

utep assistant coaching staff

OFFENSE

Assoc HC/ Co-OC/OL: Bob Connelly, 2nd year
Prior to UTEP, Connelly spent '07 coaching the OL at UCLA. He was also the OL coach at Alabama from 2003-'06. Prior to Alabama, Connelly coached the OL at Washington St under HC Price. He has also spent time at Cal St Northridge and San Jose St.

Co-OC/QBs/Ks: Aaron Price, 6th year
Price served as the QBs coach at Wash St under his father from 2001-'02. He also served as QB coach at Idaho State from 1999-'00. Price brings in 15 years of coaching experience.

Asst HC/TEs: Jeff Woodruff, 5th year
Woodruff has over 25 years of coaching experience, including 4 as HC at Eastern Michigan (11-35 from 2000-'03). He has coached in 14 bowl games.

Wide Receivers: Guy Holliday, 2nd year
Holliday begins his 2nd year at UTEP after coaching WRs at Cornell in '07. Prior to the Ivy League, he served in the same position at Miss St from 2003-'06. Overall, Holliday has 18 years of experience.

Running Back/Punters: Jeff Banks, 6th year
Banks also serves as the recruiting and ST Coord here. He came to UTEP after serving 3 years as the RB/Punter/Recruiting Coord at Idaho St (2001-'03). Banks began his coaching career under HC Price at Wash State as a grad assistant working with kickers.

DEFENSE

Defensive Coord/LB: Osia Lewis, 2nd year
Prior to UTEP, Lewis served as the DC at New Mexico from 2003-'07. Lewis spent 7 years at Illinois where he coached the LB's in '01 & '02 and the DL from '97-'00. Lewis began his coaching career as a graduate assistant at Oregon St in 1987. A 4-year letter winner as a player at OSU, he also spent time in the CFL.

Defensive Line: DeChon Burns, 2nd year
Burns spent 2 seasons as the DC and DL coach at Texas Southern prior to joining Price's staff. Burns also coached the DL at TSU prior to being promoted to DC. Burns began his coaching career in 2001 as a graduate assistant at Florida under Spurrier. He spent 2002-'04 coaching in the NFL.

Cornerbacks: Allen Johnson, 2nd year
Johnson spent 2007 at Midwestern St where he coached the defensive backs and was also the recruiting coordinator. Johnson was an offensive assistant at Oklahoma St in '06. Johnson also spent 4 years as a coach in the high school ranks.

Safeties: Jim Clark, 6th year
Clark served as the CBs coach his first 4 seasons at UTEP. He also spent 3 years at Washington St as a graduate assistant ('01-'03). Prior to WSU, Clark spent 16 years coaching at the high school level.

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