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Two Aggies Heading to NFL Combine



Former Utah State football players Will Davis, cornerback, and running back Kerwynn Williams will participate in the 2013 NFL Scouting Combine, which will begin Saturday, Feb. 23, in Indianapolis, Ind. (photo illustration from Athletics website)

Former Utah State football players — cornerback [Will Davis](#) and running back [Kerwynn Williams](#) — will participate in the 2013 NFL Scouting Combine, which begins Saturday, Feb. 23, in Indianapolis, Ind.

In all, 333 players were invited to the combine, including 60 defensive backs and 38 running backs.

The 2013 Scouting Combine is the annual job fair for prospective new NFL players. For six days at Lucas Oil Stadium in Indianapolis, players are put through a series of drills, tests and interviews with more than 600 NFL personnel, including head coaches, general managers and scouts. The 2013 NFL Draft is slated for April 26-28.

Beginning Thursday, Feb. 21, the NFL Network (Comcast Ch. 270, Dish Network Ch. 154, DirecTV Ch. 212) and NFL.com will broadcast live from Lucas Oil Stadium in Indianapolis, providing an up-close look at the more than 330 NFL prospects looking to take the next step in their careers. Live coverage of on-field workouts begins Saturday, Feb. 23, at 7 a.m. (MT) with the offensive linemen, tight ends and kickers, and continues with the running backs, quarterbacks and wide receivers on Sunday, Feb. 24, linebackers and defensive linemen on Monday, Feb. 25, and defensive backs on Tuesday, Feb. 26. Coverage of workouts begins each day at 7 a.m. (MT).

Both Davis and Williams earned All-American honors following their senior seasons at Utah State. Davis was named a third-team All-America by CBSSports.com, a fourth-team All-America by Phil Steele and an honorable mention All-America by SI.com. Williams was also named an honorable mention All-America by SI.com.

Davis, a 6-0, 186-pound cornerback from Spokane, Wash., (Central Valley HS/DeAnza College) finished the 2012 season ranking tied for second in the nation in passes defended (1.69 pg) and tied for 17th nationally in interceptions (0.38 pg), as three of his five interceptions occurred in the red zone. Davis concluded the season with 17 pass breakups, three quarterback hurries, 4.5 tackles for loss and 64 total tackles (46-solo, 18-assist), as he ranked 35th in the WAC with 4.9 tackles per game.

As a senior, Davis registered five interceptions to rank as the most by a USU player since 2003, and those five picks came in consecutive games, which is the longest streak by a USU player since 1973. Davis also returned an interception 59 yards for a touchdown against Idaho, which was USU's first pick-six since 2007. In all, Davis' 100 interception return yards in 2012 rank tied for the seventh-most in a single-season in school history.

Williams, a 5-8, 189-pounder from Las Vegas, Nev., (Valley HS) finished his senior season at Utah State ranking 10th in the nation in all-purpose yards (171.2 ypg), 13th in rushing (116.3 ypg) and tied for 20th in scoring (9.2 ppg). Williams rushed for 1,512 yards in 2012 to rank fourth all-time at USU for a single-season. He also ranked second all-time in school history in a single-season in points scored (120), second in total touchdowns (20), third in rushing touchdowns (15) and third in rushing average (6.9 ypc).

Williams also finished his senior season ranking second on the team in both receptions (45) and receiving yards (697), while tying for first in receiving touchdowns (5), and set the single-season school record for receiving yards by a running back, while his 45 receptions are the second-most by a running back in a single-season in school history. Williams also had 29 explosive plays (20-plus yards) on the year with 21 runs and eight receptions, including eight rushes and three receptions of 50-plus yards.

In his final collegiate game, Williams was named the *Most Valuable Player* of the 2012 Famous Idaho Potato Bowl as he rushed for a career-high 235 yards on just 18 carries (13.1 ypc) with three touchdowns in Utah State's 41-15 win against Toledo. Williams, who ended the 2012 season with four-straight 100-yard rushing games, was also named to the CBSSports.com 2012-12 All-Bowl team for his performance against the Rockets.

For his career, Williams is the Utah State and WAC record holder with 6,928 all-purpose yards (2,515-rushing, 870-receiving, 3,408-kick returns, 135-punt returns), which also ranks 11th all-time in Football Bowl Subdivision (FBS) history. He also ranks first all-time in school history in

kickoff return yards (3.408), seventh in rushing yards (2,515), seventh in rushing touchdowns (22) and seventh in total touchdowns (28), while ranking fifth all-time in career rushing average (6.6 ypc).

Utah State football had its most successful season in school history in 2012 as it went 11-2 and set school records for wins (11) and home wins (6), while recording just its second bowl win in school history with a 41-15 victory against Toledo in the Famous Idaho Potato Bowl. USU also won its first outright conference championship since 1936 and just its third in school history joining the 1921 and 1936 teams that both won Rocky Mountain Athletic Conference titles.

Nationally, Utah State was one of just 19 teams to finish the 2012 season with 11 or more wins and USU was one of just four teams across the country who did not lose a league game, joining Ohio State (8-0) from the Big Ten and Kent State (8-0) and Northern Illinois (8-0) from the Mid-American Conference.

Utah State ended the 2012 season nationally ranked for just the third time in school history as it finished the year ranked 16th in the Associated Press poll, 17th in the ESPN/USA Today Coaches' poll and 22nd in the Bowl Championship Series standings.

Utah State also finished the 2012 season winning its final seven games, which is tied for the fourth-longest active winning streak in the nation and tied for the third-longest winning streak in school history.

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