



## 2011 LOUISIANA TECH FOOTBALL

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### **Ryan Allen Named All-American by Walter Camp Football Foundation**

**ORLANDO, Fla. (Dec. 8, 2011)** – The Walter Camp Football Foundation has named Louisiana Tech punter Ryan Allen to its All-America second team the organization announced at the Home Depot College Football Awards show Thursday.

Allen is the 52<sup>nd</sup> player in school history to be named to an All-America team and the first punter to receive such an honor. The last Louisiana Tech special teams player to receive All-America honors was kicker Josh Scobee (2001) while the only other special teams player to receive such an honor was Marty Kent (1996).

The redshirt junior was present for the announcement in Orlando while attending the Home Depot College Football Awards show televised on ESPN as a finalist for the Ray Guy Award.

Allen becomes the 52<sup>nd</sup> player to be named All-America from Louisiana Tech. The last time a LA Tech player received such an honor was tight end Dennis Morris in 2009. He is the sixth Bulldog player to be named All-American since the turn of the century.

A native of Salem, Ore., Allen finished the regular season ranked first in the nation in punts inside the 20 (37) and punts inside the 10 (20) and third in punting average (46.31 yards per punt). He has 29 punts of over 50 yards this season and four of his punts rank in the top 10 in school history. Allen has had only five touchbacks in his 78 total punts and of the 26 punts to be returned by other teams, 11 have been returned for one, zero or negative yards.

Allen returns to Ruston on Friday in time for Louisiana Tech's fifth of 10 practices on campus in preparation for the team's San Diego County Credit Union Poinsettia Bowl game against No. 15 TCU.

The 2011 Poinsettia Bowl will be televised on ESPN and will be the only bowl game taking place on Dec. 21. Joe Tessitore (play-by-play) will call the action along with Lou Holtz (analyst), Mark May (analyst) and Samantha Steele (sidelines). In addition, ESPN Radio will carry the game nationally with Bill Rosinski (play-by-play) calling the action along with David Norrie (analyst) and Joe Schad (analyst).

Tickets for the Poinsettia Bowl are on sale now through the LA Tech Ticket Office and range from \$35 - \$55. To purchase tickets, please call (318) 257-3631, email [techtickets@latech.edu](mailto:techtickets@latech.edu) or visit [LATechSports.com](http://LATechSports.com).

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### 2011 Walter Camp All-America Teams

#### First Team Offense

Pos.	Name, School	Class	Hometown	Height	Weight
QB	Andrew Luck, Stanford #	Sr.	Houston, TX	6-4	235
RB	LaMichael James, Oregon *	Jr.	Texarkana, TX	5-9	195
RB	Trent Richardson, Alabama	Jr.	Pensacola, FL	5-11	224
WR	Justin Blackmon, Oklahoma State *	Jr.	Ardmore, OK	6-1	215
WR	Ryan Broyles, Oklahoma *	Sr.	Norman, OK	5-10	188
TE	Tyler Eifert, Notre Dame	Jr.	Fort Wayne, IN	6-6	249
OL	Barrett Jones, Alabama	Jr.	Memphis, TN	6-5	311
OL	Matt Kalil, USC	Jr.	Corona, CA	6-7	295
OL	Jonathan Martin, Stanford	Sr.	Los Angeles, CA	6-6	304
C	David Molk, Michigan	Sr.	Lemont, IL	6-2	286
PK	Randy Bullock, Texas A&M	Sr.	Klein, TX	5-9	212

#### First Team Defense

DL	Whitney Mercilus, Illinois	Jr.	Akron, OH	6-4	265
DL	Devon Still, Penn State	Sr.	Wilmington, DE	6-5	310
DL	Melvin Ingram, South Carolina	Sr.	Hamlet, NC	6-2	276
DL	Jerel Worthy, Michigan State	Jr.	Huber Heights, OH	6-3	310
LB	Luke Kuechly, Boston College *	Jr.	Cincinnati, OH	6-3	237
LB	Dont'a Hightower, Alabama	Jr.	Lewisburg, TN	6-4	260
LB	Jarvis Jones, Georgia	Soph.	Columbus, GA	6-3	241
DB	Morris Claiborne, LSU	Jr.	Shreveport, LA	6-0	185
DB	Mark Barron, Alabama	Sr.	Mobile, AL	6-2	218
DB	Tyrann Mathieu, LSU	Soph.	New Orleans, LA	5-9	175
DB	David Amerson, North Carolina State	Soph.	Greensboro, NC	6-3	194
P	Shawn Powell, Florida State	Sr.	Rome, GA	6-4	235
KR	Tyler Lockett, Kansas State	Fr.	Tulsa, OK	5-11	170



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### Second Team Offense

Pos.	Name, School	Class	Hometown	Height	Weight
QB	Robert Griffin III, Baylor	Jr.	Copperas Cove, TX	6-2	220
RB	Montee Ball, Wisconsin	Jr.	Wentzville, MO	5-11	210
RB	Bobby Rainey, Western Kentucky	Sr.	Griffin, GA	5-8	205
WR	Robert Woods, USC	Soph.	Carson, CA	6-1	180
WR	Jordan White, Western Michigan	Sr.	Cleveland, OH	6-0	215
TE	Orson Charles, Georgia	Jr.	Tampa, FL	6-3	241
OL	Levy Adcock, Oklahoma State	Sr.	Claremore, OK	6-6	322
OL	Nate Potter, Boise State	Sr.	Boise, ID	6-6	29
OL	Ryan Miller, Colorado	Sr.	Littleton, CO	6-8	295
OL	Kevin Zeitler, Wisconsin	Sr.	Waukesha, WI	6-4	315
C	William Vlachos, Alabama	Sr.	Birmingham, AL	6-1	294
PK	Caleb Sturgis, Florida	Jr.	St. Augustine, FL	5-11	183

### Second Team Defense

DL	Frank Alexander, Oklahoma	Sr.	Baton Rouge, LA	6-4	255
DL	Vinny Curry, Marshall	Sr.	Neptune, NJ	6-4	263
DL	Andre Branch, Clemson	Sr.	Richmond, VA	6-5	260
DL	Joe Vellano, Maryland	Jr.	Rexford, NY	6-2	285
LB	Manti Te'o, Notre Dame	Jr.	Laie, HI	6-2	255
LB	Lavonte David, Nebraska	Sr.	Miami, FL	6-1	225
LB	Courtney Upshaw, Alabama	Sr.	Eufaula, AL	6-2	265
DB	Bacarri Rambo, Georgia	Jr.	Donalsonville, GA	6-0	218
DB	Matt Daniels, Duke	Sr.	Fayetteville, GA	6-1	210
DB	Nigel Malone, Kansas State	Jr.	Manteca, CA	5-10	176
DB	Casey Hayward, Vanderbilt	Sr.	Elko, GA	6-0	188
P	Ryan Allen, Louisiana Tech	Jr.	Salem, OR	6-2	215
KR	Joe Adams, Arkansas	Sr.	Little Rock, AR	5-11	190

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