



# EASTERN ILLINOIS PANTHER FOOTBALL

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## GAME 2



### COACHES:

**Adam Cushing (Univ. of Chicago, 2002)**

EIU Record.....1-12 (2nd)  
OVC Record.....1-8 (2nd)  
vs. UT Martin.....0-1

**Jason Simpson (Southern Miss, 1995)**

UTM Record ..... 87-74 (15th year)  
OVC Record.....69-43 (15th year)  
Overall Record .....Same  
vs. Eastern Illinois.....9-5

### SERIES

26th meeting - EIU leads 15-10

**Last:** @UTM 27, EIU 18 on Oct. 19, 2019

### RANKINGS

Eastern Illinois .....--- / ---  
UT Martin.....--- / ---  
.....STATS Media/AFCAs Coaches

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## EIU Heads To UT Martin For Rescheduled Game

Eastern Illinois at UT Martin

Graham Stadium (7,500) • Martin, Tenn.

March 7, 2021 • 1 p.m. • TV: ESPN+

### NOTES TO KNOW

• Running back Kendi Young broke loose for a 72-yard touchdown run late in the second quarter against Southeast Missouri. He became just the 21st player in school history with a rushing touchdown of 70 yards or more. The last to join the list was Malik Harrison with an 83-yard scamper on Oct. 24, 2015 against Tennessee Tech. Young finished the game 88 yards on the ground on just 11 carries. He ranks third in the NCAA in yards per carry and is 15th in the nation in rushing yards per game.

• Matt Judd returned five kickoffs for 112 yards to average 22.4 yards per return which is currently 17th in the NCAA. Judd's long return of the day was 39 yards. Judd is a transfer wide receiver from Illinois who joined the program in January of 2020. He is 26th in the NCAA in all-purpose yards.

• Sophomore corner JJ Ross picked up where he left off last season in defending passes as he finished with five solo tackles, two pass break-ups and a fumble recovery. Ross ranks fourth in the NCAA in passes defended. Last season he earned Freshman All-American honors leading the team with four interceptions including two in the final game of the season at Austin Peay.

• Senior corner Mark Williams had a pass break-up to go along with three tackles in the season opener. The pass break-up was the 20th of his career as he needs one more this season to move into a tie for 9th on the EIU career list with Antoine Johnson and Jeff Mills. In addition to his 20 pass break-ups, Williams has six career interceptions including one returned for a touchdown at Indiana State his freshman season.

• Eastern Illinois and UT Martin are both looking for their first win of the season as the two teams meet on Sunday in a game rescheduled from the opening weekend (Feb. 21) due to winter weather. EIU lost to No. 21 Southeast Missouri in the opener while UT Martin lost at Murray State.

### Eastern Illinois (0-1, 0-1 OVC)

Date	Opponent	Score/Time
Feb. 21	at UT Martin	PPD
Feb. 28	SOUTHEAST MISSOURI	L 7-47
Mar. 7	at UT Martin	1 pm
Mar. 14	at Tennessee State	1 pm
Mar. 21	TENNESSEE TECH	1 pm
Mar. 28	at Murray State	2 pm
Apr. 3	JACKSONVILLE STATE	1 pm
Apr. 11	AUSTIN PEAY	1 pm

• Ohio Valley Conference Game  
All Times Central

### UT Martin (0-1, 0-1 OVC)

Date	Opponent	Score/Time
Feb. 21	EASTERN ILLINOIS	PPD
Feb. 28	at Murray State	L 10-14
Mar. 7	EASTERN ILLINOIS	1 pm
Mar. 14	JACKSONVILLE STATE	1 pm
Mar. 21	at Austin Peay	2 pm
Mar. 28	at Tennessee State	2 pm
Apr. 3	SOUTHEAST MISSOURI	1 pm
Apr. 11	TENNESSEE TECH	3 pm

• Ohio Valley Conference Games  
All Times Central

**2020 STATS FCS MEDIA -- (Preseason)**

<b>Rk.</b>	<b>Team</b>	<b>Record</b>
1.	North Dakota State (40)	2-0
2.	James Madison	1-0
3.	South Dakota State	1-0
4.	Weber State	0-0
5.	Northern Iowa	0-1
6.	Villanova	0-0
7.	Illinois State	0-0
8.	Kennesaw State	0-0
9.	Nicholls State	1-0
10.	Furman	1-0
11.	Wofford	1-0
12.	Eastern Washington	0-0
13.	Albany	0-0
14.	North Dakota	1-0
15.	New Hampshire	0-0
16.	Jacksonville State	3-1
17.	Sam Houston State	0-0
18.	Southeastern Louisiana	0-0
19.	McNeese State	1-0
20.	Monmouth	0-0
21.	Southeast Missouri	0-1
22.	Tarleton State	1-1
23.	Tennessee Tech	1-0
24.	Elon	1-0
25.	Delaware	0-0

-- record listed may include games played in Fall 2020

**HERO SPORTS PRESEASON POLL**

<b>Rk.</b>	<b>Team</b>
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

• Senior Raymond Crittenden picked up the season where he ended it last year as he tied for the team lead in tackles with nine against Southeast Missouri. Crittenden made six solo tackles which ranks 15th in the NCAA while adding 1.5 tackles for loss. Last season Crittenden was fourth on the team with 56 tackles including 3.5 tackles for loss. In the Panthers game at UT Martin he added a fumble recovery for touchdown (51 yards).

• Linebacker Anthony Shockey made his third career start last Sunday against Southeast Missouri. Shockey responded with nine tackles and two tackles for loss as he was tied for game high honors in both statistics. He is 34th in the NCAA in tackles and 14th in tackles for loss. Last season Shockey made his first career start against Illinois State and also had a start against Murray State. As a true freshman he finished with 32 tackles and 3.5 tackles for loss.

• Freshman Jordan Miles was effective up front as the Panthers trotted out a young group of defensive linemen. Miles had three tackles in the game including two tackles for loss which rank him 14th in the NCAA in that category. He was one of two first year players for the Panthers that finished with tackles for loss as linebacker Phoenix Porter made two tackles, one for loss.

• Eastern Illinois may have one of the youngest rosters in terms of experience as 77 of the 102 players are underclassmen. Of those, 50 are freshmen or redshirt freshmen that may have played up to four games in 2019. From that group four true freshmen started on the defense against Southeast Missouri with Jaron Hacha and Michael Young Jr., up front; while Kaelin Drakeford and Jordan Vincent started at the safety positions.

• Eastern Illinois defense had one takeaway against Southeast Missouri as Kaelin Drakeford forced a fumble in the second quarter that was picked up by JJ Ross. EIU is 36th in the NCAA this season in turnovers gained. Last season EIU ranked 39th in the nation with 21 turnovers gained. The Panthers had 11 interceptions and ten fumble recoveries in 2019.

• Eastern Illinois defense finished with five pass break-ups on Sunday against Southeast Missouri. JJ Ross had two while Jordan Vincent, Tim Varga and Mark Williams all finished with one. EIU's season high for pass break-ups in 2019 was six against Tennessee Tech. The Panthers added five pass break-up games against Jacksonville State and Southeast Missouri.

• Despite a young group on the defensive side of the ball, Eastern Illinois finished with eight tackles for loss against Southeast Missouri, that total ranks 15th in the FCS. Anthony Shockey and Jordan Miles each had two tackles for loss as six total players collected TFL's in the game. Last season EIU averaged 7.1 tackles for loss per game with a high of nine against both Tennessee Tech and Murray State.

• EIU held Southeast Missouri to just 35 percent on third down conversions on Sunday as the Redhawks were 3-of-13 in the game. The Panthers rank 18th in the FCS in 3rd down defense this season. Last year opponents converted at a 39 percent rate on 3rd down as EIU ranked 77th in the FCS in 3rd down defense.

• Last season Eastern Illinois led the FCS in fourth down attempts and fourth down conversions going 28-of-51. On Sunday against Southeast Missouri, the Panthers went for it on fourth down again finishing 0-of-5 for the afternoon.

## 2020 OVC Standings

Team	OVC	Pct.	All	Pct.
Jacksonville State	1-0	.000	4-1	.800
Murray State	1-0	1.000	1-0	1.000
Southeast Missouri	1-0	1.000	1-1	.500
Tennessee Tech	1-1	.500	1-1	.500
Austin Peay	1-1	.500	1-4	.250
Eastern Illinois	0-1	.000	0-1	.000
Tennessee State	0-1	.000	0-1	.000
UT Martin	0-1	.000	0-1	.000

## This Week In OVC Football

### Sunday - March 7

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

### 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

## 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)

• Harry Woodbery will enter his third year in the Eastern Illinois football program and is on the verge of cracking the Panthers career Top 10 in a pair of categories. Woodbery entered the season ranked 12th on the EIU career touchdown passes list with 23. He needs two to join the Top 10. Woodbery entered the season ranked 15th in career passing yards. He currently has with 3,107 career passing yards and needs 716 yards this season to crack the Top 10.

• Last season Eastern Illinois ranked 119th in the NCAA in kickoff returns averaging 15.7 yards per return. After the first game of this season, EIU has moved up to rank 15th in the nation averaging 22.4 yards per kick return. Matt Judd served as the primary kick returner in the season opener.

• Eastern Illinois offensive line did a good job of protecting the quarterback and allowing runners to get to the line against Southeast Missouri. The Panthers starting group of Cole Hoover, Ivan Gleyzer, Ben Solomon, Elkhannen Tanelus and Chad Strickland did not allow a sack in the contest. The last time EIU did not allow a sack in a game was Oct. 26, 2019 against Eastern Kentucky. EIU's offensive line allowed only three tackles for loss in the contest as well, the second lowest total in the NCAA.

• Freshman quarterback Otto Kuhns saw some time under center in the second half of the Panthers season opener with Southeast Missouri. Kuhns was 3-of-12 but did pass for 70 yards in those three completions. He had a long pass of 31 yards to super back Anthony Manaves.

• Eastern Illinois had All-OVC tight end/super back James Sheehan as a weapon last season. Following his graduation, the Panthers brought in Jay Vallie a graduate transfer from Dayton. In his debut Vallie caught three passes for 26 yards. He was one of three players at the Super Back position to catch a pass on Sunday joining Anthony Manaves and Nick Stricker.

• DeWayne Cooks Jr., was the Panthers top receiver in the season opener against Southeast Missouri as six different EIU players caught passes. Cooks had five catches for 62 yards and ranks 33rd in the NCAA in receptions per game. Last season Cooks played in ten games making 12 catches for 98 yards. His season best was four catches for 33 yards at Murray 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...

## UT MARTIN HEAD COACH JASON SIMPSON

Jason Simpson is currently the longest tenured head coach in the Ohio Valley Conference entering his 15th season with UT Martin. In his debut season of 2006, Simpson earned OVC Coach of the Year honors as he led the Skyhawks to a share of the OVC Championship and the school's first FCS Playoff appearance. He has posted a record of 87-74 with an OVC mark of 69-43. Last season he became UTM's career leader in coaching wins. Simpson is a 1995 graduate of Southern Mississippi where he played baseball.

## SCOUTING UT MARTIN

UT Martin opened the season with a road loss at Murray State as the Racers picked up a 14-10 win. In the game UT Martin was held to just 210 yards of total offense including just 100 yards passing. John Bachus was held to 81 yards passing on 26 attempts with two interceptions. Colton Dowell was the top receiving target for the day with seven catches for 81 yards. On the ground, the Skyhawks were led by Peyton Logan with 91 yards. Devin Sims and John Ford both collected seven tackles to lead UTM.

## THE SERIES

Eastern Illinois and UT Martin will be meeting for the 26th time as the two schools play in Martin, Tenn., for the second straight season. UTM won during the Oct. 2019 meeting holding off the Panthers, 27-18. EIU won the previous season in Charleston, 24-21 in overtime. EIU's last win at Graham Stadium was on Nov. 14, 2015 as the Panthers provided some stellar fourth quarter defense in a 23-21 win.

## LAST TEN MEETINGS

*Oct. 19, 2019... UTM 27, EIU 18 at UTM*  
*Oct. 20, 2018... EIU 24, UTM 21 (OT) at EIU*  
*Oct. 28, 2017... UTM 27, EIU 10 at UTM*  
*Nov. 5, 2016... UTM 33, EIU 17 at EIU*  
*Nov. 14, 2015... EIU 23, UTM 21 at UTM*  
*Nov. 22, 2014... UTM 37, EIU 16 at EIU*  
*Nov. 23, 2013... EIU 70, UTM 22 at UTM*  
*Oct. 6, 2012... UTM 51, EIU 37 at UTM*  
*Oct. 22, 2011... UTM 24, EIU 23 at EIU*  
*Sept. 18, 2010... UTM 20, EIU 10 at UTM*

## TALE OF THE TAPE



Points Per Game.....	7	10
Average Points Allowed.....	47	14
First Downs.....	9	13
Rushing Yards Per Game .....	124	110
Rushing Touchdowns.....	1	1
Passing Yards Per Game .....	171	100
Passing Touchdowns .....	0	0
Average Yards Per Game .....	295	210
Interceptions Thrown .....	3	2
Fumbles - Lost .....	2-1	2-1
Turnovers Gained.....	1	1
Punting Average .....	25.1	42.7
Field Goals (ATT/MADE) .....	0-of-0	1-of-3
3rd Down Conversions .....	2-of-15 (13%)	3-of-13 (23%)
4th Down Conversions.....	0-of-5 (0%)	1-of-2 (50%)
Sacks By (Yards).....	0 (0)	1 (5)
Penalties (Yards) .....	2 (10)	7 (53)
Time of Possession (Game) .....	24:35	26:48

## Statistical Leaders (Returning)

### RUSHING YARDS (Touchdowns)

EASTERN ILLINOIS	UT MARTIN
Kendi Young ..... 88 (1)	Peyton Logan ..... 91
Jaelin Benefield..... 17	Dresser Winn..... 19

### PASSING YARDS (Touchdowns)

EASTERN ILLINOIS	UT MARTIN
Harry Woodbery..... 101 (0)	John Bachus ..... 81
Otto Kuhns ..... 70 (0)	Dresser Winn..... 19

### RECEPTIONS (Yards)

EASTERN ILLINOIS	UT MARTIN
DeWayne Cooks..... 5 (62)	Colton Dowell..... 7 (61)
Jay Vallie..... 3 (26)	Peyton Logan ..... 6 (36)
Arron Foulkes ..... 2 (39)	Jeremy Horton..... 1 (3)

### TACKLES

EASTERN ILLINOIS	UT MARTIN
Raymond Crittenden ..... 9	Devin Sims..... 7
Anthony Shockey..... 9	John Ford ..... 7
Jordan Vincent..... 7	Austin Pickett..... 6
Colin Bohanek ..... 7	Jaquez Akins ..... 5
JJ Ross..... 5	Jay Woods ..... 5

### TACKLES FOR LOSS / SACKS

EASTERN ILLINOIS	UT MARTIN
Anthony Shockey..... 2	Kameron Bowdry ..... 1
Jordan Miles..... 2	Deven Sims ..... 1
Raymond Crittenden . 1.5	Jaquez Akins ..... 1

**Eastern Illinois In The  
OVC/NCAA Stats**

2020

**TEAM**

.....	NCAA.....	OVC
Rushing Offense .....	29th	6th
Passing Offense .....	35th	6th
Passing Efficiency .....	54th	9th
Total Offense .....	37th	7th
Scoring Offense .....	51st	9th
Rushing Defense .....	28th	3rd
Pass Defense .....	50th	9th
Pass Efficiency Def. ....	32nd	7th
Total Defense .....	47th	9th
Scoring Defense .....	49th	9th
Net Punting .....	54th	9th
Punt Returns .....	38th	5th
Kickoff Returns .....	15th	2nd
Turnover Margin .....	53rd	9th
Turnovers Gained .....	36th	7th
Sacks .....	54th	9th
Tackles For Loss .....	15th	3rd
Sacks Allowed .....	1st	1st
3rd Down Conversion .....	53rd	9th
4th Down Conversion .....	38th	7th
3rd Down Defense .....	18th	3rd
Red Zone Offense .....	51st	9th
Red Zone Defense .....	17th	5th
Time of Possession .....	51st	9th

**INDIVIDUAL (Top 40)**

.....	NCAA.....	OVC
Matt Judd (All Purpose Yds) .....	26th	3rd
Matt Judd (Kick Returns).....	17th	2nd
Stone Galloway (Punting).....	35th	6th
DeWayne Cooks (Receptions) .....	33rd	3rd
Kendi Young (Rushing Yards) .....	15th	3rd
Arron Foulkes (Yards Per Reception).....	20th	4th
JJ Ross (Fumbles Recovered) .....	10th	4th
Raymond Crittenden (Solo Tackles) .....	15th	1st
Raymond Crittenden (Tackles For Loss).....	32nd	6th
Raymond Crittenden (Total Tackles) .....	34th	4th
Jordan Miles (Tackles For Loss).....	14th	2nd
Anthony Shockey (Tackles For Loss).....	14th	2nd
Anthony Shockey (Total Tackles).....	34th	4th

**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 - Mieneske 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  
Graduate Assistant - Football Strength ..... Vinny Porreca

## ADDITIONAL FOOTBALL SUPPORT STAFF

Head Strength Coach ..... Joe Neihaus  
Head Athletic Trainer ..... Jim Nave  
Football GA Athletic Trainer ..... Megan Lawler  
Football GA Athletic Trainer ..... Michael Turner  
Orthopedic Surgeon ..... Sarah Bush Lincoln Sports Medicine  
Team Doctor ..... Dr. Robert Biggs  
Team Dentist ..... Dr. Jennifer Kennedy

## EIU ADMINISTRATION

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Athletic Director ..... Tom Michael  
Deputy Athletic Director ..... Mark Bonnstetter  
Associate AD Compliance/SWA ..... Kiersten Klekner-Alt  
Associate AD Media & PR ..... Rich Moser  
Assistant AD Academic Services ..... Cindy Almon  
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 (Nov. 14, 2015) - blocked punt out of end zone

## Blocked a punt...

Julian Hess vs. Illinois State (Sept. 16, 2017) - returned for touchdown

## 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

## 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:

-12.....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:**

<b>Harry Woodbery ...</b>	<b>68 vs. Tennessee Tech ....</b>	<b>2019</b>
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
<b>Isaiah Hill .....</b>	<b>15 at UT Martin.....</b>	<b>2019</b>
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 ..... DeArious Smith ..... WR
12 ..... Connor Aldrich ..... DB	77 ..... Ivan Gleyzer ..... OL	89 ..... Daniel Luoma ..... SB	35 ..... Jordan Smith ..... RB
46 ..... Ameer Agel ..... 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 ..... WR	57 ..... Dominic Moore ..... DL	72 ..... Elkhanan Tanelus ..... OL
45 ..... Colin Bohanek ..... LB	7 ..... Tyris Harvey ..... DB	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 ..... Dytrious 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

1 ... Matt Reyna .....	5-8 .....	170 .....	R-Sr
81 ... Arron Foulkes.....	5-8 .....	165 .....	Fr

### RECEIVER

19 ... Robbie Lofton.....	6-3 .....	185 .....	R-Sr
5 ... Matt Judd.....	6-2 .....	185 .....	R-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 1-12; OVC Record 1-8)

**Defensive Coordinator:** Chris Bowers (2nd year)

**Offensive Coordinator/SB's:** John Kucyeski (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 Gorogianis Jr. (ST), Jim Phelps (Def), Zach Mentzer (Ops), Jimmy Muessling (Video), Austin Black (Personnel), Brian Gorsky (Recruiting), Jason Tabit (Data)

## EIU DEFENSE

### DEFENSIVE END

97 ... Tim Varga .....	6-3 .....	240 .....	So
96 ... Jamari Johnson .....	6-4 .....	220 .....	Fr

### 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
91 ... Jordan Miles .....	6-2 .....	215 .....	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

### LINEBACKER

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

### CORNERBACK

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

### 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

23 ... 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 STATS .....EIU .....SEMO**

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.

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

\* indicates Ohio Valley Conferece game

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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

  

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

**Eastern Illinois Overall Team Statistics (as of Mar 03, 2021)**  
**All games**

<b>Team Statistics</b>	<b>EIU</b>	<b>OPP</b>
SCORING	7	47
Points Per Game	7.0	47.0
Points Off Turnovers	0	17
FIRST DOWNS	9	20
Rushing	1	7
Passing	7	13
Penalty	1	0
RUSHING YARDAGE	124	147
Yards gained rushing	134	159
Yards lost rushing	10	12
Rushing Attempts	27	42
Average Per Rush	4.6	3.5
Average Per Game	124.0	147.0
TDs Rushing	1	4
PASSING YARDAGE	171	327
Comp-Att-Int	13-38-3	25-43-0
Average Per Pass	4.5	7.6
Average Per Catch	13.2	13.1
Average Per Game	171.0	327.0
TDs Passing	0	1
TOTAL OFFENSE	295	474
Total Plays	65	85
Average Per Play	4.5	5.6
Average Per Game	295.0	474.0
KICK RETURNS: #-Yards	5-112	1-25
PUNT RETURNS: #-Yards	0-0	5-45
INT RETURNS: #-Yards	0-0	3-42
KICK RETURN AVERAGE	22.4	25.0
PUNT RETURN AVERAGE	0.0	9.0
INT RETURN AVERAGE	0.0	14.0
FUMBLES-LOST	2-1	1-1
PENALTIES-Yards	2-10	9-75
Average Per Game	10.0	75.0
PUNTS-Yards	8-246	5-198
Average Per Punt	30.8	39.6
Net punt average	25.1	39.6
KICKOFFS-Yards	2-79	9-486
Average Per Kick	39.5	54.0
Net kick average	27.0	38.8
TIME OF POSSESSION/Game	24:35	35:25
3RD-DOWN Conversions	2/15	6/17
3rd-Down Pct	13%	35%
4TH-DOWN Conversions	0/5	2/4
4th-Down Pct	0%	50%
SACKS BY-Yards	0-0	0-0
MISC YARDS	0	0
TOUCHDOWNS SCORED	1	6
FIELD GOALS-ATTEMPTS	0-0	2-3
ON-SIDE KICKS	0-0	0-0
RED-ZONE SCORES	(0-1) 0%	(7-9) 78%
RED-ZONE TOUCHDOWNS	(0-1) 0%	(5-9) 56%
PAT-ATTEMPTS	(1-1) 100%	(5-6) 83%
ATTENDANCE	1252	0
Games/Avg Per Game	1/1252	0/0
Neutral Site Games		0/0

<b>Score by Quarters</b>	<b>1st</b>	<b>2nd</b>	<b>3rd</b>	<b>4th</b>	<b>OT</b>	<b>Total</b>
Eastern Illinois	0	7	0	0	0	7
Opponents	7	27	6	7	0	47

**Eastern Illinois Overall Individual Statistics (as of Mar 03, 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	1	6	20	3	17	2.8	0	7	17.0
SMITH, Jordan	1	7	16	6	10	1.4	0	7	10.0
PHILLIPS, Desean	1	1	6	0	6	6.0	0	6	6.0
WOODBERRY, Harry	1	2	3	0	3	1.5	0	3	3.0
Total	1	27	134	10	124	4.6	1	72	124.0
Opponents	1	42	159	12	147	3.5	4	16	147.0

Passing	gp	effic	comp-att-int	pct	yds	td	lg	avg/g
WOODBERRY, Harry	1	55.71	10-26-2	38.5	101	0	37	101.0
KUHNS, Otto	1	57.33	3-12-1	25.0	70	0	31	70.0
Total	1	56.22	13-38-3	34.2	171	0	37	171.0
Opponents	1	129.69	25-43-0	58.1	327	1	40	327.0

Receiving	gp	no.	yds	avg	td	lg	avg/g
COOKS, DeWayne	1	5	62	12.4	0	37	62.0
VALLIE, Jay	1	3	26	8.7	0	17	26.0
FOULKES, Arron	1	2	39	19.5	0	26	39.0
MANAVES, Anthony	1	1	31	31.0	0	31	31.0
BENEFIELD, J	1	1	8	8.0	0	8	8.0
STRICKER, Nick	1	1	5	5.0	0	5	5.0
Total	1	13	171	13.2	0	37	171.0
Opponents	1	25	327	13.1	1	40	327.0

Punt Returns	no.	yds	avg	td	lg
Total	0	0	0.0	0	0
Opponents	5	45	9.0	0	18

Interceptions	no.	yds	avg	td	lg
Total	0	0	0.0	0	0
Opponents	3	42	14.0	1	25

Kick Returns	no.	yds	avg	td	lg
JUDD, Matt	5	112	22.4	0	39
Total	5	112	22.4	0	39
Opponents	1	25	25.0	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 03, 2021)**  
**All games**

Scoring			PAT						
	td	fg	kick	rush	rcv	pass	dxp	saf	pts
YOUNG, Kendi	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6
ORTH, William	-	-	1-1	-	-	-	-	-	1
Total	1	-	1-1	-	-	-	-	-	7
Opponents	6	2-3	5-6	-	-	-	-	-	47

Total Offense	g	plays	rush	pass	total	avg/g
WOODBERRY, Harry	1	28	3	101	104	104.0
YOUNG, Kendi	1	11	88	0	88	88.0
KUHNS, Otto	1	12	0	70	70	70.0
BENEFIELD, J	1	6	17	0	17	17.0
SMITH, Jordan	1	7	10	0	10	10.0
PHILLIPS, Desean	1	1	6	0	6	6.0
Total	1	65	124	171	295	295.0
Opponents	1	85	147	327	474	474.0

Field Goals	fg	pct.	01-19	20-29	30-39	40-49	50-99	lg	blk
FG Sequence	Eastern Illinois				Opponents				
Southeast Missouri	-				38,(32),(35)				

Numbers in (parentheses) indicate field goal was made.

Punting	no.	yds	avg	lg	tb	fc	i20	50+	blk
GALLOWAY, Stone	7	246	35.1	46	0	1	0	0	1
TEAM	1	0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total	8	246	30.8	46	0	1	0	0	1
Opponents	5	198	39.6	53	0	3	4	1	0

Kickoffs	no.	yds	avg	tb	ob	retn	net	ydln
ORTH, William	2	79	39.5	0	0			
Total	2	79	39.5	0	0	25.0	27.0	38
Opponents	9	486	54.0	1	0	22.4	38.8	26



**Eastern Illinois Overall Individual Statistics (as of Mar 03, 2021)**  
**All games**

All Purpose	g	rush	rcv	pr	kr	ir	total	avg/g
JUDD, Matt	1	0	0	0	112	0	112	112.0
YOUNG, Kendi	1	88	0	0	0	0	88	88.0
COOKS, DeWay	1	0	62	0	0	0	62	62.0
FOULKES, Arro	1	0	39	0	0	0	39	39.0
MANAVES,Anth	1	0	31	0	0	0	31	31.0
VALLIE, Jay	1	0	26	0	0	0	26	26.0
BENEFIELD, J	1	17	8	0	0	0	25	25.0
SMITH, Jordan	1	10	0	0	0	0	10	10.0
PHILLIPS,Dese	1	6	0	0	0	0	6	6.0
STRICKER, Nick	1	0	5	0	0	0	5	5.0
WOODBERRY, H	1	3	0	0	0	0	3	3.0
Total	1	124	171	0	112	0	407	407.0
Opponents	1	147	327	45	25	42	586	586.0

**Eastern Illinois Overall Defensive Statistics (as of Mar 03, 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
4	CRITTENDEN, Ray	1	6	3	9	1.5-4	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
23	SHOCKEY, A.	1	4	5	9	2.0-5	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
8D	JOHNSON, Jason	1	4	3	7	0.5-0	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
0	VINCENT, Jordan	1	4	3	7	.	.	.	1	.	.	.	.	.
45	BOHANEK, Colin	1	4	2	6	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
22	DRAKEFORD, K.	1	5	1	6	.	.	.	.	.	.	1	.	.
24	ROSS, JJ	1	5	.	5	.	.	.	2	.	1-9	.	.	.
97	VARGA, Tim	1	3	1	4	.	.	.	1	.	.	.	.	.
90	YOUNG, Michael	1	2	2	4	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
21	WILLIAMS, Mark	1	2	1	3	.	.	.	1	.	.	.	.	.
20	BORNSLATER, M	1	2	1	3	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
92	UBAIKE, James	1	.	3	3	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
93	LEACH, Cameron	1	2	1	3	1.0-1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
91	MILES, Jordan	1	2	1	3	2.0-4	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
40	PORTER, Phoenix	1	1	1	2	1.0-1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
33	HILL, Nile	1	1	1	2	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
6	BARROWS, Joel	1	1	.	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
69	ELMORE, Stephen	1	.	1	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
57	MOORE, Dominic	1	.	1	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
76	HOOVER, Cole	1	1	.	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
96	JOHNSON, Jamari	1	1	.	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
9	MORROW, Jestin	1	.	1	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
77	GLEYZER, Ivan	1	1	.	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
Total		1	51	32	83	8-15	0-0	.	5	.	1-9	1	.	.
Opponents		1	31	20	51	3-7	0-0	3-42	4	.	1-0	1	1	.