stanley Green** is averaging 9.0 tackles with two fumble recoveries, 1 forced fumble, one INT and one TFL.
 - » QB **Brandon Peters** has thrown for 689 yards, six touchdowns and one interception, and has engineered two game-winning drives in the final seconds (WIS: 9 plays, 32 yards, FG // MSU: 13 plays, 75 yards, TD).
- **Signature Wins:** Within the past month, Illinois has had two of the most memorable wins in its 130-year history.
 - » The last-second 24-23 win over No. 6 Wisconsin Oct. 19 marked the Fighting Illini's first victory over a top-10 team since beating No. 1 Ohio State 28-21 on 11/10/2007. It also snapped a string of 24 straight losses to AP-ranked opponents dating back to a 17-14 win over No. 22 Arizona State on Sept. 17, 2011.
 - » The 25-point comeback win at Michigan State on Nov. 9 was biggest comeback in program history, spanning 1,260 games. The previous mark was 20 points, which happened twice – at Michigan, 10/25/1999 (27-7 deficit), 35-29 and 20 points vs. Rutgers, 9/3/2005 (27-7 deficit), 33-30 ot.
- **Comeback Kids:** The Fighting Illini overcame double-digit deficits to win in the final seconds against both Wisconsin and Michigan State.
 - » In East Lansing Nov. 9, Illinois trailed 28-3 in the second quarter and 31-10 entering the fourth quarter, at which time ESPN's win probability calculator gave the Spartans a 99.6% chance to win. The 21-point deficit entering the fourth quarter is tied for the largest fourth-quarter comeback in a Big Ten game in the last 40 seasons (21 points, MSU at NW, 2006; 21 points, MICH at MIN, 2003).
 - » Against No. 6 Wisconsin on Oct. 19, Illinois trailed by as many as 13 points and faced a deficit of 23-14 with six minutes to play before rallying for a 24-23 victory on James McCourt's walk-off 39-yard field goal to complete the biggest upset in college football this season.
- **Havoc on D:** Like his signature Chicago Bears defenses, Lovie's Illini D excels at forcing turnovers, scoring points and making negative plays for the opposing offense. The Illini rank...
 - » First in the nation in defensive touchdowns (6)
 - » First in the nation in turnovers gained (26)
 - » First in the nation in forced fumbles (17)
 - » First in the nation in fumble recoveries (16)
 - » First in the nation in turnover margin (+1.40)
 - » Seventh in the nation in tackles for loss per game (8.3)
- **Dele Domination:** Senior LB **Dele Harding** is having a monster season.
 - » Ranks second in FBS and leads the Big Ten in tackles (12.0 per game), over two full tackles per game ahead of the next closest (9.9). In BIG games, he is almost *four tackles per game* ahead of No. 2 (12.9-9.1).
 - » Is the No. 13 graded linebacker in the nation and No. 4 in the Big Ten by PFF (77.9, min. 500 snaps).
 - » Named National and B1G Defensive Player of the Week after 12 tackles, 2.0 TFL, 1 forced fumble, 1 interception, 1 TD in the win over Rutgers, becoming just the second player in the last 20 years to have 12+ tackles, 2.0+ TFL, 1+ FF, 1+ INT, and 1+ TD in a single game (Kentucky's Mike Edwards vs. MTSU 11/17/2018).

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ILLINOIS WEEKLY MEDIA SCHEDULE // IOWA GAME

18 MONDAY	19 TUESDAY	20 WEDNESDAY	21 THURSDAY	22 FRIDAY	23 SATURDAY	24 SUNDAY
Smith Press Conference (1 pm, Memorial Stadium Press Box, 8th Floor) Coordinators and Select Players Available (1:20 pm, Memorial Stadium Press Box, 8th Floor)	Post-practice availability - Selected player who weren't at Monday availability and who don't have post-practice schedule conflicts. (approx. 9:40 am)	No availability	No availability	No availability	GAME DAY Illinois at Iowa (11 am CT, BTN) Postgame player/coach availability	Off Day – No availability

MEDIA INFORMATION

MONDAY'S SELECTED PLAYERS

OC Rod Smith and select players will be available on Monday at about 1:15 pm following head coach Lovie Smith's press conference at Memorial Stadium on the eighth floor of the press box. Players expected to attend this week are **S Sydney Brown, RB Reggie Corbin, LB Dele Harding, WR Josh Imatorbhebe, WR Donny Navarro, and QB Brandon Peters.**

POST-PRACTICE INTERVIEWS

All game week practices are closed to the media. Interviews will take place after practice at about 9:40 a.m. on Tuesday. Players with schedule conflicts may not be available post-practice. **Please let Derek Neal know your player requests on Monday so we can check on availability.**

Media are asked to wait in one of three places until notified by Communications staff that practice is over. The media waiting location depends on where practice takes place – 1) in the Varsity Room outside the SE corner of the stadium (if practice is on the grass practice fields), 2) in the player's lounge on the north end of the stadium (if practice is in the stadium), 3) inside the NW Smith Center lobby where post-game interviews take place (if practice is in indoor complex).

PHONE INTERVIEWS

The best time for phone interviews is on Monday between 1:15 and 2 p.m. after Smith's press conference or on Tuesday after practice (approx. 9:45 a.m.), pending player availability. **Requests for phone interviews must be made to Derek Neal (drneal@illinois.edu) by end-of-day on Monday of game week.**

PRESS CONFERENCE VIDEO

Video files (MP4) of Coach Smith's weekly press conference will be available for download on Box.com by 4 p.m. CT each Monday. Email drneal@illinois.edu for the link.

TELECONFERENCE ACCESS

Contact the Athletics Communication Office (217-333-1391) for weekly teleconference access information. The teleconference is for listening only. No questions will be taken over the phone.

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HOW THE WEST COULD BE WON

With two weeks remaining in the regular season, Illinois is still alive to win the Big Ten West and represent the division at the Big Ten Championship game on Dec. 7. Here's what needs to happen:

Nov. 23:

- » Illinois needs to win at Iowa
- » Minnesota needs to lose at Northwestern
- » Wisconsin needs to lose at home to Purdue

Nov. 30:

- » Illinois needs to win at home against Northwestern
- » Wisconsin needs to win at Minnesota

If all five of those results happen, there will be a three-team tie atop the West at 6-3 between Illinois, Minnesota and Wisconsin, with all three teams having a 1-1 record against each other (which is the first tiebreaker). Based on the Big Ten's division tiebreakers, the next criteria is record against the division: Illinois 4-2, Wisconsin 4-2, Minnesota 3-3. That would drop Minnesota from the tiebreaker and leave Illinois and Wisconsin. That tie would be broken by head-to-head matchup, which was Illinois 24, Wisconsin 23 on Oct. 19, giving the Illini the title game bid.

THE ILLINOIS-IOWA SERIES

- Saturday will be the 75th meeting between the Illini and Hawkeyes in a series that dates back to 1899.
- Illinois and Iowa did not play a game from 1953-1966 because of a fight following the 1952 game.
- Illinois leads the all-time series 38-34-2. The series is tied 18-18-2 in games played in Iowa City.
- Iowa has won six straight meetings dating back to 2008, their longest streak in the series history.
- Illinois led Iowa 13-10 late in the second quarter in 2017 in its last visit to Iowa City, before Iowa took the lead just before halftime and pulled away with 21 points in the fourth quarter for a 45-16 win. Illini RB **Mike Epstein** had seven carries for 83 yards before being sidelined with an injury, an injury that led to the end of Epstein's freshman season.
- Iowa shut out Illinois, 63-0, at Memorial Stadium in the teams' last meeting 11/17/2018.
- The Illini's last win in the series was a 27-24 victory in Champaign on Nov. 1, 2008. **Matt Eller** kicked a 46-yard-field goal with 24 seconds left and Illinois withstood Iowa's fourth-quarter comeback. Illinois sacked **Ricky Stanzi** six times, scoring a touchdown on one of them when DB **Dere Hicks** forced a fumble, scooped up the ball and ran in for 24-9 lead in the third quarter. The 2008 win snapped Iowa's five-game winning streak against Illinois.

ILLINOIS SUPERLATIVES AGAINST IOWA

- **Al Brosky** started one of the most impressive streaks in college football history when he intercepted a pass Nov. 11, 1950 against Iowa. That was the first of Brosky's NCAA record 15 consecutive games with an interception.
- **Shawn Wax** tied a program record with three touchdown receptions vs. Iowa 11/3/1990.
- **Dike Eddleman** set an Illinois record with an 88-yard punt vs. Iowa 11/6/1948.
- Illinois' most rushing yards vs. Iowa: 178 **Jack Pierce** 11/10/1945, 174 **John Karras** 10/8/1949
- Illinois' most receiving yards vs. Iowa: 190 **Rex Smith** 11/8/1952, 148 **Geronimo Allison** 10/10/2015
- Illinois' most passing yards vs. Iowa: 358 **Jason Verduzco** 11/3/1990, 317 **Wes Lunt** 10/10/2015
- Illinois' longest rush vs. Iowa: 65 **Buddy Young** 10/14/1944, 63 **John Karras** 10/8/1949, 62 **Chubby Phillips** 10/27/1973, 61 **Dick Raklovits** 11/11/1950
- Illinois' longest pass vs. Iowa: 67 **O'Connell to Smith** 11/8/1952

IOWA CONNECTIONS

- Iowa sophomore WR **Henry Marchese** is the twin brother of Illini junior safety **Michael Marchese**. Their dad, John Marchese, played football at Iowa from 1982-86.
- Illinois head football athletic trainer **Jeremy Busch** graduated from Iowa and worked as an undergraduate athletic trainer for the Hawkeyes.



DID YOU KNOW?

- Illinois is bowl eligible for the first time since 2014.
- Illinois has forced at least two turnovers in every Big Ten game and has forced 20 turnovers in Big Ten play, four more than any other team.
- **P Blake Hayes** has placed 27 punts inside the 20-yard line, 13 within the 10-yard line, and six on the 1- or 2-yard line with just two touchbacks this season.

2019 TEAM STAT COMPARISON

2019 Season Statistics	ILL	IOWA
Overall Record	6-4	7-3
Conference Record	4-3	4-3
Total Offense	333.7	372.6
Points	30.7	24.0
First Downs	173	199
Rushing Yards	150.3	137.0
Passing Yards	183.4	235.6
Time of Possession	26:18	32:30
Third-Down Conversion	47-140	53-146
Points Allowed	25.7	12.4
Yards Allowed	409.5	303.1
Rushing Yards Allowed	196.2	106.5
Passing Yards Allowed	213.3	196.6

2019 STATISTICAL LEADERS

RUSHING LEADERS (YPG)

Corbin	67.3	Sargent	48.2
Brown, D.	46.1	Young	44.6

PASSING LEADERS (YPG)

Peters	165.1	Stanley	233.1
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RECEIVING LEADERS (YPG)

Imatorbhebe	59.8	Smith-Marsette	53.3
Smalling	32.1	Tracy	51.3
Navarro	23.2	Smith, B	50.9

SCORING LEADERS (TOTAL)

McCourt	65	Keith	90
Imatorbhebe	54	Smith-Marsette	30
Corbin	36	2 tied	24

ALL-PURPOSE YARDS (YPG)

Brown, D.	100.8	Smith-Marsette	82.1
Corbin	70.4	Sargent	62.1
Imatorbhebe	59.8	Goodson	57.9

TACKLES (TOTAL)

Harding	120	Welch	58
Hansen	72	Koerner	55
Brown, S.	64	Stone	53

TACKLES FOR LOSS (TOTAL)

Betiku	11.5	Golston	8.5
Harding	10.5	Epenesa	7.0

INTERCEPTION LEADERS (TOTAL)

Harding	3	Moss	2
Two tied	2	Odemuja	2

GETTING DEFENSIVE

The Illinois defense, directed by head coach/defensive coordinator **Lovie Smith**, has made huge improvements in 2019, making huge jumps in the national rankings from 2018 to 2019 in several key defensive categories.

ILLINOIS DEFENSIVE IMPROVEMENT IN 2019

Category	2018 (Final FBS Rk)	2019 (Cur. FBS Rk)	Improvement	Nat'l Rk Diff.
Fumbles Recovered (total)	5 (113)	16 (1)	+11	+112
Forced Fumbles (total)	8 (92)	17 (1)	+9	+91
Turnover Margin (average)	-0.33 (90)	+1.4 (1)	+1.77	+89
TFLs (per game)	5.4 (88)	8.4 (7)	+3.0	+81
Scoring Defense (ppg)	39.4 (123)	25.7 (54)	-13.7	+69
Passing Defense (ypp)	263.1 (114)	213.3 (54)	-49.8	+60
Takeaways (total)	20 (56)	26 (1)	+6	+55
Total Defense (ypp)	508.3 (127)	409.5 (77)	-98.8	+50
Defensive TDs (total)	0 (t-last)	6 (1)	+6	n/a

HANSEN, SO HOT RIGHT NOW

Junior LB **Jake Hansen** has become one of the biggest takeaway threats in the game.

- » Named one of 12 semifinalists for the Butkus Award, which goes to the nation's top linebacker and is named after Illini legend Dick Butkus.
- » Leads the nation forced fumbles (7) and ranks fourth in fumbles recovered (3) behind Illini **Stanley Green**.
- » Seven forced fumbles are the second-most in a season in Illini history behind only **Whitney Mercilus'** school record of nine in 2011 and is the third-most in a season in Big Ten history (since 2000).
- » Has two more forced fumbles (7) than any other player in the nation (Ohio State's Chase Young, 5) and as many or more as 63 FBS teams.
- » Named Walter Camp National Defensive Player of the Week and B1G Defensive Player of the Week after posting 11 tackles, two forced fumbles, one sack and one TFL in the Illini's upset win over No. 6 Wisconsin on Oct. 19.
- » Is the No. 9 graded linebacker in the nation and No. 3 in the Big Ten by PFF (79.6, min. 500 snaps).

RUNNIN' REGGIE

Senior RB **Reggie Corbin** ranks 12th on the Illinois all-time rushing list. Corbin enters the Iowa game with 2,292 yards, 193 yards behind 11th-place Howard Griffith (2,485).

- » Corbin's career 6.6 ypc ranks fourth among active FBS players with at least 2,000 rushing yards and is the most for any Illini with at least 2,000 rushing yards.
- » Corbin has had 10 scrimmage plays over 50 yards in his career, all coming against B1G competition.
- » Ranks seventh in the Big Ten in rushing yards (67.3) and sixth in yards per carry (5.2)
- » Has two 100-yard games this season (144 vs. EMU and 134 vs. NEB) and six career 100-yard games.
- » Ranked third in the nation in yards per carry (8.48) in 2018 for any player with at least 10 carries per game.
- » Led FBS in runs of 70+ yards (4), second in runs of 50+ (7) and 80+ yards (1), and third in 60+ (5) in 2018.

Active Career YPC Leaders (min. 2,000 yards)

1. Travis Etienne, Clemson	8.1 (464-3,759)
2. Malcolm Perry, Navy	7.0 (501-3,501)
3. Jonathan Taylor, Wisconsin	6.7 (839-5,634)
4. Reggie Corbin, Illinois	6.6 (348-2,292)
5. D'Andre Swift, Georgia	6.6 (408-2,694)

Career YPC Among Illinois 2,000 yard rushers

1. Reggie Corbin, 2016-19	6.6 (348-2,292)
2. R. Mendenhall, 2005-07	6.5 (388-2,539)
3. Mikel Leshoure, 2008-10	6.0 (424-2,557)
4. Pierre Thomas, 2003-06	5.6 (453-2,545)
5. Red Grange, 1923-25	5.3 (388-2,074)

NCAA RANKINGS (Top-30 Team & Individual)

Team Category	Stat	NCAA	B1G
Defensive Touchdowns (total)	6	1st	1st
Turnover Margin (per game)	+1.40	1st	1st
Turnovers gained (total)	26	1st	1st
Fumbles Forced (total)	17	1st	1st
Fumbles Recovered (total)	16	1st	1st
Tackles for Loss (per game)	8.3	7th	2nd
Kickoff Return Defense (ypr)	17.25	10th	2nd
Passes Had Intercepted (total)	5	19th	3rd
Net Punting (ypp)	41.23	21st	2nd
Passes Intercepted (total)	10	27th	3rd
Kickoff Returns (ypr)	23.57	27th	4th
Turnovers Lost (fewest total)	12	29th	5th

Individual Category	Stat	NCAA	B1G
Hansen - Fumbles Forced (total)	7	1st	1st
S. Green - Fumbles Recovered (total)	4	1st	1st
Harding - Tackles (per game)	12.0	2nd	1st
Hansen - Fumbles Recovered (total)	3	4th	2nd
Harding - Fumbles Forced (total)	3	10th	5th
Imatorbhebe - Yards per Reception	20.62	13th	2nd
Imatorbhebe - Receiving TDs (total)	9	15th	1st
Brown - Kickoff Return Yards (avg.)	26.8	15th	3rd
Betiku - Sacks (total)	8.0	16th	4th
Betiku - Fumbles Rec. (total)	2	16th	3rd
Martin - Fumbles Rec. (total)	2	16th	3rd
Hayes - Punting (ypp)	45.0	17th	2nd
Brown - Combined Kick Ret. (total)	482	26th	3rd



NATIONAL RANKINGS

COLLEGE FOOTBALL PLAYOFF (Nov. 12)

Rk	Team	Record	Prev
1	LSU	9-0	2
2	Ohio State	9-0	1
3	Clemson	10-0	5
4	Georgia	8-1	6
5	Alabama	8-1	3
6	Oregon	8-1	7
7	Utah	8-1	8
8	Minnesota	9-0	17
9	Penn State	8-1	4
10	Oklahoma	8-1	9
11	Florida	8-2	10
12	Auburn	7-2	11
13	Baylor	9-0	12
14	Wisconsin	7-2	13
15	Michigan	7-2	14
16	Notre Dame	7-2	15
17	Cincinnati	8-1	20
18	Memphis	8-1	21
19	Texas	6-3	NR
20	Iowa	6-3	18
21	Boise State	8-1	22
22	Oklahoma State	6-3	23
23	Navy	7-1	24
24	Kansas State	6-3	16
25	Appalachian State	8-1	NR

ASSOCIATED PRESS (Week 13 – Nov. 17)

Rk	Team	Record	Pts	Prev
1	LSU (54)	10-0	1,542	1
2	Ohio State (5)	10-0	1,478	2
3	Clemson (3)	11-0	1,442	3
4	Georgia	9-1	1,343	5
5	Alabama	9-1	1,263	4
6	Oregon	9-1	1,243	6
7	Utah	9-1	1,155	8
8	Oklahoma	9-1	1,144	10
9	Penn State	9-1	1,030	9
10	Florida	9-2	984	11
11	Minnesota	9-1	902	7
12	Michigan	8-2	829	14
13	Baylor	9-1	787	12
14	Wisconsin	8-2	746	15
15	Notre Dame	8-2	676	16
16	Auburn	7-3	623	13
17	Cincinnati	9-1	536	17
18	Memphis	9-1	520	18
19	Iowa	7-3	493	23
20	Boise State	9-1	379	19
21	SMU	9-1	328	20
22	Oklahoma State	7-3	200	25
23	Appalachian State	9-1	154	NR
24	Texas A&M	7-3	132	NR
25	Virginia Tech	7-3	61	NR

Others receiving votes: Indiana 47, Iowa State 31, Virginia 23, Navy 13, Air Force 12, Pittsburgh 9, San Diego State 7, USC 6, Washington 6, Texas 4, ILLINOIS 1

COACHES (Week 13 – Nov. 17)

Rk	Team	Record	Pts
1	LSU	10-0	1615
2	Ohio State	10-0	1550
3	Clemson	11-0	1513
4	Georgia	9-1	1383
5	Alabama	9-1	1366
6	Oregon	9-1	1301
7	Oklahoma	9-1	1219
8	Utah	9-1	1177
9	Penn State	9-1	1081
10	Florida	9-2	1031
11	Minnesota	9-1	899
12	Michigan	8-2	851
13	Baylor	9-1	841
14	Wisconsin	8-2	786
15	Notre Dame	8-2	760
16	Auburn	7-3	614
17	Cincinnati	9-1	566
18	Memphis	9-1	539
19	Boise State	9-1	469
20	Iowa	7-3	434
21	SMU	9-1	341
22	Appalachian State	9-1	224
23	Oklahoma State	7-3	212
24	Texas A&M	7-3	101
25	San Diego State	8-2	47

Others Receiving Votes: Virginia Tech 46, Air Force 43, Indiana 39, Navy 25, Virginia 20, Louisiana Tech 10, Louisiana 8, Pittsburgh 7, USC 3, Wake Forest 2, Temple 1, Kansas State 1.

* Illinois' 2019 opponents in bold.

2019 BIG TEN STANDINGS

	BIG TEN			OVERALL			LAST WEEK	THIS WEEK
	W	L	Pct.	W	L	Pct.		
WEST DIVISION								
#11 Minnesota	6	1	.857	9	1	.900	L, 19-23 at Iowa	at Northwestern
#14 Wisconsin	5	2	.714	8	2	.800	W, 37-21 at Nebraska	vs. Purdue
#20 Iowa	4	3	.571	7	3	.700	W, 23-19 vs. Minnesota	vs. Illinois
ILLINOIS	4	3	.571	6	4	.600	OFF	at Iowa
Purdue	3	4	.429	4	6	.400	OFF	at Wisconsin
Nebraska	2	5	.286	4	6	.400	L, 21-37 vs. Wisconsin	at Maryland
Northwestern	0	7	.000	2	8	.200	W, 45-6 vs. UMass	vs. Minnesota

	BIG TEN			OVERALL			LAST WEEK	THIS WEEK
	W	L	Pct.	W	L	Pct.		
EAST DIVISION								
#2 Ohio State	6	0	1.000	9	0	1.000	W, 56-21 vs. Rutgers	vs. Penn State
#9 Penn State	6	1	.857	9	1	.900	W, 34-27 vs. Indiana	at Ohio State
#12 Michigan	5	2	.714	8	2	.800	W, 44-10 vs. Michigan State	at Indiana
Indiana	4	3	.571	7	3	.700	L, 27-34 at Penn State	vs. Michigan
Michigan State	2	5	.286	4	6	.400	L, 10-44 at Michigan	at Rutgers
Maryland	1	6	.143	3	7	.300	OFF	vs. Nebraska
Rutgers	0	7	.000	2	8	.200	L, 21-56 at Ohio State	Michigan State

ILLINOIS NONCONFERENCE OPPONENTS

TEAM	CONFERENCE			OVERALL			LAST WEEK	THIS WEEK
	W	L	Pct.	W	L	Pct.		
Akron	0	6	.000	0	10	.000	L, 14-42 vs. E. Michigan	at Miami (OH)
UConn	0	6	.000	2	8	.200	OFF	vs. East Carolina
Eastern Michigan	2	4	.333	5	5	.500	W, 42-14 at Akron	at Northern Illinois

OH, BHEBHE

Junior WR **Josh Imatorbhebhe**, a transfer from USC, has become one of the top big-play threats in the nation.

- » Leads the Big Ten and ranks 15th in FBS with nine touchdown receptions, which is also tied for the third-most in program history, one behind the Illinois single-season record of 10 held by Brandon Lloyd (2001) and David Williams (1985).
- » Ranks 13th in FBS and second in the Big Ten in yards per reception (20.62).
- » Had four receptions for 178 yards and two touchdowns in the come-from-behind win at Michigan State to earn Big Ten Offensive Player of the Week Honors. It was the most receiving yards by an opponent at Spartan Stadium since at least 2000 and the most by an Illinois player ever in the 47-game series history against Michigan State.
- » Against the Spartans, Imatorbhebhe had a 46-yard touchdown reception as time expired in the first half to start the comeback, an 83-yard touchdown to start the fourth quarter, and a 37-yard catch on fourth-and-17 to keep the game-winning drive alive.
- » His 83-yard touchdown at MSU tied for the fourth-longest reception in Illinois history and the second-longest ever by an opponent at Spartan Stadium (94 yards, Mitch Anderson-Jim Lash, Northwestern, 1972)
- » For the season, Imatorbhebhe leads the team in catches (29), receiving yards (598), receiving touchdowns (9) and yards per catch (20.62).

WHAT CAN BROWN DO FOR YOU?

Now in his fifth year with the Illini, RB **Dre Brown** has battled through a lot of adversity. He is finally healthy and it shows, rushing for 461 yards on 83 carries (5.6 ypc) and making eight catches for 65 yards this season. Perhaps his biggest impact has been on kickoff returns, where he ranks 15th in FBS and third in the BIG at 26.8 ypr (18 returns for 482 yards).

- » Brown ran for a career-high 131 yards on a career-high 18 carries in the Oct. 26 win at Purdue. It was the first 100-yard rushing game of his career.
- » Brown ranks four in program history in kickoff return average at 25.1 ypr (min. 15 att.), behind only Red Grange (30.2 ypr), Mike Bellamy (26.4 ypr), and Pierre Thomas (25.3 ypr).
- » His current 26.8 yards-per-return average this season ranks fifth on the Illinois single-season list.
- » One of the top signees in the 2015 recruiting class, Brown was poised for playing time as a true freshman before going down with an ACL injury prior to the season. In all, he missed nearly two-and-a-half seasons after enduring 2 torn ACLs, 2 sprained MCLs, a stress fracture and 4 knee surgeries before making his Illini debut Oct. 7, 2017, at Iowa as part of the kick return unit. He got his first offensive snaps and carries Oct. 14 at Rutgers. He had a breakout game at Ohio State that season, rushing for a career-high 76 yards on 15 carries (5.1 ypc) and finished the season with 138 yards on 31 carries (4.5 ypc).



ILLINI NCAA & B1G RANKINGS (2019)

TEAM RANKINGS (130 teams ranked)

CATEGORY	NCAA	B1G	STAT
3rd Down Conversion Pct	115th	13th	0.336
3rd Down Conversion Pct Defense	44th	7th	0.363
4th Down Conversion Pct	104th	9th	0.400
4th Down Conversion Pct Defense	102nd	12th	0.615
Blocked Kicks	56th	8th	.1
Blocked Kicks Allowed	37th	4th	.1
Blocked Punts			.0
Blocked Punts Allowed	82nd	8th	.1
Completion Percentage	110th	12th	0.541
Defensive Touchdowns	1st	1st	.6
Fewest Penalties	94th	14th	.68
Fewest Penalties Per Game	94th	14th	6.80
Fewest Penalty Yards	100th	14th	.637
Fewest Penalty Yards Per Game	101st	14th	63.70
First Downs Defense	77th	11th	.215
First Downs Offense	120th	13th	.173
Fumbles Lost	62nd	6th	.7
Fumbles Recovered	1st	1st	.16
Kickoff Return Defense	10th	2nd	17.25
Kickoff Returns	27th	4th	23.57
Net Punting	21st	2nd	41.23
Passes Had Intercepted	19th	3rd	.5
Passes Intercepted	27th	3rd	.10
Passing Offense	108th	12th	183.4
Passing Yards Allowed	54th	8th	213.3
Passing Yards per Completion	56th	6th	12.56
Punt Return Defense	69th	10th	7.52
Punt Returns	90th	9th	6.17
Red Zone Defense	59th	7th	0.821
Red Zone Offense	73rd	9th	0.821
Rushing Defense	103rd	13th	196.2
Rushing Offense	83rd	9th	150.3
Sacks Allowed	116th	14th	3.10
Scoring Defense	54th	10th	25.7
Scoring Offense	58th	7th	30.7
Tackles for Loss Allowed	98th	11th	6.70
Team Passing Efficiency	89th	10th	128.21
Team Passing Efficiency Defense	70th	11th	133.68
Team Sacks	60th	9th	2.20
Team Tackles for Loss	7th	2nd	8.3
Time of Possession	124th	14th	26:17
Total Defense	77th	10th	409.5
Total Offense	112th	12th	333.7
Turnover Margin	1st	1st	1.40
Turnovers Gained	1st	1st	.26
Turnovers Lost	28th	5th	.12
Winning Percentage	45th	8th	0.600

NCAA INDIVIDUAL RANKINGS (Top-60)

CATEGORY	PLAYER	STAT	RANK
Combined Kick Returns	Brown, D.	482	26th
Forced Fumbles	Hansen	0.78	1st
	Harding	0.30	10th
Fumbles Recovered	Green, S.	4	1st
	Hansen	3	4th
	Betiku	2	16th
	Martin	2	16th
Interceptions per Game	Harding	0.3	44th
Kickoff Returns	Brown, D.	26.8	15th
Passing Touchdowns	Peters	16	44th
Passing Yards per Completion	Peeters	13.04	35th
Points Responsible For	Peters	114	54th
Points Responsible For per Game	Peters	12.7	46th
Punting	Hayes	45.0	17th
Receiving Touchdowns	Imatorbhebe	9	15th
Total Interceptions	Harding	3	33rd
Total Tackles	Harding	12.0	2nd
Yards per Reception	Imatorbhebe	20.62	13th

MORE ILLINI STANDOUTS

- **Cosmo Kramer:** Through 10 games, junior center **Doug Kramer** is the No.2 graded power-five center and is the No. 4 overall center in FBS with a grade of 81.0 (@PFF_College). Minnesota coach P.J. Fleck called Kramer one of the best he's seen on film at that position "in any year at any level."
- **Hayes, Australian for Boot:** Punter **Blake Hayes** has been a field-flipper for the Fighting Illini.
 - » Hayes ranks 17th in FBS and second in the B1G in punting average (45.0) and his versatility, whether it's booming kicks or bouncing rugby-style kicks, have helped the Illini rank 21st in FBS in net punting (41.23 ypp).
 - » Of Hayes' 55 punts, 27 have been downed inside the 20, with just two touchbacks. Opponents have scored only 16 points on ensuing drives after Hayes' punts inside the 20 (0.6 points per drive) and Illinois has scored two defensive touchdowns (net -2 points).
 - » 13 of Hayes' punts have been downed within the 10-yard line and six have been downed on the 1- or 2-yard line. Only 21 of his 64 punts have been returned.
 - » Hayes' current season average of 45.0 yards per punt is second-best in Illinois history behind Steve Weatherford's program record of 45.4.
 - » His career punting average of 43.4 ranks second at Illinois only 0.1 yards behind Weatherford's career record (43.5) set from 2002-05.
 - » Hayes was named Big Ten Special Teams player of the week on Sept. 23 after averaging 46.0 yards per punt and dropping five punts inside the 20 against Nebraska, including a 59-yard boot to the 2-yard line that set up an Illini score.
- **BP = Big Points:** Michigan transfer QB **Brandon Peters** has been clutch for the Illini.
 - » Peters threw for a career-high 369 yards and three touchdowns in the comeback win at Michigan State on Nov. 9. The 369 passing yards were the most by an opponent at Spartan Stadium since 2007.
 - » Peters had a career-long 54-yard run against Rutgers, narrowly missing his fourth rushing TD of the season.
 - » Despite missing nearly two full games, Peters ranks 46th in FBS in points responsible for (12.6 per game) and 44th in touchdown passes (16).
 - » Peters' 16 touchdown passes are the most for an Illini in a season since Nathan Scheelhaase had 21 in 2013.
 - » Peters threw four touchdown passes at UConn, tied for seventh-most in Illinois history, and the most since Wes Lunt threw 4 TDs vs. Kent State 9/5/2015.
 - » Peters was officially announced as the starter by Lovie Smith on Aug. 20. He graduated from Michigan in three years and transferred to Illinois this summer with two years of eligibility remaining.
- **Punching It Out:** Senior S **Stanley Green** (9 career forced fumbles) and junior LB **Jake Hansen** (8 career forced fumbles) both have a knack for getting the ball on the ground.
 - » Green has the third-most forced fumbles among active FBS players (10, Paddy Fisher and Joe Gaziano of Northwestern), while Hansen is tied for fifth-most with Ohio State's Chase Young.
 - » Green ranks third in program history (since 1990) behind only Simeon Rice (13) and Whitney Mercilus (11), while Hansen is tied for fourth with Dana Howard (8).
 - » Green also leads the nation this season in fumble recoveries (4), while Hansen is tied for fourth in FBS (3).
 - » Hansen's current 0.78 forced fumbles per game average (7 FF, 9 G) is on pace to rank second on the NCAA all-time list (since 2000). The current mark is 0.83 by Louisville's Elvis Dumervil in 2005 (10 FF, 12 G).
- **Milan is the Man:** Senior DT **Jamal Milan** has been dialed in as of late, racking up 7.5 tackles-for-loss in the last three games. He led the defense in the Oct. 26 win at Purdue with a career-high 4.0 TFLs, the first Illini with 4.0+ TFLs in a game since Jake Hansen (6.0) vs. Kent State 9/1/2018, then followed that up with 2.0 TFLs in the win over Rutgers and 1.5 TFLs at Michigan State.
- **No Way, Wole:** Junior DE **Oluwole Betiku Jr.**, a graduate transfer from USC, has been a force on the defensive line when healthy (he's missed the last three games due to injury).
 - » Betiku ranks fifth in the nation in sacks (1.14 per game) and eighth TFLs (1.6 per game) on the season.
 - » Betiku's 3.5 sacks at UConn tied for the fifth-most sacks in a game in Illinois history and marked the first Illini with 3.0+ sacks in a game since Whitney Mercilus (3.0) at Indiana 10/8/2011.
- **James and the Giant Leg:** Junior K **James McCourt** has one of the biggest legs in the nation.
 - » McCourt's 39-yard game-winner as time expired over No. 6 Wisconsin on Oct. 19 will go down as one of the biggest kicks in Illini history.
 - » McCourt is one of three FBS kickers with 3 or more 50+ field goals this season and is the only one of the three that is perfect from 50+ (3-3).
 - » The three 50+ field goals are the fourth-most in a career in Illinois history. Last year, Chase McLaughlin finished his career with an Illinois record five 50+-yard field goals. Dan Beaver and Jason Reda each made four.
 - » McCourt tied the Illinois record with a 57-yard field goal against EMU, tying Dan Beaver's 44 year old mark vs. Purdue, 10/18/1975). It's also tied for the longest field goal in FBS this season.
 - » His first Illini make was from 53-yards at UConn Sept. 7, tying for the longest road field goal in Illinois history (Mike Bass at Syracuse 9/18/1982; Dave Finzer at Purdue 10/15/1977).
 - » On kickoffs, McCourt ranks 11th in FBS in average (63.88 ypk) and 16th in touchback percentage (71.43%).



BIG TEN INDIVIDUAL RANKINGS (Top-10)

CATEGORY	PLAYER	STAT	RANK
All-Purpose Yards	Brown, D.	100.80	8th
Combined Kick Returns	Brown, D.	482	3rd
Field Goal Percentage	McCourt.	0.692	8th
Field Goals per Game	McCourt.	0.90	6th
Forcd Fumbles	Hansen.	0.78	1st
	Harding.	0.30	5th
Fumbles Recovered	Green, S.	4	1st
	Hansen.	3	2nd
	Betiku.	2	3rd
	Martin.	2	3rd
Interceptions per Game	Harding.	0.3	3rd
	Brown, S.	0.3	8th
	Adams.	0.2	9th
Kickoff Returns	Brown, D.	26.8	3rd
Passing Efficiency	Peters.	136.1	7th
Passing Touchdowns	Peters.	16	4th
Passing Yards per Completion	Peters.	13.04	7th
Points Responsible For	Peters.	114	6th
Points Responsible For per Game	Peters.	12.7	5th
Punting	Hayes.	45.0	2nd
Receiving Touchdowns	Imatorbhebhe.	9	1st
Receiving Yards	Imatorbhebhe.	598	10th
Receiving Yards per Game	Imatorbhebhe.	59.8	10th
Rushing Yards per Carry	Corbin.	5.22	6th
Rushing Yards	Corbin.	606	8th
Rushing Yards per Game	Corbin.	67.3	7th
Scoring	McCourt.	6.5	10th
Total Interceptions	Harding.	3	2nd
	Adams.	2	8th
	Brown, S.	2	8th
Total Points Scored	McCourt.	65	10th
Total Tackles	Harding.	12.0	1st
	Hansen.	8.0	8th
	Brown, S.	8.0	8th
Total Touchdowns	Imatorbhebhe.	6th	9
Yards per Pass Attempt	Peters.	7.18	9th
Yards per Reception	Imatorbhebhe.	20.62	2nd

PFF TOP PERFORMERS

Season Offensive Leaders (overall grade, min. 20 snaps/g)

- » C Doug Kramer (81.0)
- » LG Kendrick Green (78.3)
- » RB Dre Brown (77.9)
- » RB Reggie Corbin (76.6)
- » LT Vederian Lowe (75.5)

Season Defensive Leaders (overall grade, min. 20 snaps/g)

- » LB Jake Hansen (79.6)
- » LB Dele Harding (77.9)
- » DT Tymir Oliver (75.6)
- » S Stanley Green (73.4)
- » DE Oluwole Betiku Jr. (71.2)

Game-by-Game Leaders:

Akron	OFF: K. Green (84.5)	DEF: Hansen (90.8)
UConn	OFF: Palczewski (77.2)	DEF: Harding (86.4)
EMU	OFF: Corbin (87.2)	DEF: Oliver (90.1)
NEB	OFF: Brown (82.4)	DEF: Hobbs (74.1)
MIN	OFF: Navarro (73.2)	DEF: Harding (89.9)
MICH	OFF: K. Green (76.4)	DEF: Witherspoon (65.1)
WIS	OFF: Peters (72.2)	DEF: Harding (81.2)
PUR	OFF: Kramer (78.1)	DEF: Adams (79.1)
RUT	OFF: Lowe (81.1)	DEF: Harding (91.9)
MSU	OFF: Corbin (73.0)	DEF: S. Brown (74.1)
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TRANSFER PORTAL U

• **Talent Upgrade:** Lovie Smith and staff used the transfer portal to load up the roster with talent, adding seven new power-five transfers, five of which are playing immediately in 2019 as graduate transfers. In addition, LB **Milo Eifler** (Washington) and WR **Donny Navarro** (Valparaiso) are playing in 2019 after sitting out the 2018 season, and RB **Chase Brown** (Western Michigan) was granted a waiver prior to the Oct. 12 Michigan game. In all, 10 transfers have joined the team over the last two off-seasons, with eight eligible to play in 2019.

Player	Old Team	Can Play in 2019?	Years to Play	HS Recruit Rk (247)
DL Oluwole Betiku Jr.	USC	Yes (Grad transfer)	2	15
QB Brandon Peters	Michigan	Yes (Grad transfer)	2	61
OL Richie Petitbon	Alabama	Yes (Grad transfer)	1	62
LB Milo Eifler	Washington	Yes (Sat out 2018)	2	142
WR Trevon Sidney	USC	Yes (Grad transfer)	2	143
WR Josh Imatorbhebhe	USC	Yes (Grad transfer)	2	158
RB Chase Brown	W. Michigan	Yes (Waiver for 2019)	3	929
WR Donny Navarro	Valparaiso	Yes (Sat out 2018)	3	--
<i>TE Luke Ford</i>	<i>Georgia</i>	<i>No (Sitting out 2019)</i>	<i>3 (starting in 2020)</i>	<i>51</i>
<i>LB Derrick Smith</i>	<i>Miami</i>	<i>No (Sitting out 2019)</i>	<i>2 (starting 2020)</i>	<i>840</i>

• **On-Field Impact:** As expected, the Illini's six power-five transfers, plus FCS transfer **Donny Navarro**, have made a huge impact this season. QB **Brandon Peters** (Michigan), WR **Josh Imatorbhebhe** (USC), WR **Trevon Sidney** (USC), OL **Richie Petitbon** (Alabama), DL **Oluwole Betiku Jr.** (USC), LB **Milo Eifler** (Washington), and Navarro all have started multiple games and are making big contributions.

- » QB Peters – 1,486 passing yards, 16 TD passes, 3 rushing TDs
- » DL Betiku Jr. – 29 tackles, 11.5 TFLs, 8.0 sacks, 6 QB hurries, 2 fumble recoveries (missed last 3 games)
- » WR Imatorbhebhe – 29 catches, 598 yards, 9 touchdowns
- » LB Eifler – 48 tackles, 7.0 TFLs, 1.0 sack, 1 FR, 1 PBU, 1 TD
- » OL Petitbon – 10 starts at guard
- » WR Navarro – 18 catches, 232 yards, 1 touchdown
- » WR Sidney – 16 catches, 123 yards, 1 touchdown (out for season after 5 games)

FRESHMAN REDSHIRT WATCH

• The NCAA passed legislation prior to the 2018 that allows players who play in up to four games -- regardless of when they take place -- to redshirt for that season and preserve a year of eligibility. Here's look at games played for each of the 14 Illini true-freshmen that has played in 2019.

- » **Played in 5+ games (5):** TE Bryce Barnes (10), LB Tarique Barnes (10), DB Devon Witherspoon (10), WR Casey Washington (7), WR Dalevon Campbell (5).
- » **Have played in 4 or fewer games (9):** WR Kyrion Cumby (4), DL Keith Randolph Jr. (4), DL Seth Coleman (3), LB Shammond Cooper (3), RB Nick Fedanzo (3), QB Isaiah Williams (2), DB Matthew Judd (1), LB Ryan Meed (1), DL Moses Okpala (1)

YOUTH BECOMES EXPERIENCE

The Illini put one of the youngest teams in the nation on the field in both 2017 and 2018, but this season a much more experienced squad is on the field.

- » Through 10 games, the Illini have started a true-freshman just four times (DB Devon Witherspoon one game and WR Casey Washington three games) after seeing 118 different true-freshman starts over the previous two seasons (86 in 2017 and 32 in 2018).
- » Last year's roster featured just eight seniors and 24 total upperclassmen, both the fewest in the nation, while the 2019 roster has 13 seniors and 48 upperclassmen.
- » The 2018 Illini roster had the highest percentage of underclassmen in the nation – 76.5 (78 of 102), while the 2019 roster has 55.1 percent of the roster as underclassmen (59 of 107)
- » The Illini returned 17 starters and 211 of 288 total starts from last season. On defense, 113 of 132 total starts return from 2018 (everyone except Del'Shawn Phillips (12 starts) and Cameron Watkins (7 starts).
- » 2019 class breakdown: 13 seniors, 35 juniors, 22 sophomores, 37 freshmen (24 true-frosh, 13 RS frosh)
- » The 13 seniors this season are the ninth-fewest in FBS. Last season, the Illini had only eight seniors on the roster, the fewest in FBS.

EXPERIENCED O-LINE GETTING IT DONE

The offensive line returned four starters from one of the best groups in the nation in 2018. OG **Nick Allegretti** is now with the Kansas City Chiefs, but returning are sophomore **Kendrick Green**, junior **Doug Kramer**, junior **Vederian Lowe**, and junior **Alex Palczewski**, who each started all 12 games and played a majority of the snaps together last season while paving the way for Illinois' potent rushing attack (243.0 yards per game, 12th-best in FBS).

- » Palczewski-Kramer-Green-Lowe have started 22 straight games together (all 12 last season and 10 this season). The only change has been Petitbon (10 starts in '19) stepping in for Allegretti (12 starts in '18).
- » Through 10 games, three of the top five PFF offensive grades on the team belong to the OL – 1. **Doug Kramer** (81.0), 2. **Kendrick Green** (78.3), 5. **Vederian Lowe** (75.5).



CAREER STARTS LIST (through 10 games in 2019)

PLAYER	'19	'18	'17	'16	'15	TOT
Palczewski, Alex	10	12	11			33
Kramer, Doug	10	12	8			30
Lowe, Vederian	10	12	7			29
Milan, Jamal	10	8	6	5	0	29
Oliver, Tymir	7	12	10	0		29
Smalling, Ricky	7	11	10			28
Green, Stanley	6	7	7	7		27
Hobbs, Nate	10	7	10			27
Green, Kendrick	10	12				22
Hansen, Jake	9	12		1		22
Roundtree, Bobby		11	9			20
Corbin, Reggie	9	8	0	2		19
Adams, Tony	9	7	2			18
Brown, Sydney	7	10				17
Harding, Dele	10	2	5	0		17
Martin, Jartavius	5	8				13
Woods, Jamal	4	4	4			12
Barker, Daniel	8	3				11
Imatorbhebe, Josh	10					10
Petitbon, Richie	10					10
Shogbonyo, Ayo	9	0	1			10
Jackson, Kenyon	1	0	3	5		9
Eifler, Milo	9					9
Peters, Brandon	9					9
Ware, Delano	1	8				9
Carney Jr., Owen		8	0			8
Betiku, Oluwole	7					7
Davis, Trenard		6	1			7
Gay, Isaiah	2	3	2			7
Stampley, Dominic	4	3				7
Bonner, RaVon		2	3			5
Epstein, Mike		2	3			5
Reams, Caleb		1	3	1		5
Williams, Justice	2	1	0	1		4
Marchese, Michael		3	0			3
Navarro, Donny	3					3
Sidney, Trevon	3					3
Washington, Casey	3					3
Brown, Dre	1	0	1			2
Joseph, Kerby	2	0				2
Knight, James		1	1			2
DeGroot, Dawson		0	1			1
Oladipo, Lere		1				1
Pate, Deon		1				1
Robinson, Matt	1	0				1
Sandy, Carlos		1				1
Tolson, Khalan	1	0				1
Witherspoon, Devon	1					1

-- = Redshirted/did not play/not on squad; 0 = Played, didn't start

ILLINI STORYLINES

- **Scholarships Earned:** Coach Lovie Smith has had two special announcements at team meetings this season. On Aug. 26, walk-on long snapper **Ethan Tabel** was awarded a scholarship for the 2019 season by Lovie. Then on Nov. 7, walk-on WR **Donny Navarro** was put on scholarship by Lovie at a team meeting.
- **More Than a Football Player:** Graduate transfer **Oluwole Betiku Jr.** has been a beast on the field since arriving at Illinois (8.0 sacks and 11.5 TFLs in four games), but there's much more to the former 5-star recruit than football. Off the field, Betiku's passions include painting, sketching and playing guitar and piano. An immigrant from Lagos, Nigeria, at the age of 16, Betiku had never played football before coming to the U.S. Two years of high school football were enough for a scholarship to USC, but injuries and circumstances kept him off the field. After earning a bachelor's degree in international relations in three years from USC, Betiku came to Champaign this summer.
- **Future Coaches:** Illini RB **Reggie Corbin** got a taste of coaching over the summer. Corbin, along with Illini teammates **Justice Williams** and **Dele Harding** coached the 'Chargers' to a successful second season in the Tuscola Flag Football League. The trio connected with 10-year old Illini superfan Colton Rahn, who has cerebral palsy, in the winter of 2017 when a group of football student-athletes drove to Tuscola to cheer on Colton's basketball team. It marked the second straight summer Corbin and Williams coached a flag football team in Tuscola.
- **Rugby Champ:** In addition to being an undefeated flag football coach, **Reggie Corbin** was a national champion rugby player while also starring on the football field in high school. Corbin helped Gonzaga HS in Washington D.C. to back-to-back rugby national titles in 2014 and 2015 after joining the team on a dare by star player Ben Cima, who plays on the U.S. national rugby team. The team lost only two games in Corbin's two years on the team.
- **Best Buds:** RB **Reggie Corbin** and OL **Richie Petitbon**, best friends at Gonzaga HS in Maryland, are reunited in Champaign this season after four years apart. Both fifth-year seniors, Corbin has become one of the top backs in the nation while Petitbon spent the last four years at the University of Alabama, where he was a part of two national championship teams as a backup. Now reunited with Corbin, Petitbon has been a mainstay on the Illini offensive line.
- **First-time Footballer:** Junior punter **Blake Hayes**, a native of Melbourne, Australia, had never played in or attended an American football game until making his Illini debut against Ball State on Sept. 2, 2017. Hayes played Australian rules football before training at ProKick Australia for two years in hopes of getting a college scholarship in the United States. It paid off, as the Aussie earned honorable mention All-Big Ten honors as a true-freshman and then upped that to third-team All-Big Ten in 2018. This year has been his best yet, averaging 45.0 yards per punt.

MAKING THE GRADE

The Illini continue to excel in the classroom.

- A total of 19 football student-athletes earned Illinois degrees in 2018-19
- Illini players have earned 160 degrees in the last five years – 19 in 2019, 29 in 2018, 32 in 2017, 42 in 2016 and 38 in 2015.
- Illinois' rise in Academic All-Big Ten selections has been staggering. Prior to 2012, the school record was 12 (2000 & 2009). Since then, the Illini have had 18 (2012), 21 (2013), 29 (2014), 31 (2015), 35 (2016) and, most recently, 32 in both 2017 & '18.

GRADS ON GRADS ON GRADS

The 2019 Fighting Illini roster features 11 student-athletes that already earned 12 college degrees prior to the season – seven at Illinois and five at different schools

Student-Athlete	Bachelor's Degree	Degree Pursuing
Oluwole Betiku Jr.	International Relations (May '19 at USC)	Recreation, Sport & Tourism
Dre Brown	Recreation, Sport & Tourism (Dec. '18 at Illinois)	Management
Reggie Corbin	Communication (May '18 at Illinois)	Recreation, Sport & Tourism
Josh Imatorbhebe	Business Administration (May '19 at USC)	Strategic Brand Communication
Jamal Milan	Sociology (May '19 at Illinois)	Communication (2nd bachelor's)
Brandon Peters	General Studies (June '19 at Michigan)	Recreation, Sport & Tourism
Richie Petitbon	Communication Studies (Dec. '18 at Alabama)	Sport Management
Caleb Reams	Community Health (May '19 at Illinois)	Management
Trevon Sidney	Communication (June '19 at USC)	Recreation, Sport & Tourism
Bobby Walker	Political Science (Dec. '18 at Illinois)	Management
Justice Williams	Business Management (Aug. '18 at Illinois)	Already finished M.S. as well
	M.S., Business Administration (Aug. 19 at Illinois)	Spanish (2nd bachelor's)

LINEBACKER U, IT'S NOT WHERE YOU THINK IT IS

- Like many Illini teams over the years, the 2019 Illini defense is getting big production from its linebacking corps, led by senior **Dele Harding** and juniors **Jake Hansen** and **Milo Eifler**. The trio has combined for 240 tackles, 25.0 TFLs, 4.5 sacks, 10 forced fumbles, five fumble recoveries, four interceptions and three touchdowns this season.
- Illinois' history at the linebacker position is up there with any program in the nation. It begins with the greatest linebacker in football history, **Dick Butkus**, who was a two-time All-American and led the Fighting Illini to a 1964 Rose Bowl win over Washington. Illinois boasts two Butkus Award winners, **Dana Howard** in 1994 and **Kevin Hardy** in 1995, several first-team All-Americans like **Darrick Brownlow** (1990), **Simeon Rice** (1994 & '95) and **J Leman** (2007), not to mention second-team All-American **Scott Studwell** (1976) and NFL legend **Ray Nitschke**.



2019 ILLINOIS HONORS

Illinois Fighting Illini

- FWAA Reveal Suits National Team of the Week (10/21)

DE Oluwole Betiku Jr.

- Bednarik Award Watch List

RB Dre Brown

- Campbell Trophy Semifinalist

S Sydney Brown

- Jim Thorpe Award National Defensive Back of the Week (11/14)
- Big Ten Co-Defensive Player of the Week (11/11)

RB Reggie Corbin

- Maxwell Award Watch List
- Doak Walker Award Watch List

LB Jake Hansen

- Butkus Award Semifinalist (11/4)
- Walter Camp National Defensive Player of the Week (10/21)
- Big Ten Defensive Player of the Week (10/21)

LB Dele Harding

- Bronco Nagurski National Defensive Player of the Week (11/5)
- Big Ten Defensive Player of the Week (11/4)
- PFF National Team of the Week (11/3)
- PFF National Team of the Week (10/20)
- Rose Bowl BIG Player of the Week (10/21)

P Blake Hayes

- Big Ten Special Teams Player of the Week (9/23)
- Ray Guy Award Watch List

WR Josh Imatorbhebhe

- Big Ten Co-Offensive Player of the Week (11/11)

C Doug Kramer

- Rimington Trophy Watch List

OL Richie Petitbon

- CoSIDA Academic All-District (11/14)

TE Bobby Walker

- Wuerffel Trophy Watch List (community service/academics)
- AFCA Good Works Nominee (community service)

HC Lovie Smith

- Bobby Dodd Trophy National Coach of the Week (10/21)

OFFENSIVE NOTES

- **Fantastic Fourth:** Illinois scored 27 fourth-quarter points in the comeback win at Michigan State, the most by an opponent in the 96-year, 544-game history of Michigan State's Spartan Stadium and tied for the second-most allowed in a fourth quarter in Michigan State history (34 in October 1912 at Michigan). Illinois outscored Michigan State 27-3 in the fourth quarter to win 34-31.
- **Ground and Pound:** The Oct. 26 win at Purdue saw the Illini attempt just seven passes and complete three, both its fewest in a game since at least 2000. Weather conditions were cold and wet all game and with the Illini leading from the start and the defense pitching a shutout for most of the game, OC Rod Smith opted to keep the ball on the ground for most of the 24-6 victory.
- **Marathon March:** Against Michigan Oct. 12, Illinois had a 15-play, 80-yard scoring drive lasting 7:27 in the third quarter. It was the Illini's longest drive this season and was the third-longest scoring drive against Michigan this season (Wisconsin had two over eight minutes).
- **Putting Up Points:** The Illini are averaging 30.7 points per game in year two under OC Rod Smith, which is on pace to be the fourth-best scoring offense in program history. The Illini averaged 26.0 points per game in Smith's first season in 2018, up from 15.4 ppg in 2017.
 - » Illinois opened the season with four straight games scoring 30 or more points, which tied for the third-longest streak of 30+-point games in program history and the first since a program-record seven-game streak to end the 2001 season (includes Sugar Bowl).
- **Quick Strike 2.0:** In 10 games, the Illini have 18 scoring drives lasting under two minutes, including seven that spanned less than one minute. Last season, the Illini offense showed its explosiveness with 16 scoring drives of less than a minute, fifth-most in FBS behind only Utah State, Alabama, Clemson and Memphis. In 2017, before the arrival of **Rod Smith** as offensive coordinator, the Illini had four sub-one minute scoring drives all season.
- **Donny Boy:** Sophomore WR **Donny Navarro** had a 48-yard touchdown catch in the second quarter of the upset win over No. 6 Wisconsin on Oct. 19, his first touchdown as an Illini. He had another spectacular 48-yard catch against Rutgers and finished with a career-high 57 receiving yards against the Scarlett Knights. Navarro, who was put on scholarship on Nov. 7, has played a bigger and bigger role as the season progresses. He has 18 catches for 232 yards and one TD on the season.
- **Casey, Mighty Casey:** Freshman WR **Casey Washington** started for the first time at Purdue (Oct. 12), becoming the first true-freshman to start on offense this season. He also started games against Rutgers and at Michigan State.
- **Perfect 10:** QB **Brandon Peters** completed his last 10 passes of the first half at UConn (10-10, 135 yards, 3 TDs), tied for the 10th-longest completion streak in UI history.
- **Mr. Robinson:** Sophomore QB **Matt Robinson** got his first career start against Michigan and threw his first touchdown pass (23 yards to Josh Imatorbhebhe in the second quarter). In close to two full games filling in for starter Brandon Peters, Robinson threw for 359 yards, one touchdown and zero interceptions.
- **Transfer Twin:** Sophomore RB **Chase Brown** made his Illinois debut on the kickoff return unit against Michigan. The Western Michigan transfer, who is the twin brother of Illini safety Sidney Brown, was granted a waiver for immediate eligibility by the NCAA earlier in the week prior to the Michigan game.
- **The Price is Right:** Sophomore TE **Daniel Barker** caught the game-winning touchdown with 0:05 seconds left in the 25-point comeback win at Michigan State. Barker hauled in a 5-yard strike from QB Brandon Peters in the back of the end zone to clinch bowl eligibility for the Illini. Earlier in the season, Barker had a career-high 90 receiving yards on four receptions against EMU. He has 14 catches for 209 yards this season, good for 14.9 yards per catch, and three touchdowns.
- **Illini Ironman:** Junior OL **Alex Palczewski** has started 33 straight games, the longest streak on the team. Palczewski has started every game of his Illini career except for the season-opener as a freshman in 2017.
- **Smalling Putting Up Big Numbers:** Junior WR **Ricky Smalling** surpassed 1,000 career receiving yards with 56 yards against UConn. Out for the season due to injury, Smalling now has 1,141 career yards and eight touchdowns on 88 career catches (13.0 ypc).

DEFENSIVE NOTES

- **Lovie Ball:** Takeaways have long been a staple of **Lovie Smith** defenses. In each of the last three seasons the Illini defense has created different ways to play "Lovie-ball."
 - » In 2019, the Illini have forced 26 turnovers in 10 games, 10 interceptions and an NCAA-best 16 fumbles, ranking first in FBS in turnovers gained and turnover margin. The Illini's 17 forced fumbles also leads FBS.
 - » Illinois has forced at least one turnover in every game this season, the third-longest streak in FBS, and have forced at least two turnovers in every Big Ten game this season.
 - » In conference play, the Illini have forced 20 turnovers, the most in most in the nation and four more than any other Big Ten team. The +13 turnover margin in BIG play is the best in the league by three (Ohio State, +10).
 - » The 2018 defense ranked 20th in FBS in interceptions (15) and 18th in interceptions per game (1.25)
 - » In 2017, forced fumbles were the Illini's forte. The defense forced 17 fumbles in 2017 to rank second in the nation (1.42 per game), behind only Wyoming (1.69). The total of 17 forced fumbled tied for fourth-most.
 - » The Illini have forced at least one turnover 34 of their last 36 games.
- **Boiler Down:** In the Oct. 26 win at Purdue, the Illini defense allowed just six points, the Boilermakers' lowest total in six seasons since a 56-0 loss vs. Ohio State 11/2/2013 and head coach Jeff Brohm's fewest ever during his



TURNOVERS FORCED

TEAM	INT	FUMBLE	TOTAL
Illinois	10	16	26
Opponent	5	7	12

AKRON (2)

- 1Q...Hansen forced fumble (Hansen recovered)
- 2Q...Hansen interception (no return)

UConn (3)

- 2Q...Marchese interception (29 yard return)
- 3Q...Woods forced fumble (Betiku Jr. recovery)
- 4Q...Harding interception (no return)

EMU (1)

- 3Q...Ware forced fumble (Hansen recovery)

NEBRASKA (4)

- 1Q...Hansen fumble recovery (no return)
- 2Q...Harding forced fumble (J. Martin 8 yard return)
- 3Q...Hansen forced fumble (J. Martin 2 yard return)
- 3Q...Shogbonyo forced fumble (Betiku Jr. recovery)

MINNESOTA (2)

- 1Q...Harding interception (40 yard return for TD)
- 3Q...Hansen forced fumble (Eifler 7 yard return for TD)

MICHIGAN (2)

- 2Q...S. Green forced fumble (S. Green recovery)
- 3Q...Hansen forced fumble (S. Green recovery)

WISCONSIN (3)

- 2Q...Hansen forced fumble (Harding recovery)
- 4Q...Hansen forced fumble (Gay 6 yard return)
- 4Q...Adams interception (no return)

PURDUE (2)

- 2Q...Adams interception (13 yard return for TD)
- 3Q...Harding forced fumble (S. Green 29 yard return)

RUTGERS (3)

- 3Q...Gay forced fumble (Hobbs 36 yard return for TD)
- 3Q...Harding forced fumble (S. Green recovery)
- 4Q...Harding interception (54 yard return for TD)

MICHIGAN STATE (4)

- 2Q...S. Green interception (no return)
- 2Q...S. Brown interception (no return)
- 4Q...Tolson fumble recovery (no return)
- 4Q...S. Brown interception (76 yard return for TD)

six-year head coaching career.

- » Illinois' six points allowed were the fewest allowed by the Illini in a Big Ten road game since a 3-3 tie at Wisconsin 11/25/1995.
- » Illinois held Purdue to 3.5 yards per play (77 plays, 271 total yards), the Illini's fewest yards per play allowed in a Big Ten game since 3.5 at Purdue 11/7/2015.
- » Illinois led 17-0 at halftime. Illinois shut out an opponent in the first half for the first time since Sept. 9, 2017 vs. Western Kentucky (W, 20-7 ... Illinois led 13-0 at half). Illinois shut out a Big Ten team in the first half for the first time since Oct. 15, 2016 at Rutgers (W, 24-7 ... Illinois led 7-0 at half).

• **Scoring on D:** The defense has scored six touchdowns this season, all coming in Big Ten play (2 at Minnesota, 1 at Purdue, 2 vs. Rutgers, 1 at Michigan State).

- » With two scores at Minnesota, the Illini defense scored two defensive touchdowns in the same game for the first time since two interception return touchdowns vs. Indiana 10/23/2010. Against the Gophers LB **Dele Harding** returned an interception 40 yards for a TD in the first quarter. Then in the third quarter, LB **Jake Hansen** forced a fumble that was picked up by LB **Milo Eifler** and returned seven yards for a score.

- » Junior DB **Nate Hobbs** had his first career touchdown on a 36-yard fumble return against Rutgers after Stanley Green's forced fumble.

• **Brown Blowing Up:** Sophomore DB **Sydney Brown** had 13 tackles and two interceptions in the victory at Michigan State to earn B1G Defensive Player of the Week and Thorpe Award National DB of the Week honors. He returned one interception 76 yards for his first career touchdown, while the other pick set up an Illini score just before halftime that sparked the comeback.

• **Tony Sets the Stage:** Junior CB **Tony Adams** had the interception on Wisconsin's final drive to set up the game-winning field goal in the Oct. 19 upset of the sixth-ranked Badgers. It was just the third turnover of the season for Wisconsin QB Jack Coan and Coan's second of the game (Hansen forced fumble). One week later at Purdue, Adams had a pick-six for the Illini's first score in the 24-6 road win over the Boilers.

• **He's Not Green:** Against Michigan Oct. 12, S **Stanley Green** became the second Illini with two fumble recoveries and a forced fumble in the same game since 2000 (James Crawford vs. Rutgers 10/14/2017).

• **New Face:** Freshman DB **Devon Witherspoon** started for the first time against Minnesota on Oct. 5, the first true-freshman start by an Illini this season. Witherspoon became the 35th true freshman defensive back to start a game in Illinois history.

• **Stopping the Run:** The Illini allowed just 10 rushing yards at UConn, the fourth-fewest yards allowed on the ground for an Illinois team since 2000:

- 10 Murray State 9/3/2016
- 6 Western Michigan 9/1/2012
- 6 Western Kentucky 9/9/2017
- 10 Connecticut 9/7/2019

• **Shutting Down the Zips:** In the season-opening 42-3 win over Akron, the defense allowed its fewest points (3), fewest yards (192) and secured its largest margin of victory (39) since a 52-3 win over Murray State on Sept. 3, 2016, Lovie's Smith's first game at Illinois.

THE SPECIAL TEAMS

• **Punter from Down Under:** Australian **Blake Hayes** is in his third season as one of the top punters in the nation.

- » Hayes is averaging 45.0 yards in 2019, ranking 17th in FBS. He has dropped 27 inside the 20 and six on the 1- or 2 yard-line with just two touchbacks.

- » He has 18 boots over 50 yards, including a career-long 70-yard boot against Michigan Oct.12.

- » Career average of 43.4 is second all-time at Illinois behind only long-time NFL punter Steve Weatherford (43.5 ypk).

- » A native of Melbourne, Hayes came to the U.S. in June 2017 having never attended an American football game. An Australian Rules Football player in his homeland, Hayes trained for American football at Proklick Australia.

• **Kicking Battle:** Junior **James McCourt** emerged from training camp as the starting kicker after a month long battle with redshirt freshman **Caleb Griffin** to succeed 2018 Big Ten Kicker of the Year and current Los Angeles Charger Chase McLaughlin. McCourt is 9-of-13 on the season, with three makes from 50+, tied for the most in the nation. He has nailed 38-of-39 PATs and booted 40 touchbacks on 56 kickoffs.

• **Don't Forget About Dre:** Super-senior **Dre Brown** ranks 15th in the nation and second in the B1G in kickoff return average (26.8 ypr). He has the No. 7 PFF kick return grade in the nation for any player with 10 or more returns (82.4).

FIGHTING ILLINI FACTS

• **It's Been A While:** The Illini are doing things that haven't been done at Illinois this decades.

- » Illinois has won four Big Ten games in a single season for the first time since 2010 (4-4).
- » Illinois has won two Big Ten road games in a single season for the first time since 2010 when the Illini won at Penn State and beat Northwestern at Wrigley Field.
- » Illinois has won three road games in a single season for the first time since 2007 (Four games: at Syracuse, at Indiana, at Minnesota, at Ohio State).

DOMINANT DEFENSE

FIRST IN FBS	FIRST IN FBS	FIRST IN FBS
6	16	26
DEFENSIVE TOUCHDOWNS	FUMBLES RECOVERED	TAKEAWAYS





LOVIE SMITH RADIO SHOW

The Lovie Smith radio show airs live from Papa Del's Pizza Factory in Champaign every Monday evening of a game week from 7-8 p.m. on the Fighting Illini Sports Network. Hosted by football play-by-play voice Brian Barnhart, the live show allows University of Illinois students and the Champaign-Urbana community the opportunity to meet coaches and ask questions about the Illinois football program.

ILLINI COACHING STAFF

On the Field

- Lovie Smith Head Coach
- Bob Ligashesky Special Teams Coordinator
- Mike Bellamy Running Backs
- Austin Clark Defensive Line
- Andrew Hayes-Stoker Wide Receivers
- Keynodo Hudson Cornerbacks
- Bob McClain Offensive Line
- Miles Smith Linebackers
- Rob Delaney Offensive Graduate Assistant
- Zach Grant Offensive Graduate Assistant
- Carson Hall Defensive Graduate Assistant
- Brent Jackson Defensive Graduate Assistant

In Coaches Booth

- Rod Smith Offensive Coordinator/QB
- Gill Byrd Def. Passing Game Coordinator/Safeties
- Cory Patterson Tight Ends



2019 UNIFORM COMBINATIONS

Opponent	Result	Helmet	Jersey	Pants	Rec.
Akron	W	Orange	Blue	Orange	1-0
@UConn	W	Orange	White	Orange	1-0
Eastern Michigan	L	White	Orange	White	0-1
Nebraska	L	White	Blue	White	0-1
@Minnesota	L	Blue	White	Blue	0-1
Michigan	L	Blue	Blue	Blue	0-1
Wisconsin	W	Blue	Gray	Gray	1-0
@Purdue	W	Orange	White	Orange	2-0
Rutgers	W	Orange	Blue	Orange	2-0
@Michigan State	W	Orange	White	Orange	3-0
@Iowa					
Northwestern					

- **Poll Position:** In each of the last two weeks, Illinois received a vote in the AP poll for the first time since 2013, when the Illini received nine points in the poll after starting 2-0 including a 45-17 win over Cincinnati.
- **November Reign:** Illinois (6-4) is two games over .500 in November for the first time since Nov. 12, 2011 when the Fighting Illini were 6-4 after starting the season 6-0. Illinois (4-3) is over .500 in Big Ten games in November for the first time since 2007 when the Fighting Illini went 6-2 in conference games.
- **The Cannon Comes Home:** With Oct 26 victory at Purdue, the Fighting Illini claimed 'The Cannon' rivalry trophy for the first time since 2015. The Illini dominated from the start, especially defensively, to break a tie in the 95-year old series against the Boilermaker. Illinois now holds a 45-44-6 edge all-time against Purdue.
 - » Illinois held Purdue to six points, the Boilermakers' lowest total in six seasons since a 56-0 loss vs. Ohio State 11/2/2013 and head coach Jeff Brohm's fewest ever during his six-year head coaching career.
- **Back-to-back:** The wins over Wisconsin and Purdue in October gave the Illini wins in back-to-back Big Ten games in the same season for the first time since beating Penn State, 16-14, Nov. 22, 2014, and Northwestern, 47-33, Nov. 29, 2014, to end the 2014 season.
- **Ranked Drought Ended:** The win over No. 6 Wisconsin on Oct. 19 marked the Illini's first win over a top-10 ranked team since beating No. 1 Ohio State 28-21 on 11/10/2007. It also snapped a streak of 24 straight losses to AP ranked opponents. Illinois' last win over an AP ranked team was Sept. 17, 2011, over No. 22 Arizona State, 17-14.
- **The Start of the Turn:** After falling behind 28-0 against #16 Michigan on Oct. 12, the Fighting Illini lived up to their name and fought back to pull within three points late in the game before eventually falling 42-25.
 - » Illinois went on a 25-0 scoring run to cut the 28-0 Michigan lead to 28-25 with 12:45 remaining in the game.
 - » Illinois held Michigan to 11 yards on 11 plays in the third quarter. Illinois held the ball for 10:50 of the third quarter, including 7:27 on one touchdown drive.
- **Butkus Statue Unveiled:** The long-anticipated unveiling of the statue of legendary Fighting Illini linebacker **Dick Butkus** took place on Oct. 11, 2019. The larger-than-life bronze monument stands just outside the main entrance of the brand new Henry Dale and Betty Smith Football Center. The Butkus statue joins the Red Grange statue (west side of Memorial Stadium) in watching over the Illini football facilities.
- **2019 Captains:** Lovie Smith announced on Aug. 27 that LB **Jake Hansen**, LB **Dele Harding**, P **Blake Hayes**, OL **Doug Kramer** and OL **Alex Palczewski** were voted team captains for the 2019 season. The captains were determined by a vote of Illini players.
- **Talent Upgrade:** The 2019 recruiting class was small in numbers (16) but big on talent. The average recruit rating of .8679 by 247Sports was the highest rated Illini class in the online recruiting era (since 2002), ranking 31st nationally and seventh in the Big Ten. 2019 signees **Marquez Beason** (.9564 rating, No. 99) and **Isaiah Williams** (.9479 rating, No. 116) are the highest rated Illini recruits since 2009 (Terry Hawthorne, No. 72), and the highest duo since 2007 (Arrelious Benn, No. 12, and Martez Wilson, No. 15).
- **Streak Snapped:** The Sept. 7 win at UConn was Illinois' first non-conference road win in 12 years, since Sept. 15, 2007 at Syracuse (41-20). The victory in East Hartford snapped a string of seven straight non-conference road losses (2008 Western Michigan, 2009 Cincinnati, 2010 Fresno State, 2012 Arizona State, 2014 Washington, 2015 North Carolina, 2017 South Florida).
- **Home Sweet Home:** With the season-opening win over Akron, Illinois now has 22 consecutive home-opening wins, the fourth-longest active streak in the nation behind only Florida (29), Wisconsin (24) and Oklahoma State (23 – hasn't played 2019 home-opener yet). Illinois is 92-33-5 all-time in home-openers.
- **Boys of Summer:** The Illini are 28-8 in Aug./Sept. home games dating back to the start of 2007.
- **Starting Off Right:** The Illini have an all-time record of 83-42-5 in season-openers and are 60-27-4 when opening the season at home. The Illini have won their last 14 season-openers at Memorial Stadium dating back to 1997.

In fact, the Illini have won...

- » 9 straight season-openers (last loss 2010 vs. Missouri in St. Louis)
- » 14 straight season-openers at Memorial Stadium (last loss 1997 vs. Southern Mississippi)
- » 22 straight home-openers (last loss 1997 vs. Southern Mississippi)

BREAKING THE BADGERS

- **Finish for the Ages:** A 39-yard field goal by **James McCourt** as time expired capped a nine-point comeback in the final six minutes to top No. 6 Wisconsin, 24-23, on Homecoming at Memorial Stadium. Illinois trailed by as many as 13 points and faced a deficit of 23-14 with six minutes to play before a 29-yard TD pass from **Brandon Peters** to **Josh Imatorbhebhe** with 5:53 left, an interception by **Tony Adams** with 2:32 left, and then McCourt's walk-off completed the Illini rally and the biggest upset in college football this season.
- **Breaking Through:** Illinois put up the biggest numbers of the season to that point against the top-ranked Wisconsin defense, which entered the game ranked first in the nation in total defense (173.7 ypg), points allowed (4.8 ppg), rushing yards allowed (44.7 ypg), passing yards allowed (129.0 ypg), and shutouts (4).
 - Illinois had the most points (24), takeaways (3), rushing yards (141), passing touchdowns (2, tied), rushing touchdowns (1, tied), yards per carry (4.0), and longest rush (43, Corbin) against Wisconsin through 7 games.
 - Illinois was the first team to score a touchdown in the first half against Wisconsin this season. Wisconsin had allowed only three first-half points in the first six games.



FUTURE ILLINOIS SCHEDULES

2020 // FINAL	2024 // FINAL
Sept. 5 Illinois State	Aug. 31 Purdue
Sept. 12 UConn	Sept. 7 Kansas
Sept. 19 Bowling Green	Sept. 14 Central Michigan
Sept. 26 OPEN	Sept. 21 Eastern Illinois
Oct. 3 @ Rutgers	Sept. 28 @ Ohio State
Oct. 10 @ Nebraska	Oct. 5 OFF
Oct. 17 Purdue	Oct. 12 @ Penn State
Oct. 24 Minnesota	Oct. 19 Iowa
Oct. 31 @ Wisconsin	Oct. 26 Rutgers
Nov. 7 Iowa	Nov. 2 @ Wisconsin
Nov. 14 @ Indiana	Nov. 9 @ Nebraska
Nov. 21 Ohio State	Nov. 16 OFF
Nov. 28 @ Northwestern	Nov. 23 Minnesota
Dec. 5 B1G Championship	Nov. 30 @ Northwestern

2021 // FINAL	2025 // 1 non-conf. TBA
Aug. 28 Nebraska (@Dublin)	Aug. 30 Nebraska
Sept. 4 UTSA	Sept. 6 @ Duke
Sept. 11 @ Virginia	Sept. 13 OPEN
Sept. 18 Maryland	Sept. 20 Western Michigan
Sept. 25 @ Purdue	Sept. 27 Penn State
Oct. 2 Charlotte	Oct. 4 @ Iowa
Oct. 9 OPEN	Oct. 11 OPEN
Oct. 16 @ Penn State	Oct. 18 Michigan
Oct. 23 Wisconsin	Oct. 25 @ Purdue
Oct. 30 Rutgers	Nov. 1 OPEN
Nov. 6 @ Minnesota	Nov. 8 @ Michigan State
Nov. 13 OPEN	Nov. 15 Wisconsin
Nov. 20 @ Iowa	Nov. 22 @ Minnesota
Nov. 27 Northwestern	Nov. 29 Northwestern
Dec. 4 B1G Championship	

2022 // FINAL	2026 // 1 non-conf. & B1G TBA
Sept. 3 @ Wisconsin	Sept. 12 Duke
Sept. 10 Virginia	Sept. 26 Missouri
Sept. 17 Wyoming	
Sept. 24 Chattanooga	2027 // 2 non-conf. & B1G TBA
Oct. 1 Michigan State	Sept. 18 @ Missouri
Oct. 8 Minnesota	
Oct. 15 @ Penn State	2028 // 2 non-conf. & B1G TBA
Oct. 22 OFF	Sept. 16 Missouri
Oct. 29 @ Michigan	
Nov. 5 Purdue	2029 // 2 non-conf. & B1G TBA
Nov. 12 Iowa	Sept. 15 @ Missouri
Nov. 19 @ Nebraska	
Nov. 26 @ Northwestern	

2023 // FINAL
Sept. 2 Toledo
Sept. 9 @ Kansas
Sept. 16 Penn State
Sept. 23 Florida Atlantic
Sept. 30 @ Purdue
Oct. 7 Nebraska
Oct. 14 Wisconsin
Oct. 21 @ Maryland
Oct. 28 Indiana
Nov. 4 OFF
Nov. 11 @ Minnesota
Nov. 18 @ Iowa
Nov. 25 Northwestern

2019-20 BIG TEN BOWL POSSIBILITIES

Jan. 13	CFP National Championship Game
Dec. 28	CFB Playoff Seamifinals (Fiesta & Peach)
Jan. 4	Armed Forces Bowl vs. MWC
Jan. 2	TaxSlayer Gator Bowl B1G/ACC/ND vs. SEC
Jan. 1	Rose Bowl vs. Pac-12
Jan. 1	VRBO Citrus Bowl vs. SEC
Jan. 1	Outback Bowl vs. SEC
Dec. 30	Redbox Bowl vs. Pac-12
Dec. 30	Franklin American Music City Bowl B1G/ACC vs. SEC
Dec. 27	SDDCU Holiday Bowl vs. Pac-12
Dec. 27	New Era Pinstripe Bowl vs. ACC/ND
Dec. 26	Quick Lane Bowl vs. ACC/ND

NEW KIDS ON THE QUAD

- A total of 29 players, including 14 true freshmen, have made their debuts in 2019.
 - True-Freshmen (13):** TE Bryce Barnes, LB Tarique Barnes, WR Dalevon Campbell, DE Seth Coleman, LB Shammond Cooper, WR Kyron Cumbly, RB Nick Fedanzo, DB Matthew Judd, LB Ryan Meed, DL Moses Okpala, DL Keith Randolph Jr., WR Casey Washington, QB Isaiah Williams, and DB Devon Witherspoon
 - Redshirt Freshmen (5):** OL Verdis Brown, OL Preston Engel, OL Julian Pearl, DL Ezekiel Holmes, QB Coran Taylor
 - Sophomores (4):** RB Chase Brown, RB Conner Lillig, WR Donny Navarro, TE Alex Pihlstrom
 - Juniors (5):** DL Oluwole Betiku Jr., LB Milo Eifler, WR Josh Imatorbhebhe, QB Brandon Peters, WR Trevon Sidney
 - Seniors (1):** OL Richie Petitbon

JUST GETTING STARTED

- Illinois has had 12 first-time Illini starters this season, five on defense – **DE Oluwole Betiku Jr.**, **LB Milo Eifler**, **SS Kerby Joseph**, **LB Khalan Tolson** and **DB Devon Witherspoon**, and seven on offense – **WR Josh Imatorbhebhe**, **QB Brandon Peters**, **OL Richie Petitbon**, **QB Matt Robinson**, **WR Trevon Sidney**, **WR Donny Navarro** and **WR Casey Washington**.
- Senior TE **Justice Williams** started at TE for the first time in his career against Rutgers on 11/2, giving him three career starts in three different seasons at three different positions during his Illini career – TE vs. Rutgers 11/2/2019, WR vs. Western Illinois 9/8/2018, LB vs. Iowa 11/19/2016.
- In 2018, 14 players make their first start as Illini, while in 2017 the Illini's 31 first-time starters ranked second in FBS. In 2016, Illinois led the nation with 28 first-time starters.

ON THE ROAD TO RECOVERY

- Eight Fighting Illini players are officially out for the 2019 season due to injury (as of Nov. 12).
- » **WR Ricky Smalling** suffered a lower body injury on the first play of the Wisconsin game on Oct. 19 and had season-ending surgery shortly after. Smalling played in seven games and had 24 receptions for 225 receiving yards this season. He had started 28 straight games before the injury and has 88 career catches for 1,141 yards in his UI career.
 - » **WR Trevon Sidney** suffered a lower body injury at Minnesota on Oct. 5 and had season-ending surgery shortly after. The USC transfer played in five games on the season, hauling in 16 catches for 123 yards and one touchdown.
 - » **RB Mike Epstein** suffered a season-ending knee injury in the season-opening win over Akron, Lovie Smith announced at a press conference on Sept. 2. It is the third straight season Epstein has suffered a season-ending injury. He has played 13 games for Illinois over three seasons. He has 947 total yards, including 802 on the ground, and scored seven touchdowns.
 - » **DB Marquez Beason** suffered a season-ending knee injury at practice August 13. Beason was a consensus four-star recruit out of Duncanville High School (Texas) and Illinois' top-rated high school recruit in the last 10 years, ranking No. 91 in the nation by ESPN and No. 99 by 247Sports when he signed with Illinois in December 2018.
 - » **DL Bobby Roundtree** – The All-Big Ten defensive end will miss the 2019 season after suffering a severe spinal injury on May 18, 2019, in a swimming accident near his home of Largo, Florida. Roundtree started 20 of 24 games during his first two seasons at Illinois, earning honorable mention All-Big Ten honors in 2018 with 66 tackles, 12.5 TFLs, 7.5 sacks and seven PBUs on the season. He was projected as one of the Illini's top players entering his junior season in 2019.
 - » **DB Dylan Wyatt** – The sophomore corner had offseason surgery and will miss the entire 2019 season.
 - » **DB James Knight** – The junior safety had offseason surgery and will miss the entire 2019 season.
 - » **WR Dylan Thomas** – Walk-on redshirt freshman wide receiver will miss the entire 2019 season.

STATE-OF-THE-ART SMITH FOOTBALL CENTER OPENS TO ILLINI

The state-of-the-art Henry Dale and Betty Smith Football Center opened its doors for the team Aug. 18, becoming the new home of Illinois football. The \$79.2 million Smith Center is a 107,650 square foot facility adjoining to the south end of the Irwin Indoor Practice Facility. The facility features new and expanded strength and conditioning and sports medicine space, coaches' offices, position meeting rooms, player development areas, locker rooms, and other areas for recruiting and prospect hosting. The grand opening is scheduled for Oct. 12 when the Fighting Illini host Michigan at Memorial Stadium. More information on the project can be found on page 21 of these Game Notes and at <http://illinoisrenaissance.com>.

ILLINI HEADED TO IRELAND IN 2021

- The Fighting Illini will pack up and head to Ireland to open the 2021 season against Big Ten-foe Nebraska as part of the Aer Lingus College Football Series in Dublin.
- » The University of Illinois, the University of Nebraska and Irish American Events Limited are partnering to take an American Football game to Aviva Stadium in Dublin for a Week Zero game on Aug. 28, 2021.
 - » The Illinois-Nebraska game is the second in a series of games in the Aer Lingus College Football Series and will be the first Fighting Illini game played outside the United States.
 - » The original date for this game at Memorial Stadium in Champaign was Nov. 13, 2021, and with the change, will give Illinois two bye weeks that season.



UNIVERSITY QUICK FACTS

Location: Urbana-Champaign
Founded: 1867
Enrollment: 49,339
Colors: Orange & Blue
Nickname: Fighting Illini
Conference (Division): Big Ten (West)
President: Timothy L. Killeen
Chancellor: Robert J. Jones
Director of Athletics: Josh Whitman
Stadium: Memorial Stadium (FieldTurf – 60,670)

FOOTBALL QUICK FACTS

2018 Record: 4-8, 2-7 (7th Big Ten West Division)
Offensive Formation: Multiple
Defensive Formation: 4-3
2018 Starters Returning/Lost: 17/7
 Off: 7/4 Def: 9/2 ST (PK/P): 1/1
2018 Letterwinners Returning/Lost: 46/7
 Off: 17/4 Def: 27/2 ST (PK/P): 2/1
All-Time Record (Yrs): 612-597-51 (130)
All-Time Big Ten Record (Yrs): 347-436-32 (124)
Memorial Stadium Record (Yrs): 276-242-14 (97)
Big Ten Championships (Last): 15 (2001)
National Championships (Last): 5 (1951)
Bowl Appearances (Last): 18 (2014 Heart of Dallas)
All-Time Bowl Record: 8-10 (.444)

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ALL OVER THE NFL

- A total of 16 former Illini have been on NFL rosters this season (as of 11/12) – OL **Nick Allegretti** (Chiefs), OL **Jeff Allen** (Chiefs-Released), WR **Geronimo Allison** (Packers), LB **James Crawford** (Dolphins-IR), FS **Clayton Fejedelem** (Bengals), CB **Justin Hardee** (Saints), OL **Ted Karras** (Patriots), TE **Matt LaCosse** (Patriots), DL **Corey Liuget** (Bills), K **Chase McLaughlin** (49ers), LB **Whitney Mercilus** (Texans), DE **Dawuane Smoot** (Jaguars), DT **Akeem Spence** (Jaguars), WR **Malik Turner** (Seahawks), DE **Jihad Ward** (Ravens) and DB **Tavon Wilson** (Lions).
- In addition, OL **Christian DiLauro** (Steelers), RB **Josh Ferguson** (Redskins), LB **Hardy Nickerson** (Bengals), DE **Carroll Phillips** (Redskins) and LB **Del'Shawn Phillips** (Bills) and are on practice squads.
- Illinois has had at least one player drafted in 43 of the last 47 years and has 242 all-time NFL Draft picks.

NO. 1 IN NFL EXPERIENCE...AGAIN

Lovie Smith's Fighting Illini coaching staff is loaded with experience from the NFL level, boasting 49 years of coaching in the NFL – the most of any college staff in the country for the fourth straight season.

Years of NFL coaching experience on full-time coaching staff:

» 49 Illinois » 45 LSU » 43 Alabama

Four members of the full time coaching staff have NFL coaching experience:

- » Lovie Smith – 19 seasons (11 head coach, 8 assistant/coordinator)
- » Gill Byrd – 13 seasons (assistant coach)
- » Bob Ligashesky – 12 seasons (assistant coach/coordinator)
- » Andrew Hayes-Stoker – 5 seasons (assistant coach)

ILLINI ATHLETICS HALL OF FAMERS

Members of the 2019 Illinois Athletics Hall of Fame, including four new football greats, were officially inducted on Sept. 20 at State Farm Center, the day before the Illini hosted Nebraska at Memorial Stadium.

- » **Class of 2019:** J.C. Caroline (1953-54), Bobby Mitchell (1955-58), Simeon Rice (1992-95) and David Williams (1983-85).
- » **Class of 2018:** Alex Agase (1941-42, '46), Charles Carney (1918-22), Ray Eliot (1942-59), Jim Grabowski (1963-65) and Dana Howard (1991-94).
- » **Class of 2017:** Dick Butkus (1962-64), Dike Eddleman (1943, 47-49), Red Grange (1923-25), George Halas (1916-18), George Huff (1901-1936), Buddy Young (1944 & '46) and Robert Zupke

UPLIFTING ATHLETES RAISES RECORD MONEY

- Fighting Illini players raised over \$54,000 for rare disease research and awareness over the last two years, and over \$131,000 the eight-year history of their Lift for Life fundraising events through Uplifting Athletes. The Illini are inspired by former Illini OL **Andrew Carter**, whose playing career was cut short by Acoustic neuroma – a rare, slow-growing tumor of the nerve that connects the ear to the brain. Senior TE **Bobby Walker** serves as president of the UI chapter of Uplifting Athletes and helped organize the event, which featured the entire Fighting Illini team participating in a strongman competition at Memorial Stadium. Find more on Andrew Carter's story here: <http://bit.ly/CarterFeature>.

CHARTING THE ILLINI

LONGEST DRIVES

DRIVES	ILLINOIS	OPPONENT
by # of plays	15 (80 yards, 7:27, TD vs. Michigan)	15 (64 yards, 8:02, FG, UConn)
by # of yards	93 (7 plays, 1:14, TD vs. EMU)	99 (13 plays, 5:05, TD, Purdue)
Time of Possession	7:27 (15 plays, 80 yards, TD vs. Michigan)	8:02 (15 plays, 64 yards, FG, UConn)

RED ZONE STATS (inside the 20)

	ILLINOIS	OPPONENT
Times inside the 20	27	39
Total Scores	23	32
Touchdowns	21	21
Field Goals	2	11
Lost on Downs/Turnover/Punt	2	3
Lost on Missed/Blocked Field Goals	2	2
End of Game or Half	0	2
Scoring Percentage	.852	.821
Scoring Percentage (TDs only)	.778	.538
Percent of Total Drives	.200	.279

FIELD POSITION

	ILLINOIS	OPPONENT
Drives Started	135	140
Cumulative Starting Yardlines	4,384	3,933
Average Starting Field Position	32.5	28.1
Times Started Inside the 20	18	32
Drives Started in Plus Territory	15	13

POINTS AFTER TURNOVERS

	ILLINOIS	OPPONENT
Turnovers Forced	26	12
Total Scores	18	8
Scoring Percentage	.692	.667
Points off Turnovers	118 (16 TD, 2 FG)	48 (7 TD, 2 FG)

HIGHEST SCORING QUARTERS

	1ST	2ND	3RD	4TH	OT	FINAL
2019 season	17, Eastern Michigan	24, at UConn	21, Rutgers	27, Michigan State	--	42, Akron
Lovie Smith Era	17, Eastern Michigan ('19)	24, at UConn ('19)	21, 5x last Rutgers ('19)	27, Michigan State ('19)	0, Purdue	55, Minnesota '18



2019 ILLINOIS BIG PLAYS

(Rush/Pass/Rec/PR over 20 yds & KOR/Def over 40 yds)

Player	Run	Pass	Rec	Def	ST	Tot
Peters	2	19	0	0	0	21
Imatorbhebe	0	0	11	0	0	11
Corbin	9	0	0	0	0	9
Brown, D.	5	0	0	0	1	6
Robinson	0	4	0	0	0	4
Barker	0	0	3	0	0	3
Smalling	0	0	2	0	0	2
Navarro	0	0	2	0	0	2
Harding	0	0	0	2	0	2
Bonner	0	0	1	0	0	1
Brown, S.	0	0	0	1	0	1
Cumby	0	0	1	0	0	1
Norwood	1	0	0	0	0	1
Stamley	0	0	1	0	0	1
Washington	0	0	1	0	0	1
Williams, J.	0	0	1	0	0	1
TOTAL	17	23	23	3	1	44

AKRON (5)

- 1Q 23 Corbin rush
- 1Q 22 Smalling reception (from Peters)
- 2Q 20 Peters rush
- 3Q 20 Imatorbhebe reception (from Peters)
- 4Q 31 Cumby reception (from Robinson)

UCONN (5)

- 2Q 26 Barker reception (from Peters)
- 2Q 28 Bonner reception (from Peters)
- 2Q 26 Smalling reception (from Peters)
- 3Q 68 Brown, D. kickoff return
- 3Q 50 Norwood rush

EASTERN MICHIGAN (7)

- 1Q 52 Barker reception (from Peters)
- 1Q 27 Stamley reception (from Peters)
- 2Q 35 Corbin rush
- 3Q 22 Barker reception (from Peters)
- 4Q 28 Corbin rush
- 4Q 32 Imatorbhebe reception (from Peters)
- 4Q 36 Imatorbhebe reception (from Peters)

NEBRASKA (3)

- 1Q 66 Corbin rush
- 1Q 26 Imatorbhebe reception (from Peters)
- 3Q 36 Brown, D. rush

MINNESOTA (2)

- 1Q 40 Harding interception return
- 2Q 21 Corbin rush

MICHIGAN (3)

- 2Q 23 Imatorbhebe reception (from Robinson)
- 3Q 35 Imatorbhebe reception (from Robinson)
- 4Q 30 Washington reception (from Robinson)

WISCONSIN (5)

- 1Q 24 Corbin rush
- 2Q 48 Navarro reception (from Peters)
- 3Q 43 Corbin rush
- 4Q 22 Brown, D. rush
- 4Q 29 Imatorbhebe reception (from Peters)

PURDUE (4)

- 1Q 44 Brown, D. rush
- 2Q 21 Brown, D. rush
- 2Q 25 Brown, D. rush
- 3Q 20 Corbin rush

RUTGERS (4)

- 1Q 48 Navaro reception (from Peters)
- 3Q 54 Peters rush
- 3Q 52 Imatorbhebe reception (from Peters)
- 4Q 54 Harding interception

MICHIGAN STATE (6)

- 1Q 33 Williams, J. reception (from Peters)
- 2Q 46 Imatorbhebe reception (from Peters)
- 4Q 83 Imatorbhebe reception (from Peters)
- 4Q 23 Corbin rush
- 4Q 76 Brown, S. interception
- 4Q 37 Imatorbhebe reception (from Peters)

ILLINOIS SCORING DRIVES

AKRON

- 1st 11:53 TD Corbin, Reggie 3 yard Run (McCourt kick) 10 plays, 63 yards, 3:07
- 1st 3:23 TD Bonner, Ra'Von 10 yard Run (McCourt kick) 9 plays, 75 yards, 3:06
- 2nd 14:56 TD Sidney, Trevon 10 yard pass from Peters (McCourt kick) 6 plays, 24 yards, 2:04
- 2nd 2:94 TD Peters, Brandon 20 yard run (McCourt kick) 2 plays, 24 yards, 0:38
- 3rd 10:42 TD Williams, Justice 9 yard pass from Peters (McCourt kick) 8 plays, 63 yards, 3:23
- 3rd 4:30 TD Barker, Daniel 2 yard pass from Peters (McCourt kick) 10 plays, 70 yards, 3:34

UCONN

- 2nd 11:43 TD Bonner, RaVon 28 yd pass from Peters (McCourt kick) 8 plays, 75 yards, 3:14
- 2nd 5:51 TD Imatorbhebe, Josh 9 yd pass from Peters (McCourt kick) 8 plays, 59 yards, 3:35
- 2nd 0:55 TD Barker, Daniel 18 yd pass from Peters (McCourt kick) 7 plays, 59 yards, 2:42
- 2nd 0:00 FG McCourt, James 53 yd field goal 3 plays, 19 yards, 0:21
- 3rd 6:09 TD Imatorbhebe, Josh 13 yd pass from Peters (McCourt kick) 8 plays, 87 yards, 2:48

EASTERN MICHIGAN

- 1st 9:18 FG McCourt, James 57 yd field goal 8 plays, 38 yards, 3:22
- 1st 6:52 TD Smalling, Ricky 14 yd pass from Peters (McCourt kick) 4 plays, 65 yards, 1:10
- 1st 1:42 TD Bonner, RaVon 4 yd run (McCourt kick) 6 plays, 75 yards, 2:17
- 4th 7:46 TD Corbin, Reggie 28 yd run (McCourt kick) 11 plays, 75 yards, 3:34
- 4th 1:44 TD Imatorbhebe, Josh 36 yd pass from Peters (McCourt kick) 7 plays, 93 yards, 1:14

NEBRASKA

- 1st 14:12 TD Corbin, Reggie 66 yd run (McCourt kick) 2 plays, 71 yards, 0:48
- 1st 8:12 TD Imatorbhebe, Josh 26 yd pass from Peters (McCourt kick) 5 plays, 37 yards, 1:45
- 2nd 13:46 TD Bonner, RaVon 2 yd run (McCourt kick) 1 plays, 2 yards, 0:05
- 3rd 5:40 TD Peters, Brandon 10 yd run (McCourt kick) 2 plays, 14 yards, 0:30
- 4th 12:08 FG McCourt, James 47 yd field goal 7 plays, 30 yards, 2:14

MINNESOTA

- 1st 6:58 TD Harding, Dele 40 yd interception return (McCourt kick)
- 2nd 0:52 FG McCourt, James 46 yd field goal 9 plays, 47 yards, 1:14
- 3rd 2:27 TD Eifler, Milo 7 yd fumble recovery (McCourt kick)

MICHIGAN

- 2nd 0:55 TD Imatorbhebe, Josh 23 yd pass from Robinson (McCourt kick) 6 plays, 67 yards, 1:03
- 3rd 10:14 FG McCourt, James 50 yd field goal 10 plays, 31 yards, 3:23
- 3rd 0:30 TD Robinson, Matt 1 yd run (McCourt kick) 15 plays, 80 yards, 7:27
- 4th 12:50 TD Brown, Dre 1 yd run (Brown, Dre rush) 6 plays, 36 yards, 2:04

WISCONSIN

- 2nd 5:53 TD Navarro, Donny 48 yd pass from Peters (McCourt kick) 4 plays, 63 yards, 1:37
- 3rd 0:48 TD Corbin, Reggie 43 yd run (McCourt kick) 6 plays, 80 yards, 1:51
- 4th 5:53 TD Imatorbhebe, Josh 29 yd pass from Peters (McCourt kick) 4 plays, 75 yards, 1:19
- 4th 0:00 FG McCourt, James 39 yd field goal 9 plays, 32 yards, 2:32

PURDUE

- 1st 2:47 FG McCourt, James 38 yd field goal 8 plays, 67 yards, 3:30
- 2nd 9:58 TD Adams, Tony 13 yd interception (McCourt kick)
- 2nd 1:41 TD Peters, Brandon 1 yd run (McCourt kick) 6 plays, 63 yards, 2:35
- 3rd 2:35 TD Corbin, Reggie 20 yd run (McCourt kick) 3 plays, 22 yards, 1:01

RUTGERS

- 1st 8:38 TD Brown, Dre 10 yd run (McCourt kick) 8 plays, 78 yards, 3:02
- 1st 2:28 FG McCourt, James 33 yd field goal 11 plays, 56 yards, 4:14
- 3rd 9:08 TD Brown, Dre 2 yd run (McCourt kick) 2 plays, 56 yards, 4:03
- 3rd 7:29 TD Hobbs, Nate 36 yd fumble recovery (McCourt kick)
- 3rd 3:30 TD Imatorbhebe, Josh 52 yd pass from Peters (McCourt kick) 3 plays, 55 yards, 1:18
- 4th 14:09 TD Harding, Dele 54 yd interception (McCourt kick)

MICHIGAN STATE

- 1st 7:10 FG McCourt, James 40 yd field goal 9 plays, 53 yards, 2:57
- 2nd 0:00 TD Imatorbhebe, Josh 46 yd pass from Peters (McCourt kick) 4 plays, 81 yards, 0:32
- 4th 14:48 TD Imatorbhebe, Josh 83 yd pass from Peters (McCourt kick) 3 plays, 91 yards, 1:02
- 4th 11:06 TD Corbin, Reggie 6 yd run (McCourt kick) 5 plays, 53 yards, 1:08
- 4th 4:53 TD Brown, Sidney 76 yd interception (McCourt kick failed)
- 4th 0:05 TD Barker, Daniel 2 yd pass from Peters (McCourt kick) 13 plays, 57 yards, 3:12



TEAM GAME-BY-GAME STATISTICS

Team	Score	First Downs	Rushing Att-Yd-TD	Passing C-A-Int-TD	Passing Yards	Total Offense	Punt	Fumbles	Penalties	Time Poss
Illinois	42	22	46-207-3	15-25-0-3	194	401	4-184	0-0	7-75	28:23
vs. Akron	3	16	38-64-0	12-28-1-0	128	192	7-213	1-1	5-50	31:37
Illinois	31	21	35-130-0	24-35-1-4	227	357	4-155	3-2	9-98	29:15
at UConn	23	16	29-10-1	21-31-2-0	275	285	5-190	2-1	4-34	30:45
Illinois	31	24	40-167-2	22-37-1-2	297	464	7-338	2-1	9-80	28:13
vs. E. Michigan	34	23	40-164-1	22-36-0-3	316	480	8-295	1-1	2-20	31:47
Illinois	38	14	38-221-4	9-23-1-1	78	299	8-368	1-0	4-30	22:56
vs. Nebraska	42	32	64-346-3	22-34-0-3	328	674	4-186	5-4	10-70	37:04
Illinois	17	14	27-91-0	20-39-1-0	157	248	7-302	3-0	8-80	24:16
at Minnesota	40	24	52-332-2	9-17-1-3	155	487	4-165	1-1	4-25	35:44
Illinois	25	17	43-64-2	16-29-0-1	192	256	8-328	2-2	10-95	30:13
vs. Michigan	42	25	48-295-3	11-22-0-3	194	489	3-133	3-2	7-54	29:47
Illinois	24	17	35-141-1	9-21-0-2	174	315	5-233	2-1	4-15	19:11
vs. Wisconsin	23	22	43-156-1	24-32-1-1	264	420	2-84	2-2	6-60	40:49
Illinois	24	14	53-242-2	3-7-0-0	26	268	8-342	1-0	5-35	32:23
at Purdue	6	17	44-135-0	15-33-1-1	136	271	9-325	2-1	2-20	27:37
Illinois	38	14	44-204-2	6-11-0-1	120	324	5-227	0-0	3-35	25:51
vs. Rutgers	10	13	51-185-0	5-10-1-1	86	271	6-280	3-2	2-18	34:09
Illinois	37	16	27-36-1	22-42-1-3	369	405	9-401	2-1	9-94	22:16
at Michigan St.	34	27	51-275-3	19-36-3-1	251	526	6-237	2-1	3-30	37:44
Illinois										
at Iowa										
Illinois										
vs. Northwestern										

ILLINOIS GAME-BY-GAME STARTERS

OFFENSIVE STARTERS

GAME	T	G	C	G	T	QB	RB	WR	WR	WR	TE
Akron	Lowe	K. Green	Kramer	Petitbon	Palczewski	Peters	Corbin	Smalling	Imatorbhebe	Stampley	Barker
UConn	Lowe	K. Green	Kramer	Petitbon	Palczewski	Peters	D. Brown	Smalling	Imatorbhebe	Sidney	Barker
Eastern Michigan	Lowe	K. Green	Kramer	Petitbon	Palczewski	Peters	Corbin	Smalling	Imatorbhebe	Sidney	Barker
Nebraska	Lowe	K. Green	Kramer	Petitbon	Palczewski	Peters	Corbin	Smalling	Imatorbhebe	Stampley	Barker
Minnesota	Lowe	K. Green	Kramer	Petitbon	Palczewski	Peters	Corbin	Smalling	Imatorbhebe	Sidney	Barker
Michigan	Lowe	K. Green	Kramer	Petitbon	Palczewski	Robinson	Corbin	Smalling	Imatorbhebe	Stampley	Barker
Wisconsin	Lowe	K. Green	Kramer	Petitbon	Palczewski	Peters	Corbin	Smalling	Imatorbhebe	Stampley	Barker
Purdue	Lowe	K. Green	Kramer	Petitbon	Palczewski	Peters	Corbin	Washington	Imatorbhebe	Navarro	Barker
Rutgers	Lowe	K. Green	Kramer	Petitbon	Palczewski	Peters	Corbin	Washington	Imatorbhebe	Navarro	J. Williams
Michigan State	Lowe	K. Green	Kramer	Petitbon	Palczewski	Peters	Corbin	Washington	Imatorbhebe	Navarro	J. Williams
Iowa											
Northwestern											
Consecutive	23	22	25	10	33	4	8	3	9	3	2
Career	29	22	30	10	33	9	19	3	9	3	4

DEFENSIVE STARTERS

GAME	DE	DT	DT	DE	LB	LB	LB/NB	CB	S	S	CB
Kent State	Betiku, Jr.	Woods	Milan	Shogbonyo	Hansen	Harding	Eifler (LB)	Hobbs	Joseph	Adams	J. Martin
UConn	Betiku, Jr.	Woods	Milan	Shogbonyo	Hansen	Harding	Eifler (LB)	Hobbs	S. Green	Adams	J. Martin
Eastern Michigan	Betiku, Jr.	Oliver	Milan	Shogbonyo	Hansen	Harding	Eifler (LB)	Hobbs	Joseph	S. Brown	J. Martin
Nebraska	Betiku, Jr.	Oliver	Milan	Shogbonyo	Hansen	Harding	Eifler (LB)	Hobbs	Adams	S. Brown	J. Martin
Minnesota	Betiku, Jr.	Oliver	Milan	Shogbonyo	Hansen	Harding	Eifler (LB)	Hobbs	Adams	Ware	Witherspoon
Michigan	Betiku, Jr.	Oliver	Milan	Shogbonyo	Hansen	Harding	Adams (NB)	Hobbs	S. Green	S. Brown	J. Martin
Wisconsin	Betiku, Jr.	Oliver	Milan	Woods	Hansen	Harding	Eifler (LB)	Hobbs	S. Green	S. Brown	Adams
Purdue	Shogbonyo	Oliver	Milan	Woods	Hansen	Harding	Eifler (LB)	Hobbs	S. Green	S. Brown	Adams
Rutgers	Shogbonyo	Oliver	Milan	Gay	Hansen	Harding	Eifler (LB)	Hobbs	S. Green	S. Brown	Adams
Michigan State	Shogbonyo	Jackson	Milan	Gay	Tolson	Harding	Eifler (LB)	Hobbs	S. Green	S. Brown	Adams
Iowa											
Northwestern											
Consecutive	3	1	18	2	1	10	4	17	5	5	7
Career	10	1	29	7	1	17	9	27	27	17	18



RECORDS TO WATCH

Through Rutgers game

ILLINOIS INDIVIDUAL CAREER

CAREER RUSHING YARDAGE

1.	Robert Holcombe, 1994-97	4,105
2.	Antoineo Harris, 1999-2002	2,985
3.	Thomas Rooks, 1982-85	2,887
4.	Jim Grabowski, 1963-65	2,878
5.	Rocky Harvey, 1998-2001	2,711
6.	Josh Ferguson, 2011-15	2,586
7t.	Mikel Leshoure, 2008-10	2,557
7t.	Juice Williams, 2006-09	2,557
9.	Pierre Thomas, 2003-06	2,545
10.	Rashard Mendenhall, 2005-07	2,539
11.	Howard Griffith, 1987-90	2,485
12.	Reggie Corbin, 2016-present	2,292
13.	Keith Jones, 1984-88	2,194
14.	John Karras, 1949-51	2,135
15.	Chubby Phillips, 1973-76	2,103
16.	Red Grange, 1923-25	2,071
17.	Nathan Scheelhaase, 2010-13	2,066
18.	Rich Johnson, 1966-68	2,058

CAREER PUNTING AVERAGE

1.	Steve Weatherford, 2002-05	43.5 (193-8,402)
2.	Blake Hayes, 2017-present	43.4 (203-8,810)
3.	Steve Fitts, 1998-2001	41.68

CAREER PUNTING YARDAGE

1.	Steve Fitts, 1998-2001	10,671
2.	Justin DuVernois, 2011-14	10,571
3.	Anthony Santella, 2007-10	9,964
4.	Phil Vierniseil, 1973-76	9,008
5.	Chris Sigourney, 1979-83	8,935
6.	Blake Hayes, 2017-present	8,810
7.	Steve Weatherford, 2002-05	8,402
8.	Chad Little, 1984-87	8,354
9.	Terry Masar, 1969-71	7,587
10.	Brett Larsen, 1992-95	7,547

CAREER KICKOFF RETURN AVERAGE (min. 15 ret.)

1.	Red Grange, 1923-25	30.2 (15-453)
2.	Mike Bellamy, 1988-89	26.4 (18-475)
3.	Pierre Thomas, 2003-06	25.3 (59-1,495)
4.	Dre Brown, 2016-present	25.1 (39-979)
5.	Arrelious Benn, 2007-09	23.7 (42-996)

CAREER KICKOFF RETURN YARDAGE

1.	V'Angelo Bentley, 2012-15	1,860 (86-21.0)
2.	Pierre Thomas, 2003-06	1,495 (59-25.3)
3.	Clinton Lynch, 1990-93	1,383 (64-21.6)
4.	George McDonald-Ashford, 1995-98	1,276 (57-22.4)
5.	Greg Foster, 1979-80	1,233 (58-21.3)
6.	Chubby Phillips, 1973-76	1,048 (46-22.8)
7.	Troy Pollard, 2007-11	1,055 (53-19.9)
8.	Arrelious Benn, 2007-09	996 (42-23.7)
9.	Dre Brown, 2016-present	979 (39-25.1)
10.	Darryll Usher, 1985-87	950 (42-22.6)

CAREER FORCED FUMBLES (since 1990)

1.	Simeon Rice, 1992-95	13
2.	Whitney Mercilus, 2009-11	11
3.	Stanley Green, 2016-present	9
4.	Jake Hansen, 2016-present	8
	Dana Howard, 1990-94	8
6.	Mason Monheim, 2012-15	7
	Ernest Thomas III, 2011-2014	7
	Kevin Hardy, 1992-95	7

CAREER 50+ YARD FIELD GOALS

1.	Chase McLaughlin, 2014-18	5
2.	Jason Reda, 2004-07	4
	Dan Beaver, 1973-76	4
4.	James McCourt, 2019-present	3

ILLINOIS INDIVIDUAL SEASON

SEASON TOUCHDOWN RECEPTIONS

1.	Brandon Lloyd, 2001	10
	David Williams, 1985	10
3.	Josh Imatorbhebhe, 2019	9
	Brandon Lloyd, 2002	9
4.	A.J. Jenkins, 2011	8
	Walter Young, 2001	8
	Mike Bellamy, 1989	8
	Randy Grant, 1984	8
	David Williams, 1984	8
10.	Steve Hull, 2013	7
	A.J. Jenkins, 2010	7

SEASON QUARTERBACK SACKS

1.	Whitney Mercilus, 2011	16
	Simeon Rice, 1994	16
2.	Mike Poloskey, 1991	15
4.	Simeon Rice, 1995	11.5
5.	Scott Davis, 1987	10
6.	Will Davis, 2007	9.5
7.	Carroll Phillips, 2016	9
	Fred Wakefield, 2000	9
	Simeon Rice, 1992	9
	Moe Gardner, 1989	9
	Mel Agee, 1989	9
	Scott Davis, 1985	9
--	Oluwole Betiku Jr., 2019	8

SEASON KICKOFF RETURN AVERAGE (min. 10 ret.)

1.	Darryll Usher, 1987	29.7 (15-445)
2.	Mike Bellamy, 1989	28.7 (16-459)
3.	Arrelious Benn, 2007	28.0 (10-280)
4.	Pierre Thomas, 2004	27.1 (25-677)
5.	Dre Brown, 2019	26.8 (18-482)
6.	Arrelious Benn, 2009	26.5 (12-318)
	Keith Jones, 1986	26.5 (15-398)
8.	Marshall Starks, 1960	26.3 (N/A)
9.	Bruce Beaman, 1972	26.2 (16-420)
10.	Rocky Harvey, 1998	25.4 (16-406)

SEASON FORCED FUMBLES (since 1990)

1.	Whitney Mercilus, 2011	9
2.	Jake Hansen, 2019	7
3.	Kevin Hardy, 1995	5
	Jeff Arneson, 1992	5

SEASON 50+ YARD FIELD GOALS

1.	Chase McLaughlin, 2018	4
2.	James McCourt, 2019	3
	Jason Reda, 2007	3

SEASON PUNTING AVERAGE

1.	Steve Weatherford, 2004	45.42 (57-2,589)
2.	Blake Hayes, 2019	45.0 (64-2,878)
3.	Anthony Santella, 2010	44.8
4.	Steve Weatherford, 2003	44.5
5.	Justin DuVernois, 2014	44.0
6.	Blake Hayes, 2018	43.6

SEASON FEWEST PUNT TOUCHBACKS (since 1998, min. 3.6 punts per game)

1.	Blake Hayes, 2019	2
	Blake Hayes, 2017	2
	Justin DuVernois, 2013	2
	Justin DuVernois, 2012	2

SEASON LOWEST TOUCHBACK PERCENTAGE (since 1998, min. 3.6 punts per game)

1.	Blake Hayes, 2017	2.6 (2/77)
2.	Justin DuVernois, 2012	2.7 (2/73)
3.	Blake Hayes, 2019	3.1 (2/64)

SEASON PUNTS INSIDE THE 20 (since 1998)

1.	Blake Hayes, 2019	27
2.	Steve Weatherford, 2003	23
	Blake Hayes, 2017	22
4.	Blake Hayes, 2018	21

SEASON PUNTS INSIDE THE 20 PERCENTAGE (since 1998, min. 3.6 punts per game)

1.	Blake Hayes, 2019	42.2 (27/64)
2.	Steve Weatherford, 2003	40.4 (23/57)

SEASON 50+ YARD PUNTS (since 2003)

1.	Justin DuVernois, 2014	20
2.	Steve Weatherford, 2005	19
3.	Steve Weatherford, 2004	19
4.	Anthony Santella, 2010	18
	Blake Hayes, 2019	18

NCAA INDIVIDUAL SEASON

SEASON FORCED FUMBLES (since 2000)

1.	Elvis Dumervil, Louisville, 2005	10
2.	Whitney Mercilus, Illinois, 2011	9
3.	Dwight Freeney, Syracuse, 2001	8
	Quintin Mikell, Boise St., 2002	8
	Dwayne Slay, Texas Tech, 2005	8
	Jonal Saint-Dic, Michigan State, 2007	8
7.	Jake Hansen, Illinois, 2019	7
	13 more tied with 7	7

SEASON FORCED FUMBLES PER GAME (since 2000)

1.	Elvis Dumerville, Louisville, 2005	0.83 (10 FF, 12 G)
2.	Jake Hansen, Illinois, 2019	0.78 (7 FF, 9 G)
3.	Whitney Mercilus, Illinois, 2011	0.69 (9 FF, 13 G)
4.	Dwight Freeney, Syracuse, 2001	0.67 (8 FF, 12 G)
	Tom Canada, California, 2002	0.67 (6 FF, 9 G)
	Dwayne Slay, Texas Tech, 2005	0.67 (8 FF, 12 G)
	Jonal Saint-Dic, Michigan St., 2007	0.67 (8 FF, 12 G)
8.	Quintin Mikell, Boise St., 2002	0.62 (8 FF, 13 G)
9.	Bob Sanders, Iowa, 2003	0.60 (6 FF, 10 G)
	Sherrod Martin, Troy, 2007	0.60 (6 FF, 10 G)

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FORCED FUMBLES

1.	Jake Hansen, Illinois	7
2.	Chase Young, Ohio State	5

TEAM SEASON

POINTS PER GAME, SEASON

Rk	Year	G	Pts	Avg	Coach
1.	2010	13	423	32.54	Zook
2.	2001	12	390	32.5	Turner
3.	1999	12	388	32.3	Turner
4.	2019	10	307	30.7	Smith
5.	2013	12	356	29.7	Beckman
6.	1984	11	323	29.4	White
7.	1902	13	380	29.2	Holt
8.	1983	12	347	28.9	White
9.	2002	12	346	28.8	Turner
10.	2008	12	344	28.7	Zook

MOST TFLS PER GAME, SEASON (since 1970)

Rk	Year	G	TFL	Avg	Coach
1.	1987	11	107	9.7	White
2.	1995	11	97	8.8	Tepper
3.	2019	10	83	8.3	Smith
4.	2011	13	103	7.9	Zook
5.	2016	12	95	7.9	Smith



ILLINOIS ACADEMICS

GRADS ON GRADS ON GRADS

The 2019 Fighting Illini roster features 11 student-athletes that already earned 12 degrees prior to the season – seven at Illinois and five at different schools

Student-Athlete	Bachelor's Degree	Degree Pursuing
Oluwole Betiku Jr.	International Relations (May '19 at USC)	Recreation, Sport & Tourism
Dre Brown	Recreation, Sport & Tourism (Dec. '18 at Illinois)	Management
Reggie Corbin	Communication (May '18 at Illinois)	Recreation, Sport & Tourism
Josh Imatorbhebhe	Business Administration (May '19 at USC)	Strategic Brand Communication
Jamal Milan	Sociology (May '19 at Illinois)	Communication (2nd bachelor's)
Brandon Peters	General Studies (June '19 at Michigan)	Recreation, Sport & Tourism
Richie Petitbon	Communication Studies (Dec. '18 at Alabama)	Sport Management
Caleb Reams	Community Health (May '19 at Illinois)	Management
Trevon Sidney	Communication (June '19 at USC)	Recreation, Sport & Tourism
Bobby Walker	Political Science (Dec. '18 at Illinois)	Management
Justice Williams	Business Management (Aug. '18 at Illinois)	Already finished M.S. as well
	M.S., Business Administration (Aug. 19 at Illinois)	Spanish (2nd bachelor's)

DOUBLE DEGREES

TE **Justice Williams** has earned two degrees *BEFORE* his final season of athletic eligibility. This fall he is pursuing a second bachelor's degree in Spanish.

- Bachelor of Science, management (Summer 2018)
- Master of Science, business administration (Summer 2019)

DECEMBER TO REMEMBER

Three Illini are in track to get degrees in December 2019:

- Reggie Corbin** » Master of Science, recreation, sport, & tourism
- Trenard Davis** » Bachelor of Science, Recreation, sport & tourism
- Chunky Clements** » Bachelor of Arts, communication



MAKING THE GRADE

The Illini continue to excel in the classroom.

- A total of 19 football student-athletes earned Illinois degrees in 2018-19, including six that are on the 2019 roster pursuing master's degrees.
- Illini players have earned 160 degrees in the last five years – 19 in 2019, 29 in 2018, 32 in 2017, 42 in 2016 and 38 in 2015.
- Illinois' rise in Academic All-Big Ten selections has been staggering. Prior to 2012, the school record was 12 (2000 & 2009). Since then, the Illini have had 18 (2012), 21 (2013), 29 (2014), 31 (2015), 35 (2016) and, most recently, 32 in both 2017 & '18.

ACADEMIC MAJORS – FALL 2019 (as of 8/26/19)

Tony Adams Political Science	Caleb Griffin Business-Unassigned	Julian Pearl Liberal Arts & Sciences
Calvin Avery General Studies	Aidan Hall General Studies/Pre-Engineering	Brandon Peters Recreation, Sport, & Tourism (Master's)
Daniel Barker General Studies	Jake Hansen Kinesiology	Richie Petitbon Recreation, Sport, & Tourism (Master's)
Bryce Barnes Community Health	Dele Harding Kinesiology	Alex Pihlstrom Recreation, Sport, & Tourism
Tarique Barnes General Studies	Blake Hayes Kinesiology	Josh Ploh General Studies
Marquez Beason General Studies	Nate Hobbs Sociology	Keith Randolph Jr. Journalism
Nolan Bernat Advertising	Ezekiel Holmes Mathematics	Caleb Reams Management (Master's)
Oluwale Betiku Jr. Recreation, Sport, & Tourism (Master's)	Jordan Holmes General Studies	Matt Robinson General Studies
Christian Bobak Finance	Josh Imatorbhebhe Strategic Brand Communication (Master's)	Nolan Rossback General Studies
Ra'Von Bonner Social Work	Kenyon Jackson Communication	Bobby Roundtree General Studies
Dre Brown Management (Master's)	Kerby Joseph General Studies	Carlos Sandy General Studies
Chase Brown Communication	Matthew Judd General Studies	Ben Schultz Agricultural Accounting
Sydney Brown General Studies	Evan Kirts General Studies	Ayo Shogbonyo Communication
Verdis Brown General Studies	James Knight Sociology	Trevon Sidney Recreation, Sport, & Tourism (Master's)
Dalevon Campbell General Studies	Doug Kramer Finance	Kenyon Sims Sociology
Owen Carney Jr. Communication	Tailon Leitzsey Kinesiology	Jordyn Slaughter General Studies
Edwin Carter Community Health	Conner Lillig Economics	Ricky Smalling Communication
Jacob Cerny Management	Vederian Lowe Communication	Derrick Smith Communication
Sean Coghlan Accountancy & Finance [Double]	Michael Marchese Communication	Kendall Smith Learning & Education Studies
Seth Coleman General Studies	Jartavius Martin General Studies	Dominic Stampley Communication
Shammond Cooper General Studies	James McCourt Finance	Jake Stover Interdisciplinary Health Sciences
Reggie Corbin Recreation, Sport, & Tourism (Master's)	Alec McEachern Management & Finance [Double]	Ethan Tabel Advertising
Thomas Cronin English	Ryan Meed Community Health	Coran Taylor General Studies
Kyron Cumby General Studies	Jamal Milan Communication (2nd Bachelor's)	Dylan Thomas Business-Unassigned
Trenard Davis Recreation, Sport, & Tourism	Cam Miller Finance	Joseph Thompson Recreation, Sport, & Tourism
Dawson DeGroot Management	Marc Mondesir Communication	Khalan Tolson General Studies
Mark Di Iorio General Studies	Griffin Moore General Studies	Bobby Walker Management (Master's)
Milo Eifler Sociology	Kievan Myers General Studies	Nick Walker Sociology
Preston Engel General Studies	Donald Navarro Communication	Delano Ware Community Health
Mike Epstein Marketing	Jakari Norwood General Studies	Casey Washington Recreation, Sport, & Tourism
Nick Fedanzo General Studies	Moses Okpala Psychology	Isaiah Williams General Studies
Luke Ford Communication	Lere Oladipo Technical Systems Management	Justice Williams Spanish (2nd Bachelor's)
Kurt Gavin Advertising	Tymir Oliver Learning & Education Studies	Devon Witherspoon General Studies
Isaiah Gay Learning & Education Studies	Alex Palczewski Kinesiology	Jamal Woods Kinesiology
Kendrick Green Learning & Education Studies	Griffin Palmer Finance	Dylan Wyatt African American Studies
Stanley Green Learning & Education Studies	Deon Pate Sociology	



2019 STARTERS



Starters by position (through 10 games)

OFFENSE

Pos.	#	Player	Starts
QB	18	Brandon Peters	9
	12	Matt Robinson	1
RB	2	Reggie Corbin	9
	25	Dre Brown	1
WR	9	Josh Imatorbhebhe	10
	4	Ricky Smalling	7
	6	Dominic Stampley	4
	86	Donny Navarro	3
	8	Casey Washington	3
	5	Trevon Sidney	3
TE	87	Daniel Barker	8
	10	Justice Williams	2
OL	79	Vederian Lowe	10
	55	Kendrick Green	10
	65	Doug Kramer	10
	74	Richie Petitbon	10
	63	Alex Palczewski	10

DEFENSE

Pos.	#	Player	Starts
DE	52	Ayo Shogbonyo	9
	47	Oluwole Betiku Jr.	7
	92	Isaiah Gay	2
	91	Jamal Woods	2
	DT	55	Jamal Milan	10
	96	Tymir Oliver	7
	91	Jamal Woods	2
	95	Kenyon Jackson	1
LB	9	Dele Harding	10
	5	Milo Eifler	9
	35	Jake Hansen	9
	45	Khalan Tolson	1
NB	6	Tony Adams	1
	CB	8	Nate Hobbs	10
	21	Jartavius Martin	5
	6	Tony Adams	4
	31	Devon Witherspoon	1
	S	30	Sydney Brown
	7	Stanley Green	6
	6	Tony Adams	4
	25	Kerby Joseph	2
	15	Delano Ware	1

SPECIAL TEAMS

Pos.	#	Player	Starts
K	17	James McCourt	10
P	14	Blake Hayes	10

BOLD = started most recent game

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Tarique Barnes	...ta-REEK
Marquez Beason	...mar-KEZ
Nolan Bernat	...burr-KNAT
Oluwole Betiku	...OH-loo-WOE-lay buh-TEE-koo
Christian Bobak	...bo-BACK
Ra'Von Bonner	...RAY-von
Verdis Brown	...ver-dis
Dalevon Campbell	...DALE-von
Jake Cerny	...SIR-nee
Thomas Cronin	...CROW-nin
Kyron Cumby	...KY-run
Trenard Davis	...tre-NARD
Mark Di Lorio	...dee-OH-ree-oh (like dee-Oreo)
Milo Eifler	...MEE-LOW EYE-Fler
Preston Engel	...EN-gull
Mike Epstein	...ep-STEEN
Nick Fedanzo	...fa-DON-zo
Dele Harding	...DAY-LAY
Josh Imatorbhebhe	...ee-MATT-or-bay-bay
Tailon Leitzsey	...TAY-lon LIT-see
Vederian Lowe	...vuh-DARE-ee-an
Michael Marchese	...mar-CASE
Jartavius Martin	...jar-TAY-vee-us
Alec McEachern	...Mc-CARE-un
Jamal Milan	...muh-LAN
Marc Mondesir	...mon-duh-SEER
Kievan Myers	...KEY-vonn
Jakari Norwood	...juh-CAR-ee
Moses Okpala	...oak-PAH-la
Lere Oladipo	...luh-RAY oh-la-DEE-po
Tymir Oliver	...TIE-MEER
Alex Palczewski	...pal-CHESS-key
Richie Petitbon	...PETTY-bone
Alex Pihlstrom	...PILL-strum
Ayo Shogbonyo	...EYE-oh shog-BAHN-yo
Trevon Sidney	...TRAY-von SID-nee
Ethan Tabel	...tuh-BELL
Coran Taylor	...kor-AHN
Khalan Tolson	...KAY-lahn
Delano Ware	...dee-LAY-no
Devin Witherspoon	...DEV-in



KEY PLAYER QUICK FACTS – OFFENSE *(alphabetical by position)*

QB	18	Brandon Peters (Jr., 6-5, 220)	13 career starts (9 at Illinois) ... Grad transfer with two years remaining ... Earned bachelor's degree from Michigan in June 2019
QB	12	Matt Robinson (R-Fr., 6-1, 190)	Played three games in 2018 and redshirted ... Uncle, Greg Robinson, was a long-time NFL and college football coach
QB	1	Isaiah Williams (Fr., 5-10, 180)	Four-star recruit ... Ranked No. 47 recruit in the nation by Rivals, No. 93 by ESPN ... No. 9 ranked recruit in program's last 17 years (247Sports)
RB	21	Ra'Von Bonner (Jr., 5-11, 215)	Starting running back for the first two weeks of 2018 ... One touchdown in each of the first three games this season
RB	25	Dre Brown (Jr., 5-11, 210)	Former four-star recruit ... Missed two full seasons with ACL tears in back-to-back years (2015 & 2016)
RB	2	Reggie Corbin (Jr., 5-10, 200)	1,085 rushing yards in 2018 ... Led in the nation in runs of 70+-yards (4) in 2018 ... Two-time rugby national champion in high school
WR	9	Josh Imatorbhebhe (Jr., 6-2, 215)	47-inch vertical jump ... Grad transfer earned bachelor's degree from USC in May 2019 ... Two catches for 11 yards in two seasons at USC
WR	13	Caleb Reams (Sr., 6-2, 230)	Earned bachelor's degree in community health in May 2019 ... Currently pursuing a master's degree in management
WR	4	Ricky Smalling (Jr., 6-1, 205)	Former four-star recruit ... Fourth true freshman in program history to lead the team in receiving yards (501) in 2017
WR	86	Donny Navarro (So., 5-11, 185)	Transferred from Valparaiso ... Led Valpo in receptions (32), receiving yards (539), and touchdown receptions (5) as a freshman in 2017
WR	6	Dominic Stampley (Jr., 5-10, 180)	Led Illinois in yards per catch (16.4) in 2018 ... 84-yard TD catch at Maryland 10/27/18, the third-longest pass play in Illinois history
WR	8	Casey Washington (Fr., 6-2, 190)	Ranked No. 138 wide receiver recruit in the nation by ESPN ... 18-yard rec. on a fourth-quarter TD drive vs. No. 6 Wisconsin 10/19/19
TE	87	Daniel Barker (So., 6-4, 250)	Game-winning touchdown reception with 0:05 left at Michigan State 11/9/19 in the biggest comeback in Illini history
TE	10	Justice Williams (Sr., 6-3, 225)	Playing third position (3 years at LB, 1 at WR, now at TE) ... Graduated B.S. management & M.S. business admin., working on B.S. Spanish
TE	83	Bobby Walker (Sr., 6-4, 240)	Former walk-on was awarded scholarship in Dec. 2017 ... Earned bachelor's degree in political science in Dec. 2018
LT	79	Vederian Lowe (So., 6-6, 320)	23 straight starts ... Son, Kingston Lowe, was born in June 2019
LG	53	Kendrick Green (So., 6-4, 310)	22 straight starts ... No. 6 graded OG in the nation by PFF ... Switched from DL to OL in spring 2018
C	65	Doug Kramer (Jr., 6-2, 300)	25 straight starts ... No. 4 graded C in the nation by PFF ... Rimington Trophy preseason watch list
RG	74	Richie Petitbon (Sr., 6-4, 305)	Academic All-District ... Grad transfer ... Earned bachelor's degree from Alabama in Dec. 2018 ... Played in 11 games for Alabama (2016-18)
RT	63	Alex Palczewski (Jr., 6-6, 300)	33 straight starts ... 2018 Pro Football Focus All-Big Ten first team ... No. 30 rated tackle in the nation by PFF last season

KEY PLAYER QUICK FACTS – DEFENSE *(alphabetical by position)*

DE	47	Oluwole Betiku Jr. (Jr., 6-3, 250)	Missed the last three games with an injury ... Grad transfer earned bachelor's degree from USC in May 2019 ... Plays piano and guitar ... Avid painter
DE	99	Owen Carney Jr. (So., 6-3, 255)	Eight starts at defensive end in 2018 ... Career-high five tackles at Nebraska 11/10/18
DE	92	Isaiah Gay (Jr., 6-3, 240)	Third-youngest player to start a game in FBS in 2017 and is now playing at 25 pounds heavier
DE	52	Ayo Shogbonyo (Jr., 6-2, 240)	Former linebacker switched to defensive end in 2018 ... Had played primarily on special teams at Illinois until 2019
DT	95	Kenyon Jackson (Sr., 6-0, 290)	Father, Keith, was a six-time NFL Pro Bowl selection ... Brother, Keith Jackson Jr., was an All-SEC defensive lineman at Arkansas
DT	55	Jamal Milan (Sr., 6-3, 305)	Earned bachelor's degree in sociology in May 2019 ... Currently pursuing a second bachelor's degree in communication
DT	96	Tymir Oliver (Sr., 6-4, 290)	Has played in all 46 games during his career ... Ranked in the top five of his high school graduating class
DT/DE	91	Jamal Woods (So., 6-2, 290)	Started first four games at DT in 2018 before a season-ending injury (redshirt) ... Wants to own an athletic training facility or coach
LB	5	Milo Eifler (Jr., 6-2, 225)	Wears a pink mouth piece to honor his mother, who survived breast cancer ... Washington transfer had to sit out last season
LB	35	Jake Hansen (Jr., 6-1, 225)	Seven forced fumbles is the most by BIG player since Whitney Mercilus Illinois record 9 in 2011 ... No. 15 graded LB in the nation by PFF
LB	9	Dele Harding (Jr., 6-1, 230)	Second in NCAA and Big Ten leader in tackles per game (12.0) ... Two-time PFF National Team of the Week (vs. Wisconsin, vs. Rutgers)
LB	15	Delano Ware (So., 6-0, 215)	Played 11 games in 2018 with eight starts at defensive back (five at nickel, three at safety) ... Moved to linebacker for 2019 season
CB	6	Tony Adams (Jr., 6-0, 200)	Switched to safety from CB during 2018, then back to CB in 2019 ... First Illini true freshman to start opener at CB since Vontae Davis in 2006
CB	8	Nate Hobbs (Jr., 6-0, 190)	27 starts in three seasons ... 2017 BTN.com All-Freshman Team ... High jumped 6'9" and long jumped 22' 11.25" in high school
CB	21	Jartavius Martin (So., 6-0, 190)	Goes by "Quan"... Second Illini true freshman CB to start season's first three games since 1980, joining Vontae Davis (2006)
CB	31	Devon Witherspoon (Fr., 6-0, 170)	Only true freshman to start on defense for Illinois in 2019 ... Joined Illini during training camp after initially planning to attend Hutchinson CC (Kan.)
S	30	Sydney Brown (So., 6-0, 210)	Switched to strong safety from nickel during 2018 ... Canada native moved to Florida to play high school football at St. Stephens Episcopal
S	7	Stanley Green (Sr., 5-11, 190)	Nine career forced fumbles is third-most in program history behind only Simeon Rice and Whitney Mercilus ... 2017 All-Big Ten honorable mention
S	25	Kerby Joseph (So., 6-1, 200)	Played in 10 games as a true freshman last year ... Also played volleyball and ran track in high school
S	42	Michael Marchese (Jr., 6-4, 210)	Walk-on ... First career INT in first career start against Western Illinois 9/8/18

KEY PLAYER QUICK FACTS – SPECIAL TEAMS

K	17	James McCourt (Jr., 6-1, 210)	Three 50+-yard FG made, fourth-most in a career in Illini history ... 57-yard FG vs. EMU tied Illinois' longest field goal in program history
K	11	Caleb Griffin (r-Fr., 6-3, 210)	Was in competition for starting spot against McCourt during Training Camp ... Home in Danville, Illinois, is 38 miles from Memorial Stadium
P	14	Blake Hayes (Jr., 6-6, 230)	College debut was first football game he ever attended ... Melbourne, Australia native ... Played Australian rules football for 3 years in HS
LS	56	Ethan Tabel (Jr., 6-0, 215)	Put on scholarship Aug. 26, 2019 ... Starting long snapper in 2018 ... Redshirted in 2016 as a true freshman



2019 ILLINOIS FOOTBALL ROSTER (As of 10/12/19)

NO	NAME	POS	HT	WT	YR	ELIG.	HOMETOWN/HIGH SCHOOL/PREVIOUS COLLEGE	NO	NAME	POS
6	Tony Adams	DB	6-0	200	Jr.	3-2	Belleville, Ill./St. Louis University HS	1	Isaiah Williams	QB
93	Calvin Avery	DL	6-2	330	So.	4-3	Dallas, Tex./Bishop Dunne	2	Reggie Corbin	RB
87	Daniel Barker	TE	6-4	250	So.	4-3	Fort Lauderdale, Fla./Deerfield Beach	2	Derrick Smith	LB
48	Bryce Barnes	TE	6-2	245	Fr.	5-4	Gibson City, Ill./Gibson City-Melvin-Sibley	3	Marquez Beason	DB
44	Tarique Barnes	LB	6-1	225	Fr.	5-4	Memphis, Tenn./Cordova	3	Jakari Norwood	RB
3	Marquez Beason	DB	5-11	185	Fr.	5-4	Dallas, Texas/Duncanville	4	Ricky Smalling	WR
28	Nolan Bernat	DB	5-10	185	Sr.	2-1	Bartlett, Ill./Bartlett HS/College of Dupage	5	Milo Eifler	LB
47	Oluwole Betiku Jr.	DL	6-3	250	Jr.	2-2	Lagos, Nigeria/Serra HS (CA)/USC	5	Trevon Sidney	WR
29	Christian Bobak	DB	6-0	200	Jr.	2-2	Hinsdale, Ill./Hinsdale Central	6	Tony Adams	DB
21	Ra'Von Bonner	RB	5-11	215	Jr.	3-2	Cincinnati, Ohio/Sycamore	6	Dominic Stampley	WR
32	Chase Brown	RB	5-11	195	So.	4-3	London, Ontario/St. Stephens Episcopal (Fla.)/WMU	7	Stanley Green	DB
25	Dre Brown	RB	5-11	210	Sr.	1-1	DeKalb, Ill./DeKalb	7	Coran Taylor	QB
30	Sydney Brown	DB	6-0	210	So.	4-3	London, Ontario/St. Stephens Episcopal School (Fla.)	8	Nate Hobbs	DB
52	Verdis Brown	OL	6-4	310	r-Fr.	4-4	Chicago, Ill./IMG Academy (Fla.)	8	Casey Washington	WR
19	Dalevon Campbell	WR	6-4	200	Fr.	5-4	Missouri City, Texas/Fort Bend Marshall	9	Josh Imatorbhebe	WR
99	Owen Carney Jr.	DL	6-3	255	Jr.	3-2	Miami, Fla./Miami Central	9	Dele Harding	LB
80	Edwin Carter	WR	6-3	185	r-Fr.	4-4	Jacksonville, Fla./Sandalwood	10	James Knight	DB
73	Jake Cerny	OL	6-5	300	Jr.	2-2	Traverse City, Mich./Traverse City West	10	Justice Williams	TE
51	Sean Coghlan	LB	6-0	220	So.	3-3	Chicago, Ill./St. Rita	11	Caleb Griffin	PK
49	Seth Coleman	DL	6-5	215	Fr.	5-4	Melbourne, Fla./Holy Trinity Episcopal Academy	11	Carlos Sandy	WR
40	Shammond Cooper	LB	6-2	205	Fr.	5-4	St. Louis, Mo./Trinity Catholic	12	Matt Robinson	QB
2	Reggie Corbin	RB	5-10	200	Sr.	1-1	Upper Marlboro, Md./Gonzaga College HS	13	Caleb Reams	WR
70	Thomas Cronin	OL	6-4	290	Fr.	5-4	Oak Park, Ill./Oak Park River Forest	14	Blake Hayes	P
20	Kyron Cumby	WR	5-8	180	Fr.	5-4	Plano, Texas/Plano	15	Trenard Davis	WR
15	Trenard Davis	WR	6-0	195	Sr.	1-1	Boynton Beach, Fla./American Heritage School	15	Delano Ware	DB
24	Dawson DeGroot	LB	6-1	215	Jr.	3-2	Fort Myers, Fla./Fort Myers	16	Cam Miller	QB
37	Mark Di Iorio	LB	5-8	210	Fr.	5-4	Barrington, Ill./Barrington	17	James McCourt	PK/P
5	Milo Eifler	LB	6-2	225	Jr.	2-2	Berkeley, Calif./Bishop O'Dowd/U. of Washington	17	Kendall Smith	DB
58	Preston Engel	OL	6-0	270	r-Fr.	4-4	Normal, Ill./Normal Community	18	Brandon Peters	QB
26	Mike Epstein (inj.)	RB	6-0	205	Jr.	3-2	Ft. Lauderdale, Fla./St. Thomas Aquinas	19	Dalevon Campbell	WR
26	Nick Fedanzo	RB	6-0	210	Fr.	5-4	Lombard, Ill./Montini Catholic	20	Kyron Cumby	WR
82	Luke Ford	TE	6-6	260	So.	4-3	Cartersville, Ill./Cartersville/University of Georgia	20	Nick Walker	DB
75	Kurt Gavin	OL	6-4	300	Jr.	2-2	Mokena, Ill./Lincoln-Way East	21	Ra'Von Bonner	RB
92	Isaiah Gay	DL	6-3	240	Jr.	3-2	Nashville, N.C./Northern Nash	21	Jartavius Martin	DB
53	Kendrick Green	OL	6-4	310	So.	3-3	Peoria, Ill./Peoria	22	Kenyon Sims	RB
7	Stanley Green	DB	5-11	190	Sr.	2-1	East St. Louis, Ill./East St. Louis Senior	22	Dylan Wyatt	DB
11	Caleb Griffin	PK	6-3	210	r-Fr.	4-4	Danville, Ill./Danville	23	Conner Lillig	RB
39	Aidan Hall	LS	6-2	220	Fr.	5-4	Glen Ellyn, Ill./Benet Academy	23	Joseph Thompson	DB
35	Jake Hansen	LB	6-1	225	Jr.	2-2	Tarpon Springs, Fla./East Lake	24	Dawson DeGroot	LB
9	Dele Harding	LB	6-1	230	Sr.	2-1	Elkton, Md./Eastern Christian	25	Dre Brown	RB
14	Blake Hayes	P	6-6	230	Jr.	3-2	Melbourne, Australia/Brighton	25	Kerby Joseph	DB
8	Nate Hobbs	DB	6-0	190	Jr.	3-2	Louisville, Ky./Louisville Male	26	Nick Fedanzo	RB
33	Ezekiel Holmes	DL	6-3	230	r-Fr.	4-4	Wichita Falls, Tex./Hirschi	26	Mike Epstein (inj.)	RB
84	Jordan Holmes	WR	6-0	185	So.	4-3	Columbia, Ill./Columbia	27	Matthew Judd	DB
9	Josh Imatorbhebe	WR	6-2	215	Jr.	2-2	Suwanee, Ga./North Gwinnett HS/ USC	28	Nolan Bernat	DB
95	Kenyon Jackson	DL	6-0	290	Sr.	2-1	Little Rock, Ark./Parkview Arts & Science Magnet	29	Christian Bobak	DB
25	Kerby Joseph	DB	6-1	200	So.	4-3	Orlando, Fla./Jones	30	Sydney Brown	DB
27	Matthew Judd	DB	6-2	200	Fr.	5-4	Frankfort, Ill./Lincoln-Way East	31	Devon Witherspoon	DB
57	Evan Kirts	OL	6-5	260	Fr.	5-4	Evergreen Park, Ill./Brother Rice	32	Chase Brown	RB
10	James Knight	DB	5-10	200	Jr.	3-2	East St. Louis, Ill./East St. Louis	32	Tailon Leitzsey	DB
65	Doug Kramer	OL	6-2	300	Jr.	2-2	Hinsdale, Ill./Hinsdale Central	33	Ezekiel Holmes	DL
32	Tailon Leitzsey	DB	6-0	190	Jr.	3-2	Laurel, Md./Riverside/Missouri Baptist University	34	Ryan Meed	LB
23	Conner Lillig	RB	5-10	190	So.	3-3	Oak Park, Ill./Fenwick	35	Jake Hansen	LB
79	Vederian Lowe	OL	6-6	320	Jr.	3-2	Rockford, Ill./Auburn	36	Ben Schultz	DB
42	Michael Marchese	DB	6-4	210	Jr.	3-2	Vernon Hills, Ill./Stevenson	37	Mark Di Iorio	LB
21	Jartavius Martin	DB	6-0	190	So.	4-3	Lehigh Acres, Fla./Lehigh Acres	39	Aidan Hall	LS
17	James McCourt	PK/P	6-1	210	Jr.	2-2	Parkland, Fla./St. Thomas Aquinas	40	Shammond Cooper	LB
46	Alec McEachern	LB	6-1	225	So.	3-3	Plainfield, Ill./Benet Academy	41	Nolan Rossback	LS
34	Ryan Meed	LB	6-1	210	Fr.	5-4	Brooklyn, N.Y./Canarsie	42	Michael Marchese	DB
55	Jamal Milan	DL	6-3	300	Sr.	1-1	Chicago, Ill./Al Raby	43	Griffin Moore	TE
16	Cam Miller	QB	6-1	220	Jr.	2-2	Evergreen Park, Ill./Brother Rice	44	Tarique Barnes	LB



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54	Marc Mondesir	DL	6-2	225	Jr.	3-2	Chicago, Ill./St. Rita	45	Khalan Tolson	LB
43	Griffin Moore	TE	6-4	245	Fr.	5-4	Bloomington, Ill./Bloomington	46	Alec McEachern	LB
72	Kievan Myers	OL	6-5	325	r-Fr.	4-4	Dallas, Tex./Dishop Dunne	47	Oluwole Betiku Jr.	DL
86	Donny Navarro	WR	5-11	185	So.	3-3	Naperville, Ill./Neuqua Valley HS/Valparaiso	48	Bryce Barnes	TE
3	Jakari Norwood	RB	5-10	180	r-Fr.	4-4	Pompano Beach, Fla./Deerfield Beach	49	Seth Coleman	DL
69	Moses Okpala	DL	6-7	260	Fr.	5-4	St. Louis, Mo./Ladue Horton Watkins	51	Sean Coghlan	LB
90	Lere Oladipo	DL	6-3	275	So.	3-3	Huntley, Ill./Huntley	52	Verdis Brown	OL
96	Tymir Oliver	DL	6-4	290	Sr.	2-1	Philadelphia, Pa./West Philadelphia Catholic	52	Ayo Shogbonyo	DL
63	Alex Palczewski	OL	6-6	300	Jr.	3-2	Mount Prospect, Ill./Prospect	53	Kendrick Green	OL
81	Griffin Palmer	TE	6-5	245	Jr.	2-2	St. Charles, Mo./De Smet Jesuit	54	Marc Mondesir	DL
98	Deon Pate	DL	6-2	280	So.	3-3	Jacksonville, Fla./Trinity Christian Academy	54	Julian Pearl	OL
54	Julian Pearl	OL	6-6	300	r-Fr.	4-4	Danville, Ill./Danville	55	Jamal Milan	DL
18	Brandon Peters	QB	6-5	220	Jr.	2-2	Avon, Ind./Avon HS/Michigan	56	Ethan Tabel	LS
74	Richie Petitbon	OL	6-4	305	Sr.	1-1	Annapolis, Md./Gonzaga College HS/U. of Alabama	57	Evan Kirts	OL
89	Alex Pihlstrom	TE	6-6	240	So.	3-3	Glen Ellyn, Ill./Glenbard West	58	Preston Engel	OL
59	Josh Plohr	OL	6-6	280	Fr.	5-4	St. Louis, Mo./Christian Brothers College HS	59	Josh Plohr	OL
88	Keith Randolph Jr.	DL	6-5	260	Fr.	5-4	Belleville, Ill./Belleville West	63	Alex Palczewski	OL
13	Caleb Reams	WR	6-2	230	Sr.	1-1	Gurnee, Ill./Warren Township	65	Doug Kramer	OL
12	Matt Robinson	QB	6-1	190	r-Fr.	4-4	San Juan Capistrano, Calif./J Serra Catholic	66	Jordyn Slaughter	OL
41	Nolan Rossback	LS	6-1	200	Fr.	5-4	Hudsonville, Mich./Hudsonville	68	Jake Stover	OL
97	Bobby Roundtree	DL	6-5	255	Jr.	3-2	Largo, Fla./Largo	69	Moses Okpala	DL
11	Carlos Sandy	WR	5-9	180	So.	4-3	Dania Beach, Fla./Cardinal Gibbons	70	Thomas Cronin	OL
36	Ben Schultz	DB	6-3	185	Fr.	5-4	Champaign, Ill./Central	72	Kievan Myers	OL
52	Ayo Shogbonyo	DL	6-2	240	Jr.	2-2	Arlington, Tex./Mansfield Summitt	73	Jake Cerny	OL
5	Trevon Sidney	WR	5-11	170	Jr.	2-2	Pasadena, Calif./Bishop Amat HS/USC	74	Richie Petitbon	OL
22	Kenyon Sims	RB	5-11	200	r-Fr.	4-4	San Diego, Calif./Lincoln	75	Kurt Gavin	OL
66	Jordyn Slaughter	OL	6-5	300	r-Fr.	4-4	Belleville, Ill./Althoff Catholic	79	Vedarian Lowe	OL
4	Ricky Smalling	WR	6-1	205	Jr.	3-2	Chicago, Ill./Brother Rice	80	Edwin Carter	WR
2	Derrick Smith	LB	6-2	200	Jr.	3-2	Jacksonville, Fla./Trinity Christian/U. of Miami	81	Griffin Palmer	TE
17	Kendall Smith	DB	6-1	200	Jr.	3-2	Bolingbrook, Ill./Bolingbrook	82	Luke Ford	TE
6	Dominic Stampley	WR	5-10	180	Jr.	2-2	Champaign, Ill./Centennial HS/Coffeyville CC (Kan.)	83	Bobby Walker	TE
68	Jake Stover	OL	6-3	300	So.	3-3	Chicago, Ill./St. Rita	84	Jordan Holmes	WR
56	Ethan Tabel	LS	6-0	215	Jr.	2-2	Barrington, Ill./Barrington	85	Dylan Thomas	WR
7	Coran Taylor	QB	6-2	210	r-Fr.	4-4	Peoria, Ill./Peoria	86	Donny Navarro	WR
85	Dylan Thomas	WR	5-11	180	r-Fr.	4-4	Monticello, Ill./Monticello	87	Daniel Barker	TE
23	Joseph Thompson	DB	5-10	175	Fr.	5-4	Chicago, Ill./Phillips Academy	88	Keith Randolph Jr.	DL
45	Khalan Tolson	LB	6-0	220	So.	4-3	St. Petersburg, Fla./Admiral Farragut Academy	89	Alex Pihlstrom	TE
83	Bobby Walker	TE	6-4	240	Sr.	1-1	Golf, Ill./Loyola Academy	90	Lere Oladipo	DL
20	Nick Walker	DB	5-10	185	Jr.	3-2	St. Louis, Mo./Miller Career Academy/Cisco College	91	Jamal Woods	DL
15	Delano Ware	DB	6-0	215	So.	4-3	Richmond, Calif./El Cerrito	92	Isaiah Gay	DL
8	Casey Washington	WR	6-2	190	Fr.	5-4	Round Rock, Texas/Pflugerville	93	Calvin Avery	DL
1	Isaiah Williams	QB	5-10	180	Fr.	5-4	St. Louis, Mo./Trinity Catholic	95	Kenyon Jackson	DL
10	Justice Williams	TE	6-3	225	Sr.	1-1	Frisco, Texas/Wakeland	96	Tymir Oliver	DL
31	Devon Witherspoon	DB	6-0	170	Fr.	5-4	Pensacola, Fla./Pine Forest	97	Bobby Roundtree	DL
91	Jamal Woods	DL	6-2	290	So.	3-3	Hueytown, Ala./Hueytown	98	Deon Pate	DL
22	Dylan Wyatt	DB	6-0	180	So.	4-3	Oakland, Calif./St. Mary's College HS	99	Owen Carney Jr.	DL

NOTE: Eligibility - first number is years left on clock, second number is seasons of eligibility remaining (i.e. 5-4 means 5 years to play 4 seasons)

ILLINOIS COACHING STAFF

Lovie Smith	Head Coach
Rod Smith	Offensive Coordinator/Quarterbacks
Gill Byrd	Passing Game Coordinator/Safeties
Bob Ligashesky	Special Teams Coordinator
Mike Bellamy	Running Backs
Austin Clark	Defensive Line
Andrew Hayes-Stoker	Wide Receivers
Keynodo Hudson	Cornerbacks
Bob McClain	Offensive Line
Cory Patterson	Tight Ends
Miles Smith	Linebackers



2019 ILLINOIS NEWCOMERS (as of 8/28/19)

SIGNEES (16)

NO	NAME	POS	HT	WT	YR	ELIG.	HOMETOWN/PREVIOUS SCHOOL
44	Tarique Barnes	LB	6-1	225	Fr.	5-4	Memphis, Tenn./Cordova
3	Marquez Beason	DB	5-11	185	Fr.	5-4	Dallas, Texas/Duncanville
19	Dalevon Campbell	WR	6-4	200	Fr.	5-4	Missouri City, Texas/Fort Bend Marshall
49	Seth Coleman	DL	6-5	215	Fr.	5-4	Melbourne, Fla./Holy Trinity Episcopal Academy
40	Shammond Cooper	LB	6-2	205	Fr.	5-4	St. Louis, Mo./Trinity Catholic
20	Kyron Cumby	RB	5-8	180	Fr.	5-4	Plano, Texas/Plano
26	Nick Fedanzo	RB	6-0	210	Fr.	5-4	Lombard, Ill./Montini Catholic
57	Evan Kirts	OL	6-5	260	Fr.	5-4	Evergreen Park, Ill./Brother Rice
43	Griffin Moore	TE	6-4	245	Fr.	5-4	Bloomington, Ill./Bloomington
69	Moses Okpala	DL	6-7	260	Fr.	5-4	St. Louis, Mo./Ladue Horton Watkins
59	Josh Plohr	OL	6-6	280	Fr.	5-4	St. Louis, Mo./Christian Brothers College HS
88	Keith Randolph Jr.	DE	6-5	260	Fr.	5-4	Belleville, Ill./Belleville West
23	Joseph Thompson	DB	5-10	175	Fr.	5-4	Chicago, Ill./Phillips Academy
8	Casey Washington	WR	6-2	190	Fr.	5-4	Round Rock, Texas/Pflugerville
1	Isaiah Williams	QB	5-10	180	Fr.	5-4	St. Louis, Mo./Trinity Catholic
31	Devon Witherspoon	DB	6-0	170	Fr.	5-4	Pensacola, Fla./Pine Forest

TRANSFER ADDITIONS FOR 2019 (8)

NO	NAME	POS	HT	WT	YR	ELIG.	HOMETOWN/PREVIOUS SCHOOL
47	Oluwole Betiku Jr.	DL	6-3	250	Jr.	2-2	Lagos, Nigeria/Serra HS (Calif.)/USC
32	Chase Brown	RB	5-11	195	So.	4-3	London, Ontario/St. Stephens Epispl (Fla.)/WMU
82	Luke Ford*	TE	6-6	260	So.	4-3	Cartersville, Ill./Cartersville/University of Georgia
9	Josh Imatorbhebe	WR	6-2	215	Jr.	2-2	Suwanee, Ga./North Gwinnett HS/USC
18	Brandon Peters	QB	6-5	220	Jr.	2-2	Avon, Ind./Avon HS/Michigan
70	Richie Petitbon*	OL	6-4	305	Sr.	1-1	Annapolis, Md./Gonzaga College HS/U. Alabama
5	Trevon Sidney	WR	5-11	170	Jr.	2-2	Pasadena, Calif./Bishop Amat HS/USC
2	Derrick Smith	LB	6-2	200	Jr.	3-2	Jacksonville, Fla./Trinity Christian/U. of Miami

WALK-ONS ADDED TO ROSTER FOR 2019 (8)

NO	NAME	POS	HT	WT	YR	ELIG.	HOMETOWN/PREVIOUS SCHOOL
48	Bryce Barnes	TE	6-2	245	Fr.	5-4	Gibson City, Ill./Gibson City-Melvin-Sibley
70	Thomas Cronin	OL	6-4	290	Fr.	5-4	Oak Park, Ill./Oak Park River Forest
37	Mark Di Iorio	LB	5-8	210	Fr.	5-4	Barrington, Ill./Barrington
39	Aidan Hall	LS	6-2	220	Fr.	5-4	Glen Ellyn, Ill./Benet Academy
27	Matthew Judd	WR	6-2	200	Fr.	5-4	Frankfort, Ill./Lincoln-Way East
34	Ryan Meed	LB	6-1	210	Fr.	5-4	Brooklyn, N.Y./Canarsie
41	Nolan Rossback	LS	6-1	200	Fr.	5-4	Hudsonville, Mich./Hudsonville
36	Ben Schultz	DB	6-3	185	Fr.	5-4	Champaign, Ill./Central

* Early enrollee, Jan. 2019

2019 ROSTER BY CLASS

SENIORS (13)

Nolan Bernat
Dre Brown
Reggie Corbin
Trenard Davis
Stanley Green
Dele Harding
Kenyon Jackson
Jamal Milan
Tymir Oliver
Richie Petitbon
Caleb Reams
Bobby Walker
Justice Williams

Luke Ford
Kendrick Green
Jordan Holmes
Kerby Joseph
Conner Lillig
Jartavius Martin
Alec McEachern
Donny Navarro
Lere Oladipo
Deon Pate
Alex Pihlstrom
Carlos Sandy
Jake Stover
Khalan Tolson
Delano Ware
Jamal Woods
Dylan Wyatt

JUNIORS (35)

Tony Adams
Oluwole Betiku Jr.
Christian Bobak
Ra'Von Bonner
Owen Carney Jr.
Jake Cerny
Dawson DeGroot
Milo Eifler
Mike Eptein
Kurt Gavin
Isaiah Gay
Jake Hansen
Blake Hayes
Nate Hobbs
Josh Imatorbhebe
James Knight
Doug Kramer
Tailon Leitzsey
Vederian Lowe
Michael Marchese
James McCourt
Cam Miller
Marc Mondesir
Alex Palczewski
Griffin Palmer
Brandon Peters
Robby Roundtree
Ayo Shogbonyo
Trevon Sidney
Ricky Smalling
Derrick Smith
Kendall Smith
Dominic Stampley
Ethan Tabel
Nick Walker

RS FRESHMEN (13)

Verdis Brown
Edwin Carter
Preston Engel
Caleb Griffin
Ezekiel Holmes
Kievan Myers
Jakari Norwood
Julian Pearl
Matt Robinson
Kenyon Sims
Jordyn Slaughter
Coran Taylor
Dylan Thomas

TRUE FRESHMEN (24)

Bryce Barnes
Tarique Barnes
Marquez Beason
Dalevon Campbell
Seth Coleman
Shammond Cooper
Thomas Cronin
Kyron Cumby
Mark Di Iorio
Nick Fedanzo
Aidan Hall
Mathew Judd
Evan Kirts
Ryan Meed
Griffin Moore
Moses Okpala
Josh Plohr
Keith Randolph Jr.
Nolan Rossback
Ben Schultz
Joseph Thompson
Casey Washington
Isaiah Williams
Devon Witherspoon

SOPHOMORE (22)

Calvin Avery
Daniel Barker
Chase Brown
Sydney Brown
Sean Coghlan

2019 ROSTER BY POSITION

QUARTERBACKS (5)

Cam Miller
Brandon Peters
Matt Robinson
Coran Taylor
Isaiah Williams

Trenard Davis
Jordan Holmes
Josh Imatorbhebe
Donny Navarro
Caleb Reams
Carlos Sandy
Trevon Sidney
Ricky Smalling
Dominic Stampley
Dylan Thomas
Casey Washington

RUNNING BACKS (9)

Ra'Von Bonner
Chase Brown
Dre Brown
Reggie Corbin
Mike Epstein
Nick Fedanzo
Conner Lillig
Jakari Norwood
Kenyon Sims

TIGHT ENDS (8)

Daniel Barker
Bryce Barnes
Luke Ford
Griffin Moore
Griffin Palmer
Alex Pihlstrom
Bobby Walker
Justice Williams

WIDE RECEIVERS (14)

Dalevon Campbell
Edwin Carter
Kyron Cumby

OFFENSIVE LINE (16)

Verdis Brown
Jake Cerny
Thomas Cronin
Preston Engel
Kurt Gavin
Kendrick Green
Evan Kirts
Doug Kramer
Vederian Lowe
Kievan Myers
Alex Palczewski
Julian Pearl
Richie Petitbon
Josh Plohr
Jordyn Slaughter
Jake Stover

DEFENSIVE LINE (16)

Calvin Avery
Oluwole Betiku Jr.
Owen Carney Jr.
Seth Coleman
Isaiah Gay
Ezekiel Holmes
Kenyon Jackson
Jamal Milan
Moses Okpala
Lere Oladipo
Tymir Oliver
Deon Pate
Keith Randolph Jr.
Bobby Roundtree
Ayo Shogbonyo
Jamal Woods

LINEBACKERS (13)

Tarique Barnes
Sean Coghlan
Shammond Cooper
Dawson DeGroot
Mark Di Iorio
Milo Eifler
Dele Harding
Kenyon Jackson
Alec McEachern
Ryan Meed
Marc Mondesir
Derrick Smith
Khalan Tolson

DEFENSIVE BACKS (20)

Tony Adams
Marquez Beason
Nolan Bernat
Christian Bobak
Sydney Brown
Stanley Green
Nate Hobbs
Kerby Joseph
Matthew Judd
James Knight
Tailon Leitzsey
Michael Marchese
Jartavius Martin
Ben Schultz
Kendall Smith
Joseph Thompson
Nick Walker
Delano Ware
Devon Witherspoon
Dylan Wyatt

LONG SNAPPERS (3)

Aidan Hall
Nolan Rossback
Ethan Tabel

PUNTERS (2)

Blake Hayes
James McCourt

KICKERS (2)

Caleb Griffin
James McCourt



THE LAST TIME

AN ILLINOIS PLAYER HAD ...

Rushing

250 yards rushing:
330, Mikel Leshoure vs. Northwestern, 11/20/2010

200 yards rushing:
213, Reggie Corbin vs. Minnesota, 11/3/2018

150 yards rushing:
187, A.J. Bush, Jr. at Nebraska, 11/10/2018

125 yards rushing:
131, Reggie Corbin vs. E. Michigan, 9/14/2019

100 yards rushing:
144, Dre Brown at Purdue, 10/26/2019

Back-to-back 175-yard rushing games:
Rashard Mendenhall (189 vs. Ball State, 10/27/2007 & 201 at Minnesota, 11/3/2007)

Three consecutive 100-yard rushing games:
Reggie Corbin, 10/20/2018-11/3/2018 (3 games)

Five consecutive 100-yard rushing games:
Mikel Leshoure, 11/6/2010-12/29/2010 (5 games)

2 rushers with 175 yards:
Harvey (215), Havarad (175) vs. Middle Tennessee, 9/12/1998

2 rushers with 100 yards:
Corbin (213) and Bush, Jr. (127) vs. Minnesota, 11/3/2018

80+ yard rushing play:
80, Reggie Corbin at Wisconsin, 10/20/2018

70+ yard rushing play:
77, Reggie Corbin vs. Minnesota, 11/3/2018 (3rd quarter)

Two 40+ runs in one quarter:
56 and 56 (2nd), Kendrick Foster vs. Murray State, 9/3/2016

True-freshman rushed for 100 yards:
Mike Epstein, 111 vs. Western Kentucky, 9/9/2017

True-freshman rushed for 100 yards in first career game:
E.B. Halsey, 139 vs. Missouri, 8/30/2003

40 rushing attempts:
40, Antoino Harris at Wisconsin, 11/9/2002

30 rushing attempts:
33, Mikel Leshoure vs. Northwestern, 11/20/2010

2 rushers with 2 TDs:
Corbin (2) & Bush, Jr. (2) vs. Minnesota, 11/3/2018

8 TDs rushing: Howard Griffith (8) vs. Southern Illinois, 9/22/1990

4 TDs rushing: Antoino Harris (4) vs. Indiana, 10/27/2002

3 TDs rushing: A.J. Bush, Jr. (3) at Nebraska, 11/10/2018

2 or more TDs rushing by a QB: A.J. Bush, Jr. (3) at Nebraska, 11/10/2018

Receiving

200 yards receiving:
200, Mike Dudek vs. Purdue, 10/4/2014

150 yards receiving:
178, Josh Imatorbhebhe at Michigan State, 11/9/2019

100 yards receiving:
178, Josh Imatorbhebhe at Michigan State, 11/9/2019

2 receivers with 100 yards receiving:
Turner (164) and Hardee (125) at Northwestern, 11/26/2016

Running back with 100+ yards receiving:
100, Josh Ferguson vs. Northwestern, 10/27/2015

70+ yard pass play:
83, Josh Imatorbhebhe from Brandon Peters at Michigan State, 11/9/2019

60+ yard pass play:
83, Josh Imatorbhebhe from Brandon Peters at Michigan State, 11/9/2019

50+ yard pass play:
83, Josh Imatorbhebhe from Brandon Peters at Michigan State, 11/9/2019

10+ receptions: 11, Malik Turner at Northwestern, 11/26/2016

2 receivers with 2 TDs:
Will Judson and Chris Duval vs. Missouri, 8/30/2008

3 receiving TDs: A.J. Jenkins (3) vs. Northwestern, 10/1/2011

Offensive lineman caught a pass:
Jeff Allen, (1 rec., 2 yds) vs. Southern Illinois, 9/11/2010

Offensive lineman scored a TD:
Corey Lewis, fumble recovery in end zone at Indiana, 11/9/2013

Passing

600 yards passing: 621, Dave Wilson at Ohio State, 11/8/1980

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400 yards passing: 456, Wes Lunt vs. Western Kentucky, 9/6/2014

300 yards passing: 369, Brandon Peters. at Michigan State, 11/9/2019

Consecutive 300-yard passing games:
Nathan Scheelhaase at Penn State (321, 11/2/2013) and at Indiana (450, 11/9/2013)

Three consecutive 300-yard passing games:
Jason Verduzco vs East Carolina (352.8/31/1991), at Missouri (431, 9/14/1991) and vs. Houston (341, 9/21/1991)

6 TDs passing: Dave Wilson at Ohio State, 11/8/1980

5 TDs passing: Nathan Scheelhaase (5) vs. Miami (Ohio), 9/28/2013

4 TDs passing: Brandon Peters (4) at UConn, 9/7/2019

3 TDs passing: Brandon Peters (3) at Michigan State, 11/9/2019

Two 65-plus yard TD passes in the same game:
N. Scheelhaase, 77 & 67 yds to A.J. Jenkins at Indiana, 10/8/11

10+ consecutive completions in a game:

Brandon Peters (10) at UConn, 9/7/2019
Non-QB with passing TD: Trenard Davis vs. Penn State, 9/21/2018

Defense

20 Tackles: J. Leman (20) vs. Missouri, 9/1/2007

19 Tackles: Clayton Fejedelem (19) vs. Wisconsin, 10/24/2015

4 interceptions: Mike Gow (4) vs. Stanford, 9/21/1974

3 interceptions: Eugene Wilson (3) vs. Penn State, 11/10/2001

2 interceptions: Sidney Brown (2) at Michigan State, 11/9/2019

3+ sacks in a game: Oluwole Betiku, Jr. (3.5) at UConn, 9/7/2019

5+ TFLs in a game: Jake Hansen (6.0) vs. Kent State, 9/1/2018

4+ TFLs in a game: Jamal Milan (4.0) at Purdue, 10/26/2019

4+ PBUs in a game: Jaylen Dunlap (4) vs. Michigan State, 11/5/2016

3+ PBUs in a game: Jaylen Dunlap (4) vs. Michigan State, 11/5/2016

3+ PBUs in back-to-back games: Jaylen Dunlap vs. Minnesota (3) and Michigan State (4), 10/29/16-11/5/16

Interception by a lineman:
Michael Buchanan vs. Western Michigan, 9/1/2012

Interception return for TD:
Sidney Brown (76 yards) at Michigan State, 11/9/2019

Two players with interception returns for TD in a game:
Pat Nixon-Youman (68 yards), Jonathan Brown (66 yards) vs. Indiana, 10/23/2010

Fumble recovery for TD:
Nate Hobbs (36 yards) vs. Rutgers, 11/2/2019

Scored on a safety: Smoot TFL vs. North Carolina 9/10/2016

Defensive extra point: Nate Hobbs (75 yards) at USF, 9/15/2017

Total Offense/All-Purpose

500 yards total offense:
503, Juice Williams vs. Minnesota, 10/11/2008

400 yards total offense: 439, Wes Lunt vs. WKU, 9/6/2014

300 yards passing and 100 yards rushing:
431 (310-121), Juice Williams at Michigan, 10/4/2008

300 all-purpose yards: 328, A.J. Jenkins vs. Northwestern, 10/1/2011

200 all-purpose yards: 213, Reggie Corbin vs. Minnesota, 11/3/2018

4 total TDs: Brandon Peters (4 pass) at UConn, 9/7/2019

2 TDs in 1 minute: Ke'Shawn Vaughn at Purdue (3rd quarter), 11/7/2015

Special Teams

5 field goals: Doug Higgins vs. Michigan State, 10/20/1990

4 field goals: Chase McLaughlin (4) at Maryland 10/27/2018

3 field goals: Chase McLaughlin (3) at Northwestern, 11/24/2018

Made 50+ yard field goal:
James McCourt (50) vs. Michigan 10/12/2019

Blocked a punt: Dawson DeGroot vs. Western Illinois, 9/8/2018

Blocked punt for a touchdown:
Dawson DeGroot (block), Stanley Green (TD) vs. Western Illinois, 9/8/2018

Blocked two field goals: Terrell Washington vs. NIU, 9/8/2001

Blocked two PATs: Rob Bain at Penn State, 10/31/2015

Blocked a field goal: Isaiah Gay at USF, 9/15/2017

Blocked a PAT: Calvin Avery vs. Nebraska, 9/21/2019

Punt return for TD: V'Angelo Bentley (67 yards) vs. OSU, 11/16/2013

Kickoff return for TD:
V'Angelo Bentley (100 yards) vs. Southern Illinois, 8/31/2013

Blocked FG returned for TD:
Travis Williams (66 yards) vs. Illinois State, 9/6/2003

Two-point conversion:
Dre Brown run vs. Michigan, 10/12/2019

Two two-point conversions in the same game:
2 at Ohio State, 11/3/2012 (Russell pass to LaCrosse; Russell rush)

AN OPPOSING PLAYER HAD ...

250 yards rushing: 256, Jordan Canzeri, Iowa, 10/10/2015

200 yards rushing: 211, Rodney Smith, Minnesota, 10/5/2019

150 yards rushing:
170, Elijah Collins, Michigan State, 11/9/2019

Three 100-yard rushers:
J. Jackson (106), J. Moten IV (105), D. Johnson (101) at USF 9/15/2017

75+ yard rushing play: 79, Justin Jackson, vs. Northwestern, 11/25/17

50+ yard rushing play: 64, Rodney Smith, at Minnesota, 10/5/19

Two 40+ TD runs in one quarter:
Carlos Hyde (51, 55 in 4th), Ohio State, 11/16/2013

400 yards passing: 408, Scott Rislav, San Jose State, 9/21/2002

300 yards passing: 328 Adrian Martinez, Nebraska, 9/21/2019

80+ yard pass play:
86, Minnesota (Tanner Morgan at Rashod Bateman), 11/3/2018

70+ yard pass play:
71, Michigan (Shea Patterson to Ronnie Bell), 10/12/2019

50+ yard pass play:
71, Michigan (Shea Patterson to Ronnie Bell), 10/12/2019

Non-QB with passing TD:
Nick Scott to Christian Hackenberg at Penn State, 10/31/2015

200 receiving yards: 246, Roy Roundtree, Michigan, 11/6/2010

150 receiving yards:
160, JD Spielman, Nebraska, 9/21/2019

100 receiving yards: 128, Cody White, Michigan State, 11/9/2019

Two 100-yard receivers: Isaac Zico (127), Rondale Moore (101), Purdue, 10/13/2018

4 field goals: Michael Geiger, Michigan State, 11/5/2016

Three 50+ yard field goals: Tim Douglas (51, 58, 51), Iowa, 9/26/1998

Punt return for TD: K. Groenewed (61 yards), Iowa, 11/17/2018

Kickoff return for TD: J. Leake (97 yards), Maryland, 10/27/2018

INT return for TD: Tyler Coyle (52 yards), at UConn, 9/7/2019

Blocked punt for a TD: A.J. Epenesa (19 yards), Iowa, 11/17/2018

Fumble recovery for TD:
Samdup Miller (3 yards), Northwestern, 10/25/2017

Safety: Team (tackle in end zone), Minnesota, 10/29/2016

AN ILLINOIS TEAM HAD ...

80 points: 87 vs. Illinois Wesleyan (87-3), 10/5/1912

70 points: 79 vs. Illinois State (79-6), 9/16/1944

60 points: 65 at Michigan (65-67), 11/6/2010

50 points: 55 vs. Minnesota (55-31), 11/3/2018

40 points: 42 vs. Akron (42-3), 8/31/2019

30 points: 37 at Michigan State, 11/9/2019

0 points: Iowa (0-63), 11/17/2018

0 points in 1st half: vs. Iowa (0-35), 11/17/2018

0 points in 2nd half: vs. Iowa (0-63), 11/17/2018

Did not score a touchdown: vs. Iowa (0-63), 11/17/2018

400 rushing yards: 430 vs. Minnesota, 11/3/2018

300 rushing yards: 383 at Nebraska, 11/10/2018

200 rushing yards: 204 vs Rutgers, 11/2/2019

Fewer than 100 rushing yards: 36 at Michigan State, 11/9/2019

Negative yards net rushing: -27 vs. Arizona, 9/18/1993

Three 70+ yard runs: 3 (72, 72, 77) vs. Minnesota, 11/3/2018

400 passing yards: 450 vs. Purdue, 10/4/2014

300 passing yards: 369 at Michigan State, 11/9/2019

Fewer than 100 passing yards: 26 at Purdue, 10/26/2019

4 TD catches by tight ends: 4 vs. Miami (Ohio), 9/28/2013

700 total net yards: 723 vs. Illinois-Normal, 9/16/1944

600 total net yards: 646 vs. Minnesota, 11/3/2018

500 total net yards: 509 at Nebraska, 11/10/2018

400 total net yards: 405 at Michigan State, 11/9/2019

Fewer than 100 total net yards: 78 at Wisconsin, 10/8/1977

Consecutive games, 500 total net yards:
at Minnesota (646, 11/11/2008), at Nebraska (509, 11/11/2008),

Five field goals: 5 vs. Wisconsin, 10/20/2001

Shut Out opponent: Western Illinois (44-0), 9/12/2015

9+ sacks in a game: 9 at Purdue, 11/3/2001

6+ sacks in a game: 6 vs. Akron, 8/31/2019

15+ TFL in a game: 15 vs. San Jose St., 9/21/2002

10+ TFL in a game: 10 vs. Rutgers, 11/2/2019

Missed extra point kick: at Michigan State, 11/9/2019

Successful two-point conversion: vs. Michigan, 10/12/2019

2 successful two-point conversions: at Ohio State (2), 11/3/2012

Forced 5+ turnovers: 5 at Wisconsin, 10/20/2018

Turned ball over 5+ times: 6 vs. Louisiana Tech, 9/22/2012

10+ passes broken up: 11 vs. Illinois State, 9/12/2009

Blocked two kicks: 2 at South Florida, 9/15/2017

Blocked two punts: 2 vs. Indiana, 10/23/2010

Entire game without punting: vs. Miami (Ohio), 9/28/2013

No penalties: vs. Arkansas State, 9/3/2011

No turnovers: vs. Rutgers, 11/2/2019

Back-to-back games with no turnovers:
at Purdue, 10/26/2019 and vs. Rutgers, 11/2/2019

No sacks allowed: at Northwestern, 11/24/2018

Back-to-back games with no sacks allowed:
vs. Michigan State, 11/5/2016 and at Wisconsin, 11/12/2016

A successful on-side kick: vs. Penn State, 11/22/2014

Overtime game: Loss vs. Purdue, 34-31 (OT), 10/8/2016

Overtime game at home: Loss vs. Purdue, 34-31 (OT), 10/8/2016

A game with a weather delay: at South Florida, 9/15/2017 (0:37 delay)

A game was postponed: vs. Kent State, 9/4/2015 (2:50 delay)
Eventually postponed and played next day on 9/5/2015

AN OPPOSING TEAM HAD ...

200 yards rushing: 275, at Michigan State, 11/9/2019

300 yards rushing: 332, at Minnesota, 10/5/2019

Fewer than 100 yards rushing: 10, UConn, 9/7/2019

Fewer than 50 yards rushing: 10, UConn, 9/7/2019

Fewer than 20 yards rushing: 10, UConn, 9/7/2019

Negative yards rushing: -10, Murray State, 9/3/2016

One first down: Missouri, 9/10/1994

Zero first downs: Michigan, 10/27/1934

300 yards passing: 328, vs. Nebraska, 9/21/2019

400 yards passing: 411, USF, 9/15/2018

Fewer than 100 yards passing: 47, at Minnesota, 10/20/2017

500 net yards: 674, vs. Nebraska, 9/21/2019

600 net yards: 674, vs. Nebraska, 9/21/2019

700 net yards: 712, Maryland, 10/27/2018

Fewer than 100 net yards: 96, South Dakota State, 9/10/2011

Fewer than 250 net yards: 192, Akron, 8/31/2019

40 points: 42, vs. Michigan (42-25), 10/12/2019

50 points: 54, at Nebraska (54-35), 11/10/2018

60 points: 63, Maryland (63-33), 10/27/2018

70 points: 70, Michigan (70-21), 11/7/1981

A shutout: Penn State (39-0), 10/31/2015

Did not score: Western Illinois (0-44), 9/12/2015

Did not score a touchdown: Akron, (3-42) 8/31/2019

Scoreless half: Rutgers, (2nd) 11/2/2019

Missed PAT: Nebraska (blocked), 9/21/2019

A two-point conversion: Nebraska, 9/21/2019

Two two-point conversions: Northwestern (2), 11/29/2014

Defense scored all points in victory: Arizona, 16 points, 9/18/1993



SMITH FOOTBALL CENTER OPENS TO FIGHTING ILLINI



RENAISSANCE

TIMELINE

- October 2016 » Initial project announced
- Summer 2017 » Updated performance center plans announced
- Winter 2018 » Begin performance center construction
- August 2018 » Smith \$20 million donation announced
- August 2019 » Completed for 2019 season
- October 2019 » Public grand opening set for Oct. 12

MEMORIAL STADIUM FACTS

- Built » 1923
- First Game » Illinois vs. Chicago, 11/3/1923
- Dedication Game » Illinois vs. Michigan, 10/18/1924
- Largest Crowd » 78,297, Illinois vs. Missouri, 9/8/1984
- Current Capacity » 60,670



HENRY DALE AND BETTY SMITH FOOTBALL PERFORMANCE CENTER

The Henry Dale and Betty Smith Football Center opened to Illinois football student-athletes on Aug. 18, 2019. The 107,650 square foot, \$79.2 million facility is the new home for the Fighting Illini football program, including expanded strength and conditioning and sports medicine space, coaches' offices, position meeting rooms, player development areas, locker rooms, and other areas for recruiting and prospect hosting.

"It's a little like Christmas Day," said head coach Lovie Smith as the team was surprised with their new home. "We got to witness genuine excitement for our players. We've been talking a lot about a new day in Illinois football and for me as a football coach, for our current players to have an opportunity to train in a facility as good as anyone's around and that's what we've given them. We're so appreciative. So thankful to the Smith family.

"When you see genuine excitement, that's pretty neat to watch. Every player on our football team, of course, was really excited."

The student-athletes moved into the locker room permanently on Aug. 18. The coaches and other staff moved to the Smith Football Center on Aug. 1.

The H.D. Smith Foundation, led by Dale and Chris Smith, donated \$20 million to the University of Illinois Foundation, with \$15 million dedicated to the performance center. In recognition of the gift, the building will forever be named the Henry Dale and Betty Smith Football Center.

Driving the project's need was to update Illinois' outdated football facilities. Today's program bears little resemblance to that which existed 30 years ago, when the previous football operations complex was constructed. The new, world-class Smith Football Center demonstrates an institutional commitment to building, supporting, and sustaining a winning football program.

WHAT IS INSIDE?

- » State-of-the-art sports medicine suite to rival any in the nation
- » Levenick Auditorium with dramatic views of the practice fields, Memorial Stadium, and State Farm Center
- » Nutrition center and additional fueling stations throughout the facility
- » Grand lobby showcasing Illinois football history
- » State-of-the-art strength and conditioning complex
- » Majestic head coach's suite, featuring a two-sided fireplace, sitting area, and private balcony
- » Position meeting rooms, staff meeting spaces, and coaches' offices
- » Outdoor sitting area and balcony overlooking practice fields
- » Recruiting lounge
- » Expansive team locker room
- » Players' lounge, complete with bowling alley, game room, and barber shop
- » NFL alumni locker room
- » Rooftop terrace featuring outdoor kitchen and recreational activities, including mini golf (to be completed by Oct.)
- » Statue honoring Illini and football legend Dick Butkus (to be completed by Oct.)



GRAND ENTRYWAY



LOCKER ROOM



LEVENICK AUDITORIUM



WEIGHT ROOM



GAME SUMMARIES

GAME 1

AKRON 3
ILLINOIS 42

AUG. 31, 2019

MEMORIAL STADIUM // CHAMPAIGN, ILL. // 30,654

SCORING BY QUARTER

Team	1	2	3	4	F
Akron	3	0	0	0	3
Illinois	14	14	14	0	42

SCORING SUMMARY

First Quarter

ILL: Corbin 3 yd rush (McCourt kick), 11:53 (10-63, 3:07)
AKRON: Fitschen 42 yd field goal, 6:29 (11-50, 5:24)
ILL: Bonner 10 yd rnu (McCourt kick), 3:23 (9-75, 3:06)

Second Quarter

ILL: Sidney 10 yd pass from Peters (McCourt kick), 14:56 (6-24, 3:24)
ILL: Peters 20 yd run (McCourt Kick), 2:04 (2-24, 0:38)

Third Quarter

ILL: Williams, J 9 yd pass from Peters (McCourt kick), 10:42 (8-63, 3:23)
ILL: Barker 2 yd pass from Peters (McCourt kick), 4:30 (10-70, 3:34)

TEAM STATISTICS

Category	AKRON	ILL
First Downs	16	22
Rushes-Yards	38-64	46-207
Passing Yards	128	194
Comp-Att-Int	12-28-1	15-25-0
Total Yards	192	401
Punts-Avg	7-30.4	4-46.0
Kickoff Returns	2-43	1-10
Penalties-Yards	5-50	7-75
Fumbles-Lost	1-1	0-0
Sacks By	2-11	6-37
Third-down Conv.	3-13	9-15
Time of Possession	31:37	28:23

INDIVIDUAL LEADERS

RUSHING (Carries-Yards-TD): AKRON - Sands 14-47-0, Lee 10-34-0.
ILL - Epstein 8-45-0, Bonner 6-38-1, Corbin 6-36-1.
PASSING (Comp-Att-INT-TD-Yds): AKRON - Nelson 10-24-1-0-122. ILL - Peters 14-23-0-3-163.
RECEIVING (Rec-Yards-TD): AKRON - Stewart 5-79-0, Mathison 3-22-0, Lee, B 1-12-0.
ILL - Smalling 4-54-0, Imatorbhebe 2-34-0, Sidney 2-26-1.
TACKLE LEADERS (Tackles, TFL-Yds): AKRON - Arslanian 11, 1.0-5, Lako 8, 0.0, 0; Featherstone 6, 0.5, 1. ILL - Hansen 7, 0.5, 4; Betiku 6, 3.0-13; Hobbs 6, 1.0-1.

GAME NOTES

- Illinois has 22 consecutive home-opening wins, the fourth-longest active streak in the nation behind only Florida (29), Oklahoma State (23) and Wisconsin (23). Illinois is 92-33-5 all-time in home-openers.
- Senior QB AJ Bush Jr.'s 139 rushing yards is the fifth-most all-time by an Illinois Junior QB Brandon Peters made his fifth career start and first for Illinois (4 starts at Michigan). He also rushed for his first career touchdown.
- Illinois did not start a true freshman for the first time since Sept. 17, 2016 against Western Michigan, a span of 33 consecutive games. The 33 straight games with at least one true freshman starter is 15 games longer than the previous record of 18 set from 2005-07.
- Illinois started five transfers - QB Brandon Peters, WR Josh Imatorbhebe, OL Richie Pettibon, DL Oluwole Betiku Jr., and LB Milo Eifer
- Senior RB Reggie Corbin passed College Football Hall of Famer J.C. Caroline (1953-54) for 22nd on Illinois' all-time rushing yardage list. Caroline, a 2019 inductee to the Illinois Athletics Hall of Fame, ran for 1,696 yards in two seasons for the Illini.
- Junior DL Oluwole Betiku Jr. set a career high with 3.0 tackles for loss and recorded his first career sack. He finished with 1.5 sacks.

GAME 2

ILLINOIS 31
UCONN 23

SEP. 7, 2019

P&W STADIUM // EAST HARTFORD, CONN. // 23,108

SCORING BY QUARTER

Team	1	2	3	4	F
Illinois	0	24	7	0	31
UConn	10	3	7	3	23

SCORING SUMMARY

First Quarter

UCONN: Coyle 52 yd interception (Harris kick) 11:14
UCONN: Harris 35 yd field goal, 3:56 (11-74, 5:15)

Second Quarter

UCONN: Harris 29 yd field goal, 14:57 (5-38, 2:22)
ILL: Bonner 28 yd pass from Peters (McCourt Kick), 11:43 (8-75 3:14)
ILL: Imatorbhebe 9 yd pas from Peters (McCourt Kick), 5:51 (8-59, 3:35)
ILL: Barker 18 yd pass from Peters (McCourt Kick), 0:55 (7-59, 2:42)
ILL: McCourt 53 yd field goal, 0:00 (3-19, 0:21)

Third Quarter

UCONN: Mensah 2 yd run (Harris kick), 11:36 (8-59, 3:05)
ILL: Imatorbhebe 13 yd pass from Peters (McCourt kick), 6:09 (8-87, 2:58)

Fourth Quarter

UCONN: Harris 33 yd field goal, 11:39 (15-64, 8:02)

TEAM STATISTICS

Category	ILL	UCONN
First Downs	21	16
Rushes-Yards	35-130	29-10
Passing Yards	227	275
Comp-Att-Int	24-35-1	21-31-2
Total Yards	357	285
Punts-Avg	4-38.8	5-38.0
Kickoff Returns	5-163	2-28
Penalties-Yards	9-98	4-34
Fumbles-Lost	3-2	2-1
Sacks By	5-30	2-9
Third-down Conv.	6-11	6-15
Time of Possession	29:15	30:45

INDIVIDUAL LEADERS

RUSHING (Carries-Yards-TD): ILL - Norwood 6-62-0, Brown, D. 9-35-0, Bonner 10-19-0. UCONN - Mensah 14-27-1, Thompkins 8-14-0, Zergiotis 7- 31-0.
PASSING (Comp-Att-INT-TD-Yds): ILL - Peters 24-35-1-4-227. UCONN - Zergiotis 21-31-2-2-0.
RECEIVING (Rec-Yards-TD): ILL - Smalling 7-56-0, Barker 2-44-1, Imatorbhebe 4-42-2. UCONN - Ross 4-85-0, Brown, A 7-81-0, Rose 2-31-0.
TACKLE LEADERS (Tackles, TFL-Yds): ILL - Harding 8, 1.5-1, Hobbs 8, 1.0-3; Hansen 7, 1.0-9. UCONN - Morgan 11, 2.0-10; Gilmartin 8, 2.0-2; Coyle 7, 0.0-0.

GAME NOTES

- Illinois is 2-0 for the third straight season.
- Illinois won a nonconference road game for the first time since Sept. 15, 2007 at Syracuse (41-20), a span of seven straight losses (2008 Western Michigan, 2009 Cincinnati, 2010 Fresno State, 2012 Arizona State, 2014 Washington, 2015 North Carolina, 2017 South Florida).
- Illinois had 12.0 TFLs for the second straight game. It is the first time since at least 2000 that Illinois had 24+ TFLs in the first two games of the season.
- Illinois started six transfers - QB Brandon Peters, WR Josh Imatorbhebe, WR Trevon Sidney, OL Richie Pettibon, DL Oluwole Betiku Jr., LB Milo Eifer
- Illinois and Connecticut met on the football field for the first time ever.
- Illinois played in New England for the first time ever.
- Junior QB Brandon Peters' four TD passes tied for the seventh-most in Illinois history, along with 21 other instances, and he was the first to throw four TDs since Wes Lunt vs. Kent State 9/5/2015. Peters threw three touchdowns in the first half, all while completing his last 10 passes of the half (10-10, 135 yards, 3 TDs to end the half). His 10 straight completions tied for the 10th-longest completion streak in Illinois history.
- Junior WR Josh Imatorbhebe had two touchdown catches, the first two touchdowns of his career.
- Junior DL Oluwole Betiku, Jr. had 3.5 sacks, tied for the fifth-most sacks in a game in Illinois history. Betiku is the first Illini with 3.0+ sacks in a game since Whitney Mercilus (3.0) at Indiana 10/8/2011.

GAME 3

EASTERN MICHIGAN 34
ILLINOIS 31

SEP. 14, 2019

MEMORIAL STADIUM // CHAMPAIGN, ILL. // 34,759

SCORING BY QUARTER

Team	1	2	3	4	F
Eastern Michigan	14	9	0	11	34
Illinois	17	0	0	14	31

SCORING SUMMARY

First Quarter

ILL: McCourt 57 yd field goal, 9:18 (8-38, 3:22)
EMU: Jackson 26 yd pass from Glass (Ryland kick), 8:02 (5-75, 1:16)
ILL: Smalling 14 yd pass from Peters (McCourt kick), 6:52 (4-65, 1:10)
EMU: Sexton 54 yd pass from Glass (Ryland kick), 3:55 (2-54, 0:12)
ILL: Bonner 4 yd run (McCourt kick), 1:42 (6-74, 2:17)

Second Quarter

EMU: Jackson 31 yd pass from Glass, 8:28 (5-70, 1:40)
EMU: Ryland 52 yd field goal, 4:43 (8-26 3:01)

Fourth Quarter

EMU: Parker 4 yd run (Sexton pass), 11:20 (8-49, 3:26)
ILL: Corbin 28 yd run (McCourt kick), 7:46 (11-75, 3:34)
ILL: Imatorbhebe 36 yd pass from Peters, 1:44 (7-93, 1:14)
EMU: Ryland 24 yd field goal, 0:00 (8-68, 1:44)

TEAM STATISTICS

Category	EMU	ILL
First Downs	23	24
Rushes-Yards	40-164	40-167
Passing Yards	316	297
Comp-Att-Int	23-36-0	22-37-1
Total Yards	480	464
Punts-Avg	8-36.9	7-48.3
Kickoff Returns	0-0	0-0
Penalties-Yards	2-20	9-80
Fumbles-Lost	1-1	2-1
Sacks By	6-51	1-6
Third-down Conv.	3-13	7-17
Time of Possession	31:47	28:13

INDIVIDUAL LEADERS

RUSHING (Carries-Yards-TD): EMU - Grissom 3-52-0, Glass 10-37-0, Bonner 10-26-0. ILL - Corbin 18-144-1, Brown, D. 7-46-0, Bonner 4-16-1.
PASSING (Comp-Att-INT-TD-Yds): EMU - Glass 23-35-0-3-316. ILL - Peters 22-37-1-2-297.
RECEIVING (Rec-Yards-TD): EMU - Jackson 3-80-2, Cannon 4-60-0, Sexton 1-54-2. ILL - Imatorbhebe 4-91-1, Barker 4-90-0, Smalling 5-49-1.
TACKLE LEADERS (Tackles, TFL-Yds): EMU - Calhoun 15, 1.5-2, Hoying 7, 1.0-1; Beltram 7, 0.0-0. ILL - Harding 17, 1.5-4; Josepp 8, 0.0-0; Hansen 7, 1.5-3.

GAME NOTES

- Illinois scored 17 points in the first quarter, its most first-quarter points of the Lovie Smith era (28 vs. Youngstown State 9/5/2015).
- Illinois started six transfers - QB Brandon Peters, WR Josh Imatorbhebe, WR Trevon Sidney, OL Richie Pettibon, DL Oluwole Betiku Jr., LB Milo Eifer
- Illinois and Eastern Michigan met on the football field for the first time ever.
- Senior RB Reggie Corbin ran 18 times for 144 yards and one touchdown. It was his fifth career 100-yard rushing game. Corbin moved to 19th on Illinois' career rushing chart with 1,866 yards.
- Junior WR Josh Imatorbhebe had four receptions for a career-high 91 yards and one touchdown. He had three catches for 82 yards and a touchdown on Illinois' game-tying drive late in the fourth quarter.
- Sophomore TE Daniel Barker had a career-high 90 receiving yards on four receptions.
- Junior K James McCourt tied the Illinois record with a 57-yard field goal in the first quarter (tied Dan Beaver vs. Purdue, 10/18/1975). At the time, McCourt's field goal was the longest in FBS this season. McCourt was the first kicker in the nation to make two 50+-yard field goals.
- Junior DL Oluwole Betiku Jr. had one sack. He entered the day leading the nation with 5.0 sacks this season.
- Senior LB Dele Harding had a career-high 17 tackles. It was the most sacks by an Illini since Clayton Fejedelem had 19 against Wisconsin in 2015.



GAME SUMMARIES

GAME 4

NEBRASKA	42
ILLINOIS	38

SEP. 21, 2019

MEMORIAL STADIUM // CHAMPAIGN, ILL. // 44,512

SCORING BY QUARTER

Team	1	2	3	4	F
Nebraska	7	7	13	15	42
Illinois	14	7	14	3	38

SCORING SUMMARY

First Quarter

ILL: Corbin 66 yd run (McCourt kick), 14:12 (2-71, 0:48)
 ILL: Imatorbhebe 26 yd pass from Peters (McCourt kick), 8:12 (5-37, 1:45)
 NEB: Stoll 6 yd pass from Martinez (McCallum kick), 5:07 (10-75, 3:05)

Second Quarter

ILL: Bonner 2 yd run, 11:16 (1-2, 0:05)
 NEB: Robinson 27 yd pass from Martinez (McCallum kick), 8:20 (6-79 2:27)

Third Quarter

ILL: Brown 36 yd run (McCourt kick), 11:16 (6-78, 1:51)
 NEB: Robinson 3 yd pass from Martinez (McCallum kick), 9:41 (7-75 1:35)
 ILL: Peters 10 yd run (McCourt kick), 5:40 (2-14, 0:40)
 NEB: Mills 14 yd run (kick blocked), 2:11 (9-75 3:29)

Fourth Quarter

NEB: Mills 14 yd run (Martinez run), 14:29 (6-64, 1:35)
 ILL: McCourt 47 yd field goal, 12:08 (7-30, 2:14)
 NEB: Robinson 1 yd run (McCallum kick), 8:00 (11-75, 4:08)

TEAM STATISTICS

Category	NEB	ILL
First Downs	32	14
Rushes-Yards	64-346	38-221
Passing Yards	328	78
Comp-Att-Int	22-34-0	9-24-1
Total Yards	674	299
Punts-Avg	4-46.5	8-46.0
Kickoff Returns	1-18	6-158
Penalties-Yards	10-70	4-30
Fumbles-Lost	5-4	1-0
Sacks By	2-14	2-7
Third-down Conv.	11-19	1-12
Time of Possession	37:04	22:56

INDIVIDUAL LEADERS

RUSHING (Carries-Yards-TD): NEB - Martinez 8-118-0, Robinson 19-89-1, Washington 10-89-0. ILL - Corbin 20-134-1, Brown, D. 6-59-1, Norwood 1-16-0.
PASSING (Comp-Att-Int-TD-Yds): NEB - Martinez 22-34-0-3-328. ILL - Peters 9-22-1-1-78.
RECEIVING (Rec-Yards-TD): NEB - Spielman 7-159-0, Robinson 8-79-2, Stoll 3-45-1. ILL - Smalling 5-41-0, Imatorbhebe 1-26-1, Bonner 1-8-0.
TACKLE LEADERS (Tackles, TFL-Yds): NEB - Dismuke 7, 0-0, Domann 5, 1.5-11; Barry 5, 0.0-0. ILL - Hansen 12, 1.0/5; Adams 12, 1.0-2; Harding 11, 0.5-1.

GAME NOTES

- Illinois has scored 30+ points in each of the first four games this season. Illinois' four-game streak of scoring 30+ is tied for the third-longest streak in program history. Illinois is on a four-game streak of scoring 30+ points for the sixth time in program history and first since the program-record seven-game streak to end the 2001 season (includes Sugar Bowl).
- Illinois had four fumble recoveries, tied for the second-most fumble recoveries in a single game in FBS this season (South Florida had six vs. South Carolina State 9/14/19).
- Illinois recovered four fumbles for the first time since at Rutgers 10/15/16.
- Senior RB Reggie Corbin ran 20 times for 134 yards and one touchdown. It was his sixth career 100-yard rushing game and second in a row. Corbin became the 18th Illini in history to gain 2,000 career rushing yards, as he sits at exactly 2,000. Corbin broke a 66-yard touchdown run on Illinois' second snap of the game. The run was the Illini's longest play from scrimmage this season.
- Junior DL Oluwole Betiku Jr. had five tackles (all solo), 1.0 sack, 3.0 TFLs and one fumble recovery. He entered the week as the national leader in sacks (6.0) and TFLs (7.5).
- Sophomore DB Jartavius Martin recovered two fumbles, becoming the first Illini with two fumble recoveries in one game since James Crawford vs. Rutgers 10/14/2017.

GAME 5

ILLINOIS	17
MINNESOTA	40

OCT. 5, 2019

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SCORING BY QUARTER

Team	1	2	3	4	F
Illinois	7	3	7	0	17
Minnesota	3	13	14	10	40

SCORING SUMMARY

First Quarter

ILL: Harding 40 yd interception return (McCourt kick) 6:58
 MIN: Lantz 28 yd field goal, 0:52 (4-3, 1:27)

Second Quarter

MIN: Johnson 12 yd pass from Morgan (Lantz kick), 11:23 (4-85, 2:02)
 MIN: Brooks 21 yd run (Herbers rush failed), 1:32 (6-75, 3:08)
 ILL: McCourt 46-yd field goal, 0:13 (9-47 1:19)

Third Quarter

MIN: Autman-Bell 10 yd pass from Morgan (Lantz kick), 12:53 (4-75, 2:07)
 MIN: Spann-Ford 12 yd pass from Morgan (Lantz kick), 7:52 (6-65 4:39)
 ILL: Eifler 7 yd fumble recovery (McCourt kick), 2:27

Fourth Quarter

MIN: Smith, R. 8 yd run (Lantz kick), 12:48 (8-75, 4:39)
 MIN: Lantz 27 yd field goal, 00:51 (9-32, 4:50)

TEAM STATISTICS

Category	ILL	MIN
First Downs	14	24
Rushes-Yards	27-91	52-332
Passing Yards	157	155
Comp-Att-Int	20-39-1	9-17-1
Total Yards	248	487
Punts-Avg	7-43.1	4-41.2
Kickoff Returns	3-58	1-22
Penalties-Yards	8-80	4-25
Fumbles-Lost	3-0	1-1
Sacks By	1-8	3-17
Third-down Conv.	5-17	2-10
Time of Possession	24:16	35:44

INDIVIDUAL LEADERS

RUSHING (Carries-Yards-TD): ILL - Corbin 14-68-0, Peters 2-10-0, Bonner 2-8-0. MIN - Smith, R. 24-211-1, Brooks. 16-111-1, Green 5-16-0.
PASSING (Comp-Att-Int-TD-Yds): ILL - Robinson 15-29-0-0-125. MIN - Morgan 9-17-3-1-155.
RECEIVING (Rec-Yards-TD): ILL - Sidney 5-50-0, Navarro 3-33-0, Imatorbhebe 4-27-0. MIN - Bateman 2-71-0, Johnson, T. 2-28-1, Autman-Bell 2-30-1.
TACKLE LEADERS (Tackles, TFL-Yds): ILL - Harding 15, 1.0-1, Milan 8, 0.0-0; Brown, S. 7, 0.5-0. MIN - Martin 7, 0.0/0; Williamson 5, 1.0-7; St. Juste 5, 1.0-1.

GAME NOTES

- Illinois scored two defensive touchdowns in the same game for the first time since two interception return touchdowns vs. Indiana 10/23/2010.
- Illinois had a fumble recovery return touchdown and an interception return touchdown in the same game for the first time since at least 2000.
- Senior RB Reggie Corbin ran 14 times for 68 yards. Corbin passed Nate Scheelhaese (2010-13) on Illinois' all-time career rushing yardage list. Scheelhaese ran for 2,066 yards, now the 17th-most rushing yards in Illinois history.
- Junior QB Brandon Peters was 5-for-10 passing for 32 yards before leaving the game with an injury in the second quarter.
- Sophomore QB Matt Robinson was 15-for-29 passing for 125 yards after Peters went down. It was the first extended playing time of his career.
- Junior LB Jake Hansen had six tackles (two solo), 1.5 TFLs, 1.0 sack and one forced fumble, which led to an Illinois touchdown.
- Senior LB Dele Harding had a 40-yard interception return for a touchdown in the first quarter. It was his second interception of the season (second of career) and the first touchdown of his career. He also had 15 tackles (five solo)

GAME 6

MICHIGAN	42
ILLINOIS	25

OCT. 12, 2019

MEMORIAL STADIUM // CHAMPAIGN, ILL. // 37,275

SCORING BY QUARTER

Team	1	2	3	4	F
Michigan	14	14	0	14	42
Illinois	0	7	10	8	25

SCORING SUMMARY

First Quarter

MICH: Haskins 29 yd run (Nordin kick) 11:20 (5-65, 2:02)
 MICH: Schoonmaker 25 yd pass from (Moody kick), 0:59 (4-70, 0:55)

Second Quarter

MICH: Charbonnet 7 yd run (Moody kick), 12:19 (1-7, 0:04)
 MICH: Eubanks 4 yd pass from Patterson (Moody kick), 4:33 (5-80, 2:35)
 ILL: Imatorbhebe 23 yd pass from Robinson, 0:55 (6-67 1:03)

Third Quarter

ILL: McCourt 50 yd field goal, 10:14 (10-31, 3:23)
 ILL: Robinson 1 yd run (McCourt kick), 0:30 (15-80, 7:27)

Fourth Quarter

ILL: Brown, D. 1 yd run (Brown, D. run), 12:50 (6-36, 2:04)
 MICH: Peoples-Jones, 5 yd pass from Patterson (Nordin kick), 8:57 (10-79, 3:48)
 MICH: Patterson 1 yd run (Nordin kick), 6:21 (1-1, 0:04)

TEAM STATISTICS

Category	MICH	ILL
First Downs	25	17
Rushes-Yards	48-295	43-64
Passing Yards	194	192
Comp-Att-Int	11-22-0	16-29-0
Total Yards	489	256
Punts-Avg	3-44.3	8-41.0
Kickoff Returns	1-20	2-38
Penalties-Yards	7-54	10-95
Fumbles-Lost	3-2	2-2
Sacks By	4-34	0-0
Third-down Conv.	4-10	3-13
Time of Possession	29:47	30:13

INDIVIDUAL LEADERS

RUSHING (Carries-Yards-TD): MICH - Haskins 12-125-1, Charbonnet 18-116-1, Wilson, T. 10-46-0. ILL - Brown, D. 8-39-1, Corbin. 9-14-0, Bonner 8-14-0.
PASSING (Comp-Att-Int-TD-Yds): MICH - Patterson 11-22-3-0-194. ILL - Robinson 16-25-1-0-192.
RECEIVING (Rec-Yards-TD): MICH - Bell 3-98-0, Peoples-Jones 3-36-1, Schoonmaker 1-25-1. ILL - Imatorbhebe 5-102-1, Stampley 4-28-0, Washington 1-20-0.
TACKLE LEADERS (Tackles, TFL-Yds): MICH - McGrone 11, 2.0-5, Glasgow 11, 0.5-16; Hawkins 7, 0.0-0. ILL - Green 12, 0.0-0; Brown, S. 10, 0.0-0; Harding 9, 1.0-1.

GAME NOTES

- Illinois went on a 25-0 scoring run after Michigan opened a 28-0 lead. The Illini trailed 28-25 with 12:45 remaining in the fourth quarter.
- Illinois had a 15-play, 80-yard scoring drive lasting 7:27 in the third quarter, the third-longest scoring drive against Michigan this season (Wisconsin had two over eight minutes). Nine of the Illini's 15 plays were in the red zone.
- Illinois held Michigan to 11 yards on 11 plays in the third quarter. Illinois held the ball for 10:50 of the third quarter, including the 7:27 touchdown drive.
- Junior WR Josh Imatorbhebe had five receptions for 102 yards and one touchdown, his first career 100+ yard receiving game and Illinois' first 100+ yard receiving game of the season.
- Senior RB Reggie Corbin ran nine times for 14 yards. Corbin passed Red Grange (1923-25) on Illinois' all-time career rushing yardage list (see below).
- Junior LB Jake Hansen had his fifth forced fumble of the season. He entered the week as the national leader in forced fumbles.
- Senior DB Stanley Green forced a fumble in the second quarter, his eighth career forced fumble, and also recovered two fumbles. Green's eight career forced fumbles is tied for third in Illinois history with Dana Howard (1990-94). Simeon Rice (13 from 1992-95) and Whitney Mercilus (11 from 2009-11) are the only Illini with more forced fumbles than Stanley Green. He is the second Illini with two fumble recoveries and a forced fumble in the same game since 2000 (James Crawford vs. Rutgers 10/14/2017).



GAME SUMMARIES

GAME 7

#6/6 WISCONSIN 23
ILLINOIS 24

OCT. 19, 2019

MEMORIAL STADIUM // CHAMPAIGN, ILL. // 37,363

SCORING BY QUARTER

Team	1	2	3	4	F
Wisconsin	7	6	7	3	23
Illinois	0	7	7	10	24

SCORING SUMMARY

First Quarter

WIS: Ferguson 18 yd pass from Coan (Larsh kick) 9:15 (11-75, 5:45)

Second Quarter

WIS: Larsh 24 yd field goal, 12:02 (11-72, 6:11)
ILL: Navarro 48 yd pass from Peters, (McCourt kick) 5:53 (4-63 1:37)
WIS: Larsh 44 yd field goal, 1:47 (10-38, 4:06)

Third Quarter

WIS: Taylor 5 yd run (Larsh kick), 10:31 (2-15, 0:40)
ILL: Corbin 43 yd run (McCourt kick), 0:48 (6-80, 1:51)

Fourth Quarter

WIS: Larsh 20 yd field goal, 9:46 (11-73, 6:02)
ILL: Imatorbhebe 28 yd pass from Peters (McCourt kick), 5:53 (4-75, 1:19)
ILL: McCourt 39 yd field goal, 0:00 (9-32, 2:32)

TEAM STATISTICS

Category	WIS	ILL
First Downs	22	17
Rushes-Yards	43-156	35-141
Passing Yards	264	174
Comp-Att-Int	24-32-1	9-21-0
Total Yards	420	315
Punts-Avg	2-42.0	5-46.6
Kickoff Returns	0-0	0-0
Penalties-Yards	6-60	4-15
Fumbles-Lost	2-2	2-1
Sacks By	4-39	2-12
Third-down Conv.	9-17	2-10
Time of Possession	40:49	19:11

INDIVIDUAL LEADERS

RUSHING (Carries-Yards-TD): WIS - Taylor 28-132-1, Davis, D. 1-13-0, Watson 2-9-0, ILL - Corbin 17-83-1, Brown, D. 11-70-0, Norwood 1-3-0.
PASSING (Comp-Att-INT-TD-Yds): WIS - Coan 24-32-1-1-264, ILL - Peters 9-21-0-2-174.
RECEIVING (Rec-Yards-TD): WIS - Ferguson 5-77-1, Cephus 5-62-0, Groshek 6-40-0, ILL - Navarro 1-48-1, Imatorbhebe 2-42-1, Barker 3-37-0.
TACKLE LEADERS (Tackles, TFL-Yds): WIS - Orr 9, 3.0-32, Sanborn 7, 0.5-4; Burrell 6, 0.5-2, ILL - Harding 16, 1.0-4; Hansen 11, 1.0-6; Brown, S. 11, 0.0-0.

GAME NOTES

- Illinois' win was the largest upset over a ranked team in Big Ten Conference play history (30.5 point spread, Big Ten games only, last 40 seasons, via ESPN).
- Illinois had the most points (24), takeaways (3), rushing yards (141), passing touchdowns (2, tied), rushing touchdowns (1, tied), yards per carry (4.0), and the longest rush (43, Corbin) against Wisconsin this season.
- Illinois' 24 points were the most allowed by Wisconsin this season. Wisconsin had allowed only 29 points combined to its first six opponents.
- Illinois had 17 first downs on 56 plays (30.4% first down rate). Wisconsin had allowed first downs on just 15.5% of plays this season, the best in FBS.
- Senior RB Reggie Corbin ran 17 times for 83 yards and one touchdown. Corbin passed John Karras (1949-51) and Chubby Phillips (1973-76) on Illinois' all-time career rushing yardage list. Corbin's 43-yard touchdown run is the longest rush allowed by Wisconsin this season (Four of Wisconsin's first six opponents totaled fewer than 43 rushing yards in their games against the Badgers).
- Junior LB Jake Hansen had two forced fumbles to add to his national-leading total of seven for the season. Hansen's seven forced fumbles are second-most in an Illinois single season (Whitney Mercilus, 9, 2011) and tied for the third-most in Big Ten single-season history. Hansen currently has 1.00 forced fumbles per game (7 FF, 7 games) and the NCAA record (since 2000) for forced fumbles per game is 0.83 by Louisville's Elvis Dumervil in 2005 (10 FF, 12 games).
- Sophomore WR Donny Navarro had a 48-yard touchdown catch in the second quarter, his first touchdown as an Illini.

GAME 8

ILLINOIS 24
PURDUE 6

OCT. 19, 2019

ROSS-ADE STADIUM // WEST LAFAYETTE, IND. // 58,735

SCORING BY QUARTER

Team	1	2	3	4	F
Illinois	3	14	7	0	24
Purdue	0	0	0	6	6

SCORING SUMMARY

First Quarter

ILL: McCourt 38 yd field goal 2:47 (8-67, 3:30)

Second Quarter

ILL: Adams 13 yd interception (McCourt kick), 9:58
ILL: Peters 1 yd run, (McCourt kick) 1:41 (6-63 2:35)

Third Quarter

ILL: Corbin 20 yd run (McCourt kick), 2:35 (3-22, 1:01)

Fourth Quarter

PUR: Durham 11 yd pass from O'Connell (O'Connell pass failed), 5:49 (13-99, 5:05)

TEAM STATISTICS

Category	ILL	PUR
First Downs	14	17
Rushes-Yards	53-242	44-135
Passing Yards	26	138
Comp-Att-Int	3-7-0	15-33-1
Total Yards	268	271
Punts-Avg	8-42.8	9-36.1
Kickoff Returns	1-0	2-38
Penalties-Yards	5-35	2-20
Fumbles-Lost	1-0	2-1
Sacks By	2-7	1-9
Third-down Conv.	4-14	5-18
Time of Possession	32:23	27:37

INDIVIDUAL LEADERS

RUSHING (Carries-Yards-TD): ILL - Brown, D. 18-131-0, Bonner 10-48-0, Corbin 12-47-1, PUR - Horvath 9-54-0, Doerue 15-37-0, Fuller 5-19-0.
PASSING (Comp-Att-INT-TD-Yds): ILL - Peters 3-6-0-0-26, PUR - Plummer 8-20-0-1-71.
RECEIVING (Rec-Yards-TD): ILL - Navarro 1-17-0, Williams, J. 1-8-0, Reams 1-1-0, PUR - Anthop 3-51-0, Hopkins 5-45-0, Barker 5-18-0.
TACKLE LEADERS (Tackles, TFL-Yds): ILL - Green 9, 1.0-1, Harding 9, 0.0-0; Brown, S. 8, 1.0-2, PUR - Holt 12, 1.4-4; Fakasieiiki 7, 1.0-2; Allen, 6, 1.0-1.

GAME NOTES

- Illinois leads the all-time series against Purdue, 45-44-6.
- Illinois won a Big Ten road game for the first time since beat Rutgers, 38-17, Oct. 6, 2018.
- Illinois won back-to-back Big Ten games in the same season for the first time since beating Penn State, 16-14, Nov. 22, 2014 and Northwestern, 47-33, Nov. 29, 2014 to end the 2014 season.
- Illinois held Purdue to six points, the Boilermakers' lowest total since a 56-0 loss vs. Ohio State 11/2/2013.
- Illinois' six points allowed were the fewest allowed by the Illini in a Big Ten road game since a 3-3 tie at Wisconsin 11/25/1995.
- Illinois held Purdue to 3.5 yards per play (77 plays, 271 total yards), the Illini's fewest yards per play allowed in a Big Ten game since 3.5 at Purdue 11/7/2015.
- Senior RB Dre Brown ran a career-high 18 times for a career-high 131 yards.
- Senior RB Reggie Corbin ran 12 times for 47 yards and one touchdown. Corbin passed Keith Jones (1984-88) for 12th place on Illinois' all-time career rushing yardage list.
- Senior DT Jamal Milan led the defense with a career-high 4.0 TFLs, tied for the 10th-most in a single game in Illinois history. Milan is the first Illini with 4.0+ TFLs since Jake Hansen (6.0) vs. Kent State 9/1/2018.
- Junior P Blake Hayes had two punts inside the 20-yard line. Hayes has placed 22 punts inside the 20 yard line this season, 12 within the 10-yard line, and seven within the three-yard line with just one touchback this season. On the 22 ensuing drives when Hayes pins the opponent inside the 20, opponents have scored only 16 points (0.7 points per drive) and Illinois has scored two defensive touchdowns (net -2 points).

GAME 9

RUTGERS 10
ILLINOIS 38

NOV 2, 2019

MEMORIAL STADIUM // CHAMPAIGN, ILL. // 35,652

SCORING BY QUARTER

Team	1	2	3	4	F
Rutgers	0	10	0	0	10
Illinois	10	0	21	7	38

SCORING SUMMARY

First Quarter

ILL: Brown, D. 10 yd run (McCourt kick) 8:38 (8-78, 3:02)
ILL: McCourt 33 yd field goal, 2:28 (11-56, 4:14)

Second Quarter

RUT: Jabbie 31 yd pass from Langan (Davidovicz kick), 12:25 (11-75, 5:03)
RUT: Davidovicz 25 yd field goal, 0:15 (9-66 4:04)

Third Quarter

ILL: Brown, D. 2 yd run (McCourt kick), 9:08 (2-56, 0:43)
ILL: Hobbs 36 yd fumble recovery (McCourt kick), 7:29
ILL: Imatorbhebe 52 yd pass from Peters (McCourt kick), 3:30 (3-55, 1:18)

Fourth Quarter

ILL: Harding 54 yd interception (McCourt kick), 14:09

TEAM STATISTICS

Category	RUT	ILL
First Downs	13	14
Rushes-Yards	51-185	44-204
Passing Yards	86	120
Comp-Att-Int	5-10-1	6-11-0
Total Yards	271	324
Punts-Avg	6-46.7	5-45.4
Kickoff Returns	1-7	1-17
Penalties-Yards	2-18	3-35
Fumbles-Lost	3-2	0-0
Sacks By	2-13	3-8
Third-down Conv.	6-16	6-14
Time of Possession	34:09	25:51

INDIVIDUAL LEADERS

RUSHING (Carries-Yards-TD): RUT - Young, A. 13-67-0, Langan 23-41-0, Adams 10-40-0, ILL - Corbin 13-51-0, Peters 3-41-0, Brown, D. 8-31-2.
PASSING (Comp-Att-INT-TD-Yds): RUT - Langan 5-10-1-1-86, ILL - Peters 6-11-1-0-120.
RECEIVING (Rec-Yards-TD): RUT - Jabbie 3-64-1, Melton 1-14-0, Barnwell 1-8-0, ILL - Navarro 2-57-0, Imatorbhebe 3-56-1, Brown, D. 1-7-0.
TACKLE LEADERS (Tackles, TFL-Yds): RUT - Izien 9, 0.0-0, Turner 7, 1.0-6; Fatukasi 7, 0.0-0, ILL - Harding 12, 2.0-4; Efler 10, 2.5-6; Green, S. 10, 0.0-0.

GAME NOTES

- Illinois is on a three-game Big Ten winning streak in a single season for the first time since beating Minnesota, No. 1 Ohio State, and Northwestern to end the 2007 regular season en route to the Rose Bowl Game.
- Illinois is over .500 in November for the first time since 2015 when the Fighting Illini beat Purdue, 48-14, on Nov. 7, 2015 to move to 5-4 overall and 2-3 in the Big Ten.
- Illinois is .500 in Big Ten games in November for the first time since 2010 when the Fighting Illini beat Northwestern, 48-27, on Nov. 20, 2010 at Wrigley Field to finish the season 4-4 in conference games.
- Illinois' five defensive touchdowns this season are tied for the national lead. Illinois scored its fourth defensive touchdown of the season on Nate Hobbs' third-quarter fumble return and its fifth on Dele Harding's fourth-quarter interception return.
- Illinois has at least one forced fumble and one fumble recovery in every game this season.
- Senior LB Dele Harding was the second player in the nation in the last 20 years to have 12+ tackles, 2.0+ TFL, 1+ forced fumble, 1+ interception, and 1+ touchdown in a single game (Kentucky's Mike Edwards had the exact same stat line - 12 tackles, 2.0 TFLs, 1 forced fumble, 1 interception touchdown - vs. Middle Tennessee 11/17/2018).
- Senior DB Stanley Green had his ninth career forced fumble, the third most in Illinois history.
- Junior DB Nate Hobbs had his first career touchdown on a 36-yard fumble return after Stanley Green's forced fumble.



GAME SUMMARIES

GAME 10

ILLINOIS 37
MICHIGAN STATE 34

NOV 9, 2019

SPARTAN STADIUM // EAST LANSING, MICH // 63,370

SCORING BY QUARTER

Team	1	2	3	4	F
Illinois	3	7	0	27	37
Michigan State	14	14	3	3	34

SCORING SUMMARY

First Quarter

MSU: Collins 1 yd run (Coghlin kick) 10:07 (10-78, 3:31)
ILL: McCourt 40 yd field goal, 7:10 (9-53, 2:57)
MSU: Lewerke 42 yd run (Coghlin kick) 5:39 (4-75, 1:31)

Second Quarter

MSU: Mosley 18 yd pass from Lewerke (Coghlin kick), 12:41 (11-80, 4:19)
MSU: Collins 6 yd run (Coghlin kick), 11:24 (3-21 1:10)
ILL: Imatorbhebhe 46 yd pass from Peters (McCourt kick), 0:00 (4-81, 0:32)

Third Quarter

MSU: Coghlin 32 yd field goal, 10:59 (9-70, 4:01)

Fourth Quarter

ILL: Imatorbhebhe 83 yd pass from Peters (McCourt kick), 14:48 (3-91, 1:02)
ILL: Corbin 6 yd run (McCourt kick), 11:06 (5-53, 1:08)
ILL: Brown, S 76 yd interception (McCourt kick failed), 4:53
MSU: Coghlin 46 yd field goal, 3:17 (5-47, 1:36)
ILL: Barker 5 yd pass from Peters (McCourt kick), 0:05 (13-75, 3:12)

TEAM STATISTICS

Category	ILL	MSU
First Downs	16	27
Rushes-Yards	27-36	51-275
Passing Yards	369	251
Comp-Att-Int	22-42-1	19-36-3
Total Yards	405	526
Punts-Avg	9-44.6	6-39.5
Kickoff Returns	4-98	2-31
Penalties-Yards	9-94	3-30
Fumbles-Lost	2-1	2-1
Sacks By	0-0	3-14
Third-down Conv.	4-17	4-15
Time of Possession	22:16	37:44

INDIVIDUAL LEADERS

RUSHING (Carries-Yards-TD): ILL - Corbin 7-29-1, Brown, D. 9-19-0, Bonner 1-1-0. MSU - Collins 28-170-2, Lewerke 11-96-1, Williams, A. 5-19-0.

PASSING (Comp-Att-INT-TD-Yds): ILL - Peters 22-42-3-1-369. MSU - Lewerke 19-36-1-3-251.

RECEIVING (Rec-Yards-TD): ILL - Imatorbhebhe 4-178-2, Navarro 7-49-0, Williams, J. 2-42-0. MSU - White, C 7-128-0, Mosley 3-32-1, Seybert 3-27-0.

TACKLE LEADERS (Tackles, TFL-Yds): ILL - Harding 14, 1.5-6, Brown, S. 13, 0.0-0; Green, S. 10, 0.0-0. MSU - Harvey 9, 2.5-11; Thompson 8, 0.0-0; Henderson 7, 0.0-0.

GAME NOTES

- Illinois trailed 28-3 and completed the 25-point comeback for the biggest comeback in program history. The previous highs were 20 points at Michigan, 10/25/1999 (27-7 deficit), 35-29 and 20 points vs. Rutgers, 9/3/2005 (27-7 deficit), 33-30 ot.
- ESPN's win probability calculator gave Michigan State a 99.6% chance to win entering the fourth quarter.
- Illinois' 21-point deficit entering the fourth quarter is tied for the largest fourth-quarter comeback in a Big Ten game in the last 40 seasons (21 points, Michigan State at Northwestern, 2006; 21 points, Michigan at Minnesota, 2003).
- Illinois outscored Michigan State 27-3 in the fourth quarter. Illinois' 27 fourth-quarter points at Michigan State were the third-most by an FBS team in a game this season. (UCLA 29 vs. Washington State, Wake Forest 28 vs. Louisville)
- Junior WR Josh Imatorbhebhe had four receptions for 178 yards and two touchdowns, the most receiving yards by an opponent at Spartan Stadium since at least 2000 and the most by an Illinois player ever in the 47-game series history against Michigan State.
- Junior QB Brandon Peters' was 22-of-42 passing for 369 passing yards and three touchdowns. His 369 passing yards are the most by an opponent at Spartan Stadium since 2007, when Northwestern's CJ Batcher threw for 520.
- Sophomore TE Daniel Barker caught the game-winning touchdown with 0:05 seconds left.



6 TONY ADAMS

DB, 6-0, 200, JR.
BELLEVILLE, ILL. / ST. LOUIS UNIVERSITY HS

2019 Junior:

- » Starting cornerback
- » First Illini with interceptions in back-to-back Big Ten games since Vontae Davis and Kevin Mitchell both did it against Penn State and Wisconsin in 2007
- » Interception returned 13 yards for a touchdown at Purdue 10/26/19, the first touchdown of his career
- » Fourth-quarter interception vs. No. 6 Wisconsin 10/19/19 to led to Illinois' game-winning field goal in one of the biggest upsets in Big Ten history
- » Career-high 2.0 TFLs at UConn before leaving the game with an injury in the second half

CAREER HIGHS

Tackles: 12 vs. Nebraska, 9/21/19
Solos: 11 vs. Nebraska, 9/21/19
TFLs: 2.0 at UConn, 9/7/19
Sacks: 1.0, twice (last vs. Minnesota, 11/3/18)
QB Hurries: -
Fumbles Forced: -
Fumbles Recovered: -
PBUs: 3 vs. Minnesota, 11/3/18
Interception: 1, four times (last at Purdue, 10/26/19)
Interception Return Yards: 13 at Purdue, 10/26/19
Touchdowns: 1 at Purdue, 10/26/19

DEFENSIVE STATISTICS

YEAR	G	UA	A	TOT	TFL	YDS	PD	FF	FR	BLK	QBH
2017	5	4	4	8	1.0	1	1	0	0	0	0
2018	8	29	14	43	3.5	10	5	0	0	0	0
2019	9	28	10	38	3.0	6	3	0	0	0	0
TOTAL	22	61	28	89	7.5	17	9	0	0	0	0

INTERCEPTION STATISTICS

YEAR	G	INT	YDS	TD	LG	AVG/R	AVG/G
2017	5	1	0	0	0	0.0	0.0
2018	8	1	0	0	0	0.0	0.0
2019	9	2	13	1	13	6.5	1.4
TOTAL	22	4	13	1	13	3.2	0.6

SACKS STATISTICS

YEAR	G	UA	A	TOTAL	YDS
2017	5	1	0	1.0	1
2018	8	1	0	1.0	1
2019	9	0	0	0.0	0
TOTAL	22	2	0	2.0	2

DEFENSIVE GAME-BY-GAME

2019	UA	AS	TOT	TFL-Yds	QBS-Yds	FF	FR-Yds	INT-Yds	QBH	PBU
AKRON	1	1	2	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
@UCONN	5	0	5	2.0-4	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
EMU				DNP	DNP					
NEB	11	1	12	1.0-2	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	1
@MIN	3	3	6	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
MICH	0	0	0	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
WIS	2	1	3	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	1-0	0	0
@PUR	2	2	4	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	1-13	0	0
RUT	0	1	1	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
@MSU	4	1	5	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
@IOWA										
NW										

2018	UA	AS	TOT	TFL-Yds	QBS-Yds	FF	FR-Yds	INT-Yds	QBH	PBU
KENT ST				DNP - Injured	DNP - Injured					
WIU				DNP - Injured	DNP - Injured					
USF	3	3	6	1.0-1	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	1
PENN ST	1	0	1	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
@RUT	5	1	6	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
PUR	2	0	2	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
@WIS				DNP - Injured	DNP - Injured					
@MD				DNP - Injured	DNP - Injured					
MINN	5	5	10	1.0-1	1.0-1	0	0-0	0-0	0	3
@NEB	5	4	9	0.5-1	0.0-0	0	0-0	1-0	0	0
IOWA	3	1	4	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
@NW	5	0	5	1.0-7	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0

2017	UA	AS	TOT	TFL-Yds	QBS-Yds	FF	FR-Yds	INT-Yds	QBH	PBU
BALL ST	2	2	4	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
WKU	0	1	1	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
@USF	1	0	1	1.0-1	1.0-1	0	0-0	1-0	0	0
NEB	0	1	1	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
@IOWA	1	0	1	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
RUT				DNP - Injured	DNP - Injured					
@MIN				DNP - Injured	DNP - Injured					
WIS				DNP - Injured	DNP - Injured					
@PUR				DNP - Injured	DNP - Injured					
IND				DNP - Injured	DNP - Injured					
@OSU				DNP - Injured	DNP - Injured					
NW				DNP - Injured	DNP - Injured					

93 CALVIN AVERY

DL, 6-2, 330, SO.
DALLAS, TEXAS. / BISHOP DUNNE

2019 Sophomore:

- » Back-up defensive lineman
- » Blocked extra point against Nebraska 9/21/19

CAREER HIGHS

Tackles: 4 vs. Minnesota, 11/3/18
Solos: 2 vs. Minnesota, 11/3/18
TFLs: 1.0, twice (last vs. Rutgers, 11/2/2019)
Sacks: 1.0 vs. Rutgers, 11/2/2019
QB Hurries: -
Fumbles Forced: -
Fumbles Recovered: -
PBUs: -
Interception: -
Interception Return Yards: -
Touchdowns: -
Blocked Kicks: 1, twice (last vs. Nebraska, 9/21/19)

DEFENSIVE STATISTICS

YEAR	G	UA	A	TOT	TFL	YDS	PD	FF	FR	BLK	QBH
2018	12	6	12	18	1.5	4	0	0	0	1	0
2019	9	2	3	5	1.0	4	0	0	0	1	0
TOTAL	21	8	15	23	2.5	8	0	0	0	2	0

DEFENSIVE GAME-BY-GAME

2019	UA	AS	TOT	TFL-Yds	QBS-Yds	FF	FR-Yds	INT-Yds	QBH	PBU
AKRON	0	0	0	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
@UCONN				DNP	DNP					
EMU	0	0	0	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
NEB	0	0	0	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
@MIN	0	0	0	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
MICH	0	0	0	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
WIS	0	3	3	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
@PUR	0	0	0	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
RUT	2	0	2	1.0-4	1.0-4	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
@MSU	0	0	0	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
@IOWA										
NW										

2018	UA	AS	TOT	TFL-Yds	QBS-Yds	FF	FR-Yds	INT-Yds	QBH	PBU
KENT ST	0	0	0	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
WIU	0	0	0	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
USF	0	0	0	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
PENN ST	1	1	2	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
@RUT	0	0	0	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
PUR	1	2	3	1.0-2	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
@WIS	0	1	1	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
@MD	0	1	1	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
MINN	2	2	4	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
@NEB	1	1	2	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
IOWA	1	1	2	0.5-2	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
@NW	0	3	3	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0

87 DANIEL BARKER

TE, 6-4, 250, SO.
FORT LAUDERDALE, FLA. / DEERFIELD BEACH

2019 Sophomore:

- » Starting tight end
- » Three receptions for 37 yards vs. No. 6 Wisconsin 10/19/19 to help Illinois win 24-23 and complete one of the biggest upsets in Big Ten history
- » Career-highs in receptions (4, tied), receiving yards (90), and long reception (52) against Eastern Michigan 9/14/19
- » Caught a touchdown at UConn 9/7/19, his second straight game with a TD to start the season

CAREER HIGHS

Receptions: 4, twice (last vs. Eastern Michigan, 9/14/19)
Receiving Yards: 90 vs. Eastern Michigan, 9/14/19
Long Reception: 52 vs. Eastern Michigan, 9/14/19
Receiving Touchdowns: 1, three times (last at UConn, 9/7/19)
All-Purpose Yards: 90 vs. Eastern Michigan, 9/14/19

RECEIVING STATISTICS

YEAR	G	REC	YDS	TD	LG	REC/G	AVG/C	AVG/G
2018	12	9	84	1	30	0.8	9.3	7.0
2019	10	14	209	3	52	1.4	14.9	20.9
TOTAL	22	23	293	4	52	1.0	12.7	13.3

RUSHING/RECEIVING GAME-BY-GAME

2019	CAR	YDS	TD	LG	REC	YDS	TD	LG
AKRON	0	0	0	0	1	2	1	2
@UCONN	0	0	0	0	2	44	1	26
EMU	0	0	0	0	4	90	0	52
NEB	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
@MIN	0	0	0	0	2	15	0	11

MICH	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
WIS	0	0	0	0	3	37	0	19
@PUR	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
RUT	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
@MSU	0	0	0	0	2	21	1	16
@IOWA								
NW								

2018	CAR	YDS	TD	LG	REC	YDS	TD	LG
KENT ST	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
WIU	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
USF	0	0	0	0	4	30	0	11
PENN ST	0	0	0	0	3	19	0	20
@RUT	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
PUR	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
@WIS	0	0	0	0	1	5	0	5
@MD	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
MINN	0	0	0	0	1	30	1	30
@NEB	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
IOWA	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
@NW	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

44 TARIQUE BARNES

Tackles: 3 at Rutgers, 10/6/18
 Solos: 2 at Rutgers, 10/6/18
 TFLs: -
 Sacks: -
 QB Hurries: -
 Fumbles Forced: -
 Fumbles Recovered: -
 PBUs: -
 Interception: 1 vs. Western Illinois, 9/8/18
 Interception Return Yards: -
 Touchdowns: -

YEAR	G	UA	A	TOT	TFL	YDS	PD	FF	FR	BLK	QBH
2018	9	3	5	8	0.0	0	1	0	0	0	0
2019	10	2	0	2	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	0
TOTAL	19	5	5	10	0.0	0	1	0	0	0	0

YEAR	G	INT	YDS	TD	LG	AVG/R	AVG/G
2018	9	1	0	0	0	0.0	0.0
2019	10	0	0	0	0	0.0	0.0
TOTAL	19	1	0	0	0	0.0	0.0

2019	UA	AS	TOT	TFL-Yds	QBS-Yds	FF	FR-Yds	INT-Yds	QBH	PBU
AKRON	0	0	0	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
@UCONN	0	0	0	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
EMU	0	0	0	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
NEB	2	0	2	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
@MIN	0	0	0	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
MICH	0	0	0	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
WIS	0	0	0	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
@PUR	0	0	0	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
RUT	0	0	0	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
@MSU	0	0	0	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
@IOWA										
NW										

2018	UA	AS	TOT	TFL-Yds	QBS-Yds	FF	FR-Yds	INT-Yds	QBH	PBU
KENT ST	0	1	1	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
WIU	0	1	1	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	1-0	0	1
USF	0	0	0	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
PENN ST	0	0	0	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
@RUT	2	1	3	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
PUR	0	0	0	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
@WIS										
@MD										
MINN	1	1	2	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
@NEB	0	1	1	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
IOWA	0	0	0	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
@NW										

47 OLUWOLE BETIKU JR.

DL, 6-3, 250, JR.
 LAGOS, NIGERIA / SERRA HS (CALIF.) / USC

Pronunciation: OH-loo-WOE-lay buh-TEE-koo

- » Earned bachelor's degree in international relations from USC in May 2019
- » Grad transfer is pursuing a master's degree in recreation, sport & tourism at Illinois

2019 Redshirt Junior:

- » Starting defensive end
- » Missed Purdue, Rutgers, and Michigan State games with an injury
- » Sack vs. No. 6 Wisconsin 10/19/19 to help Illinois win 24-23 and complete one of the biggest upsets in Big Ten history
- » Career-high 3.5 sacks at UConn 9/7/19, tied for the fifth-most sacks in a single game in Illinois history
- » Made Illinois debut in the season opener against Akron
- » Plays piano and guitar and is an avid painter
- » Immediately eligible as a graduate transfer with two years of eligibility remaining

CAREER HIGHS

Tackles: 6, twice (last vs. Eastern Michigan, 9/14/19)
 Solos: 4 vs. Akron, 8/31/19
 TFLs: 3.5 at UConn, 9/7/19
 Sacks: 3.5 at UConn, 9/7/19
 QB Hurries: 2 vs. Akron, 8/31/19
 Fumbles Forced: -
 Fumbles Recovered: 1, twice (last vs. Nebraska, 9/21/19)
 PBUs: -
 Interception: -
 Interception Return Yards: -
 Touchdowns: -
 Blocked Kicks: -

DEFENSIVE STATISTICS

YEAR	G	UA	A	TOT	TFL	YDS	PD	FF	FR	BLK	QBH
2017*	8	0	2	2	0.5	0	0	0	0	0	1
2018											
2019	7	16	13	29	11.5	46	0	0	2	0	6
TOTAL	7	16	13	29	11.5	46	0	0	2	0	6
All*	15	16	15	31	12.0	46	0	0	2	0	7

SACKS STATISTICS

YEAR	G	UA	A	TOTAL	YDS
2017*	8	0	0	0.0	0
2018					
2019	7	7	2	8.0	41
TOTAL	7	7	2	8.0	41
All*	15	7	2	8.0	41

* - stats include Southern California (2017-18)

DEFENSIVE GAME-BY-GAME

2019	UA	AS	TOT	TFL-Yds	QBS-Yds	FF	FR-Yds	INT-Yds	QBH	PBU
AKRON	4	2	6	3.0-13	1.5-10	0	0-0	0-0	2	0
@UCONN	3	1	4	3.5-18	3.5-18	0	1-0	0-0	2	0
EMU	2	4	6	1.0-6	1.0-6	0	0-0	0-0	1	0
NEB	5	0	5	3.0-3	1.0-1	0	1-0	0-0	0	0
@MIN	0	2	2	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
MICH	2	3	5	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	1	0
WIS	1	1	2	1.0-6	1.0-6	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
@PUR										
RUT										
@MSU										
@IOWA										
NW										

29 CHRISTIAN BOBAK

DB, 6-0, 200, JR.
 HINSDALE, ILL. / HINSDALE CENTRAL

Pronunciation: bo-BACK

2019 Junior:

- » Primarily plays special teams

CAREER HIGHS

Carries: 1 vs. Northwestern, 11/25/17
 Rushing Yards: -1 vs. Northwestern, 11/25/17
 Long Run: -1 vs. Northwestern, 11/25/17
 Rushing Touchdowns: -
 Receptions: -
 Receiving Yards: -
 Long Reception: -
 Kick Returns: 1, five times (last at Northwestern, 11/24/18)
 Kick Return Yards: 15 at Northwestern, 11/24/18
 Long Kick Return: 15 at Northwestern, 11/24/18
 All-Purpose Yards: 15 at Northwestern, 11/24/18
 Tackles: 2, three times (last at Maryland, 10/27/18)
 Solos: 1, eight times (last at Northwestern, 11/24/18)

DEFENSIVE STATISTICS

YEAR	G	UA	A	TOT	TFL	YDS	PD	FF	FR	BLK	QBH
2017	12	2	1	3	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	0
2018	12	6	3	9	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	0
2019	10	1	1	2	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	0
TOTAL	34	9	5	14	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	0

DEFENSIVE GAME-BY-GAME

2019	UA	AS	TOT	TFL-Yds	QBS-Yds	FF	FR-Yds	INT-Yds	QBH	PBU
AKRON	0	1	1	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
@UCONN	0	0	0	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
EMU	0	0	0	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
NEB	0	0	0	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
@MIN	1	0	1	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
MICH	0	0	0	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
WIS	0	0	0	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
@PUR	0	0	0	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
RUT	0	0	0	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
@MSU	0	0	0	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
@IOWA										
NW										

2018	UA	AS	TOT	TFL-Yds	QBS-Yds	FF	FR-Yds	INT-Yds	QBH	PBU
KENT ST	0	0	0	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
WIU	1	1	2	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
USF	0	0	0	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
PENN ST	1	1	2	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
@RUT	0	0	0	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
PUR	0	0	0	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
@WIS	0	0	0	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
@MD	1	1	2	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
MINN	1	0	1	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
@NEB	1	0	1	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
IOWA	0	0	0	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
@NW	1	0	1	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0

2017	UA	AS	TOT	TFL-Yds	QBS-Yds	FF	FR-Yds	INT-Yds	QBH	PBU
BALL ST	0	0	0	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
WKU	0	0	0	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
@USF	0	0	0	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
NEB	0	0	0	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
@IOWA	1	0	1	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0

RUT	0	0	0	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
@MIN	0	1	1	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
WIS	0	0	0	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
@PUR	0	0	0	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
IND	1	0	1	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
@OSU	0	0	0	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
NW	0	0	0	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0

21 RA'VON BONNER

RB, 5-11, 215, JR.

CINCINNATI, OHIO / SYCAMORE

Pronunciation: RAY-von

2019 Junior:

- » One of Illinois' main running backs
- » Season-high 48 rushing yards in Illinois' 24-6 win at Purdue 10/26/19
- » One touchdown in each of the first three games of the season
- » First career receiving touchdown at UConn 9/7/19 on a career-long 28-yard reception

CAREER HIGHS

Carries: 21 vs. Iowa, 11/17/18
 Rushing Yards: 96 vs. Iowa, 11/17/18
 Long Run: 33 at Nebraska, 11/10/18
 Rushing Touchdowns: 1, seven times (last at Nebraska, 11/10/18)
 Receptions: 2 vs. Iowa, 11/17/18
 Receiving Yards: 28 at UConn, 9/7/19
 Long Reception: 28 at UConn, 9/7/19
 Receiving Touchdowns: 1 at UConn, 9/7/19
 All-Purpose Yards: 119 vs. Iowa, 11/17/18

52 VERDIS BROWN

OL, 6-4, 310, R-FR.
CHICAGO, ILL. / IMG ACADEMY (FLA.)

Pronunciation: ver-dis

2019 Redshirt Freshman:
» Back-up offensive lineman

19 DALETON CAMPBELL

WR, 6-4, 200, FR.
MISSOURI CITY, TEXAS / FORT BEND MARSHALL

Pronunciation: DALE-von

2019 Freshman:
» Primarily plays special teams

99 OWEN CARNEY JR.

DL, 6-3, 255, JR.
MIAMI, FLA. / MIAMI CENTRAL

2019 Junior:
» Part of defensive end rotation

CAREER HIGHS

Tackles: 5 at Nebraska, 11/10/18
Solos: 3 at Purdue, 10/26/19
TFLs: 2.0 vs. Iowa, 11/17/18
Sacks: 1.0, four times (last at Purdue, 10/26/19)
QB Hurries: 1, twice (last vs. South Florida, 9/15/18)
Fumbles Forced: -
Fumbles Recovered: 1 at Nebraska, 11/10/18
PBUs: 1, twice (last vs. Michigan, 10/12/19)
Interception: -
Interception Return Yards: -
Touchdowns: -

DEFENSIVE STATISTICS

YEAR	G	UA	A	TOT	TFL	YDS	PD	FF	FR	BLK	QBH
2017	10	4	2	6	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	1
2018	12	10	11	21	4.5	17	1	0	1	0	6
2019	10	6	8	14	2.0	8	1	0	0	0	3
TOTAL	32	20	21	41	6.5	25	2	0	1	0	10

SACKS STATISTICS

YEAR	G	UA	A	TOTAL	YDS
2017	10	0	0	0.0	0
2018	12	2	1	2.5	13
2019	10	2	0	2.0	8
TOTAL	32	4	1	4.5	21

DEFENSIVE GAME-BY-GAME

2019	UA	AS	TOT	TFL-Yds	QBS-Yds	FF	FR-Yds	INT-Yds	QBH	PBU
AKRON	1	1	2	1.0-7	1.0-7	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
@UCONN	0	0	0	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
EMU	0	2	2	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	1	0
NEB	2	1	3	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
@MIN	0	0	0	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
MICH	0	0	0	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	1
WIS	0	3	3	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	1	0
@PUR	3	1	4	1.0-1	1.0-1	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
RUT	0	0	0	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
@MSU	0	0	0	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	1	0
@IOWA										
NW										

2018	UA	AS	TOT	TFL-Yds	QBS-Yds	FF	FR-Yds	INT-Yds	QBH	PBU
KENT ST	1	3	4	0.5-2	0.5-2	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
WIU	1	0	1	1.0-2	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	1	0
USF	0	1	1	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	1	0
PENN ST	1	0	1	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
@RUT	2	0	2	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	2	1
PUR	2	0	2	1.0-9	1.0-9	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
@WIS	0	0	0	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
@MD	0	1	1	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
MINN	0	0	0	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	1	0
@NEB	2	3	5	0.0-0	0.0-0	1	1-2	0-0	0	0
IOWA	1	3	4	2.0-4	1.0-2	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
@NW	0	0	0	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	1	0

2017	UA	AS	TOT	TFL-Yds	QBS-Yds	FF	FR-Yds	INT-Yds	QBH	PBU
BALL ST					DNP					
WKU	0	0	0	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
@USF	1	0	1	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
NEB	0	0	0	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
@IOWA	0	0	0	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
RUT					DNP					
@MIN	2	1	3	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	1	0
WIS	0	0	0	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
@PUR	0	0	0	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0

IND	0	1	1	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
@OSU	0	0	0	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
NW	1	0	1	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0

80 EDWIN CARTER

WR, 6-3, 185, R-FR.
JACKSONVILLE, FLA. / SANDALWOOD

2019 Redshirt Freshman:

» Injured

CAREER HIGHS

Receptions: 2 vs. Western Illinois, 9/8/18
Receiving Yards: 34 vs. Western Illinois, 9/8/18
Long Reception: 18 vs. Western Illinois, 9/8/18
Receiving Touchdowns: 2 vs. Western Illinois, 9/8/18
All-Purpose Yards: 34 vs. Western Illinois, 9/8/18

RECEIVING STATISTICS

YEAR	G	REC	YDS	TD	LG	REC/G	AVG/C	AVG/G
2018	1	2	34	2	18	2.0	17.0	34.0
TOTAL	1	2	34	2	18	2.0	17.0	34.0

RUSHING/RECEIVING GAME-BY-GAME

2019	CAR	YDS	TD	LG	REC	YDS	TD	LG
AKRON				DNP				
@UCONN				DNP				
EMU				DNP				
NEB				DNP - Injured				
@MIN				DNP - Injured				
MICH				DNP - Injured				
WIS				DNP - Injured				
@PUR				DNP - Injured				
RUT				DNP - Injured				
@MSU				DNP - Injured				
@IOWA								
NW								

2018	CAR	YDS	TD	LG	REC	YDS	TD	LG
KENT ST				DNP				
WIU	0	0	0	0	2	34	2	18
USF				DNP - Injured				
PENN ST				DNP - Injured				
@RUT				DNP - Injured				
PUR				DNP - Injured				
@WIS				DNP - Injured				
@MD				DNP - Injured				
MINN				DNP - Injured				
@NEB				DNP - Injured				
IOWA				DNP - Injured				
@NW				DNP - Injured				

40 SHAMMOND COOPER

LB, 6-2, 205, FR.
ST. LOUIS, MO. / TRINITY CATHOLIC

2019 Freshman:

» Back-up linebacker
» Made Illinois debut in the season opener against Akron

CAREER HIGHS

Tackles: 5 vs. Akron, 8/31/19
Solos: 2 vs. Akron, 8/31/19

TFLs: -
Sacks: -
QB Hurries: -
Fumbles Forced: -
Fumbles Recovered: -
PBUs: -
Interception: -
Interception Return Yards: -
Touchdowns: -

DEFENSIVE STATISTICS

YEAR	G	UA	A	TOT	TFL	YDS	PD	FF	FR	BLK	QBH
2019	3	2	3	5	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	0
TOTAL	3	2	3	5	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	0

DEFENSIVE GAME-BY-GAME

2019	UA	AS	TOT	TFL-Yds	QBS-Yds	FF	FR-Yds	INT-Yds	QBH	PBU
AKRON	2	3	5	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
@UCONN					DNP					
EMU	0	0	0	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
NEB	0	0	0	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
@MIN					DNP					
MICH					DNP					
WIS					DNP					
@PUR					DNP					
RUT					DNP					
@MSU					DNP					
@IOWA										
NW										

2 REGGIE CORBIN

RB, 5-10, 200, SR.
UPPER MARLBORO, MD. / GONZAGA COLLEGE HS

» 2019 Maxwell Award preseason watch list
» 2019 Doak Walker Award preseason watch list
» Earned bachelor's degree in communication in May 2018
» Currently pursuing a master's degree in recreation, sport & tourism

2019 Senior:

» Starting running back
» 18th running back in Illinois history to rush for 2,000 career yards
» Ran 17 times for 29 yards and one touchdown at Michigan State 11/9/19 to help Illinois win 37-34 in the biggest comeback in program history
» Ran 17 times for 83 yards and one touchdown vs. No. 6 Wisconsin 10/19/19 to help Illinois win 24-23 and complete one of the biggest upsets in Big Ten history
» Ran for 134 yards and a touchdown against Nebraska 9/21/19, his sixth career 100-yard rushing game, to take him to 2,000 career rushing yards
» Ran for 144 yards and a touchdown against Eastern Michigan 9/14/19, his fifth career 100-yard rushing game
» Missed the final three quarters of the Akron game 8/31/19 and the entire game at UConn 9/7/19 with an injured hip

CAREER HIGHS

Carries: 21 at Northwestern, 11/26/16
Rushing Yards: 213 vs. Minnesota, 11/3/18
Long Run: 80 at Wisconsin, 10/20/18
Rushing Touchdowns: 2, twice (last vs. Minnesota, 11/3/18)
Receptions: 4 at Northwestern, 11/24/18
Receiving Yards: 52 vs. Purdue, 10/13/18
Long Reception: 52 vs. Purdue, 10/13/18
All-Purpose Yards: 213 vs. Minnesota, 11/3/18

RUSHING STATISTICS

YEAR	G	ATT	YDS	TD	LG	AVG/C	AVG/G
2016	12	86	523	2	53	6.1	43.6
2017	8	18	78	0	30	4.3	9.8
2018	12	128	1085	9	80	8.5	90.4
2019	9	116	606	6	66	5.2	67.3
TOTAL	41	348	2292	17	80	6.6	55.9

RECEIVING STATISTICS

YEAR	G	REC	YDS	TD	LG	REC/G	AVG/C	AVG/G
2016	12	10	112	0	30	0.8	11.2	9.3
2017	8	9	27	0	10	1.1	3.0	3.4
2018	12	16	176	0	52	1.3	11.0	14.7
2019	9	3	28	0	23	0.3	9.3	3.1
TOTAL	41	38	343	0	52	0.9	9.0	8.4

RUSHING/RECEIVING GAME-BY-GAME

2019	CAR	YDS	TD	LG	REC	YDS	TD	LG
AKRON	6	36	1	23	0	0	0	0
@UCONN				DNP - Injured				
EMU	18	144	1					

@MIN	2	-10	0	0	3	4	0	8
WIS	4	18	0	8	1	10	0	10
@PUR				DNP				
IND	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
@OSU	0	0	0	0	2	8	0	8
NW	0	0	0	0	1	2	0	2

2016	ATT	YDS	TD	LG	REC	YDS	TD	LG
MUR ST	7	71	1	32	0	0	0	0
UNC	0	0	0	0	1	14	0	14
YMU	0	0	0	0	1	4	0	4
@NEB	9	72	0	31	3	18	0	11
PUR	11	92	0	46	1	30	0	30
@RUT	8	90	0	53	0	0	0	0
@MICH	4	3	0	5	0	0	0	0
MINN	14	83	0	19	0	0	0	0
MICH ST	4	10	0	8	1	19	0	19
@WIS	3	21	0	18	0	0	0	0
IOWA	5	11	0	8	2	18	0	11
@NW	21	70	1	18	1	9	0	9

20 KYRON CUMBY

WR, 5-8, 180, FR.
PLANO, TEXAS / PLANO

Pronunciation: KY-run

2019 Freshman:

- » Back-up wide receiver
- » Made Illinois debut in the season opener against Akron

CAREER HIGHS

Carries: -
Rushing Yards: -
Long Run: -
Rushing Touchdowns: -
Receptions: 1, twice (last at Minnesota, 10/5/19)
Receiving Yards: 31 vs. Akron, 8/31/19
Long Reception: 31 vs. Akron, 8/31/19
All-Purpose Yards: 31 vs. Akron, 8/31/19

RECEIVING STATISTICS

YEAR	G	REC	YDS	TD	LG	REC/G	AVG/C	AVG/G
2019	4	2	31	0	31	0.5	15.5	7.8
TOTAL	4	2	31	0	31	0.5	15.5	7.8

PUNT RETURN STATISTICS

YEAR	G	NO.	YDS	TD	LG	AVG/R	AVG/G
2019	4	2	11	0	6	5.5	2.8
TOTAL	4	2	11	0	6	5.5	2.8

RUSHING/RECEIVING GAME-BY-GAME

2019	CAR	YDS	TD	LG	REC	YDS	TD	LG
AKRON	0	0	0	0	1	31	0	31
@UCONN				DNP				
EMU				DNP				
NEB	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
@MIN	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0
MICH	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
WIS				DNP				
@PUR				DNP				
RUT				DNP				
@MSU				DNP				
@IOWA								
NW								

KICK RETURN/PUNT RETURNS GAME-BY-GAME

2019	KR-YDS	AVG	TD	LG	PR-YDS	AVG	TD	LG
AKRON	0-0	0	0	0	1-6	6.0	0	6
@UCONN				DNP				
EMU				DNP				
NEB				DNP				
@MIN	0-0	0	0	0	1-5	5.0	0	5
MICH	0-0	0	0	0	0-0	0	0	0
WIS								
@PUR								
RUT								
@MSU								
@IOWA								
NW								

15 TRENARD DAVIS

WR, 6-0, 195, SR.
BOYNTON BEACH, FLA. / AMERICAN HERITAGE SCHOOL

Pronunciation: tre-NARD

Nickname: Tre (trey)

2019 Senior:

- » Back-up wide receiver

CAREER HIGHS

Receptions: 6 at Maryland, 10/27/18

Receiving Yards: 59 at Rutgers, 10/6/18
Long Reception: 50 vs. Rutgers, 10/14/17

Receiving Touchdowns: -

Passing Attempts: 1, twice (last vs. Penn State, 9/21/18)

Completions: 1, twice (last vs. Penn State, 9/21/18)

Passing Yards: 17 vs. Penn State, 9/21/18

Passing Touchdowns: 1 vs. Penn State, 9/21/18

Long Pass: 17 vs. Penn State, 9/21/18

All-Purpose Yards: 59 at Rutgers, 10/6/18

RECEIVING STATISTICS

YEAR	G	REC	YDS	TD	LG	REC/G	AVG/C	AVG/G
2016	1	0	0	0	0	0.0	0.0	0.0
2017	9	10	152	0	50	1.1	15.2	16.9
2018	12	30	278	0	29	2.5	9.3	23.2
2019	2	0	0	0	0	0.0	0.0	0.0
TOTAL	24	40	430	0	50	1.7	10.8	17.9

PASSING STATISTICS

YEAR	G	ATT	CMP	INT	YDS	TD	LG	PCT	AVG/P	AVG/G	EFFIC
2016	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
2017	9	1	1	0	7	0	7	100.0	7.0	0.8	158.8
2018	12	2	1	0	17	1	17	50.0	8.5	1.4	286.4
2019	2	1	0	0	0	0	0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
TOTAL	24	4	2	0	24	1	17	50.0	6.0	1.0	182.9

RUSHING STATISTICS

YEAR	G	ATT	YDS	TD	LG	AVG/C	AVG/G
2016	1	0	0	0	0	0.0	0.0
2017	9	0	0	0	0	0.0	0.0
2018	12	2	-6	0	0	-3.0	-0.5
2019	2	0	0	0	0	0.0	0.0
TOTAL	24	2	-6	0	0	-3.0	-0.2

RUSHING/RECEIVING GAME-BY-GAME

2019	CAR	YDS	TD	LG	REC	YDS	TD	LG
AKRON				DNP				
@UCONN				DNP				
EMU				DNP				
NEB	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
@MIN				DNP				
MICH				DNP				
WIS				DNP				
@PUR	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
RUT				DNP				
@MSU				DNP				
@IOWA								
NW								

2018	CAR	YDS	TD	LG	REC	YDS	TD	LG
KENT ST	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
WIU	0	0	0	0	4	28	0	15
USF	0	0	0	0	2	19	0	10
PENN ST	1	-2	0	0	2	17	0	19
@RUT	0	0	0	0	5	59	0	21
PUR	0	0	0	0	3	44	0	24
@WIS	0	0	0	0	3	35	0	25
@MD	0	0	0	0	6	53	0	29
MINN	0	0	0	0	1	3	0	3
@NEB	0	0	0	0	3	17	0	7
IOWA	1	-4	0	0	0	0	0	0
@NW	0	0	0	0	1	3	0	3

2017	CAR	YDS	TD	LG	REC	YDS	TD	LG
BALL ST				DNP				
WKU	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
@USF	0	0	0	0	2	7	0	5
NEB	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
@IOWA	0	0	0	0	2	11	0	8
RUT	0	0	0	0	2	55	0	50
@MIN	0	0	0	0	1	27	0	27
WIS				DNP - Injured				
@PUR				DNP - Injured				
IND	0	0	0	0	3	52	0	31
@OSU	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
NW	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

24 DAWSON DEGROOT

LB, 6-1, 215, JR.
FORT MYERS, FLA. / FORT MYERS

2019 Junior:

- » Back-up linebacker plays primarily on special teams
- » Career-high 11 tackles at Michigan State 11/9/19 to help Illinois win 37-34 in the biggest comeback in program history

CAREER HIGHS

Tackles: 11 at Michigan State, 11/9/19
Solos: 5 at Michigan State, 11/9/19
TFLs: 1.0 at Wisconsin, 10/20/18
Sacks: -
QB Hurries: -
Fumbles Forced: -
Fumbles Recovered: -
PBUs: -
Interception: -

Interception Return Yards: -

Touchdowns: -

Blocked Kick: 1, vs. Western Illinois, 9/8/19

DEFENSIVE STATISTICS

YEAR	G	UA	A	TOT	TFL	YDS	PD	FF	FR	BLK	QBH
2017	7	4	9	13	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	0
2018	10	9	7	16	1.0	2	0	0	0	1	0
2019	10	5	6	11	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	0
TOTAL	27	18	22	40	1.0	2	0	0	0	1	0

DEFENSIVE GAME-BY-GAME

2019	UA	AS	TOT	TFL-Yds	QBS-Yds	FF	FR-Yds	INT-Yds	QBH	PBU
AKRON	0	0	0	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
@UCONN	0	0	0	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
EMU	0	0	0	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
NEB	0	0	0	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
@MIN	0	0	0	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
MICH	0	0	0	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
WIS	0	0	0	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
@PUR	1	0	1	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
RUT	0	0	0	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
@MSU	5	6	11	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
@IOWA										
NW										

2018	UA	AS	TOT	TFL-Yds	QBS-Yds	FF	FR-Yds	INT-Yds	QBH	PBU
KENT ST	0	1	1	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
WIU	0	0	0	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
USF	0	0	0	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
PENN ST	1	1	2	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
@RUT	1	0	1	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
PUR	2	0	2	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
@WIS	3	1	4	1.0-2	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
@MD	0	1	1	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
MINN				DNP - Injured						
@NEB				DNP - Injured						
IOWA	1	0	1	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
@NW	0	3	3	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0

2017	UA	AS	TOT	TFL-Yds	QBS-Yds	FF	FR-Yds	INT-Yds	QBH	PBU
BALL ST					DNP					
WKU					DNP					
@USF	2	1	3	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
NEB	2	2	4	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
@IOWA					DNP					
RUT	0	3	3	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
@MIN	0									

AKRON	1	2	2	1.0-5	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	1
@UCONN	5	2	7	0.5-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
EMU	1	3	4	1.0-1	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
NEB	1	4	5	1.0-3	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
@MIN	3	2	5	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	1-7	0-0	0	0
MICH	3	1	4	1.0-4	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
WIS	3	5	8	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
@PUR	2	0	2	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
RUT	7	3	10	2.5-6	1.0-2	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
@MSU	0	1	1	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
@IOWA										
NW										

@MD										DNP - Injured
MINN										DNP - Injured
@NEB										DNP - Injured
IOWA										DNP - Injured
@NW										DNP - Injured

2017	CAR	YDS	TD	LG	REC	YDS	TD	LG	
BALL ST	11	54	2	14	2	32	0	17	
WKU	21	111	0	13	0	0	0	0	
@USF	8	56	1	45	2	27	1	21	
NEB	10	42	0	13	0	0	0	0	
@IOWA	7	83	0	58	0	0	0	0	
RUT									DNP - Injured
@MIN									DNP - Injured
WIS									DNP - Injured
@PUR									DNP - Injured
IND									DNP - Injured
@OSU									DNP - Injured
NW									DNP - Injured

2017-UW	UA	AS	TOT	TFL-Yds	QBS-Yds	FF	FR-Yds	INT-Yds	QBH	PBU
@RUT										DNP
MONT	1	0	1	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
FRESNO	0	1	1	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
@COL	1	0	1	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
@ORST	1	0	1	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
CAL										DNP
@ASU										DNP
UCLA										DNP
OREGON										DNP
@STAN										DNP
WASHST	1	1	2	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
vs. PSU										DNP

KICK RETURN/PUNT RETURNS GAME-BY-GAME	2017	KR-YDS	AVG	TD	LG	PR-YDS	AVG	TD	LG	
BALL ST	1-19	19.0	0	19	0-0	0	0	0	0	
WKU	0-0	0	0	0	0-0	0	0	0	0	
@USF	0-0	0	0	0	0-0	0	0	0	0	
NEB	0-0	0	0	0	0-0	0	0	0	0	
@IOWA	0-0	0	0	0	0-0	0	0	0	0	
RUT										DNP - Injured
@MIN										DNP - Injured
WIS										DNP - Injured
@PUR										DNP - Injured
IND										DNP - Injured
@OSU										DNP - Injured
NW										DNP - Injured

DEFENSIVE GAME-BY-GAME	2019	UA	AS	TOT	TFL-Yds	QBS-Yds	FF	FR-Yds	INT-Yds	QBH	PBU	
AKRON	0	1	1	1	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0	
@UCONN	0	2	2	2	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0	
EMU	0	1	1	1	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0	
NEB												DNP - Injured
@MIN												DNP - Injured
MICH	0	0	0	0	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0	
WIS	0	1	1	1	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	1-6	0-0	0	0	
@PUR	3	0	3	3	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0	
RUT	5	1	6	6	1.0-2	1.0-2	1	0-0	0-0	0	2	
@MSU	0	4	4	4	1.0-1	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	2	
@IOWA												DNP - Injured
NW												DNP - Injured

2018	UA	AS	TOT	TFL-Yds	QBS-Yds	FF	FR-Yds	INT-Yds	QBH	PBU	
KENT ST	1	2	3	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0	
WIU	3	0	3	1.0-9	1.0-9	0	0-0	0-0	0	0	
USF	4	0	4	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0	
PENN ST	3	1	4	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0	
@RUT	0	1	1	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0	
PUR	0	0	0	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0	
@WIS											DNP
@MD	2	1	3	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0	
MINN	1	1	2	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0	
@NEB	0	0	0	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0	
IOWA											DNP - Injured
@NW											DNP - Injured

2017	UA	AS	TOT	TFL-Yds	QBS-Yds	FF	FR-Yds	INT-Yds	QBH	PBU
BALL ST	2	2	4	1.0-13	1.0-13	0	0-0	0-0	1	0
WKU	2	0	2	1.0-2	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	1	0
@USF	0	3	3	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
NEB	1	0	1	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
@IOWA	0	0	0	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
RUT	1	0	1	1.0-1	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
@MIN	0	1	1	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
WIS	0	0	0	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
@PUR	3	0	3	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
IND	1	2	3	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
@OSU	2	0	2	1.0-1	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
NW	0	0	0	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0

26 MIKE EPSTEIN

RB, 6-0, 205, JR.

FT. LAUDERDALE, FLA. / ST. THOMAS AQUINAS

Pronunciation: ep-STEEN

2019 Junior:

» Injured knee during the season opener against Akron and will miss the remainder of the season

CAREER HIGHS

Touchdowns: 2, twice (last at South Florida, 9/15/17)
 Carries: 21 vs. Western Kentucky, 9/9/17
 Rushing Yards: 113 vs. South Florida, 9/15/18
 Long Run: 58 at Iowa, 10/7/17
 Rushing Touchdowns: 2 vs. Ball State, 9/2/17
 Receptions: 5 vs. South Florida, 9/15/18
 Receiving Yards: 56 vs. South Florida, 9/15/18
 Long Reception: 32 vs. South Florida, 9/15/18
 Receiving Touchdowns: 1 at South Florida, 9/15/17
 Kickoff Returns: 1 vs. Ball State, 9/2/17
 Kickoff Return Yardage: 19 vs. Ball State, 9/2/17
 Punt Returns: -
 Punt Return Yardage: -
 All-Purpose Yards: 169 vs. South Florida, 9/15/18

RUSHING STATISTICS

YEAR	G	ATT	YDS	TD	LG	AVG/C	AVG/G
2017	5	57	346	3	58	6.1	69.2
2018	7	60	411	3	43	6.8	58.7
2019	1	8	45	0	14	5.6	45.0
TOTAL	13	125	802	6	58	6.4	61.7

RECEIVING STATISTICS

YEAR	G	REC	YDS	TD	LG	REC/G	YDS/C	YDS/G
2017	5	4	59	1	21	0.8	14.8	11.8
2018	7	10	86	0	32	1.4	8.6	12.3
2019	1	0	0	0	0	0.0	0.0	0.0
TOTAL	13	14	145	1	32	1.1	10.4	11.2

KICK RETURN STATISTICS

YEAR	G	NO.	YDS	TD	LG	AVG/R	AVG/G
2017	5	1	19	0	19	19.0	3.8
2018	7	0	0	0	0	0.0	0.0
2019	1	0	0	0	0	0.0	0.0
TOTAL	13	1	19	0	19	19.0	1.5

RUSHING/RECEIVING GAME-BY-GAME

2019	CAR	YDS	TD	LG	REC	YDS	TD	LG	
AKRON	8	45	0	14	0	0	0	0	
@UCONN									DNP - Injured
EMU									DNP - Injured
NEB									DNP - Injured
@MIN									DNP - Injured
MICH									DNP - Injured
WIS									DNP - Injured
@PUR									DNP - Injured
RUT									DNP - Injured
@MSU									DNP - Injured
@IOWA									DNP - Injured
NW									DNP - Injured

2018	CAR	YDS	TD	LG	REC	YDS	TD	LG
KENT ST	8	33	1	6	0	0	0	0
WIU	8	105	0	38	1	5	0	5
USF	19	113	1	43	5	56	0	32
PENN ST	13	73	0	18	2	19	0	13
@RUT	9	63	1	41	0	0	0	0
PUR	1	10	0	10	2	6	0	4
@WIS	2	14	0	11	0	0	0	0

82 LUKE FORD

TE, 6-6, 260, SO.

CARTERVILLE, ILL. / CARTERVILLE / UNIV. OF GEORGIA

2019 Sophomore:

» Must sit out 2019 season due to NCAA transfer rules after hardship waiver request was denied
 » Enrolled at Illinois for spring 2019 semester and participated in 2019 spring practices

92 ISAAH GAY

DL, 6-3, 240, JR.

NASHVILLE, N.C. / NORTHERN NASH

2019 Junior:

» Back-up defensive end
 » Career-high six tackles, career-high two pass breakups, his first career forced fumble, and 1.0 sacks in 38-10 win over Rutgers 11/2/2019
 » Season-high three tackles (all solo) in Illinois' 24-6 win at Purdue 10/26/19
 » Fumble recovery vs. No. 6 Wisconsin 10/19/19 to help Illinois win 24-23 and complete one of the biggest upsets in Big Ten history

CAREER HIGHS

Tackles: 6 vs. Rutgers, 11/2/2019
 Solos: 5 vs. Rutgers, 11/2/2019
 TFLs: 1.0, six times (last vs. Rutgers, 11/2/2019)
 Sacks: 1.0, three times (last vs. Rutgers, 11/2/2019)
 QB Hurries: 1, twice (last vs. Western Kentucky, 9/9/17)
 Fumbles Forced: 1 vs. Rutgers, 11/2/2019
 Fumbles Recovered: 1 vs. Wisconsin, 10/19/19
 PBUs: 2 vs. Rutgers, 11/2/2019
 Interception: -
 Interception Return Yards: -
 Blocked Kicks: 1 at South Florida, 9/15/17
 Touchdowns: -

DEFENSIVE STATISTICS

YEAR	G	UA	A	TOT	TFL	YDS	PD	FF	FR	BLK	QBH
2017	12	12	8	20	4.0	17	0	0	0	1	2
2018	9	14	6	20	1.0	9	0	0	0	0	0
2019	8	8	10	18	2.0	3	2	1	1	0	2
TOTAL	29	34	24	58	7.0	29	2	1	1	1	4

SACKS STATISTICS

YEAR	G	UA	A	TOTAL	YDS
2017	12	1	0	1.0	13
2018	9	1	0	1.0	9
2019	8	1	0	1.0	2
TOTAL					

YEAR	G	UA	A	TOT	TFL	YDS	PD	FF	FR	BLK	QBH
2016	10	30	32	62	0.0	0	0	3	1	0	0
2017	10	37	33	70	0.0	0	2	3	1	0	0
2018	10	32	26	58	0.5	1	2	1	0	0	0
2019	7	29	21	50	1.0	1	3	2	4	0	0
TOTAL	37	128	112	240	1.5	2	7	9	6	0	0

INTERCEPTION STATISTICS

YEAR	G	INT	YDS	TD	LG	AVG/R	AVG/G
2016	10	0	0	0	0	0.0	0.0
2017	10	1	19	0	19	19.0	1.9
2018	10	1	52	0	49	52.0	5.2
2019	7	1	0	0	0	0.0	0.0
TOTAL	37	3	71	0	49	23.7	1.9

DEFENSIVE GAME-BY-GAME

2019	UA	AS	TOT	TFL-Yds	QBS-Yds	FF	FR-Yds	INT-Yds	QBH	PBU
AKRON	0	1	1	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	1
@UCONN	2	1	3	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
EMU										
NEB										
@MIN										
MICH	8	4	12	0.0-0	0.0-0	1	2-0	0-0	0	0
WIS	3	4	7	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
@PUR	7	2	9	1.0-1	0.0-0	0	1-29	0-0	0	0
RUT	5	5	10	0.0-0	0.0-0	1	1-0	0-0	0	0
@MSU	5	5	10	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	1-0	0	1
@IOWA										
NW										

2018	UA	AS	TOT	TFL-Yds	QBS-Yds	FF	FR-Yds	INT-Yds	QBH	PBU
KENT ST	1	3	4	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-3	0	0
WIU	3	2	5	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	1
USF	2	2	4	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
PENN ST	4	0	4	0.0-0	0.0-0	1	0-0	0-0	0	0
@RUT	0	0	0	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
PUR	2	3	5	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
@WIS	9	7	16	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	1-49	0	0
@MD	4	3	7	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
MINN										
@NEB										
IOWA										
@NW	7	6	13	0.5-1	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0

2017	UA	AS	TOT	TFL-Yds	QBS-Yds	FF	FR-Yds	INT-Yds	QBH	PBU
BALL ST										
WKU	0	0	0	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
@USF	1	0	1	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
NEB	4	3	7	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	1-5	0-0	0	0
@IOWA	4	0	4	0.0-0	0.0-0	1	0-0	0-0	0	0
RUT	4	5	9	0.0-0	0.0-0	1	0-0	0-0	0	0
@MIN	6	7	13	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	1-19	0	0
WIS	7	3	10	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
@PUR	3	7	10	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
IND	3	5	8	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
@OSU	5	3	8	0.0-0	0.0-0	1	0-0	0-0	0	1
NW										

2016	UA	AS	TOT	TFL-Yds	QBS-Yds	FF	FR-Yds	INT-Yds	QBH	PBU
MUR ST										
UNC										
WMU	0	0	0	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
@NEB	0	0	0	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
PUR	1	2	3	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
@RUT	3	2	5	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	1-0	0-0	0	0
@MICH	7	4	11	0.0-0	0.0-0	1	0-0	0-0	0	0
MINN	5	4	9	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
MICH ST	3	3	6	0.0-0	0.0-0	2	0-0	0-0	0	0
@WIS	4	7	11	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
IOWA	3	9	12	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
@NW	4	1	5	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0

11 CALEB GRIFFIN

PK, 6-3, 210, R-FR.

DANVILLE, ILL. / DANVILLE

2019 Redshirt Freshman:

» Back-up kicker, has not kicked in a game

KICKING STATISTICS

YEAR	PAT	FG	0-29	30-39	40-49	50+	PTS	LG
2019	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
TOTAL	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

KICKOFF STATISTICS

YEAR	G	KO	YDS	AVG.	TB	TB%	OB	ONSIDE
2019	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
TOTAL	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

KICKING GAME-BY-GAME

YEAR	ATT-MD	LG	BLKD	NO	YDS	AVG	TB	OB
AKRON								
@UCONN								
EMU								
NEB								

@MIN	DNP
MICH	DNP
WIS	DNP
@PUR	DNP
RUT	
@MSU	
@IOWA	
NW	

35 JAKE HANSEN

LB, 6-1, 225, JR.

TARPON SPRINGS, FLA. / EAST LAKE

Career Notes:

» Hansen's eight career forced fumbles are fourth-most in program history (dating back to 1990)

2019 Junior:

- » Butkus Award semifinalist
- » Starting linebacker
- » Missed the Michigan State game with an injury
- » Leads the nation in forced fumbles (7) and ranks fourth in fumbles recovered (3) entering the Iowa game
- » No. 15 graded linebacker in the nation by PFF (79.6) entering the Iowa game
- » Walter Camp National Defensive Player of the Week and Big Ten Defensive Player of the Week after two forced fumbles vs. No. 6 Wisconsin 10/19/19 led Illinois to one of the biggest upsets in Big Ten history

CAREER HIGHS

Tackles: 15 vs. Kent State, 9/1/18
Solos: 11 vs. Nebraska, 9/21/19
TFLs: 6.0 vs. Kent State, 9/1/18
Sacks: 1.0, three times (last at Minnesota, 10/5/19)
QB Hurries: 1 at Northwestern, 11/26/16
Fumbles Forced: 2, twice (last vs. Wisconsin, 10/19/19)
Fumbles Recovered: 2 vs. Nebraska, 9/21/19
PBUs: 1 at Rutgers, 10/6/18
Interception: 1 vs. Akron, 8/31/19
Interception Return Yards: -
Touchdowns: -

DEFENSIVE STATISTICS

YEAR	G	UA	A	TOT	TFL	YDS	PD	FF	FR	BLK	QBH
2016	12	2	6	8	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	1
2017											
2018	12	48	47	95	8.5	18	1	1	1	0	1
2019	9	41	31	72	7.5	38	1	7	3	0	0
TOTAL	33	91	84	175	16.0	56	2	8	4	0	2

INTERCEPTION STATISTICS

YEAR	G	INT	YDS	TD	LG	AVG/R	AVG/G
2016	12	0	0	0	0	0.0	0.0
2017							
2018	12	0	0	0	0	0.0	0.0
2019	9	1	0	0	0	0.0	0.0
TOTAL	33	1	0	0	0	0.0	0.0

SACKS STATISTICS

YEAR	G	UA	A	TOTAL	YDS
2016	12	0	0	0.0	0
2017					
2018	12	1	0	1.0	6
2019	9	3	1	3.5	27
TOTAL	33	4	1	4.5	33

DEFENSIVE GAME-BY-GAME

2019	UA	AS	TOT	TFL-Yds	QBS-Yds	FF	FR-Yds	INT-Yds	QBH	PBU
AKRON	5	2	7	0.5-4	0.5-4	1	1-0	1-0	0	0
@UCONN	3	4	7	1.0-9	1.0-9	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
EMU	4	3	7	1.5-3	0.0-0	0	1-0	0-0	0	0
NEB	11	1	12	1.0-5	0.0-0	2	1-0	0-0	0	0
@MIN	2	4	6	1.5-9	1.0-8	1	0-0	0-0	0	0
MICH	3	6	9	0.0-0	0.0-0	1	0-0	0-0	0	0
WIS	6	5	11	1.0-6	1.0-6	2	0-0	0-0	0	0
@PUR	4	1	5	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
RUT	3	6	9	1.0-2	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
@MSU										
@IOWA										
NW										

2018	UA	AS	TOT	TFL-Yds	QBS-Yds	FF	FR-Yds	INT-Yds	QBH	PBU
KENT ST	10	5	15	6.0-8	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
WIU	2	1	3	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
USF	5	3	8	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
PENN ST	1	2	3	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
@RUT	6	3	9	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	1
PUR	3	5	8	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	1	0
@WIS	5	4	9	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
@MD	8	3	11	1.5-7	1.0-6	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
MINN	4	4	8	0.0-0	0.0-0	1	1-0	0-0	0	0
@NEB	0	3	3	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0			

DEFENSIVE GAME-BY-GAME

2019	UA	AS	TOT	TFL-Yds	QBS-Yds	FF	FR-Yds	INT-Yds	QBH	PBU
AKRON	3	2	5	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
@UCONN	1	7	8	1.5-1	0.0-0	0	0-0	1-0	0	0
EMU	7	10	17	1.5-4	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
NEB	3	8	11	0.5-1	0.0-0	1	0-0	0-0	0	0
@MIN	5	10	15	1.0-1	0.0-0	0	0-0	1-40	0	0
MICH	5	4	9	1.0-1	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
WIS	4	12	16	1.0-4	0.0-0	0	1-0	0-0	0	0
@PUR	6	2	8	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	1-0	0-0	0	0
RUT	7	5	12	2.0-4	0.0-0	1	0-0	1-54	0	0
@MSU	4	10	14	2.0-6	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	1	0
@IOWA										
NW										

2018	UA	AS	TOT	TFL-Yds	QBS-Yds	FF	FR-Yds	INT-Yds	QBH	PBU
KENT ST	2	1	3	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
WIU	1	0	1	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
USF	3	1	4	1.0-7	1.0-7	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
PENN ST				DNP - Injured						
@RUT	3	0	3	1.0-2	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
PUR	2	0	2	1.0-1	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
@WIS				DNP - Injured						
@MD				DNP - Injured						
MINN	2	5	7	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
@NEB	3	3	6	1.5-3	0.0-0	1	0-0	0-0	0	0
IOWA	3	2	5	0.5-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
@NW	2	4	6	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0

2017	UA	AS	TOT	TFL-Yds	QBS-Yds	FF	FR-Yds	INT-Yds	QBH	PBU
BALL ST	0	0	0	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
WKU	2	0	2	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
@USF	4	2	6	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
NEB				DNP - Injured						
@IOWA	2	1	3	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
RUT	2	1	3	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
@MIN				DNP - Injured						
WIS	2	4	6	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
@PUR	3	3	6	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
IND	2	4	6	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
@OSU				DNP - Injured						
NW				DNP - Injured						

2016	UA	AS	TOT	TFL-Yds	QBS-Yds	FF	FR-Yds	INT-Yds	QBH	PBU
MUR ST	0	0	0	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
UNC	0	1	1	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
WMU	0	0	0	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
@NEB	0	0	0	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
PUR	0	2	2	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
@RUT	0	0	0	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
@MICH	0	0	0	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
MINN	1	2	3	1.0-1	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
MICH ST	3	4	7	0.5-1	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
@WIS				DNP - Injured						
IOWA				DNP - Injured						
@NW				DNP - Injured						

14 BLAKE HAYES

P, 6-6, 230, JR.
MELBOURNE, AUSTRALIA / BRIGHTON GRAMMAR

2019 Junior:

- » Starting punter
- » Ranks second on Illinois' career (43.4 ypp) and single-season punting average (45.0) lists entering the Iowa game
- » 27 punts downed inside the 20-yard line with only two touchbacks entering the Iowa game

CAREER HIGHS

Punts: 11, twice (last at Ohio State, 11/18/17)
Punt Yards: 469 at Ohio State, 11/18/17
Longest Punt: 70 vs. Michigan, 10/12/19
Punt Average: 53.4 vs. Kent State, 9/1/18
50+ Yard Punts: 4 vs. South Florida, 9/15/18
Punts Inside the 20: 5, three times (last at Minnesota, 10/5/19)

PUNTING STATISTICS

YEAR	G	NO.	YDS	LG	AVG
2017	12	77	3231	64	42.0
2018	12	62	2701	69	43.6
2019	10	64	2878	70	45.0
TOTAL	34	203	8810	70	43.4

PUNTING GAME-BY-GAME

2019	No	Yds	Avg	Long	Blkd	TB	FC	50+	I20
AKRON	4	184	46.0	51	0	0	0	1	2
@UCONN	4	155	38.8	47	0	0	1	0	3
EMU	7	338	48.3	55	0	0	1	3	2
NEB	8	368	46.0	59	0	0	2	3	5
@MIN	7	302	43.1	53	0	0	2	1	5
MICH	7	328	46.9	70	1	1	0	4	2
WIS	5	233	46.6	55	0	0	1	2	1
@PUR	8	342	42.8	64	0	0	0	1	2
RUT	5	227	45.4	55	0	0	0	2	2

@MSU	9	401	44.6	60	0	1	3	1	3
@IOWA									
NW									

2018	No	Yds	Avg	Long	Blkd	TB	FC	50+	I20
KENT ST	5	267	53.4	69	0	1	0	3	2
WIU	7	287	41.0	51	0	0	0	1	5
USF	7	322	46.0	62	0	1	2	4	4
PENN ST	4	179	44.8	54	0	0	0	1	1
@RUT	4	176	44.0	51	0	1	1	1	2
PUR	9	391	43.4	53	0	1	3	2	2
@WIS	6	219	36.5	48	0	0	1	0	1
@MD	4	167	41.8	48	0	0	1	0	1
MINN	2	82	41.0	49	0	0	1	0	1
@NEB	3	129	43.0	45	1	1	0	0	0
IOWA	8	359	44.9	62	1	0	1	2	1
@NW	3	123	41.0	48	0	0	0	0	1

2017	No	Yds	Avg	Long	Blkd	TB	FC	50+	I20
BALL ST	4	184	46.0	54	0	0	0	1	1
WKU	7	243	34.7	52	0	0	1	1	2
@USF	7	285	40.7	49	0	0	0	0	1
NEB	5	185	37.0	44	0	0	3	0	3
@IOWA	2	88	44.0	51	0	0	0	1	0
RUT	6	259	43.2	47	0	1	1	0	1
@MIN	5	262	52.4	59	0	0	0	3	2
WIS	4	164	41.0	46	0	0	3	0	2
@PUR	5	185	37.0	44	0	0	3	0	3
IND	11	455	41.4	53	0	0	3	1	3
@OSU	11	469	42.6	64	0	0	2	2	2
NW	9	393	43.7	52	0	0	0	1	3

8 NATE HOBBS

DB, 6-0, 190, JR.
LOUISVILLE, KY. / LOUISVILLE MALE

2019 Junior:

- » Starting cornerback
- » Four tackles and a career-high 2.0 TFLs at Michigan State 11/9/19 to help Illinois win 37-34 in the biggest comeback in program history
- » First career touchdown on a 36-yard fumble return in a 38-10 win over Rutgers 11/2/2019
- » Career-high 10 tackles vs. No. 6 Wisconsin 10/19/19 to help Illinois win 24-23 and complete one of the biggest upsets in Big Ten history
- » Career-high six solo tackles at UConn 9/7/19

CAREER HIGHS

Tackles: 10 vs. Wisconsin, 10/19/19
Solos: 6 at UConn, 9/7/19
TFLs: 2.0 at Michigan State, 11/9/19
Sacks: 1.0 at Iowa, 10/7/17
QB Hurries: -
Fumbles Forced: 1 vs. Nebraska, 9/29/17
Fumbles Recovered: 1 vs. Rutgers, 11/2/2019
PBUs: 2, three times (last at Michigan State, 11/9/19)
Interception: 1 at Rutgers, 10/6/18
Interception Return Yards: 27 at Rutgers, 10/6/18
Kick Returns: 4 vs. Indiana, 11/11/17
Kick Return Yards: 92 vs. Indiana, 11/11/17
Long Kick Return: 31 vs. Rutgers, 10/14/17
All-Purpose Yards: 96 vs. Indiana, 11/11/17
Punt Returns: 2, twice (last vs. Iowa, 11/17/18)
Punt Return Yards: 4, twice (last vs. Iowa, 11/17/18)
Long Punt Return: 4, twice (last vs. Iowa, 11/17/18)
All-Purpose Yards: 96 vs. Indiana, 11/11/17
Touchdowns: 1 vs. Rutgers, 11/2/2019
Defensive Extra Point: 1 at South Florida, 9/15/17

DEFENSIVE STATISTICS

YEAR	G	UA	A	TOT	TFL	YDS	PD	FF	FR	BLK	QBH
2017	12	31	17	48	2.0	8	2	1	0	0	0
2018	9	13	9	22	3.0	8	2	0	0	0	0
2019	10	30	20	50	4.5	11	7	0	1	0	0
TOTAL	31	74	46	120	9.5	27	11	1	1	0	0

INTERCEPTION STATISTICS

YEAR	G	INT	YDS	TD	LG	AVG/R	AVG/G
2017	12	0	0	0	0	0.0	0.0
2018	9	1	27	0	27	27.0	3.0
2019	10	0	0	0	0	0.0	0.0
TOTAL	31	1	27	0	27	27.0	0.9

SACKS STATISTICS

YEAR	G	UA	A	TOTAL	YDS
2017	12	1	0	1.0	7
2018	9	0	0	0.0	0
2019	10	0	0	0.0	0
TOTAL	31	1	0	1.0	7

KICK RETURN STATISTICS

YEAR	G	NO.	YDS	TD	LG	AVG/R	AVG/G
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2017	12	10	223	0	31	22.3	18.6
2018	9	2	27	0	15	13.5	3.0
2019	10	0	0	0	0	0.0	0.0
TOTAL	31	12	250	0	31	20.8	8.1

PUNT RETURN STATISTICS

YEAR	G	NO.	YDS	TD	LG	AVG/R	AVG/G
2017	12	4	5	0	4	1.2	0.4
20							

MINN	0	3	3	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
MICH ST	0	0	0	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
@WIS	1	1	2	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
IOWA							DNP - Injured			
@NW							DNP - Injured			

25 KERBY JOSEPH

DB, 6-1, 200, SO.

ORLANDO, FLA. / JONES

2019 Sophomore:

- » Starting safety
- » Career-high two PBUs at UConn 9/7/19 despite missing the first half due to targeting penalty suspension
- » Targeting penalty in the second half against Akron 8/31/19 and did not play in the first half at UConn 9/7/19

CAREER HIGHS

Tackles: 11 vs. Nebraska, 9/21/19
 Solos: 4, twice (last vs. Nebraska, 9/21/19)
 TFLs: 0.5, twice (last at UConn, 9/7/19)
 Sacks: -
 QB Hurries: -
 Fumbles Forced: 1 vs. Iowa, 11/17/18
 Fumbles Recovered: -
 PBUs: 2 at UConn, 9/7/19
 Interception: -
 Interception Return Yards: -
 Touchdowns: -

DEFENSIVE STATISTICS

YEAR	G	UA	A	TOT	TFL YDS	PD	FF	FR	BLK	QBH
2018	10	8	1	9	0.0	0	1	0	0	0
2019	7	13	17	30	1.0	2	3	0	0	0
TOTAL	17	21	18	39	1.0	2	4	0	0	0

DEFENSIVE GAME-BY-GAME

2019	UA	AS	TOT	TFL-Yds	QBS-Yds	FF	FR-Yds	INT-Yds	QBH	PBU
AKRON	2	4	6	0.5-1	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
@UCONN	1	2	3	0.5-1	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
EMU	4	4	8	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
NEB	4	7	11	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	1
@MIN	2	0	2	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
MICH	0	0	0	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
WIS							DNP			
@PUR							DNP			
RUT							DNP			
@MSU	0	0	0	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
@IOWA							DNP			
NW							DNP			

2018	UA	AS	TOT	TFL-Yds	QBS-Yds	FF	FR-Yds	INT-Yds	QBH	PBU
KENT ST	3	0	3	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
WIU	1	0	1	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
USF	1	0	1	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
PENN ST	1	0	1	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
@RUT	0	1	1	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
PUR	1	0	1	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
@WIS							DNP - Injured			
@MD							DNP - Injured			
MINN	1	0	1	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	1
@NEB	0	0	0	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
IOWA	1	0	1	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
@NW	0	0	0	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0

10 JAMES KNIGHT

DB, 5-10, 200, JR.

EAST ST. LOUIS, ILL. / EAST ST. LOUIS

2019 Junior:

- » Out for season after suffering a knee injury during 2019 Spring Ball

CAREER HIGHS

Tackles: 6 vs. South Florida, 9/15/18
 Solos: 6 vs. South Florida, 9/15/18
 TFLs: -
 Sacks: -
 QB Hurries: 1 vs. Wisconsin, 10/28/17
 Fumbles Forced: 1 vs. South Florida, 9/15/18
 Fumbles Recovered: -
 PBUs: -
 Interception: -
 Interception Return Yards: -
 Touchdowns: -

DEFENSIVE STATISTICS

YEAR	G	UA	A	TOT	TFL YDS	PD	FF	FR	BLK	QBH
2017	12	1	2	3	0.0	0	0	0	0	1

2018	7	10	2	12	0.0	0	0	1	0	0
TOTAL	19	11	4	15	0.0	0	0	1	0	1

DEFENSIVE GAME-BY-GAME

2018	UA	AS	TOT	TFL-Yds	QBS-Yds	FF	FR-Yds	INT-Yds	QBH	PBU
KENT ST	0	1	1	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
WIU	1	1	2	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
USF	6	0	6	0.0-0	0.0-0	1	0-0	0-0	0	0
PENN ST	0	0	0	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
@RUT	0	0	0	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
PUR							DNP - Injured			
@WIS							DNP - Injured			
@MD							DNP - Injured			
MINN							DNP - Injured			
@NEB							DNP - Injured			
IOWA	2	0	2	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
@NW	1	0	1	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0

2017	UA	AS	TOT	TFL-Yds	QBS-Yds	FF	FR-Yds	INT-Yds	QBH	PBU
BALL ST	0	1	1	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
WKU	0	0	0	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
@USF	0	0	0	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
NEB	0	0	0	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
@IOWA	0	0	0	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
RUT	0	0	0	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
@MIN	0	0	0	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
WIS	0	1	1	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	1	0
@PUR	0	0	0	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
IND	0	0	0	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
@OSU	1	0	1	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
NW	0	0	0	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0

65 DOUG KRAMER

OL, 6-2, 300, JR.

HINSDALE, ILL. / HINSDALE CENTRAL

- » 2019 Rimington Trophy preseason watch list

2019 Junior:

- » Starting center
- » No. 4 graded center in the nation and No. 1 in Power-5 by PFF (81.0) entering the Iowa game
- » 25 straight starts entering the Iowa game

79 VEDERIAN LOWE

OL, 6-5, 320, JR.

ROCKFORD, ILL. / AUBURN

Pronunciation: vuh-DARE-ee-an

2019 Junior:

- » Starting left tackle
- » No. 47 graded offensive tackle in the nation by PFF (75.5) entering the Iowa game
- » 23 straight starts entering the Iowa game

42 MICHAEL MARCHESE

DB, 6-4, 210, JR.

VERNON HILLS, ILL. / STEVENSON

Pronunciation: mar-CASE

2019 Junior:

- » Back-up safety
- » Second career interception at UConn 9/7/19

CAREER HIGHS

Tackles: 11 at Northwestern, 11/24/18
 Solos: 7 at Northwestern, 11/24/18
 TFLs: -
 Sacks: -
 QB Hurries: -
 Fumbles Forced: -
 Fumbles Recovered: 1, twice (last vs. Penn State, 9/21/18)
 PBUs: 1, twice (last vs. South Florida, 9/15/18)
 Interception: 1, twice (last at UConn, 9/7/19)
 Interception Return Yards: -
 Touchdowns: -

DEFENSIVE STATISTICS

YEAR	G	UA	A	TOT	TFL YDS	PD	FF	FR	BLK	QBH
2017	5	1	1	2	0.0	0	0	1	0	0
2018	11	12	9	21	0.0	0	3	0	1	0
2019	9	3	2	5	0.0	0	1	0	0	0
TOTAL	25	16	12	28	0.0	0	4	0	2	0

INTERCEPTION STATISTICS

YEAR	G	INT	YDS	TD	LG	AVG/R	AVG/G
2017	5	0	0	0	0	0.0	0.0
2018	11	1	42	0	42	42.0	3.8
2019	9	1	29	0	29	29.0	3.2
TOTAL	25	2	71	0	42	35.5	2.8

DEFENSIVE GAME-BY-GAME

2019	UA	AS	TOT	TFL-Yds	QBS-Yds	FF	FR-Yds	INT-Yds	QBH	PBU
AKRON	0	0	0	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
@UCONN	2	1	3	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	1-29	0	0
EMU	0	0	0	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
NEB	0	0	0	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
@MIN							DNP - Injured			
MICH	0	0	0	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
WIS	0	0	0	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
@PUR	1	0	1	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
RUT	0	1	1	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
@MSU	0	0	0	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
@IOWA							DNP			
NW							DNP			

2018	UA	AS	TOT	TFL-Yds	QBS-Yds	FF	FR-Yds	INT-Yds	QBH	PBU
KENT ST							DNP - Injured			
WIU	1	2	3	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	1-42	1	1
USF	2	3	5	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	1
PENN ST	1	0	1	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	1-11	0-0	0	0
@RUT	0	0	0	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
PUR	0	0	0	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
@WIS	0	0	0	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
@MD	0	0	0	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
MINN	0	0	0	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
@NEB	1	0	1	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
IOWA	0	0	0	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
@NW	7	4	11	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0

2017	UA	AS	TOT	TFL-Yds	QBS-Yds	FF	FR-Yds	INT-Yds	QBH	PBU
BALL ST							DNP			
WKU							DNP			
@USF							DNP			
NEB							DNP			
@IOWA							DNP			
RUT							DNP			
@MIN							DNP			
WIS	0	0	0	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
@PUR	0	0	0	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	1-0	0-0	0	0
IND	0	0	0	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
@OSU	1	1	2	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
NW	0	0	0	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0

21 JARTAVIUS MARTIN

DB, 6-0, 190, SO.

LEHIGH ACRES, FLA. / LEHIGH ACRES

Pronunciation: jar-TAY-vee-us

Nickname: Quan

2019 Sophomore:

- » Starting cornerback

CAREER HIGHS

@IOWA
NW

2018	UA	AS	TOT	TFL-Yds	QBS-Yds	FF	FR-Yds	INT-Yds	QBH	PBU
KENT ST	2	2	4	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	1-0	0	1
WIU	2	1	3	1.0-4	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	1
USF	6	0	6	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	1-0	0	0
PENN ST	0	1	1	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
@RUT	6	1	7	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	1-0	0	0
PUR	4	2	6	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
@WIS	0	0	0	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
@MD	1	1	2	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
MINN	2	4	6	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
@NEB	2	5	7	0.5-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	1
IOWA										
@NW										

DNP - Injured
DNP - Injured

17 JAMES McCOURT

PK/P, 6-1, 210, JR.

PARKLAND, FLA. / ST. THOMAS AQUINAS

2019 Junior:

- » Starting kicker
- » 39-yard field goal as time expired beat No. 6 Wisconsin 10/19/19 to finish the largest upset over a ranked team in Big Ten history
- » Three 50+-yard field goals made is the fourth-most in Illinois history
- » 50-yard field goal against Michigan 10/12/19, his third 50+-yard field goal of the season
- » 57-yard field goal against EMU 9/14/19 tied for the longest in school history and is tied for the longest in the nation entering the Minnesota game.
- » 53-yard field goal at UConn 9/7/19, his first career made field goal, tied for the longest road field goal in Illinois history and tied for the fifth-longest field goal overall in program history

CAREER HIGHS

Points: 8, twice (last vs. Rutgers, 11/2/2019)
PATs Made: 6 vs. Akron, 8/31/19
Field Goals Made: 1, three times (last vs. Nebraska, 9/21/19)
Long Field Goal: 57 vs. Eastern Michigan, 9/14/19

KICKING STATISTICS

YEAR	PAT	FG	0-29	30-39	40-49	50+	PTS	LG
2019	38-39	9-13	0-0	2-5	3-4	3-3	65	57
TOTAL	38-39	9-13	0-0	2-5	3-4	3-3	65	57

KICKOFF STATISTICS

YEAR	G	KO	YDS	AVG.	TB	TB%	OB	ON-SIDE
2019	10	56	3577	63.88	40	71.43	1	0
TOTAL	10	56	3577	63.88	40	71.43	1	0

KICKING GAME-BY-GAME

YEAR	FG			KICKOFF					
	ATT	MD	LG	BLKD	NO	YDS	AVG	TB	OB
AKRON	1-0	0	0	7	454	64.9	4	0	
@UCONN	1-1	53	0	3	314	62.8	2	0	
EMU	1-1	57	0	6	390	65.0	6	0	
NEB	1-1	47	0	7	455	65.0	6	0	
@MIN	2-1	46	0	4	252	63.0	2	0	
MICH	1-1	50	0	5	324	64.8	4	0	
WIS	2-1	39	0	4	255	63.8	3	0	
@PUR	2-1	38	0	5	302	60.4	3	0	
RUT	1-1	33	0	7	447	63.9	6	0	
@MSU	1-1	40	0	6	384	64.0	4	0	
@IOWA									
NW									

55 JAMAL MILAN

DL, 6-3, 300, SR.

CHICAGO, ILL. / AL RABY

Pronunciation: muh-LAN

- » Earned bachelor's degree in sociology in May 2019
- » Currently pursuing a second bachelor's degree in communication

2019 Senior:

- » Starting defensive tackle
- » Career-high 4.0 TFLs in 24-6 win at Purdue 10/26/19, tied for the 10th-most in a single game in Illinois history
- » Career-high eight tackles at Minnesota 10/5/19

CAREER HIGHS

Tackles: 8 at Minnesota, 10/5/19
Solos: 4, three times (last at Minnesota, 10/5/19)
TFLs: 4.0 at Purdue, 10/26/19
Sacks: 1.0, twice (last at Purdue, 10/26/19)
QB Hurries: 2 vs. Michigan State, 11/5/16
Fumbles Forced: 2 at Rutgers, 10/15/16
Fumbles Recovered: 1, three times (last vs. Rutgers, 10/14/17)
PBUs: 1 vs. Akron, 8/31/19
Interception: -
Interception Return Yards: -
Touchdowns: -
Blocked Kicks: 1 vs. Ball State, 9/2/17

DEFENSIVE STATISTICS

YEAR	G	UA	A	TOT	TFL	YDS	PD	FF	FR	BLK	QBH
2015	1	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	0
2016	10	11	16	27	3.5	6	0	2	1	0	2
2017	10	11	12	23	1.5	4	0	0	2	1	3
2018	8	11	6	17	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	1
2019	10	12	17	29	8.5	27	1	0	0	0	2
TOTAL	39	45	51	96	13.5	37	1	2	3	1	8

SACKS STATISTICS

YEAR	G	UA	A	SACKS	YDS
2015	1	0	0	0.0	0
2016	10	1	0	1.0	2
2017	10	0	0	0.0	0
2018	8	0	0	0.0	0
2019	10	1	0	1.0	6
TOTAL	39	2	0	2.0	8

DEFENSIVE GAME-BY-GAME

2019	UA	AS	TOT	TFL-Yds	QBS-Yds	FF	FR-Yds	INT-Yds	QBH	PBU
AKRON	0	1	1	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	1
@UCONN	0	1	1	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	1	0
EMU	0	2	2	0.5-1	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
NEB	0	1	1	0.5-2	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
@MIN	4	4	8	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
MICH	0	2	2	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
WIS	1	2	3	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
@PUR	4	0	4	4.0-15	1.0-6	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
RUT	2	1	3	2.0-7	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
@MSU	1	3	4	1.5-2	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
@IOWA										
NW										

2018	UA	AS	TOT	TFL-Yds	QBS-Yds	FF	FR-Yds	INT-Yds	QBH	PBU
KENT ST										
WIU										
USF										
PENN ST										
@RUT	1	1	2	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
PUR	1	0	1	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
@WIS	1	2	3	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
@MD	3	1	4	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
MINN	2	0	2	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
@NEB	1	1	2	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
IOWA	1	1	2	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	1	0
@NW	1	0	1	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0

2017	UA	AS	TOT	TFL-Yds	QBS-Yds	FF	FR-Yds	INT-Yds	QBH	PBU
BALL ST	4	0	4	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
WKU	0	2	2	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	1-0	0-0	1	0
@USF	0	0	0	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
NEB	0	1	1	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	1	0
@IOWA	1	0	1	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
RUT	0	1	1	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	1-0	0-0	0	0
@MIN	0	1	1	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	1	0
WIS	1	5	6	1.5-4	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
@PUR	4	1	5	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
IND	1	1	2	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
@OSU										
NW										

2016	UA	AS	TOT	TFL-YDS	QBS-YDS	FF	FR-YDS	INT-YDS	QBH	PBU
MUR ST	0	2	2	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
UNC	0	0	0	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
WMU	2	5	7	2.5-4	1.0-2	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
@NEB	1	2	3	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
PUR										
@RUT	3	0	3	1.0-2	0.0-0	2	0-0	0-0	0	0
@MICH	1	2	3	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
MINN	1	1	2	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
MICH ST	0	1	1	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	2	0
@WIS										
IOWA	1	3	4	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	1-0	0-0	0	0
@NW	2	0	2	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0

2015	UA	AS	TOT	TFL-YDS	QBS-YDS	FF	FR-YDS	INT-YDS	QBH	PBU
KENT ST	0	0	0	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
WIU										
@UNC										
MTSU										
NEB										
@IOWA										
WIS										
@PSU										
@PUR										
OSU										

@MINN
vs. NW

DNP - Injured
DNP - Injured

54 MARC MONDESIR

LB, 6-2, 225, JR.

CHICAGO, ILL. / ST. RITA

Pronunciation: mon-duh-SEER

2019 Junior:

» Back-up

CAREER HIGHS

Tackles: 1, seven times
Solos: 1, five times
TFLs: 1.0 vs. Minnesota, 11/3/18
Sacks: 1.0 vs. Minnesota, 11/3/18
QB Hurries: -
Fumbles Forced: -
Fumbles Recovered: -
PBUs: -
Interception: -
Interception Return Yards: -
Blocked Kicks: -
Touchdowns: -

DEFENSIVE STATISTICS

YEAR	G	UA	A	TOT	TFL	YDS	PD
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2019 Junior:

- » Back-up wide receiver
- » Career-high seven receptions for 49 yards at Michigan State 11/9/19 to help Illinois win 37-34 in the biggest comeback in program history
- » Career-high 57 receiving yards and tied career high with 48-yard reception in 38-10 win over Rutgers 11/2/2019
- » First career start in 24-6 win at Purdue 10/26/19
- » First career Illini touchdown on a 48-yard reception vs. No. 6 Wisconsin 10/19/19 to help Illinois win 24-23 and complete one of the biggest upsets in Big Ten history
- » Three receptions for 33 yards at Minnesota 10/5/19
- » Made Illinois debut in the season opener against Akron

CAREER HIGHS

Carries: 1 vs. Michigan, 10/12/19
 Rushing Yards: 6 vs. Michigan, 10/12/19
 Long Run: 6 vs. Michigan, 10/12/19
 Rush Touchdowns: -
 Receptions: 7 at Michigan State, 11/9/19
 Receiving Yards: 57 vs. Rutgers, 11/2/2019
 Long Reception: 48, twice (last vs. Rutgers, 11/2/2019)
 Rec. Touchdowns: 1 vs. Wisconsin, 10/19/19
 Punt Returns: 2 at UConn, 9/7/19
 Punt Return Yards: 16 vs. Akron, 8/31/19
 Long Punt Return: 16 vs. Akron, 8/31/19
 All-Purpose Yards: 57 vs. Rutgers, 11/2/2019

RECEIVING STATISTICS

YEAR	G	REC	YDS	TD	LG	REC/G	AVG/C	AVG/G
2019	10	18	232	1	48	1.8	12.9	23.2
TOTAL	10	18	232	1	48	1.8	12.9	23.2

RUSHING STATISTICS

YEAR	G	ATT	YDS	TD	LG	AVG/C	AVG/G
2019	10	1	6	0	6	6.0	0.6
TOTAL	10	1	6	0	6	6.0	0.6

PUNT RETURN STATISTICS

YEAR	G	NO.	YDS	TD	LG	AVG/R	AVG/G
2019	10	3	20	0	13	6.7	2.0
TOTAL	10	3	20	0	13	6.7	2.0

RUSHING/RECEIVING GAME-BY-GAME

2019	CAR	YDS	TD	LG	REC	YDS	TD	LG
AKRON	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
@UCONN	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
EMU	0	0	0	0	1	10	0	10
NEB	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
@MIN	0	0	0	0	3	33	0	16
MICH	1	6	0	6	3	18	0	9
WIS	0	0	0	0	1	48	1	48
@PUR	0	0	0	0	1	17	0	17
RUT	0	0	0	0	2	57	0	48
@MSU	0	0	0	0	7	49	0	12
@IOWA								
NW								

KICK RETURN/PUNT RETURNS GAME-BY-GAME

2019	KR-YDS	AVG	TD	LG	PR-YDS	AVG	TD	LG
AKRON	0-0	0	0	0	1-13	13.0	0	13
@UCONN	0-0	0	0	0	2-7	3.5	0	5
EMU	0-0	0	0	0	0-0	0.0	0	0
NEB	0-0	0	0	0	0-0	0.0	0	0
@MIN	0-0	0	0	0	0-0	0.0	0	0
MICH	0-0	0	0	0	0-0	0.0	0	0
WIS	0-0	0	0	0	0-0	0.0	0	0
@PUR	0-0	0	0	0	0-0	0.0	0	0
RUT								
@MSU								
@IOWA								
NW								

3 JAKARI NORWOOD

RB, 5-10, 180, R-FR.

POMPANO BEACH, FLA. / DEERFIELD BEACH

Pronunciation: juh-CAR-ee

2019 Redshirt Freshman:

- » One of Illinois' main running backs
- » Career-long 50-yard run at UConn 9/7/19

CAREER HIGHS

Touchdowns: -
 Carries: 6 at UConn, 9/7/19
 Rushing Yards: 62 at UConn, 9/7/19
 Long Run: 50 at UConn, 9/7/19
 Rushing Touchdowns: -
 Receptions: 1, three times (last vs. Eastern Michigan, 9/14/19)
 Receiving Yards: 11 vs. Iowa 11/17/19
 Long Reception: 11 vs. Iowa 11/17/19

Receiving Touchdowns: -
 Kickoff Returns: -
 Kickoff Return Yardage: -
 Punt Returns: -
 Punt Return Yardage: -
 All-Purpose Yards: 64 at UConn, 9/7/19

RUSHING STATISTICS

YEAR	G	ATT	YDS	TD	LG	AVG/C	AVG/G
2018	3	5	29	0	12	5.8	9.7
2019	7	15	94	0	50	6.3	13.4
TOTAL	10	20	123	0	50	6.2	12.3

RECEIVING STATISTICS

YEAR	G	REC	YDS	TD	LG	REC/G	YDS/C	YDS/G
2018	3	1	11	0	11	0.3	11.0	3.7
2019	7	2	-1	0	2	0.3	-0.5	-0.1
TOTAL	10	3	10	0	11	0.3	3.3	1.0

RUSHING/RECEIVING GAME-BY-GAME

2019	CAR	YDS	TD	LG	REC	YDS	TD	LG
AKRON	4	3	0	3	0	0	0	0
@UCONN	6	62	0	50	1	2	0	2
EMU	1	4	0	4	1	-3	0	0
NEB	1	16	0	16	0	0	0	0
@MIN								
MICH								
WIS	1	3	0	3	0	0	0	0
@PUR								
RUT	2	6	0	5	0	0	0	0
@MSU								
@IOWA								
NW								

2018	CAR	YDS	TD	LG	REC	YDS	TD	LG
KENT ST								
WIU	1	(-1)	0		0	0	0	-
USF								
PENN ST								
@RUT								
PUR								
@WIS								
@MD								
MINN	0	0	0	-	0	0	0	-
@NEB								
IOWA	4	30	0	12	1	11	0	11
@NW								

96 TYMIR OLIVER

DL, 6-4, 290, SR.

SHARON HILL, PA. / WEST PHILADELPHIA CATHOLIC

Pronunciation: TIE-MEER

2019 Senior:

- » Part of defensive tackle rotation
- » Tied career high with seven tackles vs. No. 6 Wisconsin 10/19/19 to help Illinois win 24-23 and complete one of the biggest upsets in Big Ten history

CAREER HIGHS

Tackles: 7, twice (last vs. Wisconsin, 10/19/19)
 Solos: 4 at Purdue, 11/4/17
 TFLs: 1.5 vs. Akron, 8/31/19
 Sacks: 1.5 vs. Akron, 8/31/19
 QB Hurries: 1, twice (last vs. Indiana, 11/11/17)
 Fumbles Forced: -
 Fumbles Recovered: -
 PBUs: 1, six times (last at Northwestern, 11/24/18)
 Interception: -
 Interception Return Yards: -
 Touchdowns: -

DEFENSIVE STATISTICS

YEAR	G	UA	AS	TOT	TFL	YDS	PD	FF	FR	BLK	QBH
2016	12	0	3	3	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	0
2017	12	19	14	33	4.5	25	2	0	0	0	2
2018	12	15	12	27	2.5	11	4	0	0	0	1
2019	10	11	11	22	4.0	11	2	0	0	0	1
TOTAL	46	45	40	85	11.0	47	8	0	0	0	4

SACKS STATISTICS

YEAR	G	UA	AS	TOTAL	YDS
2016	12	0	0	0.0	0
2017	12	3	0	3.0	21
2018	12	1	0	1.0	6
2019	10	1	1	1.5	5
TOTAL	46	5	1	5.5	32

DEFENSIVE GAME-BY-GAME

2019	UA	AS	TOT	TFL-Yds	QBS-Yds	FF	FR-Yds	INT-Yds	QBH	PBU
AKRON	1	1	2	1.5-5	1.5-5	0	0-0	0-0	0	1
@UCONN	0	0	0	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
EMU	3	0	3	1.0-1	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
NEB	2	0	2	1.0-4	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
@MIN	0	1	1	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0

MICH	2	0	2	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
WIS	1	6	7	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	1	0
@PUR	1	0	1	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	1
RUT	1	1	2	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
@MSU	0	1	1	0.5-1	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
@IOWA										
NW										

2018	UA	AS	TOT	TFL-Yds	QBS-Yds	FF	FR-Yds	INT-Yds	QBH	PBU
KENT ST	0	4	4	0.5-2	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	1
WIU	0	0	0	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
USF	1	1	2	1.0-3	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	1
PENN ST	2	0	2	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
@RUT	3	1	4	1.0-6	1.0-6	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
PUR	2	1	3	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
@WIS	1	0	1	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
@MD	1	0	1	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
MINN	1	1	2	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
@NEB	1	0	1	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
IOWA	3	4	7	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
@NW	0	0	0	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	1

2017	UA	AS	TOT	TFL-Yds	QBS-Yds	FF	FR-Yds	INT-Yds	QBH	PBU
BALL ST	3	2	5	1.0-3	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
WKU	1	1	2	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
@USF	3	0	3	1.0-2	1.0-2	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
NEB	0	0	0	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
@IOWA	0	1	1	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	1	0
RUT	0	2	2	0.5-1	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
@MIN	1	1	2	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
WIS	3	2	5	1.0-10	1.0-10	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
@PUR	4	0	4	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
IND	1	3	4	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0		

@PUR	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
RUT	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
@MSU	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
@IOWA											
NW											

98 DEON PATE

DL, 6-2, 280, SO.
JACKSONVILLE, FLA. / TRINITY CHRISTIAN ACADEMY

2019 Sophomore:

- » Back-up defensive tackle

CAREER HIGHS

Tackles: 3 vs. Eastern Michigan, 9/14/19
Solos: 1 vs. Eastern Michigan, 9/14/19
TFLs: -
Sacks: -
QB Hurries: -
Fumbles Forced: -
Fumbles Recovered: -
PBUs: -

DEFENSIVE STATISTICS

YEAR	G	UA	A	TOT	TFL	YDS	PD	FF	FR	BLK	QBH
2018	8	0	3	3	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	0
2019	7	2	5	7	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	0
TOTAL	15	2	8	10	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	0

DEFENSIVE GAME-BY-GAME

2019	UA	AS	TOT	TFL-Yds	QBS-Yds	FF	FR-Yds	INT-Yds	QBH	PBU
AKRON	0	0	0	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
@UConn					DNP					
EMU	1	2	3	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
NEB	0	2	2	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
@MIN					DNP					
MICH					DNP					
WIS	0	0	0	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
@PUR	1	1	2	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
RUT	0	0	0	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
@MSU	0	0	0	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
@IOWA										
NW										

2018	UA	AS	TOT	TFL-Yds	QBS-Yds	FF	FR-Yds	INT-Yds	QBH	PBU
KENT ST					DNP					
WIU					DNP					
USF					DNP					
PENN ST					DNP					
@RUT	0	0	0	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
PUR	0	0	0	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
@WIS	0	0	0	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
@MD	0	0	0	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
MINN	0	0	0	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
@NEB	0	1	1	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
IOWA	0	1	1	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
@NW	0	1	1	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0

18 BRANDON PETERS

QB, 6-5, 220, JR.
AVON, IND. / AVON HS / UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN

- » Earned bachelor's degree in general studies from Michigan in June 2019

- » Grad transfer will begin work on a master's degree in recreation, sport, and tourism at Illinois this fall

2019 Redshirt Junior:

- » Starting quarterback
- » Career-long 54-yard run, completed 6-of-11 passes for 120 yards and one touchdown, and ran three times for a career-high 41 yards in 38-10 win over Rutgers 11/2/2019
- » Threw for 174 yards and two touchdowns vs. No. 6 Wisconsin 10/19/19 to help Illinois win 24-23 and complete one of the biggest upsets in Big Ten history
- » Missed the Michigan game 10/12/19 with an injury
- » Four touchdown passes at UConn 9/7/19, tied for the second-most TD passes in a road game in Illinois history
- » 41st in the nation in passing touchdowns (10) entering the Wisconsin game
- » Made Illinois debut in the season opener against Akron
- » Immediately eligible as a graduate transfer
- » Two years of eligibility remaining starting in 2019

CAREER HIGHS

Attempts: 44 vs. South Carolina, 1/1/18

Completions: 24 at UConn, 9/7/19
Passing Yards: 369 at Michigan State, 11/9/19
Passing Touchdowns: 4 at UConn, 9/7/19
Long Pass: 83 at Michigan State, 11/9/19
Carries: 12 at Purdue, 10/26/19
Rushing Yards: 41 vs. Rutgers, 11/2/2019
Rushing Touchdowns: 1, three times (last at Purdue, 10/26/19)
Long Rush: 54 vs. Rutgers, 11/2/2019
Total Offense: 365 at Michigan State, 11/9/19

PASSING STATISTICS

YEAR	G	ATT	CMP	INT	YDS	TD	LG	PCT	AVG/P	AVG/G	EFFIC
2017*	6	108	57	2	672	4	48	52.8	6.2	112.0	113.6
2018*	4	2	1	1	8	0	0	50.0	4.0	2.0	-16.4
2019	9	207	114	5	1486	16	83	55.1	7.2	165.1	136.1
TOTAL	9	207	114	5	1486	16	83	55.1	7.2	165.1	136.1
All*	19	317	172	8	2166	20	83	54.3	6.8	114.0	127.4

RUSHING STATISTICS

YEAR	G	ATT	YDS	TD	LG	AVG/C	AVG/G
2017*	6	17	-36	0	6	0.0	0.0
2018*	4	0	0	0	0	0.0	0.0
2019	9	56	69	3	54	1.2	7.7
TOTAL	9	56	69	3	54	1.2	7.7
All*	19	73	69	3	54	0.9	3.6

* - stats include University of Michigan (2017-18)

PASSING GAME-BY-GAME

2019	ATT	CMP	INT	YDS	TD	LG
AKRON	23	14	0	163	3	22
@UConn	35	24	1	227	4	28
EMU	37	22	1	297	2	52
NEB	22	9	1	78	1	26
@MIN	10	5	1	32	0	13
MICH				DNP - Injured		
WIS	21	9	0	174	2	48
@PUR	6	3	0	26	0	17
RUT	11	6	0	120	1	52
@MSU	42	22	1	369	3	83
@IOWA						
NW						

2018-MICH	ATT	CMP	INT	YDS	TD	LG
@ND				DNP		
WMU				DNP		
SMU				DNP		
NEB	1	0	1	0	0	0
@NW				DNP		
UMD				DNP		
WIS				DNP		
@MSU				DNP		
PSU				DNP		
@RUT				DNP		
IND				DNP		
@OSU	1	1	0	8	0	8
vs. FLA				DNP		

2017-MICH	ATT	CMP	INT	YDS	TD	LG
vs. FLA				DNP		
CIN				DNP		
AF				DNP		
@PUR	1	1	0	4	0	4
MSU				DNP		
@IND				DNP		
@PSU				DNP		
RUT	14	10	0	124	1	20
MINN	13	8	0	56	1	20
@UMD	18	9	0	145	2	35
@WIS	18	9	0	157	0	48
OSU				DNP		
vs. S.CAR	44	20	2	186	0	27

RUSHING/RECEIVING GAME-BY-GAME

2019	CAR	YDS	TD	LG	REC	YDS	TD	LG
AKRON	6	36	1	20	0	0	0	0
@UConn	6	26	0	13	0	0	0	0
EMU	9	-34	0	16	0	0	0	0
NEB	4	2	1	10	0	0	0	0
@MIN	2	10	0	7	0	0	0	0
MICH				DNP - Injured				
WIS	6	-15	0	13	0	0	0	0
@PUR	12	17	1	10	0	0	0	0
RUT	3	41	0	54	0	0	0	0
@MSU	8	-4	0	11	0	0	0	0
@IOWA								
NW								

2018-MICH	CAR	YDS	TD	LG	REC	YDS	TD	LG
@ND				DNP				
WMU				DNP				
SMU				DNP				
NEB	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
@NW				DNP				
UMD				DNP				
WIS				DNP				
@MSU				DNP				
PSU				DNP				
@RUT				DNP				
IND				DNP				
@OSU	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

vs. FLA DNP

2018-MICH	CAR	YDS	TD	LG	REC	YDS	TD	LG
vs. FLA				DNP				
CIN				DNP				
AF				DNP				
@PUR	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
MSU				DNP				
@IND				DNP				
@PSU				DNP				
RUT	1	-1	0	0	0	0	0	0
MINN	3	-23	0	0	0	0	0	0
@UMD	1	6	0	6	0	0	0	0
@WIS	7	-7	0	4	0	0	0	0
OSU				DNP				
vs. S.CAR	5	-11	0	6	0	0	0	0

74 RICHIE PETITBON

OL, 6-4, 305, SR.
ANNAPOLIS, MD. / GONZAGA COLLEGE HS / U. OF ALABAMA

Pronunciation: PETTY-bone

- » Earned bachelor's degree in communication studies at Alabama in Dec. 2018
- » Currently pursuing a master's degree in sport management at Illinois

2019 Redshirt Senior:

- » Starting right guard
- » Made Illinois debut in the season opener against Akron
- » Immediately eligible as a graduate transfer with one year of eligibility remaining
- » Enrolled at Illinois for spring 2019 semester and participated in 2019 spring practice

13 CALEB REAMS

WR, 6-2, 230, SR.
GURNEE, ILL. / WARREN TOWNSHIP

- » Earned bachelor's degree in community health in May 2019
- » Currently pursuing a master's degree in management

2019 Senior:

- » Two receptions for 31 yards at Michigan State 11/9/19 to help Illinois win 37-34 in the biggest comeback in program history
- » Made season debut in 24-6 win at Purdue 10/26/19 after missing the first seven games with an injury

CAREER HIGHS

Receptions: 3 at Northwestern, 11/24/18
Receiving Yards: 46 at Northwestern, 11/24/18
Long Reception: 21 at Northwestern, 11/24/18
Receiving Touchdowns: 1 vs. Indiana, 11/11/17
All-Purpose Yards: 46 at Northwestern, 11/24/18

RECEIVING STATISTICS

YEAR	G	REC	YDS	TD	LG	REC/G	YDS/G	YDS/G
2016	5	2	9	0	5	0.4	4.5	1.8
2017	11	4	32	1	14	0.4	8.0	2.9
2018	12	5	58	0	21	0.4	11.6	4.8
2019	3	3	32	0	17	1.0	10.7	10.7
TOTAL	31	14	131	1	21	0.5	9.4	4.2

RUSHING/RECEIVING GAME-BY-GAME

2019	CAR	YDS	TD	LG	REC	YDS	TD	LG
AKRON				DNP - Injured				
@UConn				DNP - Injured				
EMU				DNP - Injured				
NEB				DNP - Injured				
@MIN				DNP - Injured				
MICH				DNP - Injured				
WIS				DNP - Injured				
@PUR	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	1
RUT	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
@MSU	0	0	0	0	2	31	0	17
@IOWA								
NW								

2018	CAR	YDS	TD	LG	REC	YDS	TD	LG
KENT ST	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
WIU	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
USF	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

PENN ST	0	0	0	0	2	23	2	17
@RUT	0	0	0	0	2	17	1	11
PUR	0	0	0	0	1	3	0	3
@WIS	0	0	0	0	1	11	0	11
@MD	0	0	0	0	1	14	0	14
MINN	0	0	0	0	4	86	1	67
@NEB	0	0	0	0	5	43	0	13
IOWA	0	0	0	0	3	27	0	16
@NW	0	0	0	0	7	72	1	18

2017	CAR	YDS	TD	LG	REC	YDS	TD	LG
BALL ST	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
WKU	0	0	0	0	2	8	0	9
@USF	0	0	0	0	3	99	0	76
NEB	0	0	0	0	1	10	0	10
@IOWA	0	0	0	0	3	44	0	26
RUT	0	0	0	0	5	111	1	32
@MIN	0	0	0	0	8	71	1	22
WIS	0	0	0	0	1	26	0	26
@PUR	0	0	0	0	2	46	0	42
IND	0	0	0	0	3	73	0	31
@OSU	0	0	0	0	1	7	0	7
NW	0	0	0	0	2	15	0	11

17 KENDALL SMITH

DB, 6-1, 200, JR.
BOLINGBROOK, ILL. / BOLINGBROOK

2019 Junior:

» Back-up defensive back

CAREER HIGHS

Tackles: 3 at Maryland, 10/27/18
Solos: 3 at Maryland, 10/27/18
TFLs: -
Sacks: -
QB Hurries: -
Fumbles Forced: 1 vs. Western Illinois, 9/8/18
Fumbles Recovered: -
PBUs: -
Interception: -
Interception Return Yards: -
Touchdowns: -

DEFENSIVE STATISTICS

YEAR	G	UA	A	TOT	TFL-Yds	PD	FF	FR	BLK	QBH
2017	12	0	1	1	0.0-0	0	0	0	0	0
2018	10	6	4	10	0.0-0	0	1	0	0	0
2019	2	0	0	0	0.0-0	0	0	0	0	0
TOTAL	24	6	5	11	0.0-0	0	1	0	0	0

DEFENSIVE GAME-BY-GAME

2019	UA	AS	TOT	TFL-Yds	QBS-Yds	FF	FR-Yds	INT-Yds	QBH	PBU
AKRON	0	0	0	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
@UCONN					DNP					
EMU					DNP					
NEB					DNP					
@MIN	0	0	0	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
MICH					DNP					
WIS					DNP					
@PUR					DNP					
RUT					DNP					
@MSU					DNP					
@IOWA										
NW										

2018	UA	AS	TOT	TFL-Yds	QBS-Yds	FF	FR-Yds	INT-Yds	QBH	PBU
KENT ST	0	0	0	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
WIU	1	0	1	0.0-0	0.0-0	1	0-0	0-0	0	0
USF	2	0	2	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
PENN ST					DNP - Injured					
@RUT					DNP - Injured					
PUR	0	2	2	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
@WIS	0	0	0	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
@MD	3	0	3	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
MINN	0	1	1	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
@NEB	0	0	0	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
IOWA	0	0	0	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
@NW	0	1	1	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0

2017	UA	AS	TOT	TFL-Yds	QBS-Yds	FF	FR-Yds	INT-Yds	QBH	PBU
BALL ST	0	1	1	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
WKU	0	0	0	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
@USF	0	0	0	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
NEB	0	0	0	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
@IOWA	0	0	0	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
RUT	0	0	0	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
@MIN	0	0	0	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
WIS	0	0	0	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
@PUR	0	0	0	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
IND	0	0	0	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
@OSU	0	0	0	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
NW	0	0	0	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0

6 DOMINIC STAMPLEY

WR, 5-10, 180, JR.
CHAMPAIGN, ILL./CENTENNIAL/COFFEYVILLE CC (KAN.)

2019 Junior:

» Back-up wide receiver

CAREER HIGHS

Carries: 1, three times (last at Wisconsin, 10/20/18)
Rushing Yards: 7 vs. South Florida, 9/15/18
Long Run: 7 vs. South Florida, 9/15/18
Rushing Touchdowns: -
Receptions: 8 vs. Minnesota, 11/3/18
Receiving Yards: 153 at Maryland, 10/27/18
Long Reception: 84 at Maryland, 10/27/18
Receiving Touchdowns: 2 at Maryland, 10/27/18
All-Purpose Yards: 153 at Maryland, 10/27/18

RECEIVING STATISTICS

YEAR	G	REC	YDS	TD	LG	REC/G	YDS/C	YDS/G
2018	12	19	311	2	84	1.6	16.4	25.9
2019	8	9	101	0	27	1.1	11.2	12.6
TOTAL	20	28	412	2	84	1.4	14.7	20.6

RUSHING STATISTICS

YEAR	G	ATT	YDS	TD	LG	AVG/C	AVG/G
2018	12	3	11	0	7	3.7	0.9
2019	8	3	-6	0	3	-2.0	-0.8
TOTAL	20	6	5	0	7	0.8	0.2

RUSHING/RECEIVING GAME-BY-GAME

2019	CAR	YDS	TD	LG	REC	YDS	TD	LG
AKRON	0	0	0	0	2	23	0	13
@UCONN	1	-10	0	0	0	0	0	0
EMU	0	0	0	0	2	36	0	27
NEB	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
@MIN	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
MICH	1	3	0	3	4	28	0	19
WIS	0	0	0	0	1	14	0	14
@PUR					DNP			
RUT	1	1	0	1	0	0	0	0
@MSU					DNP - Injured			
@IOWA								
NW								

2018	CAR	YDS	TD	LG	REC	YDS	TD	LG
KENT ST	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
WIU	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	1
USF	1	7	0	7	0	0	0	0
PENN ST	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
@RUT	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
PUR	1	6	0	6	1	18	0	18
@WIS	1	-2	0	0	0	0	0	0
@MD	0	0	0	0	4	153	2	84
MINN	0	0	0	0	8	65	0	20
@NEB	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
IOWA	0	0	0	0	1	5	0	5
@NW	0	0	0	0	4	69	0	28

56 ETHAN TABEL

LS, 6-0, 215, JR.
BARRINGTON, ILL. / BARRINGTON

Pronunciation: tuh-BELL

2019 Junior:

» Starting long snapper
» Snapped for James McCourt's game-winning 39-yard field goal as time expired vs. No. 6 Wisconsin 10/19/19 to help Illinois win 24-23 and complete one of the biggest upsets in Big Ten history
» Walk-on was awarded a scholarship by coach Lovie Smith at a team meeting on Aug. 26, 2019.

45 KHALAN TOLSON

LB, 6-0, 220, SO.
ST. PETERSBURG, FLA. / ADMIRAL FARRAGUT ACADEMY

Pronunciation: KAY-lahn

2019 Sophomore:

» Plays primarily on special teams

CAREER HIGHS

Tackles: 9 at Michigan State, 11/9/19
Solos: 4 at Michigan State, 11/9/19
TFLs: 0.5 at Michigan State, 11/9/19
Sacks: -

QB Hurries: -

Fumbles Forced: -

Fumbles Recovered: 1 at Michigan State, 11/9/19

PBUs: 1 at Michigan State, 11/9/19

Interception: -

Interception Return Yards: -

Touchdowns: -

DEFENSIVE STATISTICS

YEAR	G	UA	A	TOT	TFL-Yds	PD	FF	FR	BLK	QBH
2018	12	3	2	5	0.0-0	0	0	0	0	0
2019	8	9	5	14	0.5-1	0	0	1	0	1
TOTAL	20	12	7	19	0.5-1	0	0	1	0	1

DEFENSIVE GAME-BY-GAME

2019	UA	AS	TOT	TFL-Yds	QBS-Yds	FF	FR-Yds	INT-Yds	QBH	PBU
AKRON	1	0	1	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
@UCONN	0	0	0	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
EMU					DNP - Injured					
NEB					DNP - Injured					
@MIN	0	0	0	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
MICH	1	0	1	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
WIS	0	0	0	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
@PUR	2	0	2	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
RUT	1	0	1	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
@MSU	4	5	9	0.5-1	0.0-0	0	1-0	0-0	1	0
@IOWA										
NW										

2018	UA	AS	TOT	TFL-Yds	QBS-Yds	FF	FR-Yds	INT-Yds	QBH	PBU
KENT ST	0	0	0	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
WIU	0	1	1	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
USF	0	0	0	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
PENN ST	0	0	0	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
@RUT	0	0	0	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
PUR	0	0	0	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
@WIS	0	1	1	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
@MD	3	0	3	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
MINN	0	0	0	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
@NEB	0	0	0	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
IOWA	0	0	0	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
@NW	0	0	0	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0

83 BOBBY WALKER

TE, 6-4, 240, SR.
GOLF, ILL. / LOYOLA ACADEMY

» 2019 AFCA Good Works Team Nominee

» 2019 Wuerffel Trophy Preseason Watch List

» Earned bachelor's degree in political science in Dec. 2018

» Currently pursuing a master's degree in management

2019 Senior:

» Plays primarily on special teams

CAREER HIGHS

Receptions: 1 vs. Nebraska, 9/29/17
Receiving Yards: 7 vs. Nebraska, 9/29/17
Long

@MD	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
MINN	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
@NEB	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
IOWA	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
@NW	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

2017	CAR	YDS	TD	LG	REC	YDS	TD	LG
BALL ST	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
WKU	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
@USF	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
NEB	0	0	0	0	1	7	0	7
@IOWA	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
RUT	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
@MIN	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
WIS	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
@PUR	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
IND	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
@OSU	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
NW	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

20 NICK WALKER

DB, 5-10, 185, JR.

ST. LOUIS, MO. / MILLER CAREER ACADEMY / CISCO COLLEGE

2019 Junior:

» Back-up cornerback

CAREER HIGHS

Tackles: 2 vs. Iowa, 11/17/18
 Solos: 2 vs. Iowa, 11/17/18

TFLs: -

Sacks: -

QB Hurries: -

Fumbles Forced: -

Fumbles Recovered: -

PBUs: -

Interception: -

Interception Return Yards: -

Touchdowns: -

DEFENSIVE STATISTICS	YEAR	G	UA	A	TOT	TFL	YDS	PD	FF	FR	BLK	QBH
2018	6	3	0	3	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
2019	2	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
TOTAL	8	3	0	3	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

DEFENSIVE GAME-BY-GAME

2019	UA	AS	TOT	TFL-Yds	QBS-Yds	FF	FR-Yds	INT-Yds	QBH	PBU
AKRON	0	0	0	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
@UCONN					DNP					
EMU					DNP					
NEB					DNP					
@MIN	0	0	0	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
MICH					DNP					
WIS					DNP					
@PUR					DNP					
RUT					DNP					
@MSU					DNP					
@IOWA					DNP					
NW					DNP					

2018	UA	AS	TOT	TFL-Yds	QBS-Yds	FF	FR-Yds	INT-Yds	QBH	PBU
KENT ST	1	0	1	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
WIU					DNP					
USF					DNP					
PENN ST					DNP					
@RUT					DNP					
PUR	0	0	0	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
@WIS					DNP					
@MD	0	0	0	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
MINN	0	0	0	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
@NEB					DNP					
IOWA	2	0	2	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
@NW					DNP					

15 DELANO WARE

DB, 6-0, 215, SO.

RICHMOND, CALIF. / EL CERRITO

Pronunciation: dee-LAY-no

2019 Sophomore:

» Back-up safety

CAREER HIGHS

Tackles: 7 at Maryland, 10/27/18
 Solos: 3, three times (last at Maryland, 10/27/18)
 TFLs: 1.0, twice (last at Northwestern, 11/24/18)
 Sacks: 1.0 at Northwestern, 11/24/18
 QB Hurries: 1 at Maryland, 10/27/18
 Fumbles Forced: 1 vs. Eastern Michigan, 9/14/19
 Fumbles Recovered: -

PBUs: 1, twice (last vs. Iowa, 11/17/18)

Interception: 1 vs. Penn State 9/21/18

Interception Return Yards: -

Touchdowns: -

DEFENSIVE STATISTICS

YEAR	G	UA	A	TOT	TFL	YDS	PD	FF	FR	BLK	QBH
2018	11	21	14	35	2.5	16	3	0	0	0	2
2019	6	11	9	20	0.0	0	0	1	0	0	0
TOTAL	17	32	23	55	2.5	16	3	1	0	0	2

INTERCEPTIONS STATISTICS

YEAR	G	INT	YDS	TD	LG	AVG/R	AVG/G
2018	11	1	0	0	0	0.0	0.0
2019	6	0	0	0	0	0.0	0.0
TOTAL	17	1	0	0	0	0.0	0.0

SACKS STATISTICS

YEAR	G	UA	A	TOTAL	YDS
2018	11	1	0	1.0	11
2019	6	0	0	0.0	0
TOTAL	17	1	0	1.0	11

DEFENSIVE GAME-BY-GAME

2019	UA	AS	TOT	TFL-Yds	QBS-Yds	FF	FR-Yds	INT-Yds	QBH	PBU
AKRON	3	1	4	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
@UCONN	0	0	0	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
EMU	4	1	5	0.0-0	0.0-0	1	0-0	0-0	0	0
NEB	1	2	3	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
@MIN	3	3	6	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
MICH					DNP - Injured					
WIS					DNP - Injured					
@PUR					DNP - Injured					
RUT					DNP - Injured					
@MSU	0	2	2	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
@IOWA										
NW										

2018	UA	AS	TOT	TFL-Yds	QBS-Yds	FF	FR-Yds	INT-Yds	QBH	PBU
KENT ST	3	1	4	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	1
WIU					DNP - Injured					
USF	2	0	2	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
PENN ST	1	2	3	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	1-0	0	0
@RUT	3	0	3	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
PUR	1	1	2	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
@WIS	2	0	2	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
@MD	3	4	7	0.5-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	1	0
MINN	2	1	3	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
@NEB	1	2	3	1.0-5	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	1	0
IOWA	0	2	2	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	1
@NW	3	1	4	1.0-11	1.0-11	0	0-0	0-0	0	0

8 CASEY WASHINGTON

WR, 6-2, 190, FR.

ROUND ROCK, TEXAS / PFLUGERVILLE

2019 Freshman:

» 14th true freshman wide receiver in Illinois history to start multiple games
 » One receptions for four yards at Michigan State 11/9/19 to help Illinois win 37-34 in the biggest comeback in program history
 » First career start in 24-6 win at Purdue 10/26/19
 » 18-yard reception on a fourth-quarter touchdown drive vs. No. 6 Wisconsin 10/19/19 to help Illinois win 24-23 and complete one of the biggest upsets in Big Ten history
 » First career catch against No. 16 Michigan 10/12/19

CAREER HIGHS

Carries: -
 Rushing Yards: -
 Long Run: -
 Rush Touchdowns: -
 Receptions: 1, three times (last at Michigan State, 11/9/19)
 Receiving Yards: 20 vs. Michigan, 10/12/19
 Long Reception: -
 Rec. Touchdowns: -
 All-Purpose Yards: 20 vs. Michigan, 10/12/19

RECEIVING STATISTICS

YEAR	G	REC	YDS	TD	LG	REC/G	AVG/C	AVG/G
2019	7	3	42	0	20	0.4	14.0	6.0
TOTAL	7	3	42	0	20	0.4	14.0	6.0

RUSHING/RECEIVING GAME-BY-GAME

2019	CAR	YDS	TD	LG	REC	YDS	TD	LG
AKRON	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
@UCONN	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
EMU					DNP			
NEB					DNP			
@MIN					DNP			
MICH	0	0	0	0	1	20	0	20
WIS	0	0	0	0	1	18	0	18
@PUR	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

RUT	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
@MSU	0	0	0	0	1	4	0	4
@IOWA								
NW								

1 ISIAH WILLIAMS

QB, 5-10, 180, FR.

ST. LOUIS, MO. / TRINITY CATHOLIC

2019 Freshman:

» Made Illinois debut against Nebraska 9/21/19 on two designed quarterback runs

CAREER HIGHS

Attempts: 4 vs. Michigan, 10/12/19

Completions: -

Passing Yards: -

Passing Touchdowns: -

Long Pass: -

Carries: 4 vs. Michigan, 10/12/19

Rushing Yards: 4 vs. Michigan, 10/12/19

Rushing Touchdowns: -

Long Rush: 5 vs. Michigan, 10/12/19

Total Offense: 4 vs. Michigan, 10/12/19

PASSING STATISTICS

YEAR	G	ATT	CMP	INT	YDS	TD	LG	PCT	AVG/P	AVG/G	EFFIC
2019	2	4	0	0	0	0	0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
TOTAL	2	4	0	0	0	0	0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0

RUSHING STATISTICS

YEAR	G	ATT	YDS	TD	LG	AVG/C	AVG/G
2019	2	6	1	0	5	0.2	0.5
TOTAL	2	6	1	0	5	0.2	0.5

PASSING GAME-BY-GAME

2019	ATT	CMP	INT	YDS	TD	LG
AKRON			DNP			
@UCONN			DNP			
EMU			DNP			
NEB	0	0	0	0	0	0
@MIN			DNP - Injured			
MICH	4	0	0	0	0	0
WIS			DNP - Injured			
@PUR			DNP - Injured			
RUT						
@MSU						
@IOWA						
NW						

RUSHING/RECEIVING GAME-BY-GAME

2019	CAR	YDS	TD	LG	REC	YDS	TD	LG
AKRON					DNP			
@UCONN					DNP			
EMU					DNP			
NEB	2	-3	0	0	0	0	0	0
@MIN					DNP - Injured			
MICH	4	4	0	5	0	0		

All-Purpose Yards: 62 at Michigan State, 11/9/19

RECEIVING STATISTICS

YEAR	G	REC	YDS	TD	LG	REC/G	YDS/C	YDS/G
2016	12	0	0	0	0	0.0	0.0	0.0
2017	11	0	0	0	0	0.0	0.0	0.0
2018	12	1	4	0	4	0.1	4.0	0.3
2019	10	9	90	1	33	0.9	10.0	9.0
TOTAL	45	10	94	1	33	0.2	9.4	2.1

KICK RETURN STATISTICS

YEAR	G	NO.	YDS	TD	LG	AVG/R	AVG/G
2016	12	0	0	0	0	0.0	0.0
2017	11	0	0	0	0	0.0	0.0
2018	12	3	53	0	21	17.7	4.4
2019	10	1	20	0	15	20.0	2.0
TOTAL	45	4	73	0	21	18.2	1.6

DEFENSIVE STATISTICS

YEAR	G	UA	A	TOT	TFL	YDS	PD	FF	FR	BLK	QBH
2016	12	3	3	6	1.0	2	1	0	0	0	0
2017	11	4	5	9	0.0	0	1	0	0	0	0
2018	12	1	0	1	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	0
2019	10	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	0
TOTAL	45	8	8	16	1.0	2	2	0	0	0	0

RUSHING/RECEIVING GAME-BY-GAME

2019	CAR	YDS	TD	LG	REC	YDS	TD	LG
AKRON	0	0	0	0	1	9	1	9
@UCONN	0	0	0	0	1	14	0	14
EMU	0	0	0	0	1	2	0	2
NEB	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
@MIN	0	0	0	0	2	10	0	8
MICH	0	0	0	0	1	5	0	5
WIS	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
@PUR	0	0	0	0	1	8	0	8
RUT	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
@MSU	0	0	0	0	2	42	0	33
@IOWA								
NW								

2018	CAR	YDS	TD	LG	REC	YDS	TD	LG
KENT ST	0	0	0	0	1	4	0	4
WIU	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
USF	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
PENN ST	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
@RUT	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
PUR	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
@WIS	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
@MD	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
MINN	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
@NEB	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
IOWA	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
@NW	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

KICK/PUNT RETURN GAME-BY-GAME

2018	KR-YDS	AVG	TD	LG	PR-YDS	AVG	TD	LG
KENT ST	0-0	0.0	0	0	0-0	0.0	0	0
WIU	0-0	0.0	0	0	0-0	0.0	0	0
USF	0-0	0.0	0	0	0-0	0.0	0	0
PENN ST	0-0	0.0	0	0	0-0	0.0	0	0
@RUT	0-0	0.0	0	0	0-0	0.0	0	0
PUR	0-0	0.0	0	0	0-0	0.0	0	0
@WIS	0-0	0.0	0	0	0-0	0.0	0	0
@MD	3-53	17.7	0	21	0-0	0.0	0	0
MINN	0-0	0.0	0	0	0-0	0.0	0	0
@NEB	0-0	0.0	0	0	0-0	0.0	0	0
IOWA	0-0	0.0	0	0	0-0	0.0	0	0
@NW	0-0	0.0	0	0	0-0	0.0	0	0

DEFENSIVE GAME-BY-GAME

2017	UA	AS	TOT	TFL-Yds	QBS-Yds	FF	FR-Yds	INT-Yds	QBH	PBU
BALL ST					DNP					
WKU	0	1	1	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
@USF	0	0	0	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
NEB	0	0	0	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
@IOWA	1	0	1	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	1
RUT	0	0	0	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
@MIN	1	1	2	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
WIS	0	2	2	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
@PUR	1	0	1	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
IND					DNP					
@OSU	0	1	1	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
NW	1	0	1	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0

2016	UA	AS	TOT	TFL-YDS	QBS-YDS	FF	FR-YDS	INT-YDS	QBH	PBU
MUR ST	0	0	0	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
UNC	0	0	0	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
WMU	0	0	0	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
@NEB	0	0	0	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
PUR	0	0	0	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
@RUT	0	0	0	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
@MICH	0	0	0	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
MINN	0	0	0	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
MICH ST	0	0	0	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
@WIS	0	0	0	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
IOWA	3	3	6	1.0-2	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	1
@NW	0	0	0	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0

31 DEVON WITHERSPOON

DB, 6-0, 170, FR.
PENSACOLA, FLA. / PINE FOREST

2019 Freshman:

- » Only true freshman to start a game for Illinois in 2019
- » Chase-down tackle at the goal line in the fourth quarter vs. No. 6 Wisconsin 10/19/19 led to goal-line stop to help Illinois win 24-23 and complete one of the biggest upsets in Big Ten history
- » Joined the Illini during training camp after initially planning to attend Hutchinson Community College (Kan.)

CAREER HIGHS

Tackles: 4 vs. Nebraska, 9/21/19
Solos: 3, twice (last vs. Wisconsin, 10/19/19)
TFLs: -
Sacks: -
QB Hurries: -
Fumbles Forced: -
Fumbles Recovered: -
PBUs: 1, twice (last at Purdue, 10/26/19)
Interception: -
Interception Return Yards: -
Touchdowns: -

DEFENSIVE STATISTICS

YEAR	G	UA	A	TOT	TFL	YDS	PD	FF	FR	BLK	QBH
2019	10	12	8	20	0.0	0	2	0	0	0	0
TOTAL	10	12	8	20	0.0	0	2	0	0	0	0

DEFENSIVE GAME-BY-GAME

2019	UA	AS	TOT	TFL-Yds	QBS-Yds	FF	FR-Yds	INT-Yds	QBH	PBU
AKRON	2	0	2	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	1
@UCONN	0	1	1	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
EMU	3	0	3	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
NEB	0	4	4	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
@MIN	1	1	2	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
MICH	0	0	0	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
WIS	3	0	3	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
@PUR	2	0	2	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	1
RUT	1	0	1	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
@MSU	0	2	2	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
@IOWA										
NW										

91 JAMAL WOODS

DL, 6-2, 290, SO.
HUEYTOWN, ALA. / HUEYTOWN

2019 Sophomore:

- » Part of defensive tackle rotation
- » Three tackles and 1.5 TFLs vs. No. 6 Wisconsin 10/19/19 to help Illinois win 24-23 and complete one of the biggest upsets in Big Ten history
- » First career forced fumble at UConn 9/7/19
- » Missed the Eastern Michigan game 9/14/19 with an injury

CAREER HIGHS

Tackles: 8 vs. Indiana, 11/11/17
Solos: 3, three times (last at Ohio State, 11/18/17)
TFLs: 2.5 vs. Indiana, 11/11/17
Sacks: 1.0 vs. Western Illinois, 9/8/18
QB Hurries: -
Fumbles Forced: 1 at UConn, 9/7/19
Fumbles Recovered: -
PBUs: 2 vs. Western Illinois, 9/8/18
Interception: -
Interception Return Yards: -
Touchdowns: -

DEFENSIVE STATISTICS

YEAR	G	UA	A	TOT	TFL	YDS	PD	FF	FR	BLK	QBH
2017	11	12	12	24	3.5	7	0	0	0	0	0
2018	4	11	2	13	4.0	12	3	0	0	0	1
2019	8	8	4	12	5.5	19	0	1	0	0	0
TOTAL	23	31	18	49	13.0	38	3	1	0	0	1

SACKS STATISTICS

YEAR	G	UA	A	TOTAL	YDS
2017	11	0	0	0.0	0
2018	4	1	0	1.0	2
2019	8	0	1	0.5	3
TOTAL	23	1	1	1.5	5

DEFENSIVE GAME-BY-GAME

2019	UA	AS	TOT	TFL-Yds	QBS-Yds	FF	FR-Yds	INT-Yds	QBH	PBU
AKRON	0	0	0	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
@UCONN	2	2	4	2.0-7	0.5-3	1	0-0	0-0	0	0
EMU										DNP - Injured

NEB	2	0	2	2.0-11	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0 <th>0 </th>	0
@MIN	1	1	2	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
MICH	1	0	1	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
WIS	2	1	3	1.5-1	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
@PUR	0	0	0	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0
RUT										DNP - Injured
@MSU	0	0	0							

The Automated ScoreBook
 Illinois Overall Team Statistics (as of Nov 11, 2019)
 All games



Team Statistics	ILL	OPP
SCORING	307	257
Points Per Game	30.7	25.7
Points Off Turnovers	118	48
FIRST DOWNS	173	215
Rushing	77	104
Passing	82	96
Penalty	14	15
RUSHING YARDAGE	1503	1962
Yards gained rushing	1846	2263
Yards lost rushing	343	301
Rushing Attempts	388	460
Average Per Rush	3.9	4.3
Average Per Game	150.3	196.2
TDs Rushing	17	14
PASSING YARDAGE	1834	2133
Comp-Att-Int	146-270-5	161-279-10
Average Per Pass	6.8	7.6
Average Per Catch	12.6	13.2
Average Per Game	183.4	213.3
TDs Passing	17	16
TOTAL OFFENSE	3337	4095
Total Plays	658	739
Average Per Play	5.1	5.5
Average Per Game	333.7	409.5
KICK RETURNS: #-Yards	23-542	12-207
PUNT RETURNS: #-Yards	18-111	21-158
INT RETURNS: #-Yards	10-212	5-84
KICK RETURN AVERAGE	23.6	17.2
PUNT RETURN AVERAGE	6.2	7.5
INT RETURN AVERAGE	21.2	16.8
FUMBLES-LOST	16-7	22-16
PENALTIES-Yards	68-637	45-367
Average Per Game	63.7	36.7
PUNTS-Yards	65-2878	54-2108
Average Per Punt	44.3	39.0
Net punt average	41.2	35.9
KICKOFFS-Yards	56-3572	54-3162
Average Per Kick	63.8	58.6
Net kick average	42.2	37.9
TIME OF POSSESSION/Game	26:18	33:42
3RD-DOWN Conversions	47/140	53/146
3rd-Down Pct	34%	36%
4TH-DOWN Conversions	4/10	8/13
4th-Down Pct	40%	62%
SACKS BY-Yards	22-115	31-221
MISC YARDS	0	0
TOUCHDOWNS SCORED	40	31
FIELD GOALS-ATTEMPTS	9-13	14-18
ON-SIDE KICKS	0-0	0-0
RED-ZONE SCORES	(23-28) 82%	(32-39) 82%
RED-ZONE TOUCHDOWNS	(21-28) 75%	(21-39) 54%
PAT-ATTEMPTS	(38-39) 97%	(25-27) 93%
ATTENDANCE	220215	184554
Games/Avg Per Game	6/36702	4/46138
Neutral Site Games		0/0

Score by Quarters	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	OT	Total
Illinois	68	83	87	69	0	307
Opponents	72	76	44	65	0	257

The Automated ScoreBook
 Illinois Overall Individual Statistics (as of Nov 11, 2019)
 All games



Rushing	gp	att	gain	loss	net	avg	td	lg	avg/g
Corbin, Reggie	9	116	650	44	606	5.2	6	66	67.3
Brown, Dre	10	83	471	10	461	5.6	4	44	46.1
Bonner, RaVon	9	50	189	6	183	3.7	3	14	20.3
Norwood, Jakari	6	15	95	1	94	6.3	0	50	15.7
Peters, Brandon	9	56	240	171	69	1.2	3	54	7.7
Sims, Kenyon	5	14	52	0	52	3.7	0	9	10.4
Epstein, Mike	1	8	45	0	45	5.6	0	14	45.0
Brown, Chase	4	3	18	0	18	6.0	0	14	4.5
Taylor, Coran	1	2	11	0	11	5.5	0	6	11.0
Lillig, Conner	1	2	8	0	8	4.0	0	8	8.0
Navarro, Donny	10	1	6	0	6	6.0	0	6	0.6
Sidney, Trevon	5	1	2	0	2	2.0	0	2	0.4
Williams, Isaiah	2	6	10	9	1	0.2	0	5	0.5
Hayes, Blake	10	1	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0
Stampley, Dominic	8	3	4	10	-6	-2.0	0	3	-0.8
Robinson, Matt	6	20	45	68	-23	-1.1	1	11	-3.8
Team	6	7	0	24	-24	-3.4	0	0	-4.0
Total	10	388	1846	343	1503	3.9	17	66	150.3
Opponents	10	460	2263	301	1962	4.3	14	64	196.2

Passing	gp	effic	comp-att-int	pct	yds	td	lg	avg/g
Peters, Brandon	9	136.05	114-207-5	55.1	1486	16	83	165.1
Robinson, Matt	6	113.21	32-57-0	56.1	348	1	35	58.0
Williams, Isaiah	2	0.00	0-4-0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0
Washington, Casey	7	0.00	0-1-0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0
Davis, Trenard	2	0.00	0-1-0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0
Total	10	128.21	146-270-5	54.1	1834	17	83	183.4
Opponents	10	133.68	161-279-10	57.7	2133	16	71	213.3

Receiving	gp	no.	yds	avg	td	lg	avg/g
Imatorbhebe, Josh	10	29	598	20.6	9	83	59.8
Smalling, Ricky	7	24	225	9.4	1	26	32.1
Navarro, Donny	10	18	232	12.9	1	48	23.2
Sidney, Trevon	5	16	123	7.7	1	16	24.6
Barker, Daniel	10	14	209	14.9	3	52	20.9
Stampley, Dominic	8	9	101	11.2	0	27	12.6
Williams, Justice	10	9	90	10.0	1	33	9.0
Brown, Dre	10	8	65	8.1	0	15	6.5
Washington, Casey	7	3	42	14.0	0	20	6.0
Reams, Caleb	3	3	32	10.7	0	17	10.7
Corbin, Reggie	9	3	28	9.3	0	23	3.1
Bonner, RaVon	9	2	36	18.0	1	28	4.0
Cumby, Kyron	4	2	31	15.5	0	31	7.8
Holmes, Jordan	9	2	16	8.0	0	10	1.8
Sims, Kenyon	5	2	7	3.5	0	5	1.4
Norwood, Jakari	6	2	-1	-0.5	0	2	-0.2
Total	10	146	1834	12.6	17	83	183.4
Opponents	10	161	2133	13.2	16	71	213.3

Punt Returns	no.	yds	avg	td	lg
Holmes, Jordan	10	73	7.3	0	17
Navarro, Donny	3	20	6.7	0	13
Cumby, Kyron	2	11	5.5	0	6
Sidney, Trevon	2	11	5.5	0	6
Bernat, Nolan	1	-4	-4.0	0	0
Total	18	111	6.2	0	17
Opponents	21	158	7.5	0	21

Interceptions	no.	yds	avg	td	lg
Harding, Dele	3	94	31.3	2	54
Adams, Tony	2	13	6.5	1	13
Brown, Sydney	2	76	38.0	1	76
Green, Stanley	1	0	0.0	0	0
Marchese, Michael	1	29	29.0	0	29
Hansen, Jake	1	0	0.0	0	0
Total	10	212	21.2	4	76
Opponents	5	84	16.8	1	52

Kick Returns	no.	yds	avg	td	lg
Brown, Dre	18	482	26.8	0	68
Sims, Kenyon	1	15	15.0	0	15
Barker, Daniel	1	0	0.0	0	0
Williams, Justice	1	20	20.0	0	15
Brown, Chase	1	15	15.0	0	15
Palmer, Griffin	1	10	10.0	0	10
Total	23	542	23.6	0	68
Opponents	12	207	17.2	0	24

Fumble Returns	no.	yds	avg	td	lg
Martin, Jartavius	2	10	5.0	0	8
Gay, Isaiah	1	6	6.0	0	6
Green, Stanley	1	29	29.0	0	29
Eifler, Milo	1	7	7.0	1	7
Hobbs, Nate	1	36	36.0	1	36
Total	6	88	14.7	2	36
Opponents	2	9	4.5	0	9

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Scoring	td	fg	PAT			dxp	saf	pts
			kick	rush	rcv pass			
McCourt,James	-	9-13	38-39	-	-	-	-	65
Imatorbhebhe, Josh	9	-	-	-	-	-	-	54
Corbin,Reggie	6	-	-	-	-	-	-	36
Brown,Dre	4	-	-	1-1	-	-	-	26
Bonner,RaVon	4	-	-	-	-	-	-	24
Peters,Brandon	3	-	-	-	-	-	-	18
Barker,Daniel	3	-	-	-	-	-	-	18
Harding,Dele	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	12
Robinson,Matt	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	6
Williams, Justice	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	6
Eifler,Milo	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	6
Hobbs,Nate	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	6
Sidney,Trevon	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	6
Smalling,Ricky	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	6
Brown,Sydney	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	6
Adams,Tony	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	6
Navarro,Donny	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	6
Total	40	9-13	38-39	1-1	-	-	-	307
Opponents	31	14-18	25-27	1-2	1	1-2	-	257

Total Offense	g	plays	rush	pass	total	avg/g
Peters,Brandon	9	263	69	1486	1555	172.8
Corbin,Reggie	9	116	606	0	606	67.3
Brown,Dre	10	83	461	0	461	46.1
Robinson,Matt	6	77	-23	348	325	54.2
Bonner,RaVon	9	50	183	0	183	20.3
Norwood,Jakari	6	15	94	0	94	15.7
Sims,Kenyon	5	14	52	0	52	10.4
Epstein,Mike	1	8	45	0	45	45.0
Brown,Chase	4	3	18	0	18	4.5
Taylor,Coran	1	2	11	0	11	11.0
Lillig,Conner	1	2	8	0	8	8.0
Navarro,Donny	10	1	6	0	6	0.6
Sidney,Trevon	5	1	2	0	2	0.4
Williams,Isaiah	2	10	1	0	1	0.5
Stampley, Dominic	8	3	-6	0	-6	-0.8
Team	6	7	-24	0	-24	-4.0
Total	10	658	1503	1834	3337	333.7
Opponents	10	739	1962	2133	4095	409.5

Field Goals	fg	pct.	01-19	20-29	30-39	40-49	50-99	lg	blk
McCourt,James	9-13	69.2	0-0	0-0	3-5	3-5	3-3	57	0

FG Sequence	Illinois	Opponents
Akron	30	(42),43
UConn	(53)	(35),(29),(33)
EMU	(57)	(52),(24)
Nebraska	(47)	27
Minnesota	43,(46)	(28),(27)
Michigan	(50)	34
Wisconsin	40,(39)	(24),(44),37,(20)
Purdue	(38),32	-
Rutgers	(33)	(25)
Michigan State	(40)	(23),(46)

Punting	no.	yds	avg	lg	tb	fc	i20	50+	blk
Hayes,Blake	64	2878	45.0	70	2	11	27	18	1
Team	1	0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total	65	2878	44.3	70	2	11	27	18	1
Opponents	54	2108	39.0	62	3	15	12	3	0

Kickoffs	no.	yds	avg	tb	ob	retn	net	ydln
McCourt,James	56	3572	63.8	40	1			
Total	56	3572	63.8	40	1	17.2	42.2	22
Opponents	54	3162	58.6	23	3	23.6	37.9	27

Numbers in (parentheses) indicate field goal was made.

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All Purpose	g	rush	rcv	pr	kr	ir	total	avg/g
Brown,Dre	10	461	65	0	482	0	1008	100.8
Corbin,Reggie	9	606	28	0	0	0	634	70.4
Imatorbhebhe, J	10	0	598	0	0	0	598	59.8
Navarro,Donny	10	6	232	20	0	0	258	25.8
Smalling,Ricky	7	0	225	0	0	0	225	32.1
Bonner,RaVon	9	183	36	0	0	0	219	24.3
Barker,Daniel	10	0	209	0	0	0	209	20.9
Sidney,Trevon	5	2	123	11	0	0	136	27.2
Williams, Justice	10	0	90	0	20	0	110	11.0
Stampley, Domi	8	-6	101	0	0	0	95	11.9
Harding,Dele	10	0	0	0	0	94	94	9.4
Norwood,Jakari	6	94	-1	0	0	0	93	15.5
Holmes,Jordan	9	0	16	73	0	0	89	9.9
Brown,Sydney	8	0	0	0	0	76	76	9.5
Sims,Kenyon	5	52	7	0	15	0	74	14.8
Peters,Brandon	9	69	0	0	0	0	69	7.7
Epstein,Mike	1	45	0	0	0	0	45	45.0
Washington, Ca	7	0	42	0	0	0	42	6.0
Cumby,Kyron	4	0	31	11	0	0	42	10.5
Brown,Chase	4	18	0	0	15	0	33	8.2
Reams,Caleb	3	0	32	0	0	0	32	10.7
Marchese, Mich	9	0	0	0	0	29	29	3.2
Adams,Tony	9	0	0	0	0	13	13	1.4
Taylor,Coran	1	11	0	0	0	0	11	11.0
Palmer,Griffin	10	0	0	0	10	0	10	1.0
Lillig,Conner	1	8	0	0	0	0	8	8.0
Williams,Isaiah	2	1	0	0	0	0	1	0.5
Bernat,Nolan	10	0	0	-4	0	0	-4	-0.4
Robinson,Matt	6	-23	0	0	0	0	-23	-3.8
Team	6	-24	0	0	0	0	-24	-4.0
Total	10	1503	1834	111	542	212	4202	420.2
Opponents	10	1962	2133	158	207	84	4544	454.4

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##	Defensive Leaders	gp	Tackles				tfl/yds	Sacks	Pass defense			Fumbles		blkd	
			ua	a	tot	no-yds		int-yds	brup	qbh	rcv-yds	ff	kick	saf	
9	Harding,Dele	10	48	72	120	10.5-23	.	3-94	.	2	1-0	3	.	.	
35	Hansen,Jake	9	41	31	72	7.5-38	3.5-27	1-0	.	.	3-0	7	.	.	
30	Brown,Sydney	8	32	32	64	1.5-2	.	2-76	1	.	.	.	.	.
7	Green,Stanley	7	29	21	50	1.0-1	.	1-0	2	.	4-29	2	.	.	
8	Hobbs,Nate	10	30	20	50	4.5-11	.	.	8	.	1-36	.	.	.	
5	Eifler,Milo	10	26	22	48	7.0-19	1.0-2	.	1	.	1-7	.	.	.	
6	Adams,Tony	9	28	10	38	3.0-6	.	2-13	1	.	.	.	.	.
25	Joseph,Kerby	7	13	17	30	1.0-2	.	.	3	.	.	.	.	.
52	Shogbonyo,Ayo	10	16	14	30	8.5-28	1.5-12	.	.	1	.	1	.	.	
55	Milan,Jamal	10	12	17	29	8.5-27	1.0-6	.	1	2	.	.	.	.
47	Betiku,Oluwole	7	16	13	29	11.5-46	8.0-41	.	.	6	2-0	.	.	.	
96	Oliver,Tymir	10	11	10	21	3.5-10	1.5-5	.	2	1	.	.	.	.
31	Witherspoon,Devon	10	12	8	20	.	.	.	2	.	.	.	.	.
15	Ware,Delano	6	11	9	20	.	.	.	.	.	.	1	.	.
21	Martin, Jartavius	9	11	9	20	2.0-6	.	.	.	.	2-10	.	.	.
92	Gay,Isaiah	8	8	10	18	2.0-3	1.0-2	.	2	2	1-6	1	.	.	
99	Carney,Owen	10	6	8	14	2.0-8	2.0-8	.	1	3	.	.	.	.
45	Tolson,Khalan	8	9	5	14	0.5-1	.	.	1	1	1-0	.	.	.	
91	Woods,Jamal	8	8	4	12	5.5-19	0.5-3	.	.	.	.	1	.	.
24	DeGroot,Dawson	10	6	6	12	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
44	Barnes,Tarique	10	6	5	11	.	.	.	.	.	.	1	.	.
95	Jackson,Kenyon	9	2	5	7	0.5-1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
88	Randolph,Keith	4	3	4	7	0.5-2	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
98	Pate,Deon	7	2	5	7	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
42	Marchese, Michael	9	3	2	5	.	.	1-29	.	.	.	.	.	.
40	Cooper,Shammond	3	2	3	5	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
93	Avery,Calvin	9	2	3	5	1.0-4	1.0-4	.	.	.	.	.	1	.
46	McEachern,Alec	10	1	2	3	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
29	Bobak,Christian	10	1	1	2	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
56	Tabel,Ethan	10	1	1	2	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
54	Mondesir,Marc	3	1	1	2	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
19	Campbell, Dalevon	5	1	1	2	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
4	Smalling,Ricky	7	2	.	2	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
28	Bernat,Nolan	10	2	.	2	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
2F	Brown,Dre	10	2	.	2	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
53	Green,Kendrick	10	1	.	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
90	Oladipo,Lere	2	1	.	1	1.0-5	1.0-5	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
32	Brown,Chase	4	.	1	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
Total		10	406	372	778	83-262	22-115	10-212	25	18	16-88	17	1	.	
Opponents		10	374	268	642	67-340	31-221	5-84	49	24	7-9	12	1	.	