

Jethro Franklin

NFL & Power 5 Defensive Line Coach | 150+ NFL Players Developed |
Build the Front, Win the Game

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Biography

Jethro Franklin is a veteran defensive line coach with more than three decades of experience across the NFL and top collegiate programs, including UCLA, Fresno State, Missouri, USC, Green Bay Packers, Seattle Seahawks, Oakland Raiders, Houston Texans, and Tampa Bay Buccaneers. Over his career, Franklin has coached and developed more than 150 NFL players, including 14 first-round draft picks, while contributing to 11 playoff runs and 10 bowl appearances. His coaching résumé reflects sustained excellence at the highest levels of football, with a reputation for building physical, disciplined, and technically sound defensive fronts.

A former All-American defensive lineman at Fresno State and first overall pick in the 1991 World League Draft, Franklin brings a player-first, detail-driven approach rooted in experience and credibility. His impact extends beyond scheme and technique—he is widely respected for developing professional habits, mental toughness, and leadership in his players. Whether at the collegiate or professional level, Franklin's coaching philosophy centers on accountability, consistency, and winning the line of scrimmage as the foundation of championship football.

Statement

Defensive line coach with 34+ years of experience developing elite talent at the NFL and Power 5 levels, including 13 seasons in the NFL and over 150 players coached to the league. Known for building dominant defensive fronts, first-round draft picks, and game-changing run defenses rooted in discipline, technique, and accountability.
