



EASTERN ILLINOIS

EASTERN ILLINOIS PANTHER FOOTBALL

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GAME 3



COACHES:

Adam Cushing (Univ. of Chicago, 2002)
 EIU Record.....1-13 (2nd)
 OVC Record.....1-9 (2nd)
 vs. Tennessee State..... 1-0

Rod Reed (Tennessee State, 1989)
 TSU Record.....56-57 (12th year)
 OVC Record.....29-46 (12th year)
 Overall RecordSame
 vs. Eastern Illinois..... 2-9

SERIES

24th meeting, EIU leads 15-8
Last: EIU 49, @TSU 38 on Nov. 9, 2019

RANKINGS

Eastern Illinois / ---
 Tennessee State / ---
 *STATS Media/AFCA Coaches*

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EIU Plays Second Straight Road Game With Trip To TSU

Eastern Illinois at Tennessee State
 Hale Stadium (10,000) • Nashville, Tenn.
 March 14, 2021 • 1 p.m. • TV: ESPN+

NOTES TO KNOW

- Eastern Illinois special teams blocked a punt which resulted in a safety on Sunday at UT Martin. The punt block was credited to DeAirious Smith with the punt rolling out of the back of the end zone for the safety. It was the first blocked punt for EIU since Julian Hess blocked a punt on Sept. 16, 2017 against Illinois State. The last time EIU recorded a team safety was on Nov. 14, 2015 which was also a blocked punt out of the back of the end zone at UT Martin.

- Eastern Illinois defense had two forced fumbles on Sunday at UT Martin with the Panthers able to recover one of the two loose balls for a turnover. Jason Johnson and Mark Williams forced the two fumbles at UT Martin. In the opener against Southeast Missouri, Kaelin Drakeford forced a fumble which was recovered by EIU. For the season EIU has two fumble recoveries which ranks 20th in the FCS.

- With his two touchdown passes on Sunday at UT Martin, senior quarterback Harry Woodbery moved into a tie for 10th on the Eastern Illinois career charts for touchdown passes. Woodbery now has 25 career touchdown passes in three seasons with the Panthers. He moved into a tie with Jalen Whitlow (2014-15). Next up is Anthony Buich (1998-99) who is ranked ninth on the Panthers top ten list with 27 career touchdown passes.

- Matt Judd has been a big part of Eastern Illinois kick return game through the first two games of the season. On Sunday at UT Martin, Judd had three kick returns for 98 yards to average 32.6 yards per return. He ripped off a long return of 53 yards in the second quarter which set up the Panthers first touchdown of the game. On the season Judd is averaging 26.2 yards per kickoff return which ranks 11th in the FCS and first in the OVC.

- Last season EIU won at Tennessee State, 49-38, giving head coach Adam Cushing his first win as the Panthers head coach. EIU has won five straight games against Tennessee State in Nashville and is 8-4 all-time in games played against the Tigers in Music City.

Eastern Illinois (0-2, 0-2 OVC)				Tennessee State (0-2, 0-2 OVC)			
Date	Opponent	Score/Time		Date	Opponent	Score/Time	
Feb 21	at UT Martin	PPD		Feb 21	JACKSONVILLE STATE	PPD	
Feb 28	SOUTHEAST MISSOURI	L 7-47		Feb 28	at Austin Peay	L 20-27	
Mar 7	at UT Martin	L 15-28		Mar 7	JACKSONVILLE STATE	L 16-38	
Mar 14	at Tennessee State	1 pm		Mar 14	EASTERN ILLINOIS	1 pm	
Mar 21	TENNESSEE TECH	1 pm		Mar 21	at Murray State	2 pm	
Mar 28	at Murray State	2 pm		Mar 28	UT MARTIN	2 pm	
Apr 3	JACKSONVILLE STATE	1 pm		Apr 3	at Tennessee Tech	1:30 pm	
Apr 11	AUSTIN PEAY	1 pm		Apr 11	SOUTHEAST MISSOURI	2:30 pm	
• Ohio Valley Conference Game All Times Central				• Ohio Valley Conference Games All Times Central			

2020 STATS FCS MEDIA -- (Preseason)

Rk.	Team	Record
1.	James Madison (29)	3-0
2.	Weber State (2)	1-0
3.	North Dakota (9)	3-0
4.	Northern Iowa	2-1
5.	North Dakota State	3-1
6.	Villanova	1-0
7.	Nicholls State	3-0
8.	South Dakota State	2-1
9.	Kennesaw State	1-0
T10.	Southern Illinois	3-1
T10.	Jacksonville State	5-1
12.	Sam Houston	1-0
13.	Albany	1-0
14.	Chattanooga	2-1
15.	Furman	2-1
16.	Eastern Washington	1-1
17.	New Hampshire	0-1
18.	Southeastern Louisiana	1-1
19.	Delaware	1-0
20.	Wofford	1-1
21.	South Dakota	1-1
22.	Illinois State	0-2
23.	UC Davis	1-0
24.	Monmouth	0-0
25.	Incarnate Word	2-0

-- record listed may include games played in Fall 2020

HERO SPORTS PRESEASON POLL

Rk.	Team
1.	North Dakota State
2.	South Dakota State
3.	Weber State
4.	James Madison
5.	Villanova
6.	Northern Iowa
7.	Kennesaw State
8.	Furman
9.	Illinois State
10.	North Carolina A&T
11.	Austin Peay
12.	Albany
13.	Delaware
14.	Eastern Washington
15.	Nicholls
16.	Southern Illinois
17.	New Hampshire
18.	Jacksonville State
19.	The Citadel
20.	Sam Houston
21.	Elon
22.	Monmouth
23.	Wofford
24.	Chattanooga
25.	Southeastern Louisiana

Poll does not include teams not playing in spring

• Harry Woodbery is in his third year as a quarterback at Eastern Illinois and is slowly working his way up the EIU career passing charts. Woodbery moved ahead of Pete Mauch for 14th on the EIU career passing yards list last Sunday at UT Martin. Woodbery entered the season as only the 15th EIU quarterback with 3,000 career yards at 3,107. He now has 3,386. Woodbery needs 434 yards to crack the Top 10.

• Last season at UT Martin senior Raymond Crittenden scooped up a fumble and raced 51 yards for a touchdown, only the seventh player in school history to return a fumble 50 yards or more for a score. This past Sunday Crittenden was once again active around the football as he finished with six tackles, a tackle for loss and an interception.

• Jason Johnson was active around the football for EIU as the sophomore linebacker finished with eight tackles, 1.5 tackles for loss and a forced fumble at UT Martin. Last season Johnson earned OVC All-Newcomer team honors as he improved his play as the season progressed. One of his biggest games in 2019 was at Tennessee State where he would collect nine tackles, 1.5 tackles for loss, a sack and a key forced fumble that set up a late EIU touchdown.

• Anthony Shockey was tied for the team lead in tackles for the second straight week for the Eastern Illinois defense as the sophomore linebacker had eight tackles at UT Martin. Shockey currently leads EIU with 17 tackles for the year which ranks fourth in the OVC this season. Last year Shockey appeared in 12 games, primarily in a reserve role, finishing the year with 32 tackles.

• In addition to his work as the Panthers primary kick returner, Matt Judd was a top target at wide receiver on Sunday at UT Martin. Judd caught five passes for a team high 73 yards including a six yard touchdown grab in the second quarter. In the opener against Southeast Missouri, the redshirt freshman transfer from Illinois, did not catch a pass.

• DeWayne Cooks continues to be a top target of quarterback Harry Woodbery as the redshirt junior wide receiver hauled in five passes for 67 yards on Sunday at UT Martin. One of Cooks receptions was a 45-yard touchdown reception early in the fourth quarter. On the season Cooks has ten catches for 129 yards. He is currently 34th in the FCS and second in the OVC in receptions. Cooks entered the year with 13 career catches for 101 yards.

• Senior corner Mark Williams added another pass break-up to his career total on Sunday at UT Martin. Williams now has 21 career pass break-ups and moved into a tie for 9th on the EIU career list with Antonie Johnson and Jeff Mills. Williams added five tackles, a forced fumble and tackle for loss against the Skyhawks. For his career he has six interceptions including one returned for a touchdown at Indiana State his freshman season.

• Freshman defensive lineman Jordan Miles had three tackles including 1.5 tackles for loss at UT Martin. In the season opener Miles had two tackles for loss to go with three tackles. Miles currently ranks 34th in the FCS and second in the OVC with 3.5 tackles for loss this season.

• Eastern Illinois defense added eight tackles for loss to its season total on Sunday at UT Martin as the Panthers are ranked 19th in the FCS in team tackles for loss. Missing in that good effort in the backfield are sacks as EIU has yet to record a sack in two games this season. The Panthers are currently one of 11 FCS teams that have played a game this Spring that have not collected a sack.

2020 OVC Standings

Team	OVC	Pct.	All	Pct.
Jacksonville State	2-0	1.000	5-1	.800
Murray State	2-0	1.000	2-0	1.000
Southeast Missouri	1-1	.500	1-2	.333
Tennessee Tech	1-1	.500	1-1	.500
Austin Peay	1-1	.500	1-4	.500
UT Martin	1-1	.500	1-1	.500
Eastern Illinois	0-2	.000	0-2	.000
Tennessee State	0-2	.000	0-2	.000

This Week In OVC Football

Sunday - March 14

Eastern Illinois at Tennessee State	1 pm
Jacksonville State at UT Martin	1 pm
Murray State at Tennessee Tech	1:30 pm
Austin Peay at Southeast Missouri	2 pm

Sunday - March 21

Tennessee Tech at Eastern Illinois	1 pm
Tennessee State at Murray State	2 pm
Southeast Missouri at Jacksonville State	2 pm
UT Martin at Austin Peay	2 pm

Eastern Illinois Captains

EIU captains will be selected on a game-by-game basis for the Spring 2021 season.

OVC Predicted Order Of Finish

1. Austin Peay (16)
 2. Jacksonville State
 3. UT Martin (1)
 4. Southeast Missouri (1)
 5. Tennessee Tech
 6. Murray State
 7. Tennessee State
 8. Eastern Illinois
- Eastern Kentucky not playing spring OVC season
(first place votes in parenthesis)

Eastern Illinois Players On All-OVC Preseason Team

Isaiah Hill - Wide Receiver
Dytarious Johnson - Linebacker/Defensive Line

2019 OVC Players of the Week

Nov. 10 - Jaelin Benefield (Newcomer)
Nov. 17 - Isaiah Hill (Offensive)

• Eastern Illinois run defense was once again up to the task on Sunday at UT Martin as the Panthers held the Skyhawks running game to 57 yards rushing on 27 attempts (2.1 yards per rush). In the opener, EIU held Southeast Missouri to 147 yards rushing on 42 carries (3.5 yards per rush). For the season EIU's defense ranks 24th in the FCS and second in the OVC against the run allowing just 102 yards per game.

• Eastern Illinois young offensive line continues to provide some protection for the Panthers quarterbacks. EIU did not allow a sack in the season opener against Southeast Missouri and this past Sunday at UT Martin allowed just one sack. For the season EIU ranks 13th in the FCS and leads the OVC in fewest sacks allowed.

• Eastern Illinois passing offense continues to spread the ball around as nine different players caught at least one pass at UT Martin. That total was an increase from six players with receptions in the opener against Southeast Missouri. Freshman Tyler Hamilton was tied for the team lead in receptions in the game with five catches to join Matt Judd and DeWayne Cook.

• Eastern Illinois continues to use the Super Back position in a variety of ways as the position is a hybrid between tight end and full back. Jay Vallie, a transfer from Dayton, has stepped in to fill the shoes of departed All-OVC performer James Sheehan from last year. Vallie has five catches for 49 yards this season. Also catching passes from the Super Back position this spring have been Anthony Manaves (3 rec / 54 yards) and Nick Stricker (1 rec / 5 yards).

• Eastern Illinois had a young team on the field once again on Sunday as the Panthers roster currently features 77 underclassmen including 36 true freshmen. From that group five true freshmen started against UT Martin. Michael Young Jr., Jaron Hacha and Jordan Miles started on the defensive line with the trio combining for six tackles and two tackles for loss. Kaelin Drakeford and Jordan Vincent both started at the safety positions with the pair combining for ten tackles and two tackles for loss.

• Punter Stone Galloway had three punts at UT Martin for an average of 43 yards per punt. He landed one inside the 20-yard line and had a long of 53 yards. For the year Galloway ranks 35th in the FCS in punting at 37.5 yards per kick. Galloway also served as the placekicker on Sunday making one extra point and hitting the crossbar on a 53-yard field goal attempt. Had the 53-yard attempt been good, it would have been only the eighth field goal in program history over 50 yards. The last 50-yard field goal attempt that was successful was a 52-yard field goal by Steve Largent on Oct. 2, 1993 against Indiana State.

• Senior offensive lineman Cole Hoover was selected as a 2020 Lincoln Student Laureate Award Winner which is presented to the top students representing Illinois' colleges and universities. Hoover will be a third year starter for the Panthers and has seen time at all three offensive line positions (center, guard & tackle). Hoover is majoring in Early Childhood Special Education and holds a 3.83 grade point average.

• Senior quarterback Harry Woodbery was a semifinalist for the William V. Campbell Trophy in the fall despite EIU not participating in football in 2020. Woodbery was one of two players from the Ohio Valley Conference (Blake Mitchell - Austin Peay) to be selected as semifinalists for the award. He earned his Bachelor's Degree with a 3.70 grade point average in Philosophy and is currently enrolled in EIU's MBA program.

EIU HEAD COACH ADAM CUSHING

Adam Cushing was hired as the 25th head coach in Eastern Illinois football history on Dec. 9, 2018. A Chicago native, Cushing made an immediate impact on the recruiting trail as the Panthers brought in more than 40 new players this season with a majority from the state of Illinois. Cushing came to EIU following a 15-year stint as an assistant coach at Northwestern where he coached the offensive line since 2009. He played collegiate football at the University of Chicago graduating in 2002. Complete Coach Adam Cushing bio available on page 6 of EIU game notes...

TENNESSEE STATE HEAD COACH ROD REED

Rod Reed took over as head coach of his alma mater in 2010 and has had success with the Tigers program posting a 56-57 record. TSU advanced to the second round of the FCS playoffs in 2013. A former defensive standout for TSU, Reed is again emphasizing a hard hitting defensive approach. Reed played at TSU in the 1980's earning his degree in 1989. As a player he set the school record for tackles and was part of TSU's 1986 NCAA I-AA playoff team. He was the defensive coordinator and associate head coach in 2009 for the program before taking over as head coach following that season.

SCOUTING TENNESSEE STATE

Tennessee State enters the game with one of its youngest teams in recent years as the Tigers graduated a number of players including last year's OVC Offensive Player of the Year. Devon Starling leads the TSU rushing attack with 151 yards through two games. Isaiah Green has passed for 318 yards with his top two targets Dayron Johnson and Cam Wyche both with more than 100 yards receiving this year. Nyle Love lead the defense with 21 tackles. James Green has ten tackles and four tackles for loss this season.

THE SERIES

Eastern Illinois and Tennessee State will be meeting for the 24th time on Sunday with the Panthers making their second straight trip to Hale Stadium, TSU's on-campus venue. EIU holds a 15-8 all-time series and won last year in Nashville, 49-38 for EIU head coach Adam Cushing's first career win. In 2018 TSU snapped a six game win streak by the Panthers with a 41-40 win in Charleston. Before last year the last four games in the series were evenly matched with all four decided by a field goal or less including two of the contests decided in overtime. TSU's last win over EIU in Nashville was Nov. 8, 2008 a 45-24 win.

LAST TEN MEETINGS

- Nov. 9, 2019... EIU 49, TSU 38 at TSU*
- Sept. 22, 2018... TSU 41, EIU 40 at EIU*
- Sept. 30, 2017... EIU 19, TSU 16 at TSU (2 OT)*
- Oct. 8, 2016... EIU 35, TSU 34 at EIU*
- Oct. 17, 2015... EIU 25, TSU 22 at TSU (OT)*
- Oct. 25, 2014... EIU 28, TSU 3 at EIU*
- Dec. 7, 2013... EIU 51, TSU 10 at EIU (FCS Playoffs)*
- Oct. 26, 2013... EIU 34, TSU 16 at TSU*
- Nov. 5, 2011... TSU 18, EIU 17 at EIU*
- Nov. 6, 2010... EIU 31, TSU 28 at TSU (OT)*
- Teams did not meet during 2012 season*

TALE OF THE TAPE



Points Per Game.....	11	18
Average Points Allowed.....	37.5	32.5
First Downs.....	26	27
Rushing Yards Per Game	91.5	89.5
Rushing Touchdowns.....	1	0
Passing Yards Per Game	225	189.5
Passing Touchdowns.....	2	3
Average Yards Per Game	316.5	27
Interceptions Thrown.....	4	2
Fumbles - Lost	2-1	3-0
Turnovers Gained.....	3	4
Punting Average	34.1	40.0
Field Goals (ATT/MADE).....	0-of-1	5-of-6
3rd Down Conversions	6-of-32 (19%)	5-of-33 (15%)
4th Down Conversions.....	3-of-13 (23%)	2-of-4 (50%)
Sacks By (Yards).....	0 (0)	3 (15)
Penalties (Yards)	7 (50)	20 (140)
Time of Possession (Game)	27:33	31:36

Statistical Leaders (Returning)

RUSHING YARDS (Touchdowns)

EASTERN ILLINOIS	TENNESSEE STATE
Kendi Young 88 (1)	Devon Starling 151
Jaelin Benefield..... 46	Deveon Bryant 20

PASSING YARDS (Touchdowns)

EASTERN ILLINOIS	TENNESSEE STATE
Harry Woodbery..... 380 (2)	Isaiah Green 318 (2)
Otto Kuhns 70 (0)	Deveon Bryant 61 (1)

RECEPTIONS (Yards)

EASTERN ILLINOIS	TENNESSEE STATE
DeWayne Cooks..... 10 (129)	Dayron Johnson 7 (109)
Matt Judd 5 (73)	Vincent Perry 7 (72)
Jay Vallie..... 5 (49)	Cam Wyche 6 (148)

TACKLES

EASTERN ILLINOIS	TENNESSEE STATE
Anthony Shockey..... 17	Nyle Love..... 21
Raymond Crittenden 15	Justin Brown 13
Jason Johnson..... 15	Nick Harper..... 11
Jordan Vincent..... 12	Davoan Hawkins 10
Colin Bohanek 12	James Green 10

TACKLES FOR LOSS / SACKS

EASTERN ILLINOIS	TENNESSEE STATE
Jordan Miles..... 3.5	James Green..... 4
Raymond Crittenden . 2.5	Justin Brown 3.5
Anthony Shockey..... 2	Chris Walker..... 2

**Eastern Illinois In The
OVC/NCAA Stats**
2020 (Spring 2021)

TEAM	NCAA	OVC
.....	NCAA	OVC
Rushing Offense	57th	6th
Passing Offense	29th	2nd
Passing Efficiency	67th	9th
Total Offense	42nd	4th
Scoring Offense	70th	9th
Rushing Defense	24th	2nd
Pass Defense	66th	9th
Pass Efficiency Def.	50th	8th
Total Defense	51st	7th
Scoring Defense	67th	9th
Net Punting	68th	9th
Punt Returns	2nd	1st
Kickoff Returns	14th	1st
Turnover Margin	55th	7th
Turnovers Gained	30th	8th
Sacks	76th	9th
Tackles For Loss	19th	4th
Sacks Allowed	13th	1st
3rd Down Conversion	69th	8th
4th Down Conversion	55th	8th
3rd Down Defense	51st	7th
Red Zone Offense	70th	9th
Red Zone Defense	24th	4th
Time of Possession	61st	9th

INDIVIDUAL (Top 40)

.....	NCAA	OVC
Matt Judd (All Purpose Yds)	13th	2nd
Matt Judd (Kick Returns).....	11th	1st
Stone Galloway (Punting).....	35th	4th
DeWayne Cooks (Receptions)	34th	2nd
Harry Woodbery (Passing Yards).....	28th	3rd
Harry Woodbery (Total Offense)	32nd	1st
JJ Ross (Fumbles Recovered)	12th	4th
Dytarious Johnson (Fumbles Recovered).....	12th	4th
Raymond Crittenden (Interceptions).....	33rd	4th
Jordan Miles (Tackles For Loss).....	34th	2nd
Kaelin Drakeford (Forced Fumbles).....	28th	1st
Mark Williams (Forced Fumbles).....	28th	1st
Jason Johnson (Forced Fumbles).....	28th	1st

SHUT OUT STREAK ENDS

Eastern Illinois had a 139 game streak of not being shut out in a game end Sept. 12, 2015 at Northwestern during 41-0 loss. The last time EIU had been shut out was Oct. 11, 2003 during a 41-0 loss versus Eastern Kentucky. In the 2015 season opener EIU had its streak of consecutive games scoring a touchdown end at 65 after the Panthers were held out of the end zone. The last time EIU had failed to score a touchdown was October 10, 2009 at Penn State. EIU's longest streak of consecutive games without being shutout was 197 from 1977-1997 which ranks fourth all-time among FCS schools.

Longest EIU Streaks

197 (1997-97) ended 8/28/97 at Western Illinois
139 (2003-15) ended 9/12/15 at Northwestern

OVC SUCCESS

Eastern Illinois was the OVC's most successful school in terms of wins during the first decade of the 2000's as the Panthers posted 72 wins during that span. EIU leads the conference with the most post-season appearances since the Panthers joined the league in 1996.

(FCS Playoff Appearances Since 1996)

- 11 - Eastern Illinois
- 8 - Jacksonville State
- 5 - Eastern Kentucky
- 3 - Tennessee State
- 3 - Southeast Missouri
- 2 - Murray State
- 1 - UT Martin
- 1 - Tennessee Tech
- 1 - Western Kentucky
- 1 - Austin Peay

EIU NCAA FBS TRANSFERS

- 5 - Matt Judd (Univ. of Illinois)
- 6 - Tyler Hamiton (Purdue Univ.)
- 9 - Jestin Morrow (Marshall Univ.)
- 11 - Eric Rooks (Univ. of Hawai'i)
- 47 - Mark Aitken (Northern Illinois Univ.)
- 62 - Michael McNicholas (Kent State Univ.)
- 84 - Ryan James (Purdue Univ.)

EIU NCAA FCS TRANSFERS

- 7 - Isaiah Hill (South Dakota State Univ.)
- 37 - Devin Blakely (South Dakota State Univ.)
- 79 - Justin Wallace (Western Illinois Univ.)
- 80 - Jay Vallie (Univ. of Dayton)

NCAA PLAYOFF APPEARANCES

School# Appearances (Last)

Montana	25 (2019)
Eastern Kentucky	21 (2014)
Northern Iowa	21 (2019)
Appalachian State*	20 (2012)
Georgia Southern*	19 (2012)
Furman	18 (2019)
EASTERN ILLINOIS	16 (2015)
New Hampshire	16 (2017)
McNeese State	16 (2015)
Delaware	16 (2018)
James Madison.....	16 (2019)

* moved to the FBS level in 2013

FCS Division I Playoffs

- 1982 - Quarterfinals
- 1983 - First Round
- 1986- Quarterfinals
- 1989 - Quarterfinals
- 1995 - First Round
- 1996 - First Round
- 2000 - First Round
- 2001 - First Round
- 2002 - First Round
- 2005 - First Round
- 2006 - First Round
- 2007 - First Round
- 2009 - First Round
- 2012 - First Round
- 2013 - Quarterfinals
- 2015 - First Round

Division II Playoffs

- 1978 (National Champions)
- 1980 (National Runners-up)



ADAM CUSHING

Eastern Illinois
 Head Football Coach
 1st year at Eastern Illinois
 (University of Chicago, 2002)

Eastern Illinois

- Hired as 25th head coach in program history – Dec. 9, 2018
- * First career win on Nov. 9, 2019 - 49-38 at Tennessee State
- * Posted 1-11 record, 1-7 in Ohio Valley Conference in first year
- * Coached six All-OVC selections (one 1st team, two 2nd team, three All-Newcomer)
- * Coached three Freshmen All-Americans
- * Had biggest Illinois based recruiting class in more than 20 seasons (in 2019)
- * Team ranked 30th in FCS in total defense
- * Team ranked 18th in FCS in fewest penalties
- * Team ranked 1st in FCS in fourth down conversions

Northwestern

- Coached 15 years on NU Staff, 13 seasons under Coach Pat Fitzgerald
- Team won Big Ten Conference West Division in 2018 (8-1 record)
- Helped coach team to win over Utah in 2018 Holiday Bowl in final game at Northwestern
- Coached Offensive Line for Wildcats since 2009
- Coached Superbacks position in 2008
- Coached Tight Ends & H-Backs in 2005-07
- Served as recruiting coordinator from 2008-10
- Graduate assistant coach in 2004
- Twice named one of Big Ten Top Recruiters by Rivals.com & ESPN.com
- Coached Drake Dunsmore (Freshman All-Big Ten / 7th Round NFL Pick)
- Offensive Line Blocked For Five (5) 1,000 yard rushers
- Offensive Line allowed fewest sacks in Big Ten in 2012
- Coached two selections to the East-West Shrine Game
- Coached Three Academic All-Americans
- Coached Seven All-Big Ten Offensive Line Selections
- Helped coach team to Ten (10) post-season Bowl appearances
- Coached two-time Rimington Award candidate Ben Burkett
- Coached Brandon Vitabile, a finalist for the William V. Campbell Trophy
- Coached offensive line that blocked for NCAA record plays vs. Auburn
- 115 offensive plays in 2010 Outback Bowl
- helped quarterback Mike Kafka set Outback Bowl record
- Coached offensive line unit that ranked in top four in Big Ten

University of La Verne

- Assistant Coach in 2002 & 2003
- Coached Tight Ends in 2002
- Coached Offensive Line in 2003

Personal

- Played collegiately at University of Chicago
- Three-time All-University Athletic Association Selection (1999-01) at Tight End
- Helped team win two UAA titles in 1998 & 2000
- Finished career with 72 receptions, 10th on University of Chicago all-time list
- Bachelor's Degree from University of Chicago in 2002 (Psychology)
- Master's Degree from University of La Verne in 2004
- Brother Matt Cushing played six years in National Football League (Pittsburgh)
- He and wife Dr. Jaime Cushing, DDS, have three children – Abigail, Dana and Alexander
- Native of Chicago, Illinois (attended Chicago Mt. Carmel HS)

CAREER

Head Coach - Eastern Illinois (2019--)
 Offensive Line Coach - Northwestern (2009-18)
 Superbacks Coach - Northwestern (2008)
 Tight Ends Coach - Northwestern (2005-07)
 Graduate Assistant - Northwestern (2004)
 Offensive Line Coach - La Verne (2003)
 Tight Ends Coach - La Verne (2002)

POST SEASON APPEARANCES

2018 - Holiday Bowl (Northwestern)
 2017 - Music City Bowl (Northwestern)
 2016 - Pinstripe Bowl (Northwestern)
 2015 - Outback Bowl (Northwestern)
 2012 - Gator Bowl (Northwestern)
 2011 - Mieneke Car Care Bowl of Texas (Northwestern)
 2010 - TicketCity Bowl (Northwestern)
 2009 - Outback Bowl (Northwestern)
 2008 - Alamo Bowl (Northwestern)
 2005 - Sun Bowl (Northwestern)

PLAYING CAREER

Played at University of Chicago (1998-01)
 Tight End

1998 - UAA Champions
 2000 - UAA Champions

1999-01 - 3-time All-UAA selection at tight end

EDUCATION

Bachelor's - University of Chicago, 2002
 Master's - University of La Verne, 2004

FAMILY

Wife: Dr. Jaime Cushing
 Children: Abigail, Dana, Alexander



Chris Bowers
Def. Coordinator
(2nd year)
Wittenberg Univ., 1999



John Kuceyeski
Off Cord. / Super Backs
(2nd year)
Penn State, 2009



Neal Renna
Safeties & co-Special Teams
(2nd year)
Heidelberg Univ., 2011



Omar Young
Running Backs & co-ST
(2nd year)
Savannah State, 2005



Chris Batti
Quarterbacks
(2nd year)
Illinois, 2008



Adam Gristick
Linebackers
(3rd year)
Eastern Illinois, 2015



Dan Hernandez
Offensive Line
(2nd year)
Upper Iowa, 2009



Adam Morris
Defensive Line
(1st year)
Ball State, 2013



Cliff Odom Jr.
Defensive Backs
(1st year)
Baylor, 2011



Mark Philmore II
Wide Receivers
(1st year)
Northwestern, 2006

**FOOTBALL SUPPORT STAFF
& QUALITY CONTROL**

Graduate Assistant Coach - Defense Collin Geier
Graduate Assistant Coach - Offense Neal Davis
Quality Control Coach - Offense..... Sam Costantino
Quality Control Coach - Defense..... Jim Phelps
Quality Control Coach - Special Teams..... Mark Gorogianis Jr.

Graduate Assistant - Operations Zach Mentzer
Quality Control - Video & Operations Jimmy Muessling
Quality Control - Player Personnel Austin Black
Quality Control - Recruiting Brian Gorsky
Student Assistant - Data & Analytics Jason Tabit

Football Athletic Trainer Jason Heier
Football Equipment Manager Clint Bays
Director of Football Operations..... Jesse Walton
Football Academics TBA
Nutrition Nicole Cirrencione
Director of Football Performance..... Derek Stein
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Director of Athletic Development Mike Murray
Business Manager & Tickets Brian Carlin

EIU LAST TIME IT HAPPENED

Passed for more than 300 yards...

Harry Woodbery, 334, vs. Tennessee Tech (Sept. 28, 2019)

Passed for more than 400 yards...

Johnathan Brantley, 443, vs. Indiana State (Sept. 15, 2018)

Threw four touchdown passes...

Harry Woodbery, 5, at Tennessee Tech (Sept. 29, 2018)
Johnathan Brantley, 4, vs. Indiana State (Sept. 15, 2018)

Rushed for more than 200 yards...

Isaiah Johnson, 236, at Murray State (Oct. 14, 2017)

Rushed for three touchdowns...

Isaiah Johnson, 3, vs. Austin Peay (Nov. 10, 2018)

Rushed for four touchdowns...

J.R. Taylor, 4 vs. Florida Atlantic (Nov. 16, 2002)

Had 12 Receptions...

Isaiah Hill 15, at UT Martin (Oct. 19, 2019)
Isaiah Hill 13, vs. Southeast Missouri (Nov. 16, 2019)
Erik Lora, 21 vs. Murray State (Sept. 22, 2012) ** OVC & EIU Single Game Record
Erik Lora, 18 vs. Towson (Dec. 13, 2013) ** FCS Playoff Single Game Record

Had 3 touchdown receptions...

Alexander Hollins, 3, at Arkansas (Sept. 1, 2018)
Alexander Hollins, 3, vs. Indiana State (Sept. 15, 2018)

Had 200 yards receiving...

Erik Lora, 269 vs. Murray State (Sept. 22, 2012) ** EIU Single Game Record
Adam Drake, 225 at UT Martin (Nov. 23, 2013)

Returned a punt for a touchdown...

Erik Lora, 1, vs. Tennessee Tech (Nov. 2, 2013) - (80 yards)
Shepard Little, 1, vs. Tennessee Tech (Nov. 2, 2013) - (75 yards)
Shepard Little, 1 at San Diego State (Aug. 31, 2013) - (60 yards)

Returned a kick-off for touchdown...

Matt Reyna, 1, vs. Indiana State (Sept. 15, 2018) - (96 yards)

Returned an interception for touchdown...

Bryce Dewberry, 1, vs. UT Martin (Oct. 20, 2018) - (61 yards)

Returned a fumble for touchdown...

Raymond Crittenden, 1, at UT Martin (Oct. 19, 2019) - (51 yards)

Recorded a safety...

Robert Haynes, 1 at Illinois State (Sept. 13, 2014) - combined with Taylor
Laquesse Taylor, 1 at Illinois State (Sept. 13, 2014) - combined with Haynes
Team at UT Martin (March 7, 2021) - blocked punt out of back of end zone

Blocked a punt...

DeAirious Smith (March 7, 2021) at UT Martin

Returned a blocked punt for touchdown - blocked by...

Mack Weaver, 1 vs. Illinois State (Sept. 16, 2017)... - Julian Hess

Blocked a field goal...

Terrell Greer & Mack Weaver, 1, at Murray State (Oct. 14, 2017)

Returned a blocked field goal for touchdown - blocked by...

Rashad Haynes, 1 vs. Samford (Nov. 17, 2007) - Trevor Frericks

*****Returned a point after attempt for 2-point conversion...**

Cornelius Page vs Southeast Missouri (Nov. 16, 2019)

EIU scored a two-point conversion

- (Rush) - J.R. Taylor, 2, at Murray State (Nov. 23, 2002)
- (Pass) - Isaiah Hill from Harry Woodbery, at UT Martin (Oct. 19, 2019)

Won a game on a field goal...

Nick Bruno, 38 yards vs. UT Martin (Oct. 20, 2018) - overtime

Had 15 or more tackles on defense...

Pono Choy, 15, at Miami of Ohio (Sept. 10, 2016)

Had 3 or more sacks on defense...

Kory Lothe, 4 vs. Tennessee Tech (Nov. 8, 2003)

Had 4 or more tackles for loss on defense...

Dytarius Johnson, 4 at UT Martin (Oct. 19, 2019)

Had 2 or more interceptions

JJ Ross, 2, at Ausitn Peay (Nov. 23, 2019)

Recovered an onside kick...

Charles Shelton, 1, at Tennessee State (Nov. 9, 2019)

Offensive Lineman Scored a Touchdown

Scott Taylor 1, at Austin Peay (Oct. 3, 2015) --- picked up fumble for 12-yard TD rush

2020 EASTERN ILLINOIS TOUCHDOWNS

Qtr.....	Play	Opponent
2.....	Kendi Young 72 run	vs Southeast Missouri
2.....	Matt Judd 6 pass from Harry Woodbery	at UT Martin
4.....	DeWayne Cooks 45 pass from Harry Woodbery	at UT Martin

EASTERN ILLINOIS NFL CONNECTION

SAN FRANCISCO 49ers

Jimmy Garoppolo - Quarterback

MIAMI DOLPHINS

Kamu Grugier-Hill - Linebacker

NEW ORLEANS SAINTS

Sean Payton - Head Coach

CHICAGO BEARS

Ryan Pace - General Manager

HOUSTON TEXANS

Tim Kelly - Offensive Coordinator

CLEVELAND BROWNS

Alexander Hollins - Wide Receiver

TEAM GAME RECORDS

TOTAL OFFENSE:

739.....vs. Illinois State.....	Sept. 14, 2013
704.....at UT Martin.....	Nov. 23, 2013
683.....vs. Winona State.....	Nov. 1, 1986
676.....vs. Saginaw State.....	Sept. 21, 1985
671.....vs. Austin Peay.....	Sept. 29, 2012
665.....vs. Southeast Missouri.....	Oct. 19, 2013
656.....vs. Illinois-Chicago.....	Sept. 27, 1969
654.....vs. Murray State.....	Nov. 8, 2014
643.....vs. Murray State.....	Oct. 6, 2018
641.....vs. Austin Peay.....	Sept. 24, 2016

RUSHING YARDAGE:

413.....vs. Austin Peay.....	Sept. 20, 2014
413.....vs. Jacksonville State.....	Nov. 16, 2013
398.....vs. St. Joseph.....	Oct. 27, 1973
384.....vs. Grand Valley State.....	Sept. 17, 1983
382.....at UT Martin.....	Nov. 1, 2001
379.....vs. Florida Atlantic.....	Nov. 16, 2002

RUSHING ATTEMPTS:

72.....vs. Western Illinois.....	1976
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PASSING YARDAGE:

509.....vs. Austin Peay.....	Sept. 29, 2012
509.....vs. Saginaw Valley.....	Sept. 21, 1985
501.....at UT Martin.....	Nov. 23, 2013
491.....vs. Illinois State.....	Sept. 14, 2013
486.....at Missouri State.....	Oct. 27, 1984
482.....vs. Western Kentucky.....	Nov. 10, 1984

PASSING ATTEMPTS:

62.....vs. Murray State.....	Sept. 22, 2012
61.....at Jacksonville State.....	Oct. 13, 2018
61.....vs. Murray State.....	Oct. 6, 2018
61.....vs. Illinois State.....	Sept. 15, 2012
58.....at Southern Illinois.....	Sept. 7, 2013
..... (4 other games with 58 attempts)	

PASSES COMPLETED:

40.....vs. Murray State.....	Sept. 22, 2012
40.....vs. Saginaw Valley.....	Sept. 21, 1985

TOUCHDOWNS:

12.....vs. Merom Academy.....	1920
10.....at UT Martin.....	Nov. 23, 2013
10.....vs. Kentucky State.....	Nov. 13, 1982

TOUCHDOWN PASSES:

7.....vs. Illinois State.....	Sept. 14, 2013
7.....vs. Southern Illinois.....	2012
6.....at UT Martin.....	Nov. 23, 2013
6.....at Northern Illinois.....	Sept. 21, 2013
..... (3 other games with 6 TD passes)	

MOST EIU POINTS IN A QUARTER:

35.....vs. Jacksonville State.....	Nov. 16, 2013
30.....vs. Kentucky State.....	Nov. 13, 1982
30.....vs. Central State.....	Sept. 26, 1981

MOST POINTS SCORED BY BOTH TEAMS:

105.....at Illinois State.....	Sept. 15, 2012
..... (ISU 54, EIU 51 - 2OT)	
102.....vs. Tennessee State.....	Nov. 2, 2002
..... (EIU 54; TSU 48)	

POINTS

82.....Merom Academy.....	Nov. 18, 1920
73.....Kentucky State.....	Nov. 13, 1982
70.....at UT Martin.....	Nov. 23, 2013
69.....Illinois College.....	1917
65.....Austin Peay.....	Sept. 29, 2012
64.....Winona State.....	Nov. 1, 1986
63.....Austin Peay.....	Sept. 20, 2014
63.....at Austin Peay.....	Oct. 10, 2013
62.....Lock Haven.....	Aug. 31, 1991
60.....at Wayne State.....	Nov. 9, 1968
60.....Oakland City.....	Oct. 17, 1925

EIU LOWEST OFFENSIVE TOTAL:

76.....at Youngstown State.....	Oct. 13, 1973
89.....Eastern Kentucky.....	Oct. 26, 2019
116.....at Indiana.....	Sept. 7, 2019
117.....Illinois State.....	Sept. 16, 2017
120.....Central Arkansas.....	Sept. 11, 2010
130.....at Central Michigan.....	Oct. 25, 1969
138.....at Northwestern.....	Sept. 12, 2015
138.....Illinois State.....	Nov. 25, 2006
142.....at McNeese State.....	Sept. 11, 1993
142.....at San Jose State.....	Sept. 5, 1987
142.....at Northern Iowa.....	Sept. 6, 1975

EIU FEWEST RUSHING YARDS:

-1.....at Northern Iowa.....	Oct. 7, 1995
-6.....Tennessee Tech.....	Sept. 17, 2011
-5.....UT Martin.....	Oct. 22, 2011
-3.....at San Jose State.....	Sept. 5, 1987
-3.....at Toledo.....	Sept. 22, 1984
1.....Illinois State.....	Oct. 6, 1984

EIU FEWEST PASSING YARDS:

-1.....at Murray State (2-of-6) +.....	Nov. 16, 1974
0.....Southeast Missouri *.....	Oct. 13, 2001
0.....Truman State (0-of-9).....	Sept. 10, 1977
5.....at Central Missouri (2-of-7).....	Oct. 4, 1975
10.....at Truman State (1-of-4).....	Sept. 11, 1976
10.....Fairmount State (1-of-13).....	Sept. 28, 1968
12.....at Indiana State (2-of-11).....	Nov. 18, 1995

* EIU did not attempt a pass in the game
 + EIU completed one pass for 5 yards and one pass for negative 6 yards in the game.

QUARTERBACK SACKS:

12.....vs. Southwest Missouri.....	1986
12.....vs. Kentucky State.....	1982

TURNOVERS:

8.....vs. Youngstown State.....	1981
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TURNOVERS CAUSED:

13.....vs. Northern Illinois.....	1940
9.....vs. Northeast Missouri.....	1983
9.....vs. Western Illinois.....	1980

EIU OVERTIME GAMES

DOUBLE OVERTIME

+ Nov. 26, 1983 at Indiana State.....	L 13-16
Nov. 11, 2000 at Illinois State.....	L 41-44
Sept. 15, 2012 at Illinois State.....	L 51-54
Sept. 14, 2013 at Southern Illinois.....	W 40-37
Sept. 30, 2017 at Tennessee State.....	W 19-16
Oct. 14, 2017 at Murray State.....	W 27-24

OVERTIME

+ Nov. 27, 1982 vs. Jackson State.....	W 16-13
Sept. 11, 2004 vs. Indiana State.....	L 30-33
Nov. 6, 2004 at Tennessee Tech.....	L 37-40
Nov. 6, 2010 at Tennessee State.....	W 31-28
Sept. 22, 2012 vs. Murray State.....	W 50-49
Oct. 11, 2014 at Eastern Kentucky.....	L 33-36
Sept. 19, 2015 vs. Illinois State.....	L 31-34
Oct. 17, 2015 at Tennessee State.....	W 25-22
Nov. 4, 2017 vs. Eastern Kentucky.....	W 23-20
Oct. 20, 2018 vs. UT Martin.....	W 24-21

+ 1982 & 1983 games in FCS playoffs

MOST PLAYS IN A GAME:

112.....at UT Martin.....	Nov. 23, 2013
106.....at Illinois State.....	2012
104.....vs. Murray State.....	Nov. 8, 2014

MOST PLAYS IN A GAME BY BOTH TEAMS:

210.....vs. Murray State.....	2012
.....Murray State (110), EIU (100)	

OPPONENTS AGAINST EASTERN ILLINOIS

TOTAL OFFENSE:

675.....Tennessee State.....	Nov. 2, 2002
674.....at Illinois State.....	Oct. 18, 1969
658.....Murray State.....	Oct. 6, 2018
656.....at Marshall.....	Sept. 12, 1992
631.....at Western Michigan.....	Sept. 8, 2012
629.....at San Diego State.....	Oct. 6, 2001
609.....at Northern Illinois.....	Sept. 24, 1994

RUSHING YARDAGE:

490.....at Central Michigan.....	Oct. 23, 1971
472.....Towson.....	Dec. 13, 2013
468.....at Illinois State.....	Oct. 18, 1969
449.....Murray State.....	Oct. 6, 2018
434.....at South Dakota State.....	Nov. 24, 2012
432.....Eastern Michigan.....	Oct. 21, 1972
425.....Southern Illinois.....	Nov. 7, 1987
420.....Central Michigan.....	Oct. 24, 1970
418.....at Northern Illinois.....	Sept. 24, 1994
411.....at Southeast Missouri.....	Oct. 1, 2011

PASSING YARDAGE:

529.....Hawai'i.....	Sept. 30, 2006
473.....Illinois State.....	Sept. 15, 2012
453.....Hawai'i.....	Aug. 31, 2002
452.....Hawai'i.....	Sept. 11, 1999
444.....Idaho.....	Nov. 25, 1989
441.....Indiana.....	Sept. 7, 2019
435.....Tennessee State.....	Nov. 2, 2002
423.....Murray State.....	Sept. 22, 2012
419.....Truman State (NEMo.).....	Sept. 6, 1986

POINTS

74.....Illinois Wesleyan.....	Sept. 30, 1921
63.....at Kansas State.....	Sept. 14, 2002
63.....at Marshall.....	Sept. 12, 1992
61.....at Hawai'i.....	Aug. 31, 2002
61.....Central Michigan.....	Nov. 2, 1957
61.....Millikin.....	Nov. 1, 1941
60.....Central Michigan.....	Oct. 2, 1954

LOWEST OFFENSIVE TOTAL:

-12.....vs. Kentucky State.....	Nov. 13, 1982
47.....Butler.....	Sept. 8, 1979
50.....UT Martin.....	Sept. 25, 1996
61.....California (Pa.).....	Aug. 30, 2003
65.....Central State (Ohio).....	Sept. 26, 1981
66.....Illinois State.....	Nov. 10, 1979

OPPONENT FEWEST RUSHING YARDS:

-67.....Kentucky State.....	Nov. 13, 1982
-23.....Eastern Kentucky.....	Nov. 18, 2000
-1.....Southeast Missouri.....	Nov. 9, 1996
-1.....Southern Illinois.....	Sept. 10, 1983
0.....Northern Michigan.....	Nov. 1, 1980

OPPONENT FEWEST PASSING YARDS:

5.....Central State (OH) (4-of-16).....	Sept. 26, 1981
7.....Youngstown State (1-of-12).....	Dec. 2, 1978
10.....Missouri State.....	Oct. 24, 1992
13.....Northwestern (La.) State.....	Sept. 8, 1990
14.....Eastern Kentucky.....	Oct. 26, 2019
20.....Butler.....	Sept. 8, 1979
20.....Cameron (Okla.).....	Oct. 15, 1977
22.....Austin Peay.....	Nov. 2, 1996

INDIVIDUAL GAME RECORDS

TOTAL OFFENSE:

Sean Payton.....	507 vs. Saginaw Valley.....	1985
Jimmy Garoppolo	501 vs. Austin Peay	2012
Sean Payton.....	498 vs. SW Missouri.....	1984
Jimmy Garoppolo	476 at UT Martin	2013
Jimmy Garoppolo	469 vs. Illinois State.....	2013
Johnathan Brantley.....	458 vs. Indiana State.....	2018
Jimmy Garoppolo	442 at Southern Illinois.....	2013
Sean Payton.....	441 vs. W. Kentucky.....	1984

RUSHING YARDAGE:

J.R. Taylor	308 vs. Florida Atlantic.....	2002
Kevin Staple	283 vs. Grand Valley.....	1983
Nate Anderson	268 vs. St. Joseph	1973
Nate Anderson	259 vs. SW Missouri.....	1972
Shepard Little	245 vs. Jacksonville State.....	2013

RUSHING ATTEMPTS:

Willie High	48 vs. Northern Iowa.....	1993
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PASSING YARDAGE:

Sean Payton.....	509 vs. Saginaw Valley.....	1985
Sean Payton.....	486 vs. SW Missouri.....	1984
Jimmy Garoppolo	480 vs. Illinois State.....	2013
Jimmy Garoppolo	477 at UT Martin	2013
Sean Payton.....	461 vs. W. Kentucky.....	1984
Jimmy Garoppolo	453 vs. Austin Peay	2012
Jimmy Garoppolo	450 at Northern Illinois.....	2013
Johnathan Brantley.....	443 vs. Indiana State	2018

PASSING ATTEMPTS:

Harry Woodbery ... 68 vs. Tennessee Tech 2019		
Jimmy Garoppolo	61 at Illinois State	2012
Jimmy Garoppolo	60 vs. Murray State.....	2012
Tony Romo	58 vs. Hawai'i.....	2002
Sean Payton.....	58 vs. Saginaw Valley.....	1985
Sean Payton.....	58 vs. Northern Iowa.....	1984

PASSES COMPLETED:

Sean Payton.....	40 vs. Saginaw Valley.....	1985
Jimmy Garoppolo	39 vs. Murray State.....	2012
Jimmy Garoppolo	38 vs. Towson	2013
Johnathan Brantley.....	37 vs. Indiana State	2018
Jimmy Garoppolo	37 at Illinois State	2012

RECEIVING (CATCHES):

Erik Lora	21 vs. Murray State.....	2012
* OVC Record		
Erik Lora.....	18 vs. Towson	2013
Erik Lora.....	17 at UT Martin	2012
Isaiah Hill	15 at UT Martin	2019
Erik Lora.....	15 vs. SE Missouri.....	2012
Willie White	15 vs. Illinois State.....	1971
Adam Drake	14 at UT Martin	2013
Erik Lora.....	14 at Northern Illinois.....	2013
Andre Raymond	14 vs. Hawai'i.....	2002
Rob Mehalic	14 vs. Delaware State.....	1981

RECEIVING (YARDS):

Erik Lora.....	269 vs. Murray State.....	2012
Frank Cutolo.....	239 vs. Tennessee St.	2001
Calvin Pierce.....	238 vs. SW Missouri.....	1986
Adam Drake	225 at UT Martin	2013
Chris Wright.....	217 at Tennessee State.....	2010
Frank Cutolo.....	217 vs. Northern Iowa.....	2001
Erik Lora.....	215 at UT Martin	2012
Ralph Stewart.....	201 vs. S. Illinois.....	1988

ALL-PURPOSE RUSHING:

Poke Cobb	336 vs. Butler.....	1976
Andre Raymond	335 vs. Hawai'i.....	2002

TOUCHDOWN RECEPTIONS:

Scott McGhee	4 vs. Northern Iowa.....	1978
James Warring	4 vs. Northern Michigan.....	1978

RUSHING YARDS BY A QB:

Jalen Whitlow	142 at UT Martin	2015
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TOUCHDOWNS:

Steve Turner.....	6 vs. Mecom Academy.....	1920
Kevin Staple	5 vs. Kentucky State	1982
Erik Lora	4 vs. Tennessee Tech	2013
J.R. Taylor	4 vs. Florida Atlantic.....	2002
J.R. Taylor	4 vs. Tennessee-Martin.....	2002
Kevin Staple	4 vs. Grand Valley.....	1983
James Warring	4 vs. Northern Michigan.....	1978
Scott McGhee	4 vs. Northern Iowa.....	1978

TOUCHDOWN PASSES:

Jimmy Garoppolo	7 vs. Illinois State.....	2013
Jimmy Garoppolo	6 at UT Martin	2013
Jimmy Garoppolo	6 at Northern Illinois.....	2013
Tony Romo	6 vs. Murray State.....	2000
Jeff Christensen	6 vs. Kentucky State.....	1982
<i>Others (5 touchdown passes in a game)</i>		
Jimmy Garoppolo (4), Sean Payton (2),		
Tony Romo (1), Steve Turk (1), Harry Woodbery (1)		

SOLO TACKLES:

Thomas Williams....	20 vs. St. Joseph	1997
Nick Ricks	18 vs. E. Kentucky	2002
Chris Nicholson	17 vs. SW Missouri.....	1983
Tim Lance.....	17 vs. Northern Iowa.....	1987
John Noll	15 vs. Northern Iowa.....	1987
Tim Lance.....	15 vs. W. Kentucky	1990
Jeff Mills	14 vs. Western Illinois.....	1988
Jeff Mills	14 vs. SW Missouri.....	1988

TOTAL TACKLES:

Tim Carver.....	31 vs. Texas-El Paso	1994
Jeff Mills	29 vs. SW Missouri.....	1988
Thomas Williams....	27 vs. St. Joseph	1997
Nick Ricks	25 vs. E. Kentucky	2002
Tyrone Covington	25 vs. Illinois State.....	1984
John Noll	23 vs. Northern Iowa.....	1988
Ray Jeske	21 vs. Delaware.....	1978

TACKLES FOR LOSS:

Trevor Frericks	7.0 vs. Tennessee State	2009
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QUARTERBACK SACKS:

John Jurkovic.....	6 vs. SW Missouri.....	1986
Pete Catan	6 vs. Southern Illinois.....	1979

PASSES INTERCEPTED:

Bill Glenn.....	5 vs. Northern Illinois	1940
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MOST PASS RECEPTIONS BY A RUNNING BACK:

Devin Church	10 at Northern Iowa	2015
DuWayne Pitts.....	9 vs. SW Missouri.....	1984

LONGEST TOUCHDOWN PASS:

Tony Romo to	98 vs. E. Kentucky.....	2000
Will Bumphus		

LONGEST TOUCHDOWN RUN:

Jimmy Lera.....	96 at Southeast Missouri.....	2014
Poke Cobb	96 vs. Tennessee Tech	1976

LONGEST INTERCEPTION RETURN FOR TD:

Roosevelt Williams.	98 vs. Tennessee St.	2001
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LONGEST FUMBLE RETURN FOR TD:

Anthony Goodman,	70 vs. Eastern Kentucky	2013
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LONGEST FIELD GOAL:

Rich Ehmke.....	58 vs. Northern Iowa.....	1986
Steve Largent.....	53 vs. SW Missouri.....	1993

LONGEST KICKOFF RETURN:

Chris Watson.....	100 vs. Northern Iowa.....	1995
Marcus Potts	100 vs. Youngstown St.	1977

LONGEST PUNT:

Bob Babb	100 vs. Illinois State.....	1946
Kevin Cook.....	86 vs. Southeast Missouri..	2010
(EIU Division I record)		

LONGEST PUNT RETURN:

Bob Babb	100 vs. Millikin	1949
Erik Lora.....	80 vs. Tennessee Tech	2013
Jermaine Mobley....	80 vs. Tennessee State	2004
Frank Cutolo.....	80 at Central Florida	1999

MOST BLOCKED KICKS:

Kourtney Young.....	3 vs. Illinois State.....	2000
Scott Johnson	3 vs. Western Illinois.....	1988
Scott Johnson	3 vs. Western Kentucky	1988

MOST CONSECUTIVE PASSES COMPLETED:

Sean Payton.....	17 vs. Western Kentucky...1986	
Tony Romo.....	16 vs. Indiana State	2001

MOST FIELD GOALS:

Rich Ehmke.....	5 vs. Winona State.....	1986
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MOST FUMBLE RECOVERIES:

Tied by many.....	2
Last - Dytarious Johnson at Murray State	2019

MOST INTERCEPTIONS THROWN:

Jeff Thorne	7 vs. McNeese State.....	1993
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All eyes are on **Rich Ehmke's (#6)** record-setting 58 yard field goal that gave the No. 8 ranked Panthers a 31-30 victory over No. 11 Northern Iowa on the last play of the game in 1986. Often described as the "most exciting game in EIU history," the Homecoming win in front of 11,000 plus fans propelled the Panthers on to the conference championship that season.

#	NAME	POS	HT	WT	YR	EXP	HOMETOWN (HIGH SCHOOL/JC/LAST)
0	Jordan Vincent	SAF	5-10	185	Fr	HS	Lincolnshire, Ill. (Stevenson)
1	Matt Reyna	WR	5-8	170	R-Sr	1	Kingwood Park, Texas (Kingwood Park / Navarro JC)
2	DeWayne Cooks Jr	WR	6-2	155	R-So	1	Tulsa, Okla. (Booker T. Washington)
2	Russell Dandy	DB	6-0	175	Jr	TR	Hinesville, Ga. (Liberty County / Butte College)
3	Jaelin Benefield	RB	5-10	160	So	1	Pearland, Texas (Pearland)
4	Raymond Crittenden	SAF	6-1	205	R-Sr	2	Hallandale, Fla. (Hallandale)
4	Otto Kuhns	QB	6-3	205	Fr	HS	Carroll, Ohio (Bloom Carroll)
5	Iziah Gulley *	SAF	6-2	210	R-Jr	2	Camden, Ark. (Camden Fairview)
5	Matt Judd	WR	6-2	185	R-Fr	TR	Frankfort, Ill. (Lincoln-Way East/Univ. of Illinois)
6	Joel Barrows	DL	6-3	215	R-Fr	RS	Chicago, Ill. (Brooks Prep)
6	Tyler Hamilton	WR	5-9	175	R-Jr	TR	Hilton Head, S.C. (Hilton Head / Purdue Univ.)
7	Isaiah Hill	WR	5-11	190	R-Jr	1	Shorewood, Ill. (Minooka/South Dakota State Univ.)
7	Tyris Harvey	DB	5-11	165	Fr	HS	Olympia Fields, Ill. (Rich Central)
8	Harry Woodbery	QB	6-2	195	R-Sr	2	The Woodlands, Texas (The Woodlands/Navarro JC)
8	Jason Johnson	LB	6-2	200	So	1	Matteson, Ill. (Rich Central)
9	Courtney Rowell	RB	6-2	200	R-Jr	2	South Bend, Ind. (St. Joseph)
9	Jestin Morrow	DB	5-10	165	R-Sr	TR	Hilton Head, S.C. (Hilton Head / Marshall Univ.)
11	Eric Rooks	WR	6-3	195	R-So	1	Chicago, Ill. (De La Salle Institute / Univ. of Hawaii)
12	Dylan Hughes	WR	5-11	170	So	1	Milford, Ohio (Milford)
12	Connor Aldrich	DB	6-0	170	R-Fr	RS	Rockford, Ill. (Harlem)
13	Trey Shaw III	SAF	6-1	170	Fr	HS	Nashville, Tenn. (East Nashville Magnet)
13	Zach Weir	QB	6-2	185	Fr	HS	Grafton, Wis. (Grafton)
14	Tyler Selvig	QB	6-2	200	R-So	TR	Elk Grove Village, Ill. (Elk Grove / Antelope Valley College)
15	Will Shumpert	WR	6-6	215	R-Fr	RS	St. Louis, Mo. (Belleville West)
16	Steven Frank	QB	6-4	225	R-Sr	TR	Oswego, Ill. (Oswego/Butler CC)
19	Robbie Lofton II	WR	6-3	185	R-Sr	2	Lexington, Ky. (Tates Creek)
20	Marcus Bornslater *	SAF	6-3	200	R-So	1	Crossett, Ark. (Crossett)
21	Mark Williams	DB	6-0	175	R-Sr	3	Ft. Lauderdale, Fla. (St. Thomas Aquinas)
22	Kaelin Drakeford	SAF	6-4	185	Fr	HS	Harrodsburg, Ky. (Mercer County)
23	Anthony Shockey	LB	6-1	210	So	1	Lombard, Ill. (Glenbard East)
24	JJ Ross	DB	6-2	195	So	1	West Chester, Ohio (Lakota West)
25	Charles Shelton IV	DB	5-11	160	R-So	1	Maryland Heights, Mo. (Pattonville)
26	Jordan Jackson	SAF	6-0	185	R-Sr	3	Blytheville, Ark. (Blytheville)
27	DeAirious Smith	WR	5-11	175	Fr	HS	Lexington, Ky. (Lexington Christian Academy)
28	Brandon Guido	SAF	5-9	190	R-Fr	RS	Naperville, Ill. (Waubonsie Valley)
29	Kendi Young	RB	5-11	185	Fr	HS	Calumet City, Ill. (Thornton Fractional North)
30	Desean Phillips	RB	5-11	210	So	TR	Albertville, Minn. (St. Michael-Albertville/North Dakota St. Coll. Of Science)
31	Anthony Manaves	SB	6-4	225	R-Fr	RS	Chicago, Ill. (St. Patrick)
32	Harrison Bey-Buie	RB	5-10	205	Fr	HS	Bettendorf, Iowa (Bettendorf)
33	Nile Hill	SAF	5-11	175	R-Fr	RS	Chicago, Ill. (Marist)
35	Jordan Smith	RB	5-9	180	Fr	HS	Las Vegas, Nev. (Centennial)
36	Cooper Willman	WR	6-1	180	Fr	HS	Sterling, Ill. (Sterling)
37	Devin Blakely	DB	5-10	175	R-Fr	TR	Broadview, Ill. (Nazareth Academy/South Dakota State Univ.)
38	Darius Waddell	DB	6-0	170	R-So	SQ	Sherwood, Ark. (Sylvan)
39	Eric Hoff	WR	5-7	155	Jr	TR	Pembroke Pines, Fla. (West Broward/Concordia College Chicago)
40	Phoenix Porter	LB	6-1	210	Fr	HS	Fairfield, Ohio (Fairfield)
41	Zach Reddinger	LB	6-2	210	Fr	HS	Morris, Ill. (Morris Community)
42	Tyler Clark	RB	5-10	175	Fr	HS	Chicago, Ill. (Phillips)
43	Josh St. Preux	SAF	5-11	165	Fr	HS	Chicago, Ill. (Chicago Ag & Sciences)
44	Nick Stricker	SB	6-2	245	So	1	Lemont, Ill. (Lemont)
45	Colin Bohanek	LB	6-0	210	Fr	HS	Chicago, Ill. (Marist)
46	Ameer Aqel	DL	6-2	220	So	1	Orland Hills, Ill. (Andrew)
47	Mark Aitken	DB	5-9	175	R-Fr	TR	Chicago, Ill. (Kenwood Academy/Northern Illinois Univ.)
48	Michael Jarosz	SB	6-1	255	R-So	RS	Wheaton, Ill. (Wheaton North)
49	Grant Edwards	LB	6-1	225	So	1	Springfield, Ill. (Sacred Heart Griffin)
51	Dytarious Johnson	DL	6-1	270	Sr	3	Prattville, Ala. (Prattville/Alabama Prep)
53	Stone Galloway	K	5-11	205	So	1	Collinsville, Ill. (Althoff Catholic)
54	Drake Van Hyfte	DL	6-4	240	Fr	HS	Annawan, Ill. (Annawan-Wethersfield)
56	Daegan Bush	OL	6-3	275	Fr	HS	Versailles, Ky. (Woodford County)
57	Dominic Moore	DL	6-7	290	R-Fr	RS	Chicago, Ill. (Chicago Perspectives Charter)

#	NAME	POS	HT	WT	YR	EXP	HOMETOWN (HIGH SCHOOL/JC)
58	Anthony Imperio	OL	6-4	275	So	1	Auburn, Ala. (Auburn)
59	Logan Brown	LB	6-2	195	Fr	HS	Effingham, Ill. (Effingham)
60	Daniel Tabiti	OL	6-2	260	Fr	HS	South Holland, Ill. (Thornwood)
61	Ben Solomon	OL	6-2	300	R-Jr	2	Indianapolis, Ind. (Bishop Chatard)
62	Michael McNicholas	OL	6-4	310	R-Fr	TR	Lombard, Ill. (Lombard Montini / Kent State Univ.)
63	William Orth	K	5-10	150	Fr	HS	Ames, Iowa (Ames)
64	Jerit Medler	OL	6-2	265	R-Fr	RS	Assumption, Ill. (Central A&M)
65	Jaron Hacha	DL	5-11	255	Fr	HS	Frankfort, Ill. (Lincoln-Way East)
66	Drew Walega	OL	6-6	300	R-Sr	2	Chicago, Ill. (St. Rita)
67	Chad Strickland	OL	6-5	280	So	1	Salem, Ala. (Smiths Station)
69	Stephen Elmore	LS	6-0	240	Jr	2	Belleville, Ill. (Belleville East)
70	Joshua Johnson	OL	6-4	310	Fr	HS	Westerville, Ohio (Westerville Central)
71	Dylan Goodsell	LS	6-4	250	Fr	HS	Orland Park, Ill. (Carl Sandburg)
72	Elkhanan Tanelus	OL	6-2	330	So	1	Naples, Fla. (Barron Collier)
73	Dylan Czerlanis	OL	6-4	290	R-Fr	RS	Antioch, Ill. (Antioch)
74	William Redden	OL	6-6	300	Fr	HS	Malvern, Pa. (Malvern Prep)
75	Matthew Bean	OL	6-6	265	Fr	TR	Lima, OH (Shawnee)
76	Cole Hoover	OL	6-4	260	R-Sr	3	Charleston, Ill. (Charleston)
77	Ivan Gleyzer	OL	6-4	290	So	1	Lincolnshire, Ill. (Stevenson)
78	Bryson Broadway	OL	6-5	255	Fr	HS	Dawsonville, Ga (Dawson County)
79	Justin Wallace	SB	6-5	235	R-Fr	TR	Albion, Ill. (Edwards County/Western Illinois Univ.)
80	Jay Vallie	SB	6-3	245	Grad	TR	Grand Blanc, Mich. (Goodrich / Univ. of Dayton)
81	Arron Foulkes	WR	5-8	165	Fr	HS	Southfield, Mich. (Southfield A&T)
82	Xander Richards	WR	6-4	180	R-So	1	Burleson, Texas (Burleson Centennial)
84	Ryan James	WR	6-3	205	R-Jr	1	Chicago, Ill. (De La Salle/Purdue Univ.)
85	Kirk Pinkston Jr.	WR	5-10	175	So	1	Indianapolis, Ind. (Lawrence Central)
86	Demetrius Garrett Jr.	WR	5-11	155	Fr	HS	Michigan City, Ind. (Michigan City)
87	Bron Hill	WR	6-5	195	R-Jr	1	Lansing, Ill. (Thornton Fractional South)
89	Daniel Luoma	SB	6-2	205	Fr	HS	Porvoo, Finland (Porvoo)
90	Michael Young Jr.	DL	6-0	220	Fr	HS	Warren, Mich. (De La Salle Collegiate)
91	Jordan Miles	DE	6-2	215	Fr	HS	Indianapolis, Ind. (Decatur Central)
92	James Ubaikie	DL	6-4	280	R-Sr	2	Meriden, Conn. (Maloney / ND College of Science)
93	Cameron Leach	DL	6-1	285	So	1	Chicago, Ill. (Nazareth Academy)
94	Brock Griffin	DL	6-4	295	Fr	HS	Normal, Ill. (Normal Community)
95	Kylan Cole	DE	6-2	280	R-Jr	2	Zionsville, Ind. (Carmel)
96	Jamari Johnson	DL	6-4	220	Fr	HS	Chicago, Ill. (De La Salle Institute)
97	Tim Varga	DL	6-3	240	So	1	Elk Grove Village, Ill. (Elk Grove Village)
98	Sean Morris	DL	6-3	290	Fr	HS	Lansdowne, Pa. (St. Joseph/The Peddle School)
99	Jayden O'Neal	DL	6-1	275	R-So	1	Chicago, Ill. (Simeon)
	Bryce Dewberry	SAF	5-10	210	Jr	2	McDonough, Ga. (Eagles Landing)
	Ben Mason	OL	6-3	290	R-So.	TR	Lucas, Texas (Lovejoy / Navarro College)

EASTERN ILLINOIS ALPHABETICAL ROSTER

#.....PLAYER.....POS	53 Stone Galloway K	93 Cameron Leach DL	15 Will Shumpert WR
47 Mark Aitken DB	86 Demetrius Garrett Jr. WR	19 Robbie Lofton II WR	88 DeAirious Smith WR
12 Connor Aldrich DB	77 Ivan Gleyzer OL	89 Daniel Luoma SB	35 Jordan Smith RB
46 Ameer Aqel DL	71 Dylan Goodsell LS	31 Anthony Manaves SB	61 Ben Solomon OL
6 Joel Barrows DL	94 Brock Griffin OL	..... Ben Mason OL	43 Josh St. Preux SAF
75 Matthew Bean OL	28 Brandon Guido SAF	62 Michael McNicholas OL	44 Nick Stricker SB
3 Jaelin Benefield RB	5 Iziah Gulley * SAF	64 Jerit Medler OL	67 Chad Strickland OL
32 Harrison Bey-Buie RB	65 Jaron Hacha DL	91 Jordan Miles DE	60 Daniel Tabiti OL
37 Devin Blakely DB	6 Tyler Hamilton DB	57 Dominic Moore DL	72 Elkhanan Tanelus OL
45 Colin Bohanek LB	7 Tyris Harvey WR	98 Sean Morris DL	92 James Ubaikie DL
20 Marcus Bornslater * SAF	87 Bron Hill WR	9 Jestin Morrow DB	80 Jay Vallie SB
78 Bryson Broadway OL	7 Isaiah Hill WR	99 Jayden O'Neal DL	54 Drake Van Hyfte DL
59 Logan Brown LB	33 Nile Hill SAF	63 William Orth K	97 Tim Varga DL
56 Daegan Bush OL	39 Eric Hoff WR	30 Desean Phillips RB	0 Jordan Vincent SAF
42 Tyler Clark RB	76 Cole Hoover OL	85 Kirk Pinkston Jr. WR	38 Darius Waddell DB
95 Kylan Cole DE	12 Dylan Hughes WR	40 Phoenix Porter LB	66 Drew Walega OL
2 DeWayne Cooks Jr WR	58 Anthony Imperio OL	82 Xander Richards WR	79 Justin Wallace SB
4 Raymond Crittenden SAF	26 Jordan Jackson SAF	74 William Redden OL	13 Zach Weir QB
73 Dylan Czerlanis OL	84 Ryan James WR	41 Zach Reddinger LB	21 Mark Williams DB
2 Russell Dandy DB	48 Michael Jarosz SB	1 Matt Reyna WR	36 Cooper Willman WR
..... Bryce Dewberry SAF	51 Dytarious Johnson DL	11 Eric Rooks WR	8 Harry Woodbery QB
22 Kaelin Drakeford SAF	96 Jamari Johnson DL	24 JJ Ross DB	29 Kendi Young RB
49 Grant Edwards SB	8 Jason Johnson LB	14 Tyler Selvig QB	90 Michael Young Jr. DL
69 Stephen Elmore LS	70 Joshua Johnson OL	13 Trey Shaw III SAF	
81 Arron Foulkes WR	5 Matt Judd WR	25 Charles Shelton IV DB	
16 Steven Frank QB	4 Otto Kuhns QB	23 Anthony Shockey LB	

EIU OFFENSE

QUARTERBACK

8 ... Harry Woodbery	6-2	195	R-Sr
4 ... Otto Kuhns	6-3	205	Fr

RUNNING BACK

3 ... Jaelin Benefield	5-10	160	So
35 ... Jordan Smith	5-9	180	Fr
29 ... Kendi Young	5-11	185	Fr

SUPER BACK

80 ... Jay Vallie	6-3	245	Gr
44 ... Nick Stricker	6-2	245	So

LEFT TACKLE

67 ... Chad Strickland	6-5	280	So
78 ... Bryson Broadway	6-5	255	Fr

LEFT GUARD

72 ... Elkhanan Tanelus	6-2	330	So
73 ... Dylan Czerlanis	6-4	290	R-Fr

CENTER

61 ... Ben Solomon	6-2	300	R-Jr
76 ... Cole Hoover	6-4	260	R-Sr

RIGHT GUARD

77 ... Ivan Gleyzer	6-4	290	So
56 ... Daegan Bush	6-3	275	Fr

RIGHT TACKLE

76 ... Cole Hoover	6-4	260	R-Sr
58 ... Anthony Imperio	6-4	275	So

RECEIVER

5 ... Matt Judd	6-2	185	R-Fr
6 ... Tyler Hamiton	5-9	175	Fr

RECEIVER

19 ... Robbie Lofton	6-3	185	R-Sr
81 ... Arron Foulkes	5-8	165	Fr

RECEIVER

2 ... Dewayne Cooks Jr	6-2	155	R-So
12 ... Dylan Hughes	5-11	170	So

EIU COACHING STAFF

Head Coach: Adam Cushing (Univ. of Chicago, 2002 - 2nd year)
(Career Record 1-13; OVC Record 1-9)

Defensive Coordinator: Chris Bowers (2nd year)

Offensive Coordinator/SB's: John Kuceyeski (2nd year) -- booth

Defensive Backs: Cliff Odom (1st year)

Safeties & co-Special Teams: Neal Renna (2nd year) -- booth

Defensive Line: Adam Morris (1st year)

Linebackers: Adam Gristick (3rd year) -- booth

Assistant Defensive Coach: Collin Geier (2nd year)

Running Backs & co-Special Teams: Omar Young (2nd year) -- booth

Wide Receivers: Mark Philmore II (2nd year)

Quarterbacks: Chris Batti (2nd year)

Offensive Line: Dan Hernandez (2nd year)

Assistant Offensive Line: Neal Davis (1st year)

Director of Football Performance: Derek Stein (1st year)

Trainer: Jason Heiar (7th year)

Football Operations: Jesse Walton (2nd year)

Equipment Manager: Clint Bays (12th year)

Quality Control Staff:

Sam Costantion (Off), Mark Grogianis Jr. (ST), Jim Phelps (Def), Zach Mentzer (Ops), Jimmy Muessling (Video), Austin Black (Personnel), Brian Gorsky (Recruiting), Jason Tabit (Data)

EIU DEFENSE

DEFENSIVE END

91 ... Jordan Miles	6-2	215	Fr
97 ... Tim Varga	6-3	240	So

NOSE TACKLE

65 ... Jaron Hacha	5-11	255	Fr
95 ... Kylan Cole	6-2	280	R-Jr

DEFENSIVE TACKLE

93 ... Cameron Leach	6-1	285	So
92 ... James Ubaike	6-4	280	R-Sr

DEFENSIVE END/LINEBACKER

90 ... Michael Young Jr	6-0	220	Fr
96 ... Jamari Johnson	6-4	220	Fr

LINEBACKER

23 ... Anthony Shockey	6-1	210	Fr
45 ... Colin Bohanek	6-0	210	Fr

LINEBACKER

8 ... Jason Johnson	6-2	200	Fr
40 ... Phoenix Porter	6-1	210	Fr

CORNERBACK

21 ... Mark Williams	6-0	175	R-Sr
25 ... Charles Shelton IV	5-11	160	R-So

SAFETY

4 ... Raymond Crittenden	6-1	205	R-Sr
13 ... Trey Shaw III	6-1	170	Fr

FREE SAFETY

22 ... Kaelin Drakeford	6-4	185	Fr
20 ... Marcus Bornslater	6-3	200	R-So

STRONG SAFETY

0 ... Jordan Vincent	5-10	185	Fr
33 ... Nile Hill	5-11	175	R-Fr

CORNERBACK

24 ... JJ Ross	6-2	195	So
7 ... Tyris Harvey	5-11	165	Fr

EIU SPECIALISTS

KICKER

63 ... Will Orth	5-10	150	Fr
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KICKOFF

63 ... Will Orth	5-10	150	Fr
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PUNTER

53 ... Stone Galloway	5-11	205	So
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HOLDER

5 ... Matt Judd	6-2	185	R-Fr
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LONG SNAPPER

69 ... Stephen Elmore	6-0	240	Jr
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PUNT RETURNS

5 ... Matt Judd	6-2	185	R-Fr
36 ... Cooper Willman	6-1	180	Fr

KICK RETURNS

5 ... Matt Judd	6-2	185	R-Fr
36 ... Cooper Willman	6-1	180	Fr
3 ... Jaelin Benefield	5-10	160	So



GAME 1 - Feb. 28, 2021
Southeast Missouri..... 47
Eastern Illinois 7

Charleston, Ill.
 O'Brien Field (1,252)

Scoring	1	2	3	4	Final
Southeast Missouri..	7	27	7	7	47
Eastern Illinois	0	7	0	0	7

FIRST QUARTER

SE - Custis 9 run (Doak kick) - 5:57

SECOND QUARTER

SE - Hess 1 run (Doak kick) - 14:55
 SE - Custis 1 run (Doak kick) - 11:31
 SE - Doak 32 field goal - 10:02
 SE - Doak 35 field goal - 6:36
 EIU - Young 72 run (Orth kick) - 1:16

THIRD QUARTER

SE - Hess 8 run (kick failed) - 8:18

FOURTH QUARTER

SE - Young 25 interception return (Doak kick) - 00:58

TEAM STATSEIUSEMO

First Downs.....	9	20
Rushes-Yards.....	27-124	42-147
Passing-Yards.....	171	327
Comp-Att-Int.....	13-38-3	24-43-0
Total Offense.....	295	474
Fumbles-Lost.....	2-1	1-1
Penalties-Yards.....	2-10	9-75
Int Returns-Yards-TD.....	0-0-0	3-42-1
Time of Possession.....	24:35	35:25
Sacks-Yards.....	0-0	0-0

LEADERS

RUSHING (No-Yds-TD)

EIU - Young (11-88-1), Benefield (6-17-0)
 SEMO - Custis (15-52-2), Hess (11-41-2)

PASSING (Att-Cmp-Int-Yds-TD)

EIU - Woodbery (26-10-2-101-0), Kuhns (12-3-1-70-0)
 SEMO - Bunch (37-23-0-302-1), Buie (6-2-0-25-0)

RECEIVING (No -Yds -TD)

EIU - Cooks (5-62-0), Vallie (3-26-0), Foulkes (2-39-0)
 SEMO - King (7-115-1), Smith (6-75-0)

DEFENSE (Tackles - Solo, Assist, TFL)

EIU - Crittenden (6-3-1.5), Shockey (4-5-2)
 SEMO - McCauley (3-2-0), Lewis (3-2-0), Terrell (2-3-0)

RECAP

Southeast Missouri scored 27 points in the second quarter to break open the Ohio Valley Conference opener as teams play in the spring of 2021. EIU cracked the scoreboard late in the second quarter on a 72-yard touchdown run by Kendi Young. The Panthers defense contained a potent SEMO rushing game limiting the Redhawks to just 147 total yards on the ground. EIU committed four turnovers leading directly to 17 SEMO points.



GAME 2 - March 7, 2021
Eastern Illinois..... 15
UT Martin..... 28

Martin, Tenn.
 Graham Stadium (1,500)

Scoring	1	2	3	4	Final
Eastern Illinois	0	7	0	8	15
Eastern Illinois	7	14	7	0	28

FIRST QUARTER

UTM - R. Williams 21 pass from Bachus (Larco kick) - 3:02

SECOND QUARTER

UTM - D. Williams 16 pass from Bachus (Larco kick) - 9:07
 UTM - Ford 50 interception return (Larco kick) - 8:11
 EIU - Judd 6 pass from Woodbery (Galloway kick) - 2:11

THIRD QUARTER

UTM - R. Williams 15 pass from Bachus (Larco kick) - 8:36

FOURTH QUARTER

EIU - Cooks 45 pass from Woodbery (pass failed) - 14:14
 EIU - Team Safety

TEAM STATSEIUUTM

First Downs.....	17	19
Rushes-Yards.....	25-59	27-57
Passing-Yards.....	279	269
Comp-Att-Int.....	26-49-1	26-38-1
Total Offense.....	338	326
Fumbles-Lost.....	0-0	3-1
Penalties-Yards.....	5-40	5-55
Int Returns-Yards-TD.....	1-0-0	1-50-1
Time of Possession.....	30:32	29:28
Sacks-Yards.....	0-0	1-7

LEADERS

RUSHING (No-Yds-TD)

EIU - Benefield (13-29-0), Smith (9-24-0)
 UTM - Logan (13-41-0), Young (3-16-0)

PASSING (Att-Cmp-Int-Yds-TD)

EIU - Woodbery 49-26-1-279-2)
 UTM - Bachus (36-24-1-259-3), Winn (2-2-0-10-0)

RECEIVING (No -Yds -TD)

EIU - Judd (5-73-1), Cooks (5-67-1), Hamilton (5-35-0)
 UTM - R. Williams (8-95-2), Dowell (6-45-0)

DEFENSE (Tackles - Solo, Assist, TFL)

EIU - J. Johnson (3-5-1.5), Shockey (1-7-0)
 UTM - Jackson (3-6-1), Sims (3-6-0.5)

RECAP

UT Martin built a 21-0 lead as the Skyhawks held on for a 28-15 win over Eastern Illinois. Leading 14-0, John Ford stepped in front of a pass to intercept the ball and raced 50 yards for a touchdown to put UTM up 21-0. EIU closed to 21-7 on a Matt Judd 6-yard touchdown pass after a big kickoff return by Judd set up EIU at the UTM 35-yard line. The Panthers added a 45-yard touchdown reception by DeWayne Cooks and a team safety for the final scores. EIU had two fourth down chances to move the ball in the fourth quarter but could not convert.

2021 EIU PANTHERS FOOTBALL
 EASTERN ILLINOIS Game Results
 All games

Date	Opponent	Score	Overall Record	Ohio Valley Record	Time	Attend
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* Feb 28, 2021	#21 SOUTHEAST MISSOURI	7-47 L	0-1	0-1	3:17	1,252
* Mar 7, 2021	at UT MARTIN	15-28 L	0-2	0-2	3:15	1,500

* indicates Ohio Valley Conferece game

2019 EASTERN ILLINOIS STARTERS

OPPONENT	WR	WR	RT	RG	C	LG	LT	WR	SB/WR	RB	OB
SE Missouri	Cooks	Lofton	Hoover	Gleyzer	Solomon	Tanelus	Strickland	Manaves	Vallie	Benefield	Woodbery
UT Martin	Cooks	Lofton	Hoover	Gleyzer	Solomon	Tanelus	Strickland	Judd	Vallie	Benefield	Woodbery

OPPONENT	DE	NT	DT	DE/LB	LB	LB	LB	CB	SAF	SAF	CB
SE Missouri	Leach	Hacha	Varga	M. Young	Shockey	J. Johnson	Crittenden	M. Williams	Drakeford	Vincent	Ross
UT Martin	Leach	Hacha	Miles	M. Young	Shockey	J. Johnson	Crittenden	M. Williams	Drakeford	Vincent	Ross

Eastern Illinois Overall Team Statistics (as of Mar 07, 2021)
All games

Team Statistics	EIU	OPP
SCORING	22	75
Points Per Game	11.0	37.5
Points Off Turnovers	0	24
FIRST DOWNS	26	39
Rushing	5	9
Passing	18	29
Penalty	3	1
RUSHING YARDAGE	183	204
Yards gained rushing	222	240
Yards lost rushing	39	36
Rushing Attempts	52	69
Average Per Rush	3.5	3.0
Average Per Game	91.5	102.0
TDs Rushing	1	4
PASSING YARDAGE	450	596
Comp-Att-Int	39-87-4	51-81-1
Average Per Pass	5.2	7.4
Average Per Catch	11.5	11.7
Average Per Game	225.0	298.0
TDs Passing	2	4
TOTAL OFFENSE	633	800
Total Plays	139	150
Average Per Play	4.6	5.3
Average Per Game	316.5	400.0
KICK RETURNS: #-Yards	9-220	2-30
PUNT RETURNS: #-Yards	1-23	6-47
INT RETURNS: #-Yards	1-0	4-92
KICK RETURN AVERAGE	24.4	15.0
PUNT RETURN AVERAGE	23.0	7.8
INT RETURN AVERAGE	0.0	23.0
FUMBLES-LOST	2-1	4-2
PENALTIES-Yards	7-50	14-130
Average Per Game	25.0	65.0
PUNTS-Yards	11-375	9-314
Average Per Punt	34.1	34.9
Net punt average	29.8	30.1
KICKOFFS-Yards	5-197	15-783
Average Per Kick	39.4	52.2
Net kick average	33.4	35.9
TIME OF POSSESSION/Game	27:33	32:26
3RD-DOWN Conversions	6/32	14/32
3rd-Down Pct	19%	44%
4TH-DOWN Conversions	3/13	2/5
4th-Down Pct	23%	40%
SACKS BY-Yards	0-0	1-7
MISC YARDS	0	0
TOUCHDOWNS SCORED	3	10
FIELD GOALS-ATTEMPTS	0-1	2-3
ON-SIDE KICKS	0-0	0-0
RED-ZONE SCORES	(1-3) 33%	(9-12) 75%
RED-ZONE TOUCHDOWNS	(1-3) 33%	(7-12) 58%
PAT-ATTEMPTS	(2-2) 100%	(9-10) 90%
ATTENDANCE	1252	1500
Games/Avg Per Game	1/1252	1/1500
Neutral Site Games		0/0

Score by Quarters	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	OT	Total
Eastern Illinois	0	14	0	8	0	22
Opponents	14	41	13	7	0	75

Eastern Illinois Overall Individual Statistics (as of Mar 07, 2021)
All games

Rushing	gp	att	gain	loss	net	avg	td	lg	avg/g
YOUNG, Kendi	1	11	89	1	88	8.0	1	72	88.0
BENEFIELD, J	2	19	67	21	46	2.4	0	18	23.0
SMITH, Jordan	2	16	44	10	34	2.1	0	10	17.0
WOODBERY, Harry	2	5	16	7	9	1.8	0	10	4.5
PHILLIPS, Desean	2	1	6	0	6	6.0	0	6	3.0
Total	2	52	222	39	183	3.5	1	72	91.5
Opponents	2	69	240	36	204	3.0	4	16	102.0

Passing	gp	effic	comp-att-int	pct	yds	td	lg	avg/g
WOODBERY, Harry	2	91.36	36-75-3	48.0	380	2	45	190.0
KUHNS, Otto	1	57.33	3-12-1	25.0	70	0	31	70.0
Total	2	86.67	39-87-4	44.8	450	2	45	225.0
Opponents	2	138.60	51-81-1	63.0	596	4	40	298.0

Receiving	gp	no.	yds	avg	td	lg	avg/g
COOKS, DeWayne	2	10	129	12.9	1	45	64.5
JUDD, Matt	2	5	73	14.6	1	26	36.5
VALLIE, Jay	2	5	49	9.8	0	19	24.5
HAMILTON, Tyler	1	5	35	7.0	0	21	35.0
BENEFIELD, J	2	4	27	6.8	0	10	13.5
MANAVES, Anthony	2	3	54	18.0	0	31	27.0
FOULKES, Arron	2	2	39	19.5	0	26	19.5
LOFTON, Robbie	2	2	22	11.0	0	21	11.0
SMITH, Jordan	2	1	9	9.0	0	9	4.5
HUGHES, Dylan	2	1	8	8.0	0	8	4.0
STRICKER, Nick	2	1	5	5.0	0	5	2.5
Total	2	39	450	11.5	2	45	225.0
Opponents	2	51	596	11.7	4	40	298.0

Punt Returns	no.	yds	avg	td	lg
SMITH, DeAirious	1	23	23.0	0	0
Total	1	23	23.0	0	0
Opponents	6	47	7.8	0	18

Interceptions	no.	yds	avg	td	lg
CRITTENDEN, Ray	1	0	0.0	0	0
Total	1	0	0.0	0	0
Opponents	4	92	23.0	2	50

Kick Returns	no.	yds	avg	td	lg
JUDD, Matt	8	210	26.2	0	53
BENEFIELD, J	1	10	10.0	0	10
Total	9	220	24.4	0	53
Opponents	2	30	15.0	0	25

Fumble Returns	no.	yds	avg	td	lg
ROSS, JJ	1	9	9.0	0	9
Total	1	9	9.0	0	9
Opponents	0	0	0.0	0	0

Eastern Illinois Overall Individual Statistics (as of Mar 07, 2021)
All games

Scoring	td	fg	PAT				dxp	saf	pts
			kick	rush	rcv	pass			
JUDD, Matt	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6
COOKS, DeWayne	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6
YOUNG, Kendi	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6
TEAM	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	2
ORTH, William	-	-	1-1	-	-	-	-	-	1
GALLOWAY, Stone	-	0-1	1-1	-	-	-	-	-	1
WOODBERRY, Harry	-	-	-	-	-	0-1	-	-	0
Total	3	0-1	2-2	-	-	0-1	-	1	22
Opponents	10	2-3	9-10	-	-	-	-	-	75

Total Offense	g	plays	rush	pass	total	avg/g
WOODBERRY, Harry	2	80	9	380	389	194.5
YOUNG, Kendi	1	11	88	0	88	88.0
KUHNS, Otto	1	12	0	70	70	70.0
BENEFIELD, J	2	19	46	0	46	23.0
SMITH, Jordan	2	16	34	0	34	17.0
PHILLIPS, Desean	2	1	6	0	6	3.0
Total	2	139	183	450	633	316.5
Opponents	2	150	204	596	800	400.0

Field Goals	fg	pct.	01-19	20-29	30-39	40-49	50-99	lg	blk
GALLOWAY, Stone	0-1	0.0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-1	0	0

FG Sequence	Eastern Illinois	Opponents
Southeast Missouri	-	38,(32),(35)
UT Martin	53	-

Punting	no.	yds	avg	lg	tb	fc	i20	50+	blk
GALLOWAY, Stone	10	375	37.5	53	0	2	1	1	1
TEAM	1	0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total	11	375	34.1	53	0	2	1	1	1
Opponents	9	314	34.9	53	1	5	5	1	1

Kickoffs	no.	yds	avg	tb	ob	retn	net	ydln
ORTH, William	5	197	39.4	0	0			
Total	5	197	39.4	0	0	15.0	33.4	31
Opponents	15	783	52.2	1	0	24.4	35.9	29

Numbers in (parentheses) indicate field goal was made.

Eastern Illinois Overall Individual Statistics (as of Mar 07, 2021)
All games

All Purpose	g	rush	rcv	pr	kr	ir	total	avg/g
JUDD, Matt	2	0	73	0	210	0	283	141.5
COOKS, DeWay	2	0	129	0	0	0	129	64.5
YOUNG, Kendi	1	88	0	0	0	0	88	88.0
BENEFIELD, J	2	46	27	0	10	0	83	41.5
MANAVES,Anth	2	0	54	0	0	0	54	27.0
VALLIE, Jay	2	0	49	0	0	0	49	24.5
SMITH, Jordan	2	34	9	0	0	0	43	21.5
FOULKES, Arro	2	0	39	0	0	0	39	19.5
HAMILTON, Tyl	1	0	35	0	0	0	35	35.0
SMITH,DeAiriou	1	0	0	23	0	0	23	23.0
LOFTON, Robbi	2	0	22	0	0	0	22	11.0
WOODBERRY, H	2	9	0	0	0	0	9	4.5
HUGHES, Dylan	2	0	8	0	0	0	8	4.0
PHILLIPS,Dese	2	6	0	0	0	0	6	3.0
STRICKER, Nick	2	0	5	0	0	0	5	2.5
Total	2	183	450	23	220	0	876	438.0
Opponents	2	204	596	47	30	92	969	484.5

Eastern Illinois Overall Defensive Statistics (as of Mar 07, 2021)
All games

##	Defensive Leaders	gp	Tackles				Sacks no-yds	Pass defense			Fumbles		blkd	
			ua	a	tot	tfl/yds		int-yds	brup	qbh	rcv-yds	ff	kick	saf
23	SHOCKEY, A.	2	5	12	17	2.0-5	.	.	.	1	.	.	.	.
4	CRITTENDEN, Ray	2	9	6	15	2.5-5	.	1-0	.	.	.	.	.	.
8D	JOHNSON, Jason	2	7	8	15	2.0-2	.	.	.	.	1	.	.	.
0	VINCENT, Jordan	2	5	7	12	1.5-3	.	.	2	.	.	.	.	.
45	BOHANEK, Colin	2	5	7	12	0.5-1	.	.	1	.	.	.	.	.
24	ROSS, JJ	2	9	2	11	.	.	.	2	.	1-9	.	.	.
22	DRAKEFORD, K.	2	8	3	11	0.5-1	.	.	.	.	.	1	.	.
93	LEACH, Cameron	2	3	6	9	1.0-1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
21	WILLIAMS, Mark	2	5	3	8	1.0-1	.	.	2	.	.	1	.	.
91	MILES, Jordan	2	3	3	6	3.5-5	.	.	.	1	.	.	.	.
90	YOUNG, Michael	2	2	4	6	0.5-1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
92	UBAIKE, James	2	.	5	5	.	.	.	.	1	.	.	.	.
97	VARGA, Tim	1	3	1	4	.	.	.	1	.	.	.	.	.
20	BORNSLATER, M	2	3	1	4	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
51	JOHNSON, Dy	1	.	3	3	.	.	.	.	1	1-0	.	.	.
40	PORTER, Phoenix	2	1	1	2	1.0-1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
7	HARVEY, Tyris	1	.	2	2	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
33	HILL, Nile	2	1	1	2	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
6	BARROWS, Joel	2	1	1	2	.	.	.	1	.	.	.	.	.
69	ELMORE, Stephen	2	.	1	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
77	GLEYZER, Ivan	2	1	.	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
76	HOOVER, Cole	2	1	.	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
9	MORROW, Jestin	1	.	1	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
57	MOORE, Dominic	2	.	1	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
96	JOHNSON, Jamari	1	1	.	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
65	HACHA, Jaron	2	.	1	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
TM	TEAM	2	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	1
27	SMITH,DeAirious	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	1	.
	Total	2	73	80	153	16-26	0-0	1-0	8	5	2-9	3	1	1
	Opponents	2	65	58	123	15-44	1-7	4-92	12	9	1-0	1	1	.