

# Ohio State Men's Hockey F Dakota Joshua Joins St. Louis Blues



Former Ohio State forward Dakota Joshua (6-3, 200) joined the St. Louis Blues organization following his four-year Ohio State career and a trade from the Toronto Maple Leafs.

TRADE ALERT! #stlblues have acquired forward Dakota Joshua from the @MapleLeafs.

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— St. Louis Blues 🐼 (@StLouisBlues) July 12, 2019

Joshua had been selected in the fifth round (No. 128) by Toronto in the 2014 NHL Draft. He played two full seasons with the Sioux Falls Stampede of the USHL before heading to Ohio State, where he concluded his collegiate career in March.

The Maple Leafs traded him to the St. Louis and Joshua then agreed to a two-year, two-way entry level contract with the Blues, who are the defending Stanley Cup champions.

A Dearborn, Michigan, native, Joshua was a member of the second senior class in the history of Ohio State men's hockey to make three NCAA Tournament appearances, including a trip to the Frozen Four in 2018 (second in program history).

Joshua earned NCAA Midwest Regional All-Tournament Team accolades after helping lead the Buckeyes to victories against Princeton and defending NCAA champion Denver on their way to the Frozen Four. He won 66.7 percent of his faceoffs (26-13), blocked three shots and opened the scoring against Denver.

During his junior season in 2017-18, which was a historic one for Ohio State, Joshua finished seventh in NCAA and first in the Big Ten with a .592 faceoff winning percentage (260-179).

As a senior in 2018-19, Joshua posted a 9-13-22 line, contributing to the first Big Ten regular-season title in program history. He ended his career with 100 points, coming on 41 goals and 59 assists, in 128 games for the Scarlet and Gray.

A steady four-year player, Joshua earned Honorable Mention All-Big Ten as a sophomore in 2016-17, scoring 12 goals and assisting on 23 more. As a freshman in 2015-16, he tallied five goals and 12 assists, highlighted by a three-point series against Michigan.

Also successful in the classroom, Joshua earned Ohio State Scholar-Athlete and Academic All-Big Ten honors, studying sport industry.

While Joshua works toward a spot on the Blues' roster, he may spend time playing for the team's AHL affiliate, the San Antonio Rampage, who play in the AT&T Center, also home of the NBA's Spurs.



Courtesy of Ohio State Athletics.

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