



# 2012 PRESEASON HONORS



NOTE: The coaching staff did not present the spring awards for 2012, but indicated they would return in the future.

## PRESEASON ALL-AMERICA

None

## PRESEASON ALL-PAC 12 CONFERENCE

- OT DAVID BAKHTIARI** (first-team: *Athlon Sports*, *Blue Ribbon Yearbook*, *collegefootballnews.com*, *Lindy's College Football*, *Phil Steele's College Football*, *collegesportsmadness.com*)
- OLB JON MAJOR** (second-team: *Athlon Sports*, *collegefootballnews.com*, *Lindy's College Football*, *collegesportsmadness.com*; third-team: *Phil Steele's College Football*)
- P DARRAGH O'NEILL** (third-team: *collegesportsmadness.com*; fourth-team: *Phil Steele's College Football*)
- DT WILL PERICAK** (second-team: *Phil Steele's College Football*; third-team: *collegesportsmadness.com*)
- FS RAY POLK** (third-team: *Phil Steele's College Football*, *collegesportsmadness.com*)

## PRESEASON ALL-REDSHIRT TEAM

- WR NELSON SPRUCE** (*CollegeFootballNews.com*)

## BUFFALOES ON NATIONAL AWARD LISTS (WATCH LISTS/Nominations)

- Dick Butkus Award** (top linebacker): **ILB Doug Rippy** (one of 51 on official watch list)
- Lombardi Award** (top interior linemen/backer): **OT David Bakhtiari** (one of 128 on official watch list)
- Ray Guy Award** (most outstanding punter): **P Darragh O'Neill** (one of 25 on official watch list)
- Rimington Award** (most outstanding center): **C Gus Handler** (one of 51 on official watch list)
- Outland Trophy** (top interior linemen): **OT David Bakhtiari** (one of 18 offensive tackles and 71 overall on official watch list)
- College Football Performance Awards** (top player at each position): **P Darragh O'Neill** (one of 44 on punter list)
- Lott IMPACT Trophy** (community/integrity/competition): **FS Ray Polk**

## NATIONAL TOP 100 PLAYER RATINGS

- Defensive Tackle:** Will Pericak (No. 26, *Phil Steele's College Football*)
- Free Safety:** Ray Polk (No. 14, *Phil Steele's College Football*)
- Offensive Tackle:** David Bakhtiari (No. 29 overall, *Phil Steele's College Football*)
- Outside Linebacker:** Jon Major (No. 39, *Phil Steele's College Football*)

## NATIONAL UNIT RATINGS

- Linebackers:** No. 42 (*Phil Steele's College Football*)

## PRESEASON TEAM RANKINGS

Publication	National	Pac 12 South
Collegefootballnews.com	No. 69	t-4th
Lindy's Big 12 Football	No. 77	6th
collegesportsmadness.com	No. 78	5th
Compugther Rankings	No. 82	6th
Athlon Sports	No. 84	6th
Phil Steele's College Football	No. 89	6th
CBSSports.com	No. 102	6th
College Football Matrix	.....	5th
Arena Fanatic	.....	6th
Blue Ribbon Yearbook	.....	6th
Football Outsiders	.....	6th
Game Plan Magazines	.....	6th
McIllece Sports	.....	6th
NBC Sports	.....	6th
Pac-12 Summer Media Poll	.....	6th
USA Today Sports Weekly	.....	6th



Jon Major



Doug Rippy