

2019 UCF FOOTBALL

Sept. 7, 2019 Postgame Notes



#18/17 UCF 48 (2-0, 0-0) at FAU 14 (0-2, 0-0) Sept. 7, 2019 | FAU Stadium | Attendance: 30,811

Weather: Clear | Temp: 88 degrees | Wind: 12 MPH from the south

General

- UCF captains: Senior defensive lineman Brendon Hayes, junior defensive back Richie Grant, junior linebacker Eric Mitchell, and junior wide receiver Tre Nixon
- Coin Toss: FAU won the toss and elected to defer to the second half. UCF chose to receive and defend the north end zone.

Team

- The Knights improved their program-record road game winning streak to 10 games
- UCF scored on the ground and through the air, its 28^{th} straight game doing so, a streak that leads the nation (Oklahoma, $2^{nd} 16$)
- The Knights improved to 14-1 with Josh Heupel at the helm
- UCF extended its lead over FAU in the all-time series to 3-0
- The Knights are now 33-2 as a Top 25 team
- UCF has now scored in 35 straight quarters

Offense

- UCF scored 30 or more points for the 28th straight game, the nation's longest such streak and the longest streak of the AP era (since 1936)
- Freshman Dillon Gabriel made his first career start in his second career game
- The Knights scored on their first offensive drive for the second straight game
- UCF had six scoring drives under two minutes, giving the team 12 scoring drives under two
 minutes this season
- Jordan Johnson, who came into the 2019 season ranked fifth in the nation for consecutive starts, made his 40th straight start on the offensive line
- Jacob Harris caught his first career touchdown, a 57-yard score from Gabriel
- Adrian Killins Jr. scored a second-quarter rushing touchdown, the 20th of his career, which is tied for seventh all-time at UCF with three players including McKenzie Milton
- He also caught a touchdown pass from Gabriel, marking his 29th total touchdown, tying him for fourth all-time at UCF with David Rhodes (1991-94)
- Otis Anderson's 39-yard touchdown run in the second quarter was the junior's ninth career rushing score and 16th overall touchdown
- Gabriel had multiple touchdown passes for the second straight game to start his collegiate career
- He also rushed for his first career touchdown on the ground
- Bentavious Thompson also found the end zone for the first time in his career, rushing for a 28-yard score

Defense



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- Landon Woodson recorded his first career sack and recovered a fumble
- Noah Hancock and Mason Cholewa combined for a second-quarter sack, the first career sack for both defensive linemen
- The Knights allowed a 48-yard field goal in the second quarter, the first points scored against UCF this season
- UCF went seven quarters to start the 2019 season without giving up a touchdown
- The Knights had double digit tackles for loss for the second straight game, totaling 16 against the Owls
- They also had a season high five sacks
- Tay Gowan recorded UCF's first turnover of the season, grabbing his first interception with the Knights in the fourth quarter

Special Teams

- Dylan Barnas missed his only field goal attempt, a 37-yard try
- Andrew Osteen punted five times for a total of 193 yards