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## *C-USA ANNOUNCES FOOTBALL ALL-CONFERENCE TEAMS*

**IRVING, Texas** – Conference USA announced its 2017 All-Conference football teams today, as selected by the league's 14 head football coaches. Twelve of the 14 schools placed at least one player on the first team, with C-USA Champion Florida Atlantic producing a league-high seven selections, followed by Louisiana Tech, Marshall, Old Dominion and Southern Miss with three apiece. Florida Atlantic and Marshall each had the most combined first and second-team members with eight, followed by Louisiana Tech and Southern Miss with six.

Florida Atlantic's seven first-team selections include four from the league's top scoring offense and three from defense. Highlighting the Owls players are sophomore RB **Devin "Motor" Singletary** (1,796 rushing yards, nation-leading and C-USA-record-tying 29 rushing and 303 total touchdowns) and three of the offensive linemen that have paved the way for Singletary in junior **Reggie Bain** and seniors **Roman Fernandez** and **Antonyo Woods**. FAU is the first school in C-USA history to have three offensive linemen earn first team honors in the same season,

The three honorees produced by Louisiana Tech include a pair of defensive standouts in junior DE **Jaylon Ferguson** (38 tackles, six sacks and 10 quarterback hurries) and senior DB **Secdrick Cooper** (63 tackles and two interceptions), along with graduate student snapper **Cameron Linck**.

A pair of skill position standouts and a special teams star comprise the Marshall All-Conference choices. Senior TE **Ryan Yurachek** (47 receptions and a league-leading nine TDs among tight ends) and impact newcomer junior WR **Tyre Brady** (56 catches for 777 yards and six scores) are joined by senior P **Kaare Vedvik** (league-high 44.4 average with 23 punts inside the 20-yard line) make up the Thundering Herd's selections.

Two of Old Dominion's three first teamers are found on the Monarchs special teams units. Junior KR **Isaiah Harper** leads C-USA and ranks eighth nationally with a 29.1 yard kickoff return average with three touchdowns, while sophomore PR **Darrell Brown** has a league-high 8.4 yard average per punt return. Junior DL **Oshane Ximines** (tied for second in C-USA with 8.5 sacks) also earned a spot.

Southern Miss saw a pair of skill position stars and its placekicker earn spots on the squad. Senior RB **Ito Smith** (1,730 all-purpose yards and 15 touchdowns), junior WR **Korey Robertson** (league-highs of 1,070 receiving yards and 11 TD catches) and senior K **Parker Shaunfield** (17-of-20 field goals and 41-of-42 on PATs for 92 points) encompass the Golden Eagles honorees.

Rice and WKU both placed two members of their teams on the all-league first team list. Owls senior DE **Brian Womac** (league-highs of 10 sacks and 22 tackles for loss) and senior LB **Emmanuel Ellerbee** (120 tackles, second-most in C-USA) are listed along with Hilltoppers senior OL **Brandon Ray** and junior LB **Joel Iyiegbuniwe** (104 tackles, 9 TFL's).

FIU, North Texas, UAB, UTEP and UTSA each produced one first team selection. FIU is represented by senior WR **Thomas Owens**, who had a league-best average of 98.6 yards per game with 887 yards and six touchdowns in nine games. North Texas has the league's first team quarterback in sophomore **Mason Fine** (294-of-457 for 3,749 and a school-record 28 touchdown passes). UAB lists DB **Darious Williams** (49 tackles, five interceptions and a league-high 15 pass breakups) and UTEP lists 2016 All-American and 2017 Midseason All-American senior OL **Will Hernandez**. UTSA placed senior DE **Marcus Davenport** (55 tackles with 8.5 sacks and 17.5 tackles for loss – both second in the league) on the first team unit.

Marshall had the most second-team designations with five, while FIU had four and Louisiana Tech, North Texas and Southern Miss all produced five.

The league's individual awards will be released Wednesday, December 6. Conference USA will conclude the 2017 season by sending a league-record nine teams to bowl games.

## 2017 C-USA FOOTBALL ALL-CONFERENCE TEAMS

### FIRST TEAM

#### OFFENSE

QB – Mason Fine, So., North Texas  
RB – Devin Singletary, So., Florida Atlantic  
RB – Ito Smith, Sr., Southern Miss  
OL – Reggie Bain, R-Jr., Florida Atlantic  
OL – Roman Fernandez, R-Sr., Florida Atlantic  
OL – Antonyo Woods, Sr., Florida Atlantic  
OL – Will Hernandez, Sr., UTEP  
OL – Brandon Ray, R-Sr., WKU  
TE – Ryan Yurachek, Sr., Marshall  
WR – Thomas Owens, Sr., FIU  
WR – Tyre Brady, R-Jr., Marshall  
WR – Korey Robertson, Jr., Southern Miss

#### DEFENSE

DL – Jaylon Ferguson, Jr., Louisiana Tech  
DL – Oshane Ximines, Jr., Old Dominion  
DL – Brian Womac, Sr., Rice  
DL – Marcus Davenport, Sr., UTSA  
LB – Azeez Al-Shaair, Jr., Florida Atlantic  
LB – Emmanuel Ellerbee, Sr., Rice  
LB – Joel Iyiegbuniwe, Jr., WKU  
DB – Jalen Young, Jr., Florida Atlantic  
DB – Shelton Lewis, Jr., Florida Atlantic  
DB – Secdrick Cooper, Sr., Louisiana Tech  
DB – Darius Williams, R-Jr., UAB

#### SPECIAL TEAMS

K – Parker Shaunfield, Jr., Southern Miss  
P – Kaare Vedvik, R-Sr., Marshall  
KR – Isaiah Harper, Jr., Old Dominion  
PR – Darrell Brown, So., Old Dominion  
LS – Cameron Linck, GS, Louisiana Tech

### SECOND TEAM

#### OFFENSE

QB – Mike White, Gr-Sr., WKU  
RB – Jeffery Wilson, Sr., North Texas  
RB – Spencer Brown, Fr., UAB  
OL – Jordan Budwig, Sr., FIU  
OL – O'Shea Dugas, Jr., Louisiana Tech  
OL – Levi Brown, R-So., Marshall  
OL – Devin Farrior, Sr., Southern Miss  
OL – Chris Schleuger, R-Sr., UAB  
TE – Harrison Bryant, So., Florida Atlantic  
WR – Teddy Veal, R-Jr., Louisiana Tech  
WR – Ty Lee, So., Middle Tennessee  
WR – Jalen Guyton, R-So., North Texas

#### DEFENSE

DL – Fermin Silva, Jr., FIU  
DL – Ryan Bee, Sr., Marshall  
DL – Xavier Thigpen, Sr., Southern Miss  
DL – Kevin Strong Jr, Jr., UTSA  
LB – Anthony Wint, Sr., FIU  
LB – Chase Hancock, R-Jr., Marshall  
LB – Khalil Brooks, R-So., Middle Tennessee  
DB – Brad Muhammad, Sr., FIU  
DB – Amik Robertson, Fr., Louisiana Tech  
DB – Malik Gant, R-So., Marshall  
DB – Curtis Mikell, Sr., Southern Miss

#### SPECIAL TEAMS

K – Trevor Moore, Sr., North Texas  
P – Jack Fox, Jr., Rice  
KR – Keion Davis, R-Jr., Marshall  
PR – Austin Trammell, Fr., Rice  
LS – Matt Bayliss, Sr. UTSA

## HONORABLE MENTION

### OFFENSE

QB – Alex McGough, Sr., FIU  
QB – Jason Driskel, R-Jr., Florida Atlantic  
QB – Brent Stockstill, Jr., Middle Tennessee  
QB – A.J. Erdely, R-Jr., UAB  
RB – Alex Gardner, Sr., FIU  
RB – Gregory Howell Jr., Sr., Florida Atlantic  
RB – Jarred Craft, Sr., Louisiana Tech  
RB – Boston Scott, R-Sr., Louisiana Tech  
RB – Ray Lawry, Sr., Old Dominion  
OL – Nate Davis, R-Jr., Charlotte  
OL – Eugene German, R-Sr., Charlotte  
OL – Joshua Outlaw, R-Sr., Louisiana Tech  
OL – Ethan Reed, R-So., Louisiana Tech  
OL – Robert Behanan, R-Jr., Middle Tennessee  
OL – Chandler Brewer, Jr., Middle Tennessee  
OL – T.J. Henson, Sr., North Texas  
OL – Sosaia Mose, R-So., North Texas  
OL – Jordan Murray, Jr., North Texas  
OL – Elex Woodworth, R-So., North Texas  
OL – Nick Clarke, Jr., Old Dominion  
OL – Isaac Weaver, R-Fr., Old Dominion  
OL – Calvin Anderson, Jr., Rice  
OL – Trey Martin, Sr., Rice  
OL – Drake Dorbeck, So., Southern Miss  
OL – Arvin Fletcher, Fr., Southern Miss  
OL – James Davis, R-Jr., UAB  
TE – Pharoah McKeever, Sr., FIU  
TE – Kam McKnight, R-Jr., Louisiana Tech  
TE – Deon Yelder, R-Sr., WKU  
WR – Rashid Bonnette, R-So., Louisiana Tech  
WR – Marcel Williams, Jr., Marshall  
WR – Michael Lawrence, So., North Texas  
WR – Austin Walter, Jr., Rice  
WR – Allenzae Staggers, Sr., Southern Miss  
WR – Andre Wilson, R-Jr., UAB  
WR – Nacarius Fant, Sr., WKU  
WR – Lucky Jackson, R-So., WKU

### DEFENSE

DL – Steven Leggett, Jr., Florida Atlantic  
DL – Leighton McCarthy, R-Fr., Florida Atlantic  
DL – Hunter Snyder, R-Jr., Florida Atlantic  
DL – Jeremiah Taleni, GS, Florida Atlantic  
DL – Jordan Bradford, Jr., Louisiana Tech  
DL – Deldrick, Canty, Sr., Louisiana Tech  
DL – Walter Brady, R-Jr., Middle Tennessee  
DL – Roderick Young, Jr., North Texas  
DL – Miles Fox, Jr., Old Dominion  
DL – Bunmi Rotimi, Sr., Old Dominion  
DL – Roe Wilkins, So., Rice  
DL – Rod Crayton, Sr., Southern Miss  
DL – LaDarius Harris, Jr., Southern Miss  
DL – Draper Riley, Sr., Southern Miss  
DL – Garrett Marino, R-So., UAB

DL – Teko Powell, R-Sr., UAB  
DL – Chris Johnson, Sr., WKU  
LB – Juwan Foggie, R-Jr., Charlotte  
LB – Jeff Gemmell, R-So., Charlotte  
LB – Treyvon Williams, Sr., FIU  
LB – Russell Farris, Sr., Louisiana Tech  
LB – Dae'Von Washington, R-Jr., Louisiana Tech  
LB – DJ Sanders, Sr., Middle Tennessee  
LB – E.J. Ejiya, Sr., North Texas  
LB – Paxton Schrimsher, R-So., Southern Miss  
LB – Tevin Crews, R-Sr., UAB  
LB – Shaq Jones, R-Sr., UAB  
LB – Julian Jackson, Sr., UTEP  
LB – Alvin Jones, Sr., UTEP  
LB – La'Kel Bass, Sr., UTSA  
DB – Ben DeLuca, So., Charlotte  
DB – Bryce Canady, Sr., FIU  
DB – Andrew Soroh, R-Jr., Florida Atlantic  
DB – Chris Tooley, So., Florida Atlantic  
DB – Chris Jackson, So., Marshall  
DB – Reed Blankenship, Fr., Middle Tennessee  
DB – Jovante Moffatt, Jr., Middle Tennessee  
DB – Kishawn McClain, Sr., North Texas  
DB – Brandon Addison, Sr., Old Dominion  
DB – Cornell Armstrong, Sr., Southern Miss  
DB – Tavarius Moore, Sr., Southern Miss  
DB – Broderick Thomas, R-Jr., UAB  
DB – Kalon Beverly, Jr., UTEP  
DB – Devin Cockrell, Sr., UTEP  
DB – Nik Needham, Jr., UTEP  
DB – Nate Gaines, Sr., UTSA  
DB – Joe Brown, Sr., WKU  
DB – DeAndre Farris, R-Jr., WKU  
DB – Drell Greene, Jr., WKU

### SPECIAL TEAMS

K – Jose Borregales, R-Fr., FIU  
K – Greg Joseph, Sr., Florida Atlantic  
K – Jonathan Barnes, Sr., Louisiana Tech  
K – Canon Rooker, Sr., Middle Tennessee  
K – Jared Sackett, Fr., UTSA  
P – Arthur Hart, Sr., Charlotte  
P – Alan Luna, Sr., UTEP  
P – Jake Collins, Jr., WKU  
KR – Chris Montgomery, Sr., Charlotte  
KR – Kerriith Whyte, So., Florida Atlantic  
KR – Kysten Towner, R-Sr., WKU  
LS – J.R. Clancy, So., Florida Atlantic  
LS – Matt Beardall, So., Marshall  
LS – Reed Buce, Sr., Old Dominion  
LS – Jake Sammut, Jr., UTEP  
LS – Ben Reeder, Fr., WKU