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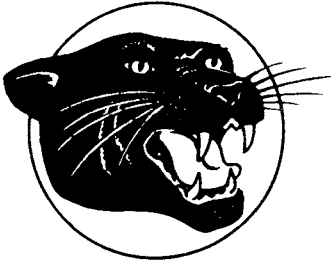
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CHARLESTON, IL--Chris Peterson, 30, has been named quarterback and receiver coach at Eastern Illinois University, head coach Darrell Mudra announced.

Peterson, a former high school All-American, served in a similar capacity at Western Illinois University last season. He replaces Tom Venturi, who resigned last month.

"Chris is one of the bright young quarterback coaches in the country," said Mudra. "He has been affiliated with several universities as a player and coach and picked up considerable knowledge of the passing game at each place.

"As an opposing coach last year he became familiar with our personnel and should be able to make a quick transition to our system."

"I think Chris is one of the really excellent young coaches in regards to quarterbacks and receivers in college football today," said Sid Gillman, now an offensive consultant with the Philadelphia Eagles.

Peterson previously was offensive coordinator at Upper Iowa University (1980) and has also coached at U.S. International (1979) and Huron College (1978).

Under his tutelage several quarterbacks and receivers have signed professional contracts with last year's WIU quarterback setting a school passing record.

Peterson was a collegiate quarterback at Kansas State and Wisconsin-Milwaukee graduating from UWM in 1975. He signed free agent contracts for two years with the St. Louis Cardinals.