

Williams	Maxx	Minnesota	TE	I 7.75
Last Name 6'4"	First Name 249	College 4.78	Position	Final Grade
Height	Weight	40 speed		
<b>ATHLETIC ABILITY</b>	SECTION GRADE:		7.5	
Q.A.B Quick Feet C.O.D. Flexibility Coordination	Williams is a good overall athlete but does not have elite athletic ability for the position. He shows above average body control, balance, and movement skills. Flashes quick feet at times when getting off the line of scrimmage. However, he is not very flexible and does not have good change of direction because he runs upright with very little wiggle in his hips. He is not the type of player that will juke a defender and use shiftiness in the open field but he will make the smart and necessary play in order to move the chains. His only athletic trait that will shock you is his ability to hurdle defenders in the open field.			
<b>COMPETITIVENESS</b>	SECTION GRADE:		7.5	
Toughness Clutch Play Production Consistency Team Player Pride / Quit	He is a very competitive player that shows off his toughness as a blocker. He does not stop on a play until the whistle is blown. He was a very productive player at Minnesota because he made every catch and was always willing to block in their run first offense. He showed his consistency by becoming the security blanket for the offense in the passing game. When watching tape it seems as if he is a team player based off of the way he gets involved in blocking and sacrifices his body for teammates. However, reports came out at the combine that "he seemed all about himself". I feel that he was just displaying his confidence in his abilities and was not being arrogant in his interview.			
<b>MENTAL ALERTNESS</b>	SECTION GRADE:		8.5	
Learn / Retain Inst/Reaction Concentration	Shows great natural instincts for the position and it shows in his ability to anticipate the snap in order to get a quick release off of the line of scrimmage. He shows incredible concentration by looking the ball in all the way through to secure the catch before taking off with the ball. He also has great field awareness with his ability to keep his feet in bounds while going towards the sideline. With that being said, he does not drop the easy ones and is a reliable target underneath and in the seam for QB's. He shows his discipline by being patient and not causing penalties for moving early before the snap.			
<b>STRENGTH / EXPLOSION</b>	SECTION GRADE:		7.5	

Body Type	Williams has only slightly above average height and weight for the position in making the transition to the pros. He will need to add some more weight to be able to endure the contact and excel as a blocker at the next level. He only missed one game in college but will need to bulk up to ensure his durability moving forward into the NFL. He lacks elite explosion but is able to get going with his long strides after the catch. Williams does it all in regards to the tight end position much like Jason Witten. He will act as a security blanket whenever the play falls apart, he gets open with separation on underneath and seam routes, and will block in pass pro as well as in the run game. He does not shy away from contact.
Durability	
Explosion	
Play Strength	

GDE	CATEGORY	COMMENTS DESCRIPTION	GAMES VIEWED	COMBINE NOTES
9.0	Hands	Possesses very soft, natural hands and will be a very reliable target as a security blanket for a QB at the next level. Catches everything thrown his way unless the ball is thrown behind him, where he is forced to adjust to the ball in a way that he is not athletically able to bend. He will dive out and make the one handed catches when he is overthrown.	2014 – Iowa, Michigan, Missouri	225 REPS – 17 VERTICAL JUMP – 34.5 BROAD JUMP – 9’9” 20 SHUTTLE – 4.37 60 SHUTTLE – 12.31 3 CONE – N/A
7.7	Initial Quicks	Is fairly quick for a tight end. He is more of a sneaky quick and uses anticipation in order to get a quick release off of the line of scrimmage.		
8.0	Release Off line	Can get off of the line fairly quickly. It seems as if his natural instincts play apart in him knowing when the ball is going to be snapped because he is able to anticipate the snap so well. However, it takes him a little while for him to get his legs moving to reach his top end speed after		

		getting off of the line of scrimmage.		
6.5	Patterns	Does a good job of running the typical seam and drag routes for a tight end. He is sneaky off of the line when transitioning from a blocking stance to getting open in the flat. He can also line up outside as a receiver in goal line situations, creating mismatches on fade routes. He is a very dangerous red zone target. With all of this being said, I do not think he will be able to run the full route tree at the next level because he is too stiff in the hips to make awkward movements and change his direction on a dime.		
7.0	Adjust ability	Does not have the flexibility or loose enough hips to make the acrobatic catches. However, if the ball is too far ahead of him he will make a play on the ball by diving out and making the catch, even if it is one handed.		
6.5	Deep Threat	He is not open more then 25 yards downfield unless it is on seam routes so it is hard to judge him as a deep threat. However, he does appose a threat when getting behind LB's on seam routes. With that being said, you will find that he is mostly productive as a receiver in the		

		underneath-to-intermediate routes.		
8.1	R.A.C	Williams is a physical runner after the catch that has enough strength to break tackles. He sometimes shows some uncharacteristic athleticism in the open field with his ability to hurdle defenders.		
7.5	Run Block in Line	He does a solid job as an in-line blocker and as an H-Back on lead blocks within their offensive scheme. He has the ability to open up running lanes but is not strong enough to always win his matchup.		
8.5	Run Block in space	He can block well in space as he is usually in the second level once his RB gets free. He will sustain his blocks against LB's and Safeties and can get to the second level where he will toss DB's on their backs when attempting to make a play on the ball carrier.	<b>CRITICAL FACTORS</b>	
7.5	Pass Blocking	Does a solid job of blocking in pass pro but will get too high at time with his hand placement. Will need to improve his lower body strength in order to have enough power to block speed rushers at the next level.	SIZE – N/A HANDS – N/A PLAY SPEED – N/A	ATH. ABILITY – N/A COMPETES – N/A BLOKING – N/A
8.2	Play Strength	His strengths come as a pass catcher as he holds onto everything. He is also a factor as a blocker. However,		

		he needs to bulk up for the NFL.
8.5	FUMBLE / ERRORS	He did not turn the ball over once in his two seasons at Minnesota. At times will play too high when blocking LB's, but does not happen often.

<b>STRONG POINTS</b>	<b>WEAKNESSES</b>
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<p>Williams has a solid frame in which he can add weight to in order to become an elite tight end at the next level. He possesses elite pass catching ability as well as balance and the determination to get downfield both as a pass catcher and as a run blocker. Has straight-line speed to chew up cushion and open a throwing window behind LB's over the top on seam routes. He is a force in the red-zone. Can do damage after the catch with his tackle breaking ability and shows playmaking ability on tight end screens. Does a nice job of extending out for overthrown passes in which he will go all out and reel it in one handed. He has tremendous sideline awareness with the ability to concentrate on securing the pass while being able to drag his feet before going out of bounds. He was a very vital piece to Minnesota's offense as eighty-two percent of his catches were for either a first down or a touchdown. Possesses great instincts for the position always looks to make the smart play to guarantee positive yardage.</p>	<p>Williams lacks explosive traits and needs a few steps to get going. He runs up right and has some body tightness. Average route runner at this point in his development, which makes it hard for him to create consistent separation. He will need to add some weight and get stronger in order for him to be a powerful blocker at the next level. Does not always set up his blocks to where he gets good positioning in order to open the hole for the ball carrier. He can improve his hand technique vs. the jam.</p>
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<b>SUMMARY</b>
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Williams is a young prospect, only a redshirt sophomore that is just scratching the surface of his potential. He possesses the all-around skill set that every team is looking for with the ability to line up inline, in the backfield, or as a flex option out wide. Since today's game relies so heavily on the aerial attack, athletic tight ends that can create problems for opposing defenses are extremely valuable and Williams is just that. He is not polished as a route runner but this is not due to his athleticism, it is due to the stiffness in his hips not allowing him to physically run the full route tree. When flipping on the film you can see comparisons between him and Jason Witten in the way that they run, always look to make the smart plays, have soft natural hands, and get involved as blockers. With all of this being said, Williams is young and needs some development, but he has all of the tools and projects as a mismatch nightmare with versatile

traits to be equally effective as a pass-catcher and blocker. You can expect him to be selected anywhere from the late first round into the mid second round. Look for him to start quickly in the NFL and carve out a Witten-like career as a pro.

Pro Comparison: Jason Witten/Todd Heap