



## ALL22 CFL POSITIONAL SCOUTING COURSE

**GOAL:** To gain a better understanding of the nuances in expected performance of all positions at various levels of global professional football with a specific focus on the Canadian Football League.

**STANDARDS:** Player evaluation standards for global scouting purposes are contrasted to those used in the National Football League. We will then discuss and establish modified standards for International play and specifically the Canadian Football League.

**OUTCOMES:** Those who successfully complete this course will be able to:

- Understand differences in attributes desired for play in the Canadian Football League
- Ability to watch collegiate, NFL and CFL film and describe performance within the context of desired performance standards
- Ability to articulate in writing the performance attributes of prospects within the context of CFL standards

**SCHEDULE & FORMAT:** The class will be taught live using the Scouting Academy platform and will also be recorded. Live classes will be held from 10:00AM to Noon EST on the following Saturdays:

September 18; October 2, 9, 23; November 20; December 4, 11, 18.

**INSTRUCTOR:** The primary instructor for this course is Josh Washburn. Josh played collegiately at the University of North Carolina & is currently entering his 9<sup>th</sup> season in professional scouting. He has spent time with the Tennessee Titans, the Washington Football Team, & the Ottawa RedBlacks before taking on a personnel role with the USFL.

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**You will find attached a list of positional traits with CFL emphasis**

### **I. Class #1**

- a. Introduction
  - i. Course Overview
  - ii. Present & Discuss Outline
  - iii. Review CFL Procedures sheet

**ALL22 – THE GLOBAL SCOUTING NETWORK**



- b. Offensive Line (OT, OG, OC)
  - i. Position Specifics & Attributes
  - ii. Zone Run Schemes
  - iii. Power/Gap Run Schemes
  - iv. Pass Protection
  - v. Screen/Space Blocks
  
- II. **Class #2**
  - a. Running Backs/Fullbacks
    - i. Position Specifics & Attributes
    - ii. Zone Run Schemes
    - iii. Downhill/Power Run Schemes
    - iv. Pass Protection
    - v. Screen/Space Blocks
    - vi. Every Down v. Change of Pace
  
- III. **Class #3**
  - a. Wide Receivers (X, Z, SLOT/Gator)
    - i. Position Specifics & Attributes
    - ii. Waggle and Route Running
    - iii. Receiving Skill
    - iv. Running Skill
    - v. Blocking
  
- IV. **Class #4**
  - a. Quarterbacks
    - i. Position Specifics & Attributes
    - ii. PADAM (Poise, Accuracy, Decision Making, Arm Strength, Mobility)
  
- V. **Class #5**
  - a. Even Front v. Odd Front v. Hybrid Scheme (Seattle D)
  - b. Defensive Tackles
    - i. Position Specifics & Attributes
    - ii. Techniques (0, Shade, 2i, 3t, etc.)
    - iii. Pass Rush
    - iv. Run Defense



- c. Defensive Ends & Hybrid Outside Linebackers
  - i. Position Specifics & Attributes
  - ii. Pass Rush
  - iii. Run Defense

## VI. Class #6

- a. Linebackers (Mike, Will)
  - i. Position Specifics & Attributes
  - ii. Techniques (10, 20, 30, etc.)
  - iii. Run Discipline
  - iv. Zone Coverage
  - v. Man Coverage
  - vi. Blitzing/Pass rush

## VII. Class #7

- a. Defensive Backs
  - i. Corners/Halfbacks
    - Position Specifics & Attributes
    - Zone Coverage
    - Man Coverage
    - Boundary v. Field Alignment
    - Star Alignment
  - ii. Safeties
    - Position Specifics & Attributes
    - Zone Coverage
    - Man Coverage
    - Strong v. Free Alignment
    - Boundary v. Field Alignment

## VIII. Class #8

- a. Specialists
  - Position Specifics & Attributes
  - ii. Kicker
  - iii. Punter
  - iv. Long Snapper
  - v. Return Specialist