

DAMIEN MAMA

USC

Height: 6'3" Weight: 334 Arms: 35"

Combine:

40 yd Dash: 5.84 3 Cone: 8.51 20 yd Shuttle: 5.38 Vert: 24.5"

<u>Pros:</u>	<u>Cons:</u>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Massive, strong guard prospect - Vines for arms with huge hands - Aware, with head on swivel - Good pass blocker, feet, hands posture - Powerful player with great leg drive - Good footwork, plays under control - "Get it done" mentality even if not pretty 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Weight is a bit excessive, needs to cut - Technique isn't clean - Feet and explosion are good, not great - Will most likely move to RG in NFL - Doesn't sustain initial contact on 2nd level - Will need to improve pulling technique - Will duck his head on contact - Tested very poorly, low athletic ceiling

Summary: Junior Damien Mama played almost exclusively at left guard in college. Mama was an All-PAC 12 honorable mention in 2015, and finished on the 2nd team this past season. Mama is a powerfully built guard prospect who may fit better on the right side in the NFL. He's got quick feet and a good short area burst, but he's not as athletic as you may want from an NFL left guard. Simply put, Mama is a massive load and plays like it. When he gets the chance to drive defenders off the ball he creates great space. He does so with raw power and leg drive. In pass protection, Mama is an alert player who does a great job picking up blitzers, passing off stunts and twists, and absorbing rushers. He has quick enough feet to mirror, and is strong enough to set the depth of the pocket vs bull rushers. However, Mama does all of this with only average technique. He has a habit of ducking his head on contact at times. He also doesn't have consistent footwork in run blocking. Mama looks a bit hampered by excess body weight as well and would do well to lean down to improve his movement in space and his ability to pull. Mama also needs to improve on blocking at the second level. He is able to make contact but not sustain it. He will lunge at times in blocking instead of stalking and putting himself in position. Hand placement is also an issue for the Moreno Valley, CA native. With all of that said, Mama gets the job done more times than not. He's got a determination about him to get the job done, even if he's out of position or beaten. With work on his technique and general cleaning of his game, Damien Mama could be a quality starting guard in the NFL. Mama has potential, but struggled at the combine and came in too heavy with too much wasted body mass. The question is now, can he move well at the weight he's at and can he lose weight if teams ask him to? If not, he's a 7th round pick but his potential is higher.