2023 BCS QB Scouting Report

Player: Anthony Richardson
School: Florida
Year: (RS) Sophomore
Games Watched: USF (2021), LSU (2021 & 2022), Georgia (2021 & 2022), Utah (2022), Texas A&M (2022)

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Accuracy: Will see improvements here once he makes the necessary mechanical adjustments. Three seasons of sub-60% completion rate, which isn't all that surprising considering where he is mechanically and the plethora of deeper throws he was tasked with that are inherently low-probability (his career aDOT and Air Yards Percentage were both notably high).

Arm Strength: Arguably the top arm talent in the class with the likeliest challenger being Kentucky's Will Levis. Carries little tension in his arm, allowing him to rip throws at a moment's notice. Ball jumps off his hand with a high number of RPMs. Will have no problem attacking Cover-2 voids or over the middle of the field at the next level.

Size: Measures 6'4", 232 pounds with a muscular frame. Appears muscular with broad shoulders and big hands.

Mobility: Strong, fast, and smooth as a runner who thrives with the ball in his hands. Can both break and elude tackles at various points of the field, often requiring more than one defender to bring him down. Will get a perfect score in this category because of his size/mobility combination.

Decision Making: Still learning to temper the speed in which he plays, it wasn't uncommon for him to play rushed or pressed and see it generate mistakes. Did a good job of avoiding sacks. High percentage of Big-Time Throws and Turnover-Worthy Plays highlights the highs and lows that remain with his development.

Out of Structure Ability: Escape artist with a knack for creating big plays as the environment becomes more chaotic.

Pocket Awareness: Can slide in all directions within the pocket in a timely fashion and recognize where his exit points are. Wants to win in and throw from the pocket first, but bailed a number of clean pockets.

Touch/Placement: Still learning when to exchange the fastball for the change-up, especially as throws get longer.

Upper/Lower Mechanics: More of a pronounced windup in his throw that didn't seem to hinder his timing, but occasionally created ball-security issues. Tried to arm a number of vertical shots that left excess air underneath them and lead to negative results. The width of base is his biggest detractor and left too many throws on the field, most notably in the face of confined pockets.

Progressions: Shows he can move defenders with his eyes and navigate route concepts against zone coverage, but still gets lost against movement amongst underneath defenders. Lacks a developed feel for route timing and how to regularly within rhythm, but there was improvement through the 2022 campaign.

Accuracy (15): 10.75

Arm Strength (10): 10

Size (5): 4.5

Mobility (10): 10

Decision Making (10): 6.75

Out of Structure Ability (10): 9.75

Pocket Awareness (10): 7

Touch/Placement (10): 6.5

Upper/Lower Mechanics (10): 6

Progressions (10): 6.5

Grade: 77.75/100 – Day 2

Summary: Physically and athletically gifted beyond other prospects at the position (again, aside from likely only Levis), Richardson made clear strides in 2022 and showed more advancement than he had in years prior despite just 478 career dropbacks. Nevertheless, he remains noticeably inconsistent in regards to multiple facets of the position with upside through the roof. With the way contracts, and teams for that matter, are structured, most quarterbacks aren't sitting for a full season in year one. Richardson will be a first-round pick, so expect to see the low-floor, high-ceiling player at some point as a rookie before he offers full-time potential down the road.

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2023 BCS QB Scouting Report

Player: Tanner McKee
School: Stanford
Year: Junior
Games Watched: Kansas State (2021), USC (2021), Washington (2021 & 2022), Notre Dame (2021), Utah (2022), Oregon (2022), BYU (2022)

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Accuracy: Accuracy was put to the test seemingly every week because of his receivers' inability to separate. Saw diminished accuracy when he was forced off his spot or forced to deliver in constricted pockets.

Arm Strength: Rotational passer with little inability to generate power and velocity. Don't see many passers with his height able to adjust arm angles and shoot the ball out of his hand like him. Ability to generate velocity and RPMs opens up the field, doing so even when he's on the move.

Size: At 6'6", 230 pounds, McKee physically looks every bit the part of the "prototypical" quarterback.

Mobility: Moves with quickness and fluidity in tight quarters beyond what you would expect for someone with his height, but his escapability has notable limitations.

Decision Making: Cut down on his high-variance play from 2021 though he took more sacks than desired. Generally isn't one to take unreasonable chances with the ball, showing an understanding of his strengths.

Out of Structure Ability: Not much of a true extender or creator who's going to make the second-reaction throws and effectively work late in the down. More designed for a timing-and-rhythm passing game where he won't have to regularly adlib.

Pocket Awareness: Struggles to sense movement up front and delayed rushers, causing him to drift into the face of it. Put a number of good reps on tape with his ability to find and create space as the edges collapse, he just needs to be more consistent as a whole.

Touch/Placement: Hasn't mastered when to take some juice off the ball and layer/drop it in, showing a number of second-level throws that sailed on him and generally resulted in negative outcomes.

Upper/Lower Mechanics: Can over a longer windup created by his length for impressive release quickness and posture, shouldn't have many issues getting the ball out on time

at the next level. Has easy pump and reset skills. Lacks consistent balance and spacing in his base, most notably when setting up off of play-action.

Progressions: Mental clock has some speeding up that needs to happen, but there is still a relative lack of experience compared to most others in this class. Adept at hanging patiently in the pocket and allowing things to come open. Usually doesn't look fazed or hurried in his process.

Accuracy (15): 11.25

Arm Strength (10): 8.75

Size (5): 5

Mobility (10): 5.25

Decision Making (10): 7

Out of Structure Ability (10): 5.5

Pocket Awareness (10): 6.75

Touch/Placement (10): 6.5

Upper/Lower Mechanics (10): 7

Progressions (10): 7

Grade: 70/100 – Day 2

Summary: McKee has something of a unique background: he beat cancer at 16 and has drawn recognition for the long sleeves he wears on gameday. He is also older than most true juniors because of a two-year mission he took prior to enrolling at Stanford as a member of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints. He will turn 23 on the first night of the draft. There is plenty of upside with McKee that has resulted in first-round discussion, an understandable facet when you turn on the film and see the traits as a passer. McKee has the makings of a starting NFL quarterback in spite of his athletic limitations.

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2023 BCS QB Scouting Report
Player: Stetson Bennett
School: Georgia
Year: (RS) Senior
Games Watched: Alabama x2 (2021) Michigan (2021 & 2022), Oregon (2022), Kentucky (2022), LSU (2022), Ohio State (2022), TCU (2022)

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Accuracy: Will stand back there and pick defenses apart when given a clean pocket, he just hasn't been consistent when pressure is bearing down on him. He became more accurate and more efficient in 2022 than in years prior when he didn't have to challenge down the field as often.

Arm Strength: Has arm talent deficiencies that are hard to miss in regard to the different speeds/arm angles, but his pure arm strength is fine. The ball comes off his hand quickly as he can compensate for his lack of NFL-level arm talent by throwing on time and in rhythm.

Size: Listed at 5'11", 190 pounds. He's muscular but notably small by NFL standards. You worry about being able to utilize one of his better attributes as a runner at the next level.

Mobility: Can generate offense when he pulls it down, showing he can evade defenders in short areas and ignite enough speed to reel off explosive gains.

Decision Making: Seems to understand his strengths and limitations as a passer with his decisions to put the ball into play. Adept at avoiding sacks while living to fight another down.

Out of Structure Ability: Made marked improvements in his effectiveness beyond the pocket between in 2021 and 2022 though placement deficiencies in this area still exist. Pocket Awareness: Will inaccurately gauge interior pressure and fail to step into the throw despite there being room, causing them to hang in the air. Elusive in the pocket with the ability to quietly traverse.

Touch/Placement: Can float deeper throws to receivers running away from him, but there is a lot of air underneath them.

Upper/Lower Mechanics: Probably his best when setting off of play-action and establishing a rhythm to deliver an on-time ball. Low carriage point creates a lower windup that intensifies his ability to get on top of throws. Drive throws will die out on him because he's not efficient with his rotation.

Progressions: Can be reluctant to pull the trigger when the right read is only slightly open. Has the field vision to scan and double back in a timely manner. Can't ignore that he was aided by big throwing windows with schemed-open opportunities.

Accuracy (15): 10

Arm Strength (10): 5.25

Size (5): 2.5

Mobility (10): 7

Decision Making (10): 7

Out of Structure Ability (10): 5.5

Pocket Awareness (10): 6.25

Touch/Placement (10): 5

Upper/Lower Mechanics (10): 5

Progressions (10): 6

Grade: 59.5/100 – Day 3

Summary: As I mentioned with Max Duggan, Bennett will likely draw comparisons to Brock Purdy and it's easy to see why with what their skillsets are as passers. He offers a fascinating background and career arc that will endear him to NFL decision-makers, but his recent arrest and decision to skip the Senior Bowl will certainly warrant a deeper look. Being small and turning 26 during your rookie season also doesn't bode well for someone that isn't a special prospect. Expect the Heisman finalist and two-time National Champion to hear his name called on the third day.

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2023 BCS QB Scouting Report

Player: Max Duggan
School: TCU
Year: Senior
Games Watched: Cal (2021), Texas (2021), Oklahoma (2021, Kansas State (2021 & 2022),
West Virginia (2022), Michigan (2022), Georgia (2022)

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Accuracy: Ability to anticipate and throw on time ran hot and cold, forcing receivers into an adjustment. Offense tasked him with vertical throws which are naturally lower-percentage and provide greater context for his completion percentage. Can throw darts at the underneath level that are placed where they need to be.

Arm Strength: Has to really load up when trying to stretch the field, laboring to get it down the field and finishing with excessive upper-body tilt because of his launch point/inability to properly rotate through the throw.

Size: Measured in 6'1", 204 pounds at the Senior Bowl with nearly 10-inch hands (9 7/8). Shows some proportionate mass.

Mobility: Shows true dual-threat capabilities as a tough, athletic runner who can generate offense away from the pocket. Initial quickness develops into the long speed to create explosive gains as a ball carrier

Decision Making: Steady progression is encouraging with a TD:INT ratio that improved each season. Level of play rebounded in 2022 and showed more of a penchant for the big play, but he elected to hold on the ball too long or put it into harm's way down the field too often.

Out of Structure Ability: Has a loose arm to make throws when he's on the move, just doesn't do a good-enough job of putting throws where they need to be. Eyes are down field while extending the play to remain ready to pull the trigger.

Pocket Awareness: Had no plan and little inability to escape the closest replica of NFL pressure in the National Championship. Can become too concerned with immediate pressure that he will throw blindly into trouble.

Touch/Placement: Saw too many intermediate throws sail when trying to blend touch and velocity.

Upper/Lower Mechanics: Low carriage point creates a pronounced windup with only some pop out of his hand, forcing him to be on time at a regular rate and giving

defenders a chance to play catch-up when he wasn't. Too much disassociation between his upper and lower halves to be consistently accurate at all three levels.

Progressions: Offense did him some favors by creating space and windows with most reads sticking to one side of the field. Love the willingness to challenge down the field, but he needs to be more aware of where defenders end up following pre-snap movement. Telegraphed throws to the short side, giving deep defenders the opportunity to race over and make a play.

Accuracy (15): 9.75

Arm Strength (10): 6

Size (5): 3.25

Mobility (10): 7.5

Decision Making (10): 6.5

Out of Structure Ability (10): 6

Pocket Awareness (10): 6

Touch/Placement (10): 5.75

Upper/Lower Mechanics (10): 6

Progressions (10): 5.5

Grade: 62.25/100 – Day 3

Summary: The Heisman runner-up has a wealth of experience, registering more than 3,000 career snaps according to PFF. There is also legitimate entertainment value to his play as a competitor who can spark an offense on the ground and through the air, trusting his guys to make a play when the ball's up for grabs. Duggan will be one to watch closely at the Senior Bowl for a closer look at how his skillset coalesces with high-level competition. He and Stetson Bennett are going to draw comparisons to Brock Purdy and it's understandable with where they are as passers and what they offer athletically. Nevertheless, Duggan projects as a later Day 3 pick with spot-starter capabilities.

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2023 BCS QB Scouting Report

Player: Jaren Hall
School: BYU
Year: (RS) Junior
Games Watched: Virginia (2021), USC (2021), Baylor (2022), Oregon (2022), Liberty (2022), Notre Dame (2022), Wyoming (2022), Arkansas (2022)

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Accuracy: Has shown pinpoint placement down the field, dropping vertical throws into the bucket with the desired mix of touch and velocity. Three seasons of an Adjusted Completion Percentage over 70 percent despite operating a vertical passing game.

Arm Strength: Easy arm talent is open to all areas of the field, showing no trouble sticking field-side throws in there. Feasted on deep two-high voids with throws featuring heavy rotation.

Size: Size leaves more to be desired at 6'1", 205 pounds though he sports a muscular frame throughout.

Mobility: Pairs some creativity with quality athleticism to make an impact in the QB-run game. Will find success in keeping the chains moving at the next level with his ability to pull it down and go.

Decision Making: More careless with the ball this past season despite general reliability. Played with adequate sack avoidance, showing a quick mental clock and the desire to live to fight another day.

Out of Structure Ability: Frustrates defenses with his second-reaction throws and ability to keep the play moving as he gets beyond the pocket. Will put too much reliance on his arm and opt for the off-platform throw when there is an opportunity to reset his feet.

Pocket Awareness: Will float and drift in the pocket, but generally shows poise and comfort. Wasn't shy about standing and delivering in the face of pressure.

Touch/Placement: Stretches the field vertically by lofting throws that land in stride and keep receivers on their routes more often than not.

Upper/Lower Mechanics: Active with his feet and base while scanning the field to deliver a catchable throw when he's ready. More than a few level-three throws were hung in the air because he failed to fully finish through the throw. Release is quick and compact.

Progressions: Wasn't uncommon for him to lock on to his targets and lose sight of backside defenders. Majority of his responsibility was kept to one side of the field. Shows an inconsistent ability to recognize defensive leverage that resulted in both well-placed backside throws and opportunities for the defense to capitalize.

Accuracy (15): 12

Arm Strength (10): 8.25

Size (5): 3.25

Mobility (10): 7.25

Decision Making (10): 7

Out of Structure Ability (10): 7.75

Pocket Awareness (10): 7

Touch/Placement (10): 7.75

Upper/Lower Mechanics (10): 7.5

Progressions (10): 7.25

Grade: 75/100 – Day 2

Summary: Injuries have been a thorn in Hall's side during his time as a Cougar, missing three games in 2021 and the final game of the 2022 campaign. He was also sidelined for the 2020 season due to a hip injury and had to leave multiple games the year prior with concussions. He utilized a medical redshirt in 2020 for said hip injury, so he technically has two season of eligibility remaining, but Hall will be 25 on the first night of the NFL Draft. Injuries plus age will impact him much like it will Hendon Hooker, hopefully a strong showing at the Senior Bowl and a clear medical check will elevate his draft stock.

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2023 BCS QB Scouting Report

Player: Jake Haener
School: Fresno State
Year: (RS) Senior
Games Watched: Oregon (2021), UCLA (2021), Hawaii (2021), Oregon State (2022), USC (2022), Hawaii (2022), Washington State (2022)

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Accuracy: Ability to recognize coverage and anticipate how it's unfolding allows him to play pitch-and-catch against zone. Consistently throws within rhythm to maximize yards after the catch. Maintaining accuracy in a confined pocket has been inconsistent. Three seasons as a starter with an Adjusted Completion Percentage of 72% or higher.

Arm Strength: Loose arm propels the ball out quickly and allows him to find receivers when off-platform. Will struggle to stick throws into tight windows at the next level and regularly attack field-side.

Size: Shorter, thinner-framed passer whose sustainability will be something to monitor at the next level. His shorter stature also contributes to a lower arm slot upon delivery.

Mobility: Athleticism is present in his ability to evade pressure in the pocket and generate offense as a ball carrier. Can maintain placement when on the move.

Decision Making: Impressive production over the last three seasons is aided by his propensity to protect the ball. Had a lower percentage of Turnover Worthy Plays via PFF.

Out of Structure Ability: Improvisational capabilities create success outside of structure with his ability to complete throws late in the down.

Pocket Awareness: Has an understanding of where his exit points and how pressure is developing around him, but there were more reps than desired of him drifting into pressure or bailing prematurely for an older player.

Touch/Placement: Shows the ability to layer intermediate throws with the right blend of touch velocity, allowing for optimal run-after-the-catch opportunities. Deep shots have enough arc and pace for receivers to run underneath.

Upper/Lower Mechanics: Drops need to tighten to maintain an improved throw-ready base, creating a multitude of timing and accuracy issues when trying to attack down the field. Generates adequate power despite him being more linear than rotational, could be a result of his injuries.

Progressions: Scheme created ample space for him, but the ability to quickly process the heavy amount of field-side reads is there. Has cut down on the number of reps in which he brought the opposite safety into the play each season.

Accuracy (15): 11

Arm Strength (10): 6.5

Size (5): 3

Mobility (10): 6

Decision Making (10): 7

Out of Structure Ability (10): 6

Pocket Awareness (10): 7

Touch/Placement (10): 7

Upper/Lower Mechanics (10): 6

Progressions (10): 6.5

Grade: 66/100 – Late Day 2

Summary: Haener's return from an injury in 2022 played a major role in their 9-game win streak to finish the season. Though he's tough and competitive, Haener has dealt with hip and high-ankle sprain ailments across the last two seasons that teams will be keen on cross-referencing. Haener grades as a third-rounder though passers with his skillset and physical profile are generally popular on Day Three, so a strong showing at the Senior Bowl and whatever combination of NFL Combine/Pro Day he elects to participate in have a chance to place him into an early Day 3 pick.

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2023 BCS QB Scouting Report

Player: Hendon Hooker
School: Tennessee
Year: (RS) Senior
Games Watched: Pittsburgh (2021), Ole Miss (2021), Georgia (2021), Purdue (2021),
Florida (2022) LSU (2022), Alabama (2022)

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Accuracy: Completed a high percentage of his passes in a vertical offense. Feet can become scrambled from his drops and prevent the creation of the proper hallway, leaving throws high or behind.

Arm Strength: Easy ability to generate strength and velocity down the field. Can come off his three-step drops and squeeze throws into Cover-2 holes on time.

Size: Stands 6'4", 218 pounds with a muscular frame, but additional mass will help.

Mobility: More than enough speed and quickness for the position with the ability to break tackles in different ways. Depending on his injury recovery, will likely be counted on in the QB-run game because of how strong and effective he is as a runner.

Decision Making: Carefulness has improved the more he's played and has never really been at a dangerous level. Took a higher number of sacks than desired the last two years because he struggled to pull the trigger on time.

Out of Structure Ability: Has the athleticism to be a creator beyond the pocket and work later into the down. Disassociation between his upper and lower halves when on the move negates optimal placement.

Pocket Awareness: Movements within the pocket can become exaggerated, but the understanding of when to make them is there. Eyes usually remain down the field when making his movements. Continued pressure occasionally pushes him deeper in the pocket throughout games.

Touch/Placement: Deep balls are thrown with the right blend of touch and velocity to run over and touch down while receivers are in stride. Has shown he can throw the changeup when necessary.

Upper/Lower Mechanics: Allow his hips to lead and rotate through the throw and finish with the ball snapping off his hand. Drops in the pocket aren't consistently balanced or in rhythm with the concept, needs to do a better job of staying on the ground between said drops. Longer limbs create a longer windup, but it doesn't seem to deter him.

Progressions: System didn't require him to make man full-field reads and often helped throws come open. NFL spacing was rarely featured or forced him to throw into next-level windows. Did well to hold backside and MOF defenders with his eyes before working back play-side. Will he have to see it to throw it the next level?

Accuracy (15): 11.5

Arm Strength (10): 7.5

Size (5): 4

Mobility (10): 8.5

Decision Making (10): 7.25

Out of Structure Ability (10): 7.5

Pocket Awareness (10): 7

Touch/Placement (10): 7.5

Upper/Lower Mechanics (10): 6.5

Progressions (10): 5

Grade: 72.25/100 – Day 2

Summary: Hooker was highly productive across two Power 5 stops with 2021 and 2022 campaigns that showed clear improvement. However, the combination of age (25), offensive system, and current injury creates a notable division between his grade and actual draft slot (likely late Day 3 pending his medical checks). It is important to separate what you're watching from what can or will translate. Hooker's NFL future will be predicated on how well he recovers from his torn ACL and how effectively his skillset adapts to the next level.

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2023 BCS QB Scouting Report

Player: Dorian Thompson-Robinson
School: UCLA
Year: (RS) Senior
Games Watched: LSU (2021), Stanford (2021), Washington (2021), USC (2021 & 2022),
Bowling Green (2022), Oregon (2022), Arizona State (2022), Pitt (2022)

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Accuracy: Gives his receivers enough of a chance to do something after the catch, but that ability wanes in the face of pressure. Other accuracy issues stemming from mechanical troubles as noted below.

Arm Strength: Has some step-and-crank ability to drive intermediate seams/crossers and field-side out routes. Athleticism carries over to his arm talent as a passer who can make the off-platform/altered arm angle throws look routine.

Size: On the shorter and thinner side, but packs a muscular frame at 6'1", 205 pounds.

Mobility: Arguably his best trait as an athletic passer with speed and quickness to generate offense when he pulls it down. Offers some creativity as a runner whose prep background as a receiver has been on full display with the ball in his hands. Loose and twitchy to quickly find an optimal base and make subtle movements within the pocket.

Decision Making: Generally makes decisions on time, but it wasn't uncommon for him to invite defenders into a handful of throws because of his tendency to telegraph his decisions. Needs to speed his mental clock up to avoid the amount of pressure he dealt with.

Out of Structure Ability: Smooth and controlled in his movements. Generally does a good job of looking to make the throw before defaulting to his running traits as he gets beyond the pocket and extends the play. Mobility and athleticism allow him to find success in unfriendly environments.

Pocket Awareness: Eyes remain down field when traveling within and beyond the pocket. Tends to rush or abandon his process at early signs of pressure rather than hanging in a constricted pocket.

Touch/Placement: Able to blend touch and velocity to hit vertical routes on the run. Placement deficiencies were often the result of scattered footwork or trying to make throws late.

Upper/Lower Mechanics: Motion is smooth, but comes with an exaggerated loop that takes longer to get the ball out and puts his arm behind his lower half. Falls out of his throws far too often, leaving them in the air longer than desired. Struggles to connect his eyes and feet and keep the latter quiet to maintain accuracy.

Progressions: Can scan and work through his options, but had a frustrating number of reps where he made pre-determined decisions and lacked full-field vision that ultimately got him in trouble.

Accuracy (15): 9

Arm Strength (10): 6.5

Size (5): 3

Mobility (10): 8

Decision Making (10): 5

Out of Structure Ability (10): 8

Pocket Awareness (10): 5.5

Touch/Placement (10): 6

Upper/Lower Mechanics (10): 5

Progressions (10): 5

Grade: 61/100 – Day 3

Summary: DTR capped an illustrious career as the Bruins' all-time leader in total offense and the only player in school history with more than 12,000 total yards (12,236). He's still relatively new to the position having played it for the first time as a high school senior and was improving at the collegiate level with live reps before experiencing some regression this past season. A strong showing at the Shrine Bowl will certainly help Thompson-Robinson's stock, though he has a skillset and upside to warrant a selection.

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2023 BCS QB Scouting Report

Player: Clayton Tune
School: Houston
Year: Senior
Games Watched: Texas Tech (2021), Auburn (2021), UConn (2021), UTSA (2022), Texas Tech (2022), Kansas (2022), SMU (2022)

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Accuracy: Puts the ball where he needs to while rarely putting it in harm's way (his 2.7 percent of Turnover-Worthy Plays was one of the lowest in the country among passers with a minimum of 200 attempts in 2021). Maintains a winnable level of accuracy in chaotic environments or from non-stationary positions though it did wane down the field.

Arm Strength: Can drive intermediate throws and challenge down the field, but some of the NFL-level attempts required an additional hitch for extra juice. Has the arm talent to be an NFL starter in some capacity.

Size: Prototypical size at 6'3", 220 pounds with a build that can sustain next-level contact.

Mobility: Can frustrate defenses with his escapability which correlates to his successful out-of-structure skills. Was adequately utilized in the QB-run game because of his athleticism/ability to generate offense as a ball-carrier.

Decision Making: Majority of his turnovers were the result of over-confidence in his abilities or struggles to locate intermediate to deep defenders, yet they were more of inconsistencies than true struggles that make him a less-trustworthy passer.

Out of Structure Ability: Athleticism allows him to effectively generate offense and keep the offense operating when he gets beyond the pocket. Adept at locating and creating space while keeping his eyes down the field.

Pocket Awareness: Generally comfortable playing within the pocket, but will run into pressure or leave constricted pockets on occasion. Does well to climb and reset when he has the space.

Touch/Placement: Possesses both traits in spades, showcasing a number of throws down the field in which receivers rarely had to break or alter their strides.

Upper/Lower Mechanics: Will close himself off too drastically, forcing him to rotate around a stiff plant leg and thus negates velocity and placement as throw get longer. Footwork has been up and down, particularly that back leg that struggles to direct his

hallway. Can snap into a sound base and get the ball out quickly when forced off his spot.

Progressions: Did well to work through his options and hold defenders with his eyes despite the occasional pre-determined throw that got him in trouble.

Accuracy (15): 11

Arm Strength (10): 6.5

Size (5): 4

Mobility (10): 6.5

Decision Making (10): 7

Out of Structure Ability (10): 6.5

Pocket Awareness (10): 6.5

Touch/Placement (10): 6.5

Upper/Lower Mechanics (10): 5.5

Progressions (10): 6.75

Grade: 66.75/100 – Day 3

Summary: Tune's durability and production throughout his career rival that of any FBS-eligible prospect at the position, finishing his career as one of the most decorated passers in the history of a program known for quarterbacks. His level of play seemingly improved each season before reaching its apex in his final campaign. The mechanical issues need correcting, but Tune has the athleticism and skillset to become a quality spot-starter in the NFL as a mid-round pick.

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Player: C.J. Stroud
School: Ohio State
Year: Sophomore
Games Watched: Oregon (2021), Michigan (2021 & 2022), Michigan State (2021), Utah (2021), Notre Dame (2022), Rutgers (2022), Georgia (2022)

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Accuracy: Finished with a lower completion percentage in 2022 though the offense took more lower-percentage shots down the field. Finished both seasons with an Adjusted Completion Percentage above 70 percent. Can stand back there and throw darts to pick you apart, but maintaining said accuracy in the face of pressure took a worrisome hit.

Arm Strength: Arm talent takes a back seat to a number of guys in this class, but is still NFL-caliber. Will likely have struggles to beat man coverage at the next level. Entrusted with deep crossers and out routes off of play-action that he hit without much struggle.

Size: Stands 6'3" with a muscular 218-pound frame that has room for additional mass.

Mobility: Not a runner though he gives an offense enough to escape trouble. Shows some short-area movement skills that can evade free rushers early in the rep. Looks comfortable and smooth executing move-the-pocket throws, generating adequate torque and rotation as necessary.

Decision Making: Rarely one to take sacks or put the ball in harm's way. Because of his understanding of alignment and leverage, he's not one to put in the air and give the defense a chance.

Out of Structure Ability: Reached its peak against Georgia in the playoffs, showing encouraging flashes that it can be unlocked and sustained long-term. Gets beyond the pocket and whips throws at various levels, just needs to place them accordingly at a more consistent rate.

Pocket Awareness: Advanced spatial awareness with the ability to locate and work to space in the pocket, but needs to trim the fat in some of his movements. Can take his patience from good to great by hanging in a hair longer, but overall he is very sound within the pocket.

Touch/Placement: Layers throws over the middle with the right blend of velocity and touch to regularly give his receivers a chance. Will drop, set, and throw because he anticipates when receivers are coming open, combining with his natural passing skills to deliver well-placed throws.

Upper/Lower Mechanics: Silky-smooth motion and release that gets back to the desired neutral position and generates good spin off his hand. Occasionally takes an extra hitch that negates his ability to throw from a sound base, causing throws to sail. Can snap into an efficient platform, but had to do so more often than desired because his feet were too loud.

Progressions: Timing and rhythm are superior to most, if not all, in this class. Ball is constantly coming out when it needs to in quick game. Strong peripheral vision to quickly work to his next option and see the entire field despite occasionally getting lost in the vortex of underneath coverage.

Accuracy (15): 12.25

Arm Strength (10): 7.25

Size (5): 3.75

Mobility (10): 7.25

Decision Making (10): 9

Out of Structure Ability (10): 7

Pocket Awareness (10): 9.25

Touch/Placement (10): 9

Upper/Lower Mechanics (10): 8.5

Progressions (10): 9.75

Grade: 83/100 – Day One

Summary: Stroud has been highly efficient and productive across two seasons as a starter, and though his play in 2022 was less impressive than the year prior, he is a bonafide NFL passer. Saving arguably his best for last against the eventual National Champions was an encouraging sign heading into draft season, showcasing dynamic play-making ability that had the Georgia Bulldogs on the ropes. With all the requisite tools and upside to be a quality starter in the NFL, expect Stroud to become a top-5 selection.

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2023 BCS QB Scouting Report

Player: Bryce Young
School: Alabama
Year: Junior
Games Watched: Florida (2021), Georgia x2 (2021), Texas (2022), Tennessee (2022), LSU (2022), Kansas State (2022)

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Accuracy: Never finished any of his three seasons with an Adjusted Completion Percentage below 75%, highlighting his ability to put the ball where it needs to be at all three levels. Showed a nuanced ability to put throws high or low when it was convenient.

Arm Strength: Arc and pace champion who understands what type of throw he needs to make with the ability to rev up the RPMs when necessary. Makes the wide-side and intermediate drive throws with relative ease, while showing no signs of trouble attacking posts, corners, and nines.

Size: Size and build will raise questions about his durability at the next level as more mass is needed. Of NFL Combine attendees since its inception in 2000, only four quarterbacks 6-foot or below have been first-rounders; only three weighing 201 pounds or less were drafted at all, the highest being Pat White who was the 44th overall selection in 2009 at 197 pounds.

Mobility: Evades pressure with both speed and quickness, showing adequate dual-threat capabilities to thrive when he's off-script. Mobility heightens what he does beyond structure.

Decision Making: Accuracy was the biggest beneficiary of this because he was regularly making the correct decision. Has cut down on the hero ball, but took a handful of questionable chances last year.

Out of Structure Ability: Twitchy athlete with a sense of creativity when improvising, allowing him to thrive later in the down. Will give offenses enough of a running presence when he has to default to his feet.

Pocket Awareness: Does well to search for space within the pocket before looking to bail, but prematurely tapped into his backyard style of play on occasion.

Touch/Placement: Receivers running to and under deeper throws was a constant theme and helped his pass-catchers maximize offense with the ball in their hands. Gives his guys a chance to make at all areas of the field because of how the throw is placed.

Upper/Lower Mechanics: Drops are often lackadaisical and forced him to play catch-up with his base and footwork. Shorter passer creates a shorter stroke that can shoot the ball out at a moment's notice despite being more of a linear thrower. Will create a domino affect of standing narrow at the top, over-striding, and then leaving level two throws slightly high. Can access different platforms and arm angles to attack down the field in the face of chaos.

Progressions: Shows a quick processing of field-side reads with the ability to double back or patiently locating number on vertical/horizonal stretches. Needs to be careful when working to intermediate options late in the down, most of which were to the field where a longer throw was riskier.

Accuracy (15): 14

Arm Strength (10): 9

Size (5): 2.5

Mobility (10): 8

Decision Making (10): 9.5

Out of Structure Ability (10): 9.5

Pocket Awareness (10): 9.5

Touch/Placement (10): 9.5

Upper/Lower Mechanics (10): 7.5

Progressions (10): 9.5

Grade: 88.5/100 – Day One

Summary: Young met the challenge of his recruiting status with elite two-year production in college football's toughest conference. The weaknesses in Young's are merely inconsistencies, the occasional hiccup that naturally occurs because, well, no player is inherently perfect; the real challenge for Young is going to be his physical make-up. He's in the mold of Kyler Murry as a shorter passer with arm talent well beyond what his size suggestions suggest and the short-area skills that creates success when the environment around him crumbles. The 2021 Heisman Trophy winner has a transcendent

skillset that will warrant a top-5 selection and very well could make him the number one selection in the 2023 NFL Draft.

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2023 BCS QB Scouting Report

Player: Aidan O'Connell
School: Purdue
Year: (RS) Senior
Games Watched: Ohio State (2021), Tennessee (2021), Wisconsin (2021 & 2022), Penn State (2022), Nebraska (2022), Michigan (2022)

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Accuracy: Adequate general accuracy that waned when he had to step into it and crank it. Question if he has the ability to place throws where they need to be when the windows shrink at the next level.

Arm Strength: Average arm when attacking down the field, but his ability to hit the level two/deep intermediate throws at the next level is a real concern. Often required an additional hitch or crow hop-style of finish to find the juice on deep shots.

Size: Lacks true mass and musculature, but is a sizeable prospect at 6'3", 210 pounds.

Mobility: Deficient speed and quickness with some stiffness created by his leggy build, will struggle to effectively evade pressure at the next level.

Decision Making: Does well to stay on schedule and avoid sacks. Has a propensity to lock on to his reads and bring defenders into the throw. Can lose underneath zone defenders, resulting in him throwing blind. Willingness to put it up and let his guys make a play had its peak and valleys.

Out of Structure Ability: Extends well enough, but won't be counted on to create beyond the pocket. Doesn't show many arm angles or off-platform throws in his skillset.

Pocket Awareness: Flashes of maneuvering and climbing within the pocket, but he was often skittish and unaware of the true depth of interior pressure.

Touch/Placement: Can unload a feathery deep ball with good rotation that receivers can run under. Better at throwing to receivers moving away from him and towards space.

Upper/Lower Mechanics: Upper/Lower Mechanics: Lacks great off-hand stabilization to really pull himself through the finish of the throw. Shows pronounced struggles aligning his hips and feet to create his hallway, forcing him to find receivers with his arm. Not uncommon for him to throw from an unsettled base, heightening his struggles to rotate through the throw and come to balance. Appears to have minimal scapula/shoulder rotation along with a low elbow, creating a stiffer motion that puts a cap on exit velocity.

Progressions: Anticipatory thrower with adequate timing and rhythm. Was a good fit for Purdue's system that relied on play action/move-the-pocket throws with 2-man surfaces and schemed-open opportunities down the field. It will be interesting to see what his week at the Shrine Bowl can do for him.

Accuracy (15): 9

Arm Strength (10): 5.5

Size (5): 3.5

Mobility (10): 4.5

Decision Making (10): 5

Out of Structure Ability (10): 3

Pocket Awareness (10): 5

Touch/Placement (10): 6

Upper/Lower Mechanics (10): 3.5

Progressions (10): 7

Grade: 52/100 – Day 3/UDFA

Summary: O'Connell's journey was rather unconventional having walked-on in 2017 before grasping the starting role four years later. His first year as a starter was a success as a Second Team All-Big 10 selection before taking a step back in 2022 with fewer touchdowns and more interceptions. His litany of mechanical issues negate optimal placement and velocity, and a 25-year-old rookie with limited athleticism/physical traits suggests a Day Three/UDFA potential.

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2023 BCS QB Scouting Report

Player: Will Levis
School: Kentucky
Year: Senior
Games Watched: Florida (2021 & 2022), LSU (2021), Georgia (2021 & 2022), Iowa (2021),
Mississippi State (2022), Tennessee (2022)

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Accuracy: Would fall out of throws or throw with excess width in his base, leading to scattered throws. Generally accurate at all three levels when his mechanics are right.

Arm Strength: His bread and butter. Has a quick, powerful arm that can shoot the ball across the field. Doesn't shy away from field-side throws, showing the arm talent to stick throws into NFL-like windows. Smooth, explosive stroke allows him to attack man coverage and the deep portions of the field without a sound base or platform.

Size: Muscular with the size and strength to support his QB-run efforts, standing 6'3" and weighing 232 pounds.

Mobility: Exhibits his toughness when on the run, willing to fight and power through contact. Has the athleticism and running traits to make an impact as a ball carrier.

Decision Making: Will put too much trust in his arm and attempt throws that are well-covered. Played catch-up because of his underdeveloped processing speed, throwing blind to coverage movements or holding onto the ball too long.

Out of Structure Ability: Also where he shines, showing the escapability and feel for when it's time to make a play beyond the pocket. Has shown the play is far from over when it breaks down.

Pocket Awareness: Has a sense for pressure from all angles, making the sudden movements to create space, but wasn't consistent doing so. Excessive movements compromised his depth and throw-readiness.

Touch/Placement: Can drop vertical throws in the bucket with the right arc and pace, even when the space to step into them is limited. Still learning when to exchange some heat for loft/touch on throws at the intermediate/deep-intermediate areas.

Upper/Lower Mechanics: Footwork is too often a mess, electing to throw before his feet were set at a frustrating rate. Drops can become unrefined and fail to establish a proper base/hallway. Clean, compact that is arguably the quickest in the class. High-level ability to find different arm angles.

Progressions: Was late or absent on some of this throws because he struggled to recognize how coverage was shifting before and after the snap. Can work through half-field reads relatively quickly, but doesn't have reliable full-field vision to prevent being locked on to his targets.

Accuracy (15): 9.75

Arm Strength (10): 10

Size (5): 4.5

Mobility (10): 9

Decision Making (10): 6

Out of Structure Ability (10): 9.75

Pocket Awareness (10): 6.5

Touch/Placement (10): 6.5

Upper/Lower Mechanics (10): 6

Progressions (10): 6

Grade: 74/100 – Day 2

Summary: The level of play in 2022 regressed following a remarkable 2021 campaign as a first-year starter in the SEC, producing more Turnover-Worthy Plays and taking more sacks while playing through a turf toe injury. It is worth noting that the 2021 campaign also featured better personnel at his disposal with continuity at offensive coordinator, proving he can put quality quarterback play together when there are pieces around him. His failing to unseat Sean Clifford at Penn State before ultimately transferring to Kentucky will be a talking point this off-season, but that is not a 1:1, talent-only comparison. Levis is similar to Anthony Richardson in that you are betting on the athletic and physical upside which is why he will ultimately be a first-round pick where the expectation is to start later than sooner.

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Player: Tyson Bagent
School: Shepherd University (WV)
Year: Senior
Games Watched: Kutztown (2021), Ferris State (2021), Colorado School of Mines (2022),
Slippery Rock (2022), California (PA) (2022)

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Accuracy: Hard to ignore a 69-percent completion percentage across 2,000+ attempts even in a quarterback-friendly system. Missed a frustrating number of layups because he his feet and his eyes weren't connected. Saw a lower number of constricted pockets and was still less accurate in them.

Arm Strength: Able to flick throws down the field from different arm angles and platforms. Swift release promotes explosion off his hand and heavy rotation.

Size: Unofficially measures 6'3", 210 pounds with noticeable musculature and a frame that can support added growth.

Mobility: Has some quickness that helps him evade pressure and made him effective in the QB-run game, but it will be notably less effective at the next level. Not going to give much as a true runner.

Decision Making: The biggest issue facing Bagent was the lack of consistency, particularly showing some issues attacking the middle of the field. Understandably put throws up that he trusted his guys to come down with which will need to be modified as he makes a big jump in competition.

Out of Structure Ability: Flexible athlete who can contort his body to maximize velocity when throwing on the move. Will rush his throw or decision when he gets beyond the pocket despite having time to establish a better-thrown ball.

Pocket Awareness: Shows an impressive amount of courage in the pocket. Understands when and where to move within the pocket, just needs to make his movements more subtle to avoid the elimination of space.

Touch/Placement: Both suffered when throwing to guys running away from down the field as opposed to receivers crossing his face/running towards him at the underneath and intermediate levels.

Upper/Lower Mechanics: Puts a lot of stress on his elbow with a lower release point that occasionally pushed throws high. Quick and deliberate in his drops which aids his setup

and quickly puts him in a throw-friendly posture. Rotational thrower with the ability to finish on top and complete his follow-through.

Progressions: No fault of his own, but he was throwing into unrealistic windows at a regular rate. Wasn't uncommon for him to lack a backup plan or understanding of where to go next when field-side reads/progressions didn't come open.

Accuracy (15): 10.5

Arm Strength (10): 6.5

Size (5): 3.5

Mobility (10): 5.25

Decision Making (10): 5.5

Out of Structure Ability (10): 5

Pocket Awareness (10): 6

Touch/Placement (10): 5

Upper/Lower Mechanics (10): 6

Progressions (10): 5

Grade: 58.25 – Day 3

Summary: For Bagent, much of his selection will come down to his Senior Bowl performance and how heavily teams value his historical production; it will be the first time teams can take an extensive look at the accomplished passer amongst other high-level college football players. No one has thrown more touchdowns in the history of college football (159) and his traits as a passer are hard to ignore. I ultimately expect him to be drafted in the latter portions of Day 3 with the potential to develop into a quality backup because of his traits as a passer. Also, always bet on production!

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2023 BCS QB Scouting Report

Player: Tim DeMorat
School: Fordham
Year: Senior
Games Watched: Nebraska (2021), FAU (2021), Bucknell (2021 & 2022), Lafayette (2021 & 2022), Ohio (2022), New Hampshire (2022)

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Accuracy: Need to take the completion percentage with a grain of salt because of the vertical offense he orchestrated but throws were still scattered. Assists in his receivers' ability to generate offense with his accuracy at the underneath level.

Arm Strength: Velocity takes a hit because he's a linear thrower with a stiff plant leg. This benefitted him playing an offense that takes shots down the field because of the launch point it creates, but he lacks the rotation/weight transfer to drive intermediate throws.

Size: Listed at 6'4", 220 pounds with a muscular stature.

Mobility: Shows limitations as a runner, but is willing to extend plays and leave the pocket when it's required.

Decision Making: Threw into busy throwing lanes at an alarming rate and it generally didn't end well. Did well to avoid setting his offense back by taking sacks.

Out of Structure Ability: Not one who creates or extends plays at the desired rate once he's forced off of his spot. Has struggles maintaining his accuracy when he's off-platform.

Pocket Awareness: Will drift in the pocket and make movements that aren't always necessary, but opts to set a base before delivering when he can.

Touch/Placement: Invited defenders into a play on the ball far more often than desired due to the number of throws with excess air under them. Can loft throws down the field, making it advantageous for his pass-catchers.

Upper/Lower Mechanics: Ball labors to come out quickly and generate the desired rotation because of a rigid windup and lack of front-arm stabilization. Separation is wide and pronounced, causing his shoulder and forearm to lock. This makes it difficult to snap wrist upon his release and generate the desired RPMs.

Progressions: Played in an offense that simplified his abilities because of the spacing and separation it created. Has shown he can throw in rhythm and lead receivers down the field when doing so. Many half-field reads with pre-snap decisions.

Accuracy (15): 8.75

Arm Strength (10): 5.25

Size (5): 4

Mobility (10): 4.75

Decision Making (10): 5

Out of Structure Ability (10): 3

Pocket Awareness (10): 5

Touch/Placement (10): 4

Upper/Lower Mechanics (10): 3

Progressions (10): 6.25

Grade: 49/100 – UDFA

Summary: I like the blend of size and arm along with the high split between his Big-Time Throws and Turnover-Worthy Throws, showing marked improvement from 2021. His production instantly catches your eye with his best game of the 2022 season coming against their lone FBS opponent (Ohio), but DeMorat did struggle mightily in 2021 against FAU and Nebraska. A strong performance throughout the week of the Hula Bowl elevated DeMorat to the Shrine Game, providing another opportunity to showcase his skillset against top competition that will be something worth monitoring. DeMorat's a sizable, productive passer with a legitimate chance to hear his name called on Day 3 despite the grade not reflecting such.

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