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**David Cutcliffe** 

HEAD COACH 4TH SEASON AT DUKE ALABAMA, 1976

**David Cutcliffe**, who led Ole Miss to four bowl games in six seasons and mentored Super Bowl MVP quarterbacks Peyton and Eli Manning, was named Duke University's 21st head football coach on December 15, 2007.

Cutcliffe is 15-33 (.271) in four seasons at Duke and owns an overall head coaching ledger of 59-62 (.488). Cutcliffe's 15 victories in four years with the Blue Devils are five more than the program's total in the previous eight seasons (2000-07) combined. In his four seasons in Durham, four Blue Devils — linebacker Michael Tauiliili (2008), defensive tackle Vince Oghobaase (2009), kicker Will Snyderwine (2010) and safety Matt Daniels (2011) — have earned All-America honors.

The 2011 season – Cutcliffe's fourth in Durham – featured outstanding play from Daniels, a first team All-ACC and second team All-America selection who represented Duke in the annual East-West Shrine Game. The Fayetteville, Ga., native posted 128 tackles, 14 pass break-ups and two interceptions in his final season. On the offensive side of the football, wide receiver Donovan Varner became the school's all-time leader in pass receptions while teammate Conner Vernon became the first player in ACC history with multiple seasons with 70-plus catches. In addition, Duke's rushing game produced 19 touchdowns, matching the program's highest total since 1995.

In 2010, the Blue Devil offense produced an average of 381.3 yards per game — Duke's highest total since 1989 — as quarterback Sean Renfree became just the fourth player in school history to throw for over 3,000 yards. In addition, kicker Will Snyderwine was a first team All-America honoree after booting a school single-season record 21 field goals and compiling 95 points to post the second-highest single-season total in Duke history.

Cutcliffe's second campaign at Duke — 2009 — yielded a 5-7 ledger to give the program its most wins in a season since 1994. Quarterback Thaddeus Lewis, a two-time All-ACC selection who was with the Cleveland Browns organization in 2011, led the conference in passing after throwing for 3,330 yards and 20 touchdowns against just eight interceptions. Lewis concluded his career with 10,065 yards to rank first at Duke and second in ACC history in passing yardage.

In 2008, Cutcliffe led the Blue Devils to four victories — matching the school's win total from the previous four seasons combined.

Duke's fan support also has increased since Cutcliffe took the helm of the gridiron program. In his first season, Duke set a school single-season record with four home crowds of 30,000 or more spectators. Nine of Duke's 27 home dates in the Cutcliffe Era have reached 30,000 fans — compared to just four of the previous 47 home games prior to his arrival. In 2010, Duke established a school record for attendance with 201,248 total spectators at Wallace Wade Stadium.

Cutcliffe, born September 16, 1954, came to Duke after serving the previous two seasons as assistant head coach and offensive coordinator at the University of Tennessee. His head coaching experience includes a six-year stint at the University of Mississippi from 1999-04 where he compiled a 44-29 (.603) ledger with five winning seasons, five bowl game appearances and a share of the SEC Western Division championship in 2003. Cutcliffe was named the SEC Coach of the Year in 2003 after leading the Rebels to a 10-3 record including a 31-28 victory over Oklahoma State in the Cotton Bowl.

Cutcliffe has participated in 22 bowl games including the 1982 Peach, 1983 Florida Citrus, 1984 Sun, 1986 Sugar, 1986 Liberty, 1988 Peach, 1990 Cotton, 1991 Sugar, 1992 Fiesta, 1993 Hall of Fame, 1994 Florida Citrus, 1994 Gator, 1996 Florida Citrus, 1997 Florida Citrus, 1998 Orange, 1998 Independence, 1999 Independence, 2000 Music City, 2002 Independence, 2004 Cotton, 2007 Outback and 2008 Outback. He owns a 4-1 (.800) record as a head coach in bowl tilts with victories over Oklahoma, Nebraska, Oklahoma State and Texas Tech.

As a member of the coaching staff at Tennessee from 1982-98, Cutcliffe helped the Volunteers to five SEC championships, 16 bowl games in 17 seasons and the national title in 1998. His first tenure with the Vols featured the mentoring of quarterbacks Andy Kelly, Heath Shuler, Tee Martin and Peyton Manning.

Kelly, who played at Tennessee from 1988-91 and graduated atop the school's career passing chart, has gone on to become the Arena Football League's career leader in pass completions, pass attempts, passing yards and touchdown passes. Shuler, a first

team All-America choice in 1993 after throwing for 2,353 yards and a then school-record 25 touchdowns, was the third overall pick by the Washington Redskins in the 1994 NFL Draft. In November of 2006, Shuler was elected to the U.S. House of Representatives from North Carolina's 11th congressional district.

By throwing for 19 touchdowns against just six interceptions, Martin directed the Volunteer offense in 1998 as Tennessee went 13-0 and captured the SEC and national championships. Peyton Manning's career concluded in 1997 when the signal-caller threw for 3,819 yards and 36 touchdowns while earning first team All-America honors as well as the Maxwell Award presented annually to the nation's top player. Peyton Manning was the top pick in the 1998 NFL Draft, earned league MVP honors in 2003, 2004, 2008 and 2009 and was named the MVP of Super Bowl XLI as his Indianapolis Colts defeated the Chicago Bears, 25-17, on February 4, 2007.

In 1997, the Tennessee offensive unit established school single-season standards for first downs (300), pass completions (296), pass attempts (492), passing yards (3,981), passing touchdowns (37) and total offense (5,794) as the Volunteers went 11-2 and defeated Auburn, 30-29, in the SEC championship game.

In 1998, Cutcliffe was honored with the Frank Broyles Award, an honor given annually to the top assistant coach in the country. During Cutcliffe's tenure as offensive coordinator from 1993-98, Tennessee enjoyed four 1,000-yard rushers in Charlie Garner (1,161 in 1993), James Stewart (1,028 in 1994), Jay Graham (1,438 in 1995) and Jamal Lewis (1,364 in 1997). Stewart (19th overall pick by Jacksonville in 1995) and Lewis (5th overall pick by Baltimore in 2000) went on to be first round selections in the NFL Draft.

On December 2, 1998, Cutcliffe was named the head coach at Ole Miss and coached the Rebels in their 35-18 Independence Bowl win over Texas Tech to conclude the 1998 campaign.

While at Mississippi, Cutcliffe tutored 2003 SEC Player of the Year Eli Manning. Manning was a first team All-America pick as a senior, closed his career with an SEC-record 10,119 passing yards and was the top overall choice in the 2004 NFL Draft. In his fourth professional season, he guided the New York Giants to the Super Bowl and earned MVP honors after throwing for 255 yards and two touchdowns in a 17-14 win over the New England Patriots on February 3, 2008.

Cutcliffe also coached three-time All-SEC running back Deuce McAllister, who set Rebel career records for rushing yards (3,060) and rushing touchdowns (37) and was a first round selection of the New Orleans Saints in the 2001 NFL Draft.

Cutcliffe's recruiting efforts at Ole Miss produced three national award winners in Eli Manning (2003; Maxwell Award), Jon Nichols (2003; Lou Groza Award presented annually to the top kicker in the nation) and Patrick Willis (2006; Butkus Award presented annually to the top linebacker in the country). During his six seasons at the helm of the Rebel program, Mississippi set school single-season records for total offense, passing offense and scoring offense while winning twice at both Auburn and LSU, securing consecutive victories over Florida, and defeating both Arkansas and South Carolina on three occasions.

In the spring of 2005, Cutcliffe joined the coaching staff at Notre Dame, but resigned from the post for health reasons. He then returned to Knoxville prior to the 2006 season. Cutcliffe helped the Volunteers to a 19-8 record from 2006-07 with two appearances in the Outback Bowl. In 2007, Tennessee went 10-4 with a 6-2 league mark en route to winning the SEC Eastern Division crown. The Tennessee offense allowed an NCAA-low four sacks on the year, and quarterback Erik Ainge earned MVP honors of the Outback Bowl after throwing for 365 yards and two touchdowns as the Volunteers defeated Wisconsin, 21-17. Tennessee running back Arian Foster rushed for 1,193 yards on the year while wide receiver Lucas Taylor reached the 1,000-yard plateau for receiving yards. In addition, offensive quard Anthony Parker garnered second team All-America accolades.

With Cutcliffe at offensive coordinator, Tennessee scored 30 or more points in 62 of 100 games, posting a 59-3 (.952) ledger in those contests. The Volunteers compiled an overall record of 173-54-7 (.754) during his 19 seasons. Cutcliffe is the only coach in SEC history to have two quarterbacks throw for over 10,000 career yards while his offenses produced the all-time leading passers, rushers and receivers at both Ole Miss and Tennessee.

Cutcliffe's coaching tenure as both an assistant and head coach features five quarterbacks that have surpassed the 3,000-yard barrier in a single season: Peyton Manning (Tennessee, 1996 & 1997), Eli Manning (Ole Miss, 2002 & 2003), Ainge (Tennessee, 2007), Lewis (Duke, 2009) and Renfree (Duke, 2010). In addition, eight of Cutcliffe's signal-calling pupils have either earned all-conference honors or led their respective team to a bowl game victory.

A native of Birmingham, Ala., Cutcliffe graduated from the University of Alabama in 1976. He got his start in the coaching profession at Banks High School — his alma mater — and spent four years as an assistant coach before becoming the head coach in 1980

Cutcliffe is married to the former Karen Oran of Harriman, Tenn., and they have four children (Chris, Marcus, Katie and Emily) one daughter-in-law (Molly) and one grandson (Shivers).

# **CUTCLIFFE YEAR-BY-YEAR**

Year	School	Position	Record	Notes
1982	Tennessee	Part Time Assistant Coach	6-5-1	Peach Bowl participant
1983	Tennessee	Assistant Coach/TEs	9-3	Florida Citrus Bowl champion
1984	Tennessee	Assistant Coach/TEs	7-4-1	Sun Bowl participant
1985	Tennessee	Assistant Coach/TEs	9-1-2	SEC Champions
				Sugar Bowl champion
1986	Tennessee	Assistant Coach/TEs	7-5	Liberty Bowl champion
1987	Tennessee	Assistant Coach/TEs	10-2-1	Peach Bowl champion
1988	Tennessee	Assistant Coach/TEs	5-6	
1989	Tennessee	Assistant Coach/RBs	11-1	SEC Champions
				Cotton Bowl champion
1990	Tennessee	Assistant Coach/QBs	9-2-2	SEC Champions
				Sugar Bowl champion
1991	Tennessee	Assistant Coach/QBs	9-3	Fiesta Bowl participant
1992	Tennessee	Passing Game Coordinator/QBs	9-3	Hall of Fame Bowl champion
1993	Tennessee	Offensive Coordinator/QBs	10-2	Florida Citrus Bowl participant
				QB Heath Shuler: SEC POTY
1994	Tennessee	Offensive Coordinator/QBs	8-4	Gator Bowl champion
1995	Tennessee	Asst. Head Coach/Off. Coordinator/QBs	11-1	Florida Citrus Bowl champion
1996	Tennessee	Asst. Head Coach/Off. Coordinator/QBs	10-2	Florida Citrus Bowl champion
1997	Tennessee	Asst. Head Coach/Off. Coordinator/QBs	11-2	SEC Champions
				Orange Bowl participant
				QB Peyton Manning: SEC POTY & 1st team All-America
1998	Tennessee	Asst. Head Coach/Off. Coordinator/QBs	13-0	National Champions
				SEC Champions
				Frank Broyles Award recipient
1998	Mississippi	Head Coach	1-0	Independence Bowl champion
1999	Mississippi	Head Coach	8-4	Independence Bowl champion
2000	Mississippi	Head Coach	7-5	Music City Bowl participant
2001	Mississippi	Head Coach	7-4	
2002	Mississippi	Head Coach	7-6	Independence Bowl champion
2003	Mississippi	Head Coach	10-3	SEC Western Division Co-Champions
				Cotton Bowl champion
				SEC Coach of the Year
				QB Eli Manning: SEC POTY & 1st team All-America
2004	Mississippi	Head Coach	4-7	
2006	Tennessee	Asst. Head Coach/Off. Coordinator/QBs	9-4	Outback Bowl participant
2007	Tennessee	Asst. Head Coach/Off. Coordinator/QBs	10-4	SEC Eastern Division Co-Champions
				SEC Championship Game participant
				Outback Bowl champion
2008	Duke	Head Coach	4-8	Nation's second-most difficult schedule
2009	Duke	Head Coach	5-7	3 ACC wins — Duke's most since 1999
2010	Duke	Head Coach	3-9	Highest offensive yards per game average since 1989
2011	Duke	Head Coach	3-9	2nd in ACC in passing; most rushing TDs since 1995
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Record as assistant coach at Tennessee (19 seasons): 173-54-7 (.754)

Record as head coach at Ole Miss (6 seasons): 44-29 (.603)

Record as head coach at Duke (4 seasons): 15-33 (.313)

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# **CUTCLIFFE RECORD**

Cutcliffe Record Overall	Ole Miss 44-29	<b>Duke</b> 15-33	<b>Total</b> 59-62
Home	26-13	8-19	34-32
Away	14-15	7-14	21-29
Neutral	4-1	0-0	4-1
Day Night	28-14	11-28	39-42
Night Overtime	16-15 3-2	4-5 0-1	20-20 3-3
Overtime Home	2-2	0-0	2-2
Overtime Away	1-0	0-1	1-1
Overtime Neutral	0-0	0-0	0-0
August	2-0	1-0	3-0
August Home	1-0	1-0	2-0
August Away	1-0	0-0	1-0
August Neutral	0-0 12-9	0-0	0-0 18-17
September September Home	8-4	6-8 5-5	13-9
September Away	4-5	2-2	6-7
September Neutral	0-0	0-0	0-0
October	17-6	6-9	23-15
October Home	11-3	1-6	12-9
October Away	6-3	5-3	11-6
October Neutral	0-0	0-0	0-0
November	8-13	1-15	9-28
November Home	5-6	1-7	6-13
November Away	3-7	0-9	3-16
November Neutral	0-0	0-0	0-0
December Home	<u>4-1</u> 1-0	0-0 0-0	4-1 1-0
December Away	0-0	0-0	0-0
December Neutral	3-1	0-0	3-1
January	1-0	0-0	1-0
Scoring First	29-11	11-13	40-24
Margin 10 pts or less	19-17	7-16	26-33
Margin 7 pts or less	18-13	5-10	23-23
Margin 3 pts or less	10-6	3-3	13-9
Score 20+ points	40-15	13-13	53-28
Score 30+ points	28-6	11-4	39-10 19-3
Score 40+ points Score 50+ points	13-2 3-1	6-1 1-0	4-1
Allow 10 or less points	8-0	3-0	11-0
Allow 20 or less points	25-4	8-3	33-7
Following a loss	16-12	7-23	23-35
Following a win	22-16	6-9	28-25
Leading after 1st qtr	23-9	8-4	31-13
Trailing after 1st qtr	11-14	4-16	15-30
Tied after 1st qtr	10-6	3-12	13-18
Leading after 2nd qtr	35-8	9-5	44-13
Trailing after 2nd qtr Tied after 2nd qtr	8-20 1-1	3-26 3-3	11-46 4-4
Leading after 3rd gtr	34-7	12-2	46-9
Trailing after 3rd qtr	8-20	3-31	11-51
Tied after 3rd qtr	2-2	0-0	2-2
With 100-yard rusher	20-5	1-1	21-6
With 300-yard passer	7-4	8-8	15-12
With 100-yard receiver	10-8	7-9	17-17
Committing 0 turnovers	10-2	3-3	13-5
Committing 1 turnover	16-6	7-10	23-16
Committing 2 turnovers	11-8	4-13	15-21
Committing 3 turnovers	4-8	1-0	5-8
Committing 4 turnovers Committing 5+ turnovers	2-3 1-2	0-5 0-2	<u>2-8</u> 1-4
Forcing 0 turnovers	3-4		4-15
Forcing 1 turnover	8-8	4-11	12-19
Forcing 2 turnovers	17-12	4-9	21-21
Forcing 3 turnovers	12-1	3-1	15-2
Forcing 4 turnovers	4-3	2-0	6-3
Forcing 5+ turnovers	0-1	1-1	1-2
Score Defensive TD	5-5	4-2	9-7
Score Special Teams TD	5-1	2-0	7-1

# MARKED IMPROVEMENT AT DUKE

• In four seasons, David Cutcliffe has guided Duke to 15 victories — five more than the program's total in the previous eight years

	2008-11	2000-07
Total games	48	92
Overall W-L	15-33 (.313)	10-82 (.109)
Home W-L	8-19 (.296)	7-40 (.149)
Road W-L	7-14 (.333)	3-42 (.067)
ACC W-L	6-26 (.188)	3-61 (.047)
ACC Home W-L	3-13 (.188)	2-30 (.063)
ACC Road W-L	3-13 (.188)	1-31 (.031)
Record vs. BCS schools	7-30 (.189)	5-66 (.070)
Games scoring 30+ points	16	12
Games scoring 40+ points	7	5
Fourth quarter come-from-behind wins	3	1
Seasons with 3+ wins	4	1
Seasons with 4+ wins	2	1
Home crowds of 30,000+ fans (Total home games)	9 (27)	4 (47)

## **CUTCLIFFE BOWL EXPERIENCE**

Τρημοςσορ	(1982-1998: 2006-07)	
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1982	Peach Bowl	Ĺ	22-28	lowa
1983	Florida Citrus Bowl	W	30-23	Maryland
1984	Sun Bowl	L	27-28	Maryland
1986	Sugar Bowl	W	35-7	Miami
1986	Liberty Bowl	W	21-14	Minnesota
1988	Peach Bowl	W	27-22	Indiana
1990	Cotton Bowl	W	31-27	Arkansas
1991	Sugar Bowl	W	23-22	Virginia
1992	Fiesta Bowl	L	17-42	Penn State
1993	Hall of Fame Bowl	W	38-23	Boston College
1994	Florida Citrus Bowl	L	13-31	Penn State
1994	Gator Bowl	W	45-23	Virginia Tech
1996	Florida Citrus Bowl	W	20-14	Ohio State
1997	Florida Citrus Bowl	W	48-28	Northwestern
1998	Orange Bowl	L	17-42	Nebraska
2007	Outback Bowl	L	10-20	Penn State
2008	Outback Bowl	W	21-17	Wisconsin

### Ole Miss (1998-2004)

1998	Independence Bowl	W	35-18	Texas Tech
1999	Independence Bowl	W	27-25	Oklahoma
2000	Music City Bowl	L	38-49	West Virginia
	Independence Bowl	W	27-23	Nebraska
	Cotton Bowl	\/\/	31-28	Oklahoma State

# **CUTCLIFFE 3,000-YARD PASSERS**

Player, School (Year)	Comp-Att	Pct.	Yards	TD	INT
Peyton Manning, Tennessee (1996)	243-380	.639	3,287	20	12
Peyton Manning, Tennessee (1997)	287-477	.602	3,819	36	11
Eli Manning, Ole Miss (2002)	279-481	.580	3,401	21	15
Eli Manning, Ole Miss (2003)	275-441	.624	3,600	29	10
Erik Ainge, Tennessee (2007)	325-519	.626	3,522	31	10
Thaddeus Lewis, Duke (2009)	274-449	.610	3,330	20	8
Sean Renfree, Duke (2010)	285-464	.614	3,131	14	17

### **CUTCLIFFE RECORD**

#### 300-Yard Passing Games

- 459 Thaddeus Lewis (D) vs. N.C. State, 10-10-09
- 414 Eli Manning (M) vs. Arkansas, 10-26-02
- 409 Eli Manning (M) vs. Texas Tech, 9-27-03
- 391 Eli Manning (M) vs. South Carolina, 11-1-03
- 387 Thaddeus Lewis (D) vs. Wake Forest, 11-28-09
- 386 Eli Manning (M) vs. Vanderbilt, 9-21-02
- 374 Eli Manning (M) vs. Texas Tech, 9-14-02
- 371 Thaddeus Lewis (D) vs. Maryland, 10-24-09
- 368 Sean Renfree (D) vs. Boston College, 9-17-11
- 359 Thaddeus Lewis (D) vs. Virginia Tech, 10-3-09
- 358 Sean Renfree (D) vs. Wake Forest, 9-11-10
- 353 Eli Manning (M) vs. Louisiana-Monroe, 9-13-03
- 351 Sean Renfree (D) vs. Maryland, 10-2-10
- 350 Thaddeus Lewis (D) vs. Richmond, 9-5-09
- 350 Sean Renfree (D) vs. Elon, 9-4-10
- 343 Thaddeus Lewis (D) vs. Virginia, 10-31-09
- 335 Sean Renfree (D) vs. FIU, 10-1-11
- 334 Sean Renfree (D) vs. Georgia Tech, 11-20-10
- 325 Eli Manning (M) vs. Alabama, 10-13-01
- 317 Thaddeus Lewis (D) vs. N.C. State, 11-8-08
- 317 Thaddeus Lewis (D) vs. Navy, 9-13-08
- 314 Sean Renfree (D) vs. Navy, 10-30-10
- 313 Eli Manning (M) vs. Nebraska, 12-27-02
- 312 Eli Manning (M) vs. Arkansas, 11-3-01
- 306 Eli Manning (M) vs. Arkansas State, 10-11-03
- 303 Thaddeus Lewis (D) vs. Miami, 11-21-09
- 303 Sean Renfree (D) vs. Virginia, 11-12-11
- 302 Romaro Miller (M) vs. Tulane, 9-2-00

### 300-Yard Passing Games By Individual

- 1. 10, Eli Manning (M)
- 2. 9, Thaddeus Lewis (D)
- 3. 8, Sean Renfree (D)
- 4. 1, Romaro Miller (M)

### 100-Yard Rushing Games

- 157 Joe Gunn (M) vs. Vanderbilt, 12-1-01
- 155 Joe Gunn (M) vs. Arkansas State, 9-11-99
- 143 Deuce McAllister (M) vs. Vanderbilt, 9-16-00
- 140 Deuce McAllister (M) vs. LSU, 10-30-99
- 139 Vashon Pearson (M) vs. Wyoming, 9-25-04
- 135 Joe Gunn (M) vs. LSU, 10-30-99
- 134 Deuce McCallister (M) vs. Mississippi State, 11-25-99
- 133 Tremaine Turner (M) vs. Oklahoma State, 1-2-04
- 131 Deuce McAllister (M) vs. Arkansas, 11-4-00
- 129 Vashon Pearson (M) vs. Arkansas State, 10-2-04
- 127 Joe Gunn (M) vs. South Carolina, 10-2-99125 Deuce McAllister (M) vs. Arkansas, 11-6-99
- 122 Desmond Scott (D) vs. Wake Forest, 9-11-10
- 121 Deuce McAllister (M) vs. Oklahoma, 12-31-99
- 121 Deuce McAllister (M) vs. Mississippi State, 11-23-00
- 120 Joe Gunn (M) vs. Tulane, 10-9-99
- 117 Tremaine Turner (M) vs. South Carolina, 11-1-03
- 114 Joe Gunn (M) vs. Memphis, 9-4-99
- 113 Joe Gunn (M) vs. Kentucky, 9-29-01
- 111 Joe Gunn (M) vs. Middle Tennessee, 10-20-01
- 111 Vashon Pearson (M) vs. Vanderbilt, 9-18-04
- 107 Robert Williams (M) vs. Memphis, 9-7-02
- 107 Ronald McClendon (M) vs. Florida, 10-4-03
- 104 Deuce McAllister (M) vs. Georgia, 11-20-99
- 104 Deuce McAllister (M) vs. Auburn, 9-9-00
- 103 Joe Gunn (M) vs. Georgia, 11-20-99 102 Joe Gunn (M) vs. Arkansas, 11-3-01
- 100 Desmond Scott (D) vs. N.C. Central, 9-26-09
- 100 Robert Williams (M) vs. Louisiana-Monroe, 8-31-02

### 100-Yard Rushing Games By Individual

- 1. 10, Joe Gunn (M)
- 2. 9, Deuce McAllister (M)
- 3. 3, Vashon Pearson (M)
- 2, Robert Williams (M) 2, Tremaine Turner (M)
- 2, Desmond Scott (D)
- 1, Robert McClendon (M)

### 100-Yard Receiving Games

- 181 Conner Vernon (D) vs. Wake Forest, 9-11-10
- 174 Donovan Varner (D) vs. Wake Forest, 11-29-09
- 169 Grant Heard (M) vs. UNLV, 10-28-00
- 165 Donovan Varner (D) vs. Miami, 11-21-09
- 157 Mike Espy (M) vs. Texas Tech, 9-27-03
- 154 Donovan Varner (D) vs. N.C. State, 10-10-09
- 146 Chris Collins (M) vs. Arkansas State, 10-11-03
- 142 Mario Hill (M) vs. Wyoming, 9-25-04
- 138 Chris Collins (M) vs. Arkansas, 10-26-02
- 137 Cory Peterson (M) vs. Alabama, 10-16-99
- 137 Eron Riley (D) vs. Navy, 9-13-08
- 135 Johnny Williams (D) vs. Northwestern, 9-6-08
- 134 Conner Vernon (D) vs. Boston College, 11-13-10
- 132 Donovan Varner (D) vs. Virginia, 11-12-11
- 132 Donovan Varner (D) VS. Virginia, 11-12-11
- 130 Chris Collins (M) vs. Mississippi State, 11-28-02
- 129 Conner Vernon (D) vs. Elon, 9-4-10
- 129 Conner Vernon (D) vs. Army, 9-25-10
- 128 Conner Vernon (D) vs. Virginia Tech, 10-3-09
- 128 Donovan Varner (D) vs. Maryland, 10-2-10
- 125 Cory Peterson (M) vs. Auburn, 9-25-99
- 125 Chris Collins (M) vs. South Carolina, 11-1-03
- 123 Donovan Varner (D) vs. Elon, 9-4-10
- 121 Chris Collins (M) vs. Louisiana-Monroe, 9-13-03
- 120 Donovan Varner (D) vs. Maryland, 10-24-09
- 119 Chris Collins (M) vs. Kentucky, 9-29-01
- 117 Conner Vernon (D) vs. FIU, 10-1-11 116 Conner Vernon (D) vs. Boston College, 9-17-11
- 115 Johnny Williams (D) vs. Richmond, 9-5-09
- 113 Chris Collins (M) vs. Mississippi State, 11-27-03
- 113 Donovan Varner (D) vs. Virginia, 10-31-09
- 111 Donovan Varner (D) vs. FIU, 10-1-11
- 110 Chris Collins (M) vs. Alabama, 10-13-01
- 110 Chris Collins (M) vs. Mississippi State, 11-22-01
- 108 Jamie Armstrong (M) vs. Auburn, 9-8-01
- 106 Chris Collins (M) vs. Auburn, 11-2-02
- 105 Taye Biddle (M) vs. Louisiana-Monroe, 9-13-03
- 103 Conner Vernon (D) at Virginia, 10-31-09
- 102 Conner Vernon (D) vs. Maryland, 10-24-09
- 102 Doug Zeigler (M) vs. Arkansas, 11-3-01
- 100 Chris Collins (M) vs. Murray State, 9-1-01

#### 100-Yard Receiving Games By Individual

- 1. 11, Chris Collins (M)
- 9, Conner Vernon (D)
   9, Donovan Varner (D)
- . 2, Cory Peterson (M) & Johnny Williams (D)

### Multiple 100-Yard Rushers

- 1. 140, Deuce McAllister (M) vs. LSU, 10-30-99
- 135, Joe Gunn (M) vs. LSU, 10-30-99
- 2. 104, Deuce McAllister (M) vs. Georgia, 11-20-99
  - 103, Joe Gunn (M) vs. Georgia, 11-20-99

### Multiple 100-Yard Receivers

- 1. 121, Chris Collins (M) vs. Louisiana-Monroe, 9-13-03
- 105, Taye Biddle (M) vs. Louisiana-Monroe, 9-13-03 120, Donovan Varner (D) vs. Maryland, 10-24-09
- 102, Conner Vernon (D) vs. Maryland, 10-24-09
- 3. 113, Donovan Varner (D) at Virginia, 10-31-09
- 103, Conner Vernon (D) at Virginia, 10-31-09
  1. 129, Conner Vernon (D) vs. Elon, 9-4-10
- 129, Conner Vernon (D) vs. Elon, 9-4-10
   123, Donovan Varner (D) vs. Elon, 9-4-10
- 5. 117, Conner Vernon (D) vs. FIU, 10-1-11

### 111, Donovan Varner (D) vs. FIU, 10-1-11

- 100-Yard Rusher & 100-Yard Receiver1. 113, Joe Gunn (M) vs. Kentucky, 9-29-01 (rush)
- 119, Chris Collins (M) vs. Kentucky, 9-29-01 (rec)
- 2. 102, Joe Gunn (M) vs. Arkansas, 11-3-01 (rush)
- 102, Doug Zeigler (M) vs. Arkansas, 11-3-01 (rec)
- 117, Tremaine Turner (M) vs. S. Carolina, 11-1-03 (rush)
   125, Chris Collins (M) vs. South Carolina, 11-1-03 (rec)
- 4. 139, Vashon Pearson (M) vs. Wyoming, 9-25-04 (rush)
- 142, Mario Hill (M) vs. Wyoming, 9-25-04 (rec)
- 122, Desmond Scott (D) vs. W. Forest, 9-11-10 (rush)
   181, Conner Vernon (D) vs. W. Forest, 9-11-10 (rec)

### 300-Yard Passer & 100-Yard Rusher

- 1. 312, Eli Manning (M) vs. Arkansas, 11-3-01 (pass)
- 102, Joe Gunn (M) vs. Arkansas, 11-3-01 (rush)
  2. 391, Eli Manning (M) vs. South Carolina, 11-1-03 (pass)
- 117, Tremaine Turner (M) vs. S. Carolina, 11-1-03 (rush)
  3. 358. Sean Renfree (D) vs. Wake Forest, 9-11-10 (pass)

# 122, Desmond Scott (D) vs. Wake Forest, 9-11-10 (rush)

- 300-Yard Passer, 100-Yard Receiver & 100-Yard Rusher312, Eli Manning (M) vs. Arkansas, 11-3-01 (pass)
- 102, Doug Zeigler (M) vs. Arkansas, 11-3-01 (pass)
- 102, Joe Gunn (M) vs. Arkansas, 11-3-01 (rush)
   391, Eli Manning (M) vs. South Carolina, 11-1-03 (pass)
   125, Chris Collins (M) vs. South Carolina, 11-1-03 (rec)
- 117, Tremaine Turner (M) vs. S. Carolina, 11-1-03 (rush)
  3. 358, Sean Renfree (D) vs. Wake Forest, 9-11-10 (pass)
  181, Conner Vernon (D) vs. Wake Forest, 9-11-10 (rec)

122, Desmond Scott (D) vs. Wake Forest, 9-11-10 (rush)

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## OTHERS ON CUTCLIFFE

"Duke is serious about restoring excitement and a winning tradition to Duke football. David Cutcliffe's selection as our head coach shows Duke is committed to helping our players achieve the excellence we seek, both on and off the field. Coach Cutcliffe is a proven motivator and experienced leader."

- Dr. Richard H. Brodhead, President, Duke University

"David Cutcliffe's hiring is a clear sign that Duke is serious and committed to its football program. He is an established coach at the highest level of collegiate competition and his track record speaks for itself. Coach Cutcliffe has traveled roads our program has not enjoyed in recent years, and that can only benefit the young men he will lead here at Duke. I am excited about this hire for our University, our Department of Athletics, and most importantly, for the current and future Blue Devil football players."

- Mike Krzyzewski, Head Basketball Coach, Duke University

"Coach Cutcliffe knows what he is talking about when it comes to playing quarterback. The system forces you to be a student of the game, and that aspect has helped me so much. His production speaks for itself starting with Heath Shuler and on to Peyton and Eli Manning and everyone else that has played in his system."

- Thaddeus Lewis, QB, St. Louis Rams
  - Duke University, All-ACC, 2008 & 2009

"I'm excited for Coach Cutcliffe. I think he deserves to be a head coach again. His influence on me has been well documented; he was a huge reason why I chose to attend the University of Tennessee. Speaking for Eli, Coach Cutcliffe being named the head coach at Ole Miss was a swaying factor in Eli's decision to go to school there."

- —Peyton Manning, QB, Indianapolis Colts
  - Univ. of Tennessee, SEC Player of the Year & First Team All-America, 1997
  - No. 1 Overall Selection, 1998 NFL Draft
  - NFL MVP, 2003, 2004, 2008 & 2009
  - · MVP, Super Bowl XLI

"The greatest thing about Coach Cutcliffe is his ability to teach the game of football. He works so well with quarterbacks in particular, and teaches you how to lead your team from that position. He works hard, is dedicated and has a passion for winning. I know his teams will be well prepared for anything that happens in a game."

- —Eli Manning, QB, New York Giants
  - Univ. of Mississippi, SEC Player of the Year & First Team All-America, 2003
  - No. 1 Overall Selection, 2004 NFL Draft
  - · MVP, Super Bowl XLII

"I'm very excited for Coach Cutcliffe and I think that all the people associated with Duke should be excited. He's an outstanding human being and a really good football coach."

### -Archie Manning

- University of Mississippi, First Team All-America, 1969 & 1970
- · College Football Hall of Fame, Inducted in 1989

"Just knowing Coach Cutcliffe and his dedication to not only football but development for young men, it's a great hire for Duke. I think it's going to be a great marriage for him as well with the University."

- —Deuce McAllister
  - University of Mississippi, All-SEC, 1999 & 2000
  - No. 23 Overall Selection, 2001 NFL Draft
  - · Two-time Pro Bowl selection
  - Holds New Orleans Saints all-time records for rushing yards and touchdowns

"Coach Cutcliffe was great. He was pretty much the reason I went to the University of Tennessee. He is an offensive genius and at quarterback and he knows what he's talking about. He was a big reason for our success at Tennessee and when he went on to Ole Miss, he was very successful there in turning that program around. I think it's great for Duke to have Coach Cutcliffe there."

#### —Tee Martin

· University of Tennessee, All-SEC, 1999

"I think [Coach Cutcliffe] is the right person for the job. He's a real first-class guy and he'll do everything by the book. He's going to get the most out of those guys because he is a motivator."

- Derrick Burgess, DE, New England Patriots
  - · University of Mississippi, All-SEC, 2000

"His knowledge surpasses so many others. He's as quality a human being as I've ever been around. He's going to surround himself with good coaches and good players. Look at the unbelievable players he has recruited."

- Heath Shuler
- · University of Tennessee, SEC Player of the Year, 1993
- · No. 3 Overall Selection, 1994 NFL Draft

"I have a tremendous amount of respect for David Cutcliffe. He is truly one of the great offensive coaches in college football. He is outstanding in the development of quarterbacks and with the passing game in particular. I thought he did a really good job at Mississippi and knew it would only be a matter of time before he was his own boss again."

Todd Blackledge, ESPN

"David Cutcliffe is an offensive mastermind. He does an exceptional job with quarterbacks. Peyton Manning pays him the highest compliment when he tells all Tennessee quarterbacks, 'Just do what he says. Period."

— Mike Patrick, ESPN

"Anyone who is credited with mentoring both of the Mannings currently playing in the NFL has pretty solid credentials as a football coach. Archie, Peyton and Eli all speak of David Cutcliffe with a great degree of admiration ... I think David is a great choice for Duke."

— Verne Lundquist, CBS

"When it comes to David Cutcliffe, the record speaks for itself: Five winning seasons in six years at Ole Miss; two No. 1 overall picks in the NFL Draft; a national reputation that is second to none when it comes to developing quarterbacks and great offenses. After a year out of coaching followed by two years at Tennessee, David Cutcliffe is smarter, hungrier, and more than ready to be a head coach again. Duke is getting David at the best possible time in his life and in his career. He will bring an excitement to Duke football that it has not seen since the days of Steve Spurrier."

- Tony Barnhart, Atlanta Journal-Constitution/CBS

"If there could be a perfect fit at Duke, it's David Cutcliffe. A meticulous, hard-working, no-frills, no-excuses coach. And one of the best Xs and Os tacticians in the game. He was a quarterback guru before it became fashionable to call a coach a quarterback guru."

— Matt Hayes, Sporting News

"David Cutcliffe is a great teacher, a developer of quarterbacks, an offensive innovator, a hardworking recruiter and a great person whose presence gives Duke a chance to compete in the ACC."

— Joe Schad, ESPN



Ron Middleton

ASSOCIATE HEAD COACH (TE)

SPECIAL TEAMS COORDINATOR

5TH SEASON AT DUKE

AUBURN, 1988

**Ron Middleton** joined the Duke staff in January of 2008 and serves as associate head coach and special teams coordinator while coaching the tight ends.

Under Middleton's tutelage, Duke tight end Cooper Helfet twice earned honorable mention All-ACC honors in 2010 and 2011. In two seasons at Duke, Helfet caught 77 passes for 775 yards and six touchdowns. Duke also has achieved success in the kicking game under Middleton as Will Snyderwine was a first team All-American in 2010 after making a school single-season record 21 field goals.

During the 2010 and 2011 seasons, the Blue Devils recovered an ACC-best seven on-side kicks while twice ranking second in the league in kickoff coverage.

Middleton spent one season (2007) on the staff at Alabama and helped the Crimson Tide to a 7-6 overall record and 30-24 victory over Colorado in the Independence Bowl. Under Middleton's direction, Alabama kicker Leigh Tiffin totaled 111 points with a school single-season record 25 field goals. In addition, Javier Arenas ranked among the SEC's top 10 in both kickoff and punt return average while tight end Nick Walker caught 23 passes for 204 yards and two touchdowns.

The former Auburn letterman and 10-year NFL veteran served three seasons (2004-06) as an assistant coach with the Tampa Bay Buccaneers under head coach Jon Gruden. Middleton coached the tight ends and assisted with special teams and helped Tampa Bay to the 2005 NFC South Division championship.

Middleton spent five seasons (1999-03) on the coaching staff at Missis-sippi working alongside Duke head coach David Cutcliffe. While with the Rebels, Middleton coached the tight ends for three years (1999-01) and running backs for two campaigns (2002-03) and served as the special teams coordinator. Ole Miss participated in four bowl games during Middleton's tenure, and the Atmore, Ala., native mentored kicker Jonathan Nichols, who set 15 school records, earned All-SEC honors and captured the Lou Groza Award as the nation's top placekicker in 2003. That season, Nichols booted 24-of-28 field goal attempts and all 45 of his PAT tries en route to scoring an Ole Miss single-season record 117 points.

Also in 2003, Mississippi punter Cody Ridgeway garnered second team All-SEC accolades while the Rebels paced the league in net punting, kickoff returns, field goals and PAT kicking.

Middleton spent two years (1997-98) at Troy, coaching the tight ends, offensive tackles and assisting with special teams. He also spent time in private business, serving as vice president of American Communications.

A four-year letterwinning tight end at Auburn from 1982-85, Middleton helped the Tigers to a four-year ledger of 37-12 with four bowl games that produced three victories. In 1983, Auburn posted an 11-1 record, won the SEC title and defeated Michigan, 9-7, in the Sugar Bowl. Middleton earned a degree in pre-law/history from Auburn in 1988 and later received a master's degree in sports and fitness management from Troy in 1998.

Middleton's professional playing career spanned 10 seasons with five organizations. Undrafted out of Auburn, he played two years (1986-87) with the Atlanta Falcons before joining the Washington Redskins for the 1988 campaign. Following one season (1989) with the Cleveland Browns, Middleton returned to the Redskins for a four-year tenure that included a 37-24 victory over Buffalo in Super Bowl XXVI. He finished his career playing single campaigns with the Los Angeles Rams (1994) and San Diego Chargers (1995).

Middleton, who was a member of the Tampa Bay Buccaneers' training camp coaching staff in 2003 as a part of the NFL's Minority Coaching Fellowship Program, was selected by Gruden in 2006 to attend the NFL's Coaches Career Development Symposium. In addition, Middleton joined with other Tampa Bay coaches to host the 2004 High School Coaching Academy, a one-day clinic designed to elevate the quality of football coaching at the prep level.

Middleton has three children: Desmond, Ron II and Zaria.



Jim Knowles

DEFENSIVE COORDINATOR

3RD SEASON AT DUKE

CORNELL, 1995

**Jim Knowles** was added to the Blue Devil staff on December 28, 2009 and serves as the program's defensive coordinator. He was the head coach at Cornell for six seasons (2004-09) and a member of David Cutcliffe's staff at Ole Miss in 2003

In 2011, the Duke defense was led by safety Matt Daniels, who earned first team All-ACC and second team All-America honors after posting 126 tackles. Daniels went on to sign a free agent contract with the NFL's St. Louis Rams.

Knowles coached the Blue Devil safeties in 2010 as Daniels led the charge with 93 tackles, six tackles for loss, seven pass breakups, three caused fumbles and two fumble recoveries. His three forced fumbles ranked second in the ACC. In addition, Walt Canty carded 63 tackles while Lee Butler chipped in 58 stops. All three safeties produced one interception apiece.

In addition, Knowles oversaw the mid-season transition of August Campbell from linebacker to safety and the redshirt freshman responded with a school record 95-yard fumble return for a touchdown against Boston College. The return broke the 54-year old record of 77 yards set by Ed Rushton against Pittsburgh in 1956.

A 1987 graduate of Cornell, Knowles spent nine years (1988-96) as an assistant coach at his alma mater, helping the Big Red to Ivy League championships in 1988 and 1990. In his first stint at Cornell, he coached defensive line (1988), running backs (1989-94) and linebackers (1995-96) while coordinating the staff's recruiting efforts (1995-96). He was named Cornell's 25th head football coach in January, 2004, and guided the Big Red to an overall ledger of 26-34 with a 16-26 record in Ivy League play.

In his first season at the helm of the Big Red program, Knowles turned a 1-9 squad that lost seven games by at least two touchdowns into a 4-6 unit that went 4-3 in conference play and lost all six contests by 10 points or less. Cornell's 2004 squad became the first team in lvy League history to go from zero conference wins to a winning league slate in just one season. Under Knowles, Cornell posted three consecutive seasons (2005-06-07) at .500 or better for the first time since 1990-91-92 and, in 2007, enjoyed a stretch of scoring 30 or more points in four straight games for the first time since 1921 while home attendance nearly doubled from the 2006 campaign.

In his lone season at Ole Miss, Knowles aided the Rebels to a 10-3 record, a share of the SEC Western Division championship and a 31-28 victory over Oklahoma State in the Cotton Bowl. Coaching the linebackers while serving as recruiting coordinator, Knowles helped the Ole Miss defense rank 14th in the nation in rushing defense while the Rebels held eight opponents -- including eventual national champion LSU -- to 21 or fewer points.

Knowles spent six seasons (1997-02) on the staff at Western Michigan University, serving the last two campaigns as defensive coordinator. In 2002, the Broncos led the Mid-American Conference and ranked 28th nationally in total defense and featured Jason Babin, the MAC Defensive Player of the Year and the school's first NFL first round draft pick. In 2001, Western Michigan paced the conference and ranked 17th nationally in pass defense. Knowles' tenure with the Broncos also included three shutouts during the 2000 season -- the school's highest total since 1971 -- and the development of two-time All-MAC pick Dan Falcon (1997-98) and Ryan Bauer, who led the league in sacks in 1997.

A native of Philadelphia, Pa., Knowles was a three-year letterman and All-lvy League selection as a defensive end at Cornell before graduating in 1987 with a bachelor's degree from the School of Industrial and Labor Relations. He and his wife, Nancy, have three children - Halle, Luke and Jack.



Curt Roper
OFFENSIVE COORDINATOR (QB)
5TH SEASON AT DUKE
RICE, 1995

A coaching veteran who has spent time on staffs at three SEC schools, **Kurt Roper** joined the Duke program in January of 2008 and serves as offensive coordinator while mentoring the quarterbacks.

Under Roper's guidance in 2011, the Blue Devils ranked second in the ACC in passing offense as wide receiver Conner Vernon became the first player in league history to post multiple seasons with 70-plus receptions. In addition, wideout Donovan Varner eclipsed the school's all-time catch record while Duke rushed for 19 touchdowns, matching the program's highest output since 1995.

In 2010, Duke averaged 381.3 yards per game — the program's highest total since 1989 when the Blue Devils captured the league championship. Quarterback Sean Renfree became just the fourth player in Duke history to throw for more than 3,000 yards in a season, and Vernon was an All-ACC pick after catching 73 passes — one shy of the school single-season record. In addition, Brandon Connette set a school record for rushing TDs by a freshman with eight while Duke had five players with 30 or more receptions for just the second time in school history.

In 2008-09, Roper directed two-time All-ACC quarterback Thaddeus Lewis, who finished his career as the school's all-time leader in pass attempts (1,510), pass completions (877), passing yards (10,065) and passing touchdowns (67). One of just two players in ACC history to throw for more than 10,000 yards in a career, Lewis enjoyed one of the finest seasons by a quarterback in Duke history in 2009 by leading the ACC in total offense while throwing for 3,330 yards and 20 TDs.

Lewis, who set or matched over 50 school records during his tenure at Duke, now plays for the NFL's Cleveland Browns.

In 2009, the Duke offense led the ACC and ranked ninth nationally in passing as Lewis averaged 277.5 yards per game with 20 touchdowns. In addition, Varner ranked first in the league in both receptions per game (5.42) and receiving yards per game (87.2) en route to earning first team all-conference honors.

Roper came to Duke after serving the 2006 and 2007 seasons at Tennessee where he coached the running backs. The Volunteers produced 19 wins in two years with one SEC Eastern Division crown and a pair of Outback Bowl berths.

Tennessee's rushing attack in 2007 was featured by Arian Foster, who gained 1,193 yards on 245 carries while scoring 12 touchdowns on the ground. Foster went on to lead the NFL in rushing in 2010 and earn invitation to the 2011 Pro Bowl.

Roper got his start in coaching at Tennessee, serving as a graduate assistant coach from 1996-98 while working with the Volunteer defensive and special teams units. He then followed current Duke head coach David Cutcliffe to Ole Miss and spent six years in Oxford as the Rebels went 44-29 with four bowl game victories. Mississippi enjoyed one of its finest seasons in school history in 2003 when the Rebels went 10-3, captured a share of the SEC Western Division title and defeated Oklahoma State, 31-28, in the Cotton Bowl.

While with Ole Miss, Roper coached the quarterbacks all six years and added the responsibility of passing game coordinator for his final three seasons. Among his pupils was record-setting, All-America signal-caller Eli Manning, the 2003 SEC Player of the Year who was the number one overall pick in the 2004 NFL Draft.

In 2005, Roper coached the quarterbacks at Kentucky under Rich Brooks. In all, Roper has coached in nine bowl games: 1997 Florida Citrus, 1998 Orange, 1998 Independence, 1999 Independence, 2000 Music City, 2002 Independence, 2004 Cotton, 2007 Outback and 2008 Outback.

A native of Ames, Iowa, Roper earned three varsity letters on the gridiron as a defensive back and quarterback at Rice before graduating in 1995. He went on to earn a master's degree from Tennessee in 1998.

Roper is married to the former Britt Albertson of High Point, N.C., and the couple has one daughter, Reese. His brother, Zac, also is a member of the Duke football coaching staff.



Jim Collins

ASSISTANT DEFENSIVE COORDINATOR (LB)
11TH SEASON AT DUKE
ELON, 1974

**Jim Collins** was named to the Duke coaching staff in January of 2008 to begin his third stint with the Blue Devils. Collins was a graduate assistant with head coach Steve Sloan in 1983 and later served five campaigns from 1985-89 under both Sloan and Steve Spurrier. Collins serves as the assistant defensive coordinator and coaches the Blue Devil linebackers.

In 2011, Collins mentored a linebacking unit that featured zero seniors as sophomore Kelby Brown and junior Austin Gamble ranked third and fifth on the team in tackles with 65 and 43 stops, respectfully. Brown also led the Blue Devils in tackles for loss despite missing two games due to injury.

Two of Collins' pupils were recognized following the 2010 season as senior Abraham Kromah was an honorable mention All-ACC pick while Brown received Freshman All-America accolades. Kromah paced Duke in tackles with 120 stops — including a career-high 20 in the season finale against North Carolina — while Brown, who played in just nine contests, led the nation in fumble recoveries per game (0.44) and totaled 63 tackles.

In 2008 and 2009, Collins coached a pair of honor-earning linebackers in Michael Tauiliili and Vincent Rey. Tauiliili received All-America accolades in 2008 after leading the ACC in tackles with 140 while Rey was an All-ACC selection in 2009. Both players finished their respective careers ranking among the top tacklers in Duke history and signed free agent contracts with NFL clubs — Tauiliili with the Indianapolis Colts in 2009 and Rey with the Cincinnati Bengals in 2010.

A native of Greensboro, N.C., Collins began his coaching career at Page (N.C.) High School in 1974. He then served as the defensive coordinator at Lees-McRae Junior College in 1980 before coaching the defensive backs and outside linebackers at Appalachian State from 1981-82. After one season at Duke as a graduate assistant coach, he was the defensive coordinator at Jacksonville State in 1984.

In 1985, Collins returned to Durham for a five-year stint with the Blue Devils. Coaching Duke's linebackers, he mentored Mike Junkin, a second team All-America pick in 1986 who became the school's all-time leading tackler and was a first round selection of the Cleveland Browns in the 1987 NFL Draft. Collins served as Duke's co-defensive coordinator in 1989 as the Blue Devils posted an 8-4 record, won seven straight games to close the regular season, captured the ACC championship and participated in the All American Bowl in Birmingham, Ala.

Collins then went with Spurrier to Florida, serving on the staff from 1990-01. During his tenure with the Gators, he worked with the linebackers, defensive ends and tight ends while also serving as recruiting coordinator as Florida compiled an overall record of 122-27-1. The successful 12-year run included the 1996 national championship with a 52-20 victory over Florida State in the Sugar Bowl as well as an 82-12 record in SEC regular season action, nine 10-win seasons, 10 campaigns ranked in the top 10 of the final Associated Press national poll, six SEC titles, 11 bowl game berths, 81 All-America citations and 13 first round NFL Draft selections.

In 2002-03, Collins worked with the NFL's Washington Redskins, coaching the linebackers while assisting with special teams. He then Collins joined the staff at Marshall where he guided the defensive backs in 2004 before coordinating the defense for the next two years. In 2005, his Thundering Herd defensive unit led Conference USA in total defense while ranking 12th nationally against the pass.

During his college coaching career, Collins has participated in 13 bowl games: 1989 All American, 1992 Sugar, 1992 Gator, 1994 Sugar, 1995 Sugar, 1996 Fiesta, 1997 Sugar, 1998 Citrus, 1999 Orange, 2000 Citrus, 2001 Sugar, 2002 Orange and 2004 Fort Worth.

Collins played defensive back at Elon College before graduating in 1974 with a degree in physical education. He later earned a master's degree in education from North Carolina A&T in 1979. He and his wife, Geri, have one daughter, Jennifer.



**Matt Lubick** 

PASSING GAME COORDINATOR (WR) RECRUITING COORDINATOR 3RD SEASON AT DUKE COLORADO STATE, 1995

Matt Lubick joined the Blue Devil staff in February of 2010 and serves as Duke's passing game coordinator and recruiting coordinator while coaching the Blue Devil wide receivers.

In 2011, the Blue Devils ranked second in the ACC in passing offense while wide receiver Conner Vernon — a two-time All-ACC selection — became the first player in league history to post multiple seasons with 70-plus receptions. In addition, wideout Donovan Varner eclipsed the school's all-time catch record, closing his career with 207 receptions — matching the fourth-highest total in ACC history.

Duke's 2011 passing attack featured four players — Varner, Vernon, wideout Brandon Braxton and tight end Cooper Helfet — that caught 40 or more passes, matching the school record set in 1982.

Vernon enjoyed a terrific season in 2010 with 73 receptions for 973 yards and four touchdowns. The All-ACC choice paced the conference in receptions per game (6.08) while his 73 catches fell one short of the school single-season record of 74 set by Wes Chesson in 1970. In addition, Vernon coupled with Varner (60 receptions, 736 yards) and Austin Kelly (47 receptions, 486 yards) to form the most prolific pass-catching trio in school history with a combined 180 grabs for 2,195 yards.

Duke's passing attack ranked second in the ACC in 2010 as quarterback Sean Renfree became just the fourth player in school history to throw for 3,000 or more yards. In addition, the Blue Devils had five players — Vernon, Varner, Kelly, tight end Cooper Helfet (34) and running back Desmond Scott (34) — with 30 or more receptions for the just the second time in school history.

Lubick came to Durham after spending the previous three seasons (2007-09) on the staff at Arizona State. With the Sun Devils, Lubick served as assistant head coach and recruiting coordinator while coaching the safeties. In his three seasons spearheading the Sun Devils' recruiting efforts, Arizona State's classes ranked 17th (2008), 36th (2009) and 27th (2010) by *Scout.com* and 21st (2008), 30th (2009) and 35th (2010) by *Rivals.com*. In 2007, Lubick helped the Sun Devils to a 10-3 overall record that included a share of the Pac-10 championship, a final national ranking of No. 16 and an appearance in the Holiday Bowl.

Lubick is credited with signing Vontaze Burfict, the highest-rated prospect in Arizona State football history, as well as former Ole Miss standout Dexter McClusker, an All-SEC pick in 2009 after becoming the first player in league history to amass over 1,000 rushing yards and over 500 receiving yards in the same season. Lubick was named one of the top-10 recruiters in the Pac-10 by *Rivals.com* in each of his three years with the Sun Devils.

In 1995, Lubick got his start in coaching as a student assistant coach and academic supervisor under his father at Colorado State University. He then coached one season (1996) at California State-Northridge and two campaigns (1997-98) at San Jose State. From 1999-00, Lubick was on the staff at Oregon State where he coached the defensive backs while helping coordinate the Beavers' recruiting efforts. In 2000, Oregon State enjoyed its finest season on the gridiron by posting an 11-1 overall ledger and defeating Notre Dame in the Fiesta Bowl.

A 1995 graduate of Colorado State, Lubick returned to his alma mater for a four-year stint on the coaching staff from 2001-04. Coaching the Rams' wide receivers, he helped Colorado State to the 2002 Mountain West Conference championship as well as three straight bowl games in 2001 (New Orleans), 2002 (Liberty) and 2003 (San Francisco). Lubick then served two years (2005-06) on the staff at Ole Miss, coaching the wide receivers.

Anative of Bozeman, Mont., Lubick attended Western Montana College where he earned four varsity letters as a defensive back on the football team and earned all-conference and NAIA All-America honors as a senior. He earned a bachelor's degree in exercise and sport science from Colorado State in 1995.



**Derek Jones** 

ASSISTANT COACH (DB) 5TH SEASON AT DUKE OLE MISS, 1996

**Derek Jones** joined the Blue Devil coaching staff in January of 2008 and coaches the defensive backs.

In 2011, safety Matt Daniels — who signed with the NFL's St. Louis Rams in the spring 2012 — was a first team All-ACC and second team All-America pick after registering 126 tackles.

Cornerback Ross Cockrell earned Freshman All-America accolades in 2010 after leading the Blue Devils with three interceptions while ranking second among ACC rookies in total passes defended (10). Also, five different defensive backs registered interceptions for the Blue Devils last season, and Daniels ranked among the conference leaders in both tackles per game (6th; 7.8) and caused fumbles (2nd: 0.25).

One of Jones' pupils, Leon Wright, concluded an outstanding career in 2009 by earning honorable mention All-ACC honors after totaling 58 tackles, five interceptions and eight pass breakups. Wright was instrumental in Duke's 35-19 come-from-behind win at Army in week two of the 2009 season, returning two interceptions for touchdowns in the fourth quarter, and signed a free agent contract with the NFL's New York Giants in the spring of 2010.

Another cornerback under Jones' guidance, Chris Rwabukamba, was a fourth round draft selection of the Hamilton Tiger-Cats in the 2010 Canadian Football League Draft.

In 2008, the Blue Devil defense allowed 23.4 points per game – the lowest total in 20 seasons – and held three opponents to less than 10 points for the first time since 1976.

Prior to joining the Duke staff, Jones helped Memphis to a 7-6 overall record in 2007 – a five-game improvement in the win column from the previous year – with a berth in the New Orleans Bowl. One of Jones' pupils, LaKeitharun Ford, was named co-MVP of the squad after posting 45 tackles and two interceptions.

In 2006, Jones coached the cornerbacks at Tulsa as the Hurricane defense ranked first in Conference USA in pass defense and total defense. Tulsa posted an 8-5 ledger that season and participated in the Armed Forces Bowl. Cornerback Nick Graham earned all-conference honors and is a current member of the Philadelphia Eagles.

Prior to joining the Tulsa staff, Jones worked one season as an assistant coach at Middle Tennessee State University where the Blue Raiders ranked 30th nationally against the pass.

Jones received his start in coaching at Ole Miss in 1998 as a graduate assistant for football operations and recruiting. He then served as a defensive graduate assistant coach in 1999 with the Rebels under current Duke head coach David Cutcliffe.

From 2000-04, Jones served as cornerbacks coach and recruiting coordinator at Murray State, mentoring seven all-conference selections in five years. The Racers enjoyed defensive success during Jones' tenure, leading the Ohio Valley Conference in pass defense in 2003 and, one year later, ranking 11th nationally in total defense and 23rd nationally in scoring defense.

A native of Woodruff, S.C., Jones lettered four seasons as a cornerback at Ole Miss from 1993-96. He was a two-time second team All-SEC pick, captained the Rebels in 1996 and was selected to play in the prestigious Blue-Gray All-Star Classic following his senior campaign. He also earned All-SEC accolades in track and field as a sprinter.

Jones received a degree in public administration from Ole Miss in 1996, and then played professionally with the Toronto Argonauts and Edmonton Eskimos of the Canadian Football League and Nashville Kats of the Arena Football League. He and his wife, Naketa, have two daughters, Madison and Brooklyn Savannah. Jones has another daughter, Darquisha.



John Latina
ASSISTANT COACH (OL)
1ST SEASON AT DUKE
VIRGINIA TECH, 1981

**John Latina** joined the Duke staff in December of 2011 and serves as an assistant coach. A member of David Cutcliffe's staff at Ole Miss from 1999-2004, Latina coaches the Blue Devil offensive line.

Latina directs a Blue Devil offensive front that returns seven players that started multiple games in 2011 including guard John Coleman (9 starts), tackle Takoby Cofield (2), guard Dave Harding (9), center Conor Irwin (2), center Brian Moore (3), tackle Perry Simmons (12) and guard Laken Tomlinson (12). Last season, Tomlinson was honored as a first team Freshman All-America pick by *Sporting Mews* 

Five current members of Duke's offensive line group — Coleman (2011), Harding (2010-11), Moore (2009-10), Simmons (2010-11) and Tomlinson (2011) — have earned Academic All-ACC honors during their respective tenures with the Blue Devils. In May, 2012, Harding spearheaded a well-digging mission trip to Ethiopia that included teammates Cofield, Irwin, Moore, Simmons, Tomlinson, Joey Finison, Teddy Force, Travis Gibson and Cody Robinson.

Latina joined the Duke staff following two years (2010-11) as the offensive coordinator at the University of Akron. Prior to that, he mentored the offensive line for four seasons (2005-08) at Notre Dame.

During Latina's stint in South Bend, the Notre Dame offensive front opened holes for a pair of 1,000-yard rushing seasons for running back Darius Walker, who became just the fourth Irish running back to eclipse 1,000 rushing yards in consecutive seasons. In 2006, the line helped protect quarterback Brady Quinn as he surpassed 3,000 passing yards for the second consecutive campaign en route to receiving the Maxwell Award and the Johnny Unitas Golden Arm Award.

Notre Dame participated in the Fiesta, Sugar and Hawai'i bowl games during Latina's coaching tenure.

Latina's six-year (1999-04) tenure at Ole Miss was headlined by five winning seasons and four bowl game appearances — Independence Bowl (twice), Music City Bowl and Cotton Bowl. In 2003, the Rebels went 10-3, shared the SEC Western Division championship with LSU and defeated Oklahoma State in the Cotton Bowl as the offense established school records for points scored (442) and total offensive yards (5,631). That squad was led by quarterback Eli Manning, who earned SEC Player of the Year and first team All-America honors before being selected with the No. 1 overall pick in the NFL Draft.

No stranger to the ACC, Latina spent five years (1994-98) at Clemson, helping the program to three bowl games — once to the Gator Bowl and twice to the Peach Bowl. While with the Tigers, he coached six All-ACC offensive linemen.

Latina also spent five seasons (1989-93) at Kansas State where, in 1993, the Wildcats went 9-2-1, defeated Wyoming in the Copper Bowl and finished the year ranked 20th in the Associated Press poll. The bowl win capped Kansas State's most successful season in over eight decades.

Before his time at Kansas State, Latina served on the football staffs at both Pittsburgh (1982) and Temple (1983-88).

A 1981 graduate of Virginia Tech, Latina lettered four seasons as an offensive lineman with the Hokies. The New Castle, Pa., native spent the 1981 season as a graduate assistant coach, helping the squad to the Peach Bowl.

Latina and his wife, Michele, also from New Castle, have two sons, John and Michael.



Rick Petri
ASSISTANT COACH (DL)
2ND SEASON AT DUKE
MISSOURI-ROLLA, 1976

**Rick Petri**, a collegiate coaching veteran of over 30 seasons, joined the Duke staff in January of 2011 and coaches the Blue Devil defensive line. His coaching resume includes a six-season stint with David Cutcliffe at Ole Miss.

In 2011, Petri mentored a youthful Blue Devil defensive front that included just one senior in nose guard Charlie Hatcher, who completed his career with a 30-tackle, two-sack campaign. Petri also tutored defensive end Kenny Anunike, who was leading the ACC in both sacks and tackles for loss through the first three weeks of the season before suffering a season-ending knee injury in Duke's win over Tulane in late September.

Petri served on Cutcliffe's staff at Ole Miss from 1998-04, helping the Rebels to a 44-29 record and four bowl victories. In 2003, Ole Miss went 10-3, captured a share of the SEC Western Division title and defeated Oklahoma State, 31-29, in the Cotton Bowl. While with the Rebels, Petri coached the defensive tackles and tutored a pair of first team All-SEC selections in Kendrick Clancy and Jesse Mitchell. Clancy went on to be a third round pick of the Pittsburgh Steelers in the 2000 NFL Draft.

Petri came to Durham after spending the 2010 campaign at ACC member Miami. That year, the Hurricane defensive unit ranked among the league's leaders in pass defense (1st), pass defense efficiency (1st), opponent third down percentage (2nd), opponent first downs (2nd) total defense (3rd), sacks (3rd), and scoring defense (5th). Under Petri's guidance, senior Allen Bailey earned All-ACC honors after leading the Hurricanes in quarterback sacks.

From 2005-09, Petri was on the staff at Kentucky where he helped the Wildcats to four consecutive bowl game appearances that included victories over Clemson (2006 Music City Bowl), Florida State (2007 Music City Bowl) and East Carolina (2009 Liberty Bowl). In Lexington, Petri coached three future draft picks in Myron Pryor (6th round, New England, 2009), Jeremy Jarmon (3rd round, Washington, 2010) and Corey Peters (3rd round, Atlanta, 2010).

A native of St. Louis, Mo., Petri got his start in coaching at Pittsburg State (1977-78). He then spent 10 years on the staff at Arkansas State before a three-year (1989-91) stint at Ole Miss under head coach Billy Brewer. During his first stint in Oxford, Petri coached Kelvin Pritchett, who was a first round choice of the Dallas Cowboys in 1991 and spent 14 seasons with the Detroit Lions and Jacksonville Jaguars.

After one season at Louisiana Tech (1992), he enjoyed three seasons at Miami (1993-95) as the Hurricanes went 27-7, won two BIG EAST championships, finished all three seasons ranked in the Associated Press national poll and played in both the Fiesta and Orange Bowls. In addition, Petri coached three future first round NFL draft choices in Warren Sapp (Tampa Bay, 1995), Kenard Lang (Washington, 1997) and Kenny Holmes (Houston, 1997). Sapp went on to earn NFL Defensive Player of the Year honors in 1999. In 1994, the Hurricanes led the nation in both scoring defense and total defense.

From 1996-98, Petri tutored the defensive ends at South Carolina where he helped develop John Abraham, a first round pick of the New York Jets in the 2000 NFL Draft and multi-year Pro Bowl honoree.

Petri is a 1976 graduate of the University of Missouri-Rolla. He and his wife, Marsha, have two sons, Brad and Kory.



Zac Roper
ASSISTANT COACH (RB)
ASSISTANT SPECIAL TEAMS COORDINATOR
5TH SEASON AT DUKE
OLE MISS, 2001

**Zac Roper** was added to the Duke coaching staff in January of 2008 and coaches the running backs while assisting with the special units.

In 2011, the Blue Devil rushing attack scored 19 times on the ground, matching the program's highest output since 1995. Sophomore Juwan Thompson, who led Duke in rushing yards while finishing second in scoring with 48 points, was one of just six running backs in the ACC to amass 450-plus rushing yards, five or more rushing touchdowns and 20-plus pass receptions on the year.

During the 2010 and 2011 seasons, the Blue Devils recovered an ACC-best seven on-side kicks while twice ranking second in the league in kickoff coverage.

Under Roper's direction, kicker Will Snyderwine earned first team All-America honors from the American Football Coaches Association in 2010 after booting a school single-season record 21 field goals along with all 32 of his PAT attempts. The 95 points rank as the second-highest single-season total in Duke history.

Also in 2010, Duke's rushing game showed marked improvement by nearly doubling its yardage total from the previous year while rushing for 19 scores.

Snyderwine garnered All-ACC honors in 2009 after making 17 field goals.

In 2008, Roper managed the unexpected loss of returning starting running back Re'quan Boyette by preparing three backs – Clifford Harris, Jay Hollingsworth and Tony Jackson – for action despite the trio combining for a total of 92 career rushing attempts entering the year. The combination rushed for 1,003 yards while catching 51 passes for an additional 421 yards on the year. In addition, Hollingsworth became the first true freshman to lead Duke in rushing since 1998.

From 2005-07, Roper helped Cornell University to an overall ledger of 16-14. He coached the running backs and tight ends during his first two seasons before switching to cornerbacks in 2007 and also served as special teams coordinator. Roper coached or recruited eight Ivy League Player of the Week selections.

On the special teams front in 2007, Cornell paced the league in punt return average — returning two punts for touchdowns during the year — and kickoff coverage. The Big Red also posted touchdowns via fake field goal and kickoff return.

Coaching the running backs in 2006, Roper tutored Luke Siwula, who rushed for 885 yards in 2006 en route to receiving second team All-Ivy League honors. In 2005, Cornell finished the year ranked 10th nationally in rushing offense.

Roper's work with the Cornell placekickers yielded zero missed point after touchdown attempts over his three seasons as A.J. Weitsman and Peter Zell combined to boot 84 consecutive extra points. In addition, Weitsman established a Cornell single-season record with 14 field goals while punter Michael Bolling downed 23-of-52 punts inside the 20 yard-line without a touchback in 2005.

Prior to joining the Big Red staff, Roper spent four years at Ole Miss as a graduate administrative aide and graduate assistant coach under current Duke head coach David Cutcliffe, working with the wide receivers, tight ends and placekickers. Mississippi's 2003 squad won 10 games with a share of the SEC Western Division title and defeated Oklahoma State, 31-28, in the Cotton Bowl.

Ole Miss kicker Jonathan Nichols enjoyed a sensational season in 2003 by earning All-SEC and All-America honors while winning the Lou Groza Award as the nation's top kicker. He graduated as the school's all-time leader in total points (344) and finished his career having made 117 consecutive PATs. Punter Cody Ridgeway was an all-league choice in 2003.

Roper was an undergraduate assistant coach at Oklahoma from 1996-98. He graduated from Ole Miss in 2001 with a degree in political science and went on to earn a master's degree in higher education/student personnel two years later.

A native of Knoxville, Tenn., Roper is married to the former Rebecca Harvey of Bossier City, La., and the couple has one son, Joshua, who was born January 5, 2009, and one daughter, Mikayla, who was born December 12, 2010. Roper's brother, Kurt, also is a member of the Duke football coaching staff.



Ben Loebner

QUALITY CONTROL (Offense)

FOURTH SEASON AT DUKE

DUKE, 2009

**Ben Loebner** joined the Duke staff in January of 2009 and works in the capacity of offensive quality control.

A former member of the Blue Devil football program, Loebner spent two years (2009-10) as a recruiting assistant at his alma mater before serving one season (2011) as a graduate assistant coach.

Loebner, a native of West Linn, Ore., graduated from Duke in 2009 with a degree in sociology.



Leon Wright

QUALITY CONTROL (Defense) SECOND SEASON AT DUKE DUKE, 2010

A former All-ACC cornerback at Duke, **Leon Wright** returned to his alma mater in January of 2011 and serves in quality control on the defensive side of the football.

Wright spent the 2011 campaign as an operations assistant with the football program, working primarily with the defensive staff.

A native of St. Petersburg, Fla., Wright lettered four seasons (2006-07-08-09) on the gridiron at Duke. He played in 41 games with 30 starting assignments, and compiled career totals of 155 tackles, 4.0 tackles for loss, 10 interceptions, 20 pass breakups and two fumble recoveries. In addition, he returned 42 punts for 217 yards and seven kickoffs for 136 yards.

As a senior in 2009, Wright garnered honorable mention All-ACC accolades after posting 58 tackles, 2.0 tackles for loss, five interceptions and eight pass breakups. His finest day as a Blue Devil came on September 12, 2009 when he sealed Duke's 35-19 come-from-behind win over Army with two interception returns for touchdowns just 16 seconds apart late in the fourth period. The returns covered 51 and 33 yards as he became the first player in school history to score two touchdowns via interception returns in a single game and earned ACC Player of the Week honors for his efforts.

Wright, who signed a free agent contract with the NFL's New York Giants following his career as a Blue Devil, finished with three total defensive touchdowns, adding a 24-yard fumble return for a score against Georgia Tech in 2007. He closed his career ranking among Duke's all-time leaders in career interception returns for touchdowns, interceptions, interception return yardage and pass breakups.

Wright graduated from Duke in 2010 with a degree in sociology.

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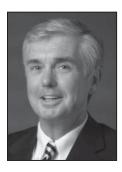
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### Kevin M. White

VICE PRESIDENT & DIRECTOR OF ATHLETICS ADJUNCT PROFESSOR OF BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION ST. JOSEPH'S COLLEGE, 1972

Kevin M. White was named Duke University's vice president and director of athletics on May 31, 2008. He also serves as an adjunct professor of business administration at the university.

White, 61, joined the Duke family after leading Notre Dame's athletics program to success both on the playing fields and in the classroom from 2000-08. He also has held a number of prominent national leadership roles within intercollegiate athletics, including his service in 2006-07 as president of the National Association of Collegiate Directors of Athletics (NACDA) and in 2005-06 as president of the Division I-A Athletic Directors Association.

Guided by the Strategic Plan that was approved by Duke's Board of Trustees in April of 2008, White made an immediate impact on Duke Athletics. In addition to leading the department to unprecedented success in competition, he reshaped the organization into a more efficient and modern department; strengthened ties to both campus and community constituents though consistent outreach efforts; successfully oversaw Duke's fundraising efforts during an economic downturn; completed partnerships with major corporate entities to enhance revenue streams; commissioned a master facilities plan to position Duke well into the 21st Century; and emphasized a stronger commitment to the university's intramural, club and recreational sports programs.

Since White's arrival, Duke has captured three NCAA Championships – women's tennis in 2009, men's basketball in 2010 and men's lacrosse in 2010 – and 12 ACC titles (three in 2012). On the strength of 14 teams participating in NCAA Championship competition and robust finishes in several sports, Duke ranked 16th in the 2012 Learfield Sports Directors' Cup standings, which determine an institution's all-around strength in intercollegiate athletics. The 16th-place showing marked the ninth consecutive year that Duke has ended among the nation's top 20 programs. In 2011, Duke placed fifth, matching the school's best finish in the rankings and its 1171.50 points earned were the most in program history. In White's four years at Duke, the Blue Devils placed 17th (2009), 10th (2010), fifth (2011) and 16th (2012) in the Directors' Cup standings.

Thirty-five Blue Devil teams ranked among the nation's top 10 teams during the past four seasons with six – men's basketball (2009, 2010, 2011), men's lacrosse (2010) and women's tennis (2009, 2010) – reaching No. 1. In all, 56 Duke teams advanced to NCAA postseason competition the last four seasons.

Individually, 126 student-athletes earned All-America, 218 All-ACC and 136 All-Region or District honors the past four years. During White's tenure, Duke boasts nine NCAA individual champions in Curtis Beach (indoor track and field heptathlon in 2012), Juliet Bottorff (outdoor track and field 10k in 2011), Mallory Cecil (women's tennis in 2009), Abby Johnston (three-meter diving in 2011), Nick McCrory (platform diving in 2010 and 2011), and Becca Ward (women's fencing, saber in 2009, 2011 and 2012). In 2012, Duke celebrated two individual NCAA and 10 individual ACC titles.

Academically, Duke teams continued strong performances under White. In the 2012 spring semester, 25 of 26 Blue Devil varsity teams earned grade point averages of 3.0 or better – the exact amount that achieved the same during the fall of 2011.

In two key elements in tracking a department's academic success, Duke ranked among the nation's best again. Duke posted a 97% Graduation Success Rate (GSR) and 14 teams achieved a 100% GSR. Thirteen Blue Devil teams were ranked in the top 10% of their respective sports in the most recent Academic Performance Rate (APR) Report, including the men's basketball and football teams. In the 2012 report, Duke (989) ranked second among all FBS schools, behind only Northwestern (995), and seventh among all Division I – FBS and FCS – programs.

Individually in 2012, seniors Sophia Dunworth (women's volleyball) and Becca Ward (women's fencing) received prestigious NCAA Postgraduate Scholarships. Eight Duke student-athletes were selected CoSIDA Academic All-America, while 26 others received National Scholar-Athlete or Scholar All-America accolades. In White's four-

year tenure, former women's tennis player Parker Goyer won a Rhodes Scholarship (2009), while track athlete Sally Liu (2009) and Allie Speidel (2011) earned Marshall Scholarships.

Under White, Duke has continued its focus on outreach to the local community. Modeling the NCAA CHAMPS/Life Skills program's commitment to service, learning projects and outreach, approximately 500 Duke student-athletes across all sports participated in a combined effort of more than 2,000 community service hours. White's commitment to the overall mission of the university remains clear. In May 2011, Duke Athletics announced that a portion of ticket sales from Blue Devil regular season home sporting events will be directed to the Duke University Libraries. Per White's vision, the Duke Athletics Library Fund will generate significant unrestricted revenue for the Duke University Libraries to support teaching and research across the institution.

In 2011-12, several facility projects were completed, impacting many of Duke's 26 varsity sports. The Pascal Fieldhouse, an 80,000 square-foot multi-purpose facility that houses a 120-yard playing surface for the football program and other on-campus recreational activities, was completed and dedicated. The reconstruction of Williams Field, home to the Duke field hockey team, was also completed, as were minor renovations to the golf course. Major upgrades of soccer practice fields also began in 2012.

White, who holds a Ph.D. in education, has taught graduate-level classes since 1982 and currently teaches a sports business course in Duke's Fuqua School of Business as part of Duke's MBA program.

In August 2003, SI.com (the Sports Illustrated web site) listed White, then at Notre Dame, third in its rankings of the most powerful people in college football. In January 2004, The Sporting News listed him in its Power 100 as third among five names in the "front office" category (and the lone college athletics director among the 100).

White previously served on numerous NCAA committees, including being an ex-officio member of the NCAA Committee on Academic Performance and a member of its Penalty and Rewards subcommittee. For several years, he was a representative with the football Bowl Championship Series. Additionally, White was part of the NCAA Coalition on Intercollegiate Athletics (COIA) that dealt with academics, fiscal reform and student-athlete well-being. Currently, he is the secretary of NCAA Football, a non-profit corporation that acts as the "collective voice to promote college football," and serves on the Black Coaches and Administrators Board of Directors.

Given his background and success, it is not surprising that 21 current or former directors of athletics were mentored by White. That impressive list includes Jim Sterk of Washington State and San Diego State, Tom Boeh of Ohio University and Fresno State, Ian McCaw of Northeastern, Massachusetts and Baylor, Bruce Van De Velde of Utah State, Iowa State and Louisiana Tech, Herman Frazier previously of Alabama-Birmingham and Hawaii, Rudy Keeling formerly of Emerson and now commissioner of the Eastern College Athletic Conference (ECAC), Scott Devine of St. Mary's College (Md.), Tom Collins formerly of Ball State, Tim Van Alstine of Western Illinois, Mark Wilson of Tennessee Tech, Bubba Cunningham of Ball State, Tulsa and North Carolina, Sandy Barbour (who followed him at Tulane) of California-Berkeley, Jim Phillips of Northern Illinois and Northwestern, Bernard Muir of Georgetown and Delaware, Sandy Hatfield Clubb of Drake, Vic Cegles of Long Beach State, Norwood Teague of Virginia Commonwealth and Minnesota, Bob Bierie previously of Loras College, Greg Capell previously of Loras College, Boo Corrigan of Army, and Bill Scholl of Ball State.

Prior to joining Notre Dame in 2000, White served as athletic director at Arizona State University, Tulane University, the University of Maine and Loras College in Iowa, where he originated the National Catholic Basketball Tournament.

Before becoming an administrator, White served as head track and field coach at Southeast Missouri State (1981-82) and assistant cross country and track and field coach at Central Michigan (1976-80). He began his coaching career at Gulf High School in New Port Richey, Fla., coaching cross country and track and assisting in football and wrestling.

White earned his Ph.D. from Southern Illinois University in 1983 with an emphasis on higher education administration. In 1985, he completed postdoctoral work at Harvard University's Institute for Educational Management. He earned his master's degree in athletics administration from Central Michigan University in 1976 and his bachelor's degree in business administration in 1972 from St. Joseph's College in Rensselaer, Ind., where he also competed as a sprinter.

White and his wife, Jane, a former college track and field coach, have five children and nine grandchildren.

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