



# SPRING PROSPECTUS

2023 EASTERN MICHIGAN FOOTBALL

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The 2023 Eastern Michigan University football spring prospectus is designed to assist the media with its coverage of EMU football.

Information on the Eastern Michigan University football team is available at [EMUEagles.com](http://EMUEagles.com). To receive the EMU updates via email, please send a request to **Greg Steiner** ([gregsteiner@emich.edu](mailto:gregsteiner@emich.edu)) or **Alex Jewell** ([ajewell3@emich.edu](mailto:ajewell3@emich.edu))

## On The Web

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Information on the Mid-American Conference and all member institutions is also available through the league's web site at [GetSomeMAcTion.com](http://GetSomeMAcTion.com).

## Media Credentials

Requests for official working media credentials should be directed to the EMU Athletic Media Relations Office. All requests should be received no later than noon, three days prior to the game. Visit [EMUEagles.com](http://EMUEagles.com) to request credentials online.

**All football credentials will only be issued on a single-game basis and no passes will be mailed out prior to game-day.**

On gameday, media should park in the Oestrike Stadium lot, pick up their credentials inside the Gervin GameAbove Center before entering Rynearson Stadium.

It is important to stay home if you are sick and to encourage others to do the same. Consistent with CDC guidance, individuals are required to wear a face mask for a period of time after having a close contact or testing positive for COVID-19.

## Scouting Passes

Professional scouts may obtain credentials through EMU's Athletic Media Relations Office. Scouts will be issued seating in the press box on a space-available basis.

## Sideline Passes

Eastern Michigan follows NCAA guidelines regarding media representatives on the sidelines. Sideline shooting spaces will be extremely limited, but every effort will be made to accommodate media requests. Of note, the team boxes have been expanded to the 20-yard lines, so media should remain at least five-yards from the bench areas.

## Press Box Services

All media members will be provided with access to game notes via [EMUEagles.com](http://EMUEagles.com). To limit touch points, EMU will not be printing game notes or stats unless requested. Following the game, a complete post-game statistics package will be distributed via email and will contain a scoring summary, final team statistics, final individual statistics, complete play-by-play, drive charts for both halves, halftime statistics, defensive statistics, substitution chart, post-game quotes and post-game notes.

The press box is a designated working area and access is restricted to authorized personnel who have been assigned responsibilities pertinent to the scheduled game. In conjunction with NCAA and College Sports Information Directors of America (CoSIDA) policies, there is to be absolutely no cheering and/or criticizing players, coaches or other game officials at any point before, during or after the contest. Failure to abide by this will result in your removal from the press box.

## Live Stats

Live in-game statistics will be available via SIDEARM Stats. Following each home game, EMU will be happy to email whatever information media members need to their respective agencies. Please ask any member of the staff for assistance on this matter.

## Internet Access

Wireless Internet is available in the press box at Rynearson Stadium. Members of the Athletics Media Relations staff will be available to assist you. There is no access fee.

## Media Availability

Head Coach **Chris Creighton** is available to speak to the media via phone Monday-Thursday mornings.

Individual players are available for interviews, but please contact the EMU Athletic Media Relations Office to set up interviews. One note to the media: home phone numbers for players and coaches **will not** be given out by the EMU Athletic Media Relations Office.

Following a mandatory 10-minute cooling off period, Coach Creighton and selected players will be made available. Any special requests should be brought to the attention of the media relations staff, and we will do our best to assist you. **The lockerroom is closed at all times.**

## Photo and Video Downloads

EMU football photos & b-roll video is available upon request.

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## Mobile App

The EMU Athletics app for iPhone, iPad and Android devices offers fans a wide variety of information on the Eagles — home and away. The free app is available in the App Store and Google Play.

**EMUEAGLES.COM**

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### **EASTERN MICHIGAN QUICK FACTS**

Location .....	Ypsilanti, Mich.
Nickname .....	Eagles
Enrollment .....	14,048
Colors.....	Green (349) and White
Founded .....	1849
Stadium.....	Rynearson Stadium
Capacity .....	30,200
Affiliation .....	NCAA Division I (FBS)
Conference.....	Mid-American
President.....	Dr. James. M. Smith
VP/Director of Athletics.....	Scott Wetherbee
Athletic Dept. Phone.....	734.487.1050
Athletic Web Site .....	EMUEagles.com

### **EMU FOOTBALL HISTORY**

First year of football.....	1891
All-time record.....	484-616-47
All-time bowl record.....	2-5
Last postseason appearance:	
2022 Famous Idaho Potato Bowl	
Eastern Michigan 41, San Jose State 27	

### **2023 TEAM INFORMATION**

2022 Record.....	9-4
Conference Record/Finish.....	5-3/t-1st West
Basic Offense.....	Multiple
Basic Defense .....	4-2-5
Lettermen Returning .....	42 (14 off./23 def./5 spec.)
Lettermen Lost .....	17 (9 off./10 def./0 spec.)
Starters Returning.....	15 (4 off./7 def./4 spec.)
Starters Lost .....	11 (7 off./4 def./0 spec.)

### **ATHLETIC MEDIA RELATIONS**

Associate AD/FB Contact .....	Greg Steiner
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### **COACHING STAFF**

Head Coach .....	Chris Creighton (Kenyon, 1991)
Record at EMU .....	46-61 (9)
Career Record .....	185-107 (26)
co-Run Game Coord./OL.....	Sean Coughlin (Drake, '01)
Defensive Ends .....	Bo Alexander (Kent St., '17)
co-Run Game Coord./TE.....	Brandon Blaney (Youngstown St., '99)
Defensive Coord./LB.....	Ben Needham (Ohio State, '07)
Offensive Coord./QB.....	Mike Piatkowski (Drake, '12)
Cornerbacks .....	Munir Prince (Missouri, '10)
Running Backs/ST... Issac Reed (Baldwin Wallace, '16)	
Defensive Tackles .....	Jerone Steckel (Eastern Illinois, '14)
Wide Receivers.....	Chris Chestnut (Western Mic., '08)
Assoc. AD/Ops .....	Jeff Collett (Centre, '10)
Director of Operations .....	TBA
Video Coordinator .....	TBA
Head Football Athletic Trainer .....	Steven Berning
Football Athletic Trainer .....	Danielle Darroch
Football Athletic Trainer .....	Alex Wendler
Assistant AD/Equipment .....	Wayne Smith
Football Equipment Manager .....	LT Poeppel
Director of Sports Performance .....	Deonte Mack

### **MAILING ADDRESS**

Student-Athlete Performance Center  
1 Champions Dr., Ypsilanti, MI 48197





# 2023 EASTERN MICHIGAN FOOTBALL



## 2023 Spring Practice Schedule



### 2023 Eastern Michigan University Spring Football Practice Schedule

Day	Date		Time	Location	Practice Type
Mon.	March	13	3:10 p.m.	TBA	Opportunity #1
Wed.	March	15	3:10 p.m.	TBA	Opportunity #2
Fri.	March	17	3:10 p.m.	TBA	Opportunity #3
Mon.	March	20	3:10 p.m.	TBA	Opportunity #4
Wed.	March	22	3:10 p.m.	TBA	Opportunity #5
Fri.	March	24	3:10 p.m.	TBA	Opportunity #6
Mon.	March	27	3:10 p.m.	TBA	Opportunity #7
Wed.	March	29	3:10 p.m.	TBA	Opportunity #8
Fri.	March	31	3:10 p.m.	TBA	Opportunity #9
Mon.	April	3	3:10 p.m.	TBA	Opportunity #10
Wed.	April	5	3:10 p.m.	TBA	Opportunity #11
Fri.	April	7	3:10 p.m.	TBA	Opportunity #12
Mon.	April	10	3:10 p.m.	TBA	Opportunity #13
Wed.	April	12	3:10 p.m.	TBA	Opportunity #14
Fri.	April	14	6:30 p.m.	TBA	Opportunity #15 - Spring Game

\*\* Media and guests requesting to attend practice must give 24-hours notice and to verify practice times and availability





### 2023 Eastern Michigan University Football Season Schedule

Day	Date	Opponent	Location	Notes
Fri.	Sept. 1	HOWARD	Rynearson Stadium	Home Opener; EMU opens 132nd season of football
Sat.	Sept. 9	at Minnesota	Minneapolis, Minn.	First meeting; EMU has won 3 of last 4 vs. Big Ten Conference
Sat.	Sept. 16	MASSACHUSETTS	Rynearson Stadium	UMass returns to Ypsi for the second consecutive season
Sat.	Sept. 23	at Jacksonville State	Jacksonville, Ala.	First meeting; Transitioning from the FCS to Conference USA
Sat.	Sept. 30	at Central Michigan*	Mount Pleasant, Mich.	MAC Opener; Two teams have met 100 times in history
Sat.	Oct. 7	BALL STATE*	Rynearson Stadium	65th time that EMU and BSU will tangle on the gridiron
Sat.	Oct. 14	KENT STATE*	Rynearson Stadium	KSU's first visit to Ypsilanti since 2019
Sat.	Oct. 21	at Northern Illinois*	DeKalb, Ill.	Five of the last seven meetings decided by one score
Sat.	Oct. 28	WESTERN MICHIGAN*	Rynearson Stadium	EMU seeks its fifth consecutive win over WMU
Sat.	Nov. 4	Bye Week		
Wed.	Nov. 8	at Toledo*	Toledo, Ohio	#MAcTion; EMU and Toledo shared the 2022 MAC West title
Tues.	Nov. 14	AKRON*	Rynearson Stadium	#MAcTion; Final home game for EMU's 2023 Senior Class
Tues.	Nov. 21	at Buffalo*	Buffalo, N.Y.	Regular season concludes before Thanksgiving for first time since 2017
Sat.	Dec. 2	MAC Championship	Detroit, Mich.	Eagles look for first championship game appearance

\*Mid-American Conference game; All home games in **BOLD CAPS**; All times are site times and subject to change



# 2023 EASTERN MICHIGAN FOOTBALL



## CoSIDA Information Sheet

### GENERAL

<b>Name of school</b>	Eastern Michigan University
<b>City/Zip</b>	Ypsilanti, MI 48197
<b>Founded</b>	1849
<b>Enrollment</b>	14,048
<b>Nickname</b>	Eagles
<b>School Colors</b>	Green (349) & White
<b>Stadium/Built</b>	Rynearson Stadium / 1969
<b>Capacity</b>	30,200
<b>Affiliation</b>	NCAA D1 Football Bowl Subdivision
<b>Conference</b>	Mid-American Conference
<b>President</b>	Dr. James M. Smith
<b>Alma Mater, Yr.</b>	Miami, '79
<b>VP/Director of Athletics</b>	Scott Wetherbee
<b>Alma Mater, Yr.</b>	Ball State, '97
<b>Athletic Dept. Phone</b>	734.487.1050
<b>Ticket Office Phone</b>	734.487.2282

### HISTORY

<b>First year of football</b>	1891
<b>Overall/all-time record</b>	484-616-47
<b>Last post season appearance</b>	2022 Famous Idaho Potato Bowl
<b>Result</b>	W, 41-27 vs. San Jose State

### MEDIA RELATIONS

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### COACHING STAFF

<b>Head Coach</b>	Chris Creighton
<b>Alma Mater, Yr.</b>	Kenyon, '91
<b>Record at School, (yrs.)</b>	46-61 (9)
<b>Career Record (yrs.)</b>	184-107 (26)
<b>Football Office Phone</b>	734.487.2160
<b>Offensive Formation:</b>	Multiple
<b>Defensive Formation:</b>	4-2-5
<b>Lettermen Returning/Lost:</b>	44/15
<b>Offensive Starters Returning/Lost:</b>	4/7
<b>Defensive Starters Returning/Lost:</b>	7/4
<b>Assistant Coaches (Alma Mater/Yr.)</b>	
<b><u>Asst. Head Coach/Co-Offensive Run Game Coord./Offensive Line</u></b>	Sean Coughlin (Drake, '01) - 3rd year
<b><u>Defensive Coordinator/Linebackers</u></b>	Ben Needham (Ohio State, '07) - 6th year
<b><u>Quarterbacks/Offensive Coordinator</u></b>	Mike Piatkowski (Drake, '12) - 4th year
<b><u>Defensive Ends</u></b>	Bo Alexander (Kent St., '17) - 1st year
<b><u>Co-Offensive Run Game Coordinator/Tight Ends</u></b>	Brandon Blaney (Youngstown St., '99) - 4th year
<b><u>Safeties/Pass Game Coordinator</u></b>	Tate Omli (Northern Iowa, '14) - 1st year
<b><u>Cornerbacks</u></b>	Munir Prince (Missouri, '10) - 2nd year
<b><u>Running Backs</u></b>	Issac Reed (Baldwin Wallace, '16) - 1st year
<b><u>Defensive Tackles</u></b>	Jerone Steckel (Eastern Illinois, '14) - 1st year
<b><u>Wide Receivers</u></b>	Chris Chestnut (Western Michigan, '08) - 1st year
<b><u>Associate AD/Chief of Staff</u></b>	Jeff Collett (Centre, '10) - 4th year
<b><u>Video Coordinator</u></b>	TBA
<b><u>Sports Medicine Staff</u></b>	Gretchen Fox, Drew Althouse, Steven Berning, Libby Cole, Kyle Creasy, Danielle Darroch, Luke Klawiter, Kassidy Jensen, Jake Keary, Ben LaPointe Alex Wendler

### TEAM INFO.

	Total	Home	Away
<b>Overall record last year</b>	9-4	3-3	5-1
<b>Conference record</b>	5-3	1-3	4-0
<b>Non-Conference record</b>	4-1	2-0	2-1
<b>Final ranking last year</b>	n/a		

Starters Returning (15)

Offense (4)		2022 Statistics
Brian Dooley	RT	Second Team All-MAC; Played 924 snaps in 2022
Alex Howie	RG	Played in nine games due to injury; Saw 509 snaps
Samson Evans	RB	Second Team All-MAC; 1,166 yards rushing and 15 TDs
Tanner Knue	WR	Third Team All-MAC; 45 catches for 632 yards and 9 scores
Defense (7)		
Peyton Price	DT	Played 504 snaps with 3.5 TFLs and 1.5 sacks
Chase Kline	LB	Led squad with 91 tackles to go along with 2.0 TFLs, and 1.0 sacks
Joe Sparacio	LB	Second on team with 89 tackles; 6.0 TFLs and an INT
Kempton Shine	CB	Recorded 30 tackles and 12 PBUs
TJ Peavy	DOG	46 tackles, 2.5 TFLs, and 1.0 sacks
Quentavius Scandrett	FREE	44 tackles and an INT
Joshua Scott	ROVER	10 PBUs and three INTs to go along with 30 tackles
Specialists (4)		
Mitchell Tomasek	P	First Team All-MAC; Averaged 44.1 yards per punt
Jesús Gómez	K	Third Team All-MAC; Was 14-of-17 in FGA; Long of 55 yards
Steve Bird	LS	Starting long snapper in all 13 games
Jaylon Jackson	KR	First Team All-MAC; Averaged 25.95 yards per return

Starters Lost (11)

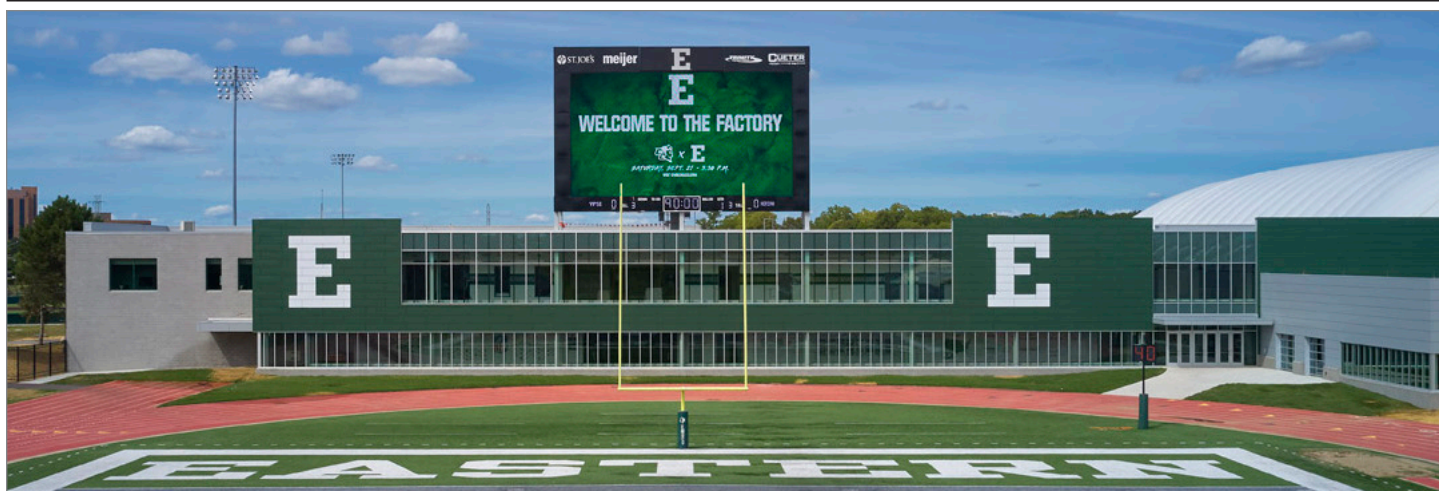
Offense (7)		2022 Statistics
Gunnar Oakes	TE	Caught 27 balls for 279 yards
Marcellus Johnson	LT	Played 929 snaps with a grade of 71.7 by PFF
Sidy Sow	LG	First Team All-MAC; EMU's all-time leader in games played
Richard Bates	C	Played 769 snaps mostly at center
Taylor Powell	QB	Idaho Potato Bowl MVP; Threw for 2,111 yards and 16 TDs
Hassan Beydoun	WR	Third Team All-MAC; Caught 49 passes for 473 yards and 4 TDs
Dylan Drummond	WR	Grabbed 33 receptions for 525 yards and 3 TDs
Defense (4)		
Jordan Crawford	NOSE	Had 35 tackles, 4.5 TFLs, and 1.5 sacks in 374 snaps
Grant Trueman	END	Played 380 snaps; 26 tackles, 4.5 TFLs, and 3.0 sacks
Jose Ramirez	BULL	MAC Defensive Player of the Year; Led nation with 1.0 sacks/gm
Mark Lee	CB	29 tackles and an INT in 501 snaps

Specialist (0)



2022 Results		
Sept. 2	EASTERN KENTUCKY	W, 42-34
Sept. 10	at Louisiana	L, 21-49
Sept. 17	at Arizona State	W, 30-21
Sept. 24	BUFFALO*	L, 31-50
Oct. 1	MASSACHUSETTS	W, 20-13
Oct. 8	at Western Michigan*	W, 45-23
Oct. 15	NORTHERN ILLINOIS*	L, 10-39
Oct. 22	at Ball State*	W, 20-16
Oct. 29	TOLEDO*	L, 24-27
Nov. 8	at Akron*	W, 34-28
Nov. 16	at Kent State*	W, 31-24
Nov. 25	CENTRAL MICHIGAN*	W, 38-19
Dec. 20	at San Jose State	W, 41-27





More than 300 alumni, donors, and guests joined staff from the Eastern Michigan University Department of Athletics and campus administration to usher in a new era in EMU athletics with the grand opening of the Student-Athlete Performance Center, Aug. 27, 2019. In use by student-athletes since mid-July, the event welcomed members of the public to the new facility for the first time.

The first major construction project on the athletics campus since the opening of the Convocation Center in 1998, the Student Athlete Performance Center is the first phase of the athletic department's plan to build a safe and highly-effective atmosphere for its student-athletes through the continual revitalization of its facilities and athletic campus.

Breaking ground in the fall of 2018, the new sports medicine and training facilities provides a 63,000 square foot structure that houses the sports medicine, performance and equipment operations areas. Additionally, the facility has locker rooms, coaches' offices, and meeting spaces for the football team, while also including a new video board inside Rynearson Stadium. Designed to enhance the student-athlete and fan experience at Eastern Michigan, the two story building offers a wide variety of operational spaces and

amenities which allow for that goal to be met.

When entering the building, students and guests first walk along a beautiful 18-foot by 16-foot Block E brick hardscape in which donors shared their EMU stories and support of the project. Through the main entrance is the Clouse Family Atrium, a 1,288 square foot welcome room that displays the championship success of Eastern Michigan athletics throughout its history. The atrium also features a floor-to-ceiling glass panel entrance to Rynearson Stadium, and a 12 foot tall replica of the Mid-American Conference championship trophy. The trophy, which boasts a large "157," across the front, showcases EMU's athletics success in the MAC, including its conference-best 157 team championships.

The east side of the main-floor houses a new equipment room, which includes offices, a full-service laundry facility, and extensive storage spaces for athletic apparel and uniforms, as well as a state of the art strength and conditioning center. Dubbed "T.J.'s Garage," in honor of EMU great and former NFL Pro-Bowler T.J. Lang, the Thomas J. Lang Strength and Conditioning Center, named after T.J.'s late father, provides 7,000-plus square foot performance center, which includes inlaid weight tracks, cardio training, ply-

### EMU STUDENT-ATHLETE PERFORMANCE & SUCCESS CENTER

#### Building Time Frame -

Construction Started: July 2018

Building Opened: July 2019

#### Building Facts -

16,000 cubic yards of concrete  
25,000 cubic yards of dirt moved  
300 tons of structural steel  
58,000 square feet facility

#### Design/Build Team -

Barton-Malow Company

**Cost - \$20 million**

ometric training, and a nutrition center. Two roll up garage doors serve as the football team's entrance into "The Factory," at Rynearson Stadium.

Next to the locker room are eight team meeting rooms which house different position groups individually. The area also includes a full-team meeting room equipped with state-of-the-art audio-video equipment, "Block E," branded seating, and a theatre design, which allows the entire team to see and hear clearly.

Down the Michael Hawks Hall on the ground floor is the Phil Incarnati Football Locker Room, a modern space with an industrial flair that includes 115 lockers and access to the Brian Clouse Players Lounge, a space that allows football student-athletes to study, and bond with teammates.

The top-floor portion of the newly

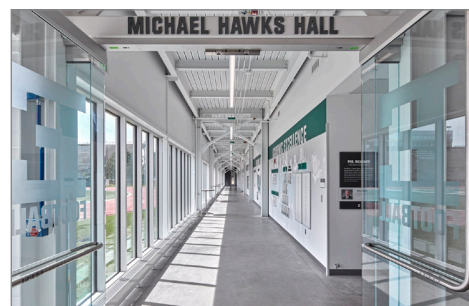
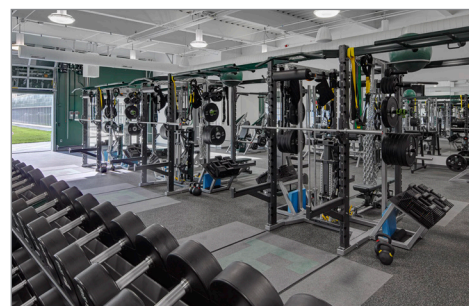
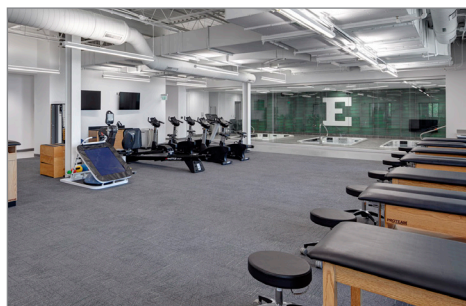
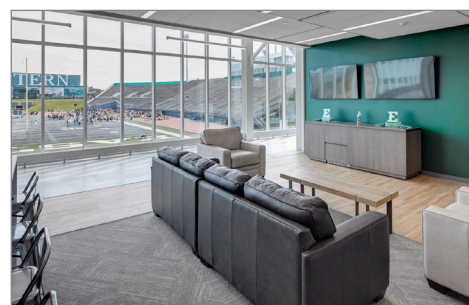
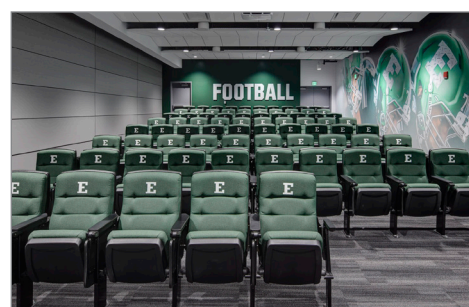


constructed building is home to a sports medicine center, hydrotherapy room, recruiting lounge, and entertainment corridor, among other offices.

At nearly 5,000 square feet, the sports medicine center features rehabilitation equipment, medical examination rooms, athletic training offices, and medical storage. The space allows student-athletes across multiple sports the opportunity to be treated by an exceptional staff in first-class facilities. Attached to the sports medicine center is the hydrotherapy room. Containing three in-ground therapy pools, the hydrotherapy room features an underwater treadmill pool, cold plunge pool, and a hot/cold therapy pool.

Overlooking Rynearson Stadium is the recruiting lounge. The 638 square-foot lounge offers a dynamic new entertainment space which is sure to enhance recruiting and alumni experiences for years to come. Along with the lounge comes the entertainment corridor. The corridor will be able to be utilized for entertainment opportunities for invited alumni, friends and fans of Eastern Michigan.

Located on top of the building, the LED display measures 29 feet high by 53 feet wide. The entire scoreboard structure will measure 40 feet high by 60 feet wide to bring more than 2,000 square feet of visual real estate to events held at the stadium. The LED portion of the scoreboard will feature a 15HD pixel layout, the premier technology for outdoor sports used at many professional facilities. A fixed-digit scoreboard is a part of the project to provide standard game information including score, time remaining, down and distance, and more.







# THE FACTORY

Toughness. Pride. Resilience. Those key words describe the EMU football program under Head Coach **Chris Creighton**. They are also terms befitting the proud residents of southeastern Michigan and their hard-working demeanor.

Inspired by this region of the state and the student-athletes' own backgrounds, the team has challenged itself to be "E Tough," committed to great effort, sacrifice and triumphing in the face of adversity. In this spirit, the team has nicknamed Ryneerson Stadium "The Factory," a place where coaches and staff will go to work each day to help "E Tough" student-athletes become scholars, leaders, champions and impact men. "The Factory" will be highlighted by Division I Football's first gray FieldTurf playing surface.

Since taking over reigns of EMU Football in December 2013, Creighton has rallied the program to "close the gap" between its current status and the pursuit of its true potential. He has studied the school, its surroundings, recruiting base and the current student-athletes. The one common thread throughout has been an uncommon 'toughness' that permeates the program.

In this spirit, the program's E Tough mentality represents:

Team first

Obsessed with getting better

Unwavering in adversity

Great effort

Heart

The concept of the "EMU Gray" field was born during one of the squad's notoriously intense winter workouts in 2014. The squad was challenged to an outdoor practice on the snow-covered Ryneerson Stadium field rather than the warm confines of their indoor practice facility. True to their E Tough demeanor, the team accepted the challenge. Throughout each drill of the bitter cold practice, Creighton delivered the message that EMU Football has the will to compete against "anyone, anytime and anywhere... even on a parking lot covered with broken glass." Inspired by his team's toughness and commitment that day, Creighton's idea of an "EMU Gray" field was born and soon shared with administrators.

The new look within Ryneerson Stadium, and moniker, "The Factory" serves as visual and name recognition for the program's ideals. They are a constant reminder to the student-athletes that being E Tough means coming ready to roll up their sleeves and to never give in or let up.

"Our colors are green and white but our collars are blue," said Creighton. "The Factory is where our coaching staff goes to work and our players develop. It is our home and one that we will protect. When opponents come to The Factory we want to make it known that they are in for a 60-minute fight. Our goal is to make it one of the toughest places to play in the Mid-American Conference."

Southeastern Michigan has long been viewed as one of the most significant manufacturing centers in the country, and the iconic 'Automotive Capital of the World.' Despite battling difficult times in recent years, local communities' toughness and resilience has been on display, as the region is experiencing a dramatic rebirth.

EMU football student-athletes come from these communities and have brought this toughness to the team. Ypsilanti has its own proud history in the automobile and manufacturing industries. The city was the home of Apex Motors, Preston Tucker and his Preston '48, and the last Hudson automobile dealership. The nearby Willow Run manufacturing complex played a critical role in producing B-24 "Liberator" heavy bombers in the early years of World War II. It was also at this location that Rose Will Monroe, the film and poster representation of "Rosie the Riveter," actually worked as a riveter before becoming the manufacturing icon of the era.

## BUILDING BLOCKS

When Head Coach Chris Creighton came onboard in 2014 he helped establish some new EMU initiatives.

- **The Wrench** - a 51-pound pipe wrench given to Coach Creighton. It helps serve as a symbol of the team's mission to "close the gap." The tool's vices represent the gap.

- **The Wall** - prior to running onto the field at home games EMU will break through a cinder block wall.

- **Hammers of the Week** - the coaching staff will select hammers of the week for the big hit of the week. The selected players will have their number put on the sledge hammers used to knock down the wall.

- **Eagle Walk** - a pregame prep rally in front of Ryneerson Stadium. The football team will arrive along with a special performance by the EMU marching band.



"The wrench, the field, the concrete wall, we know people will have comments, but they all have real meaning for us. It all goes back to the idea of investing, and working for something. It is about putting on those steel-toed boots, and going to work."

- Head Coach **Chris Creighton**



Eastern Michigan University Football





# 2023 EASTERN MICHIGAN FOOTBALL



## Spring Position Groups

### Defensive Backs

5	Korey Hernandez ***	DB
8	T.J. Peavy***	DB
13	Jaivian Norman	DB
15	Joshua Scott *	DB
16	Cameron Smith*	DB
18	Josh McCarty *	DB
26	Tristen Hines *	DB
27	David Carter Jr. **	DB
28	Jason Marshall	DB
29	Kempton Shine ****	DB
32	Kendric Nowling ***	DB
33	Keylen Gulley*	DB
35	Jaheim Jenkins	DB
35	Quentavius Scandrett *	DB
39	Barry Manning	DB

### Defensive Line

47	Joseph Zelinsky *	DL
48	Jaden Gaines	DL
52	Carter Evans *	DL
56	Sterling Miles *	DL
57	Carter Gilbert *	DL
58	Maliek Bogard	DL
64	Jaavon Brown	DL
92	Alex Merritt***	DL
94	Peyton Price**	DL
95	Mikah Coleman *	DL
96	Adrian Gonzalez *	DL
96	Ugo Nosike	DL
97	Mikey Haney***	DL
98	Tim Grant-Randall *	DL
99	Melvin Swindle II *	DL

### Kickers

31	Brady Pohl *	K
34	Ivan Maric	K
35	Jesús Gómez *	K

### Linebackers

6	Chase Kline*	LB
19	Joe Sparacio*	LB
20	EJ Williams ***	LB
36	Zach Mowchan*	LB
41	Justin Jefferson**	LB
43	Cole McElvany	LB
44	Luke Cameron ***	LB
51	Andrew Buck	LB

### Long Snappers

42	Zach Zoglio	LS
46	Steve Bird***	LS

### Offensive Line

50	Owen Snively	OL
54	Zack Conti **	OL
55	Dan Sunderman	OL
59	Daniel Greene*	OL
60	Tommy Dickinson	OL
61	Jeremiah Jackson Jr.	OL
63	Mickey Rewolinski *	OL
64	John Golden Jr	OL
65	Nicholas Gallegos	OL
66	Daniel Warnsman*	OL
67	Broderick Roman*	OL
68	Alex Howie***	OL
69	Trenton VanBoening	OL
70	Dimitri Douglas**	OL
72	Mack Indestad	OL
73	Joshua Anderson	OL
74	Jez Janvier *	OL
75	Carson Lee	OL
76	Chris Mayo	OL
77	Brian Dooley *****	OL
78	Dennis Strey Jr.	OL

### Punters

30	Mitchell Tomasek*	P
33	Ryan Kingston	P

### Quarterbacks

3	Ike Udengwu III	QB
4	Austin Smith*	QB
8	Cam'Ron McCoy *	QB
13	Brooks Blount	QB
15	Jeremiah Salem	QB

### Tight Ends

49	Jeremiah Drake	TE
80	Max Reese	TE
82	Cedric Anton	TE
83	Jere Getzinger***	TE
84	C.J. Horton	TE
85	Andreas Paaske*	TE
88	Blake Daniels*	TE

### Running Backs

21	Bryson Moss**	RB
22	Samson Evans***	RB
23	Elijah Jackson-Anderson*	RB
28	Jaylon Jackson*	RB
30	Deion Brown	RB

### Wide Receivers

1	Hamze El-Zayat	WR
7	Javon Swinton	WR
11	Terry Lockett Jr.	WR
14	Isaac Smith	WR
16	Kaiden Keefe*	WR
17	JB Mitchell III **	WR
18	Ali Abdul-Barr	WR
20	Chase Smith	WR
24	Tanner Knue***	WR
29	Chris Gundy	WR
30	Quinn Fracassi*	WR
40	Adam Rammouni	WR
81	Nick Devereaux	WR





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## 2023 Spring Roster

### Alphabetical Roster

No.	Name
18	Ali Abdul-Barr
73	Joshua Anderson
82	Cedric Anton
46	Steve Bird
58	Maliek Bogard
30	Deion Brown
64	Jaavon Brown
51	Andrew Buck
44	Luke Cameron
27	David Carter Jr.
95	Mikah Coleman
54	Zack Conti
88	Blake Daniels
81	Nick Devereaux
60	Tommy Dickinson
77	Brian Dooley
70	Dimitri Douglas
49	Jeremiah Drake
1	Hamze El-Zayat
52	Carter Evans
22	Samson Evans
30	Quinn Fracassi
48	Jaden Gaines
65	Nicholas Gallegos
83	Jere Getzinger
57	Carter Gilbert
64	John Golden Jr
96	Adrian Gonzalez
98	Tim Grant-Randall
59	Daniel Greene
33	Keylen Gulley
29	Chris Gundy
35	Jesús Gómez
97	Mikey Haney
5	Korey Hernandez
26	Tristen Hines
84	C.J. Horton
68	Alex Howie
72	Mack Indestad
61	Jeremiah Jackson Jr.
28	Jaylon Jackson
23	Elijah Jackson-Anderson
74	Jez Janvier
41	Justin Jefferson
35	Jaheim Jenkins
16	Kaiden Keefe
33	Ryan Kingston
6	Chase Kline
24	Tanner Knue
75	Carson Lee

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No.	Name	Pos	Ht	Wt	Class	Hometown-Previous School
1	Hamze El-Zayat	WR	5-10	178	Gr.	Dearborn, Mich.-Fordson-Fordham
3	Ike Udengwu III	QB	6-3	195	Jr.	City of Industry, Calif.-Workman-Mt. San Antonio
4	Austin Smith *	QB	6-2	212	Jr.	Ellenwood, Ga.-Cedar Grove
5	Korey Hernandez***	DB	5-11	183	Gr.	Decatur, Ga.-Cedar Grove-Arkansas-Iowa Western C.C.
6	Chase Kline*	LB	6-4	233	Sr.	Chardon, Ohio-Chardon-Michigan State
7	Javon Swinton	WR	6-1	185	Jr.	Stafford, Va.-North Stafford-Indiana
8	Cam'Ron McCoy	QB	6-1	190	So.	St. Louis, Mo.-St. Mary's
8	T.J. Peavy***	DB	5-10	197	Sr.	Fayetteville, Ga.-Sandy Creek-Air Force
11	Terry Lockett Jr.	WR	6-0	180	Jr.	Minneapolis, Minn.-Minnehaha Academy-Michigan State
13	Brooks Blount	QB	6-0	185	Sr.	Waukesha-Waukesha West-DuPage
13	Jaivian Norman	DB	5-10	180	Fr.	Springfield, Ohio-Springfield
14	Isaac Smith	WR	6-2	201	Sr.	Memphis, Tenn.-St. Georges-Wisconsin
15	Jeremiah Salem	QB	6-3	183	So.	Germantown, Tenn.-Houston
15	Joshua Scott *	DB	6-0	180	Jr.	Antioch, Calif.-Deer Valley-City College of San Francisco
16	Kaiden Keefe*	WR	6-2	177	Sr.	Highlands Ranch, Colo.-Valor Christian
16	Cameron Smith*	DB	6-2	193	Jr.	Cleveland, Ohio-Euclid
17	JB Mitchell III**	WR	6-1	202	Jr.	Alabaster, Ala.-Thompson
18	Ali Abdul-Barr	WR	6-2	202	So.	Atlanta, Ga.-Woodland-Stockbridge
18	Josh McCarty*	DB	5-11	202	Sr.	Troy, Mich.-Orchard Lake St. Mary's
19	Joe Sparacio*	LB	5-11	228	Gr.	Naples, Fla.-First Baptist Academy-Boston College
20	Chase Smith	WR	6-1	168	So.	Columbia, S.C.-Ridge View
20	EJ Williams***	LB	6-1	203	Gr.	Indianapolis, Ind.-Pike
21	Bryson Moss**	RB	5-11	202	Jr.	Newnan, Ga.-Newnan
22	Samson Evans***	RB	6-0	218	Gr.	Crystal Lake, Ill.-Prairie Ridge-Iowa
23	Elijah Jackson-Anderson*	RB	5-11	182	So.	Flint, Mich.-Grand Blanc
24	Tanner Knue***	WR	5-11	177	Gr.	Mason, Ohio-Mason
26	Tristen Hines*	DB	5-11	180	Sr.	Milan, Mich.-Milan
27	David Carter Jr.**	DB	5-11	187	Sr.	Ecorse, Mich.-River Rouge
28	Jaylon Jackson*	RB	5-8	165	Sr.	Burleson, Texas-Centennial-Lamar
28	Jason Marshall	DB	6-2	185	So.	Trenton, Mich.-Trenton
29	Chris Gundy	WR	5-8	158	So.	Smithfield, Va.-Smithfield-Naval Academy Prep
29	Kempton Shine****	DB	5-11	178	Sr.	Chicago, Ill.-St. Rita
30	Quinn Fracassi*	WR	6-1	160	So.	Howell, Mich.-South Lyon
30	Deion Brown	RB	5-8	170	Fr.	Kirkwood, Mo.-Kirkwood
30	Mitchell Tomasek*	P	6-4	214	Jr.	Columbus, Ohio-Worthington Kilbourne
31	Brady Pohl*	K	6-2	220	Gr.	Kansas City, Mo.-Liberty North-Oklahoma State
32	Kendric Nowling***	DB	6-2	211	Sr.	Chicago, Ill.-Marist
33	Ryan Kingston	P	6-5	191	So.	South Bend, Ind.-Riley
33	Keylen Gulley*	DB	6-0	175	Jr.	Largo, Fla.-Largo-Coffeyville CC
34	Ivan Maric	K	6-0	195	So.	McLean, Va.-McLean
35	Jesús Gómez*	K	6-1	202	Jr.	Puebla, Mexico-Prepa Tec Puebla
35	Jaheim Jenkins	DB	6-2	195	So.	Bainbridge, Ga.-Bainbridge-Iowa Western
35	Quentavius Scandrett *	DB	6-3	196	Jr.	Hampton, Ga.-Lovejoy
36	Zach Mowchan*	LB	6-2	223	Jr.	Dillsburg Pa.-Northern York
39	Barry Manning	DB	6-1	193	So.	Stone Mountain, Ga.-Tucker
40	Adam Rammouni	WR	6-2	195	So.	Dearborn, Mich.-Dearborn
41	Justin Jefferson**	LB	5-11	225	Sr.	Chicago, Ill.-Brother Rice
42	Zach Zoglio	LS	6-0	200	Jr.	Cincinnati, Ohio-Anderson
43	Cole McElvany	LB	6-2	205	So.	Milan, Mich.-Milan
44	Luke Cameron***	LB	6-1	224	Gr.	Kokomo, Ind.-Kokomo-Army West Point
46	Steve Bird***	LS	5-10	227	Gr.	Phoenix, Ariz.-Sandra Day O'Connor
47	Joseph Zelinsky *	DL	6-4	258	Sr.	Cressona, Pa.-Blue Mountain-Hudson Valley CC
48	Jaden Gaines	DL	6-5	242	So.	Alpharetta, Ga.-Chattahoochee
49	Jeremiah Drake	TE	6-5	245	So.	Wyoming, Mich.-Godwin Heights

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50	Owen Snively	OL	6-4	310	Jr.	Fremont, N.H.-Tilton-Colorado State
51	Andrew Buck	LB	6-0	195	So.	Menlo Park, Calif.-Menlo-Atherton
52	Carter Evans*	DL	6-4	252	Jr.	Crystal Lake, Ill.-Prairie Ridge
54	Zack Conti**	OL	6-6	312	Sr.	Trenton, Mich.-Trenton
55	Dan Sunderman	OL	6-5	315	Gr.	Omaha, Neb.-Millard South-Central Missouri
56	Sterling Miles*	DL	6-5	234	Sr.	West Bloomfield, Mich.-West Bloomfield-Cincinnati
57	Carter Gilbert*	DL	6-4	297	Jr.	Oxford, Mich.-Oxford
58	Maliek Bogard	DL	6-6	218	So.	Beggs, Okla.-Beggs
59	Daniel Greene*	OL	6-4	297	Sr.	Goodrich, Mich.-Goodrich
60	Tommy Dickinson	OL	6-5	275	So.	Collegeville, Pa.-Methacton
61	Jeremiah Jackson Jr.	OL	6-4	287	So.	Lakeland, Fla.-Kathleen
63	Mickey Rewolinski*	OL	6-5	300	Sr.	Caledonia, Wis.-Union Grove
64	John Golden Jr	OL	6-4	265	Jr.	Glen Ellyn Ill.-Glenbard South
64	Jaavon Brown	DL	6-1	345	Sr.	New Haven, Conn.-Hillhouse-Central Connecticut State-Independence CC
65	Nicholas Gallegos	OL	6-4	266	So.	Naperville, Ill.-Neuqua Valley
66	Daniel Warnsman*	OL	6-4	306	Jr.	Dublin, Ohio-Dublin Coffman
67	Broderick Roman*	OL	6-3	291	Sr.	Lansing, Mich.-Okemos
68	Alex Howie***	OL	6-4	307	Gr.	Canton, Mich.-Salem
69	Trenton VanBoening	OL	6-7	290	Fr.	Libertyville, Ill.-Libertyville
70	Dimitri Douglas**	OL	6-4	316	Gr.	Saline, Mich.-Saline-Michigan State
72	Mack Indestad	OL	6-7	272	So.	Lemont, Ill.-Lemont Twp.
73	Joshua Anderson	OL	6-5	325	So.	Florissant, Mo.-Westminster Christian Academy
74	Jez Janvier*	OL	6-5	311	Jr.	Montreal, Quebec, Canada-Cegep Vieux Montreal
75	Carson Lee	OL	6-3	335	Jr.	Greenwood Village, Colo. -Cherry Creek-Colorado
76	Chris Mayo	OL	6-5	310	Jr.	Deptford, N.J.-The Peddie School-West Virginia
77	Brian Dooley*****	OL	6-7	302	Gr.	Bowling Green, Ohio-Toledo St. John's Jesuit
78	Dennis Strey Jr.	OL	6-7	295	So.	Paw Paw, Mich.-Paw Paw
80	Max Reese	TE	6-2	229	So.	Chicago, Ill.-Fenwick
81	Nick Devereaux	WR	6-2	195	Jr.	Troy, Mich.-Brother Rice-Davenport
82	Cedric Anton	TE	6-4	235	Fr.	Poppenhausen, Germany-Rabun Gap-Nacoochee (Ga.)
83	Jere Getzinger***	TE	6-3	242	Sr.	West Branch, Mich.-Ogemaw Heights
84	C.J. Horton	TE	6-5	230	Jr.	Fort Scott, Kan.-Fort Scott-Kansas State-Iowa Western
85	Andreas Paaske*	TE	6-7	252	Jr.	Copenhagen, Denmark-Søllerød Senior-Denmark Gold Diggers
88	Blake Daniels*	TE	6-6	225	Gr.	Macomb, Mich.-L'Anse Creuse North-Davenport
92	Alex Merritt***	DL	6-2	292	Sr.	Cincinnati, Ohio-Moeller
94	Peyton Price**	DL	6-2	286	Jr.	Lafayette, Ind.-Jefferson
95	Mikah Coleman*	DL	6-5	245	Sr.	Reynoldsburg, Ohio-Reynoldsburg
96	Adrian Gonzalez*	DL	6-4	300	Sr.	Leon, Mexico-Liceo Cancún
96	Ugo Nosike	DL	6-4	295	So.	South Holland, Ill.-Thornwood-Arizona-Butler C.C.
97	Mikey Haney***	DL	6-4	245	Gr.	Maumee, Ohio-Maumee
98	Tim Grant-Randall *	DL	6-0	283	Sr.	Conroe, Texas-Oak Ridge-Blinn
99	Melvin Swindle II*	DL	6-3	288	Jr.	Oklahoma City, Okla.-Heritage Hall

\* - letters won

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### Players

Devereaux, Nick ..... dEH-ver-oh  
El-Zayat, Hamze ..... el-ZAY-yaht hom-ZEE  
Fracassi, Quinn ..... fra-cause-ee  
Gallegos, Nicholas ..... gah-YAY-goess  
Gomez, Jesus ..... hay-SOOS  
Jackson, Jaylon ..... j-lynn  
Janvier, Jez ..... jawn-vee-ay jehz  
Knue, Tanner ..... canoe  
Maric, Ivan ..... mar-ick  
McCoy, Cam'Ron ..... cam-ron  
Paaske, Andreas ..... poe-ska  
Pohl, Brady ..... pole  
Scheidt, Steven ..... SH-ite  
Sparacio, Joe ..... spo-rah-see-o

Strey, Dennis ..... struh-eye  
Rammouni, Adam ..... RUH-moon-knee  
Rewolinski, Mickey ..... rev-UH-lin-ski  
Tomasek, Mitchell ..... tom-AH-seck  
Zelinsky, Joseph ..... zuh-lin-skee  
Zoglio, Zach ..... ZOH-glee-oh

### Coaches

Creighton, Chris ..... CRAY-ton  
Prince, Munir ..... muh-NEAR  
Piatkowski, Mike ..... pie-it-COW-ski

### EMU's Location

Ypsilanti ..... IP-sill-ANN-tee