



CHRISTIAN TAYLOR

DEFENSIVE QUALITY CONTROL

FIRST-AND-10

CHRISTIAN TAYLOR was named the Bills defensive quality control coach in 2024. Taylor joins the Bills after spending the last four seasons as William & Mary's offensive coordinator/running backs coach. After playing QB in college at William & Mary, Taylor has been a coach on the collegiate level for 16 years.

COACHING SHOUTOUTS

2020-23: (William & Mary)

- During Taylor's time at William & Mary, he coached 4 All-Americans and a 5th round NFL draft pick (Colby Sorsdal – Lions). In 2023, W&M boasted one of the nation's top ground games and Taylor won the 2023 AFCA National FCS Assistant Coach of the Year award.
- In 2022, W&M broke the school record for regular season wins (10) and tied the school record for most overall wins (11) on their way to the Colonial Athletic Association (CAA) Title and the National FCS Quarterfinals. Set single-season school records for rushing yards (3,455), rushing yards per game (265.8) and rushing yards per carry (5.9), while its PPG (33.5), rushing touchdowns (35) and total yards per game (448.8) all ranked among the program's top five best figures.
- Prior to the tremendous success in 2022, Taylor's creative offensive approach produced impressive results in 2021 when the Tribe ranked second in the league with 19 rushing touchdowns. W&M also ranked second in yards per play and third in total offense in conference play, as the Tribe earned the program's first winning season since 2015.

2016-19: (San Diego)

- In 2019, at the end of the regular season Taylor's offense ranked first nationally in yards per play, second in total offense, and third in scoring offense. He developed first-year starting quarterback Reid Sinnett into one of the top signal-callers in the FCS. He was a Payton Award Finalist after ranking among the nation's top-five in multiple offensive categories. Reid has played in the NFL for the Bucs, Dolphins, Eagles, and Bengals.
- Honored as a finalist for the 2018 FCS Coordinator of the Year Award, Taylor led one of the nation's most productive offensive units at the University of San Diego from 2018-19 in addition to being Bills TE Dalton Kincaid's OC during his first two years.

COACHING SHOUTOUTS (CONT.)

2016-19: (San Diego)

- In addition to the team accomplishments, Michael Bandy (WR) and Anthony Lawrence (QB) were named Walter Payton Award finalists. Three players earned All-America honors (Michael Bandy, Anthony Lawrence, Daniel Cooney) and Kincaid was named a Freshman All-American.
- Ended up in the record books with the longest league win streak in the FCS (39) and third-longest in the NCAA (FBS and FCS), after tying Duquesne (1999-06 – MAAC) earlier in 2020 season. Only Oklahoma (44 games, 1952-59) and Nebraska (40 games, 1992-98) have more consecutive conference wins in NCAA Division I Football.
- Taylor returned to the USD football staff in 2016 to coach the wide receivers and coordinate the team's passing game. That year, he helped the Toreros become the first non-scholarship FCS program to win a playoff game and went on to win the PFL all 4 years at USD.

2014-15: (Illinois Wesleyan)

- For two years from 2014 to 2015, Taylor worked for Illinois Wesleyan where he was offensive coordinator, recruiting coordinator and strength and conditioning coordinator. In 2015, the IWU offense averaged 34.3 points per game and ranked first in the College Conference of Illinois and Wisconsin (CCIW) for red zone offense (88.4%, 8th nationally).

2012-13: (San Diego)

- Taylor's first stint with USD came during the 2012 and 2013 seasons as the running backs coach and recruiting coordinator. The Toreros went 8-3 in back-to-back seasons with the 2012 squad earning a share of the PFL championship.

2011: (Michigan)

- In 2011, he joined the University of Michigan as an offensive analyst, working with the QBs and a team that went 11-2 and won the Sugar Bowl.

2010: (San Diego State)

- As an offensive assistant assisting with the QBs at San Diego State with a team that was 9-4 and won the 2010 Poinsettia Bowl. It marked the program's first bowl win since 1969 and featured a talented offensive roster that was highlighted by four players who went on to play in the NFL.



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COACHING SHOUTOUTS (CONT.)

2008-09: (William & Mary)

• Taylor began his coaching career as W&M's tight ends coach in 2008 before leading the Tribe's quarterbacks in 2009, helping lead the squad to an FCS Playoff semifinal appearance. En route to helping W&M win 11 games and advance to the FCS semifinals in 2009, Taylor was instrumental in the success of former all-conference signal caller RJ Archer, who signed NFL contracts with Minnesota, Detroit and Seattle. Taylor also had responsibilities with the Tribe's placekickers, the video editing system and in the team's recruiting efforts.

PLAYING SHOUTOUTS

• Played quarterback for four years (2002-06) at William & Mary earning a pair of varsity letters as the quarterback for the Tribe. He was a four-year member of the team's travel squad and a part of the 2004 team that advanced to the FCS Playoff semifinals.

PERSONAL/OTHER EXPERIENCE

• Originally from Yorktown, Virginia, Taylor attended Grafton High School. He is married to Shay Taylor and they have two sons, Anthony and Tyler.

TAYLOR'S COACHING HISTORY

NFL

Buffalo Bills	2024-present	Defensive Quality Control
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COLLEGE

William & Mary	2020-23	Offensive Coordinator/Running Backs
San Diego	2019	Offensive Coordinator/Quarterbacks
San Diego	2018	Co-Offensive Coordinator/Quarterbacks
San Diego	2016-17	Wide Receivers
Illinois Wesleyan	2014-15	Offensive Coordinator
San Diego	2012-13	Running Backs
Michigan	2011	Offensive Assistant
San Diego State	2010	Offensive Assistant
William & Mary	2009	Quarterbacks
William & Mary	2008	Tight Ends