

Collins	La'el	LSU	OT	I 8.41
Last Name 6'4"	First Name 305	College 5.12	Position	Final Grade
Height	Weight	40 speed		
ATHLETIC ABILITY	SECTION GRADE:		8.1	
Q.A.B Quick Feet C.O.D. Flexibility Coordination	Collins is a big mauling OT with surprisingly light feet and athleticism (to play RT or G at the next level). He possesses quickness and agility for a big guy but lacks elite balance. He has the foot quickness that allows him to get a quick start off the snap to get in position to handle both power and speed rushers as well as establish position to get push in the running game. He moves fairly smoothly because he is coordinated for a big guy, allowing him to change direction quickly and get his hands on the next man in his way. However, he could work more on his flexibility as you can see some stiffness in his hips being the reason he gets off balance at times and ends up on the ground.			
COMPETITIVENESS	SECTION GRADE:		8.6	
Toughness Clutch Play Production Consistency Team Player Pride / Quit	Collins loves to get physical as he is tough-nosed and loves to compete from snap to snap. He has had an incredible career at LSU as he is known as one of the best offensive linemen in school history. This past season he was named the recipient of the prestigious Jacobs Blocking Trophy, which is presented annually to the top offensive lineman in the SEC as voted on by the league's coaches. During his career at LSU, he has been a three-year starter for the Tigers, starting at left guard as a sophomore and then moving over to left tackle as a junior and senior. He played in 45 games with 38 starts during his career, while playing a total of 2,533 offensive snaps with 222.5 knockdowns. He anchored one of the most dominant rush attacks in the college football. He is also a leader on the offensive line as he was voted team captain as a Senior. There is no way of telling if he made the clutch play as an O-Linemen, but I can tell you that he has been extremely consistent and gave immense effort for the full 60 minutes in close ball games. He is all about his team and has great passion for the game. He will not show quit on a play. If he gets beat on a play, he comes back even stronger on the next snap.			
MENTAL ALERTNESS	SECTION GRADE:		8.9	
Learn / Retain Inst/Reaction Concentration	Collins understands that he is playing the 2 nd most important position on the offense, as his job is to protect the QB's blindside and not let him hit the ground. He is a smart and instinctive player that knows how to react to different stunts and pass rush moves thrown at him. He has been learning and			

	<p>progressing year to year as an offensive tackle; the sky is the limit on Collins as an elite O-Linemen moving on to the next level. He is always locked in and pays attention to detail better than any tackle I have seen in a while, as he will pickup his assignment and if another rusher gets free he will disengage and slide quickly in front of the free rusher. This is one mentally alert prospect that will have the attention from scouts because it is so hard to come by these players and if you do, they typically excel at the pro level. The best part about him is that he is easily coachable as was said at the LSU Pro Day.</p>			
STRENGTH / EXPLOSION		SECTION GRADE:		8.5
Body Type	<p>Collins has a thick, powerful frame that makes him about as difficult as anyone to move. His frame to go along with his long arms, impressive strength, and aggression make him a devastating run blocker. He has had no major injuries while in college and played every snap in 9 out of 13 games this past season, showing that his conditioning and durability is not a concern. He shows his explosion as he is often the quickest of LSU's offensive linemen off the snap and he routinely drives his assignment off the line of scrimmage with pure power, creating easy running lanes for LSU's running backs. He's surprisingly quick to the 2nd level and has the body control to adjust to defenders on the move. He plays mean and is extremely strong to the point where if he gets his hands on his opponent and remains square, it is generally over for the defender. He also has showed his willingness and versatility to convert inside if needed, as he impressed on a few snaps at left guard at the Senior Bowl. I could see him playing left tackle at the next level but the best position for him to excel at the next level would be right tackle or inside at any of the guard spots.</p>			
Durability				
Explosion				
Play Strength				
GDE	CATEGORY	COMMENTS DESCRIPTION	GAMES VIEWED	COMBINE NOTES
8.2	FOOT AGILITY	<p>He possesses very light and agile feet for an offensive tackle as he displayed in positional drills at the combine. This allowed him to get great position and leverage on pass rushers in pass pro and get a good jump at the snap in order to get good push in the run game and get into the 2nd level quickly.</p>	<p>2013 – Georgia, Alabama, Arkansas</p> <p>2014 – Wisconsin, Mississippi State, Auburn, Florida, Ole Miss, Alabama, Notre Dame</p>	<p>225 REPS – 21 VERTICAL JUMP – 27 BROAD JUMP – 9'0" 20 SHUTTLE – 4.63 60 SHUTTLE – N/A 3 CONE – 7.70</p>
8.3	INITIAL QUICKS	He plays with great initial quicks, as		

		he is seen normally as the first one off the snap and into position as well as the quickest into the 2 nd level.		
8.5	PLAY STRENGTH	His frame to go along with his long arms, impressive strength, and aggression make him a devastating run blocker. He plays mean and is extremely strong to the point where if he gets his hands on his opponent and remains square, it is generally over for the defender. He shows the power to hold his ground vs. the bull rush on a play-by-play basis.		
8.7	RUN BLK IN-LINE	He will get his hands on his assignment and drive them backwards on in-line blocks. He gets good push in the run game and excels as the lead blocker on slide blocks. You do not have to worry about him; he is a bully in the run game.		
8.5	RUN BLK IN SPACE	He does a great job of bouncing outside and leading the charge on pitches to open up running lanes for his back. He will get to 2 nd level easily and take defenders for a ride once he's engaged on the move. He will also eliminate defenders very well in space when he keeps his body under control.		

8.4	PASS PRO	As a pass blocker, Collins shows good initial quickness in his kick-slide and uses his long reach to maintain the arc. He will handle his business against the power rush. However, he will struggle at times vs. speed rushers when they get off the snap quicker than him in pass protection.		
8.3	QK- SET PASS PRO	He sets up extremely quickly due to his foot quickness against DE's. However, he tends to struggle at times to slide out and handle explosive speed rushers. Overall, he does a great job setting up, as he is typically the first one in his stance off the snap.		
8.0	SHUFFLE & SLIDE	He shows good ability to shuffle and slide because he possesses quick feet and agility for a big O-Linemen when he bends his knees and uses his frame to get in front of his assignment. However, sometimes he will overexert energy to seal the edge against speed rushers.		
8.4	PUNCH / HAND USE	He plays with good punch and technique in his hand usage. You can tell that he is well schooled. He will use his strong hands to grasp and control less active defenders.	CRITICAL FACTORS	

8.9	VS POWER RUSH	He is excellent against power rushers because he is quick enough to always establish position and has the natural strength to handle their bull rush. He plays with good leverage and will not be moved by power moves.	SIZE – N/A PLAY STR. – N/A PLAY SPEED – N/A	INITIAL QKS – N/A COMPETES – N/A INSTINCTS – N/A
7.9	VS SPEED RUSH.	He gets great jump off of the snap, uses great footwork and technique. However, is a little stiff in his hips in order to bounce out and establish consistent positioning to stop explosive speed rushers. He will get beat at times by the speed rush but if he gets his hands on them they do not stand a chance. If this becomes an issue at the next level then he will have to move to either the right side where he will see more power rushers or at either guard spot.		
N/A	ERRORS	He is a solid athlete and special O-Linemen, so there are not too many errors that you do not already see in most offensive linemen. He does not possess elite balance and can be challenged by speed rushers. These are the two biggest errors in his games. This can lead to his hands getting too low, which allows rushers to swim over the top of him.		

STRONG POINTS

Collins has a thick, powerful frame that makes him about as difficult as anyone to move. His frame to go along with his long arms, impressive strength, and aggression make him a devastating run blocker. He shows his explosion as he is often the quickest of LSU's O-Linemen off the snap and he routinely drives his assignment off the line of scrimmage with pure power, creating easy running lanes for LSU's running backs. He's surprisingly quick to the 2nd level and has the body control to adjust to defenders on the move. As a pass blocker, Collins shows good initial quickness in his kick-slide and uses his long reach to maintain the arc. He possesses strong hands and will grasp and control less active defenders. He takes defenders for a ride once he's engaged on the move. He is well schooled and technically gifted both in his feet and hand usage. He plays mean and is extremely strong to the point where if he gets his hands on his opponent and remains square, the defender stands no chance. He will handle his business against the power rush. If he gets beat on a play, he comes back even harder on the next snap, as he is a great finisher. Lastly, he has shown his willingness and versatility to play right tackle or convert inside if needed.

WEAKNESSES

Collins is solid athlete and special O-Linemen, so there are not too many weaknesses in his game that you do not already see in most offensive linemen. He does not possess elite balance and can be challenged by speed rushers. These are the two biggest errors in his games. He occasionally will rely on lunging rather than moving his feet to counter inside moves. This can lead to his hands getting too low, which allows rushers to swim over the top of him to disengage. He does not possess elite change of direction ability for an O-Linemen. He plays high out of his stance at times when attempting to gain an advantage on speed rushers, leading to him losing leverage in short yard situations. If he does not stay with the speed rushers at the next level, he will be forced into moving to right tackle or converting inside where he will face more power rushers in which he is better suited for.

SUMMARY

Collins is without a doubt one of the best O-Linemen in this draft class. He is a big mauling OT with surprisingly light feet that had great success in the competitive SEC Conference during his collegiate career. He has the athleticism to be an average left tackle at the next level but a move to right tackle or a transition inside to guard would be the most logical spot for him at the next level if he wants to get into the elite category. The only reason why a position change would better suit him at the next level is because he struggles vs. speed rushers. He can handle just about any power rusher with ease and excels in the running game as well as getting into the next level. He plays with a mean streak that is shown in every game, which teams look for in their O-Linemen. You can tell he was well coached as he demonstrates good technique in his blocking as well as his footwork. He is usually the first linemen off the snap to get into the 2nd level and is able to block in space better than most tackles as well as the ability to adjust and maintain his blocks surprisingly well. He uses his natural strength to hold rushers and get push in the run game. He has heavy hands and uses good technique to get good

leverage, being the reason you will not see him get caught holding. One of the most important things to know about Collins is that there is nothing he does wrong that cannot be corrected because he is easily coachable as was said at the LSU Pro Day. I see him as the best offensive tackle in this class and could see him being selected anywhere in the 1st round. It would come as a surprise if he makes it to round two, but I highly doubt he even makes it past the middle of round one. I can see him going as early as #9 to the Giants as they are trying to build up that offensive line. However, they have some other needs that they need to address so it might not be the most logical selection. Some other potential landing spots for Collins are at #10 to the Rams, #13 to the Saints, and #15 to the 49ers as these are all teams in desperate need of talent on their offensive lines. If selected by these teams, you can expect him to play guard on all of these teams other than the Giants. Overall, Collins is a starting caliber offensive lineman in the NFL. However, it remains to be seen what position he will get his first opportunity at from the start. You can expect with some coaching and corrections being made in his game that he has the potential to make the Pro Bowl.

Pro Comparison: Rodger Saffold/Jermon Bushrod