Wilson leaves for Rutgers

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Darrell Wilson has left his role as Iowa's defensive backs coach to take a similar coaching position at Rutgers. This was first reported by <u>ScarletReport.com's Sam Hellman</u> and later confirmed <u>in a release</u> sent Wednesday afternoon by Rutgers, who will spend one more season in the Big East before joining the Big Ten along with Maryland in 2014.

Wilson had spent the last 11 seasons on Kirk Ferentz's staff, serving as a linebackers coach for 10 years before moving over to coach defensive backs last season. He also handled special teams coaching duties along with assistant Lester Erb and was Iowa's primary recruiter in New Jersey and nearby states.

This will be Wilson's second stint as a Rutgers assistant, as he coached the Scarlet Knights' running backs for one season (1999) before leaving to join Barry Alvarez's staff at Wisconsin.

Wilson is the third assistant to leave Iowa's staff this offseason. Earlier this month, Ferentz confirmed reports of wide receivers coach Erik Campbell no longer being on staff, as well as graduate assistant David Raih leaving to take a position at Texas Tech.