

# 2002 TROY STATE FOOTBALL



## 2002 Schedule/Results

Aug. 31	at Nebraska	6 p.m.
Sept. 7	at UAB (1)	6 p.m.
Sept. 14	SOUTHERN UTAH	6 p.m.
Sept. 21	at Iowa State	6 p.m.
Sept. 28	at Missouri	2 p.m.
Oct. 5	AUSTIN PEAY	6 p.m.
Oct. 12	at Mississippi State	1:30 p.m.
Oct. 19	at Marshall (1)	3 p.m.
Oct. 26	Florida Atlantic (HC)	2 p.m.
Nov. 2	at Arkansas	1 p.m.
Nov. 9	vs. Florida A&M at Mobile (1)	4 p.m.
Nov. 16	UTAH STATE (1)	2 p.m.

### ALL TIMES CENTRAL

(1) Televised by ESPN-Plus and aired by Comcast-Charter Sports SE and UPN-67

## Weekly Press Conference

Coach Blakeney will hold his weekly press luncheon at 12:15 p.m. on Mondays at the Tine Davis Field House. Lunch is served first, followed by interviews with Head Coach Larry Blakeney at 1 p.m. and selected players at 1:50 p.m. Please notify the Athletics Media Relations office on Sunday if you have any specific player requests.

## On The World Wide Web

Find information about the Troy State football team and other TSU athletics teams on the department's official Web site. Fans can also listen to all Troy State football, basketball and baseball games live through the site:

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## Troy State (0-0) at #8 Nebraska (1-0) Aug. 31, 2002 • 6 p.m. • Lincoln, Neb. Memorial Stadium (73,981)

### Trojans set for return trip to Lincoln, date with Huskers

The Troy State football team will open its 2002 season in Lincoln, Neb., this Saturday against Nebraska (No. 8 Coaches/No. 9 AP), fulfilling the second and final part of a two-year contract with one of the nation's most storied programs.

The Trojans will travel to Lincoln with one of their most experienced squads since Larry Blakeney became head coach in 1991. TSU boasts 25 seniors and returns 16 starters from last season, although two of those players, senior center Trent Garmon and junior cornerback Freeman White, will not play due to injuries.

Nebraska opened its season on Saturday with a 48-10 win over Arizona State at Memorial Stadium, using a 24-point, fourth-quarter outburst to put the game away. The Huskers return 13 starters from last year's squad, which played Miami for the national championship in the Rose Bowl.

**TROY STATE VS. NEBRASKA, THE SERIES:** This will be the second meeting between Troy State and Nebraska, with the Huskers owning a 1-0 advantage. Nebraska defeated the Trojans, 42-14, on Sept. 1 last season in Lincoln.

**TROY STATE VS. NEBRASKA, THE LAST TIME:** Nebraska running back Dahrran Diedrick rushed for 177 yards as the Huskers ran up a total of 457 yards total offense - including 330 rushing - and ruined the Trojans' Division I-A "coming out" party before 77,812 on Sept. 1 last year.

The Trojans led 7-0 early following a 'Husker turnover and a Demontray Carter 9-yard scoring run. TSU then sliced a 21-point deficit to 28-14 at halftime and had an opportunity to cut into the lead further early in the second half after recovering a Nebraska fumble inside the Huskers' 30. An interception by Mark Vedral snuffed out the threat, however, and the Trojans never threatened again.

Nebraska used three Trojan miscues to account for 14 points.

Troy State finished with only 165 yards total offense and had minus-25 yards rushing, a school record for fewest yards on the ground, although the team lost 68 yards on eight sacks and another 30 on botched punt snaps.

## On The Air

**RADIO (TSU Sports Network)**  
Airtime: 5 p.m.  
Play-by-play: Barry McKnight  
Color: Roger Shultz  
Sideline: Jerry Miller  
Analyst: Phil Paramore

**TELEVISION**  
None

## The Head Coaches

**Troy State** - Larry Blakeney (Auburn '70)  
98-34-1 at Troy State (12th year); same overall  
**Nebraska** - Frank Solich (Nebraska '66)  
43-9 at Nebraska (5th year); same overall

## The Series

Nebraska leads, 1-0

## Last Meeting

Nebraska defeated TSU, 42-14, in Lincoln on 9/1/01.

## Offensive/Defensive Sets

**Troy State** - Offense, Trojan Spread; Defense, 4-3  
**Nebraska** - Offense, I-formation; Defense, 4-3

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## Weekly Media Information Schedule

### Sunday (No practice)

- Updated cumulative statistics posted on website at: [www.troyst.edu](http://www.troyst.edu) by 4 p.m.
- Updated 2-deep depth chart posted on website at: [www.troyst.edu](http://www.troyst.edu) by 4 p.m.
- All specific player interview requests for Monday's press conference due by 6 p.m.

### Monday (Practice: 6-8 p.m.)

- Updated preliminary notes/stats posted on [www.troyst.edu](http://www.troyst.edu) by 3 p.m.
- Weekly release available for pick-up at weekly press luncheon
- Press luncheon and teleconference at Tine Davis Fieldhouse at 12:30 p.m.
- Press conference transcript posted on [www.troyst.edu](http://www.troyst.edu) by 3 p.m.
- Press conference audio transcript archived on [www.troyst.edu](http://www.troyst.edu) by 6 p.m.
- Weekly release posted on [www.troyst.edu](http://www.troyst.edu) by 5 p.m.
- Post-practice report filed by the TSU Athletics Media Relations Office.

### Tuesday (Practice: 2:30-5:15 p.m.)

- Coach Blakeney and requested players available for interviews before and after practice.
- Players may return phone calls to out-of-town media following practice
- Post-practice report filed by the TSU Athletics Media Relations Office.

### Wednesday (Practice: 2:30-5:15 p.m.)

- Coach Blakeney and requested players available for interviews before and after practice.
- Players may return phone calls to out-of-town media following practice
- Post-practice report filed by the TSU Athletics Media Relations Office.

### Thursday (Practice: 2:30-5:15 p.m.)

- No interviews allowed of coaches or players until after the game on Saturday.
- Post-practice report filed by the TSU Athletics Media Relations Office.

### Friday (Practice: 2:30-5:15 p.m.)

- No interviews allowed of coaches or players until after the game on Saturday.
- Post-practice report filed by the TSU Athletics Media Relations Office.

### Gameday

- The following is posted on [www.troyst.edu](http://www.troyst.edu) within an hour after the conclusion of the game: Final Statistics, Play-by-play, Postgame notes and Postgame quotes.

## TSU Pronunciations

Andrew Amerson	AIM-er-son
Derrick Ansley	AN-slee
DeWhitt Betterson	duh-WIT
LeBarron Black	luh-BEAR-un
Donnie Bostian	BOSS-ton
Stan Curington	KUR-ing-ton
Jose Gamboa	gam-BOW-uh
Adrian Ghent	JENT
Deiric Jackson	Derek
Leverne Johnson	luh-VERN
Torre Lankford	TOAR-ee
Lance Lieb	LEEB
Kacson Maddox	KAY-sahn
Deloise Moore	duh-LEW-is
Matt Munyon	MUN-yun (like onion)
Rayshun Reed	ray-SHUN
Zsan Robinson	ZJAHN
Osi Umenyiora	OH-see you-men-YOUR-uh
Davern Williams	DAV-urn
Naazir Yamini	nah-ZEER Yuh-ME-nee

## Interview Policy

### WEEKLY INTERVIEWS

The Troy State Athletics Media Relations office encourages media contact and interaction with Troy State coaches and athletes and will coordinate all interviews. Before or after practice is the best time to catch players and coaches at the same time. The Trojans practice from 5-8 p.m. on Mondays and 2:30-5 p.m. Tuesday-Friday, except when playing on the road. Sundays are a scheduled off day for the team.

Coach Blakeney will hold his weekly press luncheon at 12:15 p.m. on Mondays at the Tine Davis Field House, during which time several players and assistant coaches will be present. Lunch is served first, followed by interviews with Blakeney at 1 p.m., offensive coordinator John Shannon at 1:35 p.m. and defensive coordinator Wayne Bolt at 1:45 p.m. Player interviews will follow at approximately 1:55 p.m.

Although a select group of players will be present at each press conference, specific player interview requests should be made by 6 p.m. on Sundays.

NO PLAYER INTERVIEWS ARE ALLOWED AFTER WEDNESDAY.

### WEEKLY PRESS TELECONFERENCE

Those media unable to attend the weekly press conference in Troy can still participate in the event via the Troy State Football Teleconference.

Media members wishing to ask questions should dial 1-877-297-4509 (toll free) and ask to participate in the Troy State Football Teleconference. The operator will provide instructions. Coach Blakeney will make a brief opening statement and take questions from the media present for the first 20 minutes. At approximately 1:20 p.m., he will take questions from the media listening via telephone. A full transcript of the event will be available at [www.troyst.edu/athletics](http://www.troyst.edu/athletics).

### POST-GAME PROCEDURES

Following each game, Coach Blakeney will be made available to the media following the NCAA-mandated "cooling off" period. Coach Blakeney will appear in the interview room first, followed by Troy State players and assistant coaches who have been requested. Ask Troy State Athletics Media Relations Director Tom Strother regarding access to the Troy State locker room following the game.

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## THE NEBRASKA SCOUTING REPORT

### Nebraska Head Coach Frank Solich

Frank Solich is entering his fifth season as the Huskers' head coach. After spending four seasons (1962-65) as a player under Bob Devaney, and 19 seasons (1979-97) as an assistant under Tom Osborne, both Nebraska coaching legends, Solich was named Nebraska's 26th head coach on Dec. 10, 1997.

In his first four seasons, Solich has compiled a 43-9 record, better than both of his predecessors in their first four years at Nebraska. Solich claimed Big 12 Conference Coach-of-the-Year honors in both 1999 and 2001, and was one of seven finalists for the Paul "Bear" Bryant National Coach-of-the-Year Award last season. The 57-year-old Solich has led Nebraska to four consecutive nine-win seasons and four consecutive bowl appearances, including a bid to his first national championship game as a head coach in the 2002 Rose Bowl.

The Huskers have spent nine weeks as the nation's AP No. 1 team and 10 weeks as the ESPN/USA Today Coaches top team. NU has been ranked in the top 10 in every poll since the preseason AP poll in 1999.

### The Huskers Last Time Out

Nebraska scored a pair of touchdowns just 1:42 apart in the third quarter to break open a seven-point game, as the eighth-ranked Huskers opened the 2002 season with a 48-10 victory over Arizona State in the Black Coaches Association Classic last Saturday.

Nebraska quarterback Jammal Lord, who was making his first career start since replacing 2001 Heisman winner Eric Crouch, performed well in his starting debut, but was overshadowed by the special teams and defensive units. The Husker special teams blocked a pair of punts that led to a pair of touchdowns and a suffocating defense recorded four sacks and allowed one Sun Devil touchdown.

Lord picked up his first career 100-yard rushing day, carrying 17 times for 103 yards, while also completing five-of-13 passes for 35 yards and a touchdown. His efforts helped the Huskers extend their home winning streak to 22 games en route to their 17th straight season-opening victory.

Nebraska, which improved to 6-0 in preseason contests, jumped out on its first possession, going 65 yards in 10 plays before Josh Brown's 40-yard field goal gave the hosts a 3-0 lead just 4:19 into the contest. Lord showed a solid passing touch on the first drive by completing 2-for-2 passes for 26 yards, including finding Troy Hassebroek for a 22-yard reception on third-and-nine to keep the drive alive.

### 2002 Nebraska Individual Leaders

RUSHING LEADERS							
	No.	Gain	Loss	Net	Avg/C	TD	Avg/Ply
Jamaal Lord	17	119	16	103	0	33	6.1
Dahrran Diedrick	18	81	2	79	1	15	4.4
Cory Ross	3	44	0	44	1	34	14.7
PASSING LEADERS							
	Att	Cmpl	INT	Yds	TD	Lg	Avg./G
Jamaal Lord	13	5	0	33	1	22	33.0
RECEIVING LEADERS							
No.	Yds	TD	Long	Avg./G			
Wilson Thomas	3	8	1	9			
Tony Hassebroek	2	25	0	22			
DEFENSIVE LEADERS							
UT	AT	Total TFL	Yds	Sacks	INT		
Barrett Ruud	3	5	8	2-6	0-0	0	
Ryon Bingham	1	5	6	1-1	0-0	0	



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Aug. 24 . . .	^Arizona State	.....W, 48-10
Aug. 31 . . .	Troy State	.....6 p.m.
Sept. 7 . . .	Utah State	.....6 p.m.
Sept. 14 . . .	at Penn State	.....7 p.m.
Sept. 28 . . .	*at Iowa State	.....TBA
Oct. 5 . . .	McNeese State	.....TBA
Oct. 12 . . .	*Missouri	.....TBA
Oct. 19 . . .	*at Oklahoma State	.....TBA
Oct. 26 . . .	*at Texas A&M	.....TBA
Nov. 2 . . .	*Texas	.....TBA
Nov. 9 . . .	*Kansas (HC)	.....TBA
Nov. 16 . . .	*at Kansas State	.....TBA
Nov. 29 . . .	*Colorado	.....2:30 p.m.

^ *Black Coaches Association Classic*

\* *Big 12 Conference Game*

*ALL TIMES CENTRAL*

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### Nebraska Teleconference

Frank Solich Teleconference

Tuesday, Aug. 27 - 11:50-12:30 p.m.

11:50 - Defensive Coordinator Craig Bohl

12-12:30 - Head Coach Frank Solich

Call (402) 472-2263

### TSU-Nebraska Connections

TSU freshman walk-on Jarred Ruffin hails from

Omaha, Neb., having starred four seasons at

Creighton Prep. He has worked his way into the

playing rotation at cornerback, currently listed

third on the depth chart at left corner.

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## Blakeney By The Numbers

CATEGORY	RECORD
<b>Overall Record:</b>	98-34-1
<b>Division II:</b>	15-7
<b>Division I-AA:</b>	77-23-1
<b>Division I-A:</b>	7-4
<b>Playoffs:</b>	5-7
<b>Home:</b>	51-7-1
<b>Away:</b>	47-27
<b>Neutral:</b>	1-0
<b>Day:</b>	43-20-1
<b>Night:</b>	55-14
<b>When Scoring 35+ points:</b>	38-1
<b>When Scoring Less Than 20 points:</b>	12-24
<b>vs. Division I-A teams:</b>	8-7
<b>On Television:</b>	23-13
<b>vs. AP Ranked Teams:</b>	0-3
<b>vs. AP Top 10 Teams:</b>	0-2
<b>vs. I-A Unranked Teams:</b>	8-4
<b>vs. ACC teams:</b>	0-1
<b>vs. Big East teams:</b>	0-1
<b>vs. Big 10 teams:</b>	0-0
<b>vs. Big 12 teams:</b>	0-1
<b>** vs. Conference USA teams:</b>	4-2
<b>vs. I-A Independents:</b>	4-1
<b>vs. Mid American teams:</b>	0-2
<b>vs. Mountain West teams:</b>	0-0
<b>vs. Pac 10 teams:</b>	0-0
<b>vs. SEC teams:</b>	1-0
<b>vs. Sun Belt teams:</b>	6-2
<b>vs. WAC teams:</b>	0-0
<b>vs. Division I-AA teams:</b>	86-27
<b>vs. Division II teams:</b>	4-0
<b>vs. NAIA teams:</b>	0-0-1
<b>August:</b>	3-1
<b>September:</b>	30-7
<b>October:</b>	37-7-1
<b>November:</b>	25-14
<b>December:</b>	3-3

\* Won 14 straight regular-season home games  
 \*\* Includes games against South Florida

## Larry Blakeney Head Coach • 12th Season

● Is the all-time winningest coach in school history with a 98-34-1 record. With the 98 career wins, Blakeney has shattered the previous school record of 44, set by Billy Atkins in the late 1960s and early 1970s. He is the 20th head coach in school history.

● This season is Blakeney's 12th, marking the longest tenure by a head coach at the school.

● Blakeney has guided the Trojans to eight winning seasons, including four seasons with 10 or more wins.

● Blakeney's success at Troy State has come under changing conditions. He began his career at TSU in the Trojans' final two seasons in Division II, and led the Trojans to seven Division I-AA playoff appearances in eight seasons. Last season, he led Troy State through a transition season, as the Trojans moved to Division I-A, finishing with a 7-4 record and wins over Sun Belt Conference champion North Texas and Southeastern Conference foe Mississippi State.

● Was a three-year letterwinner under Ralph "Shug" Jordan at Auburn.

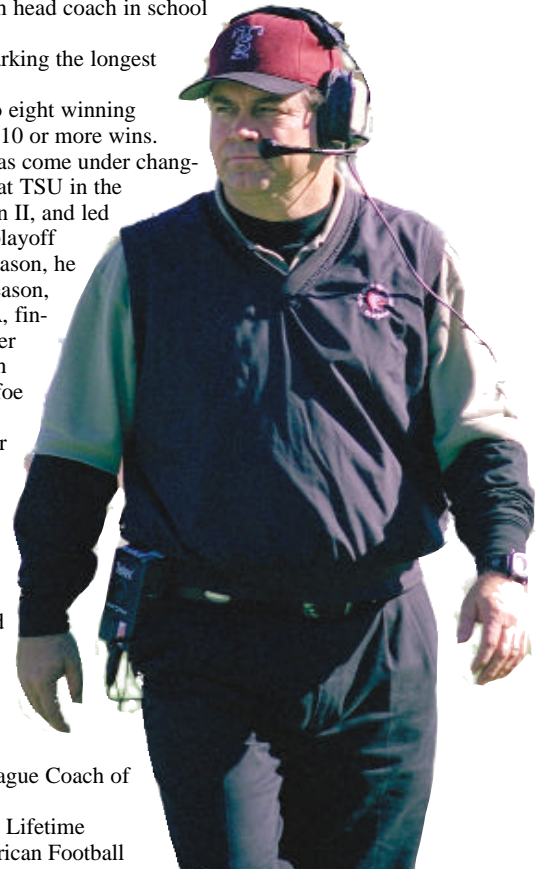
● Blakeney began his collegiate coaching career at his alma mater, serving as an assistant coach from 1977 until coming to Troy in 1991. While at Auburn, he helped lead the Tigers to four SEC titles and coached in nine bowl games, serving as wide receivers coach and offensive play-caller.

● Has twice been named as AFCA regional Coach of the Year.

● Was named Southland Football League Coach of the Year in 1999 and 2000.

● Winner of the 2000 Johnny Vaught Lifetime Achievement Award by the All-American Football Foundation.

● Is 51-7-1 in games played at Memorial Stadium.



## Blakeney Year-By-Year

Year	W-L	Pct.	Key Facts
1991	5-6	.454	First season as head coach
1992	10-1	.909	Transition year from Division II to I-AA
1993	12-1-1	.893	Advanced to I-AA Semifinals
1994	8-4-0	.667	Advanced to I-AA Playoffs, falling in first round
1995	11-1-0	.917	Undefeated regular season
1996	12-2-0	.857	Southland Football League Champs/I-AA Semis
1997	5-6-0	.454	Four losses by seven points or less
1998	8-4-0	.667	Advanced to I-AA Playoffs, falling in first round
1999	11-2-0	.846	Southland Football League Champs/I-AA Quarters
2000	9-3-0	.750	Southland Football League Champs/I-AA Playoffs
2001	7-4-0	.636	First season at Division I-A level
2002	-	-	-
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>98-34-1</b>	<b>.740</b>	<b>Winningest coach in school history</b>

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## A Statistical Comparison

### Troy State (2001 Final Statistics)

<u>Statistic</u>	<u>TSU</u>	<u>Opp</u>
SCORING	246	269
Points Per Game	22.4	24.5
FIRST DOWNS	208	209
Rushing	87	107
Passing	103	87
Penalty	18	15
RUSHING YARDAGE	1134	1904
Yards gained rushing	1641	2242
Yards lost rushing	507	338
Rushing Attempts	405	495
Average Per Rush	2.8	3.8
Average Per Game	103.1	173.1
TDs Rushing	13	18
PASSING YARDAGE	2311	2121
Att-Comp-Int	336-190-16	289-144-15
Average Per Pass	6.9	7.3
Average Per Catch	12.2	14.7
Average Per Game	210.1	192.8
TDs Passing	17	14
TOTAL OFFENSE	3445	4025
Total Plays	741	784
Average Per Play	4.6	5.1
Average Per Game	313.2	365.9
KICK RETURNS: #-YARDS	37-842	35-604
PUNT RETURNS: #-YARDS	22-213	27-276
INT RETURNS: #-YARDS	15-203	16-139
KICK RETURN AVERAGE	22.8	17.3
PUNT RETURN AVERAGE	9.7	10.2
INT RETURN AVERAGE	13.5	8.7
FUMBLES-LOST	25-9	24-10
PENALTIES-YARDS	76-681	93-831
Average Per Game	61.9	75.5
PUNTS-YARDS	60-2227	54-2177
Average Per Punt	37.1	40.3
Net punt average	32.5	36.4
TIME OF POSSESSION/GAME	28:52	31:08
3RD-DOWN CONVERSIONS	51/148	66/172
3rd-Down Pct	34%	38%
4TH-DOWN CONVERSIONS	6/17	13/26
4th-Down Pct	35%	50%
SACKS BY-YARDS	29-205	42-322
MISC YARDS	8	20
TOUCHDOWNS SCORED	34	35
FIELD GOALS-ATTEMPTS	5-10	9-15
PAT-ATTEMPTS	27-31	28-30
ATTENDANCE	84832	208704
Games/Avg Per Game	5/16966	6/34784

#### Scoring By Quarters

	1	2	3	4	F
<b>Troy State</b>	72	70	50	54	246
<b>Opponents</b>	64	124	55	26	269

### Nebraska (1 game)

<u>Statistic</u>	<u>Nebraska</u>	<u>Opp</u>
SCORING	48	10
Points Per Game	48.0	10.0
FIRST DOWNS	19	17
Rushing	15	7
Passing	1	9
Penalty	3	1
RUSHING YARDAGE	283	83
Yards gained rushing	311	140
Yards lost rushing	28	57
Rushing Attempts	59	30
Average Per Rush	4.8	2.8
Average Per Game	283	83.0
TDs Rushing	3	1
PASSING YARDAGE	33	175
Att-Comp-Int	13-5-0	41-17-1
Average Per Pass	2.5	4.3
Average Per Catch	6.6	10.3
Average Per Game	33.0	175.0
TDs Passing	1	0
TOTAL OFFENSE	316	258
Total Plays	72	71
Average Per Play	4.4	3.6
Average Per Game	316.0	258.0
KICK RETURNS: #-YARDS	3-60	2-28
PUNT RETURNS: #-YARDS	6-57	2-16
INT RETURNS: #-YARDS	1-29	0-0
KICK RETURN AVERAGE	20.0	14.0
PUNT RETURN AVERAGE	9.5	8.0
INT RETURN AVERAGE	29.0	0.0
FUMBLES-LOST	0-0	1-0
PENALTIES-YARDS	6-42	5-63
Average Per Game	42.0	63.0
PUNTS-YARDS	5-164	10-346
Average Per Punt	32.8	34.6
Net punt average	29.6	28.9
TIME OF POSSESSION/GAME	31:54	28:06
3RD-DOWN CONVERSIONS	6/15	4/16
3rd-Down Pct	40%	25%
4TH-DOWN CONVERSIONS	1/1	0/2
4th-Down Pct	100%	0%
SACKS BY-YARDS	4-47	3-17
MISC YARDS	0	0
TOUCHDOWNS SCORED	6	1
FIELD GOALS-ATTEMPTS	2-2	1-1
PAT-ATTEMPTS	6-6	1-1
ATTENDANCE	77779	0
Games/Avg Per Game	1/77779	0/0

#### Scoring By Quarters

	1	2	3	4	F
<b>Nebraska</b>	3	7	14	24	48
<b>Opponents</b>	3	0	7	0	10

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## OFFENSE

**QUARTERBACKS:** The "Trojan Spread" enters its second season with a new triggerman in Hansell Bearden. Bearden, who appeared in seven games as a redshirt freshman, earned the starting job during the spring and withstood a challenge from junior college transfer Matt Ray. Bearden will replace Brock Nutter, a four-year starter, who set school records for pass attempts (964), pass completions (542), passing yards (7,331) and started a school-record 48 consecutive games.

Ray, who spent a year at UNLV under John Robinson before transferring to Butte College in Oroville, Calif., will back up Bearden.

The following is a look at the career numbers for the two quarterbacks with game experience:

<u>Player</u>	<u>Games</u>	<u>C-A-I</u>	<u>Pct.</u>	<u>Yards</u>	<u>TD</u>
Hansell Bearden	7	16-28-3	57.1	182	2
Matt Ray *	3	36-67-0	53.7	541	3

\* - Career stats from 1999 season at UNLV

**RUNNING BACKS:** With the departure of all-purpose wizard Demontray Carter, who earned All-Independent honors in 2001, the Trojans have a trio of players who will take his place this season. Senior LeBarron Black and sophomores DeWhitt Betterson and Jermaine Richardson will share time in the backfield. Black has played in 35 games in his career and will be the starter. Last season, Black appeared in 10 games, starting one while catching two touchdown passes. Richardson is a speedster who was redshirted last season, but he has been impressive during fall camp and will see plenty of action. Betterson, the team's leading returning rusher, will also see significant playing time. Betterson enjoyed his best performance of the season against top-ranked Miami in 2001, rushing nine times for 96 yards in the fourth quarter.

Here's a look at the career rushing numbers for the two tailbacks with game experience:

<u>Player</u>	<u>Games</u>	<u>Rushes</u>	<u>Yards</u>	<u>TD</u>	<u>Long</u>
LeBarron Black	35	289	1083	7	44
DeWhitt Betterson	10	52	283	1	19

**WIDE RECEIVERS:** With three returning starters, including playmaker Heyward Skipper and the addition of consensus I-AA All-America receiver Andrew Amerson, the Trojans receiving corps will be one of the offense's strengths this season.

On the left side, Skipper, who stepped into the spotlight last season by catching 60 passes for 995 yards and nine touchdowns, will start and contend for national honors. Amerson played the previous three seasons at Cal State-Northridge, catching 97 passes for 1,244 yards and five touchdowns for the Matadors in 2001. He will start as the slot receiver on that side.

On the right side, Jason Samples returns at wide receiver. As a true freshman, Samples started 10 games, catching 30 passes for 365 yards. He also showed that he can throw as well, completing a 31-yard touchdown pass to Skipper on an end-around play against Louisiana-Monroe. At the slot position, senior Eric Felton earned the starting nod. Felton played in all 11 games a year ago, starting five. One of the team's quickest players, Felton caught 18 passes for 149 yards.

Junior Chris Day will also see some playing time at the slot positions, with some talented freshmen, pushing for playing time at all four receiver positions.

Here's a look at the career numbers for the returning receivers:

<u>Player</u>	<u>Games</u>	<u>Catches</u>	<u>Yards</u>	<u>TD</u>	<u>Long</u>
*Andrew Amerson	30	239	2958	20	69
Heyward Skipper	33	97	1481	12	90
Jason Samples	11	30	365	0	36
Eric Felton	11	18	149	1	33
Chris Day	15	17	221	0	36

\* Stats from three seasons at Cal-State Northridge

**TIGHT ENDS/FULLBACKS:** The fullback position is being anchored by Adrian Moore, a converted tight end who sat out last season due to an injury. He has been impressive in the fall, both as a blocking back and as a runner between the tackles, and has earned the starting job.

At tight end, the Trojans are blessed with experience, with junior Cedric Phillips and senior Jonathan Tomlin both returning. Phillips will start, with Tomlin coming in in double tight end formations.

## Charting The Opposition

<b>Opponent</b>	<b>Record</b>	<b>Last Week</b>	<b>This Week</b>
Nebraska	1-0	W, 21-7, vs. Arizona State	vs. Troy State
UAB	0-0	Did not play	at Florida
Southern Utah	0-0	Did not play	OPEN
Iowa State	0-1	L, 38-31, vs. Florida State	vs. Kansas
Missouri	0-0	Did not play	at Illinois
Austin Peay	0-0	Did not play	vs. Cumberland
Mississippi State	0-0	Did not play	at Oregon
Marshall	0-0	Did not play	vs. Appalachian State
Florida Atlantic	0-0	Did not play	at South Florida
at Arkansas	0-0	Did not play	OPEN
Florida A&M	0-0	Did not play	at Miami (Fla.)
Utah State	0-0	Did not play	vs. Utah
<b>SEASON RECORD</b>	<b>1-1</b>	<b>LAST WEEK: 1-1</b>	

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**OFFENSIVE LINE:** After learning on the job last season, the Trojans return four starters from a year ago, making the offensive line one of the team's strong points this season.

A shoulder injury to starting center Trent Garmon occurred during the first week of August, forcing him to the sidelines, preventing the Trojans from having their front back intact.

That has forced Troy State into moving people around and learning new positions. Rodney Jordan, who was slated to start at right guard, has moved to center to replace Garmon. He spent the majority of spring practice at center, however, and is familiar with the position. Sophomore Donnie Bostian will step in and replace Jordan at right guard.

All-Independent candidate Branden Hall will start at right tackle. The left side is anchored by two-year starter Stan Curington at tackle and last year's starter, Robin Lee, at guard.

## DEFENSE

The "Deadbolt Defense," as it is affectionately named for defensive coordinator Wayne Bolt, returns eight starters but will have to replace its two leading tacklers in graduated linebackers Jimmy McClain and Corey Sears.

**DEFENSIVE LINE:** With three starters back from last season, the Trojans' defensive line will once again be one of the team's strong points. Seniors Davern Williams and Jose Gamboa return to handle the inside tackle positions. Last season, Williams had one sack and six tackles for a loss and made 61 tackles. Gamboa racked up 65 tackles, five for a loss, and had four sacks.

Osi Umenyiora, a three-year starter and one of the team's top pro prospects, anchors the right end of the line. Last season, he set new career highs in sacks, with six, and tackles for a loss, with 10. He also had 14 quarterback hurries while forcing three fumbles.

Shelton Felton, another senior, will start at left end. Coming off the bench last year, Felton was a force, recording 45 tackles and four sacks on top of his 11 tackles for a loss.

Depth is key for the Trojans, and they have plenty of it. Demarcus Ware, Byron Knight, Jamaal Holt and Torre Lankford will all see playing time as well.

**LINEBACKERS:** Last season, the Trojan defense was led by its linebackers, but now the Trojans have some new faces to fill those gaps left by Sears and McClain.

Naazir Yamini is the lone returning starter and will be the key to this group at "Mike" linebacker. A two-year starter, Yamini will become the focal point of the defense. He has racked up 20 tackles for a loss over the last two seasons and had 10 sacks in that period as well. He has also finished with more than 100 tackles in each of the last two seasons, recording 129 and 105, respectively, in 2000 and 2001.

At the "Will" position, senior Gordon Williams has earned the

## Tale Of The Tape

### Average Height/Weight of Starters

OFFENSE		
<u>Position</u>	<u>TSU</u>	<u>NEB</u>
Wide Receiver/Slot	6-0/179	6-6/215
Quarterback	6-2/200	6-2/220
Running Back	5-10/215	6-2/220
Fullback	6-1/230	6-0/255
Offensive Line	6-4/302	6-4/300
Tight End	6-2/240	6-4/290
DEFENSE		
<u>Position</u>	<u>TSU</u>	<u>NEB</u>
Defensive End	6-3/259	6-4/255
Defensive Tackle	6-2/274	6-3/285
Linebackers	6-0/221	6-2/240
Defensive Backs	6-0/184	5-11/193

starting role. A reserve the past the three seasons, he moves into the starting lineup and will be pushed by a talented group of newcomers.

The "Sam" position is anchored by Deloise Moore, the team's strongest player. After starting his career at running back, he shifted to defensive back and moved into the linebacker position this spring. A quick, physical player, he will be counted on to provide leadership to the defense's biggest question mark.

**DEFENSIVE BACKS:** When fall camp began, the defensive backfield appeared to be one of the strengths of this year's outfit. A season-ending knee injury to junior cornerback Freeman White, however, has left tremendous inexperience at left corner. The Trojans will look to two freshmen to replace White in Jermaine Miller and

Johnny Faulk. Miller is a redshirt freshman who enjoyed a solid spring and has been impressive thus far in August. Faulk is a true freshman who enrolled in January. He also had an impressive spring but has been slowed by injuries in August. Both will see significant playing time.

On the right side, All-Independent honoree Rayshun Reed returns. Likely the team's top pro prospect, Reed led the team with six interceptions last season and is the leader of the secondary. He had 57 tackles last season to go along with 14 passes broken up also. With two interceptions returned for touchdowns last season, he became the school's all-time leader in defensive touchdowns with three.

At free safety, sophomore Derrick Ansley returns as the starter after an impressive freshman season that saw him rack up 55 tackles and three interceptions in 10 games.

The strong safety position is held by senior David Philyaw, who has played corner for most of his career. Philyaw burst on the scene last year with stellar play on special teams, forcing Nebraska's Keyuo Craver to fumble the Trojans' first punt and set up Demontray Carter's first-quarter touchdown. The team's top reserve in the secondary last season, he will make an immediate impact on the defensive unit.

## SPECIAL TEAMS

The Trojans lost both of their kicking specialists last season in kicker Drew Boteler and punter Jeremy Schatz. Thomas Olmsted will handle both duties early this season while kicker Matt Munyon nurses a hip injury. Olmsted has been impressive in fall camp, regularly booming punts longer than 40 yards and nailing field goals from 40 yards and longer.

Amerson and Skipper will handle punt and kick returns.

**TROJANS ARE SENIOR-LADEN:** This year's squad will boast the largest senior class since Larry Blakeney became head coach in 1991. With 25 players playing their final seasons, the Trojans will bid adieu to nearly a quarter of the team once the year is over.

Of the 25 seniors, 15 are starters and 22 were listed on the

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## TSU In The NCAA Rankings

Category	Rank	Avg.
Rushing Offense (ypg)	-	-
Passing Offense (ypg)	-	-
Total Offense (ypg)	-	-
Scoring Offense (ppg)	-	-
Rushing Defense (ypg)	-	-
Passing Defense Rating (ypg)	-	-
Pass Efficiency Defense	-	-
Total Defense (ypg)	-	-
Scoring Defense (ppg)	-	-
Net Punting (avg/punt)	-	-
Punt Returns (avg/return)	-	-
Kickoff Returns (avg/return)	-	-
Turnover Margin/Game	-	-
Fumbles Recovered	-	-
Passes Intercepted	-	-
Fumbles Lost	-	-
Passes Had Intercepted	-	-
Turnovers Gained	-	-
Turnovers Lost	-	-

## Measuring The TSU Offense

TOTAL OFFENSE	Gms	Record
500-plus	-	-
400-499	-	-
300-399	-	-
200-299	-	-
199 or Less	-	-
RUSHING	Gms	Record
150-plus	-	-
100-149	-	-
50-100	-	-
Less than 50	-	-
PASSING	Gms	Record
300-plus	-	-
200-299	-	-
100-199	-	-
0-99	-	-

## Measuring The TSU Defense

OPP. OFFENSE	Gms	Record
400-plus	-	-
300-399	-	-
200-299	-	-
100-200	-	-
OPP. RUSHING	Gms	Record
150-plus	-	-
100-149	-	-
50-99	-	-
Less than 50	-	-
OPP. PASSING	Gms	Record
300-plus	-	-
201-299	-	-
101-201	-	-
0-100	-	-

team's preseason depth chart. Those 22 have combined for 55 varsity letters. Of the seven seniors not starting, five at some point *have* started at their respective positions during their careers.

**FINALLY FULL-FLEDGED:** While the Trojans played their first season as a I-A school last season, they were officially listed as a "transitional" program by the NCAA, meaning that TSU counted toward bowl-eligibility for its opponents but was ineligible for the post-season at any level itself.

That is no longer the case in 2002. The Trojans are now full-fledged members of Division I-A. That standing was secured in May when the University submitted its final application to the NCAA after meeting transitional attendance and scheduling requirements.

The Trojans will also be ranked statistically among its I-A brethren this season.

**ON THE ROAD IN 2002:** The Trojans will play eight road games in 2002, the most in the Larry Blakeney era.

Of those games, however, two will be played in the state of Alabama - at UAB in Birmingham on Sept. 7 and vs. Florida A&M in Mobile on Nov. 9.

The Trojans will also visit two Southeastern Conference foes (Mississippi State and Arkansas), three Big 12 opponents (Nebraska, Iowa State and Missouri) and perennial Mid-American Conference champion Marshall. TSU's schedule boasts four home games, including one with Division I-A foe Utah State on Nov. 16.

**BUILDING FOR THE FUTURE, RIGHT NOW:** Construction on an expanded Memorial Stadium has already begun, with the south endzone seeing the first signs of change when it was filled with dirt and leveled out in preparation for the building of new permanent stands and a concourse area.

Bids for the full project will open in early September, after which the east-side stands (along George Wallace Drive) will be demolished. Construction on the new press box structure will begin following the season.

The five-story building will house 27 sky boxes, a state-of-the-art press facility and areas dedicated to sports medicine, strength & conditioning and academics. The expansion will increase the stadium's capacity to more than 30,000 and is expected to be completed in time for the 2003 season-opener, currently scheduled against Marshall on Sept. 4.

**TROJANS ARE ALABAMA'S BEST SINCE '91:** Since Larry Blakeney became Troy State's head coach in 1991, his teams have compiled a 99-33-1 overall record. That ranks the Trojans as the state's winningest program during that time, having posted a .735 winning percentage.

School	1991-2001
Troy State	99-33-1 (.735)
North Alabama	86-40-1 (.681)
Alabama	89-47-0 (.654)
Auburn	79-46-2 (.630)
Tuskegee	72-48-2 (.598)
Samford	72-50-0 (.590)
UAB (first year 1991)	64-51-2 (.556)
Alabama State	59-58-3 (.504)
Jacksonville State	58-64-0 (.475)
Alabama A&M	54-60-1 (.474)
West Alabama	31-80-1 (.281)
Miles	Data unavailable

**FIRST-TIME OPPONENTS:** With the move to Division I-A, the Trojans will have five new faces on their schedule in 2002 - Iowa State, Missouri, Florida Atlantic, Arkansas and Utah State.

Four of the five are I-A opponents.



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## The Declaration of Independents

### Records of I-A Independents

Team	Overall	Pct.
Connecticut	0-0	.000
Navy	0-0	.000
Notre Dame	0-0	.000
South Florida	0-0	.000
Troy State	0-0	.000
Utah State	0-0	.000

#### This Week's Games

Florida Atlantic at South Florida (Thu.), 6 p.m.  
 Connecticut at Boston College, 11 a.m.  
 Troy State at Nebraska, 6 p.m.  
 Notre Dame at Maryland, 7 p.m.  
 Navy at SMU, 7 p.m.  
 Utah at Utah State, 8:05 p.m.

## Division I-A Preseason Polls

#### ESPN/USA TODAY

- Miami (42)
- Texas (10)
- Oklahoma (7)
- Tennessee
- Florida State (2)
- Colorado
- Florida
- 8. Nebraska**
- Washington
- Michigan
- Ohio State
- Georgia
- Washington St.
- LSU
- Oregon
- Virginia Tech
- Michigan State
- Louisville
- USC
- Maryland
- South Carolina
- 22. Marshall**
- Penn State
- N.C. State
- Wisconsin

#### ASSOC. PRESS

- Miami (27)
- Oklahoma (27)
- Texas (13)
- Tennessee (3)
- Florida State (4)
- Florida
- Colorado
- Georgia
- 9. Nebraska**
- Ohio State
- Washington
- Washington St.
- Michigan
- LSU
- Oregon
- Virginia Tech
- Louisville
- Michigan State
- 19. Marshall**
- USC
- Maryland
- South Carolina
22. South Carolina
- Texas A&M
- Penn State
- N.C. State

**HOME WINNING STREAK:** The Trojans enter the 2002 season having won 15 consecutive regular-season games at Memorial Stadium. Troy State's last regular-season home loss came at the hands of McNeese State on Nov. 14, 1998.

All-time, the Trojans are 154-69-4 at Memorial Stadium. Larry Blakeney is 51-7-1 at home in his 11 seasons.

**BUZZ PHILLIPS NAMED DIRECTOR OF FB OPERATIONS:** Buzz Phillips, a Troy State graduate and member of the Trojans' 1968 NAIA national championship team, was named as the football program's first Director of Football Operations in June.

Phillips previously served as the department's director of marketing and game management since April 2001.

**BLAKENEY NO STRANGER TO TRANSITION TIME:** The 2001 campaign was Troy State's transition year from Division I-AA to Division I-A.

It was not the first time that Troy State, or head coach Larry Blakeney, faced a transition year, however. The Trojans first transition season came in 1992, when Troy State moved from Division II to Division I-AA.

That season, the Trojans went 10-1 in their second year under Blakeney. The next season, Troy State advanced to the Division I-AA playoffs in their first year of eligibility, advancing all the way to the semifinals, going 12-1-1.

**BLAKENEY REACHES ANOTHER MILESTONE:** TSU Head Coach Larry Blakeney will reach another career milestone in 2002, coaching his 12th season at the school. That marks the longest tenure of any coach in school history.

Blakeney's 98 wins are already the most in school history. His teams have posted winning records in nine of his 11 years and in four consecutive, including last season's 7-4 mark. He needs just two wins to reach 100 in his career.

**MCCLAIN HEADS FOR NFL'S TEXANS:** Jimmy McClain was the lone Trojan to earn an NFL free-agent invitation in 2002. Seven Trojans earned NFL invites in 2000 and 29 have since Larry Blakeney became head coach in 1991.

This season could bring forth a record crop of professional opportunities for Troy State, with scouts already studying numerous Trojans, including Rayshun Reed, Osi Umenyiora and Davern Williams.

**PLAYING BEFORE A CROWD:** When the Trojans traveled to Nebraska on Sept. 1, 2001, they played before 77,812 spectators, the largest crowd in school history.

They also played before 36,617 at the Orange Bowl vs. top-ranked Miami, the second-largest crowd in school history. The Trojans' previous high for attendance came in 1988 at the Citrus Bowl in Orlando, Fla. On that day against Central Florida, the Trojans played before 33,000 spectators.

In 2001, the Trojans played before 25,000 or more spectators four times, the most in school history. This season, the Trojans will play in five stadiums with capacities greater than 50,000 and three with capacities greater than 70,000.

**NEW COACHING BLOOD:** The Trojans welcomed just one full-time newcomer to the coaching staff in 2002, adding Ricky Logo to coach defensive tackles in March. Logo replaces Tracy Rocker, who left for a similar position at the University of Cincinnati.

**HAVE DEGREE, WILL PLAY:** Three Trojans playing this season have already earned their undergraduate degrees.

LeBarron Black (criminal justice), Stan Curington (business administration) and Byron Knight (criminal justice) earned bachelor's degrees this past spring. All three are pursuing master's degrees in the same fields.

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**SEASON OPENERS:** In Larry Blakeney's 11 seasons at Troy State, the Trojans have won nine of their season openers, claiming nine in a row before losing at Nebraska a year ago.

During Blakeney's reign, the Trojans have played just two season openers at home, winning both. Troy State has played the other nine on the road, going 7-2.

Year	Opponent	Site	Score
1991	Central Florida	Away	L, 10-21
1992	Southern Illinois	Away	W, 37-13
1993	UAB	Away	W, 37-3
1994	Connecticut	Away	W, 31-21
1995	East Tennessee State	Home	W, 31-7
1996	Alcorn State	Away	W, 61-7
1997	Alcorn State	Away	W, 30-0
1998	Alabama State	Home	W, 26-0
1999	Cincinnati	Away	W, 31-24
2000	Alabama A&M	Away	W, 28-13
2001	Nebraska	Away	L, 42-14

**OPENERS ON THE ROAD:** The Trojans will play two straight on the road before playing at Memorial Stadium in 2002, the third consecutive season they have played two straight to open the year.

**INAUGURAL AZALEA CITY CLASSIC SET:** The Trojans will play Florida A&M on Nov. 16 in Mobile in the inaugural "Azalea City Classic."

While this will be the game's first year, the Trojans and Rattlers are familiar foes, having played three times in the last six years -- all in the I-AA postseason. The Trojans are 1-2 in those games, being eliminated from the postseason by the Rattlers with losses in 1998 and 2000.

The Trojans have played one other game at Mobile's Ladd-Peebles Stadium, blasting Alcorn State 30-0 in the 1997 season-opener.

**REED RANKED AMONG NATION'S BEST:** Cornerback Rayshun Reed was listed as the 23rd best corner in the nation by the *Sporting News* in its preseason football edition.

**TROJANS SIGN AGREEMENT WITH ADIDAS:** The Troy State Athletics Department signed a three-year merchandising agreement with the Adidas during the off-season.

The athletic apparel company will provide uniforms, shoes and apparel for all of Troy State's athletic teams, a deal worth more than \$90,000 for Troy State. The Trojans will begin wearing Adidas shoes and uniforms this fall.

**SKIPPER APPROACHING RECORDS:** Senior wide receiver Heyward Skipper fell just five yards shy of becoming only the fifth receiver in school history to record 1,000 yards receiving in a season. In 2001, he will try to eclipse several school career marks.

The Baxley, Ga., native enters the 2002 season needing 1,426 yards to become the school's all-time leader in receiving yards. The school's single-season record for receiving yards is 1,169.

**WEEKLY FOOTBALL REVIEW:** Join Troy State head coach Larry Blakeney and host Phil Paramore each week as they break

down the previous game and preview next week's contest. The show features game highlights, analysis from Coach Blakeney, as well as locker room interviews.

Catch the 30-minute show on the following stations across the Southeast:

WRJM-67 (Troy)	Sunday, 10:30 p.m.
WSFA-12 (Montgomery)	Sunday, 11 p.m.
Sunshine Network	Thursday, 6:30 p.m.
Comcast Charter Sports SE	Friday, 6 p.m.
WABM (Birmingham)	Friday, 11 p.m.

**TSU VS. NEBRASKA - THE SEQUEL:** One year ago, Troy State stepped into Memorial Stadium for its game against fourth ranked Nebraska, marking its first game at the Division I-A level.

With the game televised live on Fox SportsNet and being broadcast throughout the country, the Trojans caught the Cornhuskers' attention early when Demontray Carter scored on a 9-yard run with 11:43 left in the first quarter to put TSU on top, 7-0. Nebraska came back to take a 28-14 lead at the end of the half before pulling out the 42-14 win.

That game launched the Trojans into their first I-A season. TSU finished the year 7-4, posting wins over Sun Belt Conference champion North Texas and Southeastern Conference foe Mississippi State in the process.

Nebraska and Troy State are not currently scheduled to meet again.

## TROJANS SIGN PACT WITH ESPN TO TELEVISION GAMES

The Troy State Athletics Department and ESPN have agreed to a three-year contract that will place the TSU football team on the network in selected games. ESPN will assume all broadcast rights to Troy State football during the contract, televising a minimum of four games in 2002.

The contract will put TSU under the ESPN-Plus umbrella, which means the network would have three options for each broadcast: Place it on ESPN or ESPN2, make it part of the ESPN Gameday package (a subscription-based service), or sell the rights to local networks as a syndicated broadcast.

Comcast Sports Southeast and has agreed to purchase the rights to all games and will carry the broadcasts. Channel 67 (UPN) will also air all of the broadcasts in Montgomery and Troy.

According to the agreement, Troy State would agree, if necessary, to play any of its games on Tuesday or Friday nights to be televised live on either ESPN or ESPN2.

The games scheduled to be broadcast in 2002 are:

Date	Opponent	Airtime
Sept. 7	at UAB	6 p.m. CT
Oct. 19	at Marshall	3 p.m. CT
Nov. 9	vs. FAMU	7 p.m. CT (Tape delay)
Nov. 16	Utah State	2 p.m.

**FOOTBALL IN AUGUST?** For the fifth time in school history, the Trojans will begin their season in August, when the Trojans face Nebraska on Aug. 31 in Lincoln. The last time the Trojans began their season in August was in 1997, when they defeated Alcorn State, 30-0, on Aug. 30. That game marked the earliest start in TSU history.

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All four previous August openers have occurred during the Larry Blakeney era, with the Trojans winning three. The only loss came in 1991, in Blakeney's first game at Troy State, when the Trojans fell to Central Florida, 21-10.

**NO REST STOPS ON THIS ROAD:** With a 12-game regular-season schedule in 2001, including eight away from Memorial Stadium, the Trojans will travel many miles before the season ends. They will do it, however, without the benefit of an "Open" week. The last time the Trojans did not have an open date was in 1990, when TSU played 10 straight games, beginning on Sept. 1.

**TROJANS AGAINST TOP 25 COMPETITION:** In its first season of I-A football, Troy State faced three Top 25 opponents, losing all three games. The Trojans hold the honor of being the only team in the nation to face both defending national champion Miami and Nebraska in 2001, however, the teams that played for the national championship in the Rose Bowl.

The Trojans' other Top 25 opponent, Maryland, won the Atlantic Coast Conference and advanced to the Bowl Championship Series, falling to Florida in the Orange Bowl.

Date	Opponent	AP	Coaches	Score
Sept. 1, 2001	at Nebraska	4	4	L, 42-14
Oct. 6, 2001	at Miami	1	1	L, 38-7
Nov. 3, 2001	at Maryland	15	16	L, 47-14

**TROJANS TO GET MOUTHFUL OF BIG 12 AND SEC:** The 2002 schedule gives the Trojans five games against teams from the Big 12 and Southeastern conferences. Last season, TSU played just two games against teams in those conferences, going 1-1.

After facing Nebraska in the opener, the Trojans take on Iowa State and Missouri, both on the road, in back-to-back weeks to round out their Big 12 schedule. With their Big 12 schedule behind them, the Trojans then face two SEC opponents in four weeks, traveling to Mississippi State on Oct. 12 and Arkansas on Nov. 2.

The Trojans are scheduled for one game against a team from the SEC in 2003 and 2004 and two in 2005. TSU has one game scheduled against a Big 12 school in 2004, when Missouri visits Memorial Stadium, and two in 2005, when Iowa State visits Troy and the Trojans make another trip to Missouri to complete a three-year contract.

Here is a list of TSU's current future major-conference foes:

**Florida:** 2007 (Away) & 2009 (Away)

**Georgia:** 2007 (Away)

**Iowa State:** 2005 (Home) & 2006 (Away)

**LSU:** 2003 (Away)

**Marshall:** 2003 (Home) & 2004 (Away)

**Missouri:** 2004 (Home) & 2005 (Away)

**South Carolina:** 2004 (Away) & 2005 (Away)

**ON THIS DATE:** While only four games have been played in August in TSU's history, three have occurred on Aug. 31. Troy State is 2-1 on Aug. 31, having won two straight. Here's a look at those games:

Year	Opponent	Score	Notes
1991	at Central Florida	L, 21-10	Larry Blakeney's first game as head coach

1995 East Tenn. State W, 31-7 The first of 11 wins that season

1997 at Alcorn State W, 61-7 Trojans explode for 467 yards in total offense

**BLOW A LEAD? NOT THESE TROJANS:** When Troy State leads going into the fourth quarter, don't expect the opponent to rally. The Trojans have won their last 35 games in which they hold the lead going into the fourth quarter.

The last time the Trojans lost a fourth-quarter lead was at Samford on Oct. 25, 1997. The Bulldogs rallied with two touchdowns in the fourth quarter to pull out a 25-14 win. During the Larry Blakeney era, the Trojans hold an 82-6-1 record in games in which they hold the lead going into the fourth quarter.

**INJURY REPORT:** Senior center Trent Garmon (shoulder) and junior cornerback Freeman White (knee) are both unlikely to return this season.

**HOME SWEET HOME:** Following the Trojans' wins over Southern Utah, the Trojans hold a 155-68-3 record at Memorial Stadium. They now have a 13-game home winning streak in the regular season. The longest home winning streak in school history is 17 from 1967 to 1971. Overall, the Trojans have won 14 of their last 16 at home, with both losses coming in postseason games.

In home openers, Troy State now holds a 28-6 record since 1968 and has won 15 straight. Head coach Larry Blakeney has never lost a home opener in 11 seasons. During his career, Blakeney holds a 52-7-1 record at Memorial Stadium.

**TROY STATE PLAYING 82ND SEASON:** Troy State is playing its 82nd season of college football at its fourth competitive division. Troy State has a 425-308-27 (.603 pct.) overall record. The Trojans come in with four straight winning seasons.

During Blakeney's 11 seasons as head coach, the Trojans have had a losing record just twice.

**Here are some other tidbits about Trojan history:**

- Troy State has won three national championships in its history. TSU claimed the 1968 NAIA title and won the Division II title twice, in 1984 and 1987.

- This is the fourth level of competitive football for Troy State. The Trojans participated as an NAIA member until 1972. TSU then joined NCAA Division II ranks. The Trojans remained there until 1992, when they made the move to the Division I-AA level.

- The Trojans have claimed 15 conference championships in their history. TSU claimed the Alabama Collegiate Conference crown six times (1939, 1941, 1942, 1967, 1968, 1969), the Gulf South Conference title six times (1971, 1973, 1976, 1984, 1986, 1987) and the Southland Football League title three times (1996, 1999, 2000).

- Troy State has advanced to postseason play 11 times, including seven times under Blakeney. TSU appeared in the NAIA play-offs in 1968, the Division II playoffs in 1984, 1986 and 1987 and the I-AA playoffs seven times, 1993-1996 and 1998-2000.

# 2002 TROY STATE FOOTBALL

**TRAVELING THE ROADWAYS:** This season, the Trojans will travel 4,754 miles to play eight games on the road. Their longest trip will be to face Nebraska in the season-opener, a whopping 1,082 miles from Troy. The second-longest trip will be to Ames, Iowa, to face Iowa State just three weeks later.

Date	Location	Miles
Aug. 31	Lincoln, Neb.	1,089
Sept. 7	Birmingham, Ala.	144
Sept. 21	Ames, Iowa	1,076
Sept. 28	Columbia, Missouri	771
Oct. 12	Starkville, Miss.	266
Oct. 19	Huntington, W.Va.	676
Nov. 2	Little Rock, Ark.	551
Nov. 9	Mobile, Ala.	181
<b>2001 Total</b>		<b>4,754</b>

**TROJANS VS. DIVISION I-A OPPONENTS:** The Trojans are 8-7 all-time against Division I-A opponents. The program's first I-A win came against Arkansas State in 1992. The win over Mississippi State in 2001 snapped a four-game losing streak against I-A teams. The Trojans have won two straight against I-A foes.

**TSU vs. I-A Teams:**

1992	Arkansas State	W, 41-7
1994	Louisiana-Lafayette	W, 39-20
1994	Cincinnati	L, 24-28
1995	Louisiana-Monroe	W, 20-10
1998	Marshall	L, 12-42
1999	Cincinnati	W, 31-24
1999	Middle Tennessee	W, 48-31
2000	South Florida	L, 10-20
2001	Nebraska	L, 14-42
2001	Middle Tennessee	L, 17-54
2001	Miami (Fla.)	L, 7-38

2001	Mississippi State	W, 21-9
2001	Maryland	L, 14-47
2001	Louisiana-Monroe	W, 44-12
2001	North Texas	W, 18-16

**MAKING THE MOVE:** The Trojans are the 14th program to make the move from I-AA to I-A status in the last 10 years. Here is a breakdown of how the other teams have fared:

Team	1st Yr	Last Yr	First Yr	'00 Record	'01 Record
UAB	1996	5-6	5-6	7-4	6-5
Ark. State	1992	1-10	2-9	1-10	2-9
Boise State	1996	7-4	2-10	10-2	8-4
Buffalo	1999	4-7	0-11	2-9	3-8
Connecticut	2000	4-7	3-8	3-8	2-9
Central Fla.	1996	6-5	5-6	7-4	6-5
Idaho	1996	6-5	6-5	5-6	1-10
La.-Monroe	1994	9-3	3-8	1-10	2-9
Marshall	1997	15-0	10-3	8-5	11-2
Middle Tenn.	1999	5-5	3-8	6-5	8-3
Nevada	1992	12-1	7-5	2-10	3-8
North Texas	1995	7-4-1	2-9	3-8	5-7
South Fla.	2000	7-4	7-4	7-4	8-3

**BOWLING?:** The Trojans need to post victories against a minimum of five I-A opponents in 2002 to become bowl eligible. The NCAA will allow a non-I-A win to count toward bowl eligibility once every four years. The next challenge is finding a game. The two bowls offering at-large berths are the Motor City Bowl in Detroit, the Humanitarian Bowl in Boise, Idaho, and the Silicon Valley Classic in San Jose, Calif.

## TROJAN TIDBITS

**BUMPS IN THE ROAD:** The Trojans have found life on the road somewhat difficult of late, losing six of their last 11 away from home. The Trojans are 46-24 on the road during Blakeney's career. The Trojans were just 2-4 on the road in 2001 ... **SHUTOUT STREAK:** Troy State enters this week's game having scored in 221 consecutive games (204 regular-season). The last team to shut out TSU was Mississippi College in the fifth game of the 1983 season. During the streak, the Trojans have scored less than 10 points only 12 times. The fewest points the Trojans have scored in a game during the streak is three, which has happened three times. The NCAA record for most consecutive games without being shut out is held by Brigham Young, a streak which started in 1975 and is at 335 games ... **NEW UNIFORMS:** The Trojans are sporting new uniforms for the second consecutive season, both home and away. An agreement with Adidas made the purchase of new uniforms possible. The team also purchased a full set of practice uniforms during the summer, the first such purchase in more than five years ... **FLIGHT TIME:** This year's five flight trips will be the most in school history, nearly doubling the previous single-season high (three) ... **ON TV:** All-time, the Trojans are 26-15 on television. They snapped a five-game losing streak on the tube against Jacksonville State on Nov. 17, 2001. Since moving to full-time Division I-AA status in 1993, the Trojans have been televised 37 times and are 24-13 during that stretch. The team has been televised regionally 26 times in the last three seasons, posting a record of 18-8. They are 18-5 all-time in games televised at Richard M. Scrushy Field. The Trojans have lost six straight televised games on the road, including their games at Nebraska, Middle Tennessee, Miami and Maryland last season. All-time on FOX Sports Net, the Trojans are 4-2 and had won three straight games on the network before last season's loss at Nebraska. On Comcast-Charter Sports Southeast, the Trojans are 3-1 all-time. On ESPN-Plus, the Trojans are 0-2. The game televised by Comcast Sports Net against Maryland in 2001 was the team's first appearance on that network ... **PERFECT 10, OR LESS:** During the Larry Blakeney era, Troy State has held its opponents to under 10 points 31 times, winning all but one. TSU shut out Nicholls State, 26-0, in 2001, and then upset Mississippi State, 21-9. The only loss by the Trojans when allowing less than 10 points came against Liberty when Troy State lost 9-7 in 1992. Since then, Troy State has rattled off 29 straight wins when holding its opponent to less than 10 ... **IT'S BEEN A WHILE SINCE 1,000:** The last time TSU had a 1,000-yard receiver was in 1970 when Vince Green caught 60 balls for 1,030 yards. He also had 10 touchdowns.

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## Troy State Depth Chart

### OFFENSE (Trojan Spread)

<b>QB</b>	18 - Hansell Bearden (6-2, 200, So., 1L) 7 - Matt Ray (6-3, 205, Jr., TR) 17 - Kacson Maddox (6-5, 205, R-Fr., SQ)
<b>RB</b>	33 - LeBarron Black (5-10, 215, 5-Sr., 3L) 9 - DeWhitt Betterson (6-0, 210, So., 1L) 19 - Jermaine Richardson (5-10, 180, So., SQ)
<b>RT</b>	76 - Branden Hall (6-4, 318, Jr., 1L) 73 - James Edwards (6-5, 285, R-Fr., SQ) or 69 - Kirbie Bodiford (6-4, 271, Fr. HS)
<b>RG</b>	70 - Donnie Bostian (6-6, 321, So., SQ) 59 - Lee Milliner (6-3, 270, So., SQ) or 75 - Obed Ellis (6-3, 270, Sr., 1L)
<b>C</b>	55 - Rodney Jordan (6-4, 287, 5-Sr., 3L) 64 - Wes Garmon (6-1, 281, R-Fr., SQ) 62 - Josh Bailey (6-0, 259, So., SQ)
<b>LG</b>	61 - Robin Lee (6-2, 288, Sr., 3L) 67 - Lee Walls (6-4, 282, 5-Sr., 3L) 53 - Kenny Griffin (6-4, 275, Fr., HS)
<b>LT</b>	71 - Stan Curington (6-7, 294, 5-Sr., 3L) 60 - Henry Tellis (6-5, 297, So., 1L) 68 - Kyle Smith (6-3, 325, So., SQ)
<b>WR-R</b>	5 - Jason Samples (6-3, 185, So., 1L) 84 - Toris Rutledge (6-3, 175, Fr., HS) 85 - Martin Teal (6-5, 210, Fr., HS)
<b>WR-L</b>	3 - Heyward Skipper (6-0, 181, 5-Sr., 3L) 80 - Zsan Robinson (6-2, 180, Fr., HS) 87 - Frank Taylor (6-2, 190, Fr., HS)
<b>SL-R</b>	83 - Eric Felton (5-10, 180, Sr., 1L) 2 - Chris Day (6-0, 174, Jr., 2L) 82 - Jamaal Smith (5-10, 175, R-Fr., SQ)
<b>SL-L</b>	1 - Andrew Amerson (6-0, 170, 5-Sr., TR) 22 - Blake Broadhurst (5-10, 165, R-Fr., SQ) 81 - James Earl Cray (5-11, 174, Fr., HS)
<b>TE</b>	86 - Cedric Phillips (6-2, 240, Jr., 2L) 40 - Jonathan Tomlin (6-3, 240, Sr., 3L) 88 - Rob Austin (6-6, 221, Fr., HS)
<b>FB</b>	13 - Adrian Moore (6-1, 230, Jr., 2L) 6 - Chris Cox (5-9, 200, Jr., 2L)

### DEFENSE (4-3)

<b>LE</b>	99 - Shelton Felton (6-2, 250, 5-Sr., 3L) 94 - Demarcus Ware (6-5, 220, So., 1L) 54 - Larry Brown (6-3, 220, R-Fr., SQ)
<b>DT</b>	96 - Davern Williams (6-3, 283, 5-Sr., 2L) 78 - Eric Thomas (6-1, 250, So., 1L) 90 - David Tramble (6-4, 250, R-Fr., SQ)
<b>NT</b>	93 - Jose Gamboa (6-1, 265, Sr., 3L) 42 - Byron Knight (6-0, 276, 5-Sr., 3L) 91 - Torre Lankford (6-2, 280, R-Fr., SQ)
<b>RE</b>	72 - Osi Umenyiora (6-3, 267, 5-Sr., 3L) 92 - Jamaal Holt (6-1, 242, So., SQ) 44 - Jordan Lesley (6-2, 223, So., 1L)
<b>MLB</b>	46 - Naazir Yamini (5-11, 234, 5-Sr., 3L) 30 - Leverne Johnson (6-0, 235, R-Fr., SQ) 48 - Hunter Adams (5-9, 214, Jr., SQ)
<b>WLB</b>	11 - Gordon Williams (6-0, 220, Sr., 3L) 50 - Bernard Davis (6-1, 230, R-Fr., SQ) 47 - David Johnson (5-11, 220, Fr., HS)
<b>SLB</b>	28 - Deloise Moore (6-1, 210, Sr., 1L) 41 - Robby Farmer (6-1, 220, So., 1L) 35 - Keith Staple (6-2, 220, R-Fr., SQ)
<b>RCB</b>	16 - Rayshun Reed (5-11, 190, Sr., 3L) 25 - Adrian Ghent (5-8, 183, Fr., HS) 14 - Travis Dunlap (5-10, 180, Jr., 1L)
<b>LCB</b>	34 - Jermaine Miller (6-0, 175, R-Fr., SQ) 8 - Johnny Faulk (5-11, 175, R-Fr., SQ) 22 - Jarred Ruffin (6-0, 170, Fr., HS)
<b>SS</b>	38 - David Philyaw (5-10, 190, 5-Sr., 3L) 4 - Damien Coleman (6-0, 195, So., 1L) 32 - Arthur Adams (5-10, 200, So., 1L)
<b>FS</b>	10 - Derrick Ansley (6-1, 180, So., 1L) 27 - Deiric Jackson (5-9, 183, Sr., 3L) 15 - Ronald Harper (6-0, 180, Jr., 2L)

### SPECIAL TEAMS

<b>PK</b>	20 - Thomas Olmsted (6-4, 215, Fr., HS) 21 - Matt Munyon (5-11, 185, Jr., TR)	<b>HLD</b>	18 - Hansell Bearden (6-2, 200, So., 1L)
<b>P</b>	20 - Thomas Olmsted (6-4, 215, Fr., HS) 49 - Roger Ridgeway (5-11, 185, Sr., 1L)	<b>PR</b>	3 - Heyward Skipper (6-0, 181, 5-Sr., 3L) or 1 - Andrew Amerson (6-0, 170, 5-Sr., TR)
<b>LS</b>	67 - Lee Walls (6-4, 282, 5-Sr., 3L)	<b>KR</b>	1 - Andrew Amerson (6-0, 170, 5-Sr., TR) 3 - Heyward Skipper (6-0, 181, 5-Sr., 3L) 19 - Jermaine Richardson (5-10, 180, So., SQ)

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## The Last Time

### Troy State ...

<b>Shut out an opponent:</b> .....	Sept. 22, 2001
vs. Nicholls State (26-0)	
<b>Rushed for more than 300 yards:</b> .....	Nov. 6, 1999
vs. Stephen F. Austin (73 rushes, 380 yards)	
<b>Rushed for more than 400 yards:</b> .....	Sept. 24, 1994
vs. Alabama State (55 rushes, 424 yards)	
<b>Passed for more than 300 yards:</b> .....	Oct. 20, 2001
vs. Cal State Northridge (339 yards)	
<b>Had more than 500 yards total offense:</b> .....	Nov. 10, 2001
vs. Louisiana-Monroe (218 rushing, 307 passing, 525 total)	
<b>Had more than 600 yards total offense:</b> .....	Sept. 24, 1994
vs. Alabama State (424 rush, 211 pass for 635 total)	
<b>Scored more than 50 points:</b> .....	Sept. 16, 2000
vs. Alabama State (62-19)	
<b>Scored On The Game's First Play:</b> .....	Nov. 18, 2000
vs. Jacksonville State (65-yard pass, Brock Nutter to Jonathan Carter)	
<b>Scored On First Possession:</b> .....	Nov. 10, 2001
vs. Louisiana-Monroe (22-yard field goal by Drew Boteler)	
<b>Scored On First Two Offensive Plays:</b> .....	Nov. 18, 2000
vs. Jacksonville State (65-yard pass, Brock Nutter to Jonathan Carter; 33-yard pass from Thad Buttone to Jonathan Carter)	
<b>Failed to rush for more than 100 yards:</b> .....	Nov. 3, 2001
vs. Maryland (26 carries, minus-1 yards)	
<b>Failed to pass for more than 100 yards:</b> .....	Dec. 1, 2001
vs. North Texas (22-14-1, 86 yards)	
<b>Failed to score a touchdown:</b> .....	Nov. 4, 2000
vs. Stephen F. Austin (6-0 win via two field goals)	
<b>Failed to score an extra point after multiple TDs:</b> .....	Dec. 1, 2001
vs. North Texas (2 TD, both PAT missed - 1 kick, 1 pass)	
<b>Held an opponent to less than 100 yards rushing:</b> .....	Dec. 1, 2001
vs. North Texas (43 carries, 72 yards)	
<b>Held an opponent to negative yards rushing:</b> .....	Sept. 16, 2000
vs. Alabama State (25 rushes, minus-1 yard)	
<b>Held an opponent to less than 100 yards passing:</b> .....	Oct. 27, 2001
vs. Southern Utah (1-for-8, 6 yards)	
<b>Held an opponent to less than 50 yards passing:</b> .....	Oct. 27, 2001
vs. Southern Utah (1-for-8, 6 yards)	
<b>Held an opponent to less than 200 yards total offense:</b> .....	Oct. 28, 2000
vs. Nicholls State (156 yards rush, 31 pass for 187 total)	
<b>Returned a kickoff for a touchdown:</b> .....	Oct. 27, 2001
Demontray Carter vs. Southern Utah (94 yards)	
<b>Returned a punt for a touchdown:</b> .....	Nov. 25, 2000
Heyward Skipper vs. Appalachian State (81 yards)	
<b>Blocked an opponent's punt:</b> .....	Nov. 16, 1997
vs. McNeese State	
<b>Blocked an opponent's field goal attempt:</b> .....	Sept. 8, 2001
vs. Middle Tennessee (Corey Sears)	
<b>Blocked an opponent's PAT attempt:</b> .....	Nov. 25, 2000
vs. Appalachian State (Tim Betts)	
<b>Returned an interception for a TD:</b> .....	Oct. 20, 2001
Rayshun Reed vs. Cal State Northridge (26 yards)	
<b>Returned a fumble for a touchdown:</b> .....	Nov. 10, 2001
David Philyaw vs. Louisiana-Monroe (8 yards)	
<b>Attempted a Fake Field Goal:</b> .....	Sept. 28, 1991
vs. Alabama State (Failed)	
<b>Scored a safety:</b> .....	Sept. 5, 1998
Al Lucas vs. Alabama State (Sacked Larry Bias)	
<b>Returned a PAT attempt for two points:</b> .....	Nov. 25, 2000
Chris Archie vs. Appalachian State (INT, 102 yards)	
<b>Player rushed for more than 100 yards in a game:</b> .....	Dec. 1, 2001
Demontray Carter vs. North Texas (23 carries, 149 yards)	

<b>Two players rushed for 100 yards in a game:</b> .....	Nov. 6, 1999
Phillip Jones (28 carries, 183 yards) and LeBarron Black (18 carries, 120 yards) vs. Stephen F. Austin	
<b>Three players rushed for more than 100 yards in a game:</b> .....	Never
<b>A player rushed for more than 200 yards in a game:</b> .....	1986
Eddie Brundidge vs. Virginia Union (226 yards)	
<b>Made three field goals in a game:</b> .....	Oct. 21, 2000
Lawrence Tynes vs. Sam Houston State (48, 28, 49)	
<b>Played an overtime game:</b> .....	Oct. 11, 1997
vs. Sam Houston State (TSU 13, SHS 10)	
<b>Ranked in the Top 10 in final poll (I-AA):</b> .....	2000
No. 9 in Sports Network; No. 3 in ESPN & Teamlink/CFAA	
<b>Ranked 11-25 in the final poll (I-AA):</b> .....	1998
Ranked No. 11 ESPN/USA Today, No. 12 Sports Network	
<b>Ranked in the regular season (I-AA):</b> .....	Dec. 15, 2000
No. 9 in Sports Network; No. 3 in ESPN & Teamlink/CFAA (I-AA)	
<b>Was Not ranked in the final poll:</b> .....	2001
<b>Was Not ranked in the regular season:</b> .....	2001
<b>Ranked No. 1 (I-AA):</b> .....	Sept. 30, 2000

### An Opponent ...

<b>Shut Out Troy State:</b> .....	Oct. 1, 1983
vs. Mississippi College (17-0)	
<b>Rushed for more than 300 yards:</b> .....	Sept. 8, 2001
vs. Middle Tennessee (55 carries, 313 yards)	
<b>Passed for more than 300 yards:</b> .....	Oct. 20, 2001
vs. Cal State Northridge (27-of-47, 378 yards)	
<b>Had more than 500 yards total offense:</b> .....	Nov. 3, 2001
vs. Maryland (509 yards, 277 rushing, 232 passing)	
<b>Had more than 600 yards total offense:</b> .....	Sept. 8, 2001
vs. Middle Tennessee (641 yards, 313 rushing, 328 passing)	
<b>Scored more than 50 points:</b> .....	Sept. 8, 2001
vs. Middle Tennessee (54-17)	
<b>Returned a kickoff for a touchdown:</b> .....	Never
Has not happened under Head Coach Larry Blakeney	
<b>Returned a punt for a touchdown:</b> .....	Nov. 10, 2001
Mikkal Henry, Louisiana-Monroe (53 yards)	
<b>Returned a blocked punt for a touchdown:</b> .....	Oct. 21, 1999
Dejuan Davis, Sam Houston (4 yards)	
<b>Blocked a Troy State punt:</b> .....	Nov. 3, 2001
E.J. Henderson, Maryland	
<b>Blocked a Troy State field goal attempt:</b> .....	Nov. 17, 2001
Spencer Gordon, Jacksonville State	
<b>Blocked a Troy State field goal and returned for TD:</b> .....	Never
Has not happened since moving to Division I-AA	
<b>Blocked a Troy State PAT Attempt:</b> .....	Oct. 27, 2001
vs. Southern Utah (Boteler attempt)	
<b>Returned an interception for a TD:</b> .....	Oct. 6, 2001
Ed Reed, Miami (27 yards)	
<b>Returned a fumble for a touchdown:</b> .....	Sept. 1, 2001
Jon Clanton, vs. Nebraska, 20 yards	
<b>Scored a safety:</b> .....	Dec. 1, 2001
North Texas	
<b>Returned a PAT attempt for two points:</b> .....	Never
Has never happened	
<b>Player rushed for more than 100 yards in a game:</b> .....	Sept. 1, 2001
Dahrran Diedrick, vs. Nebraska (25 carries, 177 yards, 3 TD)	
<b>A player rushed for 200 yards in a game:</b> .....	Nov. 26, 1994
Kevin Jeter, James Madison (25 carries, 240 yards)	
<b>Attempted a Fake Punt (Successful):</b> .....	Nov. 10, 2001
vs. Louisiana-Monroe (Mark Miller, 4 yards, first down)	
<b>Attempted a Fake Punt (Failed):</b> .....	Sept. 22, 2001
vs. Nicholls State (Brian Thomas 3-yard run)	

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## Troy State Division I-A Firsts

**Game:** at Nebraska, Sept. 1, 2001, Memorial Stadium

**Coin Toss:** Nebraska wins the toss and elects to defer to the second half. Troy State receives the ball.

**Kickoff:** Sandro DeAngelis of Nebraska at 11:38 p.m.

**Kick Return:** TSU's Demontray Carter for 19 yards

**Offensive play:** Quarterback Brock Nutter is sacked for a loss of seven

**First Down:** Pass from Brock Nutter to Jason Samples for 16 yards

**Pass Attempt:** Brock Nutter to Jason Samples for 16 yards.

**Pass Completion:** Brock Nutter to Jason Samples for 16 yards.

**Penalty:** C Trent Garmon, false start, five yards

**Touchdown:** Nine yard rush by Demontray Carter, 11:43 remaining in the first quarter

**PAT:** Drew Boteler following Carter's run

**Kickoff following a score:** 47 yards by Boteler following the PAT, returned 13 yards by Nebraska's Phillip Bland

**Special Teams Tackle:** David Philyaw on the Roger Ridgeway punt, which forced the fumble

**Defensive Tackle:** Davern Williams and Jimmy McClain stopping running back Dahrran Diedrick for three yards.

**Punt Return:** Heyward Skipper for nine yards after a 43-yard punt.

**Punt:** Ridgeway, 33 yards, fumbled by Craver on the return.

**TD Pass:** Nutter to Heyward Skipper for 31 yards with 6:54 remaining in the second quarter.

**Interception:** Nutter's attempt to Skipper was picked off by Dejuan Groce and held on to by Willie Amos.

**Fumble Recovery:** Lee Walls on the fumbled punt return by Craver

**Sack:** Osi Umenyiora sacked Eric Crouch for a loss of eight yards with 1:09 left in the second quarter.

**Tackle for a loss:** Corey Sears tackle of Thunder Collins for a loss of a yard in the second quarter.

**Fourth down stop:** Crouch's pass to Steve Kriewald fell incomplete late in the second quarter.

**Goal-line Stand:** Linebacker Jimmy McClain met Nebraska quarterback Eric Crouch head-on at the goal line and forced him back on fourth-and-goal to keep the Huskers out of the endzone with 10:13 to play in the game.

**Loss:** Nebraska 42, Troy State 14; Sept. 1, 2001 at Memorial Stadium, Lincoln, Neb.

**Blocked Field Goal Attempt:** Josh Brown's attempt was blocked by Philyaw and returned by Jackson to the Nebraska 42 with 1:06 left in the second quarter.

**First Lead:** Troy State 7, Nebraska 0, 11:43 in the 1st quarter

**Field Goal:** Drew Boteler, 35-yard, 5:52/2nd quarter vs. Middle Tennessee, Sept. 8

**Two-Point Conversion Attempt:** vs. Nicholls State, Sept. 22 (Nutter pass failed)

**Win:** Nicholls State (26-0) on Sept. 22

**Shutout win:** Nicholls State (26-0) on Sept. 22

**Interception for a TD:** Rayshun Reed vs. Mississippi State (10/13/01) - 73 yards

**100-Yard Rushing Game By A TSU Player:** Demontray Carter (17 carries, 164 yards) on Oct. 20 vs. Cal State Northridge

**Road Win:** Mississippi State (10/13/01), 21-9

**300-yard passing game:** Brock Nutter (22-of-37, 339 yards) on Oct. 20 vs. Cal State Northridge

**Fumble Return for TD:** David Philyaw, 8 yards, vs. Louisiana-Monroe on Nov. 10

**TD Pass from a TSU non-QB:** WR Jason Samples to WR Heyward Skipper, 31 yards, vs. Louisiana-Monroe on Nov. 10

**200-yard rushing game:** TBA

**Blocked Punt:** TBA

**Two-Point Conversion Made:** TBA



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## Career Highs (Individual Game)

### 1 - Andrew Amerson

Receptions: 15, at Portland State (11/17/01)  
Receiving Yards: 179, vs. W. Oregon (10/6/01)  
Receiving TD: 3, at Montana State (10/21/00)  
Long Reception: 69, at Weber State (10/5/00)  
Rushes: 3, Three times  
Rushing Yards: 42, at Troy State (10/20/01)  
Long Rush: 42, at Troy State (10/20/01)  
Kick Returns: 5, Twice  
Kick Return Yards: 119, at Portland State (11/6/99)  
Long KR: 44, vs. Weber State (10/30/99)  
Punt Returns: 5, at Portland State (11/17/01)  
Punt Return Yards: 99, at S.F. Austin (9/22/01)  
Long PR: 28, at S.F. Austin (9/22/01)

### 10 - Derrick Ansley

Tackles: 11, vs. North Texas (12/1/01)  
Solo: 8, vs. North Texas (12/1/01)  
Assists: 4, at Miami (10/6/01)  
QBH: 1, at La.-Monroe (11/10/01)  
PBU: 1, at La.-Monroe (11/10/01)  
Interceptions: 2, vs. North Texas (12/1/01)  
Fumble Recoveries: 1, vs. Jax State (11/17/01)

### 18 - Hansell Bearden

Rushing Yards: 15, vs. Nicholls State (9/22/01)  
Rushing Attempts: 4, at La.-Monroe (11/10/01)  
Long Rush: 14, at Maryland (11/3/01)  
Pass Attempts: 9, Twice  
Pass Completions: 6, at Middle Tenn. (9/8/01)  
Passing Yards: 88, at Maryland (11/3/01)  
TD Passes: 1, Twice  
INT: 1, Three times  
Long Pass: 33, at Maryland (11/3/01)  
Long Scoring Pass: 33, at Maryland (11/3/01)  
Sacks: 1, Three times

### 9 - DeWhitt Betterson

Rushing Yards: 96, at Miami (10/6/01)  
Rushing Attempts: 18, at La.-Monroe (11/10/01)  
Long Rush: 19, at Miami (10/6/01)  
TD runs: 1, vs. Jax State (11/17/01)  
Long TD run: 15, vs. Jax State (11/17/01)  
Receptions: 1, at La.-Monroe (11/10/01)  
Receiving Yards: 5, at La.-Monroe (11/10/01)  
Kick Returns: 1, Three times  
Return Yards: 12, at La.-Monroe (11/10/01)

### 33 - LeBarron Black

Rushing Yards: 140, at NW State (10/7/00)  
Rushing Attempts: 21, at NW State (10/7/00)  
Long Rush: 44, at NW State (10/7/00)  
Rushing TDs: 2, vs. Stephen F. Austin (11/6/99)  
Long TD run: 44, at NW State (10/7/00)  
Receptions: 4, at South Florida (9/30/00)  
Receiving Yards: 31, at Nebraska (9/1/01)  
Long Reception: 25, vs. Nicholls State (9/22/01)  
Long Scoring Rec.: 25, vs. Nicholls St. (9/22/01)  
Kick Returns: 1, Three times  
Return Yards: 21, at SW Texas (10/16/99)  
Long Return: 21, at SW Texas (10/16/99)

### 4 - Damien Coleman

Tackles: 14, vs. North Texas (12/1/01)  
Solo: 6, at Maryland (11/6/01)  
Assists: 11, vs. North Texas (12/1/01)  
QBH: 1, Three times  
PBU: 3, at La.-Monroe (11/10/01)  
Fumble Recoveries: 1, vs. Southern Utah (10/27/01)  
Fumbles Forced: 1, at La.-Monroe (11/10/01)

### 6 - Chris Cox

Tackles: 2, Three times  
Solo: 1, Six times  
Assists: 1, Seven times  
Rushing Attempts: 4, at La.-Monroe (11/10/01)  
Rushing Yards: 20, vs. Nicholls State (9/22/01)  
Rushing TD: 1, vs. Nicholls State (9/22/01)  
Long Scoring Run: 7, vs. Nicholls State (9/22/01)  
Long Rush: 7, Twice

### 2 - Chris Day

Receptions: 7, at Maryland (11/3/02)  
Receiving Yards: 102, at Maryland (11/3/02)  
Long Reception: 36, at Maryland (11/3/02)  
Rushing Attempts: 4, at La.-Monroe (11/10/01)  
Rushing Yards: 20, vs. Nicholls State (9/22/01)  
Rushing TD: 1, at La.-Monroe (11/10/01)  
Long Scoring Run: 15, at La.-Monroe (11/10/01)  
Long Rush: 15, at La.-Monroe (11/10/01)  
Kickoff Returns: 2, Twice  
Return Yards: 74, Twice  
Long Return: 59, vs. Cal State-NR (10/20/01)

### 14 - Travis Dunlap

Tackles: 2, at Nebraska (9/1/01)  
Solo: 1, Twice  
Assists: 1, vs. Nicholls State (9/22/01)  
QB Hurries: 1, at Nebraska (9/1/01)  
PBU: 1, vs. Nicholls State (9/22/01)

### 41 - Robby Farmer

Tackles: 9, at Middle Tennessee (9/7/01)  
Solo: 4, Twice  
Assists: 5, at Middle Tennessee (9/7/01)  
Tackles For Loss: 1, at Middle Tennessee (9/7/01)  
Forced Fumbles: 1, at Middle Tennessee (9/7/01)

### 83 - Eric Felton

Receptions: 5, vs. Southern Utah (10/20/01)  
Receiving Yards: 55, vs. Southern Utah (10/20/01)  
Long Reception: 33, at Maryland (11/3/01)  
TD Receptions: 1, at Maryland (11/3/01)  
Long TD Reception: 33, at Maryland (11/3/01)

### 99 - Shelton Felton

Tackles: 7, Nicholls State (10/28/00)  
Solo: 4, Southern Utah (10/27/01)  
Assists: 5, Nicholls State (10/28/00)  
Tackles For Loss: 2, Twice  
Sacks: 2, vs. Jacksonville State (11/17/01)  
Forced Fumbles: 1, Three times  
QB Hurries: 4, at Miss. State (10/13/01)

Fumble Recoveries: 1, Three times  
Defensive TD: 1, at Alabama A&M (Sept. 2, 2000)

### 93 - Jose Gamboa

Tackles: 12, at Miss. State (10/13/01)  
Solo: 9, at Miss. State (10/13/01)  
Assists: 7, vs. Nicholls State (9/22/01)  
Tackles For Loss: 2, vs. Cal State-NR (10/20/01)  
Sacks: 2, vs. Cal State-NR (10/20/01)  
QB Hurries: 2, Three times

### 15 - Ronald Harper

Tackles: 4, Four times  
Solo: 4, at Nebraska (9/1/01)  
Assists: 2, Twice  
Interceptions: 1, at Middle Tenn. (9/7/01)  
Fumble Recovery: 1, vs. Nicholls State (9/22/01)  
Passes Broken Up: 2, Twice

### 92 - Jamaal Holt

Tackles: 3, vs. Alabama State (9/16/00)  
Assists: 3, vs. Alabama State (9/16/00)

### 27 - Deiric Jackson

Tackles: 6, at Sam Houston St. (10/21/00)  
Solo: 6, vs. McNeese State (11/11/00)  
Assists: 2, Three times  
Tackles For Loss: 1, Four times  
Interceptions: 1, Twice  
Long INT Return: 11, at La.-Monroe (11/10/01)  
Passes Broken Up: 3, at South Florida (9/30/00)  
Fumble Recoveries: 1, at Nebraska (9/1/01)

### 36 - Michael Jackson

Tackles: 3, at Miami (10/6/01)  
Solo: 1, Four times  
Assists: 2, at Miami (10/6/01)  
Tackles For Loss: 1, at La.-Monroe (11/10/01)

### 42 - Byron Knight

Tackles: 9, vs. North Texas (12/101)  
Solo: 4, Twice  
Assists: 5, Three times  
Tackles For Loss: 3, Cal State-NR (10/20/01)  
Sacks: 3, Cal State-NR (10/20/01)  
QB Pressures: 2, Twice  
Passes Broken Up: 1, Twice  
Fumble Recoveries: 1, Twice  
Long Fumble Return: 0, Twice  
Fumbles Forced: 1, Three times

### 44 - Jordan Lesley

Tackles: 2, vs. Alabama State (9/16/00)  
Assists: 2, vs. Alabama State (9/16/00)

### 58 - Lance Lieb

Punts: 2, at Nebraska (9/1/01)  
Long Punt: 40, at Nebraska (9/1/01)  
Kickoffs: 1, at Middle Tennessee (9/8/01)

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## Career Highs (Individual Game)

### 13 - Adrian Moore

Receptions: 3, vs. SW Texas (10/12/00)  
Receiving Yards: 57, vs. SW Texas (10/12/00)  
Long Reception: 22, vs. SW Texas (10/12/00)

### 28 - Deloise Moore

Tackles: 3, Twice  
Solo: 2, vs. Jacksonville State (11/17/01)  
Assists: 2, Twice  
QB Pressure: 1, Twice

### 21 - Matt Munyon

FG Made: 1, Three times  
FG Attempts: 3, vs. Miami (2000)  
Long FG: 44, vs. Maryland (2000)  
Long Attempt: 49, vs. Miami (2000)

### 26 - Neal Oates

Tackles: 2, vs. Alabama State (9/16/00)  
Solo: 2, vs. Alabama State (9/16/00)

### 86 - Cedric Phillips

Receptions: 2, Twice  
Receiving Yards: 35, vs. Cal State-NR (10/20/01)  
Long Reception: 31, vs. Cal State-NR (10/20/01)

### 38 - David Philyaw

Tackles: 8, at S.F. Austin (11/4/00)  
Solo: 6, vs. McNeese State (11/11/00)  
Assists: 3, at S.F. Austin (11/4/00)  
Tackles For Loss: 1, vs. Appalachian State (11/25/00)  
Interceptions: 1, at S.F. Austin (11/4/00)  
Passes Broken Up: 3, at S.F. Austin (11/4/00)  
Blocked FG: 1, Twice  
Forced Fumbles: 1, at Nebraska (9/1/01)  
Fumble Recoveries: 1, Twice  
Fumble Returns: 8, at La.-Monroe (11/10/01)  
Defensive TD: 1, at La.-Monroe (11/10/01)

### 7 - Matt Ray

Most Completions: 16, vs. Colorado State (1999)  
Most Attempts: 29, vs. Colorado State (1999)  
Long Completion: 48, vs. Colorado State (1999)

### 16 - Rayshun Reed

Tackles: 13, at Middle Tennessee (9/8/01)  
Solo: 11, at Middle Tennessee (9/8/01)  
Assists: 4, Twice  
Tackles For Loss: 2, Twice  
Sacks: 1, Twice  
QB Hurries: 2, at La.-Monroe (11/10/01)  
Interceptions: 2, at La.-Monroe (11/10/01)  
Long INT Return: 73, at Mississippi State (10/13/01)  
Long Scoring INT Ret.: 73, at Miss. State (10/13/01)  
Passes Broken Up: 5, at NW State (10/7/00)  
Forced Fumbles: 1, Four times  
Fumbles Recovered: 1, Twice  
Long Fumble Return: 8, SW Texas (10/16/99)  
Punt Returns: 7, at Appalachian State (9/9/00)  
Long Punt Return: 17, Twice

Kickoff Returns: 1, vs. Sam Houston State (10/21/00)  
Long KO Ret.: 29, vs. Sam Houston State (10/21/00)

### 49 - Roger Ridgeway

Punts: 5, Twice  
Punting Yards: 203, vs. Nebraska (9/1/01)  
Long Punt: 49, at Nebraska (9/1/01)  
Punts Inside the 20: 1, vs. Southern Utah (10/27/01)

### 5 - Jason Samples

Receptions: 6, Twice  
Receiving Yards: 69, at La.-Monroe (11/10/01)  
Long Reception: 36, at Maryland (11/3/01)  
Rushes: 1, vs. Cal State-NR (10/20/01)  
Rushing Yards: 14, vs. Cal State-NR (10/20/01)  
Long Rush: 14, at La.-Monroe (11/10/01)  
Pass Attempts: 1, at La.-Monroe  
Completions: 1, at La.-Monroe  
TD Passes: 1, at La.-Monroe  
Passing Yards: 31, at La.-Monroe  
Kick Returns: 3, at Middle Tennessee (9/8/01)  
KR Yards: 45, at Middle Tennessee (9/8/01)  
Long Kick Return: 29, at La.-Monroe (11/10/01)

### 3 - Heyward Skipper

Receptions: 10, at Middle Tennessee (9/8/01)  
Receiving Yards: 169, at La.-Monroe (11/10/01)  
Long Reception: 90, vs. Cal State-NR (10/20/01)  
Touchdowns: 2, Three times  
Long TD Reception: 90, vs. Cal State-NR (10/20/01)  
Rushes: 1, at Nebraska (9/1/01)  
Long Rush: 18, at Nebraska (9/1/01)  
Punt Returns: 5, vs. Appalachian St. (11/25/01)  
Long Punt Ret.: 104, vs. Appalachian St. (11/25/01)  
Punt Ret. For TD: 1, vs. Appalachian St. (11/25/01)  
Long PR For TD: 81, vs. Appalachian St. (11/25/01)  
Kickoff Returns: 1, vs. Appalachian State (11/25/01)  
Long Kickoff Ret.: 26, vs. Appalachian St. (11/25/01)

### 40 - Jonathan Tomlin

Receptions: 1, Three times  
Receiving Yards: 22, vs. Nicholls State (10/28/00)  
Long reception: 22, vs. Nicholls State (10/28/00)

### 72 - Osi Umenyiora

Tackles: 13, vs. McNeese State (11/11/00)  
Solo: 7, vs. McNeese State (11/11/00)  
Assists: 9, vs. Nicholls State (10/28/00)  
Sacks: 3, vs. North Texas (12/1/01)  
Tackles For Loss: 3, vs. North Texas (12/1/01)  
Passes Broken Up: 1, vs. Sam Houston St. (10/23/99)  
QB Hurries: 3, at Maryland (11/3/01)  
Forced Fumbles: 1, Four times  
Fumble Recoveries: 1, Twice

### 94 - Demarcus Ware

Tackles: 7, at Maryland (11/3/01)  
Solo: 3, at Maryland (11/3/01)  
Assists: 4, at Maryland (11/3/01)  
Tackles For Loss: 1, Three times  
Sacks: 1, Twice  
QB Hurries: 1, Twice

### 24 - Freeman White

Tackles: 11, at Mississippi State (10/13/01)  
Solo: 8, at Mississippi State (10/13/01)  
Assists: 3, Twice  
Passes Broken Up: 4, at Mississippi State (10/13/01)  
Interceptions: 1, Three times  
QB Hurries: 2, at La.-Monroe (11/10/01)

### 96 - Davern Williams

Tackles: 10, vs. Nicholls State (9/22/01)  
Solo: 5, vs. Nicholls State (9/22/01)  
Assists: 7, vs. North Texas (12/1/01)  
Sacks: 1, Four times  
Tackles For Loss: 2, Four times  
Passes Broken Up: 2, at Mississippi State (10/13/01)  
Interceptions: 1, at Mississippi State (10/13/01)  
Long INT Return: 10, at Mississippi State (10/13/01)  
QB Hurries: 4, at La.-Monroe (11/10/01)  
Forced Fumbles: 1, at La.-Monroe (11/10/01)

### 11 - Gordon Williams

Tackles: 5, Twice  
Solo: 4, vs. Alabama State (9/16/00)  
Assist: 2, Four times  
Tackles For Loss: 1, Twice  
Passes Broken Up: 1, at Alabama A&M (9/2/00)  
QB Hurries: 1, at Sam Houston (10/21/00)  
Fumble Recoveries: 1, vs. Alabama State (9/16/00)

### 46 - Naazir Yamini

Tackles: 19, at Sam Houston State (10/21/00)  
Solo: 11, Twice  
Assists: 10, at Sam Houston State (10/21/00)  
Sacks: 2, vs. Nicholls State (10/28/00)  
Tackles For Loss: 2, Five times  
Pass Broken Up: 1, Twice  
QB Hurries: 4, Four times  
Forced Fumbles: 2, vs. Nicholls State (10/28/00)  
Fumble Recoveries: 1, Four times  
Long Fumble Return: 7, vs. South Florida (9/25/99)  
Blocked Kicks: 1, vs. Florida A&M (12/4/99)

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TEAM STATISTICS	TSU	OPP
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SCORING.....	246	269
Points Per Game.....	22.4	24.5
FIRST DOWNS.....	208	209
Rushing.....	87	107
Passing.....	103	87
Penalty.....	18	15
RUSHING YARDAGE.....	1134	1904
Yards gained rushing.....	1641	2242
Yards lost rushing.....	507	338
Rushing Attempts.....	405	495
Average Per Rush.....	2.8	3.8
Average Per Game.....	103.1	173.1
TDs Rushing.....	13	18
PASSING YARDAGE.....	2311	2121
Att-Comp-Int.....	336-190-16	289-144-15
Average Per Pass.....	6.9	7.3
Average Per Catch.....	12.2	14.7
Average Per Game.....	210.1	192.8
TDs Passing.....	17	14
TOTAL OFFENSE.....	3445	4025
Total Plays.....	741	784
Average Per Play.....	4.6	5.1
Average Per Game.....	313.2	365.9
KICK RETURNS: #-YARDS.....	37-842	35-604
PUNT RETURNS: #-YARDS.....	22-213	27-276
INT RETURNS: #-YARDS.....	15-203	16-139
KICK RETURN AVERAGE.....	22.8	17.3
PUNT RETURN AVERAGE.....	9.7	10.2
INT RETURN AVERAGE.....	13.5	8.7
FUMBLES-LOST.....	25-9	24-10
PENALTIES-YARDS.....	76-681	93-831
Average Per Game.....	61.9	75.5
PUNTS-YARDS.....	60-2227	54-2177
Average Per Punt.....	37.1	40.3
Net punt average.....	32.5	36.4
TIME OF POSSESSION/GAME.....	28:52	31:08
3RD-DOWN CONVERSIONS.....	51/148	66/172
3rd-Down Pct.....	34%	38%
4TH-DOWN CONVERSIONS.....	6/17	13/26
4th-Down Pct.....	35%	50%
SACKS BY-YARDS.....	29-205	42-322
MISC YARDS.....	8	20
TOUCHDOWNS SCORED.....	34	35
FIELD GOALS-ATTEMPTS.....	5-10	9-15
PAT-ATTEMPTS.....	27-31	28-30
ATTENDANCE.....	84832	208704
Games/Avg Per Game.....	5/16966	6/34784

SCORE BY QUARTERS	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	Total
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Troy State.....	72	70	50	54	- 246
Opponents.....	64	124	55	26	- 269

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RUSHING	GP-GS	Att	Gain	Loss	Net	Avg	TD	Long	Avg/G
CARTER, Demontray	11-10	160	844	43	801	5.0	8	65	72.8
BETTERSON, DeWhitt	10-0	52	295	12	283	5.4	1	19	28.3
BLACK, LeBarron	10-1	63	171	20	151	2.4	0	12	15.1
COX, Chris	10-2	14	49	0	49	3.5	1	7	4.9
BEARDEN, Hansell	7-0	15	64	27	37	2.5	0	14	5.3
DAY, Chris	11-2	4	35	0	35	8.8	1	15	3.2
SKIPPER, Heyward	11-11	1	18	0	18	18.0	0	18	1.6
SAMPLES, Jason	11-10	1	14	0	14	14.0	0	14	1.3
COLQUITT, Calvin	7-1	2	11	0	11	5.5	0	7	1.6
VENISEE, Thomie	11-6	1	11	0	11	11.0	0	11	1.0
WELLS, Devon	11-1	1	2	0	2	2.0	0	2	0.2
LIEB, Lance	2-0	1	0	11	-11	-11.0	0	0	-5.5
TEAM	6-0	5	0	24	-24	-4.8	0	0	-4.0
SCHATZ, Jeremy	10-0	1	0	40	-40	-40.0	0	0	-4.0
NUTTER, Brock	11-11	84	127	330	-203	-2.4	2	15	-18.5
Total.....	11	405	1641	507	1134	2.8	13	65	103.1
Opponents.....	11	495	2242	338	1904	3.8	18	69	173.1

PASSING	GP-GS	Effic	Att-Cmp-Int	Pct	Yds	TD	Lng	Avg/G
NUTTER, Brock	11-11	120.34	307-173-13	56.4	2098	14	90	190.7
BEARDEN, Hansell	7-0	113.89	28-16-3	57.1	182	2	33	26.0
SAMPLES, Jason	11-10	690.40	1-1-0	100.0	31	1	31	2.8
Total.....	11	121.50	336-190-16	56.5	2311	17	90	210.1
Opponents.....	11	117.08	289-144-15	49.8	2121	14	82	192.8

RECEIVING	GP-GS	No.	Yds	Avg	TD	Long	Avg/G
SKIPPER, Heyward	11-11	60	995	16.6	9	90	90.5
SAMPLES, Jason	11-10	30	365	12.2	0	36	33.2
CARTER, Demontray	11-10	24	194	8.1	4	37	17.6
FELTON, Eric	11-5	18	149	8.3	1	33	13.5
DAY, Chris	11-2	17	221	13.0	0	36	20.1
VENISEE, Thomie	11-6	12	145	12.1	1	28	13.2
BLACK, LeBarron	10-1	10	91	9.1	2	25	9.1
LUCAS, Chad	9-0	6	51	8.5	0	14	5.7
PHILLIPS, Cedric	11-4	5	74	14.8	0	31	6.7
O'BRIEN, Daniel	11-0	3	31	10.3	0	21	2.8
COX, Chris	10-2	3	-5	-1.7	0	11	-0.5
BETTERSON, DeWhitt	10-0	1	5	5.0	0	5	0.5
Total.....	11	189	2316	12.3	17	90	210.5
Opponents.....	11	144	2121	14.7	14	82	192.8

PUNT RETURNS	No.	Yds	Avg	TD	Long
SKIPPER, Heyward	21	215	10.2	0	35
CARTER, Demontray	1	-2	-2.0	0	0
Total.....	22	213	9.7	0	35
Opponents.....	27	276	10.2	1	53

INTERCEPTIONS	No.	Yds	Avg	TD	Long
REED, Rayshun	6	163	27.2	2	73
WHITE, Freeman	3	17	5.7	0	10
ANSLEY, Derrick	3	0	0.0	0	0
WILLIAMS, Davern	1	10	10.0	0	10
HARPER, Ronald	1	2	2.0	0	2
JACKSON, Deiric	1	11	11.0	0	11
Total.....	15	203	13.5	2	73
Opponents.....	16	139	8.7	1	27

KICK RETURNS	No.	Yds	Avg	TD	Long
CARTER, Demontray	17	455	26.8	1	94
DAY, Chris	9	222	24.7	0	59
SAMPLES, Jason	6	130	21.7	0	41
BETTERSON, DeWhitt	3	23	7.7	0	12
BLACK, LeBarron	1	4	4.0	0	1
PHILLIPS, Cedric	1	8	8.0	0	8
Total.....	37	842	22.8	1	94
Opponents.....	35	604	17.3	0	80

FUMBLE RETURNS	No.	Yds	Avg	TD	Long
PHILLYAW, David	1	8	8.0	1	8
Total.....	1	8	8.0	1	8
Opponents.....	1	20	20.0	1	20

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SCORING	----- PATs -----									TOTAL OFFENSE		G Plays				
	TD	FGs	Kick	Rush	Rcv	Pass	DXP	Saf	Points				Rush	Pass	Total	Avg/G
CARTER, Demontray	13	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0	0	78	NUTTER, Brock	11	391	-203	2098	1895	172.3
SKIPPER, Heyward	9	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0	0	54	CARTER, Demontray	11	160	801	0	801	72.8
BOTELER, Drew	0	5-10	27-31	0-0	0	0-0	0	0	42	BETTERSON, DeWhitt	10	52	283	0	283	28.3
BLACK, LeBarron	2	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0	0	12	BEARDEN, Hansell	7	43	37	182	219	31.3
REED, Rayshun	2	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0	0	12	BLACK, LeBarron	10	63	151	0	151	15.1
NUTTER, Brock	2	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-2	0	0	12	COX, Chris	10	14	49	0	49	4.9
COX, Chris	1	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0	0	6	SAMPLES, Jason	11	2	14	31	45	4.1
VENISEE, Thomie	1	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0	0	6	DAY, Chris	11	4	35	0	35	3.2
FELTON, Eric	1	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0	0	6	SKIPPER, Heyward	11	1	18	0	18	1.6
BETTERSON, DeWhitt	1	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0	0	6	COLQUITT, Calvin	7	2	11	0	11	1.6
DAY, Chris	1	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0	0	6	VENISEE, Thomie	11	1	11	0	11	1.0
PHILYAW, David	1	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0	0	6	WELLS, Devon	11	1	2	0	2	0.2
TEAM	0	0-0	0-0	0-1	0	0-0	0	0	0	LIEB, Lance	2	1	-11	0	-11	-5.5
Total.....	34	5-10	27-31	0-1	0	0-2	0	0	246	TEAM	6	5	-24	0	-24	-4.0
Opponents.....	35	9-15	28-30	1-3	0	0-2	0	1	269	SCHATZ, Jeremy	10	1	-40	0	-40	-4.0
										Total.....	11	741	1134	2311	3445	313.2
										Opponents.....	11	784	1904	2121	4025	365.9

FIELD GOALS	FGM-FGA	Pct	01-19	20-29	30-39	40-49	50-99	Lg	Blk
BOTELER, Drew	5-10	50.0	0-0	4-5	1-2	0-3	0-0	35	1

FG SEQUENCE	Troy State	OPPONENTS
Nebraska	-	35
Middle Tennessee	44,(35)	43
Nicholls State	-	39,21
Miami, Fla.	48,45	53,(34)
Mississippi State	-	(24)
Cal State Northridge	(27)	(27)
Southern Utah	-	(23),30
Maryland	-	(33),(50),(25),(46)
Louisiana-Monroe	(22)	-
Jacksonville State	37	(25)
North Texas	23,(23),(22)	-

PUNTING	No.	Yds	Avg	Long	TB	FC	I20	Blkd
SCHATZ, Jeremy	47	1768	37.6	60	4	7	8	0
RIDGEWAY, Roger	10	383	38.3	49	0	0	1	0
LIEB, Lance	2	76	38.0	40	0	0	0	0
TEAM	1	0	0.0	0	0	0	0	1
Total.....	60	2227	37.1	60	4	7	9	1
Opponents.....	54	2177	40.3	74	5	8	15	0

Numbers in (parentheses) indicate field goal was made.

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ALL PURPOSE	G	Rush	Rec	PR	KOR	IR	Tot	Avg/G
CARTER, Demontray	11	801	194	-2	455	0	1448	131.6
SKIPPER, Heyward	11	18	995	215	0	0	1228	111.6
SAMPLES, Jason	11	14	365	0	130	0	509	46.3
DAY, Chris	11	35	221	0	222	0	478	43.5
BETTERSON, DeWhitt	10	283	5	0	23	0	311	31.1
BLACK, LeBarron	10	151	91	0	4	0	246	24.6
REED, Rayshun	11	0	0	0	0	163	163	14.8
VENISEE, Thomie	11	11	145	0	0	0	156	14.2
FELTON, Eric	11	0	149	0	0	0	149	13.5
PHILLIPS, Cedric	11	0	74	0	8	0	82	7.5
LUCAS, Chad	9	0	51	0	0	0	51	5.7
COX, Chris	10	49	-5	0	0	0	44	4.4
BEARDEN, Hansell	7	37	0	0	0	0	37	5.3
O'BRIEN, Daniel	11	0	31	0	0	0	31	2.8
WHITE, Freeman	11	0	0	0	0	17	17	1.5
COLQUITT, Calvin	7	11	0	0	0	0	11	1.6
JACKSON, Deiric	11	0	0	0	0	11	11	1.0
WILLIAMS, Davern	11	0	0	0	0	10	10	0.9
WELLS, Devon	11	2	0	0	0	0	2	0.2
HARPER, Ronald	11	0	0	0	0	2	2	0.2
LIEB, Lance	2	-11	0	0	0	0	-11	-5.5
TEAM	6	-24	0	0	0	0	-24	-4.0
SCHATZ, Jeremy	10	-40	0	0	0	0	-40	-4.0
NUTTER, Brock	11	-203	0	0	0	0	-203	-18.5
Total.....	11	1134	2316	213	842	203	4708	428.0
Opponents.....	11	1904	2121	276	604	139	5044	458.5

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All games

DEFENSIVE LEADERS	GP	-----Tackles-----				TFL/Yds	-Sacks-	---Pass Def---			-Fumbles-	Blkd	
		Solo	Ast	Total	No-Yds			Int-Yds	BrUp	QBH		Rev-Yds	FF
4 SEARS, Corey	11	69	42	111	9.0-38	3-27	.	2	3	2-0	1	1	
46 YAMINI, Naazir	11	62	43	105	7.0-32	3-24	.	1	19	.	1	.	
48 WALDROP, Ben	11	55	40	95	6.0-23	3-18	.	3	10	2-0	2	.	
45 McCLAIN, Jimmy	11	48	35	83	6.5-43	3-29	.	4	9	.	1	.	
93 GAMBOA, Jose	11	31	34	65	5.0-20	4-17	.	.	6	.	.	.	
29 COLEMAN, Damien	11	25	40	65	.	.	.	7	3	1-0	1	.	
96 WILLIAMS, Davern	11	29	32	61	6.0-14	1-2	1-10	1	11	.	1	.	
92 MARABLE, Vernon	11	24	36	60	9.0-17	1-9	.	.	15	2-0	1	.	
72 UMENYIORA, Osi	11	29	30	59	10.0-46	6-42	.	.	14	.	3	.	
16 REED, Rayshun	11	42	15	57	1.0-1	.	6-163	8	4	.	1	.	
10 ANSLEY, Derrick	10	31	24	55	.	.	3-0	1	1	1-0	.	.	
42 KNIGHT, Byron	11	22	25	47	7.0-20	3-7	.	1	7	1-0	3	.	
24 WHITE, Freeman	11	33	12	45	.	.	3-17	13	3	.	.	.	
99 FELTON, Shelton	11	26	19	45	11.0-31	4-16	.	1	11	.	2	.	
27 JACKSON, Deiric	11	19	9	28	1.0-3	.	1-11	5	1	1-0	.	.	
15 HARPER, Ronald	11	20	8	28	.	.	1-2	3	1	1-0	.	.	
38 PHILYAW, David	11	20	4	24	.	.	.	3	1	1-8	1	1	
32 WILLIAMS, Gordon	11	14	10	24	.	.	.	.	2	.	.	.	
41 FARMER, Robby	3	11	9	20	1.0-1	.	.	.	.	.	1	.	
94 WARE, Demarcus	8	5	9	14	3.0-15	2-12	.	.	2	.	.	.	
28 MOORE, Deloise	10	7	5	12	.	.	.	.	2	.	.	.	
97 STENNIS, Carlos	6	6	4	10	.	.	.	1	1	.	.	.	
31 SIMMONS, Carl	11	5	4	9	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	
25 ADAMS, Arthur	11	4	5	9	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	
36 JACKSON, Michael	8	4	3	7	1.0-4	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	
83 FELTON, Eric	11	2	2	4	.	.	.	.	2	.	.	.	
26 OATES, Neal	11	3	.	3	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	
6 COX, Chris	10	1	2	3	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	
14 DUNLAP, Travis	6	2	1	3	.	.	.	1	1	.	.	.	
40 TOMLIN, Jonathan	10	2	.	2	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	
3 SKIPPER, Heyward	11	1	1	2	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	
71 CURINGTON, Stan	11	.	1	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	
2 DAY, Chris	11	.	1	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	
5 SAMPLES, Jason	11	1	.	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	
37 SCHATZ, Jeremy	10	1	.	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	
55 JORDAN, Rodney	11	1	.	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	
69 GOODYEAR, Charlie	11	1	.	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	
19 COLQUITT, Calvin	7	1	.	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	
44 WALLS, Lee	12	.	1	1	.	.	.	.	.	1-0	.	.	
12 BOTELER, Drew	11	1	.	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	
61 LEE, Robin	11	.	1	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	
Total.....	11	658	507	1165	83-308	29-205	15-203	55	129	13-8	19	2	
Opponents.....	11	-	-	-	-	42-322	16-139	32	38	10-20	12	2	