



5-10 | 195  **1st Year**

DOB: April 29, 1996 (Age 23)



**Edwardsville,
Illinois**

**Edwardsville
High School**



Southern Illinois
UDFA ('18) by Minnesota
Acquired: FA-19

EAGLES SPECIAL TEAMS

2019 TACKLE LEADERS

14 T.J. Edwards

12 Craig James

10 Duke Riley

BIRDSEED

Attended Edwardsville (IL) High School and was named a three-star recruit by ESPN, Rivals, Scout and 247Sports.

Is the son of Pamela James and has one brother, Cameron.



Originally an undrafted free agent of the Minnesota Vikings, **Craig James** signed to the Eagles practice squad in 2019 and was elevated to the 53-man roster in Week 2. As a rookie in 2018, he played in three games for the Vikings after spending time on the team's practice squad. Collegiately, James played two years at the University of Minnesota before transferring to Southern Illinois for his junior and senior seasons.

SEASON HIGHLIGHTS

2019 - PHILADELPHIA EAGLES (14/1, 1/0)

- Finished the season ranked 2nd on the team with 12 special teams tackles
- Logged 3 special teams tackles vs. NE (11/17/19), marking the most by an Eagle in a single game in 2019
- Made the first start of his NFL career in Week 5 vs. NYJ (10/6/19) and recorded his first career tackles (3)
- With the Eagles holding a 34-27 lead with 0:28 seconds remaining at GB (9/26/19) and the Packers facing a second-and-goal at the PHI 3, deflected an **Aaron Rodgers** pass intended for WR **Marquez Valdes-Scantling** that resulted in a game-clinching INT by **Nigel Bradham** in the end zone. His game-saving play happened on just the 3rd defensive snap of his NFL career

2018 - MINNESOTA VIKINGS (3/0)

- Was elevated to the 53-man roster from the Vikings practice squad in Week 13. Played in three games and made his NFL debut at NE (12/2/18)
- Along with Chad Beebe, was one of two players to appear on the Vikings active roster in 2018 after attending the team's rookie mini-camp on a tryout basis



CAREER STATISTICS

Year	Team	GP/S	TACKLES					PASS DEFENSE						FUMBLES			DEF SNAPS		
			Total	Solo	Asst	TFL	Sacks	Int	Yds	Lg	TD	PD	OPH	FF	FR	Yds	No	Pct	
2018	Minnesota	3/0	0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	--	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0%
2019	Philadelphia	14/1	6	5	1	0	0.0	0	0	--	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	69	7%
Totals		17/1	6	5	1	0	0.0	0	0	--	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	---	---

PLAYOFFS

2019	Philadelphia	1/0	0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	--	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0%
Totals		1/0	0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	--	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	---	---

ADDITIONAL STATISTICS

Special Teams Tackles: 12 - 2019 (12) Postseason Special Teams Tackles: 1 - 2019 (1)

CAREER HIGHS

Tackles	3	10/6/19 vs. NYJ
Sacks	--	---
INTs	--	---
PDs	1	2x, last: 10/6/19 vs. NYJ
FFs	--	---
FRs	--	---

COLLEGE HIGHLIGHTS

- Played at Southern Illinois as a junior (2016) and senior (2017) after beginning his collegiate career at the University of Minnesota
- Totaled 67 tackles, 5 INTs and 25 PDs in 20 career games at Southern Illinois
- Was named to the Missouri Valley Football Conference All-Newcomer Team in 2016 after finishing the season ranked second in the conference in passes defended per game. Led the Salukis with 3 INTs
- Played two years at Minnesota appeared in 18 games for the Golden Gophers. Also served as the team's primary punt returner

TRANSACTIONS

- 2018** Signed by MIN as UDFA
- 9/1/18** Waived/Injured by MIN
- 10/16/18** Signed by MIN to practice squad
- 11/27/18** Signed by MIN from practice squad to active roster
- 8/31/19** Waived by MIN
- 9/3/19** Signed by PHI to practice squad
- 9/11/19** Signed by PHI from practice squad to active roster
- 9/17/19** Waived by PHI
- 9/18/19** Signed by PHI to practice squad
- 9/24/19** Signed by PHI from practice squad to active roster

2019 GAME-BY-GAME STATISTICS (PHI)

Date	Opp	GP/S	Tot	Solo	Sk	Int	PD	FF	FR	Snaps	Pct
Sep 8	Was	W	EAGLES PRACTICE SQUAD								
Sep 15	at Atl	L	1/0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	1	2%
Sep 22	Det	L	EAGLES PRACTICE SQUAD								
Sep 26	at GB	W	1/0	0	0	0.0	0	1	0	2	3%
Oct 6	NYJ	W	1/1	3	2	0.0	0	1	0	57	97%
Oct 13	at Min	L	1/0	2	2	0.0	0	0	0	5	7%
Oct 20	at Dal	L	1/0	1	1	0.0	0	0	0	4	6%
Oct 27	at Buf	W	1/0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0%
Nov 3	Chi	W	1/0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0%
Nov 17	NE	L	1/0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0%
Nov 24	Sea	L	1/0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0%
Dec 1	at Mia	L	1/0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0%
Dec 9	NYG	W	1/0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0%
Dec 15	at Was	W	1/0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0%
Dec 22	Dal	W	1/0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0%
Dec 29	at NYG	W	1/0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0%
Totals			14/1	6	5	0.0	0	2	0	69	7%
PLAYOFFS											
Jan 5	Sea	L	1/0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0%
Totals			1/0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0%

