The players were asked to answer up to eight different questions; here are their responses:

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**THE WINNERS**

Dubai, Bahamas, Europe  Wings, Nachos, Calamari  MLK, Michael Jordan, Margot Robbie,  Game of Thrones, The Office, The Walking Dead  Basketball, Baseball  My family a house, more lottery tickets  Cooking Class, Sleeping 101  Erin Andrews, Chris Fowler
WHAT THEY’RE SAYING ABOUT THE CHAMPIONS CENTER

Defensive coordinator Jim Leavitt tweeted: “Never seen anything like this! Best facilities I have ever seen!”

Inside linebacker Kenneth Olugbode: “When you see pictures, you know it’s going to be nice. But then you actually walk in and it’s breathtaking. Shock and awe when you walk in.”

Offensive tackle Jeromy Irwin: “It gives you a sense of gratification. You want to thank the staff, the athletic director, the people who donated. It gives you confidence that they believe in us.

“Now we need to give back. We need to bring in more money, more fans. We need to bring back the tradition of winning.”

Coach Mike MacIntyre on his new office: “It’s gorgeous. (The views provide) stress relief, to say the least. It’s nice, very nice.”

Coach Mike MacIntyre on how the team reacted when they first saw the locker room: “They were jumping around and hugging each other and screaming and yelling. We had to kick them out of there because they just kept wanting to stay in there, in the lounge and everything. It was really exciting and they really love it.

“It’s spectacular,” MacIntyre added. “I think they liked all of it. A lot of them told me they weren’t ever going to go home, they were just going to stay in there. That’s not a bad thing at all.”
2016:
• Has nine receptions for 256 yards and a touchdown through the first three games.
• Had four catches for 99 yards and a touchdown at Michigan including a long of 70, his seventh career play of 50 yards or longer.

2015:
• Finished the season as the team’s second leading receiver behind only Nelson Spruce, recording 42 receptions for 598 yards, which led the team with a 14.2 average yards per catch (minimum 15 catches).
• Finished 8 receptions shy of becoming the school’s all-time leader in career receptions through the end of their sophomore season.
• Did not play for the first time in his career (19-straight games) at OSU after spraining his ankle while scoring his second TD of the game late in the fourth quarter vs. Arizona. Returned to play at UCLA recording four receptions for 39 yards.
• Registered back-to-back 100-yard receiving games at ASU (5-103) and vs. UA (8-168, 2 TD). It was the first time in his career he had a 100-yard game.
• Eight catches vs. UA tied his career-high and it was the first career game in which he scored two touchdowns.
• Now has five plays of over 50-yards in his career: 72-yard TD vs. UCLA recording four receptions for 39 yards.
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2014:
• Shay finished the regular season tied for ninth in the FBS and third in the Pac-12 in receptions by a freshman in 2014. He was second on the team in receptions.
• At the conclusion of the season, Shay was named as one of the program’s annual winners, along with defensive end Derek McCartney, of the Lee Willard Award, handed out to the outstanding freshman each year.
• Against Arizona, Shay became the school’s all-time leader in receptions by a freshman.
• On the game’s first play from scrimmage, Fields beat a cornerback off the line of scrimmage and sprinted down field where he was hit perfectly in stride by quarterback Sefo Liufau for what became a 75-yard touchdown pass.
• His 27 receptions were the most ever for any Buff receiver after only four career games.
• Fields added seven more catches to his season total in the loss to Arizona State. His 21 total receptions after three games were the most by any Buff ever three games into a career breaking the old record of 20 held by the school’s all-time receptions leader Scotty McKnight.
• Shay opened his college career with a bang by recording eight catches (six of which came in the first half) in the season opener against CSU.
• His eight receptions tied him for the most catches by a Buff in his first career game.
• Fields was originally committed to play for the University of Southern California but due to personal reasons, decided to de-commit late in the recruitment process and sign with CU.

Human Interest
• Shay grew up in a family with nine sisters in Los Angeles, California.
• His full name is Leonsha.
• His father (Shay Sr.) played cornerback and safety at Whittier College.
• He is the cousin of California senior wide receiver Bryce Treggs.
• Shay is a good friend of rapper Snoop Dogg. He played in Snoop’s youth football league as an adolescent and continues to stay in touch with the musician. Snoop has even congratulated Fields on his social media accounts.

CU Freshman Receptions (All-Time)

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WHAT THEY’RE SAYING ABOUT SHAY

MacIntyre on Fields becoming a go-to guy: “The guy that has done it in the games and has kept improving his body and working, would be Shay Fields. Shay Fields is an excellent player. We need him to stay healthy. Last year he was having a great year and he hurt an ankle on that long 78-yard touchdown play he made against Arizona. Shay Fields is a guy that I think can step up and be a top echelon Pac-12 wide receiver.”

Co-Offensive Coordinator and Wide Receivers coach Darrin Chiaverini on Fields becoming a leader: “I like what I’m seeing from Shay as far as leadership. He’s a different guy than he was even in the spring. You can tell he’s into it. He wants to lead.”

Mike MacIntyre on Fields: “Shay is an excellent player. He has good hands and the game is not too big for him. I’m sure he’ll keep making plays.”

Chiaverini says Fields “has to continue to push himself . . . he’s talented, but I told him this, ‘Talent gets you fired.’ You’ve got to be able to be effective. And the only way Shay can do that is by playing fast all the time. He’s starting to get it a little bit, but he still has some days where he doesn’t trust the process. I’ve told him to trust the process and the results will come. He’s a guy we’re counting on to make big plays.”
First name pronounced aff-oh-lobby, last name la-goo-duh.

2016:
• Recorded five tackles, one of which was a tackle for loss, against CSU.
• Enters season listed second at free safety and running first at the nickel position when CU plays nickel.
• Received Hale Irwin Award from CU coaches for most improved defensive back during spring practices.

2015:
• Played in all 13 games, 12 on defense and all on special teams.
• Played in 237 snaps on defense, recording 22 tackles (17 solo), a tackle for zero gain, two third down stops, and a pass deflection.
• Had a career/season-high five tackles (three solo) against USC.
• Finished fourth on the team in special teams points with 21.

Human Interest
• Currently majoring in Economics at Colorado.
• Hobbies include photography and music.
• Two siblings also played college football: brother (Charles Olatunji) played wide receiver at Auburn and younger brother (Lateef Laguda) was a receiver at Georgia State.
• Is a fully ordained as a youth minister.

High School:
• At Brookwood in Snellville, Georgia, he was a two-year starter at defensive back and wide receiver.
• Before suffering a season-ending broken fibula half way into his senior season, he was in on 25 tackles, with an interception and three pass deflections.

WHAT THEY’RE SAYING ABOUT AFOLABI

Safeties coach Joe Tumpkin on Afolabi getting a bigger role:
“He’s definitely going to have a bigger role than he did last year, especially in some of our nickel packages. We’re expecting a lot out of him. We need him to be more consistent this year, but he’s done a really good job in sitting and learning and picking it up. He’s going to play some nickel situations and safety for us, and also some special teams.”

2016:
• Has 202 yards on 18 catches and four touchdowns through the first three games of the season.
• All four of Devin’s touchdowns have come in the first quarter.
• Had seven receptions for 78 yards and two touchdowns at Michigan; in doing so, Devin became the first Buff to have two touchdown receptions in the first quarter of a game since Richard Johnson on November 13, 1982.
• Recorded the second-most catches and yards in his career with eight receptions for 97 yards and a touchdown against CSU.

2015:
• Finished fourth on the team with 25 receptions for 324 yards, marking a 13.0 yard per catch averaged which was good for third on the team.
• Homecoming in LA: Ross set new career highs in receptions and yards (9-101) in the game at UCLA nearby his high school (Altdena).
• Scored his second career touchdown on the longest play of his career, a 68-yard reception at ASU, which also marks the team’s longest play from scrimmage this season.
• 10 catches for 169 yards leads the team with 16.9 yards per catch (minimum five receptions).
• Only he and WR Shay Fields have multiple TD receptions on the season, with a pair each.
• At ASU Ross recorded two receptions for 90 yards, prior to ASU his career numbers were 14 receptions for 103 yards.
• Recorded his first career touchdown on a 24-yard pass from QB Sefo Liufau in the third quarter vs. CSU, giving the Buffs their first lead of the game.
• Caught the winning touchdown pass in the spring game, hauling in a 70-yard catch and run from Sefo Liufau that gave the Gold team a 14-10 win.
• He had nine receptions for 110 yards and two touchdowns in the four main spring scrimmages.

2014:
• Redshirted; though entering the fall listed second on the depth chart at the “H” receiver position, he was slowed in camp by a pulled hamstring and a knee sprain and decided to take his redshirt season.
• He caught three passes for 27 yards in major spring scrimmage action.

2013:
• He saw action in 10 games, playing for the first time in the second game of the season, but he missed the finale at Utah after suffering a concussion the previous game (USC).
• He caught six passes for 24 yards on the year, including one for seven yards against Central Arkansas in his first collegiate game.

Human Interest:
• Loves watching movies
• A cousin and teammate, Steven Mitchell Jr., is a redshirt junior at
SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA, and two other cousins played college ball at USC, Chris Hale (cornerback, who also spent time in the NFL with Buffalo) and William Harris (safety).

• Active in community service in high school, he volunteered at a local shelter and collected food and clothing.

WHAT THEY’RE SAYING ABOUT DEVIN

Head coach Mike MacIntyre on Ross being more consistent: “Catching the ball consistently. That’s it. He’s always had everything else. Everybody’s going to drop one once in a while, that’s just the way it is. It’s being able to get over that and go make the next one and not go in the tank. He’s been able to do that.”

Co-Offensive coordinator and Wide receivers coach Darrin Chiaverini on Ross: “Devin Ross had a great spring and he’s going to do a lot of great things in camp.”

Former wide receiver Nelson Spruce on the difference he sees in Ross after taking a redshirt year: “It’s mostly mental and getting more consistent, knowing that he has to practice hard all the time and not get down on himself if he makes mistakes. He’s not doing that now.”

Spruce sees a difference in Ross’ drive as well: “I think him being away from the game last year, not being able to suit up, made him hungrier. He seems to be wanting to attack it this year.”

In a recent survey done by CU’s Sports Information Department, Ross shared the following:

On why he enjoys competing against senior corner Chidobe Awuzie every day in practice. “Chidobe is a very passionate person and player; I love his competitive nature and commitment to becoming better each and every day. He motivates me to be better as a player and person as well as bringing a vast amount of wins to our Colorado buffalo football team.”

On something unique about himself: “I have my whole right arm full of tattoos. The most meaningful one is my cross and favorite bible verse Philippians 4:13, saying that I can do all things through Christ who strengthens me. It motivates me to always work hard and not to give up on what I want with my life.”

Name is pronounced (chih-doe-bey ah-woo-z-yeh).

2016:

• After the offense put CU up 7-0 at Michigan, the defense came up with a key play by adding to the early lead. Chidobe came up with a sack (sixth of his career) that resulted in a forced fumble. Derek McCartney recovered the ball and returned it 18 yards for a touchdown, making it 14-0 Buffs.

SACKS NEEDED

TO BECOME SCHOOL LEADER IN SACKS BY A DEFENSIVE BACK

• Recorded an interception against CSU (third of his career) with four third-down-stops and nine total tackles.

• On official watch list for Jim Thorpe Award (one of 39 for nation’s top defensive back), Bronco Nagurski Award (one of 88 for nation’s top defensive player), and Chuck Bednarik Award (one of 90 for nation’s top defensive player).

• Ranked No. 89 overall in the Top 100 Players by nfl.com: the 19th best defensive back and 11th best cornerback.

• Preseason second-team All-Pac-12 by Athlon Sports, Lindy’s College Football and Phil Steele’s College Football.

• Enters season 62nd all-time at CU with 213 career tackles and 21st all-time with 178 solo stops; his five quarterback sacks puts him third for CU defensive backs; recorded 22 career pass deflections, good for 18th; his 28 third down stops ranks him just outside the top-10 in school history.

2015:

• Finished the season second in tackles with 90 total.

• Led team with 13 tackles for loss, the first time a defensive back has done so dating back to 1969, when it was first tracked. Also led team with defensive snaps played (897).

• Third on the team with four sacks for 30 yards.

• Second on the team with 10 passes broken up.

• After another sack at OSU, Awuzie had recorded a sack in three-straight games, giving him five career sacks which is third-most by a DB in school history. His four sacks this season is second the team.

• Registered a 13-yard sack by spinning and slamming UA quarterback Anu Solomon to the ground.

• Recorded his first forced fumble on the season at ASU.

• He was all over the field against Oregon, leading the Buffs with 10 tackles and coming up with two third down stops and two quarterback chase-downs.

• He actually did not start against Oregon because he lost his helmet on the opening kickoff with a crushing tackle to Charles
Nelson. He has 21 starts in 27 career games, including all nine that he
played in 2014 and the first four of 2015.
• Served as a captain in six games this season, which is the most of
any player on the leadership council, along with WR Nelson Spruce.
• Atop the depth chart at both cornerback and nickel back.
• Named to the 12-man leadership council who act as leaders of the
team.

2014:
• Chidobe suffered a lacerated kidney prior to a November 8th
matchup with Arizona and missed the remainder of the season.
• Despite missing the final three games, he still finished third on the
team in tackles and sixth in total defensive snaps played.
• Chidobe is now listed in the #1 slot at two different positions on
the depth chart (free safety and nickelback). The coaching staff
feels that he is such an essential part of the defense that he should
rarely be taken off the field. Sure enough, he missed only three
defensive snaps prior a season-ending injury in early November.
• Chidobe thrived at the nickel back position after winning the
starting role prior to the start of his freshman season. He proved in
less than one full season that he was capable of manning the oppo-
sing team’s best slot receiver and making the open field tackle when
necessary.
• Awuzie on the rebuilding process at CU: “Most rebuilding pro-
grams go through the stage of not winning as many games as they
want to and I understood that was going to be the case coming
here. That is actually why I wanted to come here. I wanted to be
part of something special and I feel like we can do a lot of special
things in the Pac-12 here at Colorado.”
• Chidobe played a critical role in helping CU secure its first win of
the season making an acrobatic deflection of a UM ass pass early
in the fourth quarter that was then intercepted by safety Tedric
Thompson, CU’s first pick of the year. The play halted a UM ass
drive that began in excellent field position as the Minutemen threat-
ened to trim Colorado’s 41-31 lead.

2013:
• Finished his inaugural campaign with the third most snaps played
by a freshman in CU history. Four of the top five on that all-time
list are currently on the roster. Chidobe also finished sixth on the
team in tackles in 2013.
• He had what could be described as one of the best games of
his young career in the team’s win over Charleston Southern. He
recorded two tackles for loss, one of them on a corner blitz that
resulted in his first career sack. He also had two third down stops in
the game.
• Made his first career start at nickel back against Oregon State.
• He was given the nickname of “Chido (Chih-doe)” by his
defensive coaches and teammates.
High School
• At Oak Grove High school (San Jose, California), he played safety,
cornerback, running back, tight end, returned punts and kicks, and
occasionally quarterback.
• During his senior year, he rushed for 1,285 yards and 14 touch-
downs caught seven passes, had four interceptions, blocked four
kicks, and forced a pair of fumbles.
• He was known as “Mr. Versatility” in high school.
• Coach MacIntyre started to recruit Awuzie while he was still the
head coach at San Jose State. When he took the job at Colorado, he
brought Awuzie with him.

Human Interest
• Chidobe is of Nigerian descent (one of four players on this team;
Awini, Laguda, and Olugbode all hail from West Africa ancestry).
He often introduces himself as “Cheetah” to make it easier for peo-
tle to pronounce. He also often watches videos of real live cheetahs
to pump himself up before he takes the field.
• His first name Chidobe means ‘God will protect me and guide me
in crisis’
• Favorite Nigerian food is FuFu where you take yams with a
dough-like consistency and dip them in soup.
• His older brother, Dubern, plays defensive back at Waldorf Col-
lege in Iowa.

WHAT THEY’RE SAYING
ABOUT CHIDOBE
MacIntyre on being a leader for the defense: “Chido (Awuzie)
is definitely a leader on defense, he’s what you would call a true playmaker on
defense. People come up to me all the time and say, ‘golly, he’s all over the field.’
Well we put him all over the field and he also has the ability to make plays all
over the field. He’s a key ingredient in our defense and we definitely build things
around him depending how we play certain teams.”

MacIntyre on Awuzie’s ability to make cause interceptions
and pressure the quarterback: “That’s Chido. I’m so used to it now,
if he doesn’t make one, I get on him. He’s an excellent player. We moved him
around everywhere. He was sacking, he was covering – typical Chido. If we
had about 30 of him, they wouldn’t know what to do. There would be No. 4s
everywhere. It’s kind of like that movie, the Matrix. That’s what Chido is, he’s
the Matrix.”

Fox Sports college football reporter for Fox Sports tweeted:
“H eard many good things from rival coaches abt #CU CB Chidobe Awuzie.
Impressive guy to speak with as well> Came across very thoughtful & mature.”

ESPN college football and NFL draft analyst Todd McShay
tweeted: “Didn’t know much about Colorado CB Chidobe Awuzie till I
popped in tape this am. Now he’s one of my favorites. Plays CB like a Mike
LB!”

Safeties coach Joe Tumpkin on Awuzie’s versatility: “He brings a
lot of dynamics to what we do in the secondary. He can play corner, he can play
nike, he can play safety. He’s got great man coverage skills, he can blitz off the
edge, he has a knack to get to the quarterback in those situations and he does a
very good job of tackling in open space. He does a lot of things very well and
we try to utilize that.”
2016:
• Has eight catches for 156 yards this season with a long of 50 coming against Michigan.
• Set a career-high in receiving yards against CSU with 99 on five catches.
• Has recorded 47 career receptions (53rd all-time in CU history) and 422 receiving yards (89th all-time).

2015:
• Finished the year as the team’s sixth leading receiver with 24 catches for 207 yards (8.63 average).
• Recorded at least two catches in seven of nine Pac-12 games during the season.
• Had his best performance of the season vs. UA with six receptions for 51 yards, including a season-long 16-yard reception that extended CU’s final scoring drive.
• Bobo is third on the team in receiving with 22 catches for 176 yards (8.0 per catch).

2014:
• Finished sixth on the team in receptions and second amongst all freshmen in that category.
• Bryce’s two crucial touchdown receptions in the fourth quarter helped the Buffs overcome a 17-point deficit late in the game and very nearly pull off an upset of 25th-ranked UCLA. He was the first freshman in school history to have two touchdown receptions in the same quarter.
• Bryce, along with teammates Shay Fields and George Frazier, helps form a receiving trio that is now amongst the most successful in CU history. The group has combined for 78 receptions and 10 receiving touchdowns on the year. Overall, CU is sixth in FBS play in freshmen receptions.
• On his performance against the Bruins: “It felt good to finally contribute as much as possible to the team and try to come out with a win. Scoring two touchdowns and everything, I just try my best, and whatever the coaches ask me, I’m going to do it.”
• Bryce plays a role in the passing game that continues to grow week after week. After going without a catch in the opener against CSU, he has pulled down 23 passes in the time since, fifth-most on the team over that span. “Everything is coming into place,” Bobo said. “I’m starting to know my role on the team, and I’m starting to embrace that I might not be the leading receiver, but I’m going to do what I need to do like not dropping any passes and being a consistent good blocker.”
• Bryce made his first career touchdown reception in week 5 at Cal.
• Bryce had a career-high five receptions for 54 yards in the week 2 win at UMass.

Human Interest
• Bryce overcame tragedy at an early age, as his half-brother accidentally shot and killed his father when Bryce was just four years old.
• Bryce is a “man of God” and often quotes scripture on his Twitter account.

WHAT THEY’RE SAYING ABOUT BRYCE

Head coach Mike MacIntyre on Bobo’s 2016 Fall Camp: “Bryce Bobo has been having the best camp he’s ever had since I’ve been here. He is in better shape coming into camp. We’ve always worked hard in the summers, but he’s stronger; he’s more powerful. He always pulled something in camp in the previous years and he’s always missed half of camp. He didn’t do that once this year, and he’s been able to keep aggressive.”

Co-Offensive Coordinator and Wide Receivers coach Darrin Chiaverini on Bobo’s 2016 Fall Camp: “Bryce has had an excellent camp and he’s really come on since he’s been healthy and making big plays. We’re going to need him in the season. I’ve had to coach him a little bit different as far as just talking to him a little bit more. Sometimes I have to step back and talk to him and say, ‘Hey look this is what I need from you.’ He’s responded to that type of teaching. I said, ‘Look, Bryce, I need you to step up and I need you to continue to work and make plays. He’s done that. He’s made some excellent catches this camp that top-notch receivers make.”

CU Freshman Touchdown Receptions (All-Time)
Rk.  Player     TD
1 Paul Richardson (2010)  6
2 Michael Westbrook (1991)  5
3 Scotty McKnight (2007)  4
Shay Fields (2014)  4
5 Donnie Holmes (1979)  3
Riar Geer (2006)  3
Nelson Spruce (2012)  3
Bryce Bobo (2014)  3
George Frazier (2014)  3

CU’s Most Successful Freshmen Receiving Trios
Players     Rec. TD
B. Bobo, S. Fields, G. Frazier (2014)  78 10
N. Spruce, G. Thomas, V. Hobbs (2012) 78 3
S. McKnight, J. Smith, K. Celestine (2007) 77 4

FBS Team Leaders Freshman Receptions (2014)
Rk.  Team     Rec. Yards TD
1 Tulane 159 1,405 7
2 Virginia Tech 153 1,776 16
3 Washington State 131 974 2
4 Penn State 129 1,446 5
5 Oregon 118 1,881 17
6 Clemson 117 1,238 9
7 Colorado 105 932 11

FBS Team Leaders Freshman Touchdown Receptions (2014)
Rk.  Team     TD
1 Marshall 17
Oregon 17
3 Virginia Tech 16
4 USC 14
5 Arizona State 11
Colorado 11
2016:
• Enters season starting at fullback and in the mix at CU’s tight end/H-back position.
• Named as one of five team captains by his teammates.

2015:
• Recorded his first touchdown reception of the season vs. USC, after recording three last season.
• Played solely on offense after playing both ways during his freshman campaign (split time between tight end and fullback).

2014:
• George finished the year tied for third on the team in touchdown receptions.
• All five of his receptions in 2014 resulted in either touchdowns (3) or first downs (2).
• George saw the most extensive work on defense of his short career in the loss at Oregon as he played on a career-high 29 defensive snaps.
• Frazier’s fourth touchdown of the season came on a beautiful play action fake by quarterback Sefo Liufau on a 3rd-&-Goal from the UW 1-yard line. The Washington defense bit on the run fake and crashed hard on the CU backfield leaving Frazier wide open in the back of the end zone where he pulled in the high lob pass, giving the Buffs a 17-7 second quarter lead.
• Frazier is quickly becoming a dangerous weapon in the CU offense. He scored twice at Cal including on a two-yard pass in the first quarter and on a 1-yard rush in the second.
• He was the first CU player to score a TD both rushing and receiving since Hugh Charles did so at Texas Tech on Oct. 27, 2007.
• George scored his first career touchdown on a 9-yard pass from Sefo Liufau in the second quarter of the win over Hawai’i. He also made two assisted tackles and had a quarterback hurry on defense in the game.
• Frazier is a bulldozing back who has shown the capability to steamroll defenders on his way to the end zone. When he and 230-pounder Christian Powell line up in the same backfield, CU has one of the most massive fullback/running back combinations in the country.
• He appeared on both offense and defense in the team’s week 3 loss to Arizona State. It marked the first time since 2005, a Buff had done so. John Guydon was the last when he appeared at both guard and defensive tackle on both sides of the line.

Human Interest
• His father (George Frazier IV) played safety at Fresno State, and an uncle (Damon Griffin) played wide receiver at Oregon and in the NFL with San Francisco, Cincinnati and St. Louis.

WHAT THEY’RE SAYING ABOUT GEORGE

Tight Ends Coach Gary Bernardi on balance of tight ends Sean Irwin and George Frazier: “George is a good player, he does a lot of things. And it’s not that Sean isn’t versatile – he is. But you’ve got to try to get them in the right place. They’re both good players, two of the better players on our football team. There’s going to be times when they’ll probably have a heavier role. Whatever we ask they’ll do a good job. They’re good team guys.”

Fellow tight end Sean Irwin says their position “is going to be more dynamic with George. (He’s) really good at playing H-back. He’s going to do a lot more stuff this year, but I can’t really say if we’re (TEs/H-backs) going to be more involved or not. As usual we’re going to do what we can to help the offense out and I’m sure having George in the backfield more is definitely going to change our tendencies . . . with George coming out of the backfield it’s going to make us more versatile. He’s awesome.”
2016:
• Enters season second on the depth chart at cornerback and is in the rotation when CU goes to nickel and/or dime defenses.

2015:
• Played in all 13 games, six on defense including one start at the nickel spot.
• Played in all 13 games on special teams.
• Earned 10 points on special teams.

High School:
• As a junior at Great Oak in Temecula, Calif., he was an All-State performer and garnered first-team All-CIF and All-Southwestern League honors.
• He was hurt for half of his senior season with a knee injury.
• Lettered three times in track and field in high school participating in sprints, relays, triple jump, and long jump.

Human Interest
• Interested in studying Business (Finance) at CU
• Earned honorable mention Academic All-Colorado honors from the state’s NFF chapter as a true freshman
• Hobbies include bowling in which his career-best game is 215.
• As a two-time Little League All-Star, he hit a grand slam home run with two outs in the last inning to win a game.
• He volunteers in the community through, specifically serving meals to underprivileged community members and participating in the yearly Backpack Outreach providing children with backpacks full of school supplies.

2016:
• In limited playing time (just 32 defensive snaps) through the first two games, Julmisse has made an immediate impact. He has already recorded a fumble recovery (against CSU) and an interception (home versus Idaho State), becoming the first CU defender since Greg Henderson in 2013 to have a take-away in each of the first two games of the season.
• Has also worked in with the kick return unit and is currently listed at second on the depth chart.
• Had one kickoff return for 14 yards.
• Figures to see playing time at defensive back, kick return and wide receiver.

High School:
• Earned second-team All-State honors as a senior at the utility position playing for South Plantation in Plantation, Florida.
• For his senior season, he recorded 672 rushing yards on 81 carries (8.3 avg) and eight touchdowns; he also had 360 receiving yards with four touchdown catches.
• Defensively, he was in on 32 tackles (eight tackles for loss) with two interceptions, one of which he returned for a touchdown, and a blocked kick.
• Julmisse also had two return touchdowns on special teams (punt and kickoff).
• Lettered once in track participating in sprints and relays.

Human Interest
• Is interested in majoring in Environmental Studies.
• Recently took up bowling as a hobby and has already scored a career high 197.

WHAT THEY’RE SAYING ABOUT ANTHONY

Co-Offensive coordinator Darrin Chiaverini on Julmisse’s athleticism: “Obviously he can stretch the field. He can run, has speed down the field. We’re going to try to get some packages for him so he can be dynamic and do things he does best. We’ll have a handful of plays for him and game plan for him. But he’s an excellent corner as well. Whatever helps our football team win, me and coach Mac have talked about it. He’s a good player, so we’ll try to fit him where we see where he benefits the football team.”
First name is pronounced juh-juan.

2016:
• Injured for the season during fall camp in a non-contact drill.
• Was primed to make an immediate impact at wide receiver. He enrolled for summer school after completing spring semester at Coffeyville (Kan.) Community College.

2015:
• As a sophomore at Coffeyville, he recorded 55 receptions for 837 yards and seven touchdowns.
• Best performance came in a 79-21 win over Independence when he caught four passes for 144 yards and two touchdowns. Also, in a loss to Butler, he had eight catches for 154 yards and two touchdowns.
• Ranked the No.26 JUCO prospect in the nation and as the fifth receiver.

2014:
• Played his true freshman season at Maryland.
• Recorded 11 receptions for 158 yards and two touchdowns.

Human Interest
• Two of his family members played college basketball: his father (Carl) played at Sacred Heart University and cousin (Garel Craig) played at NAIA Georgetown.
• Was the first player from Dwight Morrow to play football at an FBS school in eight years.

High School:
• Ranked the No. 52 wide receiver prospect in the nation by Scout.com.
• As a senior at Dwight Morrow in Engelwood, New Jersey, he was named third-team All-State on defense.
• Caught 33 passes for 733 yards and eight touchdowns as a senior. He averaged 22.2 yards per receptions and had four 100-yard games.
• Best performance came against Ramsey when he had six receptions for 108 yards and a receiving touchdown, three rushes for 60 yards and rushing touchdown, with eight tackles on defense.
• He also participated in sprints and relays for the track and field team.

Name is pronounced (teh-drick).

2016:
• Recorded six tackles and an interception against CSU, seventh of his career (tied for 22nd on CU’s all-time list).
• Selected to third-team preseason All-Pac-12 team by Athlon Sports and Phil Steele’s College Football
• Ranked the No. 17 strong safety in the nation by Phil Steele’s College Football.

2015:
• Finished tied for third on the team with 80 total tackles.
• Second on the team in defensive snaps played with 882.
• Recorded an interception in three of the last four games of the season.
• Now has six career interceptions with three each in 2014 and 2015:
• Averaged 37.33 yards per interception return (long of 71), leading the team with 112 return yards.
• Recorded his first interception of the season vs. Stanford, returning it 71 yards; second at Washington State (27 yards); third at Utah (14 yards).
• Is second on the team with 56 tackles over nine games.
• Led the Buffs with 12 tackles (9 solo) against Oregon and had one tackle for loss, another for no gain, and one fourth down stop.
• Received the game ball after the CSU game and said he would give it to his grandmother.
• Had his first career field goal block in OT vs CSU which set up K Diego Gonzalez’ game-winner.
• It was the first field goal block in the Mike MacIntyre Era, and first for CU since Sept. 4, 2010 (Will Pericak).

2014:
• In only eight games, Tedric made a permanent mark all season as a rising star in the program. He averaged more than seven tackles a game from his safety position and had all three of the team’s interceptions on the season.
• He finished the season fourth in tackles despite missing the final four games of the season.
• Tedric suffered what looked to be a potentially dangerous shot to his head as it collided with an opposing player’s knee in the fourth quarter of the loss to UCLA. He was taken off the field on a stretcher and sent to Boulder Community Hospital for observation and was eventually diagnosed with a concussion. He would then miss the final four weeks of the season.
• Tedric had 10 tackles for the third time this season in the loss at USC. He was the team’s leader in tackles at the time of his injury.
• Tedric picked off his third pass in four weeks in the game at Cal. He then suffered a sternum contusion and missed the entire second half. The loss greatly affected a CU defense that gave up just 14 points with him in the lineup and then surrendered 45 points in the second half and overtime without him.

• On Cal’s first offensive snap of the game, Tedric intercepted a
pass thrown deep down the middle of the field. The interception led to a CU touchdown seven plays later.

- He was tied for third in the conference in interceptions with 3 at the time of his injury.
- Tedric had at least nine tackles for the fourth consecutive week in the win over Hawai‘i. That marks the first time since 1997 (Ryan Sutter and Hannibal Navies) that a CU player has had at least nine tackles in the season’s first four games. He also had his second career interception in the game.
- Tedric had a career-high 10 tackles for the second consecutive week in the loss to Arizona State.
- Tedric made a career-high 10 tackles and recorded his first career interception in the win over UMass.
- Any question about the team’s ability to replace veteran safeties Parker Orms and Jere Bell have been put on hold as Tedric and Chidobe Awuzie have quickly become the anchors of an improved pass defense. Thompson and Awuzie were among the top three on the team in tackles for most of the year. The two also combined to force CU’s first interception of the season when Awuzie tipped an errant pass to Thompson in the fourth quarter of CU’s 41-38 win over UMass.
- The Buffs held CSU to just 2.4 yards per play during their first four possessions and Tedric played a big role in stifling the Rams early on by making tackles in the open field and blanketing receivers in pass coverage.
- Against CSU, Tedric played on all 68 snaps and recorded nine tackles in the game.
- Under the tutelage of veteran safeties Jared Bell and Parker Orms, Tedric slowly developed into a solid player in the defensive backfield last season. Due to his sound and heady play, he has helped to ease the team’s transition at the safety position with the loss of both Bell and Orms.

2013:
- Finished the 2013 season third on the team in special teams points by a freshman. Thompson played the majority of the early portion of his season on special teams but as the year went along he became more and more of a presence in the defensive backfield. After playing on only 109 defensive snaps in the team’s first eight games, he played on 214 over the final four.
- Thompson filled in nicely at safety in place of injured starter Parker Orms during the team’s win over Cal. His 85 defensive snaps were a new career-high shattering his previous high of 48.
- He played a then career-high 48 snaps and tied a career-high with six tackles in the team’s loss at Arizona State.
- He won the team’s weekly Sledgehammer Award after the loss vs. Oregon when he was voted on by his teammates to have had biggest, clean hit of the game.
- Made his first career start at defensive back in the team’s loss to Oregon. He also had a then career-high six tackles in the game.
- He saw his first career action on defense in the team’s loss to Oregon State. He played on 13 plays and made the first three tackles of his career.
- Made his career debut in his team’s season opening win over Colorado State in 2013, contributing solely on special teams.

Human Interest
- Tedric’s older brother, Cedric, was drafted by the Miami Dolphins in the 2015 NFL draft.

### CU Most Interceptions By A Sophomore

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### WHAT THEY’RE SAYING ABOUT TEDRIC

Safeties coach Joe Tumpkin said during fall camp that Tedric is a... “quiet leader. . . we had a talk about this a couple of weeks ago. You’re not going to hear him being very vocal out here. But in the locker room — one of the things I’ve told my guys it’s one of the biggest areas for us. I told him, ‘It’s how you handle the locker room . . . when I walk around in there I see guys reaching out to you.’ And in that situation is where you have to be very firm and show your leadership skills as guys are talking to you. Then (on the field) you show your work ethic to the younger guys and guys who are talking to you in there. He’s taken on that role and I’m very happy with his progress.”

Tumpkin on Thompson’s development: “I think he’s going to be one of the better DBs in the conference. He made huge strides in everything — his mental game, his knowledge, his technique. This being his second year in this defensive scheme, he has a better understanding of it. It’s allowed him this camp and last spring to really kind of refine his skills, his tools. He’s done an unbelievable job in that, and he’s also taken on more of a leadership role, too.”

Tumpkin on Thompson’s ball skills: “He has that natural instinct as a football player. He sees things and dissected things. He might not always truly understand it, but when you watch him in game film, he’s always around the ball. Now that he has the opportunity to refine some of his skills, it’s just making that understanding of what he does even sharper. It makes him a quicker, better, faster player.”

Head coach Mike MacIntyre on Thompson: “He’s a big, athletic safety. Has very good ball skills. He’s going to be a mainstay for us in the secondary again this year. We look forward to having him making plays. He’s a leader back there, very durable, very reliable, and I think he’s a heck of a player that will have a big impact for us.”

Tailback Phillip Lindsay on defense as a whole: “They’re going to do their thing. You can just tell. They’re ready. Our defense is going to be some monsters.”
2016:
• Injured his achilles at Michigan and will be out for the rest of the season.
• Notched his 100th career point against CSU, becoming the 49th player in school history to reach triple-digits.
• Connected on three field goals against CSU, pushing his career total to 21 (tied for ninth most in CU history).

2015:
• 18-of-29 on field goals, now the most made in the first season as CU’s regular kicker (Fred Lima was 15-of-34 in 1972).
• 16 makes also ties for seventh-most in a single season at CU (record is 21).
• 35-of-35 on PAT kicks which extended CU’s streak to 138 made in a row.
• He is 7-of-11 on field goals from beyond 40 yards.
• After a battle throughout fall camp with fellow K Chris Graham, Gonzalez earned the starting PK duties, while Graham serves as the primary kickoff man.
• Gonzalez began his career by connecting on his first five field goal attempts with his career long coming on his fifth attempt which went for 52-yards in the first second quarter of the CSU game.
• Gonzalez’ next attempt was blocked followed by a missed, potential game-winning, 48-yarder in the fourth quarter vs. CSU.
• Gonzalez then calmly hit his first career game-winning field goal in overtime against the Rams from 32-yards out.
• Finished his 2015 campaign with 89 points, fifth most in a single-season at CU.

2014:
• He saw action in one game, the season opener against Colorado State, kicking off once.
• He dressed for six other games as he was third on the depth chart at placekicker.

2013:
• He was the final recruit of coach Mike MacIntyre’s first recruiting class, committing to the Buffs on July 23.
• Came in with four years to play three in eligibility.
• Played football at Monterrey Tech, the English translation for Tecnológico de Monterrey, in Mexico.

2012:
• Handled punting and kickoff duties at Monterrey Tech.
• Averaged 43 yards per punt with several kickoffs through the end zone.

Human Interest
• Majoring in both Business (Management) and Economics.
• Born Sept. 11, 1992 in Monterrey, Mexico.
• Left-footed kicker.

High School
• Won back-to-back state championships in his junior and senior season when both teams went undefeated (12-0).

WHAT THEY’RE SAYING ABOUT DIEGO
MacIntyre on Gonzalez’s improvement: “He’s been real consistent. The ball is just popping off of there quicker. That shows his leg is alive and better.”
2016:
• In limited playing time as the backup through the first two games, Montez has made an immediate impact and shown that the future is bright at CU’s quarterback position. After CU gained an impressive lead against Idaho State, Montez relieved starting quarterback Sefo Liufau. Montez finished the game by completing 6-of-10 passes for 117 yards and two touchdowns good for a 224.3 passer rating.
• The first touchdown went to Kabion Ento for 69 yards on his first attempt. In doing so, he became the first known player in CU history since Joe Dowler in 1959 to throw a touchdown on his first career passing attempt.

2015:
• Redshirted.

High School
• Earned second-team All-State honors at Del Valle.
• Was named the El Paso area most valuable player and was awarded the Steven hill Award from ESPN 600.
• Rated the No. 12 quarterback in Texas by Scout.com.
• As a senior, Montez completed 64.9 percent of his passes (233-of-359), 2,967 yards and 46 touchdowns with just three interceptions.
• As a runner, Montez finished his senior season with 1,058 yards on 125 rushes and 13 touchdowns.
• In one of his best games as a senior included a 75-16 win over Riverside in which he threw nine touchdown passes.
• Lettered three times in basketball averaging north of 16 points and six rebounds per game and once in track participating in sprints and jumps.

Human Interest
• Was a member of the National honor Society in high school and received the U.S. Army Reserve National Scholar-Athlete Award.
• One of his hobbies includes collecting socks as he has over 70 pairs.
• He is one of three El Paso prep football players to ever sign with CU.
• His father, Alfred, played quarterback at Texas Tech and Western New Mexico and played one season in the NFL with the Oakland Raiders.

WHAT THEY’RE SAYING ABOUT STEVEN

Co-offensive coordinator Darrin Chiaverini on Montez’s fall camp: “He made some really nice throws. He looked good.”

Head coach Mike MacIntyre on Montez’s spring: “Steven had a phenomenal spring. I think he has a huge upside, but we just need to see if he carries that on through fall camp. He’s big and athletic.”

Name is pronounced (seff-oh loo-fow).

2016:
• Has completed 54-of-76 passes (71.1 percent, good for ninth in the nation) for 768 yards with six touchdowns and no interceptions, including 124 rushing yards and one rushing touchdown through three games this season.
• Before exiting the third quarter at Michigan with an ankle injury, Sefo completed 16-of-25 passes for 246 yards and three touchdowns for a 186.3 quarterback rating.
• Recorded his first reception of the season against Michigan on a reverse pass from Jay MacIntyre; the catch went for 14 yards.
• Was named Pac-12 Offensive Player of the Week due to his performance against CSU (23-of-33 passing, 318 yards, one touchdown, 160.6 rating, and 66 rushing yards).
• Became CU’s leader in career passing yards and offensive plays.
• Recorded 50th career touchdown pass against CSU, second in school history.
• Now has 8,226 career total offensive yards and moved into second in career passing attempts.
• Recorded his 21st 200-yard game against CSU (tied for most at CU).
• On why Sefo wears the #13… His dad wore #13 as a high school quarterback; he then joined the U.S. Army after graduating.
• Ranked No. 44 in the nation among quarterbacks by Athlon Sports.
• Became the second CU player to serve as a team captain for three seasons (only other was Pat Carney for 1891-92-93 seasons).

2015:
• Season ended after suffering a Lisfranc injury vs. USC which will require surgery and a 6-8 month recovery.
• Became CU’s all-time leader in total offense with 7,842 yards vs. USC.
• Scary Stat: Liufau, who wears No. 13, was injured on Friday the 13th… 13 yards shy of the school record for career passing yards (7,410).
• Became CU’s all-time career leader in completions with 696, passing Cody Hawkins (667) and Joel Klatt (666).
• Is only the third CU QB to pass for more than 7,000 yards in his career with 7,178, trailing only Joel Klatt (7,375) and Cody Hawkins (7,409) for the top spot.
• Now sits at third on the all-time passing yards list with 7,178 yards, passing Kordell Stewart (6,481) in Week 7 vs. Arizona.
• Just the fifth CU player all-time to amount 6,000 yards of total offense.
• Has thrown 98 pass attempts without an interception, the second longest streak of his career. He has just three interceptions on 261 attempts this season.
• Attempted 43 passes vs. UA without throwing an interception in the game, which marked a career-high.
• Scored his first career rushing touchdown with a 7-yard scamper vs. UMass and has since scored three more making his total four on the year (7-yard vs. UO; 2 and 4-yard runs vs. UA).
• Did not throw a touchdown pass for the first time in his career in the season opener at Hawai’i, ending a streak of 20 consecutive games.
• Named to the 12-man leadership council who act as leaders of the team; four will be named each week to serve as captains for that game.

2014:
• Sefo was named as an honorable mention Pac-12 All-Conference performer in 2014.
• He was awarded the program’s John Mack Award in 2014, handed out annually to the team’s outstanding offensive player.
• Sefo had his fifth 300-yard passing game of the season in the finale at Utah but all most could talk about after the game was his one mistake of the afternoon, an errant screen pass that was intercepted and returned for a Utah touchdown in the fourth quarter that ended up being the deciding points of the game. In many ways the roller-coaster afternoon summed up Sefo’s season. It was a record-breaking one for the prolific sophomore but it ended without ultimate team success. “It’s tough,” he said after the final game. “Even though our record is not what we want it to be, I wouldn’t go anywhere else in the world. These guys are my brothers are they’ll be my friends for the rest of my life.”
• In the season finale, he became the school’s all-time single season leader in passing yards with 3,200 surpassing Koy Detmer’s 1996 total of 3,156.
• Sefo did not start at Oregon since he saw limited time in practice during the week after the concussion he suffered against Arizona two weeks ago. He relieved a struggling Jordan Gehrke in the third quarter and, although he too struggled, he did manage to throw a touchdown pass as he has now done in every game of his career. That streak is at 20 which is the third-longest of any player in the country.
• Sefo took a hit to the helmet and left the game vs. Arizona in the fourth quarter. It was believed to be a concussion. He did not return.
• On the first play vs. Arizona, Sefo fired a pass deep across the middle to receiver Shay Fields in stride for what became a 75-yard touchdown pass. The score came just 11 seconds into the game and was the quickest score in any game in CU history.
• On an intricate trick play, Sefo was the recipient of his first career touchdown pass in the loss at Arizona. The play started out as an end-around toss to Phillip Lindsay who then pitched it to a reversing Nelson Spruce who then sucked in the final few defenders on that side of the field by acting as if he would run the ball but instead, pulled up and tossed the ball over their heads to a wide-open Liufau in the end zone.
• For the first time in almost exactly a year, Sefo failed to throw any touchdown passes in a game in the loss at Arizona. The last time that happened was November 9, 2013 at Washington. The streak had reached 12 straight games of throwing at least two TD passes which was both a school record and the longest such streak in the country at the time.
• Vs. Washington, Liufau threw for over 300 yards for the fourth time this season. His first-quarter touchdown pass to Goodson was the first touchdown scored by the Buffs’ on the opening drive of a game since the season opener against CSU last year.
• Vs. Oregon State, Liufau threw for over 300 yards for the second week in a row. His remarkable two week run from September 27th-October 4th produced 763 pass yards, 78 completions, nine touchdown passes and a 67.2 completion percentage.
• Liufau led an offense that finished 13th in FBS play first downs gained at the time their season came to an end.
• Liufau put forth a performance for the ages vs. Cal. He set or challenged a litany of school and conference records. Most notable among them:
  --527 Yards of Total Offense (new school record, sixth most in Pac-12 history)
  --455 Passing Yards (fourth-most in school history)
  --67 Passing Attempts (new school record; old, 64)
  --46 Completions (new school record; old, 38)
  --7 Touchdown Passes (new school record; old, 5, T-2nd most in Pac-12 history)
  --8 Straight Games (Now 11) W/ 2 or More TD Passes (new school record)
• Liufau has thrown a touchdown pass in all 20 career games, which is a school record for consecutive games with a TD pass.
• After throwing an interception on the game’s initial play, Liufau bounced back to guide his team to three touchdowns on their next five drives in the win over Hawai’i. Those three sustained drives covered an average of 67 yards.
• Against Arizona State, Sefo moved into 10th place in school history in career touchdown passes.
• Liufau mans the controls of one of the nation’s best young passing games. Freshmen targets Bryce Bobo, Shay Fields and junior wideout Nelson Spruce give Liufau a bevy of options in the Buffs’ aerial attack. Liufau finished the season 19th in the country in passing yards per game and fourth nationally in completions per game.
• Liufau threw for 318 yards in the win over UMass, the second highest total of his young career. He also tied a career-high by throwing three touchdown passes in the game.
• Versus CSU, Sefo became the 20th quarterback in CU history to throw for over 2,000 career yards.
• Liufau’s high level of maturity was confirmed when he was named a team captain for the 2014 season as a true sophomore. Liufau is one of two sophomores that were named captains as fellow classmate, Addison Gillam also accepted the honor during the spring.
• Sefo’s 47 rushing yards in the season-opener vs. CSU were more than he gained on the ground during all of last season.
• Despite a lack of wins, Sefo’s first season at the controls of the Colorado offense was considered a success. The young quarterback showed signs of progress every week and still has a wealth of untapped potential with which to work in the future.

2013:
• Sefo was named as the 2013 recipient of the program’s Lee Willard Award. The award is handed out annually to the team’s outstanding freshman.
• He completed 23 passes, including two for second half touchdowns, in the season finale at Utah. He also made his first career catch in the game, a short reception on a pass from wide receiver Nelson Spruce that turned into a 32-yard gain down the sideline.
• Sefo threw two late touchdown passes and guided the team on three fourth-quarter scoring drives as a furious CU rally fell short
against USC.

- Royal Purple Las Vegas Bowl named Liufau Pac-12 Player of the Week as a result of his performance against Cal.
- Sefo’s maturation process hit full-throttle in the team’s win over Cal as he passed for a career-high 364 yards and three touchdowns which were also a new career-best. Liufau’s pinpoint accuracy was on full display as he showcased his talents against a befuddled Golden Bears’ defense.
- Liufau’s development continued in the loss at UCLA where he established new-career highs in both passing yardage (247) and completions (25). He has since established a new-career-high in passing yardage.
- His 75 yard touchdown pass to Paul Richardson in the loss to Arizona on the first play of the team’s second possession was the longest completion and touchdown pass of his young career.
- He made his first career start in the team’s win over Charleston Southern in 2013. He was just the sixth true freshman to ever start a game at quarterback for CU.
- He passed for 198 yards in that win over Charleston Southern which was the third most in school history by a true freshman, the fourth most by any freshman, in his starting debut. He finished the game with a 169.7 quarterback rating.
- Made his career debut in relief of starter Connor Wood late in the first quarter of the team’s loss at Arizona State in October last year. He then proceeded to lead the team on an 11 play 80 yard drive that culminated in his first career touchdown pass, a 10 yarder to wide receiver Nelson Spruce.
- As a result of his appearance at Arizona State, he became the Buffs’ first true freshman quarterback since Tyler Hansen in 2008 to appear in a game.
- Offensive Coordinator/Quarterbacks coach, Brian Lindgren on Liufau in 2013: “He’s as far along as any true freshman I’ve ever been around. He’s a very mature kid. He has picked up the system. He has adjusted to the speed of the game better than a lot of guys.”
- Head Coach Mike MacIntyre compared Liufau to Colts QB Andrew Luck, in that “his running ability is not the primary part of his game but is a dangerous part of his repertoire”. But, he was not trying to say Liufau is as good as Luck at this point in his career.

High School

- He led Bellarmine Prep in Tacoma, Washington, to a 33–5 record during his four years there. He threw for a total of 7,297 yards and 68 touchdowns during his prep career.
- He also played basketball at Bellarmine Prep.

Human Interest

- His real first name is Io Sefo which is pronounced the same as the phrase “Yo, Sefo.”
- His father, Joe, is a native of American Samoa and followed the career of the late CU quarterback and fellow Samoan, Sal Aunese while he was stationed at Fort Carson as a member of U.S. Army in the late 1980s.
- During his military career, his father was also stationed in Hawai’i where he, Sefo and the family lived for a period of time.
- Coincidentally, when Sefo made his official visit to Boulder, his host was Aunese’s son T.C. McCartney, who was a graduate assistant with the team at the time.
- He has a younger brother, Saia (17), and a younger sister, Malia (15) who are both autistic. “I love them a lot,” Liufau said. “All you can do is show love and affection for them and treat them as nice as you can.” Sefo was always a protector of his siblings from anyone who treated them differently. “I would correct them, like ‘don’t treat them any differently,’” he said. “They’re just regular human beings. They’re just a little more energetic. Once my friends got to know them in the community, everything was fine.”
- Former Washington State and NFL quarterback, Jack Thompson is an uncle of Liufau’s. After an illustrious career at WSU, Thompson, who was nicknamed ‘the throwin’ samoan’, was selected as the third pick in the 1979 NFL Draft.

WHAT THEY’RE SAYING

ABOUT SEFO

Michigan Head coach Jim Harbaugh on Liufau’s play against Michigan: “I have the upmost respect for Sefo Liufau and the game that he played and the type of player that he is. That first post route he threw (a touchdown to Devin Ross in the first quarter), you cannot throw it any better…” The next play he threw the ball on a fade route that you cannot throw the ball any better than he did. He was really effective all game. Then he got that ankle injury that looked pretty, pretty serious, and hops up, kind of drifts out there and throws a post route that is as good of a post route that you can possibly throw (on a 70-yard touchdown pass to Shay Fields in the third quarter).”

Head coach Mike MacIntyre on impact of Liufau’s return:

“They elected him a captain again; that was very impressive. He’s a three-year captain, that’s only been done twice in history and the last time was 1893. That’s huge. I think that answers the leadership side of it. On the football side of it, he’s broken 75 records and he’ll break about 15 or 20 more this year. Our football team has caught up with him. At the quarterback position and being a young man, he’s carried everybody on his shoulders, always battled, and has been a very, very physical player. He’s extremely mentally tough too. I look for him to have an excellent year.”

Phillip Lindsay on Liufau’s return to practice in the summer:

“Just having him there for 7-on-7, just his presence, made a big difference. There’s just something about him being there that brought everybody together. Everybody respects him, everybody wants to play for him. He got right back in the groove and you can tell he’s ready.”

Co-Offensive coordinator Brian Lindgren on providing Liufau more running opportunities: “We’ve done some things to incorporate him a little bit more in the run game. He’s done some stuff with the strength staff in the offseason to kind of make himself a little more flexible and a little quicker so where he can be a little bit more of a running threat.”

Co-Offensive coordinator Darrin Chiaverini on Liufau’s improvement through the 2016 fall camp: “Sefo’s knocking some of that rust off. He’s taken steps forward and starting to see the checks and respond. He’s a guy who has played a lot of football and it’s just a matter of him knowing the system inside and out, being able to run the show — and he’s doing that. Even though there’s some base stuff they run from last year that’s carried over, there’s a lot of new concepts. He’s handling them now. He’s able to see the picture. He knows I’m hard on him, but he knows he has to make those throws in order for us to get to where we want to go — and he’s responding to it.”
SEFO STATS

Pac-12 Longest Streaks of Consecutive Games With Multiple Touchdown Passes

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2016:
- Has eight receptions for 84 yards through the first three games.
- Had three punt returns for 58 yards with a long of 32 at Michigan.
- Set a career-high in catches (six) and yards (76) against Idaho State; his previous career-high of three catches was matched in the first quarter.

2015:
- Finished the season with 8 catches for 84 yards and one touchdown.
- Had his best career game in Week 4 vs. Nicholls when he recorded three receptions for 53 yards, including a 38-yard touchdown reception, the first of his career. He added one more catch for four yards against Oregon.
- He returned two punts vs. Nicholls start going for 35 yards which more than doubled CU’s total on its previous nine punt returns (14 yards in total).
- His 31-yard punt return was the longest since Travon Patterson’s 45-yarder on Oct. 23, 2010 vs. Texas Tech.
- Has played in all four games on the season.

2014:
- Redshirted his freshman year, practicing at wide receiver and dressing for all 12 games.

Human Interest
- Son of CU head coach, Mike MacIntyre.
- According to the CU sports information department, this appears to be the first time that a head coach had his father as a head coach in college and then would go on to have his son play on a team that he was the head coach of. This is the case for Mike MacIntyre as he played for his father George at Vanderbilt in 1984-85.
- Due to his father’s coaching career, Jay lived in eight different states by the time he was a high school senior.

High School
- As a senior, he earned All-Colorado honors from both the Denver Post and Mile High Sports Magazine, along with all-Mountain League honors.
- Played quarterback and cornerback in high school as well as kick returner.
- Rushed for 696 yards and 14 touchdowns on 80 carries as a senior, averaging 8.7 yards per carry. His long coming on a 55-yard run.
- Passed for 986 yards and 12 touchdowns with only two interceptions.
- Returned eight punts for 225 yards and three touchdowns, in addition to returning six kickoffs for 320 yards and three scores.
- Recorded three interceptions on defense, including one which was returned 55 yards for a touchdown.

WHAT THEY’RE SAYING ABOUT JAY

Head coach Mike MacIntyre: “Honestly, he got (his athleticism) from my dad. My dad played at the University of Miami and he was extremely quick and fast. He got all his looks and all his intelligence from his mom. He didn’t get anything from me.”
2016:
- Figures to see an increase in playing time at placekicker and kickoff due to a season-ending injury to Diego Gonzalez.

2015:
- As CU’s kickoff man, Graham had 58 kickoffs in all 13 games with 17 touchbacks. As a result, the average starting field position was at the opponent 25-yard line in the 41 kickoffs in which the opponents returned the ball.
- He also finished the season with 22 kickoffs that led to the opponent starting inside-the-25 and 11 inside-the-20.

2014:
- Played in one game during the season, against USC.

2013:
- Redshirted.

High School:
- Finished his high school career at Burlingame connecting on 19-of-21 field goal attempts, with a long of 50, and 54-of-57 extra point kicks.
- He also played wide receiver and outside linebacker to go along with his kicking duties.
- He lettered four years in basketball.

Human Interest:
- He is majoring in Integrative Physiology and is interested in becoming a doctor after college.
- Earned honorable mention Pac-12 All-Academic Team honors.

2016:
- Had 88 yards on two catches and two touchdowns against Idaho State. In doing so, he became the 14th known player in CU history to score on his first collegiate touch; his first touchdown covered 69-yards, second longest of the 14 Buffs.
- Figures to make an immediate impact at wide receiver. He enrolled in classes for spring practice and participated in spring drills.

2014/2015:
- Played two seasons at East Central (Mississippi) Community College.
- Earned first-team South All-State honors as a sophomore from the Mississippi Association of Community and Junior Colleges and first-team All-Region 23 Team National Junior College Athletic Association.
- As a sophomore, he recorded 38 receptions for 607 yards and eight touchdowns.
- Best performance of his sophomore season came against Hinds when he had six receptions for 106 yards and two touchdowns.

Human Interest
- Majoring in Sociology.
- Earned an A.A. degree from East Central (Mississippi) Community College.
- Twin brother lines up at linebacker at Arkansas-Pine Bluff.

High School
- All-State in three sports his senior year at Dollarway High School in Pine Bluff, Arkansas, lettering in basketball and track as well.
- As a senior, he had 650 receiving yards on 30 catches and 12 touchdowns on offense. On defense, he was defensive player of the year for the Southeast Arkansas region as a cornerback finishing with 15 pass deflections and eight interceptions, two of which he returned for scores.
- Completed prep football career with over 1,500 receiving yards and 13 interceptions.
- Recorded a career-best 6-9 high jump as a senior, good for second in the state.

WHAT THEY ARE SAYING ABOUT KABION

Co-offensive Coordinator and Wide Receivers Coach says
Ento is “starting to refine his skill set and becoming a better route runner. He’s understanding football more and the scheme we’re trying to run. He’s progressing the way you want him to be progressing.”
2016:
• Enters season as a potential starter at running back. On third- and fourth down conversions, he is a perfect eight for eight in his career.

2015:
• Season ended early in the CSU game (Week 3) due to a hamstring injury.
• Had his fourth career 100-yard game vs. UMass rushing for 119 on 19 carries.
• Eclipsed 1,000-career rushing yards in game 1 at Hawai‘i, now sits at 42 on the all-time rushing list with 1,148 yards.
• Led the team in rushing for the 12th time in his career in vs. UMass.

2014:
• Michael was named as a second-team conference All-Academic performer in 2014.
• Had arthroscopic surgery on his knee late in the year and as a result missed the final two games. He was the team’s leading rusher on the year at the time of his injury.
• Michael carried the ball once at Arizona and sat for the remainder of the evening, the unfortunate bearer of a sprained knee. His status is day-to-day.
• Michael continued his midseason surge by topping 100 yards rushing for the second consecutive week vs. Washington. He was averaging 6.4 yards per carry over the last four games prior to his limited stint at Arizona (see chart below).
• Michael on his performance throughout October and November: “It’s good, the main thing is being productive and helping the team win. Any time you rush for over 100 yards, it gives your team a chance and I just definitely want to give credit to the offensive line.”
• For the second consecutive year, Michael overran the Oregon State defense, this time to the tune of 79 yards on 13 carries and a touchdown. He now has gained 177 yards on 27 carries in two career games against the Beavers (6.5 yards per carry).
• After being hampered throughout the early portion of the season with a lingering ankle sprain, Michael broke out by rushing for 79 yards vs. Oregon State. That total was more than he had rushed for in the first five games of the season combined.
• Michael made an important catch on 3rd-&-10 play and then scampered 22 yards for a CU first down deep in Cal territory. Two plays later CU was in the end zone and the game was tied at 35 late in the third quarter.
• Michael led the team in rushing in seven of his first 10 career games.

2013:
• Michael’s physical and explosive running style revitalized a previously stagnant CU running game in 2013. He missed three games during the 2013 season and the team averaged just 109 rushing yards a game without him. In the nine games he played in, the team averaged 124.8 rushing yards per game.
• As a result of his 38 yards rushing at Utah, Michael became the seventh CU freshman to rush for 500 yards in a season.
• Adkins finished ninth in the conference in rushing and was named an honorable mention to the 2013 All-Pac 12 team.
• He took a short sideline reception and turned it into a 63-yard jaunt to the end zone in the fourth quarter of the win over Cal adding an exclamation point to the team’s first Pac-12 victory in more than a year. The reception was the longest of his career and his first ever receiving touchdown.
• He was the team’s single-game rushing leader in six of the nine games he played in 2013.
• Michael made his first career start in the team’s win over Charleston Southern and proceeded to rush for a CU freshman record four touchdowns. He was the first Buff player, regardless of class, to rush for four touchdowns in a game since Lawrence Vickers in 2005.
• His 137 yards in that game were a career-high and marked the only time all season a CU running back topped the century mark in rushing.
• Rushed for a team-high 98 yards in his collegiate debut in the team’s loss at Oregon State.
• The 98 yards were the second most by a true freshman in his Buffs’ debut behind only Marcus Houston’s 100-yard effort against Colorado State in 2000.
• Head Coach Mike MacIntyre on Adkins: “Michael’s been running good. He’s so fast. You see how he gets on the sideline, how he makes yards when you think he’s down. He’s good and fast.”

High School
• He was named to the honor roll for every quarter during his four years in high school and left school with an impressive 4.49 GPA.
• He was a standout track athlete but gave up the sport before his senior year to direct all his focus towards football.
• He led East San Diego County in rushing, scoring and all-purpose yards as a senior at Helix High School.

Human Interest
• His father, Michael, ran track at UNLV.
• He is active in his community back in California where he volunteered in his old Pop Warner League. He has also helped to organize and coach for several other sports, most notably track and field.

CU Top Freshman Rushing Performances in First Career Start

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CU Most Rushing Touchdowns by a Freshman

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Spectacular Starting Debuts in CU History

Rashaan Salaam, TB (10/30/93) vs. Nebraska. Salaam rushes for 165 yards and two touchdowns against the hated Huskers but Buffs come up short at Folsom 21-17.

John Hessler, QB (9/30/95) at Oklahoma. Hessler starts for an injured Koy Detmer in Norman and throws five touchdown passes in leading the Buffs to a 38-17 victory over the 10th ranked Sooners.

Joel Klatt, QB (8/30/03) vs. Colorado State. Sophomore Klatt throws for 402 yards and four touchdowns in 42-35 win over the Rams.

Scotty McKnight, WR (9/1/07) vs. Colorado State. McKnight pulled down a team-leading eight receptions for 106 yards and a touchdown in a 31-28 win over the Rams.

Addison Gillam, MLB (9/1/2013) vs. Colorado State. Addison records 14 tackles and a sack in a win over the rival Rams during the 2014 season opener.

Michael Adkins, TB (10/19/13) vs. Charleston Southern. Adkins rushes for 137 yards, a school record for a freshman in his starting debut, as the Buffs roll over Charleston Southern 43-10.

2016:
• Through the first three games of the season, he has 110 yards rushing on 27 attempts and two touchdowns
• Both of his touchdowns came in the first two games of the season.
• Had a team-high 15 carries against Idaho State totaling 52 yards with a touchdown.
• Enters season third on the depth chart at running back.
• Was awarded a scholarship by the coaching staff during fall camp.

2015:
• Played in 10 games on offense and special teams.
• Totaled 52 yards rushing on 18 rushes and a touchdown for the season.
• Against Nicholls State, he had 15 rushes for 48 yards and a touchdown.

2014:
• Redshirted.

High School
• Finished his high school career at Archbishop Mitty with 261 touches, 2,152 all-purpose yards and 15 total touchdowns.
• Played both running back and cornerback while also returning punts and kickoffs.
• He also lettered in track (sprints and relays).

Human Interest
• He is currently majoring in both Business (Marketing) and International Affairs.
• He enjoys playing chess and watching the Science channel in his free time.
• His uncle (Kenny Coleman) played at Utah State as a wide receiver.
• He was awarded two prestigious honors in high school: the California Senate Student-Athlete Recognition honor and Gary Bria Service Award for his community and school service.
2016:
- Has 176 yards and four touchdowns through three games.
- Recorded 95 rushing yards against CSU, moving him to No. 45 on CU’s all-time rushing list (1,139 career); recorded 145 all-purpose yards moving him to No. 25 on CU’s all-time all-purpose yards list; scored two touchdowns, which is the third two-TD game of his career.
- On what profession Lindsay wants to pursue after college… He wants to become a police officer or fire fighter. Either way, he wants to improve his community (Denver area) in any way he can.
- Was named as one of five team captains by his teammates.
- On official watch list for the Doak Walker Award for the nation’s top running back (CU’s nomination).
- Enters season with 1,044 career rushing yards (49th on CU’s all-time rushing list, 40 receptions (65th), 1,003 kickoff return yards (seventh), and 2,376 all-purpose yards (33rd). 

Lindsay on importance of this upcoming season: “It’s definitely time. A lot of us are older. We’ve been here a while. We’ve seen what it takes. Now it’s time for us to come together as a team, use each other, help each other and get wins. No more excuses, no more coming close. It’s time to win.”

2015:
- Finished the season with 1,042 career yards, becoming the 53rd player in school history to reach the milestone.
- Led team in rushing with 653 yards on 140 carries with 7 TDs on the season, averaging 4.7 yards per carry.
- Led the team in rushing six times.
- Had his second career 100-yard game vs. Nicholls rushing for 113 yards on 17 carries.
- Scored two touchdowns vs. Nicholls, marking his first career multi-TD game.
- Scored his first career touchdown vs. UMass
- Leads the team in all-purpose yards with 679 yards on 113 touches, an average of 6.0 a play.
- Named to the 12-man leadership council who act as leaders of the team; four will be named each week to serve as captains for that game.

2014:
- He finished his freshman campaign third on the team in rushing.
- Phillip suffered a sprained toe late in the season finale against Utah and missed the remainder of the game.
- Phillip continued his strong end of the season run by averaging 4.5 yards per carry rushing and 20.3 yards per kick return in the loss at Oregon. He also led the team in receiving in the game.
- Phillip put forth his best rushing performance at the college level in the loss at Arizona. His 114 rush yards led the team and marked the first 100-yard rushing game of his young career. For most of the evening, up until the team was forced to abandon the running game late, Phillip was CU’s most viable offensive weapon. A 36 yard run early in the second quarter led directly to a CU touchdown which then tied the game at 14.
- Lindsay topped the 100-yard rushing barrier meaning the Buffs had a 100-yard rusher in three consecutive games for the first time since November 6-20, 2010.
- After fumbling the ball twice in key situations the week before vs. Washington, Phillip welcomed the opportunity to get the bad taste out of his mouth and contribute again. “I’m not a fumbler, and for me to touch the ball again, it just gave me confidence,” Lindsay said. “To put the ball in my hands, it made me feel good ‘cause it meant they have confidence in me.”
- After gaining only 41 yards on their first three drives and trailing the Oregon State Beavers 14-0, the CU offense was in desperate need of a jolt as they faced a key 2nd-&-5 at their own 30 on their fourth series of the game. Lindsay gained four yards on a quick scamper to the right, then on 3rd-&-1, he took a short pass in the flat, and broke multiple tackles on his way to a 27 yard gain to the OSU 39. He then gained 10 more on a run on the subsequent play, a product of his trademark hard-nosed running style. Those three plays played a key role in igniting the Buff offense as they closed that drive, and the next one, with a touchdown.
- He had a career-long 51 yard kick return in the win over Hawai‘i. It was his second return this season of at least 45 yards.
- Phillip finished the season eighth in the Pac-12 in kickoff return average and also slowly became one of the team’s most reliable options in the running game.
- Phillip redshirted in 2013 after suffering a torn ACL during his senior year at Denver South High School.

WHAT THEY’RE SAYING ABOUT PHIL

Running backs coach Darrian Hagan on Lindsay’s improvement going into his junior season: “[Lindsay] has gotten a whole lot better; he understands what we’re trying to do, he plays fast but sometimes he gets a little lax in his focus. But he’ll come back; he’s always working his craft. He understands what we’re trying to do, his eyes and his vision are amazing.”

Head coach Mike MacIntyre gave Lindsay the nickname “The Tasmanian Devil” due to his speed and tenacious effort when it comes to carrying the football.

MacIntyre on what Lindsay brings to the table: “He has that never-say-die attitude. He’ll do anything. He has a phenomenal attitude all the time. He gives unbelievable effort. He’s extremely tough. He has quickness. He has a contagious, bubbly attitude. He’s just one of those guys.”

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First name is pronounced (ah-kellow).

2016:
• Has five pass breakups through the first three games.
• Recorded two pass deflections at Michigan and vs CSU.

2015:
• Finished the season with 41 tackles, 7 third down stops, 4 PBU’s and two interceptions.
• Picked off a pass in back-to-back weeks vs. Oregon and at ASU.
• Is one of only two players to have multiple interceptions on the season, joining S Jered Bell who picked off two in the same game vs. Nicholls State and another vs. USC.
• Recorded his first career interception vs. Oregon, coming in the end zone following a CU turnover leaving Oregon with ideal field position.

2014:
• Played in 10 games, five on defense with one start (at Southern California) as he was hampered at the beginning of the season with a back injury that surfaced in the middle of August camp.
• Played in 144 defensive snaps, recording 12 tackles (10 solo), with two pass deflections and a third down stop.

2013:
• Played one season at Sacramento City College, starting at corner back.
• Registered 21 tackles (15 solo), with seven passes broken up and a forced fumble.

Human Interest
• His grandfather, Jimmy Witherspoon, was a blues artist, with his best known song, Ain’t Nobody’s Business, reaching No. 1 on the R&B charts in 1949.
• His father, Lucky, played tailback at Nevada-Reno, and a cousin, Mike Brown, played basketball at University of Rhode Island.
• Full name is James Ahkello Elec Witherspoon.

WHAT THEY’RE SAYING ABOUT AHHKELLO

Cornerbacks coach Charles Clark on Akhello’s development:
“He has all the tools: athleticism, length, ability. It’s just his consistency has been a lot better this fall camp, even from the spring. I’ve been really pleased with him. He’s clearly more confident. That comes one, with maturity, and two, with experience. He has both of those now and that’s what’s helping him be so much more consistent.”

Head coach Mike MacIntyre on Akhello’s growth during his collegiate career: “Ahhkello needs to just keep growing. He’s an excellent player. His competitive level has kept increasing every year he’s been here. I’m looking forward to him having a good year. I think he can be a dominant, dominant player.”

2016:
• Has eight tackles (one tackle for loss) through three games this season.
• Enters season as a potential starter at the free safety position.

2015:
• Did not play in the last 6 games due to an auto accident.
• Recorded his first career interception vs. UMass, it came in the end zone and sparked the Buffs to victory.
• Despite missing more than half of defensive snaps, he finished eighth on the team in tackles with 47 (37 solo).
• Placed on scholarship by coach Mike MacIntyre prior to fall camp after a solid freshman campaign and offseason.
• As a kid growing up, Moeller helped his family build their own house. He said it taught him that, “there’s always work to be done. I’m used to not having an offseason.”

2014:
• Ryan’s 21 tackles over two games is tied for the most (Addison Gillam, 2013) of any player in team history for most tackles in his first two career games.
• Ryan played on every defensive snap in the season finale vs. Utah. After not seeing the field for even one defensive snap over the first 10 games of the season, Ryan was thrown into the fire in the midst of significant injuries in the secondary prior to a week 11 matchup at Oregon. He played 148 snaps over the last two weeks and made 21 tackles, an average of one every seven snaps. He was the team’s leading tackler over those final two games.
• Ryan made his first career start in week 13 at Oregon and did not disappoint as he recorded a team-high 14 tackles, including one for a loss, and a third-down stop vs. the Ducks. It was also his first career action from scrimmage.
• His 14 tackles marked a school record for a first-time starter.
• Ryan became the first CU walk-on player since Jordan Murphy (2013) to start a game.
• Ryan had seen action in the first 10 games of the season but all of that came solely on special teams.

Human Interest
• His father, Jay, lettered in football and wrestling at Northern Iowa (he also played semi-pro football).
• Among many summer jobs he has had, perhaps the most interesting was bucking hay bales, which is basically stacking by hand 50- to 150-pound bales of hay, usually in a barn.
2016:
• Had a tremendous game at Michigan helping the team get out to an early 21-7 lead; finished the game with seven tackles (one tackle for loss) and a forced fumble.
• Enters season vying for one of the two starting cornerback positions.
• Recorded five solo tackles, three pass breakups, and an interception in the spring game.

2015:
• Played in all 13 games, including nine on defense. Started in three games (at ASU, at WSU, and at Utah).
• Was in on 216 defensive snaps, finishing with 19 tackles (16 solo), six pass deflections, five third down stops, and a tackle for zero.
• Had a career-high six tackles at WSU, five solo with three third down stops and two pass deflections.

Track & Field
• As a freshman, competed in the decathlon.
• Earned All-Pac-12 honors in his second meet finishing seventh at the Pac-12 Championships.

Human Interest
• Interested in Business Finance.
• His father (Muhammad) is also a decathlete (an NCAA track All-American), and played cornerback at the University of Oregon; and he played five seasons in the NFL with five different teams.
• His uncle (Damon Mays) was a wide receiver at Missouri and also played in the NFL.
• Enjoys community service, specifically working as a referee for youth flag football games and serving meals to the underprivileged.

High School
• Ranked the No. 19 overall prospect in the state of Arizona by Scout.com
• As a senior at Brophy Prep in Phoenix, Arizona he earned first team All-State and All-Section honors.
• Named Friday Night Fever's Defensive Player of the Year as a senior.
• As a junior he was second-team All-State and first-team All-Section.
• Blocked nine kicks (field goals and extra points) in his high school career.
• Had 50 catches for 1,352 yards as a senior, averaging over 27 yards per reception, with 12 touchdowns; had seven games with over 100 receiving yards, and 10 catches of over 50 yards.
• As a senior on defense, he finished with 64 tackles (54 solo and four for losses), seven interceptions, and eight pass deflections.
• Lettered four years in track and field; participated in the decathlon; he was All-State in track as a junior and senior.

2016:
• Has totaled 19 rushes for 87 yards with four catches for 25 yards through three games this season.
• Had 10 carries for 44 rushing yards against CSU.
• Projected to line up at both tailback and wide receiver while also returning kickoffs.

2015:
• Finished third on the team in rushing with 49 carries for 286 yards (leading the team with a 5.83 yards per carry average).
• Led the team in kickoff returns with 540 yards on 22 returns, averaging 24.5 yards per return.
• Led the team in rushing for the first time in his career with 55 yards at Oregon State.
• Used as a tailback for the first time in his college career vs. Nicholls as he rushed for 103 yards and a touchdown, filling in for injured tailbacks Michael Adkins and Patrick Carr.
• His 59-yard rushing TD vs. Nicholls marked the longest play of his career, topping a 45-yard run on a reverse last year vs. Arizona State.
• Played in his first game of the season vs. CSU, recording 70 all-purpose yards (12 rush, 58 return), which was second to WR Shay Fields 96 yards.

2014:
• Donovan finished the season fourth on the team in receptions by a freshman.
• Donovan scored his first career touchdown on a five-yard pass from quarterback Sefo Liufau in the third quarter of the loss at Oregon.
• Donovan’s 45 yard run in the third quarter vs. Arizona State in week 3 is the second longest run from scrimmage by the Buffs this year.

Human Interest
• Participated in high school’s aerial team as well as its choir (Lord’s Chorus).

High School
• As a senior at Chaminade College Prep High School in West Hills, California, Donovan earned first team all-state honors from both Cal-Hi Sports and MaxPreps.
• He was the Mission League’s Most Valuable Player on defense and Chaminade’s MVP overall his senior year, culminating a career where he was a three-year starter at both running back/wide receiver and cornerback.
WHAT THEY’RE SAYING ABOUT DONOVAN

Running backs coach Darrian Hagan on Lee’s understanding of the game: “[Lee is] special. . . . he’s a natural running back with unbelievable vision and great feet. [Lee] is just constantly making plays. He can go from the classroom to the football field and have a really good day. He’s the same way. Tell him one time in the classroom and he understands it. [Lee] is a pleasure to have in the room because he’s so smart. Tell him one thing, one time and he’ll remember it.”

MacIntyre on Lee’s ability to slip through tackles: “He’s got what I call really good running vision. He can see guys coming and kind of slithers off of them. He’s done well.”

Last name is pronounced (see-ver-son).

2015:
• Finished second on the team in special teams points with 25. Now ranks 10th all-time at Colorado in career special teams points (62).
• Had 11 tackles on the season.

2014:
• He finished the season second on the team in special teams points.
• He was named as an honorable mention to the 2014 Pac-12 All-Academic team.
• With the defense juggling its lineup amidst a myriad of injuries, Severson saw the most action on defense of his career in the loss at Oregon. He played on 43 snaps and made four tackles in the game.
• Ryan’s 37-yard kick return just before halftime in the win at UMass was the longest kick return of the season for the Buffs at the time.
• Ryan was a major contributor on special teams throughout his freshman season but, after another year of development, he feels he is ready to take the next step and play a bigger role on defense. “I’ve progressed a lot since last year (at linebacker),” he said. “Spring ball was big; I learned a lot. This fall camp, I think I took a huge step forward. I’m really happy with where I’m at right now.”

2013:
• He led the team in kickoff return yardage during his freshman campaign marking the second consecutive year that a freshman has led the team in that category.
• Severson returned eight kickoffs for a combined 171 yards in the loss at Washington. The eight returns are the second-most ever in a single game in CU history and the 171 return yards are the fifth-most in one game in school history.
• He had a career-long 48-yard kickoff return in the fourth quarter of the team’s loss to Arizona. He also had a 31-yard return in the game.
• The CU coaching staff has been pleased with Ryan’s big-play ability on kickoff returns. He had five returns of at least 30 yards and head Coach Mike MacIntyre thinks an even longer return may be in his future. “He’s been really close (to breaking a long run) a couple of times. I think he’ll break one,” said MacIntyre.
• Ryan was suffering from a sore hamstring and did not play at Arizona State.
• Averaged a sparkling 26.8 yards on five kickoff returns in the team’s loss to Oregon.
• Made his CU debut against Colorado State in week 1, by contributing on special teams. He was one of six true freshmen to make their debut in the game.

Human Interest
• He played high school football with head coach, Mike MacIntyre’s son, and Buff teammate Jay MacIntyre at Valley Christian High School in California.

High School
• He was the San Jose Mercury’s Offensive Player of the Year after his senior year of high school. He rushed for 1,951 yards and 32 touchdowns during that season.
Last name is pronounced (oh-lew-bo-day).

2016:
• Has totaled 24 tackles with two tackles for loss and three third-down stops through three games this season.
• Had 10 tackles (two solo) at Michigan.
• Recorded his first career sack in season opener against CSU; also had a fumble recovery to go along with six tackles.
• Elected as one of five team captains by a vote of his teammates.
• Led all players with eight tackles in spring game and also recorded a forced fumble.

2015:
• Finished tied for third on the team in tackles with 80, however, did not play in two games due to injury.
• Missed the ASU and UA game with an acute compartment syndrome in his calf. Returned at OSU and recorded six tackles.
• Came away with the biggest play of the game vs. CSU when he returned his first career interception 60-yards for a touchdown.
• The interception for touchdown came on Kenneth’s 20th birthday, Sept. 19, 2015.
• Co-recipient of the Eddie Crowder Award (outstanding leadership) in the spring along with OT Stephane Nembot.
• Named to the 12-man leadership council who act as leaders of the team; four will be named each week to serve as captains for that game.

2014:
• Kenneth led the team in tackles in his first year as a starter in 2014.
• He capped an impressive season as the team’s starting weak side linebacker by pulling down a team-high 12 tackles in the season finale against Utah.
• His nine tackles at Arizona made him the new team leader in tackles.
• For the second consecutive game, Kenneth recorded double digit tackles in the loss at USC. He had eight more vs. UCLA and recorded 34 tackles over a four-game span (10/4 to 11/1)
• Kenneth had a career-high 10 tackles vs. Oregon State and again a week later at USC.
• For the fourth time in six games, Kenneth played on every defensive snap in the loss to Oregon State.
• Kenneth proved his worth as one of the team’s most versatile defenders by playing at all three linebacker spots in the team’s win at UMass. In all, he played on 63 snaps, made four tackles and had a third-down stop in the game.
• Olugbode welcomed his new role as an every-down linebacker by playing the finest game of his young career vs. CSU. He played on all 68 snaps during the game, made four tackles, had a third-down stop and a quarterback pressure in the game.

2013:
• One of six true freshmen to make their debut in Week 1.
• During the 2013 signing period he changed his commitment from San Jose State to Colorado because he wanted to play for Mike MacIntyre and his coaching staff who left SJSU for CU in January.

Human Interest
• Kenneth has two older brothers that also played college football at the FBS level. Kyle played safety at Stanford and Kristoffer running back at Idaho. Both completed their eligibility last fall.

High School
• Kenneth played outside linebacker, tight end, running back and quarterback during his prep career at Bellarmine Prep in San Jose, California.
2016:
- Has 20 stops, one third-down stop and two pass break-ups through three games this season.
- Led the team in tackles with 11 at Michigan, one of which was a tackle for a five-yard loss.
- Recorded five tackles with a third-down stop and pass break-up against CSU.
- Selected to preseason third-team All-Pac-12 by *Lindy's College Football*.

2015:
- Finished the season as the team’s leading tackler with 96 tackles, as well as a 7.4 tackles per game average.
- His 96 total tackles are the second most by a CU freshman; second only to teammate Addison Gillam’s 119 in 2013, who Gamboa replaced after Gillam went down with a knee injury in Week 2.
- Notable players that Gamboa has passed on the list of all-time freshmen with 50+ tackles includes eventual 1996 Butkus award winner, Matt Russell who had 85 tackles his freshman year, as well as Jordan Dizon who was a runner-up for the Butkus award in 2007.
- Has recorded 10+ tackles in a game three times this season and led the team in tackles twice.
- Has replaced MLB Addison Gillam in the starting lineup, after Gillam injured his knee in a Week 2 victory over UMass and later ruled out for the season.
- Had a career-high 11 tackles vs. Colorado State, including a hit on an intended CSU receiver that popped the ball into the air and led to a 60-yard interception return for a touchdown by LB Kenneth Olugbode.
- Played the most snaps (88) of his career in the overtime win over CSU.

2014:
- Redshirted

Human Interest
- Interested in Business as a major.
- Coached his little brother’s football team while in high school.

High School
- Earned first-team All-State (Division II) honors from MaxPreps (second-team by Cal-Hi Sports) in addition to garnering All-CIF Southern Section Western Division and Los Angeles Daily News All-Area team accolades.
- Named the Mission League defensive play of the year as a junior.
- All-CIF, All-State and All-Area as a junior.
- Finished his senior season with 170 tackles (102 solo), with 12 for losses including five quarterback sacks.
2016:
• Enters season anticipated to be completely healed from injury and is expected to be in the starting lineup at inside linebacker.
• Was named to the preseason All-Pac-12 fourth-team by Athlon Sports and Phil Steele's College Football.
• Ranked the No. 26 inside linebacker in the nation by Phil Steele's College Football.

2015:
• Head coach Mike MacIntyre announced on Oct. 20 that Gillam would miss the remainder of the 2015 season after undergoing surgery on his knee to “clean up” cartilage damage. Gillam will apply for a NCAA medical hardship waiver in order to gain an extra year of eligibility through the year 2017.
• Named to the 12-man leadership council who act as leaders of the team; four will be named each week to serve as captains for that game.
• Became only the 66th player in school history to record over 200 career tackles.

2014:
• After what might have been the finest freshman season by any linebacker in CU history in 2013, various injuries marred Gillam’s sophomore campaign. It is believed that he suffered three concussions throughout the year on top of bouts with other illnesses and ailments but head coach Mike MacIntyre cleared up any doubts about the player’s future in his end of season press conference. “No, there is no concern over his football future. Not anything we know right know, no. Definitely, we were concerned about him being sick like he was with the bronchitis (earlier in the year) which really cut him off. Hopefully, that cannot happen again and (we can) take care of all that.”
• Addison finished the season second on the team in tackles despite missing a significant amount of time due to an assortment of injuries.
• After an injury filled first 12 weeks of the season, Gillam returned to the form of the old at Oregon as he recorded nine tackles in a game for the first time since September 27.
• After several weeks of dealing with an illness, Gillam returned to action last week at Arizona. He had three tackles, two for zero yards, in the game.
• Addison was recently named to Phil Steele's College Football midseason All-Pac-12 second team.
• Addison suffered his second concussion in three weeks in the game against Oregon State. The hit took place late in the third quarter when an OSU player targeted Gillam with a hit to his head on a punt return. The OSU player was subsequently ejected from the game. Gillam still managed to finish his afternoon with eight tackles.
• Addison would need to average 11.8 tackles per game through the end of his senior year in order to at least tie the school’s all-time tackles record which is currently held by former linebacker Barry Remington (1982-86).

2013:
• The postseason accolades continued to roll in for the record-setting freshman as he was named as an honorable mention to the All-Pac-12 Team. He also won the program's Dave Jones Award, handed out annually to the team’s outstanding defensive player.
• In January, Addison was named a Freshman All-American by the FWAA. He is the first Buff since punter Matthew DiLallo in 2006 to earn the honor.
• He led the team in tackles this season. He is the first freshman to lead the team in that category since they began tracking the stat in 1964.
• Addison’s 119 tackles make him the school’s all-time leader in tackles by a freshman.
• He finished the season with 838 defensive snaps played which sets a new school record for snaps by a freshman.
• Gillam put a cap on his stellar freshman campaign by recording a team-high 15 tackles, making two key third down stops, and snapping his first career interception in the season finale at Utah.
• He suffered a back strain in the second half of the team’s loss to USC and did not return.
• Addison had 10 solo tackles including two for a loss, a third down stop and two passes broken up in the win over Cal as he continued to defy the logic that says true freshmen can’t succeed in big-time college football.
• Addison was selected as midseason fourth team All-American and a first-team All-Pac-12 performer by Phil Steele’s College Football publication.
• He led the Pac-12 and the FBS in tackles by a true freshman in 2013. He finished second in the FBS in tackles by all freshmen (redshirt or true) and second in the Pac-12 overall in tackles.
• He suffered a forearm injury in the second half of the team’s loss at Arizona State and did not return.
• He set a CU freshman record for tackles in a game with 18 in the team’s loss to Oregon breaking the record of 17 previously set by teammate Terrel Smith in 2010. He also had a special teams tackle...
in the game to go along with his 18 defensive tackles.
• His 15 third-down stops this season were just four short of the single season school record is 19 set by linebacker Jordon Dizon in 2007.
• His four third down stops vs. Oregon allowed him to tie the single game school record for third down stops for the second time this season. He also had four third down stops in the week 1 win vs. Colorado State.
• He won the team’s weekly Sledgehammer Award for the having the biggest, clean hit in the team’s loss at Oregon State.
• Has already recorded double digit tackles in a game five times in his young career.
• He was voted the CU athlete of the week as a result of his performance against Colorado State.
• He became only the second true freshman to start a season opener at middle linebacker in CU history when he started against Colorado State. In 2004, Jordon Dizon became the first Buff to start the season opener at middle linebacker as a true freshman.
• Gilliam wears the same number (44) that Dizon wore during his time at CU.

2012:
• UC Davis, Sacramento State and San Jose State were the only three schools to recruit Addison out of high school.
• He originally committed to San Jose State in 2012, but when the coaching staff left for CU he decided to follow suit.
• He underwent arthroscopic shoulder surgery in 2012 and decided to gray shirt during the fall semester. He then transferred to Colorado in January.
• Addison almost passed up the opportunity to play for head coach Mike MacIntyre when he attended a camp while MacIntyre was still coaching at San Jose State. He said he felt that nothing clicked and that there was no one way he’d play for this staff. But as MacIntyre and running backs/tight ends coach Klayton Adams persisted and worked hard to gain the trust of Gillam and his family, he eventually changed his mind and decided to sign. He remained loyal to the staff when they left for Colorado.

Human Interest
• The Boulder area couldn’t be better suited to Gillam’s interests off the field. He loves spending time outdoors hiking, bike riding, snowboarding, backpacking and fishing. He tried fly fishing for the first time when he came to CU this summer.
• He spent last fall training with his friend Andrew Boetjer, a personal trainer who works with dozens of athletes in Northern California, as he gray shirted.
• His father, Brian Gillam says his son was forced to miss time during his high school career because of foot and shoulder injuries and not being able to play in those situations has taught him to enjoy every moment when he is healthy and playing.

High School
• He played linebacker, tight end, and returned both punts and kicks during his career at Foothill High School in Palo Cedro, California.

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2015:
• Finished seventh on the team in special teams points with 16.
• Saw action on defense in three games, playing 20 snaps and recording five total tackles with one quarterback pressure.

2014:
• Christian and starter Jimmie Gilbert are rotated in and out frequently at the right defensive end position in order to keep both players as fresh as possible for the duration of the game. Head coach Mike MacIntyre is even more comfortable with splitting time between the two players because he feels the defense rarely skips a beat no matter which is in the lineup. “In different situations we like to move those guys in and out pretty often. Then, there’s certain situations where you’re tired and you have to substitute. But there are certain situations where (Gilbert) is a little better at something and Shaver is a little bit better at something and we rotate them based on that.”
• He had his first career tackle for loss and the first two solo tackles of his career vs. Arizona State.
• He made his first career start in the season opener against CSU. He is the first true freshman to ever start a season opener at defensive end for CU and just the sixth true freshman at any defensive position.

Human Interest
• Christian has an uncle that played college football at the University of Northern Arizona.

High School
• He earned first-team All-Region honors from the Desert News as a senior (second-team as a junior); he was first-team All-District performer as both a junior and senior at Jordan High School in Sandy, Utah.
• He also lettered four times in track; he was the Utah state champion in the discus as a junior (career-best throw of 171-0; he was third as a senior despite participating with the flu and placed second in the javelin) and as a sophomore at North Canyon, he set the school record (152-4). He owned career bests of 53-0 in the shot put and 189-2 in the javelin.

2016:
• Enters season as a potential starter at one of the defensive end positions.

2015:
• Has played in 586 snaps on defense, recording 33 tackles, including two quarterback sacks.
• Had five third down stops, as well as four quarterback hurries and three tackles for zero.
• Played in 80 of 81 plays against Oregon with five tackles, 1 sack, 1 third down stop and one quarterback hurry.
• Transfer from Foothill College in Lost Altos Hills, Calif.
• Ended spring practices listed second at nose tackle. Recorded 13 tackles (nine solo) in four main spring scrimmages; which included four sacks.
• Recipient of the Dick Anderson Award, presented to the player with outstanding toughness following spring practices.
• Also won the Iron Buffalo Award for the defensive linemen during spring practice which recognizes hard work, dedication, toughness and total lifting performance.

Human Interest
• Born October 5, 1994 in Atlanta Georgia.
• He and fellow defensive mate Afolabi Laguda share a mutual childhood friend. However, both were unaware of this until they met in Boulder in the spring and made the realization. Like Jackson, Laguda is a Georgia native growing up in the larger Atlanta area. Laguda grew up going to school with the friend who Jackson had known since he was a baby because their moms were friends.
• Under his uniform each game he wear a black nike, dri-fit shirt that says “Man up” on the front. He calls it his “Hybrid Poncho” because it looks like a poncho. Jackson says it’s a ritual that he started in junior college. Jackson described the purpose of the shirt, or poncho like this: “Sometimes when I’m out on the field and I’m tired or need to get out of my own head about the last series or last play, I hit my chest three times a take a deep breath. Basically telling myself to ‘Calm down and Man Up.’”
Last name pronounced kof-ah-vah-loo. First name in Samoan is pronounced Sam-So-nee.

2016:
- Recorded his eighth career sack at Michigan; finished the game with six tackles (one tackle for loss and two tackles for zero).
- Enters the season second on the depth chart at defensive end.

2015:
- Played in all 13 games with two starts (at Utah and home against USC).
- Was in on 331 defensive snaps, finishing with 33 tackles (19 solo and five for losses) including three quarterback sacks, and four third down stops.
- Best performance came at UCLA when he returned a fumble 33 yards for a touchdown pulling CU within a score early in the fourth quarter.

2014:
- Redshirted.

2013:
- Played in seven games at defensive end with two starts against USC and at Utah.
- Was in on 184 defensive snaps, finishing with 18 tackles (11 solo and five for losses) including three quarterback sacks, and four third down stops (one of which was on fourth down).

2012:
- Played in 10 games at defensive tackle with four starts as a true freshman.
- Was in on 249 defensive snaps, finishing with 20 tackles (13 solo and three tackles for zero) including one quarterback sack, and a fumble recovery.

Human Interest
- Majoring in Communication.
- Finished high school career with a 3.3 grade point average.
- Enjoys playing the bass guitar at his church.
- Has two family members also playing college football: older brother, David, is a junior defensive end at Oregon and his cousin, Calvin Tonga, is a senior defensive tackle for Colorado State.
- Interestingly, he attended the same high school as a member of the 1990 CU national championship team (tight end David Brown).

High School
- Second recruit in the last 44 years from Regis to sign with CU.
2016:
• Had a tremendous game anchoring the middle at Michigan; he finished with four tackles (one tackle for zero), a half sack and a third-down stop.
• Enters season expected to start at the nose tackle position in CU’s 3-4 defensive scheme.
• Named to the preseason All-Pac-12 third-team by Phil Steele’s College Football and fourth-team by Athlon Sports.
• Started 31 out of 34 games played in three seasons between 2012 and 2014.

2015:
• Redshirted due to suspension from program for violating team rules. He did not participate in spring practices.

2014:
• Selected honorable mention All-Pac-12 and second-team All-Colorado by the Colorado chapter of the National Football Foundation.
• Finished with 42 tackles (26 solo, four tackles for losses, and three quarterback sacks).
• Recorded six tackles (season-high) in six different games: versus UCLA, Washington, and at Arizona (also had two of his sacks against UA).
• Finished tenth on the team, and third amongst all CU defensive linemen, in tackles in 2013.
• As a testament to his fortitude, Timothy has overcome a number of significant injuries over the last few years. During his senior year at Denver’s Mullen High School, Timothy spent most of the season recovering from a torn Achilles tendon in practice in September and missed the remainder of his redshirt season. So, when Timothy went down with a torn Achilles tendon in practice in September and missed the remainder of his redshirt season. So, when Timothy went down with severe neck pain early in fall camp this year, coaches feared the worst. But the young talent managed to bounce back and has become a major contributor early in 2014.
• As a senior in high school, his first time playing on defense, SuperPrep ranked him as the No. 88 overall player in the Far West Region and the No. 82 player from California (the No. 5 defensive tackle);
• Due to team need, Coleman was forced to move to the other side of the ball and play along the offensive line during his junior season at Mullen High School. He then moved back over to his more natural position of defensive end for his senior year.

Human Interest
• Tupou has two cousins playing college football within the Pac-12: Mo Latu (sophomore offensive lineman at Arizona State) and Siosifa Tufunga (sophomore offensive lineman at Washington).
• An uncle, Viliami Maumau, is former CU defensive tackle who played from 1994-97 for the Buffaloes and in the NFL with the Denver Broncos.
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2016:
• Enters season second on the depth chart at one of CU’s defensive end spots.

2015:
• Played in seven games with two starts (against Nicholls State and Oregon).
• Was in on 75 defensive snaps.
• Had a career-high four tackles (two solo) against Nicholls State.

2014:
• Timothy recorded his second career sack in the game against Oregon State. The sack helped stymie a Beavers’ drive as they were closing in on the end zone. On a 1st-10 at the CU 20, Timothy used an quick inside move to shake the left tackle and then wrapped up the massive quarterback and dropped him to the ground. It forced the Beavers into long-yardage situations on 2nd and 3rd down and they ended up settling for only three.
• Timothy’s sack of the slippery Mannion, came after he had come extremely close to bringing the quarterback down on a numerous occasions up to that point in the game. His persistence eventually paid off as he finally brought Mannion down in a key situation late in the third quarter.
• Timothy had his first career sack in the third quarter of the team’s win at UMass. The sack came while UMass was threatening to tie or take a lead on a drive that had ventured into CU territory. Coleman’s sack forced the Minutemen into a 2nd and long and eventually forced them to punt the ball back to Colorado.
• As a senior in high school, his first time playing on defense, SuperPrep ranked him as the No. 88 overall player in the Far West Region and the No. 82 player from California (the No. 5 defensive tackle);
• Scout.com ranked him as the No. 70 defensive tackle in the country.

2013:
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• Due to team need, Coleman was forced to move to the other side of the ball and play along the offensive line during his junior season at Mullen High School. He then moved back over to his more natural position of defensive end for his senior year.

2012:
• Despite missing time late in the 2012 season due to injury, he played more snaps (343) than any other true freshman defensive lineman in CU history. His snaps also rank as the tenth most in school history by a freshman.
• Made his first career start and had five tackles (three solo) in week 2 vs. Sacramento State in 2012.
• He was one of nine true freshmen on the team to see his first collegiate action in the 2012 season opener.

High School
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• Scout.com ranked him as the No. 70 defensive tackle in the country.
• Also lettered in track, throwing the shot put.

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2016:
• Will start at the left guard position this season.

2015:
• Has the fifth most snaps (562) of any o-lineman, although he missed three complete games due to injury, otherwise he would have finished in the top two or three.
• Recipient of the Joe Romig Award (most improved offensive lineman) in the spring.

2014:
• Saw action in three games last season.
• With starter Kaiwi Crabb sitting out with an injury, Gerrad made his first career start vs. UCLA at left guard. He and the offensive line did not allow a sack in the game and opened the door for 233 yards from the running game on the afternoon. “I feel as an offensive line we did well,” he said afterwards. “They had a good defensive front and great linebackers, but we fought hard for the whole game. I was a little nervous, but I just went out there and acted like I was supposed to be out there.”
• Kough also made a start at left tackle during the 2014 season as starter Jeromy Irwin missed the Arizona game with an injury.

2013:
• Redshirted during the 2013 season.

Human Interest
• Gerrad attended Pomona High School in Pomona, California continuing a long pipeline of CU players who have come out of that high school. Teammate Jered Bell, and former Buffs JoJo Collins (1984-88), J.J. Flannigan (1986-89) and Lamarr Gray (1986-90) have all also arrived at CU via Pomona High School.

WHAT THEY’RE SAYING ABOUT Gerrad

Offensive line coach Klayton Adams said Kough has “probably been the most consistent guy through camp. He’s had a really good camp. He’s starting to play with a little bit better technique in pass protection and he comes off the ball really well in the run game. He is a little bit of a quiet guy, but he’s actually become kind of a pillar of strength for the group and a little bit of a leader just because of the way he works and the way he conducts himself.”

2016:
• Enters season expected to start at right offensive tackle position.

2015:
• Played in 11 games, starting six between left and right offensive tackle.
• Played 504 snaps from scrimmage, the sixth-most on offense.
• Led team in knockdown blocks with 37, recording 10 against UA.
• Flagged for just one penalty and allowed just one quarterback sack.

2014:
• Played in all 12 games.

2013:
• Redshirted.

Human Interest:
• He is currently majoring in Sociology. He enjoys fishing, golf, tennis, and anything outdoors. His older brother, Jake, will be a senior on the lacrosse team this fall at Ole Miss. He also enjoys community service having coached football in Houston.

High School:
• Earned honorable mention All-State, first-team All-District 14-5A, first team All-County and first-team All-Greater Houston honors as a senior at The Woodlands in The Woodlands, Texas.

WHAT THEY’RE SAYING ABOUT Sam

Offensive line coach Klayton Adams said Kronshage “has made maybe as big a jump in training camp as anybody. He’s showed good technique, made limited mental errors; he’s really competed and done a nice job.”
2016:
• Recovered a fumble for a touchdown against CSU; it’s the first touchdown by a CU offensive lineman since Oct. 28, 1995; he is the first offensive lineman in CU history to score the team’s first points of the year (127 seasons).
• Enters season as the starting center and was selected fourth-team preseason All-Pac-12 by Athlon Sports.

2015:
• Second most among the Buffs with 956 snaps played.
• One of four players with all 114 possible snaps on offense at UCLA, setting a school record.
• Graded out to 97.1 percent at ASU, the highest any player with 11-plus snaps played through the entire season.
• Named to the 12-man leadership council who act as leaders of the team; four will be named each week to serve as captains for that game.

How did he go from 323 pounds to 305 this past summer?
“I took a class up in the mountains and every day we were hiking at about 12,000 feet. So that definitely helped a lot and after we were done with our hikes, I would stay up there and run a couple miles every day,” Kelley explained.

2014:
• As the team’s starting center and the anchor of a solid offensive line, Alex was a stalwart all year long playing on 988 of the 996 offensive snaps. He and quarterback Sefo Liufau fumbled only one exchange on a snap all season despite the fact that 2014 was Alex’s first as the starter at the center position.
• Alex made his first career start in the season-opening loss to CSU.
• He verbally committed to CU in October 2010 under then head coach Dan Hawkins. In all, Alex has now associated himself with three different CU head coaches (Hawkins, Embree, MacIntyre).

2013:
• Saw action in nine games this season.
• He played a career-high 30 snaps at right guard in the team’s loss at Oregon State.
• He made his CU debut in the team’s season opening win over rival Colorado State.
• Prior to the season opener vs. Colorado State, it had been 999 days since Kelley had seen game action. He redshirted last year and gray shirted in 2011 due to a broken ankle he suffered playing recreational football during that summer.

High School
• Alex racked up 108 pancake blocks while helping Vista High School to a CIF San Diego Section championship in 2010.

2016:
• After fully recovering from a knee injury, he will start at left offensive tackle.
• Ranked the No. 41 offensive tackle in the nation by Phil Steele’s College Football.
• Voted as one of five team captains for 2016 season by his teammates.

Irwin on the importance of the upcoming season: “We’ve got a little chip on our shoulder right now. I see it as a player. We’ve got all these guys (seniors) that are leaving next year, and they don’t want to go out without winning. There’s no reason for us not to go out there with a chip on our shoulder, not to go out there with some swagger and prove to the conference that we can play in this league and win.”

2015:
• Will undergo surgery, missing the remainder of the season, after suffering a torn ACL in the UMass game on Sept. 12th.

2014:
• Lined up on 82% of the team’s offensive snaps in 2014; made 11 starts during the season.
• He was awarded the program’s Tyronee “Tiger” Bussey Award at the end of the season banquet. The award is handed out annually to the Buff who best exemplifies inspiration in the face of physical adversity.
• Jeremy suffered an ankle injury in the first quarter and missed the remainder of the game vs. Washington. He then sat out the next game at Arizona.
• Irwin protects the blindside of quarterback Sefo Liufau and thus is the most vital cog on an offensive line that finished in a tie for the Pac-12 lead for fewest sacks allowed last season.
• Jeremy returned to the starting left tackle spot in the win over Hawai’i after suffering a concussion late in the loss to Arizona State the week prior.
• Jeremy made his first career start in the season opener vs. CSU.

2013:
• He suffered an injury to his right foot over the summer and redshirted his sophomore season.

2012:
• Saw action in 10 games (no starts), seeing his first action in the third game of the season and then playing in the remaining nine. 

High School
• A three-year starter at left guard in high school, he gave up only one sack in his entire prep career, and that came during his sophomore season.
• Irwin also lettered in track and field (shot put), advancing to regionals as a junior; his personal best throw was 51 feet, 0 inches. He played basketball early in high school but gave it up to concentrate on football.
**WHAT THEY'RE SAYING ABOUT JEROMY**

**Coach MacIntyre on Irwin's return to the starting lineup:** “We have Jeromy Irwin coming back who I think is an excellent, excellent player. He could never really get over 285 [pounds], which you really wanted him in the 300s. He’s now 308 and doing really well.”

**Coach MacIntyre on Irwin:** “A lot of confidence in Jeromy. He came back off that foot, he was 100 percent but hadn’t played a lot as the season went on he got better and better. I’ve seen a better Jeromy more understanding and getting more comfortable. He’s gotten a little bit better at pass protection, able to anchor better. I see him run blocking better because he’s more powerful mainly because of the strength factor.”

According to fellow lineman Tim Lynott Jr., having Irwin back on the field is “awesome . . . he’s a key player for us. It was tough last year when he was out. It affected us for sure. He’s definitely been a leader ever since he came back . . . the whole time. I’ve seen him be a leader in our workouts, our practices, meetings – just everything we’ve been doing. It’s great having him as a leader and having him push us to our limits.”

**Offensive line coach Klayton Adams on Irwin’s 2016 Fall Camp:** “I kind of planned on being a little more careful with him (because of the knee injury) but the guy wants to be in there and he’s been very durable. I haven’t limited him at all . . . when we go live on the goal line, he goes live on the goal line. And I’m pretty sure if I said anything to him about it he’d be pretty pissed off. Jeromy’s had a good camp. He’s been strong, he’s been able to improve every week. There’s always kind of an up and down for any guy, but he’s definitely improved. The biggest area he’s improved at is being able to react. When things happen really fast in a football game, they’re going to do what they know the best, regardless of what you told them or showed them on film, and I think he’s improved in that area.”

**2016:**
- Phil Steele’s College Football ranked him the No. 38 tight end in the country and selected him third-team preseason All-Pac-12.
- Nominated for the Earl Campbell Tyler Rose Award for most outstanding offensive player with ties to the state of Texas.

**2015:**
- Finished the season solidifying himself as not only a dependable, but valuable receiving threat.
- Recorded 15 catches for 248 yards, marking a team-high 16.5 yards per catch average.
- Irwin entered the season, considered primarily a “blocking tight end,” however, once quarterback Sefo Liufau began targeting Irwin in the passing game, he realized how depending Irwin could be at picking large chunks of yards down the middle of the field.
- After only two catches through the first four games, Irwin pulled in 13 catches the remaining nine games.
- In games at Arizona State and vs. Arizona he recorded back-to-back games with receptions of over 42 yards; a 42 yard reception at ASU and a 47 yard reception vs. Arizona on the exact same play – both required Irwin to jump up and over defenders in order to haul in the grab.
- His 47-yard catch vs. Arizona, marked his career long; his 52 receiving yards on the day was also a career high, however, he recorded three games with at least 42 yards receiving.

**2014:**
- Saw action in all 12 games, including three starts, on both offense and special teams.
- Recorded seven catches for 67 yards receiving and one touchdown.
- Played 63 snaps on the field goal/PAT unit as well as another 86 snaps on the kickoff return team.

**2013:**
- Redshirt freshman season.
- Played in all 12 games, including one start, primarily as a reserve offensive player.
- One reception for 7 yards.

**Human Interest**
- The middle child of a set of triplets, born moments after his brother, John, and moments before his brother, Jeremy; OL also a member of the 2012 recruiting class.
- His grandfather (Roby Irwin) played football at TCU, and an Uncle (Jack McClelland) ran track at Texas.
- Hobbies include playing computer games and paintballing.
2016:
• Has recorded 14 punts for 595 yards (42.5 yard average) with a long of 50 and one punt inside-the-20 through three games this season.
• Named to the preseason All-Pac-12 third-team by Athlon Sports and fourth-team by Phil Steele's College Football.

2015:
• Became the seventh freshman in team history to become CU’s regular punter; played in all 13 games.
• Averaged 40.1 yards per punt on 66 punts, ranking him third of those seven freshman punters.
• 22 of his punts were fair caught and 14 were downed with just one touchback, resulting in 73 percent of his kicks being unre- turned.
• Had 10 punts inside-the-10, tying the school and freshman record and 23 punts inside-the-20, besting the old freshman record of 21.
• Had six punts of 50 yards or longer, the longest of which was 58 yards at Oregon State.

Human Interest
• Majoring in Environmental Studies.
• Earned honorable mention Academic All-Colorado honors from the state’s NFF chapter as a true freshman.
• Earned honorable mention on the state’s All-Academic team in high school.
• The only other football player to join CU from Rocky Mountain High School right out of high school was former offensive lineman Darrell Troudt in 1975.

High School
• Named first-team All-State and All-Colorado as a kicker and punter by the Denver Post, Mile High Sports Magazine, and Six Zero Strength & Fitness as a senior at Rocky Mountain High School.
• Ranked the No. 3 punter nationally by some scouting services.
• Had 47 punts as a senior with a 41.6 average, a long of 66, and nine inside-the-20.
• Scored 58 points by connecting on all 34 extra points and going 8-of-12 on field goals including a 57-yarder (tying the eighth longest in state history).
• 51 of his 54 kickoff attempts went for touchbacks.

WHAT THEY’RE SAYING ABOUT ALEX

MacIntyre on Kinney’s development: “He’s hitting the ball more consistently and he’s got such a strong leg, even if he doesn’t hit it just perfect, he still gets a pretty good distance. He’s doing well. He’s doing well. He’s not near as nervous, he’s more confident in his hands, everything.”
2016:
• Tore his ACL in his right knee and will be out for the season.
• After CU pushed into a 7-0 lead at Michigan, McCartney made a tremendous play to help push the lead to two scores only four minutes into the game. Chidobe Awuzie had a forced fumble on a sack and Derek recovered the fumble and returned it 18 yards for a touchdown.
• Enters season starting at one of CU’s outside linebacker spots.
• Selected to preseason All-Pac-12 third-team at linebacker by both Athlon Sports and Phil Steele’s College Football.
• His 9½ career sacks puts him tied for 37th all-time at CU.

2015:
• Fifth on the team in tackles with 70, averaging 5.8 per game, with 47 solo and 10 tackles for loss.
• Five sacks on the season is second on the team only to Jimmie Gilbert’s six.
• Played in 12 games while starting in 10.
• Finished with 670 defensive snaps.
• Recorded a team-high 16 quarterback hurries for the season.
• Had a career- and season-high 10 tackles (five solo) against CSU while playing all 88 defensive snaps.
• Recorded his first career interception at Hawai’i, which he returned 33 yards. First interception by a CU lineman since 2010.
• Named to the 12-man leadership council who act as leaders of the team; four will be named each week to serve as captains for that game.

2014:
• Derek led the Pac-12 in sacks by a freshman in 2014.
• He was named as an honorable mention to the 2014 Pac-12 All-Academic team.
• He led the team in sacks with 4.5 in 2014. He was the first freshman to lead the team in sacks since Alfred Williams in 1987.
• Derek has had a knack for sacking some of the nation’s most prolific passers throughout the first half of the 2014 season. In week 6, he added OSU quarterback Sean Mannion to his list which already included CSU’s Garrett Grayson and ASU’s Mike Bercovici.
• Derek recorded his second career sack in just three games when he pulled down Arizona State quarterback Mike Bercovici in the fourth quarter of the team’s loss to ASU.
• Made his first career start in the season opener against CSU. Derek then preceded to record a key third-quarter sack (the first of his career) and forced fumble of Rams quarterback Garrett Grayson that, after a CU recovery, quickly turned into a Buff touchdown.

2013:
• Despite not playing on Saturdays, McCartney still impressed the coaches thoroughly in 2013. The defensive end excelled enough in practice to be named the team’s Defensive Scout Player of the Year.

Human Interest
• Graduated in May 2016 after three years with a degree in Integrative Physiology; now enrolled in CU’s graduate program for IPHY.

• Was matched this offseason (2016) with a recipient for a bone marrow donation.
• McCartney is the son of former CU defensive lineman Shannon Clavelle (1992-94) and the grandson of legendary CU head coach Bill McCartney (1982-94).

• Presented with 2015 Clancy A. Herbst Student-Athlete Achievement Award, presented to those athletes who have overcome personal, academic or emotional challenges.

Most Sacks By a CU Freshman (All-Time)
Rk. Player     No.
1 Alfred Williams (1987)  6.0
2 Mike Phillips (1994)  4.5
Derek McCartney (2014)  4.5
3 Matt Russell (1993)  4.0

WHAT THEY’RE SAYING ABOUT DEREK

Linebacker Addison Gillam on McCartney: “Seeing how much bigger Derek has gotten has the defense excited. He has a lot of potential.”

McCartney grayshirted in 2012 and redshirted in 2013 and the two years off seem to have benefitted the young man greatly both on and off the field: “The grayshirt/redshirt route was tough and it’s been a long time since I actually played a game, but it’s really been beneficial academically,” he said. “I was really blessed to have that opportunity, it’s crazy, weird, but my plan is to be working on a masters in something as a junior and eventually be headed toward med school. There’s lots of possibilities and I’ve got time to think about it.”
2016:
• Has totaled nine tackles with two and a half tackles for loss, one and a half sacks, one forced fumble, four third-down stops and a pass break deflection through three games.
• Had a sack that resulted in a forced fumble against CSU to go along with four tackles against CSU.

2015:
• Played in all 13 games, totaling 394 snaps on defense with 47 total tackles.
• Led the team with six sacks for 38 yards.
• Finished as the second leading tackler at UCLA with eight total.
• One of only four players on the team to record at least three sacks this season.
• Had his second sack of the season against Oregon, adding a total of five tackles and one third down stop.
• Jimmie has one tattoo. The tattoo is in remembrance of his grandfather who passed away the day of Jimmie’s high school graduation party. He got the tattoo as a way to always remember his grandfather.

2014:
• Statistically, it may have appeared as if the CU defense had another rough year in 2014. But, despite the numbers, you can count Jimmie Gilbert among those who think the unit actually improved by leaps in bounds over the course of the year. “As a defense last year teams would run all up and down us. I feel like this year we did a better job understanding where we need to fit, spill and box. We just need to do a better job of containing the football and rallying to the ball and tackling.”
• Jimmie and fellow starting defensive end, Derek McCartney have gotten consistent pressure on opposing quarterbacks this season, something that has been lacking with many Buffs’ teams in recent years. The two have combined for seven sacks and 17 quarterback pressures in 2014. That pressure in obvious passing situations is a big reason why CU ranked in the fifth in the Pac-12 in pass defense, a big leap for a team that has struggled in this category since joining the conference in 2011.
• Jimmie had an impressive sack of the rarely-touched Mariota in the first quarter of the loss at Oregon. The sack came on a third down play near mid-field that forced a rare stop of a, at times, seemingly unstoppable Oregon attack.
• Jimmie played one of his finest games at Cal when he set a new career-high in tackles (7) and recorded his first sack of the season. He also forced a fumble of quarterback Jared Goff on the play when, after CU recovered, gave the Buffs the ball at the Cal 23-yard line.
• Gilbert started against Arizona State and didn’t disappoint as he managed four tackles including one of the elusive D.J. Foster in the Arizona State backfield on a play that became a testament to the freakish athleticism Gilbert brings to the defensive end position.

2013:
• Made his first career start in the team’s loss at Oregon.

Human Interest
• His father (Jimmie Sr.) played basketball at Texas A&M from 1983-86 and eventually a fifth round draft choice by the Chicago Bulls in the ’86 NBA Draft and played professionally overseas).
• His mother (Nelda) played college basketball at North Texas.
• His older sister (Karla) played basketball at Texas A&M and was named team MVP for her senior season in 2013-14.

WHAT THEY’RE SAYING ABOUT JIMMIE

MacIntyre on sack production from both Outside Linebackers: Derek McCartney and Gilbert: “If we can get the opponent throwing the ball more and in true passing situations, to me they (Gilbert and McCartney) should be close to double digits (in sacks). They’ve shown the ability, both of them. Derek’s stronger, Jimmie’s a little bit quicker. They’ve shown flashes, especially in the spring and early in this camp. I feel good. I still think they should be close to double-digit guys.”

Defensive coordinator Jim Leavitt on Gilbert’s improvement going into his senior year: “Jimmie’s got more maturity than he had in the past. I don’t holler at him as much. But he’s got to take his own initiative to get as good as he can get. You only get one senior year. This is it for him.”

Gilbert is listed atop the depth chart at right DE and head coach Mike MacIntyre says: “Jimmie’s getting better and better. Jimmie’s got a lot of athletic ability and he needs to just keep pushing along. He’s played two years now. He’s played a lot of snaps.”

State. He played 29 snaps in the game.
• Had his first career sack in the first quarter of the team’s win over Central Arkansas. It was also his first career tackle.
• Made his CU debut as a defensive lineman in his team’s season opening win over rival Colorado State. He was one of six true freshmen on the team to make their collegiate debut in the game.
• The coaches devised special packages to get him on the field in passing situations. He is considered the team’s “nickel” defensive lineman.