

BRETT ARRIVEY *Western (CO)* **6-2 226 QB**
Four-year starter. Western's all-time leader in career passing attempts, career passing yards, and career passing completions. 2016 Stats: 158 completions, 254 attempts, 5 INTs, 62.20%, 2021 yds, 17 TDs; 58 carries, 166 yds, 2.9 avg, 2 TDs.

TARIAN AYERS *Virginia State* **6-1 200 QB ATH**
Mobile, decent-armed QB. Dual threat who is careful with the ball effecting his completion rate. 2016 Stats: 126 comp, 237 att, 53.2%, 1343 yds, 12 TDs, 3 INTs; 90 carries, 376 yds, 4.2 avg, 5 TDs.

DREW BAUER *Minnesota-Duluth* **6-2 215 QB**
4-year starter. All-NSIC. Had his junior year come to a premature end after suffering a season-ending injury on Oct. 31. Came back in 2016 to throw for 3421 yards with 30 TDs and only 7 picks. Completed 62.4% of his passes while rushing 175 times for 753 yds, a 4.3 average and 6 TDs.

SHAYE BROWN *Northern Michigan* **6-3 215 QB**
All-GLIAC honorable mention selection. In 2015, he started all 11 games at quarterback, setting school records in single-season touchdowns (30) and single-season passing yards (3,123). Ranked second in the GLIAC in completion percentage (65.9), third in passing yards per game (293.4) and tied for fourth in touchdowns. Threw at least three touchdowns in eight games, including the final seven of the season. This past season, while his numbers were down, he continued to display his accuracy (58.4%) and good decision-making 23 TDs/4 INTs. He also threw for 2372 yards. National Bowl selectee.

DAKOTA BRUGGEMAN *Alderson Broaddus University* **6-3 220 QB**
Great Midwest Athletic Conference All-Conference team. Finished with 1,327 yards passing with 13 total touchdowns, 8 INTs, while completing 59.11% of his passes.

MYLES CARR *Texas A&M-Kingsville* **6-2 210 QB**
The J.W. Rollins Award recipient (LSC Offensive Player of the Year) and All-LSC second team selection Carr caps off his stellar two-year career as the single season leader in passing touchdowns and total touchdowns. He threw for 2,702 yards and 31 touchdowns to just eight interceptions, all while completing an astonishing 64.1 completion percentage. He completed his Javelina career second on the all-time passing list in program history. Transfer from Fresno State.

DAKOTA CONWELL *West Liberty* **6-2 215 QB**
Transfer from Arizona. 2016 All-Mountain East Conference 2nd team. Battled through a series of injuries to complete 185-of-373 passes for 2,398 yards and 24 TDs. He also led WLU in rushing with 544 yards and 4 TDs on 173 carries to rank third in the MEC with 2,968 yards of total offense. Conwell finished his career ranked No. 2 all-time at West Liberty in total offense, touchdown passes and pass completions.

QUADE COWARD *Midwestern State* **6-4 215 QB ATH**

Honorable mention All-LSC. In 2016, 2,381 passing yards with 18 touchdowns/9 INTs, 386 rushing yards with 5 touchdowns.

BRANDON COWIE *Michigan Tech* **6-3 220 QB WR**
All-GLIAC Second Team twice as a WR. Became starting QB in 2015 at which he was two-time All-GLIAC Honorable Mention. In 2016, he completed 174 passes for 1,888 yards and 10 touchdowns. He also rushed for two additional scores.

RANDALL DIXON *Chowan* **6-2 245 QB**
All-CIAA Second Team. Claimed the Chowan single-game passing record back on October 15th when he completed 22-28 pass attempts for 412 yards in a 54-21 win over Virginia Union University. 2016 Stats: 164 comp, 275 att, 10 INTs, 59.6%, 2449 yds, 19 TDs.

JUSTIN DVORAK *Colorado School of Mines* **6-0 200 QB**
Harlon Hill Trophy winner, the second in Colorado School of Mines history, nominated in '14 & '15. AP Little All-America First Team, D2CCA Ron Lenz National Offensive Player of the Year, D2CCA First-Team All-America, D2CCA Super Region 4 Offensive Player of the Year, D2CCA First-Team All-Super Region 4, NFFCC Colorado Offensive Player of the Year, First-Team All-NFFCC, RMAC Offensive Player of the Year, First-Team All-RMAC. Ended career with Mines and RMAC records in passing yards (13,466), passing touchdowns (134, 2nd all-time in NCAA D-II), and total offense (14,608). Also holds Mines career records for completion percentage (66.1%), completions (1,068), and total TDs responsible for (161). Led the nation's #1 total offense and #3 scoring offense. Led NCAA Division II in passing yards (4,584) and touchdowns (53). Second in the nation in total offense yards (380.2 per game) and sixth in QBR (172.4). Threw 4+ touchdowns in 10 games, 5+ five times. Threw only 10 interceptions in 512 attempts. In 5 games vs. Top-25 opponents, threw for 1,801 yards and 19 touchdowns (avg. 360.2 yards/3.8 TD).

T.J. ECKERT *Central Oklahoma* **6-0 207 QB**
Added name to the UCO record books in a handful of categories playing quarterback for the Bronchos for four years. Ended career as the school's all-time leader in total yards with 6,279, and has the most in a single game with 467. Ranks third and fourth for total yards in a single game. Ranks seventh and ninth for total yards in a single season. Ranks second all-time in passing yards with 5,641. Has seven of UCO's top-30 passing performances including the third, fourth and sixth most passing yards in a single game.

MARC EVANS *S.W. Oklahoma* **6-3 220 QB**
Made an impact after transferring from JUCO Ventura College where he was First Team All-Southern California Football Association Northern Conference selection and led the Pirates to a Northern Conference championship in 2014. In 2015, He appeared in 10 games, making nine starts at quarterback for the Bulldogs and completed 210-of-374 passes for 2,681 yards – the third-best single season total in SWOSU's Division II history. Also tossed 25 touchdown passes, the second-highest single season total in school history. Last season, he completed 223 of 401 passes with 13 INTs for a 55.6 percentage, 3048 yards and 22 TDs.

GARRETT FUGATE *Central Missouri* **6-3 210 QB**

Division II All-Super Region Three Team. Was a Second Team All-MIAA pick for the second straight year. Led the MIAA in passing averaging 304.6 yards per game. He completed 271 passes, the third most in a single-season in UCM history, while his 3,655 passing yards and 31 touchdowns were also the third most. He racked up 4,112 yards of total offense, the second best mark all-time at UCM. He earned three MIAA Offensive Player of the Week honors as well.

YIANNI GAVALAS *St. Anselm* **6-2 218 QB**

A quality football player. Called on to do a lot with a subpar team. Athletic and dedicated. 2013: Northeast-10 All-Rookie Team. 2016 Stats: 250 comp, 442 att, 56.6%, 2647 yds, 20 TDs, 23 INTs.

AUSTIN GRAMMER *West Alabama* **6-2 205 QB WR**

All-Super Region Two Team, 2nd Team All-GSC. Transfer from Middle Tennessee where he played QB & WR. Led the GSC in passing (294 ypg), completions (273) and total offense (308.5 ypg). Completed 60.5 % of his passes for 21 TDs with 7 INTs; while throwing for 2940 yards.

TREY HEID *Augustana* **6-2 200 QB**

Earned AFCA All-America First Team honors and was a finalist for the 2016 Harlon Hill Trophy for the Division II National Player of the Year. He earned All-NSIC First Team, named the NSIC's Offensive Player of the Year and CCA All-Super Region Three Second Team after throwing for a single season record 3,582 yards in 2016 while tossing a single season record 41 touchdown passes. Heid accounted for 51 total touchdown passes in 2016 leading the team with 721 rushing yards and 10 rushing touchdowns. He led the country with 391.2 yards of total offense and passed for 250-plus yards in six games while throwing for four or more touchdowns in 7 of 11 games. Heid finished his career as Augustana's all-time leader in passing yards (11,476), passing touchdowns (105) and total offense yards (13,235).

COOPER HIBBS *Fairmont State* **6-3 215 QB**

Sits in the top three in school history in nearly every passing category. Named to the All-MEC second team after finishing the year with 2,855 passing yards on 256-of-395 attempts. Hibbs also tallied 18 touchdowns and averaged 259.5 yards per game through the air.

KYLE JOHNSON *Wingate* **6-2 215 QB**

2nd Team All-SAC. His third season as the starting signal-caller, team captain and leader of the WU offensive unit. Finished his final campaign 123-of-209 passing for 1833 yards and 10 touchdowns. Johnson finished third in the SAC with 166.6 passing yards per game.

JEFF KIDD *LIU-Post* **6-4 227 QB**

Football Gazette All-Super Region I Second Team. ECAC All-Star Honorable Mention Team. Was named the NE-10 Most Valuable Player, started in all 11 games he appeared in, and led the NE-10 in completions (248), completion percentage (.653), passing yards (2,825), passing yards per game (256.8) and passing touchdowns (28) this season.

DON KING, III *Slippery Rock* **6-2 215 QB**

Played in, and started, 10 games. Named the PSAC West Offensive Player of the Week on one occasion. Threw for 2,668 yards and 24 touchdowns. Completed 61 percent of pass attempts (227-of-372). Averaged 266.8 yards per game. Also ran for 150 yards. Ranked 15th in the nation in completions per game, 27th in total offense, 31st in pass yards per game and 32nd in passing touchdowns. Ranked second in Rock single-season history in passing yards per game, third in touchdown passes, third in passing yards, third in completions, third in total offense and fourth in pass attempts. Transferred from Sam Houston State. Son of Don King, Jr., who was an All-Conference QB at SMU and played one year in the NFL for the Green Bay Packers (1987).

KEVIN LACEY *Tuskegee* **6-6 175 QB ATH**

HBCU Gameday Division II All-American team 2nd team selection. SIAC Offensive Player of the Year. Lacey finished the season with a career-high 2,232 yards passing for the Golden Tigers, while completing 148 of his 261 passes. The senior finished with 20 touchdowns (career high) through the air, with just eight interceptions (career low). He also ran the ball 94 times for 447 yards and two touchdowns.

JUSTIN LANE *Central Washington* **6-2 211 QB**

First-Team All-Conference. Broke the single game record for passing yards, throwing for 469 yards, completing 26 of 36 passes in his last game as a Wildcat. Lane finished the season with 2,653 yards and 25 touchdowns, leading the GNAC in touchdowns per game at 2.5.

DEREK MCGINNIS *Washburn* **6-3 220 QB**

Transfer from North Dakota State. Passed for 2,344 yards and 16 touchdowns with 13 INTs. Good QB with solid arm who can force throws at times; trying to make things happen. Honorable Mention All-MIAA.

NATE MEYER *St. Cloud State* **6-1 210 QB ATH**

Transfer from South Dakota State. Through 29 starts in an SCSU uniform, Meyer has thrown for 6,931 yards and 53 touchdowns passes. Both rank third all-time in SCSU history. Meyer has also been formidable carrying the football, racking up 844 rushing yards and 19 touchdowns.

REID MILLER *N.W. Oklahoma* **6-3 231 QB**

One of the most decorated quarterbacks in Northwestern history. Broke many records along the way and was the leader in a few categories in the GAC this season. On the year, Reid connected with his receivers on 231 passes on 419 attempts for 3,221 total yards, leading the GAC and ranked 8th in the country. His passing TD's were also number one in the conference and were good enough for fourth overall in the nation. His total offensive yards were also highly ranked in the league and nationally as he was first overall in the GAC and 21st in Division II. He was also high on the list in conference play as he was 5th in the league in pass efficiency with a 143.0 rating. From a records standpoint, he holds five season records, including passing yards in a season (3,259), passing TD's (35), passing yards per game (294.5), Completions (309) and attempts (513). In regards to game records, Miller holds four of those, which include passing attempts (69), pass completions (42), passing yards (500) and passing TD's (7) and perhaps the biggest stat of all is that he is now the current All-Time record holder for passing TD's with 73.

JACK NELSON *Winona State* **6-4 225 QB**

One of 42 players nominated for the 2016 Harlon Hill Trophy. Became the NSIC all-time passing leader this season while throwing for 3,030 yards and 24 touchdowns. The Warriors all-time leader in passing also became the first NSIC quarterback to throw for 100 career touchdowns. He finished 2016 ranked 16th in the nation passing yards and 27th in the NCAA in touchdown passes. Nelson tied for third in the conference in passing yards.

BRIAN NOVAK *Concord University* **5-11 200 QB ATH**

Over Novak's final two years as a Mountain Lions, the signal-caller continued to chase down and eventually break different passing records. Novak holds the career record for passing yards (9,820), attempts (1,152), and completions (691). On September 3rd of this year, Novak rifled a 17-yard dart to Brandon Plyler to not only help secure a 32-25 win against West Liberty, but to also break the all-time passing touchdown record in Concord history. Novak threw his 58th touchdown pass to break the record and finished his career with 71 scoring throws.

LUKE PAPILION *Sioux Falls* **6-5 221 QB ATH**

A two-time team captain and three-time All-NSIC selection, Papilion is the school's all-time leader in passing yards and total offense. Papilion, the NSIC's only two-time Harlon Hill candidate, now has had two straight second team All-NSIC selections. He has 12,107 total yards in offense, which ranks fifth all-time in the NSIC. Papilion has a school record 8,805 yards passing and his 3,302 rushing yards ranks fifth all-time at USF and first among quarterbacks. In fact, his 3,302 rushing yards is first among active leaders in DII. He also has set passing marks in completions (703), attempts (1,207) and total offense in a game (506). Plus Papilion, the 2014 NSIC Offensive Player of the Year and a fourth team All-American, is the only NSIC QB ever to throw for 8,800 yards and rush for 3,000. He ranks second all-time in TD passes. Twice, he has been named Academic All-NSIC. 2016 Stats: 191-327-13, 58.4%, 2323 yds, 17 TDs; 132 carries, 987 yds, 7.5 avg, 17 TDs.

AJEE PATTERSON *New Haven* **6-3 210 QB**

Very underrated, effective QB. Good decision-maker, not a threat to run but avoids sacks. 2016 Stats: 186-308-7, 60.4%, 2541 yds, 22 TDs. 2015: Second Team NE-10 and the All-Rookie Team, finishing second in the conference in completion percentage (58.9) and third in passing yards (2,098).

NICK PIERUCCINI *Minnesota State* **6-1 210 QB ATH**

Was named the team's Offensive Player of the Year and the Offensive Back of the Year. Pieruccini finished his senior season completing 144 passes for 1,768 yards and 23 touchdowns. He also rushed for 563 yards and six touchdowns.

ANTONIO PIPKIN *Tiffin University* **6-3 225 QB**

An All-American honorable mention selection, threw for 2,534 yards on 216 completions. Pipkin tossed 25 touchdown passes, and added 757 rushing yards and 7 rushing touchdowns. Antonio is the Tiffin University all-time leader in pass attempts, touchdowns, passing yards, completions, total offense, and career plays. The 4-time All-GLIAC selection completed his Tiffin career this past season, finishing as only the 3rd quarterback at the NCAA Division II level to pass for at least 10,000 yards and rush for at least 2,000 yards.

SEAN RUBALCABA *Colorado-Mesa* **6-2 210 QB**

Earned RMAC honorable mention honors after throwing for nearly 2,000 yards (1,931) and rushing for 287 yards. He completed 146-of-253 passes (57.7-percent) and threw 10 touchdowns and ran for two. Transfer from Northern Colorado.

CONNOR SIMMONS *Clarion University* **6-1 210 QB**

Threw for over 2400 yards in just eight games. Strong arm, good accuracy. Like most QBs can force things at times; trying to make things happen. 2016 Stats: 170 comp, 307 att, 12 INTs, 55.37%, 2424 yds, 20 TDs. National Bowl selectee.

TYLER SULLIVAN *Delta State University* **6-2 226 QB**

Ranks second in DSU history with 9,157 yards passing and 9,684 yards of total offense. Completed 744-of-1,152 attempts for 9,157 yards with 76 touchdowns and 41 interceptions. Averaged 269.3 yards passing per game. Delta State career record 64.6 completion percentage. Rushed 182 times for 527 yards and 17 touchdowns. Played in 34 games. Career record of 22-9 as starter.

JACOB TUCKER *North Alabama* **6-0 191 QB**

Don Hansen All-America 2nd team, Super Region 2 Offensive Player of the Year. A finalist for the Harlon Hill Trophy as the Division II National Player of the Year, Tucker was previously selected Gulf South Conference Offensive Player of the Year and first-team All-GSC quarterback. He has guided the Lions to a 9-1 record that includes a Gulf South Conference Championship and top seed in Super Region 2 in the 2016 NCAA Division II Playoffs. In his first season as a starter at UNA, Tucker has rushed for 719 yards and 14 touchdowns and thrown for 2,257 yards and 18 TDs, despite not playing in the fourth quarter of six games due to large leads by the Lions. He ranks as the fourth leading rusher in the GSC (71.9), third in scoring (8.4) and second in total offense (297.6).

CALEB WALTON *Lock Haven* **6-0 205 QB**

PSAC First Team selection. Was sensational in 2016 and capped a record-breaking career in style. In all, Walton threw for 3,115 yards this past season, becoming LHU's first quarterback to pass for over 3,000 yards in a single season. Walton's 283.2 passing yards per game led the PSAC East, ranked fourth overall in the PSAC and are the 14th most in NCAA Division II. His 3,115 yards were the 10th most in DII at the end of the regular season. On the season, Walton threw for 21 touchdowns and rushed for five more. The 26 total TDs tied his own single-season school record. Walton finished his career with 8,971 passing yards, the second-most in school history. His 68 career passing TDs and 79 career touchdowns accounted for are both school records.

JEFF ZIEMBA *Shepherd* **6-3 210 QB**

2016 Don Hansen's Football Gazette All-Super Region One 1st Team. Completed 251-of-385 passes for 3,627 yards and 32 touchdowns. He completed 65.2 percent of his passes and had a 168.12 pass efficiency rating. He ranked fifth nationally in passing yards and seventh in pass efficiency. 2015 MEC Offensive Player of the Year. D-II All-America 3rd Team.

KYLE ZIMMERMAN *N.W. Missouri* **6-1 200 QB**

Threw for 3,763 yards and 37 touchdowns this season. He was the MIAA Offensive Player of the Year, the CoSIDA Academic All-America of the Year, the runner up for the Harlon Hill Trophy and was named second team AP All-America.