



CAROLINA

GAMECOCKS



The Gamecocks



**Bryson
ALLEN-WILLIAMS**
LB • 6-1 • 230 • JR. • 2L
Ellenwood, Ga.
(Cedar Grove)

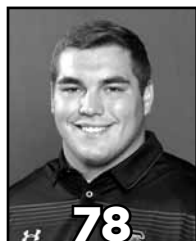
Junior who is slated to play one of the inside linebacker positions in his third season for the Garnet & Black... has appeared in 24 games over the past two seasons with three starts... credited with 50 tackles, including 6.0 tackles for loss... has one career interception.

2015: Saw action in every game with one start... credited with 23 tackles, including 14 solo stops... recorded a career-high six tackles including a half-tackle for loss at Georgia... logged five tackles including four solos at LSU... saw his most extensive duty against Vanderbilt after T.J. Holloman was ejected for targeting... logged three tackles and picked off his first pass against the Commodores... had four stops including a pair of tackles for loss against Florida... made his first start of the season against The Citadel and responded with three tackles, including a tackle for loss, and a quarterback hurry... recognized with the Everyday Attitude award for the defense at the 2015 spring game.

2014: True freshman... started the season at linebacker in a 3-4 scheme, but moved to defensive end late in the campaign... played in 12 games, making a pair of starts... logged 27 tackles including 2.5 tackles for loss... earned the start in the season opener against Texas A&M... joined Al Harris Jr. as first true freshmen to start a season opener since Jadeveon Clowney in 2011... recovered first career fumble at Vanderbilt... forced two quarterback hurries to go with three tackles versus Missouri... collected a season high five tackles versus Tennessee... had his best game at Florida, collecting a half sack, 2.5 tackles for loss and a forced fumble... started at defensive end and made three tackles against South Alabama.

ALLEN-WILLIAMS' STATISTICS

Year	GP/GS	UT	AT	TT	TFL	QBS	INT	PBU	QBH	FF	FR
2014	12/2	18	9	27	2.5-12	0.5-3	0	0	5	1	1
2015	12/1	14	9	23	3.5-9	0-0	1	0	1	0	0
Total	24/3	32	18	50	6.0-21	0.5-3	1	0	6	1	1



**Zack
BAILEY**
OL • 6-6 • 326 • SO. • 1L
Summerville, S.C.
(Summerville)

Sophomore who figures to have a key role on the offensive line again this season... could play either guard or center... gained valuable experience as a true freshman in which he earned SEC All-Freshman accolades by the league's coaches at offensive center... had never played center prior to his arrival at South Carolina.

2015: True freshman... played in all 12 games making five starts, three at center and two at left guard... saw time on special teams against North Carolina... moved into the backup role at center after the ankle injury to Cody Waldrop and played on special teams against Kentucky... pressed into regular service at Georgia after an ankle injury to Alan Knott... made his first career start against UCF and graded out at 80 percent... also made the start at center at Missouri and versus Vanderbilt... moved to left guard where he made the start against The Citadel due to an injury to Mike Matulis... also started at left guard against Clemson.



**Rivers
BEDENBAUGH**
FB • 6-2 • 245 • JR. • 1L
Leesville, S.C.
(Lexington/Georgia Southern)

Former Georgia Southern player who returned home to continue his career at South Carolina... joined the team as a walk-on in the spring of 2015... earned his first varsity letter in the fall.

2015: Played in six contests, seeing action as a blocking fullback against North Carolina, Kentucky, UCF, LSU, Vanderbilt and The Citadel... did not record any statistics... earned a spot on the SEC Fall Academic Honor Roll.

2014: Attended the University of South Carolina in the fall... played at Gray College (now Palmetto Prep Academy)... team went 5-2-1... earned the Defensive Coaches' Award as a linebacker.

2013: Attended Georgia Southern as a walk-on... redshirted as a true freshman for the Eagles.



**Matrick
BELTON**
WR • 6-3 • 205 • SR. • 1L
Columbia, S.C.
(Keenan/Hampton)

Senior wide receiver who garnered significant playing time in 2015 in his first eligible season with the Garnet & Black... figures to be in the mix for a spot in the regular rotation at wideout again in 2016.

2015: Walk-on who played in every game, making five starts... hauled in 11 passes for 121 yards, an 11.0-yard average... led the team with four receptions for 18 yards, including a 14-yard catch at Georgia... made his first start at Missouri where he had one catch for 10 yards... also started at LSU and versus Vanderbilt and The Citadel... caught two passes for a career-high 34 yards at Tennessee, including an 18-yard reception... had two catches for 33 yards in a start against Florida, including a career-long 25-yarder... named the Outstanding Walk-on for the offense at the 2015 spring game.

2014: Joined the squad as a walk-on when spring practice began after enrolling in January... was not eligible in the fall per NCAA transfer rules after spending the fall of 2013 at Hampton University.

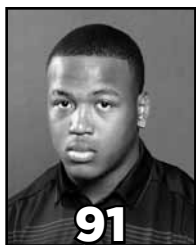
2013: Attended Hampton University... was on the football roster, but did not see any action.

2012: Played in six games for the Hampton Pirates, making one start... caught four passes for 33 yards... longest catch went for 20-yards at Florida A&M.

BELTON'S STATISTICS

Year	GP/GS	Rec	Yds	Avg	TD	Long
2015	12/5	11	121	11.0	0	25





Shameik BLACKSHEAR

DE • 6-4 • 250 • SO. • SQ

Bluffton, S.C.
(Bluffton)

Second-year defensive end... limited to two games in 2015 while battling back from a knee injury he suffered in his senior year of high school... will not participate in spring drills while recovering from injuries sustained in an off-season incident.

2015: Played in two games, seeing action against UCF and Missouri... credited with one solo tackle and one assisted tackle, both coming against the Tigers.

BLACKSHEAR'S STATISTICS

Year	GP/GS	UT	AT	TT	TFL	QBS	INT	PBU	QBH	FF	FR
2015	2/0	1	1	2	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0	0	0	0



Toure BOYD

S • 5-11 • 184 • JR. • SQ

Rancho Cucamonga, Calif.
(Rancho Cucamonga/Chaffey)

Former junior college transfer who redshirted in his first season with the Garnet & Black in 2015... expected to compete for playing time in the Gamecock secondary... has two years of eligibility remaining.

2015: Saw action in one game, playing briefly against UCF... hampered by an ankle injury throughout the season... petitioned for a medical redshirt.

2014: Played safety at Chaffey College, a junior college in Rancho Cucamonga, Calif... head coach was Rob Hadaway... recorded 80 tackles, two interceptions and broke up 10 passes... also blocked four kicks for the Panthers, who finished 6-5... garnered all-conference honors.

2013: Enrolled at College of the Desert (Palm Desert, Calif.) in the spring and played football in the fall for the Roadrunners.



Larenz BRYANT

LB • 6-0 • 208 • SR. • 3L

Charlotte, N.C.
(Vance)

Senior linebacker who has appeared in 34 games over the past three seasons with one career start... has been a regular on special teams... could benefit from the new defensive schemes implemented by the new coaching staff.

2015: Linebacker who played in 10 games, primarily on special teams... earned his first career start against Kentucky... notched his only tackle in the win over UCF... did not play against The Citadel or Clemson in the season's final two games... missed much of the spring after suffering a liver injury early in camp.



2014: Sophomore who saw action in 12 games at Spur in the Gamecocks' 4-2-5 defense and on special teams... credited with three tackles... recorded a quarterback hurry versus Missouri... recorded his first sack and his first forced fumble of his career at Kentucky... did not play against Tennessee.

2013: True freshman... played in all 12 regular season games, mostly on special teams, making seven tackles... did not see action in the bowl win vs. Wisconsin... collected three of his seven stops including his only tackle for loss in the win over Coastal Carolina... had two tackles vs. Mississippi State.

BRYANT'S STATISTICS

Year	GP/GS	UT	AT	TT	TFL	QBS	INT	PBU	QBH	FF	FR
2013	12/0	5	2	7	1.0-4	0.0-0	0	0	1	0	0
2014	12/0	3	0	3	1.0-10	1.0-10	0	0	1	1	0
2015	10/1	0	1	1	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0	1	0	0
Total	34/1	8	3	11	2.0-14	1.0-10	0	0	3	1	0



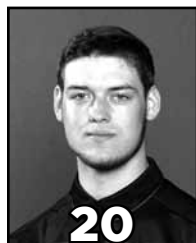
Blake CAMPER

OL • 6-7 • 293 • SO. • 1L

Virginia Beach, Va.
(Frank W. Cox)

Sophomore offensive lineman who was used primarily on special teams in his first season for the Garnet & Black... projected as a tackle who is competing for a starting role... has made one career start.

2015: Saw action in all 12 games as a true freshman... earned his first career start against The Citadel when he got the nod at right tackle due to an injury to Mason Zandi.



Joseph CHARLTON

P • 6-5 • 180 • FR. • RS

Columbia, S.C.
(A.C. Flora)

Redshirt freshman who figures to backup incumbent punter Sean Kelly... is also a candidate to handle the kickoff duties.

2015: Redshirted as a true freshman... missed some practice time due to a back ailment.



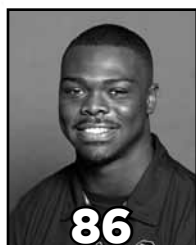
Jalen CHRISTIAN

WR • 5-8 • 176 • FR. • RS

Damascus, Md.
(Damascus)

One of several young wide receiver candidates who will have an opportunity to showcase his talents during spring ball... one of the smaller receivers on the roster, but blessed with excellent quickness and speed.

2015: True freshman wide receiver who redshirted in his first season with the Garnet & Black.



Kevin CROSBY

TE • 6-1 • 226 • SO. • 1L

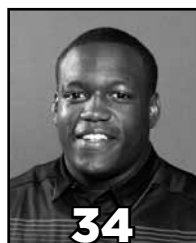
Bamberg, S.C.
(Bamberg-Ehrhardt)

86

Redshirt sophomore tight end/H-back... figures to see more action following the departure of Jerell Adams... used primarily on special teams in his redshirt freshman season.

2015: Backup tight end and H-back who was used extensively on special teams in his redshirt freshman season... played in the final 10 games after not seeing action in the first two contests... returned a kickoff for six yards at LSU... garnered Outstanding Weight Room accolades for the offense at the 2105 spring game.

2014: Missed the bulk of the season after undergoing surgery on his right foot... made a brief appearance in the Kentucky game but did not record any statistics... petitioned for a medical redshirt.



Mon DENSON

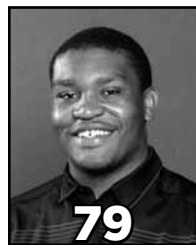
RB • 5-10 • 220 • FR. • RS

LaGrange, Ga.
(LaGrange)

34

Redshirt freshman tailback who will have the opportunity to compete for playing time following the departures of Brandon Wilds and Shon Carson.

2015: Redshirted as a true freshman.



Trey DEROUEN

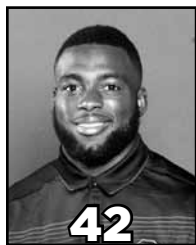
OL • 6-3 • 310 • FR. • RS

Lilburn, Ga.
(Parkview)

79

Redshirt freshman who will battle for playing time along the offensive line... projected as an offensive guard... will not participate in the spring while rehabbing a knee injury.

2015: Redshirted as a true freshman.



Jordan DIGGS

LB • 6-0 • 211 • SR. • 3L

Fort Myers, Fla.
(Island Coast)

42

Senior who is slated to move to linebacker for his final season after working at strong safety as a junior... will not participate in spring drills while rehabbing from offseason shoulder surgery... played the Spur position earlier in his Gamecock career... has played in every game over the past three seasons and in 40 games overall with 13 starts... owns 115 career tackles and one interception... is a three-time member of the SEC Fall Academic Honor Roll.

2015: Started 10 of 12 games at strong safety after making the conversion from Spur in the spring... ranked fifth on the team with 48 tackles... had four tackles and his first career interception against North Carolina... made three solo stops and forced a fumble against Kentucky... logged a season-high seven tackles at Georgia... had five stops including a half tackle for loss at Missouri... matched his season-high with seven tackles at LSU and added six stops against Vanderbilt... collected six tackles at Texas A&M... did not start at Tennessee or versus The Citadel... notched six stops against Clemson... named to the SEC Fall Academic Honor Roll... garnered Most Improved Safety honors in the spring.

2014: Redshirt sophomore who played in all 13 games with a pair of starts... tied for sixth on the squad with 37 tackles... tied for the team lead with 2.0 sacks and tied for second on the squad with 5.0 tackles for loss... recorded six tackles, including five solo stops, in the season opener against Texas A&M... started versus East Carolina and Georgia... recorded four tackles including a half a tackle for loss at Auburn... collected a career best nine tackles, including one for loss, versus Tennessee... forced and recovered a fumble on what would have been a third down conversion deep in Carolina territory in an overtime win at Florida... totaled three solo stops with a sack against South Alabama, the first of his career... had 2.0 tackles for loss including a sack in the Independence Bowl win over Miami... named to the SEC Fall Academic Honor Roll... selected as the Most Improved Spur during the spring.

2013: Backup Spur who played in all 13 games, logging 25 tackles... credited with 4.0 tackles for loss, one pass breakup and two quarterback hurries... had a tackle for loss in the opener against North Carolina and another against Vanderbilt... credited with a tackle for loss, a pass breakup and a quarterback hurry at Tennessee... had a tackle for loss against Mississippi State... started the bowl game against Wisconsin and recorded a then career-high six tackles, including four solo stops... a member of the SEC Fall Academic Honor Roll.

2012: Played in two early contests, getting in against East Carolina and UAB... logged five tackles including a tackle for loss... sat out the remainder of the year due to a left calf strain... petitioned for a medical redshirt.

DIGGS' STATISTICS

Year	GP/GS	UT	AT	TT	TFL	QBS	INT	PBU	QBH	FF	FR
2012	2/0	4	1	5	1.0-2	0.0-0	0	0	0	0	0
2013	13/1	16	9	25	4.0-4	0.0-0	0	1	2	0	0
2014	13/2	28	9	37	5.0-21	2.0-17	0	0	0	1	1
2015	12/10	25	23	48	0.5-0	0.0-0	1	0	0	1	0
Total	40/13	73	42	115	10.5-27	2.0-17	1	1	2	2	1



Jalen DREAD

LB • 5-10 • 214 • SO. • 1L

Foley, Ala.
(Foley)

13

True sophomore linebacker who will be going through his second spring practice with the Gamecocks... graduated from high school early and enrolled at Carolina in January of 2015... officially changed his name in the offseason from Jalen Henry to Jalen Dread.

2015: Went through spring drills after enrolling in school in January... considered by the coaching staff as the Most Improved Freshman on the defensive side of the football during the spring... played in 10 contests during the season, primarily on special teams... recorded three tackles, including a pair at LSU... named to the SEC Fall Academic Honor Roll.

DREAD'S STATISTICS

Year	GP/GS	UT	AT	TT	TFL	QBS	INT	PBU	QBH	FF	FR
2015	10/0	3	0	3	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0	0	0	0



Chaz ELDER

S • 6-2 • 203 • SR. • 3L

**Union City, Ga.
(Banneker)**

Redshirt senior who is expected to compete for playing time in the secondary again this season... saw action in just two games in 2015, but has appeared in 26 contests during his career including 10 starts... credited with 52 career tackles and one interception.

2015: Junior defensive back... saw action in just two games including a start at Georgia at cornerback... credited with one tackle... also saw action in the season finale against Clemson on special teams.

2014: Sophomore safety who played in 12 games, starting three... collected 22 tackles... was the starter at free safety in the season opener against Texas A&M... recorded a career-best six stops, including three solo tackles in that contest... also made the start against Missouri and Florida... tied a career-best with six tackles versus Tennessee.

2013: Redshirt freshman who played in 12 games, making six starts including each of the final five contests... logged 29 tackles, including 20 solo stops... credited with a half tackle for loss at Georgia... began to see more duty in the win over Kentucky and responded with four solo tackles... earned his first start in the win at Arkansas... responded with four tackles and a fumble recovery... suffered a concussion late in that contest and missed the Tennessee game... intercepted a pass against Mississippi State.

2012: Redshirted as a true freshman.

ELDER'S STATISTICS

Year	GP/GS	UT	AT	TT	TFL	QBS	INT	PBU	QBH	FF	FR
2013	12/6	20	9	29	0.5-1	0.0-0	1	1	0	0	1
2014	12/3	15	7	22	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0	0	0	0
2015	2/1	1	0	1	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0	0	0	0
Total	26/10	36	16	52	0.5-1	0.0-0	1	1	0	0	1



Darius ENGLISH

OLB • 6-5 • 226 • SR. • 3L

**Powder Springs, Ga.
(McEachern)**

Senior who is slated to get a long look at the BUCK (defensive end/outside linebacker) position in the spring before his final season with the Garnet & Black... has played defensive end throughout his career... has appeared in 38 games, making seven starts... credited with 74 tackles, including 11.0 tackles for loss and 6.0 sacks.

2015: Reserve defensive end who played in 11 of 12 games... led the team with 4.5 sacks and was second on the squad with 6.0 tackles for loss... also credited with three quarterback hurries and forced a pair of fumbles... collected 28 tackles overall including 19 solo stops... made three tackles and assisted in a key sack to squash a scoring drive against North Carolina... had a solo sack in the home opener against Kentucky... matched his career high with six tackles at Georgia... did not play at LSU... matched his career high with six stops against Vanderbilt, including a nine-yard sack, a pair of quarterback hurries and forced a fumble... registered a 10-yard sack at Texas A&M... had a tackle for loss and forced a fumble at Tennessee... credited with a nine-yard sack against Florida.

2014: Sophomore defensive end who played in 12 contests... started each of the season's first six games... had five tackles, including his first career solo sack versus Georgia... logged three tackles at Vanderbilt and Kentucky... named the Outstanding Weight Room recipient for the defense in the spring.

2013: Redshirt freshman defensive end who played in all 13 games, making one start... logged 19 tackles, including 2.5 tackles for loss... forced a fumble against North Carolina... made his first start against Kentucky, replacing an injured Jadeveon Clowney... responded with three tackles, including a half sack... logged a career-high six tackles against Coastal Carolina... named the Most Improved Player on defense at the 2013 spring game.

2012: Played briefly against East Carolina and UAB... logged three tackles, all against the Blazers, including a half tackle for loss... sat out the rest of the season with an injury to his right wrist... petitioned for a medical redshirt.

ENGLISH'S STATISTICS

Year	GP/GS	UT	AT	TT	TFL	QBS	INT	PBU	QBH	FF	FR
2012	2/0	2	1	3	0.5-2	0.0-0	0	0	0	0	0
2013	13/1	14	5	19	2.5-8	0.5-2	0	0	1	1	0
2014	12/6	17	7	24	2.0-7	1.0-3	0	1	2	0	0
2015	11/0	19	9	28	6.0-39	4.5-36	0	0	3	2	0
Total	38/7	52	22	74	11.0-56	6.0-41	0	1	6	3	0



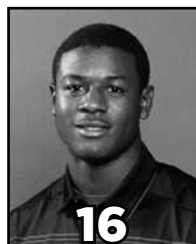
Daniel FENNELL

LB • 6-2 • 228 • FR. • RS

**Loganville, Ga.
(Grayson)**

Redshirt freshman linebacker who hopes to use the spring to propel him into playing time in the fall.

2015: Redshirted as a true freshman.



Rashad FENTON

CB • 5-11 • 185 • SO. • 1L

**Miami, Fla.
(Miami Carol City)**

Sophomore cornerback and kick returner... slated to see more action this fall on the defensive side of the ball... proved to be a capable return man last season, as he became the first Gamecock to take a kickoff return for a touchdown since the 2002 season.

2015: Saw action in 10 games... credited with two tackles... averaged 26.1 yards on 14 kick returns, ranking fifth in the SEC... did not play against North Carolina... saw extensive action at cornerback in the second half against Kentucky and Georgia... broke loose on the first kickoff return of his career at LSU, rambling 96 yards to paydirt... it was the first time he touched the ball in his collegiate career and was the Gamecocks' first kick return for a score since the 2002 season... also logged a pair of tackles against the Tigers... did not make the trip to Tennessee... had three kick returns for 83 yards against The Citadel... had four kick returns for 88 yards against Clemson.

FENTON'S STATISTICS

Year	GP/GS	UT	AT	TT	TFL	QBS	INT	PBU	QBH	FF	FR
2015	10/0	2	0	2	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0	0	0	0
-KICK RETURNS-											
Year	GP/GS	No	Yds	Avg	TD	Long					
2015	10/0	14	365	26.1	1	96					



Elliott FRY

PK • 6-0 • 165 • SR. • 3L
Frisco, Texas
(Prince of Peace Christian)

29

One of the top returning placekickers in the country... is a candidate for All-SEC accolades and the Groza Award, which recognizes the nation's top placekicker... is a three-year starter... owns the school record with 124 consecutive extra points made... is the school record holder in both PATs made (130) and attempted (131)... is second in career points scored with 289, behind only Collin Mackie (330)... has hit on nearly 75 percent of his career field goal attempts and that average jumps to 81 percent when attempting from under 50 yards... owns a career-long of 52 yards... has seven games of three-plus field goals with a career-high of four... longest consecutive field goal streak is 12... was a second-team All-SEC selection in 2014... has earned two SEC Special Teams Player of the Week accolades... nominated for the Allstate AFCA Good Works Team... a two-time member of the SEC Fall Academic Honor Roll.

2015: Led the team with 85 points scored... hit on 20-of-28 field goals (71.4 percent) and all 25 extra points... ranked eighth among kickers in the SEC with 7.1 points per game and was third with 1.67 field goals made per game... connected three field goals against Kentucky... hit from 45 and from a then-career-long 51-yards at Georgia... it was his first make from 50+ yards in five career tries... bettered that with a 52-yarder against UCF... finished the day with 11 points against the Knights with three field goals and a pair of extra points... matched his career high with four field goals while matching a school record with six field goal attempts in the win over Vanderbilt... connected on all three field goal attempts against The Citadel... garnered a spot on the SEC Fall Academic Honor Roll... named the Jim Carlen Special Teams Player of the Spring for the second time in his career at the 2015 Garnet & Black Spring Game.

2014: Earned second-team All-SEC accolades from the coaches and was one of 20 semifinalists for the Groza Award... ranked third in the SEC with 105 points, the third-highest single-season mark in school history, and was fifth in the league in points per game at 8.1... connected on 18-of-25 field goals (72 percent) with three of his misses coming from 54 yards or longer, and all 51 extra points... missed his first field goal opportunity of the season from 54 yards out, then converted each of his next 12 opportunities... named Groza Star of the Week and SEC Special Teams Player of the Week after tying a career-best 4-of-4 on field goal attempts versus East Carolina... hit a career-long 47-yard field goal against South Alabama... matched that with a 47-yarder at Clemson... earned a spot on the ESPN.com and the Phil Steele 2014 Mid-season All-SEC first team... named Jim Carlen Special Teams Player of the Spring in 2014... nominated for the Burlsworth Trophy... named to the SEC Fall Academic Honor Roll... placed on scholarship in the spring.

2013: True freshman placekicker who went from unknown walk-on to a spot on the SEC All-Freshman team... led the team with 99 points, the fourth-highest single-season total in school history... connected on 15-of-18 field goal attempts and 54-of-55 extra points... the 54 PATs in a season set a school record, surpassing the mark of 51, set by Spencer Lanning in 2010... scored nine points, including 2-for-2 on field goals of 39- and 26-yards, in the season opener against North Carolina... became the first true freshman to placekick in a season opener since Courtney Leavitt in 1996... booted a 36-yard field goal to start the scoring at Georgia... connected on both field goal attempts versus Kentucky, hitting from 40 and 41 yards out... remained perfect in field goal attempts on the season with a 33-yarder at Arkansas... missed for the first time in seven attempts when he failed from 45 yards out at Tennessee... named the SEC Special Teams Player of the Week for his performance at Missouri... hit a 20-yard field goal midway through the

fourth quarter, then connected from 40 yards out in the second overtime which proved to be the game-winner... booted a career-best 44-yard field goal, along with a 37-yard kick against Mississippi State... named the SEC Freshman of the Week for his efforts in the win over Florida... accounted for 13 of the Gamecocks' 19 points with a career-high four field goals, including a season-long 45-yarder... hit two field goals in the final period to give the Gamecocks the win.

FRY'S STATISTICS

-PLACEKICKING-						
Year	GP	FG-A	Pct	Long	PAT-A	Pts.
2013	13	15-18	83.3	45	54-55	99
2014	13	18-25	72.0	47	51-51	105
2015	12	20-28	71.4	52	25-25	85
Total	38	53-71	74.6	52	130-131	289

-FIELD GOALS-							
Year	M-A	Pct	01-19	20-29	30-39	40-49	50+
2013	15-18	83.3	0-0	5-5	4-5	6-8	0-0
2014	18-25	72.0	0-0	5-5	6-7	7-10	0-3
2015	20-28	71.4	1-1	9-9	4-5	4-8	2-5
Total	53-71	74.6	1-1	19-19	14-17	17-26	2-8



Terry GOOGER

WR • 6-4 • 216 • SO. • 1L
Atlanta, Ga.
(Woodward Academy)

5

Lanky sophomore wide receiver who gained some valuable experience as a redshirt freshman last fall... expected to battle for a regular spot in the wide receiver rotation in the spring... has made two career starts.

2015: Played in 11 of 12 games... caught five passes for 74 yards... had a solid debut as a Gamecock, catching a pair of passes for 39 yards against North Carolina... made his first career start at Georgia... caught a 13-yard pass against Vanderbilt... gained his second start at Texas A&M... had a 14-yard reception at Tennessee... had an 8-yard catch against The Citadel... did not play in the season finale against Clemson... earned a spot on the SEC Fall Academic Honor Roll... garnered Most Improved Wide Receiver accolades at the 2015 Garnet & Black Spring Game.

GOOGER'S STATISTICS

Year	GP/GS	Rec	Yds	Avg	TD	Long
2015	11/2	5	74	14.8	0	22

2014: Redshirted as a true freshman.



Kelsey GRIFFIN

DT • 6-2 • 302 • SR. • 3L
Buford, Ga.
(Mill Creek)

94

Senior defensive tackle... has played in 26 games over the past three seasons with 34 tackles... will compete for a starting spot in his final campaign... is a two-time member of the SEC Fall Academic Honor Roll.

2015: Played in 11 of 12 games, collecting 14 tackles... had 3.5 tackles for loss and 2.5 sacks... had a key performance in the season opener, collecting 1.5 sacks in key moments to stall drives for North Carolina... credited with three stops against Florida, including a six-yard sack and another four-yard tackle for loss... credited with three solo tackles against The Citadel... earned a spot on the SEC Fall Academic Honor Roll for the second-straight year.

CAROLINA FOOTBALL *Lettermen/Scholarship Players*

2014: Credited with eight tackles in six games... logged a tackle for loss in the opener against Texas A&M... did not play in the last four regular season contests or in the bowl game... named to the SEC Fall Academic Honor Roll.

2013: True freshman defensive tackle who got his feet wet in 2013... played in nine games, logging a dozen tackles... had four tackles including a half-tackle for loss in the season opener against North Carolina... collected a season-high five stops in the win over Coastal Carolina.

GRIFFIN'S STATISTICS

Year	GP/GS	UT	AT	TT	TFL	QBS	INT	PBU	QBH	FF	FR
2013	9/0	7	5	12	0.5-1	0.5-1	0	0	0	0	0
2014	6/0	4	4	8	1.0-1	0.0-0	0	0	0	0	0
2015	11/0	9	5	14	3.5-17	2.5-13	0	0	0	0	0
Total	26/0	20	14	34	5.0-19	3.0-14	0	0	0	0	0



Ali GROVES

S • 5-10 • 185 • JR. • SQ
Stone Mountain, Ga.
(Stephenson)

Fourth-year defensive back who has been hampered by injuries on and off for much of his Carolina career... made the move to safety last spring... a two-time member of the SEC Fall Academic Honor Roll.

2015: Reserve defensive back who did not see any game action... moved to safety in the spring after spending his first two years primarily at cornerback... named to the SEC Fall Academic Honor Roll.

2014: Redshirt freshman defensive back... did not see any game action... limited in the spring while continuing to recover from right shoulder surgery... named to the SEC Fall Academic Honor Roll.

2013: Redshirted in his true freshman season... injured his right shoulder late in the season and underwent surgery.



Cory HELMS

OL • 6-4 • 303 • JR. • SQ
Alpharetta, Ga.
(Milton/Wake Forest)

Junior offensive lineman who sat out the 2015 campaign after transferring from Wake Forest, where he played in all 24 games, making 23 starts from 2013-14... expected to be in the mix for a starting spot this season at either center or guard... was a Freshman All-American for the Demon Deacons.

2015: Former Wake Forest offensive lineman who joined the Gamecocks in the fall... was not eligible due to NCAA transfer rules.

2014: Started the first seven games at left guard, then moved back to center for the final five contests for the Wake Forest Demon Deacons and head coach Dave Clawson... selected the Gamecocks over offers from Mississippi State, Texas A&M and Penn State after electing to leave Wake Forest.

2013: Earned Freshman All-America accolades for head coach Jim Grobe... played in all 12 games with 11 starts at center as a true freshman... started every game except Senior Day vs. Duke, giving way to senior Whit Barnes... started the season opener vs. Presbyterian to become the first Demon Deacon since defensive tackle Marvin Mitchell in 1987 to start his first collegiate game.



T.J. HOLLOMAN

LB • 6-2 • 226 • SR. • 3L
Stone Mountain, Ga.
(St. Pius X)

Senior linebacker who has the experience, savvy and expertise to play a key role in his final season for the Garnet & Black... has played in 36 games over the past three seasons making 16 starts... credited with 140 career tackles with 10.0 tackles for loss, a pair of sacks, five interceptions and three recovered fumbles... is a two-time member of the SEC Fall Academic Honor Roll.



2015: Played in 10 games making nine starts... third on the team with 63 tackles including 2.5 tackles for loss... picked off a pair of passes and recovered three fumbles, tops in the SEC and tied for seventh in the country... named a permanent team captain despite not playing in the season's first two games... saw his first game action of 2015 at Georgia and was credited with four tackles... earned the start at the MIKE linebacker position against UCF and responded with six tackles, including a tackle for loss, a pair of interceptions, a pass break up and two hurries... had six stops including a tackle for loss and a pass break up at Missouri... credited with six stops at LSU... picked up a fumble against Vanderbilt before leaving the game after being flagged for targeting... logged eight tackles at Texas A&M and against Florida... notched seven stops and recovered a fumble at Tennessee... credited with six solo tackles versus The Citadel... posted a career-high nine tackles and recovered a fumble in the season finale against Clemson... had an excellent spring in which he was recognized along with Gerald Dixon Jr. as the Everyday Effort award winner for the defense.

2014: Sophomore linebacker who played in all 13 games making four starts... credited with 33 tackles including 2.5 tackles for loss... posted six solo stops in a start versus East Carolina... credited with four stops at Vanderbilt... totaled six tackles against South Alabama including a 13-yard sack... matched a career-high with seven tackles against Clemson... named to the SEC Fall Academic Honor Roll... earned the Big Plays award for the defense during the spring.

2013: Redshirt freshman who played in all 13 games, making three starts at linebacker... named to Athlon's third-team Freshman All-America squad... split time with Kaiwan Lewis... collected 44 tackles, including 28 solo stops... had 5.0 tackles for loss and a sack... tied for second on the squad with three interceptions... tied for the team lead with five tackles at UCF, including a tackle for loss... also logged his first career interception against the Knights... made his first career start against Kentucky... responded by tying for the team lead with six tackles, including five solo stops... also started against Tennessee and Arkansas... registered seven tackles at Tennessee with a tackle for loss and a quarterback hurry... collected another seven stops including his first career sack in the win over Coastal Carolina... intercepted a pass against Mississippi State and another against Clemson... a member of the SEC Fall Academic Honor Roll... recognized at the 2013 Garnet & Black Game for the Harold White GPA Award for the defense.

2012: Redshirted as a true freshman.

HOLLOMAN'S STATISTICS

Year	GP/GS	UT	AT	TT	TFL	QBS	INT	PBU	QBH	FF	FR
2013	13/3	28	16	44	5.0-13	1.0-6	3	1	1	0	0
2014	13/4	20	13	33	2.5-18	1.0-13	0	1	1	0	0
2015	10/9	42	21	63	2.5-3	0.0-0	2	2	3	0	3
Total	36/16	90	50	140	10.0-34	2.0-19	5	4	5	0	3



Hayden HURST

TE • 6-4 • 242 • SO. • 1L

Jacksonville, Fla.
(The Bolles School)

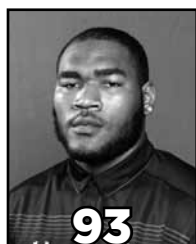
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Former professional baseball player who played in the Pittsburgh Pirates' organization before walking-on to the Carolina football team in the summer of 2015... played his way into regular duty as a true freshman and expected to be a solid contributor this season... figures to be used as a tight end this season but has also played wide receiver... has made one career start.

2015: Walk-on who joined the football team in the summer... played in all 12 games, making one start... caught eight passes for 106 yards... played at tight end and on special teams early in the season... moved to wide receiver after the UCF game... caught his first pass, a nine-yard reception, at LSU... hauled in a career-long 47-yard reception at Texas A&M... had a pair of receptions at Tennessee for 29 yards... made his first career start and responded with a pair of catches for 12 yards against Florida... had a pair of catches for nine yards versus The Citadel.

HURST'S STATISTICS

Year	GP/GS	Rec	Yds	Avg	TD	Long
2015	12/1	8	106	13.2	0	28



Ulric JONES

DT • 6-6 • 284 • JR. • SQ

Oxford, Ala.
(Oxford/Butler CC)

93

Lineman who returns to the defensive side of the ball this spring... listed as a defensive tackle entering the spring... former junior college player who redshirted in his first season in Columbia.

2015: Redshirted in his first season with the Garnet & Black... began his Gamecock career on the defensive line... was moved midway through the year to the offensive side of the ball where he worked at tight end.

2014: Finished up his two-year junior college stint at Butler (Kan.) Community College... coached by Troy Morrell... earned honorable mention all-conference accolades in the Jayhawk Conference at defensive end... credited with 43 tackles, 5.5 tackles for loss and 3.5 sacks in 2014 for a Grizzlies team that went 8-3.

2013: Played on the defensive line at Butler (Kan.) Community College... logged 19 tackles with two tackles for loss.



Sean KELLY

P • 5-10 • 195 • SR. • 1L

Oakland, Fla.
(West Orange/FAU)

13

Senior punter who turned in an outstanding junior campaign in his first season with the Gamecocks... experienced player who was the starting punter at FAU for two seasons prior to his arrival in Columbia... has averaged 42.1 yards on 195 career punts with 67 inside the 20 and 47 over 50 yards.

2015: Transfer who joined the Gamecocks in January of 2015 as a walk-on... was the only punter to go through spring drills... earned a spot on the Ray Guy Award Watch List... averaging 44.3 yards per punt with a net average of 41.3... ranked fourth in the SEC in punting average, while the Gamecocks were second in the league and seventh in the country in net punting... 45 percent (25-of-55) of his punts were inside the 20 with just four touchbacks... had 14 punts of 50-plus yards... averaged 46.5 yards on five punts with two inside the 20 and a long of 60 in his debut against North Carolina... also converted a fourth down with a 17-yard run off a fake... averaged 45.0 yards on four punts with three inside the 20 against UCF... had a 54-yard punt with three of four inside the 20 at Missouri... averaged 49.7 yards on six punts at Tennessee, including three of 50-plus yards, including a 56-yarder... boomed a career-long 69-yard punt against Florida... averaged 49.3 yards on three punts against The Citadel, including a 58-yarder... averaged 49.8 yards on five punts with a long of 68 against Clemson.

2014: Did not play football while attending Tallahassee Junior College.

2013: Spent the season at Florida Atlantic University... punted for 3,072 yards, averaging 42.7 yards on 72 punts... had 19 punts of over 50 yards, including a season-long 64-yarder, and pinned opponents inside the 20 on 26 occasions... ranked third in Conference USA and 36th in the NCAA for average yards per punt... ranked third in punting yards and second in average yards per punt in FAU history... also had a pair of 63-yard boots... named the Special Teams MVP and was a three-time FAU game ball winner (at ECU, at Rice and New Mexico State)... received second-team honors in Phil Steele's Mid-Season All-C-USA team and was a second team all-conference selection.

2012: Joined the FAU squad in the fall and handled every punt during the season... averaged 39.9 yards on 68 punts including 14 that were 50-plus yards... 26 landed inside the 20... had a career-long 68-yard punt against Lafayette, a 66-yarder against Bowling Green and a 64-yarder against FIU... saw four games where he was called into action eight times, all on the road (Georgia, Alabama, Louisiana-Monroe and Western Kentucky)... four of his 50+ yard boots were at Alabama, including two that fell inside the 20... attempted a field goal in the season opener and was credited with six kickoffs in the first two games with a pair of touchbacks... awarded a scholarship after his freshman season by Carl Pelini.

KELLY'S STATISTICS

Year	GP	No.	Yards	Avg.	Long	TB	FC	I20	50+
2012	12	68	2711	39.9	68	5	6	16	14
2013	12	72	3072	42.7	64	5	21	26	19
2015	12	55	2434	44.3	69	4	16	25	14
Total	36	195	8217	42.1	69	14	43	67	47



Alan KNOTT

OL • 6-4 • 268 • JR. • 2L

Tyrone, Ga.
(Sandy Creek)

70

Junior offensive lineman who figures to a fixture in the middle of the line, either at center or guard... ranks third among the returning players and first among offensive players with 17 career starts.

2015: Offensive center who started each of the season's first three games... suffered a high ankle sprain at Georgia and was not able to play against UCF or Missouri... returned to the starting lineup at LSU... played the second half against Vanderbilt... returned to the starting lineup at Texas A&M and held that position throughout the remainder of the season, making nine starts overall... named to Rimington Watch List... put together an excellent spring where he was recognized by the coaches as the Most Improved Offensive Lineman and also the Joe Morrison Offensive Player of the Spring.



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2014: Missed most of the preseason with a right knee injury... made first career start at center versus East Carolina... remained the starter at center for seven of the first eight games... played in all 13 contests, making eight starts, including the Independence Bowl win over Miami.

2013: Redshirted as a true freshman.



Abu LAMIN

DT • 6-3 • 291 • SR. • 2L

Fayetteville, N.C.

(Trinity Christian/Fort Scott CC)

Defensive tackle who is set for his final season of college football... slated to be in the mix along the defensive interior... hopes to see more consistent playing time in his final campaign.

2015: Played in limited duty in 10 games, making five tackles... did not play against either North Carolina or Tennessee... two of his five tackles came in the Citadel contest.

2014: Played in 10 games, recording eight tackles in his first season in Columbia... had two solo tackles in the season opener against Texas A&M and two stops against Vanderbilt... did not play in the final three regular season games after being injured in a car accident during the second bye week... named the Rex Enright Defensive Player of the Spring by the coaches.

2013: Attended Fort Scott (Kan.) Community College, where he played for head coach Curtis Horton... racked up 34 tackles with 7.5 tackles for loss and 1.5 sacks in nine games for the 2-7 Greyhounds... also forced one fumble.

2012: Redshirted in his first season at Fort Scott C.C.

LAMIN'S STATISTICS

Year	GP/GS	UT	AT	TT	TFL	QBS	INT	PBU	QBH	FF	FR
2014	10/0	4	4	8	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0	0	0	0
2015	10/0	4	1	5	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0	0	0	0
Total	20/0	8	5	13	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0	0	0	0



Chris LAMMONS

CB • 5-10 • 184 • JR. • 2L

Lauderhill, Fla.

(Plantation)

Junior cornerback who figures to play a key role in the Carolina defense in 2016... has made 11 starts over his first two seasons in the Garnet & Black... owns 45 career tackles and one interception.

2015: Played in eight games making four starts in a season that was hampered by injury... credited with 24 tackles, four pass breakups and an interception... earned the start in the season opener against North Carolina and recorded five tackles... missed the next three games with a knee injury... returned against Missouri and recorded a tackle for loss among his two stops... saw more action at LSU and logged five stops... registered three tackles and his first career interception against Vanderbilt... made his second start of the season at Texas A&M and notched a tackle and a pass breakup... had a pair of pass breakups at Tennessee... notched four tackles and a pass breakup in a start versus Florida... had three stops including a half tackle for loss against The Citadel... did not play in the season finale against Clemson... named to the SEC Fall Academic Honor Roll following the season... garnered the Harold White GPA award for the defense at the 2015 spring game.

2014: Played in 10 games, making seven starts at cornerback as a true freshman... totaled 21 tackles including 20 solo stops... earned first career playing time in the season opener against No. 21 Texas A&M, making one solo stop... did not travel to Vanderbilt due to an ankle injury... made first career start against Furman, producing five solo tackles... started each of the season's final seven games... collected a season-high six tackles and half tackle for loss at Auburn... collected four solo tackles against South Alabama.

LAMMONS' STATISTICS

Year	GP/GS	UT	AT	TT	TFL	QBS	INT	PBU	QBH	FF	FR
2014	10/7	20	1	21	0.5-1	0.0-0	0	0	0	0	0
2015	8/4	18	6	24	1.5-5	0.0-0	1	4	0	0	0
Total	18/11	38	7	45	2.0-6	0.0-0	1	4	0	0	0



Marquavius LEWIS

DE • 6-4 • 254 • SR. • 1L

Greenwood, S.C.

(Greenwood/Hutchinson CC)

Former junior college transfer who is set for his second and final season in Columbia... expected to make a bigger contribution this season after gaining a year of experience in the SEC... only returning player who started every game in 2015.

2015: One of six players on the squad who started every game... ranked sixth on the team with 45 tackles... logged 4.5 tackles for loss and was second on the team with 3.0 sacks... led the squad with six quarterback hurries... was in on four tackles with a quarterback hit and pass break up against North Carolina in his Gamecock debut... had his best game at Missouri with eight stops then topped that at LSU with nine tackles including his first career sack and another quarterback hurry... had a pair of tackles for loss including a sack and credited with two quarterback hurries against Vanderbilt... had four tackles including a sack at Tennessee... selected as the Rex Enright Defensive Player of the Spring by the coaching staff.

2014: Played at Hutchinson (Kan.) Community College for head coach Rion Rhoades... named the Jayhawk Conference Defensive Player of the Year and first-team all-conference... twice earned conference Player of the Week accolades and once garnered national Player of the Week honors... credited with 63 tackles in 12 games including 20.5 tackles for loss and 11.0 sacks... had 21 quarterback hurries, forced two fumbles and recovered one... helped the Blue Dragons to an 11-win season for the first time in the program's 83-year history and a No. 4 final ranking, their highest ever.

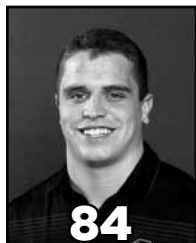
2013: Recorded 63 tackles with 19 tackles for loss, 7.5 sacks, 15 quarterback hurries, two forced fumbles, one fumble recovery and a blocked kick in his first season at Hutchinson.

2012: Attended Greenville Tech part time in the fall before transferring to Hutchinson Community College in the spring.

LEWIS' STATISTICS

Year	GP/GS	UT	AT	TT	TFL	QBS	INT	PBU	QBH	FF	FR
2015	12/12	26	19	45	4.5-23	3.0-20	0	1	6	0	0





Kyle MARKWAY

TE • 6-4 • 246 • SO. • 1L

St. Louis, Mo.
(St. John Vianney)

84

Sophomore tight end who could be more of a factor this year following the departure of Jerrell Adams... penciled in to compete for the starting role at tight end in his second season with the Garnet & Black.

2015: True freshman who has appeared in all 12 games, making one start... a regular on special teams, but has also saw some action at tight end... logged three receptions for 57 yards, an average of 19.0 yards per catch... caught his first pass in his home state of Missouri... had a season-long 27-yard completion at Texas A&M...

also caught a pass against Florida... made his first start against The Citadel.

MARKWAY'S STATISTICS

Year	GP/GS	Rec	Yds	Avg	TD	Long
2015	12/1	3	57	19.0	0	27



Nick MCGRIFF

LS • 6-0 • 221 • SO. • 1L

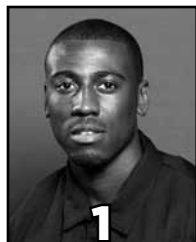
Gainesville, Fla.
(Gainesville)

48

Walk-on sophomore long snapper who could push incumbent Drew Williams for regular duties this year... earned a letter in his redshirt freshman season of 2015.

2015: Redshirt freshman long snapper who saw action in six games... saw his first collegiate action against UCF... also appeared against Missouri, LSU, Vanderbilt, Texas A&M and Florida... named to the SEC Fall Academic Honor Roll.

2014: Joined the team in the fall... redshirted as a true freshman tight end.



Rico MCWILLIAMS

CB • 5-11 • 179 • SR. • 3L

Hampton, Ga.
(Lovejoy)

1

Senior cornerback who is one of six returning starters on the defensive side of the ball... has played in 33 games over the past three seasons... owns 18 career starts, second among returning players behind only Skai Moore... is a two-time member of the SEC Fall Academic Honor Roll.

2015: Played in all 12 games, starting 10... started in every game except Georgia and Texas A&M... credited with 32 tackles including 24 solo stops... had a pair of pass breakups and recovered a fumble... matched his career high with six tackles against UCF and against Florida... had a tackle for loss against Vanderbilt... turned in a solid spring as he was named Most Improved Cornerback on the squad.

2014: Played in 12 games, making six starts... credited with 33 tackles and five pass breakups... made five solo stops in the opener against Texas A&M... started versus East Carolina and was credited with five tackles, including

one for a three-yard loss... best game came against Tennessee when he was credited with four pass breakups and five solo tackles... suffered a concussion against South Alabama and did not play against Clemson... logged a career-high six tackles, all solo stops, in the Independence Bowl win over Miami... named to the SEC Fall Academic Honor Roll.

2013: Redshirt freshman cornerback who played in nine games making a pair of starts... made the start at Arkansas and recorded his only tackle in that contest... also made the start in the Capital One Bowl win against Wisconsin... named to the SEC Fall Academic Honor Roll... sat out the spring as he continued to rehab from a knee injury suffered early in fall camp 2012.

2012: Suffered a season-ending left knee injury during the second practice of the preseason... underwent surgery in mid-August.

MCWILLIAMS' STATISTICS

Year	GP/GS	UT	AT	TT	TFL	QBS	INT	PBU	QBH	FF	FR
2013	9/2	0	1	1	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0	0	0	0
2014	12/6	27	6	33	1.0-3	0.0-0	0	5	0	0	0
2015	12/10	24	8	32	1.0-1	0.0-0	0	2	0	0	1
Total	33/18	51	15	66	2.0-4	0.0-0	0	7	0	0	1



Connor MITCH

QB • 6-3 • 198 • JR. • SQ

Raleigh, N.C.
(Wakefield)

6

Junior quarterback who again finds himself in a battle to earn the No. 1 signal-caller duties for the Gamecocks in 2016... named the starting quarterback when the 2015 season began and got the call in the first two games before injuries derailed him for the rest of the season... one of three quarterbacks on the roster who has a win as a starting quarterback under his belt.

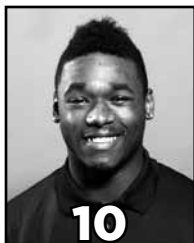
2015: Earned the starting quarterback duties during preseason camp... went 9-for-22 for 122 yards and a touchdown pass in his first career start against North Carolina... first career TD pass was a nine-yarder to Pharoah Cooper... also ran the ball 10 times for 44 yards despite suffering a painful hip pointer in the contest... ran for his first career touchdown and completed 4-of-7 passes for 43 yards against Kentucky before suffering a shoulder injury that took him out of the game... that injury, along with complications from the hip injury caused him to lose a significant amount of weight and was not able to regain the strength and form that earned him the top spot the depth chart... did not see any other action during the season... finished the season 13-for-29 for 165 yards passing with one touchdown and 51 yards on 14 carries and a score on the ground... shared Most Improved Quarterback in the spring accolades with Perry Orth.

2014: Played in two games as a redshirt freshman... connected on 2-of-6 passes for 19 yards in limited duty... completed 2-of-4 passes for 19 yards in first playing time of his career against Furman... attempted two passes against South Alabama... shared co-Freshman Most Improved honors for the offense in the spring with tight end Jacob August.

2013: Enrolled at Carolina in January 2013... took a redshirt in the fall.

MITCH'S STATISTICS

-PASSING-						
Year	GP/GS	Com-Att-Int	Pct.	Yds	TD	Long
2014	2/0	2-6-0	33.3	19	0	14
2015	2/2	13-29-0	44.8	165	1	27
Totals	4/2	15-35-0	42.9	184	1	27
-RUSHING-						
Year	GP/GS	Att	Yds	Avg	TD	Long
2014	2/0	3	-3	-1.0	0	5
2015	2/2	14	51	3.6	1	15
Totals	4/2	17	48	2.8	1	15



Skai MOORE

LB • 6-2 • 218 • SR. • 3L

Cooper City, Fla.
(University)

Most decorated returning player on the roster... the senior linebacker was a second-team All-SEC selection in 2015 by both the Associated Press and by the league's 14 coaches... has tallied 260 career tackles and needs just 47 to move into the school's all-time top-10... has led the team in tackles for three-consecutive seasons, becoming the first player to do so since Tony Watkins from 1992-94... could become the first Gamecock to lead the team in tackles for four-straight seasons, a feat that has been done just 11 times in NCAA Division I history... has recorded 10 games with double-figures in tackles... also owns 11 career interceptions, tying for third on the all-time list and just three shy of Bo Davies' school record of 14... owns a team-best 24 career starts and has a trio of two-interception games.



2015: Named one of six team captains... named second-team All-SEC by both the AP and coaches after leading the team with 111 tackles, which ranked third in the SEC with 9.2 tackles per game... also led the team with 6.5 tackles for loss and with four pass interceptions, tying for fourth in the SEC... led the team and tied for fourth in the SEC with three forced fumbles... became the first Gamecock to reach the century mark in tackles since 2006, while his 111 tackles was the second-highest total recorded by a South Carolina player in the last 25 years... recorded double-figures in tackles six times during the season, including a career-high 14 tackles at Texas A&M... keyed the Gamecocks in their season opening victory, picking off two passes in the end zone against North Carolina... also led the team with 11 tackles (five solo) while earning SEC Defensive Player of the Week accolades... made eight tackles (seven solo) with a tackle for loss against Kentucky, and returned his third interception of the season 14 yards to set up a touchdown... credited with a dozen stops at Georgia and at Missouri... added nine stops against UCF... had 11 stops including a strip sack with a fumble that he recovered against Vanderbilt... also had an interception and a pass break up against the Commodores... set a career high with 14 tackles at Texas A&M... had six stops with 1.5 tackles for loss and a sack at Tennessee... did not start and saw only limited action against The Citadel after missing much of the week's practice time due to a death in the family... came back with a game-high 13 tackles and forced a pair of fumbles against Clemson... recognized with the Big Plays award for the defense in the spring.

2014: Second year linebacker who led the team with 93 tackles, the most for a Gamecock since Jasper Brinkley's 107 in 2006... ranked 10th in the SEC with 7.8 tackles per game... was second on the squad with three interceptions... led the team in tackles eight times: seven stops against East Carolina, 10 vs. Georgia, nine at Kentucky, eight at Auburn, a then-career-high 12 at Florida, nine vs. South Alabama, 10 at Clemson and 11 against Miami... recovered an onside kick at Auburn, the Gamecocks' first since 2007... did not play versus Tennessee due to a sprained ankle... logged all three of his interceptions in the last two regular games, picking off two against South Alabama and one at Clemson... named the Defensive MVP of the Independence Bowl after an 11-tackle effort in the win over Miami... was a second-team midseason All-SEC according to *Phil Steele*... selected by the coaches for the "Everyday Hustle" award for the defense during the spring.

2013: Linebacker who earned a spot on the coaches' Freshman All-SEC squad and was a second-team Freshman All-American according to 247Sports... played in all 13 games, making four starts... led the team with 56 tackles... added a team-high four interceptions and recovered a fumble... recorded seven tackles, including 1.5 tackles for loss and a half-sack, in the season opener against North Carolina... credited with six tackles at Georgia... led the team with six tackles, including a tackle for loss, in the win at Arkansas... added another six stops at Tennessee... made his first start against Mississippi State and was credited with six tackles along with his first career interception... started each of the final four regular season games... tied for the team lead with six tackles against Florida, including a tackle for loss... intercepted a pass and recovered a fumble in the win over Clemson... recorded five tackles and had a pair of interceptions in the Capital One Bowl win over Wisconsin.

MOORE'S STATISTICS

Year	GP/GS	UT	AT	TT	TFL	QBS	INT	PBU	QBH	FF	FR
2013	13/4	30	26	56	3.5-7	0.5-3	4	0	0	0	1
2014	12/9	52	41	93	2.5-13	1.0-9	3	0	1	0	1
2015	12/11	69	42	111	6.5-21	2.0-11	4	4	1	3	1
Total	37/24	151	109	260	12.5-41	3.5-23	11	4	2	3	3



Lorenzo NUÑEZ

QB • 6-3 • 210 • SO. • 1L

Kennesaw, Ga.
(Harrison)

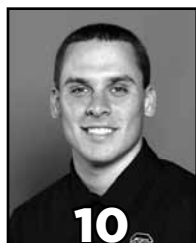
Athletic performer who will compete for the starting nod in a wide-open quarterback race in the spring... regarded as an excellent runner who continues to work on his throwing abilities... garnered valuable playing time last fall as a true freshman, including a pair of starts... is one of three quarterbacks on the roster that has a win as a starting signal-caller under his belt... is 1-1 as a starting quarterback and owns one 100-yard rushing game.

2015: Completed 32-of-52 passes for 376 yards and three touchdowns, while rushing for 375 yards (second on the team) on just 59 carries, a 6.4-yard average, with two more scores... was 1-1 in his two starts... made his debut against Kentucky, rushing twice for 40 yards... saw more action at Georgia, leading the team with 10 carries for 76 yards rushing and a touchdown, and was 4-for-5 passing for 18 yards... made his first start vs. UCF and rushed for 123 yards on 18 carries while completing 12-of-22 passes for 184 yards and two scores... passed for 172 yards and rushed for 60 in a start at Missouri... left the contest with a sprained right shoulder... the Mizzou-South Carolina game was the first time in SEC history that both teams started true freshmen at quarterback (Nuñez and Drew Lock)... did not dress for the LSU or Vanderbilt contests due to the injury... played one play at Texas A&M, a seven-yard touchdown run... had a pair of carries against Tennessee... did not dress versus The Citadel... was Carolina's leading rusher versus Clemson, carrying 10 times for 75 yards, including a season-best 47-yard burst.

NUÑEZ STATISTICS

-PASSING-							
Year	GP/GS	Com-Att	Int	Pct.	Yds	TD	Long
2015	8/2	32-52	3	.615	376	3	35
-RUSHING-							
Year	GP/GS	Att	Yds	Avg	TD	Long	
2015	8/2	59	375	6.4	2	47	





Perry ORTH

QB • 6-0 • 196 • SR. • 1L

Ponte Vedra, Fla.

(Ponte Vedra/Florida St. College)

10

Fifth-year senior who figures to compete for the starting signal-caller duties again in 2016... a former walk-on, he logged a 1-7 record as a starter in 2015... has appeared in 14 career games, completing 54.5 percent of his passes (144-of-264) for 1,934 yards with 12 touchdowns and nine interceptions... has also rushed 54 times for 125 yards and two scores.

2015: Former walk-on who established himself as the No. 1 signal-caller... was 1-7 as a starter... completed 143-of-261 passes (54.8 percent) for 1,929 yards and 12 touchdowns with nine interceptions... also rushed 53 times for 138 yards and two scores... stepped in against Kentucky after Connor Mitch was sidelined with injuries... completed 13-of-20 passes for 179 yards and a touchdown against the Wildcats... made his first career start at Georgia... completed 6-of-17 passes for 66 yards with an interception... scored on a four-yard quarterback keeper against the Bulldogs... completed 14-of-28 passes for 200 yards and two touchdowns with one interception at LSU... topped that performance against Vanderbilt when he set then-career highs for completions (17), attempts (28) and yards passing (272), along with a 78-yard TD pass to Pharoh Cooper... was 15-for-24 for 192 yards and rushed 11 times for 64 yards, including a career-long 66-yarder, at Texas A&M... set then-career highs in completions (20), attempts (39) and touchdown passes (3) while throwing for 233 yards at Tennessee... threw a 38-yard TD pass to Cooper and caught a 17-yard TD pass from Cooper against Florida... had the most productive game of his career against The Citadel, connecting on 28-of-43 passes for 367 yards and a touchdown... matched his career high with three touchdown passes against Clemson... named to the SEC Fall Academic Honor Roll... shared Most Improved Quarterback honors in the spring with Connor Mitch.

2014: Saw action in one game... went 0-for-2 passing against Furman in his second career game... recognized as the Most Improved Quarterback and earned the Big Plays award for the offense during the 2014 spring drills.

2013: Enrolled at Carolina in January and joined the football squad in time for spring practices... saw brief action late in the game against Coastal Carolina, completing his only pass attempt for five yards.

2012: Spent the fall semester at Florida State College, a community college in Jacksonville... did not play football.

ORTH'S STATISTICS

-PASSING-

Year	GP/GS	Com-Att-Int	Pct.	Yds	TD	Long
2013	1/0	1-1-0	1.000	5	0	5
2014	1/0	0-2-0	.000	0	0	0
2015	12/8	143-261-9	.548	1929	12	78
Total	14/8	144-264-9	.545	1934	12	78

-RUSHING-

Year	GP/GS	Att	Yds	Avg	TD	Long
2013	1/0	0	0	0.0	0	0
2014	1/0	1	-13	-13.0	0	0
2015	12/8	53	138	2.6	2	66
Total	14/8	54	125	2.3	2	66

-RECEIVING-

Year	GP/GS	Rec.	Yds	Avg	TD	Long
2013	1/0	0	0	0.0	0	0
2014	1/0	0	0	0.0	0	0
2015	12/8	1	17	17.0	1	17
Total	14/8	1	17	17.0	1	17



Christian OWENS

WR • 6-5 • 205 • FR. • RS

Griffin, Ga.

(Griffin)

23

Tall wide receiver who was an early enrollee a year ago... looks to use the spring to work his way into the regular rotation with the wideouts.

2015: Redshirted as a true freshman... enrolled in January and went through spring drills.



D.J. PARK

OL • 6-4 • 323 • JR. • 2L

Dillon, S.C.

(Dillon)

69

Redshirt junior offensive lineman... two-year letterman who could play either guard or tackle... will challenge for a starting position in the spring.

2015: Played in 10 of 12 games... most of his action came on special teams... earned one of four Everyday Effort awards presented in the spring at the Garnet & Black game.

2014: Redshirt freshman offensive lineman... saw action in eight games, primarily on special teams... played in just one of the first five contests, then saw more consistent action as the season progressed.

2013: Offensive lineman who enrolled at Carolina in January 2013... worked primarily at right tackle during the spring due to numbers, but moved inside in the fall... redshirted.



Darius PAULK

RB • 5-7 • 195 • SR. • 1L

Columbia, S.C.

(Richland NE/North Greenville)

30

Former walk-on who earned a scholarship for the 2015 campaign in his first season of eligibility at South Carolina... figures to be a fixture on special teams in his final season.

2015: Was eligible for the first time at South Carolina after transferring... placed on scholarship prior to the start of the season... played in all 12 games... credited with five tackles on special teams... also rushed twice for three yards at Georgia... recognized with the Everyday Hustle award for the offense during the spring.

2014: Joined the squad in the spring... impressed the coaches in his first work in the Garnet & Black to garner the Outstanding Walk-On award for the offense... was not eligible to compete after transferring from North Greenville.

2013: Carried 32 times for 120 yards in nine games for a 5-6 North Greenville squad.

2012: Rushed for 748 yards on 161 carries in nine games for North Greenville... also had nine catches for 34 yards... team went 5-6.

PAULK'S STATISTICS

-RUSHING-

Year	GP/GS	Att	Yds	Avg	TD	Long
2015	12/0	2	3	1.5	0	3



Christian PELLAGE

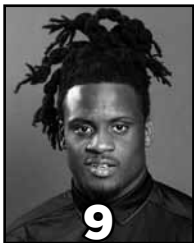
OL • 6-7 • 300 • SO. • 1L

**Brooksville, Fla.
(Nature Coast Tech)**

55

Sophomore who will compete for one of the starting positions along the offensive line this spring... figures to compete for duty at one of the tackle spots.

2015: Played in all 12 games, primarily on special teams.



Sherrod PITTMAN

LB • 6-0 • 221 • FR. • RS

**Jacksonville, Fla.
(First Coast)**

9

Redshirt freshman linebacker who is ready to showcase his skills after missing the 2015 season while rehabbing from a broken leg suffered in high school.

2015: Redshirted as a true freshman... spent the fall rehabbing from a broken leg he suffered during his senior year of high school... enrolled early at Carolina in January of 2015... earned Outstanding Weight Room accolades for the defense during the spring.



Deebo SAMUEL

WR • 6-0 • 205 • SO. • 1L

**Inman, S.C.
(Chapman)**

1

Top returning receiver on the roster... expected to make a significant impact this season as he has shown big play abilities... owns one 100-yard receiving game... has made three career starts.

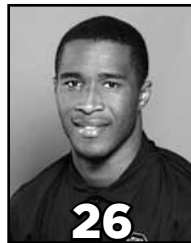
2015: Played in five games making three starts... ranked fourth on the team with 12 receptions for 161 yards and a touchdown... started in the season opener against North Carolina... suffered a hamstring injury in that contest... made his first catch for 10 yards against Kentucky... started and caught two passes for 20 yards against Georgia... continued to have issues with the hamstring and sat out the next seven contests... returned to action against The Citadel and notched four receptions for 27 yards... moved back into the starting lineup for the season finale against Clemson and responded with a career-best performance, logging five catches for 104 yards and a his first career TD, a seven-yard catch... also had a career-long 48-yard reception in that contest... recognized with the Big Plays award for the offense in the spring.

2014: Redshirted as a true freshman... worked with the scout team.



SAMUEL'S STATISTICS

Year	GP/GS	Rec	Yds	Avg	TD	Long
2015	5/3	12	161	13.4	1	48



Jasper SASSER

S • 6-0 • 204 • JR. • 1L

**Jacksonville, Fla.
(Wolfson)**

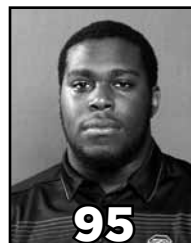
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Redshirt junior who figures to compete for playing time in the secondary... penciled in as a safety after working at the Spur linebacker position last fall... a two-time member of the SEC Fall Academic Honor Roll.

2015: Saw limited action in two contests... played against LSU and Vanderbilt on special teams... did not record any statistics... had a pair of interceptions in the 2015 Garnet & Black Spring Game... named to the SEC Fall Academic Honor Roll for a second time.

2014: Played in nine games, primarily on special teams... earned his first letter... did not record any statistics... highlight of the season came when he recovered Carlton Heard's blocked punt that set up the game-tying touchdown in the win over Florida... named to the SEC Fall Academic Honor Roll.

2013: Redshirted in his first season in the Garnet & Black.



Dante SAWYER

DT • 6-3 • 289 • JR. • 1L

**Suwanee, Ga.
(North Gwinnett/East Miss. CC)**

95

Junior defensive lineman who will sit out the spring while rehabbing from off-season shoulder surgery... the former junior college transfer figures to play a key role for the Gamecocks up front in the fall after gaining extensive experience last fall in his first season of Division I football.

2015: Played in 11 of 12 games, making four starts... came off the bench in each of the first three games... provided one of the biggest plays of the game in a win over North Carolina, picking up a sack late in the fourth quarter with just under four minutes left to play... finished with two tackles overall... added two more tackles against Kentucky and two against Georgia... had a nine-yard sack in his first career start against UCF, his first of three-straight starts... had three tackles including a half-sack at Missouri... set a career high with five tackles and was credited with a pass breakup in a start at Tennessee... did not play against The Citadel as he was dealing with an injury.

2014: Defensive end who spent the season at East Mississippi Community College in Scooba, Miss... played for coach Buddy Stephens... helped the Lions to a perfect 12-0 record and the NJCAA football championship... credited with 21 tackles including 6.5 sacks and 10.5 tackles for loss... also forced a pair of fumbles.

SAWYER'S STATISTICS

Year	GP/GS	UT	AT	TT	TFL	QBS	INT	PBU	QBH	FF	FR
2015	11/4	9	8	17	2.5-18	2.5-18	0	1	1	0	1





**Michael
SCARNECCHIA**
QB • 6-3 • 207 • SO. • SQ
Fleming Island, Fla.
(Fleming Island)

Third-year sophomore who will compete for reps in a crowded quarterback derby in the spring... considered more a traditional dropback passer.

2015: Backup quarterback who saw action in one contest... got in late in the LSU contest... completed his only pass for nine yards... also ran once for no yards... a member of the SEC Fall Academic Honor Roll... considered the Most Improved Freshman on the offensive side of the ball in the spring by the Gamecock coaching staff.

2014: Redshirted as a true freshman... worked with the scout team.

SCARNECCHIA'S STATISTICS

-PASSING-						
Year	GP/GS	Com-Att	Int	Pct.	Yds	TD Long
2015	1/0	1-1-0		1.000	9	0 9
-RUSHING-						
Year	GP/GS	Att	Yds	Avg	TD	Long
2015	1/0	1	0	0.0	0	0

2014: True freshman defensive back... saw action in 12 games making one start... played both cornerback and safety... credited with 11 tackles and one pass breakup... missed the first couple of weeks of fall camp after having his wisdom teeth removed and did not play in the season opener... saw first action of the season against East Carolina... credited with two tackles at Vanderbilt... made first start of career at free safety at Kentucky, collecting a season-best three tackles along with his first career pass breakup.

D.J. SMITH'S STATISTICS

Year	GP/GS	UT	AT	TT	TFL	QBS	INT	PBU	QBH	FF	FR
2014	12/1	8	3	11	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	1	0	0	0
2015	12/1	18	4	22	1.0-3	0.0-0	0	1	0	0	0
Total	24/2	26	7	33	1.0-3	0.0-0	0	2	0	0	0



**Jamari
SMITH**
RB • 5-10 • 204 • JR. • 2L
Jacksonville, Fla.
(Fletcher)

Redshirt junior who is slated to move back to the offensive side of the ball this spring... has shuffled back-and-forth between offense and defense throughout his career in an attempt to get him on the playing field with more consistency and to fill positions of need... has not logged a carry since the 2013 season when he rushed 14 times for 108 yards, including a 103-yard effort against Coastal Carolina.

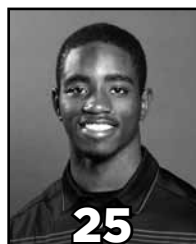
2015: Special teams performer who saw action in 10 of 12 games... listed as a cornerback, but also spent time at wide receiver... did not log any statistics.

2014: Redshirted after suffering a broken left foot during fall camp... missed the entire season... moved to cornerback in the spring.

2013: True freshman who moved from running back to cornerback a week into fall camp... returned to running back just prior to the Tennessee game... played in nine games... used primarily on special teams... logged four carries for five yards in the win over Mississippi State... with injuries mounting at running back, had an opportunity to play more against Coastal Carolina... responded with a 103-yard effort and a touchdown on 10 carries... included was a 52-yard burst... finished the year with 108 yards on 14 carries, a 7.7-yard average.

J. SMITH'S STATISTICS

Year	GP/GS	Att	Yds	Avg	TD	Long
2013	9/0	14	108	7.7	1	52



**Darin
SMALLS**
S • 5-11 • 185 • FR. • RS
Summerville, S.C.
(Summerville)

Redshirt freshman who is expected to battle for playing time in the secondary this spring.

2015: Redshirted as a true freshman... enrolled at Carolina in January... went through the spring with the squad, but did not participate in any team drills as he continued to rehab from a high school knee injury... saw limited practice time in the fall.

2014: Signed with the Gamecocks in the spring, but did not enroll in school while rehabbing his knee injury throughout the fall.



**D.J.
SMITH**
S • 5-11 • 185 • JR. • 2L
Marietta, Ga.
(Walton)

Third-year junior defensive back... slated to challenge for a starting spot in the Gamecock secondary this year at one of the safety positions... has also played some cornerback during his Carolina career... has played in 22 contests over the past two seasons, making a pair of starts.

2015: Saw action in all 12 games, primarily on special teams, but began to split more time with Jordan Diggs at strong safety as the season progressed... credited with 22 tackles on the season, including 18 solo stops... had a career-high four tackles at Missouri... matched that with four stops, including a tackle for loss and a pass breakup at LSU... had four solo stops at Texas A&M... made his first start of the season at Tennessee and responded with a pair of tackles... named to the SEC Fall Academic Honor Roll.



**Taylor
STALLWORTH**
DT • 6-2 • 302 • JR. • 2L
Mobile, Ala.
(Murphy)

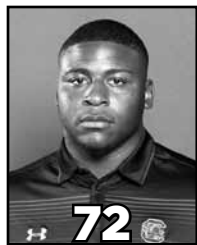
Returning starter at defensive tackle... key figure in the middle of the line to plug up the running game and provide inside pressure on the quarterback... has played in 17 games over the past two seasons, making five starts.

2015: Played in nine contests, making five starts... credited with eight tackles... started each of the first three games... had a key fourth down stop in the season opening win over North Carolina... logged two tackles against UCF... credited with two tackles, including his first career tackle for loss and a pass breakup in a start against Vanderbilt... also started at Texas A&M, where he suffered a chest injury, causing him to miss a pair of games.

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2014: Saw action in eight games... collected eight tackles... six of his eight stops came in the final three games of the season as he garnered more playing time... made first career appearance against Georgia... had his best day against South Alabama with three total tackles... matched that with three tackles in the Duck Commander Independence Bowl win over Miami.

STALLWORTH'S STATISTICS											
Year	GP/GS	UT	AT	TT	TFL	QBS	INT	PBU	QBH	FF	FR
2014	8/0	4	4	8	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0	0	0	0
2015	9/5	5	3	8	1.0-1	0.0-0	0	1	0	0	0
Total	17/5	9	7	16	1.0-1	0.0-0	0	1	0	0	0



Donell STANLEY

OL • 6-3 • 326 • SO. • 1L
Floydale, S.C.
(Latta)

Big offensive lineman who will vie for playing time at either offensive guard or center in his third season with the Garnet & Black.

2015: Played in all 12 games as a redshirt freshman, primarily on special teams... also saw a limited number of reps at offensive guard... named to the SEC Fall Academic Honor Roll... took a vast number of reps in the spring as the numbers were thin on the offensive line... earned one of four Everyday Effort awards presented in the spring at the Garnet & Black game.

2014: Redshirted as a true freshman... did not practice for much of the fall while rehabbing following surgery on his left wrist.



Rod TALLEY

RB • 5-9 • 200 • JR. • 1L
Laurens, S.C.
(Laurens/Gardner-Webb)

Former walk-on who earned a scholarship prior to the start of the 2015 campaign... junior who will compete for playing time at running back and also could be a factor again on special teams.

2015: Former walk-on who went on scholarship as he became eligible for the first time at South Carolina following a transfer from Gardner-Webb... played extensively on special teams, earning his first letter... rushed twice for 11 yards... had a 10-yard carry at Georgia and a 1-yard run against Florida... also credited with a pair of tackles... named to the SEC Fall Academic Honor Roll.

2014: Enrolled at Carolina in January and joined the squad just prior to the start of spring ball... was not eligible due to NCAA transfer rules... took a redshirt season.

2013: Was a scholarship player on the 7-5 Gardner-Webb football squad... played in eight games, was second on the team in rushing... carried 40 times for 276 yards (6.9 per carry) and three touchdowns as a true freshman.

TALLEY'S STATISTICS

-RUSHING-

Year	GP/GS	Att	Yds	Avg	TD	Long
2015	12/0	2	11	5.5	0	10



A.J. TURNER

RB • 5-10 • 186 • FR. • RS
Clifton, Va.
(Centreville)

Redshirt freshman running back who will get an opportunity to showcase his talents in the spring... will have the opportunity to compete for playing time following the departures of Brandon Wilds and Shon Carson.

2015: Redshirted as a true freshman.



Jonathan WALTON

LB • 6-0 • 226 • SR. • 3L
Daphne, Ala.
(Bayside Academy)

Senior who has recorded over 100 tackles in his career... hard-hitter who is expected to be a big contributor in his final collegiate campaign... can play any of the three linebacker positions... has made a dozen career starts.

2015: Played in all 12 games, making six starts... credited with 42 tackles including 5.0 tackles for loss... forced a pair of fumbles... started each of the first three games at WILL linebacker... made a team-high 11 tackles (ten solo) and forced his first career fumble against Kentucky... added five stops at Georgia... started at SAM linebacker against LSU and logged four tackles including a tackle for loss... had 1.5 tackles for loss and forced a fumble in the win over Vanderbilt... had a pair of tackles at Tennessee and made his first appearance at fullback against the Vols... caught a 10-yard touchdown pass the only time he touched the ball... made the start at linebacker against Florida and also saw action in the backfield... logged eight tackles in a start against The Citadel with a pair of tackles for loss including his first career sack... named the Most Improved Linebacker for the second-straight spring.

2014: Played in all 13 games making six starts... ranked third on the squad with 61 tackles of which 38 of those came in the final five games... made first career start in the season opener against Texas A&M... collected six tackles and first career fumble recovery at Kentucky... recorded seven tackles against Furman in his second start of the season before leaving with a concussion... recorded 11 tackles in a start versus Tennessee to set a career high, then one-upped it with 12 tackles at Florida, tying for the most tackles by a Gamecock in 2014... came up big in the Independence Bowl win over Miami with 1.5 tackles for loss and a pass interception... regarded as the Most Improved Linebacker during the 2014 spring drills... also selected by the coaches as the Most Improved Freshman on the defensive side of the ball.

2013: True freshman linebacker who saw action in all 13 games... credited with eight tackles... also notched a quarterback hurry... logged a pair of tackles in the win over Mississippi State.

WALTON'S STATISTICS

Year	GP/GS	UT	AT	TT	TFL	QBS	INT	PBU	QBH	FF	FR
2013	13/0	5	3	8	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0	1	0	0
2014	13/6	36	25	61	2.5-3	0.0-0	1	2	1	0	1
2015	12/6	29	13	42	5.0-19	1.0-10	0	0	2	2	0
Total	37/12	70	41	111	7.5-22	1.0-10	1	2	4	2	1

-RECEIVING-

Year	GP/GS	Rec.	Yds	Avg	TD	Long
2015	12/6	1	10	10.0	1	10
Total	37/12	1	10	10.0	1	10



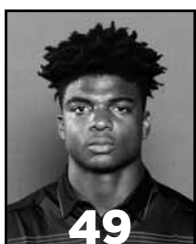
Jerad WASHINGTON

WR • 5-9 • 150 • FR. • RS
Jacksonville, Fla.
(First Coast)

9

Speedy wide receiver who is going through his second spring with the Gamecocks... continues to make progress as he heals from a broken leg, suffered in the fall of 2015... hopes to be back at full strength by the start of fall drills.

2015: Enrolled at Carolina in January after graduating from high school early... went through spring drills with the Gamecocks... was listed third on the depth chart entering the fall... suffered a broken leg in practice in August which required surgery and missed the entire season.



Boosie WHITLOW

OLB • 6-3 • 234 • SO. • 1L
Opelika, Ala.
(Opelika)

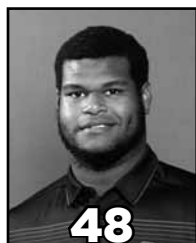
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True sophomore who is penciled in at the BUCK (defensive end/outside linebacker) position this spring... showed flashes during his true freshman campaign of possessing excellent pass rushing skills... figures to play a more prominent role this fall.

2015: Played in all 12 contests, making three starts... used primarily in pass rushing situations... credited with 14 tackles, including 5.0 tackles for loss in somewhat limited duty... logged one sack and credited with four additional quarterback hurries... had a key QB hurry against Kentucky, forcing a throw that was picked off by Skai Moore... saw his first extended action against UCF and responded with a pair of tackles for loss among his four stops, including a 10-yard sack... made his first start against Vanderbilt and had his first career pass break up... had three stops against Texas A&M in his second start... started at Tennessee and was credited with three tackles including a tackle for loss... had a tackle for loss against both Florida and The Citadel.

WHITLOW'S STATISTICS

Year	GP/GS	UT	AT	TT	TFL	QBS	INT	PBU	QBH	FF	FR
2015	12/3	9	5	14	5.0-17	1.0-10	0	1	4	0	0



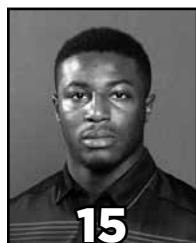
Dexter WIDEMAN

DT • 6-3 • 280 • FR. • RS
Saluda, S.C.
(Saluda/Camden Military)

48

Defensive lineman who will be going through his second spring with the Gamecocks after enrolling at South Carolina in January of 2015... expected to provide the Gamecocks some much-needed help up front.

2015: Enrolled at South Carolina in January and went through spring drills... redshirted in his first fall on campus.



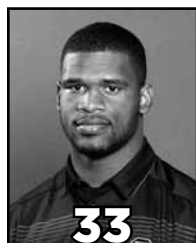
Antoine WILDER

S • 5-10 • 187 • FR. • RS
Riverdale, Ga.
(Hapeville Charter)

15

Redshirt freshman safety who looks to make an impression this spring that will propel him into a spot in the defensive backfield's rotation in the fall.

2015: Redshirted in his first season with the Garnet & Black... missed some practice time with a right knee sprain.



David WILLIAMS

TB • 6-1 • 216 • JR. • 2L
Philadelphia, Pa.
(Imhotep Charter)

33

Redshirt junior tailback who comes into spring drills as the odds-on-favorite to be the No. 1 running back in the fall after spending the past two seasons in a back-up role, first to Mike Davis, then to Brandon Wilds... has carried 131 times in his career for 555 yards, a 4.2 yard average, with a pair of scores in 21 games, including four starts... has also caught 18 passes out of the backfield for 192 yards... has one 100-yard rushing game.

2015: Played in all 12 games, making four starts... was third on the team with 299 yards rushing on 86 carries... also caught 11 passes for 93 yards... ran the ball 10 times for 42 yards in the season opener against North Carolina... logged a career-high 14 carries in the win over UCF, gaining 32 yards with a long of 15... carried nine times for 40 yards at Missouri... made his first career start at LSU and responded with 25 yards on seven carries and a pair of receptions for nine yards... logged 49 yards on seven carries against Vanderbilt... started at Texas A&M and logged 27 yards on 10 carries... also caught three passes for 43 yards against the Aggies... also started against both Tennessee and Clemson when the Gamecocks opened in a two-back set... named the Most Improved Running Back in the spring by the Gamecock coaching staff.

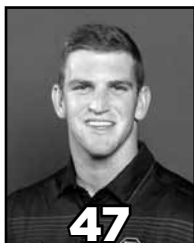
2014: Played in nine games as a redshirt freshman... logged 256 yards on 45 carries, a 5.7 average... scored a pair of touchdowns... also caught seven passes for 99 yards... rushed for 25 yards on four carries, including first career touchdown on two-yard run, at Vanderbilt... registered 11 carries for a career-high 110 yards in the win over Furman... ran a season-high 12 times for 65 yards against South Alabama, including a 14-yard touchdown run... had a career day out of the backfield, catching four passes for 70 yards at Clemson, including a 59-yard catch-and-run.

2013: Redshirted as a true freshman.

DA. WILLIAMS' STATISTICS

-RUSHING-						
Year	GP/GS	Att	Yds	Avg	TD	Long
2014	9/0	45	256	5.7	2	37
2015	12/4	86	299	3.5	0	18
Total	21/4	131	555	4.2	2	37
-RECEIVING-						
Year	GP/GS	Rec	Yds	Avg	TD	Long
2014	9/0	7	99	14.1	0	59
2015	12/4	11	93	8.5	0	21
Total	21/4	18	192	10.7	0	59





Drew WILLIAMS

LS • 6-1 • 202 • SR. • 3L

Irmo, S.C.
(Dutch Fork)

47

Fourth-year senior who has appeared in every game over the past three seasons... served as the deep snapper in punting situations in both 2013 and 2014, and added short snapping duties on field goals and extra points in 2015.

2015: Handled the deep snapping duties in punt formation for the third-straight year and added short snapping duties on field goals and extra points attempts... credited with one tackle... placed on scholarship for the first time in his career... named the Most Improved Special Teams performer in the spring by the Gamecock coaching staff for the second-straight year.

2014: True sophomore deep snapper on punts who played in every game... credited with two solo tackles... earned a spot on the SEC Fall Academic Honor Roll... named the Most Improved special teams long snapper in the spring.

2013: True freshman walk-on who handled the snapping duties on punts throughout the season.



Malik YOUNG

OL • 6-4 • 298 • SO. • SQ

Pelzer, S.C.
(Woodmont)

77

Third-year offensive lineman... versatile performer who could line up anywhere along the offensive line.

2015: Offensive lineman who saw limited duty in three contests... played on special teams against Kentucky, Georgia and UCF... also took some snaps on offense late in the game against the Bulldogs... was receiving more quality reps in the spring due to the number of injuries among the front line before suffering a left ankle sprain.

2014: Redshirted as a true freshman.



Mason ZANDI

OL • 6-8 • 303 • SR. • 3L

Chapin, S.C.
(Chapin)

74

Senior offensive lineman who is expected to be one of the more vocal leaders on the offensive side of the ball... figures to hold down one of the starting tackle positions this fall... has played right tackle throughout most of his collegiate career, making 11 starts... also has seen limited action at tight end.

2015: Started each of the first 10 games at right tackle... made the start in the opener against North Carolina, his first start since the Vanderbilt game in the 2013 season... made the switch to jersey number 51 against Kentucky in honor of friend Cody Waldrop, who suffered a broken ankle during practice during the week of the game... suffered a high right ankle sprain late in the game against Florida and was not available for either Citadel or Clemson.

2014: Reserve offensive lineman who saw playing time in every game during the season, primarily on special teams.

2013: Redshirt freshman... played both offensive tackle (No. 74) and tight end (No. 83)... saw action in every game... made his first career start, playing tight end, against Vanderbilt... considered the Most Improved offensive lineman in the spring.

2012: Redshirted as a true freshman.





Others in Spring Camp

CAROLINA FOOTBALL

Michael ALMOND 85

PK • 6-3 • 215 • FR. • RS

North Augusta, S.C.
(Westminster)

Walk-on kicker who is in his second season with the Gamecocks... expected to back up Elliott Fry on placements and could figure in the mix for kickoff duties as well... the most versatile of the kickers on the squad, also provides insurance in the punting game.

2015: Redshirted as a true freshman.

Ben ASBURY 45

LS • 5-10 • 204 • SO. • TR

Atlanta, Ga.
(Holy Innocents' Episcopal/Berry College)

Newcomer who joins the roster this spring... walk-on who will compete for duties as a long snapper in his redshirt sophomore season.

2015: Enrolled at South Carolina but did not participate in football.

2014: Played tight end at Berry College in Rome, Ga... appeared in three games as a true freshman...saw action versus Rhodes, Washington (Mo.) and at Birmingham Southern... the Vikings posted a 2-8 campaign.

Jacob AUGUST 40

TE • 6-6 • 251 • SO. • SQ

Elgin, S.C.
(Cardinal Newman/Fork Union)

Walk-on tight end who worked his way into some early game action in 2015... figures to provide quality depth at the tight end position... considered a solid blocker with good hands... has made three career starts.

2015: Walk-on tight end who worked his way into the rotation early in the season... appeared in five games, making three starts... had four catches for 38 yards and a touchdown... made his debut against Kentucky and caught one pass for seven yards... added a 10-yard reception at Georgia... earned a start in a two-tight end formation against UCF and responded with a pair of catches for 21 yards, including a 13-yard touchdown catch... also started at LSU... did not play after the coaching change... named the Most Improved Tight End at the 2015 spring game.

2014: Enrolled at South Carolina in January... shared Freshman Offensive Player of the Spring honors with Connor Mitch... redshirted in his first year.

AUGUST'S STATISTICS

Year	GP/GS	Rec	Yds	Avg	TD	Long
2015	5/3	4	38	9.5	1	13

Javon CHARLESTON 88

WR • 6-1 • 178 • FR. • RS

Gurnee, Ill.
(Warren)

Redshirt freshman walk-on wide receiver who joined the squad in the fall of 2015... adds depth to the receiving corps.

2015: Redshirted as a true freshman wide receiver... impressed the coaches enough with his athletic ability to be added to the travel roster for a couple of games.

Brady CORMIER 87

PK • 5-10 • 172 • FR. • TR

Beaufort, S.C.
(Beaufort/Citadel)

Placekicker who transferred to South Carolina after beginning his career at The Citadel... will not be eligible this fall per NCAA transfer rules.

2015: Enrolled at The Citadel as a scholarship placekicker in the summer... left the school prior to the start of fall classes.

Logan CRANE 59

LS • 6-3 • 224 • FR. • RS

Dartmouth, Mass.
(Dartmouth)

Walk-on long snapper who joined the squad when the roster expanded in August of 2015.

2015: Redshirted as a true freshman walk-on long snapper.

Devin DINGLE 85

WR • 5-10 • 155 • FR. • RS

Summerville, S.C.
(Cane Bay)

Redshirt freshman walk-on wide receiver who joined the squad in the fall of 2015... adds depth to the receiving corps.

2015: Redshirted as a true freshman walk-on wide receiver.



Javion DUNCAN 61

DE • 6-0 • 255 • SO. • TR
Simpsonville, S.C.
(Woodmont/Citadel)

Transfer who was on The Citadel roster in 2014... added to the Gamecocks' roster just prior to the start of spring drills... listed as a defensive end.

2015: Enrolled at Carolina in the fall but did not participate in football.

2014: Was a member of The Citadel football team... worked along the offensive line... did not see any game action as a true freshman.

Spencer EASON-RIDDLE 44

LB • 5-11 • 231 • FR. • HS
Raleigh, N.C.
(Leesville Road)

True freshman who joined the Gamecock football program in the spring of 2016 after enrolling in January... penciled in as a linebacker in his first spring with the Garnet & Black.

Danny GORDON 18

QB • 6-0 • 200 • SO. • SQ
Worthington, Ohio
(Worthington/Miami (Ohio))

Transfer from Miami (Ohio) who joined the squad when the rosters expanded in 2015... will be eligible this fall for the first time at South Carolina... provides depth at the quarterback position.

2015: Joined the squad when the roster expanded in August... was not eligible this season due to NCAA transfer rules... spent the fall working with the scout team.

2014: Attended Miami (Ohio) University where he was a walk-on member of the football squad.

Scott GRANT 34

S • 5-10 • 183 • SO. • SQ
Laurens, S.C.
(Laurens)

Walk-on safety who will be participating in his second spring with the Carolina football team... adds depth to the secondary.

2015: Joined the team in the spring... did not make the 105 to start fall camp in August, but was added back when the roster expanded.

2014: Attended South Carolina in the fall but did not participate in football.

Jakob HUECHTKER 46

LS • 5-6 • 193 • JR. • SQ
Rock Hill, S.C.
(South Pointe)

Walk-on who will be going through his second spring with the Gamecock football program... provides depth as a long snapper on special teams.

2015: Joined the squad just prior to spring drills as a long snapper.

2014: Enrolled at South Carolina in the fall but did not play football.

2013: Spent the fall at USC-Lancaster and the spring semester at York Tech.

Shannon JAMES 35

CB • 5-6 • 153 • SR. • SQ
Florence, S.C.
(South Florence)

Walk-on defensive back who adds depth at the cornerback position... fifth year senior who has spent the past two seasons working on the scout team.

2015: Reserve defensive back who spent the season working with the scout team... named to the SEC Fall Academic Honor Roll.

2014: Worked on the scout team as a redshirt sophomore cornerback... joined the squad just prior to the start of spring drills.

2013: Attended Florence Darlington Tech.

2012: Attended the University of South Carolina but did not play football.

Cedrick MALONE 46

LB • 6-0 • 208 • SR. • SQ
Camden, S.C.
(Camden/Coastal Carolina)

Walk-on who is in his fourth campaign with the Garnet & Black... worked as a Spur linebacker for his first two years, but transitioned to the SAM linebacker position in the spring of 2015... began his collegiate career at Coastal Carolina... has played in one game.

2015: Reserve linebacker... moved to the SAM position in the spring after playing Spur in his first two campaigns... named to the SEC Fall Academic Honor Roll.

2014: Worked with the scout team as a reserve... saw brief action in the win over Furman... credited with one tackle.

2013: Joined the squad for the first time when the roster expanded in August... initially enrolled at Carolina in January of 2013... was not eligible due to NCAA transfer rules.

2012: Initially enrolled at Coastal Carolina in January of 2012 and participated in football spring drills.



Others in Spring Camp

CAROLINA FOOTBALL

Max MOORMAN 44

FB • 5-10 • 230 • FR. • RS

Alpharetta, Ga.
(Milton)

Walk-on fullback who joined the squad in the fall of 2015.

2015: True freshman walk-on who redshirted in his first season in Columbia.

Gage PUCCI 16

QB • 5-11 • 191 • FR. • RS

Glendora, Calif.
(Rancho Cucamonga)

Walk-on quarterback who joined the squad in 2015... expected to be available to participate in spring drills after a knee injury sidelined him throughout the fall.

2015: Walk-on who was on the roster but was unable to participate in any drills while rehabbing from a knee injury prior to his arrival on campus that required surgery.

Tyler RAGSDALE 41

LB • 6-1 • 203 • FR. • RS

Mt. Pleasant, S.C.
(Wando)

Walk-on linebacker who joined the squad in the fall of 2015... adds depth to the position.

2015: Walk-on who worked with the scout team in his true freshman campaign for the Garnet & Black.

Benji RUSSELL 43

S • 5-11 • 183 • JR. • SQ

Atlanta, Ga.
(Woodward Academy)

Walk-on who adds depth in the Gamecock secondary at the safety position... will be participating in his third spring session.

2015: Scout team performer in his second season with the Garnet & Black.

2014: Walk-on defensive back who joined the squad just prior to the start of spring practice... worked with the scout team.

2013: Attended South Carolina but did not participate in football.

Jason SENN 40

S • 5-8 • 186 • FR. • RS

Beaufort, S.C.
(Beaufort)

Walk-on safety who was added to the squad when the roster expanded in August of 2015.

2015: Walk-on who worked with the scout team in his true freshman campaign for the Garnet & Black.

Demetrius SMALLS 39

CB • 5-8 • 170 • JR. • SQ

Bluffton, S.C.
(Bluffton)

Walk-on defensive back who will be going through his third spring with the Gamecock program... adds depth in the Gamecock secondary at the cornerback position.

2015: Walk-on who worked with the scout team... named to the SEC Fall Academic Honor Roll.

2014: Joined the squad just prior to the start of spring practice as a defensive back.

2013: Attended South Carolina but did not participate in football.

Matthew WEIGEL 87

TE • 6-5 • 230 • FR. • HS

Charlotte, N.C.
(Charlotte Christian)

Walk-on who joined the squad just prior to the start of spring drills... penciled in as a tight end in his first tour of duty with the Gamecock football program.

2015: Enrolled at South Carolina in the fall but was not a member of the football squad.





NAME POS. HT. WT. HOMETOWN (HIGH/LAST SCHOOL)

Korey Banks Jr.	WR	5-11	173	Tyrone, Ga. (Sandy Creek)
T.J. Brunson	LB	6-1	225	Columbia, S.C. (Richland Northeast)
Akeem Cooperwood	OL	6-7	359	Knoxville, Tenn. (Fulton/Georgia Military)
Randrecous Davis	WR	5-10	173	Atlanta, Ga. (Mays)
Chavis Dawkins	WR	6-2	200	Duncan, S.C. (Byrnes)
Rico Dowdle	RB	5-11	208	Asheville, N.C. (A.C. Reynolds)
Bryan Edwards*	WR	6-3	200	Conway, S.C. (Conway)
C.J. Freeman*	RB	5-11	196	Greensboro, N.C. (Northern Guilford)
Griffin Gentry	DL	6-1	246	Birmingham, Ala. (Homewood)
Evan Hinson	TE	6-4	228	Deltona, Fla. (Deltona)
Sadarius Hutcherson	OL	6-4	230	Huntingdon, Tenn. (Huntingdon)
Jamarcus King	DB	6-1	170	Mobile, Ala. (Blount/Coffeyville CC)
Pika Leota	OL	6-5	305	Asheville, N.C. (Asheville)
Brandon McIlwain*	QB	6-0	198	Newtown, Pa. (Council Rock North)
Kiel Pollard	WR	6-0	232	Moultrie, Ga. (Colquitt County)
Will Putnam	OL	6-5	282	Harrisburg, N.C. (Hickory Ridge)
Chris Smith*	CB	5-10	168	Rock Hill, S.C. (South Pointe)
Kobe Smith*	DT	6-3	295	Lawrenceville, Ga. (Archer)
Stephon Taylor	DL	6-4	285	New Orleans, La. (McDonogh 35)
Keir Thomas*	DE	6-1	245	Miami, Fla. (Miami Central)
Aaron Thompson	DL	6-3	269	Fort Lauderdale, Fla. (Dillard)
Robert Tucker Jr.	TE	6-3	238	Atlanta, Ga. (B.E.S.T. Academy)
Darius Whitfield	DL	6-2	281	Mobile, Ala. (St. Paul's Episcopal)
Dennis Wonnum Jr.	DL	6-5	227	Stone Mountain, Ga. (Stephenson)

*Enrolled in January 2016

By Position

OFFENSE (14)

Quarterback (1): Brandon McIlwain

Running Back (2): Rico Dowdle, C.J. Freeman

Wide Receiver (5): Korey Banks Jr., Randrecous Davis, Chavis Dawkins, Bryan Edwards, Kiel Pollard

Tight End (2): Evan Hinson, Robert Tucker Jr.

Offensive Line (4): Akeem Cooperwood, Sadarius Hutcherson, Pika Leota, Will Putnam

DEFENSE (10)

Defensive Line (7): Griffin Gentry, Kobe Smith, Stephon Taylor, Keir Thomas, Aaron Thompson, Darius Whitfield, Dennis Wonnum Jr.

Linebacker (1): T.J. Brunson

Defensive Back (2): Jamarcus King, Chris Smith

By State

Georgia (6): Korey Banks Jr., Randrecous Davis, Kiel Pollard, Kobe Smith, Robert Tucker Jr., Dennis Wonnum Jr.

North Carolina (4): Rico Dowdle, C.J. Freeman, Pika Leota, Will Putnam

South Carolina (4): T.J. Brunson, Chavis Dawkins, Bryan Edwards, Chris Smith

Alabama (3): Griffin Gentry, Jamarcus King, Darius Whitfield

Florida (3): Evan Hinson, Keir Thomas, Aaron Thompson

Tennessee (2): Akeem Cooperwood, Sadarius Hutcherson

Louisiana (1): Stephon Taylor

Pennsylvania (1): Brandon McIlwain



**Korey
BANKS JR.**

WR • 5-11 • 173 • FR. • HS

**Tyrone, Ga.
(Sandy Creek)**

Wide receiver who earned honorable mention Class AAAA all-state honors as a senior at Sandy Creek High School in Tyrone, Ga... coached by Chip Walker... helped the Patriots to a 9-3 record by hauling in 61 catches for 813 yards and six scores in his senior season... Rivals rates him as a three-star prospect and the 65th-best player in the state... considered a three-star prospect, the 59th-best player in the state of Georgia and the No. 112 wide receiver in the country by 247Sports... ESPN ranks him as a three-star prospect, the 50th-best player in the state and the No. 93 wide receiver in the country.

**T.J.
BRUNSON**

LB • 6-1 • 225 • FR. • HS

**Columbia, S.C.
(Richland Northeast)**

Local product who played at Columbia's Richland Northeast High School... coached by Jay Frye... overcame a serious hip injury during his junior season to log 140 tackles as a senior, leading the Cavaliers to the Class 3A state playoffs... named the Defensive MVP of the Shrine Bowl of the Carolinas after leading the Sandlappers with 13 tackles and a sack... credited with 134 tackles as a junior... Rivals considers him a three-star prospect, the 14th-best player in the state and No. 56 in the country among outside linebackers... 247Sports ranks him as a three-star prospect, the 13th-best player in the state, and the No. 30 inside linebacker in the nation... ESPN ranks him as a three-star prospect, the 22nd-best player in South Carolina and the No. 40 inside linebacker in the country... rated a three-star prospect and an All-Atlantic Region pick by *PrepStar*.

**Akeem
COOPERWOOD**

OL • 6-7 • 359 • JR. • JC

**Knoxville, Tenn.
(Fulton/Georgia Military College)**

Junior college offensive tackle... was a two-year starter for head coach Bert Williams at Georgia Military College in Milledgeville... was a first-team junior college All-American as a sophomore and a second-team NJCAA All-American as a freshman... considered a three-star prospect by Rivals... given three stars and rated the 11th-best junior college tackle in the country by 247Sports... ESPN rated him as a three-star prospect and the nation's 12th-best JUCO offensive tackle... rated a three-star prospect and a JUCO All-American by *PrepStar*... graduated from Fulton High School in Knoxville, Tenn. in 2014... led Fulton to a perfect 15-0 record and a state title as a senior in 2013 when he was a finalist for "Mr. Football"... also helped the Falcons to a state title in his junior season... will have three years to play two at South Carolina.

**Randreous
DAVIS**

WR • 5-10 • 173 • FR. • HS

**Atlanta, Ga.
(Mays)**

Earned first team Class AAAAA all-state honors as a wide receiver at Mays High School in Atlanta... caught 58 passes for 1,024 yards and 17 touchdowns as a senior... also averaged 15.7 yards with two touchdowns as a punt returner... coached by Corey Jarvis... helped the Raiders to a 10-2 record in 2015... Rivals considers him a four-star prospect, the 17th-best player in the state of Georgia, the 44th-best wide receiver in the country and No. 206 overall... 247Sports rates him as a three-star prospect, the 43rd-best player in Georgia and the No. 77 wide receiver in the country... ESPN rates him as a three-star prospect, the 44th-best player in Georgia and the 83rd-best wide receiver in the nation.

**Chavis
DAWKINS**

WR • 6-2 • 200 • FR. • HS

**Duncan, S.C.
(Byrnes)**

Played for Brian Lane at Byrnes High School in Duncan, S.C... as a senior, he was among the leading receivers in the state with 73 catches for 1,319 yards and 17 touchdowns... the Rebels posted a 12-2 record in his final season... was also the Sandlappers' leading receiver in the Shrine Bowl of the Carolinas with six catches for 62 yards and two scores... rated a two-star prospect by Rivals... considered a three-star prospect and the 16th-best player in the state by 247Sports... ESPN tabbed him as a three-star prospect, the state's 17th-best player and the 143rd-best wide receiver in the nation... rated a three-star prospect and an All-Atlantic Region pick by *PrepStar*.

**Rico
DOWDLE**

RB • 5-11 • 208 • FR. • HS

**Asheville, N.C.
(A.C. Reynolds)**

Rushed for 2,545 yards and 51 touchdowns at A.C. Reynolds High, a Class 3AA school in Asheville, N.C... also passed for 1,434 yards with 11 scores... earned first-team all-state accolades... the Rockets went 11-2 in 2015 under the direction of head coach Shane Laws... played in the Shrine Bowl of the Carolinas where he scored a pair of touchdowns... Rivals has him listed as a three-star prospect, the 29th-best player in the state and the No. 17 all-purpose back in the country... 247Sports considers him a four-star prospect, the 11th-best player in the state of North Carolina and the 11th-best running back in the nation... ESPN ranks him as a three-star prospect, the 39th-best player in North Carolina and the No. 72 running back in the country... rated a three-star prospect and an All-Atlantic Region pick by *PrepStar*... grew up in Gaffney, S.C.



Bryan EDWARDS 89

WR • 6-3 • 200 • FR. • HS

Conway, S.C.
(Conway)

Graduated from Conway (S.C.) High School at the end of the fall semester and enrolled in January 2016... coached by Chuck Jordan... considered one of the state's top players as a senior in 2015 until suffering a season-ending knee injury in late October... was a finalist for South Carolina's "Mr. Football"... finished his senior campaign with 53 catches for 969 yards and nine scores... selected for the Shrine Bowl and the US Army All-American Game... finished his prep career with 188 catches for 2,562 yards and 32 touchdowns... Rivals ranks him as a four-star prospect, the fourth-best player in the state and the 64th-best wide receiver in the country... considered a four-star prospect, the third-best player in the state and the 12th-best wideout in the nation by 247Sports... ESPN ranks him as a four-star prospect, the state's third-best player, the nation's 43rd-best wide receiver and No. 253 overall... an All-American, four-star prospect and No. 223 overall by *PrepStar*.

C.J. FREEMAN 36

RB • 5-11 • 196 • FR. • HS

Greensboro, N.C.
(Northern Guilford)

Running back who graduated from Northern Guilford High School in Greensboro, N.C. midyear and enrolled at South Carolina in January 2016... played for head coach Johnny Roscoe... rushed for 2,091 yards and 23 touchdowns for Northern Guilford in his senior season, averaging more than seven yards per carry and nearly 150 yards per game... in four playoff games, he averaged 265 rushing yards... the Nighthawks went 10-5 and reached the state Class 3AA semifinals... rated a three-star prospect, the 30th-best player in the state of North Carolina and the No. 31 running back in the country by Rivals... considered a three-star prospect and the No. 36 running back in the nation by 247Sports Composite... ESPN gave him a three-star rating and considered him the 28th-best player in the state and the No. 53 running back in the country... rated a four-star prospect and an All-Atlantic Region pick by *PrepStar*.

Griffin GENTRY

DL • 6-1 • 246 • FR. • HS

Birmingham, Ala.
(Homewood)

Defensive end who earned a spot on the Alabama Class 6A first-team all-state squad as a senior at Homewood High School in Birmingham... coached by Ben Berguson... the Patriots went 9-3 in his final campaign... logged 106 tackles and seven sacks as a junior... also played basketball... Rivals ranks him as a two-star prospect... 247Sports considers him a two-star prospect, the 100th-best player in the state and the No. 110 strongside defensive end in the country... ESPN ranks him as a three-star prospect, the 34th-best player in the state and the No. 71 defensive tackle in the nation... rated a three-star prospect and an All-Southeast Region pick by *PrepStar*.

Evan HINSON

TE • 6-4 • 228 • FR. • HS

Deltona, Fla.
(Deltona)

Versatile two-sport standout from Deltona (Fla.) High School... played all over the gridiron during his prep career but expected to play tight end for the Gamecocks... coached by Allen Johnson... helped the Wolves to a 6-4 record in 2015... earned honorable mention Class 6A all-state recognition... caught 24 passes for 465 yards and six touchdowns while making 35 tackles, including eight tackles for loss and five sacks, as a senior... logged 500 receiving yards, 11 touchdowns and 15 sacks as a junior defensive end... an excellent high school basketball player who received interest in playing that sport at the collegiate level as well... expected to find his way onto Frank Martin's hardwood squad at Carolina... averaged 23.5 points, 6.8 rebounds and 4.7 assists per game as a junior when he was the Daytona Beach *News-Journal's* Player of the Year... considered a three-star football prospect by Rivals... rated a three-star prospect and the 18th-best tight end in the nation by 247Sports... ESPN ranks him as a three-star prospect, the No. 131 player in the state of Florida and the No. 19 tight end-H back in the country... father, Denny Hinson, was his high school basketball coach.

Sadarius HUTCHERSON

OL • 6-4 • 230 • FR. • HS

Huntingdon, Tenn.
(Huntingdon)

Played on both sides of the line at Class 1A Huntingdon (Tenn.) High School for head coach Eric Swenson... the Mustangs went 10-2 and reached the second round of the playoffs in his senior season... collected 45 tackles and six sacks as a defensive end in his final campaign... played tight end on the offensive side of the ball... logged 53 tackles, including 11 tackles for loss and six sacks as a junior... also played high school basketball... Rivals rates him as a three-star prospect and the 21st-best senior in Tennessee... 247Sports regarded him as a three-star prospect, the 21st-best player in the state and the 38th-best strongside defensive end in the nation... ESPN ranks him as a three-star prospect, the 22nd-best player in Tennessee and the No. 105 defensive end in the nation... rated a three-star prospect and an All-Southeast Region pick by *PrepStar*.

Jamarcus KING

DB • 6-1 • 170 • JR. • JC

Mobile, Ala.

(Blount/Coffeyville CC)

One of the nation's top junior college cornerbacks... played two seasons at Coffeyville Community College in Kansas for head coach Aaron Flores... registered 37 tackles with three interceptions and a team-high 10 pass breakups, helping the 14th-ranked Red Ravens to an 8-3 record, while garnering first-team All-Jayhawk Conference and honorable mention All-America accolades in his sophomore season in 2014... earned first-team All-KJCCC and second-team NJCAA All-America honors after logging 27 tackles and five pass break ups as the 10th-ranked Red Ravens went 9-3 overall and 6-1 in the league in his freshman season of 2013... the four-star athlete is the number one-rated junior college cornerback in the country and the seventh-best JUCO prospect regardless of position according to Rivals... considered a four-star prospect, the No. 2 junior college cornerback in the country and the 16th-best JUCO prospect overall by 247Sports Composite... ESPN gives him four stars and considers him as the top cornerback and the 10th-best junior college player in the country... rated a four-star prospect and a JUCO All-American by *PrepStar*... primarily played wide receiver at Mattie T. Blount High School in Eight Mile, Ala., graduating in 2014... the Leopards went 9-2 in his senior season... will have three years to play two at South Carolina.

Pika LEOTA

OL • 6-5 • 305 • FR. • HS

Asheville, N.C.

(Asheville)

Peter "Pika" Leota played offensive tackle and nose guard for head coach Danny Wilkins at Asheville (N.C.) High School... the Cougars went 9-3 in his senior season... earned first team all-state honors... played in the Shrine Bowl of the Carolinas... rated a two-star prospect by Rivals... 247Sports considers him a three-star prospect, the 24th-best player in the state of North Carolina and the No. 46 offensive tackle in the nation... ESPN ranks him as a three-star prospect, the 52nd-best player in North Carolina and the No. 78 offensive guard in the nation... rated a three-star prospect and an All-Atlantic Region pick by *PrepStar*.

Brandon MCILWAIN

11

QB • 6-0 • 198 • FR. • HS

Newtown, Pa.

(Council Rock North)

Two-sport standout who plays both football and baseball... graduated from Council Rock North High School in Newtown, Pa. after the first semester and enrolled at South Carolina in January... threw for 1,720 yards and 18 touchdowns on 147-of-252 passing and rushed for 1,545 yards and 31 touchdowns on 227 carries as a senior, helping the Indians to the Suburban One League Continental Conference title, their first since 2006, and a 7-4 mark overall... as a defensive back, he collected 62 tackles and two interceptions, returning one for a score for the Indians... played for head coach Adam

Collachi... named the Pennsylvania Gatorade Player of the Year, the AP Class AAAA Player of the Year, a Mini Max Award from the prestigious Maxwell Club, Southeastern Pennsylvania Player of the Year by The Inquirer, CBS Philly's Player of the Year and the Maxwell Club PA Player of the Year... during his junior season he threw for 2,100 yards and 18 touchdowns and rushed for 1,100 yards and 20 scores... named an Elite 11 quarterback after his summertime performance at The Opening national event... in four years he produced 10,427 total yards of offense and 124 touchdowns (6,545 yards and 54 TDs passing; 3,882 yards and 70 TDs rushing)... Rivals considers him a four-star prospect, the eighth-best player in Pennsylvania and the 13th-best dual-threat quarterback in the nation... 247Sports ranks him as a four-star recruit, the No. 2 dual-threat quarterback in the country and No. 153 overall... ESPN has him as a four-star recruit, the fourth-best player in the state, the nation's seventh-best dual threat quarterback and No. 118 overall... rated a *PrepStar* All-American, a four-star prospect and No. 251 overall... will also play baseball for Chad Holbrook at South Carolina... on the diamond, he hit .414 with seven homers, 28 RBI and 22 stolen bases for a team that went 19-6 and reached the state quarterfinals... also logged a 7-3 record and 1.26 ERA on the mound with 42 strikeouts and 13 walks... was a Perfect Game All-American and played in the Area Code Games... considered him to be a potential first round pick in the MLB Draft... posted a 3.99 GPA with plans to be a political science major... hopes to obtain a joint MBA/JD degree... father, Roddy, was born in Columbia and is a South Carolina graduate... grandmother lives in Irmo.

Kiel POLLARD

WR • 6-0 • 232 • FR. • HS

Moultrie, Ga.

(Colquitt County)

Named to the all-state team and was the 6A Offensive Player of the Year after helping lead Colquitt County to a 15-0 record and the Georgia state championship... logged 76 catches for 1,163 yards and 18 touchdowns as a senior... the Packers won two straight state titles and were ranked No. 2 in the USA Today poll in 2015... coached by Rush Propst... Rivals ranks him as a four-star prospect, the No. 23 player in the state of Georgia, the 15th-best "athlete" in the country and No. 249 overall... 247Sports considers him a three-star prospect and No. 86 in Georgia... ESPN also ranks him as a three-star prospect, the 84th-best player in the state and the 148th-best wide receiver in the country.

Will PUTNAM

OL • 6-5 • 282 • FR. • HS

Harrisburg, N.C.

(Hickory Ridge)

Played left tackle and defensive end for Hickory Ridge High in Harrisburg, N.C... the Class 3AA Ragin' Bulls went 7-5 under head coach Marty Paxton in his senior season... considered a two-star prospect and the 50th-best player in North Carolina by Rivals... rated a three-star prospect, the 50th-best player in the state of North Carolina and the nation's No. 112 offensive tackle in the country by 247Sports... ESPN ranks him as a two-star prospect, the 64th-best player in the state and the No. 132 offensive tackle in the nation... rated a two-star prospect and an All-Atlantic Region pick by *PrepStar*.



Chris SMITH 31

CB • 5-10 • 168 • FR. • HS

**Rock Hill, S.C.
(South Pointe)**

Multi-position athlete who could play on either side of the ball... graduated from South Pointe High School in Rock Hill, S.C. in December 2015 and enrolled at South Carolina in January... coached by Strait Herron... helped the Stallions to a 14-1 record as a senior and the 3A state title for the second-straight season... played in the Shrine Bowl of the Carolinas... as a junior, he logged 71 tackles and five interceptions along with 600 all-purpose yards... considered a two-star prospect by Rivals and by 247Sports... ESPN ranks him as a three-star prospect, the 16th-best player in the Palmetto State and the No. 46 cornerback in the nation... rated a three-star prospect and an All-Atlantic Region pick by *PrepStar*... is the son of former Arkansas defensive back Pat Burris and the nephew of Notre Dame standout Jeff Burris.

Kobe SMITH 97

DT • 6-3 • 295 • FR. • HS

**Lawrenceville, Ga.
(Archer)**

Graduated from Archer High School in Lawrenceville, Ga. at mid-semester and enrolled at South Carolina in January... played for head coach Andy Dyer... helped the Tigers to an 11-2 record and a spot in the Georgia AAAAAA state quarterfinals as a senior... invited to play in the Semper Fidelis All-American Game following his senior season... Rivals considers him a three-star prospect, the 31st-best defensive tackle in the nation and the 48th-best player in Georgia... considered a three-star prospect, the 63rd-best defensive tackle in the nation and the 83rd-best player in the state of Georgia by 247Sports... is a three-star prospect, the 40th-best defensive tackle in the nation, and the 43rd-best player in Georgia according to ESPN... rated a three-star prospect and an All-Southeast Region pick by *PrepStar*.

Stephon TAYLOR

DL • 6-3 • 269 • FR. • HS

**New Orleans, La.
(McDonogh 35)**

Earned second-team 4A all-state honors as a senior at McDonogh 35 in New Orleans... coached by Wayne Reese... helped the Roneagles to an 11-3 record as a senior... Rivals ranks him as a three-star prospect, the 22nd-best player in Louisiana and the 35th-best defensive tackle in the nation... 247Sports considers him a four-star prospect, the 16th-best player in Louisiana, the 26th-best defensive tackle in the country and No. 263 overall... rated a four-star prospect, the 15th-best player in the state, the 23rd-best defensive tackle in the nation and No. 226 overall by ESPN.

Keir THOMAS 18

DE • 6-1 • 245 • FR. • HS

**Miami, Fla.
(Miami Central)**

Graduated from Miami (Fla.) Central High School at mid-semester and enrolled at South Carolina in January... coached by Roland Smith... played multiple positions, including nose guard, defensive tackle, defensive end and linebacker... earned first-team Class 6A all-state honors... racked up 22 sacks among his 83 tackles as a senior... recorded 71 tackles and 18 sacks as a junior... regarded as a three-star prospect, the 23rd-best strongside defensive end in the country and the 49th-best player in Florida, according to Rivals... 247Sports ranks him as a three-star prospect, the 26th-best strongside defensive end in the nation and the 64th-best player in the Sunshine State... ESPN rates him as a four-star prospect, the 26th-best defensive end, the 37th-best player in the state and No. 192 overall on the ESPN 300... rated a *PrepStar* All-American, a four-star prospect and No. 288 overall.

Aaron THOMPSON

DL • 6-3 • 269 • FR. • HS

**Fort Lauderdale, Fla.
(Dillard)**

Played along the defensive line at Fort Lauderdale's Dillard High School in Florida... the Panthers went 6-5 in his senior season... coached by Lorenzo Davis... Rivals gives him a three-star rating, the 91st-best player in the Sunshine State and the 46th-best defensive tackle in the country... rated a three-star prospect, the 78th-best player in Florida and the No. 31 strongside defensive end in the country by 247Sports... ESPN considers him a three-star prospect, the 108th-best player in Florida and the 49th-best defensive tackle in the nation.

Robert TUCKER JR.

TE • 6-3 • 238 • FR. • HS

**Atlanta, Ga.
(B.E.S.T. Academy)**

Tight end and inside linebacker who attends the B.E.S.T. Academy in Atlanta... coached by Joshua Moore... caught 16 passes for 336 yards with four touchdowns in eight games as a senior for the Eagles... also collected 46 tackles and five sacks... logged 45 receptions for 947 yards and 10 scores on offense and 166 tackles on defense in his three-year varsity career... Rivals rates him as a three-star prospect... 247Sports lists him as a three-star prospect, the 57th-best player in the state of Georgia and the No. 25 inside linebacker in the country... ESPN considers him a three-star prospect, the nation's 48th-best inside linebacker and No. 127 in the state... rated a three-star prospect and an All-Southeast Region pick by *PrepStar*.

**Darius
WHITFIELD**

DL • 6-2 • 281 • FR. • HS

**Mobile, Ala.
(St. Paul's Episcopal)**

Two-way lineman who prepped at St. Paul's Episcopal School in Mobile, Ala... played for head coach Steve Mask... earned a spot on the Class 5A all-state team as an offensive lineman... helped the Saints win the state championship during each of his final two seasons... played in the Alabama-Mississippi All-Star game following his senior season... collected 70 tackles with 20 tackles for loss, 10 sacks and five forced fumbles as a junior... considered a Rivals four-star prospect, the 11th-best player in the state and the 28th-best defensive tackle in the nation... is a three-star prospect, the 36th-best player in Alabama and the No. 40 strongside defensive end, according to 247Sports... ESPN considers him a three-star prospect, the 16th-best player in the state, and the sixth-best offensive center in the country... rated a *PrepStar* All-American, a four-star prospect at offensive center and No. 183 overall.

**Dennis
WONNUM JR.**

DL • 6-5 • 227 • FR. • HS

**Stone Mountain, Ga.
(Stephenson)**

Dennis "D.J." Wonnum Jr. was named to the All-Region team for Class 6 – AAAAA Division A as a senior at Stephenson High School in Stone Mountain, Ga... collected 38 tackles with 11 tackles for loss and 2.5 sacks... the Jaguars posted a 9-2 record and earned a spot in the state playoffs in 2015 under head coach Ron Gartrell... earned all-state honors at tight end during his junior season... Rivals ranks him as a three-star prospect as a tight end... 247Sports rated him a three-star prospect, the 126th-best player in the state of Georgia and the 87th-best weakside defensive end in the country... ESPN gave him three stars and considered him the 113th-best player in Georgia and the No. 121 defensive end in the country.