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BRANDON STEPHENS

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COLLEGE: SOUTHERN METHODIST
BORN: 12/29/97, PLANO, TX
EXP. (NFL/RAVENS): ROOKIE



— KEY TRANSACTIONS —

- Brandon Stephens was selected by the Ravens in the third round (104th overall) of the 2021 NFL Draft... Was the second of two Ravens' draft picks (G Ben Cleveland, 94th overall) in the round

— COLLEGE HONORS —

- NFLPA Collegiate Bowl Invite (2020)
- National Football Foundation Honor Society (2020)
- American Athletic Conference All-Academic Team (2019)

— COLLEGE HIGHLIGHTS —

- Originally began his collegiate career as a running back at UCLA, where he played three seasons (2016-18), posting 277 rushing yards and 1 TD on 65 carries (4.3 avg.)
- Transferred to SMU in 2019 and switched his position to CB... Over two seasons (2019-20), he recorded 22 PD, including an American Athletic Conference-high 10 in 2020
- Totaled 92 tackles (74 solo) at SMU, adding 3.5 TFL, 1 INT and 1 FR

— PERSONAL —

- Enjoys cooking and playing the saxophone in his spare time
- Is interested in real estate and once interned for a Dallas-area real estate agency called The Blackman Group
- His sister, Chelsea, is a molecular geneticist
- His cousin, Alexis Hornbuckle, won an NCAA women's basketball title (Tennessee) and a WNBA title (Detroit Shock)
- Was an SMU teammate and friend of current Ravens WR James Proche II in 2019
- Graduated with a degree in liberal science from SMU

— NOTE THE QUOTE —

"[Stephens] is a very versatile player. He's a former running back at UCLA, then transferred to SMU. He's played some corner. He's played some safety. [He has] a lot of upside and potential. He's a big guy. He runs very well. He's very physical. He should contribute right away on special teams, and he's the kind of player that we look for."

— EVP & GM Eric DeCosta

2020: (SOUTHERN METHODIST – 10/10)

- Recorded 43 tackles (36 solo), including 1 TFL, and led the American Athletic Conference with 10 PD... Also posted 1 INT, 1 FR and 1 QB hit
- Tallied a career-high 8 tackles (all solo) at Tulsa
- Totaled a season-high 3 PD (matching a career best) in the 30-27 victory vs. Memphis

- Registered his first-career INT and added 5 tackles (4 solo) in the 65-35 win at North Texas

2019: (SOUTHERN METHODIST – 13/13)

- Registered a career-high 49 tackles (38 solo), including 2.5 TFLs, and led the Mustangs with 12 PD, which ranked second in the American Athletic Conference
- Tallied a career-high 9 tackles (7 solo) at Navy, also registering 1 PD
- Recorded 2 PD and 1 tackle at Memphis
- Posted a career-high 3 PD and 4 tackles in the 37-30 victory at Arkansas State

2018: (UCLA – 2/0)

- Played on special teams against Cincinnati and Oklahoma

2017: (UCLA – 12/0)

- Saw action as a reserve RB and on special teams, totaling 182 rushing yards and 1 TD on 46 carries... Also caught 8 passes for 69 yards
- Tallied a career-best 83 rushing yards on 20 carries in UCLA's sixth win, which was bowl-game-clinching victory over Cal... Also scored his first-career TD (1-yard run) in the game
- Registered three games with at least 25 rushing yards

2016: (UCLA – 7/0)

- Saw action as a reserve RB and on special teams, posting 19 carries for 95 yards (5.0 avg.)... Also made 4 catches for 39 yards
- Ran for a season-high 71 yards vs. UNLV
- Registered 2 carries for 18 yards vs. Oregon State

— HIGH SCHOOL —

- Prepped at Plano (TX) HS, where he rushed for 1,389 yards and 15 TDs as a senior to earn All-State honors... Registered seven 100-yard and three 200-yard rushing games that season, adding 11 receptions for 151 yards
- Tallied 1,268 rushing yards and 21 TDs as a junior, after posting 991 rushing yards as a sophomore
- Was a member of the Athletic Director's Academic Honor Roll

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BRANDON STEPHENS' COLLEGE DEFENSIVE STATISTICS

DATE	TEAM	GP	GS	TACKLES								INTERCEPTIONS					FUMBLES			
				TK	S	A	TFL	YDS	SK	YDS	QBH	NO	YDS	LG	TD	PD	FF	FR	YDS	
2019	SMU	13	13	49	38	11	2.5	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	12	0	0	0
2020	SMU	10	10	43	36	7	1	6	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	10	0	1	0	
COLLEGE TOTALS		23	23	92	74	18	3.5	10	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	22	0	1	0	

BRANDON STEPHENS' COLLEGE RUSHING/RECEIVING STATISTICS

DATE	TEAM	GP	GS	RUSHING						RECEIVING				
				NO.	YDS	AVG	LG	TD	NO.	YDS.	AVG.	LG	TD	
2016	UCLA	7	0	19	95	5.0	22	0	4	39	9.8	30	0	
2017	UCLA	12	0	46	182	4.0	37	1	8	69	8.6	22	0	
2018	UCLA	2	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	
NFL TOTALS		21	0	65	277	4.3	37	1	12	108	9.0	30	0	

