

# Kirksey accepts Senior Bowl invite

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Iowa senior linebacker Christian Kirksey [has accepted an invitation to play in the 2014 Senior Bowl](#). He is the second Hawkeye player to receive and accept an invite to the all-star game, as Kirksey will join senior tight end C.J. Fiedorowicz down in Mobile, Ala., next month.

Entering Iowa's match-up with No. 14 LSU in the 2014 Outback Bowl, Kirksey has 97 tackles on the season. He also possesses a team-high seven quarterback hurries, two forced fumbles and two fumble recoveries, one of which he returned for a touchdown in the Hawkeyes' season-opener against Northern Illinois on Aug. 31. Following Iowa's most recent victory – a 38-17 win at Nebraska on Nov. 29 – Kirksey was named both the Walter Camp National Defensive Player of the Week and the Big Ten's Defensive Player of the Week.

The 2014 Senior Bowl is scheduled to take place on Jan. 25 at 3 p.m. Central inside Ladd-Pebbles Stadium and it will be televised nationally on NFL Network.