

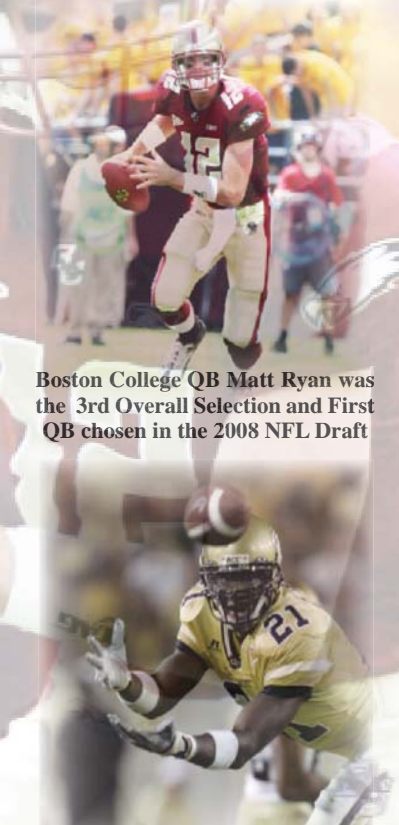
ACC SETS NFL DRAFT HISTORY

**WITH LONG, RYAN CHOSEN ACC BECOMES FIRST CONFERENCE
WITH TWO OF TOP FOUR DRAFT SELECTIONS IN THREE STRAIGHT YEARS**

Over the past three years the Atlantic Coast Conference has enjoyed an unprecedented run in the National Football League's professional draft. The Conference has achieved a number of firsts which included becoming the first Conference to have two of the top four NFL Draft picks in each of three consecutive years. Virginia Defensive End Chris Long was tabbed second overall by the St. Louis Rams and Boston College Quarterback Matt Ryan was the third overall pick by Atlanta in 2008. One year earlier, Georgia Tech wide receiver Calvin Johnson was the second overall selection by Detroit, and Clemson Defensive End Gaines Adams was selected fourth overall by the Tampa Bay Buccaneers. The ACC began the streak in 2006 when NC State Defensive End Mario Williams was the first player selected in the entire draft, being tabbed by the Houston Texans, and Virginia Offensive Tackle D'Brickashaw Ferguson was the fourth overall selection by the New Jersey Jets

The ACC's run began with the 2006 Draft when the Conference set an NFL Draft record with 12 players chosen in the first round and 51 players chosen overall. In all, the ACC leads all Conferences in the last three years in overall players chosen in the NFL drafted with 115 players selected and 25 first round draft choices. The next closest league to the ACC, has been the SEC which has managed 21 first-round draft selections and 112 players selected overall.

The Conference has developed a reputation as a producer of premier pass-rushers as the League has produced the Top Defensive Player chosen in each of the past three seasons, again an unprecedented feat. In all, the League has had the Top Defender selected in four of the last seven years with all of them being dominating pass rushers beginning with North Carolina's Julius Peppers, who was chosen by the Carolina Panthers as the 2nd overall selection in the 2002 NFL Draft.



Boston College QB Matt Ryan was the 3rd Overall Selection and First QB chosen in the 2008 NFL Draft

Georgia Tech Wide Receiver Calvin Johnson was the 2nd Overall selection in the 2007 NFL Draft by the Detroit Lions

ACC Players in 2008 NFL Draft

First Round

- 2 Chris Long, DE, UVa..... Rams
- 3 Matt Ryan, QB, BC.....Falcons
- 15 Branden Albert, T, UVa.....Chiefs
- 17 Gosder Cherilus, T, BC..... Lions
- 26 Duane Brown, T, VT.....Texans
- 29 Kentwan Balmer, DT, UNC..... 49'ers
- 31 Kenny Phillips, DB, UMGiants

Second Round

- 32 Phillip Merling, DE, CL Dolphins
- 35 Brandon Flowers, DB, VT.....Chiefs
- 42 Eddie Royal, WR-KR, VT.....Broncos
- 50 Calais Campbell, DE, UM..... Cardinals

Third Round

- 71 Tavares Gooden, LB, UM..... Ravens
- 72 Chris Ellis, DE, VT.....Bills
- 82 DaJuan Morgan, S, NCS.....Chiefs
- 87 Andre Fluellen, DT, FS..... Lions
- 93 Philip Wheeler, OLB, GTColts

Fourth Round

- 102 Jeremy Thompson, DE, WF.....Packers
- 115 Dre Moore, DT, MDBuccaneers
- 118 Xavier Adibi, LB, VTTexans
- 122 Tashard Choice, RB, GT..... Cowboys

Fifth Round

- 136 Kenneth Moore, WR, WF..... Lions
- 144 DeMario Pressley, DT, NCS..... Saints
- 148 Carlton Powell, DT, VT.....Broncos
- 152 Letroy Guion, DT, FSVikings

Sixth Round

- 168 Durant Brooks, P, GT..... Redskins
- 170 Barry Richardson, T, CL.....Chiefs
- 174 Josh Morgan, WR, VT49'ers
- 175 Geno Hayes, OLB, FSBuccaneers
- 192 DeJuan Tribble, DB, BC.....Chargers
- 196 Tom Santi, TE, UVa.....Colts
- 201 Steve Justice, C, WF.....Colts

Seventh Round

- 215 Justin Harper, WR, VT..... Ravens
- 221 Hilee Taylor, DE, UNC..... Panthers

ACC Draft Records

Most players selected51 in 2005
Most first round draft picks..12 in 2005
Most players from an ACC team:
10 by Clemson, 1983; by Florida State, 1995
1st round picks from an ACC team:
4 by Florida State, 1997; by Florida State, 2006

ACC First Round and Overall Selections

- 1. Miami..... 60.....294
- 2. Florida State..... 34.....216
- 3. Clemson..... 21.....196
- 4. North Carolina 17.....199
- 5. Boston College..... 16.....186
- 6. Maryland 15.....195
- 7. Virginia 15.....144
- 8. NC State..... 15.....140
- 9. Georgia Tech..... 9.....196
- 10. Virginia Tech 7.....122
- 11. Duke 6.....149
- 12.. Wake Forest..... 2.....117

NFL Draft by School (1992-2007)

School	'92	'93	'94	'95	'96	'97	'98	'99	'00	'01	'02	'03	'04	'05	'06	'07	'08	Tot
Florida State	6	6	6	10	4	7	9	4	7	9	2	6	5	9	8	5	3	106
Miami	6	10	2	7	2	8	2	3	5	7	11	8	9	5	9	5	3	102
Virginia Tech	5	0	3	2	2	4	4	2	5	3	8	2	5	3	9	3	8	68
North Carolina	5	4	4	5	2	5	7	6	1	4	6	1	3	3	1	0	2	59
Virginia	3	4	2	3	1	6	2	6	4	1	3	2	1	7	5	2	3	55
Clemson	4	5	2	1	3	2	5	6	0	3	0	2	2	3	3	5	2	48
NC State	4	3	3	4	0	1	2	2	2	2	2	2	3	3	6	3	2	44
Georgia Tech	5	2	2	3	2	0	2	3	3	0	2	0	5	0	3	2	3	37
Boston College	1	1	2	4	2	2	2	3	3	1	2	3	2	0	3	2	3	36
Maryland	2	1	0	1	1	1	1	2	2	3	1	5	2	3	2	1	30	
Wake Forest	0	3	0	0	0	0	0	1	3	0	0	3	0	1	1	2	3	17
Duke	0	1	0	0	3	0	1	1	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	8

ACC and the NFL Draft

A DEFENSIVE TRADITION UNMATCHED

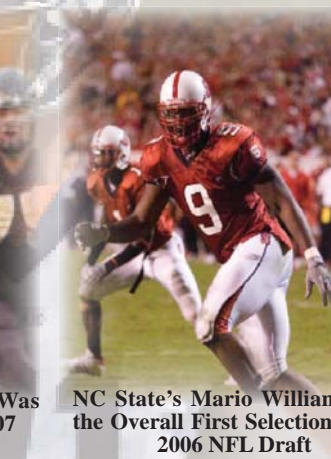
ACC HAS HAD THE TOP DEFENSIVE PLAYER CHOSEN IN THE NFL DRAFT THE LAST THREE YEARS IN SUCCESSION AND HAS THE TOP DEFENDER CHOSEN FOUR TIMES IN THE PAST SEVEN YEARS



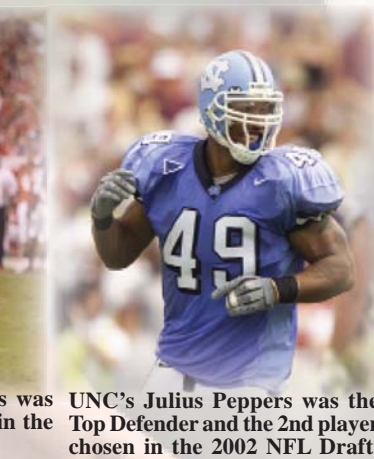
Virginia's Chris Long Chosen 2nd Overall 2008 by St. Louis Rams



Clemson's Gaines Adams Was Selected 4th Overall in 2007



NC State's Mario Williams was the Overall First Selection in the 2006 NFL Draft



UNC's Julius Peppers was the Top Defender and the 2nd player chosen in the 2002 NFL Draft,

Selections by Conference

Year	ACC	Big East	Big 10	Big 12	Conf USA	Mnt Wst	Pac 10	SEC	WAC
1992	29	23	38	-	-	-	43	29	14
1993	29	12	28	-	-	-	31	30	7
1994	19	14	21	-	-	-	25	33	13
1995	27	22	37	-	-	-	36	34	16
1996	16	16	33	39	5	-	27	40	15
1997	22	19	28	35	14	-	30	25	15
1998	29	14	27	28	12	-	37	40	17
1999	31	17	27	34	6	-	27	37	15
2000	23	20	35	24	9	14	26	41	7
2001	21	18	40	30	11	8	24	40	10
2002	18	27	35	25	10	15	32	47	10
2003	17	23	36	35	13	6	32	43	10
2004	25	28	44	23	10	7	28	42	9
2005	36	8	30	34	15	16	33	37	6
2006	51	11	41	29	7	12	32	37	5
2007	31	16	32	28	8	9	28	41	17
2008	33	19	28	29	11	7	34	34	8

1st Round Picks by Conference

Year	ACC	Big East	Big 10	Big 12	Conf USA	Mnt Wst	Pac 10	SEC	WAC
1992	4	4	4	-	-	-	6	2	0
1993	4	0	4	-	-	-	5	6	0
1994	2	0	4	-	-	-	5	6	2
1995	3	2	9	0	-	-	6	3	1
1996	1	3	8	4	1	-	6	4	0
1997	8	4	4	5	1	-	3	4	0
1998	7	3	2	3	0	-	2	10	2
1999	4	3	5	1	0	-	4	8	1
2000	4	4	7	1	0	2	4	6	0
2001	4	6	8	3	0	0	4	5	1
2002	3	8	3	4	2	0	4	6	2
2003	1	4	6	6	0	1	8	4	0
2004	1	9	6	4	1	0	3	6	0
2005	5	1	4	5	1	1	3	10	1
2006	12	0	8	3	1	0	4	4	0
2007	6	2	6	4	0	0	1	11	0
2008	7	2	4	1	1	0	6	6	1

ACC Draft Notes

Miami has a string of 14 consecutive years with a player chosen in the first round. Since the Hurricanes' Warren Sapp was chosen in the first round of the 1995 NFL Draft, Miami has seen 33 players selected in the first round.

Since 1993 Florida State has had more players chosen in the NFL Draft than any other school (100).

In each of the past 21 years, or since the 1988 Draft, Florida State has had at least one player chosen in the top three rounds of the NFL Draft including 28 first-round selections.

Miami has had at least one player in every NFL Draft since 1974, a string of 34 consecutive years, the current longest streak in the ACC. The next longest streak belongs jointly to Virginia and Florida State, who each have had at least one player chosen in every NFL Draft since 1983, a span of 25 straight years. North Carolina had its streak of 36 straight years with at least one player chosen in the NFL Draft end last April. Virginia Tech (15), Maryland (14) and NC State (12) all have significant streaks.

In all, current ACC teams have had a total of six players chosen as the first overall selection in the NFL Draft, with the most recent being NC State's Mario Williams, who was tabbed first in the 2006 NFL Draft by the Houston Texans. Miami (Vinnie Testaverde, 1987, Tampa Bay; and Russell Maryland, 1991, Dallas) and Virginia Tech (Bruce Smith, 1985, Buffalo and Michael Vick, 2001, Atlanta) had two top selections each while Virginia (Bill Dudley, 1942, Steelers) had one. Also, NC State's Roman Gabriel, the No. 2 overall selection in the 1962 draft was chosen No. 1 in the AFL Draft by the Oakland Raiders.

The NFL Draft Top Selections for Each Current ACC Team

Boston College	Matt Ryan, QB	3rd	2008	Atlanta Falcons
Clemson	Banks McFadden, B	4th	1940	Brooklyn Dodgers
	Gaines Adams, DE	4th	2007	Tampa Bay Bucs
Duke	George McAfee, RB	2nd	1940	Philadelphia Eagles
Florida State	Andre Wadsworth, DE	3rd	1998	Phoenix Cardinals
Georgia Tech	Calvin Johnson, WR	2nd	2007	Detroit Lions
Maryland	Randy White, DE	2nd	1975	Dallas Cowboys
Miami	Vinnie Testaverde, QB	1st	1987	Tampa Bay Bucs
North Carolina	Ken Willard, RB	2nd	1965	San Francisco 49'ers
	Lawrence Taylor, OLB	2nd	1981	New York Giants
	Julius Peppers, DE	2nd	2002	Carolina Panthers
NC State	Mario Williams, DE	1st	2006	Houston Texans
	Roman Gabriel, QB	1st	1962	Oakland Raiders(AFL)
Virginia	Bill Dudley, RB	1st	1942	Pittsburgh Steelers
Virginia Tech	Bruce Smith, DE	1st	1985	Buffalo Bills
	Michael Vick, QB	1st	2001	Atlanta Falcons
Wake Forest	Norm Snead, QB	2nd	1961	Washington Redskins