



EASTERN ILLINOIS PANTHER FOOTBALL

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GAME 1



COACHES:

Chris Wilkerson (Eastern Illinois, 1995)
 EIU Record.....2-9 (2nd)
 OVC Record.....1-4 (2nd)
 Career Record.....53-36 (11th)
 vs. Indiana State 0-0

Curt Mallory (Michigan, 1992)
 INST Record19-39 (7th)
 MVFC Record.....12-28 (2nd)
 Overall RecordSame
 vs. Eastern Illinois 2-1

SERIES

88th meeting ... EIU leads 43-40-4
Last: INST 26, EIU 21 on Aug. 28, 2021

RANKINGS

Eastern Illinois / ---
 Indiana State..... / ---
 *STATS Media/AFCAs Coaches*

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Season Opener For EIU In Terre Haute

Eastern Illinois at Indiana State
 Memorial Stadium (12,700) • Terre Haute, Ind.
 August 31, 2023 • 5 p.m. • TV: ESPN+

NOTES TO KNOW

• Eastern Illinois will open its 118th season of football on Thursday night when the Panthers travel to Terre Haute to face Indiana State. The series between the Panthers and Sycamores is the second most played in EIU program history with the schools first meeting in 1901. They have played 87 times, the last meeting in 2021 for the season opener. The two schools have played in EIU's season opener 27 times including every season between 1956-1970. ISU leads in those contests 15-11-1.

• The Big South Conference and Ohio Valley Conference have entered into a four-year agreement to play as the Big South-OVC Football Association. As part of that initial merger between the two leagues a preseason list of players to watch was released at the conference media day in late July. Eastern Illinois had ten players featured on that list, second most among the ten league schools. Selected to the preseason watch list were Chad Strickland (OT), Juwon Farri (RB), Justin Thomas (WR), Elijahwah Tolbert (LB), Nick Coates (NICK), Russell Dandy (DB), Stone Galloway (K), Mark Aitken (KR), Cooper Willman (PR) and Jack Valente (LS).

• Kicker Stone Galloway was named to the preseason watch list for the Fred Mitchell Award which is presented to the top non-FBS kicker in the nation. Galloway was a first-team All-OVC selection last year going 11-of-12 on field goals and 27-of-27 on extra points. Galloway led the Panthers in scoring with 60 points, his second straight season ranking as the team's leading scorer. The senior enters the season with 24 career field goals which is seventh on the EIU career list.

• Eastern Illinois returns its top four receivers in terms of receptions and yards from last season. Nile Hill was the Panthers leader last year with 26 catches for 239 yards and two touchdowns. Justin Thomas finished the season second on the team with 17 catches for 210 yards and two scores. He was among the FCS national leaders prior to a season ending injury in game four. Cooper Willman (16 rec / 199 yds) and Justin Bowick (13 rec / 250 yds / 3 TD) round out the list.

• Elijahwah Tolbert returns as the Panthers leading tackler from last season with 70 tackles which ranked third on the EIU roster and 12th in the OVC. Tolbert is the third leading tackler among OVC returning players this year and sixth among returners from the combined leagues.

Eastern Illinois			Indiana State		
Date	Opponent	Score/Time	Date	Opponent	Score/Time
Aug. 31	at Indiana State	5 pm	Aug. 31	EASTERN ILLINOIS	5 pm
Sept. 9	at Bowling Green	1 pm	Sept. 8	at Indiana	6 pm
Sept. 16	ILLINOIS STATE	2 pm	Sept. 16	at Ball State	1 pm
Sept. 23	McNEESE	2 pm	Sept. 30	• at Murray State	6 pm
Sept. 30	at Northwestern State	6 pm	Oct. 7	• NORTHERN IOWA	6 pm
Oct. 7	• UT MARTIN (HC)	2 pm	Oct. 14	• at Illinois State	2 pm
Oct. 14	• at Southeast Missouri	2 pm	Oct. 21	• SOUTH DAKOTA	12 pm
Oct. 21	• BRYANT	2 pm	Oct. 28	• at North Dakota	1 pm
Nov. 4	• at Lindenwood	2 pm	Nov. 4	• YOUNGSTOWN STATE	12 pm
Nov. 11	• TENNESSEE STATE	12 pm	Nov. 11	• WESTERN ILLINOIS	12 pm
Nov. 18	• at Robert Morris	11 am	Nov. 18	• at Southern Illinois	1 pm
• Big South-OVC Game All Times Central			• Missouri Valley Football Game All Times Central		

STATS FCS MEDIA TOP 25

Rk.	Team	Record
1.	South Dakota State (56)	14-1
2.	North Dakota State	12-3
3.	Montana State	12-2
4.	William & Mary	11-2
5.	Holy Cross	12-1
6.	Furman	10-3
7.	Incarnate Word	12-2
8.	Idaho	7-5
9.	Samford	11-2
10.	Sacramento State	12-1
11.	New Hampshire	9-4
12.	Southeast Missouri	9-3
13.	Weber State	10-3
14.	Montana	8-5
15.	Southeastern Louisiana	9-4
16.	UC Davis	6-5
17.	North Dakota	7-5
18.	Richmond	9-4
19.	North Carolina Central	10-2
20.	Mercer	7-4
21.	Rhode Island	7-4
22.	Delaware	8-5
23.	Northern Iowa	6-5
24.	Eastern Kentucky	7-5
25.	Gardner-Webb	7-6

FCS COACHES TOP 25

Rk.	Team	Record
1.	South Dakota State (24)	14-1
2.	North Dakota State (1)	12-3
3.	Montana State	12-2
4.	William & Mary	11-2
5.	Holy Cross	12-1
6.	Furman	10-3
7.	Incarnate Word	12-2
8.	Sacramento State	12-1
9.	Samford	11-2
10.	Weber State	10-3
11.	Southeast Missouri	9-3
12.	New Hampshire	9-4
13.	Idaho	7-5
14.	Montana	8-5
15.	Southeastern Louisiana	9-4
16.	Richmond	9-4
17.	UC Davis	6-5
18.	North Dakota	7-5
19.	North Carolina Central	10-2
20.	Northern Iowa	6-5
21.	Delaware	8-5
22.	Mercer	7-4
23.	Rhode Island	7-4
24.	Gardner-Webb	7-6
25.	Florida A&M	9-2

• Eastern Illinois lost its top three rushers from last season's roster and a total of 1,181 of the teams 1,642 total rushing yards (72 percent). The Panthers top returning ground gainers are Kendi Young (280 yards) and MJ Flowers (118 yards). To help fill the gap EIU hit the transfer portal bringing in a pair of former All-American rushers in Juwon Farri and Kevin Daniels. Farri was the 2020 Big South Offensive Player of the Year at Monmouth and rushed for 2,482 career yards in five seasons at the New Jersey based school. Daniels was a freshman All-American in 2021 and rushed for 1,283 yards in three seasons at Northern Arizona.

• Quarterback Jonah O'Brien returns this season after starting eight games last season and passing for 853 yards with eight touchdowns. O'Brien missed the last part of the season due to injury so the Panthers added depth at that position. Pierce Holley and Terrance Gipson both joined the program in the spring and are locked into a battle with O'Brien for the starting spot. Holley is a transfer from Georgetown who earned second team All-Patriot League honors passing for 4,142 yards over the last two seasons with the Hoyas. Gipson, a former quarterback at SMU, comes to EIU after a standout season at East Los Angeles College passing for 1,776 yards and rushing for another 401.

• Tre'jon Lewis came on strong late in the season for the Panthers defense finishing the season with 25 tackles including a team-high 7.5 tackles for loss which was tied for 10th in the OVC last season. As a team last season EIU had 68 tackles for loss with 16 sacks. Joel Barrows returns as the Panthers leader in sacks with three last year.

• Eastern Illinois has added some experienced depth to its defensive front with Alex Alteus, Zed Asowata, and Nicholas Oliviera-Chace. Alteus played the last three years at Stetson after opening his career at UNC Pembroke. Alteus played in 18 games the last two years at Stetson with 51 tackles and 12.5 tackles for loss. Asowata played four years at Midwestern State appearing in 32 games. He collected 83 tackles with 13 tackles for loss, six sacks and four forced fumbles. Oliviera-Chace comes to EIU following two seasons at Franklin Pierce University where he had 78 tackles, seven tackles for loss and 3.5 sacks.

• Eastern Illinois ranked 29th in the FCS in turnovers gained last season with 20 which included 13 interceptions and seven fumble recoveries. The 13 interceptions were 16th in the FCS with four EIU players picking off at least two passes. Elijahwah Tolbert is the Panthers top returner for interceptions with three while returning defensive back Tyris Harvey had two picks last year.

• Eastern Illinois scored both a special teams and defensive touchdown last season as the Panthers have scored at least one of each every season dating back to 2016. Last season EIU's defensive score came against Lindenwood with a Alexandar Oyawale 40-yard fumble return for touchdown. The special teams touchdown came against Tennessee Tech with a Mark Aitken 65-yard blocked field goal return for touchdown. During the 2021 season EIU had three combined defensive/special teams touchdowns with DeAirious Smith scoring on a blocked punt return and Tyris Harvey returning an interception for touchdown. Current student assistant coach Bryce Dewberry also scored that season on an interception.

• Eastern Illinois lost its top two tacklers from last season but the Panthers do return a solid contingent of experienced players on that side of the ball with six of the top ten tacklers returning. Elijahwah Tolbert, a first-team All-OVC selection last season at linebacker, is the leading returner with 70 tackles, 6.5 tackles for loss and three interceptions. Other returning players in the top ten are Nick Coates (67 tackles), Tyris Harvey (34 tackles), Elijah Ball (34 tackles), Phoenix Porter (30 tackles) and Joel Barrows (27 tackles).

• Eastern Illinois defensive backfield is scheduled to welcome back some familiar faces this season after several key players missed time last season due to injury. Russell Dandy and Kaelin Drakeford both played in four games last season due to injury using their NCAA redshirt season. Two years ago Dandy was an All-OVC Newcomer selection. Drakeford was a starter in the Spring 2021 COVID season and 2021 fall season at safety. The Panthers also welcome back safety Blake Ruffin who was on target to be a starter last fall before an injury in camp ended his season.

• Eastern Illinois special teams unit was indeed special last season as the Panthers featured first team All-OVC selections at both kicker and punter with second team selections at long snapper, kick returner and punt returner. Four of those five players return this season with kicker Stone Galloway, long snapper Jack Valente, kick returner Mark Aitken and punt returner Cooper Willman. As a team EIU led the OVC in punt return average, net punting, kick return defense and field goal percentage while ranking third in the conference in kick return average.

• Eastern Illinois offensive line was banged up with injuries last season as the Panthers had eight different starting combinations in their 11 games only starting the same line-up in back-to-back games twice during the season. Of that group, EIU returns eight players that started at least one game last season with veteran offensive lineman Chad Strickland, Anthony Imperio and Jack Valente in their third or more season as starters. Added to that group this off-season was a mixture of new faces with four junior college transfers, three high school players and one four-year transfer in Sebastian Pares.

2023 Big South-OVC Football Standings

Team	CONF	Pct.	All	Pct.
Bryant	0-0	.....	0-0
Charleston Southern	0-0	.....	0-0
Eastern Illinois	0-0	.....	0-0
Gardner-Webb	0-0	.....	0-0
Lindenwood	0-0	.....	0-0
Robert Morris	0-0	.....	0-0
Southeast Missouri	0-0	.....	0-0
Tennessee State	0-0	.....	0-0
Tennessee Tech	0-0	.....	0-0
UT Martin	0-0	.....	0-0

This Week In Big South-OVC Football

Thursday - August 31

North Greenville at Charleston Southern - 5 pm
 Eastern Illinois at Indiana State - 5 pm
 Wisconsin Stevens Point at Lindenwood - 7 pm
 Tennessee Tech at Furman - 7 pm

Saturday - September 2

Robert Morris at Air Force - 12 pm
 Tennessee State at Notre Dame - 2:30 pm
 Gardner-Webb at Appalachian State - 2:30 pm
 Bryant at UNLV - 3 pm
 Southeast Missouri at Kansas State - 6 pm
 UT Martin at Georgia - 6 pm

* Big South-OVC Football Association Games

Eastern Illinois Captains

2 - Mark Aitken
 4 - Justin Thomas
 53 - Stone Galloway
 56 - Tre'jon Lewis
 67 - Chad Strickland

Big South-OVC Order Of Finish

1. Southeast Missouri (6)
2. Gardner-Webb (2)
3. UT Martin (1)
4. Tennessee Tech (1)
5. Tennessee State
6. Bryant
7. Lindenwood
8. Eastern Illinois
9. Charleston Southern
10. Robert Morris



Eastern Illinois Players On Preseason Team

- 1 - Elijahwah Tolbert (LB)
- 2 - Mark Aitken (KR)
- 3 - Russell Dandy (DB)
- 4 - Justin Thomas (WR)
- 8 - Juwon Farri (RB)
- 12 - Nick Coates (NICK)
- 13 - Cooper Willman (PR)
- 53 - Stone Galloway (K)
- 66 - Jack Valente (LS)
- 67 - Chad Strickland (OL)

• Eastern Illinois had its best offensive performances of the season in the first and last games of the 2022 campaign. EIU opened the year with a season high 441 yards of total offense facing defending Mid-American Conference champion Northern Illinois. The Panthers then closed the year with 426 yards of total offense at co-OVC champion and nationally ranked UT Martin. The Panthers posted one other 400 yard game on the season with 408 yards in the OVC opener at Murray State. EIU rushed for 339 yards in that game and then followed up the next week with 340 yards on the ground in a home win over Northwestern State.

• Eastern Illinois will be looking to snap a five-game season opening losing streak when they kickoff the season on Thursday at Indiana State. EIU's last season opening win was in 2017 when the Panthers beat Indiana State 22-20 on a last second touchdown pass. EIU is 1-8 in openers since the 2014 season after EIU had run off a streak of three straight season opening wins in 2011, 2012 and 2013.

• Eastern Illinois defense had 20 turnovers gained last season as the Panthers ranked 29th in the FCS in turnovers gained last year. EIU forced at least one turnover in eight of their 11 games. The defense had 13 interceptions which ranked EIU 16th in the FCS. It marked the fourth time since the 2015 season that EIU finished with 20 or more turnovers gained. The 2015 defense had 31 turnovers and ranked third in the nation. EIU had 20 turnovers gained in 2017 and then 21 turnovers gained in 2019.

• Eastern Illinois was one of the least penalized teams in FCS football last year as the Panthers ranked 11th in the nation and first in the OVC averaging just 37.7 yards per game in penalty yards. EIU's most penalized game last season was against Illinois State in the Mid-America Classic with eight penalties for 72 yards. The Panthers played back-to-back games against Tennessee Tech and McNeese with just one penalty called against EIU and no penalty yards.

• The Ohio Valley Conference and Big South Conference have merged into a joint conference for the sport of football with ten member schools for the 2023 season. The new Big South-OVC Football Association features OVC member schools Eastern Illinois, Lindenwood, Southeast Missouri, Tennessee State, Tennessee Tech and UT Martin. The Big South is represented by Charleston Southern and Gardner-Webb with affiliate members Bryant and Robert Morris (Pa.) also playing previously in the Big South. Next season (2024) will again see membership change with Western Illinois joining as a football playing member and Bryant exiting the conference.

• Eastern Illinois has several legacy players on its roster this season with offensive lineman Carson Fichtel, linebacker Jared Pilson and defensive lineman Peyton Wilkerson. Fichtel's father Brad was an All-American lineman for the Panthers in the early 1990's. Pilson's father Jamie was a running back for the Panthers in the early 1990's while Wilkerson's father Chris is the Panthers head coach and a former EIU defensive lineman in the 1990's. All three were teammates under head coach Bob Spoo.

• Eastern Illinois football has expanded its international pool of players as part of their 2023 roster. Already returning to the team was Daniel Luoma who is from Finland and Jaxson Isaac from Canada. The last two seasons Luoma was a reserve tight end and served as the Panthers kickoff specialist averaging 59.2 yards per kick with eight touchbacks in 2021. Isaac, another tight end, joined the roster last season using a redshirt season after playing in four games. Isaac is from Regina, Saskatchewan and played at the College of DuPage in 2021. The newest international Panther is punter Jacob Horvath from Australia. Prior to Luoma the last European player on the EIU roster was Pascal Matla from Holland in the early 2000's. The last EIU player from Canada was Conrad Praamsma in the mid-1990's. The last player from Australia to play for the Panthers was long snapper Bryce Coulson in 2019.

• Eastern Illinois has announced its team captains for the 2023 season with five players in total selected. Mark Aitken (SAF) and Chad Strickland (OL) were voted team captains in the spring following the spring game. Joining that list following fall camp are Justin Thomas (WR), Stone Galloway (K) and Tre'jon Lewis (DL).

• Eastern Illinois football has 12 players on its current roster that already have earned their undergraduate degree as they prepare to play this upcoming season. The seven graduate players are Alex Alteus, Zed Asowata, DeWayne Cooks Jr., Russell Dandy, Juwon Farri, Pierce Holley, Anthony Imperio, Jonah O'Brien, Sebastian Pares, Chad Strickland, Elkhanaan Tanelus and Justin Thomas.

• Eastern Illinois offensive lineman Chad Strickland is the Panthers nominee for the NFF Campbell Trophy, the academic Heisman Trophy. Strickland, a preseason All-Big South-OVC Football selection, earned his undergraduate degree in pre-physical therapy with a 3.82 GPA and is currently enrolled in the master's program.

EIU HEAD COACH CHRIS WILKERSON

Chris Wilkerson was hired as the 26th head coach in Eastern Illinois football history on Jan. 26, 2022. A former player and assistant coach at Eastern Illinois, Wilkerson returned home and became the first EIU alumnus to serve as the Panthers head football coach. Wilkerson played and coached under OVC/EIU Hall of Fame Coach Bob Spoo. A 1995 graduate of EIU, Wilkerson coached at EIU until the 2001 season. He had assistant stops at San Jose State and Dartmouth before serving the last ten years as the head coach at the University of Chicago. Wilkerson has a 53-36 career record entering the 2023 season. Complete Coach Chris Wilkerson bio available on page 6 of EIU game notes...

INDIANA STATE HEAD COACH CURT MALLORY

Curt Mallory, the son of former long time college coach Bill Mallory, enters his seventh season at Indiana State. Mallory posted a 12-22 record in his first three seasons with the Sycamores opting out of the 2020-21 season with COVID-19 concerns. After going 0-11 in his first season the Sycamores improved to 7-4 in year two as he won MVFC Coach of the Year honors. The team was 5-7 during the 2019 campaign. Mallory played football at Michigan and had assistant coaching stops at Indiana, Illinois and Michigan before taking over in Terre Haute. Mallory holds a 19-39 record entering the 2023 season.

SCOUTING INDIANA STATE

Indiana State is coming off a 2-9 season which included a 1-7 record in the Missouri Valley Football Conference. Running back Justin Dinka returns after leading the Sycamores ground game last year with 895 yards and six touchdowns. ISU returns all three quarterbacks that saw significant time under center last year passing for more than 1,800 yards. Linebacker Geoffrey Brown and defensive back Rylan Cole were the co-leaders of the defense last season with 84 tackles each.

THE SERIES

Eastern Illinois and Indiana State meet to open the 2023 season as two schools separated by only 45 miles have played 87 times first meeting during the 1901 season. EIU holds a 43-40-4 all-time lead in the series but the Sycamores have won the last three meetings following a six game win streak in the series by EIU. The series history includes one meeting in the 1983 FCS playoffs.

LAST TEN MEETINGS

<i>Aug. 28, 2021</i>	<i>Indiana State 26, EIU 21 at INST</i>
<i>Sept. 21, 2019</i>	<i>Indiana State 16, EIU 6 at INST</i>
<i>Sept. 15, 2018</i>	<i>Indiana State 55, EIU 41 at EIU</i>
<i>Aug. 31, 2017</i>	<i>EIU 22, Indiana State 20 at INST</i>
<i>Sept. 12, 2009</i>	<i>EIU 31, Indiana State 0 at INST</i>
<i>Sept. 13, 2008</i>	<i>EIU 31, Indiana State 3 at EIU</i>
<i>Sept. 22, 2007</i>	<i>EIU 54, Indiana State 20 at INST</i>
<i>Sept. 9, 2006</i>	<i>EIU 31, Indiana State 21 at EIU</i>
<i>Sept. 1, 2005</i>	<i>EIU 24, Indiana State 13 at INST</i>
<i>Sept. 11, 2004</i>	<i>Indiana State 33, EIU 30 (ot) at EIU</i>

OVC CELEBRATES 75TH ANNIVERSARY

The Ohio Valley Conference is celebrated its 75th anniversary during the 2022-23 academic year. The OVC is the eighth oldest NCAA Division I conference. Eastern Illinois is entering its 28th season as a member of the OVC. The EIU football team has won seven OVC championships with former head coach Bob Spoo one of two EIU members of the OVC Hall of Fame. EIU has had four OVC Defensive Players of the Year and four OVC Offensive Players of the Year including 2002 Walter Payton Award winner Tony Romo and 2013 Walter Payton Award winner Jimmy Garoppolo.

TALE OF THE TAPE

Points Per Game.....	22.3	16.0
Average Points Allowed.....	31.2	32.7
First Downs.....	188	168
Rushing Yards Per Game	149.3	130.2
Rushing Touchdowns.....	12	12
Passing Yards Per Game	146.3	167.9
Passing Touchdowns	16	10
Average Yards Per Game	295.5	298.1
Interceptions Thrown	15	9
Fumbles - Lost	27-9	15-8
Turnovers Gained.....	20	13
Punting Average	44.0	38.1
Field Goals (ATT/MADE)	11-of-13	5-of-11
3rd Down Conversions	54-of-149 (36%)	51-of-164 (31%)
4th Down Conversions.....	7-of-22 (32%)	14-of-28 (50%)
Sacks By (Yards).....	16 (93)	23 (195)
Penalties (Yards)	49 (420)	41 (374)
Time of Possession (Game)	28:54	28:08

Statistical Leaders (Returning)**RUSHING YARDS (Touchdowns)**

EASTERN ILLINOIS	INDIANA STATE
Kendi Young .....280 (1)	Justin Dinka .....895 (6)
MJ Flowers.....118 (0)	Tee Hodge .....319 (1)

PASSING YARDS (Touchdowns)

EASTERN ILLINOIS	INDIANA STATE
Jonah O'Brien .....853 (9)	Cade Chambers .....938 (8)
Kevin Conway .....0	Gavin Screws .....683 (1)

RECEPTIONS (Yards)

EASTERN ILLINOIS	INDIANA STATE
Nile Hill .....26 (239)	Harry Van Dyne .....24 (284)
Justin Thomas .....17 (210)	Dakota Caton .....23 (291)
Cooper Willman .....16 (199)	Kevin Barnett.....14 (186)

TACKLES

EASTERN ILLINOIS	INDIANA STATE
Elijawah Tolbert.....70	Geoffrey Brown .....84
Nick Coates.....67	Rylan Cole.....84
Tyris Harvey.....34	Garret Ollendieck.....53
Elijah Ball .....34	Maddix Blackwell.....51
Phoenix Porter.....30	Gianini Bellzaire37

TACKLES FOR LOSS / SACKS

EASTERN ILLINOIS	INDIANA STATE
Tre'jon Lewis.....7.5	Gianini Bellzaire .....8.5
Elijawah Tolbert.....6.5	Geoffrey Brown .....7
Joel Barrows.....5	Garret Ollendieck.....6.5

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

2022

TEAM

.....	NCAA.....	OVC
Rushing Offense	58th	4th
Passing Offense	120th	7th
Passing Efficiency	103rd	6th
Total Offense	114th	7th
Scoring Offense	86th	4th
Rushing Defense	69th	4th
Pass Defense	104th	4th
Pass Efficiency Def.	72nd	4th
Total Defense	89th	4th
Scoring Defense	82nd	4th
Net Punting	8th	1st
Punt Returns	12th	1st
Kickoff Returns	42nd	2nd
Turnover Margin	66th	4th
Turnovers Gained	15th	2nd
Sacks	97th	7th
Tackles For Loss	51st	4th
Sacks Allowed	99th	6th
3rd Down Conversion	80th	3rd
4th Down Conversion	103rd	4th
3rd Down Defense	100th	6th
Red Zone Offense	44th	1st
Red Zone Defense	65th	4th
Time of Possession	89th	6th

INDIVIDUAL (Top 60)

.....	NCAA.....	OVC
Jonah O'Brien (Completion Pct)	32nd	1st
Stone Galloway (Field Goals).....	33rd	4th
Stone Galloway (Field Goal Pct)	3rd	1st
Trey Wilhoit (Punting).....	7th	2nd
Elijahwah Tolbert (Interceptions)	38th	3rd
Jordan Vincent (Interceptions).....	38th	3rd
Jordan Vincent (Solo Tackles)	16th	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 (1977-97) 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
9 - Jacksonville State *
5 - Eastern Kentucky *
4 - Southeast Missouri
3 - Tennessee State
2 - Murray State
2 - UT Martin
1 - Tennessee Tech
1 - Western Kentucky *
1 - Austin Peay *

* indicates team no longer in the OVC

COVID YOUTH

With the NCAA granting a COVID year of eligibility to players active during the 2020 season, EIU was in a rebuilding phase so the Panthers have a large number of players who are listed as sophomores on their active roster. A total of 29 of those players are in their third year in the program with the added COVID year with an additional amount true sophomores in their second year in the program.

NCAA PLAYOFF APPEARANCES**School.....# Appearances (Last)**

Montana 27 (2022)
Northern Iowa 22 (2021)
Eastern Kentucky 22 (2022)
Furman 19 (2022)
Delaware 18 (2022)
New Hampshire 17 (2022)
EASTERN ILLINOIS 16 (2015)
McNeese State 16 (2015)
Eastern Washington..... 15 (2021)
Villanova 14 (2021)
North Dakota State..... 13 (2022)

***Former FCS members now playing at
FBS level***

* Appalachian State..... 20 (2012)
* Georgia Southern 19 (2012)
James Madison..... 18 (2021)
Sam Houston State..... 13 (2021)

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)



CHRIS WILKERSON

Head Coach

2nd year at Eastern Illinois as Head Coach

(9th season at EIU overall)

Eastern Illinois, 1995

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Eastern Illinois

- * Hired as 26th head coach in Eastern Illinois history on January 26, 2022
- * Begins second year as head coach for 2023 season
- * Coached team that featured two All-Americans in 2022
- * Coached team that had 12 All-OVC selections in 2022 (four first-team selections)
- * Team ranked 11th in FCS in fewest penalties in 2022
- * Team ranked 16th in passes intercepted in 2022, 29th in turnovers gained
- * Team ranked fifth in FCS in net punting
- * Served as an assistant coach at Eastern Illinois from 1995-2001 under head coach Bob Spoo
- * Coached special teams during entire tenure working on defensive staff (linebackers and defensive line)
- * Served as defensive coordinator during final season on staff in 2001
- * Helped coach team to four FCS playoff appearances
- * Helped coach team to a pair of conference championships as team played in both the Gateway Football Conference and OVC
- * Defense and Special Teams units regularly ranked in Top 20 in FCS in numerous categories

Prior To Eastern Illinois

- * Head football coach at University of Chicago from 2013-21
- * Team posted a winning record in seven of eight seasons, 2020 year was not played due to COVID
- * Coached an offensive unit that featured the leading rusher in NCAA Division III in 2021 as team posted 8-2 record
- * Team also posted an 8-1 record in 2014 winning UAA Conference title
- * Guided the University of Chicago program through three different conference alignments posting a 39-15 record in conference play
- * Coached three Division III All-Americans
- * Coached nine All-Region selections
- * Coached four Conference Players of the Year
- * Coached 94 All-Conference selections
- * (University of Chicago Record – 51-27)
- * Coached at Dartmouth College from 2005-13, serving as Associate Head Coach since 2007
- * Served as Defensive Coordinator, Special Teams Coordinator, running backs coach and linebackers coach in tenure
- * Team ranked in FCS Top 10 nationally in several categories including punt return average, blocked kicks, individual rushing average, fewest fumbles lost
- * Dartmouth pass defense ranked 14th in the FCS in debut season as defensive coordinator
- * Coached at San Jose State from 2002-04
- * In 2003 was a nominee for Broyles Award, given annually to nation's top assistant coach

Personal

- * Played football at Eastern Illinois for head coach Bob Spoo
- * Bachelor's degree from Eastern Illinois in 1995
- * He and wife Sharna (a former EIU softball player) have three children
- * Native of Indianapolis, Indiana

Eastern Illinois				
Year	Overall W-L	Pct.	Conf. W-L	Pct.
2022	2-9	.182	1-4 (OVC)	.200
University of Chicago Record				
2021	8-2	.800	7-2 (MWC)	.778
2020	*Season cancelled due to COVID-19 pandemic			
2019	6-3	.667	6-1 (MWC)	.857
2018	7-3	.700	7-1 (MWC)	.875
2017	6-4	.600	6-2 (MWC)	.750
2016	4-6	.400	4-4 (SAA)	.500
2015	6-4	.600	5-3 (SAA)	.625
2014	8-1	.889	3-0 (UAA)	1.000
2013	6-4	.600	1-2 (UAA)	.333
Totals	51-27	.654	39-15	.722
Carer	53-36	.596	40-19	.678

UAA title

9 years



Kyle Derickson
Assoc HC / ST / WR
(2nd year)
Butler, 2003



Joe Davis
Off Cord. / QBs
(2nd year)
Adrian College, 2002



Clay Bignell
Def Cord. / Safeties
(2nd year)
Montana State, 2011



Andrew Brady
Outside Linebackers
(2nd year)
Wheaton College, 2019



John Cannova
Offensive Line
(2nd year)
North Central College, 2014



Maurice Fleming
Defensive Backs
(1st year)
Iowa, 2016



Collin Geier
Linebackers
(2nd year)
Missouri, 2018



Turner Pugh
Running Backs
(2nd year)
Northern Illinois, 2004



Jordan Walsh
Tight Ends
(1st year)
Iowa, 2015



Fred Wyatt
Defensive Line
(1st year)
Northwestern, 2018

FOOTBALL SUPPORT STAFF & QUALITY CONTROL

Graduate Assistant Coach - Defense Steven Marks
Graduate Assistant Coach - Offense Tim Greene
Quality Control Coach - Offense..... Jared Sutton
Quality Control Coach - Defense..... Ryan DeMarois
Student Assistant Coach Bryce Dewberry
Student Assistant Coach Ryan Shepard
Graduate Assistant - Operations Reid Littleford

Football Athletic Trainer Scott Goehner
Football Equipment Manager Clint Bays
Director of Football Operations David Brubaker
Football Academics Nicole Jackson
Nutrition Danielle D'Alesio
Director of Football Performance..... Derek Stein
Graduate Assistant - Football Strength..... Jon Suppelsa

ADDITIONAL FOOTBALL SUPPORT STAFF

Head Strength Coach Joe Neihaus
Head Athletic Trainer Jim Nave
Assistant Football Athletic Trainer Alexis Fenrick
Assistant Football Athletic Trainer Samantha Reinert
Football GA Athletic Trainer Alyce Borkenhagen
Orthopedic Surgeon Sarah Bush Lincoln Sports Medicine
Team Doctor Dr. Andy Bays
Team Dentist..... Dr. Jennifer Kennedy

EIU ADMINISTRATION

University President..... Dr. Jay Gatrell
Athletic Director Tom Michael
Deputy Athletic Director Mark Bonnstetter
Associate AD/Development Mike Murray
Associate AD Media & PR Rich Moser
Assistant AD Compliance/SWA Dr. Tonya Sawyer
Assistant AD Academic Services..... Cindy Almon
Assistant AD Marketing / Fan Engagement..... James Baird
Assistant AD Sports Performance / Wellness..... Jim Nave
Ticket Manager..... Cindy Bayes

EIU LAST TIME IT HAPPENED

Passed for more than 300 yards...

Dom Shoffner, 315, at UT Martin (Nov. 19, 2022)

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 150 yards...

Kendi Young, 160, at Murray State (Sept. 24, 2022)

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

Isaiah Hill, 207 at Southeast Missouri (Oct. 30, 2021)

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...

Tyris Harvey, 1, at Austin Peay (November 6, 2021) - (29 yards)

Returned a fumble for touchdown...

Alexandar Oyawale, 1, vs. Lindenwood (Oct. 15, 2022) - (40 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...

Collin Tyson, 1, vs. Southeast Missouri (Nov. 12, 2022)

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

DeAirious Smith, 1 vs. Illinois State (Sept. 18, 2021)... - Charles Shelton IV

Blocked a field goal...

Jordan Vincent, 1, vs. Tennessee Tech (Oct. 29, 2022)

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

Mark Aitken, 1 vs. Tennessee Tech (Oct. 29, 2022) - Jordan Vincent (65 yards return)

***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) - Nile Hill from Cooper Willman, at McNeese (Nov. 5, 2022)

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...

Colin Bohanek, 15, vs. Tennessee Tech (Oct. 29, 2022)

Had 3 or more sacks on defense...

Jordan Miles, 3, at Tennessee Tech (Sept. 25, 2021)

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

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

Had 2 or more interceptions

Elijahaw Tolbert, 2, at Murray State (Sept. 24, 2022)

Recovered an onside kick...

Cooper Willman, 1, at Tennessee State (Oct. 22, 2022)

Offensive Lineman Scored a Touchdown

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

2022 EASTERN ILLINOIS TOUCHDOWNS

3.....Jaelin Benefield 24 pass from Jonah O'Brien..... at Northern Illinois
 4.....Justin Thomas 13 pass from Jonah O'Brien..... at Northern Illinois
 4.....Jay Vallie 8 pass from Jonah O'Brien..... at Northern Illinois
 1.....Nile Hill 31 pass from Jonah O'Brien..... Chattanooga
 3.....DeAirious Smith 16 pass from Jonah O'Brien..... Chattanooga
 1.....DeWayne Cooks Jr 11 pass from Jonah O'Brien..... at Illinois State
 1.....Dom Shoffner 1 run..... at Murray State
 1.....Justin Thomas 2 pass from Dom Shoffner..... at Murray State
 2.....Kendi Young 36 run..... at Murray State
 4.....Dom Shoffner 8 run..... at Murray State
 1.....Jonah O'Brien 10 run..... Northwestern State
 1.....Dom Shoffner 27 run..... Northwestern State
 1.....Jonah O'Brien 11 run..... Northwestern State
 2.....Dom Shoffner 2 run..... Northwestern State
 2.....Markenzy Pierre 12 pass from Dom Shoffner..... Northwestern State
 1.....Jonah O'Brien 1 run..... Lindenwood
 3.....DeAirious Smith 13 pass from Jonah O'Brien..... Lindenwood
 4.....Alexandar Oyawale 40 fumble return..... Lindenwood
 OT.....Jonah O'Brien 1 run..... Lindenwood
 3.....Nile Hill 29 pass from Jonah O'Brien..... at Tennessee State
 3.....Lazerick Eatman 20 pass from Jonah O'Brien..... at Tennessee State
 2.....Jonah O'Brien 1 run..... Tennessee Tech
 2.....Mark Aitken 65 blocked field goal return..... Tennessee Tech
 2.....Jay Vallie 26 pass from Dom Shoffner..... at McNeese
 4.....Justin Bowick 19 pass from Dom Shoffner..... at McNeese
 2.....Jaelin Benefield 4 run..... Southeast Missouri
 1.....Jaelin Benefield 84 pass from Dom Shoffner..... at UT Martin
 1.....Justin Bowick 63 pass from Dom Shoffner..... at UT Martin
 3.....Justin Bowick 40 pass from Dom Shoffner..... at UT Martin
 4.....Dom Shoffner 2 run..... at UT Martin

EASTERN ILLINOIS NFL CONNECTION

LAS VEGAS RAIDERS

Jimmy Garoppolo - Quarterback

CAROLINA PANTHERS

Kamu Grugier-Hill - Linebacker

DENVER BRONCOS

Sean Payton - Head Coach

TENNESSEE TITANS

Tim Kelly - Offensive Coordinator

Matt Jones - Offensive Line Assistant

NEW ORLEANS SAINTS

Adam Gristick - Linebackers Assistant

CLEVELAND BROWNS

Steven Bravo Brown - Special Teams Assistant

ATLANTA FALCONS

Ryan Pace - Senior Personnel Executive

BROADCAST

Tony Romo - CBS Color Analyst with Jim Nantz

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
100.....Southeast Missouri.....	Nov. 12, 2022
109.....at South Carolina.....	Sept. 4, 2021
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
Oct. 15, 2022 vs. Lindenwood.....	L 34-37
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:

Bryce Dewberry, 90 at Tennessee Tech.....	2021
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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	Ira Armstead II	DB	6-4	230	Jr	1	South Bend, Ind. (Adams / Univ. of Virginia)
0	Jordan "Jroy" Woods	WR	6-2	180	Fr	HS	Hammond, Ind. (Hammond Central)
1	Justin Bowick	WR	6-5	195	So	1	Powder Springs, Ga. (Pace Academy)
1	Elijahwah Tolbert	LB	6-1	230	Jr	2	Country Club Hills, Ill. (Hillcrest)
2	DeWayne Cooks Jr	WR	6-2	165	Gr	3	Tulsa, Okla. (Booker T. Washington)
2	Mark Aitken	DB	5-9	175	R-Jr	2	Chicago, Ill. (Kenwood Academy / Northern Illinois Univ.)
3	Russell Dandy	DB	6-0	175	Gr	2	Hinesville, Ga. (Liberty County / Butte College)
3	Pierce Holley	QB	6-2	215	R-Jr	TR	Arvada, Colo. (Lakewood / Georgetown Univ.)
4	Blake Ruffin	DB	6-4	205	R-So	1	Louisville, Ky. (Trinity)
4	Justin Thomas	WR	6-1	205	Gr	RS	Wixom, Mich. (Walled Lake Western / Albion College)
5	Anthony Shockey	LB	6-1	230	R-Jr	2	Lombard, Ill. (Glenbard East)
5	Terrance Gipson	ATH	6-0	195	Jr	TR	Kingwood, Texas (Westfield / East Los Angeles College)
6	Joel Barrows	DL	6-3	230	R-Jr	2	Chicago, Ill. (Brooks Prep)
6	Jonah O'Brien	QB	6-4	210	R-Jr	1	Bartlett, Ill. (Bartlett / Colorado State Univ.)
7	Tyris Harvey	DB	5-11	175	Jr	3	Olympia Fields, Ill. (Rich Central)
7	Eli Mirza	WR	5-11	190	Jr	TR	Sacramento, Calif. (Monterey Trail / Sierra College)
8	Juwon Farri	RB	5-9	195	5th	TR	Germantown, Md. (Northwest HS / Monmouth Univ.)
8	Tienne Fridge	DB	6-2	210	Jr	TR	Sacramento, Calif. (Elk Grove / Sacramento City College)
9	Braylon Willis	DL	6-4	245	Sr	1	Lafayette, La. (Lafayette / East Los Angeles College)
9	Aaron Rice	WR	6-5	200	R-Fr	RS	Farmington Hills, Mich. (North Farmington)
11	Anthony Manaves	TE	6-4	230	R-Jr	3	Chicago, Ill. (St. Patrick)
11	Alexandar Oyawale	LB	6-0	215	Sr	1	Murrieta, Calif. (Vista Murrieta / Riverside CC)
12	Tyler Clark	RB	5-10	205	R-So	1	Chicago, Ill. (Phillips)
12	Nick Coates	DB	5-10	180	Jr	2	Louisville, Ky. (Male)
13	Alex Alteus	DL	6-1	240	Gr	TR	Morehead City, NC (West Carteret / Stetson Univ.)
13	Cooper Willman	WR	6-1	210	Jr	3	Sterling, Ill. (Sterling)
14	Adonis Forest Jr	SAF	6-4	215	Jr	TR	Union City, Calif. (Moreau Catholic / Contra Costa College)
14	Blainey Dowling	QB	6-2	195	Fr	HS	Chicago, Ill. (Chicago Mount Carmel)
15	Malik Rainey	DB	5-11	190	R-So	TR	Chicago, Ill. (Bolingbrook / Univ. of Cincinnati)
16	Kevin Conway	QB	6-2	210	R-Fr	RS	New Lenox, Ill. (Providence Catholic / Diamond Football Academy)
19	Phoenix Porter	LB	6-1	220	R-So	1	Fairfield, Ohio (Fairfield)
20	MJ Flowers	RB	6-1	195	R-Fr	RS	Cincinnati, Ohio (Colerain)
21	Jay Pearson	RB	6-0	200	R-Fr	RS	McKees Rocks, Pa. (Sto-Rox Junior-Senior)
22	Kaelin Drakeford	DB	6-4	215	R-So	1	Harrodsburg, Ky. (Mercer County)
23	Kevin Daniels	RB	6-2	230	R-So	TR	Glendale, Ariz. (Glendale / Northern Arizona Univ.)
24	Collin Tyson	DB	6-0	180	R-So	1	Kansas City, Mo. (Platte County R-3)
25	Marcus Edwards	DB	5-11	180	R-So	TR	Bay City Texas (Bay City / Cisco College)
26	Makhi Wilson	SAF	6-0	180	Fr	HS	Bettendorf, Iowa (Pleasant Valley)
27	Zay Gentry	DB	6-0	195	Jr	2	Anna, Texas (Anna)
28	Brandon Guido	DB	5-9	185	R-Jr	2	Naperville, Ill. (Waubonsie Valley)
29	Kendi Young	RB	5-11	195	Jr	2	Calumet City, Ill. (Thornton Fractional North)
30	Diego Oliver	DB	6-0	175	R-Fr	RS	Chicago, Ill. (Kenwood Academy)
31	Chris Williams	DB	6-2	175	R-So	1	Peoria, Ill. (Peoria)
32	Ty Schultz	RB	5-10	195	R-Fr	RS	Lockport, Ill. (Lockport Township)
33	Nile Hill	WR	5-11	190	R-Jr	2	Chicago, Ill. (Marist)
33	Christopher Sharp	CB	5-11	170	Fr	HS	St. Louis, Mo. (DeSmet Jesuit)
34	NiJhay Burt	SAF	5-11	170	So	1	Munhall, Pa. (Steel Valley)
35	Zeke Lewis	RB	6-0	195	R-So	SQ	Decatur, Ill. (Decatur St. Teresa)
36	Lazerick Eatman	WR	5-10	185	Sr	1	Willow Brook, Ill. (Immaculate Conception / College of DuPage)
37	Scottie McMillon	DB	6-0	170	Gr	TR	Bryans Road, Md. (Lackey / Clarion Univ.)
38	Akin Adigun	SAF	6-2	180	Fr	HS	Little Elm, Texas (Lone Star)
39	Elijah Ball	SAF	6-1	220	Gr	1	Indianapolis, Ind. (Ben Davis / Purdue Univ.)
40	Isaiah Richardson	ATH	6-5	205	Fr	HS	Suwanee, Ga. (Collins Hill)
41	Peyton Wilkerson	DL	6-1	240	Fr	HS	Mokena, Ill. (Lincoln-Way Central)
42	Henry Woods Jr.	DB	5-10	175	Jr	2	New Lenox, Ill. (Lincoln-Way Central)
43	William Orth	K	5-10	165	R-So	2	Ames, Iowa (Ames)
44	Terence Simon Jr	DL	6-1	285	Sr	1	Inglewood, Calif. (Cathedral / Cerritos College)
45	Jack Pilson	LB	6-0	230	R-Jr	TR	Mattoon, Ill. (Mattoon / Lehigh Univ.)
46	Trey Shaw III	DB	6-1	190	R-So	1	Nashville, Tenn. (East Nashville Magnet)
47	Shawn Pepp Jr	DB	6-2	190	R-So	RS	Allen, Texas (Liberty / Contra Costa College)
48	Michael Jarosz	LB	6-1	235	R-Sr	2	Wheaton, Ill. (Wheaton North)

#	NAME	POS	HT	WT	YR	EXP	HOMETOWN (HIGH SCHOOL/JC)
49	Jesse Garza	LB	6-2	235	Jr	TR	Nipomo, Calif. (Nipomo / Allan Hancock College)
50	Luke Wagner	DL	6-4	230	R-So	RS	Washington, Pa. (McGuffey / Santa Barbara City College)
51	Payton Orth	LB	5-11	220	Jr	2	Frankfort, Ill. (Lincoln-Way East)
52	Jamari Johnson	DL	6-4	250	R-So	1	Chicago, Ill. (De La Salle Institute)
53	Stone Galloway	K	5-11	210	Sr	4	Collinsville, Ill. (Althoff Catholic)
54	Nic DiSanto	OL	6-4	320	Fr	HS	Wyandotte, Mich. (Gabriel Richard)
55	Drew Wilder	OL	6-3	305	R-So	TR	Williamsburg, Va. (Jamestown / Iowa Western CC)
56	Tre'jon Lewis	DL	6-4	285	R-Jr	1	Manor, Texas (Manor / Texas Tech Univ.)
57	Panayiotis Mihalopoulos	OL	6-2	310	Fr	HS	Chicago, Ill. (Loyola Academy)
57	Caden Tellenson	LB	5-11	205	Fr	HS	Redondo Beach, Calif. (Redondo Union)
58	Anthony Imperio	OL	6-4	310	Sr	3	Auburn, Ala. (Auburn)
59	Liam Carr	LB	6-0	190	R-So	TR	Okemos, Mich. (Okemos / Michigan State Univ.)
61	Jonathan Arellano	OL	6-3	305	R-So	RS	Lancaster, Calif. (Bishop Alemany / College of the Canyons)
62	Brennan Anderson	OL	6-4	345	Jr	TR	Dallas Center, Iowa (Dallas Center-Grimes/Iowa Western CC)
63	Noah Howard	OL	6-4	315	Jr	TR	Clinton, Iowa (Clinton / Iowa Central College)
64	Trevon Piggee-Blake	DL	6-1	285	Fr	HS	St. Louis, Mo. (DeSmet Jesuit)
65	Carson Fichtel	OL	6-3	315	R-Fr	RS	Heath, Texas (Rockwall-Heath)
66	Jack Valente	OL/LS	6-4	310	Jr	2	Batavia, Ill. (Batavia)
67	Chad Strickland	OL	6-5	315	Gr	4	Salem, Ala. (Smiths Station)
68	Matthew Allen	OL	6-9	270	Fr	HS	Bourbonnais, Ill. (Bradley-Bourbonnais)
69	Braden Hunter	OL	6-5	280	Fr	HS	Sandwich, Ill. (Aurora Christian)
70	JJ Johnson	OL	6-4	340	R-So	SQ	Westerville, Ohio (Westerville Central)
71	Sebastian Pares	OL	6-6	300	R-Jr	TR	Joliet, Ill. (Wheaton Academy / Univ. of Sioux Falls)
72	Elkhanan Tanelus	OL	6-2	340	Gr	3	Naples, Fla. (Barron Collier)
73	Brody Rankin	OL	6-3	340	R-Fr	RS	Charleston, Ill. (Charleston)
74	Haven Hatfield	OL	6-3	280	R-Fr	RS	Tuscola, Ill. (Tuscola)
75	Matthew Bean	OL	6-6	275	R-So	SQ	Lima, Ohio (Shanwee)
76	Bryce Burnett	OL	6-4	300	R-Fr	RS	Danville, Ill. (Westville)
77	Torris Robinson	OL	6-5	330	Jr	TR	Olive Branch, Miss. (Southaven / Coahoma CC)
78	Max Stineman	OL	6-4	345	Jr	1	Ewa, Haw. (Saint Joseph / Allan Hancock College)
79	Rasheed Anderson	OL	6-5	360	R-Fr	RS	Oak Park, Ill. (Fenwick)
80	Quenton Rodgers	WR	6-2	190	Fr	HS	Mahomet-Seymour, Ill. (Mahomet-Seymour)
81	Jaxson Isaac	TE	6-6	245	R-So	TR	Regina, Saskatchewan (Clearwater Acad. (Fla./College of Dupage)
82	Joe McNab	TE	6-6	245	R-So	SQ	Madison Heights, Mich. (Lamphere)
83	Jake Fieldman	WR	5-11	180	R-Fr	RS	Joliet, Ill. (Joliet Catholic)
84	Eyasu Palmore	TE	6-5	210	Fr	HS	Sandy Spring, Md. (Sherwood)
85	Christian Banks	WR	6-1	210	Fr	HS	Chicago, Ill. (Olympia (Fla.))
86	Jamal Jeffers	WR	5-10	175	Jr	TR	Oklahoma City, Okla. (Putnam City North / Northeastern Oklahoma A&M)
87	Alex Ginnever	TE	6-5	225	R-Fr	RS	Wentzville, Mo. (Holt)
88	DeAirious Smith	WR	5-11	180	Jr	3	Lexington, Ky. (Lexington Christian Academy)
89	Daniel Luoma	TE / K	6-2	240	Jr	2	Porvoo, Finland (Porvoo)
90	Zed Asowata	DL	6-3	250	Gr	TR	Spring, Texas (Cypress Ridge / Midwestern State Univ.)
91	Nicholas Oliveira-Chace	DL	6-3	275	Jr	TR	Cambridge, Mass. (Cambridge Rindge & Latin School / Franklin Pierce Univ.)
92	Colby Smith	DL	6-0	285	Jr	1	Dunnellon, Fla. (Dunnellon, Fla. / Dodge City CC)
93	Jacob Horvath	P	6-1	190	Fr	HS	Bentleigh, Australia
94	Alton Jefferson	DL	6-0	285	Jr	2	Louisville, Ky. (Trinity)
95	Drake Van Hyfte	DL	6-4	265	R-So	1	Annawan, Ill. (Annawan-Wethersfield)
96	Cody Silzer	DL	6-3	250	R-Fr	RS	Lockport, Ill. (Lockport Township)
97	Cole Silzer	DL	6-3	250	R-Fr	RS	Lockport, Ill. (Lockport Township)
98	Brett Galetti	DB/LS	6-1	220	R-So	SQ	Frankfort, Ill. (Lincoln Way East)
99	Jaron Hacha	DL	5-11	305	Jr	2	Frankfort, Ill. (Lincoln-Way East)
	Jason Jeanty Jr	OL	6-5	285	R-Fr	RS	Miami, Fla. (Washington)
	Will Shumpert	WR	6-6	220	R-Jr	1	St. Louis, Mo. (Belleville West)

EASTERN ILLINOIS FOOTBALL PRONUNCIATIONS

1 - Justin BO-wick
 1 - Ee-LIE-juh-wuh Tolbert
 2 - Mark ATE-ken
 6 - Jo-ELL Barrows
 8 - jah-wahn far-ree
 8 - tea-in Fridge
 11 - Anthony Muh-NAW-vezz

11 - Alex-an-DAR Oh-yuh-WALL-ay
 13 - Alex All-tess
 22 - KAY-lin Drakeford
 26 - muh-KY Wilson
 28 - Brandon GWEE-doh
 34 - Nye-ZHAY Burt
 38 - ACK-in AD-uh-gin

48 - Michael JAIR-ohs
 56 - TRAY-zhon Lewis
 57 - pahn-ee-otis me-hall-low-poll-us
 61 - Johnathan AR-ee-ON-oh
 65 - Carson FICK-tul
 66 - Jack Vuh-LEN-tay
 71 - Sebastian par-rez

72 - El-cannon TAN-uh-lus
 78 - Max STINE-mun
 84 - ee-AW-soo Palmore
 86 - LAZ-er-ick Eatman
 87 - Alex Juh-NEVER
 88 - Dee-AIR-ee-us Smith
 89 - Daniel Loo-OH-muh

90 - Zed AWS-uh-WATT-uh
 91 - Nicholas Oh-luh-VAIR-uh Chace
 93 - Jacob hor-vath
 95 - Drake Van Hefty
 98 - Brett Guh-LETTY
 99 - Jaron HOTCH-uh

ALPHABETICAL ROSTER

38	Akin Adigun.....	SAF	35	Zeke Lewis	RB
2	Mark Aitken.....	DB	89	Daniel Luoma	TE / K
68	Matthew Allen	OL	11	Anthony Manaves.....	TE
13	Alex Alteus.....	DL	37	Scottie McMillon.....	DB
62	Brennan Anderson.....	OL	43	Joe McNab	TE
79	Rasheed Anderson	OL	57	Panayiotis Mihalopoulos.....	OL
61	Jonathan Arellano.....	OL	7	Eli Mirza.....	WR
0	Ira Armstead II	DB	6	Jonah O'Brien.....	QB
90	Zed Asowata.....	DL	91	Nicholas Oliveira-Chace	DL
39	Elijah Ball.....	SAF	30	Diego Oliver.....	DB
85	Christian Banks	WR	51	Payton Orth	LB
6	Joel Barrows.....	DL	82	William Orth	K
75	Matthew Bean.....	OL	11	Alexandar Oyawale	LB
1	Justin Bowick.....	WR	84	Eyasu Palmore	TE
76	Bryce Burnett.....	OL	71	Sebastian Pares	OL
34	Nijhay Burt.....	SAF	21	Jay Pearson.....	RB
59	Liam Carr.....	LB	47	Shawn Pepp Jr.....	DB
12	Tyler Clark	RB	64	Trevon Piggee-Blake	DL
12	Nick Coates	DB	45	Jack Pilson	LB
16	Kevin Conway.....	QB	19	Phoenix Porter.....	LB
2	DeWayne Cooks Jr.....	WR	73	Brody Rankin	OL
3	Russell Dandy	DB	9	Aaron Rice.....	WR
23	Kevin Daniels.....	RB	15	Malik Rainey	DB
54	Nic DiSanto.....	OL	40	Isaiah Richardson.....	ATH
14	Blainey Dowling	QB	77	Torris Robinson.....	OL
22	Kaelin Drakeford.....	DB	80	Quenton Rodgers	WR
36	Lazerick Eatman.....	WR	4	Blake Ruffin	DB
25	Marcus Edwards.....	DB	32	Ty Schultz.....	RB
8	Juwon Farri.....	RB	33	Christopher Sharp	CB
65	Carson Fichtel	OL	46	Trey Shaw III.....	DB
83	Jake Fieldman	WR	5	Anthony Shockey.....	LB
20	MJ Flowers	RB		Will Shumpert	WR
14	Adonis Forest Jr	SAF	96	Cody Silzer	DL
8	Tienne Fridge.....	DB	97	Cole Silzer	DL
98	Brett Galetti.....	DB/LS	44	Terence Simon Jr.....	DL
53	Stone Galloway	K	92	Colby Smith	DL
49	Jesse Garza	LB	88	DeAirious Smith.....	WR
27	Zay Gentry.....	DB	78	Max Stineman.....	OL
87	Alex Ginnever	TE	67	Chad Strickland	OL
5	Terrance Gipson	ATH	72	Elkhanan Tanelus	OL
28	Brandon Guido	DB	57	Caden Tellenson.....	LB
99	Jaron Hacha	DL	4	Justin Thomas	WR
7	Tyris Harvey.....	DB	1	Elijahwah Tolbert	LB
74	Haven Hatfield.....	OL	24	Collin Tyson	DB
33	Nile Hill	WR	66	Jack Valente	OL/LS
3	Pierce Holley	QB	95	Drake Van Hyfte	DL
93	Jacob Horvath	P	50	Luke Wagner	DL
63	Noah Howard.....	OL	55	Drew Wilder	OL
69	Braden Hunter	OL	41	Peyton Wilkerson.....	DL
58	Anthony Imperio	OL	31	Chris Williams.....	DB
81	Jaxson Isaac.....	TE	9	Braylon Willis	DL
48	Michael Jarosz.....	LB	13	Cooper Willman	WR
	Jason Jeanty Jr	OL	26	Makhi Wilson	SAF
86	Jamal Jeffers	WR	42	Henry Woods Jr.	DB
94	Alton Jefferson.....	DL	0	Jordan "Jroy" Woods	WR
52	Jamari Johnson	DL	29	Kendi Young	RB
70	JJ Johnson	OL			
56	Tre'jon Lewis.....	DL			

MISC. SEASON NOTES & STATS

EIU NCAA FBS TRANSFERS

0- Ira Armstead II (Univ. of Virginia)
2 - Mark Aitken (Northern Illinois Univ.)
5 - Terrance Gipson (SMU)
6 - Jonah O'Brien (Colorado State Univ.)
15 - Malik Rainey (Univ. of Cincinnati)
39 - Elijah Ball (Purdue Univ.)
56 - Tre'jon Lewis (Texas Tech Univ.)

EIU NCAA FCS TRANSFERS

3 - Pierce Holley (Georgetown)
8 - Juwon Farri (Monmouth Univ.)
13 - Alex Alteus (Stetson)
23 - Kevin Daniels (Northern Arizona)
45 - Jack Pilson (Lehigh)

EIU ROSTER BY CLASS

Graduate Student / 5th Year 12
Senior 5
Junior..... 37
Sophomore 25
RS-Freshman 17
Freshman 17

EIU ROSTER BY STATE

Illinois 44
California 8
Texas 8
Missouri 5
Ohio..... 5
Georgia..... 4
Iowa..... 4
Kentucky 4
Michigan 4
Florida..... 3
Indiana..... 3
Pennsylvania 3
Alabama 2
Maryland..... 2
Oklahoma..... 2
Arizona..... 1
Hawai'i..... 1
Louisiana..... 1
Colorado..... 1
Massachusetts 1
Mississippi 1
North Carolina 1
Tennessee 1
Virginia..... 1

Australia..... 1
Canada..... 1
Finland 1

EIU OFFENSE

QUARTERBACK

6 ... Jonah O'Brien.....	6-4	210	R-Jr
16 ... Kevin Conway.....	6-2	210	R-Fr

RUNNING BACK

29 ... Kendi Young.....	5-11	195	Jr
20 ... MJ Flowers.....	6-1	195	R-Fr

TIGHT END

11 ... Anthony Manaves.....	6-4	230	R-Jr
89 ... Daniel Luoma.....	6-2	240	Jr

LEFT TACKLE

67 ... Chad Strickland.....	6-5	315	Grad
61 ... Jonathan Arellano.....	6-3	305	R-So

LEFT GUARD

71 ... Sebastian Pares.....	6-6	300	R-Jr
62 ... Brennan Anderson.....	6-4	345	Jr

CENTER

78 ... Max Stineman.....	6-4	345	Jr
55 ... Drew Wilder.....	6-3	305	R-So

RIGHT GUARD

58 ... Anthony Imperio.....	6-4	310	Sr
63 ... Noah Howard.....	6-4	315	Jr

RIGHT TACKLE

66 ... Jack Valente.....	6-4	310	Jr
77 ... Torris Robinson.....	6-5	330	Jr

RECEIVER

4 ... Justin Thomas.....	6-1	205	R-Sr
1 ... Justin Bowick.....	6-5	195	So

RECEIVER

13 ... Cooper Willman.....	6-1	210	Jr
88 ... DeAirious Smith.....	5-11	180	Jr

RECEIVER

7 ... Eli Mirza.....	5-11	190	Jr
2 ... DeWayne Cooks.....	6-2	165	5th

EIU COACHING STAFF

Head Coach: Chris Wilkerson (Eastern Illinois, 1994) - 2nd year
Career 53-36 (9), **EIU Record** 2-9 (1); **OVC Record** 1-4 (1)

Associate HC/ST/Wide Receivers: Kyle Derickson (2nd year)

Offensive Coordinator/QB's: Joe Davis (2nd year)

Offensive Line: John Cannova (2nd year)

Running Backs: Turner Pugh (2nd year)

Tight Ends: Jordan Walsh (1st year)

Graduate Assistant Offensive Coach: Tim Greene (2nd year)

Defensive Coordinator/Safeties: Clay Bignell (2nd year)

Defensive Backs: Maurice Fleming (1st year)

Defensive Line: Fred Wyatt (1st year)

Linebackers: Collin Geier (2nd year)

Outside Linebackers: Andrew Brady (2nd year)

Graduate Assistant Defensive Coach: Steven Marks (1st year)

Director of Football Ops: David Brubaker (1st year)

Director of Football Performance: Derek Stein (4th year)

Trainer: Scott Goehner (3rd year)

Equipment Manager: Clint Bays (15th year)

Quality Control Staff:

Reid Littleford (Ops), Jared Sutton (QC - Off),

Ryan DeMarois (QC - Def), Jon Suppelsa (QC - Strength),

Ryan Shepard (Student Asst.)

EIU DEFENSE

DEFENSIVE END

91 ... Nicholas Oliveira-Chace.....	6-3	275	Jr
90 ... Zed Asowata.....	6-3	250	Grad

NOSE TACKLE

92 ... Colby Smith.....	6-0	285	Jr
99 ... Jaron Hacha.....	5-11	305	Jr

DEFENSIVE TACKLE

56 ... Tre'jon Lewis.....	6-4	285	R-Jr
94 ... Alton Jefferson.....	6-0	285	Jr

DEFENSIVE END/LINEBACKER (BUCK)

6 ... Joel Barrows.....	6-3	230	R-Jr
9 ... Braylon Willis.....	6-4	245	Sr

LINEBACKER

5 ... Anthony Shockey.....	6-1	230	R-Jr
19 ... Phoenix Porter.....	6-1	220	R-So

LINEBACKER

1 ... Elijahwah Tolbert.....	6-1	230	Jr
11 ... Alexandar Oyawale.....	6-0	215	Sr

CORNERBACK

7 ... Tyris Harvey.....	5-11	175	Jr
8 ... Tienne Fridge.....	6-2	210	Jr

SAFETY (FOX)

12 ... Nick Coates.....	5-10	180	Jr
34 ... Nilhay Burt.....	5-11	170	So

STRONG SAFETY

22 ... Kaelin Drakeford.....	6-4	215	R-So
4 ... Blake Ruffin.....	6-4	205	R-So

FREE SAFETY

2 ... Mark Aitken.....	5-9	175	R-Jr
27 ... Zay Gentry.....	6-0	195	Jr

CORNERBACK

3 ... Russell Dandy.....	6-0	175	Grad
37 ... Scottie McMillon.....	6-0	170	Grad
or 15 ... Malik Rainey.....	5-11	190	R-So

EIU SPECIALISTS

KICKER

53 ... Stone Galloway.....	5-11	210	Sr
82 ... Will Orth.....	5-10	165	R-So

KICKOFF

53 ... Stone Galloway.....	5-11	210	Sr
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PUNTER

93 ... Jacob Horvath.....	6-1	190	Fr
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HOLDER

13 ... Cooper Willman.....	6-1	210	Jr
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LONG SNAPPER

66 ... Jack Valente.....	6-4	310	Jr
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PUNT RETURNS

13 ... Cooper Willman.....	6-1	210	Jr
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KICK RETURNS

2 ... Mark Aitken.....	5-9	175	R-Jr
27 ... Zay Gentry.....	6-0	195	Jr

**GAME 1 - Sept. 1, 2022**

Eastern Illinois..... 27
Northern Illinois..... 34

DeKalb, Illinois
Huskie Stadium (10,864)

Scoring	1	2	3	4	Final
Eastern Illinois.....	3	3	7	14	27
Northern Illinois.....	7	14	7	6	34

FIRST QUARTER

NIU - Waylee 1 run (Richardson kick) - 10:41
EIU - Galloway 34 field goal - 0:20

SECOND QUARTER

NIU - Blakemore 19 rush (Richardson kick) - 11:48
NIU - Brown 35 rush (Richardson kick) - 11:27
EIU - Galloway 25 field goal - 0:04

THIRD QUARTER

NIU - Soraghan 13 pass from Lombardi (Richardson kick) - 5:59
EIU - Benefield 24 pass from O'Brien (Galloway kick) - 2:43

FOURTH QUARTER

NIU - Richardson 43 field goal - 12:15
EIU - Thomas 13 pass from O'Brien (Galloway kick) - 9:58
NIU - Richardson 38 field goal - 3:39
EIU - Vallie 8 pass from O'Brien (Galloway kick) - 2:04

TEAM STATSEIUNIU

First Downs.....	25	19
Rushes-Yards.....	30-185	34-189
Passing-Yards.....	276	192
Comp-Att-Int.....	25-35-2	14-22-0
Total Offense.....	441	379
Fumbles-Lost.....	0-0	0-0
Penalties-Yards.....	8-70	7-73
Int Returns-Yards-TD.....	0-0-0	2-0-0
Time of Possession.....	30:27	29:26
Sacks-Yards.....	1-1	2-11

LEADERS**RUSHING (No-Yds-TD)**

EIU - Pierre (14-100-0), Benefield (10-63-0)
NIU - Waylee (14-83-1), Brown (13-70-1)

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

EIU - O'Brien (34-25-2-276-3)
NIU - Lombardi (22-14-0-192-1)

RECEIVING (No-Yds-TD)

EIU - Thomas (6-83-1), Manaves (5-22-0), Benefield (4-57-1)
NIU - Thorton (6-81-0), Tucker (4-67-0), Soraghan (1-13-1)

DEFENSE (Tackles - Solo, Assist, TFL)

EIU - Tolbert (1-10-1.5), Vincent (2-6-0), Bohanek (1-6-0)
NIU - Rayner (4-10-0.5), Dolphin (2-7-0.5)

RECAP

Eastern Illinois played to the final whistle against the defending Mid-American Conference Champions as the Panthers lost 37-24 at Northern Illinois to open the Chris Wilkerson era. EIU trailed 21-6 at the half but had two fourth quarter touchdown passes by Jonah O'Brien to pull within one score. O'Brien hit Justin Thomas with 9:58 left in the game and then connected with Jay Vallie with 2:04 left in game. After a failed onside kick, EIU got the ball back with less than a minute remaining after a missed field goal by NIU. The Panthers would have the clock run out on them with the ball at the NIU 38. O'Brien threw for 276 yards and three touchdowns while Markenzey Pierre rushed for 100 yards. Elijahwah Tolbert paced the defense with 11 and 1.5 tackles for loss.

**GAME 2 - Sept. 10, 2022**

No. 10 Chattanooga 38
Eastern Illinois 20

Charleston, Illinois
O'Brien Field (6,565)

Scoring	1	2	3	4	Final
Chattanooga.....	7	7	14	10	38
Eastern Illinois.....	10	0	10	0	20

FIRST QUARTER

EIU - Galloway 36 field goal - 9:43
CHAT - Hutchinson 20 run (Southard kick) - 6:17
EIU - N. Hill 31 pass from O'Brien (Galloway kick) - 0:26

SECOND QUARTER

CHAT - Ford 4 run (Southard kick) - 12:32

THIRD QUARTER

CHAT - Whatley 51 pass from Hutchinson (Southard kick) - 13:46
EIU - Galloway 44 field goal - 10:13
CHAT - Ford 21 run (Southard kick) - 7:19
EIU - D. Smith 16 pass from O'Brien (Galloway kick) - 0:47

FOURTH QUARTER

CHAT - Southard 45 field goal - 13:00
CHAT - Hutchinson 14 run (Southard kick) - 4:32

TEAM STATSEIUCHAT

First Downs.....	16	21
Rushes-Yards.....	35-77	35-193
Passing-Yards.....	183	278
Comp-Att-Int.....	18-28-1	17-27-1
Total Offense.....	260	471
Fumbles-Lost.....	1-1	1-1
Penalties-Yards.....	5-50	7-93
Int Returns-Yards-TD.....	1-1-0	1-12-0
Time of Possession.....	31:36	28:24
Sacks-Yards.....	0-0	6-54

LEADERS**RUSHING (No-Yds-TD)**

EIU - Pierre (17-71-0), Benefield (6-20-0)
CHAT - Ford (20-73-2), Hutchinson (6-64-2)

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

EIU - O'Brien (28-18-1-183-2)
CHAT - Hutchinson (27-17-1-278-1)

RECEIVING (No-Yds-TD)

EIU - Thomas (6-39-0), Cooks (2-27-0), Manaves (2-24-0)
CHAT - Mayes (6-61-0), Whatley (4-79-1)

DEFENSE (Tackles - Solo, Assist, TFL)

EIU - Bohanek (4-6-0), Coates (3-5-0.5), Vincent (6-1-0)
CHAT - Boeck (10-1-1.5), Jones (5-2-0)

RECAP

Eastern Illinois led No. 10 Chattanooga after one quarter of play and trailed 14-10 at the half. In the second half the Mocs scored on their opening drive and kept EIU behind the remainder of the game with the Panthers able to close to eight points twice in the game. Stone Galloway knocked home two field goals while Jonah O'Brien had two touchdown passes connecting with Nile Hill and DeAirious Smith. Colin Bohanek had 10 tackles to lead EIU including a first quarter interception that set up the Panthers opening score.

**GAME 3 - Sept. 17, 2022**

Eastern Illinois 7
Illinois State 35

Normal, Illinois
Hancock Stadium (8,208)

Scoring	1	2	3	4	Final
Eastern Illinois.....	7	0	0	0	7
Illinois State.....	7	14	14	0	35

FIRST QUARTER

ILS - Carter 17 pass from Annexstad (Takerian kick) - 6:56
EIU - Cooks 11 pass from O'Brien (Galloway kick) - 3:04

SECOND QUARTER

ILS - Sobkowicz 30 pass from Annexstad (Takerian kick) - 6:25
ILS - Bowers 40 interception return (Takerian kick) - 1:09

THIRD QUARTER

ILS - Lamont 3 interception return (Takerian kick) - 12:11
ILS - Annexstad 2 run (Takerian kick) - 5:53

TEAM STATSEIUILS

First Downs.....	16	21
Rushes-Yards.....	40-38	26-86
Passing-Yards.....	127	219
Comp-Att-Int.....	17-26-3	20-34-2
Total Offense.....	167	305
Fumbles-Lost.....	7-2	0-0
Penalties-Yards.....	8-67	8-60
Int Returns-Yards-TD.....	2-12-0	3-47-2
Time of Possession.....	31:20	28:40
Sacks-Yards.....	1-8	4-51

LEADERS**RUSHING (No-Yds-TD)**

EIU - Shoffner (5-39-0), Young (9-32-0)
ILS - Lampkin (4-35-0), Borwn (8-28-0)

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

EIU - O'Brien (21-15-3-106-1), Weir (5-2-0-21-0)
ILS - Annexstad (33-19-2-212-2)

RECEIVING (No-Yds-TD)

EIU - N. Hill (7-41-0), Cooks (3-24-1), Thomas (2-42-0)
ILS - Cater (4-56-1), Sobkowicz (3-49-1)

DEFENSE (Tackles - Solo, Assist, TFL)

EIU - Vincent (6-2-1.5), Tolbert (4-3-0.5), Bohanek (1-6-0.5)
ILS - Vanderburgh (4-4-3), Jackson (4-1-1)

RECAP

Illinois State converted five Eastern Illinois turnovers into 21 points as the Redbirds beat the Panthers 35-7 in the 110th Mid-America Classic. Both teams opened with a first quarter touchdown as EIU scored with just over three minutes remaining in the opening quarter on a touchdown reception by DeWayne Cooks Jr. Illinois State would score two touchdowns on interception returns in the second and third quarter and set up a third score with a fumble recovery inside the EIU 10-yard line. Jordan Vincent led EIU with eight tackles including 1.5 tackles for loss. Elijahwah Tolbert and Tyris Harvey both had interceptions. EIU played three quarterbacks in the game with Dom Shoffner closing the contest rushing for a team-high 39 yards.



GAME 4 - Sept. 24, 2022

Eastern Illinois 35
Murray State 21

Murray, Ky.
Stewart Stadium (10,112)

Scoring	1	2	3	4	Final
Eastern Illinois	14	10	0	11	35
Murray State	7	7	0	7	21

FIRST QUARTER

MUR - Dallas 12 pass from Stinson (Baum kick) - 9:28
EIU - Shoffner 1 run (Galloway kick) - 6:41
EIU - Thomas 2 pass from Shoffner (Galloway kick) - 2:04

SECOND QUARTER

MUR - Shields 28 pass from Stinson (Baum kick) - 12:44
EIU - Galloway 25 field goal - 6:56
EIU - Young 36 run (Galloway kick) - 0:58

FOURTH QUARTER

MUR - Brooks 6 pass from Stinson (Baum kick) - 12:11
EIU - Galloway 32 field goal - 6:23
EIU - Shoffner 8 run (N. Hill pass from O'Brien) - 2:46

TEAM STATSEIUMUR

First Downs	20	22
Rushes-Yards	52-339	23-73
Passing-Yards	69	334
Comp-Att-Int	6-15-0	28-46-4
Total Offense	408	407
Fumbles-Lost	2-0	1-1
Penalties-Yards	2-10	7-65
Int Returns-Yards-TD	4-28-0	0-0-0
Time of Possession	31:23	28:37
Sacks-Yards	0-0	1-6

LEADERS

RUSHING (No-Yds-TD)

EIU - Young (8-160-1), Shoffner (17-83-2)
MUR - Northington (16-64-0), Witherspoon (5-10-0)

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

EIU - Shoffner (14-5-0-74-1), O'Brien (1-1-0-(-5)-0)
MUR - Stinson (46-28-4-334-3)

RECEIVING (No -Yds -TD)

EIU - Thomas (3-46-1), Benefield (2-7-0)
MUR - Dallas (9-97-1), Brooks (6-53-1)

DEFENSE (Tackles - Solo, Assist, TFL)

EIU - Bohanek (4-6-3), Vincent (4-4-0), Varga (2-5-0.5)
MUR - Dailey (7-2-1), Bolden (7-1-0)

RECAP

Dom Shoffner and Kendi Young both sparked the Eastern Illinois offense while the Panthers defense forced five turnovers in a 35-21 win in the Ohio Valley Conference opener at Murray State. Shoffner entered at quarterback on the second series of the game and never left after leading the Panthers on a long touchdown drive. He would score two rushing touchdowns and pass for a third as the Panthers had 408 yards of total offense. Kendi Young paced the EIU ground game with 160 yards on eight carries including a 36-yard touchdown run at the end of the first half. EIU pounded out 339 yards on the ground, the most since the 2017 season. EIU's defense forced five turnovers with a pair of interceptions by Elijahah Tolbert. Jordan Vincent and Mark Aitken each added a pick.



GAME 5 - Oct. 8, 2022

Northwestern State..... 27
Eastern Illinois 35

Charleston, Ill.
O'Brien Field (3,153)

Scoring	1	2	3	4	Final
Northwestern State	7	0	7	13	27
Eastern Illinois	21	14	0	0	35

FIRST QUARTER

EIU - O'Brien 10 run (Galloway kick) - 11:10
EIU - Shoffner 27 run (Galloway kick) - 6:51
NSU - Patterson 10 pass from Clement (Godina kick) - 4:01
EIU - O'Brien 11 run (Galloway kick) - 2:27

SECOND QUARTER

EIU - Shoffner 2 run (Galloway kick) - 12:36
EIU - Pierre 12 pass from Shoffner (Galloway kick) - 2:56

THIRD QUARTER

NSU - Clement 14 run (Godina kick) - 2:03

FOURTH QUARTER

NSU - Lacy 4 run (Godina kick) - 9:25
NSU - Patterson 17 pass from Clement (pass failed) - 4:44

TEAM STATSEIUNSU

First Downs	20	21
Rushes-Yards	61-340	19-54
Passing-Yards	48	343
Comp-Att-Int	6-9-1	37-59-2
Total Offense	388	397
Fumbles-Lost	4-0	3-1
Penalties-Yards	8-65	4-20
Int Returns-Yards-TD	2-0-0	1-0-0
Time of Possession	35:54	24:06
Sacks-Yards	4-23	0-0

LEADERS

RUSHING (No-Yds-TD)

EIU - Shoffner (18-134-2), Pierre (18-71-0), O'Brien (8-54-2)
NSU - Lacy (7-41-1), Johnson (4-3-0)

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

EIU - O'Brien (5-4-0-28-0), Shoffner (4-2-1-20-1)
NSU - Clement (59-37-2-343-2)

RECEIVING (No -Yds -TD)

EIU - N. Hill (3-22-0), Pierre (1-12-1)
NSU - Patterson (12-167-2), Antonio (7-71-0)

DEFENSE (Tackles - Solo, Assist, TFL)

EIU - Coates (5-1-0), Tolbert (5-1-0), Porter (3-3-0)
NSU - Valsin (9-1-1), Ward (6-1-0)

RECAP

Eastern Illinois defense came up with a stop when it needed it most as the Panthers held off a late comeback in a 35-27 win over Northwestern State. Jordan Vincent picked off a pass with 19 seconds left in the game to seal the win for EIU as the Panthers forced three turnovers in the game. The offense was the story for EIU in the opening half churning out 35 points with two rushing touchdowns each by quarterbacks Jonah O'Brien and Dom Shoffner. As a team EIU rushed for 340 yards with Shoffner leading the way with 134. It was the second straight 300-yard rushing day for the Panthers offense as they won two straight for the first time since the 2017 season.



GAME 6 - Oct. 15, 2022

Lindenwood 37
Eastern Illinois 34

Charleston, Ill.
O'Brien Field (6,875)

Scoring	1	2	3	4	OT	Final
Lindenwood	0	14	0	10	13	37
Eastern Illinois	7	3	7	7	10	34

FIRST QUARTER

EIU - O'Brien 1 run (Galloway kick) - 3:30

SECOND QUARTER

LIN - Williams 5 run (Seibert kick) - 13:52
EIU - Galloway 31 field goal - 4:44
LIN - Haerr 20 pass from Brister (Seibert kick) - 0:09

THIRD QUARTER

EIU - Smith 13 pass from O'Brien (Galloway kick) - 4:51

FOURTH QUARTER

LIN - Seibert 27 field goal - 13:26
EIU - Oyawale 40 fumble recovery (Galloway kick) - 7:00
LIN - Brister 1 run (Seibert kick) - 3:09

OVERTIME

LIN - Rose 2 pass from Brister (Seibert kick)
EIU - O'Brien 1 run (Galloway kick)
EIU - Galloway 22 field goal
LIN - Smith 9 pass from Brister

TEAM STATSEIULIN

First Downs	15	37
Rushes-Yards	32-125	52-199
Passing-Yards	195	302
Comp-Att-Int	17-25-0	28-42-2
Total Offense	320	501
Fumbles-Lost	1-1	2-2
Penalties-Yards	6-65	4-33
Int Returns-Yards-TD	2-24-0	0-0-0
Time of Possession	23:38	36:22
Sacks-Yards	5-32	1-7

LEADERS

RUSHING (No-Yds-TD)

EIU - Pierre (15-79-0), O'Brien (10-38-2)
LIN - Brister (27-79-1), Williams (15-68-1)

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

EIU - O'Brien (21-14-0-152-1), Shoffner (3-2-0-18-0)
LIN - Brister (42-28-2-302-3)

RECEIVING (No -Yds -TD)

EIU - I. Hill (5-77-0), Smith (5-73-1), N. Hill (4-27-0)
LIN - Smith (8-91-1), Rose (8-66-1)

DEFENSE (Tackles - Solo, Assist, TFL)

EIU - Coates (9-1-0), Harvey (5-5-0), Tolbert (5-3-2)
LIN - Whittemore (6-3-0), Edwards (6-2-0)

RECAP

Lindenwood scored a touchdown on its second possession of overtime as the Lions beat Eastern Illinois 37-34 in a two overtime contest in the first-ever meeting between the two schools. Jonah O'Brien engineered three EIU touchdowns with two short rushing touchdowns and a touchdown pass to DeAirious Smith. The Panthers other score came on a defensive touchdown as Alexandar Oyawale scooped up a fumble and raced 40-yards for a score. Cade Brister led the Lindenwood offense passing for 302 yards including the game winning touchdown pass to Kobe Smith.



GAME 7 - Oct. 22, 2022

Eastern Illinois 17
Tennessee State..... 37

Nashville, Tenn.
Nissan Stadium (6,237)

Scoring	1	2	3	4	Final
Eastern Illinois	0	0	14	3	17
Tennessee State	3	24	0	10	37

FIRST QUARTER

TSU - Mosely 46 field goal - 9:27

SECOND QUARTER

TSU - Mosley 42 field goal - 11:43
TSU - Bryant 1 run (Mosley kick) - 6:04
TSU - Brenson 12 pass from Ellis (Mosely kick) - 3:18
TSU - Starling 49 pass from Ellis (Mosley kick) - 0:31

THIRD QUARTER

EIU - N. Hill 29 pass from O'Brien (Galloway kick) - 13:22
EIU - Eatman 20 pass from O'Brien (Galloway kick) - 5:43

FOURTH QUARTER

TSU - Mosely 42 field goal - 14:21
TSU - Roberts 52 pass from Ellis (Mosely kick) - 10:05
EIU - Galloway 32 field goal - 2:44

TEAM STATSEIUTSU

First Downs.....	14	19
Rushes-Yards.....	31-73	40-85
Passing-Yards.....	115	309
Comp-Att-Int.....	10-29-3	27-36-0
Total Offense.....	188	394
Fumbles-Lost.....	1-1	0-0
Penalties-Yards.....	4-30	10-78
Int Returns-Yards-TD.....	0-0-0	3-44-0
Time of Possession.....	22:46	37:14
Sacks-Yards.....	4-25	6-24

LEADERS

RUSHING (No-Yds-TD)

EIU - Flowers (6-36-0), Pierre (3-20-0)
TSU - Starling (14-58-0), Rouse (13-37-0)

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

EIU - O'Brien (22-9-2-103-2), Weir (7-1-1-12-0)
TSU - Ellis (36-27-0-309-3)

RECEIVING (No -Yds -TD)

EIU - N. Hill (3-40-1), Manaves (2-11-0), Eatman (1-20-1)
TSU - Holloman (6-69-0), Davis (4-70-0)

DEFENSE (Tackles - Solo, Assist, TFL)

EIU - Vincent (7-2-1), Benoit (7-1-1), Smith (3-3-1.5)
TSU - Allen (3-3-3), Poep (3-2-0.5)

RECAP

Tennessee State's defense limited Eastern Illinois to only one first down in the opening half as the Tigers took advantage of three Panther turnovers to jump out to a 27-0 lead at the half. EIU mounted a slight comeback in the third quarter with touchdown passes by Jonah O'Brien to Nile Hill and Lazerick Eatman. TSU would quickly counter and picked up the 37-17 win. Late in the game kicker Stone Galloway knocked home a 32-yard field goal as he improved to 9-for-9 on the season. Jordan Vincent led the Panthers defense with nine tackles while Jordan Miles had two of EIU's four sacks on defense.



GAME 8 - Oct. 29, 2022

Tennessee Tech 20
Eastern Illinois 17

Charleston, Ill.
O'Brien Field (5,817)

Scoring	1	2	3	4	Final
Tennessee Tech.....	0	3	10	7	20
Eastern Illinois	3	14	0	0	17

FIRST QUARTER

EIU - Stone Galloway 21 field goal - 7:12

SECOND QUARTER

TTU - Olsen 20 field goal - 14:08
EIU - O'Brien 1 run (Galloway kick) - 7:10
EIU - Aitken 65 blocked field goal return (Galloway kick) - 0:00

THIRD QUARTER

TTU - Cross 16 pass from Oatsvall (Olsen kick) - 9:09
TTU - Olsen 46 field goal - 6:56

FOURTH QUARTER

TTU - Clark 7 pass from Oatsvall (Olsen kick) - 6:45

TEAM STATSEIU TTU

First Downs.....	18	19
Rushes-Yards.....	49-161	35-183
Passing-Yards.....	73	181
Comp-Att-Int.....	7-19-0	20-31-1
Total Offense.....	234	364
Fumbles-Lost.....	3-2	5-0
Penalties-Yards.....	0-0	10-72
Int Returns-Yards-TD.....	1-0-0	0-0-0
Time of Possession.....	26:51	33:09
Sacks-Yards.....	0-0	4-31

LEADERS

RUSHING (No-Yds-TD)

EIU - Benefield (14-79-0), Flowers (12-43-0)
TTU - Gist (13-99-0), Allen (11-42-0)

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

EIU - O'Brien (4-1-0-10-0), Weir (15-6-0-63-0)
TTU - Oatsvall (31-20-1-181-2)

RECEIVING (No -Yds -TD)

EIU - Willman (2-20-0), Vallie (2-13-0)
TTU - Gist (4-37-0), Cross (3-33-1)

DEFENSE (Tackles - Solo, Assist, TFL)

EIU - Bohanek (12-3-1), Vincent (6-1-0), Tolbert (3-3-1)
TTU - Hudson (7-0-0), Carlisle (7-0-1)

RECAP

A tale of two halves unfolded on Saturday at O'Brien Field. EIU had a 17-3 lead at the half after the Panthers blocked a TTU field goal attempt on the final play of the first half. The blocked field goal by Jordan Vincent was scooped up by Mark Aitken and returned 65 yards for a touchdown to put EIU up 17-3. TTU scored 17 unanswered points in the second half to clinch a 20-17 win. The Golden Eagles defense stopped EIU twice on fourth down plays in the fourth quarter in TTU territory. The TTU defense closed the game with a sack and forced fumble allowing them to run out the clock. Vincent had seven tackles for EIU while Colin Bohanek led the unit with 15 stops.



GAME 9 - Nov. 5, 2022

Eastern Illinois 15
McNeese 29

Lake Charles, La.
Cowboy Stadium (N/A)

Scoring	1	2	3	4	Final
Eastern Illinois	0	7	0	8	15
McNeese	10	9	7	3	29

FIRST QUARTER

MCN - Smith 39 field goal - 5:12
MCN - McCall 33 pass from McMahon (Smith kick) - 2:15

SECOND QUARTER

EIU - Vallie 26 pass from Shoffner (W. Orth kick) - 12:20
MCN - Pierce 32 pass from Roberts (run failed) - 8:38
MCN - Smith 21 field goal - 0:00

THIRD QUARTER

MCN - McMahon 3 run (Smith kick) - 3:40

FOURTH QUARTER

MCN - Smith 31 field goal - 5:55
EIU - Bowick 19 pass from Shoffner (N. Hill pass from Willman) - 3:13

TEAM STATSEIUMCN

First Downs.....	17	24
Rushes-Yards.....	30-132	41-242
Passing-Yards.....	187	273
Comp-Att-Int.....	17-30-1	18-27-0
Total Offense.....	319	515
Fumbles-Lost.....	1-0	3-1
Penalties-Yards.....	1-10	2-25
Int Returns-Yards-TD.....	0-0-0	1-0-0
Time of Possession.....	26:51	33:09
Sacks-Yards.....	1-5	2-13

LEADERS

RUSHING (No-Yds-TD)

EIU - Shoffner (18-78-0), Benefield (5-31-0)
MCN - McMahon (26-211-1), Parker (8-38-0)

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

EIU - Shoffner (30-17-1-187-2)
MCN - Wood (5-4-0-58-0), Roberts (20-13-0-182-1)

RECEIVING (No -Yds -TD)

EIU - Willman (7-82-0), Bowick (5-40-1), Vallie (4-63-1)
MCN - Pierce (8-150-1), Johnson (4-38-0)

DEFENSE (Tackles - Solo, Assist, TFL)

EIU - Vincent (7-5-1), Coates (6-6-0.5), Tolbert (1-5-0)
MCN - Williams (6-8-1.5), Green (3-3-0)

RECAP

Dom Shoffner accounted for a large chunk of EIU's offense making his first collegiate start as he rushed for a team high 78 yards while passing for 187. Shoffner would hit Jay Vallie and Justin Bowick for touchdown passes in a 29-15 non-conference loss at McNeese. The Cowboys rushed for 242 yards against EIU with Deonta McMahon picking up 211 on the ground. EIU's defense would pick up its 18th turnover gained this season with a fumble forced by Jordan Vincent. Vincent and Nick Coates both finished with 12 tackles to lead EIU.



GAME 10 - Nov. 12, 2022
Southeast Missouri..... 31
Eastern Illinois 7

Charleston, Ill.
 O'Brien Field (1,831)

Scoring	1	2	3	4	Final
Southeast Missouri.....	0	21	3	7	31
Eastern Illinois	0	7	0	0	7

SECOND QUARTER

EIU - Benefield 4 run (Galloway kick) - 12:45
 SEMO - Heitert 7 run (Pippin kick) - 9:45
 SEMO - Hess 31 run (Pippin kick) - 8:44
 SEMO - Hess 10 run (Pippin kick) - 6:46

THIRD QUARTER

SEMO - Pippin 41 field goal - 2:11

FOURTH QUARTER

SEMO - Hess 1 run (Pippin kick) - 9:15

TEAM STATSEIUSEMO

First Downs.....	6	21
Rushes-Yards.....	32-79	54-320
Passing-Yards.....	21	140
Comp-Att-Int.....	3-19-2	11-18-1
Total Offense.....	100	460
Fumbles-Lost.....	3-0	3-1
Penalties-Yards.....	3-13	2-10
Int Returns-Yards-TD.....	1-0-0	2-2-0
Time of Possession.....	24:08	35:52
Sacks-Yards.....	0-0	3-19

LEADERS

RUSHING (No-Yds-TD)

EIU - Flowers (8-38-0), Benefield (5-21-1)
 SEMO - Hess (30-198-3), Robbins (6-42-0)

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

EIU - Shoffner (11-2-2-12-0), Kowalak (4-1-0-9-0)
 SEMO - Heitert (17-11-1-140-0), Ogbonna (1-0-0-0-0)

RECEIVING (No-Yds-TD)

EIU - Vallie (2-13-0), N. Hill (1-8-0)
 SEMO - King (4-55-0), Vick (3-39-0)

DEFENSE (Tackles - Solo, Assist, TFL)

EIU - Drakeford (4-5-0), Lewis (4-5-1.5), Vincent (7-1-0)
 SEMO - Norman (8-3-1), Johnson (6-0-1)

RECAP

Eastern Illinois played toe-to-toe with No. 19 ranked Southeast Missouri for the early portion of the game even taking a 7-0 lead on a Jaelin Benefield 4-yard touchdown run. After that score, SEMO put together a long offensive drive and surged to a 21-7 lead at the after taking advantage of two EIU turnovers. The Redhawks would handcuff EIU's offense to just 100 yards of total offense in a 31-7 win. The Panthers had several special teams highlights with a blocked punt by Collin Tyson and fumble recovery on another punt by Zay Gentry. Jordan Vincent would get his third interception of the season late in the game.



GAME 11 - Nov. 19, 2022
Eastern Illinois 31
UT Martin..... 34

Martin, Tenn.
 Graham Stadium (3,003)

Scoring	1	2	3	4	Final
Eastern Illinois	17	0	7	7	31
UT Martin	14	7	6	7	34

FIRST QUARTER

UTM - Franklin 4 run (Larco kick) - 11:06
 EIU - Benefield 84 pass from Shoffner (Galloway kick) - 10:12
 UTM - Wallace 1 run (Larco kick) - 9:19
 EIU - Galloway 42 field goal - 4:46
 EIU - Bowick 63 pass from Shoffner (Galloway kick) - 3:03

SECOND QUARTER

UTM - Dowell 52 pass from Winn (Larco kick) - 6:08

THIRD QUARTER

UTM - Larco 34 field goal - 11:04
 UTM - Larco 27 field goal - 8:43
 EIU - Bowick 40 pass from Shoffner (Galloway kick) - 4:46

FOURTH QUARTER

UTM - Winn 2 run (Larco kick) - 12:36
 EIU - Shoffner 2 run (Galloway kick) - 8:24

TEAM STATSEIUUTM

First Downs.....	21	12
Rushes-Yards.....	37-111	29-82
Passing-Yards.....	315	227
Comp-Att-Int.....	14-37-2	17-28-0
Total Offense.....	426	309
Fumbles-Lost.....	4-2	0-0
Penalties-Yards.....	4-45	7-78
Int Returns-Yards-TD.....	0-0-0	2-47-0
Time of Possession.....	32:55	27:05
Sacks-Yards.....	0-0	4-21

LEADERS

RUSHING (No-Yds-TD)

EIU - Shoffner (24-64-1), Benefield (11-24-0)
 UTM - Wallace (13-53-1), Franklin (13-30-1)

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

EIU - Shoffner (36-14-2-315-3)
 UTM - Winn (28-17-0-227-1)

RECEIVING (No-Yds-TD)

EIU - Bowick (6-177-2), Willman (3-32-0)
 UTM - Dowell (4-118-1), Smoot (3-86-0)

DEFENSE (Tackles - Solo, Assist, TFL)

EIU - Vincent (2-4-0), Bohanek (0-6-0.5), Willis (2-3-0.5)
 UTM - Ford (3-8-1), Hicks (3-7-0)

RECAP

Eastern Illinois pushed No. 25 UT Martin to the final whistle before falling 34-31 in the final game of the season. The difference in the game proved to be turnovers as the Skyhawks converted four EIU turnovers into 13 points while not turning the ball over themselves. Dom Shoffner passed for 315 yards connecting for long touchdown passes to Jaelin Benefield (84 yards) and Justin Bowick (63 yards). Bowick would haul in a second touchdown pass of 40 yards as he finished the day with six catches for 177 yards. EIU would have two interceptions and two fumbles providing the Skyhawks with a short field as they pulled out the win.

2022 EIU PANTHERS FOOTBALL
EASTERN ILLINOIS Game Results

Date	Opponent	Score	Overall Record	Ohio Valley Record	Time	Attend
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Sep 1, 2022	at Northern Illinois	27-34 L	0-1		3:25	10,864
Sep 10, 2022	#10 CHATTANOOGA	20-38 L	0-2		3:15	6,565
Sep 17, 2022	at Illinois State	7-35 L	0-3		3:01	8,208
* Sep 24, 2022	at Murray State	W 35-21	1-3	1-0	3:06	10,112
Oct 8, 2022	NORTHWESTERN STATE	W 35-27	2-3	1-0	3:16	3,153
Oct 15, 2022	LINDENWOOD	34-37 L	2-4	1-0	3:27	6,875
* Oct 22, 2022	at Tennessee State	17-37 L	2-5	1-1	3:29	6,237
* Oct 29, 2022	TENNESSEE TECH	17-20 L	2-6	1-2	3:00	5,817
Nov 5, 2022	at McNeese	15-29 L	2-7	1-2	2:57	-
* Nov 12, 2022	#19 SOUTHEAST MISSOURI	7-31 L	2-8	1-3	2:50	1,831
* Nov 19, 2022	at #25 UT Martin	31-34 L	2-9	1-4	3:32	3,003

* indicates Ohio Valley Conference game

2022 EASTERN ILLINOIS STARTERS

OPPONENT	WR	WR	RT	RG	C	LG	LT	WR	TE	RB	QB
Northern Illinois	N. Hill	Thomas	Imperio	Valente	Tanelus	Stineman	Strickland	Willman	Manaves	Pierre	O'Brien
Chattanooga	N. Hill	Thomas	Imperio	Valente	Tanelus	Stineman	Strickland	Willman	Manaves	Pierre	O'Brien
Illinois State	N. Hill	Thomas	Imperio	McNicholas	Valente	Stineman	Strickland	Willman	Manaves	Pierre	O'Brien
Murray State	Vallie	Thomas	Imperio	Valente	McNicholas	Stineman	Strickland	Willman	Manaves	Benefield	O'Brien
Northwestern St	N. Hill	D. Smith	Imperio	Valente	McNicholas	Stineman	Strickland	Willman	Manaves	Pierre	O'Brien
Lindenwood	N. Hill	I. Hill	Valente	Shaw	McNicholas	Stineman	Strickland	Willman	Manaves	Pierre	O'Brien
Tennessee State	N. Hill	Bowick	Valente	Shaw	McNicholas	Stineman	Strickland	Willman	Manaves	Benefield	O'Brien
Tennessee Tech	N. Hill	Bowick	Valente	McNicholas	Stineman	Shaw	Strickland	Willman	Vallie	Young	O'Brien
McNeese	Luoma	Bowick	Valente	Shaw	McNicholas	Burnett	Arellano	Willman	Vallie	Benefield	Shoffner
SE Missouri	Manaves	D. Smith	Valente	McNicholas	Stineman	Shaw	Arellano	Willman	Vallie	Flowers	Shoffner
UT Martin	Manaves	N. Hill	Valente	McNicholas	Fichtel	Shaw	Arellano	Willman	Vallie	Benefield	Shoffner

OPPONENT	DE	NT	DT	DT/DL	LB/DE	LB	LB/SAF	CB	SAF	SAF	CB
Northern Illinois	Varga	Leach	C. Smith	Hacha	Barrows	Bohanek	Tolbert	Benoit	Vincent	Drakeford	Dandy
Chattanooga	Varga	Leach	C. Smith	Barrows	Tolbert	Bohanek	Coates	Harvey	Vincent	Ball	Dandy
Illinois State	Varga	Leach	Simon	Miles	Tolbert	Bohanek	Coates	Harvey	Vincent	Ball	Dandy
Murray State	Varga	Leach	Simon	Miles	Tolbert	Bohanek	Coates	Harvey	Vincent	Ball	Aitken
Northwestern St	Varga	Leach	Simon	Miles	Tolbert	Bohanek	Coates	Harvey	Vincent	Ball	Aitken
Lindenwood	Varga	Leach	Simon	Miles	Tolbert	Bohanek	Coates	Harvey	Vincent	Ball	Armstead
Tennessee State	Varga	Leach	Simon	Benoit	Tolbert	Bohanek	Coates	Harvey	Vincent	Drakeford	Armstead
Tennessee Tech	T. Lewis	Leach	C. Smith	Benoit	Tolbert	Bohanek	Coates	Harvey	Vincent	Drakeford	Armstead
McNeese	T. Lewis	Leach	C. Smith	Benoit	Tolbert	Bohanek	Coates	Harvey	Vincent	Ball	Armstead
SE Missouri	T. Lewis	Leach	C. Smith	Miles	Tolbert	Bohanek	Coates	Benoit	Vincent	Aitken	Dandy
UT Martin	T. Lewis	Leach	C. Smith	Jefferson	Porter	Bohanek	Oyawale	Harvey	Vincent	Aitken	Benoit

Eastern Illinois Panther Football
Eastern Illinois Overall Team Statistics (as of Nov 19, 2022)
All games

Team Statistics	EIU	OPP
SCORING	245	343
Points Per Game	22.3	31.2
Points Off Turnovers	42	85
FIRST DOWNS	188	237
Rushing	93	85
Passing	75	138
Penalty	20	14
RUSHING YARDAGE	1642	1704
Yards gained rushing	1990	1906
Yards lost rushing	348	202
Rushing Attempts	427	388
Average Per Rush	3.8	4.4
Average Per Game	149.3	154.9
TDs Rushing	12	21
PASSING YARDAGE	1609	2798
Comp-Att-Int	140-272-15	237-370-13
Average Per Pass	5.9	7.6
Average Per Catch	11.5	11.8
Average Per Game	146.3	254.4
TDs Passing	16	20
TOTAL OFFENSE	3251	4502
Total Plays	699	758
Average Per Play	4.7	5.9
Average Per Game	295.5	409.3
KICK RETURNS: #-Yards	38-810	22-403
PUNT RETURNS: #-Yards	9-107	20-114
INT RETURNS: #-Yards	13-65	15-148
KICK RETURN AVERAGE	21.3	18.3
PUNT RETURN AVERAGE	11.9	5.7
INT RETURN AVERAGE	5.0	11.4
FUMBLES-LOST	27-9	19-7
PENALTIES-Yards	49-420	68-607
Average Per Game	38.2	55.2
PUNTS-Yards	53-2330	45-1691
Average Per Punt	44.0	37.6
Net punt average	39.9	34.8
KICKOFFS-Yards	48-2613	65-3762
Average Per Kick	54.4	57.9
Net kick average	40.3	39.6
TIME OF POSSESSION/Game	28:54	31:06
3RD-DOWN Conversions	54/149	65/150
3rd-Down Pct	36%	43%
4TH-DOWN Conversions	7/22	8/11
4th-Down Pct	32%	73%
SACKS BY-Yards	16-93	33-232
MISC YARDS	80	0
TOUCHDOWNS SCORED	30	43
FIELD GOALS-ATTEMPTS	11-13	15-21
ON-SIDE KICKS	1-1	1-1
RED-ZONE SCORES	(27-32) 84%	(37-44) 84%
RED-ZONE TOUCHDOWNS	(18-32) 56%	(29-44) 66%
PAT-ATTEMPTS	(28-28) 100%	(40-40) 100%
ATTENDANCE	24241	38424
Games/Avg Per Game	5/4848	6/6404
Neutral Site Games		0/0

Score by Quarters	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	OT	Total
Eastern Illinois	82	58	45	50	10	245
Opponents	62	120	68	80	13	343

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Rushing	gp	att	gain	loss	net	avg	td	lg	avg/g
Shoffner, Dom	8	104	492	67	425	4.1	5	27	53.1
Pierre, Markenz	8	79	385	18	367	4.6	0	42	45.9
Benefield, Jael	10	82	398	31	367	4.5	1	19	36.7
Young, Kendi	5	41	283	3	280	6.8	1	43	56.0
Flowers, MJ	4	32	132	14	118	3.7	0	22	29.5
O'Brien, Jonah	8	63	210	148	62	1.0	5	22	7.8
Willman, Cooper	11	2	23	0	23	11.5	0	17	2.1
Wilhoit, Trey	11	1	22	0	22	22.0	0	22	2.0
Conway, Kevin	1	3	12	1	11	3.7	0	8	11.0
Lewis, Zeke	5	5	8	0	8	1.6	0	3	1.6
Armstead, Ira	8	1	5	0	5	5.0	0	5	0.6
TEAM	7	2	0	2	-2	-1.0	0	0	-0.3
Kowalak, Justin	1	2	0	10	-10	-5.0	0	0	-10.0
Weir, Zach	3	10	20	54	-34	-3.4	0	13	-11.3
Total	11	427	1990	348	1642	3.8	12	43	149.3
Opponents	11	388	1906	202	1704	4.4	21	54	154.9

Passing	gp	effic	comp-att-int	pct	yds	td	lg	avg/g
O'Brien, Jonah	8	126.73	87-136-8	64.0	853	9	42	106.6
Shoffner, Dom	8	107.84	42-98-6	42.9	626	7	84	78.2
Weir, Zach	3	55.79	9-27-1	33.3	96	0	19	32.0
Conway, Kevin	1	0.00	0-4-0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0
Kowalak, Justin	1	43.90	1-4-0	25.0	9	0	9	9.0
TEAM	7	0.00	0-2-0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0
Willman, Cooper	11	310.00	1-1-0	100.0	25	0	25	2.3
Total	11	109.54	140-272-15	51.5	1609	16	84	146.3
Opponents	11	138.39	237-370-13	64.1	2798	20	74	254.4

Receiving	gp	no.	yds	avg	td	lg	avg/g
Hill, Nile	11	26	239	9.2	2	31	21.7
Thomas, Justin	4	17	210	12.4	2	42	52.5
Willman, Cooper	11	16	199	12.4	0	34	18.1
Bowick, Justin	8	13	250	19.2	3	63	31.2
Benefield, Jael	10	13	185	14.2	2	84	18.5
Smith, DeAiriou	9	12	127	10.6	2	38	14.1
Vallie, Jay	11	12	113	9.4	2	26	10.3
Manaves, Anthon	9	11	63	5.7	0	18	7.0
Cooks Jr, Deway	6	8	83	10.4	1	21	13.8
Hill, Isaiah	2	5	77	15.4	0	25	38.5
Pierre, Markenz	8	4	26	6.5	1	13	3.2
Eatman, Lazeric	6	3	37	12.3	1	20	6.2
Total	11	140	1609	11.5	16	84	146.3
Opponents	11	237	2798	11.8	20	74	254.4

Punt Returns	no.	yds	avg	td	lg
Willman, Cooper	7	94	13.4	0	55
Tyson, Collin	1	13	13.0	0	0
Gentry, Zay	1	0	0.0	0	0
Total	9	107	11.9	0	55
Opponents	20	114	5.7	0	27

Interceptions	no.	yds	avg	td	lg
Vincent, Jordan	3	8	2.7	0	8
Tolbert, Elijah	3	20	6.7	0	20
Harvey, Tyris	2	12	6.0	0	12
Bohanek, Colin	2	21	10.5	0	20
Aitken, Mark	1	0	0.0	0	0
Smith, Colby	1	0	0.0	0	0
Ball, Elijah	1	4	4.0	0	4
Total	13	65	5.0	0	20
Opponents	15	148	9.9	2	40

Kick Returns	no.	yds	avg	td	lg
Aitken, Mark	17	408	24.0	0	80
Armstead, Ira	8	171	21.4	0	42
Gentry, Zay	5	72	14.4	0	21
Benefield, Jael	4	61	15.2	0	18
Eatman, Lazeric	2	65	32.5	0	38
Smith, DeAiriou	1	11	11.0	0	11
Guido, Brandon	1	22	22.0	0	22
Total	38	810	21.3	0	80
Opponents	22	403	18.3	0	40

Fumble Returns	no.	yds	avg	td	lg
Oyawale, Alexan	1	40	40.0	1	40
Aitken, Mark	0	0	0.0	1	0
Total	1	40	40.0	2	40
Opponents	5	31	6.2	0	11

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Scoring	td	fg	PAT				dxp	saf	pts
			kick	rush	rcv	pass			
Galloway, Stone	-	11-12	27-27	-	-	-	-	-	60
Shoffner, Dom	5	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	30
O'Brien, Jonah	5	-	-	-	-	1-1	-	-	30
Bowick, Justin	3	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	18
Benefield, Jael	3	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	18
Hill, Nile	2	-	-	-	2	-	-	-	16
Thomas, Justin	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	12
Smith, DeAiriou	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	12
Vallie, Jay	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	12
Aitken, Mark	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6
Young, Kendi	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6
Pierre, Markenz	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6
Eatman, Lazeric	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6
Cooks Jr, Deway	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6
Oyawale, Alexan	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6
Orth, William	-	0-1	1-1	-	-	-	-	-	1
Willman, Cooper	-	-	-	-	-	1-1	-	-	0
Total	30	11-13	28-28	-	2	2-2	-	-	245
Opponents	43	15-21	40-40	0-1	-	0-1	-	-	343

Total Offense	g	plays	rush	pass	total	avg/g
Shoffner, Dom	8	202	425	626	1051	131.4
O'Brien, Jonah	8	199	62	853	915	114.4
Pierre, Markenz	8	79	367	0	367	45.9
Benefield, Jael	10	82	367	0	367	36.7
Young, Kendi	5	41	280	0	280	56.0
Flowers, MJ	4	32	118	0	118	29.5
Weir, Zach	3	37	-34	96	62	20.7
Willman, Cooper	11	3	23	25	48	4.4
Wilhoit, Trey	11	1	22	0	22	2.0
Conway, Kevin	1	7	11	0	11	11.0
Lewis, Zeke	5	5	8	0	8	1.6
Armstead, Ira	8	1	5	0	5	0.6
Kowalak, Justin	1	6	-10	9	-1	-1.0
TEAM	7	4	-2	0	-2	-0.3
Total	11	699	1642	1609	3251	295.5
Opponents	11	758	1704	2798	4502	409.3

Field Goals	fg	pct.	01-19	20-29	30-39	40-49	50-99	lg	blk
Galloway, Stone	11-12	91.7	0-0	4-4	5-5	2-2	0-1	44	0
Orth, William	0-1	0.0	0-0	0-0	0-1	0-0	0-0	0	1

FG Sequence	Eastern Illinois	Opponents
NIU	(34),(25)	(43),(38),43
Chattanooga	(36),(44)	50,(45)
Illinois State	-	-
Murray St.	(25),(32)	40
Northwestern State	-	-
Lindenwood	(31),(22)	(27)
Tennessee St.	(32)	(46),(42),(42)
Tennessee Tech	(21)	(20),37,(46)
McNeese	31	(39),(21),(31)
Southeast Missouri	51	22,27,(41)
UT Martin	(42)	(34),(27)

Punting	no.	yds	avg	lg	tb	fc	i20	50+	blk
Wilhoit, Trey	53	2330	44.0	62	5	11	14	12	0
Total	53	2330	44.0	62	5	11	14	12	0
Opponents	45	1691	37.6	60	1	22	18	3	1

Kickoffs	no.	yds	avg	tb	ob	retn	net	ydln
Galloway, Stone	45	2475	55.0	11	2			
Green, Cody	3	138	46.0	0	0			
Total	48	2613	54.4	11	2	18.3	40.3	24
Opponents	65	3762	57.9	15	4	21.3	39.6	25

Numbers in (parentheses) indicate field goal was made.

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All Purpose	g	rush	rcv	pr	kr	ir	total	avg/g
Benefield, Jael	10	367	185	0	61	0	613	61.3
Shoffner, Dom	8	425	0	0	0	0	425	53.1
Aitken, Mark	9	0	0	0	408	0	408	45.3
Pierre, Markenz	8	367	26	0	0	0	393	49.1
Willman, Cooper	11	23	199	94	0	0	316	28.7
Young, Kendi	5	280	0	0	0	0	280	56.0
Bowick, Justin	8	0	250	0	0	0	250	31.2
Hill, Nile	11	0	239	0	0	0	239	21.7
Thomas, Justin	4	0	210	0	0	0	210	52.5
Armstead, Ira	8	5	0	0	171	0	176	22.0
Smith, DeAiriou	9	0	127	0	11	0	138	15.3
Flowers, MJ	4	118	0	0	0	0	118	29.5
Vallie, Jay	11	0	113	0	0	0	113	10.3
Eatman, Lazeric	6	0	37	0	65	0	102	17.0
Cooks Jr, Dewa	6	0	83	0	0	0	83	13.8
Hill, Isaiah	2	0	77	0	0	0	77	38.5
Gentry, Zay	10	0	0	0	72	0	72	7.2
Manaves, Antho	9	0	63	0	0	0	63	7.0
O'Brien, Jonah	8	62	0	0	0	0	62	7.8
Wilhoit, Trey	11	22	0	0	0	0	22	2.0
Guido, Brandon	9	0	0	0	22	0	22	2.4
Bohanek, Colin	11	0	0	0	0	21	21	1.9
Tolbert, Elijaw	11	0	0	0	0	20	20	1.8
Tyson, Collin	11	0	0	13	0	0	13	1.2
Harvey, Tyris	10	0	0	0	0	12	12	1.2
Conway, Kevin	1	11	0	0	0	0	11	11.0
Lewis, Zeke	5	8	0	0	0	0	8	1.6
Vincent, Jordan	11	0	0	0	0	8	8	0.7
Ball, Elijah	11	0	0	0	0	4	4	0.4
TEAM	7	-2	0	0	0	0	-2	-0.3
Kowalak, Justin	1	-10	0	0	0	0	-10	-10.0
Weir, Zach	3	-34	0	0	0	0	-34	-11.3
Total	11	1642	1609	107	810	65	4233	384.8
Opponents	11	1704	2798	114	403	148	5167	469.7

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Eastern Illinois Overall Defensive Statistics (as of Nov 19, 2022)
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
1D	Vincent, Jordan	11	57	27	84	3.5-7	.	3-8	5	1	.	2	1	.
45	Bohanek, Colin	11	33	40	73	7.0-12	.	2-21	3	7	.	2	.	.
43	Tolbert, Elijaw	11	32	38	70	6.5-12	1.5-5	3-20	3	2	.	.	.	.
12	Coates, Nick	11	41	26	67	3.5-7	0.5-2	.	5	2	.	1	.	.
7D	Harvey, Tyris	10	24	10	34	3.0-8	.	2-12	3	.	.	.	.	.
39	Ball, Elijah	11	21	13	34	1.0-1	.	1-4	1	.	.	.	.	.
9D	Benoit, Elijah	11	26	4	30	1.0-5	.	.	4	.	.	1	.	.
40	Porter, Phoenix	11	14	16	30	1.0-0	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
97	Varga, Tim	7	9	20	29	4.5-15	1.0-6	.	2	5	.	.	.	.
6D	Barrows, Joel	10	15	12	27	5.0-21	3.0-18	.	.	3	.	1	.	.
56	Lewis, Tre'Jon	11	13	12	25	7.5-26	1.0-6	.	.	4	1-0	1	.	.
91	Miles, Jordan	10	13	10	23	6.0-22	3.0-18	.	.	1	1-0	.	.	.
92	Smith, Colby	11	8	15	23	3.5-8	.	1-0	.	2	.	.	.	.
11	Oyawale, Alexan	10	10	12	22	1.0-10	1.0-10	.	.	5	1-40	1	.	.
93	Leach, Cameron	11	8	14	22	5.5-30	3.0-22	.	.	1	.	.	.	.
22	Drakeford, Kael	4	10	7	17	.	.	.	2	.	.	.	.	.
57	Simon, Terence	11	11	6	17	2.5-6	1.0-3	.	1	2	1-0	.	.	.
2D	Aitken, Mark	9	14	3	17	1.0-3	.	1-0	2	.	.	.	.	.
94	Jefferson, Alto	11	7	9	16	2.0-4	.	.	.	1	1-0	.	.	.
14	Willis, Braylon	10	6	8	14	0.5-2	0.5-0	.	.	1	.	.	.	.
5D	Shockey, Anthon	5	2	9	11	0.5-3	0.5-3	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
13	Shaw, Trey	6	8	2	10	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
27	Gentry, Zay	10	9	1	10	.	.	.	2	.	1-0	1	.	.
3D	Dandy, Russell	4	6	3	9	.	.	.	2	1	.	.	.	.
31	Williams, Chris	11	4	3	7	1.0-1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
19	Armstead, Ira	8	5	2	7	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
23	Brown, Logan	11	3	3	6	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
28	Guido, Brandon	9	3	2	5	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
36	Lee, Chauncey	3	2	1	3	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
34	Burt, NiJhay	8	3	.	3	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
33	Hill, Nile	11	3	.	3	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
55	Shaw, Terrance	8	1	1	2	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
35	Lewis, Zeke	5	.	2	2	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
48	Jarosz, Michael	11	1	1	2	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
59	Hacha, Jaron	10	1	1	2	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
42	Woods, Henry	9	1	1	2	.	.	.	.	.	1-0	.	.	.
8D	Jalloh, Foday	4	2	.	2	1.0-3	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
78	Stineman, Max	9	1	.	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
38	Wilhoit, Trey	11	1	.	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
TM	TEAM	7	1	.	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
50	Wagner, Luke	1	.	1	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
73	McNab,Joe	1	.	1	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
0	Shoffner, Dom	8	1	.	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
80	Vallie, Jay	11	1	.	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
2	Cooks Jr, Deway	6	1	.	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
3	Willman, Cooper	11	1	.	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
24	Tyson, Collin	11	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	1	.
Total		11	433	336	769	68-206	16-93	13-65	35	38	7-40	10	2	.
Opponents		11	436	250	686	77-327	33-232	15-148	45	39	9-31	12	1	.

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TEAM STATISTICS

Date	Opponent	Rushing				Receiving				Passing				Kick Returns				Punt Returns				tot off
		no.	yds	td	lg	no.	yds	td	lg	cmp-att-int	yds	td	lg	no.	yds	td	lg	no.	yds	td	lg	
Sep 01	at NIU	30	165	0	42	25	276	3	42	25-35-2	276	3	42	4	61	0	18	0	0	0	0	441
Sep 10	CHATTANOOGA	35	77	0	16	18	183	2	31	18-28-1	183	2	31	5	72	0	21	0	0	0	0	260
Sep 17	at Illinois State	38	40	0	10	17	127	1	31	17-26-3	127	1	31	6	104	0	29	0	0	0	0	167
Sep 24	at Murray St.	52	339	3	43	6	69	1	30	6-15-0	69	1	30	1	22	0	22	2	57	0	55	408
Oct 08	NORTHWESTERN STATE	61	340	4	27	6	48	1	12	6-9-1	48	1	12	1	80	0	80	0	0	0	0	388
Oct 15	LINDENWOOD	32	125	2	22	17	195	1	38	17-25-0	195	1	38	3	57	0	42	1	4	0	4	320
Oct 22	at Tennessee St.	31	73	0	19	10	115	2	29	10-29-3	115	2	29	3	68	0	27	2	33	0	19	188
Oct 29	TENNESSEE TECH	49	161	1	13	7	73	0	19	7-19-0	73	0	19	3	61	0	26	1	0	0	0	234
Nov 05	at McNeese	30	132	0	22	17	187	2	26	17-30-1	187	2	26	1	23	0	23	0	0	0	0	319
Nov 12	SOUTHEAST MISSOURI	32	79	1	22	3	21	0	9	3-19-2	21	0	9	6	156	0	44	1	13	0	0	100
Nov 19	at UT Martin	37	111	1	17	14	315	3	84	14-37-2	315	3	84	5	106	0	38	2	0	0	0	426
		427	1642	12	43	140	1609	16	84	140-272-15	1609	16	84	38	810	0	80	9	107	0	55	3251
Opponents		388	1704	21	54	237	2798	20	74	237-370-13	2798	20	74	22	403	0	40	20	114	0	27	4502

Games: 11 • Avg/rush: 3.8 • Avg/catch: 11.5 • Pass effic: 109.54 • KR avg: 21.3 • PR avg: 11.9 • All purpose avg/game: 384.8 • Total offense avg/gm: 295.5

Date	Opponent	Tackles				Sacks		Fumble		Pass Defense			blkd	PAT Attempts			off		
		ua	a	total	tfl-yds	no-yds	ff	fr-yds		int-yds	qbh	brup	kick	kick	rush	rcv	saf	t/o	pts
Sep 01	at NIU	20	52	72	2.0-2	1.0-0	0	0-0		0-0	2	5	0	3-3	0	0	0	0	27
Sep 10	CHATTANOOGA	33	32	65	4.0-8	0.0-0	0	1-0		1-1	4	3	0	2-2	0	0	0	6	20
Sep 17	at Illinois State	34	22	56	6.0-20	1.0-8	0	0-0		2-12	7	2	0	1-1	0	0	0	0	7
Sep 24	at Murray St.	38	24	62	6.0-9	0.0-0	0	1-0		4-28	1	4	0	3-3	0	1	0	15	35
Oct 08	NORTHWESTERN STAT	49	14	63	8.0-31	4.0-23	2	1-0		2-0	8	4	0	5-5	0	0	0	7	35
Oct 15	LINDENWOOD	62	26	88	7.0-34	5.0-32	2	2-40		2-24	10	3	0	4-4	0	0	0	0	34
Oct 22	at Tennessee St.	56	28	84	12.0-44	4.0-25	0	0-0		0-0	0	3	0	2-2	0	0	0	0	17
Oct 29	TENNESSEE TECH	41	18	59	6.0-9	0.0-0	3	0-0		1-0	1	4	1	2-2	0	0	0	7	17
Nov 05	at McNeese	33	38	71	5.0-16	1.0-5	1	1-0		0-0	0	0	0	1-1	0	1	0	0	15
Nov 12	SOUTHEAST MISSOURI	44	36	80	4.0-8	0.0-0	1	1-0		1-0	0	3	1	1-1	0	0	0	7	7
Nov 19	at UT Martin	23	46	69	8.0-25	0.0-0	1	0-0		0-0	5	4	0	4-4	0	0	0	0	31
		433	336	769	68.0-206	16.0-93	10	7-40		13-65	38	35	2	28-28	0	2	0	42	245
Opponents		436	250	686	77.0-327	32.0-221	12	9-31		15-148	39	45	1	40-40	0	0	0	85	343

Date	Opponent	Punting										Field Goals			Kickoffs				
		no.	yds	avg	long	blkd	tb	fc	50+	i20		md-att	long	blkd	no.	yds	avg	tb	ob
Sep 01	at NIU	1	54	54.0	54	0	0	0	1	0		2-2	34	0	6	323	53.8	1	0
Sep 10	CHATTANOOGA	6	276	46.0	62	0	1	2	3	1		2-2	44	0	5	289	57.8	1	1
Sep 17	at Illinois State	6	269	44.8	56	0	0	4	1	2		0-0	0	0	2	105	52.5	1	0
Sep 24	at Murray St.	4	166	41.5	57	0	1	1	1	1		2-2	32	0	7	385	55.0	2	0
Oct 08	NORTHWESTERN STAT	5	193	38.6	48	0	1	1	0	2		0-0	0	0	6	329	54.8	1	0
Oct 15	LINDENWOOD	5	215	43.0	59	0	1	1	1	2		2-2	31	0	5	250	50.0	1	0
Oct 22	at Tennessee St.	7	310	44.3	52	0	0	1	2	1		1-1	32	0	3	193	64.3	0	0
Oct 29	TENNESSEE TECH	4	204	51.0	59	0	0	0	3	1		1-1	21	0	3	145	48.3	1	0
Nov 05	at McNeese	3	123	41.0	46	0	0	0	0	0		0-1	0	1	3	138	46.0	0	0
Nov 12	SOUTHEAST MISSOURI	8	333	41.6	47	0	1	0	0	3		0-1	0	0	2	106	53.0	1	1
Nov 19	at UT Martin	4	187	46.8	49	0	0	1	0	1		1-1	42	0	6	350	58.3	2	0
		53	2330	44.0	62	0	5	11	12	14		11-13	44	1	48	2613	54.4	11	2
Opponents		45	1691	37.6	60	1	1	22	3	18		15-21	46	1	65	3762	57.9	15	4

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OPPONENT STATISTICS

Date	Opponent	Rushing				Receiving				Passing				Kick Returns				Punt Returns				tot off
		no.	yds	td	lg	no.	yds	td	lg	cmp-att-int	yds	td	lg	no.	yds	td	lg	no.	yds	td	lg	
Sep 01	at NIU	34	187	3	54	14	192	1	38	14-22-0	192	1	38	4	66	0	26	1	4	0	4	379
Sep 10	CHATTANOOGA	35	193	4	41	17	278	1	51	17-27-1	278	1	51	2	51	0	35	2	2	0	7	471
Sep 17	at Illinois State	26	86	1	20	20	219	2	31	20-34-2	219	2	31	0	0	0	0	2	11	0	11	305
Sep 24	at Murray St.	23	73	0	12	28	334	3	32	28-46-4	334	3	32	3	48	0	17	1	8	0	8	407
Oct 08	NORTHWESTERN STATE	19	54	2	19	37	343	2	30	37-59-2	343	2	30	3	62	0	26	2	10	0	9	397
Oct 15	LINDENWOOD	52	199	2	16	28	302	3	37	28-42-2	302	3	37	2	21	0	21	1	8	0	8	501
Oct 22	at Tennessee St.	40	85	1	14	27	309	3	52	27-36-0	309	3	52	3	34	0	16	3	11	0	7	394
Oct 29	TENNESSEE TECH	35	183	0	30	20	181	2	21	20-31-1	181	2	21	0	0	0	0	3	15	0	20	364
Nov 05	at McNeese	41	242	1	25	18	273	2	33	18-27-0	273	2	33	2	39	0	29	1	-2	0	0	515
Nov 12	SOUTHEAST MISSOURI	54	320	4	36	11	140	0	30	11-18-1	140	0	30	0	0	0	0	3	32	0	27	460
Nov 19	at UT Martin	29	82	3	14	17	227	1	74	17-28-0	227	1	74	3	82	0	40	1	15	0	15	309
Eastern Illinois		388	1704	21	54	237	2798	20	74	237-370-13	2798	20	74	22	403	0	40	20	114	0	27	4502
		427	1642	12	43	140	1609	16	84	140-272-15	1609	16	84	38	810	0	80	9	107	0	55	3251

Games: 11 • Avg/rush: 4.4 • Avg/catch: 11.8 • Pass effic: 138.39 • KR avg: 18.3 • PR avg: 5.7 • All purpose avg/game: 469.7 • Total offense avg/gm: 409.3

Date	Opponent	Tackles				Sacks no-yds	Fumble		Pass Defense			blkd kick	PAT Attempts			off		
		ua	a	total	tfl-yds		ff	fr-yds	int-yds	qbh	brup		kick	rush	rcv	saf	t/o	pts
Sep 01	at NIU	28	54	82	4.0-20	2.0-11	0	0-0	2-0	2	1	0	4-4	0	0	0	7	34
Sep 10	CHATTANOOGA	46	10	56	13.0-69	6.0-54	1	1-0	1-12	4	1	0	5-5	0	0	0	7	38
Sep 17	at Illinois State	44	28	72	11.0-61	4.0-46	2	2-4	3-43	5	2	0	5-5	0	0	0	21	35
Sep 24	at Murray St.	45	20	65	8.0-24	1.0-6	0	0-0	0-0	3	3	0	3-3	0	0	0	0	21
Oct 08	NORTHWESTERN STAT	53	8	61	3.0-8	0.0-0	1	0-0	1-0	0	1	0	3-3	0	0	0	7	27
Oct 15	LINDENWOOD	43	12	55	1.0-7	1.0-7	1	1-11	0-0	1	4	0	4-4	0	0	0	0	37
Oct 22	at Tennessee St.	33	20	53	9.0-29	6.0-24	1	1-5	3-44	1	7	0	4-4	0	0	0	10	37
Oct 29	TENNESSEE TECH	53	8	61	8.0-40	4.0-31	2	2-11	0-0	1	6	0	2-2	0	0	0	3	20
Nov 05	at McNeese	24	36	60	4.0-15	2.0-2	0	0-0	1-0	4	7	1	2-2	0	0	0	3	29
Nov 12	SOUTHEAST MISSOURI	35	10	45	7.0-26	3.0-19	0	0-0	2-2	5	4	0	4-4	0	0	0	14	31
Nov 19	at UT Martin	32	44	76	9.0-28	4.0-21	4	2-0	2-47	13	9	0	4-4	0	0	0	13	34
Eastern Illinois		436	250	686	77.0-327	32.0-221	12	9-31	15-148	39	45	1	40-40	0	0	0	85	343
		433	336	769	68.0-206	16.0-93	10	7-40	13-65	38	35	2	28-28	0	2	0	42	245

		Punting									Field Goals			Kickoffs				
Date	Opponent	no.	yds	avg	long	blkd	tb	fc	50+	i20	md-att	long	blkd	no.	yds	avg	tb	ob
Sep 01	at NIU	2	85	42.5	44	0	0	2	0	0	2-3	43	0	7	441	63.0	3	0
Sep 10	CHATTANOOGA	4	163	40.8	60	0	1	1	1	3	1-2	45	0	7	420	60.0	1	0
Sep 17	at Illinois State	5	165	33.0	36	0	0	4	0	4	0-0	0	0	6	320	53.3	0	0
Sep 24	at Murray St.	4	169	42.2	47	0	0	2	0	1	0-1	0	0	3	195	65.0	2	0
Oct 08	NORTHWESTERN STAT	4	134	33.5	41	0	0	2	0	0	0-0	0	0	5	249	49.8	0	2
Oct 15	LINDENWOOD	2	75	37.5	40	0	0	1	0	0	1-1	27	0	5	261	52.2	0	1
Oct 22	at Tennessee St.	6	219	36.5	53	0	0	2	1	1	3-3	46	0	8	428	53.5	2	0
Oct 29	TENNESSEE TECH	4	175	43.8	47	0	0	2	0	3	2-3	46	1	5	318	63.6	2	0
Nov 05	at McNeese	2	82	41.0	42	0	0	2	0	1	3-3	39	0	6	381	63.5	4	1
Nov 12	SOUTHEAST MISSOURI	4	120	30.0	59	1	0	1	1	1	1-3	41	0	6	354	59.0	0	0
Nov 19	at UT Martin	8	304	38.0	49	0	0	3	0	4	2-2	34	0	7	395	56.4	1	0
		45	1691	37.6	60	1	1	22	3	18	15-21	46	1	65	3762	57.9	15	4
Eastern Illinois		53	2330	44.0	62	0	5	11	12	14	11-13	44	1	48	2613	54.4	11	2