OG/T SR

DION DAWKINS

TEMPLE

Height: 6'4"

Weight: 315

Arms: 35"

Combine:

40 yd Dash: **3** Cone: 7.30 **20** yd Shuttle: 4.78 Vert: 26"

Pros:

- Athletic Tackle/guard combo
- Stronger lower body with great build
- Very good footwork
- Very long arms, could play tackle
- Strong player with natural power
- Aggressive but plays with intelligence
- Moves well in space, can pull

Cons:

- Can be too aggressive in pass protection
- Needs to clean up hand placement
- Doesn't win with leverage, just power
- A bit stiff
- Doesn't always play up to potential

Summary: Dawkins is a three-year starter at left tackle for the Temple Owls who is making the transition to guard before entering the NFL. He was one of four true freshman in 2013 to start at tackle in the country. Dawkins has a great blend of speed, size and strength. If he stayed at tackle he'd be one of the strongest in this draft class. His body type is suited better to guard, but his long arms say he could play tackle. He's made an impressive transition inside though, being named the top offensive lineman at the Senior Bowl. While he's got a lot of talent and potential, Dawkins doesn't always play up to it. He's aggressive and assertive as a blocker, but needs to play with more leverage and not lean so much. In pass protection he's got great footwork but leans too much into the defender and opens himself up to swim moves. He's a naturally strong, well-built lineman, but has hand-placement issues and robs himself of power. Watching his film can be frustrating at times but Dawkins seems to be on the right track to being a very talented NFL lineman. His potential hasn't been realized yet and that's the type of player that NFL teams love. He's a first to early second round pick with all-pro potential.