# HEAD COACH SAM PITTMAN



Sam Pittman returns to The Hill as the 34th head coach in Razorback history after four seasons on staff at Georgia, including this last season when he served as the Associate Head Coach and offensive line coach for the Bulldogs. Georgia was just the most recent stop of Pittman's career that has spanned the high school, junior college and collegiate levels.

The Oklahoma native has coached at seven different Power 5 schools during his 32 years of coaching, including Oklahoma, Missouri, Kansas, North Carolina and Tennessee. With a wealth of experience, Pittman is widely regarded as one of the nation's best offensive line coaches and recruiters. He has coached 15 players that have been selected in the NFL Draft since 2013, including first round picks Andrew Thomas (4th overall in 2020), Isaiah Wilson (29th overall in 2020), Frank Ragnow (20th overall in 2018), Isaiah Wynn (23rd overall in 2018), Ja'Wuan James (19th overall in 2014) and Jonathan Cooper (7th overall in 2013). Overall, Pittman has coached seven offensive linemen that were selected in the first round of the NFL Draft, including Stockar McDougle (20th overall in 2000). Travis Swanson also became the highest drafted Razorback center in school history when he was picked 76th overall in 2014.

"Sam Pittman has been an integral part of successful teams that have competed at the highest levels, including for SEC and NCAA Championships," Vice Chancellor and Director of Athletics Hunter Yurachek said. "As one of the nation's premier offensive line coaches, he has built a remarkable body of work thanks to his tremendous passion for his student-athletes, including teaching the fundamentals and developing his players on and off the field. Sam instills in his players the motivation, grit and determination required to compete and win. Throughout this process, I heard from many of his former players about the tremendous influence he had on them as a player and as a man."

"Sam knows the Southeastern Conference inside and out and is one of the nation's best recruiters. His connections throughout football will enable him to build a quality coaching staff. In his previous tenure, Sam and his wife Jamie fell in love with the state of Arkansas and with Razorback fans. They know what a special place this is and are excited for the opportunity to come back to the Home of the Razorbacks."

Pittman arrived in Athens in 2016 as the offensive line coach as part of Kirby Smart's first staff. In his four seasons with the Bulldogs, Pittman helped Georgia to unprecedented success including three-straight Southeastern Conference Eastern Division titles. In 2019, the Bulldogs' rushing attack was led by D'Andre Swift, who finished fourth in the league with 1,216 yards just ahead of Arkansas' Rakeem Boyd (1,133).

The 2017 Bulldogs were a special team, winning 13 games, the SEC championship and making the school's first-ever College Football Playoff appearance – a win over Oklahoma in the Rose Bowl. Georgia's offense that year was the best in the SEC and ninth nationally in rushing, led by Nick Chubb and Sony Michel. During his four seasons in Athens, he was part of a staff that produced four Top 10 recruiting classes, including the nation's No. 1 class in 2018.

An original member of Bret Bielema's staff at Arkansas in 2013, Pittman helped build the Razorbacks' offensive line into one of the best in the league. He quickly made an impact, helping Travis Swanson earn first-team All-America honors and be a Rimington Trophy finalist in 2013. His first two offensive lines at Arkansas led the SEC in sacks allowed per game and his offensive line in 2014 paved the way for two 1,000-yard rushers in Jonathan Williams and Alex Collins. That OL also averaged 328.4 pounds per player as the largest offensive line in the FBS and NFL that season.

In Pittman's final year in Fayetteville his offensive line contributed to an offense that finished second in the SEC in total offense (456.8 ypg), second in scoring (40.2 ppg) and third in passing offense (264.2 ypg). During his tenure with the Razorbacks, Pittman mentored some of the best offensive linemen at Arkansas in recent memory, including Swanson, Sebastian Tretola, Dan Skipper and Frank Ragnow.

# HEAD COACH SAM PITTMAN



### **SAM PITTMAN PROFILE**

BIRTHDATE: Nov. 28, 1961 BIRTHPLACE: EI Reno, Okla. HIGH SCHOOL: Grove HS - Grove, Okla. COLLEGE: Pittsburg State (Kan.), 1986 B.S. Education FAMILY: Wife - Jamie

### **COACHING EXPERIENCE**

1987-88	Princeton (Mo.) HS (Head Coach)
1989-90	Trenton (Mo.) HS (Head Coach)
1991	Hutchinson (Kan.) CC (OL)
1992-93	Hutchinson (Kan.) CC (Head Coach)
1994-95	Northern Illinois (OL)
1996	Cincinnati (OT/TEs)
1997-98	Oklahoma (OL)
1999	Western Michigan (OL)
2000	Missouri (OL)
2001	Kansas (OL)
2003	Northern Illinois (OL)
2004-06	Northern Illinois (Assistant Head Coach/OL)
2007-10	North Carolina (OL)
2011	North Carolina (Associate Head Coach/OL)
2012	Tennessee (OL)
2013-15	Arkansas (Assistant Head Coach/OL/Recruiting Coordinator)
2016-18	Georgia (OL)
2019	Georgia (Associate Head Coach/OL)

### **PLAYING EXPERIENCE**

1980-03Pittsburg State (Kan.)First-team NAIA All-American, twice all-conference ... inducted into PSU Athletics Hallof Fame in 1998.

Pittman's coaching career began in 1987 as the head coach at Princeton (Mo.) HS. He coached at Hutchinson (Kan.) CC for three seasons, including the final two as the head coach, before getting his first FBS opportunity at Northern Illinois in 1994. He later returned to NIU to help the Huskies to a pair of division championships and two bowl games. Pittman got his first experience in the SEC in 2012 when he joined the staff at Tennessee.

Pittman played defensive end at Pittsburg State, where he was a first-team NAIA All-American and twice earned all-conference recognition. He graduated with a bachelor's degree in 1986 and was inducted into the PSU Athletics Hall of Fame in 1998. He is married to his wife, Jamie.





### BARRY Odom

### Associate Head Coach/ Defensive Coordinator/Safeties

Former Missouri head coach Barry Odom is set for his first season as the Razorbacks' defensive coordinator after spending the last four years at his alma mater, leading the Tigers to a pair of bowl games and finishing the 2018 regular season ranked 23rd in the College Football Playoff poll.

Odom's Missouri teams were known for their stout defenses thanks to his prowess on that side of the ball. The Tigers ended the 2019 regular season as one of the nation's top defenses, ranking 14th in the country in total defense (312.0 ypg) and third in the Southeastern Conference. His defense also did not allow many points this past fall, giving up just 19.4 points per game to rank 17th in FBS. The defense was particularly strong against the pass, ranking sixth in the nation and second in the SEC with just 179.3 yards per game allowed. Linebacker Nick Bolton led the way, earning first-team All-SEC and leading the SEC with 107 total tackles.

He became just the fourth coach in Missouri history to lead the Tigers to a bowl game in two of his first three seasons when Mizzou earned a berth in the AutoZone Liberty Bowl in 2018. That Tiger team finished strong for the second year in a row, going 4-0 in November including a 38-17 win at No. 11 Florida that was Missouri's largest road win over a ranked opponent since 2008. His 2017 team won six-straight to finish 7-5 in the regular season and earn a trip to the Academy Sports + Outdoor Texas Bowl. That season saw Odom turn the program around after starting 0-4 in SEC play, winning the next four league games to become the first SEC team to start conference play 0-4 and finish 4-4.

Odom returned to Missouri in 2015 as the program's defensive coordinator and produced immediately with the Tigers ranking ninth nationally in total defense, allowing just 302.0 yards per game. That defense became the first Mizzou defense to rank inside the nation's top 10 since the NCAA started keeping defensive stats in 1978. The same defense ranked seventh nationally in scoring defense (16.2 ppg) and pass defense (169.2 ypg) and second in tackles for loss (8.8 per game).

The Maysville, Oklahoma, native took over his first defensive coordinator duties at Memphis in 2012. In three years with the Tigers, he transformed Memphis into a defensive power. In 2014, his defense ranked fifth nationally in scoring defense (17.1 ppg) and 22nd nationally in total defense (343.3 ypg) to help Memphis go 10-3. That season marked an incredible turnaround for the Tigers' defense that ranked 117th nationally prior to his arrival. Memphis improved defensively each year under Odom rising from 50th nationally in total defense (383.6 ypg) in 2012 to 39th (370.7 ypg) in 2013 to 27th (349.5 ypg) in his final year.

Odom's Missouri roots run deep having starred as a linebacker for the Tigers 1996-99, including a pair of teams that earned trips to bowl games (1997, 1998). He ended his career inside the school's top 10 career tackle leaders with 362 tackles. He also served as a team captain as a senior in 1999.

Following graduation, he worked for the Tiger Scholarship Fund while working on his Master's in Education. After a brief three-year stint as a high school coach – first at his alma mater Ada (Okla.) HS as an assistant then as head coach for two years at Rock Bridge HS in Columbia, Missouri – he returned to Missouri as a graduate assistant in 2003. He began his climb in the organization

### **BARRY ODOM PROFILE**

BIRTHDATE: November 26, 1976 BIRTHPLACE: Lawton, Oklahoma HIGH SCHOOL: Ada High School – Ada, Oklahoma COLLEGE: Missouri, 1999 B.S. Education, 2004 M.Ed FAMILY: Wife – Tritia; Sons – James Trump and Garyt Robert; Daughter – Anna Lockwood

### **COACHING EXPERIENCE**

2000	Ada (Okla.) HS (Assistant Coach)
2001-02	Rock Bridge (Mo.) HS (Head Coach)
2003	Missouri (Administrative Graduate Assistant)
2004-05	Missouri (Director of Football Recruiting)
2006	Missouri (Director of Football Operations)
2007-08	Missouri (Assistant AD/Director of Football Operations)
2009-11	Missouri (Safeties)
2012-14	Memphis (Defensive Coordinator/LBs)
2015	Missouri (Defensive Coordinator/LBs)
2016-19	Missouri (Head Coach)

### **PLAYING EXPERIENCE**

1996-99 Missouri

a year later when then head coach Gary Pinkel promoted him to Director of Football Recruiting. After two years, Pinkel again promoted Odom making him the Director of Football Operations in 2006. He moved back onto the field in 2009 when he took over the Tigers' safeties for three seasons before heading to Memphis.

Odom and his wife Tritia have three children – sons, James Trump and Garyt Robert, and daughter, Anna Lockwood.





### SCOTT Fountain

### Assistant Head Coach/ Special Teams Coordinator

Scott Fountain will serve as the assistant head coach and special teams coordinator for head coach Sam Pittman.

Fountain comes to Arkansas after spending 2019 at Georgia in the same role. The Bulldogs saw immediate success with Fountain at the controls, led by kicker and Lou Groza Award winner Rodrigo Blankenship. The first-team All-SEC kicker capped an impressive career at UGA going 27-for-33 (81.8%) on field goals and making all 46 extra points as the Bulldogs won the 2020 Allstate Sugar Bowl. Blankenship was also a weapon on kickoffs allowing just 14 returns all season. Punter Jake Camarda improved in 2019 as well, upping his average to 46.8 yards per punt to rank sixth nationally.

In 2018, Georgia had two of the SEC's top special teams players in return man Mecole Hardman and Blankenship. Hardman led the SEC in punt return average (20.1), was fifth in kick return average (25.2) and was named to the ESPN.com All-America first team.

A Lou Groza semifinalist, Blankenship earned second team All-SEC honors after finishing fifth in the SEC in scoring by kickers (8.7 points per game) and connected on a school-record 154 consecutive PATs. He also posted 82 kickoff touchbacks (season record) extending his school career record to 170.

As a team, the Bulldogs were first in the SEC in punt return yards (366) and punt return average (16.6; seventh nationally) and tied for first in punt return touchdowns (2).

Fountain also contributed to the Bulldogs' emergence on special teams in 2017. Hardman averaged 25.3 yards per kick return, ranking second in the SEC and 21st nationally. Georgia's special teams unit also held opponents to 5.9 yards per punt return and 19.5 yards per kick return. Those numbers were all reduced from a year prior, as opponents averaged 6.1 yards per punt return, 23.8 yards per kick return and notched two 95-yard kickoff returns versus the Bulldogs in 2016.

Additionally, Blankenship hit on 20 of his 23 field goal attempts, including a 55-yarder in the 2018 Rose Bowl vs. Oklahoma and a 51-yarder in overtime of the national championship game. He made all 63 of his PAT attempts, kicked 67 touchbacks (a Georgia season record at the time and third nationally) and was named a semifinalist for the 2017 Lou Groza Award. Punter Cameron Nizialek averaged 45.0 yards per punt to rank ninth nationally and was named a semifinalist for the 2017 Ray Guy Award.

Fountain joined Georgia's full time, on-field staff, in 2018, after filling the same position at Mississippi State during the offseason. Fountain was the special teams analyst at Georgia during the 2017 season.

Before joining Georgia's staff, Fountain had spent the previous eight years as a member of the football program at Auburn, the first four as the Tigers' player personnel director and the latter four coaching tight ends and special teams. From 2014-16, Fountain coached kicker Daniel Carlson, a three-time Lou Groza Award finalist.

### SCOTT FOUNTAIN PROFILE

BIRTHDATE: Feb. 28, 1966 BIRTHPLACE: Brewton, Alabama HIGH SCHOOL: W.S. Neal High School – Brewton, Alabama COLLEGE: Samford, 1988 B.S. Physical Education; Florida State, 1998 M.A. Educational Leadership FAMILY: Wife, the former Rosie Hidalgo; Sons – Brookes, Hunter, Tanner and Skyler

### **COACHING EXPERIENCE**

1988	Flomaton (Ala.) HS (Assistant Coach)
1989	W.S. Neal (Ala.) HS (Assistant Coach)
1990-92	Frisco City (Ala.) HS (Head Coach)
1993	Monroe County (Ala.) HS (Head Coach)
1994-96	Florida State (Offensive Graduate Assistant)
1997-03	UCF (OL/Recruiting Coordinator)
2004-05	Middle Tennessee State (OL)
2006	Georgia Southern (OL)
2007-08	Iowa State (TEs/Recruiting Coordinator)
2009-12	Auburn (Player Personnel Director)
2013-16	Auburn (TEs/Special Teams)
2017	Georgia (Special Teams Analyst)
2018	Mississippi State (Special Teams Coordinator)
2018-19	Georgia (Special Teams Coordinator)

Fountain, a part of three SEC championship teams, led Auburn's administrative and recruiting efforts from 2009-12. He followed Gene Chizik to Auburn after spending two seasons (2007-08) on Chizik's staff at Iowa State as tight ends coach and recruiting coordinator.

Fountain has coached in four national championship games (1997, 2010, 2013, 2017) since beginning his collegiate coaching career at Florida State (1994-96) as an offensive graduate assistant. He then spent seven seasons as an offensive line coach and recruiting coordinator at UCF. Before his eight-year stint at Auburn, Fountain also included coaching stops at Middle Tennessee State (2004-05), Georgia Southern (2006) and Iowa State (2007-08).

He began his coaching career in high school, making four stops in Alabama, including Flomaton HS (1988) and W.S. Neal HS (1989), his alma mater. He became a head coach for the first time at Frisco City HS (1990-92) made his final high school stop at Monroe County HS (1993).".

Fountain earned a bachelor's degree in physical education from Samford in 1988 and a master's degree in educational leadership from Florida State in 1998.

He is married to the former Rosie Hidalgo and the couple has four sons: Brookes, Hunter, Tanner and Skyler.





### KENDAL Briles

#### **Offensive Coordinator**

Kendal Briles brings a wealth of knowledge and success to Arkansas as a play caller during his career. The 2015 Broyles Award finalist led offenses at each of his four coaching stops - Florida State, Houston, Florida Atlantic and Baylor. Since taking over play-calling duties prior to the Cotton Bowl at the end of the 2014 season, when his Baylor offense set an NCAA bowl record with 601 passing yards against Michigan State, Briles' offenses have averaged 39.5 points per game.

At Florida State, Briles took over a struggling offense that ranked 103rd in total offense (361.2 ypg) and 113th in scoring (21.9 ppg) in 2018. In his lone season with the Seminoles, he engineered an offense that improved greatly in both categories gaining 403.2 yards per game and scoring 29.1 points per game. The Noles' running game saw the biggest improvement going from one of the worst in the FBS (91.1 ypg) in 2018 to 133.8 yards per game in 2019. The FSU offense also saw huge turnarounds in the red zone (78.1% in 2018, 86.5% in 2019) and third down conversions (29.1% in 2018, 37.5% in 2019). Briles' offense was led by a pair of All-ACC performers this season in RB Cam Akers and WR Tamorrion Terry.

Briles called one of the most explosive offenses in the nation in 2018 at Houston, ranking in the top 10 in both total offense (7th - 512.5 ypg) and points per game (5th - 43.9 ppg). The Cougars were one of just three teams to rank in the top 25 nationally in passing and rushing, averaging 295.5 yards (16th in FBS) through the air and 216.8 yards (24th) on the ground. Houston's offense was explosive, scoring at least 30 points in each of the first 12 games of the season, including an NCAA leading 10 games of at least 40 points. The offense put points on the board in 47 of 52 quarters and opened the year with a program-best eight straight games of 40-plus points.

Junior quarterback D'Eriq King flourished under Briles' direction, putting together one of the best seasons in the nation in 2018. King, who was injured in the team's 11th game, needed only 10 games to break the American Athletic Conference's single-season touchdown responsibility record with 50. His average of 27.5 points responsible for per game led the nation and was four points higher than the next-closest competitor, Heisman Trophy finalist Dwayne Haskins. King also led the AAC in total offense, passing touchdowns, passing efficiency and completion percentage.

Briles coordinated the offense at FAU in 2017 helping the Owls to the sixthbest rushing attack in the FBS with 285.3 yards per game. The same offense ranked eighth nationally with 40.6 points per game and ninth in total offense with 498.4 yards per game. The Owls' offense helped lead the program to its first Conference USA championship and an 11-3 record, including a win in the Boca Raton Bowl. RB Devin Singletary became FAU's first Associated Press All-American and was named C-USA MVP after leading the nation with 32 rushing touchdowns. He rushed for 1,920 yards before being picked in the third round of the NFL Draft by the Chicago Bears.

Briles spent the first nine years of his coaching career at Baylor helping the Bears to unprecedented success, including back-to-back Big 12 titles. He served in numerous roles for the Bears as the inside wide receivers coach, passing game coordinator and recruiting coordinator before taking over as the offensive coordinator and quarterbacks coach for his final two seasons in Waco. His recruiting efforts were recognized in 2013 and 2014 as the Big 12's Recruiter of the Year.

He was a Broyles Award finalist in 2015 after leading Baylor's offense to historic numbers, leading the NCAA with 48.1 points per game and 616.2 yards of total offense - the third-highest average in a single season in NCAA history.

### **KENDAL BRILES PROFILE**

BIRTHDATE: November 10, 1982 BIRTHPLACE: Stephenville, Texas HIGH SCHOOL: Wolfforth Frenship – Wolfforth, Texas COLLEGE: Houston, 2005 B.S. Sports Management FAMILY: Wife – Sara; Sons – Jaytn and Kru; Daughter – Kinley

### **COACHING EXPERIENCE**

2008-11	Baylor (Assistant Coach/Inside WRs/Offensive Recruiting Coordinator)
2012-14	Baylor (Passing Game Coordinator/WRs/Offensive Recruiting Coordinator)
2015-16	Baylor (Offensive Coordinator/QBs)
2017	Florida Atlantic (Assistant Head Coach/Offensive Coordinator/QBs)
2018	Houston (Associate Head Coach/Offensive Coordinator/QBs)
2019	Florida State (Offensive Coordinator/QBs)

### **PLAYING EXPERIENCE**

2001-02 Texas 2003-05 Houston

OL Spencer Drago was a consensus All-American and WR Corey Coleman won the Biletnikoff Award leading nine Bears named All-Big 12. Baylor ended that season with a win over No. 10 North Carolina in the Russell Athletic Bowl racking up an NCAA bowl record 645 rushing yards and a bowl record 756 yards of total offense. His 2016 offense led the Big 12 in rushing with 241.2 yards per game. Baylor's 2013 offense produced the second-highest total offense season average in NCAA history with 618.8 yards per game.

During his seven years as the Bears' wide receivers coach, he tutored four All-Americans and five eventual NFL receivers, including Terrance Williams and Kendall Wright. Williams, who was a third-round pick by the Dallas Cowboys in the 2013 NFL Draft, broke the Baylor single-season receiving record and led the nation with 1,832 yards on his way to being only the sixth unanimous All-American in program history. Wright, the 20th overall selection in the 2012 NFL Draft, was an All-American in 2011 and broke every major school receiving record.

He was an outstanding high school quarterback in Texas, earning Texas 4A Offensive Player of the Year in each of his final two seasons after generating 9,322 yards of total offense and accounting for 98 touchdowns. He began his collegiate playing career at Texas, where he redshirted in 2001 before playing seven games at safety and intercepting two passes in 2002. He then transferred to Houston and moved to wide receiver, catching 70 passes for 680 yards and a score. He earned his bachelor's degree in sport management from Houston in 2005 and was inducted into the Texas High School Football Hall of Fame in 2014.

Briles and his wife Sarah have three children: sons, Jaytn and Kru, and daughter, Kinley.







### SAM Carter

Cornerbacks

Sam Carter joins the Hogs from Missouri where he was on staff working with the defense in quality control and analyst roles.

Carter helped the Tigers' defense rank as one of the best in the nation, particularly in the secondary, in 2019. Missouri's pass defense ranked sixth in the FBS and second in the Southeastern Conference allowing only 179.3 yards per game. The Tigers were even tougher with the ball in the air, leading the nation by allowing opponents to complete just 50.3% of passes for 2,151 yards – seventh fewest in FBS. Mizzou had four players inside the SEC's top 25 of passes defended, including three defensive backs in Joshuah Bledsoe, Khalil Oliver and Tyree Gillespie.

Carter was a standout, All-Big 12 safety at TCU prior to starting his coaching career. The New Orleans native played in 49 games for the Horned Frogs from 2011-14, starting 39 including all 38 over his final three years. As a senior he was a semifinalist for the Jim Thorpe Award, a Senior CLASS Award finalist and a Senior CLASS Award second-team All-American.

### SAM CARTER PROFILE

BIRTHDATE: October 20, 1990 BIRTHPLACE: New Orleans, Louisiana HIGH SCHOOL: Alief Hastings High School – Houston, Texas COLLEGE: Texas Christian University, 2014 B.S. Sociology

### COACHING EXPERIENCE

2016-19 Missouri (Defensive Quality Control/Analyst)

### **PLAYING EXPERIENCE**

2011-14 TCU



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# JON COOPER Tight Ends

Jon Cooper joins the Razorbacks as the team's tight ends coach.

Cooper heads to Fayetteville from UCF, where he coached the Knights' tight ends the last two seasons. In his two years in Orlando, the Knights went an impressive 22-4 including a 2018 American Athletic Conference championship, an undefeated regular season, a trip to the 2019 Fiesta Bowl and a spot in the final Associated Press poll (No. 11).

The Knights' offense was one of the most productive in the nation each of Cooper's two seasons. The 2019 offense finished the regular season in the top 10 nationally in total offense (2nd – 540.5 ypg), scoring (5th – 43.4 ppg) and passing yards (8th – 316.7 ypg). The Knights' total offense set a school record and marked the second straight year under head coach Josh Heupel the UCF offense gained more than 500 yards per game.

In 2018, the Knights scored 43.2 points per game, ranking sixth in the nation, and gained 522.7 yards per game to finish the season ranked fifth in the country. The UCF ground game set a program-best with 265.2 yards per game to finish eighth in the nation.

Senior Michael Colubiale led the way for Cooper's tight ends with 21 catches and three touchdowns to earn All-American Athletic Conference honorable mention status in 2018.

Prior to UCF, Cooper spent two seasons as an offensive analyst for thenoffensive coordinator Josh Heupel at Missouri. The Tigers' offense exploded to lead the Southeastern Conference in yards per game in 2017 (502.2 ypg) and points per game (37.5 ppg), while ranking second in passing yards (308.6 ypg).

In his final season in Columbia, Cooper helped the offensive line finish the year ranked eighth nationally in total offense, fifth in sacks allowed (13.0), 14th in scoring offense and passing yards, 18th in first downs (23.4 per game) and 16th in red zone offense (90.6% scoring).

Prior to working at Missouri, Cooper served as a graduate assistant at Utah State. In his lone season with the Aggies in 2015 the offense climbed 21 spots nationally in scoring offense, despite losing its starting quarterback Chuckie Keeton to injury.

Cooper began his coaching career at his alma mater, Oklahoma, as a graduate assistant coach. He spent two seasons with the Sooners while the program went 19-7, including a 45-31 victory over Alabama in the 2014 Sugar Bowl.

He was a three-year starter at center for Oklahoma, earning Big 12 Offensive Lineman of the Year as a senior in 2008 while blocking for Heisman Trophy winner Sam Bradford. During his playing days with the Sooners, Cooper helped lead Oklahoma to a 42-12 overall record and a spot in the Bowl Championship Series National Championship game as a senior, while garnering two All-Big 12 selections.

Cooper spent four seasons in the NFL, playing 13 games during his first three seasons with the Minnesota Vikings and made his first career start against

### JON COOPER PROFILE

BIRTHDATE: October 1, 1986 BIRTHPLACE: Fort Collins, Colorado HIGH SCHOOL: Fort Collins High School – Fort Collins, Colorado COLLEGE: Oklahoma, 2009 B.S. Human Relations FAMILY: Wife – Julia; Son – Cage

### **COACHING EXPERIENCE**

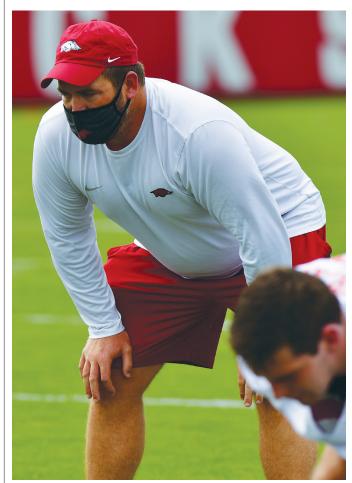
2013-14	Oklahoma (Graduate Assistant)
2015	Utah State (Graduate Assistant)
2016-17	Missouri (Offensive Analyst)
2018-19	UCF (TEs)

### **PLAYING EXPERIENCE**

2005-08	Oklahoma
2009-11	Minnesota Vikings
2012	Tennessee Titans

the Dallas Cowboys at center. He originally joined the Vikings in 2009 as an undrafted free agent before signing with the Tennessee Titans in 2012.

The Fort Collins, Colorado native graduated from Oklahoma in 2009 with a bachelor's degree in human relations.





# BRAD

### **Offensive Line**

Brad Davis joins the Razorbacks as the offensive line coach from Missouri where he served as the Tigers' offensive line coach each of the last two seasons. He helped the Tigers to a 6-6 season in 2019 with his offensive line paving the way for the offense to gain 374.3 yards per game, including 151.7 on the ground.

In 2018, he took over an offensive line that had been built for an offense that averaged 33.1 passes per game in a spread attack in 2017 and transformed the group into a unit that operated in a more balanced, ball control offense, including ranking 40th in the nation and sixth in the SEC in time of possession (30:53). A vast improvement from 2017 when the Tigers ranked next-to-last in the country. The 2018 offense finished the season 13th in the nation in total offense (481.8 ypg), 18th nationally in scoring (36.6 ppg) and 8-5 on the year.

Tre'Vour Wallace-Simms led Davis' first Missouri squad, earning first-team All-SEC honors from the Associated Press to become Mizzou's first offensive lineman to win first-team All-SEC accolades since 2013. Wallace-Sims became the 14th lineman tutored by Davis to earn all-conference honors in his career.

Davis joined Missouri after a year with the Florida Gators in 2017. With the Gators, he led a young squad that finished the season without any seniors among the team's two-deep. Despite the youth up front, Florida ran for 165-plus yards in six straight games during the season, the longest such streak since 2009.

Prior to Florida, Davis spent single seasons at North Texas (2016), East Carolina (2015) and James Madison (2014), where he also was the co-offensive coordinator for a Dukes team that finished 9-4 and earned a FCS Playoff berth.

Davis spent five seasons at Portland State (2009-13) as the offensive line coach and run-game coordinator for the Vikings. In his final season in Portland, Mitchell Van Dyk earned first-team All-Big Sky and third-team All-America honors as the Vikings led the Big Sky in total offense and ranked third in FCS in rushing and total offense. PSU set numerous school records that season with 6,486 total yards, 3,330 rushing yards, 277.7 rushing yards per game, 540.5 total yards per game and 36 rushing touchdowns. He worked with future FCS Rimington Award winner Cornelius Edison at PSU before Edison played in the NFL with the Minnesota Vikings.

Pittman has a deep connection with Davis dating back to Davis' playing days at Oklahoma, where Pittman coached Davis for the Sooners in 1997-98. Pittman later brought Davis to North Carolina in 2008 as the offensive line graduate assistant.

A native of Baton Rouge, La., Davis is a 2003 graduate of Oklahoma. With the Sooners he was a part of two Big 12 championship teams and the 2000 national championship team. He was named the team's Most Valuable Offensive Lineman in 2002.

Davis and his wife, Anecia, have two sons, Bradley and Brayden.

### **BRAD DAVIS PROFILE**

BIRTHDATE: February 17, 1980 BIRTHPLACE: Baton Rouge, Louisiana HIGH SCHOOL: Belaire HS – Baton Rouge, Louisiana COLLEGE: Oklahoma, 2003 B.S. Education FAMILY: Wife – Anecia; Sons – Bradley and Brayden

### **COACHING EXPERIENCE**

2003-04	Southern University Lab School (La.) (OL/Co-Offensive Coordinator)
2005	Wayne State (OL Graduate Assistant)
2005	Doane College (OL/Run Game Coordinator)
2006-07	Texas A&M (DL Graduate Assistant)
2008	North Carolina (OL Graduate Assistant)
2009-13	Portland State (OL/ Run Game Coordinator)
2014	James Madison (OL/Co-Offensive Coordinator)
2015	East Carolina (OL/Run Game Coordinator)
2016	North Texas (OL/Run Game Coordinator)
2017	Florida (OL)
2018-19	Missouri (OL)

### **PLAYING EXPERIENCE**

1999-02 Oklahoma





# DERRICK LEBLANC

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### **Defensive Line**

Derrick LeBlanc will serve as Sam Pittman's defensive line coach for the Razorbacks.

LeBlanc (pronounced "luh-blon" the "c" is silent) brings SEC experience from LSU and Kentucky and ties to the state of Arkansas having coached at Henderson State (2001-04) and Arkansas Tech (2005).

At Kentucky over the last three seasons, he helped build the Wildcats into a solid program going to three straight bowl games, including a win over Penn State in the 2019 VRBO Citrus Bowl to cap a 10-win campaign. Kentucky went 25-14 overall in his three seasons in the Bluegrass State.

His 2019 defensive line led the way for the Wildcats into opposing backfields, contributing 18 of Kentucky's 33 sacks that ranked fourth in the SEC. Senior Calvin Taylor Jr. paced the Cats with 8.5 to finish second in the league. LeBlanc's line also added 37 tackles for loss with Taylor Jr. and Josh Paschal each totaling 9.5 - second-most on the team. The group also forced eight fumbles.

LeBlanc's maturing defensive line totaled 23.5 tackles for loss and 9.5 quarterback sacks in 2018, well up from 2017. His unit helped the Cats win 10 games for the first time in 41 years, including five SEC games and a 6-1 mark in Lexington. Kentucky's defense ranked fourth in the league allowing 337.9 yards per game and averaged nearly three sacks per game.

With no senior starters in 2017, LeBlanc's young defensive line played a key role in helping the Wildcats hold six opponents under 100 rushing yards, the first time UK had accomplished that feat since 1949. Kentucky also improved points allowed and third-down efficiency. Junior Denzil Ware was among the SEC's best with 6.5 sacks and 9.5 tackles for loss.

LeBlanc arrived at Kentucky after one season as the defensive line coach at North Texas in 2016. He was a part of the Mean Green's remarkable turnaround from winning just one game in 2015 to five wins and an appearance in the Zaxby's Heart of Dallas Bowl in 2016.

He spent one season as the defensive coordinator and defensive line coach at Pearl River Community College in Poplarville, Mississippi in 2015.

During the 2013 and 2014 seasons, LeBlanc helped revitalize the defensive line at Southern Miss. In his first year he managed a defensive line led by Khyri Thornton, who was named second-team All-Conference USA and selected in the third round (85th overall pick) by the Green Bay Packers in the 2014 NFL Draft. Under LeBlanc's tutelage, Thornton recorded 39 tackles, including 16 solo tackles and 23 assisted tackles. He also coached first-team All-Conference USA selection Rakeem Nunez-Roches, who was a sixth round pick of Kansas City in 2015.

LeBlanc spent one season (2012) at Wyoming where he tutored Mike Purcell to first-team All-Mountain West honors. Purcell was third on the team in tackles with 83 while recording eight tackles for loss. LeBlanc was an assistant strength and conditioning coordinator at LSU from 2008-11 under head coach Les Miles.

Prior to LSU, LeBlanc was the defensive line coach for two seasons (2006-

### DERRICK LEBLANC PROFILE

BIRTHDATE: May 6, 1974 BIRTHPLACE: Breaux Bridge, Louisiana HIGH SCHOOL: Breaux Bridge HS COLLEGE: Northwestern State (La.), 1997 B.S. Business Administration; 2000 M.A. Sport Administration FAMILY: Wife – Niema; Sons – Dayton and Derrick; Daughter – Kennedy

### **COACHING EXPERIENCE**

1997-99	Breaux Bridge (La.) HS (Offensive and Defensive Line Coach)
2000	LSU (Graduate Assistant)
2001-04	Henderson State (DL/Strength and Conditioning Coordinator)
2005	Arkansas Tech (DL/Academic Coordinator)
2006-07	Missouri State (DL)
2008-11	LSU (Assistant Strength and Conditioning Coordinator)
2012	Wyoming (DL)
2013-14	Southern Miss (DL)
2015	Pearl River Community College (Defensive Coordinator/DL)
2016	North Texas (DL)
2017-19	Kentucky (DL)

#### PLAYING EXPERIENCE

1992-96 Northwestern (La.) State

07) at Missouri State. In 2005, he was the defensive line coach and academic coordinator at Arkansas Tech. LeBlanc's first full-time college coaching position was at Henderson State University in 2001. He coached the defensive line and served as the Reddies' strength and conditioning coordinator for four seasons (2001-04).

He began his coaching career in 1997 at Breaux Bridge High School in Breaux Bridge, Louisiana, where he was the offensive and defensive line coach for three seasons from 1997-99. LeBlanc broke into the college ranks in 2000 when he accepted a graduate assistant position at LSU. There he assisted thendefensive line coach Pete Jenkins in coaching the defensive line, as well as assisting the strength and conditioning staff.

LeBlanc, a native of Breaux Bridge, Louisiana, was a four-year football letterman at Northwestern State University (1992-96). He played both defensive and offensive line during his playing career and earned Southland Conference All-Academic honors as both a junior and senior. He graduated from Northwestern State with a degree in business administration and earned a master's degree in sports administration from LSU.

He and his wife, Niema, have two sons, Dayton and Derrick, and one daughter, Kennedy.







### RION Rhoades

### Linebackers

Rion Rhoades gets his first opportunity at the FBS level after coaching the last 14 years as a head coach at the junior college level, including the last 13 as the head coach at Hutchinson Community College in Hutchinson, Kansas.

A former Hutchinson linebacker for Pittman in 1993, Rhoades returned to his alma mater as the head coach in 2007 after turning around a struggling Fort Scott Community College program in just one year. At Hutchinson, Rhoades quickly worked his magic taking the Blue Dragons to a Region VI runner-up finish in his second year, then kicking off a run of six straight seasons that saw his program win the Salt City Bowl, capped by an 11-1 season in 2014 that also claimed the Kansas Jayhawk Community College Conference and Region VI championships. The Blue Dragons made 10 postseason appearances in Rhoades' 13 seasons as head coach.

Rhoades' career record of 106-55 over 14 years as a head coach in Kansas places him as the fourth winningest coach in Kansas Jayhawk Conference history. While at Hutchinson, Rhoades guided 239 players move onto four-year programs and saw 16 of his former players selected in the NFL Draft or sign as an undrafted free against. Wide receiver Cordarrelle Patterson became the first Blue Dragan to be selected in the first round of the NFL Draft when Oakland selected him with the 29th overall pick in the 2013 draft. He also coached running back Alvin Kamara in 2014, who became a three-time Pro Bowl selection and Rookie of the Year with the New Orleans Saints. Rhodes also won two conference coach of the year awards in 2006 and 2014.

In 2019, Rhoades' squad finished 10-2 and No. 3 in the final NJCAA rankings after another Salt City Bowl title. The No. 3 finish was the highest the Blue Dragons have ever finished in the final poll and the fifth time a Rhoades-led Hutchinson team finished inside the Top 10 in his 13 years as head coach. In addition, Hutchinson earned a No. 1 national ranking during the season, the first in the school's history.

As a player at Hutchinson, Rhoades made an immediate impact as a freshman with 138 tackles as a linebacker to help Pittman and the Blue Dragons to a 6-5 season and a trip to the Valley of the Sun Bowl in 1993. As a sophomore and team captain in 1994, Rhoades led Hutchinson with 130 tackles and helped his team to a third-consecutive winning season with an 8-4 record and a ranking of 15th in the final NJCAA poll. Rhoades was an All-Jayhawk Conference honorable mention in 1993 and led the team to a Valley of the Sun Bowl berth. Following his two years at Hutchinson as a player, Rhoades transferred to Western Illinois and then to Northwestern Oklahoma State, where he was an NAIA All-America selection at linebacker.

He and his wife Darcy have three children: daughter, Sydney, and sons, Trevor and Jackson.

### **RION RHOADES PROFILE**

BIRTHDATE: Jan. 7, 1975 BIRTHPLACE: Liberal, Kan. HIGH SCHOOL: Liberal High School - Liberal, Kan. COLLEGE: Northwestern Oklahoma State, 1998 FAMILY: Wife – Darcy; Sons – Trevor and Jackson; Daughter – Sydney

### COACHING EXPERIENCE

2006	Fort Scott (Kan.) CC
2007-19	Hutchinson (Kan.) CC

### **PLAYING EXPERIENCE**

1993-94	Hutchinson (Kan.) CC
1995	Western Illinois
1996-98	Northwestern Oklahoma State







### JIMMY SMITH

### **Running Backs**

Jimmy Smith will coach the running backs for Sam Pittman in his first season at Arkansas.

Smith spent last season as the running backs coach at Georgia State. The Panthers featured one of the best running attacks in the Sun Belt led by first-team All-Sun Belt running back Tra Barnett, who led the league and ranked 11th nationally with 111.8 yards per game. Barnett and the Panthers ranked 13th nationally with 241.6 yards per game on the ground as a team.

Smith was a part of the Georgia State's historic upset at Tennessee when the Panthers outrushed the Volunteers, 213-93, to win, 38-30, on opening weekend in the Panthers' first-ever win over a Power 5 program.

Prior to jumping to college football, Smith coached for 12 years at Cedar Grove High School in Metro Atlanta, including his last six years as athletic director, head football coach and head track coach.

In his six seasons at the helm of the football program, he led the Saints to a 67-14-1 record. From 2015-18, Smith led Cedar Grove to two Class AAA state championships in 2016 and 2018 – the first two state titles in school history – as well as berths in the state final four in 2015 and 2017, all while winning 51 games.

Smith arrived at Cedar Grove in 2007 as an assistant football coach, working with receivers and defensive backs before being elevated to offensive coordinator in 2010 for three seasons before taking over as head coach in 2013.

Smith earned numerous coaching accolades, including a pair of Georgia Coach of the Year awards in Class AAA (2016 and 2018) as well as multiple region and county Coach of the Year honors.

He coached six prep All-Americans, and more than 30 of his former studentathletes went on to play at the collegiate level.

As the head track coach, Smith led Cedar Grove to four consecutive state titles (2015-18), also the first state titles in school history. He was honored as the 2018 Region 5-AAA Athletic Director of the Year.

He began his coaching career at Darlington (S.C.) High School, his alma mater, where he was the offensive coordinator and quarterbacks coach for one season in 2005.

Smith was a quarterback at Tennessee State, helping the Tigers to back-to-back Ohio Valley Conference championships in 1998 and 1999.

He earned his bachelor's degree in business administration from Fayetteville State in 2002 and added a master's of education from Georgia State in 2009.

Smith, a native of Darlington, S.C., and his wife Quanisha have a son, Jermaine II, and a daughter, Joss.

### **JIMMY SMITH PROFILE**

BIRTHDATE: July 27, 1979 BIRTHPLACE: Darlington, South Carolina HIGH SCHOOL: Darlington High School - Darlington, S.C. COLLEGE: Fayetteville State, 2002 B.S. Business Administration; Georgia State, 2009 M.Ed FAMILY: Wife - Quanisha; Son - Jermaine II; Daughter - Joss

### **COACHING EXPERIENCE**

2005	Darlington (S.C.) HS (Offensive Coordinator/QBs)
2007-09	Cedar Grove (Ga.) HS (Assistant Coach)
2010-12	Cedar Grove (Ga.) HS (Offensive Coordinator)
2013-18	Cedar Grove (Ga.) HS (Head Coach)
2019	Georgia State (RBs)

### **PLAYING EXPERIENCE**

1998-99 Tennessee State







### JUSTIN STEPP

### **Wide Receivers**

Justin Stepp enters his third season with the Razorbacks and first on head coach Sam Pittman's staff.

Stepp's recruiting efforts prior to the 2019 season paid immediate dividends as the duo of Treylon Burks and Trey Knox were one of the top freshman receiving duos in the nation. Burks led the Razorbacks with 475 yards and was third on the squad with 29 catches while Knox's 385 yards were third on the squad and his three touchdowns were the second-most caught by a Hog in 2019. Burks also developed into a threat in the kicking game, returning punts and kicks to earn All-SEC second team honors from the league's coaches. Burks and Knox combined for 57 catches and 860 yards, the most among SEC freshmen duos. Mike Woods continued to develop under Stepp in his sophomore season, starting all 12 games and leading the team with 33 catches and four TDs.

His first season on the Hill saw the development of a young group of wideouts, led by freshman Mike Woods. The Magnolia, Texas, native played in 10 games, starting seven, and racked up 206 yards on 18 catches, averaging 11.4 to top returners coming back for the 2019 season.

Stepp was active on the recruiting trail for the Razorbacks this past offseason being named as one of the nation's Top 25 recruiters by Rivals thanks to the addition of four four-star receivers. The Hogs were the only team in the nation to sign four four-star wide receivers.

In December 2017, he was selected to participate in the 2018 AFCA 35 Under 35 Coaches Leadership Institute, a prestigious program aimed at identifying and developing premier, future leaders in the football coaching profession. He was also named a finalist for the 2017 FootballScoop Wide Receivers Coach of the Year award.

During Stepp's seven seasons as a wide receivers coach, he's tutored three different players who have combined for four 1,000-yard receiving seasons.

Stepp's protégés Courtland Sutton and Trey Quinn at SMU were two of the most dynamic wide receivers in college football in 2017 and each went on to be selected in the 2018 NFL Draft. The Mustangs boasted one of the most prolific passing attacks in the nation on the strength of All-Americans Sutton and Quinn each posting 1,000-yard receiving seasons. SMU was one of only two schools with multiple 1,000-yard receivers in 2017. In addition, Sutton and Quinn were the only pair of teammates to rank in the top 10 in touchdown receptions and combined for 12 100-yard receiving games with six apiece. Quinn finished the year with 13 TD catches, while Sutton had 12.

A Biletnikoff Award and Earl Campbell Tyler Rose semifinalist, Quinn led the nation in receptions with 114 and ranked inside the top 15 nationally in receiving touchdowns (No. 4, 13), receiving yards per game (No. 10, 95.1) and receiving yards (No. 11, 1,236). He turned in two of the three top reception performances in the FBS during the regular season with 17 catches twice and became the only player this century to register 15-plus catches in three straight games. The Lake Charles, Louisiana, native was selected by the Washington Redskins with the 256th and final selection of the 2018 draft.

Sutton, a second-round pick of the Denver Broncos, posted career receiving totals of 3,152 yards and 31 touchdowns on 189 receptions in four seasons at SMU. He averaged 16.4 yards per catch in each of his last two seasons, and finished third on the Mustangs' all-time receiving chart.

In 2016, Sutton led the SMU offense for the second straight season, hauling in 76 passes for 1,246 yards and 10 TDs to become SMU's first 1,000-yard receiver since 2013. Sutton was not the Mustangs' only threat through the air, though, as James Proche, caught 57 passes for 709 yards and six scores on his way to Freshman All-America honors.

### **JUSTIN STEPP PROFILE**

BIRTHDATE: July 5, 1983 BIRTHPLACE: Columbia, South Carolina HIGH SCHOOL: Pellon HS – Pellon, South Carolina COLLEGE: Furman, 2007 FAMILY: Wife - Brooke: Son - Courtland Spencer

### **COACHING EXPERIENCE**

2007	Fort Mill (S.C.) HS (WRs/Strength and Conditioning)
2008	North Greenville (WRs/Recruiting Coordinator)
2009-10	Clemson (Graduate Assistant/Offensive Video)
2011	Clemson (Graduate Assistant/Offense)
2012-14	Appalachian State (WRs)
2015-17	Southern Methodist University (WRs)
2018-	Arkansas (WRs)

### **PLAYING EXPERIENCE**

2003-06 Furman

Stepp's first season at SMU saw him develop Sutton into one of the country's top freshman. Sutton was named a Freshman All-American in 2015 after leading all FBS freshmen with nine receiving touchdowns. He set an SMU freshman record for receiving yards with 862 and tied Sanders for most touchdowns by a freshman.

Over Stepp's first two seasons at Appalachian State, he coached three players who combined to earn five All-Southern Conference honors, including All-American Sean Price who set FCS freshman records with 81 receptions and 1,196 receiving yards in 2012.

Prior to Appalachian State, he spent three seasons at Clemson as an offensive graduate assistant coach (2011) and an offensive video graduate assistant (2009-10).

In 2011, Stepp played a key role in Clemson's offense. Stepp worked directly with the Tigers' running backs, quarterbacks, wide receivers and tight ends, while assisting in game-planning and in-game play-calling adjustments. With Stepp on the sideline, Clemson ranked second in the ACC and in the top 30 nationally in scoring (33.6) and total offense (440.8) and boasted a pair of All-Americans on the offensive side of the ball.

Stepp got his coaching start as the wide receivers coach and recruiting coordinator at Division II North Greenville in 2008. He also served as wide receivers and strength coach at Fort Mill (S.C.) High School in 2007.

Stepp was a standout wide receiver and punt returner at Furman from 2003-06. He earned All-SoCon recognition as a junior and senior and finished his playing career with 1,568 yards, 10 touchdown catches and 118 receptions, good for No. 4 on the school's career list at the time.

Stepp and his wife, Brooke, have a son, Courtland Spencer Stepp, and a dog, Holi.







### JAMIL Walker

### **Director of Strength & Conditioning Coach**

Jamil Walker takes over the Arkansas strength and conditioning program for head coach Sam Pittman.

Walker joins the Razorbacks from Georgia, where he was the associate strength and conditioning coach for the Bulldogs since 2017.

Prior to Georgia, he was an assistant football strength and conditioning coach at Wisconsin. The former Badger remained at his alma mater as an intern in the strength and conditioning program in 2008 and became an assistant coach during the spring of 2009.

At the time of his graduation, Walker was part of the winningest senior class in Wisconsin history, going 40-11 over his four-year playing career. Walker and the Badgers won the 2006 Capital One Bowl and followed that with a 12-1 record during the 2006 season and another win in the 2007 Capital One Bowl.

Walker graduated from UW with a bachelor's degree in 2008 and is certified through the CSCCA and USAW.

He is originally from Rolling Meadows, Illinois and has a son Julian.

### **JAMIL WALKER PROFILE**

BIRTHDATE: May 2, 1985 BIRTHPLACE: Chicago, III. HIGH SCHOOL: William Fremd HS COLLEGE: Wisconsin, 2008 FAMILY: Son - Julian





### ED Ellis

Senior Associate Director of Strength & Conditioning

Ed Ellis rejoins the Razorbacks after spending the previous four seasons at Georgia as the senior associate director of strength and conditioning.

Ellis enters into his 34th year in the field in 2020 including 25 years as a head strength and conditioning coach with stops at Central Florida, Georgia Tech, Wake Forest, Illinois State, Ole Miss and Arkansas. Ellis has worked with teams that have appeared in 14 bowl games.

In May of 2003, Ellis was awarded the highest honor in his field of expertise when he was certified as a master strength and conditioning coach (MSCC). The title of master strength and conditioning coach represents professionalism, knowledge, experience, expertise as well as longevity in the field. He is also CPR/AED certified. He serves on the Board of Directors for the CSCCA.

At UCF, Ellis worked directly with the football program while overseeing the strength, speed and conditioning efforts for UCF's 16 sport athletics program. During his time at UCF, the Knights recorded four 10-win seasons including 12-1 in 2013 and 2014 Fiesta Bowl victory over Baylor.

Ellis spent time in the same capacity at Georgia Tech from 2001-04. While head strength and conditioning coach at Wake Forest from 1994-2001, Ellis was named the 2000 Collegiate Strength and Conditioning Professional of the Year for the Atlantic Coast Conference by the National Strength and Conditioning Association.

Prior to his stretch at Wake Forest, Ellis spent four years, from 1991-94, as head strength and conditioning coordinator at Illinois State and two years (1989-91) as an assistant strength coach at Ole Miss. He began his career as a graduate assistant at Arkansas from 1987-89.

Ellis earned his bachelor's degree in physical education and health from Alabama in 1987 and received a master's degree in education from Arkansas in 1989.

He is married to the former Dyann Edmondston of Medford, New York. The couple have two daughters, Jessica and Nicole, and two sons, Eric and Brian.

### ED ELLIS PROFILE

BIRTHDATE: July 19, 1964 BIRTHPLACE: Patchogue, N.Y. HIGH SCHOOL: Patchogue-Medford HS COLLEGE: Alabama, 1987 - Arkansas, 1989 FAMILY: Wife - Dyann; Daughters - Jessica and Nicole; Sons - Eric and Brian



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