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# Les Miles

LSU FOOTBALL HEAD COACH

After leading LSU to an 11-2 mark and a top five national ranking in his first year as LSU's head coach, many wondered just what Les Miles would do for an encore. His second year with the Tigers has been another year full of milestones and firsts as he's guided the Tigers to a 10-2 overall mark and a berth in the Sugar Bowl against Notre Dame.

LSU's at-large berth in a BCS bowl is a first in school history and it also represents the third time this decade that the Tigers will play in the Sugar Bowl.

In 2006, Miles became the first coach in LSU history to lead the Tigers to back-to-back 10-wins seasons and with 21 victories in his first 25 games as the school's head coach, his win total matches Bernie Moore for the most in school history over that span. He also became the first LSU coach since Jerry Stovall in 1982 to beat two top 10-ranked teams on the road in the same season.



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The Tigers were able to accomplish all of this despite having to face four top eight opponents on the road in 2006. LSU posted a 2-2 mark in those road games, which included a 28-24 victory over No. 8 Tennessee and a 31-26 win over No. 5 Arkansas in the regular season finale in Little Rock.

In two years with the Tigers, Miles has guided his team to seven wins over top 20 ranked teams, with four of those coming against opponents ranked in the top 10.

Despite facing four top eight ranked teams on the road in 2006, this year seemed somewhat ordinary compared to what Miles and the Tigers had to endure during his first year in Baton Rouge in 2005.

Miles' inaugural season at LSU had him leading the Tigers to only the third 11-win season in school history, to a top five national ranking and a berth in the SEC Championship Game despite numerous distractions that covered most of the months of September and October.

The Tigers, playing without starting quarterback JaMarcus Russell, put an exclamation point on the year with a 40-3 win over No. 9 Miami in the Peach Bowl to finish with an 11-2 overall mark and a No. 5 national ranking.

To appreciate just how adverse the conditions that Miles and the Tigers had to overcome in 2005, you have to go back to late August and Hurricane Katrina, the first of two storms to devastate the state of Louisiana during the fall.

Days before LSU's originally scheduled season opener against North Texas in Tiger Stadium, Hurricane Katrina blew ashore, packing tremendous winds, and turned the state, in particular New Orleans and southeastern Louisiana, upside down.

Massive flooding followed in the wake of the storm as more than 30 LSU players had their families and their homes affected by the hurricane and Miles' first game in Tiger

Stadium against North Texas was postponed. With the LSU campus serving as the recovery center for those sick, homeless and displaced due to Hurricane Katrina, football seemed to be the farthest thing from most people's minds. However, Miles was able to successfully manage a delicate situation, one that saw his team and coaching staff volunteer time to those in need, while still attempting to focus on football for at least two hours a day.

After a week of trying to minimize the distractions for a football team that had their apartments and dorm rooms filled with displaced family members and friends due to the storm, it appeared that the Tigers would finally get to play a home game, this time against 15th-ranked Arizona State.

However, just as the Tigers began to prepare for the Sun Devils and the season opener in Tiger Stadium, it was learned that the devastation to New Orleans was much greater than originally thought. With the Maravich Center on the LSU campus serving as what would become the largest field triage unit in United States history, it was mutually decided to move the LSU-Arizona State game to Tempe.

Still, with many in Louisiana under the distress of Hurricane Katrina, the Tigers were going to have to take to the desert to face a powerful offense in their first game of the season.

These were certainly trying times for everyone in the state of Louisiana, but even more so for a football coach who now had his team carrying the banner for a state in need of a diversion. LSU football had become a release for those consumed with the hurricane. LSU even re-stated its team goals, putting playing for the state of Louisiana at the top of the list.

The Tigers didn't disappoint as Miles and his LSU team used a 28-point fourth quarter rally to come back to beat Arizona State, 35-31, in Tempe.

Now with the Arizona State game behind



## The Les Miles File

**BIRTHDATE:** ...Nov. 10, 1953

**HOMETOWN:** ...Elyria, Ohio

**WIFE:** .....Kathy

**CHILDREN:** ....Kathryn "Smacker", Leslie Matthew "Manny", Benjamin, and Macy Grace

**COLLEGE:** .....Michigan, '76

### EDUCATION:

Graduated from the University of Michigan in 1976 with a degree in economics.

### PLAYING EXPERIENCE:

Two-year letterman at Michigan in 1974 and 1975. Played on two Big 10 Championship Teams as well as participated in the 1976 Orange Bowl. Earned all-state honors in football at Elyria High School in Ohio and also earned letters in baseball and wrestling.

### COACHING EXPERIENCE:

Coached on six Big 10 championship teams and 10 bowl teams at Michigan. Coached offensive line at Colorado from 1982 to 1986 and on two Colorado teams that went to bowl games. Served as offensive coordinator at Oklahoma State from 1995-97. Spent three seasons coaching tight ends for the Dallas Cowboys before returning to OSU as head coach prior to the 2001 season.



## Les Miles Year-by-Year

YEAR	TEAM	RECORD	BOWL	NOTES
<b>Assistant Coach</b>				
1980	Michigan	10-2	Rose	Big 10 Champions
1981	Michigan	9-3	Bluebonnet	Ranked No. 12
1982	Colorado	2-8-1		
1983	Colorado	4-7		
1984	Colorado	1-10		
1985	Colorado	7-5	Freedom	
1986	Colorado	6-6	Bluebonnet	
1987	Michigan	8-4	Outback	Ranked No. 19
1988	Michigan	9-2-1	Rose	Rose Bowl Champions
1989	Michigan	10-2	Rose	Big 10 Champions
1990	Michigan	9-3	Gator	Gator Bowl Champions
1991	Michigan	10-2	Rose	Big 10 Champions
1992	Michigan	9-0-3	Rose	Rose Bowl Champions
1993	Michigan	8-4	Outback	
1994	Michigan	8-4	Holiday	Holiday Bowl Champions
1995	Oklahoma State	4-8		
1996	Oklahoma State	5-6		
1997	Oklahoma State	8-4	Alamo	
1998	Dallas Cowboys	10-6		Divisional Champions
1999	Dallas Cowboys	8-8		
2000	Dallas Cowboys	5-11		

### Head Coach

2001	Oklahoma State	4-7		
2002	Oklahoma State	8-5	Houston	Houston Bowl Champions
2003	Oklahoma State	9-4	Cotton	
2004	Oklahoma State	7-5	Alamo	
2005	LSU	11-2	Peach	SEC Western Division Champions
2006	LSU	10-2	Sugar	
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>6 Seasons</b>	<b>49-25</b>		



## Miles vs. All Opponents

OPPONENT	RECORD	OPPONENT	RECORD
Appalachian State	1-0	Nebraska	1-1
Alabama	2-0	North Texas	1-0
Arizona	1-0	Northern Iowa	1-0
Arizona State	1-0	Northwestern State	1-0
Arkansas	2-0	Notre Dame	First Meeting
Auburn	1-1	Ohio State	0-1
Baylor	4-0	Oklahoma	2-2
Colorado	1-1	Ole Miss	2-1
Florida	1-1	SMU	3-0
Fresno State	1-0	Southern Miss	1-1
Georgia	0-1	Missouri State	1-0
Iowa State	1-1	Tennessee	1-1
Kansas	2-0	Texas	0-4
Kansas State	1-1	Texas A&M	2-2
Kentucky	1-0	Texas Tech	1-3
Louisiana-Lafayette	2-0	Tulane	1-0
Louisiana Tech	1-1	Tulsa	1-0
Miami (Fla.)	1-0	UCLA	1-1
Mississippi State	2-0	Vanderbilt	1-0
Missouri	1-1	Wyoming	1-0
<b>Total</b>		<b>49-25</b>	



On behalf of the team, senior Justin Vincent gives Coach Miles the game ball following the Ole Miss victory. Earlier that week Miles' college coach, mentor and Michigan legend Bo Schembechler passed away.

them, it looked as if things for the LSU football team would gradually get back to normal as the Tigers now had a week off before facing Tennessee in Tiger Stadium on Sept. 24.

Then, the unthinkable happened. Another storm, this one named Rita, hit southwest Louisiana, causing severe damage to more homes, leaving thousands without electricity and displacing even more Louisiana natives. The combination of Hurricanes Katrina and Rita forced LSU to again shuffle its schedule. Instead of playing Tennessee on a Saturday night in Tiger Stadium, the Tigers would now be forced to face the Volunteers on a Monday night. An emotionally drained LSU team saw a 21-0 halftime lead evaporate into a 30-27 overtime loss against the Vols.

There was no coaching handbook for Miles to refer to when it came to dealing with the hurricanes and preparing a team for competition during extreme adverse conditions. Miles was on his own, forced to navigate his LSU team through a treacherous

stretch of games, while also being sympathetic to those still under the influence of the natural disasters.

With just five days between the Tennessee loss and the Mississippi State game, Miles and the Tigers were obviously dealt an unfair hand, however, he asked his team to respond and they did. The Mississippi State contest was the starting point for a stretch of games for the Tigers that saw LSU win nine straight. The 37-7 win over the Bulldogs was followed by a 34-6 road victory over Vanderbilt as the Tigers had re-established themselves as one of the nation's elite on the football field. During what would be 11-consecutive weeks of play, the Tigers posted a win over Florida along with overtime victories against Auburn and Alabama. In all, the Tigers beat four teams ranked among the top 15 in the nation, a school record for regular season victories over ranked opponents.

After 10 straight weeks of play during the regular season, the Tigers had fashioned a 7-1

conference mark and a berth in the SEC title game.

Miles became the only coach in his first year in the SEC to lead his squad to the league's title game. He also became the first coach in LSU history to beat Alabama, Auburn and Florida in the same season.

Following a loss to Georgia in the league's title game, Miles and the Tigers re-grouped, this time to beat No. 9 Miami, 40-3, in the Chick-fil-A Peach Bowl. The win gave the Tigers 11 victories for the year, making Miles the winningest first-year coach in school history.

Miles, the 2002 Big 12 Conference Coach of the Year and former assistant with Michigan, Colorado and the Dallas Cowboys who built Oklahoma State into a force in the Big 12, became LSU's 32nd head football coach on Jan. 3, 2005.

In four short years, Miles turned the Oklahoma State football program into one that was nationally competitive, despite competing in-state against one of the country's dominant programs.

Miles honed his head coaching skills at Oklahoma State. Under Miles' direction, the Cowboys were the only team in the nation to beat Oklahoma twice in the last four years, and he was also the first coach in Oklahoma State history to post wins over Nebraska and Oklahoma in the same season.

Miles led the Cowboys to three straight bowl appearances, an accomplishment Oklahoma State had not achieved since Jimmy Johnson started a string of three straight post-season games beginning in 1983. In addition, Oklahoma State's appearance in the Cotton Bowl to cap the 2003 season marked the first time in 55 years that the Cowboys appeared in a January bowl game.

Miles' success as a collegiate head coach has come by combining an explosive offensive system with that of a sound defensive scheme. His last two years at Oklahoma State, Miles' offenses put up a total of 857 points for an average of 34.3 points per game.

Miles' college playing and coaching career includes experience under some of the most noted coaches in college football. At Michigan, he played for legendary coach Bo Schembechler and later served on Schembechler's staff. He also worked with Gary Moeller at Michigan and Bill McCartney at Colorado.

As head coach at Oklahoma State, he built a consistent winner out of a program that had recorded only one winning season since 1988, and had posted a record of 13-20 in the three years prior to his arrival at OSU. After going 4-7 in his first year as head coach in 2001, he took the Cowboys to consecutive winning marks of 8-5 in 2002, 9-4 in 2003 and 7-5 in 2004.

Miles led Oklahoma State to a four-year record of 28-21 for a winning percentage of



## Miles' Career Head Coaching Record

### 2001 - Oklahoma State

RECORD: 4-7 (2-6 BIG XII, 5TH SOUTH)

Sept. 1	at Southern Miss	L	17-9
Sept. 8	Louisiana Tech	W	30-23
Sept. 22	at Texas A&M	L	21-7
Sept. 29	Northwestern State	W	24-0
Oct. 6	Missouri	L	48-31 30T
Oct. 13	#11 Texas	L	45-17
Oct. 20	at Iowa State	L	28-14
Oct. 27	#25 Colorado	L	22-19
Nov. 10	Texas Tech	L	49-30
Nov. 17	at Baylor	W	38-22
Nov. 24	at #4 Oklahoma	W	16-13

### 2002 - Oklahoma State

RECORD: 8-5 (5-3 BIG XII, 4TH SOUTH)

Aug. 31	at Louisiana Tech	L	39-36
Sept. 7	Northern Iowa	W	45-10
Sept. 14	#23 UCLA	L	38-24
Sept. 21	SMU	W	52-16
Oct. 5	at #2 Texas	L	17-15
Oct. 12	at #19 Kansas State	L	44-9
Oct. 19	Nebraska	W	24-21
Nov. 2	Texas A&M	W	28-23
Nov. 9	at Texas Tech	L	49-24
Nov. 16	at Kansas	W	55-20
Nov. 23	Baylor	W	63-28
Nov. 30	#3 Oklahoma	W	38-28
<b>HOUSTON BOWL • HOUSTON, TEXAS • RELIANT STADIUM</b>			
Dec. 27	Southern Miss	W	33-23

### 2003 - Oklahoma State

RECORD: 9-4 (5-3 BIG XII, 3RD SOUTH)

Aug. 30	at Nebraska	L	17-7
Sept. 6	Wyoming	W	48-24
Sept. 13	SMS	W	42-3
Sept. 20	at SMU	W	52-6
Oct. 9	UL-Lafayette	W	56-3
Oct. 11	#22 Kansas State	W	38-34
#24 Oct. 18	Texas Tech	W	51-49
#19 Nov. 1	at Texas A&M	W	38-10
#15 Nov. 8	at #1 Oklahoma	L	52-9
#22 Nov. 16	#11 Texas	L	55-16
Nov. 23	Kansas	W	44-21
#24 Nov. 30	at Baylor	W	38-21
<b>COTTON BOWL • DALLAS, TEXAS • COTTON BOWL STADIUM</b>			
#22 Jan. 2	Ole Miss	L	31-28

### 2004 - Oklahoma State

RECORD: 7-5 (4-4 BIG XII, 5TH SOUTH)

Sept. 4	at UCLA	W	31-20
Sept. 11	Tulsa	W	38-21
#25 Sept. 18	SMU	W	59-7
#24 Oct. 2	Iowa State	W	36-7
#21 Oct. 4	at Colorado	W	42-14
#15 Oct. 16	Texas A&M	L	36-20
#21 Oct. 23	at Missouri	W	20-17
#20 Oct. 30	#2 Oklahoma	L	38-35
#19 Nov. 6	at #7 Texas	L	56-35
#24 Nov. 13	Baylor	W	49-21
#23 Nov. 23	at Texas Tech	W	44-21
<b>ALAMO BOWL • SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS • ALAMO DOME</b>			
Dec. 29	#19 Ohio State	L	33-7

### 2005 - LSU

RECORD: 11-2 (7-1 SEC, 1ST SEC WEST)

#3 Sept. 10	at #15 Arizona State	W	35-31
#4 Sept. 26	#10 Tennessee	L	30-27 OT
#4 Oct. 1	at Mississippi State	W	37-7
#11 Oct. 8	at Vanderbilt	W	34-6
#8 Oct. 15	#11 Florida	W	21-17
#7 Oct. 22	#15 Auburn	W	20-17 OT
#7 Oct. 29	North Texas	W	56-3
#6 Nov. 5	Appalachian State	W	24-0
#5 Nov. 12	at #3 Alabama	W	16-13 OT
#4 Nov. 19	at Ole Miss	W	40-7
#3 Nov. 25	Arkansas	W	19-17
<b>SEC CHAMPIONSHIP GAME • ATLANTA • GEORGIA DOME</b>			
#3 Dec. 3	#13 Georgia	L	34-14
<b>CHICK-FIL-A PEACH BOWL • ATLANTA • GEORGIA DOME</b>			
#9 Dec. 30	#10 Miami	W	40-3

### 2006 - LSU

RECORD: 10-2 (6-2 SEC, 2ND SEC WEST)

#8 Sept. 2	Louisiana-Lafayette	W	45-3
#8 Sept. 9	Arizona	W	45-3
#6 Sept. 16	at #3 Auburn	L	7-3
#10 Sept. 23	Tulane	W	49-7
#9 Sept. 30	Mississippi State	W	48-17
#9 Oct. 7	at #5 Florida	L	23-10
#14 Oct. 14	Kentucky	W	49-0
#14 Oct. 21	Fresno State	W	38-6
#13 Nov. 14	at #8 Tennessee	W	28-24
#12 Nov. 11	Alabama	W	28-14
#9 Nov. 18	Ole Miss	W	23-20 (OT)
#9 Nov. 24	at #5 Arkansas	W	31-26

571, the best career winning percentage for an OSU coach since Jim Lookabaugh ended his career in Stillwater in 1949.

In 2004, Miles took Oklahoma State as high as No. 15 in the country with five wins to open the season. The 2004 season included road wins at UCLA, Colorado and Missouri, and the Cowboys never lost to a team outside of the top 25. In addition, his 2004 Cowboys ranked 12th in the nation in rushing, averaging 237 yards per game and Oklahoma State was among the national leaders in scoring offense with 32.3 points a contest.

Oklahoma State's 2003 season was highlighted by victories over eventual Big 12 Champion Kansas State and a bowl-bound Texas Tech squad. Miles and his Cowboys won seven straight in 2003 after a season opening loss at Nebraska and finished the season with back-to-back victories. The seven consecutive victories marked the longest winning streak by an Oklahoma State team since 1949 when the Cowboys posted a perfect 9-0 record.

Miles' 2003 Oklahoma State team featured one NFL First Round Draft pick in wide receiver Rashaun Woods and second round selection in running back Tatum Bell as the Cowboy offensive attack featured both a 1,000-yard rusher (Bell) and a 1,000-yard receiver (Woods).

Miles was the 2002 Big 12 Conference Coach of the Year after directing his second Oklahoma State team to an 8-5 record and the school's first bowl appearance since 1997. In 2002, Miles' Cowboy offense set the school standard for passing offense (259 yards per game), while averaging 403.3 yards of offense per game, the fourth-highest total at the school.

The Cowboys, who averaged 34.4 points per game, closed the 2002 season with wins in six of their last seven games, including a 38-28

victory over then-No. 3 ranked Oklahoma in the regular-season finale. The Cowboys capped the 2002 season with a 33-23 win over Southern Miss in the Houston Bowl.

Prior to his tenure as head coach at Oklahoma State, Miles was the tight ends coach for the Dallas Cowboys for three seasons from 1998-2000. During his three years with the Cowboys, Dallas won one divisional title while participating in the playoffs twice. In Dallas, Miles learned of LSU and the charm of the school from tight end David LaFleur, who starred for the Tigers in the 1990s. In three years of coaching tight ends for the Cowboys, Miles' players combined for 136 receptions for 1,287 yards and 16 touchdowns. LaFleur, a former LSU All-America selection, had his best year under Miles in 1999, starting 16 games and catching 35 passes for 322 yards and seven touchdowns.

Before going to Dallas, Miles served as Oklahoma State's offensive coordinator for three seasons from 1995-97, including an 8-3 season and Alamo Bowl berth in 1997.

Success has followed Miles at every stop of both his playing and professional career. He was a two-year letterman at Michigan (1974-75). During those two seasons, Michigan was a combined 18-3-2, had final Associated Press national rankings in the top 10 and participated in both the Rose and Orange Bowls.

He joined Schembechler's Michigan coaching staff in 1980 for the first of two stints as a coach in Ann Arbor. In 1980 and 1981, Michigan combined for 19 wins and just five losses, won the Big 10 title in 1980 and played in the Rose and Bluebonnet Bowls, respectively. Miles left Michigan for Colorado, where he served on McCartney's staff from 1982 through 1986. In his final two years at



Les and Kathy Miles have four children, Kathryn, Leslie Matthew, Benjamin and Macy Grace.

Colorado, the Buffs earned bids to the Freedom Bowl and Bluebonnet Bowl.

In 1987, he returned to Michigan, where he would spend the next eight years as part of one of the most successful eras in Michigan football history. From 1987 to 1994, Michigan won 71 games, made eight straight bowl appearances, including four trips to the Rose Bowl, and finished no lower than No. 21 in final Associated Press national rankings.

The 1989 Michigan squad finished 10-2, won the Big 10 championship and finished ranked No. 7 in the country. That would be Coach Bo Schembechler's final season as Michigan's head coach.

When Moeller took over the Michigan program prior to the 1990 season, Miles remained on the staff. The 1990 team finished 9-3, winning the Big 10 title and the Gator Bowl. The following season (1991), Michigan finished 10-2 and with a No. 6 national ranking. Miles coached some of the best players to wear the Michigan uniform, including eight first-team All-Americans, 10 total All-Americans and 12 players from Wolverine offensive lines that were NFL draftees.

Born November 10, 1953, Miles earned his degree in economics from Michigan in 1976. Les and Kathy Miles have four children, Kathryn, Leslie Matthew, Benjamin and Macy Grace.





## Jimbo Fisher Offensive Coordinator/Quarterbacks

In an age of college football when assistant coaches seem to bounce from one university to the next, LSU offensive coordinator Jimbo Fisher has been the exception rather than the rule. Fisher, who is in his seventh season as LSU's offensive coordinator in 2006, has helped lead the Tigers to seven bowl games and a 69-20 mark. Fisher has established himself as one of the nation's top offensive minds, while also serving as one of the school's top recruiters.

Fisher joins former Tiger assistant coach Ed Zaunbrecher as the longest tenured offensive coordinators in the history of the school.

Fisher joined the Tigers in 2000 and during that seven-year span, Fisher has been a part of 69 victories, two Southeastern Conference titles, the 2003 BCS National Championship and three BCS bowl games. The 69 victories since the 2000 season are the most in LSU history over any seven-year period of the program, while the Tigers' streak of seven-consecutive bowl games is a school record.

Since 2000, Fisher's offenses have set numerous school records, including points in a season (475 in 2003), total yards (5,857 in 2003), and passing touchdowns (30 in 2003). Fisher's offenses currently hold 13 LSU school records.

In seven years with the Tigers, Fisher has coached four LSU quarterbacks who have gone on to become NFL Draft picks - Josh Booty, Rohan Davey, Craig Nall and Matt Mauck - and another (Marcus Randall), who made an NFL roster as a defensive back. In addition, under Fisher's guidance the Tigers have had two First-Team All-SEC quarterbacks (Josh Booty in 2000 and JaMarcus Russell in 2006) and two Second-Team All-SEC selections (Davey in 2001 and Mauck in 2003).

Fisher's success at LSU has come by blending together an offense that features both the passing and running games with an emphasis on putting the ball in the hands of the best players.

Considered an expert in the passing game, Russell has thrived under Fisher, leading the Tigers to a 24-4 mark as a starter. This year alone, Russell has thrown for 26 TDs and 2,797 yards. He ranks No.3 in the nation in pass efficiency with a 168.1 rating. For his career, Russell ranks among the school's all-time leader in passing yards, touchdowns and completions.

Fisher's offenses aren't one dimensional as this year's Tigers rank No. 3 in the SEC in rushing with 159.2 yards per game despite not having a back with 500 yards rushing. LSU's running back-by-committee approach has seen six different players lead the Tigers in rushing this year.

As a unit, the Tigers are once again atop the SEC in scoring (331 points per game) and total offense (404 yards per game). Last year, the Tigers averaged 29.5 points and 374 yards per contest.

Fisher's 2004 offense featured a running game that led the SEC in rushing as the Tigers, behind running backs Alley Broussard, Justin Vincent and Addai, averaged 193.8 yards per game.

In 2003, his offense may have been the best from a production standpoint as the Tigers averaged 34 points per game on their way to scoring a school-record 475 points while also setting the school standard for total yards (5,857), first downs (298), completed passes (255) and passing touchdowns (30). In all, LSU averaged 418 yards per contest as the Tigers took advantage of their skill position weapons in Michael Clayton, Devery Henderson and Skyler Green, who combined for 179 receptions, 2,459 yards and 27 touchdowns.

Quarterback Matt Mauck completed his LSU career with an 18-2 overall mark after guiding the Tigers to a 13-1 record and the national title in 2003. Mauck tossed a school-record 28 TD passes on his way to earning Second Team All-SEC honors for LSU.

With a pair of first-time starters at quarterback in Mauck and Randall in 2002, Fisher guided an LSU offense to an average of 350 yards per contest and nearly 25 points per game. LSU scored 30 or more points seven times, including a school-record tying mark of six-straight contests with at least 30 points during one stretch of the season.

Perhaps Fisher's most impressive season with the Tigers came in 2001 as he developed Davey, then a first-time starter, into one of the nation's premier signal callers. Davey set a total of six school records during the regular-season and then broke another seven Sugar Bowl or LSU bowl records in the Tigers' 47-34 win over Illinois.

In 2001, LSU's offense set several school-records during the regular-season, including passing yards per game (298.5), total offense per game (451.5) and passing yards (3,578). In the Sugar Bowl, the Tigers racked up a Sugar Bowl record 595 yards of total offense, including 444 through the air.

For the year, Davey threw for a school-record 3,347 yards, while Josh Reed caught 94 passes for an SEC record 1,740 yards to give LSU two of the nation's most explosive players. Reed was named the winner of the Biletnikoff Award, the honor that goes to the nation's top wide receiver.

Fisher's two finest moments as LSU's offensive coordinator came during that season in a 35-21 win over Alabama and a 31-20 victory over second-ranked Tennessee in the SEC Championship game. Against Alabama, LSU set a school-record with 528 passing yards, the most-ever recorded against the Crimson Tide. Davey tied an SEC record with 540 yards of total offense in the game, while Reed set SEC records for receptions (19) and receiving yards (293).

Against Tennessee in the SEC Championship game, Fisher altered the Tiger game plan to better suit second-team quarterback Mauck, who was forced into action in the first half due to an injury to Davey. Mauck



Jimbo and Candi Fisher with sons Trey and Ethan.

took advantage of his rushing skills to leads the Tigers to a 31-20 win and the SEC title.

For his efforts in 2001, Fisher was named a finalist for the Broyles Assistant Coach of the Year Award.

In his first year with the Tigers, Fisher's influence on quarterbacks Booty and Davey was nothing short of remarkable as Booty was named First-Team All-SEC, while Davey earned Most Outstanding Offensive Player honors at the Peach Bowl. The First-Team All-SEC honor for Booty marked the first time since 1989 that an LSU player earned all-league honors at quarterback.

Prior to joining the Tigers, Fisher engineered one of the nation's most potent offensive attacks at Cincinnati in 1999. Cincinnati finished the 1999 season ranked No. 16 in the nation in total offense with an average of 424.4 yards a contest (172.2 rushing, 252.2 passing).

Before joining the Cincinnati staff in 1999, Fisher served as the quarterbacks coach at Auburn under Terry Bowden from 1993-98 where he tutored record-setting quarterbacks Stan White, Patrick Nix and Dameyune Craig, who is the only 3,000-yard passer in Auburn history. He helped lead Auburn to appearances in the 1996 Outback, 1996 Independence and 1998 Peach Bowls.

Fisher, a native of Clarksburg, W. Va., also served as the offensive coordinator and quarterbacks coach at Samford for two years (1991-92) before joining the Auburn staff. He started his coaching career as a graduate assistant tutoring quarterbacks at Samford from 1988-90.

In college, Fisher played quarterback for Terry Bowden for three seasons, two at Salem College (1985-86) and one at Samford (1987). While at Samford he set the national record for touchdowns in a season with 34 and was named the Division III National Player of the Year that season. He also set 13 school passing and total offense records.

Following college, Fisher played for one season with the Chicago Bruisers of the Arena Football League in 1988.

Fisher, who graduated from Salem College in 1989, and his wife Candi have two children, Trey (4) and Ethan (1).



### The Fisher File

YEAR AT LSU: ..... Seventh (appointed Dec. 6, 1999)  
BIRTHDATE: ..... Oct. 9, 1965, at Clarksburg, W.V.  
WIFE: ..... Candi  
CHILDREN: ..... Trey (4), Ethan (1)  
HIGH SCHOOL: .... Liberty High  
COLLEGE: ..... Salem College '89

### COACHING EXPERIENCE

1988-90 ..... Samford (graduate assistant/quarterbacks)  
1991-92 ..... Samford (offensive coordinator/quarterbacks)  
1993-98 ..... Auburn (quarterbacks)  
1999 ..... Cincinnati (offensive coordinator/quarterbacks)  
2000- ..... LSU (offensive coordinator/quarterbacks)





## Josh Henson

### Tight Ends/Recruiting Coordinator

Josh Henson, a former standout offensive lineman at Oklahoma State, enters his second year as LSU's tight ends coach and recruiting coordinator.

As LSU's recruiting coordinator, Henson's abilities as a recruiter have made an immediate impact on the Tiger roster. In his first full season of recruiting, Henson spearheaded a Tiger signing class that ranked among the top six in the nation in 2006. Henson was also ranked as one of the nation's top 25 recruiters

following the 2006 signing period by Rivals.com.

On the field, Henson serves as LSU's tight ends coach, a position he held at Oklahoma State for four years under Les Miles. This year under Henson's guidance, true freshman Richard Dickson earned second-team All-SEC and honorable mention freshman All-America honors for the Tigers.

In his first year at LSU, Henson's tight ends combined for 20 catches for 256 yards and one touchdown. Following the 2005 season, LSU tight end David Jones signed a free agent contract with the Cincinnati Bengals.

At Oklahoma State, Henson was instrumental in the development of Billy Bajema, who was a three-year starter for the Cowboys. As a senior in 2004, Bajema was one of the top tight ends in the country, earning First-Team All-Big 12 honors after catching 20 passes for 293 yards and one touchdown for the Cowboys.

In addition, Bajema was selected as a National Scholar-Athlete by the National Football Foundation as well as earning the Bobby Bowden Award, which is given by the Fellowship of Christian Athletes to a student-athlete for displaying faith in all facets of their life.

Henson also played a vital role in OSU's offensive development as the Cowboys ranked among the top 15 scoring teams in the nation for three consecutive years. The Cowboys averaged over 34 points per game from 2002-04, which included 35.9 points per game in 2003 and 34.5 points a game in 2004.

Critical to any rushing attack is the play of the tight ends and in four years with the Cowboys, Henson's tight ends paved the way for a ground game that improved each year. The Cowboys ranked 11th in the nation in rushing in 2003 and followed that with the nation's 12th-best rushing attack in 2004.



Josh and Shauna Henson with son Will and daughter Kate.

As Oklahoma State's recruiting coordinator, Henson played a key role in OSU's 2003 signing class being ranked No. 15 in the nation by Rivals.com. A year earlier, Rivals.com rated the Cowboy class as the 26th-best in the country.

As a player, Henson was a four-year letterwinner with 40 career starts for Oklahoma State from 1993-97. He was a starter on the offensive line as well as team captain for Oklahoma State's 8-4 team in 1997, a squad that played in the Alamo Bowl against Purdue. He was a Second-Team All-Big 12 selection as a senior in 1997 in addition to being an honorable mention All-Big 12 pick as a junior in 1996.

Off the field, Henson was named the recipient of the L.L. Boger Award as a senior, an honor that recognizes a student-athlete's achievement both on the field and in the classroom.

Henson graduated from Oklahoma State with a bachelor's degree in secondary education in 1998. Upon graduation, he then went straight into coaching, serving as a high school football coach in Kingfisher, Okla. In one season at Kingfisher, he helped guide the Yellowjackets to the state semifinals.

Henson returned to Oklahoma State as a graduate assistant in July of 1999, spending one year with the Cowboy offensive line before taking a fulltime position with the Cowboys as tight ends coach in 2001.

Henson, a native of Tuttle, Okla., was born on July 14, 1975. He and his wife Shauna have a 3-year old son, Will, and an infant daughter, Kate. Henson lists golf, fishing and hunting as his hobbies in his spare time.

### The Henson File

YEAR AT LSU: . . . Second  
 BIRTHDATE: . . . July 14, 1975, in Tuttle, Okla.  
 WIFE: . . . Shauna  
 CHILDREN: . . . Will (3), Kate  
 HIGH SCHOOL: . . . Tuttle, '93  
 COLLEGE: . . . Oklahoma State, '98

### COACHING EXPERIENCE

1999 . . . Oklahoma State (graduate assistant)  
 2001-04 . . . Oklahoma State (tight ends/recruiting coordinator)  
 2005- . . . LSU (tight ends/recruiting coordinator)





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## Earl Lane

### Defensive Line

Earl Lane, who spent 10 years on the staff at the University of South Florida, has made an immediate impact in his first year with the Tigers this season.

After watching LSU this year, outsiders would have never imagined that the Tigers lost three players from the 2005 defensive front to the NFL Draft. That was the case as Claude Wroten (3rd round Rams), Kyle Williams (5th round Bills) and Melvin Oliver (6th round 49ers) were all drafted last spring.

LSU, despite returning only one starter from a year ago in defensive end Chase Pittman, hasn't missed a beat as this year's front four have been instrumental in the Tigers ranking No. 2 in the nation in total defense (238.8 yards per game) and No. 4 in scoring defense (12.5 points per game).

Under Lane's direction, junior defensive tackle Glenn Dorsey earned First-Team All-America honors this year, while sophomore defensive end Tyson Jackson was a Second-Team All-SEC pick after recording a team-best 8.5 sacks and 10 tackles for losses. As a unit, LSU's defensive line combined for 25 sacks in 2006.

Prior to joining the Tigers last spring, Lane helped build a South Florida football program from scratch. Lane was part of the first coaching staff at South Florida, being hired in 1996 by Jim Leavitt. Lane spent all 10 years at South Florida under Leavitt. During his tenure, South Florida began play in 1997 in the I-AA ranks, moved up to Division I-A in 2001 and earned the school's first bowl bid this past year as a member of the Big East Conference.

Lane coached a defensive line that helped the Bulls rank among the top five in the nation in sacks in 2001 and 2002. In 2002, South Florida's defensive line accounted for 33 of the team's 45 sacks, while a year earlier they had 31.5 of the squad's 41 sacks.

Last season, the Bulls ranked No. 14 in the nation in scoring defense and they were No. 18 in rushing defense on their way to reaching a bowl game for the first time in school history. USF lost to N.C. State, 14-0, in the Meineke Car Care Bowl to cap the 2005 season.

Lane is also known as a tremendous recruiter, something that should prove to be beneficial for the Tigers, especially in the state of Florida.

Prior to his coaching stint at South Florida, Lane coached linebackers for one year (1993) at Bloomingdale High School, followed by two years (1994-95) as the defensive coordinator at Brandon High School in Florida.

Other coaching stops for Lane include: defensive coordinator at Tampa Catholic High School in 1980-81; defensive line coach at Tampa Chamberlain High School in 1982-83;



Earl and Sharon Lane.

defensive line coach at Tampa Gaither High School in 1984-85; and defensive coordinator at Tampa Bay Vo-Tech in 1991-92.

Lane is a graduate of Northwood University in Midland, Mich., and H.B. Plant High School in Tampa. He and his wife Sharon have two sons, James and Sharrick, who signed a football scholarship with UL-Lafayette and is a freshman defensive tackle on the Ragin' Cajun squad this year.

### The Lane File

BIRTHDATE: ..... April, 23, 1956  
 HOMETOWN: .... Tampa, Fla.  
 WIFE: ..... Sharon  
 CHILDREN: ..... James (22), Sharrick (16)  
 HIGH SCHOOL: .. H.B. Plant High School  
 COLLEGE: ..... Northwood University (Mich.)

### COACHING EXPERIENCE

1980-81 ..... Tampa Catholic High School (defensive coordinator)  
 1982-83 ..... Tampa Chamberlain High School (defensive line)  
 1984-85 ..... Tampa Gaither High School (defensive line)  
 1991-92 ..... Tampa Bay Vo-Tech (defensive coordinator)  
 1993 ..... Bloomingdale High School (linebackers)  
 1994 ..... Brandon High School (defensive coordinator)  
 1996-2005 ..... South Florida (defensive line)  
 2006- ..... LSU (defensive line)





## Doug Mallory

**Defensive Backs**

Doug Mallory, who grew up in a college football family and has an extensive background on the defensive side of the ball, is in his second year as LSU's defensive backs coach.

In two years with the Tigers, Mallory's impact on the LSU secondary has been significant. This year, LSU is ranked first in the SEC and No. 3 in the nation in pass efficiency defense. In 12 games in 2006, the Tigers have allowed only 9 passing TDs and just 1,746 yards passing. LSU's 145.5 yards passing allowed per game is also first in the league and No. 3

in the nation.

A year ago in his first season with the Tigers, Mallory's secondary rated first in the SEC and third in the nation in pass defense efficiency with a 96.3 rating. The Tigers held opponents to a 47.3 completion percentage, which also ranked best in the league.

Individually, free safety LaRon Landry earned First-Team All-America in 2006 as well as being a repeat selection for First-Team All-SEC.

Mallory came to LSU from Oklahoma State where he spent four years on Les Miles' staff as the secondary coach. In four years with the Cowboys, Mallory's secondary intercepted 54 passes with All-Big 12 cornerback Darrent Williams leading the way with 11. Oklahoma State ranked fourth in the Big 12 with 18 pass interceptions in 2003, followed by 13 interceptions in 2004.

Prior to his four-year stint with the Cowboys, Mallory served in the same capacity at Maryland from 1997-2000. Under Mallory, the 1998 Terrapin defense ranked as the nation's 14th most improved unit in terms of pass efficiency.

In addition, Mallory guided defensive back Lewis Sanders to Third-Team All-America honors as selected by The Sporting News in 1999. Sanders was later drafted in the fourth round of the 2000 NFL Draft by the Cleveland Browns.

Prior to his four years at Maryland, Mallory spent three years at Indiana, serving as the defensive backs and special teams coach for the Hoosiers under his father, Bill Mallory, from 1994-96.

In the second of his two stints as an assistant coach at Indiana, the younger Mallory coached defensive back Eric Allen to Third-Team All-America honors in 1996, while two other players were selected in the NFL Draft. Cornerback Lance Brown was taken in the fifth round of the 1995 draft by the Pittsburgh Steelers and safety Eric Smedley was drafted by the Buffalo Bills in the 1996 draft.

Mallory also coached at Western Kentucky, serving as the defensive coordinator in 1992 and 1993. He spent the 1990-91 seasons with Western Kentucky as the secondary, special teams and inside linebackers coach. In 1989, Mallory also served a one-year stint at Army, coaching the offensive line for the 6-5 Black Knights.

Mallory got his start in coaching in 1988, serving as a graduate assistant under his father Bill at Indiana. That season, the Hoosiers posted an 8-3-1 mark, beat Ohio State 41-7, and defeated South Carolina, 34-10, in the Liberty Bowl.

As a player, Mallory was a four-year letterwinner at Michigan from 1984-87, participating in four bowl games with the Wolverines (Holiday, Fiesta, Rose, Hall of Fame). For his career, he recorded 182 tackles and six interceptions.

He helped lead Michigan to a share of the 1986 Big Ten title and was team captain for the Wolverine's 8-4 team in 1987 that beat Alabama, 28-24, in the Hall of Fame Bowl. As a senior in 1987, Mallory earned Second-Team All-Big Ten honors and was an honorable mention All-America defensive back.

A native of Dekalb, Ill., Mallory graduated from Michigan in 1988 with a bachelor's degree in sports management and communications. His father, Bill Mallory, remains the winningest football coach in Indiana football history. The elder Mallory recorded a 69-77-3 mark in 13 years at Indiana, leading the Hoosiers to six bowl games, while also having head coaching stops at Colorado and Miami (Ohio).



Doug and Lisa Mallory with daughters Allison, Sarah and Emily.

In addition to his football through his father, Mallory's brothers, Curt and Mike, are both on coaching staffs at the collegiate level. Curt is the secondary coach at Illinois, while Mike is the linebacker coach at Kansas.

Doug and his wife Lisa have three children Emily (12), Allison (9) and Sarah (6). He lists his hobbies as jogging, playing golf and skiing.



### The Mallory File

YEAR AT LSU: ..... Second  
 BIRTHDATE: ..... November 2, 1964, in Dekalb, Ill.  
 WIFE: ..... Lisa  
 CHILDREN: ..... Emily (12), Allison (9), Sarah (6)  
 HIGH SCHOOL: ..... Dekalb  
 COLLEGE: ..... Michigan, '88

### COACHING EXPERIENCE

1988 ..... Indiana (graduate assistant)  
 1989 ..... Army (offensive line)  
 1990-93 ..... Western Kentucky (defensive coordinator, 1992-93; secondary, inside linebackers, special teams, 1990-91)  
 1994-96 ..... Indiana (defensive backs, special teams)  
 1997-2000 ..... Maryland (secondary)  
 2001-04 ..... Oklahoma State (secondary)  
 2005- ..... LSU (defensive backs)







## Todd Monken

Wide Receivers/Passing Game Coordinator

Todd Monken, a 16-year coaching veteran with expertise in all phases of the passing game, is in his second season at LSU as the Tigers' passing game coordinator and wide receivers coach.

In two years with the Tigers, Monken has been instrumental in developing one of the nation's top receiving corps. This year, for the first time in school history, LSU had three players catch at least 50 passes (Dwayne Bowe with 60, Craig Davis with 52, Early Doucet with 51). The trio combined for 163 receptions for 2,355 yards and 23 touchdowns.

Bowe also set the school's career TD mark this year with 25 career touchdown receptions, including a school-record tying 11 in 2006. Bowe was a third-team All-America selection and a first-team All-SEC pick for the Tigers this year.

In his first year with the Tigers, Monken tutored what many called the best group of wide receivers in the country, led by a trio of receivers who each had over 1,000 career receiving yards - Skyler Green, Bowe and Davis. The trio combined for 108 receptions, 1,537 yards and 11 touchdowns in 2005.

In 2005, Monken also coached Bennie Brazell to his finest season as a Tiger, as the Olympic high-hurdler caught a career-best 13 passes for 292 yards and three touchdowns in his final season at LSU. Bowe also excelled as a junior in 2005, catching 41 passes for 710 yards and nine touchdowns, which included a scoring reception in a school-record seven consecutive games at one point during the year.

In the spring, Green was selected in the fourth round of the NFL Draft by the Dallas Cowboys, while Brazell was taken in the seventh round by the Cincinnati Bengals. It marked only the fifth time in school history that LSU had two wide receivers selected in the same NFL Draft. It also ran Monken's number of drafted receivers to three in the past three NFL Drafts.

In his three seasons at Oklahoma State, Monken coached some of the top receivers in OSU history, including 2004 first round draft pick Rashaun Woods, who was selected with the 31st pick by the San Francisco 49ers.

One of the highlights of Woods' career at Oklahoma State was the NCAA record seven touchdown passes he caught against SMU in 2003. Woods finished the 2003 season 77 receptions for 1,367 yards and 15 touchdowns. He was twice named a First-Team All-American and concluded his career with 293 receptions for 4,414 yards and 42 touchdowns.

Monken didn't have to go outside the Woods family to find Rashaun's replacement as his younger brother DJuan stepped up in 2004 and earned Second-Team All-Big 12 honors for the Cowboys. DJuan caught 33 passes for 690 yard and six touchdowns for Oklahoma State, which included 128 yards receiving against Oklahoma.

In three years, the Cowboys averaged over 32 points each season, including 35.9 points in 2003, which ranked 11th in the nation.

Prior to his arrival in Stillwater, Monken helped coach one of the nation's most efficient passing attacks at Louisiana Tech. In two years with the Bulldogs - one year as the running backs coach and the other as wide receivers coach - Monken played a key role Louisiana Tech's ranking among the top eight teams in the nation in passing offense.

In 2001, the Bulldogs ranked eighth in the nation in passing, averaging 313 yards through the air per game. In addition, Tech had three different players have over 700 yards receiving, while averaging 34.7 points per game, which ranked No. 17 in the nation.

A year earlier, the Bulldogs were seventh nationally in passing with 309 yards per game. James Jordan led Tech with 109 receptions for 1,003 yards and four touchdowns.

From 1993-99, Monken coached a variety of positions as Eastern Michigan in Ypsilanti, Mich. In 1993, Monken coached defensive backs for the Eagles. A year later he moved to the offensive side of the football, coaching the wide receivers as well as overseeing the punt return unit for four years. Under Monken's watch, the EMU led the nation in punt return average twice.

Monken was promoted to offensive coordinator and quarterbacks coach for Eastern Michigan in 1998, a spot he held for two years. During that span, the Eagles had two of the most prolific offenses in school history.

### The Monken File

YEAR AT LSU: ..... Second  
BIRTHDATE: ..... February 2, 1966, in Wheaton, Ill.  
WIFE: ..... Terri  
CHILDREN: ..... Travis  
COLLEGE: ..... Knox College, '89  
POSTGRADUATE: ..... Grand Valley State, '91

### COACHING EXPERIENCE

1989-90 ..... Grand Valley State (assistant coach)  
1991-92 ..... Notre Dame (graduate assistant)  
1993-99 ..... Eastern Michigan (defensive backs, 1993;  
wide receivers, punt return unit, 1994-97;  
offensive coordinator, quarterbacks, 1998-99)  
2000-01 ..... Louisiana Tech (running backs/recruiting coordinator, 2000;  
wide receivers, 2001)  
2002-04 ..... Oklahoma State (pass game coordinator, wide receivers)  
2005- ..... LSU (wide receivers/passing game coordinator)



Todd and Terri Monken with son Travis.

Monken's 1998 squad put up 3,985 yards for the year, a figure that ranks as the sixth-highest total in school history. In 1999, EMU amassed 3,404 yards of offense, while scoring 239 points, the ninth-highest total in school history for a single season.

Monken got his start in coaching in 1989, serving as an assistant coach at Grand Valley State where he helped guide that program to a 21-1 mark over a two-year span. After two years at Grand Valley State, he moved on to Notre Dame, holding a graduate assistant position for two seasons. While with the Fighting Irish, Monken worked with the defensive backs for one season and spent a year with the quarterbacks and running backs. During his stay in South Bend, Notre Dame recorded wins in the Cotton Bowl and Sugar Bowl.

Monken, a native of Wheaton, Ill., earned his bachelor's degree in economics from Knox College in 1989. He followed that with a master's degree in education leadership from Grand Valley State in 1991. Monken was a three-year letterwinner at quarterback for Knox College earning First-Team Small College All-America honors as a senior. Monken and his wife, Terri, have one son, Travis.





## Bo Pelini

### Defensive Coordinator

Bo Pelini, one of the most respected and innovative defensive minds in football, is in his second season as LSU's defensive coordinator and during that time he has established the Tiger defense as one of the nation's best.

In year two under Pelini's watch, the Tiger defense ranks No. 2 in the nation in total defense (238.8 yards per game), No. 3 in pass defense (145.5 yards per game) and No. 4 in scoring defense (12.5 points per game). It marks the second straight year that the Tigers are ranked in the top five in the

nation in total defense and scoring defense. LSU is also tops in the Southeastern Conference in total defense, scoring defense, pass defense and pass efficiency defense.

In 2006, the Tigers had streaks of 16 and 10 quarters without allowing a touchdown. They also held opponents to just 20 first quarter points and only 73 first half points.

Pelini made an immediate impact in his first year at LSU, taking over a Tiger defense that ranked among the best in the nation the two previous years and making them even better. With an attacking style, Pelini's 2005 defense ranked among the top 10 in the nation in four categories, including No. 3 nationally in total defense (266.8 yards per game), scoring defense (14.2 points per game) and pass defense efficiency (96.3 rating). LSU also ranked No. 6 in the nation in total defense (91.5 yards per game).

Pelini's defense allowed seven points or less six times, including holding Miami to only three points in the Peach Bowl. The Tiger defense also held opponents out of the endzone in the first quarter 11 times in 13 games in 2005.

LSU's most dominating defensive performance came in the season finale against Miami as the Tigers limited the Hurricanes to 153 yards of offense and only six first downs in the 40-3 victory. In the second half, the Hurricanes mustered only three yards of offense as they were held without a first down for the final two quarters.

In 2004, Pelini served as Oklahoma's co-defensive coordinator and defensive backs coach, helping the Sooners to the national championship game against USC. In his only season in Norman, Oklahoma ranked sixth in the nation in rushing defense, allowing only 94 yards per game. The Sooners were 11th nationally in scoring, limiting opponents to just 16 points per contest.

Prior to his stint with Oklahoma, Pelini spent the 2003 season as the defensive coordinator for 10-3 Nebraska. In Lincoln, Pelini led a Cornhusker defense that tied the school record with 47 turnovers. In addition, Nebraska was No. 2 in the nation in takeaways and led the nation in turnover margin at +1.77 per game.



Bo and Mary Pat Pelini with daughters Kate, Caralyn and son Patrick.

Pelini's defense also led the nation in pass efficiency defense (88.66 rating), ranked No. 2 in scoring defense (14.5 points per game), No. 11 in passing yards per game (177.8 yards per game), and No. 11 in total defense (297.2 yards per game).

At the conclusion of the 2003 regular season, Pelini was promoted to interim head coach at Nebraska where he guided the Cornhuskers to a 17-3 win over Michigan State in the Alamo Bowl. Pelini's defense held the Spartans to only 174 total yards, nearly 210 yards below their season average, while also sacking MSU quarterback Jeff Smoker five times and intercepting three passes.

Pelini's coaching background includes nine years in the NFL coaching for the San Francisco 49ers, the New England Patriots and the Green Bay Packers. Pelini broke into the NFL in 1994 as assistant secondary coach for head coach George Seifert and the 49ers. Originally hired as a scouting assistant, Pelini was quickly promoted to defensive backs coach in the spring of 1994. Less than a year after his promotion to defensive backs coach, Pelini was coaching in the Super Bowl, helping the 49ers to a 49-26 win over San Diego in Super Bowl XXIX. Pelini held that position for three years before moving to the Patriots for the 1997 season.

As a member of the Patriots staff, Pelini coached the linebackers under head coach Pete Carroll. Pelini helped the Patriots go 27-21 over a three-year period with the club making the playoffs twice. Pelini's efforts were highlighted with a Pro Bowl appearance by Chris Slade in 1997, the first Patriot linebacker to be named All-Pro since 1989.

After three years with the Patriots, Pelini moved to the Packers, coaching linebackers for three seasons. In three years in Green Bay with head coach Mike Sherman, the Packers posted a 33-15 record and advanced to the playoffs all three years. In 2002, the Packer defense ranked fourth in the NFL in pass defense, allowing 188.4 yards per game.

Pelini got his start in coaching in 1991, serving as a graduate assistant coach at Iowa. From there he moved into the high school ranks, serving as quarterbacks coach at Cardinal Mooney High School in Youngstown, Ohio in 1993 before taking the leap to the 49ers.

As a player, Pelini was a standout free safety at Ohio State, earning four letters from 1987-90. He helped the Buckeyes to a 15-8 record over his final two seasons. He was a three-time selection to the Academic All-Big Ten team. He played in two bowl games during his collegiate career, appearing in the Hall of Fame Bowl in January of 1990 and the Liberty Bowl in December of 1990.

Pelini is a 1990 graduate of Ohio State. He and his wife, Mary Pat, have one son, Patrick, and two daughters, Kate, and Caralyn.

### The Pelini File

YEAR AT LSU: ..... Second  
 BIRTHDATE: ..... December 13, 1967, in Youngstown, Ohio  
 WIFE: ..... Mary Pat  
 CHILDREN: ..... Patrick, Kate and Caralyn  
 HIGH SCHOOL: ..... Cardinal Mooney  
 COLLEGE: ..... Ohio State, '90

### COACHING EXPERIENCE

1991 ..... Iowa (graduate assistant)  
 1993 ..... Cardinal Mooney High School (quarterbacks)  
 1994-96 ..... San Francisco 49ers (defensive backs)  
 1997-99 ..... New England Patriots (linebackers)  
 2000-02 ..... Green Bay Packers (linebackers)  
 2003 ..... Nebraska (defensive coordinator, interim head coach for Alamo Bowl)  
 2004 ..... Oklahoma (co-defensive coordinator, defensive backs)  
 2005- ..... LSU (defensive coordinator)





## Bradley Dale Peveto

Special Teams Coordinator/Linebackers

Bradley Dale Peveto is in his second season with LSU, serving in a dual capacity as the Tigers linebackers coach as well as a special teams coordinator.

As linebackers coach, Peveto's development of players at the position has been critical to the success of the Tiger defense. LSU sophomore Darry Beckwith ranked second on the team with 61 tackles, while junior Ali Highsmith recorded 58 tackles and 3.0 sacks for the Tigers. Highsmith was a second-team All-SEC pick in 2006. Despite starting a pair of first time starters in 2006, LSU's defense still ranked No. 2 in the nation in total defense.

As special teams coordinator, Peveto's has overseen a unit that has returned both a punt and kickoff for touchdowns this year. LSU return specialist Craig Davis earned Second-Team All-SEC honors in 2006 after averaging 14.2 yards on punt returns. The Tigers were 7 of 11 on field goals in 2006 and they are a combined 52 of 53 on extra point attempts.

In 2005, Peveto's impact was immediate as the Tigers fielded some of the best special teams units in the country. LSU ranked first in the SEC and fifth in the nation in net punting (39.0 average). The Tigers were also first in the conference in kickoff coverage (45.5 net average) and second in the league and 12th nationally in punt return average (14.1). LSU's field goal and point-after-touchdown units were also much improved as the Tigers converted 45-of-46 PATs in 2005 and connected on 14-of-24 field goals.

Individually, LSU punter/placekicker Chris Jackson ranked first in the SEC in punts downed inside the 20-yard line with 26 and he had six field goals of 40-yards or longer, which ranked second in the league. Skyler Green earned First-Team All-America honors as a return specialist after returning 27 punts for 359 yards and one TD. Green also returned 18 kickoffs of 355 yards during the 2005 season.

In 2005, Peveto's linebackers corps of Highsmith, Cameron Vaughn, Kenneth Hollis and E.J. Kuale were among the best in the SEC. Vaughn ranked first on the team with 83 tackles, while Highsmith was second with 75 stops. Vaughn and Kuale went on to sign free agent contract with NFL teams following the season. As a unit, LSU's defense ranked among the top 10 in the nation in four categories in 2005 and they were either first or second in the SEC in five categories.

Peveto joined the Tigers in the spring of 2005 after a two-year stint at Middle Tennessee State. Peveto served as secondary coach in 2003 before being elevated to defensive coordinator in 2004.

A native of Orangefield, Texas, Peveto led a Blue Raider defense that ranked second in the Sun Belt Conference in rushing defense, allowing 138 yards per game.

Prior to his arrival at Middle Tennessee, Peveto spent four years (1999-2002) at Houston as the Cougars' co-defensive coordinator and secondary coach. During his stay in Houston, he had four players earn five all-conference awards while three were placed on the league's all-freshman squad. In 1999, the Cougar defense ranked 25th in total defense, 20th in rushing defense and 22nd in scoring defense and tied for 14th nationally with 28 forced turnovers.

Prior to arriving in Houston, Peveto served as the defensive coordinator and linebackers coach at Northwestern State (La.) University for three years from 1996 to 1998.



Bradley Dale and Melissa Peveto with daughter Payton and son Jake.

While he was in Natchitoches, Peveto helped the Demons capture back-to-back Southland Football League Championships and NCAA I-AA playoff berths. Peveto's "Purple Swarm" defense was ranked nationally in several statistical categories during each of his three seasons and four of his players earned All-American honors. In addition, four Demon players were selected in the NFL draft. The 1998 Northwestern State team went 11-3, reached the I-AA semifinals, and was ranked third nationally.

Under his direction, the Demon defense also set single-game records for fewest yards allowed, fewest rushing yards allowed, and most quarterback sacks. NSU also set school season records for most defensive touchdowns scored. In addition, the "Purple Swarm" also set season records for quarterback sacks in two of his three seasons, accumulating 52 in 1998 and 122 in the last three years.

Before his stint at Northwestern State, Peveto spent two seasons on Danny Ford's staff at Arkansas, while the Razorbacks won the SEC Western Division title with an 8-5 overall mark and played in the Carquest Bowl in 1995. While at Arkansas, Peveto served as special teams coordinator and linebackers coach.

Prior to going to Fayetteville, Peveto served as the outside linebackers coach and special teams coordinator at Southern Miss in 1992 and 1993. He also coached the defensive line, linebackers, and secondary at Stephen F. Austin from 1988 to 1991, serving as the special teams coordinator all four years as the Lumberjacks led the nation in punt returns in 1989. SFA also won the Southland Conference and advanced to the 1989 I-AA championship game. His secondary was nationally ranked in passing efficiency defense in 1990 and 1991.

A 1987 graduate of SMU, Peveto began his coaching career as a secondary coach at Trinity Valley Community College. Peveto was a four-year letterman for the Mustangs and played in four bowl games (Cotton, Sun, Aloha, and Mirage). During his playing career, SMU won two Southwest Conference championships (1982 and 1984) and had a combined record of 43-14-1.

He served as team captain in 1986 and earned the Wild Mustang Special Teams Player of the Year award and the Mike Kelsey Award for attitude, hustle, and desire as a senior. He also was a member of the 1984 SWC All-Academic team.

Peveto comes from a family with a rich football coaching tradition. His late father, Ed, coached high school football in the southeast Texas area and was inducted into the Greater Houston Coaches Hall of Honor in 1993 and into the Golden Triangle Coaches Hall of Fame in 1997. Two of his brothers, Jeff and Garey Birt coach at high schools in the southeast Texas area.

Peveto is married to the former Melissa Weser, and the couple has a daughter, Payton Marie, (4), and a son, Jake (1).

### The Peveto File

YEAR AT LSU: . . . . . Second  
BIRTHDATE: . . . . . Dec. 28, 1962, in Orangefield, Texas  
WIFE: . . . . . Melissa  
CHILDREN: . . . . . Payton Marie (4), Jake (1)  
HIGH SCHOOL: . . . . . Orangefield (Texas)  
COLLEGE: . . . . . SMU, '87

### COACHING EXPERIENCE

1987 . . . . . Trinity Valley Community College (secondary)  
1988-91 . . . . . Stephen F. Austin (defensive line, linebacker, secondary, special teams coordinator)  
1992-93 . . . . . Southern Miss (outside linebackers, special teams coordinator)  
1994-95 . . . . . Arkansas (linebackers, special teams coordinator)  
1996-98 . . . . . Northwestern (La.) State (defensive coordinator, linebackers)  
1999-2002 . . . . . Houston (secondary/co-defensive coordinator)  
2003-04 . . . . . Middle Tennessee (defensive coordinator, secondary, linebackers)  
2005- . . . . . LSU (special teams coordinator, linebackers)





## Larry Porter

Assistant Head Coach/Running Backs

Larry Porter, a former standout running back at Memphis, is in his second year as LSU's running backs coach after a three-year stint on Les Miles' staff at Oklahoma State. He also serves as the Tigers' assistant head coach after being promoted to that position in the spring of 2006.

In 2006, Porter coordinated LSU's running back-by-committee approach as the Tigers started four different players, including two true freshmen, at tailback. In 12 games, the Tigers had five different running backs lead the team in rushing. Junior Jacob Hester led the Tigers in rushing with 415 yards and six scores. Hester added another 257 yards and three touchdowns on 34 receptions, which ranks as the third-highest total for a running back in school history.

A pair of true freshmen in Charles Scott and Keiland Williams also burst onto the scene, giving the Tigers a glimpse of what the future may hold. Scott and Williams combined for 606 yards and eight TDs in 2006.

As a unit, the Tigers ranked third in the SEC in rushing in 2006 with 159.2 yards per game. The Tigers also had 22 rushing TDs in 2006, a figure that ranked No. 2 in the league. In his first year with the team in 2005, Porter made an immediate impact on LSU's running game as the Tigers, despite losing perhaps the top runner in the SEC in Alley Broussard to a knee injury in mid-August, still managed to rush for 1,951 yards and 21 touchdowns. LSU's rushing offense ranked fourth in the SEC, while the 21 rushing TDs was the second-highest total in the league.

Joseph Addai had his best year in a Tiger uniform in 2005, rushing for 911 yards and nine touchdowns, while Justin Vincent added 488 yards and five scores. Addai had five 100-yard rushing games, capped by a 130-yard, one-TD performance in LSU's 40-3 win over Miami in the Peach Bowl. He went on to become a first round draft pick of the Indianapolis Colts in the 2006 NFL Draft, becoming the first LSU running back taken in the first round of the NFL Draft since Harvey Williams was the 21st overall pick by the Chiefs in 1991.

At Oklahoma State, Porter's stable of running backs continued the tradition of "Tailback U.," as he coached 1,000-yard rushers for three straight seasons. In 2004, Vernand Morency earned Second-Team All-Big 12 honors after rushing for 1,474 yards, which ranked eighth in the nation, and 12 touchdowns.

A year earlier, Tatum Bell earned First-Team All-Big 12 honors with 1,286 yards and 16 touchdowns. Bell and Morency combined for 2,204 yards and 24 TDs for the Cowboys in 2003. Bell then went on to become a second round draft pick by the Denver Broncos in the 2004 NFL Draft. In his first season at OSU, Porter guided Bell to a 1,096-yard, 11-TD season for 8-5 Oklahoma State.

Prior to his arrival in Norman, Porter spent three years at Arkansas State, where he coached Jonathan Adams to back-to-back 1,000-yard seasons. Adams rushed for 1,004 yards and six touchdowns in 2000 and followed that with another 1,004 yards and five scores in 2001. Under Porter's tutelage, Adams capped his career as the second-leading rusher in Arkansas State history.

Porter began his coaching career at Wooddale High School in Memphis, Tenn., serving as head track and field coach, while assisting with the running backs and secondary on the football squad. After two years at Wooddale, Porter moved to the collegiate ranks, coaching the running backs at Tennessee-Martin in 1998.

During his playing days, Porter was a four-year letterwinner at Memphis where he was co-captain of the 1993 Tiger squad. Porter capped his career as the fourth-leading rusher in Memphis history, totaling 2,194 yards and 20 touchdowns. In all, Porter led the Tigers in rushing three times.

As a rookie in 1990, Porter rushed for 206 yards against Arkansas State, the highest single-game total for a freshman in school history.

Porter graduated in Memphis in 1996 with a bachelor's degree in education. A native of Jackson, Miss., Porter and his wife Sharmane have three children, Brandon, Omari and Olivia.



Larry and Sharmane Porter with daughter Olivia and sons Brandon and Omari.



### The Porter File

YEAR AT LSU: ..... Second  
 BIRTHDATE: ..... April 28, 1972, in Jackson, Miss.  
 WIFE: ..... Sharmane  
 CHILDREN: ..... Brandon, Omari, Olivia  
 HIGH SCHOOL: ..... Columbus (Ga.)  
 COLLEGE: ..... Memphis, '96

### COACHING EXPERIENCE

1998 ..... Tennessee-Martin (running backs)  
 1999-2001 ..... Arkansas State (running backs)  
 2002-2004 ..... Oklahoma State (running backs)  
 2005- ..... LSU (running backs)





## Stacy Searels

### Offensive Line

Once considered one of the best offensive linemen in the Southeastern Conference, Stacy Searels is now one of the premier offensive line coaches in all of college football. Searels is in his fourth season with the Tigers in 2006, joining Jimbo Fisher as the only two holdovers from the previous staff to remain on board with Les Miles.

Searels is a former All-American offensive lineman at Auburn, who has now made it a habit of producing All-American linemen for LSU. In four years as the Tigers' offensive line coach, he has coached two First-Team All-Americans in Stephen Peterman and Ben Wilkerson and a Second-Team All-American in Andrew Whitworth.

In addition, during that three-year stretch, LSU's offensive line has produced a pair of First-Team Academic All-Americans in Rodney Reed and Rudy Niswanger. The Tigers have had an offensive lineman named a First-Team Academic All-American for four of the last five years.

Searels may have done his best coaching job in 2006 as he took a Tiger offensive line that lost three starters from a year ago and forged it into one of the most consistent lines in the league. As a unit, the Tigers allowed only 18 sacks, which ranks fourth in the SEC. They also paved the way for a Tiger offense that led the league in both scoring (33.1 points) and total offense (404 yards).

Under Searels watch in 2005, Niswanger became the most decorated student-athlete in school history, winning the Draddy Award as college football's top scholar-athlete as well as being named the inaugural recipient of the Wuerffel Trophy. The University Medalist also claimed the SEC Scholar-Athlete of the Year Award for football following the 2005 season and was named the recipient of the H. Boyd McWhorter Award, which goes to the overall top scholar-athlete in the SEC.

Searels has coached five former Tigers to roster spots in the NFL, with Whitworth being a second round pick of the Cincinnati Bengals in 2006; Peterman a fourth round pick of the Dallas Cowboys in 2004; and Wilkerson, Niswanger and Nate Livings signing free agent contracts.

On the field in 2005, Whitworth set a SEC record by starting in 52 straight games during his career, one shy of the NCAA record.

Searels' 2004 offensive line consisted of a Rimington Award winner (Ben Wilkerson) along with First-Team All-SEC offensive tackle Whitworth. Despite having eight different starting combinations on the offensive line, LSU still managed to lead the SEC in rushing with over 193 yards per contest.

In 2003, his first year with the Tigers, Peterman earned First-Team All-America honors, while Wilkerson was a Second-Team All-America pick by the Associated Press. In addition, senior tackle Rodney Reed became LSU's first two-time First-Team Academic All-American.

In all, the Tiger offensive line paved the way for a 1,000-yard rusher in Justin Vincent, while also limiting opponents to only 22 sacks in 14 games. LSU held its opponent without a sack in four of the last five regular-season contests.

Searels joined the LSU staff after a two-year stint as offensive line coach at Cincinnati. During his stay with the Bearcats, Cincinnati played in two bowl games and won the school's first conference title since 1964 by capturing the 2002 Conference USA crown.

In 2002, Searels coached an offensive line that helped the Bearcats lead C-USA in total offense (397.5 yards per game), while averaging 29.2 points a contest.

Prior to joining the Cincinnati staff, Searels served as an assistant coach at Appalachian State from 1994-2000, helping the I-AA squad to five playoff appearances and a pair of Southern Conference titles. He also coached players to five All-America and 15 all-conference honors in seven years as an offensive line and tight ends coach.

While with the Mountaineers, Searels was presented with the NCAA Award of Valor, which has been given only eight times since its inception in 1974, for his act of courage following a head-on collision involving a van carrying members of the Appalachian State football team and support staff on Sept. 30, 2000.

With the Mountaineer van burning, Searels pulled out two staff members, who were trapped in the vehicle (11 other passengers in the van were able to escape on their own). Moments after Searels got the two staff members to safety, the van was engulfed in flames. Searels, who had been traveling on the team bus behind the van, had saved the life of his student assistant coach (Jonathan Taylor) and assistant athletic trainer (Tony Barnett). Taylor, who was airlifted to a hospital, spent three weeks in intensive care before making a complete recovery.

### The Searels File

YEAR AT LSU: ..... Fourth  
BIRTHDATE: ..... May 19, 1965, in Rome, Ga.  
WIFE: ..... Patricia  
CHILDREN: ..... Taylor (8), Savannah (5)  
HIGH SCHOOL: ..... Trion  
COLLEGE: ..... Auburn, '90  
POSTGRADUATE: ..... Auburn, '95

### COACHING EXPERIENCE

1992-93 ..... Auburn (graduate assistant)  
1994-2000 ..... Appalachian State (offensive line)  
2000-02 ..... Cincinnati (offensive line)  
2003- ..... LSU (offensive line)



Stacy and Patricia Searels with daughters Savannah and Taylor.

The NCAA Award of Valor honors those who, "when confronted with a situation involving personal danger, averted or minimized potential disaster by courageous action or noteworthy bravery."

Searels got his start in coaching as a graduate assistant at Auburn in 1992, working with the Tiger squad that posted a perfect 11-0 mark in 1993.

As a player, Searels earned First Team All-America honors from both the Associated Press and Football News as a senior at Auburn in 1987. Searels was a three-year starter for Auburn, blocking for Heisman Trophy winner Bo Jackson in 1985 and All-America Brent Fullwood in 1986. He participated in four bowl games as a member of the Auburn football team.

A First-Team All-SEC selection as both a junior and senior, he was honored with the team's Ken Rice Award as the school's best blocking lineman in 1987. He played in both the Japan Bowl and the Senior Bowl following the 1987 season. In 1990, the Birmingham Post-Herald named Searels to the Auburn team of the 1980's.

Searels was a fourth round draft pick by the San Diego Chargers in 1988, playing two seasons there before moving to the Miami Dolphins for the 1990 season. He ended his professional career in 1991 with the New York/New Jersey Knights of the World League of American Football.

Searels, a Trion, Ga., native, graduated from Auburn with a degree in marketing and transportation in 1990. He followed that with a master's degree in higher education administration from Auburn in 1995. Searels is married to the former Patricia Hale and the couple has two daughters, Taylor (8) and Savannah (5).



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