

ASSISTANT COACHES



DUANE WILSON
ASSISTANT HEAD COACH/
DEFENSIVE
COORDINATOR/
LINEBACKERS
(Western Michigan,
1983)

Duane Wilson has become an integral part of Ferris State's success ever since his arrival in August 1990.

Wilson was promoted to defensive coordinator in the fall of 1995 and assumed responsibilities of assistant head coach four seasons ago. This campaign will mark his third as FSU's linebackers coach.

Wilson, who also serves as the program's strength and conditioning coordinator, has spent the last 11 years

coaching the defensive line. Under his guidance, the Bulldogs have ranked annually among the conference's top defensive units. Last season, FSU was first among the conference leaders in total defense, pass defense and third-down efficiency.

Wilson has coached a number of standout defensive linemen at FSU, including seven All-Americans. This last season, end Dave Zuiderveen garnered All-America honors and inked a National Football League (NFL) free-agent rookie contract with the Atlanta Falcons. Perhaps the most notable linemen coached by Wilson is tackle Ed Philion (1993), who's currently playing in the Canadian Football League (CFL) following a four-year NFL career. Under Wilson's tutelage, the Bulldogs' four-man front has averaged around 35 sacks a year since 1992.

Wilson played three years as a lineman in the U.S. Football League with the Oklahoma and then Arizona Outlaws after concluding an out-

standing playing and coaching career at Western Michigan University. He was the Broncos' "Most Improved Player," a team captain and a first-team Mid-American Conference lineman during his gridiron career. Afterwards, Wilson remained at WMU, serving as a graduate assistant coach for two years and coaching the offensive tackles for WMU's MAC championship team and 1988 California Bowl participant.

He holds a bachelor's degree in physical education/coaching and a master's in athletic administration from Western.

Wilson, 41, coached varsity football at his alma mater, Burton (Mich.) Bentley High School, for three years and guided the Bulldogs to a 9-1 season in 1987. He was an all-league performer in football, basketball, and baseball at Bentley High.

Wilson, an American Football Coaches Association member, has a daughter, Rachael (8) and is engaged to Wendy Hargrove.



MATT MCCARTHY
OFFENSIVE COORDINATOR/
QB'S/WR'S/RB'S
(Ferris State, 1999)

Matt McCarthy returns for his second year at Ferris State and will direct the FSU offense this fall following his promotion to offensive coordinator in February 2001. He previously instructed the wide receiving corps in the 2000 season.

McCarthy, who will also work with the quarterbacks, wide receivers and running backs, concluded a stellar playing career at Ferris two sea-

sons ago (1999). The 1999 All-American finished his career as the school's all-time passing leader with 8,669 career yards to go along with 68 career touchdowns on a 57.3 completion percentage (659-1,151). McCarthy, who holds or shares 13 Bulldog passing marks, threw for over 2,700 yards in a single season three times, including a school-record 3,143 yards in 1998.

During his tenure as FSU's starting signal-caller, McCarthy helped lead the Bulldogs to two GLIAC Championship titles and a NCAA Division II Playoff appearance in 1996. As a senior in 1999, he was a Northeast Region candidate for the Harlon Hill Trophy, which is presented annually to the nation's top NCAA-II football player. The 1999 GLIAC Player of the Year, McCarthy earned second-team All-America honors by *Don*

Hansen's National Weekly Football Gazette and *Daktronics, Inc.* while attaining first-team all-conference accolades.

A three-time GLIAC All-Academic pick, McCarthy received all-league honorable mention kudos in 1998 and was a second-team all-conference honoree in 1996. He earned his bachelor's degree in english education from FSU in 1999.

A 1993 honorable mention all-stater at Alma (Mich.) High School, McCarthy holds all of the school's career passing records with 4,000 yards and 42 TD's. A three-year team captain, McCarthy was a three-time all-conference selection.

McCarthy, 25, and his wife, Lesley, reside in Big Rapids. He's an American Football Coaches Association (AFCA) member.



KEN CONLIN
OFFENSIVE LINE/
RECRUITING COORDINATOR
(South Dakota, 1997)

Ken Conlin begins his second season as a part of the Bulldog staff and will oversee the offensive line while also serving as the program's recruiting coordinator.

Prior to FSU, Conlin spent three seasons (1997-99) as a graduate assistant coach at the University of South Dakota in Vermillion, S.D.

The 27-year old Conlin spent three

years coaching USD's offensive linemen. Last season, the Coyotes registered a 4-7 overall record, including a 3-6 mark in the highly-competitive North Central Conference (NCC).

Conlin began his coaching career at his alma mater in 1997 upon conclusion of his playing career at USD. A four-year letterwinner (1992-96) under former head coach Dennis Creehan, Conlin was a two-year (1995-96) starting offensive center. In 1995, the Coyotes posted an 8-3 overall record (6-3 NCC) which represented their best season performance in more than a decade. A native of Robinsdale, Minn., Conlin attained conference honorable mention all-academic laurels in 1996. He received a bachelor of science degree in physical education from South Dakota in 1997 and earned a master of arts degree in physical

education with an emphasis in athletic administration from USD in 1999.

In high school, Conlin was a two-year starter at offensive tackle for Osseo (Minn.) High School and garnered All-Lake Red Metro Conference accolades as a senior in 1992. He was a three-year (1990-92) participant in both football and basketball while competing two seasons (1990-91) in baseball.

The son of Bernie and Kathy Conlin of Brooklyn Park, Minn., Conlin is a member of the American Football Coaches Association (AFCA). A resident of Big Rapids, Conlin's interests include golf, fishing, hunting, and working with computers.

FERRIS STATE FOOTBALL FACILITIES



PETE WATKINS
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ASSISTANT COACHES



CARY MARQUELL
DEFENSIVE BACKS
(Ball State, 1996)

Cary Marquell takes over as Ferris State's defensive backs coach for the 2001 season.

A native of Eaton, Ind., Marquell had spent the last two seasons (1999-00) serving as an assistant on head coach Dan MacNeill's staff at the State University of New York (SUNY) at Cortland. His responsibilities at SUNY-Cortland included coaching the Red Dragons' defensive backs and serving as recruiting coordinator. He also

assumed assistant head coaching position duties before the start of the 2000 campaign. Marquell's knowledge and teaching skills paid dividends last season as the Red Dragons boasted the New Jersey Athletic Conference's top pass defensive unit.

Prior to SUNY-Cortland, Marquell was a graduate assistant coach at his alma mater Ball State University from 1997-99 and assisted head coach Bill Lynch with the Cardinals' defensive secondary. He spent the 1996 season as an assistant at Pendleton (Ind.) High School and was responsible for instructing the linebackers.

The 27-year old Marquell was a student assistant coach (defensive backs) at Ball State in 1995 after spending the previous season at Muncie's (Ind.) Delta High School in an assistant coaching capacity (linebackers).

Marquell, who graduated from Ball State in 1996 with a bachelor's degree in business, was a member of the Cardinals' football program from 1992-94 and played at linebacker under former coach Paul Schudel. He played on the 1993 squad which won the Mid-American Conference (MAC) title with a 7-0-1 league mark (8-3-1 overall) and competed in the Las Vegas Bowl. Marquell also earned his master's degree in secondary education from BSU in 1999.

A 1992 graduate of Delta High School, Marquell competed in football and wrestling. He earned academic all-state, all-conference, all-area and all-county laurels as a senior in football while serving as team captain.

Marquell, who resides in Big Rapids, is a member of the American Football Coaches Association (AFCA).



JOE ALLGEIER
DEFENSIVE LINE
(Wilmington, 1997)

A newcomer to the Ferris State staff this season is Joe Allgeier (ALL-guy-er).

The 27-year old Allgeier arrived to Ferris State in August 2001 after spending the last two seasons (1999-00) at his alma mater Wilmington (Ohio) College, a NCAA Division III school. As a member of head coach Mike Wallace's staff at Wilmington, Allgeier

oversaw the development of the Quakers' defensive linemen. During Allgeier's two-year stint at Wilmington, the Quakers registered a 9-1 overall record in 1999 and were 7-3 overall a season ago.

Allgeier, who began his coaching career in 1998 as an assistant coach at Wittenberg University in Springfield, Ohio, was responsible for providing coaching assistance to the team's defensive line.

Prior to joining the coaching ranks, Allgeier played collegiately at Wilmington. A two-year starter on the Quakers' defensive line, he earned the team's Captain Award and was once named the Association of Mideast College's (AMC) Player-of-the-Week. Allgeier was also selected to the National College All-Stars Team. Allgeier, who graduated in 1997 with a bachelor's degree

in agronomy at Wilmington, is currently pursuing a master's degree in education at FSU.

As a prep student-athlete, Allgeier started at both the offensive guard and nose guard positions at Cincinnati (Ohio) Country Day High School. A starter for one season, Allgeier achieved All-Miami Valley Conference honors, all-city second-team laurels and was the recipient of the team's Iron Man Award. The 1992 graduate was a four-year (1988-91) participant in football and competed one year (1989) in baseball.

The son of Henry and Mary Allgeier of Morrow, Ohio, Allgeier is the youngest of eight children - five brothers and two sisters. Allgeier is a member of the American Football Coaches Association (AFCA).



RICK WILLIAMS
KICKERS/PUNTERS
(Michigan St., 1977)

Entering his ninth year as Ferris State's placekicking and punting coach is Rick Williams, who assumed his current duties in August 1992.

In his tenure, Williams has tutored two All-Americans along with several all-league performers. Most recently, he played an instrumental role in orchestrating the devel-

opment of two-time All-America (1998-99) and All-Great Lakes Intercollegiate Athletic Conference (GLIAC) kicker-punter Doc Proctor. Williams also holds the distinction of helping former FSU standout kicker Jason Lipke achieve All-America and all-conference first-team status in 1995. Williams also coached first-team all-league punter Eric Stevens during the 1995 season.

A Class A-I golf pro, Williams is the golf pro and general manager at Meceola Country Club near Big Rapids. The Alma, Mich., native graduated from Greenville (Mich.) High School where he served as team captain in both football and basketball while achieving MVP recognition in track.

Rick and his wife, Jan, have two children - one son (Rick) and one daughter (Shawn).



DAVE LUCEY
Head Trainer, A.T.C.



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