Prater taken by Bengals

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Former Iowa cornerback Shaun Prater was selected in the fifth round of the 2012 NFL Draft, as the Cincinnati Bengals took him with the 156th overall pick. Prater is the second Hawkeye defensive player to get picked in this year's draft and the fifth defensive back from Iowa to be drafted over the past five years, joining Tyler Sash (2011), Amari Spievey (2010), Bradley Fletcher (2009) and Charles Godfrey (2008).

Prater started 35 games at cornerback for Iowa over the course of the last three seasons. Over the course of his career, Prater broke up 19 passes, compiled 171 tackles (51 of which came in 2011), and recorded seven interceptions. He also forced four fumbles, all of which came last season.

Last season, the Bengals went 9-7 and lost to the Houston Texans in the wild card round of the NFL playoffs.

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