

NIU FOOTBALL

2025 NORTHERN ILLINOIS UNIVERSITY HUSKIES

HUSKIE FOOTBALL FACTS

Head Coach.....Thomas Hammock
Alma Mater/Year.....NIU '02
Record at NIU/Years.....33-40/6
Career Record/Years.....Same
Basic Offense/Defense.....Multiple/4-2-5
Letterwinners Returning/Lost.....29/46
Starters Returning/Lost.....5/21
First Year of Football.....1899
All-Time Record.....620-534-51
2024 Record/MAC Record/Finish.....8-5/4-4/T-6th
Last Bowl Game.....2024 Famous Idaho Potato Bowl
.....NIU 28, Fresno State 20 (2OT)
Bowl Appearances (FBS).....16
MAC Championship Appearances, Last.....9, 2021
MAC Championships, Last.....6, 2021

NIU FACTS

Location.....DeKalb, Illinois
Founded.....1895
Enrollment.....15,649
Affiliation.....NCAA Football Bowl Subdivision
Conference.....Mid-American
Colors.....Cardinal and Black
Nickname.....Huskies
Mascot.....Mission (live); Victor E. Huskie (costume)
Stadium.....Brigham Field at Huskie Stadium
Surface/Capacity.....AstroTurf / 23,595
President.....Dr. Lisa Freeman
Vice President/Director of Athletics.....Sean T. Frazier
Alma Mater, Year.....Alabama '92
Tickets.....815-753-PACK (7225)

2025 SCHEDULE

Day, Date	Opponent	Location
Sat., Aug. 30	HOLY CROSS	W, 19-17
Fri., Sept. 5	at Maryland	L, 20-9
Sat., Sept. 20	at Mississippi State	L, 38-10
Sat., Sept. 27	SAN DIEGO STATE	DeKALB
Sat., Oct. 4	MIAMI* (Homecoming)	DeKALB
Sat., Oct. 11	at Eastern Michigan*	Ypsilanti, Mich.
Sat., Oct. 18	at Ohio*	Athens, Ohio
Sat., Oct. 25	BALL STATE*	DeKALB
Wed., Nov. 5	at Toledo*	Toledo, Ohio
Wed., Nov. 12	at UMASS*	Amherst, Mass.
Tue., Nov. 18	WESTERN MICHIGAN*	DeKALB
Fri., Nov. 28	KENT STATE*	DeKALB
Sat., Dec. 6	MAC Championship - Ford Field	Detroit, Mich.

*Mid-American Conference Game

GAME FOUR

San Diego State at NIU

Saturday, Sept. 27, 2025 - 2:30 pm (CT) - ESPN+
DeKalb, Ill. • Huskie Stadium (23,595)

SAN DIEGO STATE

2-1	Overall Record	NIU 1-2
MW 0-0	Conference Record	MAC 0-0
Sean Lewis	Head Coach	Thomas Hammock
Wisconsin '07	Alma Mater	NIU '02
5-10/2nd	School Record/Years	33-40/7th
29-41/7th	Career Record/Years	Same

DOG TREATS

- NIU is back in action at Huskie Stadium this week, hosting San Diego State.
- The Aztecs are the first Mountain West program to come to DeKalb since Wyoming in 2021.
- Last week's 38-10 loss at Mississippi State was the first time in 19 games that the NIU defense allowed over 30 points. The Huskies did hold the Bulldogs to 160 passing yards, 100 yards under their season average.
- Saturday's game features two of the top third down defenses in the FBS; San Diego State is 17th at 26.0 percent and NIU is 43rd at 32.4 percent.
- Redshirt-Senior linebacker Quinn Urwiler had a career-high 14 tackles at Mississippi State. He is tied for the MAC lead in tackles per game with 11.3.
- Safety Jasper Beeler recorded 10 tackles at Mississippi State. It was the first game for NIU with two players having double-digit tackles since Oct. 1, 2022 when Amariyun Knighten and Devin Lafayette both had 10 at Ball State.
- Wide Receiver DeAree Rogers nearly doubled his receiving yards for the season last week. The junior caught six passes for 84 yards and his first touchdown of the season after having 10 receptions for 89 yards in the first two games.
- Sophomore running back Telly Johnson Jr. has had at least one carry over 15 yards in seven of his first nine career games at NIU. Johnson had a 32-yard rush in the first quarter last week at Mississippi State.
- Redshirt-Senior running back Chavon Wright leads all active NCAA football players with 5,140 rushing yards and 76 touchdowns. He is the top rusher in the MAC so far this season at 83.5 rushing yards per game.
- The Huskies have 48 newcomers for 2025 - 33 true freshmen and 15 transfers. Per ESPN, NIU returns the fewest amount of production in the Football Bowl Subdivision at 23 percent. Twenty-five percent of the offensive production and 22 percent of the defensive production is back from a season ago.
- 2025 marks NIU's final season in the Mid-American Conference before joining the Mountain West in 2026. The Huskies have been a member of the MAC for 38 seasons during two different stints in the league. NIU's five MAC Championship game wins are more than any other current league member.
- Since 2010 NIU is the winningest football program among Illinois' seven Division I (FBS and FCS) programs. The Huskies are 119-77 in that stretch for a .607 winning percentage.

FOLLOW THE HUSKIES

TV: NIU-SAN DIEGO STATE ON ESPN+

- The NIU-San Diego State game will be streamed on ESPN+, accessible via the ESPN App on both iOS and Android devices, desktop and TV-connected devices (e.g. Apple TV, Roku, Fire TV).
- Subscriptions to ESPN+ are available on both a monthly and annual basis and can be used on up to five devices simultaneously.
- Jason Ross (play-by-play) and Tyoka Jackson (color analyst) will be on the call for ESPN+ Saturday.

RADIO: HUSKIE SPORTS NETWORK

- The Huskie Sports Radio Network coverage for the San Diego State game begins 30 minutes before kickoff, at 2:00 p.m. (CT), on 94-9 WDKB in DeKalb.
- Hear the broadcast on mobile devices via the free NIU Huskies mobile app or stream online on 949wdkb.com.
- Andy Garcia starts his second season as "Voice of the Huskies" while color analyst Mark Lindo begins his 41st consecutive season calling NIU football games. Terry Bonadonna is the new sideline reporter for the second straight season.

INSIDE HUSKIE FOOTBALL RADIO SHOW

- Fans are invited to attend the one-hour weekly show every Wednesday at Noon at Fatty's Pub & Grille in DeKalb (1312 W. Lincoln Hwy).
- Hear the show live on 94-9 WDKB, on the NIU Huskies app and on TuneIn, or stream on 949wdkb.com.
- Host Andy Garcia welcomes NIU Head Coach Thomas Hammock each week, along with Huskie players and special guests.

NIU WEEKLY ON YOUTUBE

- Host Terry Bonadonna talks NIU football and more with the Huskie head coaches and administrators, including a weekly visit during football season from head coach Thomas Hammock. Get all the latest news and updates in this fast-paced show.
- Watch new episodes on the NIU Athletics Official YouTube Channel on Thursdays.

NIU ATHLETICS ON YOUTUBE

- See weekly and post-game press conferences, special features, game highlights, NIU Weekly and more.
- Subscribe for FREE and click the bell to be notified every time NIU posts a new video.
- Search "NIU Athletics" on YouTube or go to YouTube.com/NIUAthleticsOfficial.
- Archived videos and highlights, replays of some of the greatest games in school history and special features are also available 24/7 on YouTube.

NIU HUSKIES MOBILE APP

- Download the free NIU Huskies mobile app from the Apple Store or Google Play.
- Link to the NIU radio broadcasts, live stats, complete team rosters, digital game programs and more.
- Connect to the NIU social media channels and sign up for notifications on any Huskie team.

No-Fly Zone...

- The Huskies are holding opponents to 189.7 passing yards per game in 2025.
- NIU has not allowed 300 passing yards in a game since Nov. 26, 2022 against Akron, a stretch of 29 consecutive games.
- In 22 of those games NIU held the opposition to 225 yards or less. The Huskies held Mississippi State to 160 passing yards last week, more than 100 yards over the Bulldogs' season average.
- Seven different Huskies have a pass breakup this season. Senior defensive tackle Alvin Gulley has had a pass breakup in each of the last two games.
- NIU had two sacks at Mississippi State last week. Filip Maciorowski and Alvin Gulley combined for a sack in the third quarter as did Jasper Beeler and Lance Ingold. It was the first career sacks for Maciorowski and Ingold.
- Redshirt-Senior linebacker Quinn Urwiler and junior safety Jasper Beeler became the first NIU teammates with double-digit tackles in a single game since Amariyun Knighten (10) and Devin Lafayette (10) did so at Ball State on Oct. 22, 2022.

Balance The Offense

- NIU ran 52 plays on offense at Mississippi State, 27 runs and 25 passes. The Huskies had 125 rushing yards and 142 passing yards.
- The Huskies averaged a season-high 5.5 yards per play. It was the first game since Nov. 13, 2024 that NIU had over five yards per play.
- Quarterback Josh Holst was a perfect 5-for-5 passing in the second quarter for 44 yards, including a 24-yard touchdown pass to DeAree Rogers.
- On Oct. 19, 2024 NIU ran 92 plays against Toledo. It was the last game the Huskies had total balance offensively with 46 run plays and 46 passes.
- The last time NIU had more passes than runs was Sept. 21, 2024 when the Huskies had 43 passes and 42 runs against Buffalo.

Worth Your Urwiler...

- Redshirt-Senior linebacker Quinn Urwiler led all players last Saturday with 14 tackles at Mississippi State.
- His 34 tackles through three games this season are the most by a Huskie since 2010. He is the second player in that timespan to have double-digit tackles in all three games.
- He is the fourth Huskie since 2010 to have three straight double-digit tackle games at any point of a season joining C.J. Brown (2021), Jimmie Ward (2012) and Pat Schiller (2011).
- Urwiler is tied for the MAC lead in tackles at 11.3 per game with Eli Blakey of Miami, which puts him tied for sixth in the FBS.

Gotta Catch 'Em All...

- DeAree Rogers finished last week with six catches for 84 receiving yards and a touchdown reception, his first touchdown as a Huskie. Through three games, Rogers has 16 catches for 173 receiving yards. Rogers' 16 receptions through three games are the third-

HUSKIES WITH 30 TACKLES IN FIRST 3 GAMES OF SEASON SINCE 2010	
Quinn Urwiler - 34	2024 (10-10-14)
Daveren Rayner - 32	2022 (14-11-7)
Bobby Jones - 33	2017 (16-3-14)
Kyle Pugh - 33	2017 (17-5-11)
Jimmie Ward - 30	2013 (13-9-8)
Jimmie Ward - 33	2012 (12-10-11)
Tyrone Clark - 31	2012 (11-3-17)

most by an NIU player since 2016, behind only Tyrice Richie's 27 receptions in 2020 and Kenny Golladay's 20 in 2016.

- Rogers, who had seven catches in week one, is one of four players in the MAC with multiple games of at least six receptions this season (Chase Hendricks, 4, Ohio; Jacquon Gibson, 2, UMass; Junior Vandeross III, 2, Toledo).

Wright & Johnson. Jr., Running Backs at NIU...

- Redshirt-Senior Chavon Wright and sophomore Telly Johnson Jr. have been the focal point of the NIU offense this season. Wright leads the team in rushing yards with 214 yards on 51 carries while Johnson is right behind him with 199 rushing yards on 37 attempts. Each have 228 yards from scrimmage this season and are the only running back duo in the MAC to post 200+ scrimmage yards each in three games played this season.

- Chavon Wright has led NIU in rushing in all three games this season, running for 90 yards on 27 carries at Maryland on Sept. 5. The redshirt-senior now has 5,093 career rushing yards and 76 career rushing touchdowns which leads all active NCAA football players across all divisions.

- Telly Johnson Jr. has had a rush of at least 15 yards in seven of his nine career games at NIU. He had a 32-yard run last week at Mississippi State. On Sept. 5 Johnson scored on a 74-yard touchdown run, the longest rush of his career.

Walk-Ons Welcome

- "The Hard Way" is the motto at NIU and earning a starting role as a walk-on is no easy task. Seven former walk-ons have started all three games this season: quarterback Josh Holst, offensive linemen Abiathar Curry, Landon Hron and Izzy Ozoh, and linebackers Filip Maciorowski and Quinn Urwiler. Punter Danny Vuckovic is also a former walk-on who earned a scholarship during fall camp this season.

PRESEASON ALL-MAC 2025

Roy Williams, DE, Sr.
Athlon (1st Team)
Phil Steele (1st Team)

Evan Malcore, OT, Jr.
Athlon (2nd Team)
Phil Steele (1st Team)

Telly Johnson Jr., RB, So.
Athlon (2nd Team)
Phil Steele (2nd Team)

Andrew Glass, K, Sr.-R
Athlon (2nd Team)
Phil Steele (2nd Team)

Jalonn Williams, DE, Sr.
Phil Steele (2nd Team)
Athlon (3rd Team)

Jacob Finley, CB, Jr.
Phil Steele (2nd Team)
Athlon (3rd Team)

Quinn Urwiler, LB, Sr.-R
Phil Steele (2nd Team)
Athlon (3rd Team)

Hang With Them...

- The Huskies have had a bit of a penchant for close games during Hammock's tenure. Of the 73 games coached by Hammock, 42 have been decided by one score (eight points or less). In NIU's 2021 MAC Championship season the Huskies were 7-3 in one-score games.

- Fourteen of the last 15 games played by NIU have had a scoring margin of 14 points or less. NIU is 12-8 in games coached by Thomas Hammock decided by three points or less.

Carrying Over

- The Huskies are holding opponents to 32.4 percent on third down to start the 2025 season. NIU finished second in FBS in 2024 in third-down defense with a conversion rate of 26.7 percent. The Huskies have finished in the top 30 of the FBS in third-down defense three times under Thomas Hammock: 2024 (2nd, 26.7), 2020 (9th, 31.1) and 2019 (27th, 34.0).

- The Huskies have averaged over 30 minutes of time of possession in each of head coach Thomas Hammock's six seasons at the helm of NIU. In 2024 NIU was third in the nation in time of possession at 33:21. Only Army West Point (34:39) and Air Force (33:50) averaged

more time of possession last season. NIU had the football for at least 34 minutes

WEEKLY MEDIA SCHEDULE

NIU WEEKLY PRESS CONFERENCE

- NIU will host a weekly press conference with Thomas Hammock and several Huskie players throughout the season.
- The press conference prior to the Mississippi State game will be held on Tuesday, Sept. 23 at 1:00 p.m. CT in the McCareins Auditorium (2nd floor) of the Yordon Center.
- The press conference can be seen live or accessed at any time thereafter on the NIU Athletics' YouTube Channel (NIUAthleticsOfficial).

NIU PLAYER & COACH AVAILABILITY

- Huskie players and coaches are available for interviews Monday through Thursday on Saturday game weeks.
- Contact the NIU Athletics Strategic Communications Office to arrange in-person, phone or Zoom interviews.
- Please provide 24-hour notice for phone requests.
- Contact Dalton Ray to arrange interviews.

PRACTICE COVERAGE

- Media who wish to attend practice should contact the NIU Athletics Strategic Communications Office as access is limited for in-season practices.
- Practices are held in the mornings at Huskie Stadium and/or the Chessick Practice Center.
- Social media posts regarding practice - whether during or after practice - are not permitted during the season.

INFORMATION, VIDEO & PHOTO REQUESTS

- To be added to the NIU football e-mail distribution list (media only), contact Mike Haase.
- Contact Mike Haase to request photos and/or video.
- Information on all MAC teams, including releases, depth charts and photos, logos, league stats and more are available online at CollegePressBox.com. Media can register for access at collegepressbox.com/register.

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BY THE NUMBERS

- .267 In 2024 NIU led the FBS in third down conversion percentage defense
- 1 Head Coach Thomas Hammock is the first NIU football coach to win two bowl games
- 4th The Huskies finished the 2024 season fourth in the country in total defense (284.6 yards per game)
- 5th NIU was fifth in FBS in passing defense last season, allowing 172.5 yards per game
- 7 NIU has had seven different running backs post a 100-yard rushing game during head coach Thomas Hammock's tenure
- 8,1 All-MAC selections for NIU in 2024, of which one (Roy Williams) returns for 2025
- 15 Returning Huskies that played in all 13 games in 2024
- 19 Games since NIU was held to one third down conversion or less (Oct. 31, 2023 at Central Michigan)
- 29 Consecutive games in which the NIU defense has held its opponent under 300 passing yards
- 30+1 Number of states NIU has played a football game in, and one Canadian province
- >30:00 The Huskies have averaged over 30 minutes in time of possession in each of head coach Thomas Hammock's six seasons
- 31 Huskies from the state of Illinois on the 2023 roster
- 34 Tackles for Quinn Urwiler through the first three games of 2025, most for any NIU defender since 2010
- 42 Of the 73 games Thomas Hammock has coached at NIU, 42 have been decided by eight points or less
- 84 DeAree Rogers' receiving yards last week at Mississippi State after having 89 yards in the first two games combined
- 88-75 NIU outscored Kent State (coached by current SDSU head coach Sean Lewis) 88-75 in two meetings in 2021
- 160 The Huskies held Mississippi State to 160 passing yards last week, 103 yards under the Bulldogs' average for the year
- 164 Yards from scrimmage (134 rushing, 30 receiving) for Michael Turner in NIU's 24-16 win over Iowa State on Sept. 27, 2003
- 207, 3 Passing yards and touchdowns for Jordan Lynch in NIU's 55-24 win at Purdue on Sept. 28, 2013
- 265 Combined receiving yards by Christian Blake (160) and Spencer Tears (105) in NIU's last meeting against San Diego State in 2017
- 5,140 Career rushing yards for senior running back Chavon Wright between University of Charleston and NIU

MAC PRESEASON POLL

Team (1st Place Votes)	Points
1. Toledo (7)	119
2. Miami (3)	109
3. Ohio (3)	92
4. Buffalo	92
5. NIU	81
6. Bowling Green	64
7. Western Michigan	60
8. Eastern Michigan	59
9. Central Michigan	41
10. Ball State	42
11. Akron	37
Massachusetts	24
13. Kent State	13

MAC Football Champion Votes
Toledo (6), Miami (4), Ohio (3)

five times in 2024, posting a season-high 39:14 in the Famous Idaho Potato Bowl win over Fresno State.

Here's Coach Hammock

- Huskie alum and 2022 NIU Athletics Hall of Fame inductee Thomas Hammock is in his seventh season at the helm of the NIU program in 2025. Hammock became the first NIU head coach to lead the Huskies to two bowl wins with NIU's 28-20 double overtime victory over Fresno State in the Famous Idaho Potato Bowl. He guided the Huskies to the 2021 MAC Championship, and in 2023 led NIU to its first bowl win since 2011 with a 21-19 victory over Arkansas

State in the Camellia Bowl.

- In terms of tenure in the MAC, Hammock ranks fourth behind Chris Creighton (Eastern Michigan) and Chuck Martin (Miami) who are in their 12th seasons, and Jason Candle of Toledo in his 10th season.

From The MAC To The Mountain West

- NIU was picked to finish fifth in the MAC Preseason Poll, 17 points ahead of sixth-place Bowling Green. The Huskies take on the top three teams in the preseason poll - Toledo, Miami and Ohio - in their final season in the league. The Huskies open MAC play on Oct. 4 against Miami in NIU's 118th Homecoming game and go to Ohio on Oct. 18 and Toledo on Nov. 5.

- On January 7, 2025 NIU announced it had accepted an invitation to join the Mountain West Conference as a football-only member beginning with the 2026 football season. NIU will join Air Force, Hawai'i, Nevada, New Mexico, San Jose State, UNLV, UTEP and Wyoming as members of the Mountain West. The Huskies have been a member of the Mid-American Conference for 38 seasons during two different stints in the league. NIU originally competed in the MAC from 1975-1985, then rejoined the conference in 1997. The Huskies have won six MAC championships with the most recent coming in 2021.

- The Huskies will play both of their "trophy game" foes at home in 2025 as Ball State visits Huskie Stadium on October 25 for the Bronze Stalk Trophy. NIU will look to secure the Mallory Cup in its Homecoming matchup against Miami on October 4.

Scouting San Diego State

- The Aztecs come to DeKalb 2-1 on the season after shutting out California 34-0 last week at Snapdragon Stadium. It was San Diego State's first win against an ACC opponent and largest margin of victory against a power conference opponent since 1969.

- San Diego State leads the Mountain West in total defense at 260 yards per game allowed. Running Back Lucky Sutton is third in the conference in rushing at 83.0 yards per game.

Next Game Up

- NIU opens its final MAC slate against Miami for Homecoming on Saturday, Oct. 4 at 2:30 p.m. The RedHawks have won four straight in the series after a 20-9 win in Oxford last season. The Huskies had won seven out of eight from 2002-2015.

2025 NIU PERSONNEL CHART

LETTERWINNERS* RETURNING - 30

Offense (14): TE Jake Appleget, OL Abiathar Curry, WR George Dimopoulos, QB Josh Holst, RB Telly Johnson Jr., RB Justin Lynch, OL Evan Malcore, TE Izzy Ozoh, OL Thomas Paasch, WR Dane Pardridge, RB Jaylen Poe, OL Luke Skartvedt, OL Jacob Welch.

Defense (15): CB Malik Armstrong, DE Ivan Davis, CB Jacob Finley, LB Jake Gassaway, DT Mark Hensley, S Muhammad Jammeh, LB Filip Maciorowski, S Cyrus McGarrell, CB Ty Myles, DE Pierce Oppong, S Trey Porter, DE Jay'Shon Thomas, LB Quinn Urwiler, DE Jalonnie Williams, DE Roy Williams.

Specialist (1): K Austin Bullock

LETTERWINNERS LOST - 46

Offense (21): RB Antario Brown, TE Grayson Barnes, OL Evan Buss, TE Chris Carter, OG John Champe, WR Christopher Gore, QB Ethan Hampton, OL Drew Hoth%, WR Jalen Johnson%, FB Brock Lampe, OG J.J. Lippe, WR Andrew McElroy, WR Dane Pardridge, OL Luke Pinnick%, WR Keyshaun Pipkin, WR Trayvon Rudolph, OL Matthew Schooley, TE Tristen Tewes, WR Cam Thompson, RB Gavin Williams, OG Logan Zschernitz.

Defense (21): CB S Santana Banner, CB Isaiah Bragg, CB JaVaughn Byrd, DT Cam Crowell%, CB Shaad Dabney, LB Jaden Dolphin, LB Christian Fuhrman, DT Skyler Gill-Howard, DT Cade Haberman, S Jordan Hansen, CB Amariyun Knighten, LB Jordan Monroe, DT Devonte O'Malley, S Jashon Prophete, LB Joey Rattin, DE Nevaeh Sanders, DT Demond Taylor Jr., DE Raishein Thomas, S Ethan Tierney, S Nate Valcarcel, DT Jacob Waskow.

Specialists (4): P Tom Foley, LS Isaac Hatfield, K Jake Seibert%, K Kanon Woodill

% Previous year letterwinner (not 2024).

+RETURNING STARTERS - 5

Offense (2): TE Jake Appleget, OT Evan Malcore.

Defense (2): DE Jalonnie Williams, DE Roy Williams.

Specialists (1): KO Austin Bullock

+STARTERS LOST - 21

Offense (10): RB Antario Brown, RT Evan Buss, RG John Champe, QB Ethan Hampton, FB Brock Lampe, LG J.J. Lippe, WR Trayvon Rudolph, TE Tristen Tewes, WR Cam Thompson, C Logan Zschernitz.

Defense (9): S Santana Banner, CB JaVaughn Byrd, LB Jaden Dolphin, LB Christian Fuhrman, DT Cade Haberman, CB Amariyun Knighten, DT Devonte O'Malley, DB Jashon Prophete, S Nate Valcarcel.

Specialists (3): P Tom Foley, LS Isaac Hatfield, PK Kanon Woodill

+Started at least 6 games in 2024 unless otherwise noted.

NEW TRANSFERS - 15

S Jasper Beeler (Saginaw Valley State), TE Simon Brackin (Princeton), LB Danny Cronin (Dartmouth), DT Dasean Dixon (Albany), WR Gary Givens III (Valparaiso), K Andrew Glass (Kent State), CB Donte Harrison (Shepherd), LS Quinn Kelly (Eastern Michigan), CB Keshawn Lyons (McKendree), WR Thomas McCoy (Marshall), DE Davonte Murray (UT Martin), LS Ross Pedro (Southern Illinois), WR DeAree Rogers (Lenoir-Rhyne), CB Miles Thompson (Texas Tech), S Brody Windham (Saddleback CC).

2024 REDSHIRTS - 25

TE Devon Akers, LB Chidu Bekee, WR La'Don Bryant, TE Jason Fowler, OL Logan Gross, OL Ben Gustafson, LB Tristan Hunter, DE Lance Ingold, OL Ross Liegel, OL Lane Mahnesmith, WR Jamari McIvory, LB KJ McCrae, DE Ivan Moore Jr., DT Tanner Phelps, RB Elijah Porter, S Taylor Powell, LB Marc Pretto, CB Dev'ion Reynolds, OL Grey Rumohr, DT Samir Senenat, TE Joe Stein, WR Rickey Taylor Jr., DE CJ Wade, S Romelo Walker, RB Romelo Ware.

ROSTER BREAKDOWN

BY EXPERIENCE	Off.	Def.	Spec.	Total
6th Season	1	0	0	1
5th Season	4	6	0	10
4th Season	7	12	3	22
3rd Season	9	7	1	17
2nd Season	17	12	1	30
1st Season	16	15	2	33

BY POSITION

Offensive Line.....	18
Tight End.....	10
Wide Receiver	13
Running Back	8
Quarterback	5
Defensive End	10
Defensive Tackle	11
Linebacker.....	11
Defensive Back	4
Safety	8
Cornerback	8
Kicker/Punter	5
Long Snapper	2

BY STATE/PROVINCE

Illinois.....	31
Iowa	11
Florida.....	10
Georgia	8
Wisconsin	8
Missouri	7
Nebraska.....	6
Indiana.....	5
Michigan.....	5
Minnesota.....	2
South Carolina	2
Tennessee.....	2
Washington, DC.....	2
West Virginia	2
Alabama	1
California.....	1
Maryland.....	1
New Jersey.....	1
Ontario (Canada)	1

NIU OPPONENTS THIS WEEK

Holy Cross.....	at Fordham
Maryland	Open
Mississippi State.....	#15 Tennessee
San Diego State.....	at NIU
Miami	Lindenwood
Eastern Michigan.....	at Central Michigan
Ohio	Bowling Green
Ball State.....	Open
Toledo	Akron
UMass.....	at #20 Missouri
Western Michigan	Rhode Island
Kent State.....	Open

A CHAMPIONSHIP TRADITION

CHAMPIONSHIP PEDIGREE: NIU's five MAC Championship game wins are more than any other current league member. The Huskies have played in the game nine times in the 28 years the game has been played. NIU has won six Mid-American Conference titles all-time, as the Huskies' first MAC crown came in 1983 before the days of conference championship games.

MAC Championships (since 1997)

Current Members	MAC Champ. Game Appearances	MAC Championships
NIU	9	5
Toledo	8	4
Miami	7	4
Ohio	6	1
Central Michigan	4	3
Bowling Green	4	2
Western Michigan	3	1
Buffalo	3	1
Ball State	2	1
Akron	2	1
Kent State	2	0
Eastern Michigan	0	0

HUSKIE BOWL FACTS: NIU played in its 12th bowl game in the last 16 seasons in 2023, dating back to the 2008 Independence Bowl. The Camellia Bowl marked the Huskies' 15th bowl as a FBS team (since 1969) and 20th all-time. The Huskies appeared in a MAC-record eight consecutive bowl games from 2008-15. NIU's 12 bowl appearances since 2008 and 14 since 2003 lead the MAC. The Huskies' modern bowl history began at the 1983 California Bowl when the MAC Champions defeated Cal State Fullerton. NIU has won at least six games 18 times since 2000, but were not selected for a bowl in 2000, 2001, 2002, 2003 (with 10 wins!) and 2005 (despite playing in the MAC Championship game).

MAC BOWL APPEARANCES*

THOSE WHO STAY...

Former NIU head coach Joe Novak posted a sign on the wall of his team's locker room when he took over the program in 1996. It read "Those Who Stay Will Be Champions." Over the last 14 years, that promise has been fulfilled as every freshman class since 2008 has left NIU with at least one MAC Championship ring.

	Since 2003	Since 2008
NIU	15	13
Ohio	14	13
Toledo	14	12
Central Michigan	11	9
Bowling Green	11	9
Western Michigan	10	9
Miami	9	7
Buffalo	7	7
Ball State	6	6
Eastern Michigan	5	5
Kent State	3	3
Akron	3	2

*through 2024

HUSKIES IN THE MAC: In 38 seasons as a member of the Mid-American Conference, the Huskies are 169-122-2 all-time. The Huskies own a winning percentage of .635 (134-77) versus MAC foes since re-joining the league in 1997. Since 2010, NIU is 78-32 (.709) against the MAC with three undefeated campaigns, two one-loss seasons and eight division championships, including a run of six-straight (2010-15). NIU originally competed in the MAC from 1975-85.

MAC MVPS: Dating back to 2006, Huskie players have won eight of the last 18

"THE HARD WAY"

"The Hard Way" has been a mantra for NIU Football long before hashtags or Twitter/X. The slogan has been embraced by Huskie players and coaches alike since 1996 when it was first introduced at NIU by a junior college transfer named Kenneth Williams during preseason camp. The Hard Way describes the hard work, sacrifice and determination required to get the job done no matter the obstacle. It describes a culture of toughness. The hashtag evolved from a song/chant that is sung in the Huskie locker room following victories.

MAC Vern Smith Leadership Awards, which annually goes to the Most Valuable Player in the Mid-American Conference as voted by MAC head coaches. No other league team has had more than three players honored with the Vern Smith Award.

ADDED TO THE BONEYARD:

With its 16-14 victory over Notre Dame on September 7, NIU added its 19th Boneyard Win all-time. "Boneyard Wins" date back to 1983 and are defined as wins over teams from "power" leagues, as well as independents like Notre Dame and (formerly) BYU. NIU has added three bones to the yard in the last four seasons under Thomas Hammock.

NATIONAL RECOGNITION: In the past 14 seasons, five Huskies have earned first or second team All-America recognition from a major outlet seven times, with Jordan Lynch and Sutton Smith collecting the honor in multiple years. In the 40 years prior (1969-2009), three NIU players earned first or second team All-America honors four times.

LEADER OF THE MAC: NIU currently ranks behind only Toledo for the most wins by a Mid-American Conference team since 2010. The Huskies have the edge in trips to the conference championship game and MAC championships (2011, 2012, 2014, 2018, 2021) while the Rockets have played in the game three times in that time (2017, 2022, 2023).

MAC W-L Records Since 2010

Team	W	L
Toledo	126	66
NIU	119	77
Ohio	119	72
Western Michigan	95	93
Miami	83	102
Buffalo	84	100
Central Michigan	83	103
Bowling Green	81	106
Ball State	78	105
Eastern Michigan	70	114
Kent State	61	119
Akron	49	132

LAND OF LINCOLN LEADERS: Since 2010, NIU is the winningest football program among Illinois' seven Division I (FBS and FCS) football programs. During that time, the Huskies are 1-1 versus in-state FBS programs with a 2014 win over Northwestern and a 2010 loss at Illinois. NIU is 5-1 versus in-state FCS opponents over the last 13 seasons. The Huskies have played more games (192) since 2010 than any other state school.

Illinois' Division I Schools Since 2010

Team	W	L	Pct.
NIU	119	77	.607
Illinois State	107	70	.605
Northwestern	96	93	.508
Southern Illinois	82	93	.469
Illinois	79	107	.425
Eastern Illinois	66	103	.391
Western Illinois	56	115	.327


WINNERS: NIU recorded its 19th winning season (out of 25) this century and finished the season 8-5 for the second consecutive year after winning four of its last five games in 2024. The Huskies rank among the Top 30 FBS programs in the country in wins over the last 15 seasons, with five conference championships, 11 winning seasons and 11 bowl appearances, including 2024. The Huskies were bowl eligible for the third time in the last four seasons.

ABOUT THE OPPONENT

LAST MEETING

Sept. 30, 2017 • San Diego, Calif.

Final

	NIU	14	0	14	0	28
	#19 San Diego State	14	17	0	3	34

Scoring Summary

Team	Qtr.	Time	Scoring Play	Pl.-Yds	TOP Score	
SDSU	1st	14:47	Washington 96 yd KR (Baron PAT)	---	---	0-7
NIU	1st	11:49	Santacaterina 34 yd pass to Blake (Hagan PAT)	7-73	2:53	7-7
SDSU	1st	9:55	Chapman 33 yd pass to Penny (Baron PAT)	1-33	0:05	7-14
NIU	1st	4:18	Santacaterina 10 yd pass to Blake (Hagan PAT)	13-77	5:31	14-14
SDSU	2nd	9:00	Thompson 83 yd INT return (Baron PAT)	---	---	14-21
SDSU	2nd	2:12	Chapman 8 yd pass to Warring (Baron PAT)	7-66	3:45	14-28
SDSU	2nd	0:07	Baron 38 yd FG	7-32	0:42	14-31
NIU	3rd	14:17	Santacaterina 81 yd pass to Tears (Hagan PAT)	2-82	0:37	21-31
NIU	3rd	5:39	Childers 1 yd run (Hagan PAT)	4-60	1:36	28-31
SDSU	4th	14:15	Baron 21 yd FG	8-64	4:01	28-34

Team & Individual Statistics

	NIU	SDSU
First Downs (R-P)	23 (9-11)	10 (3-6)
Rushes-Net Yards	46-160	36-127
Passing Yards	269	136
Passes (C-A-I)	24-40-3	10-20-0
Plays-Total Yards	86-429	56-263
Fumbles-Lost	1-1	0-0
Penalties-Yards	4-42	10-126
Kickoff Returns-Yds	5-83	4-182
Punt Returns-Yds	3-32	1-3
3rd Down Conv.	8-17	1-14
4th Down Conv.	0-0	1-1
Punts-Average	8-36.0	10-36.7
Possession Time	34:27	25:33
Sacks By-Yards	1-6	4-30

SERIES HISTORY

Overall San Diego State leads 6-0
 In DeKalb San Diego State leads 3-0
 In College Park San Diego State leads 3-0
 Streak San Diego State, 6
 First Meeting Oct. 21, 1967: San Diego State 47, NIU 6 (H)
 Last Meeting ..Sept. 30, 2017 : San Diego State 34, NIU 28 (A)

1967: SDSU 47, NIU 6 (H)
 1968: SDSU 42, NIU 28 (A)
 1970: SDSU 35, NIU 3 (H)
 1971: SDSU 30, NIU 10 (A)
 2016: SDSU 42, NIU 28 (H)
 2017: SDSU 34, NIU 28 (A)

SAN DIEGO STATE AZTECS

Head Coach (Alma Mater/Year) Sean Lewis
 (Wisconsin, 2007)
 Record at San Diego State/Years 5-10/2nd
 Career Record/Years 29-41/7th
 2024 Record 3-9
 Conference Record/Finish 2-5/T-10th (MW)
 Location San Diego, Calif.
 Enrollment 39,373
 Conference Mountain West (joining Pac-12 July 1, 2026)
 Colors Scarlet and Black
 Stadium Snapdragon Stadium
 Surface/Capacity Grass/35,000
 President Dr. Adela de la Torre
 Athletic Director John David Wicker
 Athletics Website GoAztecs.com
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SAN DIEGO STATE 2025 SCHEDULE

Day, Date	Opponent (TV)	Time (CT)/Result
Thurs., Aug. 28	STONY BROOK (MWN)	W, 42-0
Sat., Sept. 6	at Washington State (The CW)	L, 36-13
Sat., Sept. 20	CALIFORNIA (CBSSN)	W, 34-0
Sat., Sept. 27	at NIU (ESPN+)	2:30 PM
Fri., Oct. 3	COLORADO STATE* (CBSSN)	9:30 PM
Sat., Oct. 11	at Nevada* (CBSSN)	9:30 PM
Sat., Oct. 25	at Fresno State* (Fox/FS1/FS2)	TBA
Sat., Nov. 1	WYOMING* (CBSSN)	6:00 PM
Sat., Nov. 8	at Hawai'i* (Spectrum/MWN)	10:00 PM
Sat., Nov. 15	BOISE STATE* (CBSSN)	9:30 PM
Sat., Nov. 22	SAN JOSE STATE* (Fox/FS1/FS2)	TBA
Fri., Nov. 28	at New Mexico* (CBSSN)	2:30 PM

*-SEC Game

TEAM COMPARISON

	NIU	SAN DIEGO STATE
Scoring Off./G	12.7	29.7
Scoring Def./G	25.0	12.0
Rush Yds./G	161.0	147.3
Rush Defense/G	146.7	84.3
Pass Yards/G	114.0	186.0
Pass Defense/G	189.7	175.7
Total Offense/G	275.0	333.3
Total Defense/G	336.3	260.0
INT/Opp. INT	2/1	0/2
Sacks By/Allowed	4/5	7/4
3rd Down Off/Def	28.3%/32.4%	33.3%/26.0%
Red Zone Off/Def	80.0%/78.6%	100%/57.1%
Kickoff Return Avg.	27.0	16.0
Punt Return Avg.	0.0	10.5
Fumbles-Lost	4-0	0-0
Penalties/Yds. Game	18/51.0	20/59.3
Field Goals	4-5	4-4

NIU Head Coach Thomas Hammock



In six seasons as head coach at Northern Illinois University, Thomas Hammock has successfully guided the Huskies to the 2021 Mid-American Conference Championship, back-to-back bowl victories and three "Boneyard Wins, including arguably the biggest win in school history in 2024. On September 7, 2024, Hammock's Huskies defeated fifth-ranked Notre Dame, 16-14, in South Bend, Indiana marking the first win by NIU, and the first win by a MAC school, over a Top 5 team.

The New Jersey native who originally came to NIU from Fort Wayne, Indiana, is the first African-American head coach in NIU football history and the first alumnus to lead the Huskies as a FBS program. In his third season as head coach in 2021, Hammock led the second-youngest team in the Football Bowl Subdivision (FBS) to a 9-5 record and the Mid-American Conference Championship after the Huskies went winless (0-6) during the COVID-shortened 2020 campaign. NIU became the first FBS team to win its conference championship game one year after going winless. Hammock was named the MAC Coach of the Year and was one of 13 finalists for the FWAA's Eddie Robinson Coach of the Year Award, becoming just the fourth coach from a MAC school to be named a finalist for the honor.

Hammock began his coaching career at Wisconsin, where he spent two seasons as a graduate assistant, followed by two seasons as an assistant at NIU under Huskie Hall of Famer Joe Novak (2005-06). He was an assistant at Minnesota and Wisconsin before joining the Ravens in 2014.

In his five seasons as the running backs coach for the Ravens, Baltimore's rushing attack finish in the top 11 in the NFL three times, including in 2018 when the Ravens had the second-best rushing offense in the league. The Ravens made the playoffs twice during his time in Baltimore.

Hammock helped mentor running back Justin Forsett to his first career Pro Bowl in 2014 as he rushed for a career-high 1,266 yards, fifth-most in the NFL. Baltimore fullback Kyle Juszyk was selected to the Pro Bowl for the first time in 2016 after leading the NFL in catches (37) and receiving yards (266) by a fullback.

Prior to his five seasons in Baltimore, Hammock spent three years at Wisconsin as running backs coach and assistant head coach. In 2011, the Badgers ranked 11th nationally in rushing, while Montee Ball led the nation in rushing yards (1,923) and broke the NCAA single-season touchdown record with 39. Ball was a consensus first team All-American and a Heisman Trophy finalist as the Badgers finished 11-3 and played in the Rose Bowl.

The following season, Wisconsin again ranked among the nation's elite rushing teams, Ball became the NCAA's all-time leader in rushing scores and won the Doak Walker Award as the nation's top running back.

Hammock returned to DeKalb as an assistant coach in 2005-06. In his first season, NIU Hall of Famer Garrett Wolfe rushed for 1,580 yards and 16 touchdowns in just nine games as NIU won the MAC West Division and appeared in the MAC Championship Game for the first time.

During the 2006 campaign, Wolfe rushed for an NCAA-best 1,928 yards as the Huskies reached the Poinsettia Bowl. Hammock helped Wolfe earn All-America and first team All-MAC honors in both 2005 and 2006. Wolfe was also the Vern Smith Leadership Award winner as the MAC's Most Valuable Player in 2006.

Hammock spent the 2007-10 seasons as the running backs coach at the University of Minnesota, helping the Golden Gophers to the Insight Bowl in both 2008 and 2009. Hammock was named the co-offensive coordinator at Minnesota for the 2010 season and the Gophers moved up 26 spots nationally in rushing and 34 spots in total offense.

Hammock earned his bachelor's degree in marketing from NIU in December 2002, and a master's in educational leadership and policy analysis from Wisconsin in 2004. He and his wife, Cheyennitha, also a NIU alum, have a daughter, Tierra, and a son, Thomas Douglas.

ABOUT HAMMOCK

COACHING EXPERIENCE

2019-	NIU (Head Coach)
2014-18	Baltimore Ravens (Running Backs)
2011-13	Wisconsin
	• Asst. Head Coach/RBs/Recruiting Coord. (2012-13)
	• Running Backs (2011)
2007-10	Minnesota
	• Running Backs (2007-09)
	• Co-Offensive Coord./Running Backs (2010)
2005-06	NIU (Running Backs)
2003-04	Wisconsin (Graduate Assistant)

POSTSEASON EXPERIENCE

2024	Famous Idaho Potato Bowl (NIU)
2023	Camellia Bowl (NIU)
2021	Tailgreeter Cure Bowl (NIU)
2021	MAC Championship (NIU)
2018	NFL Playoffs (Baltimore Ravens)
2014	NFL Playoffs (Baltimore Ravens)
2013	Capital One Bowl (Wisconsin)
2012	Rose Bowl Game (Wisconsin)
2012	Big Ten Championship Game (Wisconsin)
2011	Rose Bowl Game (Wisconsin)
2011	Big Ten Championship Game (Wisconsin)
2009	Insight Bowl (Minnesota)
2008	Insight Bowl (Minnesota)
2006	Poinsettia Bowl (NIU)
2005	MAC Championship (NIU)
2004	Outback Bowl (Wisconsin)
2003	Music City Bowl (Wisconsin)

PLAYING EXPERIENCE

1999-2002	NIU (Tailback)
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EDUCATION

College	B.S., NIU, 2002
	M.S., Wisconsin, 2005
High School	Bishop Luers (Ind.), 1999

PERSONAL

Birthplace	Jersey City, N.J.
Hometown	Fort Wayne, Ind.
Family	Wife, Cheyennitha, daughter Tierra; son Thomas

YEAR BY YEAR RECORD

Year.....	Overall	MAC.....	Finish
2019.....	5-7	4-4	3rd, West
2020*.....	0-6	0-6	6th, West
2021.....	9-5	6-2	MAC Champions
2022.....	3-9	2-6	6th, West
2023.....	7-6	5-3	2nd, West
2024.....	8-5	4-4	6th
2025.....	1-1	0-0	
Total.....	33-39	21-25	

**Season shortened due to COVID-19*

NIU COACHING STAFF



Quinn Sanders
Offensive Coordinator/QBs
First Season at NIU
Charleston



Rob Harley
Defensive Coordinator
First Season at NIU
Ohio State



DJ Bland
Cornerbacks/Pass Def. Coord.
Third Season at NIU
Eastern Illinois



Ty Boles
Running Backs
Third Season at NIU
Samford



Cory Connolly
Linebackers/Special Teams Coord.
First Season at NIU
Quincy



Joseph Hawkins
Wide Receivers
Fourth Season at NIU
Norfolk State



Luke Meadows
Offensive Line
Second Season at NIU
South Dakota State



Travis Moore
Defensive Line
Seventh Season at NIU
NIU



Brayden Patton
Tight Ends
First Season at NIU
NIU



Justin Robinson
Defensive Tackles
First Season at NIU
Indianapolis



Kai Ross
Safeties
Second Season at NIU
Lindenwood

NIU PLAYERS TO WATCH

22 JASPER BEELER

S | 6-2 | 194 | Jr. | Farmington, Mich. | North Farmington (Saginaw Valley State)

Year	G/GS	Solo	Ast.	Total	TFL	FF	INT	PBU
2025	3/3	7	10	17	1.5	1	0	1
Career	25	53	41	94	11.0	1	1	16

• Made 10 tackles at Mississippi State (9-20), adding a half-sack... Had five tackles at Maryland (9-5), including a forced fumble and a tackle for loss... Played two seasons at Saginaw Valley State... Had 53 tackles, seven tackles for loss and 15 pass breakups in 2024... Made 10 tackles in season-opening win at Winona State (9-5-24)... Totaled nine tackles against Michigan Tech (11-16-24)... Broke up four passes and added six tackles against Davenport (11-2-24)... Had five or more tackles in a game six times... Had 23 tackles in 2.5 tackles for loss in 2023.

3 JACOB FINLEY

CB | 5-11 | 176 | So.-R | Birmingham, Ala. | Hoover HS

Year	G/GS	Solo	Ast.	Total	TFL	QS	INT	PBU
2025	2/2	4	1	5	0	0	0	1
Career	32/17	58	20	78	3.5	0.5	1	13

• Had three tackles, including a pass breakup, at Maryland (9-5)... 2025 preseason All-MAC selections: Phil Steele (2nd Team), Athlon (3rd Team)... Led NIU with eight pass breakups in 2024... Started last five games of the year... Had his first career interception and also his first half-sack in NIU's win over Central Michigan (11-30-24)... Made four tackles, including a tackle for loss, in win over Akron (11-13-24)... Recorded a season-high seven tackles at Ball State (10-26-24)... Had four tackles in win at Notre Dame (9-9) and broke up a pass... Broke up two passes against Western Illinois (8-31-24) in season opener... Played in every game of the 2023 season, starting eight... Had three tackles in NIU's Camellia Bowl win over Arkansas State (12-23-23).

15 JOSH HOLST

QB | 6-4 | 204 | So.-R | Marengo, Ill. | Marengo Community HS

Year	G/GS	Rush	Yds.	Avg.	TD	Lg	Comp-Att-Int	Pct.	Yds	TD	Lg
2025	3/3	21	32	1.5	0	9	40-63-2	63.5	327	1	25
Career	10/6	70	262	3.7	1	22	105-174-4	60.3	920	2	30

• Threw for 135 yards and a touchdown last week at Mississippi State (9-20)... Had 101 passing yards in season-opening win against Holy Cross (8-30)... Threw for 593 yards and two touchdowns in seven games in 2024... Named the Famous Idaho Potato Bowl MVP after completing 18-of-30 passes for 182 yards adn two touchdowns... Also ran the ball 16 times for 65 yards and caught a two-point conversion in the second overtime... Was 6-for-8 passing at Miami (11-19-24) for 31 yards, rushing for 15 yards... Completed 7-of-10 passes for 64 yards at Ball State (10-26-24), adding 27 yards rushing... Threw for 210 yards in his first career start against Toledo (10-19-24); had a season-high 14 carries for 48 yards... Was 10-for-14 passing for 89 yards in relief of Ethan Hampton in win at Bowling Green (10-12-24); ran for 47 yards including a 22-yard touchdown for his first career score... Made his NIU debut against Western Illinois (8-31).

22 TELLY JOHNSON JR.

RB | 5-11 | 205 | Fr. | Augusta, Ga. | Hephzibah

Year	G/GS	Rush	Yds.	Avg.	TD	Lg
2025	3/2	37	199	5.4	1	74
Career	9/4	140	679	4.9	5	74

• Had a 32-yard run at Mississippi State (9-20)... Scored his first touchdown of the season at Maryland (9-5) on a 74-yard run, a career-long... 2025 preseason All-MAC selections: Phil Steele (2nd Team), Athlon (3rd Team)... NIU's leading returning rusher after amassing 480 yards in just six games... Scored his fourth touchdown of the season in NIU's win over Central Michigan (11-30-24), carrying the ball 20 times for 84 yards... Rushed for 104 yards in win over Akron (11-13-24); had a season-long rush of 38 yards... MAC Co-Offensive Player of the Week (11-8)... Rushed for 141 yards on 23 carries in win at Western Michigan (11-6-24)... Scored his first two career touchdowns against the Broncos... Made his first appearance for NIU at Ball State (10-26-24), carrying the football six times for 48 yards.

17 FILIP MACIOROWSKI

LB | 6-3 | 225 | So.-R | Carol Stream, Ill. | Glenbard West HS

Year	G/GS	Solo	Ast.	Total	TFL	FF	INT	PBU
2025	3/3	11	9	20	0.5	0	0	1
Career	16/3	15	10	25	1.0	0	0	1

• Made a career-high nine tackles at Mississippi State (9-20) with his first career half-sack... Had six tackles at Maryland (9-5) with 0.5 tackles for loss... Made five tackles in his first career start against Holy Cross (8-30)... Played in all 13 games in 2024, primarily on special teams... Made two tackles in the 2024 season opener against Western Illinois (8-31-24).

54 EVAN MALCORE

OL | 6-6 | 305 | Jr.-R | Sun Prairie, Wis. | Sun Prairie HS

• 2025 preseason All-MAC selections: Phil Steele (1st Team), Athlon (2nd Team)... NIU's lone returning starter on the offensive line... Has started 21 consecutive games at left tackle... Huskies finished the 2024 regular season second in the MAC in total offense (383.4 yards/game) and rushing offense (207.3 yards per game)... Academic All-MAC and College Sports Communicators Academic All-District selection... Played in all 13 games in 2023; started seven of the last eight games at left tackle... Academic All-MAC selection... In his first career start NIU rushed for 380 yards and six touchdowns at Akron (10-7-23)... Huskies ranked second in the MAC with 179.6 rushing yards per game and 19th nationally with 1.23 sacks allowed per game.

NIU PLAYERS TO WATCH

6 DEAREE ROGERS

WR | 5-11 | 200 | Jr. | Lexington, S.C. | Irmo HS (Lenoir-Rhyne)

Year	G/GS	Rec.	Yds.	Avg.	TD	Lg
2024	3/3	16	173	10.8	1	25
Career	26	106	1279	12.1	11	59

• Led all payers with six receptions and 84 yards at Mississippi State (9-20); caught his first NIU touchdown on a 24-yard pass from Josh Holst... Had three catches at Maryland (9-5)... Led NIU with seven receptions for 73 yards against Holy Cross (8-30); also had a 22-yard rush... Caught 37 passes for 416 yards and four touchdowns in 2024 at Lenoir-Rhyne... Earned First Team All-America honors as a return specialist in 2023, returning three punts for touchdowns... Also had 53 receptions for 690 yards and six touchdowns... Had 11 receptions for 150 yards against Barton (10-14-23)... Helped guide Lenoir-Rhyne to the 2023 NCAA Division II semifinals.

32 QUINN URWILER

LB | 6-0 | 226 | Sr.-R | Mooseheart, Ill. | Batavia HS (North Dakota)

Year	G/GS	Solo	Ast.	Total	TFL	QS	FF	PBU
2025	3/3	17	17	34	1.0	0.5	0	0
Career	47	50	44	94	4.0	1.5	0	2

• Had a game-high 14 tackles at Mississippi State (9-20)... Led NIU with 10 tackles at Maryland (9-5)... Also had 10 tackles in win over Holy Cross (8-30)... 2025 preseason All-MAC selections: Phil Steele (2nd Team), Athlon (3rd Team)... Played in all 13 games of 2024... Made four tackles in the Famous Idaho Potato Bowl (12-23-24)... Had two tackles and a pass breakup in win over Central Michigan (11-30-24)... Made four tackles against both Western Michigan (11-6-24) and Akron (11-13-24)... Recorded a career-high six tackles against Toledo (10-19-24)... Had three tackles at NC State (9-28)... Made four tackles, including 0.5 tackles for loss, in season opener against Western Illinois (8-31-24)... Played in five games in 2023, primarily on special teams... Appeared in all 12 games of the 2022 season... Played in 14 games over two seasons at North Dakota (2020-21).

11 JALONNIE WILLIAMS

DE | 6-4 | 286 | Sr.-R | Milwaukee, Wis. | Greenfield HS

Year	G/GS	Solo	Ast.	Total	TFL	QS	FF	FR
2024	3/3	3	4	7	0.5	0	0	1
Career	22/15	17	22	39	5.5	1.5	0	3

• Recovered a fumble at Maryland (9-5)... Had three tackles in win over Holy Cross (8-30) and also recorded his first career pass breakup... 2025 preseason All-MAC selections: Phil Steele (2nd Team), Athlon (3rd Team)... Started all 12 games he played in 2024 at defensive end... Made four tackles with one for loss in win at Western Michigan (11-6-24)... Had three tackles and a tackle for loss against Toledo (10-19-24)... Recorded a sack and a 17-yard fumble recovery in win at Bowling Green (10-12-24)... Also recovered a fumble against UMass (10-5-24)... Set a career-high with four tackles and 1.5 tackles for loss at NC State (9-28-24)... Played in five games in 2023, making four tackles with 0.5 sacks... His half-sack came in NIU's Camellia Bowl win over Arkansas State (12-23-23).

97 ROY WILLIAMS

DE | 6-6 | 257 | Sr. | Crestwood, Ill. | Alan B. Shepard HS

Year	G/GS	Solo	Ast.	Total	TFL	QS	FF	FR
2025	3/3	7	4	11	1.0	1.0	0	0
Career	35/22	43	31	74	13.0	11.0	1	0

• Made five tackles at Mississippi Sate (9-20)... Had four tackles at Maryland (9-5)... Recorded the first sack of the season for NIU in the win over Holy Cross (8-30)...2025 preseason All-MAC selections: Phil Steele (1st Team), Athlon (1st Team)... 2024 All-MAC Second Team selection... NIU's leading returning tackler (38), was second on the team in 2024 with 6.5 sacks... Had a sack in back-to-back games against Miami (11-19-24) and Central Michigan (11-30-24)... Made five tackles and a career-high 1.5 sacks in win over UMass (10-5-24)... Tied his career-high with six tackles at NC State (9-28-24), adding his second sack of the season... Led NIU with a career-high six tackles and a sack in win over Western Illinois (8-31-24)...Started first five games of 2023 season while appearing in all 13...Finished 2023 with 5.5 tackles for loss and 3.5 sacks... Had a half-sack in shutout win over Western Michigan (11-14-23)... Had a seven-yard sack and three solo tackles in win at Akron (10-7-23)... Season-high four tackles came against Tulsa (9-23-23)... Had first sack of career and a pass breakup in season-opening win at Boston Colege (9-2-23).

10 CHAVON WRIGHT

RB | 5-8 | 212 | Sr.-R | Opa Locka, Fla. | Cedar Grove HS (Charleston)

Year	G/GS	Rush	Yds.	Avg.	TD	Lg	Rec.	Yds.	TD	Lg
2025	3/2	51	214	4.4	1	45	5	14	0	5
Career	38	876	5,140	5.9	76	68	61	454	2	33

• Leads all active NCAA Football players with 5,140 career rushing yards... His 76 career rushing touchdowns lead all active college football players... Had 90 rushing yards at Maryland (9-5) on 27 carries... Ran the ball 11 times against Holy Cross (8-30) for a game-high 77 yards and a touchdown... Led NCAA Division II in 2024 with 2,233 rushing yards and 38 touchdowns... His 38 touchdowns set a single season Division II record... Also led the nation with 193.33 all-purpose yards per game... Named the Mountain East Conference Offensive Player of the Year and Co-Male Athlete of the Year... Earned All-American honors from the AFCA and D2CCA and was the D2CCA All-Super Region I Offensive Player of the Year... Finished second in the voting for the Harlon Hill Trophy, given to the Division II National Player of the Year... Was also named the MEC Offensive Player in the Year in 2023 after leading the league with 1,231 yards and 14 touchdowns.

GAME 1: NIU 19, HOLY CROSS 17

August 30 | 2:30 pm (CT) | ESPN+
DeKalb, Ill. | Huskie Stadium | 10,569

The NIU defense held Holy Cross to just 217 yards of total offense as the Huskies outlasted the Holy Cross Crusaders, 19-17, at Huskie Stadium in the season opener for both teams.

NIU (1-0) allowed just 62 rushing yards to the Crusaders and held Holy Cross to 3-for-12 on third down. Quinn Urwiler recorded a team-high 10 tackles, Muhammed Jammeh made seven while Ty Myles had six, including 1.5 tackles for loss.

Holy Cross (0-1) took its first lead of the game with 10:34 to play in the fourth quarter as Cal Swanson connected with Blake Youngblood for a 16-yard touchdown pass to give the Crusaders a 10-6 lead.

On the ensuing kickoff, the Huskies went back in front as redshirt-freshman Dev'ion Reynolds returned the kick 96 yards for a touchdown as NIU took a 12-10 lead. After the Huskie defense forced a three-and-out, the fifth of six NIU would record in the contest, the Huskie offense went 61 yards in eight plays to go in front, 19-10.

DeAree Rogers had a 22-yard end around on the drive and Jaylen Poe had a 21-yard run to put the Huskies on the Holy Cross 2-yard line. One play later, Chavon Wright scored from a direct snap to put the Huskies in front by two scores with 4:15 remaining.

Wright finished with a game-high 77 yards rushing on 11 carries.

Holy Cross responded with a kick return touchdown of its own on the following play as Alijah Cason went 97 yards for the score, cutting the NIU lead to 19-17.

The Crusaders got the ball back with 2:17 to play following an NIU punt, but the Huskie defense came up big again, forcing Holy Cross into a fourth-and-four that resulted in an incomplete pass as the Huskies claimed the season opening victory.

Josh Holst was 12-of-18 for 101 yards passing while Rogers caught a game-high seven passes for 73 yards.

NIU scored first on its second drive of the game as Andrew Glass converted a 20-yard field goal. Holy Cross tied the game as the Crusaders took advantage of a Huskie special team miscue to start on the NIU 13. The drive resulted in just a field goal, however, as the game was tied at three with 3:22 left in the second quarter.

The Huskies came back with a 12-play, 71-yard drive, culminating in a 39-yard field goal by Glass just before halftime as NIU took a 6-3 lead into the intermission.

NIU maintained its lead through a scoreless third quarter and into the fourth before Holy Cross took its lone, brief, lead of the contest.

SCORING BY QUARTERS	1	2	3	4	Total
Holy Cross	0	3	0	14	17
NIU	3	3	0	13	19

SCORING SUMMARY

(4:00, 1Q) NIU - Glass 20 yd FG (8-63, 3:24)
(3:22, 2Q) HC - Palenzuela 33 yd FG (4--2, 1:49)
(0:10, 2Q) NIU - Glass 39 yd FG (12-71, 3:07)
(10:34, 4Q) HC - Youngblood 16 yd pass from Swanson; Palenzuela PAT (4-77, 1:27)
(10:21, 4Q) NIU - Reynolds 96 yd kickoff return; Glass PAT missed
(4:15, 4Q) NIU - Wright 2 yd run; Glass PAT (8-61, 4:05)
(4:03, 4Q) HC - Cason 97 yd kickoff return; Palenzuela PAT

TEAM & INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS

	HC	NIU
First Downs (R-P)	11 (3-7)	17 (10-7)
Rushes-Net Yards	26-62	48-178
Passing Yards	155	109
Passes (C-A-I)	17-29-1	14-24-1
Plays-Total Yards	55-217	72-287
Fumbles-Lost	0-0	3-0
Penalties-Yards	1-5	7-48
Kickoff Returns-Yds	5-201	4-139
Punt Returns-Yds	1-7	0-0
3rd Down Conv.	3-12	5-17
4th Down Conv.	0-2	2-3
Punts-Average	4-32.8	6-33.8
Possession Time	26:34	33:26
Sacks By-Yards	0-0	2-16

Rushing - HC: Swanson 12-51, Clerveaux 7-13; NIU: Wright 11-77-TD, Johnson 21-67, Poe 2-22, Rogers 1-22, Proctor 2-13, Holst 8-11.
Passing - HC: Swanson 17-29-1TD-1INT, 155; NIU: Holst 12-18-0TD-1INT, 101; Proctor 2-6-0TD-0INT, 8.
Receiving - HC: Mosey 6-71, Mullaly 4-34, Cason 3-10, Youngblood 1-16-TD, Schillinger 1-9, Williams 1-8, Slade 1-7. NIU: Rogers 7-73, Poe 5-24, Appleget 1-10, Johnson 1-2.
Tackles - HC: Santee 10, Croley 8, Bestpitch 8. NIU: Urwiler 10, Jammeh 7, Myles 6.

GAME 2: MARYLAND 20, NIU 9

September 5 | 6:30 pm (CT) | BTN
College Park, Md. | SECU Stadium | 35,331

The Northern Illinois University football team was within four points of the Maryland Terrapins into the fourth quarter at SECU Stadium, but a late Maryland touchdown gave the Terrapins a 20-9 win.

Running Backs Chavon Wright and Telly Johnson Jr. combined for 176 of NIU's 180 rushing yards. Wright led all players with 90 yards on 27 carries. Johnson had 86 yards on 10 carries including a 74-yard touchdown int he third quarter. Linebacker Quinn Urwiler led the Huskies' defense for the second straight game with 10 tackles. Filip Maciorowski added six tackles with a half-tackle for loss.

After trading punts to start the game, Maryland (2-0) got on the board with 4:30 to go in the first quarter on a 36-yard field goal by Sean O'Haire. Quarterback Malik Washington hit Dorian Fleming on a 48-yard pass to get the Terrapins to the NIU 22 yardline, but the NIU defense held strong to force the kick.

NIU (1-1) drove the ball to its own 45 yardline early in the second quarter, but were stopped on a fake punt run by Urwiler. The Terrapins then drove 47 yards in six plays, scoring on a 12-yard touchdown from Washington to Fleming to go up 10-0 with 8:46 to play until halftime.

The Huskies responded on their next drive. NIU went 75 yards in 19 plays, taking 8:37 off the clock. An Andrew Glass 20-yard field goal made the score 10-3 with 0:03 left in the half. Quarterback Josh Holst was 4-for-4 passing on the drive for 36 yards. He found DeAree Rogers on a third and nine for 11 yards and George Dimopoulos for eight yards on a fourth and two to keep the drive alive.

Maryland (2-0) extended its lead on its first drive of the third quarter. The Terrapins drove to the NIU 11 yardline but were kept out of the end zone on an incomplete pass on third and 10. O'Haire made a 29-yard field goal to make the score 13-3 with 7:52 to play in the quarter. Johnson Jr. got NIU back in the game with a 74-yard touchdown run on the ensuing possession, the longest rush of his career, to get NIU within four at 13-9 with 6:22 to go in the third. NIU went for a two-point conversion but was not successful.

The Terrapins drove ball to the NIU seven yardline on its next drive, but Washington fumbled the ball and Jalonnice Williams fell on it for NIU with 1:24 to go in the third. However, NIU was unable to capitalize on the turnover and punted from deep in their own territory. Washington threw his second touchdown pass of the game with 9:20 to play, finding Shaleak Knotts from 12 yards out to make the score 20-9.

SCORING BY QUARTERS	1	2	3	4	Total
NIU	0	3	6	0	9
Maryland	3	7	3	7	20

SCORING SUMMARY

(4:30, 1Q) UMD - O'Haire 36 yd FG (8-62, 2:57)
(8:46, 2Q) UMD - Fleming 12 yd pass from Washington; O'Haire PAT (6-47, 2:51)
(0:03, 2Q) NIU - Glass 20 yd FG (19-75, 8:37)
(7:52, 3Q) UMD - O'Haire 29 yd FG (12-56, 5:09)
(6:22, 3Q) NIU - Johnson Jr. 74 yd run; 2pt failed (3-73, 1:25)
(9:20, 4Q) UMD - Knotts 42 yd pass from Washington; O'Haire PAT (6-77, 3:00)

TEAM & INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS

	NIU	UMD
First Downs (R-P)	13 (7-6)	21 (6-12)
Rushes-Net Yards	48-180	28-86
Passing Yards	91	254
Passes (C-A-I)	14-22-0	19-36-0
Plays-Total Yards	70-271	64-340
Fumbles-Lost	0-0	1-1
Penalties-Yards	6-55	3-30
Kickoff Returns-Yds	3-50	2-16
Punt Returns-Yds	0-0	3-15
3rd Down Conv.	7-20	4-12
4th Down Conv.	4-6	1-2
Punts-Average	6-42.5	3-46.0
Possession Time	33:35	26:25
Sacks By-Yards	0-0	2-16

Rushing - NIU: Wright 27-90, Johnson Jr. 10-86-TD, Holst 10-2, Urwiler 1-2; UMD: Ray 11-50, Williams 10-22, Smith Jr. 1-11, Howard 2-8, Washington 2--1.
Passing - NIU: Holst 14-22-0TD-0INT, 91; UMD: Washington 19-35-2TD-0INT, 254; Martin 0-1-0TD-0INT, 0.
Receiving - NIU: Rogers 3-16, Wright 3-7, Givens 2-26, Johnson Jr. 2-17, Dimopoulos 2-14, Bryant 1-8, Appleget 1-3. UMD: Farooq 5-55, Fleming 4-70-TD, Smith Jr. 3-18, Knotts 2-58-TD, Ray 2-7, Williams 1-25, Webb 1-19.
Tackles - NIU: Urwiler 10, Maciorowski 6, Beeler 5. UMD: Wingate 14, Reddick 11.

GAME 3: MISSISSIPPI STATE 38, NIU 10

September 20 | 3:15 pm (CT) | SEC Network
Starkville, Miss. | Davis Wade Stadium | 45,803

The Northern Illinois University football team trailed the Mississippi State Bulldogs 14-10 at the half on Saturday at Davis Wade Stadium, but the hosts outscored NIU 24-0 in the second half to pull away for a 38-10 victory.

The Huskies were outgained 452-267 in the game with Mississippi State rushing for 292 yards. Josh Holst threw for a season-high 135 yards on 14-for-23 passing. DeAree Rogers caught six passes for 84 yards and his first NIU touchdown. Defensively Quinn Urwiler led all players with a career-high 14 tackles. Jasper Beeler added 10 tackles including a half-sack.

NIU (1-2) took the ball to start the game and scored on the opening drive. The Huskies drove 63-yards on 10 plays, highlighted by a 32-yard run by Telly Johnson Jr. to get the Huskies into Mississippi State territory. NIU's drive stalled at the Bulldogs' 12 yardline, where Andrew Glass made a 30-yard field goal to give NIU a 3-0 lead.

Mississippi State (4-0) drove 75 yards on its opening drive to go up 7-3 on a 10-yard end around by Brenen Thompson. The Bulldogs had to convert a 4th and one at the NIU 40 to keep its drive alive. NIU converted with its best field position early in the second quarter. The Huskies got the ball on a short Mississippi State punt at the Bulldogs' 27 yardline. Two plays later, Holst found Rogers in the end zone for a 21-yard touchdown pass to give NIU a 10-7 lead with 14:53 to go until halftime. Mississippi State answered with an eight-play drive capped by a one-yard touchdown pass from Blake Shapen to tight end Seydu Traore to go up 14-10 at the 11:31 mark, a lead the hosts took into halftime.

The Bulldogs extended their lead on the first drive of the second half. Mississippi State drove 75 yards in six plays, including a 45-yard pass from Shapen to Jordan Mosely, to score on a one-yard touchdown run by Davon Booth to go up 21-10 with 12:55 to go in the third. The Huskies were able to drive the football down to the Bulldogs 20 yardline on their next possession. On 3rd and 11, Holst threw a pass to the end zone that was intercepted by Isaac Smith. Mississippi State turned that turnover into three points on a Kyle Ferrie 48-yard field goal to go up 24-10. The Bulldogs tacked on two touchdowns in the fourth quarter.

SCORING BY QUARTERS	1	2	3	4	Total
NIU	3	7	0	0	10
Mississippi State	7	7	10	14	38

SCORING SUMMARY

(9:41, 1Q) NIU - Glass 30 yd FG (10-63, 5:19)
 (3:48, 1Q) MSU - Thompson 10 yd run; Ferrie PAT (13-75, 5:53)
 (14:53, 2Q) NIU - D. Rogers 24 yd pass from Holst; Glass PAT (2-27, 0:28)
 (11:31, 2Q) MSU - Traore 1 yd pass from Shapen; Ferrie PAT (8-48, 3:20)
 (12:55, 3Q) MSU - Booth 1 yd run; Ferrie PAT (6-75, 2:05)
 (0:54, 3Q) MSU - Ferrie 48 yd FG (15-50, 7:47)
 (11:18, 4Q) MSU - Booth 6 yd run; Ferrie PAT (5-64, 2:10)
 (4:31, 4Q) MSU - Gayten 1 yd run; Ferrie PAT (8-43, 5:02)

TEAM & INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS

	NIU	MSU	
First Downs (R-P)	14 (6-6)	23 (15-7)	Rushing - NIU: Wright 13-47, Johnson 6-46, Holst 3-19, Poe 3-16; MSU: Bothwell 17-101, Shapen 11-51, Gayten 4-45-TD, Booth 7-22-2TD.
Rushes-Net Yards	27-125	49-292	Passing - NIU: Holst 14-23-1TD-1INT, 135; Davidson 1-2-0TD-0INT, 7; MSU: Shapen 12-20-1TD-0INT, 160;
Passing Yards	142	160	Receiving - NIU: Rogers 6-84-TD, Johnson 2-10, Wright 2-7, Dimopoulos 2-7, Givens 1-19, Poe 1-8, Lewis 1-7. MSU: Evans 4-80, Thompson 2-13, Bothwell 2-10, Mosley 1-45, Booth 1-8, Williams 1-3, Traore 1-1-1TD.
Passes (C-A-I)	15-25-1	12-20-0	Tackles - NIU: Urwiler 14, Beeler 10, Maciorowski 9. MSU: Manning 7, Smith 6.
Plays-Total Yards	52-267	69-452	
Fumbles-Lost	1-0	0-0	
Penalties-Yards	5-50	11-103	
Kickoff Returns-Yds	0-0	0-0	
Punt Returns-Yds	0-0	1-1	
3rd Down Conv.	1-9	5-13	
4th Down Conv.	0-2	4-4	
Punts-Average	4-35.8	3-40.7	
Possession Time	28:05	31:55	
Sacks By-Yards	2-14	1-2	

NIU FOOTBALL 2025 STATISTICS

TEAM STATISTICS

	NIU	OPP				
SCORING	38	75				
Points Per Game	12.7	25.0				
Points Off Turnovers	0	3				
FIRST DOWNS	44	55				
Rushing	23	24				
Passing	19	26				
Penalty	2	5				
RUSHING YARDAGE	483	440				
Yards gained rushing	569	492				
Yards lost rushing	86	52				
Rushing Attempts	123	103				
Average Per Rush	3.9	4.3				
Average Per Game	161.0	146.7				
TDs Rushing	2	4				
PASSING YARDAGE	342	569				
Comp-Att-Int	43-71-2	48-85-1				
Average Per Pass	4.8	6.7				
Average Per Catch	8.0	11.9				
Average Per Game	114.0	189.7				
TDs Passing	1	4				
TOTAL OFFENSE	825	1009				
Total Plays	194	188				
Average Per Play	4.3	5.4				
Average Per Game	275.0	336.3				
KICK RETURNS: #-Yards	7-189	7-217				
PUNT RETURNS: #-Yards	0-0	6-16				
INT RETURNS: #-Yards	1-0	2-0				
KICK RETURN AVERAGE	27.0	31.0				
PUNT RETURN AVERAGE	0.0	2.7				
INT RETURN AVERAGE	0.0	0.0				
FUMBLES-LOST	4-0	1-1				
PENALTIES-Yards	18-153	15-138				
Average Per Game	51.0	46.0				
PUNTS-Yards	16-604	10-391				
Average Per Punt	37.8	39.1				
Net punt average	35.4	37.1				
KICKOFFS-Yards	10-543	16-977				
Average Per Kick	54.3	61.7				
Net kick average	25.1	35.4				
TIME OF POSSESSION/Game	31:42	28:18				
3RD-DOWN Conversions	13/46	12/37				
3rd-Down Pct	28%	32%				
4TH-DOWN Conversions	6/11	5/8				
4th-Down Pct	55%	63%				
SACKS BY-Yards	4-30	5-30				
MISC YARDS	0	0				
TOUCHDOWNS SCORED	4	9				
FIELD GOALS-ATTEMPTS	4-5	4-7				
ON-SIDE KICKS	0-1	0-0				
RED-ZONE SCORES	(4-5) 80%	(11-14) 79%				
RED-ZONE TOUCHDOWNS	(1-5) 20%	(7-14) 50%				
PAT-ATTEMPTS	(2-3) 67%	(9-9) 100%				
2-PT CONVERSION-ATTEMPTS	(0-1) 0%	(0-0) 0%				
ATTENDANCE	10569	81134				
Games/Avg Per Game	1/10569	2/40567				
Neutral Site Games	0/0					
SCORE BY QUARTERS	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	OT	Total
NIU	6	13	6	13	0	38
Opponents	10	17	13	35	0	75

INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS

RUSHING	GP	Att	Gain	Loss	Net	Avg	TD	Lg	Avg/G
WRIGHT, Chavon	3	51	223	9	214	4.2	1	45	71.5
JOHNSON Jr., Telly	3	37	205	6	199	5.4	1	74	66.3
POE, Jaylen	3	5	41	3	38	7.6	0	21	12.7
HOLST, Josh	3	21	63	31	32	1.5	0	11	10.7
ROGERS, DeAree	3	1	22	0	22	22.0	0	22	22.0
PROCTOR, Jackson	1	2	13	0	13	6.5	0	11	13.0
URWILER, Quinn	3	1	0	2	2	0	0	2	2.0
TEAM	3	4	0	35	-35	-8.8	0	0	-11.7
Total.....	3	123	569	86	483	3.9	2	74	161.0
Opponents.....	3	103	492	52	440	4.3	4	33	146.7
PASSING	G	Effic.	C-A-I	Pct.	Yds	TD	Lg	Avg/G	
HOLST, Josh	3	106.0	40-63-2	63.5	327	1	25	109.0	
PROCTOR, Jackson	1	44.5	2-6-0	33.3	8	0	7	8.0	
DAVIDSON, Brady	1	79.4	1-2-0	50.0	7	0	7	7.0	
Total.....	3	100.0	43-71-2	60.6	342	1	25	114.0	
Opponents.....	3	125.9	48-85-1	56.5	569	4	57	189.7	
RECEIVING	G	No.	Yds	Avg	TD	Lg	Avg/G		
ROGERS, DeAree	3	16	173	10.8	1	25	57.7		
POE, Jaylen	3	6	32	5.3	0	9	10.7		
JOHNSON Jr., Telly	3	5	29	5.8	0	17	9.7		
WRIGHT, Chavon	3	5	14	2.8	0	5	4.7		
DIMOPOULOS, George	3	4	21	5.3	0	11	5.3		
GIVENS III, Gary	3	3	45	15.0	0	19	15.0		
APPLEGET, Jake	3	2	13	6.5	0	10	6.5		
BRYANT, La'Don	3	1	8	8.0	0	8	4.0		
LEWIS, Kenji	2	1	7	7.0	0	7	3.5		
Total.....	3	43	342	8.0	1	25	114.0		
Opponents.....	3	48	569	11.9	4	57	189.7		
TOTAL OFFENSE	G	Plays	Rush	Pass	Total	Avg/G			
HOLST, Josh	3	84	32	327	359	119.7			
WRIGHT, Chavon	3	51	214	0	214	71.3			
JOHNSON Jr., Telly	3	37	199	0	199	66.3			
POE, Jaylen	3	5	38	0	38	12.7			
ROGERS, DeAree	3	1	22	0	22	7.3			
PROCTOR, Jackson	1	8	13	8	21	21.0			
DAVIDSON, Brady	1	3	-2	7	5	5.0			
URWILER, Quinn	3	1	2	0	2	1.0			
Total.....	3	194	483	342	825	275.0			
Opponents.....	3	188	440	569	1009	336.3			
PUNT RETURNS	No.	Yds	Avg	TD	Long				
	0	0	0.0	0	0				
Total.....	0	0	0.0	0	0				
Opponents.....	6	16	2.7	0	9				
KICK RETURNS	No.	Yds	Avg	TD	Long				
REYNOLDS, Dev'ion	6	180	30.0	1	96				
POE, Jaylen	1	9	9.0	0	0				
Total.....	7	189	30.0	1	96				
Opponents.....	7	217	31.0	1	97				
PUNTING	No.	Yds	Avg	Long	TB	FC	I20	50+	Blkd
VUCKOVIC, Danny	14	599	42.8	54	1	3	5	4	0
TEAM	2	5	2.5	0	0	0	0	0	2
Total.....	16	604	37.8	54	1	3	5	4	2
Opponents.....	10	391	39.1	51	1	6	2	2	0
KICKOFFS	No.	Yds	Avg	TB	OB	Retn	Net	YdLn	
GLASS, Andrew	10	543	54.3	3	0	0	0	0	
Total.....	10	543	54.3	3	0	7	25.1	39	
Opponents.....	16	977	61.1	7	1	7	35.4	29	
FIELD GOALS	FG-FGA	Pct	1-19	20-29	30-39	40-49	50+	Lg	Blk
GLASS, Andrew	4-5	80.0	0-0	2-2	2-2	0-0	0-1	39	0
Opponents.....	4-7	57.1	0-0	1-1	2-3	1-3	0-0	48	0

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NIU FOOTBALL 2024 STATISTICS

2025 LONG PLAYS

	No.	Long
NIU	5	96, Reynolds! kick return vs. Holy Cross, 8/30
Rushing	3	74, Johnson Jr. vs. Maryland, 9/5
C. Wright	1	45 vs. Holy Cross, 8/30
T. Johnson Jr.	2	74! vs. Maryland, 9/5
Passing	1	25, Holst to Rogers vs. Holy Cross, 8/30
by Holst	1	25 to Rogers vs. Holy Cross, 8/30
to Rogers	1	25 from Holst vs. Holy Cross, 8/30
Returns	1	96, Reynolds! kick return vs. Holy Cross, 8/30
by Reynolds	1	96, Reynolds! kick return vs. Holy Cross, 8/30
OPPONENT	8	97! return, A. Cason, Holy Cross, 8/30
Rushing	0	
Passing	7	57, Shapen to Evans, Miss. State, 9/20
Returns	1	97! return, A. Cason, Holy Cross, 8/30

* 25 Yards or Longer / ! - TD

FG SEQUENCE	NIU	Opponent
Holy Cross	(20), (39)	(33), 41, 44
Maryland	(20), 58	(36), (29), 37
Mississippi State	(30)	(48)

Numbers in (parentheses) indicate field goal was made

SCORING	TD	FGs	|----- PATs -----|						DXP	Saf	Pts
			Kick	Rush	Rcv	Pass					
GLASS, Andrew	-	4-5	2-3	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	14
WRIGHT, Chavon	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6
JOHNSON Jr., Telly	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6
ROGERS, DeAree	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6
REYNOLDS, Dev'ion	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6
Total.....	4	4-5	2-3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	38
Opponents.....	9	4-7	9-9	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	75

ALL PURPOSE	G	Rush	Rec	PR	KOR	IR	Tot	Avg/G
WRIGHT, Chavon	3	214	14	0	0	0	228	76.0
JOHNSON Jr., Telly	3	199	29	0	0	0	228	76.0
ROGERS, DeAree	3	22	173	0	0	0	195	65.0
REYNOLDS, Dev'ion	3	0	0	0	180	0	180	60.0
POE, Jaylen	3	38	32	0	9	0	79	26.3
GIVENS III, Gary	3	0	45	0	0	0	45	15.0
HOLST, Josh	3	32	0	0	0	0	32	10.7
DIMOPOULOS, George	3	0	14	0	0	0	21	5.3
PROCTOR, Jackson	1	13	0	0	0	0	13	13.0
APPLEGET, Jake	3	13	0	0	0	0	13	6.5
BRYANT, La'Don	3	0	8	0	0	0	8	4.0
LEWIS, Kenji	2	0	7	0	0	0	7	3.5
URWILER, Quinn	3	2	0	0	0	0	2	1.0
DAVIDSON, Brady	1	-2	0	0	0	0	-2	-2.0
TEAM	1	-2	0	0	0	0	-2	-2.0
Total.....	3	483	342	0	189	0	1014	338.0
Opponents.....	3	440	569	16	217	0	1242	414.0

NIU FOOTBALL 2025 DEFENSIVE STATISTICS

		|-----Tackles-----|				|-Sacks-|		|---Pass Def---|		|-Fumbles-|		Blkd		
		GP	Solo	Ast	Total	TFL/Yds	No-Yds	Int-Yds	BrUp	QBH	FR-Yds	FF	Kick	Safety
32	URWILER, Quinn	3	17	17	34	1-5	0.5-4	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
17	MACIOROWSKI, Filip	3	11	9	20	1-4	.	.	1	.	.	.	.	.
22	BEELER, Jasper	3	7	10	17	1-5	.	.	1	.	.	1	.	.
4	JAMMEH, Muhammad	3	9	8	17	.	.	1-0	1	.	.	.	.	.
1	MYLES, Ty	3	9	5	14	1.5-4	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
97	WILLIAMS, Roy	3	7	4	11	1-8	1-8	.	.	3	.	.	.	.
23	PRETTO, Marc	3	1	8	9	1-5	0.5-4	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
6	DIXON, Dasean	3	1	7	8	2-4	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
3	FINLEY, Jacob	3	5	3	8	.	.	.	1	.	.	.	.	.
7	HARRISON, Donte	3	5	2	7	1.5-1	.	.	.	1	.	.	.	.
95	INGOLD, Lance	1	1	6	7	0.5-1	0.5-4	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
11	WILLIAMS, Jalonnie	3	3	4	7	0.5-1	.	.	1	.	1-0	.	.	.
9	REYNOLDS, Dev'ion	3	5	.	5	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
10	HENSLEY, Mark	3	1	3	4	2-2	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
12	LYONS, Keshawn	3	2	2	4	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
33	POWELL, Taylor	3	2	2	4	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
27	PORTER, Trey	3	2	1	3	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
15	WINDHAM, Broderick	3	2	1	3	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
25	GASSAWAY, Jake	2	.	2	2	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
0	GULLEY Jr., Alvin	3	.	2	2	0.5-3	0.5-3	.	2	1	.	.	.	.
90	JEAN, Reggie	3	1	1	2	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
26	FINLEY IV, James	3	1	.	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
24	PORTER, Elijah	3	1	.	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
44	PEDRO, Ross	3	.	1	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
5	LYNCH, Justin	3	.	1	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
60	GLASS, Andrew	3	.	1	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
16	THOMAS, Jay'shon	3	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	1	.	.	.	.
Total.....		3	93	100	193	14-50	4-30	1-0	8	5	1-0	1	0	0
Opponents.....		3	97	122	219	18-53	5-30	2-0	3	5	0-0	0	2	0

NIU FOOTBALL 2025 PARTICIPATION

No.	Name	GP/GS	HC	MD	MissSt	SDSU	Miami	EMU	Ohio	BallSt	Toledo	UMass	WMich	KentSt	BOWL
0	GULLEY Jr., Alvin	3/0	XXX	XXX	XXX	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
0	BRYANT, La'Don	3/0	XXX	XXX	XXX	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
1	MYLES, Ty	3/3	NB	NB	NB	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
2	McGARRELL, Cyrus	2/0	XXX	XXX	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
3	FINLEY, Jacob	3/3	CB	CB	CB	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
4	JAMMEH, Muhammed	2/3	S	S	XXX	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
4	LEWIS, Kenji	2/0	XXX	---	XXX	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
5	LYNCH, Justin	3/0	XXX	XXX	XXX	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
6	DIXON, Dasean	2/3	DT	DT	XXX	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
6	ROGERS, DeAree	3/1	XXX	XXX	WR	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
7	HARRISON, Donte	3/3	CB	CB	CB	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
7	GIVENS III, Gary	3/3	WR	WR	WR	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
8	OPPONG, Pierce	3/1	XXX	TE	XXX	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
9	REYNOLDS, Dev'ion	3/1	XXX	XXX	CB	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
9	DIMOPOULOUS, George	3/2	WR	WR	XXX	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
10	WRIGHT, Chavon	3/2	XXX	RB	RB	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
10	HENSLEY, Mark	3/3	DT	DT	DT	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
11	WILLIAMS, Jalonnice	3/3	DE	DE	DE	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
12	PROCTOR, Jackson	1/0	XXX	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
12	LYONS, Keshawn	3/0	XXX	XXX	XXX	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
13	MOORE Jr., Ivan	3/0	XXX	XXX	XXX	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
15	HOLST, Josh	3/3	QB	QB	QB	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
15	WINDHAM, Broderick	3/1	XXX	XXX	S	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
16	THOMAS, Jay'shon	3/0	XXX	XXX	XXX	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
17	MACIOROWSKI, Filip	3/3	LB	LB	LB	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
18	TATE, Landon	1/0	---	---	XXX	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
19	CRONIN, Danny	3/0	XXX	XXX	XXX	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
22	BEELER, Jasper	3/3	S	S	S	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
23	PRETTO, Marc	3/0	XXX	XXX	XXX	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
24	PORTER, Elijah	3/0	XXX	XXX	XXX	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
26	FINLEY IV, James	3/0	XXX	XXX	XXX	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
27	PORTER, Trey	3/0	XXX	XXX	XXX	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
28	POE, Jaylen	3/1	RB	XXX	XXX	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
32	URWILER, Quinn	3/3	LB	LB	LB	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
33	POWELL, Taylor	3/0	XXX	XXX	XXX	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
37	THOMPSON, Miles	3/0	XXX	XXX	XXX	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
41	McRAE, KJ	2/0	XXX	XXX	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
44	PEDRO, Ross	3/0	XXX	XXX	XXX	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
44	CANION, Montrel	1/0	---	XXX	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
45	JOHNSON Jr., Telly	3/2	RB	XXX	RB	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
52	DAVIS, Ivan	2/0	XXX	XXX	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
54	MALCORE, Evan	3/3	OL	OL	OL	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
55	CURRY, Abiathar	3/3	OL	OL	OL	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
58	LIEGEL, Ross	3/0	XXX	XXX	XXX	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
60	GLASS, Andrew	3/0	XXX	XXX	XXX	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
63	HRON, Landon	3/3	OL	OL	OL	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
64	TWEEDY, Aidan	3/1	XXX	XXX	OL	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
66	MAHNESMITH, Lane	1/0	XXX	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
70	JIMMAR, Michael	2/0	---	XXX	XXX	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
75	PAASCH, Thomas	2/2	OL	OL	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
77	OZOH, Izuchukwu	3/3	OL	OL	OL	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
78	WELCH, Jacob	3/0	XXX	XXX	XXX	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
80	APPLEGET, Jake	3/3	TE	TE	TE	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
83	FOWLER, Jason	2/0	XXX	XXX	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
85	STEIN, Joe	3/0	XXX	XXX	XXX	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
90	JEAN, Reggie	3/0	XXX	XXX	XXX	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
90	VUCKOVIC, Danny	3/0	XXX	XXX	XXX	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
95	INGOLD, LANCE	1/0	---	---	XXX	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
97	WILLIAMS, Roy	3/3	DE	DE	DE	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---

X-indicates played; letters indicate position started

NIU FOOTBALL 2025 STARTERS

OFFENSIVE STARTERS GAME-BY-GAME

Opponent	QB	TB	TE	TE/FB	WR	WR	LT	LG	C	RG	RT
Holy Cross	Holst	Johnson	Appleget	Poe (RB)	Givens	Dimopoulos	Malcore	Curry	Hron	Paasch	Ozoh
at Maryland	Holst	Wright	Appleget	Oppong	Givens	Dimopoulos	Malcore	Curry	Hron	Paasch	Ozoh
at Miss. St.	Holst	Wright	Appleget	Johnson (RB)	Givens	Rogers	Malcore	Curry	Hron	Tweedy	Ozoh
San Diego St.											
Miami											
at EMU											
at Ohio											
Ball State											
at Toledo											
at UMass											
WMU											
Kent State											
BOWL											

DEFENSIVE STARTERS GAME-BY-GAME

Opponent	DE	DT	DT	DE	LB	LB	N/DB	CB	S	S	CB
Holy Cross	R. Williams	Dixon	Hensley	J. Williams	Urwiler	Maciorowski	Myles	Finley	Beeler	Jammeh	Harrison
at Maryland	R. Williams	Dixon	Hensley	J. Williams	Urwiler	Maciorowski	Myles	Finley	Beeler	Jammeh	Harrison
at Miss. St.	R. Williams	Hensley	J. Williams (DE)	Urwiler (LB)	Maciorowski	Myles (N)	Reynolds	Finley	Beeler	Windham	Harrison
San Diego St.											
Miami											
at EMU											
at Ohio											
Ball State											
at Toledo											
at UMass											
WMU											
Kent State											
BOWL											

CAREER GAMES PLAYED/STARTED

Name, Pos.	Class	GP	GS*	Name, Pos.	Class	GP	GS*
Jake Appleget, TE	Sr.-R	18	9	Cyrus McGarrell, S	Sr.-R	38	3
Malik Armstrong, CB	Jr.-R	18	-	KJ McRae, LB	Fr.-R	2	-
Jasper Beeler, S	Jr.	25	3	Ivan Moore Jr., DE	Fr.-R	3	-
Owen Belman, S	Sr.-R	2	-	Davonte Murray, DE	Sr.	38	-
La'Don Bryant, WR	Fr.-R	8	1	Ty Myles, CB	Sr.-R	39	3
Austin Bullock, K	So.	13	-	Pierce Oppong, DE/TE	Sr.-R	49	10
Danny Cronin, LB	Sr.-R	34	-	Izzy Ozoh, TE/OL	Sr.-R	36	6
Abiathar Curry, OL	So.-R	17	7	Thomas Paasch, OL	So.-R	12	4
Ivan Davis, DE	Sr.	39	-	Ross Pedro, LS	Sr.	43	-
George Dimopoulos, WR	So.	16	5	Jaylen Poe, RB	So.-R	12	1
Dasean Dixon, DT	Sr.	38	2	Elijah Porter, RB	Fr.-R	3	-
Jacob Finley, CB	Jr.-R	33	18	Trey Porter, S	Jr.-R	33	-
James Finley IV, S	Fr.	3	-	Taylor Powell, S	Fr.-R	5	-
Jason Fowler, TE	Fr.-R	3	-	Marc Pretto, LB	Jr.-R	31	-
Jake Gassaway, LB	Jr.-R	26	-	Jackson Proctor, QB	Jr.-R	18	-
Gary Givens, WR	So.	14	3	Dev'ion Reynolds, CB	Fr.-R	4	1
Andrew Glass, K	Sr.	45	-	DeAree Rogers, WR	Jr.	26	2
Alvin Gulley, DT	Sr.	32	-	Luke Skartvedt, OL	So.-R	12	-
Donte Harrison, CB	Sr.	37	3	Joe Stein, TE	Fr.-R	3	-
Mark Hensley, DT	So.-R	16	3	Jay'shon Thomas, DE	So.-R	12	-
Josh Holst, QB	Fr.-R	10	6	Miles Thompson, CB	So.	3	-
Landon Hron, OL	So.-R	6	3	Aidan Tweedy, OL	Sr.-R	32	1
Lance Ingold, DE	Fr.-R	3	-	Quinn Urwiler, LB	Sr.-R	47	3
Muhammed Jammeh, S	Jr.-R	43	7	Danny Vuckovic, P	So.-R	3	-
Reggie Jean, DT	Jr.-R	5	-	Romelo Ware, RB	Fr.-R	1	-
Telly Johnson Jr., RB	So.	9	4	Jacob Welch, OL	So.-R	16	-
Quinn Kelly, LS	So.	1	-	Jalonnne Williams, DL	Sr.-R	22	15
Kenji Lewis, WR	Sr.	21	-	Roy Williams, DE	Sr.	35	22
Justin Lynch, QB/RB	Sr.-R	41	4	Broderick Windham, S	Jr.	3	1
Keshawn Lyons, CB	Jr.	24	-	Chavon Wright, RB	Sr.-R	38	2
Filip Maciorowski, LB	So.-R	16	3				
Jalen Macon, QB	Jr.-R	11	-				
Lane Mahnesmith, OL	Fr.-R	5	-				
Evan Malcore, OL	Jr.-R	29	23				

* - Games started at NIU

NIU FOOTBALL 2025 SCORING DRIVES

NIU

Opponent	Plays	Yds.	TOP	Score	Qtr./Time	Play
HOLY CROSS	8	63	3:24	3-0	1/4:00	Glass 20 FG
HOLY CROSS	12	71	3:07	6-3	2/00:10	Glass 39 FG
HOLY CROSS	---	---	---	12-10	4/10:21	Reynolds 96 KR TD
HOLY CROSS	8	61	4:05	19-10	4/4:15	Wright 2 TD (R)
MARYLAND	19	75	8:37	3-10	2/00:03	Glass 20 FG
MARYLAND	3	73	1:25	9-13	3/6:22	T. Johnson 74 TD (R)
MISS. STATE	10	63	5:19	3-0	1/9:41	Glass 30 FG
MISS. STATE	2	27	00:28	10-7	2/14:53	Holst 24 TD (P)

OPPONENT

Opponent	Plays	Yds.	TOP	Score	Qtr./Clock	Play
HOLY CROSS	4	-2	1:49	3-3	2/3:22	Palenzuela 44 FG
HOLY CROSS	4	77	1:27	10-6	4/10:34	Youngblood 16 TD (P)
HOLY CROSS	---	---	---	17-19	4/4:03	Cason 97 KR TD
MARYLAND	8	62	2:57	3-0	1/4:30	O'Haire 36 FG
MARYLAND	6	47	2:51	10-0	2/8:46	Fleming 12 TD (P)
MARYLAND	12	56	5:09	13-3	3/7:52	O'Haire 29 FG
MARYLAND	6	77	3:00	20-9	4/9:20	Knotts 42 TD (P)
MISS. STATE	13	75	5:53	7-3	1/3:48	Thompson 10 TD (R)
MISS. STATE	8	48	3:20	14-10	2/11:31	Shapen 1 TD (P)
MISS. STATE	6	75	2:05	21-10	3/12:55	Booth 1 TD (R)
MISS. STATE	15	50	7:47	24-10	3/00:54	Ferrie 48 FG
MISS. STATE	5	64	2:10	31-10	4/11:18	Booth 6 TD (R)
MISS. STATE	8	43	5:02	38-10	4/4:31	Gayten 1 TD (R)

(R) - Rushing TD
(P) - Receiving TD

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Game	Score	---1st Downs---		Rushing	-----Passing-----			Total Off.	Punts	Fum	Penalties	3rd	Time of
		Total	R-P-Pen	No-Yds-TD	C-A-I	Yds	TD	Pl-Yds	No-Avg	No-L	No-Yds	Downs	Poss
(8-30) NIU	19	17	10-7-0	48-178-1	14-24-1	109	0	72-287	6-33.8	0-0	7-48	5-of-17	33:26
vs. Holy Cross	17	11	3-7-1	26-62-0	17-29-1	155	1	55-217	6-35.3	0-0	1-5	3-of-12	26:34
(9-5) NIU	9	13	7-6-0	48-180-1	14-22-0	91	0	70-271	6-42.5	0-0	6-55	7-of-20	33:35
at Maryland	20	21	6-12-3	28-86-0	19-36-0	254	2	64-340	3-46.0	1-1	3-30	4-of-12	26:25
(9-20) NIU	10	14	6-6-0	27-125-0	15-25-1	142	1	52-267	4-146	1-0	5-50	1-of-9	28:05
at Mississippi State	38	23	15-7-1	49-292-4	12-20-0	160	1	69-452	3-122	0-0	11-103	5-of-13	31:55
(9-27) NIU													
vs San Diego State													
(10-4) NIU													
vs Miami													
(10-11) NIU													
at Eastern Michigan													
(10-18) NIU													
at Ohio													
(10-25) NIU													
vs. Ball State													
(11-5) NIU													
at Toledo													
(11-12) NIU													
at UMASS													
(11-18) NIU													
vs. Western Michigan													
(11-28) NIU													
vs. Kent State													
(TBD) NIU													
vs. BOWL GAME													

— NIU in the NCAA and MAC Rankings —

TEAM CATEGORY	Avg./No.	NCAA	MAC	TEAM CATEGORY	Avg./No.	NCAA	MAC
Total Offense	275.0	129	10	Passes Had Intercepted	2	37	2
Rushing Offense	161.0	70	4	Passes Intercepted	1	106	12
Passing Offense	114.0	130	13	Fumbles Lost	0	T-1	T-1
Passing Efficiency	100.04	130	12	Fumbles Recovered	1	70	7
Completion Percentage	0.606	96	7	Sacks	1.33	105	9
Scoring Offense	12.7	133	12	Tackles for Loss	4.7	99	8
First Downs Offense	44	133	12	Sacks Allowed	1.67	63	4
Red Zone Offense	.800	91	5	Tackles for Loss Allowed	6.00	95	8
Total Defense	336.3	57	2	Time of Possession	31:42	40	3
Rushing Defense	146.7	75	4	Fewest Penalties/Game	6.00	64	7
Pass Efficiency Defense	125.88	71	4	Fewest Penalty Yards/Game	51.00	62	10
Passing Yards Allowed	189.7	53	3	Third Down Conversion Pct.	.283	128	10
Scoring Defense	25.0	79	4	Third Down Conv. Pct. Defense	.324	43	2
Red Zone Defense	.786	45	4	Fourth Down Conversion Pct.	.545	49	2
First Downs Defense	55	30	1	Fourth Down Conv. Pct. Defense	.625	90	9
Net Punting	35.50	113	9				
Punt Returns	0.00	131	12	Individuals (Top 60 Nationally)			
Punt Return Defense	2.67	36	2	Dav'ion Reynolds, Kickoff Return TDs	1	1	1
Kickoff Returns	27.00	27	4	Quinn Urwiler, Total Tackles Per Game	11.3	6	1
Kickoff Return Defense	31.00	125	13	Quinn Urwiler, Solo Tackles Per Game	5.67	14	2
Turnover Margin	0.00	61	5	DeAree Rogers, Receptions Per Game	5.33	43	4
Turnovers Gained	2	114	10	Danny Vuckovic, Punting Yards Average	42.8	52	6
Turnovers Lost	2	16	1	Telly Johnson, Rushing Yards Carry	5.38	60	5

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INDIVIDUAL GAME-BY-GAME STATS

RUSHING (No.-Yards/TD)

	Total	HC	MD	MissSt	SDSU	Miami	EMU	Ohio	BallSt	Toledo	UMASS	WMU	KentSt	Bowl
WRIGHT, Chavon	51-214/1	11-77/1	27-90/0	13-47/0	0-0/0	0-0/0	0-0/0	0-0/0	0-0/0	0-0/0	0-0/0	0-0/0	0-0/0	0-0/0
JOHNSON Jr, Telly	37-199/0	21-70/0	10-86/1	6-46/0	0-0/0	0-0/0	0-0/0	0-0/0	0-0/0	0-0/0	0-0/0	0-0/0	0-0/0	0-0/0
POE, Jaylen	3-41/0	2-22/0	0-0/0	3-16/0	0-0/0	0-0/0	0-0/0	0-0/0	0-0/0	0-0/0	0-0/0	0-0/0	0-0/0	0-0/0
HOLST, Josh	21-32/0	8-14/0	10-2/0	3-19/0	0-0/0	0-0/0	0-0/0	0-0/0	0-0/0	0-0/0	0-0/0	0-0/0	0-0/0	0-0/0
ROGERS, DeAree	1-22/0	1-22/0	0-0/0	0-0/0	0-0/0	0-0/0	0-0/0	0-0/0	0-0/0	0-0/0	0-0/0	0-0/0	0-0/0	0-0/0
PROCTOR, Jackson	2-13/0	2-13/0	0-0/0	0-0/0	0-0/0	0-0/0	0-0/0	0-0/0	0-0/0	0-0/0	0-0/0	0-0/0	0-0/0	0-0/0
DAVDISON, Brady	1-(-2)/0	1-2/0	0-0/0	1-(-2)/0	0-0/0	0-0/0	0-0/0	0-0/0	0-0/0	0-0/0	0-0/0	0-0/0	0-0/0	0-0/0
URWILER, Quinn	0-0/0	1-2/0	0-0/0	0-0/0	0-0/0	0-0/0	0-0/0	0-0/0	0-0/0	0-0/0	0-0/0	0-0/0	0-0/0	0-0/0

RECEIVING (No.-Yards/TD)

	Total	HC	MD	MissSt	SDSU	Miami	EMU	Ohio	BallSt	Toledo	UMASS	WMU	KentSt	Bowl
ROGERS, DeAree	16-173/1	7-73/0	3-16/0	6-84/1	0-0/0	0-0/0	0-0/0	0-0/0	0-0/0	0-0/0	0-0/0	0-0/0	0-0/0	0-0/0
GIVENS III, Gary	3-45/0	0-0/0	2-26/0	1-19/0	0-0/0	0-0/0	0-0/0	0-0/0	0-0/0	0-0/0	0-0/0	0-0/0	0-0/0	0-0/0
DIMOPOULOS, George	4-21/0	0-0/0	2-14/0	2-7/0	0-0/0	0-0/0	0-0/0	0-0/0	0-0/0	0-0/0	0-0/0	0-0/0	0-0/0	0-0/0
BRYANT, La'Don	1-8/0	0-0/0	1-8/0	0-0/0	0-0/0	0-0/0	0-0/0	0-0/0	0-0/0	0-0/0	0-0/0	0-0/0	0-0/0	0-0/0
APPLEGET, Jake	1-10/0	1-10/0	1-3/0	0-0/0	0-0/0	0-0/0	0-0/0	0-0/0	0-0/0	0-0/0	0-0/0	0-0/0	0-0/0	0-0/0
POE, Jaylen	6-32/0	5-95/1	0-0/0	1-8/0	0-0/0	0-0/0	0-0/0	0-0/0	0-0/0	0-0/0	0-0/0	0-0/0	0-0/0	0-0/0
JOHNSON Jr, Telly	5-29/0	1-2/0	2-17/0	2-10/0	0-0/0	0-0/0	0-0/0	0-0/0	0-0/0	0-0/0	0-0/0	0-0/0	0-0/0	0-0/0
WRIGHT, Chavon	5-14/0	0-0/0	3-7/0	2-7/0	0-0/0	0-0/0	0-0/0	0-0/0	0-0/0	0-0/0	0-0/0	0-0/0	0-0/0	0-0/0

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

Game	Holst	Proctor	Davidson
Holy Cross	12-18-1, 101; 0	2-6-0, 8; 0	0-0-0, 0; 0
Maryland	14-22-0, 91; 0	0-0-0, 0; 0	0-0-0, 0; 0
Mississippi State	14-23-1, 135; 1	0-0-0, 0; 0	1-2-0, 7; 0
San Diego State	0-0-0, 0; 0	0-0-0, 0; 0	0-0-0, 0; 0
Miami	0-0-0, 0; 0	0-0-0, 0; 0	0-0-0, 0; 0
Eastern Michigan	0-0-0, 0; 0	0-0-0, 0; 0	0-0-0, 0; 0
Ohio	0-0-0, 0; 0	0-0-0, 0; 0	0-0-0, 0; 0
Ball State	0-0-0, 0; 0	0-0-0, 0; 0	0-0-0, 0; 0
Toledo	0-0-0, 0; 0	0-0-0, 0; 0	0-0-0, 0; 0
UMASS	0-0-0, 0; 0	0-0-0, 0; 0	0-0-0, 0; 0
Western Michigan	0-0-0, 0; 0	0-0-0, 0; 0	0-0-0, 0; 0
Kent State	0-0-0, 0; 0	0-0-0, 0; 0	0-0-0, 0; 0
Bowl Game	0-0-0, 0; 0	0-0-0, 0; 0	0-0-0, 0; 0

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

Game	Vuckovic
Holy Cross	5-40.6, 2; 54
Maryland	6-42.5, 1; 54
Mississippi State	3-141, 2; 47
San Diego State	0-0, 0; 0
Miami	0-0, 0; 0
Eastern Michigan	0-0, 0; 0
Ohio	0-0, 0; 0
Ball State	0-0, 0; 0
Toledo	0-0, 0; 0
UMASS	0-0, 0; 0
Western Michigan	0-0, 0; 0
Kent State	0-0, 0; 0
Bowl Game	0-0, 0; 0

KICK RETURNS (No.-Yards, Long; TD)

Reynolds	Poe
4-139-96; 1	0-0-0; 0
2-41-24; 0	1-9-9; 0
0-0-0; 0	0-0-0; 0
0-0-0; 0	0-0-0; 0
0-0-0; 0	0-0-0; 0
0-0-0; 0	0-0-0; 0
0-0-0; 0	0-0-0; 0
0-0-0; 0	0-0-0; 0
0-0-0; 0	0-0-0; 0
0-0-0; 0	0-0-0; 0
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0-0-0; 0	0-0-0; 0
0-0-0; 0	0-0-0; 0

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DEFENSE

Solo-Ast.	Holy Cross	MD	MissSt	SDSU	Miami	EMU	Ohio	BallSt	Toledo	UMASS	WMU	KentSt	Bowl
BEELER, Jasper	0-1	5-1	2-8										
		TFL, FF	0.5 TFL										
DIXON, Dasean	1-2 1.5 TFL	0-2	0-3										
FINLEY, Jacob	2-0	2-1 PBU	1-2										
GULLEY, Alvin	0-0	0-0 PBU	0-2 PBU										
HARRISON, Donte	2-2 1.5 TFL	2-0 PBU	1-0										
HENSLEY, Mark	0-2 1.0 TFL	1-0 1.0 TFL	0-1										
INGOLD, Lance	0-0	0-0	1-6 0.5 TFL										
JAMMEH, Muhammed	4-3 INT, PBU	3-1	2-4										
LYONS, Keshawn	0-0	1-1	1-1										
MACIOROWSKI, Filip	5-0	4-2 0.5 TFL	2-7 0.5 TFL										
MYLES, Ty	4-2 1.5 TFL	2-0	3-3										
PRETTO, Marc	1-4 0.5 QS	0-1	0-4										
REYNOLDS, Dav'ion	2-0	1-0	2-0										
URWILER, Quinn	5-5 TFL, 0.5 QS	9-1	3-11										
WILLIAMS, Jalannie	0-0	2-0 FR	0-2										
WILLIAMS, Roy	2-0 QS	4-0	1-4										
WINDHAM, Broderick	0-0	1-0	1-1										

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THE LAST TIME A HUSKIE TEAM...

DEFEATED A RANKED OPPONENT – 16-14 at No. 5 Notre Dame (9-7-24)
RECORDED A SHUTOUT – 24-0 vs. Western Michigan (11-14-23)
SHUTOUT AN OPPONENT FOR A HALF – 2nd vs. Fresno State (12-23-24)
HAD AT LEAST 25 FIRST DOWNS – 25 vs. Toledo (10-19-24)
HAD AT LEAST 30 FIRST DOWNS – 30 vs. Western Illinois (8-31-24)
HAD AT LEAST 35 FIRST DOWNS – 35 vs. Ball State (10-10-15)
HAD AT LEAST 40 FIRST DOWNS – 43 vs. Ball State (11-15-11)
SCORED 40 OR MORE POINTS – 42 at Western Michigan (11-6-24)
SCORED 45 OR MORE POINTS – 54 vs. Western Illinois (8-31-24)
SCORED 50 OR MORE POINTS – 54 vs. Western Illinois (8-31-24)
SCORED 60 OR MORE POINTS – 63 vs. Ball State (11-9-17)
SCORED A SAFETY – Michael Kennedy, tackled RB in end zone at Eastern Michigan (12-12-20)
SCORED TWO OR MORE DEFENSIVE TOUCHDOWNS – 2 (Fumble Recovery in End Zone; INT Return) vs. Akron (10-26-19)
GAINED 200 OR LESS YARDS OF TOTAL OFFENSE – 149 at Nebraska (9-16-23)
GAINED 500 OR MORE YARDS OF TOTAL OFFENSE – 706 vs. Western Illinois (8-31-24)
GAINED 600 OR MORE YARDS OF TOTAL OFFENSE – 706 vs. Western Illinois (8-31-24)
GAINED 100 OR LESS YARDS RUSHING – 26 at Nebraska (9-16-23)
GAINED 300 OR MORE YARDS RUSHING – 367 vs. UMass (10-5-24)
GAINED 400 OR MORE YARDS RUSHING – 433 vs. Miami (10-18-14)
THREW FOR LESS THAN 100 YARDS – 91 at Maryland (9-5-25)
THREW FOR MORE THAN 300 YARDS – 394 vs. Western Illinois (8-31-24)
DID NOT COMMIT A TURNOVER – at Maryland (9-5-25)
HAD A SUCCESSFUL ON-SIDE KICK – 2 vs. Toledo (10-8-22)
HAD 40 MINUTES TIME OF POSSESSION – vs. Arkansas State, Camellia Bowl (12-23-23)
HELD OPPONENT TO 100 YARDS OR LESS RUSHING – 86 yards at Maryland (9-5-25)
HELD OPPONENT TO 50 YARDS OR LESS RUSHING – 50 yards vs. Akron (11-13-24)
HELD OPPONENT TO NEGATIVE YARDS RUSHING – (-11) at Miami (10-24-09)
HELD OPPONENT TO 100 YARDS OR LESS PASSING – 92 yards vs. Central Michigan (11-30-24)
HELD OPPONENT TO 200 YARDS OR LESS TOTAL OFFENSE – 171 at NC State (9-28-24)
HELD OPPONENT TO 150 YARDS OR LESS TOTAL OFFENSE – 145 vs. Akron (10-26-19)
HELD OPPONENT TO 100 YARDS OR LESS TOTAL OFFENSE – 64 vs. Kent State (10-8-11)
HELD AN OPPONENT WITHOUT A TOUCHDOWN – vs. Western Michigan (11-14-23)
WAS INVOLVED IN AN OVERTIME GAME – W, 28-20 (2OT) vs. Fresno State, Famous Idaho Potato Bowl (12-23-24)

THE LAST TIME A HUSKIE OPPONENT...

HAD 35 MINUTES OF POSSESSION – 36:06, Akron (10-7-23)
RETURNED A KICKOFF FOR A TOUCHDOWN – 97 yards, Alijah Cason of Holy Cross (8-30-25)
RETURNED A PUNT FOR A TOUCHDOWN – 91 yards, LaVon Brazill of Ohio (11-21-09)
RETURNED AN INTERCEPTION FOR A TOUCHDOWN – 76 yards, Tyson Durant of Akron (11-26-22)
RETURNED A FUMBLE FOR A TOUCHDOWN – 2 yards, DK Kaufman of NC State (9-28-24)
SCORED A SAFETY – Tulsa (9-23-23), NIU fumble recovery in own end zone
BLOCKED A PUNT – Nevaeh Sanders of Mississippi State (9-20-25)
BLOCKED A PUNT FOR A TOUCHDOWN – Noel Roach (block)/Terence Thomas (recovered ball in end zone) of Akron (11-13-24)
BLOCKED A FIELD GOAL – Corey Suttle of Miami (11-19-24)
BLOCKED A PAT KICK – Mayo Bola of Western Illinois (8-31-24)
MISSED A PAT KICK (not blocked) – Jackson Courville of Ball State (10-26-24)
SHUT OUT THE HUSKIES – Navy 16, NIU 0 (11-25-08)
SHUT OUT THE HUSKIES FOR A HALF – 2nd, Mississippi State (9-20-25)
PASSED FOR 300 OR MORE YARDS – 312, Jeff Undercuffler of Akron (11-26-22)
PASSED FOR 400 OR MORE YARDS – 403, John Paddock of Ball State (10-1-22)
RUSHED FOR 100 OR MORE YARDS – 101, Fluff Bothwell of Mississippi State (9-20-23)
RUSHED FOR 200 OR MORE YARDS – 202, Marion Lukes of Central Michigan (10-31-23)
HAD A RUSH OF 60 YARDS OR LONGER – 66, Jaden Nixon of Western Michigan (11-6-24)
TWO OR MORE PLAYERS RUSHED FOR 100 YARDS – 202, Marion Lukes and 106, Jase Bauer of Central Michigan (10-31-23)
HAD 10 OR MORE RECEPTIONS – 11, Corey Crooms of Western Michigan (11-9-22)
HAD 100 OR MORE RECEIVING YARDS – 118, Mac Dalena of Fresno State, Famous Idaho Potato Bowl (12-23-24)
HAD 200 OR MORE RECEIVING YARDS – 206, Skyy Moore of Western Michigan (11-23-21)

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

RETURNED A KICKOFF FOR A TOUCHDOWN – Dev'ion Reynolds (96 yards) vs. Holy Cross (8-30-25)

RETURNED A PUNT FOR A TOUCHDOWN (NOT BLOCKED) – Dane Pardridge (55 yards) vs. Western Michigan (11-14-23)

RETURNED AN INTERCEPTION FOR A TOUCHDOWN – James Ester (0 yards) at Eastern Michigan (10-15-22)

RETURNED A FUMBLE FOR A TOUCHDOWN – Jacob Finley (0 yards) at Kent State (11-25-23)

SCORED A SAFETY – Michael Kennedy (tackled RB in end zone) at Eastern Michigan (12-12-20)

A NON-QB THREW A TOUCHDOWN PASS – WR George Dimopoulos (25 yds to WR Dane Pardridge) vs. Fresno State, Famous Idaho Potato Bowl (12-23-24)

A NON-QB COMPLETED A PASS – WR George Dimopoulos (25 yds to WR Dane Pardridge) vs. Fresno State, Famous Idaho Potato Bowl (12-23-24)

BLOCKED A PUNT – Corey Lersch at Ohio (10-12-19)

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

BLOCKED A PUNT FOR A TOUCHDOWN – Corey Lersch blocked; Adam Buirge scored on a three-yard return at Ohio (10-12-19)

BLOCKED A FIELD GOAL – Santana Banner at Ball State (10-26-24)

BLOCKED A PAT KICK – Cade Haberman vs. Central Michigan (11-30-24)

CONVERTED A FAKE FG FOR A TOUCHDOWN – Kanon Woodill 32 yard pass from Tom Foley vs. Arkansas State (12-23-23)

RAN A SUCCESSFUL FAKE PUNT – Andrew Haidet to Messiah Travis (8-yard pass) at Western Michigan (11-28-20)

MISSED A PAT KICK (not blocked) – Andrew Glass vs. Holy Cross (8-30-25)

CONVERTED A TWO-POINT ATTEMPT – WR George Dimopoulos pass to Josh Holst vs. Fresno State, Famous Idaho Potato Bowl (12-23-24)

FAILED TO CONVERT A TWO-POINT ATTEMPT – Josh Holst pass failed at Maryland (9-5-25)

PASSED FOR 300 OR MORE YARDS – Ethan Hampton (328) vs. Western Illinois (8-31-24)

PASSED FOR 400 OR MORE YARDS – Rocky Lombardi (532) at Kent State (11-3-21) – *NIU SCHOOL RECORD*

THREW FOUR OR MORE TD PASSES IN A GAME – Ethan Hampton (5) vs. Western Illinois (8-31-24)

THREW FIVE OR MORE TD PASSES IN A GAME – Ethan Hampton (5) vs. Western Illinois (8-31-24)

COMPLETED A 60-YARD PASS – Ethan Hampton (83) to Antario Brown (TD) vs. Notre Dame (9-7-24)

COMPLETED A 70-YARD PASS – Ethan Hampton (83) to Antario Brown (TD) vs. Notre Dame (9-7-24)

COMPLETED AN 80-YARD PASS – Ethan Hampton (83) to Antario Brown (TD) vs. Notre Dame (9-7-24)

RUSHED FOR 100 OR MORE YARDS – Telly Johnson Jr. (104) & Gavin Williams (101) vs. Akron (11-13-24)

RUSHED FOR 200 OR MORE YARDS – Antario Brown (280) at Akron (10-7-22)

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

HAD A RUSH OF 60 YARDS OR LONGER – Gavin Williams (71, TD) vs. Akron (11-13-24)

HAD A RUSH OF 70 YARDS OR LONGER – Telly Johnson Jr. (74, TD) at Maryland (9-5-25)

HAD A RUSH OF 80 YARDS OR LONGER – Antario Brown (80) at Toledo (9-30-23)

CONSECUTIVE GAMES RUSHING FOR 100 YARDS OR MORE – Telly Johnson Jr., 2 games (at WMU, 11-6-24; vs. Akron, 11-13-24)

RUSHED FOR FOUR OR MORE TOUCHDOWNS IN A GAME – Antario Brown (4) at Akron (10-7-23)

RUSHED FOR TWO OR MORE TDS IN CONSECUTIVE GAMES – Tre Harbison vs. Ball State (2), Ohio (3) – (10-5-19, 10-12-19)

TWO PLAYERS RUSHED FOR 100 YARDS, SAME GAME – Telly Johnson Jr. (104) & Gavin Williams (101) vs. Akron (11-13-24)

TWO PLAYERS HAD 100 RECEIVING YARDS, SAME GAME – Trayvon Rudolph (108) and Cole Tucker (103) vs. Ball State (11-10-21)

QB RUSHED FOR 150 YARDS OR MORE – Marcus Childers (169) vs. Ohio (10-13-18)

HAD 10 OR MORE RECEPTIONS – Harrison Waylee (10) vs. Toledo (10-8-22)

HAD 100 OR MORE RECEIVING YARDS – Antario Brown (126) vs. Notre Dame (9-7-24)

HAD 200 OR MORE RECEIVING YARDS – Trayvon Rudolph (309) at Kent State (11-3-21) – *NIU SCHOOL RECORD*

CAUGHT TWO OR MORE TOUCHDOWN PASSES IN A GAME – Grayson Barnes (2) vs. Fresno State, Famous Idaho Potato Bowl (12-23-24)

CAUGHT THREE OR MORE TOUCHDOWN PASSES IN A GAME – Trayvon Rudolph (3) at Kent State (11-3-21)

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

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

SCORED THREE OR MORE TOUCHDOWNS IN A GAME – Antario Brown (4 rushing) at Akron (10-7-23)

INTERCEPTED TWO OR MORE PASSES IN A GAME – Eric Rogers (2) vs. Eastern Illinois (9-1-22)

SCORED A RUSHING AND RECEIVING TD IN A GAME – Gavin Williams (1 rushing, 1 receiving) at Western Michigan (11-6-24)

KICKED A FG OF 50 OR MORE YARDS – 50 yards, Kanon Woodill at NC State (9-28-24)

SCORED 15 OR MORE POINTS KICKING – 15, John Richardson at Eastern Michigan (10-15-22)

MADE FOUR OR MORE FIELD GOALS IN A GAME – 4, John Richardson vs. Akron (11-26-22)

HAD THREE OR MORE SACKS IN A GAME – Neveah Sanders (3) vs. Buffalo (9-21-24)

HAD 10+ TACKLES IN A GAME – Quinn Urwiler (14) at Mississippi State (9-20-25)

HAD 15+ TACKLES IN A GAME – Antonio Jones-Davis (17) vs. Ball State (10-5-19)

MULTIPLE PLAYERS WITH 10+ TACKLES IN A GAME – Quinn Urwiler (14) & Jasper Beeler (10) at Mississippi State (9-20-25)

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NIU TEAM HIGHS & LOWS

	HIGH	LOW
Points, Game	19 vs. Holy Cross (8-30)	9 at Maryland (9-5)
Points, Half	13 (2H) vs. Holy Cross (8-30)	0 (2H) at Miss. State (9-20)
Points, Quarter	13 (4Q) vs. Holy Cross (8-30)	0, 4x (M.R. 4Q at Miss. State, 9-20)
First Downs	17 vs. Holy Cross (8-30)	13 at Maryland (9-5)
Rushing Yards	180 at Maryland (9-5)	125 at Miss. State (9-20)
Rushing Attempts	48, 2x (Holy Cross, 8-30 & Maryland, 9-5)	27 at Miss. State (9-20)
Passing Yards	142 at Miss. State (9-20)	91 at Maryland (9-5)
Pass Attempts	25 at Miss. State (9-20)	22 at Maryland (9-5)
Pass Completions	15 at Miss. State (9-20)	14, 2x (Holy Cross, 8-30 & Maryland, 9-5)
Total Offensive Plays	72 vs. Holy Cross (8-30)	52 at Miss. State (9-20)
Total Offense Yards	287 vs. Holy Cross (8-30)	267 at Miss. State (9-20)
Punts	6, 2x (Holy Cross, 8-30 & Maryland, 9-5)	4 at Miss. State (9-20)
Penalties	7 vs. Holy Cross (8-30)	5, 2x (Maryland, 9-5 & Miss. State 9-20)
Turnovers Lost	1, 2x (Holy Cross, 8-30 & Miss. State, 9-20)	0 at Maryland (9-5)
Sacks (By Defense)	2, 2x (Holy Cross, 8-30 & Miss. State, 9-20)	0 at Maryland (9-5)
Time of Possession	33:35 at Maryland (9-5)	28:05 at Miss. State (9-20)

OPPONENTS TEAM HIGHS & LOWS

	HIGH	LOW
Points, Game	38, Miss. State (9-20)	17, Holy Cross (8-30)
Points, Half	24 (2H), Miss. State (9-20)	3 (1H), Holy Cross (8-30)
Points, Quarter	14 (4Q), Miss. State (9-20)	0, 2x (M.R. 1Q & 3Q, Holy Cross 8-30)
First Downs	23, Miss. State (9-20)	11, Holy Cross (8-30)
Rushing Yards	292, Miss. State (9-20)	62, Holy Cross (8-30)
Rushing Attempts	49, Miss. State (9-20)	26, Holy Cross (8-30)
Passing Yards	254, Maryland (9-5)	155, Holy Cross (8-30)
Pass Attempts	36, Maryland (9-5)	20, Miss. State (9-20)
Pass Completions	19, Maryland (9-5)	12, Miss. State (9-20)
Total Offensive Plays	69, Miss. State (9-20)	55, Holy Cross (8-30)
Total Offense Yards	452, Miss. State (9-20)	217, Holy Cross (8-30)
Punts	4, Holy Cross (8-30)	3, 2x (Maryland, 9-5 & Miss. State (9-20)
Penalties	11, Miss. State (9-20)	1, Holy Cross (8-30)
Turnovers Lost	1, 2x (Holy Cross, 8-30 & Maryland, 9-5)	0, Miss. State (9-20)
Sacks (By Defense)	4, Maryland (9-5)	0, Holy Cross (8-30)
Time of Possession	31:55, Miss. State (9-20)	26:25, Maryland (9-5)

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Rushing Attempts:	27, Chavon Wright at Maryland (9-5)
Net Rushing Yards:	90, Chavon Wright at Maryland (9-5)
Rushing TDs:	1, Chavon Wright vs. Holy Cross (8-30)
	1, Telly Johnson Jr. at Maryland (9-5)
Long TD Run:	74 yards, Telly Johnson Jr. at Maryland (9-5)
Non-Scoring Run:	45 yards, Chavon Wright vs. Holy Cross (8-30)
Passes Attempted:	23, Josh Holst at Miss. State (9-20)
Passes Completed:	14, Josh Holst at Maryland (9-5)
	Josh Holst at Miss. State (9-20)
Passing Yards:	135, Josh Holst at Miss. State (9-20)
Passes Had Intercepted:	1, Josh Holst vs. Holy Cross (8-30)
	Josh Holst at Miss. State (9-20)
Completion Percentage:	67.0 (12-18), Josh Holst vs. Holy Cross (8-30)
TD Passes:	1, Josh Holst at Miss. State (9-20)
Long TD Pass:	24, J. Holst to D. Rogers at Miss. State (9-20)
Non-Scoring Pass:	25, Holst to Rogers vs. Holy Cross (8-30)
Receptions:	7, DeAree Rogers vs. Holy Cross (8-30)
Receiving Yards:	84, DeAree Rogers at Miss. State (9-20)
Receiving TDs:	1, DeAree Rogers at Miss. State (9-20)
Punt Returns (not blocks):	---
Punt Return Yards:	---
Punt Return, Long:	---
Kickoff Returns:	4, Dev'ion Reynolds vs. Holy Cross (8-30)
Kickoff Return Yards:	139, Dev'ion Reynolds vs. Holy Cross (8-30)
Kickoff Return, Long:	96, Dev'ion Reynolds vs. Holy Cross (8-30)
Total Plays:	32, Josh Holst at Maryland (9-5)
Total Offensive Yards:	154, Josh Holst at Miss. State (9-20)
All-Purpose Attempts:	30, Chavon Wright at Maryland (9-5)
All-Purpose Yards:	139, Dev'ion Reynolds vs. Holy Cross (8-30)
Points & Touchdowns:	6 & 1, Chavon Wright vs. Holy Cross (8-30)
	Dev'ion Reynolds vs. Holy Cross (8-30)
	Telly Johnson Jr. at Maryland (9-5)
	DeAree Rogers at Miss. State (9-20)
Points Kicking:	7, Andrew Glass vs. Holy Cross (8-30)
Field Goals Attempted:	2, Andrew Glass vs. Holy Cross (8-30)
	Andrew Glass at Maryland (9-5)
Field Goals Made:	2, Andrew Glass vs. Holy Cross (8-30)
Longest Field Goal Attempt:	58, Andrew Glass at Maryland (9-5)
Longest Field Goal Made:	39, Andrew Glass vs. Holy Cross (8-30)
Punts:	5, Danny Vuckovic vs. Holy Cross (8-30)
Best Punting Average (min. 2):	42.5, Danny Vuckovic at Maryland (9-5)
Longest Punt:	54, Danny Vuckovic vs. Holy Cross (8-30)
	54, Danny Vuckovic at Maryland (9-5)
Tackles:	14, Quinn Urwiler at Miss. State (9-20)
Tackles for Loss:	1.5, Dasean Dixon vs. Holy Cross (8-30)
	Ty Myles vs. Holy Cross (8-30)
	Donte Harrison vs. Holy Cross (8-30)
Sacks:	1, Roy Williams vs. Holy Cross (8-30)
Interceptions:	1, Muhammad Jammeh vs. Holy Cross (8-30)
Long Interception Return:	---
INT Return, TD:	---
Fumbles Forced:	1, Jasper Beeler at Maryland (9-5)
Fumbles Recovered:	1, Jalonnice Williams at Maryland (9-5)
Long Fumble Return:	---

OPPONENTS

Rushing Attempts:	17, Fluff Bothwell, Miss. State (9-20)
Net Rushing Yards:	101, Fluff Bothwell, Miss. State (9-20)
Rushing TDs:	2, Davon Booth, Miss. State (9-20)
Long TD Run:	10, Brenen Thompson, Miss. State (9-20)
Non-Scoring Run:	33, Cal Swanson, Holy Cross (8-30)
Passes Attempted:	35, Malik Washington, Maryland (9-5)
Passes Completed:	19, Malik Washington, Maryland (9-5)
Passes Had Intercepted:	1, Cal Swanson, Holy Cross (8-30)
Completion Percentage:	60.0 (12-20), Blake Shapen, Miss. State (9-20)
Passing Yards:	254, Malik Washington, Maryland (9-5)
TD Passes:	2, Malik Washington, Maryland (9-5)
Long TD Pass:	42, M. Washington to S. Knotts, Maryland (9-5)
Non-Scoring Pass:	57, B. Shapen to A. Evans III, Miss. State (9-20)
Receptions:	6, Max Mosey, Holy Cross (8-30)
Receiving Yards:	80, Anthony Evans III, Miss. State (9-20)
Receiving TDs:	1, 4x M.R. Seydou Traore, Miss. State (9-20)
Punt Returns:	3, Josiah McLaurin, Maryland (9-5)
Punt Return Yards:	15, Josiah McLaurin, Maryland (9-5)
Punt Return, Long:	9, Josiah McLaurin, Maryland (9-5)
Kickoff Returns:	3, Alijah Cason, Holy Cross (8-30)
Kickoff Return Yards:	187, Alijah Cason, Holy Cross (8-30)
Kickoff Return, Long:	97, Alijah Cason, Holy Cross (8-30)
Total Plays:	41, Cal Swanson, Holy Cross (8-30)
Total Offensive Yards:	253, Malik Washington, Maryland (9-5)
All-Purpose Attempts:	21, Fluff Bothwell, Miss. State (9-20)
All-Purpose Yards:	201, Alijah Cason, Holy Cross (8-30)
Points & Touchdowns:	12 & 2, Davon Booth, Miss. State (9-20)
Points Kicking:	8, Kyle Ferrie, Miss. State (9-20)
Field Goals Attempted:	3, Luis Palenzuela, Holy Cross (8-30)
	3, Sean O'Haire, Maryland (9-5)
Field Goals Made:	1, Luis Palenzuela, Holy Cross (8-30)
	Sean O'Haire, Maryland (9-5)
	Kyle Ferrie, Miss. State (9-20)
Longest Field Goal Attempt:	48, Kyle Ferrie, Miss. State (9-20)
Longest Field Goal Made:	48, Kyle Ferrie, Miss. State (9-20)
Punts:	4, Ethan Moss, Holy Cross (8-30)
Best Punting Average:	50.5, Ethan Pulliam, Miss. State (9-20)
Longest Punt:	51, Ethan Pulliam, Miss. State (9-20)
Tackles:	14, Daniel Wingate, Maryland (9-5)
Tackles for Loss:	2.5, Dillan Fontus, Maryland (9-5)
Sacks:	1, Trey Reddick, Maryland (9-5)
	Zahir Mahis, Maryland (9-5)
	Sidney Stewart, Maryland (9-5)
	Ray Thomas, Miss. State (9-20)
Interceptions:	1, Carlo Crocetti, Holy Cross (8-30)
	Isaac Smith, Miss. State (9-20)
INT Return, Long:	---
INT Return, TD:	---
Fumbles Forced:	---
Fumbles Recovered:	---
Long Fumble Return:	---

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RUSHING

Name	Carries	Yards	TDs	Long
2025 Josh Holst Career	10 at Maryland, 9-5 16 vs. Fresno St. (FIPB), 12-23-24	19 vs. Miss. State, 9-20 65 vs. Fresno St. (FIPB), 12-23-24	--- 1 at Bowling Green, 10-12-24	11 vs. Miss. State, 9-20 22 at Bowling Green, 10-12-24
2025 Telly Johnson Jr. Career	21 vs. Holy Cross, 8-30 23 at WMU, 11-6-24	86 at Maryland, 9-5 141 at WMU, 11-6-24	1 at Maryland, 9-5 2 at WMU, 11-6-24	74 (TD) at Maryland, 9-5 74 (TD) at Maryland, 9-5
2024 Justin Lynch Career*	6, 2x (M.R. vs. CMU, 11-30) 21 vs. Boston College, 9-11-21	42 vs. Western Illinois, 8-31 89 at Ball State, 10-1-22	--- 1, 5x last vs. Tulsa, 9-23-23	31 vs. Western Illinois, 8-31 52 at WMU, 11-9-22
2025 Jaylen Poe Career	3 vs. Miss. State, 9-20 15 vs. UMass, 10-5-24	22 vs. Holy Cross, 8-30 98 vs. UMass, 10-5-24	--- 2 vs. UMass, 10-5-24	21 vs. Holy Cross, 8-30 22 vs. UMass, 10-5-24
2025 Jackson Proctor Career*	2 vs. Holy Cross, 8-30 13 vs. Brown, 11-23-24	13 vs. Holy Cross, 8-30 171 vs. Brown, 11-23-24	--- 3 vs. Brown, 11-23-24	11, vs. Holy Cross, 8-30 78 vs. Brown, 11-23-24
2025 Chavon Wright Career*	27 at Maryland, 9-5 42 vs. Ashland, 11-23-24	90 at Maryland, 9-5 276 vs. Notre Dame (OH), 10-14-23	1 vs. Holy Cross, 8-30 6 vs. New Haven, 11-18-23	45 vs. Holy Cross, 8-30 68 vs. California (PA), 9-7-24

RECEIVING

Name	Catches	Yards	TDs	Long
2025 Jake Appleget Career*	1, 2x (M.R. at Maryland), 9-5 2 vs. Fresno St. (FIPB), 12-23-24	10 vs. Holy Cross, 8-30 29 vs. Fresno St. (FIPB), 12-23-24	--- ---	10 vs. Holy Cross, 8-30 20 vs. Fresno St. (FIPB), 12-23-24
2025 La'Don Bryant Career	1, at Maryland, 9-5 1, 3x (M.R. at Maryland), 9-5	8, at Maryland, 9-5 28 vs. Fresno St. (FIPB), 12-23-24	--- ---	8, at Maryland, 9-5 28 vs. Fresno St. (FIPB), 12-23-24
2025 George Dimopoulos Career	2, 2x (M.R. vs. Miss. State, 9-20) 2, 3x (M.R. vs. Miss. State, 9-20)	14, at Maryland, 9-5 25 vs. WIU, 8-31-24	--- ---	8, at Maryland, 9-5 14 vs. WIU, 8-31-24
2025 Gary Givens III Career*	2, 2x (M.R. vs. Miss. State, 9-20) 5 at Dayton, 11-16-24	26, at Maryland, 9-5 93 vs. Butler, 11-9-24	--- 1, 3x (M.R. vs. Davidson) 11-23-24	15, at Maryland, 9-5 39 at Youngstown St., 9-7-24
2025 DeAree Rogers Career*	7 vs. Holy Cross, 8-30 11 vs. Barton, 10-14-23	84 vs. Miss. State, 9-20 150 vs. Barton, 10-14-23	1 vs. Miss. State, 9-20 2, 3x (M.R. vs. Newberry) 10-12-24	25 vs. Holy Cross, 8-30 59 at UVA Wise, 9-30-23

PASSING

Name	Completions	Attempts	Interceptions	Touchdowns	Yards	Long
2025 Josh Holst Career	14, 2x (M.R. vs. Miss. State, 9-20) 22 vs. Toledo, 10-19-24	23 vs. Miss. State, 9-20 46 vs. Toledo, 10-19-24	1, 2x (M.R. vs. Miss. State, 9-20) 1, 3x (M.R. vs. Miss. State, 9-20)	1 vs. Miss. State, 9-20 2 vs. Fresno St., 12-23-24	135 vs. Miss. State, 9-20 210 vs. Toledo, 10-19-24	25 vs. Holy Cross, 8-30 30 vs. Toledo, 10-19-24
2024 Jalen Macon Career*	4 vs. WIU, 8-31 19 vs. Tenn. St., 9-9-23	7 vs. WIU, 8-31 29 at Ala. A&M, 9-21-23	--- 3 at Southern, 10-1-22	--- 2 at Ala. A&M, 9-21-23	50 vs. WIU, 8-31 227 at Ala. A&M, 9-21-23	14 vs. WIU, 8-31 80 at Ala. A&M, 9-21-23
2025 Jackson Proctor Career*	2 vs. Holy Cross, 8-30 26 at Cornell, 11-16-24	6 vs. Holy Cross, 8-30 37 at Cornell, 11-16-24	--- 2, 2x (M.R. at Cornell)	--- 4 vs. Brown, 11-23-24	8 vs. Holy Cross, 8-30 308 vs. Brown, 11-23-24	7 vs. Holy Cross, 8-30 75 at Merrimack, 9-28-24

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DEFENSE - FRONT SEVEN

Name	Total Tackles	Solo Stops	Tackles for Loss		Sacks
2025 Danny Cronin Career*	--- 12, 2x (M.R. at Brown, 11-18-23)	--- 11 at Colgate, 10-14-23	--- 2.0, 2x (M.R. vs. Fordham, 9-21-24)	1, 3x (M.R. vs. Fordham, 9-21-24)	---
2025 Ivan Davis Career	--- 5 vs. Miami, 11-16-22	--- 2 vs. UMass, 10-5-24	--- 1.0, 3x (M.R. vs. Buffalo, 9-21-24)	1.0, 2x (M.R. at WMU, 11-9-22)	---
2025 Dasean Dixon Career*	3, 2x M.R. at Miss. State, 9-20 11 vs. Shippensburg, 10-28-23	1 vs. Holy Cross, 8-30 5 vs. Shippensburg, 10-28-23	1.5 vs. Holy Cross, 8-30 3.5 at West Chester, 10-14-23	2.5, 2x (M.R. vs Shipp., 10-28-23)	---
2025 Alvin Gulley Career*	--- 6 vs. CCSU, 10-5-24	--- 3, 2x (M.R. at Cornell, 9-28-24)	0.5 at Miss. State, 9-20 2 vs. Dartmouth, 10-8-22	0.5 at Miss. State, 9-20 1.0, 2x (M.R. at Harvard, 11-23-24)	---
2025 Mark Hensley Career	2 vs. Holy Cross, 8-30 2 vs. Western Ill., 8-31-24	1 at Maryland, 9-5 1 2x (M.R. vs. Fresno St., 12-23)	1.0 at Maryland, 9-5 1.0, 2x (M.R. at Maryland), 9-5		--- ---
2025 Filip Maciorowski Career	9 at Miss. State, 9-20 9 at Miss. State, 9-20	4 at Maryland, 9-5 4 at Maryland, 9-5-25	0.5, 2x M.R. at Miss. State, 9-20 0.5, 2x M.R. at Miss. State, 9-20		--- ---
2025 Pierce Oppong Career	--- 5 at EMU, 12-12-20	--- 3, 2x (M.R. vs Fresno State, 12-23-24)	--- 1.0, 2x (M.R. vs Fresno State, 12-23-24)	1.0, 2x (M.R. vs Fresno St., 12-23-24)	---
2025 Marc Pretto Career	4, 2x at Miss. State, 9-20 13 at Georgetown, 9-30-23	1 vs. Holy Cross, 8-30 6 at Georgetown, 9-30-23	1.0 vs. Holy Cross, 8-30 2.0 vs. Holy Cross, 10-28-23	0.5 vs. Holy Cross, 8-30 1.0 vs. Wagner, 9-2-23	
2025 Quinn Urwiler Career*	14 at Miss. State, 9-20 14 at Miss. State, 9-20	9 at Maryland, 9-5 9 at Maryland, 9-5-25	1 vs. Holy Cross, 8-30 1 vs. Holy Cross, 8-30-25	0.5 vs. Holy Cross, 8-30 1.0 at Utah State, 9-10-21	
2025 Jalonnie Williams Career	3 vs. Holy Cross, 8-30 4, 3x (M.R. at WMU, 11-6-24)	1 vs. Holy Cross, 8-30 3, 3x (M.R. vs. WMU, 11-6-24)	--- 1.5 at NC State, 9-28-24	1.0 at Bowling Green, 10-12-24	---
2025 Roy Williams Career	5 at Miss. State, 9-20 6, 2x (M.R. at NC State, 9-28-24)	4 at Maryland, 9-5 4 vs. Western Illinois, 8-31-24	1 vs. Holy Cross, 8-30 1.5 vs. UMass, 10-5-24	1 vs. Holy Cross, 8-30 1.5 vs. UMass, 10-5-24	

DEFENSE - BACKFIELD

Name	Total Tackles	Solo Stops	Tackles for Loss	Pass Break Ups	Interceptions
2025 Jasper Beeler Career*	10 at Miss. State, 9-20 10, 2x M.R. at Miss. State, 9-20	5 at Maryland, 9-5 5, 2x M.R. vs. Mich. Tech (11-16-25)	1 at Maryland, 9-5 2.0 at Northern Mich., 10-5-24	1 vs. Holy Cross, 8-30 4 vs. Davenport, 11-2-25	--- 1 vs. Winona St., 8-31-23
2025 Jacob Finley Career	3, 2x M.R. at Miss. State, 9-20 10 last vs. Akron, 11-26-22	2 vs. Holy Cross, 8-30 8 vs. WMU, 11-23-21	--- 1.0, 2x (M.R. vs. Akron, 11-13-24)	1 at Maryland 9-5 2 vs. Western Illinois, 8-31-24	--- 1 vs. CMU, 11-30-24
2025 Muhammed Jammeh Career	7 vs. Holy Cross, 8-30 8 vs. Kent St. (MACC), 12-4-21	4 vs. Holy Cross, 8-30 4, last vs. Holy Cross, 8-30	--- 1.0, last vs. WMU, 11-14-23	1 vs. Holy Cross, 8-30 1, (M.R. vs. Holy Cross), 8-30	1 vs. Holy Cross, 8-30 1, M.R. vs. Holy Cross, 8-30
2025 Donte Harrison Career	4 vs. Holy Cross, 8-30 8 vs. Shippensburg, 9-30-23	2 vs. Holy Cross, 8-30 8 vs. Shippensburg, 9-30-23	1.5 vs. Holy Cross, 8-30 1.5 vs. Holy Cross, 8-30	1 at Maryland 9-5 2 vs. Millersville, 10-19-24	--- 1, 6x
2025 Keshawn Lyons Career*	2, 2x at Miss. State, 9-20 7, 2x (M.R. vs UIndy 10-19-24)	2 at Maryland, 9-5 1 at Maryland, 9-5-25	--- 2 at William Jewell, 11-16-24	--- ---	--- 1, 3x
2025 Cyrus McGarrell Career	--- 5 at Akron, 10-7-23	--- 4 at Akron, 10-7-23	--- ---	--- ---	--- 1, last vs. EMU, 10-21-23

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No.	Name	Pos.	Hgt.	Wgt.	Yr.	Hometown (HS/Previous School)	No.	Name	Pos.
0	Alvin Gulley	DT	6-0	302	Sr.	Belleville, Ill. (Belleville West Twp./Yale)	86	Devon Akers	TE
0	La'Don Bryant	WR	6-4	204	Fr.-R	Savannah, Ga. (Benedictine Military School)	80	Jake Appleget	TE
1	Ty Myles	DB	5-10	186	Jr.-R	Blackshear, Ga. (Pierce County)	14	Malik Armstrong	S
2	Brady Davidson	QB	6-5	224	Fr.	Columbia, Mo. (Rock Bridge)	22	Jasper Beeler	S
2	Cyrus McGarrell	S	6-2	197	Sr.-R	Windsor, Ontario, Can. (Clearwater Acad. Int'l. [Fla.])	20	Chidu Bekee	LB
3	Jacob Finley	CB	5-11	184	Jr.-R	Birmingham, Ala. (Hoover)	55	Jordan Bellamy	DT
3	Rickey Taylor Jr.	WR	6-1	180	Fr.-R	Chicago, Ill. (Brother Rice)	31	Owen Belman	S
4	Kenji Lewis	WR	6-1	200	Sr.	Memphis, Tenn. (Memphis East/UAPB)	88	Andrew Bond	WR
4	Muhammed Jammeh	S	6-1	201	Sr.-R	Detroit, Mich. (Renaissance)	53	Charles Brooks III	DE
5	Davonte Murray	DE	6-3	256	Sr.	Detroit, Mich. (Cass Tech/UT Martin)	0	La'Don Bryant	WR
5	Justin Lynch	WR/ATH	6-1	205	Sr.-R	Chicago, Ill. (Mount Carmel/Temple)	99	Austin Bullock	K
6	Dasean Dixon	DT	6-1	296	Sr.	Washington, D.C. (Archbishop Carroll/Albany)	44	Montrel Canion	DT
6	DeAree Rogers	WR	5-11	200	Jr.	Lexington, S.C. (Irmo/Lenoir-Rhyne)	76	Tyler Chambers	OL
7	Donte Harrison	CB	6-1	185	Sr.	Washington, D.C. (Archbishop Carroll/Shepherd)	87	Micah Cook	DE
7	Gary Givens	WR	6-1	200	So.	Tampa, Fla. (Jesuit/Valparaiso)	32	Reginald Craig	RB
8	Pierce Oppong	DE/TE	6-3	264	Sr.-R	Bloomington, Minn. (Jefferson)	19	Danny Cronin	LB
9	George Dimopoulos	WR	6-2	200	So.	Crystal Lake, Ill. (Crystal Lake Central)	55	Abiathar Curry	OL
9	Dev'ion Reynolds	CB	6-1	190	Fr.-R	Zion, Ill. (Carmel Catholic)	2	Brady Davidson	QB
10	Chavon Wright	RB	5-8	212	Sr.-R	Opa Locka, Fla. (Cedar Grove/Univ. of Charleston)	52	Ivan Davis	DE
10	Mark Hensley	DT	6-3	290	So.-R	Labadie, Mo. (Washington)	9	George Dimopoulos	WR
11	Jalonnie Williams	DE	6-4	286	Sr.-R	Milwaukee, Wis. (Greenfield)	6	Dasean Dixon	DT
11	Romelo Ware	RB	5-9	190	Fr.-R	Orlando, Fla. (Olympia)	30	Andruw Ellis	DB
12	Jackson Proctor	QB	6-2	210	Jr.-R	Kent, Wash. (Kentwood/Dartmouth)	36	Jake Ference	P
12	Keshawn Lyons	CB	6-1	180	Jr.	Cahokia, Ill. (Cahokia/McKendree)	3	Jacob Finley	CB
13	Ivan Moore Jr.	DE	6-4	228	Fr.-R	Chicago, Ill. (Kenwood Academy)	26	James Finley IV	S
14	Jalen Macon	QB	6-5	230	Jr.-R	Nashville, Tenn. (Hillsboro/UAPB)	83	Jason Fowler	TE
14	Malik Armstrong	S	6-0	192	Jr.-R	Joliet, Ill. (Minooka Community)	25	Jake Gassaway	LB
15	Josh Holst	QB	6-4	204	So.-R	Marengo, Ill. (Marengo Community)	7	Gary Givens	WR
15	Broderick Windham	S	6-2	200	Jr.	Corona, Calif. (Norco/Saddleback CC)	60	Andrew Glass	K
16	Jay'shon Thomas	DE	6-4	246	So.-R	Cataula, Ga. (Harris County)	69	Logan Gross	OL
17	Filip Maciorowski	LB	6-3	225	So.-R	Carol Stream, Ill. (Glenbard West)	0	Alvin Gulley	DT
17	Jamari McIvory	WR	6-0	185	Fr.-R	Guyton, Ga. (Savannah Christian Prep)	61	Ben Gustafson	OL
18	Thomas McCoy	DB	6-1	208	Fr.-R	Baltimore, Md. (Mt. Zion Prep/Marshall)	82	Caleb Haack	TE
18	Landon Tate	WR	5-10	181	Fr.	Omaha, Neb. (Elkhorn South)	49	Devin Habermehl	TE
19	Danny Cronin	LB	6-3	225	Sr.	Elmhurst, Ill. (IC Catholic/Dartmouth)	7	Donte Harrison	CB
20	Chidu Bekee	LB	6-3	227	Fr.-R	Plainfield, Ill. (Plainfield East)	10	Mark Hensley	DT
20	Afy Ibekwe	WR	6-1	190	Fr.	Anoka, Minn. (Anoka)	15	Josh Holst	QB
21	Austin Tillman	CB	5-11	179	Fr.	St. Louis, Mo. (Christian Brothers College Prep)	63	Landon Hron	OL
21	Lazaro Rogers	RB	5-10	200	Fr.	Fort Myers, Fla. (East Lee County)	47	Eliot Hummer	LB
22	Jasper Beeler	S	6-2	194	Jr.	Farmington, Mich. (North Farmington/Saginaw Valley State)	35	Tristan Hunter	S
23	Marc Pretto	LB	6-2	225	Jr.-R	Montclair, N.J. (St. Peter's Prep/Fordham)	20	Afy Ibekwe	WR
24	Elijah Porter	RB	5-11	202	Fr.-R	Ankeny, Iowa (Centennial)	95	Lance Ingold	DE
25	Jake Gassaway	LB	6-0	225	Jr.-R	Omaha, Neb. (Millard South)	4	Muhammed Jammeh	S
26	James Finley IV	S	6-1	183	Fr.	Portage, Ind. (Andrean)	90	Reggie Jean	DT
27	Trey Porter	S	6-0	198	Jr.-R	Ankeny, Iowa (Centennial)	70	Michael Jimmar	OL
28	Jaylen Poe	RB	5-10	212	So.-R	Dallas, Ga. (North Paulding)	45	Telly Johnson Jr.	RB
29	Romelo Walker	DB	6-1	195	Fr.-R	Orlando, Fla. (Olympia)	42	Quinn Kelly	LS
30	Andruw Ellis	DB	6-0	196	Fr.	Roxana, Ill. (Roxana)	4	Kenji Lewis	WR
30	Keagan Ruane-Martino	WR	5-11	183	Fr.	Frankfort, Ill. (Lincoln-Way East)	58	Ross Liegel	OL
31	Owen Belman	S	6-1	195	Sr.-R	Davenport, Iowa (Pleasant Valley/Iowa Western CC)	34	James Little IV	CB
32	Quinn Urwiler	LB	6-0	226	Sr.-R	Mooseheart, Ill. (Batavia/North Dakota)	5	Justin Lynch	WR
32	Reginald Craig	RB	5-11	210	Fr.	Chicago, Ill. (South Shore)	12	Keshawn Lyons	CB
33	JJ Schlenhardt	K	5-11	185	Fr.	Park Ridge, Ill. (Maine South)	17	Filip Maciorowski	LB
33	Taylor Powell	S	6-4	198	Fr.-R	Belleville, Ill. (East St. Louis)	14	Jalen Macon	QB
34	James Little IV	CB	5-11	170	Fr.	Fort Myers, Fla. (Bishop Verot)	66	Lane Mahnesmith	OL
34	Triston White	RB	5-10	209	Fr.	Nashville, Ga. (Valwood)	54	Evan Malcore	OL
35	Tristan Hunter	LB	6-2	203	Fr.-R	Chicago, Ill. (Urban Prep)	18	Thomas McCoy	WR
36	Jake Ference	P	6-0	188	Fr.	St. Louis, Mo. (Lafayette)	2	Cyrus McGarrell	S

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37	Miles Thompson	CB	5-11	180	So.	Cedar Rapids, Iowa (Washington/Texas Tech)	17	Jamari McIvory	WR
38	Amari Williams	DB	6-1	172	Fr.	Wheaton, Ill. (Wheaton Warrenville South)	41	KJ McRae	LB
41	KJ McRae	LB	6-3	222	Fr.-R	Covington, Ga. (Riverwood)	13	Ivan Moore Jr.	DE
42	Quinn Kelly	LS	6-1	215	So.	Chicago, Ill. (St. Rita/Eastern Michigan)	54	Zach Morrisroe	DT
44	Montrel Canion	DT	6-2	295	Fr.	Fort Lauderdale, Fla. (Western)	5	Davonte Murray	DE
44	Ross Pedro	LS	6-0	220	Sr.	Schaumburg, Ill. (Conant/Southern Illinois)	74	Erik Murray	OL
45	Telly Johnson Jr.	RB	5-11	209	So.	Augusta, Ga. (Hephzibah)	1	Ty Myles	DB
46	CJ Wade	DE	6-3	239	Fr.-R	Cedar Rapids, Iowa (Prairie)	57	Kimar Nelson	LB
47	Eliot Hummer	LB	6-2	222	Fr.	O'Fallon, Mo. (Fort Zumwalt West)	45	Trenton Nixon	LB
49	Devin Habermehl	TE	6-1	246	Fr.	Collinsville, Ill. (Collinsville)	93	Fawzy Omotoso	DT
52	Ivan Davis	DE	6-3	244	Sr.	Canton, Mich. (Plymouth)	8	Pierce Oppong	DE/TE
53	Charles Brooks III	DE	6-5	220	Fr.	St. Louis, Mo. (Cardinal Ritter)	77	Izuchukwu "Izzy" Ozoh	OL
53	Luke Skartvedt	OL	6-3	321	So.-R	Indianapolis, Ind. (Roncalli)	75	Thomas Paasch	OL
54	Evan Malcore	OL	6-6	305	Jr.-R	Sun Prairie, Wis. (Sun Prairie)	44	Ross Pedro	LS
54	Zach Morrisroe	DT	6-2	291	Fr.	Oswego, Ill. (Oswego East)	92	Tanner Phelps	DT
55	Abiathar Curry	OL	6-3	307	Jr.-R	Janesville, Wis. (Parker)	28	Jaylen Poe	RB
55	Jordan Bellamy	DT	6-2	310	Fr.	St. Petersburg, Fla. (Armwood)	89	Casey Popish	TE
57	Kimar Nelson	LB	6-2	220	Fr.	Fort Wayne, Ind. (Wayne)	24	Elijah Porter	RB
58	Ross Liegel	OL	6-6	278	Fr.-R	Rock Springs, Wis. (Baraboo)	27	Trey Porter	S
60	Andrew Glass	K	5-10	184	Sr.	Wheeling, W. Va. (Wheeling/Kent State)	33	Taylor Powell	S
61	Ben Gustafson	OL	6-8	302	Fr.-R	Elkhorn, Neb. (Elkhorn South)	23	Marc Pretto	LB
62	Grey Rumohr	OL	6-5	305	Fr.-R	Wales, Wis. (Kettle Moraine)	12	Jackson Proctor	QB
63	Landon Hron	OL	6-3	318	So.-R	Hartford, Wis. (Hartford)	9	Dev'ion Reynolds	CB
64	Aidan Tweedy	OL	6-2	301	Sr.-R	Oswego, Ill. (Oswego/Wayne State)	67	Tyler Rindels	OL
66	Lane Mahnesmith	OL	6-8	320	Fr.-R	Troy, Ill. (Triad)	72	Tanner Rinderknecht	OL
67	Tyler Rindels	OL	6-4	282	Fr.	Iowa City, Iowa (Iowa City)	6	DeAree Rogers	WR
68	Samir Senenat	DT	6-4	278	Fr.-R	Carol Stream, Ill. (Glenbard North)	21	Lazaro Rogers	RB
69	Logan Gross	OL	6-4	296	Fr.-R	Sun Prairie, Wis. (Sun Prairie East)	62	Grey Rumohr	OL
70	Michael Jimmar	OL	6-5	312	So.-R	Plainfield, Ill. (Plainfield East)	87	Liam Russo	TE
72	Tanner Rinderknecht	OL	6-6	345	Fr.	Whitmore Lake, Mich. (Dexter)	33	JJ Schlenhardt	K
74	Erik Murray	OL	6-5	260	Fr.	Arlington Heights, Ill. (Prospect)	68	Samir Senenat	DT
75	Thomas Paasch	OL	6-5	306	So.-R	Green Bay, Wis. (Green Bay Southwest)	53	Luke Skartvedt	OL
76	Tyler Chambers	OL	6-5	297	Fr.	Western Springs, Ill. (Lyons Township)	85	Joe Stein	TE
77	Izuchukwu "Izzy" Ozoh	OL	6-4	290	Sr.-R	Hazel Crest, Ill. (Homewood-Flossmoor)	25	Landon Tate	WR
78	Jacob Welch	OL	6-6	316	So.-R	Johnsburg, Ill. (Johnsburg)	3	Rickey Taylor Jr.	WR
80	Jake Appleget	TE	6-4	242	Jr.-R	Lincoln, Neb. (Southeast HS/Nebraska)	16	Jay'shon Thomas	DE
82	Caleb Haack	TE	6-9	220	Fr.	Marengo, Iowa (Iowa Valley)	37	Miles Thompson	CB
83	Jason Fowler	TE	6-5	252	Fr.-R	Skokie, Ill. (Niles West)	21	Austin Tillman	CB
85	Joe Stein	TE	6-6	252	Fr.-R	Grand Island, Neb. (Northwest)	64	Aidan Tweedy	OL
86	Devon Akers	TE	6-7	223	Fr.-R	Ankeny, Iowa (Ankeny)	32	Quinn Urwiler	LB
87	Liam Russo	TE	6-5	226	Fr.	St. Louis, Mo. (De Smet Jesuit)	90	Danny Vuckovic	K
87	Micah Cook	DE	6-6	251	Fr.	Johnston, Iowa (Johnston)	46	CJ Wade	DE
88	Andrew Bond	WR	5-11	187	Jr.	Lexington, S.C. (White Knoll/South Carolina)	29	Romelo Walker	CB
89	Casey Popish	TE	6-4	235	Fr.	Papillion, Neb. (Papio South)	11	Romelo Ware	RB
90	Danny Vuckovic	P	6-1	206	So.-R	Kildeer, Ill. (Lake Zurich)	99	Amari Washington	DT
90	Reggie Jean	DT	6-1	298	Jr.-R	Ocoee, Fla. (Foundation Academy)	78	Jacob Welch	OL
92	Tanner Phelps	DT	6-3	271	Fr.-R	Milwaukee, Wis. (Greenfield)	34	Triston White	RB
93	Fawzy Omotoso	DT	6-3	251	Fr.	Avon, Ind. (Avon)	11	Jalonnies Williams	DE
95	Lance Ingold	DE	6-5	258	Fr.-R	Rochester, Ill. (Rochester)	97	Roy Williams	DE
97	Roy Williams	DE	6-6	257	Sr.	Crestwood, Ill. (Shepard)	15	Broderick Windham	S
99	Austin Bullock	K	5-10	195	So.	Bettendorf, Iowa (Pleasant Valley)	10	Chavon Wright	RB
99	Amari Washington	DT	6-3	283	Fr.	Bettendorf, Iowa (Bettendorf)			

Head Coach: Thomas Hammock (Seventh Season)

Assistant Coaches: Quinn Sanders (Offensive Coordinator/Quarterbacks), Rob Harley (Defensive Coordinator), DJ Bland (Cornerbacks/Pass Defense Coordinator), Ty Boles (Running Backs), Cory Connolly (Linebackers/Special Teams Coordinator), Joseph Hawkins (Wide Receivers), Luke Meadows (Offensive Line), Travis Moore (Defensive Line), Brayden Patton (Tight Ends), Justin Robinson (Defensive Tackles), Kai Ross (Safeties)

HUSKIE FOOTBALL 2025

DEPTH CHART

OFFENSE

	No.	Name (Hgt., Wgt., Yr., Hometown, High School/Previous School)
QB	15	Josh Holst (6-4, 204, So.-R, Marengo, Ill., Marengo)
	12	Jackson Proctor (6-2, 210, Jr.-R, Kent, Wash., Kentwood/Dartmouth)
	or 2	Brady Davidson (6-5, 224, Fr., Columbia, Mo., Rock Bridge)
RB	45	Telly Johnson Jr. (5-11, 209, So., Savannah, Ga., Beach HS)
	10	Chavon Wright (5-8, 212, Sr.-R, Opa Locka, Fla., Cedar Grove/Charleston)
TE	80	Jake Appleget (6-4, 242, Jr.-R, Lincoln, Neb., Southeast HS/Nebraska)
	8	Pierce Oppong (6-3, 264, Sr.-R, Bloomington, Minn., Jefferson)
WR	7	Gary Givens (6-1, 200, So., Tampa, Fla., Jesuit/Valparaiso)
	0	La'Don Bryant (6-4, 204, Fr.-R, Savannah, Ga., Benedictine Military School)
WR	6	DeAree Rogers (5-11, 200, Jr., Lexington, S.C., Irmo/Lenoir-Rhyne)
	3	Rickey Taylor Jr. (6-1, 180, Fr.-R, Chicago, Ill., Brother Rice)
WR	9	George Dimopoulos (6-2, 200, So., Crystal Lake, Ill., Crystal Lake Central)
	4	Kenji Lewis (6-1, 200, Sr., Memphis, Tenn., Memphis East/UAPB)
LT	54	Evan Malcore (6-6, 305, Jr.-R, Sun Prairie, Wis., Sun Prairie)
	58	Ross Liegel (6-6, 278, Fr.-R, Rock Springs, Wis., Baraboo)
LG	64	Aidan Tweedy (6-2, 301, Sr.-R, Oswego, Ill., Oswego/Wayne State)
	70	Michael Jimmar (6-5, 312, So.-R, Plainfield, Ill., Plainfield East)
C	63	Landon Hron (6-3, 318, So.-R, Hartford, Wis., Hartford)
	78	Jacob Welch (6-6, 316, So.-R, Johnsburg, Ill., Johnsburg)
RG	55	Abiathar Curry (6-3, 307, Jr.-R, Janesville, Wis., Parker)
	75	Thomas Paasch (6-5, 306, So.-R, Green Bay, Wis., Southwest)
RT	77	Izzy Ozoh (6-4, 290, Sr.-R, Hazel Crest, Ill., Homewood-Flossmoor)
	66	Lane Mahnesmith (6-8, 320, Fr.-R, Troy, Ill., Triad)

DEFENSE

	No.	Name (Hgt., Wgt., Yr., Hometown, High School/Previous School)
DE	11	Jalonnies Williams (6-4, 286, Sr.-R, Milwaukee, Wis., Greenfield)
	95	Lance Ingold (6-5, 258, Fr.-R, Rochester, Ill., Rochester)
DT	10	Mark Hensley (6-3, 290, So.-R, Labadie, Mo., Washington)
	0	Alvin Guley (6-0, 302, Sr., Belleville, Ill., Belleville West/Yale)
DT	6	Dasean Dixon (6-1, 296, Sr., Washington, D.C., Archbishop Carroll/Albany)
	90	Reggie Jean (6-1, 298, Jr.-R, Ocoee, Fla., Foundation Academy)
DE	97	Roy Williams (6-6, 257, Sr., Crestwood, Ill., Shepard)
	16	Jay'shon Thomas (6-4, 246, So.-R, Cataula, Ga., Harris County)
LB	32	Quinn Urwiler (6-0, 226, Sr.-R, Mooseheart, Ill., Batavia HS/North Dakota)
	19	Danny Cronin (6-3, 225, Sr., Elmhurst, Ill., IC Catholic Prep/Dartmouth)
LB	41	KJ McRae (6-3, 222, Fr.-R, Covington, Ga., Riverwood)
	17	Filip Maciorowski (6-3, 225, So.-R, Carol Stream, Ill., Glenbard West)
N	23	Marc Pretto (6-2, 225, Jr.-R, Montclair, N.J., St. Peter's Prep/Fordham)
	1	Ty Myles (5-10, 191, Sr.-R, Blackshear, Ga., Pierce County)
CB	2	Cyrus McGarrell (6-2, 197, Sr.-R, Windsor, Ontario, Clearwater Acad. Int'l. [Fla.])
	33	Taylor Powell (6-4, 198, Fr.-R, Belleville, Ill., East St. Louis)
S	3	Jacob Finley (5-11, 184, Jr.-R, Birmingham, Ala., Hoover)
	12	Keshawn Lyons (6-1, 180, Jr., Cahokia, Ill., Cahokia/McKendree)
S	22	Jasper Beeler (6-2, 194, Jr., Farmington, Mich., North Farmington/Saginaw Valley State)
	26	James Finley IV (6-1, 183, Fr., Portage, Ind., Andrean)
S	4	Muhammed Jammeh (6-1, 201, Sr.-R, Detroit, Mich., Renaissance HS)
	15	Broderick Windham (6-2, 200, Jr., Corona, Calif., Norco/Saddleback CC)
CB	7	Donte Harrison (6-1, 185, Sr., Washington, D.C., Archbishop Carroll/Shepherd)
	9	Dev'ion Reynolds (6-1, 190, Fr.-R, Zion, Ill., Carmel Catholic)

SPECIALISTS

	No.	Name (Hgt., Wgt., Yr., Hometown, High School/Previous School)
P	90	Danny Vuckovic (6-1, 206, Fr.-R, Kildeer, Ill., Lake Zurich)
	36	Jake Ference (6-0, 188, Fr., St. Louis, Mo., Lafayette)
PK	60	Andrew Glass (5-10, 184, Sr., Wheeling, W. Va., Wheeling/Kent State)
	99	Austin Bullock (5-10, 195, So., Bettendorf, Iowa, Pleasant Valley)
KO	60	Andrew Glass (5-10, 184, Sr., Wheeling, W. Va., Wheeling/Kent State)
	99	Austin Bullock (5-10, 195, So., Bettendorf, Iowa, Pleasant Valley)
LS	44	Ross Pedro (6-0, 220, Sr., Schaumburg, Ill., Conant/Southern Illinois)
	42	Quinn Kelly (6-1, 215, So., Chicago, Ill., St. Rita/Eastern Michigan)
HO	90	Danny Vuckovic (6-1, 206, Fr.-R, Kildeer, Ill., Lake Zurich)
	36	Jake Ference (6-0, 188, Fr., St. Louis, Mo., Lafayette)
KOR	9	Dev'ion Reynolds (6-1, 190, Fr.-R, Zion, Ill., Carmel Catholic)
AND	3	Rickey Taylor Jr. (6-1, 180, Fr.-R, Chicago, Ill., Brother Rice)
PR	6	DeAree Rogers (5-11, 200, Jr., Lexington, S.C., Irmo/Lenoir-Rhyne)
	9	Dev'ion Reynolds (6-1, 190, Fr.-R, Zion, Ill., Carmel Catholic)

Pronunciations

Name	Pronunciation
DEVON Akers	DEV-in
CHIDU BEKEE	Chee-DO BAY-kay
LA'DON Bryant	la-DON
Montrel CANION	Canyon
ABIATHAR Curry	uh-BYE-uh-THUR
George DIMOPOULOS	Duh-MOP-oh-liss
DASEAN Dixon	DAY-shawn
Caleb HAACK	Hawk
Devin Habermehl	HA-ber-mel
Landon HRON	RONE
AFY IBEKWE	AFF-ee EE-beck-way
Muhammed JAMMEH	Juh-MAY
Michael JIMMAR	Ji-MAR
Ross LIEGEL	Legal
Filip MACIOROWSKI	MATCH-er-OW-skee
FAWZY OMOTOSO	Fozzy OH-mo-TOE-so
Pierce OPPONG	OH-pong
Izzy OZOH	OH-zoe
Thomas PAASCH	POSH
Marc PRETTO	PRET-oh
DEV'ION Reynolds	dev-EE-on
DEAREE Rogers	dee-AR-ee
LAZARO Rogers	LAZ-a-ro
Grey RUMOHR	ROO-more
SAMIR SENENAT	Suh-MEER SEN-eh-NOT
Luke SKARTVEDT	scar-STWEET
Joe STEIN	STINE
Quinn URWILER	er-WILE-er
Danny VUCKOVIC	Voo-KUH-vich
CHAVON Wright	CHAY-von

Hometown

DeKalb	de-CAL-b
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