

ETHAN POCIC

LSU

Height: 6'6" Weight: 309 Arms: 33"

Combine:

40 yd Dash: 5.15 3 Cone: 7.89 20 yd Shuttle: 4.81 Vert: 27"

<u>Pros:</u>	<u>Cons:</u>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Great feet and hips, very flexible for height - Athletic pulling center who can move in space - Good job on zone blocking, moving his man - Good pad level or a center his height - Uses long arms effectively to press defender - Good functional strength - Recovers well when beaten - Plays with great balance, never on the ground - Intelligent, calls protections at the line 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Too tall and light in the pants to be a center - Doesn't anchor very well - Base can get too narrow at times - Not a lot of power behind his punch - Good strength but not great

Summary: Senior Ethan Pocic has been a staple on the LSU offensive line for the past three years, capping off his time in Baton Rouge as an AP All-American 3rd teamer, and a first teamer by the FWAA. He was first team All-SEC and an Academic Honor Roll student in 2015 at LSU. The Tigers have been extremely productive with Pocic on their offensive line, who is the brother of Ethan and Graham Pocic. Pocic has 37 career starts to his name at LSU and the Tigers have run for 100 yards in 28 of those contests. (Though RB Leonard Fournette has something to do with that as well.) Pocic has unusual height for a center, being listed at 6'7" by some outlets. While he is very tall for a pivot man, the Lemont III, native has great hip flexibility and great athleticism to get low enough on most cases. He does lose leverage battles at times due to his height but he works hard to get back into position when beaten. Pocic is incredibly athletic and is at his best when on the move. He shines in zone blocking assignments when he can block down the line or when he's pulling and in space. He does a great job getting hands on defenders at the 2nd level and will rarely ever give up on a block. Reports are that he's intelligent and makes proper calls at the line from the center position as well. Pocic's glaring weakness however, is his lack of strength and power. He's light in the pants and may be too tall to play center in the NFL. He doesn't do a great job rooting out defensive tackles and creating movement on his own, nor does he hit with a lot of power when he makes contact. He also struggles against powerful nose guards who can win leverage and walk him back into the pocket. Setting pocket depth for Pocic was an issue vs Alabama and their NFL groomed defensive line. With this issue, guard may be the best position for him at the next level. The bottom line though, is that Pocic has superior athleticism and intelligence. That will get you drafted high in most cases. He's a 2nd round pick who may slip into the 3rd depending on if some team falls in love with him or not. Not a complete player, but a good one in the right system.