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UofM quarterback Seth Henigan and wide receiver Roc Taylor invited to NFL Scout-Combine at Lucas Oil Stadium



Seth Henigan

MEMPHIS, Tenn., Feb. 13,

2025 – University of Memphis

quarterback Seth Henigan and

wide receiver Roc Taylor have

been invited to the 2025 NFL

Scouting Combine in Indianapo-

lis, Indiana. The event will take

place in Lucas Oil Stadium from

February 27 through March 2,

with quarterback and receiver

Henigan, a three-time All-Amer-

ican Athletic Conference hon-

drills set for March 1.

oree, will enter the combine after a record-setting four years as a Tiger. Henigan became just the 15th quarterback in NCAA history to surpass 14,000 passing yards and 100 passing touchdowns, finishing his collegiate career with 14,266 passing yards and 104 touchdowns through the

The Denton, Texas native ended his career in Memphis on a fourgame winning streak, culminat-



Roc Taylor

ing in a 42-37 victory over West Virginia in the Scooter's Coffee Frisco Bowl. It marked the 34th-career win for the all-time winningest quarterback in program history.

After earning an invitation to the Reese's Senior Bowl, Henigan entered the game during the fourth quarter and led the American Team to a come-from-behind win that was capped off with a 12 play, 85-yard drive for

a touchdown as time expired. Henigan ended the game 12-of-14 for 132 yards and a touchdown to be named MVP of the American Team.

With Henigan in control of the offense, Memphis had the highest points-per-game average (35.7) in the AAC in 2024. He finished second in the conference in passing yards (3,502) and touchdowns (25).

Henigan also finds himself in the Memphis record books with all four of his collegiate seasons falling in the top 10 best single season passing yard totals, ranking third (3,883 in 2023), sixth (3,571 in 2022), seventh (3,502 in 2024) and ninth (3,322 in 2021). He leaves Memphis as the program's all-time leader in passing yards, passing touchdowns and completion percentage.

Taylor most recently earned a First Team All-AAC nod after recording 66 catches for 950 yards during the 2024 season. Taylor registered 10 performances with at least four catches and five games with at least 90 receiving yards, highlighted by an eight catch, 111-yard performance at UTSA. His 66 catches were tied for the third highest in the AAC during 2024, and his 950 receiving yards were good for second in the conference.

In 2023, Taylor broke the 1,000-yard threshold, becoming just the fifth wide receiver in program history to surpass that milestone. He is one of just five wide receivers in FBS with 65-plus receptions and 900-plus yards each of the last two seasons.

His 163 career receptions and 2,375 receiving yards both rank fifth all-time in program history. He also finishes his Memphis career with nine games with at least 100 receiving yards, which ranks fifth in that category.

The most recent Tigers to appear in the combine were Calvin Austin III and Donald Parham in 2022. The full list of 2025 invitees can be found here.

For complete information on Memphis Tigers Football, visit www.GoTigersGo.com and follow the team's social media channels on Twitter, Instagram and Facebook.

U.S. Sens. Blackburn and Hagerty support Nashville's bid to host WNBA franchise

"Nashville is a cultural Mecca: from music to food to sports, Tennessee's capital has it all."

WASHINGTON, D.C. February 12, 2025– U.S. Senators Marsha Blackburn (R-Tenn.) and Bill Hagerty (R-Tenn.) sent a letter to the Women's National Basketball Association (WNBA) Commissioner Cathy Engelbert to express their support for Nashville's bid to expand the WNBA and host a franchise in Tennessee. The team would be named the "Tennessee Summitt" in honor of the late Lady Vols women's basketball coach Pat Summitt.

As a Top Global Travel Destination, Nashville Would Be an Ideal Choice for WNBA Franchise

"We write to you in support of Nashville's bid to expand the Women's National Basketball Association (WNBA) and host a franchise in our great state. Nashville is a cultural Mecca: from music to food to sports, Tennessee's capital has it all.

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 Thurgood Marshall was the first African American to serve on the Supreme South from 1967 to 1991.

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From left to right: Jake Doria, Anjali Mukherji Doria, and Bappa Mukherji will lead the Pickleball Kingdom facility which is set for Southeast Memphis near Germantown. See article on sports page 3. (Photo/Courtesy: Pickleball Kingdom)

