



# UTSA BASEBALL DIAMOND NOTES

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## 2007 SCHEDULE & RESULTS

Date	Opponent	Time/Result
Feb. 13	at #6 Rice	L, 3-4
Feb. 16	Louisiana-Lafayette	5 p.m.
Feb. 17	Louisiana-Lafayette	2 p.m.
Feb. 18	Louisiana-Lafayette	1 p.m.
Feb. 20	at Baylor	6:30 p.m.
Feb. 22	vs. Houston *	11 a.m.
Feb. 23	vs. Gonzaga *	11 a.m.
Feb. 24	vs. Missouri State *	3 p.m.
Feb. 26	St. Mary's +	6 p.m.
Feb. 27	Houston +	6 p.m.
March 2	vs. Stephen F. Austin #	2 p.m.
March 3	vs. Sam Houston State #	3 p.m.
March 4	at Texas-Pan American #	5 p.m.
March 9	College of Charleston +	6 p.m.
March 10	College of Charleston +	2 p.m.
March 11	College of Charleston +	1 p.m.
March 13	Dallas Baptist	6 p.m.
March 16	at McNeese State ^	7 p.m.
March 17	at McNeese State ^	3 p.m.
March 18	at McNeese State ^	1 p.m.
March 20	Lamar	6 p.m.
March 21	Lamar	3 p.m.
March 23	Central Arkansas ^	6 p.m.
March 24	Central Arkansas ^	2 p.m.
March 25	Central Arkansas ^	1 p.m.
March 27	at Texas-Pan American	5 p.m.
March 30	Southeastern Louisiana ^	6 p.m.
March 31	Southeastern Louisiana ^	2 p.m.
April 1	Southeastern Louisiana ^	1 p.m.
April 3	at Texas	6:05 p.m.
April 5	at Texas-Arlington ^	6:30 p.m.
April 6	at Texas-Arlington ^	6:30 p.m.
April 7	at Texas-Arlington ^	1 p.m.
April 10	at Texas A&M	6:30 p.m.
April 13	Northwestern State ^	6 p.m.
April 14	Northwestern State ^	2 p.m.
April 15	Northwestern State ^	1 p.m.
April 17	Texas-Pan American	6 p.m.
April 18	Texas-Pan American	3 p.m.
April 20	at Stephen F. Austin ^	3 p.m.
April 21	at Stephen F. Austin ^	1 p.m.
April 22	at Stephen F. Austin ^	1 p.m.
April 24	vs. Houston %	7 p.m.
April 27	at Sam Houston State ^	6:30 p.m.
April 28	at Sam Houston State ^	2 p.m.
April 29	at Sam Houston State ^	1 p.m.
May 4	A&M-Corpus Christi ^	6 p.m.
May 5	A&M-Corpus Christi ^	2 p.m.
May 6	A&M-Corpus Christi ^	1 p.m.
May 11	at Nicholls State ^	6:30 p.m.
May 12	at Nicholls State ^	3 p.m.
May 13	at Nicholls State ^	1 p.m.
May 17	at Texas State ^	6:30 p.m.
May 18	Texas State ^	6 p.m.
May 19	Texas State ^	2 p.m.

\* Southwest Diamond Classic (Frisco, Texas)  
 # Al Ogletree Classic (Edinburg, Texas)  
 + played at Wolff Stadium  
 % Riverside Stadium (Victoria, Texas)  
 ^ Southland Conference game



Games 2-4 • Feb. 16-18 • Louisiana-Lafayette (1-0)  
 5/2/1 p.m. • Roadrunner Field • San Antonio, Texas

**UTSA to host Ragin' Cajuns this weekend, Friday's home opener first night game in school history**

**HOME OPENER:** UTSA, which lost at No. 6 Rice (4-3) in Tuesday's season opener, welcomes Louisiana-Lafayette to Roadrunner Field this weekend for a three-game series. Friday's home opener is scheduled for 5 p.m. and it will be the first night game in school history. Prior to the contest, the UTSA Athletics Department will honor former Roadrunner Brian Wilson, who unexpectedly died of a heart attack on June 17, 2006, at the age of 33. Saturday's game is slated for 2 p.m., while Sunday's finale will begin at 1 p.m.

**SCOUTING THE RAGIN' CAJUNS:** UL-Lafayette hosted Nicholls State in its season opener on Tuesday night, defeating the Colonels, 15-7. The Ragin' Cajuns are coming off a 2006 campaign that saw them post a 39-20 overall record and 19-5 mark in the Sun Belt Conference.

**ALL-TIME SERIES:** Last year, UTSA dealt La.-Lafayette a 5-2 defeat at the Baseball Express Collegiate Classic (March 16) and picked up their first win in six tries against the Ragin' Cajuns. The all-time series dates back to the 1992 season.

**PRESEASON POLLS:** UTSA was picked to finish second in the West Division by the

### SLC STANDINGS (overall records as of Feb. 14)

East	W	L	Pct.	Stk
Southeastern Louisiana	3	1	.750	W3
Central Arkansas	1	2	.333	W1
Lamar	1	2	.333	W1
Northwestern State	1	3	.250	W1
Nicholls State	0	1	.000	L1
McNeese State	0	4	.000	L4
<b>West</b>				
Texas A&M-Corpus Christi	6	0	1.000	W6
Texas State	5	2	.714	L1
Stephen F. Austin	2	4	.333	W1
Sam Houston State	1	3	.250	L2
Texas-Arlington	1	3	.250	L2
<b>UTSA</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>.000</b>	<b>L1</b>

sports information directors and third by the league's coaches in the Preseason SLC Polls. The Roadrunners received five first-place votes in the SID rankings and three in the coaches poll. They were six points (51) behind co-favorites Texas-Arlington and Texas State in the coaches poll and only three (58) behind UTA in the SID poll. Defending regular season champion McNeese State was the consensus choice to defend its regular season title in the East.

**TRIO NAMED TO PRESEASON ALL-SLC TEAMS:** Three Roadrunners were named

### ROADRUNNERS PROBABLE STARTERS

Pos.	No.	Player	2007 Statistics	Notes
C	8	Zach Etheredge	0-3, R, HBP	2007 tri-captain
1B	26	Josh Wilson	0-4, RBI	2nd-team all-conference at Temple JC
2B	9	James Keithley	1-4	2006 honorable mention All-SLC
3B	2	Ryan Saltzgaber	2-4, 2B	preseason 2nd-team All-SLC
SS	10	Marshal Davis	1-3, R, 2 BB	2007 tri-captain
LF	7	Greg Sillivent	1-4, R, SAC	1st-team All-Region 14 at Blinn JC
CF	1	Michael Rockett	2-5, RBI	2006 Fresh AA; preseason 1st-team All-SLC
RF	28	Mitch Ponza	1-3, 2B	.232 BA, 1 HR, 13 RBI, 3 SB in 2006
DH	25	Trent Lockwood	1-4	two-year starter at Hill College
SP	16	Blake Brannon	8-6, 3.77 ERA in 2006	UTSA-record 29 straight scoreless IP
SP	38	Bradley Chovanec	0-0, 0.00 ERA, 3.0 IP	5-2, 3.95 ERA at Blinn JC in 2006
SP	20	Josh Ruffin	0-1, 9.00 ERA, 4.0 IP	preseason 1st-team All-SLC/tri-captain

to the preseason All-SLC teams, as senior pitcher Josh Ruffin and sophomore outfielder Michael Rockett were first-team selections and senior third baseman Ryan Saltzgaber was named to the second team. Ruffin earned first-team accolades a year ago, while Rockett was a second-team honoree and Saltzgaber was an honorable mention selection.

**AGENT ZERO:** Senior starting pitcher Blake Brannon, who will start Friday's home opener, won his last five decisions of 2006 and enters this season on a school-record streak of 29 scoreless innings pitched. Brannon has not allowed a run since the fourth inning on May 7, 2006 (at Louisiana-Monroe). In first full season as a starter, the Brenham native went 8-6 with a 3.77 ERA and 67 strikeouts in 100.1 innings of work. He also tossed four complete games and three shutouts (No. 2 in UTSA history).

**RUFFIN ON THE CAREER CHARTS:** Senior Josh Ruffin's name can be found all over the Roadrunners' career record book. Sunday's starter is UTSA all-time record holder with four career shutouts and he also ranks sixth in ERA (4.59) and innings pitched (239.2), seventh in victories (14) and complete games (six), eighth in appearances (66) and 10th in strikeouts (140).

**HIT THE LIGHTS:** For the first time in school history, UTSA will play night games at Roadrunner Field this season. Nine of the team's 22 contests at the facility will be played under the lights. Friday's home opener against Louisiana-Lafayette will kick off the night-time action at the "Bird Bath."

**HOME COOKING:** Roadrunner Field and Wolff Stadium were tough places for the opposition to play in 2006, as UTSA

registered a school-record 24 home victories. That broke the previous UTSA record of 23 home wins set in 1994. The Roadrunners have posted a 243-170 (.589) all-time home record.

**HOME AWAY FROM HOME:** A fixture on the Roadrunners' home schedule for more than a decade, UTSA will play five games at Nelson W. Wolff Stadium this season. St. Mary's (Feb. 26) and Houston (Feb. 27) will visit the facility for single mid-week contests, while the Roadrunners will host the College of Charleston for a three-game series from March 9-11. Built in 1994 and known as the "The Jewel of the Texas League," it also is home to the San Antonio Missions, the Double A affiliate of the San Diego Padres.

**WHAT'S BACK IN 2007:** UTSA is coming off a season that saw it finish with a 37-22 record and 20-10 mark in conference

### 2007 UTSA ROADRUNNERS BASEBALL ROSTER

No.	Name	Pos.	B/T	Ht.	Wt.	Yr.-Exp.	Hometown
1	Michael Rockett	OF	R/R	6-1	160	So.-1L	Sugar Land, Texas
2	Ryan Saltzgaber	INF	R/R	5-11	175	Sr.-2L	Abilene, Texas
4	Danny Cornejo	INF	R/R	6-0	205	So.-1L	San Antonio, Texas
5	Brandon Koger	INF	R/R	5-11	165	Sr.-2L	Houston, Texas
6	Cole Gleason	P	R/L	5-10	160	Fr.-RS	New Braunfels, Texas
7	Greg Sillivent	OF	L/L	6-2	210	Jr.-TR	Granbury, Texas
8	Zach Etheredge	C	R/R	6-1	195	Jr.-2L	Boerne, Texas
9	James Keithley	INF	R/R	6-1	185	So.-1L	San Antonio, Texas
10	Marshal Davis	INF	S/R	5-10	165	Jr.-2L	Conroe, Texas
11	Ryan Rummel	C/INF	R/R	5-11	180	Fr.-HS	Uvalde, Texas
12	Noah Miles	P	R/R	6-2	200	Sr.-1L	Monahans, Texas
13	Tim Palincsar	OF	L/R	6-3	190	Fr.-RS	College Station, Texas
14	Zach Calhoon	P	R/R	6-2	190	Fr.-HS	Spring, Texas
15	Mark Ruffin	P	R/R	6-0	180	Jr.-2L	Humble, Texas
16	Blake Brannon	P	R/R	6-2	225	Sr.-3L	Brenham, Texas
17	Steven Vasquez	P	R/R	6-3	185	Sr.-3L	Beeville, Texas
18	J.T. Mackey	P	L/R	6-1	170	Jr.-TR	Austin, Texas
19	Eric Johnston	OF	L/L	5-10	175	So.-1L	Lufkin, Texas
20	Josh Ruffin	P	R/R	6-2	210	Sr.-3L	Humble, Texas
21	Josh Blakley	P	R/R	6-1	195	Sr.-1L	Lorena, Texas
22	Jose Hernandez	OF	R/L	5-11	180	Jr.-TR	Anaheim Hills, Calif.
23	Ryan Proudfoot	P	R/R	6-3	195	Fr.-HS	Lindale, Texas
24	Phillip Allen	OF	S/R	5-11	185	Jr.-2L	Sugar Land, Texas
25	Trent Lockwood	INF	L/L	6-4	225	Jr.-TR	Groesbeck, Texas
26	Josh Wilson	INF	R/R	6-4	235	Jr.-TR	Midland, Texas
27	J.P. Holton	P	R/R	5-11	190	Jr.-TR	Lufkin, Texas
28	Mitch Ponza	OF	R/R	6-2	190	Sr.-1L	Soquel, Calif.
29	Jake Sillavan	P	R/R	6-1	165	Fr.-HS	Cypress, Texas
30	Kevin Clarke	P	R/R	6-2	185	Fr.-HS	Huntsville, Texas
31	Ray Redding	P	R/R	6-7	205	Fr.-HS	Houston, Texas
33	Michael Susaneck	P	L/L	5-11	195	Fr.-RS	Missouri City, Texas
34	Andy Benedict	P	L/L	6-4	190	So.-1L	Lewisville, Texas
37	Tyler Klein	C/INF	S/R	6-1	210	Fr.-HS	Conroe, Texas
38	Bradley Chovanec	P	R/R	6-4	200	Jr.-TR	Burton, Texas
39	Thomas Diamond	C	R/R	5-10	195	Fr.-HS	San Antonio, Texas
40	Zach Smith	C	R/R	6-2	200	Fr.-HS	Vancouver, Wash.

**Head coach:** 36 Sherman Corbett (seventh season)

**Associate head coach:** 3 Jason Marshall (seventh season)

**Assistant coach:** 35 Mike Clement (second season)

### BY THE NUMBERS

#### Records

Overall	0-1
Non-conference	0-1
Southland Conference	0-0
Home	0-0
Road	0-1
Last five games	1-4
Last 10 games	3-7
Extra innings	0-0
Day games	0-0
Night games	0-1
Against ranked opponents	0-1
Against left-handed starters	0-0
Against right-handed starters	0-1
When scoring first	0-1
When leading after five innings	0-0
When leading after six innings	0-0
When leading after seven innings	0-0
When leading after eight innings	0-0
When trailing after five innings	0-1
When trailing after six innings	0-1
When trailing after seven innings	0-1
When trailing after eight innings	0-1
Longest winning streak	0
Longest losing streak	1 (current)

#### Current hitting streaks

Marshal Davis	3 (began 5/25/06)
Ryan Saltzgaber	3 (began 5/25/06)

#### Multi-hit games

Michael Rockett	1
Ryan Saltzgaber	1



