



Postgame Notes
Cincinnati 31, Tulane 12
Oct. 30, 2021 | Yulman Stadium

Highlights

- Cincinnati improves to 8-0 for the second-straight season and the fourth time in school history.
- The win marks Cincinnati's 11th-straight win against AAC opponents and fourth-straight win against Tulane. It also marks UC's 34th-straight win against unranked opponents.
- Cincinnati improved to 14-5 (.737) in road games since 2018.
- The Bearcats are 17-2 (.895) since 2019 against AAC opponents, which is the best mark in the conference.
- UC is now 39-6 (.867) since 2018, ranking among the top six teams in CFB in winning percentage during that span.
- Head Coach Luke Fickell is now 43-14 (.754) in five seasons at Cincinnati. This is the Bearcats' second 8-0 start under him.
- UC is 32-2 when leading at the half under Fickell.
- Today's captains were Desmond Ridder, Myjai Sanders, Vincent McConnell and Coby Bryant. Cincinnati won the toss and elected to receive.
- UC improved its all-time record to 645-594-50 (.520).

Offensive Notes

- The Bearcats' first touchdown drive was a 16-play, 99-yard march, which is the longest drive of the season for UC.

- Jerome Ford rushed for a three-yard touchdown in the second quarter, giving him 14 rushing touchdowns on the season.
- Ford's 14 rushing touchdowns tied him for fourth in school history in single-season rushing scores with Michael Warren (2019). The 15 touchdowns are also the seventh-most overall touchdowns in a single-season. The school record for rushing scores (19) and overall touchdowns (20) came from Warren in 2018.
- Josh Whyte caught two touchdowns, which makes this his second-straight game with two receiving touchdowns. He has five touchdowns on the season.
- Ford caught a 26-yard touchdown pass from Ridder in the 4th quarter, marking his first receiving touchdown of the season.

Defense

- Cincinnati's defense has not given up points on the opponents' opening drive since UCF on Nov. 21, 2020.
- Jowon Briggs recorded his first sack of the season and his first sack as a Bearcat.
- Ja'von Hicks picked off his second pass of the season and seventh of his career.
- Coby Bryant recorded his third interception of the season. It is his 10th career interception. He also has 12 passes defended this year, which ranks third in the nation.
- The Bearcats have 14 interceptions on the year, which is second in the nation.
- UC's fourth-ranked red zone defense shut out Tulane in the red zone today, improving their red zone defense percentage to .591 (13/22).
- Curtis Brooks recovered his first fumble of the season, which is the second of his career.
- Joel Dublanko forced his first fumble of the season and the third of his career.
- Myjai Sanders recovered his first fumble of the season.

Charting Quarterback Desmond Ridder

- With three touchdown passes today, Ridder now has 75 career TD passes. UC quarterback coach Gino Guidugli is the school-record holder with 78 (2001-04).
- With 274 total yards today, Ridder moved to fourth in AAC history for total yards gained.

- With three touchdown passes today, Ridder moved into third place in AAC history for touchdown passes. Ridder also moved into second place in AAC history with 100 touchdowns responsible for.
- With his 16-yard strike to Josh Whyle in the first quarter, Desmond Ridder continued an 18-game streak where he has thrown a touchdown pass.
- Ridder remains the winningest quarterback in college football with a 39-5 (88.6%) record.