



# Marcus Davenport

## UT-San Antonio

**HEIGHT:** 6'6"**WEIGHT:** 264**ARMS:** 33.5"**COMBINE:****40 YD DASH:** 4.58**3 CONE:** 7.20**20 YD SHUTTLE:** 4.41**VERT:** 33.5"

### PROS

- Height/weight/speed monster
- Big frame with room to grow
- Explosive first step, tireless rusher
- Strong jolt in hands on contact
- Nasty player who likes to whip opponent
- Shows knack for getting into rush lanes

### CONS

- Shorter arms than expected
- Plays very stiff and high, huge red flag
- Simply dominated didn't use technique
- Very raw, still new to football
- Likes to get into shoving matches with OL
- Doesn't usually have a plan when rushing
- Constantly out of position, poor instincts

## SUMMARY

Let's be clear, Marcus Davenports draft stock is all about potential and not about game film. The former Roadrunner has the size, speed and explosive first step that is uncommon for defensive ends coming out of college. He's gotten much bigger over the past two years and looks like he can still add more muscle to his frame, especially in his lower half. Davenport also has a nasty nature that defensive line coaches love to see. He wants to beat his blocker on every play and punishes those that challenge him with violent hands and a relentless attacking mentality. The problem is that Davenport's game is far from polished. He hasn't been playing football for that long and has very poor instincts right now. He also doesn't have many pass rushing moves, if any. He's slow to react to the ball and is slower to diagnose play action passes. The San Antonio native spends too much time getting into shoving matches with the lineman who is blocking him. All of that can be corrected. The issue that may not be correctable is Davenports incredibly stiff playing style. He plays upright with high pads and very little power compared to what he could have. He doesn't change directions well and doesn't show an ability to bend and turn the way elite pass rushers normally do. Without this, his value is limited as a prospect who doesn't do a lot well right now. Very much a boom or bust pick who will likely be taken in the 1<sup>st</sup> round by a team that bets on his potential.