

# 2018 FOOTBALL



## 2018 NORTHERN ILLINOIS UNIVERSITY HUSKIES

### 2018 SCHEDULE

Day, Date	Opponent (TV)	Time (CT)
Sat., Sept. 1	at Iowa (BTN)	2:30 p.m.
Sat., Sept. 8	UTAH (ESPNNews)	6:30 p.m.
Sat., Sept. 15	CENTRAL MICHIGAN* (ESPN+)	2:30 p.m.
Sat., Sept. 22	at Florida State	TBA
Sat., Sept. 29	at Eastern Michigan* (ESPN+)	5 p.m.
Sat., Oct. 6	at Ball State*	TBA
Sat., Oct. 13	OHIO* - HC (ESPN Networks)	2:30 p.m.
Sat., Oct. 27	at BYU	TBA
Thu., Nov. 1	at Akron* (ESPNU/CBSSN)	6 p.m.
Wed., Nov. 7	TOLEDO* (ESPN2/ESPNU)	6 or 7 p.m.
Wed., Nov. 14	MIAMI* (ESPN2/ESPNU)	6 or 7 p.m.
Tues., Nov. 20	at Western Michigan (ESPN2/U)	6 p.m.
Fri., Nov. 30	MAC Championship (ESPN2)	6 p.m.

\*Mid-American Conference Game; All Times Central.



Saturday, Sept. 1, 2018 - 2:30 PM CT

Iowa City, Iowa

Kinnick Stadium (70,585)

TV



RADIO



**NIU HUSKIES**

(0-0)

Head Coach: Rod Carey (44-24, Sixth Season)

VS



**IOWA HAWKEYES**

(0-0)

Head Coach: Kirk Ferentz (143-97, 20th Season)

### HUSKIE FOOTBALL FACTS

2017 Record/MAC Record/Finish.....	8-5/6-2/T2nd West
Head Coach.....	Rod Carey
Record at NIU/Years.....	44-24/Five
Career Record/Years.....	44-24/Five
Alma Mater/Year.....	Indiana/1993
Basic Offense/Defense.....	Multiple/4-3
First Year of Football.....	1899
All-Time Record.....	579-488-51
Last Bowl Game.....	2017 Quick Lane Bowl (Detroit)
.....	Duke 36, NIU 14
Bowl Appearances (FBS).....	12
MAC Championship Appearances, Last.....	7, 2015
Letterwinners Returning/Lost.....	54/28
Starters Returning.....	17 (9 offense, 6 defense, 2 specialists)
Starters Lost.....	9 (3 offense, 5 defense, 1 specialist)

### NIU FACTS

Location.....	DeKalb, Illinois
Founded.....	1895
Enrollment.....	19,015
Affiliation.....	NCAA Football Bowl Subdivision
Conference.....	Mid-American (West Division)
Colors.....	Cardinal and Black
Nickname.....	Huskies
Stadium.....	Brigham Field at Huskie Stadium
Surface/Capacity.....	FieldTurf /23,595
Acting President.....	Dr. Lisa Freeman
Assoc. VP/Athletic Director.....	Sean T. Frazier
Alma Mater, Year.....	Alabama '92
Tickets.....	815-753-PACK (7225)

### HUSKIE BITES

- The NIU Huskies open their 116th season of intercollegiate football at Iowa, and play their 50th season as a "major college" (now Football Bowl Subdivision) school.
- The game at Iowa marks the beginning of a NIU non-conference schedule ranked among the toughest in the country in 2018. In addition to Iowa, the Huskies travel to Florida State (Sept. 22) and BYU (Oct. 27) and will host Utah (Sept. 8).
- NIU and Iowa meet for the ninth time, with NIU claiming its first win over the Hawkeyes in the team's last meeting, a 30-27 win in Iowa City in 2013. The Huskies went on to post a 12-0 record in the regular season behind quarterback Jordan Lynch, who finished third in the Heisman Trophy voting that year.
- Head Coach Rod Carey, a Big Ten product (Indiana '93), is 4-1 versus teams from the league in his five seasons leading NIU. Under Carey, The Huskies have wins over Iowa, Purdue, Northwestern and most recently, Nebraska, with the only loss a 20-13 decision at No. 1 Ohio State in 2015.
- Junior defensive end Sutton Smith, who became just the second Consensus All-American in NIU history after leading the country in tackles for loss (29.5) and quarterback sacks (14.0) in 2017, leads a Huskie defense that ranked second nationally in quarterback sacks and led the nation in tackles for loss last season.
- NIU is one of just three teams from a "Group of 5" conference to play in nine bowl games in the last 10 seasons. The Huskies join Boise State and Navy with that distinction.
- In 2017, NIU quarterback Marcus Childers became the first Huskie in 32 years to be named MAC Freshman of the Year. The Georgia native started the final eight games of 2017 and finished with 1,674 passing and 473 rushing yards to break the NIU record for most yards of total offense by a freshman.



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## — WEEKLY MEDIA SCHEDULE —

**MONDAY MAC COACHES' TELECONFERENCE**

- NIU's Rod Carey will be available on the MAC Coaches' Call every Monday from 8:46-8:54 a.m. (CT).
- A replay is available Monday on MAC-sports.com.
- For schedule and media call-in number, contact NIU or the Mid-American Conference.

**NIU WEEKLY PRESS CONFERENCE**

- NIU will host a weekly press conference with Rod Carey and several Huskie players throughout the season.
- **The first press conference will be on Tuesday, Aug. 28,** beginning at 12:30 p.m. CT in the McCareins Auditorium (2nd floor) of the Yordon Center.
- Telephone access is available. Contact NIU for the number.
- Watch the press conference live on Facebook and later on NIUHuskies.com.

**NIU PLAYER & COACH AVAILABILITY**

- Huskie players and coaches are available for interviews after practice on Tuesdays and Wednesdays for all Saturday game weeks.
- Contact the NIU Athletics Communications Office to arrange either in-person or phone interviews.
- Please provide 24-hour notice for phone requests.
- Contact Joe Summins (players) or Donna Turner (coaches) to arrange interviews.

**PRACTICE COVERAGE**

- NIU practices on Tuesdays and Wednesdays, held at Huskie Stadium and/or the Chessick Practice Center, are open to the media.
- Media are asked to remain in the end zone and to inform NIU Athletics Communications in advance if you plan to attend.
- Video shooting times may be limited.

**INFORMATION, VIDEO & PHOTO REQUESTS**

- To be added to the NIU AthComm e-mail distribution list (media only), contact Donna Turner.
- Contact Joe Summins to request photos and/or video.
- Information on all MAC teams, including releases, depth charts and photos, league stats and more are available online at CollegePressBox.com.
- Media should contact the NIU or MAC Office to obtain login information.

**LID LIFTERS:** As a Football Bowl Subdivision (FBS) program, NIU is 18-31 in season-opening games. The Huskies have won three of their last five season openers. NIU lost the first contest of 2017, 23-20, to Boston College at Huskie Stadium and the 2016 season opener at Wyoming, 40-34, in triple overtime. However, the Cardinal & Black defeated UNLV, 38-30, in the 2015 season opener at Huskie Stadium, opened the 2014 season with a 55-3 win over Presbyterian at home, and knocked off Iowa, 30-27, at Kinnick Stadium in 2013.

**HUSKIES-HAWKEYES HISTORY:** Iowa owns an 8-1 record in the all-time series, which dates back to Sept. 20, 1985, and are a 6-1 vs. NIU at Kinnick Stadium. NIU earned its only win in the series when the Huskies defeated Iowa in Iowa City on Aug. 31, 2013.

**FAMILIAR START:** This is the fourth time overall and third time this decade that NIU opens a season against Iowa. The Huskies visited Iowa City Aug. 31 to open the 2013 season and played host to the Hawkeyes in 2012 and 2007 both on Sept. 1 at Soldier Field in Chicago. Iowa won the 2007 meeting, 16-3, and edged the Huskies, 18-17 in 2012.

**WHEN LAST WE MET:** Mathew Sims hit a 36-yard field goal with four seconds left on the clock to give NIU its first victory over Iowa in series history. NIU rallied from a 27-20 deficit heading into the fourth quarter. Sims' field goal came after safety Jimmie Ward intercepted Iowa quarterback Jake Rudock at midfield with 1:24 to play and the game tied 27-27. Quarterback Jordan Lynch threw for 275 yards and three touchdowns on 25-of-41 passing.

**HUSK-EYES:** Six staffers between the two schools share NIU-Iowa ties. Iowa assistant coaches Kelton Copeland (2013-16), Tim Polasek (2013) and Joe Pawlak and head football athletic trainer Kammy Powell (2004-11) worked with the NIU football program during their careers. Pawlak was a three-year starter (2009-11) on the offensive line for the Huskies. Two members of the Huskie operations staff, Dan Wolfe and Aaron Christner, graduated from Iowa in 2009 and 2010, respectively.

**DO I KNOW YOU?:** Five common high schools from four different states are represented by nine players between the two schools. Bettendorf High School boasts the most alums with three. NIU's Cole Webster and Iowa's Mark and Jack Kallenburger played together for the Bulldogs. Adam Buirge of NIU and Iowa's Amani Hooker prepped together at Park Center in Minneapolis, Minn., while Mykelti Williams (NIU) and Julius Brents (Iowa) were at Warren Central together in Indianapolis. NIU's Lance Deveaux Jr. and Iowa's Keyshaun Bryan played together at Fort Lauderdale's St. Thomas Aquinas, while Mitchell Brinkman of NIU and Caleb Shudak of Iowa were teammates at Lewis Central in Council Bluffs, Iowa.

**NIU vs. THE BIG TEN:** The Huskies have enjoyed a run of success versus Big Ten opponents since a 28-21 win at Purdue on Sept. 19, 2009. NIU has won six of its last 10 games against Big Ten foes, including four of its last five. The Huskies improved to 8-36-1 all-time versus teams that currently make up the Big Ten Conference when NIU defeated Nebraska, 21-17, on Sept. 16, 2017. NIU became the first MAC school to defeat two Big Ten teams in one season when the Huskies defeated Iowa (Aug. 31) and Purdue (Sept. 28) in 2013.

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Date	Score	Site	W/L
Sept. 19, 2009	NIU 28, Purdue 21	West Lafayette, Ind.	W
Sept. 18, 2010	NIU 22, Illinois 28	Champaign, Ill.	L
Sept. 26, 2010	NIU 34, Minnesota 23	Minneapolis, Minn.	W
Sept. 17, 2011	No. 7 Wisconsin 49, NIU 7	Chicago, Ill.	L
Sept. 1, 2012	Iowa 18, NIU 17	Chicago, Ill.	L
Aug. 31, 2013	NIU 30, Iowa 27	Iowa City, Iowa	W
Sept. 28, 2013	NIU 55, Purdue 24	West Lafayette, Ind.	W
Sept. 6, 2014	NIU 23, Northwestern 15	Evanston, Ill.	W
Sept. 19, 2015	No. 1 Ohio State 20, NIU 13	Columbus, Ohio	L
Sept. 16, 2017	NIU 21, Nebraska 17	Lincoln, Neb.	W

**NIU ON THE BTN:** NIU's appearance on the Big Ten Network this week is the first for the Huskies since Sept. 6, 2014 when they defeated Northwestern, 23-15. The

Huskies are 4-4 all-time and have won in their last three appearances on the network, dating back to a 34-23 win at Minnesota in 2010.

**CAREY-ING THE BIG TEN:** Of NIU's eight wins over Big Ten schools all-time, four have come under current Huskie head coach Rod Carey. Carey, who played center for Indiana from 1989-93, is 4-1 against the league. He has led NIU to wins over Iowa (2013), Purdue (2013), Northwestern (2014) and Nebraska (2017), with the only loss, a seven-point defeat at No. 1 Ohio State in 2015.

**HUSKIE HEAD MAN RANKINGS:** NIU head coach Rod Carey currently ranks fourth on NIU's all-time coaching list for wins with 44, he needs 20 to pass the next Huskie head man on the list, Joe Novak (1996-2007). George "Chick" Evans (1929-54) is NIU's all-time leader with 132 wins.

**FIRST TIME FOR EVERYTHING:** Rod Carey's first victory as head coach at NIU came on Aug. 31, 2013 when the Huskies defeated Iowa, 30-27. Conversely Iowa head coach Kirk Ferentz's first win at the helm of the Iowa program came Sept. 18, 1999 over NIU, 24-0.

**MOVING UP IN THE MAC:** With 44 wins on his ledger; NIU head coach Rod Carey is four wins away from cracking the Mid-American Conference's Top 20 list for wins by a MAC coach. Terry Hoeppner (Miami, 1999-2004) and Frank Lauterbur (Toledo, 1963-70) are tied at 20 with 48 career wins. Carey's winning percentage of .647 currently ranks 13th and he needs to get to .658 to move into the top 10.

**SCHEDULING CHALLENGES:** In addition to facing one of the toughest non-conference slates in the Football Bowl Subdivision (FBS), the Huskies will face seven bowl teams from last season. Iowa (Aug. 31), Utah (Sept. 8), Central Michigan (Sept. 15), Florida State (Sept. 22), Ohio (Oct. 13), Akron (Nov. 1), Toledo (Nov. 7) and Miami (Nov. 14) all made the postseason last year.

## NIU vs. THE POWER FIVE:

NIU improved to 15-69 versus teams that were in an autonomous conference (ACC, Big Ten, Big 12, SEC & Pac-12) at the time the Huskies played them following its 21-17 victory at Nebraska last year. Of those 15 wins, nine have come in the last 15 years, beginning with NIU's 42-41 victory over Wake Forest on Aug. 29, 2002. The Huskies

have played a team from one of those five conferences in 35 of the last 36 years. NIU did not play a team from an autonomous five conference in 2016.

**MEET THE "NEW" GUYS:** The NIU coaching staff features a trio of newcomers in defensive line coach Walter Stewart, safeties coach Tyler Yelk and running backs coach Jake Landry, who previously served as a graduate assistant at NIU. Dan Sabock adds full-time duties as the Huskies special teams coordinator and linebackers coach Jeff Knowles was promoted to defensive coordinator.

**SCHOOL TIES:** NIU coordinators Mike Uremovich (offense) and Jeff Knowles (defense) went to high school together at Providence Catholic in New Lenox, Ill. The pair were members of the 1994 state championship team and graduated in 1995. This is the third coaching stop the two have had together. Knowles was an assistant

## — FOLLOW THE HUSKIES —

### TV: NIU-IOWA ON BTN

- The NIU-Iowa game is the first of at least six NIU games this season to be nationally televised on a broadcast network.
- The Big Ten Network is available on cable systems throughout the country and on mobile devices via BTN2GO.
- To find the game on your system, go to BTN.com.
- Calling the game for BTN are Joe Beninati (play-by-play), Chuck Long (color analyst) and Ally Sturm (sidelines).

### RADIO: HUSKIE SPORTS NETWORK

- The Huskie Sports Radio Network broadcast for the game at Iowa begins at 2 p.m. CT, 30 minutes before kickoff.
- The game will be carried on NIU network affiliates WLBK AM 1360/FM 98.9 (DeKalb), AM 560 The Answer (Chicago) and Sports Fan Radio AM 1330 (Rockford).
- Hear the broadcast online via NIUTube (subscription), and on mobile devices via TuneIn. Download the app for free and find the NIU Huskies channel.
- Bill Baker begins his 39th season as the radio play-by-play "Voice of the Huskies." Color analyst Mark Lindo joins him for the 33rd season, while Andy Garcia is in his sixth season on the NIU sidelines.

### INSIDE HUSKIE FOOTBALL RADIO SHOW

- Fans are invited to attend the one-hour weekly show every Monday at Noon at Fatty's Pub & Grille in DeKalb (1312 W. Lincoln Hwy), except for Sept. 3 when the Labor Day show will take place at Rosati's Sports Pub DeKalb (930 Pappas Drive).
- Listen live with the TuneIn app; Hear it Monday at 7 p.m. on WLBK AM 1360/FM 98.9 in DeKalb, 8 p.m. Monday on 560 AM The Answer in Chicago and Tuesday at 7 p.m. on SportsFan Radio 1330 AM in Rockford.
- The weekly show features host Bill Baker, NIU Head Coach Rod Carey, Huskie players and special guests.

### NIU WEEKLY RADIO SHOW

- The 30-minute show features interviews with football coach Rod Carey, other NIU head coaches and guests.
- Airs Friday at 10 p.m. CT in Chicago on AM 560 The Answer, Saturday at 9 a.m. on WLBK AM 1360/FM 98.9 in DeKalb and on Sports Fan Radio 1330 in Rockford at 6:30 a.m. Also available on-demand on NIUTube (subscription).
- Andy Garcia and NIU Director of Athletics Sean T. Frazier host.

### NIUTUBE (HUSKIE ALL-ACCESS)

- See weekly and post-game press conferences, video features and Huskie Olympic sports.
- Hear all NIU live radio broadcasts, including football and basketball games and NIU radio shows.
- Purchase a daily, monthly or annual subscription.
- Go to NIUHuskies.com for rates and information.

### GETTING SOCIAL

- Twitter: @NIUAthletics, @NIUScores, @NIU\_Football
- Facebook: NIU Huskies, NIU Football
- Instagram: niuhuskies, niufotball
- YouTube: NIU Athletics
- See NIU Athletics' social media hub online for all the team and staff accounts.

NIU BONEYARD WINS					
Year	Opponent	H/A	Score	Opp Rank	
1983	Kansas	A	37-34	—	
1988	Wisconsin	A	19-17	—	
1989	Kansas State	A	37-20	—	
1990	Kansas State	H	42-35	—	
2002	Wake Forest	H	42-41	—	
2003	Maryland	H	20-13	15	
2003	Alabama	A	19-16	21	
2003	Iowa State	H	24-16	—	
2009	Purdue	A	28-20	—	
2010	Minnesota	A	34-23	—	
2012	Kansas	H	30-23	—	
2013	Iowa	A	30-27	—	
2013	Purdue	A	55-24	—	
2014	Northwestern	A	23-15	—	
2017	Nebraska	A	21-17	—	



## 2017 TEAM STATS COMPARISON

Huskies	Category	Hawkeyes
28.9	Points/G	28.2
50 (18-25)	TDs (Rush-Pass)	48 (17-27)
263	First Downs	226
377.8	Total Yards/G	329.5
177.8	Rush Yards/G	139.2
199.9	Pass Yards/G	190.2
24	Turnovers Lost	19
28:35	Time of Possession/G	30:10
39% (80-204)	3rd Down Conversions	34% (62-180)
29% (5-17)	4th Down Conversions	64% (14-22)
37.0	Net Punting Avg.	36.9
21.3	Kickoff Return Avg.	24.4
5.0	Punt Return Avg.	6.2
80-55.5	Penalties-Yards/G	66-41.1
80% (36-45)	Red Zone Scores	(39-49) 80%
62% (28-45)	Red Zone TDs	(32-49) 65%
22.0	Points Allowed/G	19.9
33 (14-16)	TDs Allowed (Rush-Pass)	36 (20-16)
221	First Downs Allowed	244
338.5	Total Yards/G Allowed	357.5
120.0	Rush Yards/G Allowed	144.6
218.5	Pass Yards/G Allowed	212.8
30% (67-220)	3rd Down Conv. Allowed	35% (65-188)
56% (10-18)	4th Down Conv. Allowed	48% (12-25)
22	Turnovers Gained	26

## BY THE NUMBERS

- .800 Winning percentage versus Big Ten teams by NIU Head Coach Rod Carey (4-1)
- 1 NIU's preseason MAC West place prediction
- 3 Iowans on the 2018 Huskie roster
- 7 Non-offensive touchdowns scored by NIU in 2017
- 8 College graduates on the Huskies' 2018 roster
- 18 Seniors on the Huskies' 2018 roster
- 31.5 Career tackles for loss by Sutton Smith
- 39 Consecutive games started by OT Max Scharping, every game since 2015 season opener
- 50 Seasons as an FBS program for NIU
- 111 Combined starts by NIU's five returning starters on the offensive line
- 60.9 Percent of total points NIU scored in the first half of its games last year
- 70 Career-long punt by sophomore Matt Ference
- 84 Graduation Success Rate of the NIU Football team, tied for 20th in the FBS in 2017
- 226 Career points scored at Cincinnati by grad transfer kicker Andrew Gantz
- 1,118 All-time games played
- 2,147 Total offense yards by freshman Marcus Childers in 2017, an NIU rookie record

## ON THE WATCH

Four 2018 Huskies have been named to one or more of the Watch Lists, or have been nominated, for a national college football award.

Sutton Smith, DE, Jr.	Ted Hendricks Award
.....	Bronko Nagurski Award
.....	Chuck Bednarik Award
.....	Lott IMPACT Trophy Nominee
Max Scharping, LT, Sr.	Outland Trophy
.....	Wuerffel Trophy
Luke Shively, C, Sr.	Rimington Trophy
Matt Ference, P, Soph.	Ray Guy Award Nominee

on Uremovich's staff at St. Francis (Ill.) from 2008-11 before joining the N.C. State staff in 2014 where Uremovich was the offensive line coach.

**POINT TAKEN:** NIU received one vote in the Preseason Amway Coaches Poll. The Huskies are the only team from the MAC to receive points and are tied for 51st. The last time NIU received votes in the preseason was 2016 when the Huskies were tied for 49th with one point.

**SUNSHINE STATERS:** The 2017 Huskie roster includes eight players from the state of Florida. Freshman Kewan Parker and graduate transfer Rod Alexander join six returning Florida Huskies – redshirt senior Albert Smalls, redshirt juniors Antonio Davis-Jones and Trequan Smith, junior Lance Deveaux and redshirt freshmen Jalen McKie and Dennis Robinson. The eight – all from the southeast coast of the state – represent eight different Florida high schools. The Huskies travel to the "Sunshine State" Sept. 22 to take on Florida State.

Rod Alexander	Sr.-R	WR	Miramar, Fla. (Everglades)
Lance Deveaux, Jr.	Jr.	LB	Pompano Beach (St. Thomas Aquinas)
Antonio Jones-Davis	Jr.-R	LB	Vero Beach (Vero Beach)
Jalen McKie	Fr.-R	CB	Ft. Lauderdale (Waukegan)
Kewan Parker	Fr.	LB	Miami, Fla. (Carol City)
Dennis Robinson	Fr.-R	WR	Hollywood, Fla. (South Broward)
Albert Smalls	Sr.-R	CB	Miramar (Monsignor Pace)
Trequan Smith	Jr.-R	S	Boynton Beach (Boynton Beach)

**DEGREES IN HAND:** Seven players on the NIU roster are college graduates. Five have earned their degrees from NIU, while two came to DeKalb as graduate transfers.

Andrew Gantz	K	Sport Administration	Cincinnati
Ryan Graham	QB	Leadership and Management	NIU
Ty Harmston	TE	Biology	NIU
Max Scharping	LT	Kinesiology	NIU
Luke Shively	C	Chemistry-Biochemistry	NIU
Albert Smalls	CB	Kinesiology	NIU
Jaden Huff	LB	Finance	St. Cloud State

**GETTING A FAST START:** NIU outscored its opponents in every quarter last year, except the third. The Huskies' best quarter was the first as NIU outscored their opponents, 115-65. The Huskies were equally effective in the second, outscoring the opposition, 114-76. NIU scored 60 percent of its points in the first half a year ago.

**WORKING ON THE LINE:** The Huskies return every player who started a game on its offensive line a year ago, led by Academic All-American tackle Max Scharping who has started a team-leading 39 consecutive games, every game of his NIU career. Scharping is a two-time All-MAC selection. NIU's returning offensive linemen have combined to make 111 starts over the last three seasons with seniors Scharping (39) and Luke Shively (25) and junior Jordan Steckler (24) leading the way.

## HUSKIES IN THE PROS

As of August 27, 2018, eight Huskies are on NFL rosters with three more active in the Canadian Football League. Now in his sixth year in the league, Melvin is the veteran of the NFL group, while Stephen is in his sixth season in the CFL.

### National Football League

Oakland Raiders	.....	Rashaan Melvin (CB)
New Orleans Saints	.....	Tommy Lee Lewis (WR)
San Francisco 49ers	.....	Jimmie Ward (S)
Detroit Lions	.....	Kenny Golladay (WR)
Tennessee Titans	.....	Tim Semisch (TE)
Green Bay Packers	.....	Joel Bouagnon (RB)
Minnesota Vikings	.....	Chad Beebe (WR)
Atlanta Falcons	.....	Christian Blake (WR)

### Canadian Football League

Calgary Stampeders	.....	Juwan Brescacin (WR)
Hamilton Tiger-Cats	.....	Courtney Stephen (S)
Toronto Argonauts	.....	Ken Bishop (DT)



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**RUNNING TO WINS:** Last season, NIU went 5-0 when running for more than 200 yards in a game and went 3-5 when they did not make the 200 mark. The Huskies have also won nine of their last 10 games when hitting that number.

**ALL-AMERICAN ATTENTION:** In addition to being named to numerous preseason watch lists, NIU left tackle Max Scharping and defensive end Sutton Smith have also garnered preseason All-American honors. Last season, Smith became NIU's first consensus All-American since LeShon Johnson in 1993.

	<b>Sutton Smith</b>	<b>Max Scharping</b>
<b>USA Today</b>	Second Team	Second Team
<b>Athlon</b>	Second Team	Fourth Team
<b>The Athletic</b>	Second Team	
<b>Sporting News</b>	Second Team	
<b>Phil Steele</b>	Fourth Team	

**SCORE ONE FOR THE DEFENSE:** In addition to holding opponents to a school record 120 yards rushing per game, the Huskie defense accounted for five touchdowns on three interception and two fumble returns (both by Sutton Smith), while NIU special teams scored twice on blocked punt returns.

**LEADER OF THE MAC:** Sutton Smith was part of a Huskie defense that led the MAC in total defense, scoring defense and first downs defense, ranked second nationally in quarterback sacks and led the nation in tackles for loss a year ago. NIU returns six members of that starting unit and 25 defensive letterwinners in all. It was the first time since 2008 NIU led the league in total defense.

**SCORE ONE FOR THE DEFENSE:** Smith led the nation in quarterback sacks last season with 14. The Huskies had 14 other defenders tally a sack in 2017, eight of whom return for NIU in 2018 – Drequan Brown, Josh Corcoran, Trayshon Foster, Antonio Jones-Davis, Weston Kramer, Ben LeRoy, Devin Webster and Quintin Wynne.

**CLIMBING THE CHARTS:** Smith moved into the top 10 on NIU's all-time list for quarterback sacks and tackles for loss in a career. The Huskie junior has 15 career sacks and 31.5 career tackles for loss. Huskie great Larry English leads both categories with 31.5 sacks and 63 tackles for loss.

**JUST FOR KICKS:** Graduate transfer Andrew Gantz will handle the kicking duties for the Huskies this season. Gantz came to NIU as a grad transfer after spending four years as a Cincinnati Bearcat. He made 39-of-50 field goals during his 29-game career at Cincinnati, including a career long 51-yarder and was twice named All-American Athletic Conference.

**HONORING A LEGEND:** NIU and Miami (Ohio) announced that the teams will now play for The Mallory Cup, in honor of the late Bill Mallory, who coached both teams to MAC Championships during a hall of fame career. Mallory is the only man to lead two league programs to MAC titles. The first Mallory Cup game will be November 14, 2018 at Huskie Stadium.

**MAC PRESEASON POLLS:** NIU was picked to finish first in the MAC West Division in 2018 by both the MAC media and MAC Coaches. The Huskies edged out Toledo by one point in the Coaches Poll and by eight in the Media Poll. Ohio was picked to win the East in both polls. This is the first time in the five years the MAC has had a Media and Coaches Poll that the Huskies were picked to win the West in both polls. The coaches picked the Huskies as the top team in the division for the third time overall.

Since 2003, NIU has been one of the most successful Football Bowl Subdivision (FBS) schools in the country. The Huskies have amassed six 10-win seasons, including two 12-2 campaigns.

### Since 2003

1.	Boise State	166-31-0	.843
2.	Ohio State	164-32-0	.837
3.	Oklahoma	159-41-0	.795
4.	Alabama	158-44-0	.782
5.	USC	153-44-0	.777
6.	LSU	151-44-0	.774
7.	TCU	144-47-0	.754
8.	Wisconsin	148-51-0	.744
9.	Georgia	146-53-0	.734
10.	Clemson	145-54-0	.729
11.	Florida St	142-56-0	.717
	Oregon	139-55-0	.717
13.	Virginia Tech	140-60-0	.700
14.	Utah	132-58-0	.695
15.	Texas	132-60-0	.688
16.	Florida	132-61-0	.684
17.	Auburn	133-62-0	.682
18.	Oklahoma St	130-62-0	.677
19.	Louisville	127-62-0	.672
	W. Virginia	129-63-0	.672
21.	Penn State	125-65-0	.658
22.	Navy	127-68-0	.651
23.	<b>NIU</b>	<b>126-70-0</b>	<b>.643</b>
24.	BYU	121-70-0	.633
25.	Michigan St	122-71-0	.632

### Since 2010

1.	Alabama	99-12-0	.892
2.	Ohio State	91-16-0	.850
3.	Clemson	89-21-0	.809
4.	Boise State	85-21-0	.802
5.	Oklahoma	85-21-0	.802
6.	Stanford	85-23-0	.787
7.	Florida St	85-23-0	.787
8.	Wisconsin	84-25-0	.771
9.	LSU	78-25-0	.757
10.	Oregon	80-26-0	.755
11.	Oklahoma St	78-26-0	.750
12.	Michigan St	78-28-0	.736
13.	TCU	75-29-0	.721
14.	<b>NIU</b>	<b>78-31-0</b>	<b>.716</b>
15.	Georgia	77-31-0	.713

## MAC PRESEASON POLLS

MEDIA		COACHES	
WEST		WEST	
Team (First Place Votes)	Pts.	Team (First Place Votes)	Pts.
1. NIU (15)	133	1. NIU (5)	61
2. Toledo (7)	125	2. Toledo (3)	60
3. Western Michigan (1)	87	3. Western Michigan (1)	45
4. Eastern Michigan	67	4. Eastern Michigan (1)	35
5. Central Michigan	58	5. Central Michigan (1)	33
6. Ball State	34	6. Ball State (1)	18
EAST		EAST	
Team (First Place Votes)	Pts.	Team (First Place Votes)	Pts.
1. Ohio (21)	140	1. Ohio (10)	70
2. Buffalo (1)	112	2. Buffalo (2)	59
3. Miami (2)	95	3. Miami	42
4. Akron	74	4. Akron	36
5. Bowling Green	58	5. Bowling Green	29
6. Kent State	25	6. Kent State	16

## CAREER GAMES PLAYED/STARTED

Name, Pos.	Class	GP	GS
Mitchell Brinkman, TE	Jr.	21	7
Dale Brown, OL/TE	Sr.-R	25	-
D.J. Brown, WR	Sr.	38	9
Drequan Brown, DE	Sr.-R	12	-
Adam Buirge, S	Jr.-R	22	-
Marcus Childers, QB	So.-R	12	8
Josh Corcoran, DE	Sr.	36	16
Jaquis Covington, DB	Jr.-R	1	-
Daniel Crawford, TE	Jr.-R	23	3
Lance Deveaux Jr., LB	Jr.	20	2
Jalen Embry, CB	Sr.-R	13	1
Matt Ference, P	So.	13	-
Trayshon Foster, S	Jr.-R	24	2
Ryan Graham, QB	Sr.-R	19	9
Andrew Gregory, LB	So.-R	2	-
Ezekiel Gueths, OL	So.-R	2	-
Tre Harbison, RB	So.-R	10	1
Ty Harmston, TE	Sr.-R	21	-
Isaac Hawn, OL	So.	12	4
Jack Heflin, DT	So.-R	13	13
Vince Hughes, DL	Jr.-R	3	-
Tifonte Hunt, CB	Sr.-R	18	-
Marcus Jones, TB	Jr.-R	26	3
Antonio Jones-Davis, LB	Jr.-R	21	-
Marcus Kelly, DT	Jr.-R	9	-
Weston Kramer, DT	So.	13	-
Ben LeRoy, DT	Jr.	20	12
Corey Lersch, LB	So.-R	2	-
Matt Lorbeck, DE	So.	12	-
Benn Olson, OL	So.-R	4	1
Brayden Patton, OL	So.-R	3	-
Kyle Pugh, LB	Jr.-R	14	4
Ryan Roberts, OL	Jr.-R	25	8
Hayden Sak, LS	Sr.	37	-
Max Scharping, OL	Sr.-R	39	39
Luke Shively, OL	Sr.-R	32	25
Albert Smalls, CB	Sr.-R	42	24
Sutton Smith, LB	Jr.-R	25	13
Trequan Smith, S	Jr.-R	11	6
Jordan Steckler, OL	Jr.-R	25	21
Spencer Tears, WR	Jr.-R	24	12
Anthony Thompson, QB	So.-R	1	-
Maximilian Thrower, TE	So.-R	1	-
Maalik Todd, CB	Sr.-R	4	-
Nathan Velloz, OL	Jr.-R	15	13
Austin Warner, OL	So.-R	3	-
Devin Webster, DT	Sr.	11	1
Jauan Wesley, WR	Sr.-R	12	-
Mykelti Williams, S	Jr.-R	13	13
Quintin Wynne, DL	Jr.-R	21	1



## NIU HEAD COACH ROD CAREY



In five-plus years leading the NIU football program, Head Coach Rod Carey has seen the Huskies achieve at the highest levels both athletically and academically, while ensuring that NIU's long-standing winning tradition continues.

Carey's 44-24 record as NIU's head coach and .647 winning percentage rank the Midwest native among the very best to ever lead the Huskie program. He already ranks fourth on NIU's all-time wins list both in wins and winning percentage.

Carey also is already climbing the Mid-American Conference coaching charts as his win percentage puts him in the all-time Top 15 in the league. With a 32-8 record – good for a .800 winning percentage – in MAC games, Carey climbed into the all-time Top 20 for league wins in 2017, and he is two wins from moving into the Top 25 for all wins.

Under Carey, NIU has claimed three MAC West titles and won the 2014 MAC Championship. Overall, the Huskies have played in the league title game five times, with three wins, since Carey arrived in DeKalb as NIU's offensive coordinator in 2011. He also was a part of five of NIU's MAC-record eight consecutive bowl appearances between 2008-15.

After NIU's historic win over Nebraska in 2017, Carey-led Huskie teams are 4-1 versus teams from the Big Ten Conference. NIU posted a perfect 12-0 regular season record in 2013 behind quarterback Jordan Lynch, who Carey helped develop into the first Heisman Trophy finalist in NIU and MAC history. The Huskies spent 12 weeks in the Top 25 rankings and Carey was named the MAC Coach of the Year, and was a semifinalist for the Maxwell Football Club Coach of the Year Award.

With the addition of defensive end Sutton Smith, who in 2017 became just the second Huskie ever named a consensus All-American, Carey has coached seven NIU players to All-America honors. Five Huskies have been drafted, including wide receiver Kenny Golladay, the record-setting receiver who was a third-round selection of the Detroit Lions in 2017. In all, 16 Huskies who played for Carey at NIU have gone on to play professionally, including San Francisco 49ers first round draft pick Jimmie Ward in 2014 and New Orleans' Saints receiver Tommylee Lewis.

Over a four-month period in the fall of 2012, Rod Carey went from coaching NIU's offensive line, to offensive coordinator of one of the most explosive offenses in the country, to head coach of the first Mid-American Conference team to play in a Bowl Championship Series (BCS) bowl game.

Carey's promotion to head coach was announced on December 2, 2012, just minutes before NIU earned a historic bid to face Florida State in the 2013 Discover Orange Bowl. NIU became the first MAC team to play in a BCS game.

Carey joined the Huskies in 2011 after three seasons coaching the offensive line at the University of North Dakota. Prior to going to North Dakota, Carey spent the 2007 season as the offensive line coach at Illinois State. From 2000-06, Carey served on the coaching staff at the University of Wisconsin-Stout, where he was the offensive coordinator and offensive line coach. In all, Carey coached 26 all-conference selections and seven All-Americans during his time at UW-Stout.

Carey began his collegiate coaching career at Minnesota (1998-99).

## 2018 HUSKIE COACHING STAFF

Off.Coord./Asst. HC/TEs/FBs .....	Mike Uremovich .....	Coaches' Booth
Defensive Coord./Linebackers.....	Jeff Knowles .....	Coaches' Booth
Quarterbacks .....	Craig Harmon.....	Coaches' Booth
Offensive Line/Run Game Coord. ....	Joe Tripodi.....	Field
Defensive Line.....	Walter Stewart* .....	Field
Safeties.....	Tyler Yelk*.....	Field
Running Backs.....	Jake Landry* .....	Field
Wide Receivers.....	Steve Crutchley .....	Field
Cornerbacks .....	Melvin Rice .....	Field
Special Teams .....	Dan Sabock.....	Field
Director of Sports Performance.....	Brad Ohrt.....	Field

#New to NIU staff in 2017



## IOWA HAWKEYES

2017 Record .....	8-5
Big Ten Record/Finish .....	4-5/T3rd in West Division
Head Coach (Alma Mater/Year) .....	Kirk Ferentz (University of Connecticut/1978)
Record at Iowa /Years .....	143-97/19
Career Record/Years .....	155-118/22
Location .....	Iowa City, Iowa.
Enrollment .....	33,564
Conference .....	Big Ten (West Division)
Colors .....	Gold and Black
Stadium .....	Kinnick Stadium
Surface/Capacity .....	Field Turf /70,585
President .....	Bruce Harrelld
Athletic Director .....	Gary Barta
Athletics Website .....	www.hawkeyesports.com
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## 2018 IOWA SCHEDULE

Day, Date	Opponent (TV)	Time (CT)
Sat., Sept. 1	NIU (BTN)	2:30 p.m.
Sat., Sept. 8	IOWA STATE (FOX)	4 p.m.
Sat., Sept. 15	NORTHERN IOWA (BTN)	6:30 p.m.
Sat., Sept. 22	WISCONSIN*	TBD
Sat., Oct. 6	at Minnesota*	2:30 or 3 p.m.
Sat., Oct. 13	at Indiana* (ABC/ESPN/ESPN2)	11 a.m.
Sat., Oct. 20	MARYLAND*	11 a.m.
Sat., Oct. 27	at Penn State*	TBA
Sat., Nov. 3	at Purdue*	TBA
Sat., Nov. 10	NORTHWESTERN*	TBD
Sat., Nov. 17	at Illinois*	TBD
Fri., Nov. 23	NEBRASKA* (FOX)	11 a.m.

\*Big Ten Conference Game

## NIU-IOWA SERIES HISTORY

Overall .....	Iowa leads 8-1
In Chicago .....	Iowa leads 2-0
In Iowa City .....	Iowa leads 6-1
Streak .....	NIU, 1
First Meeting .....	September 20, 1985: Iowa 48, NIU 20 (A)
Last Meeting .....	August 31, 2013: NIU 30, Iowa 27 (A)
Series History .....	
1985: Iowa 48, NIU 20 (A)	2006: Iowa 24, NIU 14 (A)
1986: Iowa 57, NIU 3 (A)	2007: Iowa 16, NIU 3 (N)
1991: Iowa 58, NIU 7 (A)	2012: Iowa 18, NIU 17 (N)
1993: Iowa 54, NIU 20 (A)	2013: NIU 30, Iowa 27 (A)
1999: Iowa 24, NIU 0 (A)	

## THE LAST MEETING

## NIU 30, Iowa 27

Aug. 31, 2013

Iowa City, Iowa | Kinnick Stadium | 67,402

Northern Illinois kicker Mathew Sims made a 36-yard field goal with four seconds on the clock to give the Huskies a 30-27 season-opening win over the Iowa Hawkeyes at Kinnick Stadium.

The kick gave NIU its first win over the Hawkeyes in nine tries, and it came in comeback fashion as Northern Illinois trailed throughout much of the second half, and faced a 27-20 deficit to start the fourth quarter.

Sims' field goal came after safety Jimmie Ward intercepted Iowa quarterback Jake Rudock on the 50-yard line with 1:24 to play and the game tied 27-27. Ward, who was playing with a cast on his left hand, returned the ball to the 30-yard line. From there, two runs took the ball to the 19 and after a timeout, Sims was true on his third field goal of the game.

The NIU defense gave up just 156 yards in the second half. Iowa scored only a 44-yard field goal by Mike Meyer, which gave UI a 27-20 lead with 6:42 to play.

NIU quarterback Jordan Lynch, bottled up on the ground all day, went to the air. He engineered a six-play, 75-yard drive that took just 1:37, hitting Angelo Sebastiano for 27 yards to start the drive. After three completions to the Iowa 33, Lynch found Da'Ron Brown in the corner of the end zone. With 5:05 to play, the game was tied 27-27. Brown caught five passes for 92 yards to lead NIU, while Sebastiano added five catches for 69 yards and Tommylee Lewis had five grabs for 82 yards.

Iowa got the ball back and advanced to the Huskie 48-yard line, but was forced to punt and after NIU went three and out from its 18-yard line and punted, Ward's heroics gave the Huskies another chance.

Northern Illinois scored the first 10 points of the game. Sims opened the scoring with a 47-yard field goal at 7:33 in the first quarter, and Lynch hit Lewis with a 40-yard score.

Iowa scored a defensive touchdown as Christian Kirksey picked up a Huskie fumble and brought it back 52 yards, cutting NIU's lead to 10-7 at the end of the first quarter.

Iowa put 17 points on the board in the second quarter, beginning with a 28-yard field goal by Meyer. After NIU was forced to punt, the Hawkeyes used a 53-yard pass on a flea-flicker from Rudock to Jordan Cotton to the NIU 12. Rudock hit tight end C.J. Fiedorowicz from 11 yards out for Iowa's first lead, 17-10.

The Huskies tied it at on their next drive when Lynch hit Lewis from 21 yards out, but Iowa responded again and went into halftime with a 24-17 lead.

SCORING BY QUARTERS	1	2	3	4	Total
NIU	10	7	3	10	30
IOWA	7	17	0	3	27

## SCORING SUMMARY

NIU - Sims 47 FG, 1st 7:33 (5-23, 1:45)
NIU - Lewis 40 pass from Lynch (Sims kick), 1st 3:47 (4-50, 1:37)
IOWA - Kirksey 52 fumble (Meyer kick), 1st 0:27
IOWA - Meyer 28 FG, 2nd 8:24 (13-55, 5:47)
IOWA - Fiedorowicz 11 pass from Rudock (Meyer kick), 2nd 6:32 (4-65, 1:04)
NIU - Lewis 21 pass from Lynch (Sims kick), 2nd 3:49 (8-75, 2:43)
IOWA - Rudock 6 run (Meyer kick) 2nd 0:53 (9-75, 2:56)
NIU - Sims 25 FG, 3rd 1:13 (8-44, 2:49)
IOWA - Meyer 44 FG, 4th 6:42 (10-44, 3:25)
NIU - Brown 33 pass from Lynch (Sims kick) 4th 5:05 (6-75, 1:37)
NIU - Sims 36 FG, 4th 0:04 (3-11, 1:13)

## Team &amp; Individual Statistics

NIU	IOWA
First Downs (R-P)	20 (10-10).....24 (10-12)
Rushes-Net Yards	42-163.....43-202
Passing Yards	275.....256
Passes (C-A-I)	25-41-0.....21-37-2
Plays-Total Yards	83-438.....80-458
Fumbles-Lost	2-1.....1-1
Penalties-Yards	8-64.....6-35
Kickoff Returns-Yds	1-20.....6-80
Punt Returns-Yds	3-6.....2-24
3rd Down Conversions	7-20.....7-17
4th Down Conversions	2-3.....0-1
Punts-Average	8-42.6.....7-36.7
Possession Time	29:20.....30:40
Sacks By-Yards	0-0.....0-0

**Rushing** - NIU: Lynch 22-54, Wedel 1-42, Stingily 12-42, Harris 5-30, Lewis 1-4, Team 1-(-11).  
IOWA: Weisman 20-100, Bullock 17-76, Rudock 4-20, Canzeri 2-6.

**Passing** - NIU: Lynch 25-41-0, 275. IOWA: Rudock 21-37-2, 256.

**Receiving** - NIU: Brown 7-92, Lewis 5-82, Sebastiano 5-69, Brinlee 4-16, Brescain 1-10, Turner 1-3, Maxwell 1-2, Eakes 1-1. IOWA: Martin-Manley 9-79, Cotton 2-58, Shumpert 2-40, Fiedorowicz 2-15, Hillyer 2-12, Powell 1-49, Tavaun 1-3, McCarron 1-0, Bullock 1-0.

**Tackles** - NIU: Ward 13, Bass 10. IOWA: Kirksey 14, Hitchens 13.



## 15 SUTTON SMITH

**Defensive End | 6-1 | 237 | Jr.-R**  
**Saint Charles, Mo. | Francis Howell HS**

- Preseason All-American by Athlon (2nd team), The Sporting News (2nd team), The Athletic (2nd team) and USA Today (2nd team).

Also named to the Ted Hendricks Award, Chuck Bednarik Award, Bronko Nagurski Trophy Watch Lists and is a nominee for the Lott IMPACT Trophy.

### 2017

- NIU's second all-time Consensus All-American was named to 11 different All-America teams, was a finalist for the Ted Hendricks Award and was named MAC Defensive Player of the Year.
- Broke the NIU records for sacks and tackles for loss in a season and scored twice on fumble returns.
- Led the nation in tackles for loss (2.3/game), ranked third in sacks (1.08/game) and fourth in fumbles recovered and forced.
- Nearly half (29.5) of his 63 total tackles on the season went for loss.
- Wrecked havoc at Nebraska (9-16) with 3.5 TFLs, two sacks, a pass break-up and six tackles.
- Tallied five tackles for minus 23 yards, a sack and six stops versus Boston College (9-1).
- Made 5.5 tackles for loss and scored his second fumble return TD of 2017 versus Western Michigan (11-15) with a 58-yard score.
- Earned MAC West Defensive Player of the Week honors for the third time after previously earning the honor versus Eastern Michigan (10-26) and Kent State (10-7).
- Registered at least one TFL in 12 of 13 NIU games.
- Made three TFLs vs. Eastern Michigan with a sack, six stops.
- Scored on a strip, steal and 16-yard score at Bowling Green (10-21).
- Forced three fumbles (vs. EIU, Buffalo, BG).
- Made a career-high 10 stops to go with four TFLs and three sacks vs. Kent State.

### 2016

- Made 15 tackles on the season with six solo tackles, nine assists, a sack and two tackles for a loss.
- Recorded his only sack of the season at Western Michigan (10-8) where he also had an assisted tackle.
- Made a season-high three tackles, including two solo stops, versus San Diego State (9-17).
- Appeared in all 12 games as a backup defensive end.

### 2015

- Redshirted.
- Moved to defense after starting his first camp at tailback.

### HIGH SCHOOL

- As a senior, tallied 2,456 all-purpose yards with more than 2,000 rushing yards and 32 total touchdowns at tailback.
- Helped Howell go 11-1 and advance to the Missouri 6A state semifinals in 2014.
- Named 2014 *St. Louis Dispatch* All-Metro Offensive Player of the Year.
- Also named Large School Player of the Year in 2014 by local television station KSDK.
- As a junior, gained 1,682 all-purpose yards and scored 18 times.
- Advanced to the second round of the Missouri state playoffs in 2013.
- Two-time All-Gateway South Conference performer.

### SMITH'S CAREER DEFENSIVE STATS

Year	G/GS	Solo	Asst	Total	TFL-Yds	QS-Yds	FF/FR	Int/PBU
2016	12/0	6	9	15	2.0-7	1.0-6	0/0	0/0
2017	13/13	43	20	63	29.5-140	14.0-95	3/3	0/3
<b>Career</b>	<b>25/13</b>	<b>49</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>78</b>	<b>31.5-147</b>	<b>15.0-101</b>	<b>0/3</b>	<b>0/3</b>

### SINGLE GAME HIGHS

Tackles: 10, vs. Kent State, 10-7-17  
 Tackles for Loss: 5.5, vs. Western Michigan, 11-15-17  
 Sacks: 3, vs. Kent State, 10-7-17  
 Forced Fumbles: 1 (3x), last vs. Bowling Green, 10-21-17  
 Touchdowns: 1 (2x), last vs. Western Michigan, 11-15-17

### GAME-BY-GAME DEFENSIVE STATS

2016 OPP.	U-A-T	OTHER	2017 OPP.	U-A-T	OTHER
WYO	0-0-0		BC	5-1-6	5TFL, QS
USF	1-0-1		EIU	3-0-3	TFL, FF, FR, PB
SDSU	2-1-3	TFL	NEB	4-2-6	4TFL, 2 QS, PB
WIU	0-0-0		SDSU	3-0-3	TFL, QS
BallSt.	0-2-2		KentSt	4-6-10	4TFL, 3 QS
WMU	1-1-2	QS, TFL	Buffalo	2-2-4	TFL, 1.5 QS, FF
CMU	1-0-1		BGSU	2-2-4	TFL, FF, FR, TD
Buffalo	1-0-1		EMU	5-1-6	3TFL, QS, PB
BGSU	0-2-2		Toledo	0-2-2	
Toledo	1-0-1		BallSt	3-0-3	2TFL, QS
EMU	0-1-1	QBH	WMU	5-1-6	5.5TFL, 2.5 QS, FR, TD
Kent St.	0-1-1	QBH	CMU	3-0-3	TFL, QS
			Duke	4-3-7	TFL

### 2017 HONORS & AWARDS

- Consensus All-American
- Walter Camp All-American (first team)
- FWAA All-American (first team)
- Associated Press All-American (second team)
- The Sporting News All-American (second team)
- AFCA All-American (second team)
- USA Today All-American (first team)
- Bleacher Report All-American (first team)
- PFF All-American (first team)
- The All-American All-American (first team)
- Phil Steele All-American (first team)
- Sports Illustrated/SI.com All-American (second team)
- CBS Sports All-American (second team)
- Ted Hendricks Award (finalist)
- Chuck Bednarik Award (semifinalist)
- MAC Defensive Player of the Year
- CFN MAC Defensive Player of the Year
- First Team All-MAC
- First Team All-MAC (PFF)
- First Team All-MAC (PS)
- First Team All-MAC (CFN)
- MAC West Defensive Player of the Week (Kent State, Eastern Michigan, Western Michigan)





## 73 MAX SCHARPING

**Offensive Line | 6-6 | 320 | Sr.-R  
Green Bay, Wis. | Southwest HS**

- A second team preseason All-America choice by USA Today and on Athlon's fourth team.
- On the Watch Lists for the Outland and Wuerffel trophies.

### 2017

- Earned first team All-MAC honors for

the second time in 2017.

- Moved to left tackle in 2017 and excelled as stalwart on the Huskie line.
- Recorded a pass block efficiency of 99.0, according to PFF (pressures per snap) with just six pressures allowed on 458 pass blocking snaps.
- A second team CoSIDA Academic All-American.
- Started 39 consecutive games, every game of his NIU career.
- Leader on the Huskie offensive line who played every meaningful snap again in 2017.
- Led the way to Jordan Huff's team season and career best 185-yard rushing game vs. WMU.
- On the Outland Trophy Watch List and was a Wuerffel Trophy nominee.
- Cleared the way for four 100-yard rushing games by NIU backs, including at Nebraska (9-16) and San Diego State (9-30).
- Huskies compiled a season-best 577 yards, including 338 rushing, at Bowling Green (10-21).
- Earned his undergraduate degree with a 3.99 GPA in kinesiology.
- Named to the Academic All-MAC for the third time and was a MAC Distinguished Scholar-Athlete.

### 2016

- All-MAC selection at right tackle in 2016.
- Named to the CoSIDA Academic All-District squad with a 3.99 GPA in kinesiology.
- Formed one-half of best pair of tackles in the MAC at right tackle.
- Started every game for the second consecutive year.
- An honorable mention sophomore All-American by CampusInsiders.
- Selected to the Academic All-MAC team and as a MAC Distinguished Scholar-Athlete.
- Huskies had a stretch of four games without allowing a sack and led the nation in fewest sacks allowed with eight.
- NIU posted its fourth 300-yard rushing game of the season at EMU (11-16) behind 173 yards by Jordan Huff.
- The Huskies totaled 511 yards of total offense versus Buffalo (10-22).
- Helped lead the way for back-to-back 300-yard rushing games versus WIU (9-24) with 301 and at Ball State (10-1) with 355.
- Huskies ranked 16th nationally in rushing offense (239.8 yards/

game) and 27th in total offense (463.8).

- Three different players posted eight 100-yard rushing games for NIU in 2016.

### 2015

- Started all 14 games for the Huskies, the only NIU freshman in 2015 to do so.
- Named FWAA Freshman All-American, the MAC's only representative on the team.
- Was the first Huskie since safety Alex Kube in 2007 to receive that distinction.
- Started the season at right tackle, but moved to right guard for a period of time with Josh Ruka injured.
- Named NIU Co-Offensive Player of the Week after the Huskies put up 59 points and 636 yards of total offense against Ball State (10-10).
- Transitioned back to right tackle starting at Toledo (11-3), helping the Huskies go on a run to their sixth straight MAC West title.
- Selected as NIU Scholar Athlete of the Week for his efforts at Buffalo (11-11) as the Huskies rushed for 334 yards on 67 attempts.
- Consistently opened holes for tailback Joel Bouagnon, who tallied 1,285 yards on the ground with 18 touchdowns during the season.
- Protected three different NIU quarterbacks during the season.
- Earned Academic All-MAC and MAC Distinguished Scholar Athlete recognition thanks to his high GPA as a kinesiology major.

### 2014

- Redshirted.

### HIGH SCHOOL

- Three-time all-conference and two-time all-area honoree.
- Started all but one game over three seasons as a two-way starter.
- Garnered All-State honors following his senior season.
- Posted 13 tackles and a fumble recovery on defense.
- Also earned all-area honors from the WIAA and the *Green Bay Press-Gazette*, to go with first team all-conference recognition.
- Honored as first team all-area and all-conference as a junior.
- Registered eight tackles and two pass breakups in 2012.
- Earned honorable mention all-conference honors as a sophomore.

### PERSONAL

- Earned his undergraduate degree in kinesiology following his sophomore season and is currently pursuing a master's degree in the field.



## 10 D.J. BROWN

**Wide Receiver | 5-9 | 185 | Sr.**

**North Little Rock, Ark. | North Little Rock HS**

### 2017

- Finished second on the team with 42 catches.
- Averaged 4.9 yards/rush with 22 carries, most by any NIU receiver.
- Had 42 receptions for 365 yards and three touchdowns
- Returned seven kicks for 134 yards at

the Quick Lane Bowl (12-26), with a long of 41 yards.

- Scored his first rushing touchdown of 2017 on a six-yard run versus Ball State (11-9).
- Matched his career-high with seven grabs versus EMU (10-26) and tallied his first 100-yard receiving game (104).
- Scored on a career-long 69-yard catch and run versus the Eagles.
- Totaled five receptions for 53 yards at Buffalo (10-14) and rushed nine times for 44 yards.
- Caught three passes for 18 yards at Nebraska (9-16).
- Made seven catches for 88 yards vs. Eastern Illinois (9-9), with a 41-yard grab.
- Scored on a 15-yard catch in the season opener versus Boston College (9-1).

### 2016

- Played in all 12 games at wide receiver and on special teams.
- Made nine catches for 91 total yards, carried the ball six times for 31 yards and returned four punts for 19 yards to total 141 all-purpose yards.
- Caught three passes for 32 yards versus Bowling Green (11-1).
- Recorded 19-yard receptions versus San Diego State (9-17) and at Kent State (11-25).
- Gained a season-best 27 yards on three carries versus Buffalo (10-22) with a season-long 17-yard run.
- Recorded a tackle on special teams.

### 2015

- Played in 13 games with one start as a true freshman while playing tailback.
- Finished with 63 rushing yards on 12 attempts with one touchdown.
- Tallied 55 rushing yards on 10 carries in the victory over Murray State (9-12).
- Scored his first collegiate touchdown on a six-yard run against Eastern Michigan (10-24).
- Earned a start at tailback at Boston College (9-26).
- Also contributed on special teams, returning three kickoffs for 53 yards and making three total tackles.

### HIGH SCHOOL

- Accumulated more than 5,000 rushing yards and scored 51 touchdowns during his high school career.
- First team All-State selection in 2014 after rushing for more than 2,000 yards.
- As a senior, led North Little Rock to an 11-2 record, a conference title and an appearance in the Class 7A state playoff semifinals.
- Ran for 2,140 yards and 15 touchdowns in 11 games as a junior at Little Rock Catholic High School.

### BROWN'S CAREER STATS

#### RUSHING

Year	G/GS	No.	Yds.	Avg.	TD	Lg	Yds/G
2015	13/1	12	63	5.2	1	23	5.2
2016	12/0	6	31	5.2	0	17	2.6
2017	13/8	22	108	4.9	1	11	8.3
<b>Career</b>	<b>38/9</b>	<b>40</b>	<b>202</b>	<b>5.1</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>5.3</b>

#### RECEIVING

Year	G/GS	No.	Yds.	Avg.	TD	Lg	Yds/G
2015	13/1	0	0	0	0	0	0
2016	12/0	9	91	10.1	0	19	7.6
2017	13/8	42	365	8.7	3	69	28.1
<b>Career</b>	<b>38/9</b>	<b>51</b>	<b>456</b>	<b>8.9</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>69</b>	<b>12.0</b>

#### RECEIVING SINGLE GAME HIGHS

Catches: 7, two times, last vs EMU, 10-26-17  
 Receiving Yards: 104, vs EMU, 10-26-17  
 Long Gain: 69, vs. EMU, 10-26-17

#### RUSHING SINGLE GAME HIGHS

Rushing Attempts: 10, vs. Murray State, 9-12-15  
 Rushing Yards: 55, vs. Murray State, 9-12-15  
 Long Gain: 23, vs. Murray State, 9-12-15

### GAME-BY-GAME RECEIVING STATS

2016 OPP.	#-YDS	OTHER	2017 OPP.	#-YDS	OTHER
WYO	0-0		BC	2-31	TD
USF	0-0		EIU	7-88	
SDSU	1-19		Nebraska	3-18	
WIU	0-0		SDSU	4-(-3)	
BallSt	1-3		KentSt	1-9	
WMU	1-6		Buffalo	5-53	
CMU	1-8		BGSU	3-23	
Buffalo	1-4		EMU	7-104	TD
BGSU	3-32		Toledo	3-10	
Toledo	0-0		BallSt	0-0	
EMU	0-0		WMU	0-0	
KentSt	1-19		CMU	3-9	TD
			Duke	4-23	

### GAME-BY-GAME RUSHING STATS

2015 OPP.	#-YDS	OTHER	2016 OPP.	#-YDS	OTHER	2017 OPP.	#-YDS	OTHER
UNLV	DNP		WYO	0-0		BC	2-7	
Murray	10-55		USF	0-0		EIU	1-7	
Ohio St.	0-0		SDSU	0-0		Nebraska	0-0	
BC	0-0		WIU	0-0		SDSU	1-4	
CMU	0-0		BallSt	0-0		KentSt	1-10	
BSU	0-0		WMU	0-0		Buffalo	9-44	
Miami	0-0		CMU	0-0		BGSU	0-0	
EMU	2-8	TD	Buffalo	3-27		EMU	1-1	
Toledo	0-0		BGSU	3-8		Toledo	1-3	
Buffalo	0-0		Toledo	0-0		BallSt	4-19	TD
WMU	0-0		EMU	0-0		WMU	0-0	
Ohio	0-0		KentSt	0-0		CMU	2-13	
BGSU	0-0					Duke	0-0	
Boise St.	0-0							



# 1 ALBERT SMALLS

**Cornerback | 6-1 | 207 | Sr.-R**  
**Miramar, Fla. | Monsignor Pace HS**

## 2017

- Tied for the team lead with six pass break-ups and ranked sixth on the team with 39 solo tackles while starting all 13 games in 2017.
- Registered at least two tackles in 12 of 13 games.

- Made a career-high nine tackles at Toledo (11-2) with seven solo and two assists to lead NIU.
- Duplicated his Nebraska (9-16) stats with three solo tackles and a pass break-up at San Diego State (9-30).
- Named NIU defensive player of the game vs. Eastern Illinois (9-9) with two solo tackles and a pass break up.
- Recorded five solo tackles versus Eastern Michigan (10-26).
- Made six tackles, including his first career tackle for loss, vs. Boston College (9-1).
- Broke up two passes and made four solo stops at Central Michigan (11-24).
- Finished the Quick Lane Bowl (12-26) with two solo tackles.

## 2016

- Started at cornerback in the season opener against Wyoming (9-3) before suffering a season-ending injury.
- Recorded five tackles in that game, three solo.

## 2015

- Played in all 14 games with four starts.
- Ranked third on NIU with 10 passes broken up and 11 passes defended.
- Consistent tackler with stops in 13 games and nine multi-tackle games.
- Had five tackles and two passes broken up against UNLV (9-5).
- Tallied a career-high four PBUs versus Ball State (10-10).
- Named NIU Co-Defensive Player of the Week after making five tackles with one PBU against Eastern Michigan (10-24).
- Recorded his third career pickoff vs. Western Michigan (11-18).
- Posted a career-high six tackles, all solo, against Ohio (11-24).
- Made four stops in the MAC Championship versus BGSU (12-4).

## 2014

- Appeared in all 14 games, starting the first six contests of the season as a true freshman at cornerback.
- Tallied 21 total tackles, with 13 solo stops and eight assisted.
- Also contributed two interceptions and four pass break-ups.
- Made a career-high five tackles in the MAC Championship Game victory over Bowling Green (12-5).
- Also recorded four tackles against Central Michigan (10-11).
- Had his first career interception and a tackle for loss in his collegiate debut versus Presbyterian (8-28).
- Also picked off a pass in the third quarter at Western Michigan (11-28).

## HIGH SCHOOL

- Compiled 106 tackles, forced four fumbles, recovered five fumbles and intercepted nine passes in three seasons.
- Earned second team all-area and all-conference honors as a senior.
- Registered 40 tackles, four interceptions and eight PBUs in 2013.
- Named third team all-Dade County after the season.
- Caught 25 passes for 325 yards and four touchdowns in 2013.
- Ended his junior season with 36 tackles, three interceptions and two fumble recoveries.
- Posted eight receptions for 95 yards and a touchdown in 2012, in addition to gaining 25 yards and a touchdown on four carries.

## PERSONAL

- Communications and media studies graduate.

## SMALLS' CAREER DEFENSIVE STATS

Year	G/GS	Solo	Asst	Total	TFL-Yds	QS-Yds	FF/FR	Int/PBU
2014	14/6	13	8	21	1.0-2	0.0-0	0/0	2/4
2015	14/4	29	8	37	0.0-0	0.0-0	0/0	1/10
2016*	1/1	3	2	5	0.0-0	0.0-0	0/0	0/0
2017	13/13	39	5	44	1.0-1	0.0-0	0/0	0/6
<b>Career</b>	<b>42/24</b>	<b>84</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>107</b>	<b>2.0-3</b>	<b>0.0-0</b>	<b>0/0</b>	<b>3/20</b>

## SINGLE GAME HIGHS

Tackles: 9, at Toledo, 11-2-17

PBUs: 4, vs. Ball State, 10-10-15

Interceptions: 1, three times, last vs. Western Michigan, 11-18-15

*\*received a medical redshirt*

## GAME-BY-GAME DEFENSIVE STATS

2014 OPP.	U-A-T	OTHER	2015 OPP.	U-A-T	OTHER	2017 OPP.	U-A-T	OTHER
Presby.	2-0-2	INT, TFL	UNLV	5-0-5	2 PBU	BC	3-3-6	TFL
NW	1-0-1		Murray	3-0-3		EIU	2-0-2	PBU
UNLV	2-1-3		Ohio St.	0-1-1		NEB	3-0-3	PBU
Arkansas	1-1-2		BC	0-2-2		SDSU	3-0-3	PBU
KSU	0-0-0		CMU	1-0-1		KentSt	2-0-2	
CMU	3-1-4		BSU	1-0-1	4 PBU	Buffalo	3-0-3	
Miami	1-0-1		Miami	2-1-3	PBU	BGSU	0-0-0	
EMU	0-1-1		EMU	4-1-5		EMU	5-0-5	
BSU	0-1-1		Toledo	0-1-1		Toledo	7-2-9	
Toledo	1-0-1		Buffalo	0-0-0		BallSt	3-0-3	
Ohio	0-0-0		WMU	3-0-3	INT, 2 PB	WMU	2-0-2	
WMU	0-0-0	INT	Ohio	6-0-6		CMU	4-0-4	2 PBU
BGSU	2-3-5		BGSU	3-1-4		Duke	2-0-2	
Marshall	0-0-0		Boise St.	1-1-2	PBU			





## 15 MARCUS CHILDERS

**Quarterback | 6-0 | 222 | So.-R  
Adairsville, Ga. | Adairsville HS**

### 2017

- Selected the MAC Freshman of the Year by league coaches.
- Ranked sixth in the MAC in passing yards and passing efficiency.
- Went 5-3 as NIU's starting QB, beginning with his first career start at

Buffalo (10-14).

- Led NIU to fourth-quarter/overtime comeback wins over Western Michigan (11-15) and Eastern Michigan (10-26).
- Threw for 234 yards and a touchdown versus Duke in the Quick Lane Bowl (12-26).
- Against WMU (11-15), hit TE Mitch Brinkman with a 26-yard go-ahead touchdown pass with 6:20 to play.
- Threw career-high four touchdown passes versus Ball State (11-9) and recorded a career-long 32-yard run.
- Threw for a career-best 278 yards versus EMU as NIU came back in the fourth quarter and won in OT.
- Threw three touchdown passes versus Kent State (10-7) and at Bowling Green (10-21) with a career long 73-yarder in the BG game.
- Ran 27 times for 79 yards at Buffalo (10-14).
- Scored rushing touchdowns versus San Diego State, Buffalo, EMU, Toledo and WMU.
- Saw action in four games before taking over quarterback duties early in the Kent State game.

### 2016

- Redshirted

### HIGH SCHOOL

- Led Tigers to the second round of the Georgia 3A state playoffs as a senior.
- Helped team reach the Georgia 3A state playoffs as a junior.
- Guided Tigers to the most points in school history with 499 points in 12 games, averaging 41.6 points per game.
- Rushed for over 1,500 yards and passed for more than 1,000 yards in two years as starting quarterback.
- Enrolled at NIU in spring 2016 and participated in spring drills after originally signing with Memphis out of high school.

### CHILDERS' CAREER STATS

#### PASSING

Year	G/GS	C-A-I	Pct.	Yds.	TD	Lg	Yds/G	Effic.
2017	12/8	152-265-5	57.4	1674	16	73	139.5	126.57

#### RUSHING

Year	G/GS	No.	Yds.	Avg.	TD	Lg	Yds/G
2017	12/8	143	473	3.3	5	32	39.4

#### PASSING SINGLE GAME HIGHS

Attempts: 43, at Toledo, 11-2-17  
 Completions: 23, twice, last at Toledo, 11-2-17  
 Passing Yards: 278, vs EMU, 10-26-17  
 Touchdowns: 4, vs Ball St., 11-9-17  
 Long Completion: 73, at Bowling Green, 10-21-17

#### RUSHING SINGLE GAME HIGHS

Rushing Attempts: 27, at Buffalo, 10-14-17  
 Rushing Yards: 79, at Buffalo, 10-14-17  
 Long Rush: 32, vs Ball St., 11-9-17



## 36 MATT FERENCE

**Punter | 5-11 | 198 | So.  
St. Louis, Mo. | Lafayette HS**

### 2017

- Averaged 41.2 yards per punt on a school-record 83 punts in 2017.
- 28 of his 83 punts forced opponents to start inside their 20-yard line, 23 were fair caught and 12 went for 50 yards or more.

- Had punts downed at or inside the 10-yard line 17 times.
- Hit season-long boot of 70 yards in the last regular season game at Central Michigan (11-24).
- Named MAC West Specialist of the Week vs. San Diego State (9-30) after helping the Huskies control field position with four of eight punts inside the 20.
- Twice punted 10 times in a game - versus Eastern Michigan (10-26) and Central Michigan (11-24).
- Punted for a season-high 46.4-yard average on eight kicks at Nebraska (9-16).
- Recorded eight games with a punting average of 40 yards or more.

### HIGH SCHOOL

- Excelled as a punter for the Lafayette Lancers averaging 39.23 yards during his senior season and recording an average of more than 50 yards in two games.
- First-team all-state, all-district, all-metro, all-state and all-state academic selection after his senior season. Kicked eight field goals, making his longest from 40 yards out.
- Recorded a personal best long punt of 67 yards.
- Earned Scholar Athlete Awards for his freshman, sophomore and junior years by keeping at least a 3.6 GPA.
- Member of the National Honor Society.

### FERENCE'S CAREER PUNTING STATS

Year	G/GS	No.	Yds.	Avg.	Long	TB	120	50+
2017	13/0	83	3421	41.2	70	8	28	12

#### SINGLE GAME HIGHS

Punts: 10, twice, last at CMU, 11-24-17  
 Yards: 439, at CMU, 11-24-17  
 Best Average: 46.4, at Nebraska, 9-16-17  
 Long Punt: 70, at CMU, 11-24-17



## 99 BEN LEROY

**Defensive Tackle | 6-3 | 302 | Jr.  
Wilmette, Ill. | Loyola Academy**

### 2017

- Started the first 12 games and led all interior linemen with a career-high 37 stops.
- Tallied a season-high seven tackles with 2.5 for loss and a sack for six yards at Central Michigan (11-24).
- Recorded two solo and two assisted

sacks for minus 20 yards on the year, while his 7.5 tackles for loss ranked fifth on the team.

- Sacked Nebraska quarterback Tanner Lee for an eight yard loss in the Huskies' upset win (9-16).
- Finished strong with four tackles for loss and 15 tackles in the last three games of the season.
- Totaled five tackles, one-half for loss, versus Western Michigan (11-15).
- Made five stops with 1.5 for loss and half a sack at Buffalo (10-14).

### 2016

- Saw playing time in first eight games of the season as a true freshman before an injury sidelined him.
- Recorded a career best five tackles at South Florida (9-10), including four solo.
- Made his first career tackle in the season opener at Wyoming (9-3).

### HIGH SCHOOL

- Garnered Defensive Player of the year honors from the Pioneer Press, Daily North Shore and Chicago Catholic Blue.
- An All-State defensive lineman by the Chicago Tribune and IHSFCA.
- Tallied 83 tackles with 17 tackles for loss and 12 sacks during senior season.
- Three-year letterwinner, helping Loyola go 31-4 during his tenure.

### LEROY'S CAREER DEFENSIVE STATS

Year	G/GS	Solo	Asst	Total	TFL-Yds	QS-Yds	FF/FR	Int/PBU
2016	8/0	4	2	6	0.0-0	0.0-0	0/0	0/0
2017	12/12	16	21	37	7.5-32	3.0-20	0/0	0/0
<b>Career</b>	<b>20/12</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>43</b>	<b>7.5-32</b>	<b>3.0-20</b>	<b>0/0</b>	<b>0/0</b>

### SINGLE GAME HIGHS

Tackles: 7, at CMU, 11-24-17  
TFLS: 2.5, at CMU, 11-24-17  
Sacks: 1, twice, last at CMU, 11-24-17



## 72 JORDAN STECKLER

**Offensive Line | 6-5 | 306 | Jr.-R  
Two Rivers, Wis. | Two Rivers HS**

- Moved to the right tackle spot during 2017 bowl practices and begins 2018 as starter at that spot.

### 2017

- A third team All-MAC selection by league coaches.
- One of NIU's most consistent linemen as starter at left guard.
- Helped lead the way for Jordan Huff's career-best 185-yard game vs. Western Michigan (11-15).
- NIU gained season-high 577 yards, including 388 rushing, at Bowling Green (10-21).
- Blocked for four 100-yard rushing games by Huskie backs, including at Nebraska (9-16) and San Diego State (9-30).
- Played every meaningful snap on the season as he and Max Scharping did not rotate out.
- Named to the Academic All-MAC team.

### 2016

- Earned Academic All-MAC and MAC Distinguished Scholar-Athlete honors.
- Appeared in all 12 games with seven starts at right guard.
- Paved the way for the Huskies to average 239.8 rushing yards per game and rank as the 16th best rushing offense in the country.
- Helped NIU rushers average 5.2 yards per rush attempt and score 27 times on the ground.
- NIU posted its fourth 300-yard rushing game of the season at EMU (11-16) behind 173 yards by Jordan Huff.
- The Huskies totaled 511 yards of total offense versus Buffalo (10-22).
- Helped lead the way for back-to-back 300-yard rushing games versus WIU (9-24) and at Ball State (10-1) with 301 and 355 yards, respectively.
- Huskies ranked 27th nationally in total offense (463.8).
- Three different players combined for eight 100-yard rushing games.

### 2015

- Redshirted.
- Named NIU Offensive Scout Team Player of the Week by the coaches for the season opener against UNLV (9-5).

### HIGH SCHOOL

- Three-year two-way starter at Two Rivers.
- Helped the Purple Raiders reach the playoffs each season.
- As a senior, blocked for an offense that averaged 29.4 points per game.
- 2014 All-State honorable mention selection by the Wisconsin coaches.
- During his junior year, helped Two Rivers tally 33.2 points per game and finish with a 7-3 record.
- Three-time all-conference selection.
- Also a standout basketball player.



## 57 KYLE PUGH

**Linebacker | 6-0 | 235 | Jr.-R  
Chicago Heights, Ill. |  
Bloom Township HS**

### 2017

- Made 35 tackles in four games as the Huskies' starting middle linebacker to open the year.
- Had a career-high 17 tackles against Boston College (9-1) in season opener.
- Also picked off his first career pass

against BC.

- Made 11 tackles in NIU's upset win at Nebraska (9-16) with a pass breakup.
- Credited with a tackle for loss at San Diego State (9-30).
- Was playing the best football of his career before suffering a season-ending arm injury in fourth quarter at San Diego State, forcing him to miss the remainder of the season.

### 2016

- Appeared in last 10 games of the year as a back-up middle linebacker and on special teams.
- Earned Academic All-MAC honors.

### 2015

- Redshirted.

### HIGH SCHOOL

- Star linebacker at Bloom Township.
- As a senior, compiled 112 tackles and recovered four fumbles to help the Trojans reach the Illinois 8A playoffs.
- 2014 *Southtown Star* first team All-Area choice and an All-Area honoree by the *Chicago Sun Times* as a senior.
- All-Southland Conference selection in 2014 as well.
- As a junior, tallied 105 tackles, earning *Southtown Star* All-Area honors.

### PUGH'S CAREER DEFENSIVE STATS

Year	G/GS	Solo	Asst	Total	TFL-Yds	QS-Yds	FF/FR	Int/PBU
2016	10/0	0	0	0	0.0-0	0.0-0	0/0	0/0
2017	4/4	15	20	35	1.0-2	0.0-0	0/0	1/1
Career	14/4	15	20	35	1.0-2	0.0-0	0/0	1/1

### SINGLE GAME HIGHS

Tackles: 17, vs. Boston College., 9-1-17  
TFLs: 1.0, at San Diego State, 9-30-17



## 11 TRAYSHON FOSTER

**Safety | 6-0 | 201 | Jr.-R  
Tuscaloosa, Ala. |  
Tuscaloosa Academy**

### 2017

- Played in all 13 games with two starts as NIU's starting nickel back in five defensive back sets.
- Of his 23 tackles on the year, 22 were solo stops.
- Made a season-high five tackles against Ball State (11-9).

- Blocked a punt, which Jackson Abresch picked up and ran in for a touchdown, in NIU's win over the Cardinals.
- Intercepted his first career pass, forced a fumble, and recorded a pair of quarterback sacks at Bowling Green (10-21).
- Credited with three solo stops versus Kent State (10-7).
- Also a member of several NIU special teams units.
- An Academic All-MAC honoree in 2017.

### 2016

- Tallied at least one tackle in 10 of the 11 games he played on the season.
- Totaled 26 tackles as a reserve safety and was a regular on special teams.
- Recorded a season-high five tackles with two solo tackles and three assists in the season-opener at Wyoming (9-3).
- Made four tackles twice, at USF (9-10) and versus Central Michigan (10-15), where he had four solo tackles.
- Named to the Academic All-MAC team.

### 2015

- Redshirted.

### HIGH SCHOOL

- Excelled on both sides of the ball during his prep career in Alabama.
- As a senior, helped Tuscaloosa Academy to an 8-3 season and an appearance in the playoffs.
- Selected to play in the Class of 2K15 AISA All-Star Game.
- Named first team All-State as a wide receiver in 2014.
- Also lettered and made the playoffs as a junior at Tuscaloosa Academy.

### FOSTER'S CAREER DEFENSIVE STATS

Year	G/GS	Solo	Asst	Total	TFL-Yds	QS-Yds	FF/FR	Int/PBU
2016	11/0	15	11	26	0.0-0	0.0-0	0/0	0/0
2017	13/2	22	1	23	2.0-14	2.0-14	1/0	1/1
Career	24/2	37	12	49	2.0-14	2.0-14	1/0	1/1

### SINGLE GAME HIGHS

Tackles: 5, twice, last vs. Ball St., 11-9-17  
TFLs: 2, at Bowling Green, 10-21-17  
Sacks: 2, at Bowling Green, 10-21-17





## 14 SPENCER TEARS

**Wide Receiver | 6-1 | 198 | Jr.-R  
Chicago, Ill. | H.L. Richards HS**

### 2017

- A third team All-MAC choice by league coaches.
- Only Huskie to catch a pass in every game.
- Led NIU in catches (43) and receiving yards (528) and tied for second in

touchdown catches with four.

- Caught a team-high four passes for 67 yards in the Quick Lane Bowl (12-26).
- Made three catches for 63 yards at Toledo (11-9).
- Grabbed four passes for 40 yards versus EMU (10-26).
- Caught three passes for 42 yards with a 15-yard TD at Bowling Green (10-21).
- Totaled a career-high five catches in three different games - San Diego State (9-30), Buffalo (10-14) and Central Michigan (11-24).
- Scored on a team season-long 81-yard pass vs. San Diego State and recorded his first 100-yard receiving game with 105 yards.
- Opened the scoring versus Kent State (10-7) and Eastern Illinois (9-9) with touchdown catches of 10 and 39 yards, respectively.

### 2016

- Recorded two tackles on special teams, one solo and one assist.
- Attempted first rush at Ball State (10-1).
- Made first career reception versus Buffalo (10-22) for three yards.
- Appeared in 11 games with one start at wide receiver.

### 2015

- Redshirted.
- Selected as NIU Offensive Scout Team Player of the Week for the game against Western Michigan (11-18).

### HIGH SCHOOL

- As a senior, caught 27 passes for 468 yards and six touchdowns.
- Helped H.L. Richards reach quarterfinals of the Illinois 6A playoffs.
- Also rushed for 75 yards and two scores.
- 2014 *Chicago Tribune* All-State Special Mention.
- As a junior, amassed 500 receiving yards and eight total touchdowns.
- Played in the 2013 Illinois 6A state title game with the Bulldogs.
- Also a basketball letterwinner.

### TEARS' CAREER RECEIVING STATS

Year	G/GS	No.	Yds.	Avg.	TD	Lg	Yds/G
2016	11/1	1	3	3.0	0	3	0.3
2017	13/11	43	528	12.3	4	81	40.6
Career	24/12	44	531	12.1	4	81	22.1

### SINGLE GAME HIGHS

Catches: 5, 3 times, last at CMU, 11-24-17  
Receiving Yards: 105, at San Diego State, 9-30-17  
Long Gain: 81, at San Diego State, 9-30-17



## 8 MYKELTI WILLIAMS

**Safety | 5-11 | 208 | Jr.-R  
Indianapolis, Ind. | Warren  
Central HS/Iowa Western CC**

### 2017

- First-year Huskie ranked third on the team in tackles and tied for first in solo stops with 59.
- Finished 11 of 13 NIU games with at least five total tackles.
- Tied for team lead with eight tackles, seven solo, versus Western Michigan (11-15).
- Totaled five solo stops versus Duke (12-26) and Ball State (11-9).
- Tied for first on the team in pass break-ups with six after adding one against Duke (12-26).
- Five of his six stops at Bowling Green (10-21) were solo.
- Made seven tackles, all solo, at Buffalo (10-14).
- Four of his five tackles versus Kent State (10-7) were solo.
- Made six tackles with a TFL at SDSU (9-30).
- Tallied a career-high 10 stops, nine solo, in NIU's win at Nebraska (9-16).
- Picked off a pass versus Eastern Illinois (9-9).

### PRIOR TO NIU

- Collected All-American and all-conference honors at Iowa Western CC in 2016.
- Recorded 106 total tackles, 76 solo and 30 assists.
- Forced four fumbles and recovered three.
- Deflected nine passes, caught four interceptions and blocked one kick.
- Signed with Notre Dame out of high school and spent the 2015 season on the Irish roster.
- Did not play in any games as a true freshman.

### HIGH SCHOOL

- Three-time All-Metropolitan Interscholastic selection at Warren Central High School.
- Named Indianapolis Star Super Team Player of the Year for 2014, USA Today American Family Insurance All-USA Indiana Football Team as defensive back, 2014 Indiana Class 6A all-state team by Associated Press, Indiana Football Coaches Association Top 50 all-state team as both junior and senior in 2013 and 2014 and PrepStar All-Midwest Region squad as defensive back.
- Made 85 tackles, seven interceptions and a fumble recovery for a touchdown as senior.
- Rushed for more than 400 yards and eight touchdowns on 9-3 team in 2014.
- Competed on track team in the 100m, 200m and 4x100 relay.

### WILLIAMS' CAREER DEFENSIVE STATS

Year	G/GS	Solo	Asst	Total	TFL-Yds	QS-Yds	FF/FR	Int/PBU
2017	13/13	59	14	73	1.0-3	0.0-0	0/0	1/6

### SINGLE GAME HIGHS

Tackles: 10, at Nebraska, 9-16-17  
TFLs: 1, at San Diego State, 9-30-17  
INTs: 1, vs. Eastern Illinois, 9-9-17



## 22 TRE HARBISON

**Tailback | 5-11 | 227 | So.-R  
Shelby, N.C. | Crest HS/Virginia**

### 2017

- NIU's fourth-leading rusher averaged 5.3 yards per carry on 55 attempts as a redshirt freshman.
- Scored first career touchdown at Toledo (11-2) on a one-yard carry in the first quarter.
- Ran for season-high yards and carries

with 59 yards on 13 carries against Duke in the Quick Lane Bowl (12-26).

- Also recorded season long 25-yard carry in the bowl game.
- Caught three passes on the season with a 24-yard catch and run at Buffalo (10-14), a 30-yard reception versus Ball State (11-9), and a three-yard catch versus Duke (12-26).
- Totaled 52 yards, on nine totes, with a 12-yard score at Central Michigan (11-24).
- Named to the 2017 Academic All-MAC team.

### 2016

- Redshirted the season as a transfer.

### PRIOR TO NIU

- Signed with Virginia and spent the Spring 2016 semester there before transferring to NIU.

### HIGH SCHOOL

- Set Cleveland County's all-time rushing record with 5,770 yards and 100 touchdowns in his prep career.
- Totaled 2,080 yards and 38 rushing touchdowns as a senior after gaining 1,850 yards and scoring 38 TDs in 2014.
- Helped Chargers go undefeated (32-0) in back-to-back years, resulting in two state championships in 2014 and 2015.
- Named MVP of both state championship games with 300 yards rushing and seven TDs in the 2015 game and 192 rushing yards and three scores in 2014.
- A three-time all-conference player (2013-15) who garnered all-state honors as a senior in 2015.
- Also named the county player of the year in 2014 and 2015.
- A sprinter for the Crest track team.

### HARBISON'S CAREER STATS

#### RUSHING

Year	G/GS	No.	Yds.	Avg.	TD	Lg	Yds/G
2017	10/1	55	290	5.3	3	25	29.0

#### RECEIVING

Year	G/GS	No.	Yds.	Avg.	TD	Lg	Yds/G
2017	10/1	3	57	19.0	0	30	5.7

#### RUSHING SINGLE GAME HIGHS

Rushing Attempts: 13, vs. Duke, Boca Raton Bowl 12-26-17  
Rushing Yards: 59, vs. Duke, Boca Raton Bowl 12-26-17  
Long Gain: 25, vs. Duke, Boca Raton Bowl 12-26-17

#### RECEIVING SINGLE GAME HIGHS

Catches: 1, three times, last vs Duke, Boca Raton Bowl 12-26-17  
Receiving Yards: 30, vs. Ball St., 11-9-17  
Long Gain: 30, vs. Ball St., 11-9-17



## 21 MARCUS JONES

**Tailback | 5-8 | 204 | Jr.-R  
Evergreen Park, Ill.  
Brother Rice HS**

### 2017

- NIU's third-leading rusher who also caught 12 passes on the year.
- Scored the game-winning touchdown in overtime against Eastern Michigan (10-26) on a nine-yard run.
- Totaled 13 carries for 49 yards versus EMU.

- Posted a pair of touchdowns on runs of one and four yards versus Eastern Illinois (9-9).
- Caught five passes for 51 yards against Toledo and recorded a career-high 14 carries for a season-best 80 yards.
- Had double-digit carries in four games

### 2016

- Saw action at Wyoming (9-3) and USF (9-10) before going down with injury and missing the rest of the season.
- Received a medical redshirt.

### 2015

- Appeared in 12 games as a true freshman tailback.
- Posted 109 yards on just eight carries.
- Led the team at 13.6 yards per attempt.
- Rushed once for nine yards in his collegiate debut vs. Murray State (9-12).
- Had a 73-yard score at Miami (10-17).
- Tallied 23 yards on just four carries vs. Eastern Michigan (10-24).
- Earned another touch in the Western Michigan (11-18) game

### HIGH SCHOOL

- Tallied 1,980 all-purpose yards and scored 22 TDs as a senior.
- Led the Crusaders to a Chicago Catholic Blue championship in 2014.
- Earned *Chicago Tribune* All-State honors.
- Chicago Catholic Blue League Co-MVP.
- Illinois High School Football Coaches Association Class 8A All-State and *Southtown Star* All-Area selection.
- Also recorded 1,708 all-purpose yards and 14 scores as a junior.

### JONES' CAREER STATS

#### RUSHING

Year	G/GS	No.	Yds.	Avg.	TD	Lg	Yds/G
2015	12/0	8	109	13.6	1	73	9.1
2016	2/0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0
2017	12/3	83	350	4.2	3	29	29.2
Career	26/3	91	459	5.0	4	73	17.7

#### RECEIVING

Year	G/GS	No.	Yds.	Avg.	TD	Lg	Yds/G
2017	12/3	12	78	6.5	0	18	6.5

#### RUSHING SINGLE GAME HIGHS

Rushing Attempts: 14, at Toledo, 11-2-17  
Rushing Yards: 80, at Toledo, 11-2-17  
Rushing Touchdowns: 2, vs. EIU, 9-9-17  
Long Gain: 73, at Miami, 10-17-15

#### RECEIVING SINGLE GAME HIGHS

Catches: 5, at Toledo, 11-2-17  
Receiving Yards: 51, at Toledo, 11-2-17  
Long Gain: 18, at Toledo, 11-2-17

# NIU FOOTBALL 2017 FINAL STATISTICS

## TEAM STATISTICS

	NIU	OPP				
SCORING	376	286				
Points Per Game	28.9	22.0				
Points Off Turnovers	83	64				
FIRST DOWNS	263	221				
Rushing	126	84				
Passing	113	116				
Penalty	24	21				
RUSHING YARDAGE	2312	1560				
Yards gained rushing	2654	2040				
Yards lost rushing	342	480				
Rushing Attempts	558	526				
Average Per Rush	4.1	3.0				
Average Per Game	177.8	120.0				
TDs Rushing	18	14				
PASSING YARDAGE	2599	2841				
Comp-Att-Int	231-405-11	242-427-15				
Average Per Pass	6.4	6.7				
Average Per Catch	11.3	11.7				
Average Per Game	199.9	218.5				
TDs Passing	25	16				
TOTAL OFFENSE	4911	4401				
Total Plays	963	953				
Average Per Play	5.1	4.6				
Average Per Game	377.8	338.5				
KICK RETURNS: #-Yards	40-851	46-904				
PUNT RETURNS: #-Yards	31-154	18-129				
INT RETURNS: #-Yards	15-284	11-157				
KICK RETURN AVERAGE	21.3	19.7				
PUNT RETURN AVERAGE	5.0	7.2				
INT RETURN AVERAGE	18.9	14.3				
FUMBLES-LOST	22-13	16-7				
PENALTIES-Yards	80-722	78-807				
Average Per Game	55.5	62.1				
PUNTS-Yards	86-3475	101-3918				
Average Per Punt	40.4	38.8				
Net punt average	37.0	35.7				
KICKOFFS-Yards	70-4219	63-3888				
Average Per Kick	60.3	61.7				
Net kick average	40.2	39.1				
TIME OF POSSESSION/Game	28:35	31:25				
3RD-DOWN Conversions	80/204	67/220				
3rd-Down Pct	39%	30%				
4TH-DOWN Conversions	5/17	10/18				
4th-Down Pct	29%	56%				
SACKS BY-Yards	43-262	26-184				
MISC YARDS	0	4				
TOUCHDOWNS SCORED	50	33				
FIELD GOALS-ATTEMPTS	9-16	19-27				
ON-SIDE KICKS	0-0	1-1				
RED-ZONE SCORES	(36-45) 80%	(39-48) 81%				
RED-ZONE TOUCHDOWNS	(28-45) 62%	(22-48) 46%				
PAT-ATTEMPTS	(49-49) 100%	(31-32) 97%				
ATTENDANCE	67748	176085				
Games/Avg Per Game	6/11291	6/29348				
Neutral Site Games		1/20211				
SCORE BY QUARTERS	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	OT	Total
NIU	115	114	72	69	6	376
Opponents	65	76	85	57	3	286

## INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS

RUSHING	GP	Att	Gain	Loss	Net	Avg	TD	Lng	Avg/G
HUFF, Jordan	9	127	761	21	740	5.8	4	35	82.2
CHILDERS, Marcus	12	143	609	136	473	3.3	5	32	39.4
JONES, Marcus	12	83	379	29	350	4.2	3	29	29.2
HARBISON, Tre	10	55	294	4	290	5.3	3	25	29.0
MISTER, Tommy	10	35	176	9	167	4.8	1	30	16.7
GRAHAM, Ryan	2	14	122	0	122	8.7	0	60	61.0
BROWN, D.J.	13	22	108	0	108	4.9	1	11	8.3
MILTON, Dwayne	12	12	76	0	76	6.3	0	41	6.3
BLAKE, Christian	13	16	70	12	58	3.6	0	14	4.5
WESLEY, Jauan	13	4	10	5	5	1.2	1	9	0.4
PARKER, Jonathan	13	1	3	0	3	3.0	0	3	0.2
PARCHMENT, Andrew	9	2	5	4	1	0.5	0	5	0.1
THOMPSON, Anthony	1	1	1	0	1	1.0	0	1	1.0
BEEBE, Chad	9	1	0	1	-1	-1.0	0	0	-0.1
TEARS, Spencer	13	4	5	10	-5	-1.2	0	5	-0.4
ORNE, Josh	12	1	0	11	-11	-11.0	0	0	-0.9
SANTACATERINA D	6	22	35	59	-24	-1.1	0	6	-4.0
TEAM	10	15	0	41	-41	-2.7	0	0	-4.1
Total.....	13	558	2654	342	2312	4.1	18	60	177.8
Opponents.....	13	526	2040	480	1560	3.0	14	54	120.0
PASSING	G	Effic.	C-A-I	Pct.	Yds	TD	Lng	Avg/G	
CHILDERS, Marcus	12	126.57	152-265-5	57.4	1674	16	73	139.5	
SANTACATERINA D	6	139.08	62-97-5	63.9	712	7	81	118.7	
GRAHAM, Ryan	2	93.58	15-38-1	39.5	190	2	46	95.0	
BLAKE, Christian	13	98.30	2-4-0	50.0	23	0	13	1.8	
ERENCE, Matt	13	0.00	0-1-0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0	
Total.....	13	125.88	231-405-11	57.0	2599	25	81	199.9	
Opponents.....	13	117.90	242-427-15	56.7	2841	16	89	218.5	
RECEIVING	G	No.	Yds	Avg	TD	Long	Avg/G		
TEARS, Spencer	13	43	528	12.3	4	81	40.6		
BROWN, D.J.	13	42	365	8.7	3	69	28.1		
BLAKE, Christian	13	41	442	10.8	4	50	34.0		
WIMANN, Shane	12	30	283	9.4	7	50	23.6		
BEEBE, Chad	9	28	417	14.9	1	73	46.3		
JONES, Marcus	12	12	78	6.5	0	18	6.5		
WESLEY, Jauan	13	10	250	25.0	2	70	19.2		
HUFF, Jordan	9	7	43	6.1	2	24	4.8		
CRAWFORD, Daniel	12	5	48	9.6	0	17	4.0		
BRINKMAN, Mitchell	13	4	48	12.0	2	26	3.7		
HARBISON, Tre	10	3	57	19.0	0	30	5.7		
MISTER, Tommy	10	3	11	3.7	0	6	1.1		
GRAHAM, Ryan	2	1	13	13.0	0	13	6.5		
CHILDERS, Marcus	12	1	10	10.0	0	10	0.8		
PARCHMENT, Andrew	9	1	6	6.0	0	6	0.7		
Total.....	13	231	2599	11.3	25	81	199.9		
Opponents.....	13	242	2841	11.7	16	89	218.5		
TOTAL OFFENSE	G	Plays	Rush	Pass	Total	Avg/G			
CHILDERS, Marcus	12	408	473	1674	2147	178.9			
HUFF, Jordan	9	127	740	0	740	82.2			
SANTACATERINA D	6	119	-24	712	688	114.7			
JONES, Marcus	12	83	350	0	350	29.2			
GRAHAM, Ryan	2	52	122	190	312	156.0			
HARBISON, Tre	10	55	290	0	290	29.0			
MISTER, Tommy	10	35	167	0	167	16.7			
BROWN, D.J.	13	22	108	0	108	8.3			
BLAKE, Christian	13	20	58	23	81	6.2			
MILTON, Dwayne	12	12	76	0	76	6.3			
WESLEY, Jauan	13	4	5	0	5	0.4			
PARKER, Jonathan	13	1	3	0	3	0.2			
PARCHMENT, Andrew	9	2	1	0	1	0.1			
THOMPSON, Anthony	1	1	1	0	1	1.0			
BEEBE, Chad	9	1	-1	0	-1	-0.1			
TEARS, Spencer	13	4	-5	0	-5	-0.4			
ORNE, Josh	12	1	-11	0	-11	-0.9			
TEAM	10	15	-41	0	-41	-4.1			
Total.....	13	963	2312	2599	4911	377.8			
Opponents.....	13	953	1560	2841	4401	338.5			
FUMBLE RETURNS	No.	Yds	Avg	TD	Long				
SMITH, Sutton	2	74	37.0	2	58				
Total.....	2	74	37.0	2	58				
Opponents.....	1	38	38.0	0	38				



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## 2017 LONG PLAYS

NIU	No.	Long
Rushing	43	87, Lurry INT TD vs. Nebraska, 9/16
Graham	9	60, Graham vs. BC, 9/1
Childers	3	60, vs. BC, 9/1
Jones	1	32, vs. Ball St., 11/9
Milton	1	29, at Toledo, 11/2
Mister	1	30 TD, at BG, 10/21
Harbison	1	41, at BG, 10/21
Huff	1	25 TD, vs. Duke, 12/26
	1	31 TD, vs. WMU, 11/15
Passing	19	81 TD, Santacaterina to Tears vs. SDSU, 9/30
by Santacaterina	6	81 TD, to Tears, vs. SDSU, 9/30
by Graham	1	46, to Beebe vs. BC, 9/1
by Childers	12	73 TD to Beebe at BG, 10/21
to Beebe	4	73 TD, from Childers at BG, 10/21
to Blake	2	47, from Santacaterina vs. Nebraska, 9/16
to Brown	3	69 TD, from Childers vs. EMU, 10/26
to Harbison	1	30 vs. Ball State, 11/9
to Tears	4	81 TD, from Santacaterina at SDSU, 9/30
to Wesley	2	70 TD from Santacaterina vs. Ball St., 11/9
to Wimann	3	50, from Childers vs. EMU, 10/26
to Brinkman	1	26, from Childers vs. WMU, 11/15
Returns	15	87, Lurry INT TD vs. Nebraska, 9/16
Beebe	5	49 KOR vs. WMU, 11/15
Blake	2	25 KOR twice
Brown	2	41 KOR vs. Duke, 12/26
Embry	1	31 KOR at BG, 10/21
Lurry	2	87 INT TD vs. Nebraska, 9/16
Johnson	2	37 INT TD vs. CMU, 11/24
Smith	1	58 fumble return TD vs. WMU, 11/15
OPPONENT	46	96 KOR TD by Washington, SDSU 9/30
Rushing	11	54 TD by Ward, CMU, 11/24
Passing	21	89 Woodside to Johnson, Toledo, 11/2
Returns	14	96 KOR TD by Washington, SDSU, 9/30

\* 25 Yards or Longer

ALL PURPOSE	G	Rush	Rec	PR	KOR	IR	Tot	Avg/G
HUFF, Jordan	9	740	43	0	23	0	806	89.6
BEEBE, Chad	9	-1	417	62	297	0	775	86.1
BLAKE, Christian	13	58	442	0	174	0	674	51.8
BROWN, D.J.	13	108	365	0	196	0	669	51.5
TEARS, Spencer	13	-5	528	0	0	0	523	40.2
CHILDERS, Marcus	12	473	10	0	0	0	483	40.2
JONES, Marcus	12	350	78	0	0	0	428	35.7
HARBISON, Tre	10	290	57	0	0	0	347	34.7
WIMANN, Shane	12	0	283	0	0	0	283	23.6
WESLEY, Jauan	13	5	250	20	0	0	275	21.2
MISTER, Tommy	10	167	11	0	0	0	178	17.8
LURRY, Shawun	12	0	0	22	0	145	167	13.9
GRAHAM, Ryan	2	122	13	0	0	0	135	67.5
PARKER, Jonathan	13	3	0	0	108	0	111	8.5
JOHNSON, Jawuan	13	0	0	0	0	85	85	6.5
MILTON, Dwayne	12	76	0	0	0	0	76	6.3
EMBRY, Jalen	13	0	0	11	53	0	64	4.9
BRINKMAN, Mitchell	13	0	48	1	0	0	49	3.8
CRAWFORD, Daniel	12	0	48	0	0	0	48	4.0
ABRESCH, Jackson	13	0	0	28	0	14	42	3.2
ALLEN, Mycial	13	0	0	0	0	18	18	1.4
FOSTER, Trayshon	13	0	0	10	0	1	11	0.8
WILLIAMS, Mykelti	13	0	0	0	0	10	10	0.8
CORCORAN, Josh	10	0	0	0	0	9	9	0.9
PARCHMENT, Andrew	9	1	6	0	0	0	7	0.8
JONES, Bobby	13	0	0	0	0	2	2	0.2
THOMPSON, Anthony	1	1	0	0	0	0	1	1.0
ORNE, Josh	12	-11	0	0	0	0	-11	-0.9
SANTACATERINA D	6	-24	0	0	0	0	-24	-4.0
TEAM	10	-41	0	0	0	0	-41	-4.1
Total.....	13	2312	2599	154	851	284	6200	476.9
Opponents.....	13	1560	2841	129	904	157	5591	430.1

PUNTING	No.	Yds	Avg	Long	TB	FC	I20	50+	Blkd
FERENCE, Matt	83	3421	41.2	70	8	23	28	12	1
ORNE, Josh	2	54	27.0	27	0	0	1	0	0
TEAM	1	0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total.....	86	3475	40.4	70	8	23	29	12	1
Opponents.....	101	3918	38.8	74	8	28	24	17	4

FIELD GOALS	FG-FGA	Pct	1-19	20-29	30-39	40-49	50-99	Lg	Blk
HAGAN, Christian	9-16	56.2	0-0	6-6	2-6	1-4	0-0	41	2

FG SEQUENCE	Northern Illinois	Opponents
Boston College	(32),(21),39	(42),(35),(37)
EU	39,(20),30	(20),35
Nebraska	39	37,(36)
San Diego State	-	(38),(21)
Kent State	(41)	(18)
Buffalo	43,44	(23),(22),34
Bowling Green	(29),(32)	(34),52
Eastern Michigan	(25)	50,36,(34),42,(35)
Toledo	(25),47	(23),(34)
Ball State	-	(21)
Western Michigan	-	44,(28)
Central Michigan	(23)	(23)
Duke	-	(24)

Numbers in (parentheses) indicate field goal was made.

KICK RETURNS	No.	Yds	Avg	TD	Long
BEEBE, Chad	12	297	24.8	0	49
BROWN, D.J.	10	196	19.6	0	41
BLAKE, Christian	9	174	19.3	0	34
PARKER, Jonathan	5	108	21.6	0	24
EMBRY, Jalen	2	53	26.5	0	31
HUFF, Jordan	1	23	23.0	0	23
FISCHER, Aaron	1	0	0.0	0	0
Total.....	40	851	21.3	0	49
Opponents.....	46	904	19.7	1	96

PUNT RETURNS	No.	Yds	Avg	TD	Long
BEEBE, Chad	16	62	3.9	0	13
EMBRY, Jalen	6	11	1.8	0	12
LURRY, Shawun	4	22	5.5	0	13
FOSTER, Trayshon	2	10	5.0	0	0
WESLEY, Jauan	1	20	20.0	0	11
ABRESCH, Jackson	1	28	28.0	2	13
BRINKMAN, Mitchell	1	1	1.0	0	0
Total.....	31	154	5.0	2	13
Opponents.....	18	129	7.2	1	18

KICKOFFS	No.	Yds	Avg	TB	OB	Retn	Net	YdLn
ORNE, Josh	38	2253	59.3	13	2			
HAGAN, Christian	32	1966	61.4	7	2			
Total.....	70	4219	60.3	20	4	904	40.2	24
Opponents.....	63	3888	61.7	23	0	851	39.1	25

INTERCEPTIONS	No.	Yds	Avg	TD	Long
JOHNSON, Jawuan	5	85	17.0	2	37
ALLEN, Mycial	2	18	9.0	0	17
LURRY, Shawun	2	145	72.5	1	87
PUGH, Kyle	1	0	0.0	0	0
CORCORAN, Josh	1	9	9.0	0	9
FOSTER, Trayshon	1	1	1.0	0	1
WILLIAMS, Mykelti	1	10	10.0	0	10
JONES, Bobby	1	2	2.0	0	2
ABRESCH, Jackson	1	14	14.0	0	14
Total.....	15	284	18.9	3	87
Opponents.....	11	157	14.3	1	83

SCORING	TD	FGs	Kick	Rush	Rcv	Pass	DXP	Saf	Pts.
HAGAN, Christian	0	9-16	49-49	0-0	0	0-0	0	0	76
WIMANN, Shane	7	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0	0	42
HUFF, Jordan	6	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0	0	36
CHILDERS, Marcus	5	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0	0	30
TEARS, Spencer	4	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0	0	24
BROWN, D.J.	4	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0	0	24
BLAKE, Christia	4	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0	0	24
HARBISON, Tre	3	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0	0	18
WESLEY, Jauan	3	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0	0	18
JONES, Marcus	3	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0	0	18
BRINKMAN, Mitchell	2	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0	0	12
ABRESCH, Jackson	2	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0	0	12
JOHNSON, Jawuan	2	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0	0	12
SMITH, Sutton	2	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0	0	12
MISTER, Tommy	1	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0	0	6
LURRY, Shawun	1	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0	0	6
BEEBE, Chad	1	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0	0	6
Total.....	50	9-16	49-49	0-0	0	0-0	0	0	376
Opponents.....	33	19-27	31-32	0-0	0	0-1	0	0	286

# NIU FOOTBALL 2017 FINAL DEFENSIVE STATISTICS

		-----Tackles-----				-Sacks-		---Pass Def---		-Fumbles-		Blkd		
		GP	Solo	Ast	Total	TFL/Yds	No-Yds	Int-Yds	BrUp	QBH	FR-Yds	FF	Kick	Safety
6	JONES, Bobby	13	59	48	107	12.5-46	5.0-31	1-2	.	2	.	.	.	.
7	JOHNSON, Jawuan	13	59	39	98	18.0-50	4.0-18	5-85	3	2	1-0	5	.	.
8A	WILLIAMS, Mykelti	13	59	14	73	1.0-3	.	1-10	6	.	.	.	.	.
15	SMITH, Sutton	13	43	20	63	29.5-140	14.0-95	.	3	8	3-74	3	.	.
20	ALLEN, Mycial	13	40	17	57	3.0-10	.	2-18	6	2	1-0	.	.	.
18	SCHWAB, Alex	13	24	23	47	2.5-6	1.0-3	.	1	1	1-0	.	.	.
48	JONES-DAVIS, Antonio	12	32	13	45	2.0-9	1.0-7	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
1	SMALLS, Albert	13	39	5	44	1.0-1	.	.	6	.	.	.	.	.
99	LEROY, Ben	12	16	21	37	7.5-32	3.0-20	.	.	1	.	.	.	.
57	PUGH, Kyle	4	15	20	35	1.0-2	.	1-0	1	2	.	.	.	.
12	CORCORAN, Josh	10	18	16	34	8.5-34	3.5-19	1-9	1	2	.	.	.	.
3A	EMBRY, Jalen	13	26	7	33	2.0-2	.	.	3	.	.	.	.	.
13	ABRESCH, Jackson	13	18	6	24	0.5-2	.	1-14	1	.	.	.	1	.
11	FOSTER, Trayshon	13	22	1	23	2.0-14	2.0-14	1-1	1	.	.	1	1	.
19	LURRY, Shawun	12	13	8	21	4.5-8	.	2-145	6	.	.	.	.	.
9A	SANDERS, Joe	13	11	9	20	1.5-8	1.0-7	.	3	2	.	.	.	.
55	KRAMER, Weston	13	8	11	19	2.5-10	1.0-8	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
90	LEE, William	12	8	11	19	3.5-19	2.5-17	.	.	.	.	.	1	.
5	OLOOTU, Mayomi	13	12	6	18	2.0-3	.	.	1	.	.	.	.	.
29	BUIRGE, Adam	13	10	2	12	1.5-3	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
94	WEBSTER, Devin	12	6	4	10	1.0-7	1.0-7	.	.	.	1-0	.	.	.
53	WYNNE, Quintin	9	2	6	8	.	1.0-0	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
98	HEFLIN, Jack	13	6	2	8	1.0-4	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
3D	DEVEAUX, Lance	11	6	2	8	.	.	.	1	.	.	.	.	.
40	BROWN, Drequan	12	5	2	7	3.0-13	2.0-10	.	.	1	.	.	.	.
41	LORBECK, Matt	12	3	4	7	.	.	.	1	1	.	.	.	.
44	LERSCH, Corey	2	3	3	6	0.5-1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
26	MISTER, Tommy	10	5	1	6	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
97	CORLEY, Herlandez	3	5	1	6	2.0-9	1.0-6	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
2	PARKER, Jonathan	13	3	1	4	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
9	WESLEY, Jauan	13	3	1	4	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	1	.
23	HUFF, Jordan	9	2	1	3	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
10	BROWN, D.J.	13	2	1	3	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
16	MILTON, Dwayne	12	2	1	3	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
32	RUSSELL, Jimmy	6	.	2	2	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
89	BRINKMAN, Mitch	13	2	.	2	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	1	.
22	HARBISON, Tre	10	1	.	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
96	KELLY, Marcus	4	1	.	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
73	SCHARPING, Max	13	.	1	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
14	TEARS, Spencer	13	1	.	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
8	PARCHMENT, Andrew	9	.	1	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
59	SAK, Hayden	13	1	.	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
56	ROBERTS, Ryan	13	.	1	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
7A	SANTACATERINA, D	6	1	.	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
4A	GREGORY, Andrew	2	1	.	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
80	WEESE, Kelly	1	1	.	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
21	JONES, Marcus	12	1	.	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
27	TODD, Maalik	2	1	.	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
TM	TEAM	10	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	1	.
Total.....		13	596	332	928	114-436	43-262	15-284	44	24	7-74	9	6	.
Opponents.....		13	552	398	950	72.0-312	26-184	11-157	32	15	13-38	16	3	.

## NIU PLAYERS OF THE WEEK

	BC	EIU	Nebraska	SDSU	Kent St.	Buffalo	BGSU	EMU	Toledo	Ball St.	WMU	CMU
<b>Offense</b>	Beebe	Jones/ Jo. Huff	Jo. Huff/ Blake	Jo. Huff/ Blake	Wimann	Brown	Beebe/ Mister	Childers/ Wimann	Jones	Childers	Huff O-line	
<b>Defense</b>	Pugh	Smalls	Johnson/ Smith	Johnson/ Jones	Smith	Jones IV	Foster	Smith	None`	Embry	Smith	
<b>Def. Scout</b>	Hall	Thrower	Nettles	Fischer	Rowell	Gay	Robinson	Hall	Webster	Nettles	Thrower	
<b>Special Teams</b>	Jo. Huff/ Foster	Buirge	Ference	Lurry	Schwab	Mister	Hagan	Brinkman	Abresch	Abresch		
<b>Off. Scout</b>	Kennedy	Cole	Kelly	Dassow	Ja. Huff	Gibbons	Nwachukwu	Walker	Kelly	Weaver	Schneider	
<b>ST. Scout</b>	Walker	Kennedy	Gibbons	Weese	Covington	Cole	Nettles	Kennedy	McKie	Walker	Covington	

Selected by the Huskie coaching staff.

# NIU FOOTBALL 2017 PARTICIPATION

No.	Name	GP/GS	BC	EIU	Nebraska	SDSU	KSU	Buffalo	BGSU	EMU	Toledo	Ball State	WMU	CMU	Duke
13	ABRESCH, Jackson	13/-	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
20	ALLEN, Mycial	13/13	CB	CB	CB	CB	CB	CB	CB	CB	CB	CB	CB	CB	CB
82	BEEBE, Chad	9/5	WR	WR	-	-	-	X	WR	X	X	WR	WR	X	-
4	BLAKE, Christia	13/12	X	WR	WR	WR	WR	WR	WR	WR	WR	WR	WR	WR	WR
89	BRINKMAN, Mitchell	13/4	TE	TE	X	X	X	X	X	X	TE	X	X	TE	X
76	BROWN, Dale	13/-	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
10	BROWN, D.J.	13/8	X	X	WR	WR	WR	WR	WR	WR	X	X	WR	X	WR
40	BROWN, Drequan	12/-	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	-	X	X	X	X
29	BUIRGE, Adam	13/-	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
15	CHILDERS, Marcus	12/8	-	X	X	X	X	QB	QB	QB	QB	QB	QB	QB	QB
12	CORCORAN, Josh	10/10	DE	DE	DE	DE	DE	DE	DE	DE	DE	DE	-	-	-
97	CORLEY, Herlandez	3/-	-	X	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	X	-	-	X
38	COVINGTON, Jaquis	1/-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	X	-	-	-
88	CRAWFORD, Daniel	11/2	-	X	-	X	X	X	X	TE	X	X	X	X	TE
3D	DEVEAUX, Lance	11/-	X	X	-	-	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
3A	EMBRY, Jalen	13/1	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	CB
36	ERENCE, Matt	13/-	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
33	FISCHER, Aaron	13/-	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
11	FOSTER, Trayshon	13/2	X	X	X	X	S	X	X	X	X	S	X	X	X
17	GRAHAM, Ryan	2/1	QB	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	X	-	-	-
4A	GREGORY, Andrew	2/-	-	-	-	-	-	-	X	-	-	X	-	-	-
63	GUETHS, Ezekiel	2/-	-	-	-	-	-	-	X	-	-	X	-	-	-
34	HAGAN, Christian	13/-	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
22	HARBISON, Tre	10/1	-	X	-	-	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	TB
84	HARMSTON, Ty	13/-	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
71	HAWN, Isaac	11/4	X	X	RT	RT	RT	RT	X	X	-	X	X	X	-
98	HEFLIN, Jack	13/13	DT	DT	DT	DT	DT	DT	DT	DT	DT	DT	DT	DT	DT
52	HLAVA, Jake	4/-	-	-	X	X	X	-	-	-	-	X	-	-	-
23	HUFF, Jordan	9/7	X	TB	TB	TB	TB	TB	-	-	-	X	TB	TB	-
75	HUGHES, Vince	3/-	-	X	-	-	-	-	X	-	-	X	-	-	-
30	HUNT, Tifonte	1/-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	X
7	JOHNSON, Jawuan	13/13	LB	LB	LB	LB	LB	LB	LB	LB	LB	LB	LB	LB	LB
6	JONES, Bobby	13/13	LB	LB	LB	LB	LB	LB	LB	LB	LB	LB	LB	LB	LB
21	JONES, Marcus	12/3	TB	X	X	X	X	-	X	X	TB	TB	X	X	X
48	JONES-DAVIS, A	12/-	X	X	X	X	-	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
96	KELLY, Marcus	4/-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	X	X	X	X
55	KRAMER, Weston	13/-	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
90	LEE, William	12/-	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	-
99	LEROY, Ben	12/12	DT	DT	DT	DT	DT	DT	DT	DT	DT	DT	DT	DT	-
44	LERSCH, Corey	2/-	-	-	-	-	-	-	X	-	-	X	-	-	-
41	LORBECK, Matt	12/-	X	X	X	X	X	-	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
19	LURRY, Shawun	12/12	CB	CB	CB	CB	CB	CB	CB	CB	CB	CB	CB	CB	-
78	MAILLOUX, Josh	1/-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	X	-	-	-
37	MILTON, Dwayne	12/-	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	-	X	X
26	MISTER, Tommy	10/2	X	X	X	X	X	X	TB	TB	X	X	-	-	-
5	OLOOTU, Mayomi	13/-	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
61	OLSON, Benn	4/1	-	X	-	-	-	-	X	-	-	X	-	-	RT
25	ORNE, Josh	12/-	-	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
8	PARCHMENT, Andrew	9/-	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	-	X	X	-	-	-
2	PARKER, Jonathan	13/-	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
58	PATTON, Brayden	3/-	-	X	-	-	-	-	X	-	-	X	-	-	-
57	PUGH, Kyle	4/4	LB	LB	LB	LB	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
56	ROBERTS, Ryan	13/8	RT	RT	X	X	X	X	RT	RT	RT	RT	RT	RT	X
32	RUSSELL, Jimmy	6/-	-	X	-	X	-	-	X	X	-	X	-	-	X
59	SAK, Hayden	13/-	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
9	SANDERS, Joe	13/3	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	DE	DE	DE
7	SANTACATERINA D	6/4	-	QB	QB	QB	QB	-	X	-	-	X	-	-	-
73	SCHARPING, Max	13/13	LT	LT	LT	LT	LT	LT	LT	LT	LT	LT	LT	LT	LT
18	SCHWAB, Alex	13/7	X	X	X	X	X	LB	LB	LB	LB	LB	LB	LB	LB
64	SHIVELY, Luke	13/13	C	C	C	C	C	C	C	C	C	C	C	C	C
1	SMALLS, Albert	13/13	CB	CB	CB	CB	CB	CB	CB	CB	CB	CB	CB	CB	CB
15	SMITH, Sutton	13/13	DE	DE	DE	DE	DE	DE	DE	DE	DE	DE	DE	DE	DE
24	SMITH, Trequan	1/-	X	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
72	STECKLER, Jordan	13/13	LG	LG	LG	LG	LG	LG	LG	LG	LG	LG	LG	LG	LG
14	TEARS, Spencer	13/11	WR	X	WR	WR	WR	WR	WR	WR	WR	WR	X	WR	WR
1B	THOMPSON, Antho	1/-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	X	-
87	THROWER, Max	1/-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	X	-	-	-
27	TODD, Maalik	2/-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	X	-	X	-
65	VELOZ, Nathan	13/13	RG	RG	RG	RG	RG	RG	RG	RG	RG	RG	RG	RG	RG
54	WARNER, Austin	3/-	X	X	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	X	-	-	-
94	WEBSTER, Devin	11/1	X	X	X	-	X	X	X	X	-	X	X	X	DT
80	WEESE, Kelly	1/-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	X	-	-	-
9	WESLEY, Jauan	12/-	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	-	X	X	X	X
8A	WILLIAMS, Mykelti	13/13	S	S	S	S	S	S	S	S	S	S	S	S	S
35	WIMANN, Shane	12/10	TE	TE	TE	TE	TE	TE	X	X	TE	TE	TE	TE	-
53	WYNNE, Quintin	9/-	X	X	X	X	X	-	X	X	X	X	-	-	-

X-indicates played; letters indicate position started



# NIU FOOTBALL 2017 FINAL TEAM GAME-BY-GAME STATS

Game	Score	---1st Downs--- Total R-P-Pen		Rushing No-Yds-TD	-----Passing----- C-A-I Yds TD			Total Off. Pl-Yds	Punts No-Avg	Fum No-L	Penalties No-Yds	3rd Downs	Time of Poss
(9-1) NIU vs. Boston College	20 23	18 21	5-10-3 11-8-2	35-164, 0 50-148, 0	16-39-1 26-42-1	203 191	2 2	74-367 92-339	8-40.9 9-38.7	0-0 0-0	8-70 8-79	2-of-15 9-of-24	26:21 33:39
(9-9) NIU vs. Eastern Illinois	38 10	26 16	12-11-3 3-6-7	47-230, 2 45-60, 1	24-35-1 14-32-2	269 127	3 0	82-499 77-187	4-41.2 7-40.0	2-2 2-1	15-194 8-75	10-of-17 5-of-17	29:36 30:24
(9-16) NIU at Nebraska	21 17	13 18	7-5-1 6-12-0	31-85, 1 36-85, 2	15-23-0 25-47-3	128 299	0 0	54-213 83-384	8-46.4 6-47.3	3-1 2-0	3-25 5-48	3-of-13 6-of-19	23:26 36:34
(9-30) NIU at San Diego State	28 34	22 10	9-11-3 3-6-1	45-155, 1 36-127, 0	23-38-3 10-20-0	262 136	3 2	83-417 56-263	8-36.4 10-39.9	1-1 0-0	4-42 10-126	8-of-17 1-of-14	34:27 25:33
(10-7) NIU vs. Kent State	24 3	15 9	9-6-0 7-1-1	50-152, 0 43-102, 0	13-22-2 6-17-3	114 29	3 0	72-266 60-131	8-39.0 9-45.8	1-1 2-1	7-59 5-43	5-of-17 2-of-16	30:00 30:00
(10-14) NIU at Buffalo	14 13	28 15	15-11-2 2-11-2	56-217, 1 27-39, 0	20-31-0 21-34-1	224 344	1 1	87-441 61-383	7-44.4 9-42.2	4-2 1-0	3-35 8-77	7-of-17 2-of-14	32:23 27:37
(10-21) NIU at Bowling Green	48 17	29 18	16-13-0 9-8-1	55-338, 2 44-192, 1	21-34-0 13-23-3	239 175	3 1	89-577 67-367	3-36.7 3-42.7	2-1 2-2	6-39 6-53	13-of-21 5-of-12	34:48 25:12
(10-26) NIU - OT vs. Eastern Michigan	30 27	18 15	6-10-2 2-11-2	36-114, 2 33-96, 0	23-40-0 23-45-0	278 307	2 2	76-392 78-403	11-39.0 10-37.8	4-1 0-0	9-72 6-69	3-of-16 5-of-20	28:31 31:29
(11-2) NIU at Toledo	17 27	25 23	11-12-2 7-14-2	40-185, 2 40-166, 3	24-44-2 23-31-0	245 361	0 0	84-430 71-527	5-44.0 6-31.8	0-0 2-1	7-45 4-35	8-of-17 4-of-13	28:06 31:54
(11-9) NIU vs. Ball State	63 17	20 16	9-9-2 7-9-0	45-222, 2 43-83, 1	11-24-0 19-30-1	211 162	5 1	69-433 73-245	4-39.0 11-27.3	1-1 0-0	1-5 4-50	9-of-14 6-of-18	23:59 36:01
(11-15) NIU vs. Western Michigan	35 31	17 17	13-2-2 9-7-1	49-248, 3 44-110, 2	6-11-0 15-27-0	64 211	1 2	60-312 71-321	5-27.2 6-37.0	3-3 2-1	7-65 3-35	7-of-12 8-of-17	26:58 33:02
(11-24) NIU at Central Michigan	24 31	19 16	9-8-2 4-10-2	40-137, 1 33-139, 1	20-36-2 20-39-1	128 247	1 3	76-265 72-386	10-43.9 10-41.9	1-0 1-0	7-60 9-87	5-of-17 4-of-17	31:24 28:36
(12-26) NIU vs. Duke	14 36	13 27	5-6-2 14-13-0	29-65-1 52-213-3	15-28-0 27-40-0	234 252	1 2	57-299 92-465	5-41.6 5-35.4	0-0 2-1	3-11 2-30	1-of-12 10-of-19	21:39 38:21

## — NIU in the Final 2017 NCAA and MAC Rankings —

TEAM CATEGORY	Average/No.	NCAA	MAC	TEAM CATEGORY	Avg./No.	NCAA	MAC
Total Offense	377.8	93	9	Passes Intercepted	15	23	3
Rushing Offense	177.8	48	4	Sacks	3.31	2	1
Passing Offense	199.9	86	8	Tackles for Loss	8.8	1	1
Passing Efficiency	125.9	85	8	Sacks Allowed	2.08	67	8
Completion Percentage	.574	74	4	Tackles for Loss Allowed	5.54	46	5
Scoring Offense	28.9	60	4	Blocked Kicks	6	2	1
First Downs Offense	263	62	3	Blocked Punts	4	4	1
Red Zone Offense	.800	92	7	Fewest Penalties/Game	6.15	72	5
Total Defense	338.5	26	1	Fewest Penalty Yards/Game	55.54	75	5
Rushing Defense	120.0	12	2	Third Down Conversion Pct.	.392	76	5
Pass Efficiency Defense	117.90	31	3	Third Down Conv. Pct. Defense	.305	11	2
Passing Yards Allowed	218.5	57	7	Fourth Down Conversion Pct.	.294	124	11
Scoring Defense	22.0	32	1	Fourth Down Conv. Pct. Defense	.556	82	9
Red Zone Defense	.813	48	5	Time of Possession	28:35	94	10
First Downs Defense	221	19	1				
Net Punting	37.05	85	8	<b>INDIVIDUAL (Top 55, Select)</b>	<b>Avg./No.</b>	<b>NCAA</b>	<b>MAC</b>
Punt Returns	4.97	106	10	<b>Sutton Smith, Tackles for Loss</b>	<b>2.3</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>
Punt Return Defense	7.17	67	8	Sutton Smith, Sacks	1.08	3	2
Kickoff Returns	21.28	63	3	Sutton Smith, Fumbles Recovered	3	4	2
Kickoff Return Defense	19.65	44	5	Sutton Smith, Forced Fumbles	0.38	4	2
Turnover Margin	-0.15	81	8	Jawuan Johnson, Forced Fumbles	0.38	4	2
Turnovers Gained	22	41	5	Jawuan Johnson, Interceptions/Game	0.4	15	3
Turnovers Lost	24	105	9	Jawuan Johnson, Total Interceptions	5	11	2
Passes Had Intercepted	11	69	5	Jawuan Johnson, Tackles for Loss	1.4	12	4
				Jackson Abresch, Punt Return TDs	2	2	1

# NIU FOOTBALL 2017 FINAL INDIVIDUAL GAME-BY-GAME STATS

## RUSHING

No-Yds-TD	BC	EIU	NEB	SDSU	KentSt	Buffalo	BGSU	EMU	Toledo	Ball St	WMU	CMU	DUKE
Beebe, Chad	1-(-1)-0	0-0-0	DNP	DNP	DNP	0-0-0	0-0-0	0-0-0	0-0-0	0-0-0	0-0-0	0-0-0	DNP
Blake, Christian	2-6-0	2-7-0	1-(-1)-0	0-0-0	2-(-3)-0	1-14-0	1-7-0	0-0-0	0-0-0	2-15-0	3-16-0	0-0-0	2-(-3)-0
Brown, D.J.	2-7-0	1-7-0	0-0-0	1-4-0	1-10-0	9-44-0	0-0-0	1-1-0	1-3-0	4-19-1	0-0-0	2-13-0	0-0-0
Childers, Marcus	DNP	5-28-0	2-10-0	5-20-1	17-65-0	27-79-1	19-73-0	16-54-1	15-49-1	4-20-0	10-43-1	12-13-0	11-19-0
Graham, Ryan	12-99-0	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	2-23-0	DNP	DNP	DNP
Harbison, Tre	DNP	2-5-0	DNP	DNP	0-0-0	2-10-0	5-36-0	0-0-0	8-57-1	12-52-0	4-19-0	9-52-1	11-59-1
Huff, Jordan	5-9-0	11-88-0	<b>16-105-1</b>	<b>25-148-0</b>	18-58-0	10-42-0	DNP	DNP	DNP	6-57-1	<b>25-185-2</b>	11-48-0	DNP
Jones, Marcus	11-48-0	12-63-2	1-3-0	5-16-0	6-20-0	DNP	5-37-0	13-49-1	14-80-0	7-29-0	4-(-9)-0	4-11-0	1-3-0
Milton, Dwayne	0-0-0	3-7-0	0-0-0	0-0-0	0-0-0	0-0-0	6-62-0	0-0-0	0-0-0	3-7-0	0-0-0	0-0-0	0-0-0
Mister, Tommy	1-(-3)-0	5-8-0	0-0-0	0-0-0	2-5-0	6-30-0	<b>17-115-1</b>	4-12-0	0-0-0	0-0-0	DNP	DNP	DNP
Parchment, Andrew	0-0-0	0-0-0	0-0-0	1-(-4)-0	0-0-0	0-0-0	0-0-0	DNP	0-0-0	1-5-0	DNP	DNP	DNP
Parker, Jonathan	0-0-0	1-3-0	0-0-0	0-0-0	0-0-0	0-0-0	0-0-0	0-0-0	0-0-0	0-0-0	0-0-0	0-0-0	0-0-0
Santacaterina, Daniel	DNP	5-14-0	7-(-9)-0	5-(-28)-0	3-(-1)-0	DNP	1-(-1)-0	DNP	DNP	1-1-0	DNP	DNP	DNP
Tears, Spencer	0-0-0	0-0-0	0-0-0	2-0-0	0-0-0	0-0-0	0-0-0	1-(-3)-0	0-0-0	0-0-0	0-0-0	0-0-0	1-(-2)-0
Wesley, Jauan	0-0-0	0-0-0	0-0-0	0-0-0	0-0-0	0-0-0	1-9-1	1-1-0	0-0-0	2-(-5)-0	0-0-0	0-0-0	0-0-0

## RECEIVING

No-Yds-TD	BC	EIU	NEB	SDSU	KentSt	Buffalo	BGSU	EMU	Toledo	Ball St	WMU	CMU	DUKE
Beebe, Chad	6-93-0	4-32-0	DNP	DNP	DNP	1-27-0	<b>6-124-1</b>	2-20-0	4-58-0	3-36-0	1-1-0	1-26-0	DNP
Blake, Christian	0-0-0	3-24-1	5-77-0	<b>12-153-2</b>	2-7-0	1-18-0	3-17-0	3-39-0	2-16-0	2-27-1	1-10-0	4-26-0	3-28-0
Brinkman, Mitchell	0-0-0	0-0-0	0-0-0	0-0-0	1-13-0	1-4-0	0-0-0	0-0-0	0-0-0	1-5-1	1-26-1	0-0-0	0-0-0
Brown, D.J.	2-31-1	7-88-0	3-18-0	4-(-3)-0	1-9-0	5-53-0	3-23-0	<b>7-104-1</b>	3-10-0	0-0-0	0-0-0	3-9-1	4-23-0
Crawford, Daniel	0-0-0	1-17-0	DNP	0-0-0	0-0-0	1-13-0	0-0-0	0-0-0	0-0-0	0-0-0	1-3-0	2-15-0	0-0-0
Graham, Ryan	1-13-0	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	0-0-0	DNP	DNP	DNP
Harbison, Tre	DNP	0-0-0	DNP	DNP	0-0-0	1-24-0	0-0-0	0-0-0	0-0-0	1-30-0	0-0-0	0-0-0	1-3-0
Huff, Jordan	0-0-0	1-8-0	1-6-0	1-4-0	1-2-1	0-0-0	DNP	DNP	DNP	1-24-1	0-0-0	2-(-1)-0	DNP
Jones, Marcus	0-0-0	1-8-0	1-1-0	0-0-0	0-0-0	DNP	2-16-0	1-(-2)-0	5-51-0	0-0-0	0-0-0	1-0-0	1-4-0
Mister, Tommy	0-0-0	0-0-0	0-0-0	0-0-0	0-0-0	1-4-0	0-0-0	2-7-0	0-0-0	0-0-0	DNP	DNP	DNP
Parchment, Andrew	0-0-0	0-0-0	DNP	0-0-0	0-0-0	0-0-0	1-6-0	DNP	0-0-0	0-0-0	DNP	DNP	DNP
Tears, Spencer	3-29-0	4-61-1	2-(-3)-0	<b>5-105-1</b>	3-25-1	5-31-0	3-42-1	4-40-0	3-63-0	1-15-0	1-12-0	5-41-0	4-67-0
Wesley, Jauan	0-0-0	2-30-0	3-29-0	0-0-0	1-5-0	0-0-0	0-0-0	0-0-0	0-0-0	1-70-1	0-0-0	1-7-0	2-109-1
Wimann, Shane	4-37-1	1-1-1	0-0-0	1-3-0	4-53-1	4-50-1	3-11-1	4-70-1	6-37-0	1-4-1	1-12-0	1-5-0	DNP

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

Game	Graham	Santacaterina	Childers
Boston College	15-38-1, 190; 2	DNP	DNP
Eastern Illinois	DNP	23-34-1, 252; 3	1-1-0, 17; 0
Nebraska	DNP	15-22-0, 128; 0	0-0-0, 0; 0
San Diego State	DNP	23-37-3, 262; 3	0-1-0, 0; 0
Kent State	DNP	0-1-1, 0; 0	13-21-1, 114; 3
Buffalo	DNP	DNP	20-31-0, 224; 1
Bowling Green	DNP	0-1-0, 0; 0	21-33-0, 239; 3
Eastern Michigan	DNP	DNP	23-40-0, 278; 2
Toledo	DNP	DNP	24-43-2, 235; 0
Ball State	0-0-0	1-2-0, 70; 1	10-22-0, 141; 4
Western Michigan	DNP	DNP	6-11-0, 64; 1
Central Michigan	DNP	DNP	20-36-2, 128; 1
Duke	DNP	DNP	15-26-0, 234; 1

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

Beebe	Embry	Lurry
3-17, 10; 0	0-0, 0; 0	0-0, 0; 0
3-1, 1; 0	0-0, 0; 0	0-0, 0; 0
DNP	2-(-10), 12; 0	0-0, 0; 0
DNP	1-7, 7; 0	2-25, 13; 0
DNP	2-8, 8; 0	0-0, 0; 0
3-23, 13; 0	0-0, 0; 0	0-0, 0; 0
0-0, 0; 0	0-0, 0; 0	0-0, 0; 0
2-7, 4; 0	0-0, 0; 0	0-0, 0; 0
0-0, 0; 0	0-0, 0; 0	0-0, 0; 0
1-4, 4; 0	0-0, 0; 0	2-(-3), 0; 0
1-1, 1; 0	0-0, 0; 0	0-0, 0; 0
3-9, 8; 0	0-0, 0; 0	0-0, 0; 0
DNP	1-6, 6; 0	DNP

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

Game	Matt Ference
Boston College	8-40.9, 1; 51
Eastern Illinois	4-41.2, 2; 42
Nebraska	8-46.4, 3; 53
San Diego State	8-36.4, 4; 56
Kent State	8-39.0, 2; 56
Buffalo	7-44.4, 2; 50
Bowling Green	3-36.7, 1; 42
Eastern Michigan	10-42.9, 4; 53
Toledo	5-44.0, 2; 49
Ball State	4-39.0, 3; 53
Western Michigan	3-27.3, 0; 39
Central Michigan	10-43.9, 4; 70
Duke	5-41.6, 0; 46

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

Blake	Embry	Brown	Parker	Beebe
3-48, 23; 0	0-0, 0; 0	0-0, 0; 0	0-0, 0; 0	0-0, 0; 0
3-68, 34; 0	0-0, 0; 0	0-0, 0; 0	0-0, 0; 0	0-0, 0; 0
1-25, 25; 0	0-0, 0; 0	0-0, 0; 0	0-0, 0; 0	DNP
0-0, 0; 0	1-22, 22; 0	0-0, 0; 0	2-38, 21; 0	DNP
0-0, 0; 0	0-0, 0; 0	0-0, 0; 0	0-0, 0; 0	DNP
2-33, 25; 0	0-0, 0; 0	0-0, 0; 0	1-24, 24; 0	0-0, 0; 0
0-0, 0; 0	1-31, 31; 0	0-0, 0; 0	0-0, 0; 0	0-0, 0; 0
0-0, 0; 0	0-0, 0; 0	1-29, 29; 0	2-46, 24; 0	0-0, 0; 0
0-0, 0; 0	0-0, 0; 0	0-0, 0; 0	0-0, 0; 0	3-70, 34; 0
0-0, 0; 0	0-0, 0; 0	0-0, 0; 0	0-0, 0; 0	4-95, 29; 0
0-0, 0; 0	0-0, 0; 0	1-9, 9; 0	0-0, 0; 0	4-111, 49; 0
0-0, 0; 0	0-0, 0; 0	1-24, 24; 0	0-0, 0; 0	1-21, 21; 0
0-0, 0; 0	0-0, 0; 0	7-134, 41; 0	0-0, 0; 0	DNP

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## DEFENSE

Solo-Asst.-Total	BC	EIU	NEB	SDSU	KSU	BUFF	BGSU	EMU	TOL	BSU	WMU	CMU	DUKE
Abresch, Jackson	3-1-4	2-1-3	0-0-0	1-1-2	0-0-0	1-0-1 .5TFL	1-3-4, INT	2-0-2	1-0-1, BLK	1-0-1, 2TD	1-0-1	4-0-4, PB	1-0-1
Allen, Mycial	2-3-5, PB INT, 2 PB	2-2-4	3-0-3, TFL TFL	3-1-4	2-0-2, PB	7-1-8	1-0-1, INT	4-1-5	3-4-7, FR	0-0-0	1-0-1 PB, TFL	4-1-5	8-4-12, PB
Brinkman, Mitchell*	0-0-0	0-0-0	0-0-0	0-0-0	0-0-0	0-0-0	0-0-0	1-0-1, BLK	0-0-0	0-0-0	0-0-0	0-0-0	1-0-1
Brown, Drequan	1-0-1 TFL, QS	0-0-0	0-0-0	1-0-1, TFL	0-1-1	0-0-0	0-0-0	0-0-0	0-0-0	1-0-1, QS TFL	0-0-0	0-0-0	2-1-3
Buirge, Adam	0-0-0	1-1-2	0-0-0	0-0-0	0-0-0	0-0-0	2-0-2	0-0-0	0-0-0	6-1-7, 1.5 TFL	0-0-0	1-0-1	0-0-0
Corcoran, Josh	1-1-2, PB	4-2-6 TFL	0-4-4 TFL, INT	2-2-4	0-4-4 1.5QS, 2TFL	2-0-2 TFL	0-1-1	5-1-6 TFL	1-1-2 QS, TFL	3-0-3 QS, 2TFL	DNP	DNP	DNP
Corley, Hernandez	DNP	0-0-0	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	0-0-0	DNP	DNP	3-1-4
Deveaux, Lance	0-0-0	0-0-0	DNP	DNP	0-0-0	0-0-0	2-1-3	0-0-0	3-1-4, PB	0-0-0	0-0-0	DNP	0-0-0
Embry, Jalen	3-1-4	3-2-5 PB	3-1-4	2-1-3	0-0-0	2-0-2	1-1-2 PB	4-0-4	0-0-0	4-0-4 2TFL	1-0-1	1-0-1	2-1-3
Foster, Trayshon	1-1-2	1-0-1	1-0-1	0-0-0	3-0-3	2-0-2	3-0-3, INT 2 TFL, 2QS, FF	2-0-2	0-0-0	5-0-5, PB BLK	0-0-0	1-0-1	3-0-3
Gregory, Andrew	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	1-0-1	DNP	DNP	0-0-0	DNP	DNP	DNP
Heflin, Jack	0-1-1	1-0-1	1-0-1	0-0-0	0-0-0	1-0-1	0-0-0	1-0-1	0-1-1	1-0-1	1-0-1, TFL	0-0-0	
Johnson, Jawuan	7-3-10 3TFL 1.5QS	3-4-7, FF INT-TD	4-5-9 TFL	3-2-5, PB 2TFL, INT	5-7-12 QS, INT	1-0-1 1.5TFL	6-5-11, FR QS, TFL	5-1-6 PB, TFL	4-2-6 FF	3-3-6 0.5 TFL INT	6-1-7	6-0-6, TFL INT-TD FF	6-6-12 QS, 4.5TFL 2FF, PB
Jones, Bobby	10-6-16 2TFL	0-3-3	5-9-14 TFL	5-2-7 TFL	2-6-8, QS 2TFL, INT	4-2-6 2QS, 2TFL	4-5-9 QS, 2TFL	5-2-7 TFL	4-5-9	1-0-1	5-3-8	8-1-9	6-4-10 QS, 1.5 TFL
Jones-Davis, Antonio	2-0-2	0-8-8	0-0-0	0-0-0	DNP	3-0-3	2-1-3	4-0-4	7-2-9 TFL	6-0-6 QS, TFL	4-0-4	2-1-3	2-1-3
Kelly, Marcus	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	0-0-0	1-0-1	0-0-0	0-0-0
Kramer, Weston	0-0-0	2-0-2	0-0-0	0-1-1	0-0-0	0-0-0	1-2-3 TFL	0-1-1	0-0-0	2-3-5, QS 1.5 TFL	1-1-2	0-2-2	2-1-3
Lee, William	0-1-1	2-1-3 QS	0-1-1 BLK	2-1-3 TFL	0-1-1 .5QS, .5TFL	0-1-1	0-0-0	0-1-1	1-3-4	0-0-0	2-0-2 QS, TFL	1-1-2	DNP
Lersch, Corey	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	2-1-3	DNP	DNP	1-2-3 0.5 TFL	DNP	DNP	DNP
LeRoy, Ben	0-1-1	0-3-3 .5 TFL	3-0-3, QS TFL	0-0-0	1-2-3, .5TFL	2-3-5 .5QS, 1.5TFL	0-2-2	2-0-2	1-2-3	1-2-3 TFL	2-3-5, .5QS 0.5TFL	4-3-7, QS 2.5 TFL	DNP
Lorbeck, Matt	0-0-0	0-0-0, PB	0-1-1	0-0-0	0-0-0	0-0-0	0-0-0	0-0-0	0-0-0	1-0-1	0-0-0	0-0-0	2-3-5
Lurry, Shawun	1-1-2	0-1-1, PB	1-1-2, INT TD, PB	3-0-3, PB 2TFL	0-1-1, INT .5 TFL	1-0-1	1-1-2	0-0-0	1-2-3, TFL	3-0-3 TFL, PB	0-1-1	2-0-2 2PB	DNP
Mister, Tommy*	0-0-0	0-0-0	1-0-1	0-0-0	1-0-1	2-1-3	0-0-0	0-0-0	1-0-1	0-0-0	DNP	DNP	DNP
Olootu, Mayomi	0-0-0	2-1-3	0-0-0	0-1-1	2-2-4, TFL	0-0-0	2-1-3	0-0-0	0-0-0	2-0-2	1-0-1	0-0-0	3-1-4, TFL
Pugh, Kyle	6-11-17 INT	1-4-5	6-5-11 PB	2-0-2 TFL	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP
Sanders, Joe	2-0-2, PB	1-0-1	0-1-1	0-1-1	0-2-2	0-1-1	0-0-0	1-0-1	0-0-0	2-1-3 QS, TFL	4-1-5 2PB	0-1-1 .5 TFL	1-1-2
Schwab, Alex	1-2-3	2-4-6	1-1-2	2-0-2	1-6-7, FR .5TFL	3-1-4	3-0-3, PB	2-0-2	1-6-7	1-2-3 TFL	3-0-3, QS TFL	1-0-1	3-1-4
Smalls, Albert	3-3-6, TFL	2-0-2, PB	3-0-3, PB	3-0-3, PB	2-0-2	3-0-3	0-0-0	5-0-5	7-2-9	3-0-3	2-0-2	4-0-4 2PB	2-0-2
Smith, Sutton	5-1-6 5TFL, QS	3-0-3 PB, TFL FF, FR	4-2-6 4 TFL, PB 2QS	3-0-3 TFL, QS	4-6-10 3QS, 4TFL	2-2-4, FF 1.5QS & TFL	2-2-4, FF TFL, FR-TD	5-1-6, PB 3TFL, QS	0-2-2	3-0-3 QS, 2 TFL	5-1-6 2.5QS, 5.5TFL FR-TD	3-0-3 QS, TFL	4-3-7, TFL
Smith, Trequan	0-0-0	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP
Webster, Devin	0-1-1	1-1-2, QS	0-0-0	DNP	0-0-0	1-1-2	1-0-1	0-0-0	0-0-0	0-1-1	0-0-0	0-0-0	3-0-3, FR
Williams, Mykelti	5-0-5 PB	1-4-5 INT	9-1-10	3-3-6 TFL	4-1-5 PB	7-0-7 PB	5-1-6 PB	3-0-3	3-3-6 PB	5-0-5	7-1-8	2-0-2	5-0-5 PB
Wynne, Quintin	0-0-0	1-2-3, QS	0-0-0	0-0-0	0-1-1	DNP	0-1-1	0-0-0	1-2-3	0-0-0	DNP	DNP	DNP

\*All tackles on special teams

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## RUSHING

	Season	Career
<b><u>23 Jordan Huff, TB</u></b>		
Carries	25 (2x) (SDSU, 9-30; WMU, 11-15)	25 (SDSU, 9-30-17; WMU, 11-15-17)
Yards	185 (WMU, 11-15)	185 (WMU, 11-15-17)
Touchdowns	2 (WMU, 11-15)	3 (EMU, 11-16-16)
Long	35 (BSU, 11-9)	87 (WMU, 11-18-15)
<b><u>15 Marcus Childers, QB</u></b>		
Carries	27 (Buffalo, 10-14)	27 (Buffalo, 10-14-17)
Yards	79 (Buffalo, 10-14)	79 (Buffalo, 10-14-17)
Touchdowns	1(5x) (last: WMU, 11-15)	1(5x) (last: WMU, 11-15-17)
Long	32 (BSU, 11-9)	32 (BSU, 11-9-17)
<b><u>21 Marcus Jones, TB</u></b>		
Carries	14 (Toledo, 11-2)	14 (Toledo, 11-2-17)
Yards	80 (Toledo, 11-2)	80 (Toledo, 11-2-17)
Touchdowns	2 (EIU, 9-9)	2 (EIU, 9-9-17)
Long	29 (Toledo, 11-2)	73 (Miami, 10-17-15)
<b><u>26 Tommy Mister, TB</u></b>		
Carries	17 (BGSU, 10-21)	17 (BGSU, 10-21-17)
Yards	115 (BGSU, 10-21)	115 (BGSU, 10-21-17)
Touchdowns	1 (BGSU, 10-21)	1 (BGSU, 10-21-17)
Long	30 (BGSU, 10-21)	30 (BGSU, 10-21-17)
<b><u>17 Ryan Graham, QB</u></b>		
Carries	12 (BC, 9-1)	18 (Buffalo, 11-11-15)
Yards	99 (BC, 9-1)	99 (BC, 9-1-17)
Touchdowns	0	0
Long	60 (BC, 9-1)	60 (BC, 9-1-17)
<b><u>10 D.J. Brown, WR</u></b>		
Carries	9 (Buffalo 10-14)	10 (Murray St, 9-12-15)
Yards	44 (Buffalo 10-14)	55 (Murray St, 9-12-15)
Touchdowns	1 (BSU 11-9)	1 (EMU, 10-24-15; BSU 11-9-15)
Long	11 (Buffalo, 10-14)	23 (Murray St, 9-12-15)
<b><u>16 Dwayne Milton, TB</u></b>		
Carries	6 (BGSU, 10-21)	6 (BGSU, 10-21-17)
Yards	62 (BGSU, 10-21)	62 (BGSU, 10-21-17)
Touchdowns	0	0
Long	41 (BGSU, 10-21)	41 (BGSU, 10-21-17)
<b><u>22 Tre Harbison, TB</u></b>		
Carries	13 (Duke, 12-26)	13 (Duke, 12-26-17)
Yards	59 (Duke, 12-26)	59 (Duke, 12-26-17)
Touchdowns	1 (3x) (last: Duke, 12-26)	1(3x) (last: Duke, 12-26-17)
Long	25 (Duke, 12-26)	25 (Duke, 12-26-17)
<b><u>4 Christian Blake, WR</u></b>		
Carries	3 (WMU, 11-15)	3(2x) (last: WMU, 11-15-17)
Yards	16 (WMU, 11-15)	19 (SDSU, 9-17-16)
Touchdowns	0	1 (WMU, 9-17-16)
Long	14 (Buffalo, 10-14)	14 (Buffalo, 10-14-17)
<b><u>9 Jauan Wesley, WR</u></b>		
Carries	2 (BSU, 11-9)	1 (BGSU, 10-21-17)
Yards	9 (BGSU, 10-21)	9 (BGSU, 10-21-17)
Touchdowns	1 (BGSU, 10-21)	1 (BGSU, 10-21-17)
Long	9 (BGSU, 10-21)	9 (BGSU, 10-21-17)
<b><u>14 Spencer Tears, WR</u></b>		
Carries	2 (SDSU, 9-30)	2 (SDSU, 9-30-17)
Yards	0	0
Touchdowns	0	0
Long	5 (SDSU, 9-30)	5 (SDSU, 9-30-17)

## PASSING

	Season	Career
<b><u>15 Marcus Childers, QB</u></b>		
Attempts	43 (Toledo 11-2)	43 (Toledo, 11-2-17)
Completions	23 (EMU, 10-26; Toledo, 11-2)	23 (EMU, 10-26-17; Toledo 11-2-17)
Comp %	64.5 (Buffalo, 10-14)	64.5 (Buffalo, 10-14-17)
Yards	278 (EMU, 10-26)	278 (EMU, 10-26-17)
Long	73 (BGSU, 10-21)	73 (BGSU, 10-21-17)
Touchdowns	4, (BSU, 11-9)	4, (BSU, 11-9)
Interceptions	2 (Toledo, 11-2; CMU 11-24)	1 (Toledo, 11-2-17; CMU 11-24-17)
<b><u>7 Daniel Santacaterina, QB</u></b>		
Attempts	37 (SDSU, 9-30)	37 (SDSU, 9-30-17)
Completions	23(2x) (EIU 9-9; SDSU 9-30)	23(2x) (EIU 9-9-17; SDSU 9-30-17)
Comp %	68.2 (Nebraska, 9-16)	68.2 (Nebraska 9-16-17)
Yards	262 (SDSU, 9-30)	262 (SDSU 9-30-17)
Long	81 (SDSU, 9-30)	81 (SDSU, 9-30)
Touchdowns	3(2x), (EIU 9-9; SDSU 9-30)	3(2x), (EIU 9-9-17; SDSU 9-30-17)
Interceptions	3 (SDSU 9-30)	3 (SDSU 9-30-17)
<b><u>17 Ryan Graham, QB</u></b>		
Attempts	38 (BC, 9-1)	43 (Toledo, 11-9-16)
Completions	15 (BC, 9-1)	24 (Toledo, 11-9-16)
Comp %	39.5 (BC, 9-1)	66.7 (WIU, 9-24-16)
Yards	190 (BC, 9-1)	227 (Toledo, 11-9-16)
Long	46 (BC, 9-1)	68 (Buffalo, 11-11-15)
Touchdowns	2 (BC, 9-1)	3 (Toledo, 11-9-16)
Interceptions	1 (BC, 9-1)	1 (BC, 9-1-17)



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## DEFENSE

	Season Highs	Career Highs
<b><u>13 Jackson Abresch, S</u></b>		
Total Tackles	4 (3x) (BC 9-1; BGSU 10-21; CMU 11-24)	4 (4x) (KSU 11-25-16; BC 9-1-17; BGSU 10-21-17; CMU 11-24-17)
Tackles for Loss	0.5 (SDSU 9-30)	0.5 (SDSU 9-30-17)
Interceptions	1 (BGSU 10-7)	1 (2x) (BGSU 11-1-16; BGSU 10-7-17)
Pass Break-Ups	1 (CMU 11-24)	1 (3x) (Buffalo 10-22-16; KSU 11-25-16; CMU 11-24-17)
<b><u>20 Mycial Allen, S</u></b>		
Total Tackles	12 (Duke, 12-26)	13 (Wyoming, 9-3-16)
Tackles for Loss	1 (3x) (SDSU 9-30; Nebraska 9-16; CMU 11-24)	1 (7x) (last: CMU 11-24-17)
Interceptions	1 (2x) (EIU 9-9; BGSU 10-7)	1 (6x) (last: BG 10-7-17)
Pass Break-Ups	2 (EIU 9-9)	2 (EIU 9-9-17)
<b><u>40 Drequan Brown, DE</u></b>		
Total Tackles	3 (Duke, 12-26)	3 (Duke, 12-26-17)
Tackles for Loss	1 (3x) (BC 9-1; SDSU 9-30; BSU 11-9)	1 (3x) (BC 9-1-17; SDSU 9-30-17; BSU 11-9-17)
Sacks	1 (2x) (BC 9-1; BSU 11-9)	1 (2x) (BC 9-1-17; BSU 11-9-17)
<b><u>29 Adam Buirge, S</u></b>		
Total Tackles	7 (BSU 11-9)	7 (BSU 11-9-17)
Tackles for Loss	1.5 (BSU 11-9)	1.5 (BSU 11-9-17)
<b><u>12 Josh Corcoran, DE</u></b>		
Total Tackles	6 (EIU 9-9; EMU 10-26)	8 (Toledo 11-9-16)
Tackles for Loss	2 (KSU 10-7; BSU 11-9)	2.5 (BSU 10-1-16)
Sacks	1.5 (KSU 10-7)	2 (BSU 10-1-16)
Interceptions	1 (Nebraska 9-16)	1 (Nebraska 9-16-17)
Pass Break-Ups	1 (BC 9-1)	1 (BC 9-1-17)
<b><u>37 Lance Deveaux, Jr., LB</u></b>		
Total Tackles	4 (Toledo 11-2)	9 (Toledo 11-9-16)
Tackles for Loss	--	1 (KSU 11-25-16)
Pass Break-Ups	1 (Toledo 11-2)	1 (3x) (Buffalo 10-22-16; KSU 11-25-16; Toledo, 11-2-17)
<b><u>3 Jalen Embry, CB</u></b>		
Total Tackles	5 (EIU 9-9)	5 (EIU 9-9-17)
Tackles for Loss	2 (BSU 11-9)	2 (BSU 11-9-17)
Pass Break-Ups	1 (EIU 9-9; BGSU 10-21)	1 (EIU 9-9; BG 10-21-17)
<b><u>11 Trayshon Foster, S</u></b>		
Total Tackles	5 (BSU 11-9)	5 (2x) (Wyoming 9-3-16; BSU 11-9-17)
Tackles for Loss	2 (BGSU 10-21)	2 (BGSU 10-21-17)
Sacks	2 (BGSU 10-21)	2 (BGSU 10-21-17)
Interceptions	1 (BGSU 10-21)	1 (BGSU 10-21-17)
Pass Break-Ups	1 (BSU 11-9)	1 (BSU 11-9-17)
<b><u>98 Jack Heflin, DT</u></b>		
Total Tackles	1 (8x) (last: WMU 11-15)	1 (8x), (last: WMU 11-15-17)
Tackles for Loss	1 (WMU 11-15)	1 (WMU 11-15-17)
<b><u>99 Ben LeRoy, DT</u></b>		
Total Tackles	7 (CMU 11-24)	7 (CMU 11-24-17)
Tackles for Loss	2.5 (CMU 11-24)	2.5 (CMU 11-24-17)
Sacks	1(2x) (Nebraska 9-16; CMU 11-24)	1(2x) (Nebraska 9-16-17; CMU 11-24-17)

	Season Highs	Career Highs
<b><u>48 Antonio Jones-Davis, LB</u></b>		
Total Tackles	9 (Toledo 11-2)	9 (Toledo 11-2-17)
Tackles for Loss	1 (Toledo 11-2; BSU 11-9)	1 (3x) (WMU 10-8-16; Toledo 11-2-17; BSU 11-9-17)
Sacks	1 (BSU 11-9)	1 (BSU 11-9-17)
Pass Break-Ups	--	1 (Buffalo 10-22-16)
<b><u>7 Jawuan Johnson, LB</u></b>		
Total Tackles	12 (2x) (KSU 10-7, Duke, 12-26)	12 (2x) (KSU 10-7-17, Duke 12-26-17)
Tackles for Loss	4.5 (Duke 12-26)	4.5 (Duke, 12-26-17)
Sacks	1 (4x) (KSU 10-7; BGSU 10-21; CMU 11-24; Duke 12-26)	1 (5x) (last: Duke 12-26-17)
Interceptions	1 (5x) (last: CMU 11-24)	1 (5x) (last: CMU 11-24-17)
Pass Break-Ups	1 (3x) (SDSU 9-30; EMU 10-26; Duke 12-26)	1 (3x) (SDSU 9-30-17; EMU 10-26-17; Duke 12-26-17)
<b><u>6 Bobby Jones IV, LB</u></b>		
Total Tackles	16 (BC 9-1)	16 (BC 9-1-17)
Tackles for Loss	2 (4x) (BC 9-1; KSU 10-7; Buffalo 10-14; BGSU 10-21)	2 (6x), (last: BGSU 10-21-17)
Sacks	2 (Buffalo 10-14)	2 (Buffalo 10-14-17)
Interceptions	1 (KSU 10-7)	1 (KSU 10-7-17)
Pass Break-Ups	--	1 (Murray St. 9-12-15)
<b><u>55 Weston Kramer, DT</u></b>		
Total Tackles	5 (BSU 11-9)	5 (BSU 11-9-17)
Tackles for Loss	1.5 (BSU 11-9)	1.5 (BSU 11-9-17)
Sacks	1 (BSU 11-9)	1 (BSU 11-9-17)
<b><u>44 Corey Lersch, LB</u></b>		
Total Tackles	3(2x), (BG 10-21; BSU 11-9)	3 (2x), (BGSU 10-21-17; BSU 11-9-17)
Tackles for Loss	.5 (BSU 11-9)	.5 (BSU 11-9-17)
<b><u>41 Matt Lorbeck, DE</u></b>		
Total Tackles	5 (Duke, 12-26)	5 (Duke, 12-26-17)
Pass Break-Ups	1 (EIU, 10-26)	1 (EIU, 10-26-17)
<b><u>19 Shawun Lurry, CB</u></b>		
Total Tackles	3 (3x) (SDSU 9-30; Toledo 11-2, BSU, 11-9)	8 (2x) (Buffalo 11-11-15; BSU 10-1-16)
Tackles for Loss	2 (SDSU 9-30)	2 (SDSU 9-30-17)
Interceptions	1 (2x) (Nebraska 9-16; KSU 10-7)	2 (Ohio St. 9-19-15)
Pass Break-Ups	2 (CMU 11-24)	4 (EMU 11-16-16)
<b><u>5 Mayomi Olootu, CB</u></b>		
Total Tackles	4 (2x) (KSU 10-7, Duke 12-26)	4 (5x) (last: KSU 10-7-17)
Tackles for Loss	1(2x) (KSU 10-7, Duke 12-26)	1 (KSU 10-7-17)
Interceptions	--	2 (Buffalo 10-22-16)
Pass Break-Ups	--	2 (BSU 10-1-16)
<b><u>57 Kyle Pugh, LB</u></b>		
Total Tackles	17 (BC 9-1)	17 (BC 9-1-17)
Tackles for Loss	1 (SDSU 9-30)	1 (SDSU 9-30-17)
Interceptions	1 (BC 9-1)	1 (BC 9-1-17)
Pass-Break-Ups	1 (Nebraska 9-16)	1 (Nebraska 9-16-17)
<b><u>9 Joe Sanders, DE</u></b>		
Total Tackles	5 (WMU 11-15)	5 (2x) (USF 9-10-16; WMU 11-15-17)
Tackles for Loss	1 (BSU 11-9)	1(3x) (WIU 9-24-16; USF 9-10-16; BSU 11-9-17)
Sacks	1 (BSU 11-9)	1 (BSU 11-9)
Pass Break-Ups	2 (WMU 11-15)	2 (WMU 11-15)

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	Season Highs	Career Highs
<b><u>18 Alex Schwab, LB</u></b>		
Total Tackles	7 (2x), (KSU 10-7; Toledo 11-2)	14 (EMU 11-16-16)
Tackles for Loss	1 (2x), (BSU 11-9; WMU 11-15)	2 (KSU 11-25-16)
Sacks	1 (WMU 11-15)	1 (2x) (KSU 11-25-16; WMU 11-15-17)
Pass Break-Ups	1 (BGSU 10-21)	1 (BGSU 10-21-17)
<b><u>1 Albert Smalls, CB</u></b>		
Total Tackles for Loss	9 (Toledo 11-2)	9 (Toledo 11-2-17) Tackles
	1 (BC 9-1)	1(3x), (SDSU 9-17-16; WMU 10-8-16; BC 9-1-17)
Sacks	--	1 (WMU 10-8-16)
Interceptions	--	1(3x), (Presbyterian 8-28-14; WMU 11-28-14 WMU 11-18-15)
Pass-Break-Ups	2 (CMU 11-24)	2 (CMU 11-24-17)
<b><u>94 Devin Webster, DT</u></b>		
Total Tackles	3 (Duke, 12-26)	3 (Duke, 12-26-17)
Sacks	1 (EIU 9-9-17)	1, (EIU 9-9-17)

	Season Highs	Career Highs
<b><u>15 Sutton Smith, DE</u></b>		
Total Tackles	10 (KSU 10-7)	10 (KSU 10-7-17)
Tackles for Loss	5.5 (WMU 11-15)	5.5 (WMU 11-15-17)
Sacks	3 (KSU 10-7)	3 (KSU 10-7-17)
Pass Break-Ups	1(3x), (EIU 9-9; Nebraska 9-16; EMU 10-26)	1(3x), (EIU 9-9-17; Nebraska 9-16-17; EMU 10-26-17)
<b><u>8 Mykelti Williams, S</u></b>		
Total Tackles	10 (Nebraska 9-16)	10 (Nebraska 9-16-17)
Tackles for Loss	1 (SDSU 9-30)	1 (SDSU 9-30-17)
Interceptions	1 (EIU 9-9)	1 (EIU 9-9-17)
Pass-Break-Ups	1(6x), (last: Duke, 12-26)	1 (6x) (last: Duke 12-26-17)
<b><u>53 Quintin Wynne, DE</u></b>		
Total Tackles	3(2x) (EIU 9-9; Toledo 11-2)	3(2x), (CMU 10-15-16; EMU, 10-26-16)
Tackles for Loss	--	1 (CMU 10-15-16)
Sacks	1, (EIU, 9-9)	1(2x), (Toledo 11-9-16; EIU 9-9-17)

If category is missing, player has no stats in that category.

## RECEIVING

	Season Highs	Career Highs
<b><u>4 Christian Blake, WR</u></b>		
Catches	12 (SDSU 9-30)	12 (SDSU 9-30-17)
Yards	153 (SDSU 9-30)	153 (SDSU 9-30-17)
Touchdowns	2 (SDSU 9-30)	2 (SDSU 9-30-17)
Long	50 (SDSU 9-30)	51 (Wyoming 9-3-16)
<b><u>14 Spencer Tears, WR</u></b>		
Catches	5 (SDSU 9-30; Buffalo 10-14; CMU 11-24)	5 (SDSU 9-30-17; Buffalo 10-14-17; CMU 11-24-17)
Yards	105 (SDSU 9-30)	105 (SDSU 9-30-17)
Touchdowns	1 (4x), (EIU 9-9; SDSU 9-30; Kent St, 10-7; BGSU 10-21)	1 (4x), (EIU 9-9-17; SDSU 9-30-17; Kent St 10-7-17; BGSU 10-21-17)
Long	81 (SDSU 9-30)	81 (SDSU 9-30-17)
<b><u>10 D.J. Brown, WR</u></b>		
Catches	7(2x), (EIU 9-9; EMU 10-26)	7(2x) (EIU 9-9-17; EMU 10-26-17)
Yards	104 (EMU 10-26)	104 (EMU 10-26-17)
Touchdowns	1(3x), (BC 9-1; EMU 10-26; CMU 11-24)	1(3x), (BC 9-1-17, EMU 10-26-17; CMU 11-24-17)
Long	69 (EMU 10-26)	69 (EMU 10-26-17)
<b><u>82 Chad Beebe, WR</u></b>		
Catches	6 (BGSU 10-21)	6 (BGSU 10-21-17)
Yards	124 (BGSU 10-21)	124 (BGSU 10-21-17)
Touchdowns	1 (BGSU 10-21)	1(3x), (BGSU 10-21-17; Ohio 11-18-14; UMass 11-2-13)
Long	73 (BGSU 10-21)	81 (UMass 11-2-13)
<b><u>35 Shane Wimann, TE</u></b>		
Catches	6 (Toledo 11-2)	6 (Toledo 11-2-17)
Yards	70 (EMU 10-26)	70 (EMU 10-26-17)
Touchdowns	1 (7x) (last: BSU 11-9)	2 (Murray State 9-12-15)
Long	50 (EMU 10-26)	50 (EMU 10-26-17)
<b><u>9 Jauan Wesley, WR</u></b>		
Catches	3 (Nebraska 9-16)	3 (Nebraska 9-16-17)
Yards	109 (Duke 12-26)	70 (BSU 11-9-17)
Touchdowns	1(2x), (BSU 11-9, Duke 12-26)	1 (2x), (BSU 11-9-17, Duke 12-26-17)
Long	70 (BSU 11-9)	70 (BSU 11-9-17)

	Season Highs	Career Highs
<b><u>21 Marcus Jones, TB</u></b>		
Catches	5 (Toledo 11-2)	5 (Toledo 11-2-17)
Yards	51 (Toledo 11-2)	51 (Toledo 11-2-17)
Long	18 (Toledo 11-2)	18 (Toledo 11-2)
<b><u>23 Jordan Huff, TB</u></b>		
Catches	1 (5x), (last: BSU 11-9)	4 (USF 9-10-16)
Yards	24 (BSU 11-9)	39 (SDSU 9-17-16)
Touchdowns	1 (Kent St 10-7)	1 (Kent St 10-7)
Long	24 (BSU 11-9)	30 (SDSU 9-17-16)
<b><u>26 Tommy Mister, TB</u></b>		
Catches	2 (EMU 10-26)	2 (EMU 10-26-17)
Yards	7 (EMU 10-26)	13 (Kent St. 11-25-16)
Long	6 (EMU 10-26)	13 (Kent St. 11-25-16)
<b><u>88 Daniel Crawford, TE</u></b>		
Catches	2 (CMU 11-24)	2 (CMU 11-24-17)
Yards	17 (EIU 9-9)	17 (EIU 9-9-17; WMU 11-15-17)
Long	17 (EIU 9-9)	17 (EIU 9-9-17)
<b><u>89 Mitchell Brinkman, TE</u></b>		
Catches	1(4x), (Buffalo 10-14; Kent St. 10-3; BSU 11-9; WMU 11-15)	1(5x), (CMU 10-15-16; Kent St. 10-3-17; Buffalo 10-14-17; BSU 11-9; WMU 11-15)
Yards	26 (WMU 11-15)	26 (WMU 11-15-17)
Touchdowns	1(2x) (BSU 11-9; WMU 11-15)	1(2x) (BSU 11-9-17; WMU 11-15-17)
Long	26 (WMU 11-15)	26 (WMU 11-15-17)
<b><u>22 Tre Harbison, TB</u></b>		
Catches	1(3x), (Buffalo 10-14; BSU 11-9, Duke 12-26)	1 (3x), (Buffalo 10-14-17) BSU11-9-17,Duke12-26)
Yards	30 (BSU 11-9)	30 (BSU 11-9-17)
Long	30 (BSU 11-9)	30 (BSU 11-9-17)

**A HUSKIE TEAM**

RECORDED A SHUTOUT – 63-0 vs. Massachusetts (11-3-12)  
HAD AT LEAST 25 FIRST DOWNS – 25 at Toledo (11-2-17)  
HAD AT LEAST 30 FIRST DOWNS – 30 vs. Ball State (10-1-16)  
HAD AT LEAST 35 FIRST DOWNS – 35 vs. Ball State (10-10-15)  
HAD AT LEAST 40 FIRST DOWNS – 43 vs. Ball State (11-15-11)  
SCORED 40 OR MORE POINTS – 63 vs. Ball State (11-9-17)  
SCORED 45 OR MORE POINTS – 63 vs. Ball State (11-9-17)  
SCORED 50 OR MORE POINTS – 63 vs. Ball State (11-9-17)  
SCORED 60 OR MORE POINTS – 63 vs. Ball State (11-9-17)  
SCORED A SAFETY – vs. Eastern Michigan on Sean Progar tackle of QB in end zone (11-25-11)  
GAINED 200 OR LESS YARDS OF TOTAL OFFENSE – 33 vs. Boise State, Poinsettia Bowl (12-23-15)  
GAINED 500 OR MORE YARDS OF TOTAL OFFENSE – 577 at Bowling Green (10-21-17)  
GAINED 600 OR MORE YARDS OF TOTAL OFFENSE – 653 at Ball State (10-1-16)  
GAINED 100 OR LESS YARDS RUSHING – 65 vs. Duke, Quick Lane Bowl (12-26-17)  
GAINED 300 OR MORE YARDS RUSHING – 338 at Bowling Green (10-21-17)  
GAINED 400 OR MORE YARDS RUSHING – 433 vs. Miami (10-18-14)  
THREW FOR LESS THAN 100 YARDS – 64 vs. Western Michigan (11-15-17)  
DID NOT COMMIT A TURNOVER – vs. Duke, Quick Lane Bowl (12-26-17)  
HAD A SUCCESSFUL ON-SIDE KICK – vs. Marshall, Boca Raton Bowl - Tyler Wedel kick/Jamaal Payton recovery (12-23-14)  
HAD 40 MINUTES TIME OF POSSESSION – at Purdue, 41:40 (9-19-09)  
HELD OPPONENT TO 100 YARDS OR LESS RUSHING – 83 yards vs. Ball State (11-9-17)  
HELD OPPONENT TO 50 YARDS OR LESS RUSHING – 39 yards at Buffalo (10-14-17)  
HELD OPPONENT TO NEGATIVE YARDS RUSHING – (-11) at Miami (10-24-09)  
HELD OPPONENT TO 100 YARDS OR LESS PASSING – 29 vs. Kent State (10-7-17)  
HELD OPPONENT TO 200 YARDS OR LESS TOTAL OFFENSE – 131 vs. Kent State (10-7-17)  
HELD OPPONENT TO 150 YARDS OR LESS TOTAL OFFENSE – 131 vs. Kent State (10-7-17)  
HELD OPPONENT TO 100 YARDS OR LESS TOTAL OFFENSE – 64 vs. Kent State (10-8-11)  
HELD AN OPPONENT WITHOUT A TOUCHDOWN – 24-3 vs. Kent State (10-7-17)  
WAS INVOLVED IN AN OVERTIME GAME – W, 30-27, OT vs. Eastern Michigan (10-26-17)

**A HUSKIE OPPONENT**

HAD 35 MINUTES OF POSSESSION – 38:21, Duke, Quick Lane Bowl (12-26-17)  
RETURNED A KICKOFF FOR A TOUCHDOWN – 96 yards, Juwan Washington of San Diego State (9-30-17)  
RETURNED A PUNT FOR A TOUCHDOWN – 91 yards, LaVon Brazill of Ohio (11-21-09)  
RETURNED AN INTERCEPTION FOR A TOUCHDOWN – 83 yards, Tariq Thompson of San Diego State (9-30-17)  
RETURNED A FUMBLE FOR A TOUCHDOWN – 60 yards, Dylan Boone of Murray State (9-12-15)  
SCORED A SAFETY – Miami (10-17-15), on NIU kickoff returner stepping into end zone  
BLOCKED A PUNT – Mathew Sexton of Eastern Michigan (10-26-17)  
BLOCKED A PUNT FOR A TOUCHDOWN – Mathew Sexton (block) / Jaron Johnson (recovered ball in end zone) of Eastern Michigan (10-26-17)  
BLOCKED A FIELD GOAL – Levi Watson of Eastern Illinois (9-9-17)  
BLOCKED A PAT KICK – Elijah Daniel of Murray State (9-12-15)  
MISSED A PAT KICK (not blocked) – William Holmquist of Duke, Quick Lane Bowl (12-26-17)  
SHUT OUT THE HUSKIES – Navy 16, NIU 0 (11-25-08)  
SHUT OUT THE HUSKIES FOR A HALF – 2nd, Duke, Quick Lane Bowl (12-26-17)  
PASSED FOR 300 OR MORE YARDS – 361, Logan Woodside of Toledo (11-2-17)  
PASSED FOR 400 OR MORE YARDS – 450, Jimmy Garoppolo of Eastern Illinois (9-21-13)  
RUSHED FOR 100 OR MORE YARDS – 159, Jonathan Ward of Central Michigan (11-24-17)  
RUSHED FOR 200 OR MORE YARDS – 220, Donnel Pumphrey of San Diego State (9-17-16)  
HAD A RUSH OF 60 YARDS OR LONGER – 85, George Bollas of Kent State (11-25-16)  
TWO OR MORE PLAYERS RUSHED FOR 100 YARDS – 124, Devon Spalding and 105, Jahray Hayes of Central Michigan (10-15-16)  
HAD 10 OR MORE RECEPTIONS – 10, Diontae Johnson of Toledo (11-2-17)

## A HUSKIE PLAYER

HAD 100 OR MORE RECEIVING YARDS – 166, Diontae Johnson and 102, Jordan Fisher of Toledo (11-2-17)

HAD 200 OR MORE RECEIVING YARDS – 204, Travis Shelton of Temple (10-21-06)

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

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

RETURNED A PUNT FOR A TOUCHDOWN (NOT BLOCKED) – Perez Ashford (44 yards) at Miami (10-24-09)

RETURNED AN INTERCEPTION FOR A TOUCHDOWN – Jawuan Johnson (37 yards) at Central Michigan (11-24-17)

RETURNED A FUMBLE FOR A TOUCHDOWN – Sutton Smith (58 yards) vs. Western Michigan (11-15-17)

SCORED A SAFETY – Sean Progar (tackled RB in end zone) vs. Eastern Michigan (11-25-11)

A NON-QB THREW A TOUCHDOWN PASS – Tommylee Lewis (17 yards to Jordan Lynch) vs. Eastern Michigan (10-26-13)

A NON-QB COMPLETED A PASS - WR Christian Blake (10 yards to Marcus Childers) at Toledo (11-2-17)

BLOCKED A PUNT – Trayshon Foster, and Jauan Wesley vs. Ball State (11-9-17)

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

BLOCKED A PUNT FOR A TOUCHDOWN – Trayshon Foster (block)/Jackson Abresch (13-yd return) AND Jauan Wesley (block)/Abresch (recovered in end zone) vs. Ball State (11-9-17)

BLOCKED A FIELD GOAL – William Lee at Nebraska (9-16-17)

BLOCKED A PAT KICK – William Lee vs. Bowling Green (11-1-16)

CONVERTED A FAKE FG FOR A TOUCHDOWN – Mathew Sims (7-yard rush) vs. Central Michigan (9-29-12)

MISSED A PAT KICK (not blocked) – Christian Hagan at Wyoming (9-3-16)

CONVERTED A TWO-POINT ATTEMPT – Nathan Palmer (pass from Chandler Harnish) at Central Michigan (10-1-11)

FAILED TO CONVERT A TWO-POINT ATTEMPT - Anthony Maddie (pass failed) vs. Western Illinois (9-24-16)

PASSED FOR 300 OR MORE YARDS – Drew Hare (329) at Wyoming (9-3-16)

PASSED FOR 400 OR MORE YARDS – Jordan Lynch (407) vs. Toledo (11-14-12)

THREW FOUR OR MORE TD PASSES IN A GAME - Marcus Childers (4) vs. Ball State (11-9-17)

THREW FIVE OR MORE TD PASSES IN A GAME – Chandler Harnish (6) at Toledo (11-1-11)

COMPLETED A 60-YARD PASS – Marcus Childers (67 yards) to Jauan Wesley vs. Duke, Quick Lane Bowl (12-26-17)

COMPLETED A 70-YARD PASS – Daniel Santacaterina (70 yards) to Jauan Wesley vs. Ball State (11-9-17)

COMPLETED AN 80-YARD PASS – Daniel Santacaterina (81 yards) to Spencer Tears at San Diego State (9-30-17)

RUSHED FOR 100 OR MORE YARDS – Jordan Huff (185) vs. Western Michigan (11-15-17)

RUSHED FOR 200 OR MORE YARDS – Jordan Lynch (321) vs. Western Michigan (11-26-13) - *Set NCAA QB RECORD*

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

HAD A RUSH OF 60 YARDS OR LONGER – Ryan Graham (60) vs. Boston College (9-1-17)

HAD A RUSH OF 70 YARDS OR LONGER – Anthony Maddie (75) at Ball State (10-1-16)

HAD A RUSH OF 80 YARDS OR LONGER – Jordan Huff (87) vs. Western Michigan (11-18-15)

RUSHED FOR 100 YARDS OR MORE IN CONSECUTIVE GAMES – Jordan Huff, 2 games (9-16 at Nebraska and 9-30-17 at San Diego St.)

RUSHED FOR FOUR OR MORE TOUCHDOWNS IN A GAME – Joel Bouagnon (5) vs. Bowling Green (11-1-16)

RUSHED FOR TWO OR MORE TDS IN CONSECUTIVE GAMES – Joel Bouagnon vs. CMU (2), Ball State (2), Miami (3) - (10-3-15 to 10-17-15)

TWO PLAYERS RUSHED FOR 100 YARDS IN THE SAME GAME – Joel Bouagnon (153) and Anthony Maddie (160) at Ball State (10-1-16)

QB RUSHED FOR 150 YARDS OR MORE – Anthony Maddie (160) at Ball State (10-1-16)

HAD 10 OR MORE RECEPTIONS – Christian Blake (13) at San Diego State (9-30-17)

HAD 100 OR MORE RECEIVING YARDS – Jauan Wesley (109) vs. Duke, Quick Lane Bowl (12-26-17)

HAD 200 OR MORE RECEIVING YARDS – Kenny Golladay (213) vs. UNLV (9-5-15)

CAUGHT TWO OR MORE TOUCHDOWN PASSES IN A GAME – Christian Blake (2) vs. San Diego State (9-30-17)

CAUGHT THREE OR MORE TOUCHDOWN PASSES IN A GAME – Nathan Palmer (3) at Toledo (11-1-11)

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

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

SCORED THREE OR MORE TOUCHDOWNS IN A GAME – Jordan Huff (3 rushing) at Eastern Michigan (11-16-16)

HAD TWO OR MORE INTERCEPTIONS IN A GAME – Mayomi Olootu (2) vs. Buffalo (10-22-16)

SCORED A RUSHING AND RECEIVING TD IN A GAME – Jordan Huff (1 rush, 1 receiving) vs. Ball State (11-9-17)

KICKED A FG OF 50 OR MORE YARDS – 52 yards, Christian Hagan vs. Toledo (11-3-15)

SCORED 15 OR MORE POINTS KICKING – 16, Mathew Sims (16) vs. Kent State (10-8-11)

KICKED FOUR OR MORE FIELD GOALS IN A GAME – Christian Hagan (4) at Toledo (11-3-15)



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## NUMERICAL ROSTER

No.	Name	Pos.	Hgt.	Wgt.	Yr.	Exp.	Hometown (HS/Previous School)
1	Albert Smalls	CB	6-1	207	Sr.-R	3L	Miramar, Fla. (Monsignor Pace)
1	Dale Brown	TE	6-3	300	Sr.-R	3L	Lee's Summit, Mo. (Lee's Summit West)
2	Andrew Gantz	K	5-10	192	Sr.-R	GTR	Dayton, Ohio (Centerville/University of Cincinnati)
3	Jalen Embry	CB	5-11	197	Sr.-R	1L	Detroit, Mich. (M.L. King/Iowa Central CC)
5	Jaden Huff	TB	5-7	210	Sr.-R	1L	Bolingbrook, Ill. (Bolingbrook/St. Cloud State)
6	Rodney Hall	QB/WR	6-2	219	Fr.-R	RS	Detroit, Mich. (Cass Tech)
7	Tifonte Hunt	CB	5-9	183	Sr.-R	3L	Harvey, Ill. (Thornton Township)
7	Anthony Thompson	QB	6-0	214	So.-R	1L	Chicago, Ill. (Mount Carmel)
8	Mykelti Williams	S	5-11	208	Jr.-R	1L	Indianapolis, Ind. (Notre Dame/Iowa Western CC)
9	Jauan Wesley	WR	5-11	182	Sr.-R	1L	Markham, Ill. (Thornton Township/Iowa State)
10	D.J. Brown	WR	5-9	185	Sr.	3L	North Little Rock, Ark. (North Little Rock)
11	Trayshon Foster	S	6-0	201	Jr.-R	2L	Tuscaloosa, Ala. (Tuscaloosa Academy)
11	Ryan Graham	QB	6-1	214	Sr.-R	3L	Wheaton, Ill. (Wheaton Warrenville South)
12	Jiya Wright	QB	6-0	198	Fr.	HS	Fort Wayne, Ind. (Homestead)
12	Josh Corcoran	DE	6-3	251	Sr.	3L	Lakeville, Minn. (Lakeville South)
13	Leon Payne	WR	5-10	174	Fr.	HS	Chicago, Ill. (Simeon)
13	Joseph Bonds	OLB	6-2	217	Fr.	HS	Chicago, Ill. (De La Salle Institute)
14	Spencer Tears	WR	6-1	198	Jr.-R	2L	Chicago, Ill. (H.L. Richards)
15	Marcus Childers	QB	6-0	222	So.-R	1L	Adairsville, Ga. (Adairsville)
15	Sutton Smith	DE	6-1	237	Jr.-R	2L	Saint Charles, Mo. (Francis Howell)
16	Amir Brummett	WR	6-1	189	Fr.	HS	Decatur, Ill. (MacArthur)
16	J.D. Harris	DB	5-10	165	Fr.	HS	Columbus, Ind. (Columbus North)
17	Dennis Robinson	WR	6-5	214	Fr.-R	RS	Hollywood, Fla. (South Broward)
18	Cole Tucker	WR	6-2	193	Fr.-R	RS	DeKalb, Ill. (DeKalb)
18	Kewan Parker	LB	5-11	198	Fr.	HS	Miami, Fla. (Carol City)
19	Jyran Mitchell	WR	5-11	194	Fr.	HS	Matteson, Ill. (Rich Central)
20	Jordan Rowell	TB	6-1	203	Fr.-R	RS	Elmhurst, Ill. (Immaculate Conception)
20	Zhamaine March	DB	5-7	168	Fr.	HS	Detroit, Mich. (East English Village Prep)
21	Dillon Thomas	S	6-2	188	Fr.-R	RS	Kansas City, Mo. (Park Hill South)
21	Marcus Jones	TB	5-8	199	Jr.-R	2L	Chicago, Ill. (Brother Rice)
22	Tre Harbison	TB	5-11	227	So.-R	1L	Shelby, N.C. (Crest/Virginia)
23	Justin Hall	DB	5-9	183	Fr.	HS	Homewood, Ill. (Homewood-Flossmoor)
24	Trequan Smith	S	5-11	186	Jr.-R	2L	Boynton Beach, Fla. (Boynton Beach)
25	Cortez Hogans	LB	6-2	224	Fr.	HS	Palatine, Ill. (Palatine)
26	Antwain Walker	CB	6-1	190	Fr.	HS	Oswego, Ill. (Oswego East)
27	Maalik Todd	CB	5-6	162	Sr.-R	2L	Evanston, Ill. (Evanston Township)
28	Jordan Nettles	TB	5-9	181	Fr.-R	RS	Romeoville, Ill. (Romeoville)
29	Adam Buirge	S	6-0	207	Jr.-R	2L	Minneapolis, Minn. (Park Center)
30	Rahveon Valentine	TB	5-7	187	Fr.	HS	Lena, Ill. (Lena-Winslow)
31	Devin Haney	CB	6-1	172	Fr.	HS	Kansas City, Mo. (Park Hill)
32	Brianjay Ross	S	5-10	179	Fr.	HS	DeKalb, Ill. (DeKalb)
33	Danny Walker	LB	6-3	223	Fr.-R	RS	Wheaton, Ill. (Wheaton North)
34	Reggie Jennings	LB	6-0	225	Fr.	HS	Milwaukee, Wis. (Brookfield Central)
35	Erick Doke	TB	6-1	227	Fr.	HS	Kenosha, Wis. (Bradford)
36	Matt Ference	P	5-11	198	So.	1L	St. Louis, Mo. (Lafayette)
37	Brett Bostad	FB	6-0	241	Fr.	HS	Kennedale, Texas (Kennedale)
37	Lance Deveaux Jr.	LB	5-11	211	Jr.	2L	Pompano Beach, Fla. (St. Thomas Aquinas)
38	Jaquis Covington	S	5-9	161	Jr.-R	1L	Plainfield, Ill. (Plainfield North)
39	John Richardson	K	5-11	190	Fr.	HS	Orland Park, Ill. (Brother Rice)
39	Joshua Earl	S	6-1	227	Fr.	HS	Naperville, Ill. (Neuqua Valley)
40	Drequan Brown	DE	6-2	230	Sr.-R	1L	Chicago, Ill. (Bremen/Independence [Kans.] CC)
41	Matt Lorbeck	DE	6-3	247	So.	1L	Green Bay, Wis. (Bay Port)
42	Andrew Gregory	LB	6-1	226	So.-R	1L	Normal, Ill. (Normal Community)
42	Liam Soraghan	TE	6-7	259	Fr.-R	RS	Dearborn, Mich. (Divine Child)
43	Rod Rivera	CB	6-3	180	Fr.	HS	Glen Ellyn, Ill. (Glenbard South)

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## NUMERICAL ROSTER (2)

No.	Name	Pos.	Hgt.	Wgt.	Yr.	Exp.	Hometown (High School)
44	Corey Lersch	TE	6-2	244	So.-R	1L	McHenry, Ill. (McHenry)
45	Jordan Cole	LB	6-2	213	Fr.-R	RS	Ferguson, Mo. (McCluer South-Berkeley)
46	Rayshawn Gay	LB	6-1	219	Fr.-R	RS	Maywood, Ill. (Proviso East)
47	Michael Kennedy	DE	6-1	215	Fr.-R	RS	Chicago, Ill. (Mt. Carmel)
48	Antonio Jones-Davis	LB	5-11	226	Jr.-R	2L	Vero Beach, Fla. (Vero Beach)
49	Jalen McKie	CB	5-7	169	Fr.-R	RS	Gurnee, Ill. (Waukegan)
50	Vinny Labus	LB	6-1	223	Fr.-R	RS	Park Ridge Ill. (Maine South)
51	Nathan Harman	LB	5-11	215	Fr.	HS	Monticello, Ill. (Monticello)
53	Erik Abrell	LS	6-1	224	Fr.-R	TR	Aurora, Ill. (Aurora Christian/Western Illinois)
54	Austin Warner	OL	6-4	291	So.-R	1L	Oswego, Ill. (Oswego)
55	Weston Kramer	DT	6-1	292	So.	1L	Naperville, Ill. (Marmion Academy)
56	Ryan Roberts	OL	6-6	297	Jr.-R	2L	Northville, Mich. (Northville)
57	Kyle Pugh	LB	6-0	235	Jr.-R	2L	Chicago Heights, Ill. (Bloom Township)
58	Brayden Patton	OL	6-5	306	So.-R	1L	Ellettsville, Ind. (Edgewood)
59	Hayden Sak	LS	6-2	254	Sr.	3L	Aurora, Ill. (West Aurora)
60	Alex Schlee	OL	6-5	293	Jr.-R	1L	Germantown, Wis. (Germantown)
61	Benn Olson	OL	6-4	298	So.-R	1L	Burnsville, Minn. (Burnsville)
62	Christopher Perez	OL	6-1	290	Jr.	TR	Shawnee, Kan. (St. Thomas Aquinas/Butler CC)
63	Ezekiel Gueths	OL	6-5	312	So.-R	1L	Shawano, Wis. (Shawano Community)
64	Luke Shively	OL	6-3	300	Sr.-R	3L	Tipton, Ind. (Tipton)
65	Nathan Veloz	OL	6-5	319	Jr.-R	2L	Oak Creek, Wis. (Oak Creek)
66	Vince Hughes	DT	6-5	287	Jr.-R	1L	Franklin, Wis. (Franklin)
68	Owen Rozumalski	OL	6-0	271	Fr.	HS	Oak Creek, Wis. (Oak Creek)
69	Nolan Potter	OL	6-5	280	Fr.	HS	Cedar Rapids, Iowa (Washington)
70	Marques Cox	OL	6-5	300	Fr.	HS	Peoria, Ill. (Peoria)
71	Isaac Hawn	OL	6-6	303	So.	1L	St. Charles, Ill. (St. Charles North)
72	Jordan Steckler	OL	6-5	306	Jr.-R	2L	Two Rivers, Wis. (Two Rivers)
73	Max Scharping	OT	6-6	320	Sr.-R	3L	Green Bay, Wis. (Southwest)
74	Calvin Dassow	OL	6-7	313	Fr.-R	RS	Menominee Falls, Wis. (Sussex Hamilton)
77	Cole Webster	OL	6-6	300	Fr.-R	RS	Bettendorf, Iowa (Bettendorf)
78	Mylan Reeves	OL	6-4	313	Jr.-R	TR	Homewood, Ill. (Homewood Flossmoor/N. Michigan)
80	Mike DeHaan	TE	6-5	232	Fr.	HS	Tinley Park, Ill. (Andrew)
81	Matt Pollack	WR	6-0	193	Fr.	HS	Mokena, Ill. (Lincoln Way Central)
82	Fotis Kokosioulis	WR	5-9	170	Fr.	HS	Park Ridge, Ill. (Maine South)
83	Rod Alexander	WR	6-0	175	Sr.-R	GTR	Miramar, Fla. (Everglades/St. Francis [Pa.]
84	Ty Harmston	TE	6-4	258	Sr.-R	3L	Stockton, Ill. (Stockton)
85	Ryan Gibbons	WR	5-11	187	So.-R	1L	Park Ridge, Ill. (Maine South)
86	Lucas Segobiano	WR	5-10	198	Fr.	HS	St. Charles, Ill. (St. Charles North)
87	Maximilian Thrower	TE	6-4	238	So.-R	1L	Royal Oak, Mich. (Shrine Catholic)
88	Daniel Crawford	TE	6-2	245	Jr.-R	2L	Macomb, Mich. (Dakota)
89	Mitchell Brinkman	TE	6-3	254	Jr.	2L	Council Bluffs, Iowa (Lewis Central)
90	Caleb Wright	DL	6-3	222	Fr.	HS	Brookfield, Wis. (Brookfield East)
91	Jeffrey Griffin Jr.	DL	6-0	263	Fr.	HS	Homewood, Ill. (Homewood-Flossmoor)
92	A.J. Taylor	DT	6-0	290	Jr.-R	1L	Chicago, Ill. [IMG Academy (Fla.)/Murray State]
93	Quintin Wynne	DE	6-1	240	Jr.-R	2L	St. Louis, Mo. (Christian Brothers)
94	Devin Webster	DT	6-2	294	Sr.	1L	Sun Prairie, Wis. (Sun Prairie/Arizona Western)
95	Jawon Denton	WR	6-2	204	Fr.-R	RS	Chicago, Ill. (Morgan Park)
96	Marcus Kelly	DT	6-3	274	Jr.-R	2L	Waukesha, Wis. (West)
98	Jack Heflin	DT	6-3	284	So.-R	1L	Prophetstown, Ill. (Erie-Prophetstown)
99	Ben LeRoy	DT	6-3	302	Jr.	2L	Wilmette, Ill. (Loyola Academy)

KEY: RS -- Has already used a redshirt season. Sq -- Squad member. L -- Letterman. HS -- High School. WO -- Walk-on (new). TR -- Transfer. GTR -- Grad Transfer.

# 2018 NIU FOOTBALL DEPTH CHART

## OFFENSE

	No.	Name	Hgt.	Wgt.	Yr.	Hometown (High School/Previous School)
WR	13	Leon Payne	5-10	174	Fr.	Chicago, Ill. (Simeon)
	6	Rodney Hall	6-2	219	Fr.-R	Detroit, Mich. (Cass Tech)
WR	10	D.J. Brown	5-9	185	Sr.	North Little Rock, Ark. (North Little Rock)
	9	Jauan Wesley	5-11	182	Sr.-R	Markham, Ill. (Thornton Township/Iowa State)
WR	18	Cole Tucker	6-2	193	Fr.-R	DeKalb, Ill. (DeKalb)
	17	Dennis Robinson	6-5	214	Fr.-R	Hollywood, Fla. (South Broward)
<b>OR</b>	16	Amir Brummett	6-1	189	Fr.	Decatur, Ill. (MacArthur)
TE	84	Ty Harmston	6-4	258	Sr.-R	Stockton, Ill. (Stockton)
	1	Dale Brown	6-3	300	Sr.-R	Lee's Summit, Mo. (Lee's Summit West)
<b>OR</b>	87	Maximilian Thrower	6-4	238	So.-R	Royal Oak, Mich. (Shrine Catholic)
TB	21	Marcus Jones	5-8	199	Jr.-R	Evergreen Park, Ill. (Brother Rice)
	22	Tre Harbison	5-11	227	So.-R	Shelby, N.C. (Crest/Virginia)
<b>OR</b>	28	Jordan Nettles	5-9	181	Fr.-R	Romeoville, Ill. (Romeoville)
QB	15	Marcus Childers	6-0	222	So.-R	Adairsville, Ga. (Adairsville)
	7	Anthony Thompson	6-0	214	So.-R	Chicago, Ill. (Mt. Carmel)
<b>OR</b>	11	Ryan Graham	6-1	214	Sr.-R	Wheaton, Ill. (Wheaton Warrenville South)
LT	73	Max Scharping	6-6	320	Sr.-R	Green Bay, Wis. (Southwest)
	74	Calvin Dassow	6-7	313	Fr.-R	Menominee Falls, Wis. (Sussex Hamilton)
LG	62	Christopher Perez, Jr.	6-1	290	Jr.	Shawnee, Kansas (St. Thomas Aquinas/Butler CC)
	54	Austin Warner	6-4	291	So.-R	Oswego, Ill. (Oswego)
C	64	Luke Shively	6-3	300	Sr.-R	Tipton, Ind. (Tipton)
	61	Benn Olson	6-4	298	So.-R	Burnsville, Minn. (Burnsville)
RG	65	Nathan Veloz	6-5	319	Jr.-R	Oak Creek, Wis. (Oak Creek)
	58	Brayden Patton	6-5	306	So.-R	Ellettsville, Ind. (Edgewood)
RT	72	Jordan Steckler	6-5	306	Jr.-R	Two Rivers, Wis. (Two Rivers)
	56	Ryan Roberts	6-6	297	Jr.-R	Northville, Mich. (Northville)

## DEFENSE

	No.	Name	Hgt.	Wgt.	Yr.	Hometown (High School/Previous School)
DE	15	Sutton Smith	6-1	237	Jr.-R	Saint Charles, Mo. (Francis Howell)
	40	Drequan Brown	6-2	230	Sr.-R	Chicago, Ill. (Bremen/Independence CC)
DT	99	Ben Leroy	6-3	302	Jr.	Wilmette, Ill. (Loyola Academy)
	94	Devin Webster	6-2	294	Sr.	Sun Prairie, Wis. (Sun Prairie/Ariz. Western)
<b>OR</b>	98	Jack Hefflin	6-3	298	So.-R	Prophetstown, Ill. (Erie-Prophetstown)
DT	55	Weston Kramer	6-1	292	So.	Naperville, Ill. (Marmion Academy)
	96	Marcus Kelly	6-3	274	Jr.-R	Waukesha, Wis. (West)
DE	41	Matt Lorbeck	6-3	247	So.	Green Bay, Wis. (Bay Port)
<b>OR</b>	93	Quintin Wynne	6-1	240	Jr.	St. Louis, Mo. (Christian Brothers)
OLB	48	Antonio Jones-Davis	5-11	226	So.-R	Vero Beach, Fla. (Vero Beach)
	42	Andrew Gregory	6-1	226	So.-R	Normal, Ill. (Normal Community)
MLB	57	Kyle Pugh	6-0	235	Jr.-R	Chicago Heights, Ill. (Bloom Township)
	46	Rayshawn Gay	6-1	219	Fr.-R	Maywood, Ill. (Proviso East)
OLB	37	Lance Deveaux Jr.	5-11	211	Jr.	Fort Lauderdale, Fla. (St. Thomas Aquinas)
	45	Jordan Cole	6-2	213	Fr.-R	Ferguson, Mo. (McCluer South-Berkeley)
CB	3	Jalen Embry	5-11	197	Sr.-R	Detroit, Mich. (M.L. King/Iowa Central CC)
	7	Tifonte Hunt	5-9	183	Sr.-R	Harvey, Ill. (Thornton Township)
S	8	Mykelti Williams	5-11	208	Jr.-R	Indianapolis, Ind. (Notre Dame/Iowa Western)
	29	Adam Buirge	6-0	207	Jr.-R	Minneapolis, Minn. (Park Center)
S	11	Trayshon Foster	6-0	201	Jr.-R	Tuscaloosa, Ala. (Tuscaloosa Academy)
	24	Trequan Smith	5-11	186	Jr.-R	Boynton Beach, Fla. (Boynton Beach)
CB	1	Albert Smalls	6-1	207	Sr.-R	Miramar, Fla. (Monsignor Pace)
	26	Antwain Walker	6-1	190	Fr.	Oswego, Ill. (Oswego East)
<b>OR</b>	31	Devin Haney	6-1	172	Fr.	Kansas City, Mo. (Park Hill)
<b>OR</b>	49	Jalen McKie	5-7	169	Fr.-R	Gurnee, Ill. (Waukegan)

## SPECIALISTS

	No.	Name	Hgt.	Wgt.	Yr.	Hometown (High School/Previous School)
K	2	Andrew Gantz	5-10	192	Sr.-R	Dayton, Ohio (Centerville/Cincinnati)
P	36	Matt Ference	5-11	198	So.	St. Louis, Mo. (Lafayette)
HO	36	Matt Ference	5-11	198	So.	St. Louis, Mo. (Lafayette)
LS	59	Hayden Sak	6-2	254	Sr.	Aurora, Ill. (West Aurora)
	53	Erik Abrell	6-1	224	Fr.-R	Aurora, Ill. (Aurora Christian/Western Illinois)
KR	10	D.J. Brown	5-9	185	Sr.	North Little Rock, Ark. (North Little Rock)
	28	Jordan Nettles	5-9	181	Fr.-R	Romeoville, Ill. (Romeoville)
PR	3	Jalen Embry	5-11	197	Sr.-R	Detroit, Mich. (M.L. King/Iowa Central CC)
	18	Cole Tucker	6-2	193	Fr.-R	DeKalb, Ill. (DeKalb)

## PRONUNCIATIONS

Name	Pronunciation
Drequan Brown	DRAY-kwon
Amir Brummett	uh-MEER
Adam Buirge	BURJ
Marcus Childers	CHILL-ders
Marques Cox	Marcus
Calvin Dassow	DASS-oh
Mike DeHaan	duh-HAWN
Lance Deveaux Jr.	duh-VOE
Jalen Embry	JAY-lin
Matt Ference	FARE-ents
Ezekiel Gueths	uh-ZEEK-ee-ul GEETS
Tre Harbison	TRAY
Isaac Hawn	(rhymes with Yawn)
Cortez Hogans	core-TEZ
Tifonte Hunt	Tih-FON-TAY
Fotis Kokosioulis	Foe-TEESE
	COE-kuh-SUE-liss
Ben LeRoy	LEE-roy
Corey Lersch	Lersh
Zhamaine March	Juh-MAIN
Jalen McKie	Mih-KEE
Jyran Mitchell	JIE-ren
Kewan Parker	KEY-wahn
Hayden Sak	SACK
Alex Schlee	SHLAY
Luke Shively	SHIVE-lee
Liam Soraghan	Lee-UM SORE-uh-HAN
Trequan Smith	TRAY-kwon
Spencer Tears	TEERS
Maalik Todd	Muh-LEEK
Nathan Veloz	vell-OHS
Antwain Walker	Ann-TWAN
Jauan Wesley	Juh-WAHN
Mykelti Williams	Muh-KELL-tee
Jiya Wright	JIE-yuh
Quintin Wynne	WIN

