



65 JAMES
ESTER

G | 6'3" | 310 | NORTHERN ILLINOIS '24

NFL EXP. 1

DOLPHINS EXP. 1

BORN 08/30/01

ACQUIRED WAI, '26 (GB)

HOMETOWN DETROIT, MICH.

NFL CAREER

TRANSACTIONS:

- Awarded off waivers to Miami on May 14, 2026.
- Waived by Green Bay on May 13, 2026.
- Signed to a reserve/future contract with Green Bay on Jan. 12, 2026.
- Signed to Green Bay's practice squad on Aug. 27, 2025.
- Waived by Green Bay on Aug. 26, 2025.
- Signed to a reserve/future contract with Green Bay on Jan. 13, 2024.
- Signed to Green Bay's practice squad on Aug. 28, 2024.
- Waived by Green Bay on Aug. 27, 2024.
- Signed as an undrafted college free agent by Green Bay on April 30, 2024.

2025 (GREEN BAY):

- Spent the entire season on the practice squad.

2024 (GREEN BAY):

- Spent the entire season on the practice squad.

BEFORE THE NFL

COLLEGE (NORTHERN ILLINOIS):

- 5-year letterman (2019-23) and 3-year starter.
- Played defensive tackle.

CAREER: Played in 49 games with 43 starts; 121 tackles (50 solo), 9.0 sacks, 1 interception, 7 passes defended, 2 forced fumbles and 1 fumble recovery.

SENIOR (2023): Started all 13 games; 49 tackles (23 solo), 4.0 sacks, 2 passes defended and 1 forced fumble.

- 2nd-team All-MAC.

- Served as team captain.

JUNIOR (2022): Started all 12 games; 28 tackles (10 solo), 2.0 sacks, 1 interception, 2 passes defended and 2 forced fumbles.

- 3rd-team All-MAC.
- Team MVP.
- Served as team captain.

SOPHOMORE (2021): Started all 14 games; 25 tackles (7 solo), 2.0 sacks and 1 pass defended.

- 3rd-team All-MAC.
- Served as team captain.

REDSHIRT FRESHMAN (2020): Played in 6 games with 4 starts; 17 tackles (8 solo), 1.0 sack and 2 passes defended.

- Served as team captain.
- Retained a year of eligibility due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

TRUE FRESHMAN (2020): Played in 4 games then redshirted; 2 solo tackles.

HIGH SCHOOL (CASS TECHNICAL HS - DETROIT, MICH.)

- Played running back, linebacker and defensive line.

SENIOR (2018): 42 tackles, 1 interception, 2 forced fumbles, 1 fumble recovery and 1 blocked kick.

- Helped lead the team to a 10-1 record and conference championship.
- 1st-team all-state.
- 1st-team all-conference.

OFF THE FIELD

PERSONAL:

- **MAJOR:** Communications.

JAMES ESTER'S NFL REGULAR SEASON STATISTICS

DATE	TEAM	GP	GS
2024	Green Bay	0	0
2025	Green Bay	0	0
NFL TOTALS		0	0

JAMES ESTER'S NFL POSTSEASON STATISTICS

DATE	TEAM	GP	GS
2024	Green Bay	0	0
2025	Green Bay	0	0
NFL TOTALS		0	0