



SPRING PROSPECTUS

UCF FOOTBALL 2023



QUICK FACTS

GENERAL INFORMATION

School	University of Central Florida
City, State, Zip	Orlando, Fla., 32816
Founded	1963
Enrollment	70,406
Nickname	Knights
School Colors	Black and Gold
Stadium	FBC Mortgage Stadium
Capacity	44,256
Surface	419 Bermuda Grass
Affiliation/Conference	NCAA DI - FBS/American
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Head Coach	Gus Malzahn
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Special Teams Coordinator/TEs	Brian Blackmon
Co-Defensive Coordinator/Secondary	David Gibbs
Co-Offensive Coordinator/Offensive Line	Herb Hand
Defensive Ends/Rush	Kenny Ingram
Defensive Tackles	Kenny Martin
Wide Receivers	Grant Heard
Linebackers	Ernie Sims
Running Backs	Kam Martin
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Special Teams Analyst	Ben Larson
Defensive Analyst	Charles Moore
Offensive Analyst	Brendan Bognar
Graduate Assistant Coach	Jay Carter
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FOOTBALL INFORMATION

Bowl Seasons	2005, 2007, 2009, 2010, 2012, 2013, 2014, 2016, 2017, 2018, 2019, 2020, 2021, 2022
First Year of Football/First Year of FBS Football	1979/1996
All-Time Record	289-226-1 (.561)
FBS Record (Since 1996)	192-140 (.578)
Record at FBC Mortgage Stadium	78-24 (.765)



KNIGHTS GEARING UP FOR BIG 12

The UCF football program officially began preparation for entrance into the Big 12 Conference when the Knights opened their 2023 spring drills on Monday, March 20.

After a full decade as a member of the American Athletic Conference, UCF becomes a member of the Big 12 on July 1, 2023, and plays its initial football season in that league in 2023.

Gus Malzahn, in his third season at UCF following consecutive nine-win seasons and bowl appearances, will have a veteran collection of returnees (52 lettermen) to work with for 2023:

- Starting quarterback, John Rhys Plumlee, who threw for 2,586 yards and 14 TDs (218 of 346, .630) in 2022
- Top rusher Plumlee, who ran for 861 yards and 11 TDs, and three of the Knights' top four ground-gainers overall, including running backs RJ Harvey (796 yards, 5 TDs) and Johnny Richardson (370 yards)
- Six of the top seven receivers from a year ago, paced by Javon Baker (56 catches for team-high 796 yards, 5 TDs) and Kobe Hudson (39 for 641, 7 TDs—all his production in final 10 games)
- Four of the Knights' top five tacklers from 2022, led by linebacker Jason Johnson (126 tackles) whose 9.0 tackles per game ranked third in the AAC

Starters returning on offense (6) are quarterback Plumlee (23 career starts—13 at UCF), wide receivers Baker (13 career starts) and Hudson (15 career starts—10 at UCF), offensive linemen Lokahi Pauole (34 career starts) and Tylan Grable (25 career starts—14 at UCF) and tight end Alec Holler (20 career starts; 22 catches for 276 yards, 1 TD in 2022).

Regulars back on defense (6) are end Josh Celiscar (54 tackles in 2022, 8.5 TFL, 26 career starts), outside linebacker Tre'mon Morris-Brash (52 tackles, team-high 13 TFL, team-high 6 sacks, 17 career starts), tackle Ricky Barber (49 tackles, 9 TFL, 12 QBH, 36 career starts—24 at UCF), Johnson (43 career starts—14 at UCF), plus cornerback Corey Thornton (50 tackles, team-high 7 PBU, 27 career starts) and safety Quadric Bullard (27 tackles, 20 career starts). Celiscar was the Knights' lone junior team captain in 2022.

Among specialists returning are placekicker Colton Boomer (14 of 15 on field goals), punter Mitch McCarthy (43.3-yard average on 38 punts) and kickoff specialist Ryker Casey (53 of 86 were touchbacks).

The most noteworthy UCF personnel losses among 18 departed lettermen are receiver Ryan O'Keefe (team-high 73 catches for 725 yards, 5 TDs in '22; transfer to Boston College), running back Isaiah Bowser (team-high 205 carries for 799 yards, 16 TDs; 26 career starts—16 at UCF), offensive linemen Sam Jackson (45 career starts), Ryan Swoboda (39 career starts—14 at UCF) and Matt Lee (35 career starts, transfer to Miami), defensive tackle Anthony Montalvo (36 career starts), linebacker Jeremiah Jean-Baptiste (52 tackles in 2022, transfer to Ole Miss), cornerback Davonte Brown (transfer to Miami) and safeties Koby Perry (56 tackles in 2022) and Divaad Wilson (41 tackles, 3 INTs in 2022; he declared for the NFL Draft). The Knights also lost long snapper Alex Ward, a second-team All-American (Phil Steele) in 2022 and a two-time finalist for the Patrick Mannelly Award as the top long snapper in the country.

UCF ranked ninth nationally in rushing offense (228.3 per game, second in AAC) in 2022, the fifth straight season the Knights have averaged at least 196 yards per game. The Knights ranked fifth nationally in red-zone defense in 2022 (.707). Additional NCAA rankings for UCF in 2022 included:

- 11th in first downs (342)
- 13th in fumble recoveries (12)
- 16th in total offense (469.5 yards per game, 2nd in AAC)
- 16th in 3rd-down conversion percentage (.464)
- 17th in 4th-down conversion percentage (.633)
- 24th in fewest penalties per game (4.93 per game)
- 31st in scoring (32.9 points per game)
- 31st in pass completion percentage (.645)

Individual 2022 NCAA rankings for 2023 UCF returnees included:

- Quadric Bullard 1st in punt return TDs (with 2, both blocked)
- Colton Boomer 8th in field-goal percentage (.933)
- Xavier Townsend 16th in punt returns (9.3 yards each)

UCF returns 11 players who received either 1st-team, 2nd-team or 3rd-team all-conference recognition on at least one all-league team in 2022—Paoule (1st AAC coaches, Pro Football Network, Phil Steele), Barber (1st AAC, PFN, Steele), Morris-Brash (1st AAC, Steele), Johnson (1st AAC, Steele), Baker (2nd Pro Football Focus), Harvey (2nd PFN), Plumlee (2nd Steele), Thornton (3rd PFN), Grable (3rd PFN), Boomer (3rd PFN) and Townsend (3rd Steele as punt returner).

The Knights head into 2023 with two new coordinators—offensive coordinator/quarterback coach Darin Hinshaw (former standout UCF quarterback and assistant coach and a former offensive coordinator at UAB, Kentucky, Georgia Southern and Middle Tennessee State; also an assistant at Tennessee and Cincinnati) and defensive coordinator Addison Williams (he was promoted after two years as the UCF cornerback coach, including 2022 as assistant head coach). Also new to the UCF staff are linebacker coach Ernie Sims (former All-America linebacker at Florida State, the ninth overall pick in the 2006 NFL Draft by Detroit and most recently linebacker coach at South Florida) and running back coach Kam Martin (a UCF offensive assistant coach in 2021, a former Auburn running back for Gus Malzahn and most recently running back coach at Incarnate Word and Texas State).

UCF moves into the Big 12 coming off a 2021 Gasparilla Bowl victory over Florida plus berths in the AAC Championship Game and Military Bowl in 2022. The Knights have won at least nine games in five of the last six seasons (59 combined wins in those six seasons, including a 25-game win streak in 2017-18) and qualified for bowl games in seven straight years.

UCF's schedule in 2022 featured two wins over ranked opponents—a home win against 20th-ranked Cincinnati (the two-time defending AAC champion) and a road victory over 18th-ranked and eventual AAC champion Tulane. Among losses for the Knights in 2022 were games against champions of the Cotton Bowl (Tulane), Birmingham Bowl (East Carolina), Fenway Bowl (Louisville) and Military Bowl (Duke).

The Knights' nine Big 12 assignments for 2023 are home dates against 2021 league champion Baylor (Sept. 30), West Virginia (Oct. 28), Oklahoma State (Nov. 11) and Houston (Nov. 25) and road games at defending Big 12 champion Kansas State (Sept. 23), Kansas (Oct. 7), Oklahoma (Oct. 21), Cincinnati (Nov. 4) and Texas Tech (Nov. 18). UCF's 2023 non-conference slate features a road date at Boise State (Sept. 9) and home contests versus Kent State (Aug. 31) and Villanova (Sept. 16). Eight of UCF's nine Big 12 opponents for 2023 played in bowl games in 2022, and all six road games are against 2022 bowl teams.

The 2023 UCF spring football game is set for 7:30 p.m. ET on Friday, April 14, at FBC Mortgage Stadium.

HOMEFIELD ADVANTAGE

UCF's all-time record of 78-24 (.765) at FBC Mortgage Stadium **ranks in the top 15 in the nation for best win percentage** in a current home stadium.

The Knights went 5-2 at home during the 2022 season and finished the 2021 campaign undefeated at home, marking the seventh time doing so in UCF's FBS era, the ninth overall, and the fourth time in the previous five years.

ALL-TIME RANKINGS

Category	Weeks
Top 25	56
Top 20	42
Top 15	27
Top 10	10

Highest Rank..... 6 (2017 Final AP)

RECORD AS RANKED TEAM

Category	Record
Overall	40-7
Home	21-3
Road	16-3
Neutral	3-1
Top 10	6-1
Top 20	30-5
2010	2-1
2013	7-0
2017	10-0
2018	12-1
2019	4-2
2020	2-1
2022	3-2

RECORD VS. RANKED TEAMS

Category	Record
Overall	9-32
Home	5-10
Road	2-20
Neutral	2-2
Top 10	3-14
Top 20	9-25
Since 2013	8-8
Since 2017	6-3

KNIGHT TRENDS (2022)

Overall	9-5
The American	6-2
Non-Conference	3-2
Home	5-2
Away	4-2
Neutral	0-1
Current overall streak	Lost 2
Current home streak	Lost 1
Current conference streak	Won 1
Current road streak	Lost 1
Current neutral site streak	Lost 1
Current bowl streak	Lost 1
Last win	11/26/22, at South Florida, 46-39
Last loss	12/28/22, vs. Duke, 31-13
Day game	4-3
Night game	5-2
TV game	7-5
ABC	0-1
ESPN	2-1
ESPN2	4-2
ESPNU	1-1
September	3-1
October	3-1
November	3-1
December	0-2
vs. FBS Top-25 teams	2-1
vs. FBS non-ranked teams	7-3
On artificial turf	2-1
On natural grass	7-4
Scoring first	7-0
Opponent scores first	2-5
Leading after 1st quarter	6-0
Trailing after 1st quarter	2-3
Tied after 1st quarter	1-2
Leading at halftime	8-1
Trailing at halftime	1-4
Tied at halftime	0-0
Leading after 3rd quarter	7-0
Trailing after 3rd quarter	1-5
Tied after 3rd quarter	1-0
Overtime	0-0
Scoring 0-14 points	0-4
Scoring 15-28 points	2-1
Scoring 29-39 points	2-0
Scoring 40+ points	5-0
Allowing 0-14 points	4-0
Allowing 15-28 points	3-2
Allowing 29+ points	2-3
With 100-yard rusher	6-0
Allow 100-yard rusher	2-4
With 300-yard passer	4-0
Allow 300-yard passer	1-2
Outgain opponent	7-0
Total offense 300+ yards	8-4
Allow 300+ yards total offense	5-3
Total offense 400+ yards	8-1
Allow 400+ yards total offense	4-2
Total offense 500+ yards	5-0
Allow 500+ yards total offense	0-0
Total offense 600+ yards	3-0
Allow 600+ yards total offense	0-0
No turnovers	3-1
Less than three turnovers	5-3
Three or more turnovers	2-1
No takeaways	1-3
Three or more takeaways	1-0
Commit fewer turnovers	5-1
Equal turnovers	2-1
Commit more turnovers	2-3
Control time of possession	8-1
Opponent controls time of possession	1-4
Games decided by 1-8 points	4-2
Games decided by 9-16 points	0-0
Games decided by 17-24 points	2-3
Games decided by 25+ points	3-0
Win Coin Toss	5-2
Lose Coin Toss	4-3
Black Jerseys	3-2
White Jerseys	4-3
SpaceU Jerseys	1-0
Knight Mode Jerseys	1-0

UCF adds nine transfers who enrolled in January 2023 and are participating in 2023 spring practices:

- Davis, Fred, DB, 6-1, 190, Jacksonville FL (Trinity Christian/Clemson)
- Kight, Amari, OL, 6-7, 318, Alabaster, AL (Thompson/Alabama)
- King, Gage, LS, 6-4, 240, El Dorado Hills, CA (Oak Ridge/Arizona State)
- Magwood, Chauncey, WR, 6-0, 187, Leesburg GA (Lee County/Kentucky)
- Marshall, Marcellus, OL, 6-5, 310, Morgantown WV (Morgantown/Kent State)
- Mask, DeJordan, DB, 6-1, 180, Texarkana, AR (Arkansas/Texas State)
- Whittemore, Trent, WR, 6-4, 211, Gainesville, FL (Buchholz/Florida)
- Wilson, Jireh, DB, 6-3, 219, Jacksonville, NC (Northside/East Carolina)
- Schmidt, Bula, C, 6-1, 294, Wahiawa, HI (O'Dea/Fresno State)

UCF signed 15 players (14 high school, one junior college transfer) combined during the December and February windows, led by 6-4, 300-pound four-star defensive tackle John Walker from Kissimmee, Fla. (Osceola), four-star linebacker Andrew Harris from Altamonte Springs, Fla. (Lake Brantley)--and four-star defensive lineman Isaiah Nixon from St. Petersburg, Fla. (Lakewood).

Eight of those prep signees and one junior-college addition enrolled at UCF in January 2023 and are on the active roster for the Knights' 2023 spring drills:

- Call, Kaven, DE, 6-3, 240, Apopka, FL (Apopka)
- Cline, Johnathan, OL, 6-4, 295, Cartersville, GA (Cartersville)
- Cox, Keyon, OL, 6-5, 270, Phenix City, AL (Central)
- Duclona, Jason, DB, 6-1, 170, Estero, FL (Estero)
- Marshall, Braeden, CB, 5-10, 175, Lake Mary, FL (Lake Mary)
- Morris, Ja'Maric, DB, 6-2, 205, Timmons ville, SC (Timmons ville/Hutchinson C.C.)
- Pittman, Randy, TE, 6-2, 225, Lynn Haven, FL (Mosley)
- Reddick, Grant, K/P, 5-10, 190, Orlando, FL (Boone)
- Walker, John, DT, 6-4, 300, Kissimmee, FL (Osceola)

Here's a position-by-position breakdown on UCF prospects for 2023:

QUARTERBACKS

Will Bohn	6-1	194	r-Jr.	---
*Thomas Castellanos	6-0	190	So.	5 GP
Brock Hansel	5-9	158	r-Fr.	---
Timmy McClain	6-1	196	r-So.	---
*John Rhys Plumlee	6-0	200	5th	13 GS

The incumbent under center for UCF is multi-talented fifth year John Rhys Plumlee, who started 13 games for the Knights in 2022 and earned second-team all-conference honors (Phil Steele) while leading the team in both passing and rushing (218 of 346 passing for 2,586 yards, 14 TDs, .630 in 2022; 861 rushing yards and 11 TDs). No FBS quarterback ran for more yards than Plumlee did in 2022 as he helped UCF finish 16th nationally in total offense (469.5 yards per game) and average 32.9 points per game. He previously started 10 games for Ole Miss at quarterback in 2019 before contributing mainly as a Rebel receiver in 2020 and 2021.

Sophomore Thomas Castellanos (9 of 16 passing for 75; 14 rushes for 120, 1 TD) impressed as a versatile playmaker in 2022 in his five game appearances. Redshirt sophomore and former South Florida quarterback Timmy McClain (started 9 games as true freshman in 2021; honorable mention all-AAC by Pro Football Network; 1,888 passing yards on 145 of 262 attempts, 5 TDs, 7 INTs; 4th on team rushing for 238 yards on 123 carries with 4 TDs) transferred to UCF just prior to the 2022 season and spent the year as the Knights' scout team signal-caller. Also in the mix are redshirt junior Will Bohn and redshirt freshman Brock Hansel.

RUNNING BACKS

**Mark-Antony Richards	6-1	215	r-Sr.	11 GP
Demarcus Bowman	5-10	193	r-So.	---
**R.J. Harvey	5-8	195	r-Sr.	13 GP, 3 GS
Kam Ingram	5-8	175	r-So.	---
*Jordan McDonald	6-1	220	So.	13 GP
***Johnny Richardson	5-7	170	Sr.	14 GP, 1 GS

UCF's corps of running backs may be as deep and experienced as the Knights have enjoyed—after the team ranked ninth in the country in 2022 in rushing (228.3 yards per game, second in the AAC). Leading the pack is redshirt senior R.J. Harvey (118 carries for 796 yards, 6.7 per carry, 5 TDs; 22 recs. for 215 yards; 2nd-team all-AAC by Pro Football Network), UCF's top returning rusher among running backs and a former transfer from Virginia. He brings a solid brand of speed and power to the position. His sidekick is speedy senior scatback Johnny Richardson (54 for 370, 6.9 per carry; 22 rec. for 122, 1 TD), who is as dangerous in space as any Knight player.

Redshirt senior Mark-Antony Richards (an Auburn transfer prior to 2021) didn't carry the football in 2022 but rushed for 309 yards and five TDs in 2021. Sophomore Jordan McDonald (11 for 43, 1 TD) will fight for playing time. Redshirt sophomore Demarcus Bowman sat out the 2022 campaign after transferring from Florida (he originally enrolled at Clemson) and is quite likely to be a contributor this time around. Another candidate is redshirt sophomore Kam Martin, son of UCF defensive line coach Kenny Martin.

WIDE RECEIVERS

***Jarrad Baker	5-11	170	r-Sr.	12 GP
*Javon Baker	6-1	208	Sr.	14 GP, 13 GS
Andrew Dickson	5-10	165	r-So.	---
JaJuan Forte	6-1	195	r-Sr.+	---
*Jaylon Griffin	6-3	185	r-Sr.	7 GP, 1 GS
Tyler Griffin	6-5	205	r-Fr.	---
*Kobe Hudson	6-1	199	Sr.	12 GP, 10 GS
***Amari Johnson	5-10	160	r-Sr.	---
Quan Lee	6-0	175	r-Fr.	---
Chauncey Magwood	6-0	187	r-So.	---
Dionte Marks	6-2	190	r-Sr.	1 GP
**Stephen Martin	6-5	210	r-Jr.	12 GP
Cullen Smith	6-2	180	r-So.	1 GP
*Xavier Townsend	5-11	180	So.	14 GP, 1 GS
Trent Whittemore	6-4	211	r-Jr.	---
Dwartney Wortham	6-0	169	r-Fr.	2 GP

Pacing the Knights' wide receivers is a pair of top-flight returnees in senior and 2022 second-team all-AAC pick Javon Baker (56 rec. for 796 yards, 5 TDs in 2022 after transferring from Alabama) and senior Kobe Hudson (39 for 641, 7 TDs in 2022 after leading Auburn in receiving in 2021). When the Knights play a trio of wideouts, the third could be redshirt senior Amari Johnson (he missed all of 2022 due to injury but caught 23 for 138, 1 TD in 2021) or sophomore Xavier Townsend (23 for 127), who started the Military Bowl and also distinguished himself as UCF's top punt returner.

Redshirt junior Trent Whittemore, a transfer from Florida (33 catches for 425, 2 TDs over 2020-21-22), also will seek to inject himself into that conversation—as will Kentucky transfer and redshirt sophomore Chauncey Magwood (8 for 121, 1 TD over 2021-22). Other lettermen back are redshirt junior Stephen Martin (4 for 58, 1 TD), redshirt senior Jaylon Griffin (4 for 47) and redshirt senior and special teams contributor Jarrad Baker. Other considerations are redshirt senior Dionte Marks (a 2021 transfer from Florida), redshirt freshmen Tyler Griffin, Quan Lee and Dwartney Wortham (2 for 30), converted defensive back Andrew Dickson, redshirt super senior JaJuan Forte and redshirt sophomore Cullen Smith.

TIGHT ENDS

*Jordan Davis	6-4	250	r-Jr.	1 GP
Garrett French	6-3	235	r-Jr.	1 GP
***Alec Holler	6-2	230	5th	14 GP, 13 GS
Max Holler	6-4	245	r-Jr.	2 GP
**Zach Marsh-Wojan	6-5	245	5th	14 GP, 4 GS
Randy Pittman	6-2	225	Fr.	---
Grant Stevens	6-4	225	r-Fr.	1 GP
Thomas Wadsworth	6-3	222	r-Fr.	---

Former walk-on Alec Holler (22 rec. for 276, 1 TD) started the final seven games in 2021 and 13 more in 2022 and ranks as a key cog as both a receiving and blocking threat. Also competing for playing time in 2022 will be redshirt junior Jordan Davis (he missed most of 2022 due to injury) and redshirt super senior Zach Marsh-Wojan (1 for 21; he started 4 times in multiple-tight end sets). Other options are redshirt junior Max Holler (younger brother of Alec), redshirt junior Garrett French, redshirt freshmen Grant Stevens and Thomas Wadsworth and early-enrolled freshman Randy Pittman.

THE AMERICAN

STANDINGS

	American	Overall	Streak
Tulane	7-1	12-2	W4
UCF	6-2	9-5	L2
Cincinnati	6-2	9-4	L2
SMU	5-3	7-6	L1
Houston	5-3	8-5	W1
Navy	4-4	4-8	L1
East Carolina	4-4	8-5	W2
Memphis	3-5	7-6	W1
Tulsa	3-5	5-7	W2
Temple	1-7	3-9	L3
South Florida	0-8	1-11	L10

HONORS

OFFENSIVE PLAYER OF THE WEEK

Sept. 5 Clayton Tune, QB, Houston
 Sept. 12 Davis Brin, QB, Tulsa
Sept. 19 John Rhys Plumlee, QB, UCF
 Sept. 26 Tyler Scott, WR, Cincinnati
 Oct. 3 Holton Ahlers, QB, East Carolina
 Oct. 10 Clayton Tune, QB, Houston
Oct. 17 John Rhys Plumlee, QB, UCF
 Oct. 24 Clayton Tune, QB, Houston
 Oct. 31 Clayton Tune, QB, Houston
 Nov. 7 Tanner Mordecai, QB, SMU
Nov. 14 John Rhys Plumlee, QB, UCF
 Nov. 21 Michael Pratt, QB, Tulane
 Nov. 28 Tyjae Spears, RB, Tulane

DEFENSIVE PLAYER OF THE WEEK

Sept. 5 Macon Clark, S, Tulane
 Sept. 12 Derek Parish, DE, Houston
 Sept. 19 Nick Anderson, LB, Tulane
 Sept. 26 Ivan Pace Jr., LB, Cincinnati
 Oct. 3 Nick Anderson, LB, Tulane
 Oct. 10 Macon Clark, S, Tulane
 Oct. 17 Julius Wood, S, East Carolina
 Oct. 24 Jireh Wilson, S, East Carolina
Oct. 31 Josh Celislar, DE, UCF
 Nov. 7 Dorian Williams, LB, Tulane
 Nov. 14 Justin Wright, LB, Tulsa
 Nov. 21 John Marshall, LB/S, Navy
 Nov. 28 Brandon Crossley, S, SMU

SPECIAL TEAMS PLAYER OF THE WEEK

Sept. 5 Bubba Baxa, K, Houston
 Sept. 12 De'Von Fox, WR, Temple
 Sept. 19 Mason Fletcher, P, Cincinnati
 Sept. 26 Daniel Davies, K, Navy
 Oct. 3 Joe Doyle, P, Memphis
 Oct. 10 Jayce Rogers, DB, Houston
 Oct. 17 Chris Howard, K, Memphis
 Oct. 24 Mason Fletcher, P, Cincinnati
 Oct. 31 Andrew Conrad, K, East Carolina
 Nov. 7 Camden Price, K, Temple
 Nov. 14 Chris Howard, K, Memphis
 Nov. 21 Ryan Coe, K, Cincinnati
 Nov. 28 Jsi Hatfield, WR, East Carolina

KNIGHTS IN THE NFL

Jordan Akins	Houston Texans
Big Kat Bryant	Miami Dolphins
Gabe Davis	Buffalo Bills
Kalia Davis	San Francisco 49ers
Jordan Franks	Kansas City Chiefs
Tay Gowan	Minnesota Vikings
Richie Grant	Atlanta Falcons
Shaquill Griffin	Jacksonville Jaguars
Jacob Harris	Los Angeles Rams
Trysten Hill	Dallas Cowboys
Mike Hughes	Detroit Lions
Charley Hughlett	Cleveland Browns
Justin McCray	Houston Texans
Latavius Murray	Denver Broncos
Tre Nixon	New England Patriots
Breshad Perriman	Tampa Bay Bucs
Matt Prater	Arizona Cardinals
Aaron Robinson	New York Giants
Tre'Quan Smith	New Orleans Saints

MALZAHN VS. OPPONENTS

Alabama	3-5	Middle Tennessee.....	1-0
Alabama A&M	1-0	Minnesota	0-1
Alabama State	1-0	Ole Miss.....	7-1
Alcorn State	1-0	Mississippi State	5-3
Arkansas	7-1	Missouri.....	2-0
Arkansas State	2-0	Navy.....	0-2
Bethune-Cookman	1-0	Nebraska.....	0-1
Boise State.....	1-0	North Texas.....	1-0
Cincinnati.....	1-1	Oklahoma	0-1
Clemson.....	0-2	Oregon.....	1-1
Duke	0-1	Purdue	1-0
East Carolina	1-1	Samford	2-0
Florida	1-1	San Jose State.....	2-0
Florida Atlantic	2-0	South Alabama	1-0
Florida International.....	1-0	South Carolina	1-1
Florida State	0-1	South Carolina State.....	1-0
Georgia	2-7	SMU	1-1
Georgia Southern	1-0	Southern Miss	1-0
Georgia Tech.....	1-0	South Florida	2-0
Idaho	1-0	Temple.....	2-0
Jacksonville State.....	1-0	Tennessee	2-1
Kansas State	1-0	Texas A&M.....	5-3
Kent State	1-0	Troy.....	1-0
Kentucky.....	2-0	Tulane.....	3-1
Liberty	1-0	UCF	0-1
LSU.....	3-5	UConn.....	1-0
Louisiana	1-0	Vanderbilt.....	1-0
ULM	3-0	Washington	1-0
Louisiana Tech	1-0	Washington State	1-0
Louisville.....	1-2	Western Carolina	1-0
Memphis	3-0	Western Kentucky	0-1
Mercer.....	1-0	Wisconsin	0-1

OFFENSIVE LINE

Patrick Barnett	6-6	300	r-Jr.	---
Johnathan Cline	6-4	295	Fr.	---
****Ed Collins	6-6	315	5th	14 GP
Keyon Cox	6-5	270	Fr.	---
*Tylan Grable	6-7	290	5th	14 GS
*John Harris	6-4	298	5th	4 GP
Shaheem Hill	6-4	342	r-Fr.	---
Amari Kight	6-7	318	r-Sr.	---
Caden Kitler	6-3	295	r-Fr.	1 GP
*Cameron Kinnie	6-3	315	r-Jr.	4 GP
Chidoziri Maghiro	6-5	325	5th	---
Miguel Maldonado	6-6	320	r-Fr.	---
Marcellus Marshall	6-5	310	r-Jr.	---
*Adrian Medley	6-5	305	r-Sr.	---
Ethan Mort	6-6	290	r-So.	---
****Lokahi Pauole	6-4	305	5th	14 GS
**Paul Rubelt	6-10	330	r-Jr.	14 GP
Bula Schmidt	6-1	294	5th	---

The Knights return two offensive line starters for 2023 in super senior guard Lokahi Pauole (34 career starts—most of any UCF offensive returnee; first-team all-AAC in 2022 by vote of league coaches, Pro Football Network and Phil Steele) and super senior tackle and former Jacksonville State transfer Tylan Grable (25 career starts; third-team all-AAC in 2022 by Pro Football Focus; second-team FCS All-American in delayed spring 2021 season). Next in line from an experience standpoint are super senior tackle Ed Collins (played in every game in both 2022 and 2021), redshirt senior guard Adrian Medley (he missed most of 2022 due to injury) and redshirt junior tackle Paul Rubelt (played in every game in 2022).

Transfers who could provide immediate help are redshirt senior Amari Kight from Alabama (played in 19 combined games for Tide in 2021-22), redshirt junior Marcellus Marshall from Kent State (first-team all-Mid-American Conference as starter in all 12 games in 2022) and super senior Bula Schmidt from Fresno State (second-team all-Mountain West in 2022 and starter in every game in 2022 and 2021).

Other candidates are redshirt junior tackle Patrick Barnett, redshirt super senior Chidoziri Maghiro and redshirt sophomore tackle Ethan Mort (none of those three played in 2022). Also in contention are redshirt freshmen Caden Kitler and Miguel Maldonado, redshirt junior Cameron Kinnie (4 games played in 2022), super senior and former Virginia Tech/Mercer transfer John Harris (also 4 games played in 2022) and redshirt freshman Shaheem Hill. There are two scholarship freshmen competing this spring—Keyon Cox and Johnathan Cline.

Look for battles at the tackle spots between experienced returnees Grable, Rubelt and Collins and transfers Kight and Marshall—while Pauole, Kinnie, Medley and Harris fight it out at guard. Pauole also can play center along with Kittler and Schmidt.

DEFENSIVE ENDS

Kaven Call	6-3	240	Fr.	---
***Josh Celiscar	6-4	265	Sr.	14 GS
**Dallaz Corbitt	6-5	240	r-Sr.	6 GP
Malachi Lawrence	6-4	270	r-So.	3 GP
Trace O'Hara	6-2	235	r-Jr.	---

The Knights' 2023 roster boasts a particularly experienced returnee at defensive end in senior and returning co-captain and two-year starter Josh Celiscar (54 tackles, 8.5 TFL, 3 sacks; 26 career starts; honorable mention all-AAC by Pro Football Network). Also in the hunt for playing time are redshirt senior Dallaz Corbitt (4 tackles in 2022) and redshirt freshman Malachi Lawrence (2 tackles). Additional depth comes from redshirt junior Trace O'Hara and incoming freshman Kaven Call.

DEFENSIVE TACKLES

*Matt Alexander	6-3	280	r-So.	14 GP
**Ricky Barber	6-3	290	r-Sr.	14 GS
*Kervins Choute	6-3	285	r-Jr.	3 GP
Chris Ficka	5-10	230	Fr.	---
***Keenan Hester	6-4	305	r-Sr.	4 GP
Keshaun Hudson	6-1	307	r-Fr.	---
*Lee Hunter	6-4	321	r-So.	13 GP
K.T. Thompson	6-3	255	r-Fr.	1 GP
John Walker	6-4	300	Fr.	---

The UCF tackle slots boast extensive experience, thanks to the return of redshirt senior all-star Ricky Barber (49 tackles, 9 TFL, 3 sacks; honorable mention All-America by Pro Football Network; first-team all-AAC by league coaches, PFN and Phil Steele; 36 career starts—24 at UCF), redshirt sophomore and former Auburn transfer Lee Hunter (17 tackles) and redshirt senior Keenan Hester (4 tackles in 2022, 24 in 2021). Others contending for playing time are redshirt junior Kervins Choute (2 tackles), redshirt sophomore Matt Alexander (10 tackles, 3 QBH), redshirt freshmen Keshawn Hudson and K.T. Thompson, plus incoming freshmen John Walker and Chris Ficka.

OUTSIDE LINEBACKERS

*Branden Jennings	6-3	226	r-So.	4 GP
Jamaal Johnson	6-2	250	r-Fr.	5 GP
*K.D. McDaniel	6-2	250	r-Sr.	13 GP
Jack Morgan	6-3	211	r-Fr.	---
***Tre'mon Morris-Brash	6-2	245	Sr.+	14 GS

All-conference super senior Tre'mon Morris-Brash (52 tackles, 13 TFL, 6 sacks; first-team all-AAC by league coaches and Phil Steele) qualifies as the top UCF returnee in both tackles for loss and sacks for the second year in a row. Redshirt senior and former Kentucky transfer K.D. McDaniel (10 tackles, 2 TFL, 1 sack) returns, as do redshirt sophomore and former Maryland transfer Branden Jennings (2 tackles) and redshirt freshmen Jamaal Johnson (3 tackles) and Jack Morgan.

INSIDE LINEBACKERS

TJ Bullard	6-1	190	r-Fr.	---
*Keenan Cupit	6-2	255	r-Jr.	5 GP
*Jason Johnson	6-2	200	Sr.+	14 GS
*Kam Moore	6-2	205	So.	9 GP, 1 GS
*Quade Mosier	6-2	225	Sr.	1 GP
*Camden Vining	6-0	225	r-So.	11 GP
*Walter Yates	6-1	219	r-Sr.+	14 GP, 3 GS

Super senior all-league linebacker Jason Johnson (team-leading 126 tackles, 4 TFL, 1 sack, 2 FF, 2 FR; 43 career starts—14 at UCF) headlines an inside linebacking corps that displays a more balanced look for 2023 than it did a year ago. He was a first-team all-AAC selection in 2022 by the league's coaches and by Phil Steele. Additional help assuredly will come from redshirt super senior Walter Yates (former Savannah State player had 54 tackles, 5 TFL, 1.5 sacks in 2022), sophomore Kam Moore (10 tackles, 2 TFL), redshirt junior Keenan Cupit (3 tackles), senior Quade Mosier, redshirt sophomore Camden Vining (transferred from Army before 2022 campaign) and redshirt freshmen TJ Bullard and Stone Boss (both DNP in 2022).

DEFENSIVE BACKS

**Brandon Adams	6-3	180	Jr.	14 GP, 4 GS
Nick Antoine	6-4	190	r-Fr.	---
***Quadir Bullard	6-0	170	r-Sr.	7 GP, 6 GS
Ru'Darius Cooper	6-0	181	r-Jr.	---
Fred Davis	6-1	190	r-Sr.	---
Jason Duclona	6-1	170	Fr.	---
*Jaiden Francois	6-0	190	r-Jr.	9 GP
Hudson Gibbs	5-9	185	Fr.	---
*Demari Henderson	6-0	160	So.	12 GP, 1 GS
*Ja'Cari Henderson	6-0	160	r-Fr.	4 GP
Terrell Jackson	6-1	170	r-Fr.	---
***Dyllon Lester	6-0	200	r-Sr.+	4 GP, 1 GS
Daniel McCullon	5-10	205	r-Jr.	---
Braeden Marshall	5-10	175	Fr.	---
*Nikai Martinez	5-11	170	So.	14 GP
DeJordan Mask	6-1	180	Sr.+	---
Ja'Maric Morris	6-2	205	r-Sr.	---
***Corey Thornton	6-1	190	Sr.	14 GP, 11 GS
*Jarvis Ware	6-1	190	r-Sr.+	12 GP, 6 GS
**William Wells	6-2	185	Jr.	12 GP
Jireh Wilson	6-3	219	Sr.+	---

The Knights are deep and talented in the secondary—including six players with starting experience and 81 combined previous career starts among returnees and 58 more from a trio of transfers. The veterans of the group are returning regulars in redshirt senior Quadric Bullard (27 tackles, 3 PBU; missed 6 of last 7 games due to injury; second-team all-AAC in 2021; 20 career starts) and redshirt super senior Jarvis Ware (41 tackles 4 PBU) at safety to go with two seasoned cornerback in senior Corey Thornton (50 tackles, 7 PBU; third-team all-AAC by Pro Football Focus; 27 career starts) and junior Brandon Adams (34 tackles, 4 PBU). Thornton's 11 starts in 2022 paced that quartet.

Other returnees bringing experience to the table are redshirt super senior Dyllon Lester (4 games, 3 tackles), junior safety Williams Wells (6 tackles, 1 TFL), redshirt junior Jaiden Francois (2 tackles), sophomore Nikai Martinez (21 tackles, 1.5 TFL 1 sack—he'll likely play at the Knight position) and twins Demari (12 tackles, 2 PBU) and Ja'Cari Henderson (3 tackles, 1 PBU).

UCF adds four seasoned transfers in redshirt senior corner Fred Davis from Clemson (34 tackles in 27 games), super senior strong safety Jireh Wilson from East Carolina (190 tackles, 23 starts; third-team all-AAC in 2022), free safety DeJordan Mask from Texas State (136 tackles, 32 starts) and strong safety Ja'Maric Morris from Hutchinson (Kansas) Community College (33 tackles, 5 INTs, first-team-all-conference in 2022). Others contending this spring are redshirt freshmen Terrell Jackson at corner and Nick Antoine at safety, redshirt juniors Daniel McCullon and Ru'Darius Cooper along with true freshmen Jason Duclona, Braeden Marshall and Hudson Gibbs.

SPECIALISTS

Garin Boniol (K)	6-0	180	r-Jr.	---
*Colton Boomer (K)	5-10	175	So.	12 GP
Chris Bowerfind (LS)	6-0	210	r-So.	---
Michael Carter (P)	6-2	185	r-Fr.	---
*Ryker Casey (K)	6-0	205	r-Sr.	14 GP
Alex Davis (P)	5-10	198	Fr.	---
Aidan Fedigan (LS)	6-0	195	r-Fr.	---
Gage King (LS)	6-4	240	r-Sr.	---
*Mitch McCarthy (P)	6-5	214	So.	12 GP

The Knights bring back two prominent special teams names for 2023, both of whom took over their respective jobs early last season and flourished. Sophomore placekicker Colton Boomer took over the placekicking chores three games in and went 14 of 15 on field goals (8th nationally in percentage at .933) to help win third-team all-AAC recognition from Pro Football Focus. Sophomore Australian punter Mitch McCarthy did the same, moving into that role in the third outing and finishing at 43.3 yards per boot. Redshirt senior Ryker Casey in 2022 recorded 53 touchbacks on his 86 kickoffs.

Redshirt junior Garin Boniol qualifies as a third kicker, while redshirt freshman Michael Carter and freshman Alex Davis add depth at the punting position. UCF seeks a new long snapper after the graduation of all-star Alex Ward. Most likely options are Arizona State transfer Gage King, redshirt sophomore Chris Bowerfind and redshirt freshman Aidan Fedigan.

Amari Johnson and Johnny Richardson are the Knights' most experienced kickoff returners, while sophomore Xavier Townsend (third-team all-AAC as punt returner by Phil Steele) ranked 16th nationally in punt returns in 2022 at 9.3 each.

2023 SCHEDULE



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AUG. 31 VS
KENT STATE



SEPT. 09 AT
BOISE STATE



SEPT. 16 VS
VILLANOVA
FAMILY WEEKEND



SEPT. 23 AT
KANSAS STATE



SEPT. 30 VS
BAYLOR
FAMILY WEEKEND



OCT. 07 AT
KANSAS



OCT. 21 AT
OKLAHOMA



OCT. 28 VS
WEST VIRGINIA
HOMECOMING



NOV. 04 AT
CINCINNATI



NOV. 11 VS
OKLAHOMA STATE



NOV. 18 AT
TEXAS TECH



NOV. 25 VS
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GUS MALZAHN

HEAD COACH
THIRD SEASON

Hometown

Fort Smith, Arkansas

Education

Henderson State, 1990

Family

Wife - Kristi

Children - Kylie and Kenzie

Head Coaching Record

Year	School	Record
2012	Arkansas State	9-3
2013	Auburn	12-2
2014	Auburn	8-5
2015	Auburn	7-6
2016	Auburn	8-5
2017	Auburn	10-4
2018	Auburn	8-5
2019	Auburn	9-4
2020	Auburn	6-4
2021	UCF	9-4
2022	UCF	9-5
Total	11 Seasons	95-47

Bowl Games

2014 BCS National Championship
2015 Outback Bowl
2015 Birmingham Bowl
2017 Sugar Bowl
2018 Chick-fil-A Peach Bowl
2018 Music City Bowl
2020 Outback Bowl
2021 Gasparilla Bowl
2022 Military Bowl

Coaching Experience

1991-95 Hughes HS (Ark.)
DC (1991), HC (1992-95)
1996-2000 Shiloh HS (Ark.)
Head Coach
2001-05 Springdale HS (Ark.)
Head Coach
2006 Arkansas
OC/Wide Receivers
2007-08 Tulsa
Asst. HC/Co-OC/QBs
2009-11 Auburn
Offensive Coordinator/QBs
2012 Arkansas State
Head Coach
2013-20 Auburn
Head Coach
2021-pres. UCF
Head Coach



Gus Malzahn's first two seasons as UCF head football coach in 2021 and 2022 featured overall nine-win marks, consecutive postseason bowl invitations (10th and 11th straight for teams coached by Malzahn and sixth and seventh straight for UCF) and a 2022 conference title-game qualification as his Knight teams have injected themselves onto the list of elite collegiate programs.

Malzahn, who has spent one year as a head coach in the Sun Belt Conference, eight years in the high-powered Southeastern Conference and two years in the American Athletic Conference, is in his first year in the Big 12 Conference in 2023.

His 2022 squad produced significant regular-season victories over ranked Cincinnati and Tulane squads—followed by an appearance in the AAC Championship Game for the first time since 2018. In 2021 Malzahn's unit finished with six wins in the Knights' final seven games, a 29-17 Gasparilla Bowl triumph over Florida, a perfect 7-0 home record—and an eye-opening response to a parade of injuries to key personnel.

The Knights in 2022 excelled on both sides of the line of scrimmage. UCF finished among the national leaders on offense (16th in total offense at 469.6 yards per game and ninth in rushing at 228.4 yards per contest) while also leading the nation in red-zone defense much of the season (ending fifth at .707) and allowing only 23.6 points per game. Malzahn's team also ranked 11th in first downs, 13th in fumbles recovered (12) to pace the league, 17th in fourth-down conversions (.633, third in AAC), 16th in third-down conversions (.464), 31st in scoring (32.9) and 24th in fewest penalties per game (4.86).

UCF in 2022 ranked second in the AAC in total offense and rushing. The improved Knight attack jumped 50 NCAA ranking slots in total offense, 19 in rushing, 34 in passing and six in scoring. The UCF defense improved its season averages in rush defense and scoring defense.

The Knights notched regular-season triumphs over two-time defending AAC champion Cincinnati by coming from behind twice in the final period—and recorded an impressive road win over regular-season AAC champion Tulane while running for 336 rushing yards. Two of UCF's losses (Louisville and Navy) came by a combined nine points—while each of the final three Knight regular-season road games (Memphis, No. 17 Tulane, South Florida) ended in a seven-point win.

UCF in 2022 had 14 All-AAC first- or second-team selections: offensive guards Sam Jackson and Lokahi Pauole, center Matt Lee, offensive tackle Ryan Swoboda, defensive linemen Ricky Barber and Tre'mon Morris-Brash, linebacker Jason Johnson and cornerback Davonte Brown as first-team picks to go with second-teamers Ryan O'Keefe and Javon Baker at wide receiver, Isaiah Bowser and RJ Harvey at running back plus defensive backs Justin Hodges and Divaad Wilson. In addition, long snapper Alex Ward for the second straight year was named one of three finalists for the Patrick Mannelly Award (and he played in the 2023 Senior Bowl and was the lone long snapper invited to the 2023 NFL Combine). Both Barber and Brown were named honorable mention All-America, and Brown was named the AAC Cornerback of the Year by Pro Football Network.

Malzahn's Knights began the 2021 season by recording the largest comeback victory in UCF history in a 36-31 weather-delayed triumph over Boise State. His first team in Orlando prospered by pulling out three other wins by four-point margins and playing six games overall decided by a touchdown or less—with two UCF defeats coming by a

combined 11 points.

The Knights had to survive the early-season loss of their starting quarterback (Dillon Gabriel—he missed the last 10 games) as well as lengthy sideline stints for their best defensive player (tackle Kalia Davis—he missed the last eight games), their top running back (Isaiah Bowser—he missed five games) and their most dangerous receiver (Jaylon Robinson—he missed six games). They finished the campaign by running for 288 yards in the bowl triumph over Florida in front of 63,669 fans in Tampa.

One of three finalists for the Steve Spurrier Award presented by the Football Writers Association of America to the best head coach in his first year at a school, Malzahn saw long snapper Alex Ward win third-team All-America honors from Phil Steele, while defensive end Big Kat Bryant was a first-team All-American Athletic Conference pick by three different selectors. Pro Football Network named Bryant the AAC Newcomer of the Year and the league's Defensive Lineman of the Year.

Eight other UCF players received at least one first- or second-team All-AAC honor—linebacker Tatum Bethune, receivers Ryan O'Keefe and Brandon Johnson, offensive linemen Lokahi Pauole, Cole Schneider and Marcus Tatum, and defensive backs Quadric Bullard and Divaad Wilson.

UCF in 2021 ranked seventh nationally in team pass efficiency defense (after ranking 104th in that NCAA statistical category the previous year), while also showing dramatic improvement in several other statistical categories:

--An upgrade of 86 slots in passing yards allowed compared to 2020, while permitting 89.1 fewer passing yards in 2021
--An improvement of 70 slots in total defense, while allowing 122.5 fewer yards per game compared to the previous season

Malzahn and his staff then capped their first season by building the highest-rated recruiting class in UCF history (rated 38th overall by 247Sports, including both high school players and transfers).

Malzahn, who led Auburn to the Bowl Championship Series National Championship Game following the 2013 season in the first of eight straight years his Tigers qualified for bowl games, was named the ninth head football coach at UCF on Feb. 15, 2021. He begins his second season with the Knights in 2022.

In eight years as head football coach at Auburn, Malzahn also led the Tigers to a Southeastern Conference Championship, two SEC West Division titles and six New Year's Day bowl selections to go with those eight postseason appearances.

Malzahn, now 95-46 (.679) in 11 seasons overall as a head coach, has helped teams to seven conference championship game appearances in his 16 seasons as a collegiate coach, including winning a pair of SEC Championships at Auburn (2010, 2013) and a Sun Belt Championship at Arkansas State in 2012. In the final Associated Press rankings his Auburn teams finished second (2013), 10th (2017), 22nd (2014) and 24th (2016).

The 2013 Bear Bryant, Bobby Bowden, Eddie Robinson, Home Depot, Sporting News, SB Nation, Liberty Mutual and Associated Press National Coach of the Year, Malzahn earned SEC Coach-of-the-Year honors that season after guiding Auburn to the biggest turnaround in SEC history. He led the Tigers to a 12-2 record and one of the most memorable seasons in school history in 2013, with historic wins over Georgia and top-ranked Alabama and a record-setting SEC Championship Game win over fifth-ranked Missouri. He became just



the third coach in SEC history to win an SEC title in his first year at a school, joining LSU's Bernie Moore in 1935 and Ole Miss' John Vaught in 1947.

The 34-28 victory over top-rated Alabama in 2013 came on a memorable 100-yard return of a Tide missed field goal on the final play of the game. Malzahn's Tiger squads also defeated seventh-ranked Texas A&M in 2013, seventh-rated Ole Miss in 2014, second-ranked Georgia and top-rated Alabama in 2017 and fifth-ranked Alabama in 2019.

After his eight seasons at Auburn, Malzahn qualified as the second-longest tenured head coach at one school in the SEC. He is one of only 10 active FBS head coaches to take a team to a national championship game. During his time with the Tigers, Auburn was one of only three SEC schools to play in multiple SEC Championships games and play for a national championship.

Malzahn has produced 15 1,000-yard rushers in 16 seasons as a college coach, including Heisman Trophy finalist Tre Mason (1,816) and Nick Marshall (1,068) in 2013 and Cameron-Artis Payne (1,608) in 2014. Kamryn Pettway ran for 1,123 yards in 2016 (despite missing significant time with injuries) and Kerryon Johnson led the SEC with 1,320 yards in 2017.

On three occasions, Malzahn has had two 1,000-yard rushers in the same season: 2013 and 2010 (both Auburn) and 2006 (Arkansas). Malzahn has also coached five 1,000-yard receivers and three 3,000-yard passers. His 2007 Tulsa team had three 1,000-yard receivers.

During Malzahn's eight years at Auburn, the Tigers had the top rushing offense in the SEC, averaging 228.6 yards per game. In 2013, Auburn led the nation in rushing at 328.3 yards per game, the first SEC team to do so. Three of the top six team rushing totals in SEC history (2010, 2013, 2016) came under Malzahn's leadership. Auburn became just the second team in SEC history to gain more than 7,000 yards of total offense in a season in 2013, finishing the year with 7,018 yards (also Texas A&M in 2012).

The Tigers set a school record with 48 rushing TDs in 2013 and set a school record against SEC opponents with 677 yards of total offense versus Missouri in the 2013 SEC Championship Game. The Tigers set SEC Championship Game team records with 26 rushing first downs, 74 rushing attempts, 545 rushing yards and seven rushing TDs.

Mason, the 2013 SEC Player of the Year, ranked third in the nation with 23 TDs, was fifth nationally with 1,816 yards rushing, sixth with 10.7 points per game, sixth with 169.57 all-purpose yards per game and eighth with 129.7 rushing yards per game. He set Auburn single-season records for rushing yards and all-purpose yards (2,374) and was second with 317 rushing attempts. His 46 rushing attempts and 304 rushing yards versus fifth-rated Missouri set SEC Championship Game records and fell three yards shy of the Auburn record.

In Malzahn's eight seasons at Auburn 32 players were selected in the National Football League Draft, highlighted by four first-round picks—including Derrick Brown (No. 7)

and Noah Igbinoghene (No. 30) in 2020. Malzahn's other first-round picks were Greg Robinson (No. 2 overall) and Dee Ford (No. 23) in 2014. In the last two drafts combined (2020 and 2021), 12 Auburn players were drafted, most for the Tigers in a two-year span in the common draft era.

Malzahn coached 14 All-Americans as head coach at Auburn, including consensus selections center Reese Dismukes (2014) and defensive lineman Derrick Brown (2019). Brown won the Lott IMPACT Trophy in 2019, while Dismukes was named the 2014 Rimington Award winner as the nation's top center.

The Tigers faced the nation's most difficult schedule collectively during Malzahn's eight years at Auburn, facing 38 ranked opponents, including 21 in the top 10. Auburn was the nation's only program in 2016 to face both the No. 1- and No. 2-ranked programs and in 2017 it faced three of the four College Football Playoff semifinalists a total of four times, earning two wins.

Malzahn and his coaching proved highly successful on the recruiting trail, recording five consecutive top-10 nationally ranked recruiting classes, a first in Auburn history. Six of his eight recruiting classes rated in the top 11 nationally.

Malzahn, who won the Broyles Award as the nation's top assistant coach in 2010 while helping the Tigers to the national title, returned to Auburn after serving as the head coach at Arkansas State in 2012 when he led the program to a 9-3 regular-season mark and the Sun Belt Conference title. In that role he worked hand in hand with current UCF vice president and director of athletics Terry Mohajir who was named the Red Wolves' vice chancellor and director of athletics in the middle of that 2012 season and remained in that role until coming to UCF in early 2021.

As offensive coordinator, Malzahn made an immediate impact during his tenure at Auburn, highlighted by a record-setting offense in 2010 when the Tigers finished 14-0 and claimed the school's first national title since 1957. Malzahn's arrival in 2009 and style of offense marked a drastic turnaround from the 2008 season when Auburn struggled offensively. In a two-year period, the Tigers improved from a tie for 110th to seventh in the nation in scoring offense (from 17.3 to 41.2) and from 104th to seventh in total offense.

The 2010 Auburn offense set nine school records while leading the SEC and finishing in the top 10 nationally in six statistical categories. Malzahn coached Heisman Trophy winner Cam Newton, who had one of the best single-season performances at the position in college football history. Newton threw for 2,908 yards and 30 TDs, while rushing for 1,586 yards and 20 TDs. Newton, the number-one overall selection in the 2011 NFL Draft, also won the Davey O'Brien, Manning and Maxwell awards.

During two seasons (2007-08) as assistant head coach and co-offensive coordinator at Tulsa, Malzahn's offenses were among the nation's finest, ranking first nationally in total offense. Tulsa's offense in 2007 established nine team and 12 individual school records. The 2008 Tulsa offense averaged 569.9 yards per game and was second

PRODUCTIVE OFFENSES

Gus Malzahn was responsible for two of the four most productive offenses in SEC history: Auburn in 2013 (7,018 yards of total offense and Auburn in 2010 (6,989 yards of total offense).

50-POINT GAMES

Since the year 2000, in the eight years Malzahn was at Auburn, the Tigers posted 25 50-point games. In the 10 seasons without Malzahn, Auburn recorded just seven 50-point games. The Tigers recorded three 50-point games in a season four times with Malzahn as head coach (2013, 2016, 2018, 2019)

MALZAHN AT HOME

Malzahn now holds a record of 58-13 (.816) at home as a collegiate head coach. He was 5-1 in 2012 at Arkansas State, at Auburn went 8-0 in 2013, 6-1 in 2014, 3-4 in 2015, 6-2 in 2016, 7-0 in 2017, 5-2 in 2018, 6-1 in 2019 and 4-1 in 2020, finished 2021 with UCF 7-0 and was 5-2 in 2022. He started his tenure at Auburn with 13 consecutive home victories.

NATIONAL COACH OF THE YEAR

Gus Malzahn earned multiple national coach of the year awards in 2013, including the Eddie Robinson Award, the Bobby Bowden Award, and the Bear Bryant Award, as well as national coach of the year honors from Home Depot, the Associated Press, Liberty Mutual, Sporting News, SB Nation, and USSA Amos Alonzo Stagg.

MALZAHN CHAMPIONSHIPS

Year	School	Championship
2013	Auburn	SEC
2013	Auburn	SEC West
2012	Arkansas State	Sun Belt
2010	Auburn	BCS
2010	Auburn	SEC
2010	Auburn	SEC West
2008	Tulsa	C-USA West
2007	Tulsa	C-USA West
2006	Arkansas	SEC West

nationally, averaging 47.2 points per games. Malzahn in 2006 spent one season at Arkansas as offensive coordinator, coaching Heisman Trophy runner-up Darren McFadden and helping the SEC West champion Razorbacks finish fourth nationally in rushing.

Malzahn's coaching career began in his home state of Arkansas at the high school level. In 14 seasons as a high school head coach, Malzahn led seven teams to the state championship game and won three titles. In July 2013, he was inducted into the Arkansas High School Sports Hall of Fame. After one year as defensive coordinator in 1991 he spent four years (1992-95) as head coach at Hughes (Arkansas) High School, five years in 1996-2000 as head coach at Shiloh (Arkansas) High School and five years (2001-05) as head coach at Springdale (Arkansas) High School.

Born in Irving, Texas, Malzahn graduated from high school in Fort Smith, Arkansas, and played football at Arkansas (wide receiver in 1984-85) and Henderson State (receiver and punter in 1988-89), earning his bachelor's degree from Henderson State in 1990. As a player he helped the Razorbacks to the 1984 Liberty Bowl and the 1985 Holiday Bowl (a win over Arizona State).

Malzahn and his wife Kristi (Otwell) are parents of two daughters, Kylie (Collin) Peek and Kenzie (Charl) Stander.



ADDISON WILLIAMS DEFENSIVE COORDINATOR/CORNERBACKS | THIRD SEASON

Addison Williams, in his third season on the UCF staff, is in his first year as the Knights' defensive coordinator in 2023. He shares responsibilities for the UCF secondary with David Gibbs.

Williams' second season with UCF in 2022 helped the Knights turn what once was a youthful secondary into one of the most improved and productive units on the roster. He added the title of assistant head coach prior to the 2022 season.

Veteran Knight cornerbacks Davonte Brown (31 career starts), Corey Thornton (27) and Brandon Adams played a noteworthy role in UCF standing third in the American Athletic Conference in team pass efficiency defense in 2022. That trio also helped UCF rank fifth nationally in red-zone defense.

Under Williams' direction in 2022, Brown claimed honorable mention All-America and AAC Cornerback of the Year honors from Pro Football Network. Thornton was a third-team All-AAC pick by Pro Football Focus, as the Knights posted nine regular-season wins, played in the AAC Championship Game and claimed a second consecutive bowl invitation under head coach Gus Malzahn.

UCF in 2021 ranked seventh nationally in pass efficiency defense (an improvement of 97 spots in NCAA statistical rankings), as the Knights closed the year with six victories in their final seven assignments to finish 9-4. UCF's cornerbacks played critical roles as the Knights improved 86 slots in the passing yards allowed category, moving to 35th in 2021 (210.1 yards per game, 89.1 fewer than 2020).

A pair of Williams' corners received 2021 postseason honors—as sophomores Brown and Thornton both were named third-team All-AAC by PFF. Williams also played a major role enabling talented true freshman Adams to start six late-season games for the Knights.

A former member of Malzahn's football staff at Auburn and the Coastal Carolina safeties coach in 2020, Williams rejoined Malzahn and his UCF coaching staff on Feb. 22, 2021.

Williams helped the Chanticleers to an unbeaten and record-setting 2020 regular season, an overall 11-1 record and final rankings of 14th in both the Associated Press and poll of coaches (highest in Sun Belt Conference history).

The Chants finished 8-0 in winning the Sun Belt title in 2020. Coastal posted the only undefeated regular season by a football team in Sun Belt history, which included two wins over Football Bowl Subdivision top-25 nationally ranked opponents (eighth-rated BYU and 21st-ranked Louisiana), the first two in program history, and four wins over top-50 opponents. Williams helped Coastal Carolina rank third nationally in 2020 with 16 interceptions (plus second in overall turnovers gained with 25) and 16th in team pass efficiency defense.

Williams came to Coastal Carolina after one season as an analyst and assistant to Malzahn for Auburn football in 2019. He ventured to Auburn from Furman, where he had been promoted to defensive coordinator in the spring of 2019. At Furman, Williams served as cornerbacks coach for the 2017 and 2018 seasons, helping the Paladins win a share of the 2018 Southern Conference title.

From 2013-16, Williams was the defensive backs coach (2013-16) and defensive coordinator (2016) at Tusculum College, where he mentored 2016 South Atlantic Conference Defensive Freshman of the Year and All-American Jay Boyd and All-American Cameron Thomas, who led the league in interceptions (five) and passes defended (15) in 2015.

Williams played three seasons at cornerback for South Carolina from 2007-09, appearing in 26 games before an injury ended his career. He was a three-time member of the Southeastern Conference academic honor roll and received the 2009 Harold White GPA Award.

He served as a student assistant coach for the 2010 Gamecocks who won the SEC East title and was a defensive graduate assistant at South Carolina during the 2011-12 seasons, helping the Gamecocks to a 22-4 overall record and wins in both the Capital



One and Outback bowls. While at South Carolina, he worked with All-SEC defensive backs Antonio Allen, D.J. Swearingin and Stephon Gilmore.

A native of Atlanta, Georgia, where he earned all-state and all-conference football honors at Westlake High School, Williams earned a bachelor's degree in sports and entertainment management from South Carolina in 2010.

He and his wife Chelsea are parents of a son, Ace.

COACHING EXPERIENCE

2010-12	South Carolina
	<i>Student Assistant (2010)</i>
	<i>Defensive Graduate Assistant (2011-12)</i>
2013-16	Tusculum
	<i>Defensive Backs (2013-15)</i>
	<i>Defensive Coordinator/Defensive Backs (2016)</i>
2017-19	Furman
	<i>Cornerbacks (2017-18)</i>
	<i>Defensive Coordinator (2019)</i>
2019	Auburn
	<i>Analyst/Assistant to the Head Coach</i>
2020	Coastal Carolina
	<i>Safeties</i>
2021-pres.	UCF
	<i>Cornerbacks</i>
	<i>Defensive Coordinator/Cornerbacks (2023-pres.)</i>



DARIN HINSHAW

OFFENSIVE COORDINATOR/QUARTERBACKS | *FIRST SEASON*

Darin Hinshaw, former UCF football standout and assistant coach, has been named UCF's offensive coordinator and quarterbacks coach, head coach Gus Malzahn announced on Jan. 4, 2023.

A native of Punta Gorda, Florida, Hinshaw has served as an offensive coordinator in four different conferences during his 23-year coaching tenure. His offenses have set numerous school records, helped win conference championships, earned 10-win seasons and garnered several all-conference and All-America honors.

Hinshaw's offenses have finished among the nation's top 10 in passing, rushing and total offense.

"We're excited to bring one of our own back home," said Malzahn. "He's a proven offensive coordinator and quarterbacks coach that has guided some of the nation's top offenses in both passing and rushing. As a former quarterback here, Darin loves UCF, this football program and will do a great job running our offense and working with the quarterbacks."

Hinshaw returns to UCF after spending a year at UAB as the offensive coordinator, where the Blazers set the program record for total yards (5,697), rushing yards (3,063), yards per game (438.2) and rushing yards per game (235.6). Under his direction, UAB running back DeWayne McBride turned in the most decorated season in school history, finishing the regular season as the nation's leading rusher with 1,713 yards. McBride earned Walter Camp second-team All-America honors, as well as being named the Conference USA Offensive Player of the Year and a first-team Conference USA selection.

In 2021 as an analyst with the Knights, he helped UCF win six of its final seven games to compile an overall 9-4 mark capped by a 29-17 Gasparilla Bowl triumph over Florida and a perfect 7-0 home record.

Hinshaw spent five years on Mark Stoops' coaching staff at Kentucky from 2016-20 as co-offensive coordinator and quarterbacks coach. The Wildcats' offense generated 2,000 rushing yards and 2,000 passing yards three times (2016, 2017 and 2018) during Hinshaw's tenure--the first time in school history Kentucky accomplished that in three straight seasons.

Hinshaw helped wide receiver Lynn Bowden Jr. to play quarterback--a position he had not played since high school. Bowden excelled under Hinshaw's guidance and earned first-team All-America and All-Southeastern Conference honors as an all-purpose player. He also won the Paul Hornung Award as the nation's most versatile athlete.

In 2018, Hinshaw's offense led Kentucky to its first 10-win season since 1977 and its 5-3 record in the SEC was the first winning record in conference play since that same year. Additionally, the Wildcats finished with the highest final ranking (No. 11) since 1977.

Prior to his time at Kentucky, Hinshaw served on the Cincinnati coaching staff from 2013-15 as the passing game coordinator. In those three seasons under head coach Tommy Tuberville, Hinshaw helped guide the Bearcats to a bowl game each year, with Cincinnati collecting 25 combined wins. In 2013, the Bearcats led the American Athletic Conference in total offense (472.1) and rushing offense (168.3). Those marks were surpassed in 2015--as Cincinnati amassed 537.8 yards per game. The Bearcats ranked sixth in the nation in passing offense (359.9) and total offense in 2015.

The 2014 Cincinnati squad won a share of the AAC championship along with UCF and Memphis each with 7-1 records against league opponents.

Hinshaw coached three seasons at Tennessee (2010-12), working as the recruiting coordinator in 2012, with Rivals.com ranking him as one of the top 10 recruiters in college football. He helped direct the 2012 Tennessee offense to 5,711 yards, second most in school history. His star wide receiver, Cordarrelle Patterson, a first-team All-SEC selection, set Tennessee's single-season record with 1,858 all-purpose yards.

From 2007-09, Hinshaw spent three seasons at Memphis as the wide receivers coach. He joined the Tigers' staff after serving one season as offensive coordinator and quarterbacks coach at Georgia Southern in 2006.

He worked at Middle Tennessee State for five seasons (2001-05), where he was the running backs coach his first two seasons before being elevated to co-offensive coordinator in February 2003.

Hinshaw began his coaching career at his alma mater, UCF, where head coach Mike Kruczek hired him as a graduate assistant in 1999 and named him quarterbacks coach in 2000.

As a player, Hinshaw set numerous school records for the Knights, finishing as the career leader in every major passing category, including yards (9,000 on 614 of 1,112 throwing), passing TDs (82) and overall TDs responsible for (93). He was a four-year (1991-94) starter at quarterback, throwing for a then UCF record 437 yards as a junior versus Valdosta State in 1993 and later that season throwing six TD passes in a game against Liberty.



During his time under center, UCF had a combined 28-16 record, including a 9-3 mark in 1993 that resulted in a berth in the NCAA Division I-AA playoffs. Hinshaw was named to UCF's 25th Anniversary Team in 2004.

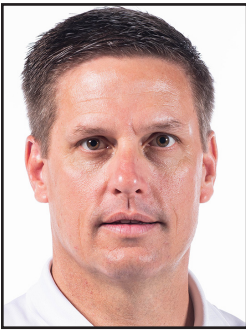
Hinshaw also played for the UCF basketball team in 1993-94, helping the Knights to the NCAA Championship, the Atlantic Sun Tournament title and a 21-9 record that year.

Following his playing days at UCF, Hinshaw began a career in pro football. After a brief stint with the Cleveland Browns, he spent two years with the Orlando Predators of the Arena Football League.

Hinshaw earned his bachelor's degree in finance from UCF in 1993 and added a master's in business administration (MBA) from UCF in 1996. He is father to four children--daughters Sydney, Hayley and Carley and son Darin Jr.

COACHING EXPERIENCE

1999-01	UCF
	Offensive Analyst
2001-05	Middle Tennessee State
	Analyst
2006	Georgia Southern
	Analyst
2007-10	Memphis
	Analyst
2010-12	Tennessee
	Recruiting Coordinator/Analyst
2013-15	Cincinnati
	Passing Game Coordinator
2016-20	Kentucky
	Co-Offensive Coordinator
2021	UCF
	Analyst
2022	UAB
	Offensive Coordinator/Quarterbacks
2023	UCF
	Offensive Coordinator/Quarterbacks



BRIAN BLACKMON TIGHT ENDS/SPECIAL TEAMS COORDINATOR | THIRD SEASON

Brian Blackmon's second season as UCF's tight end coach and special teams coordinator in 2022 was highlighted by the selection of long snapper Alex Ward as a Patrick Mannelly Award finalist for the second consecutive season—and the emergence of rookie placekicker Colton Boomer, Australian punter Mitch McCarthy and rookie punt returner Xavier Townsend. Ward also earned second-team All-America honors from Phil Steele.

In addition, veteran tight end Alec Holler excelled at the tight end slot, finishing with 20 receptions for 258 yards and doing yeoman's work as a blocker. His lone touchdown reception in 2022 was the game-winner with 20 seconds left as the Knights came from behind

to defeat South Florida in the regular-season finale.

Boomer took over the top field-goal kicking role early in 2022 and ended up connecting on 14 of his 15 attempts. He led the American Athletic Conference in field-goal percentage (eighth nationally at .933) and ranked fourth in the conference at field goals per game (1.27). Pro Football Focus and Phil Steele named him a third-team All-AAC pick.

Meanwhile, McCarthy claimed the number-one punting job a few weeks into the 2022 season and finished with a 42.9-yard average.

In the return game in 2022, freshman Townsend finished 18th nationally (third in the AAC) in punt returns at 9.3 yards each. He earned third-team All-AAC honors as a punt returner from Phil Steele. The Knights also blocked three punts and returned two of those for scores.

Blackmon's initial season at UCF saw Ward win third-team All-America honors (Phil Steele) and the emergence of Holler, a former Knights walk-on.

One of three finalists for the Mannelly Award as the top long snapper in college football in both 2021 and 2022, Ward also was a first-team All-AAC pick by Phil Steele in 2021.

Holler moved into the 2021 starting lineup at midseason and caught 19 passes overall for 192 yards, including TD receptions versus Temple (two) and Boise State. Those 19 receptions marked the most by a UCF tight end since Michael Colubiale's 21 in 2018.

On the special teams side in 2021, punter Andrew Osteen (he averaged 41.1 yards per kick) had 30 of his 71 attempts end with fair catches and another 18 downed inside the 20—while Daniel Obarski produced touchbacks on 38 of 75 kickoffs.

Blackmon, a former member of Gus Malzahn's Auburn football staff and one of the most successful and respected high school coaches in the state of Alabama, rejoined Malzahn at UCF on Feb. 21, 2021. He is in his second year on the Knights' staff in 2022.

Blackmon in 2020 concluded his third season on the Troy football staff. He added the role of special teams coordinator prior to the 2019 season after coaching Troy's tight ends and S-backs in 2018. Blackmon also coached the Trojan running backs in 2019 and then in 2020 worked exclusively with special teams. He joined the Troy staff following one season as an offensive analyst under Malzahn at Auburn after a 21-year career at Opelika (Alabama) High School.

In 2020, Troy finished 19th in punt-return defense (2.91 yards each), led the Sun Belt Conference (ranking 28th nationally) in net punting at 40.63 and blocked three kicks. Punter Jack Martin was a first-team All-Sun Belt pick as he led the country with his 45.8 net punting average—while his 46.1 per-punt average was sixth nationally. Martin allowed just four returns on his punts for a combined seven yards, while having no touchbacks and 52% fair catches.

In one season coaching the running backs in 2019 Blackmon was dealt one of the most difficult hands in the country as Troy lost Sun Belt Preseason Offensive Player of the Year B.J. Smith and two other running backs in week two to injury. He mentored Smith's replacement, DK Billingsley, toward a season where he rushed for 901 yards and 10 TDs.

Troy was once again one of the top special teams units in the country in 2019, ranking 17th in opponent kickoff return yards while limiting returns to just a 17.85-yard average. The Trojans finished the season ranked number one in the country according to ESPN's special teams efficiency rating.

Blackmon also assisted with the Trojan special teams in 2018 as Troy finished fourth nationally in net punting. Tyler Sumpter set the school record by averaging 45.1 yards per punt (11th nationally), and the Trojans were ninth in the country averaging 25.0 yards per kickoff return. Sumpter finished one field goal shy of setting the school record with 18 makes on the year, and Troy was one of just 24 teams nationally to not allow a blocked kick.

Blackmon's first season at Troy in 2018 resulted in a 10-3 overall record, a victory at Nebraska and the Trojans' third straight bowl victory (42-32 over Buffalo in the Dollar General Bowl in Mobile). Smith turned in the fourth-best rushing season in school history with 1,186 yards (second in the Sun Belt) behind the blocking of Troy's tight ends and S-backs.

In Blackmon's lone season with the Tigers and Malzahn in 2017, Auburn's offense ranked in the top 30 nationally in total offense, rushing, pass efficiency and scoring as the Tigers won the Southeastern Conference West Division and played in the SEC Championship



Game. Running back Kerryon Johnson was named the SEC Offensive Player of the Year and Auburn finished the season with a Peach Bowl appearance against UCF after knocking off a pair of No. 1 teams—Georgia and Alabama—over the regular season's final three weeks.

Blackmon served as head coach of the Opelika High School football program in his final eight seasons (2009-16) at the school, while also serving as the athletics director during the same time period before leaving for Auburn in February 2017.

Opelika advanced to a pair of Alabama 6A state championship games (2012 and 2016), and the Bulldogs compiled a 69-25 record during Blackmon's tenure. He was honored as 6A Coach of the Year in 2012 by the Alabama Sports Writers Association, the Alabama Football Coaches Association, the Opelika-Auburn News, Columbus SportsVision and AL.com.

The Bulldogs won three consecutive region championships and advanced to the playoffs in seven of his eight seasons as head coach. Blackmon left Opelika as the third-winningest coach in the then-99-year history of the high school.

He has served as president of the Alabama High School Athletic Directors and Coaches Association and on the advisory, Hall of Fame, reclassification and all-star selection committees of the Alabama High School Athletic Association. Additionally, he served on the high school task force of USA Football and as a district board member of the Alabama Football Coaches Association.

Blackmon spent his first 13 years at Opelika as the offensive coordinator under legendary head coach Spence McCracken. He also served as assistant athletics director from 2001-08 and coached the soccer, wrestling and golf teams at Opelika. He was named the Alabama Assistant Coach of the Year following the 2004 season and was a consistent figure on the coaching staffs of the Alabama-Mississippi and North-South all-star games.

A graduate of Robert E. Lee High School in Montgomery, Alabama, Blackmon was part of the 1991 state champion football team and was inducted into the school's hall of fame in 2017. Blackmon played one season at North Alabama before transferring to Troy to complete his studies.

Blackmon earned his bachelor's degree in accounting from Troy in 1996 and a master's degree in business education from Auburn in 1998. He and his wife Kellie have two children—Cade, a quarterback at Samford, and Carlyle.

COACHING EXPERIENCE

1996-2016	Opelika (Alabama) High School
	<i>Offensive Coordinator (1996-2008)</i>
	<i>Head Coach (2009-16)</i>
2017	Auburn
	<i>Offensive Analyst</i>
2018-20	Troy
	<i>Tight Ends/S-Backs (2018)</i>
	<i>Running Backs/Special Teams Coordinator (2019)</i>
	<i>Special Teams Coordinator (2020)</i>
2021-pres.	UCF
	<i>Special Teams Coordinator/Tight Ends</i>



DAVID GIBBS CO-DEFENSIVE COORDINATOR/SECONDARY | THIRD SEASON

UCF co-defensive coordinator and secondary coach David Gibbs played a major role in the Knights' defensive surge in 2021 and 2022—as his youthful yet talented secondary developed into one of the most productive in the country.

UCF played its way into the American Athletic Conference Championship Game in 2022 with dynamic wins over ranked Cincinnati and Tulane teams—with the Knight defense ranking first nationally in red-zone defense much of the fall (fifth to finish the regular season). UCF held seven opponents to 20 or fewer points and allowed 21.3 points per game overall (third in AAC).

Cornerback Davonte Brown and defensive tackle Ricky Barber claimed honorable mention All-America honors for 2022 from Pro Football Network—with Brown also named AAC Cornerback of the Year. Cornerback Corey Thornton received third-team All-AAC recognition from Pro Football Focus for his 2022 play—while defenders Barber, Tre'mon Morris-Brash and Jason Johnson all merited first-team all-conference recognition by vote of AAC coaches (Brown was first team by PFN). Phil Steele named Barber, Morris-Brash and Johnson to its all-league first team.

Johnson led the Knights in tackles in 2022 (9.2 per game, second in AAC)—while safety Koby Perry topped the UCF secondary with 46 tackles and safety Divaad Wilson contributed three interceptions.

As the Knights won six of their final seven games to finish the 2021 season (including a Gasparilla Bowl triumph over Florida), the UCF defense permitted just 11.8 points per game in those six victories. The Knights averaged 8.1 tackles for loss and 5.0 sacks in those six games—and finished the regular season ranked seventh nationally in pass efficiency defense (110.73) and 26th in tackles for loss (6.8 per game).

Gibbs and his secondary in 2021 made significant contributions as the Knights improved 97 spots in the NCAA pass efficiency defense ratings from 2020 and also allowed 89.1 fewer passing yards per game in 2021—an improvement of 86 slots in the final NCAA statistics.

Winning postseason honors for 2021 among UCF defensive backs were safety Quadric Bullard (second-team All-AAC by Pro Football Focus and fourth team by Phil Steele), Wilson (second-team All-AAC by vote of league coaches, third team by PFF, fourth team by Phil Steele) and cornerbacks Brown and Thornton (both third-team All-AAC by PFF). Bullard and Wilson ranked second and fourth, respectively, in tackles for the Knights in 2021.

Gibbs, a 29-year veteran of the coaching industry, including 13 seasons as a defensive coordinator in the college ranks and nine seasons as a defensive backs coach for three different National Football League teams, was named co-defensive coordinator and secondary coach on Gus Malzahn's UCF football coaching staff on Feb. 18, 2021. He is in his second season at UCF in 2022.

Gibbs was the secondary coach at Missouri in 2019 and 2020—after spending four seasons as defensive coordinator (2015-18) at Texas Tech, where his defenses became known as some of the top turnover-creating units in the country.

Mizzou's defense in 2019 allowed the fewest first downs (195) of any Football Bowl Subdivision program while also ranking sixth nationally in pass defense (179.3 yards per game) under Gibbs. The Tigers were ninth in pass efficiency defense, 14th in total defense (312.0) and 16th in scoring defense (19.4).

In 2017, Texas Tech led the Big 12 Conference and ranked sixth nationally with 29 forced turnovers, including four defensive scores, most by a Texas Tech defense since 2001. From 2013-17, Gibbs' defenses at Tech and Houston forced a combined 140 turnovers, tied for most in the nation among any defensive coordinator during that five-year span. Gibbs previously served as defensive coordinator at Minnesota (1997-2000), Auburn (2005) and Houston (2013-14) and also took over as interim head coach for the Cougars' appearance in the 2015 Armed Forces Bowl. In that game, Gibbs' team posted the biggest fourth-quarter comeback win in bowl-game history, overcoming a 31-6 deficit with just 11 minutes remaining to notch a thrilling 35-34 victory over Pittsburgh.

In his first season at the helm of the Red Raider defense in 2015, Gibbs preached the importance of forcing turnovers and the effects showed as Tech went from a minus-13 turnover margin in 2014 to plus-two in 2015. The Red Raiders picked off 15 passes and recovered 10 fumbles in 2015, a year after forcing just 15 turnovers altogether.

Gibbs quickly changed the defensive culture at Houston shortly after his arrival in 2013. The Cougars ranked as the third-most improved scoring defense nationally and ranked 20th in the country after allowing 21.8 points per game, a significant improvement from the 36 points per game Houston surrendered in 2012.

The 2013 Houston defense led the nation with 43 turnovers forced to pace the Cougars to a best-in-the-nation plus-25 turnover margin. Trevon Stewart led the nation and set a Houston record with six fumble recoveries, while Adrian McDonald led the AAC with six interceptions.

The dramatic defensive overhaul under Gibbs continued in 2014 as Houston finished the regular season ranked 11th nationally in scoring defense at 19.5 points per game and 19th nationally in total defense at 334.6 yards per game. The Houston defense was fifth nationally with 30 takeaways, including 19 interceptions (sixth nationally).

Prior to Houston, Gibbs' last collegiate coaching stop was in 2005 when he served as defensive coordinator at Auburn. The Tiger defense ranked sixth nationally in scoring



defense, allowing just 15.5 points per game that season, while ranking 11th in sacks (39) and 16th in third-down defense.

On the professional level, Gibbs spent a combined nine seasons in Denver, Kansas City and Houston as a defensive backs coach. Teams sporting Gibbs on staff finished in the top 12 of total defense five times and advanced to the NFL Playoffs on three occasions. Three players who worked under Gibbs earned NFL Pro Bowl selections—Champ Bailey, John Lynch and Deltha O'Neal.

Prior to joining the professional ranks, Gibbs became the youngest coordinator on the FBS level at the time as the then-29-year-old took over as defensive coordinator at Minnesota in 1997. Gibbs improved a Minnesota defense that had ranked last in the Big Ten in 1996 to one ranked eighth in the nation in pass efficiency defense and scoring defense by 1999.

Under Gibbs' tutelage, Minnesota's Tyrone Carter won the 1999 Jim Thorpe Award and back-to-back All-America honors in 1998 and 1999. Defensive end Lamanzer Williams earned All-America honors in 1997 as Gibbs' defense produced an All-American in three straight seasons for the first time at Minnesota since 1961-63.

Gibbs earned his first full-time coaching position in 1995 at Kansas, where he coached the program's defensive backs. The Jayhawks advanced to just their eighth bowl game in program history in Gibbs' first year when they defeated UCLA in the Aloha Bowl. Gibbs earned his first coaching opportunity with back-to-back two-year stints as a graduate assistant at both Colorado and Oklahoma.

The Auburn, Alabama, native was a four-year letterman at Colorado from 1987-90. He started at defensive back for the 1990 national title-winning Buffalo team and the 11-1 1989 team that finished fourth nationally in the final polls. Gibbs graduated from Colorado in 1990, earning Academic All-Big Eight honors as a senior.

Gibbs and his wife, Debbie, are the parents of two children—a son, Hudson, and a daughter, Charlie Grace.

COACHING EXPERIENCE

1991-92	Oklahoma <i>Graduate Assistant</i>
1993-94	Colorado <i>Graduate Assistant</i>
1995-96	Kansas <i>Defensive Backs</i>
1997-2000	Minnesota <i>Defensive Coordinator</i>
2001-04	Denver Broncos <i>Defensive Backs</i>
2005	Auburn <i>Defensive Coordinator</i>
2006-08	Kansas City Chiefs <i>Defensive Backs</i>
2009-10	Houston Texans <i>Defensive Backs</i>
2012	Virginia Destroyers (UFL) <i>Defensive Backs</i>
2013-14	Houston <i>Defensive Coordinator</i>
	<i>Interim Head Coach (2014 Armed Forces Bowl)</i>
2015-18	Texas Tech <i>Defensive Coordinator</i>
2019-20	Missouri <i>Defensive Backs</i>
2021-pres.	UCF <i>Defensive Coordinator/Secondary</i>



HERBHAND CO-OFFENSIVE COORDINATOR/OFFENSIVE LINE | THIRD SEASON

Promoted to Co-offensive coordinator in March, Herb Hand proved again in 2022 and 2021 why he qualifies as one of the top offensive line coaches in the nation—as all five of his UCF starters earned some sort of postseason honors in both seasons. UCF was the only American Athletic Conference team to have all five starters recognized by Pro Football Focus in both

by Football Scoop (2008, 2016-17), Hand was also co-coordinator for an offense that led the nation in total offense for two consecutive years (2007-08) at Tulsa, one of which is the only offense to feature a 5,000-yard passer, a 1,000-yard rusher and three 1,000 yard receivers (2007). He has also coached five Freshman All-Americans.

Hand came to Austin from Auburn, where he served for two seasons as offensive line coach under Malzahn, whom he was previously co-coordinator with at Tulsa. While at Auburn, Hand's offensive line was named one of three finalists for the Joe Moore Award (nation's top offensive line) in 2017, and the unit was a semifinalist for the award in 2016. During that time, along with his tenure at Vanderbilt, he coached players who earned 11 Southeastern Conference Offensive Lineman of the Week Awards.

In 2017 Auburn ranked in the top 30 in the nation in total offense (26th/451.6 yards per game), scoring offense (27th/33.9) and rushing offense (26th/218.3), while ranking sixth in completion percentage (.668) and 15th in third-down conversion percentage (.455). The Tigers' balanced offense was one of only five nationally to average at least 230 yards passing and 215 yards rushing per game (along with Louisville, Oklahoma, Ohio State and South Florida). Auburn's eight 40-point games during the year set a school single-season record.

Under Hand, right guard Braden Smith earned first-team All-America honors from Associated Press and also earned the SEC's Jacobs Blocking Trophy as the top blocker in the conference. Left tackle Austin Golson was tabbed third-team All-SEC by Phil Steele. The line paved the way for running back Kerryon Johnson to rank 15th nationally in rushing yards per game (115.9) and ninth in rushing TDs (18), while being named SEC Offensive Player of the Year and second-team All-America.

In 2016, Auburn led the SEC and was sixth nationally in rushing with 271.3 yards per game. Two offensive linemen in Smith and left guard Alex Kozan garnered second-team All-America honors and both were first-team All-SEC selections. Right tackle Robert Leff also took home All-SEC recognition. The line cleared the way for running back Kamryn Pettway to lead the SEC and rank 11th in the nation in rushing yards per game (122.4 yards per game). Auburn finished 2016 with an 8-5 record and an appearance in the Allstate Sugar Bowl.

Hand went to Auburn after two seasons at Penn State as the run game coordinator and offensive line coach. In 2015, the unit blocked for Big Ten Freshman of the Year Saquon Barkley as he set Penn State's freshman rushing record with 1,076 yards. In 2014, Hand's young offensive line steadily improved and produced second-round NFL Draft pick Donovan Smith, an offensive tackle chosen by Tampa Bay.

Hand coached the offensive line at Vanderbilt from 2010-13, adding run game coordinator duties in 2013. In 2013, Vanderbilt's offensive line blocked for 34 rushing touchdowns, including a school-record 14 by running back Jerron Seymour. Hand helped center Wesley Johnson earn All-SEC honors in 2012 and 2013 and then end up selected in the fifth round of the 2014 NFL Draft by the Pittsburgh Steelers. Hand's 2011-12 offensive lines were instrumental in Zac Stacy breaking the Vanderbilt season and career (3,143 yards) rushing records at that time.

Prior to Vanderbilt, Hand worked three years at Tulsa, serving as assistant head coach, offensive coordinator and offensive line coach. Hand helped guide Tulsa to consecutive GMAC Bowl appearances behind one of the NCAA's most explosive spread offenses, while mentoring four Freshman All-Americans.

In 2007 quarterback Paul Smith passed for 5,065



yards, while running back Tarrion Adams rushed for 1,225 yards—and the trio of Brennan Marion (1,244), Trae Johnson (1,088) and Charles Clay (1,024) each topped 1,000 receiving yards. The offense led the nation with 543.9 total yards per game, was third with 371.0 passing yards per game and sixth with 41.1 points per game. A year later, the offense averaged 569.9 total yards per game, while ranking in the top 10 in both rushing (fifth/268.0 yards per game) and passing (ninth/301.9) offense. The scoring offense ranked second with 47.2 points per game.

Hand spent six years (2001-06) at West Virginia, serving as tight ends coach and recruiting coordinator. He helped the Mountaineers win three Big East Conference titles and go to five straight bowl games during the span, including a 38-35 victory over SEC champion Georgia in the 2006 Sugar Bowl. In 2006, West Virginia finished with an 11-2 record with an offense that ranked second nationally in rushing, third in scoring and fourth in total offense.

Prior to West Virginia, Hand served as an offensive graduate assistant at Clemson for two seasons (1999-2000), as the Tigers participated in the 1999 Peach Bowl and 2001 Gator Bowl. Before that, he served as defensive coordinator and special teams coordinator at Concord College in West Virginia in 1997-98. He also was defensive coordinator at another West Virginia Intercollegiate Athletic Conference program, Glenville State, where he helped the Pioneers win three WVIAC Championships in 1994, 1995 and 1996.

Hand earned his bachelor's degree in history from Hamilton College in 1990, where he was a three-year starter on the offensive line for the Continentals, serving as team captain and earning All-New England Small College Athletic Conference honors in 1989. He earned a master's degree in business administration in 1993 from West Virginia Wesleyan while serving as a graduate assistant coach.

A native of Westmoreland, New York, Hand and his wife, Debbie, have three children—sons Trey and Cade and a daughter, Bailey.

COACHING EXPERIENCE

1991-93	West Virginia Wesleyan <i>Graduate Assistant</i>
1994-96	Glenville State <i>Defensive Coordinator</i>
1997-98	Concord College <i>Defensive Coordinator/Special Teams Coordinator</i>
1999-2000	Clemson <i>Offensive Graduate Assistant</i>
2001-06	West Virginia <i>Tight Ends/Recruiting Coordinator</i>
2007-09	Tulsa <i>Assistant Head Coach/Offensive Coordinator/Offensive Line</i>
2010-13	Vanderbilt <i>Offensive Line</i> <i>Run Game Coordinator (2013)</i>
2014-15	Penn State <i>Offensive Line/Run Game Coordinator</i>
2016-17	Auburn <i>Offensive Line</i>
2018-20	Texas <i>Co-Offensive Coordinator/Offensive Line</i>
2021-pres.	UCF <i>Offensive Line/Co-Offensive Coordinator (2023)</i>

2021 and 2022.

AAC coaches named tackle Ryan Swoboda and guard Lokahi Pauole to the 2022 all-league first team, while PFF tabbed guard Sam Jackson and center Matt Lee to its first team. Tackle Tylan Grable received third-team recognition from PFF. Pro Football Network selected Pauole to the All-AAC first team, Lee to the second team and named Swoboda as an honorable mention pick. Phil Steele tabbed Swoboda and Pauole to its first team, Lee to the second team and Jackson to the third.

The Knights in 2022 dominated in terms of running the football, ranking eighth nationally and tops in the AAC at 236.1 yards per outing. That sort of production enabled UCF to also rank 11th nationally in total offense (480.6 yards per game) and score 34.4 points per contest. The Knights rushed for a season-high 345 yards versus South Florida, added 336 in the road win at 17th-rated Tulane and two other times hit the 300-yard mark (Florida Atlantic and Temple). The UCF line play helped running back Isaiah Bowser account for 14 rushing touchdowns (14th nationally and second in the AAC).

PFF named guard Cole Schneider to its second team of 2021 All-AAC performers—Lee and Pauole made the third team, while tackles Jackson and Marcus Tatum both merited honorable mention notice. On the All-AAC squad selected by league coaches, Pauole made the second team, while Schneider and Tatum were honorable mention picks. In addition, Phil Steele selected Pauole and Tatum second-team all-league, while naming Schneider to the third team. PFF placed Schneider on the All-AAC second team and handed Lee and Jackson honorable mention recognition.

With the Knights claiming victories in six of their final seven games to close the 2021 season, Hand's charges played key roles in leading a UCF offense that was forced to play major portions of the season without quarterback starter Dillon Gabriel, Bowser and receiver Jaylon Robinson. The Knights capped the year by running for 288 yards in their Gasparilla Bowl win over Florida—and only LSU with 321 ran for more versus the Gators in 2021. USA Today recognized that effort by selecting Lee to its all-bowl team.

Hand worked with Gus Malzahn at Tulsa in 2007-08 when they produced the number-one offense in the country and also coached the Auburn offensive line that helped the Tigers rank as one of three finalists for the 2017 Joe Moore Award as the top offensive line in the nation.

Hand joined Malzahn's UCF football staff on Feb. 18, 2021, and is concluding his second season in Orlando in 2022.

Before coming to UCF Hand spent three seasons as co-offensive coordinator and offensive line coach at Texas (2018-20) and enjoyed great success in stints at Auburn, Penn State, Vanderbilt, West Virginia and Tulsa. He has coached in offenses that produced all-time leading rushers at West Virginia, Tulsa and Vanderbilt. Hand has worked with programs that produced six conference championships in addition to three division championships.

In both 2020 and 2019, both Texas center Zach Shackelford and left tackle Samuel Cosmi earned All-Big 12 honors. Cosmi was a unanimous first-team all-league pick in 2020 and went on to earn third-team All-America honors from the Associated Press. In his three years at Texas, Hand saw nine offensive linemen earn All-Big 12 recognition.

After Hand's unit paved the way for Texas to rush for 231 yards against 11th-ranked Utah in the 2019 Valero Alamo Bowl, the Longhorns' offensive line received all-bowl recognition from Sports Illustrated. Cosmi was recognized individually by the Associated Press and ESPN as an all-bowl performer for his Alamo Bowl showing.

In 2018, all five starting offensive linemen garnered All-Big 12 honors, led by center Shackelford's first-team recognition (AP). Calvin Anderson, Elijah Rodriguez and Patrick Vahe were honorable mention picks, while Cosmi received votes as the Big 12 Offensive Freshman of the Year and was a Freshman All-American.

A three-time finalist for Offensive Line Coach of the Year



KAM MARTIN RUNNING BACKS | FIRST SEASON

Kam Martin, former Auburn running back who spent the 2021 season as a recruiting and offensive assistant at UCF, is returning to Orlando as the Knights' running backs coach, head coach Gus Malzahn announced on Wednesday, March 1.

Martin joins the Knights from Texas State where he was named the running backs coach in December 2022. He spent the 2022 season at Incarnate Word (UIW), where he helped the Cardinals set the program's single-season rushing record and compile the nation's top scoring offense among FCS schools.

UIW rushed for 3,011 yards last season to surpass the previous program record by more than 1,000 yards. Under Martin's direction, Marcus Cooper rushed for the sixth-most yards among FCS players with 1,436 to claim All-Southland Conference honors.

Cooper set the program record with 254 rushing yards on 20 carries in a 66-7 win against Northwestern State on Nov. 21, 2022, highlighted by 78-yard and 68-yard touchdown runs.

Incarnate Word rushed for 200 or more yards in eight games, amassing 300 yards rushing three different times. With the standout running game, UIW led the nation in scoring offense, averaging 51.5 points per game.

The Cardinals also won the Southland Conference championship for the second consecutive year and reached the FCS Playoff semifinals for the first time in school history.

In 2021 at UCF, Martin worked with a talented group of running backs that began 2021 with a bang, as veteran Isaiah Bowser ran for 172 yards and the game-winning TD in the season-opening comeback win over Boise State and then accounted for four first-half rushing TDs a week later versus Bethune-Cookman. Johnny Richardson ended up leading the Knights in rushing with 733 yards that season, ranking seventh in the AAC in all-purpose yardage at 96.92 per game. He earned fourth-team All-AAC honors from Phil Steele.

Originally from Port Arthur, Texas, Martin was a standout tailback at Auburn under Malzahn. He finished with 1,564 career rushing yards, 29th all-time at Auburn. Martin contributed a team-high 84 yards rushing against Arkansas in 2019 and was on preseason watch lists for the Doak Walker and Earl Campbell Tyler Rose awards.

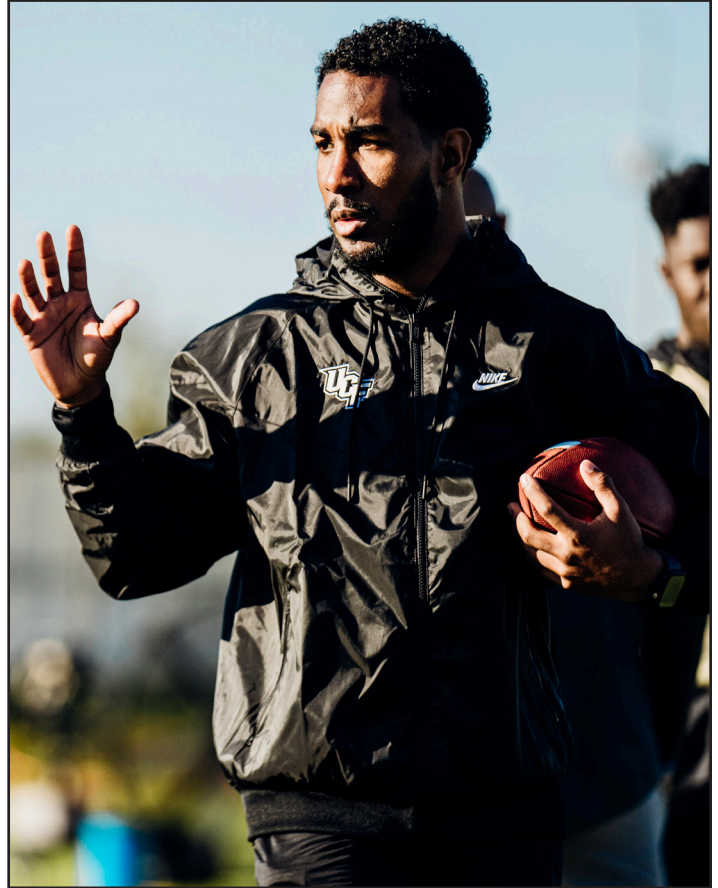
As a junior in 2018, Martin was one of the starters at tailback, recording 458 yards rushing on 103 carries. He had 116 rushing yards against Liberty and gained 58 yards versus Purdue in the Music City Bowl. As a true freshman, he had 176 yards rushing in the second half vs. Alabama A&M, with two TDs—in the second-best, second-half rushing total in Auburn history.

A consensus national top 300 prospect out of high school, Martin was a versatile all-purpose athlete from Memorial High School in Port Arthur. A four-year starter, he also played for the USA Football U19 national team in the 2016 International Bowl in Arlington, Texas. Martin amassed more than 3,500 combined rushing and receiving yards and 44 TDs in his prep career. He had 962 rushing yards and six TDs on 143 carries and 10 receptions for 133 yards as a prep senior in 2015. Martin also added 903 rushing yards and 17 TDs in his junior season—plus 1,060 yards and 16 TDs as a sophomore.

Martin ran anchor on the Memorial 4x200-meter relay team that set a national record at 1:23.84 at the district meet and later captured the 2015 Texas Class 6A state title in that event.

His cousin Jamaal Charles, also from Port Arthur Memorial and a college standout at Texas, was a four-time Pro Bowl selection at running back with the Kansas City Chiefs.

Martin received the 2019 Hard-Fighting Soldier award from the Fellowship of Christian Athletes. He graduated from Auburn with a degree in business in December 2019.



COACHING EXPERIENCE

2021	UCF
	<i>Recruiting/Offensive Assistant</i>
2022	UIW
	<i>Running Backs</i>
Dec. 2022 - March 2023	Texas State
	<i>Running Backs</i>
2023-pres.	UCF
	<i>Running Backs</i>



GRANT HEARD WIDE RECEIVERS | SECOND SEASON

Grant Heard's first season in 2022 as receivers coach on UCF coach Gus Malzahn's staff produced one of the most potent pass-catching combinations in Knight annals.

Heard tutored three blue-chip receivers who combined to create a difficult-to-defend unit paced by second-team All-American Athletic Conference veterans Ryan O'Keefe (team-high 73 catches for 725 yards, 5 touchdowns; 107.3 all-purpose yards per game) and Alabama transfer Javon Baker (56 for team-high 796, 5 TDs)—plus Auburn transfer Kobe Hudson (39 for 641, 7 TDs; an average of 16.4 yards per reception). All of Hudson's catches came over the final 10 games.

That trio alone combined for 168 catches for 2,162 yards—while helping the Knights rank among the national leaders in total offense (16th at 469.6 yards per game). AAC coaches rewarded O'Keefe with his second-team all-league honor, while Pro Football Focus did the same for Baker.

Heard came to Orlando after most recently serving as Indiana's receivers coach for five years (2017-21)—the last two as the Hoosiers' co-offensive coordinator and previous three as passing game coordinator. The former Ole Miss receiver spent the previous five seasons coaching receivers at his alma mater.

Under Heard's direction in 2020, Ty Fryfogle became the first Hoosier wideout since 2007 to earn All-America honors (third team) and the first in program history to be named Big Ten Richter-Howard Receiver of the Year. Nine times Hoosiers earned all-conference honors during Heard's time in Bloomington, highlighted by Fryfogle's 2020 first-team recognition.

Fryfogle, the first B1G pass-catcher with back-to-back 200-yard games, also was one of 11 Biletnikoff Award semifinalists in 2020. He finished his career sixth on the school's career lists in receptions (158) and yardage (2,231) and tied for 10th in receiving touchdowns (10).

Whop Philyor, a 2021 free-agent signing of the Minnesota Vikings, closed out his career as Indiana's all-time leader in double-digit catch games (seven), fourth in receptions (180), tied for fourth in 100-yard games (seven) and ninth in yardage (2,067).

A second-team all-league selection, Philyor became the seventh Hoosier to reach 1,000 yards (1,002) on 70 catches in 2019. His receptions ranked third in the Big Ten and sixth on Indiana's single-season list, while his yardage totals were fourth and seventh, respectively.

From 2017-19, the Hoosiers finished in the top three in the conference in passing offense. They ranked second in 2019 (25th nationally), and third in 2018 and 2017 (tied for 35th nationally). En route to 2018 honorable-mention All-B1G recognition, current Tennessee Titan Nick Westbrook led the team with 590 yards.

Three wideouts earned 2017 all-league recognition, including first-teamer Simmie Cobbs Jr. Cobbs (72) and Luke Timian (68). They finished second and third in the league and shared fourth and sixth on the Indiana single-season list in catches. Additionally, Cobbs was fourth in the Big Ten in yardage (841) and tied for sixth in receiving scores (8), which shared 10th on Indiana's single-season charts.

Heard completed his fifth campaign as the wide receivers coach at Ole Miss in 2016. He worked with current Hoosiers head coach Tom Allen at Ole Miss (2012-14), Arkansas State (2011) and Lambuth (2008-09).

Heard mentored 2015 Biletnikoff Award finalist Laquon Treadwell, the program's first Biletnikoff finalist. Treadwell caught 82 passes (second in the SEC) for a league-leading 1,153 yards and 11 TDs. Treadwell broke 15 school records in 2015 and was selected in the first round of the NFL Draft by Minnesota, while fellow Rebel standout Cody Core was selected in the sixth round by Cincinnati.

Heard's 2015 receiving corps was one of four in the nation with seven or more players who caught at least 20 balls. Ole Miss broke nearly every offensive school record, while it led the conference and ranked in the Top 10 nationally in scoring (40.8), total (517.8), and passing offense (334.7).

In 2014, Ole Miss was the only SEC team with three receivers in the top 12 in TD receptions. The previous year Treadwell (5.58) and current New England Patriots wideout Donte Moncrief (4.42) ranked inside the league's top eight in catches per game. Moncrief was sixth in the SEC in yards per game (68.8).

The 2013 SEC Freshman of the Year, Treadwell set freshman records in receptions (67), yardage (557) and scores (five). He topped all SEC freshman receivers in catches, yardage and TDs.

Moncrief declared for the NFL Draft after his junior year and finished his career in the top three in program history in receptions, yardage and TDs. He was selected by the Indianapolis Colts in the third round (90th pick).

Heard served as passing game coordinator and quarterbacks coach at Arkansas State (2010-11). Quarterback Ryan Aplin, the 2011 Sun Belt Conference Player of the Year, established school single-season records for total offense and passing yardage per game, and he ranked 10th in the nation in total offense.

His passing attack ranked 16th in the nation, and the Red Wolves finished 24th in total offense en route to a Sun Belt championship and a GoDaddy.com Bowl appearance.

Prior to Arkansas State, Heard spent 2008 and 2009 as Lambuth's offensive coordinator. The 2008 Eagles accumulated 5,861 yards and became the top-ranked offense in the



NAIA. Lambuth finished third in the nation in scoring offense and fourth in passing efficiency that year.

Upon completion of his playing career, Heard started his coaching career as the quarterbacks, wide receivers and special teams coach at Jackson Preparatory High School (Miss.) in 2002. He moved on to Hargrave Military Academy (Va.), where he led the wide receivers and helped Hargrave to an 8-1 record the following campaign.

He joined the collegiate ranks as an offensive graduate assistant at NC State in 2004, and he returned to Ole Miss as an offensive graduate assistant in 2005-06. He assisted in coaching the receivers and tight ends, and he tutored future NFL players Mike Wallace, Shay Hodge, Marshay Green, Mike Espy and Taye Biddle.

In 2007, Heard moved on to Western Michigan and coached wide receivers. He oversaw first-team All-Mid-American Conference selection Jamarko Simmons, the 15th-ranked receiver in the nation, and the receiving corps gained over 3,000 yards and scored 23 TDs.

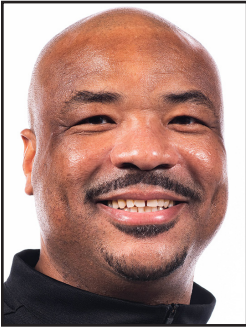
A wide receiver at Ole Miss (1996-2000), Heard helped the Rebels to four bowl games and graduated as the school's all-time leader in career catches and scores. He earned his bachelor's degree in 2001.

He signed with the Pittsburgh Steelers in 2002 and was sent to play in NFL Europe. He appeared in pre-season games for San Francisco in 2001.

Grant is married to the former Renata Nowacki, a four-year letter-winner on the Ole Miss volleyball team in 1997-2000, and the couple has a son Jayden and a daughter Avery. His brother Ronnie was also a standout at Ole Miss and in the NFL.

COACHING EXPERIENCE

2002	Jackson Prep
	Quarterbacks/Wide Receivers/Special Teams
2003	Hargrave
	Wide Receivers
2004	NC State
	Graduate Assistant
2005-06	Ole Miss
	Graduate Assistant
2007	Western Michigan
	Wide Receivers
2008-09	Lambuth
	Offensive Coordinator
2010-11	Arkansas State
	Passing Game Coordinator/Quarterbacks
2012-16	Ole Miss
	Wide Receivers
2017-19	Indiana
	Passing Game Coordinator/Wide Receiver
	Co-Offensive Coordinator/ Wide Receivers (2020-21)
2022-pres.	UCF
	Wide Receivers



KENNY INGRAM DEFENSIVE ENDS/RUSH | THIRD SEASON

Kenny Ingram, UCF's third-year defensive ends coach, helped the Knights win nine games and a bowl invitation for the second straight season in 2022 while producing dramatic improvement in UCF's overall defensive profile.

That came after the Knights completed a late-season defensive push to close out the 2021 regular season with six wins in the last seven games, capped by a Gasparilla Bowl victory over Florida.

Integral to that 2022 improvement were the two UCF regulars at end—veteran Tre'mon Morris-Brash (fifth on team with 52 tackles, team-high 13 tackles for loss and team-leading six sacks, twice as many as any other player totaled) and junior Josh Celiscar (54 tackles, 8.5 TFL, 3 sacks, 5 quarterback hurries and 3 forced fumbles) as the lone junior among Knight captain selections.

Morris-Brash received first-team All-American Athletic Conference recognition from league coaches (second team from Pro Football Network and third team, by Pro Football Focus), while Celiscar was a PFN honorable mention pick.

Another of Ingram's charges, veteran end and captain Big Kat Bryant, claimed first-team All-AAC honors by vote of league coaches for 2021. He also was a first-team selection by Phil Steele and PFN—and the PFN AAC Newcomer of the Year and AAC Defensive Lineman of the Year. Bryant ended up the Knights' leader in sacks, tackles for losses and quarterback hurries. In addition in 2021, Morris-Brash claimed honorable mention All-AAC notice from PFF.

That group helped UCF average 8.1 tackles for loss and 5.0 sacks over its last six victories—and finish the regular season ranked seventh nationally in pass efficiency defense (110.73) and 26th in tackles for loss (6.8 per game). Ingram and his linemen helped the Knights improve 70 spots in NCAA total defense rankings while averaging 122.5 fewer yards allowed per game than in 2020.

Ingram, a veteran defensive coach and former member of Gus Malzahn's Auburn football staff, joined Malzahn's UCF coaching staff on Feb. 24, 2021. He is in his third season with the Knights in 2023.

He previously coached at Arkansas State under Malzahn, helping the Red Wolves win the 2012 Sun Belt Conference title as the team's defensive line coach. Ingram assisted the Arkansas State defensive interior line during the 2020 campaign after coaching defensive tackles at Arkansas in 2019.

Ingram also served as director of player relations at Auburn under Malzahn in 2017-18 in his second stint with the Tigers. He held that same position in 2013-14 at Auburn.

Ingram's years at Auburn featured postseason bowl appearances every season—including the Bowl Championship Series national title game after the 2013 campaign. In between stops at Auburn, he coached the defensive tackles at Cincinnati in 2015 and 2016 under Tommy Tuberville—with the Bearcats advancing to the Hawai'i Bowl in 2015.

Ingram began his collegiate career at Tennessee State in 2005 as the Tigers' defensive line coach. He quickly moved back to his hometown of Memphis in 2006, taking over the linebackers for the University of Memphis before being named defensive coordinator in 2009. While at Memphis, he helped the Tigers to the 2007 New Orleans Bowl and 2008 St. Petersburg Bowl.

Prior to his collegiate coaching career, Ingram was the head coach at Melrose High School in Memphis from 2002-04. He led the Golden Wildcats to a 37-4 overall record after serving as assistant head coach and defensive coordinator. He was a three-time regional coach of the year and the Memphis Commercial Appeal's 2004 Coach of the Year for Metro Memphis. He led the school to one appearance in the state finals and a pair of appearances in the state semifinals.

He was selected to serve as the Liberty Bowl All-Star Game defensive coordinator in

2003 and was a member of the Tennessee East-West Shrine All-Star Game coaching staff that same season. He was an assistant coach for the Tennessee-Kentucky All-Star Game in 2004. Ingram taught and coached at Corry Middle School in Memphis and worked in the Youth Habilitation Center prior to moving to Melrose.

Ingram starred in football at Whitehaven High School in Memphis, then was a four-year letterman at Arkansas State, serving as team co-captain in 1992. At Arkansas State, Ingram played for head coach Steve Caldwell. He received his bachelor's degree in political science in 1999 from Arkansas State.

He and his wife, Carla, are parents of five children—Kendrien, Taylor, Kameron and twins Kennedy and Karleigh.



COACHING EXPERIENCE

2001-04	Melrose (Tennessee) High School <i>Assistant Head Coach/Defensive Coordinator (2001)</i> <i>Head Coach (2002-04)</i>
2005	Tennessee State <i>Defensive Line</i>
2006-09	Memphis <i>Linebackers (2006-08)</i> <i>Defensive Coordinator/Linebackers (2009)</i>
2011-12	Arkansas State <i>Interim Defensive Assistant Coach (2011)</i> <i>Defensive Line (2012)</i>
2013-14	Auburn <i>Director of Player Development</i>
2015-16	Cincinnati <i>Defensive Line</i>
2017-18	Auburn <i>Director of Player Relations</i>
2019	Arkansas <i>Defensive Tackles</i>
2020	Arkansas State <i>Volunteer Assistant</i>
2021-pres.	UCF <i>Defensive Ends/Rush</i>



KENNY MARTIN DEFENSIVE TACKLES | THIRD SEASON

Orlando native Kenny Martin, UCF's defensive tackle coach, figured prominently in the Knights' defensive turnaround over the 2022 and 2021 campaigns.

Martin's charges played noteworthy roles in 2022 with veteran Anthony Montalvo (43 tackles, 6.5 tackles for loss, 6 QB hurries) adding experience with his 35 career starts in a Knight uniform and Ricky Barber (49 tackles, 9 TFL, 3 sacks, team-high 12 QB hurries) claiming honorable mention All-America honors from Pro Football Network. Barber was a first-team All-American Athletic Conference pick by both the league's coaches and PFN.

The Knights' defensive tackles assisted the UCF defense in leading the country in red-zone defense much of the year, ultimately finishing fifth. Meanwhile Martin's charges helped UCF reach the nine-victory mark for a second consecutive year as the Knights advanced to the AAC Championship Game for the first time in four years and qualified for a bowl game for the seventh straight season.

As UCF won six of its final seven games to close the 2021 season (capped by a Gasparilla Bowl win over Florida), the Knight defense permitted only 11.8 points per game in those six combined victories. UCF averaged 8.1 tackles for loss and 5.0 sacks in those six games—and finished the regular season ranked seventh nationally in pass efficiency defense (110.73) and 26th in tackles for loss (6.8 per game).

Among Martin's charges at tackle in 2021 were Western Kentucky transfer Barber (29 tackles, 5.5 tackles for loss), Montalvo (34 tackles) and sophomore Keenan Hester (24 tackles). That group helped the UCF defense improve 70 spots in NCAA total defense rankings—averaging 122.5 fewer total yards per game allowed in 2021 compared to the previous season.

Martin previously was defensive tackle coach from 2018-20 for Western Kentucky defenses that ranked among the most productive in the country. He joined Gus Malzahn's UCF football staff on Feb. 23, 2021, and is in his third year with the Knights in 2023.

A former defensive lineman for the Hilltoppers, Martin first returned to his alma mater in 2016 and worked with the defensive tackle position group for five seasons, the first two as a graduate assistant coach.

In 2020 Martin helped the Western Kentucky defense rank eighth in the nation in passing yards allowed (177.3), 28th in total yards allowed (348.7) and 41st in points allowed (25.3) per game. Among the defensive tackle group, redshirt freshman Barber was named a Football Writers Association of America Freshman All-American. His 58 total tackles tied for fifth among all Football Bowl Subdivision defensive linemen regardless of class. Phil Steele tabbed Barber as an All-Conference USA second-teamer and Jeremy Darvin, the other starting tackle, as a third-teamer.

In 2019 Martin helped mentor his group into one of the most solid positions on the field. Darvin and Jaylon George earned All-Conference USA honorable mention recognition, while Barber was named to the Conference USA All-Freshman Team. Western Kentucky allowed only 20.1 total points per game, the lowest mark for the program since 2004, to rank 22nd nationally. The Hilltoppers held opponents to a 29.7% rate (51 of 172) on third down (sixth in the FBS) and ranked third in the FBS with only 82 missed tackles. Western Kentucky was 24th in total defense at 335.5 yards allowed per game.

In 2018 Martin's work developed George into one of the top defensive tackles in Conference USA as an all-league selection by Pro Football Focus. In 2017, senior Chris Johnson earned All-Conference USA honorable mention accolades after leading all defenders in quarterback hurries from his tackle position.

In 2016, Martin helped senior Keith Brown set a single-season record for total tackles with 131 en route to earning All-Conference USA first-team honors along with PFF second-team All-America recognition. The Hilltoppers finished the campaign with the second-ranked rushing defense, surrendering just 97.2 yards per game. Western Kentucky also led the conference in scoring defense as it won a second consecutive league championship (under head coach Jeff Brohm, now at Purdue) and third consecutive bowl game.

A four-year letterman for Western Kentucky (the last three under current Florida Atlantic coach Willie Taggart), Martin started 42 games from 2009-12 (74 career tackles) and was a member of the Hilltoppers' first FBS bowl team in the 2012 Little Caesar's Pizza Bowl.



As a coach, Martin helped Western Kentucky participate in the 2016 Boca Raton Bowl (won 51-31 over Memphis), 2017 Cure Bowl, 2019 First Responder Bowl (won 23-20 over Western Michigan) and 2020 LendingTree Bowl—as well as the 2021 Gasparilla Bowl (a 29-17 triumph over Florida) once he came to UCF.

Prior to returning to Western Kentucky, Martin was the defensive line coach at the University of Virginia-Wise in 2015. Martin also served as the defensive coordinator at Warren Central High School in Bowling Green, Kentucky, in 2014. He got his start in coaching as the co-defensive coordinator and defensive line coach at his former high school, Ocoee High School, in Orlando in 2013.

Martin is a 2012 Western Kentucky graduate with a degree in sociology.

He and his wife, the former Tasha Babb, have a daughter Khloe and son Tre.

COACHING EXPERIENCE

2013	Ocoee (Florida) High School <i>Co-Defensive Coordinator/Defensive Line</i>
2014	Warren Central (Kentucky) High School <i>Defensive Coordinator/Defensive Line</i>
2015	Virginia-Wise <i>Defensive Line</i>
2016-20	Western Kentucky <i>Defensive Graduate Assistant (2016-17)</i> <i>Defensive Tackles (2018-20)</i>
2021-pres.	UCF <i>Defensive Tackles</i>



ERNIE SIMS LINEBACKERS | FIRST SEASON

Ernie Sims, former NFL linebacker and top-10 draft pick and most recently an assistant coach at South Florida, has been named UCF linebackers coach, head coach Gus Malzahn announced Dec. 24, 2022.

"We're excited to welcome Ernie, his wife Brooke and their four children to the UCF family," said Malzahn. "Ernie had an incredible playing career, both in the NFL as a top draft pick and in college here in the state of Florida. He's one of the top young coaches and will do a great job coaching our linebackers."

Sims joins the Knights following three seasons at South Florida, serving as linebackers coach the last two years and co-defensive coordinator for the 2022 season. He was promoted to linebackers coach in January 2021 after joining the USF staff in 2020 as a defensive analyst. He went on to serve as co-defensive coordinator for the final game of the 2021 season and defensive coordinator for the final three games of 2022.

Under his direction, USF linebacker Dwayne Boyles recorded a career-best 108 tackles this season and led the Bulls with 10 tackles for loss, three forced fumbles and two fumble recoveries. His 108 tackles were the third most in the American Athletic Conference. Boyles' season tackle total ranked eighth in program history, and he increased his career tackle total to 315, good for seventh all-time at USF. He was tabbed an All-AAC selection by Phil Steele in 2022.

Sims began his collegiate coaching career as part of Lane Kiffin's staff at Florida Atlantic as an assistant strength and conditioning coordinator in 2018. FAU promoted Sims to director of football operations in 2019 and the Owls went on to post an 11-3 record that year, winning the Conference USA championship before defeating SMU in the Boca Raton Bowl.

The ninth overall pick in the 2006 NFL Draft by the Detroit Lions, Sims played eight NFL seasons with four teams, finishing his NFL playing career with the Dallas Cowboys in 2013. The Tallahassee, Florida, native recorded 623 tackles, 5.5 sacks, six forced fumbles, three fumble recoveries and an interception during his playing career. He started all 16 games in his rookie season in 2006 with the Lions, collecting 124 tackles. Sims was named to the Pro Football Writers of America All-Rookie Team that season. The Lions named him a team captain prior to the 2007 campaign.

He posted 100 or more tackles in each of his first three seasons with the Lions before he was traded to Philadelphia in 2010. He played that season with the Eagles, 2011 with Indianapolis and 2012-13 with Dallas.

A Parade and USA Today prep All-American at North Florida Christian High School in Tallahassee, Sims was rated the No. 1 recruit in the nation by Rivals prior to signing with Florida State in 2003.

At Florida State, Sims played for the late Bobby Bowden and made an instant impact in his freshman season, playing all 13 games including the Orange Bowl. The following year, he was named an ESPN first-team All-American in 2004 and a second-team All-ACC selection after posting 86 tackles, nine tackles for loss and 4.5 quarterback sacks. He was named a Sporting News preseason All-American prior to the 2005 campaign and went on to post 72 tackles, 10 tackles for loss and 2.5 sacks while helping lead the Seminoles back to the Orange Bowl. He entered the NFL Draft following his junior campaign and completed his Florida State career with 200 tackles, 21 tackles for loss and seven sacks in three seasons.

Following his NFL career, Sims started the Big Hits Foundation to mentor youth and returned to Florida State to complete his degree in social science in 2018.

Sims and his wife, Brooke, have four children: Ernie IV (11), Major (8), Savannah (5) and welcomed their fourth child Bella on Dec. 21, 2022.



COACHING EXPERIENCE

2018	FAU
	Strength & Conditioning Coach
2019	Director of Operations
2020-22	USF
	Defensive Analyst (2020)
	Linebackers (2021)
	Co-Defensive Coordinator/Linebackers (2022)
2023-pres.	UCF
	Linebackers

KNIGHTS SCORING DRIVES (2022)

South Carolina State

1st	Baker,Javon 12 yd pass from Plumlee,John Rhys (Obarski,Daniel kick)	9 plays	70 yards	3:44
1st	Gamble, Kemore 30 yd pass from Plumlee,John Rhys (Obarski,Daniel kick)	1 plays	30 yards	0:08
1st	Plumlee,John Rhys 17 yd run (Obarski,Daniel kick),	6 plays	81 yards	2:02
2nd	Bowser,Isaiah 1 yd run (Obarski,Daniel kick),	7 plays	42 yards	2:49
3rd	Richardson,Johnny 18 yd pass from Plumlee,John Rhys (Obarski,Daniel kick)	9 plays	77 yards	2:43
3rd	Bowser,Isaiah 1 yd run (Obarski,Daniel kick)	7 plays	72 yards	2:58
4th	Marsh Wojan,Zach 21 yd pass from Plumlee,John Rhys (Obarski,Daniel kick)	3 plays	54 yards	1:20
4th	Bullard,Quadric 19 yd punt return (Obarski,Daniel kick)			

Louisville

1st	Bowser,Isaiah 2 yd run (Obarski,Daniel kick)	10 plays	80 yards	3:24
2nd	Bowser,Isaiah 3 yd run (Obarski,Daniel kick)	8 plays	77 yards	2:43

Florida Atlantic

1st	Plumlee,John Rhys 7 yd run (Boomer,Colton kick)	8 plays	50 yards	2:33
2nd	Boomer,Colton 41 yd field goal	11 plays	51 yards	2:58
2nd	Plumlee,John Rhys 5 yd run (Boomer,Colton missed)	6 plays	96 yards	2:21
3rd	Bowser,Isaiah 1 yd run (Boomer,Colton kick)	12 plays	73 yards	5:28
3rd	Harvey,RJ 3 yd run (Boomer,Colton kick)	7 plays	86 yards	2:24
4th	Boomer,Colton 29 yd field goal	4 plays	49 yards	3:27
4th	Baker,Javon 20 yd pass from Plumlee,John Rhys (Boomer,Colton kick)	9 plays	69 yards	4:45

Georgia Tech

1st	Plumlee,John Rhys 7 yd run (Boomer,Colton kick)	8 plays	50 yards	2:33
1st	Boomer,Colton 21 yd field goal	20 plays	71 yards	9:47
2nd	Boomer,Colton 31 yd field goal	10 plays	62 yards	4:07
2nd	Bullard,Quadric 29 yd punt return (Boomer,Colton kick)			
3rd	Boomer,Colton 37 yd field goal	9 plays	55 yards	4:10
4th	Plumlee,John Rhys 28 yd run (Gamble,Kemore pass)	4 plays	57 yards	1:29
4th	Boomer,Colton 43 yd field goal	8 plays	49 yards	3:06

SMU

1st	Boomer,Colton 41 yd field goal	11 plays	30 yards	3:54
2nd	Bowser,Isaiah 1 yd run (Boomer,Colton kick)	10 plays	70 yards	4:24
3rd	Bowser,Isaiah 1 yd run (Boomer,Colton kick)	5 plays	79 yards	1:39
3rd	O'Keefe,Ryan 26 yd pass from Plumlee,John Rhys (Boomer,Colton kick)	8 plays	86 yards	3:10
4th	0 yd safety			
4th	O'Keefe,Ryan 58 yd pass from Plumlee,John Rhys (Hudson,Kobe pass)	2 plays	63 yards	0:43
4th	Bowser,Isaiah 3 yd run (Boomer,Colton kick)	9 plays	71 yards	5:14

Temple

1st	Plumlee,John Rhys 9 yd run (Boomer,Colton kick)	10 plays	74 yards	4:46
1st	Plumlee,John Rhys 1 yd run (Boomer,Colton kick)	3 plays	72 yards	1:00
2nd	Bowser,Isaiah 1 yd run (Boomer,Colton kick)	6 plays	46 yards	2:47
2nd	Hudson,Kobe 25 yd pass from Plumlee,John Rhys (Boomer,Colton kick)	5 plays	75 yards	1:46
2nd	Plumlee,John Rhys 5 yd run (Boomer,Colton kick)	7 plays	66 yards	0:56
3rd	O'Keefe,Ryan 11 yd pass from Plumlee,John Rhys (Boomer,Colton kick)	7 plays	83 yards	3:12
3rd	O'Keefe,Ryan 68 yd pass from Plumlee,John Rhys (Boomer,Colton kick)	1 play	68 yards	0:13
3rd	Hudson,Kobe 64 yd pass from Plumlee,John Rhys (Boomer,Colton kick)	2 plays	69 yards	0:43
4th	Castellanos,Thomas 37 yd run (Boomer,Colton kick)	7 plays	75 yards	3:53
4th	McDonald,Jordan 1 yd run (Boomer,Colton kick)	8 plays	68 yards	5:27

East Carolina

2nd	Boomer,Colton 27 yd field goal	5 plays	70 yards	0:44
3rd	Bowser,Isaiah 3 yd run (Boomer,Colton kick)	10 plays	74 yards	4:25
4th	Boomer,Colton 36 yd field goal	13 plays	67 yards	3:33

Cincinnati

1st	Boomer,Colton 26 yd field goal	7 plays	53 yards	3:31
1st	Harvey,RJ 26 yd run (Boomer,Colton kick)	10 plays	84 yards	4:54
3rd	Celiscar,Josh 0 yd safety			
4th	Bowser,Isaiah 3 yd run (Two-point conversion failed)	13 plays	77 yards	5:57
4th	Harvey,RJ 17 yd run (Boomer,Colton kick)	7 plays	75 yards	2:16

Memphis

1st	Harvey,RJ 22 yd run (Boomer,Colton kick)	9 plays	78 yards	4:04
2nd	Martin,Stephen 4 yd pass from Bowser,Isaiah (Boomer,Colton kick)	8 plays	89 yards	3:27
2nd	Hudson,Kobe 24 yd pass from Keene,Mikey (Boomer,Colton kick)	5 plays	75 yards	1:39
4th	Hudson,Kobe 13 yd pass from Keene,Mikey (Boomer,Colton kick)	9 plays	61 yards	3:49
4th	Baker,Javon 24 yd pass from Keene,Mikey (Boomer,Colton kick)	6 plays	50 yards	2:28

Tulane

1st	Boomer,Colton 25 yd field goal	9 plays	68 yards	2:43
1st	Plumlee,John Rhys 67 yd run (Boomer,Colton kick)	2 plays	70 yards	0:42
1st	Bowser,Isaiah 2 yd run (Boomer,Colton kick)	17 plays	75 yards	6:15
2nd	Baker,Javon 8 yd pass from Plumlee,John Rhys (Boomer,Colton kick)	13 plays	85 yards	5:56
3rd	Plumlee,John Rhys 9 yd run (Boomer,Colton kick)	8 plays	83 yards	4:20
4th	Bowser,Isaiah 1 yd run (Boomer,Colton kick)	16 plays	75 yards	8:07

Navy

2nd	Boomer,Colton 21 yd field goal	13 plays	55 yards	4:30
2nd	Boomer,Colton 31 yd field goal	5 plays	41 yards	1:48
3rd	Baker,Javon 28 yd pass from Keene,Mikey (Baker,Javon pass)	5 plays	75 yards	1:35

South Florida

1st	Plumlee,John Rhys 64 yd run (Boomer,Colton kick)	6 plays	75 yards	2:43
1st	Harvey,RJ 3 yd run (Boomer,Colton kick)	13 plays	85 yards	5:35
2nd	Plumlee,John Rhys 20 yd run (Boomer,Colton kick)	7 plays	80 yards	2:25
2nd	O'Keefe,Ryan 3 yd pass from Plumlee,John Rhys (Boomer,Colton kick)	8 plays	53 yards	3:33
3rd	Boomer,Colton 27 yd field goal	6 plays	30 yards	2:34
4th	Hudson,Kobe 4 yd pass from Keene,Mikey (Boomer,Colton kick)	13 plays	75 yards	6:04
4th	Holler,Alec 14 yd pass from Keene,Mikey (Bowser,Isaiah pass)	8 plays	82 yards	2:29

Tulane - AAC Championship

2nd	Townsend,Xavier 5 yd run (Boomer,Colton kick)	8 plays	32 yards	3:27
3rd	Hudson,Kobe 17 yd pass from Plumlee,John Rhys (Boomer,Colton kick)	8 plays	80 yards	2:22
4th	Hudson,Kobe 49 yd pass from Harvey,RJ (Boomer,Colton kick)	6 plays	75 yards	2:03
4th	Bowser,Isaiah 10 yd run (Boomer,Colton kick)	4 plays	30 yards	1:52

Duke - Military Bowl

2nd	Townsend,Xavier 5 yd run (Boomer,Colton kick)	8 plays	32 yards	3:27
3rd	Hudson,Kobe 17 yd pass from Plumlee,John Rhys (Boomer,Colton kick)	8 plays	80 yards	2:22
4th	Hudson,Kobe 49 yd pass from Harvey,RJ (Boomer,Colton kick)	6 plays	75 yards	2:03
4th	Bowser,Isaiah 10 yd run (Boomer,Colton kick)	4 plays	30 yards	1:52

OFFENSIVE STARTERS

Opp.	LT	LG	C	RG	RT	QB	RB	WR	WR	WR/TE	TE	PK
South Carolina State	Grable	Jackson	Lee	Pauole	Swoboda	Plumlee	Bowser	O'Keefe	J. Baker	Hudson	Holler	Obarski
Louisville	Grable	Jackson	Lee	Pauole	Swoboda	Plumlee	Bowser	O'Keefe	J. Baker	Marsh Wojan	Holler	Obarski
Florida Atlantic	Grable	Jackson	Lee	Pauole	Swoboda	Plumlee	Bowser	O'Keefe	J. Baker	Marsh Wojan	Holler	Boomer
Georgia Tech	Grable	Jackson	Lee	Pauole	Swoboda	Plumlee	Bowser	O'Keefe	J. Baker	Marsh Wojan	Holler	Boomer
SMU	Grable	Jackson	Lee	Pauole	Swoboda	Plumlee	Bowser	O'Keefe	J. Baker	Gamble	Holler	Boomer
Temple	Grable	Jackson	Lee	Pauole	Swoboda	Plumlee	Richardson	O'Keefe	J. Baker	Hudson	Gamble	Boomer
East Carolina	Grable	Jackson	Lee	Pauole	Swoboda	Plumlee	Bowser	O'Keefe	J. Griffin	Hudson	Holler	Boomer
Cincinnati	Grable	Jackson	Lee	Pauole	Swoboda	Plumlee	Bowser	O'Keefe	J. Baker	Hudson	Holler	Boomer
Memphis	Grable	Jackson	Lee	Pauole	Swoboda	Keene	Bowser	O'Keefe	J. Baker	Hudson	Holler	Boomer
Tulane	Grable	Jackson	Lee	Pauole	Swoboda	Plumlee	Bowser	O'Keefe	J. Baker	Hudson	Holler	Boomer
Navy	Grable	Jackson	Lee	Pauole	Swoboda	Plumlee	Bowser	O'Keefe	J. Baker	Hudson	Holler	Boomer
South Florida	Grable	Jackson	Lee	Pauole	Swoboda	Plumlee	Harvey	O'Keefe	J. Baker	Hudson	Holler	Boomer
Tulane - AAC Champ	Grable	Jackson	Lee	Pauole	Swoboda	Plumlee	Harvey	Hudson	J. Baker	Marsh Wojan	Holler	Boomer
Duke - Military Bowl	Grable	Jackson	Lee	Pauole	Swoboda	Plumlee	Harvey	Hudson	J. Baker	Townsend	Holler	Boomer

DEFENSIVE STARTERS

Opp.	DE	DT	NOSE	BUCK	LB	LB	KNIGHT	CB	S	S	CB	P
South Carolina State	Celiscar	Barber	Montalvo	Morris-Brash	Johnson	Jean-Baptiste	Hodges	Brown	Wilson	Bullard	Adams	Osteen
Louisville	Celiscar	Barber	Montalvo	Morris-Brash	Johnson	Jean-Baptiste	Hodges	Brown	Wilson	Bullard	Adams	Osteen
Florida Atlantic	Celiscar	Barber	Montalvo	Morris-Brash	Johnson	Yates III	Hodges	Brown	Lester	Bullard	Thornton	McCarthy
Georgia Tech	Celiscar	Barber	Montalvo	Morris-Brash	Johnson	Jean-Baptiste	Hodges	Brown	Wilson	Bullard	Adams	McCarthy
SMU	Celiscar	Barber	Montalvo	Morris-Brash	Johnson	Jean-Baptiste	Hodges	Brown	Wilson	Perry	Thornton	McCarthy
Temple	Celiscar	Barber	Montalvo	Morris-Brash	Johnson	Jean-Baptiste	Hodges	Brown	Wilson	Bullard	Thornton	McCarthy
East Carolina	Celiscar	Barber	Montalvo	Morris-Brash	Johnson	Jean-Baptiste	Hodges	Brown	Wilson	Bullard	Thornton	McCarthy
Cincinnati	Celiscar	Barber	Montalvo	Morris-Brash	Johnson	Jean-Baptiste	Hodges	Brown	Wilson	Ware	Thornton	McCarthy
Memphis	Celiscar	Barber	Montalvo	Morris-Brash	Johnson	Jean-Baptiste	Hodges	Brown	Wilson	Ware	Thornton	McCarthy
Tulane	Celiscar	Barber	Montalvo	Morris-Brash	Johnson	Moore	Hodges	Brown	Perry	Ware	Thornton	McCarthy
Navy	Celiscar	Barber	Montalvo	Morris-Brash	Johnson	Yates III	Hodges	Brown	Wilson	Ware	Thornton	McCarthy
South Florida	Celiscar	Barber	Montalvo	Morris-Brash	Johnson	Jean-Baptiste	Hodges	Brown	Wilson	Ware	Thornton	McCarthy
Tulane - AAC Champ	Celiscar	Barber	Montalvo	Morris-Brash	Johnson	Jean-Baptiste	Hodges	Brown	Wilson	Ware	Thornton	McCarthy
Duke - Military Bowl	Celiscar	Barber	Montalvo	McDaniel	Johnson	Yates III	Hodges	Adams	Perry	D. Henderson	Thornton	McCarthy



PASSING CAREER HIGHS

PLAYER	COMPLETIONS	ATTEMPTS	YARDS	TOUCHDOWNS
Plumlee, John Rhys	25 (at Florida Atlantic, 9/17/22)	36 (at Florida Atlantic, 9/17/22)	373 (Temple, 10/13/22)	4 (2x, Temple, 10/13/22)
Castellanos, Thomas	6 (Temple, 10/13/22)	8 (at Tulane, 12/3/22)	60 (Temple, 10/13/22)	-

RUSHING CAREER HIGHS

PLAYER	ATTEMPTS	YARDS	TOUCHDOWNS
Castellanos, Thomas	7 (vs. Tulane, 12/3/22)	88 (Temple, 10/13/22)	1 (Temple, 10/13/22)
Harvey, RJ	18 (Cincinnati, 10/29/22)	151 (Memphis, 11/26/22)	2 (Cincinnati, 10/29/22)
Johnson, Amari	3 (at Navy, 10/2/21)	17 (at Navy, 10/2/21)	1 (at Navy, 10/2/21)
Plumlee, John Rhys	*25 (at Alabama, 9/28/19)	*212 (LSU, 11/16/19)	*4 (LSU, 11/16/19)
Richards, Mark-Antony	14 (2x, last South Florida, 11/26/21)	104 (at SMU, 11/13/21)	2 (at SMU, 11/13/21)
Richardson, Johnny	16 (ECU, 10/9/21)	147 (UConn, 11/20/21)	1 (4x, last UConn, 11/20/21)

RECEIVING CAREER HIGHS

PLAYER	RECEPTIONS	YARDS	TOUCHDOWNS
Baker, Jarrad	1 (UConn, 9/28/19)	10 (UConn, 9/28/19)	---
Baker, Javon	7 (at Florida Atlantic, 9/17/22)	138 (SMU, 10/5/22)	*1 (three times, last at Florida Atlantic, 9/17/22)
Harvey, RJ	7 (at East Carolina, 10/22/22)	77 (at East Carolina, 10/22/22)	---
Holler, Alec	5 (at Navy, 10/2/21)	115 (at Florida Atlantic, 9/17/22)	2 (at Temple, 10/30/21)
Hudson, Kobe	*8 (Mississippi State, 11/13/21)	*107 (Mississippi State, 11/13/21)	2 (3x, last vs. Tulane, 12/3/22)
Johnson, Amari	6 (ECU, 10/9/21)	67 (Florida A&M, 8/29/19)	1 (2x, last UConn, 11/20/21)
Marks, Donte	2 (Bethune-Cookman, 9/11/21)	20 (Bethune-Cookman, 9/11/21)	---
Martin, Stephen	1 (Bethune-Cookman, 9/11/21)	14 (Bethune-Cookman, 9/11/21)	---
Plumlee, John Rhys	*7 (Liberty, 11/6/21)	*110 (Liberty, 11/6/21)	---
Richards, Mark-Antony	2 (2x, last at Louisville, 9/17/21)	22 (2x, last at SMU, 11/13/21)	---
Richardson, Johnny	5 (at SMU, 11/13/21)	51 (ECU, 10/9/21)	1 (UConn, 11/20/21)

KICKING CAREER HIGHS

PLAYER	FG ATTEMPTED	FG MADE	PUNTS	YARDS
Boomer, Colton	4 (Georgia Tech, 9/24/22)	4 (Georgia Tech, 9/24/22)	---	43 (Georgia Tech, 9/24/22)
McCarthy, Mitch	---	---	5 (SMU, 10/5/22)	60 (Duke, 12/28/22)

RETURN CAREER HIGHS

PLAYER	KO RETURNS	YARDS	PUNT RETURNS	YARDS
Johnson, Amari	---	---	2 (3x, last at #3 Cincinnati, 10/16/21)	26 (Bethune-Cookman, 9/11/21)
Plumlee, John Rhys	*1 (Arkansas, 10/9/21)	*14 (Arkansas, 10/9/21)	---	---
Richards, Mark-Antony	---	---	1 (2x, last Tulane, 11/6/21)	*18 (LSU, 10/31/20)
Richardson, Johnny	4 (Tulsa, 10/3/20)	77 (Tulsa, 10/3/20)	---	---
Ware, Jarvis	---	---	*1 (LSU, 10/10/20)	*2 (LSU, 10/10/20)
*with previous team				



DEFENSIVE CAREER HIGHS

PLAYER	TACKLES	SACKS	TACKLES FOR LOSS	INTERCEPTIONS
Adams, Brandon	6 (ECU, 10/9/21)	---	1.0 (Memphis, 10/22/21)	---
Baker, Jarrad	1 (4x, last South Florida, 11/26/21)	---	---	---
Barber, Ricky	13 (Navy, 11/19/22)	*2.0 (Southern Miss, 11/14/20)	*2.5 (Southern Miss, 11/14/20)	---
Bullard, Quadric	9 (3x, last Tulane, 11/6/21)	1.0 (2x, last Tulane, 11/6/21)	2.0 (Georgia Tech, 9/24/22)	---
Celiscar, Josh	6 (2x, last Cincinnati, 10/29/22)	1.0 (7x, last Cincinnati, 10/29/22)	1.5 (2x, last at Navy, 10/2/21)	1 (at Georgia Tech, 9/19/20)
Choute, Kervins	2 (vs. BYU, 12/22/20)	1.0 (Temple, 11/14/20)	1.0 (Temple, 11/14/20)	---
Hester, Keenan	5 (at #3 Cincinnati, 10/16/21)	1.0 (2x, last ECU, 10/9/21)	1.0 (2x, last ECU, 10/9/21)	---
Johnson, Jason	*16 (at Tennessee Tech, 9/25/21)	*1 (2x, last at Tennessee Tech, 3/21/21)	2.5 (at Murray State, 10/2/21)	---
Lester, Dyllon	5 (2x, last at Louisville, 9/17/21)	---	---	1 (2x, last Memphis, 10/22/21)
McDaniel, K.D.	*3 (at Vanderbilt, 11/13/21)	1 (Cincinnati, 10/29/22)	1.0 (2x, last Cincinnati, 10/29/22)	---
Morris-Brash, Tre'mon	6 (5x, last at East Carolina, 10/22/22)	2.0 (at South Florida, 11/27/20)	3.0 (South Florida, 11/26/21)	1 (at Louisville, 9/17/21)
Mosier, Quade	4 (at ECU, 9/26/20)	---	1.0 (UConn, 11/20/21)	---
Thornton, Corey	9 (vs. BYU, 12/22/20)	1.0 (Tulane, 11/6/21)	1.0 (2x, last at SMU, 11/13/21)	---
Ware, Jarvis	9 (vs. Tulane, 12/3/22)	---	1.0 (SMU, 10/5/22)	*1 (at Florida, 10/31/20)
Wells, William	3 (South Florida, 11/26/21)	1.0 (South Florida, 11/26/21)	1.0 (2x, last SMU, 11/26/21)	---
Yates III, Walter	*13 (at Delaware State, 11/3/18)	1.0 (3x, last Georgia Tech, 9/24/22)	*3.0 (at Charleston Southern, 10/5/19)	*1 3x, last Fort Valley State, 11/2/19)
*with previous team				

THE LAST TIME

TEAM

	UCF	OPPONENT
90+ offensive plays	Tulane (99)	10/24/20 at South Florida (93)
500+ of total offense	at South Florida (547)	11/26/22 at Louisville (501)
600+ of total offense	Temple (737)	10/13/22 vs. #13 BYU (655)
700+ of total offense	Temple (737)	10/13/22 at Memphis (703)
500+ team passing yards	at Memphis (601)	10/17/20 South Florida (503)
Two players 100 yds passing	Florida A&M (B. Wimbush, 168; D. Gabriel, 127)	8/29/19 at Cincinnati (Gunner Kiel, 319; Hayden Moore, 154)
300+ team rushing yards	at South Florida (345)	11/26/22 at Navy (348)
Two players 100 yds rushing	vs. Florida (Isaiah Bowser, 155; Ryan O'Keefe, 110)	12/23/21 at S. Florida (Kelly Joiner, 116; Brian Battie, 102)
Two players 100 yds receiving	Temple (Kobe Hudson, 121; Ryan O'Keefe, 111)	10/13/22
100 rush, 100 rec, 300 pass	at Florida Atlantic	9/17/22 at South Florida
	John Rhys Plumlee (121 rushing)	Kelly Joiner (116 rushing), Brian Battie (102 rushing)
	Alec Holler (115 receiving)	Bryce Miller (121 receiving)
	John Rhys Plumlee (339 passing)	Jordan McCloud (404 passing)
Three defensive scores	vs. Tulane (Drico Johnson - fum + int; Saquill Griffin - int)	11/5/16 ---
Recover onside kick	East Carolina	11/19/15 UAB
Record a safety	Cincinnati (Josh Celiscar)	10/29/22 Tulsa
Come from down 10 points	Boise State (21 points, 21-0)	9/2/21 at Navy (13 points, 30-17)
Score on first play of game	at Rice (Hodges to Guyton, 76)	10/24/09 ---
Win on final snap of reg.	at ECU (32-30, Holman to Perriman, 51)	12/4/14 vs. Penn State (Sam Ficken 36-yard field goal)
Convert two-point conv.	at South Florida (Keene pass to Bowser)	11/26/22 at South Florida (Brown pass to Atkins)

INDIVIDUAL

50+ passing attempts	Tulsa (Dillon Gabriel, 51)	10/3/20	at Memphis (Brady White, 50)	10/17/20
60+ passing attempts	---	---	Louisiana Tech (Tim Rattay, 64)	9/5/98
30+ completions	at Memphis (Dillon Gabriel, 35)	10/17/20	at South Florida (Jordan McCloud, 32)	11/27/20
40+ completions	---	---	Louisiana Tech (Tim Rattay, 46)	10/23/99
400+ yards passing	Tulane (Dillon Gabriel, 422)	10/24/20	vs. #13 BYU (Zach Wilson, 425)	12/22/20
500+ yards passing	at Memphis (Dillon Gabriel, 601)	10/17/20	South Florida (Quinton Flowers, 503)	11/24/17
5+ passing touchdowns	Tulane (Dillon Gabriel, 5)	10/24/20	at Memphis (Brady White, 6)	10/17/20
6+ passing touchdowns	Liberty (Darin Hinshaw, 6)	11/6/93	at Memphis (Brady White, 6)	10/17/20
30+ rushing attempts	vs. Florida (Isaiah Bowser, 35)	12/23/21	at Memphis (Darrell Henderson, 31)	10/13/18
40+ rushing attempts	Memphis (Brynn Harvey, 42)	10/3/09	Eastern Michigan (Anthony Sherrell, 43)	11/8/03
150+ rushing yards	vs. Florida (Isaiah Bowser, 155)	12/23/21	at Cincinnati (Jerome Ford, 189)	10/16/21
200+ rushing yards	at Temple (Otis Anderson, 205)	10/26/19	Memphis (Darrell Henderson, 210)	12/1/18
250+ rushing yards	vs. Tulsa (Kevin Smith, 284)	12/1/07	Akron (Mike Clark, 255)	9/27/86
4+ rushing touchdowns	Bethune-Cookman (Isaiah Bowser, 4)	9/11/21	at Syracuse (Walter Reyes, 4)	9/20/03
5+ rushing touchdowns	---	---	Virginia Tech (Lee Suggs, 5)	11/11/00
150+ yards receiving	Tulane (Marlon Williams, 174)	10/24/20	at Memphis (Calvin Austin, 151)	10/17/20
200+ yards receiving	vs. Nevada (Brandon Marshall, 210)	12/24/05	South Florida (Tyre McCants, 227)	11/24/17
3+ receiving touchdowns	at South Florida (Jacob Harris, 3)	11/27/20	Memphis (Anthony Miller, 3)	12/2/17
4+ receiving touchdowns	Ohio (Doug Gabriel, 4)	11/30/02	Valdosta State (Darrien Teals, 4)	10/22/88
75-yard touchdown reception	at Memphis (Ryan O'Keefe, 93)	10/17/20	at Temple (Brandon Mack, 75)	10/26/19
70-yard non-scoring reception	Temple (Jaylon Robinson, 70)	11/14/20	Austin Peay (Kyran Moore, 74)	10/28/17
50+ yard field goal	South Florida (Dylan Barnas, 50)	11/29/19	vs. Marshall (J. Rohrwasser, 50)	12/23/19
4+ field goals	Georgia Tech (Colton Boomer, 4)	9/24/22	vs. LSU (Cole Tracy, 4)	1/1/19
5+ field goals	---	---	Southern Miss (Danny Hrapmann, 5)	11/12/11
2+ sacks	Memphis (Big Kat Bryant, 2)	10/22/21	Navy (John Marshall, 4)	11/19/22
3+ sacks	at South Florida (Landon Woodson, 3)	11/27/20	Navy (John Marshall, 4)	11/19/22
3+ interceptions	---	---	at UConn (Andrew Adams, 3)	11/1/14
2+ interceptions	at Temple (Aaron Robinson, 2)	10/26/19	Boise State (Tyric LeBeauf, 2)	9/2/21
Interception for TD	vs. Marshall (Richie Grant, 39)	12/23/19	vs. Marshall (Micah Abraham, 75)	12/23/19
Fumble return for TD	vs. Marshall (Tre'mon Morris-Brash, 55)	12/23/19	at Houston (Grant Stuard, 34)	10/31/20
Kickoff return for TD	USF (Mike Hughes, 95)	11/24/17	at Tulane (Stephon Huderson, 98)	11/23/19
Opening kickoff for TD	at Tulane (Quincy McDuffie, 95)	11/20/10	Pittsburgh (Lowell Robinson, 97)	10/13/06
70-yard punt	at Pittsburgh (Andrew Osteen, 71)	9/21/19	at Georgia Tech (Pressley Harvin III, 70)	9/19/20
Punt return for TD	at Pittsburgh (Otis Anderson, 87)	9/21/19	Pittsburgh (1st Qtr, Rafael Araujo-Lopes)	9/29/18
Blocked punt for TD	Georgia Tech (2nd Qtr, Q. Bullard)	9/24/22	at Navy (Daniel Taylor, 0)	10/2/21
Blocked punt	Georgia Tech (2nd Qtr, J. Ware)	9/24/22	South Carolina State (3rd Qtr, Zanjerry Dunham)	9/1/22
Blocked field goal	at Florida Atlantic (3rd Qtr, K. Hester)	9/17/22	Temple (1st Qtr, Dan Archibong)	11/1/18
Blocked extra point	Austin Peay (2nd Qtr, A.J. Wooten)	10/28/17	at Navy (1st Qtr, J'arius Warren)	10/2/21

BOLD indicates play or game from 2022 season

Knights Charge On to 56-10 Victory in Home Opener



SCORE BY QUARTERS

Team	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	Total
South Carolina St.	0	3	7	0	10
UCF	21	7	14	14	56

SCORING SUMMARY

Qtr	Time	Scoring Play	V-H
1st	11:10	UCF - #1 J. Baker 12 yd pass from #10 J. Plumlee (#98 D. Obarski kick), 9-70, 03:44	0-7
1st	07:17	UCF - #8 K. Gamble 30 yd pass from #10 J. Plumlee (#98 D. Obarski kick), 1-30, 00:08	0-14
1st	03:10	UCF - #10 J. Plumlee 17 yd rush (#98 D. Obarski kick), 6-81, 02:02	0-21
2nd	11:02	UCF - #5 I. Bowser 1 yd rush (#98 D. Obarski kick), 7-42, 02:49	0-28
2nd	03:24	SCS - #30 G. ZIMMERMAN 23 yd FG, 4-4, 01:28	3-28
3rd	08:14	SCS - #1 S. DAVIS 25 yd pass from #2 C. FIELDS, Jr. (#30 G. ZIMMERMAN kick), 1-25, 00:07	10-28
3rd	05:23	UCF - #0 J. Richardson 18 yd pass from #10 J. Plumlee (#98 D. Obarski kick), 9-77, 02:43	10-35
3rd	00:46	UCF - #5 I. Bowser 1 yd rush (#98 D. Obarski kick), 7-72, 02:58	10-42
4th	13:15	UCF - #85 Z. Marsh-Wojan 21 yd pass from #10 J. Plumlee (#98 D. Obarski kick), 3-54, 01:20	10-49
4th	12:18	UCF - #37 Q. Bullard 19 yd blocked punt return (#98 D. Obarski kick), 00:57	10-56

TIME DETAILS

Halftime Break 07:30 PM
End of Game 01:20 AM
Total elapsed 06:24

OFFICIALS

Referee: Darryl Osborn
Umpires: Hilbert Evans
Linebacker Coach: Baller
Line Judge: Lorne Thompson
Back Judge: Nathan Underberger
Field Judge: Sean McKennel
Wide Receiver: Punter Robinson
Center Judge: Jarrod Jones

WEATHER

Weather: Rain 76 F
Wind: South 8 mph

ORLANDO – The UCF football team came out strong in its home opener against South Carolina State Thursday Night at FBC Mortgage Stadium, scoring 28 unanswered to start the evening in route to a 56-10 victory. The win was the Knights' seventh straight in home openers.

The Black and Gold received the ball to start the game, giving quarterback John Rhys Plumlee his introduction to Knights fans. Plumlee found Javon Baker on a crossing route for a 12-yard touchdown pass, capping off the Knights' 70-yard opening drive.

Plumlee found the end zone twice more in the first quarter, with a beautiful 30-yard pass to Kemore Gamble. Just over four minutes later, he decided to take it himself, weaving past the Bulldogs defense for a 17-yard touchdown rush and pushing the Knights to an early 21-0 lead. Before the end of the half, Isaiah Bowser recorded his first of two rushing touchdowns of the game, and UCF took a commanding 28-3 lead into the locker room at the half.

The Bulldogs notched their only touchdown of the game in the third quarter, to which the Knights responded with another 28 unanswered point run to close the game. Plumlee recorded two more touchdowns in his debut, finding both Johnny Richardson on an 18-yard pass and Zach Marsh-Wojan on a 21-yard pass.

Special teams showed their strength in the first minutes of the fourth quarter, as Quadric Bullard blocked a Bulldogs punt and recovered it in the endzone for a defensive score, pushing the score to its final margin of 56-10. The blocked punt was the first since Sept. 7, 2019. The returned touchdown was the first since Nov. 12, 2016 against Cincinnati.

With a five-touchdown performance from Plumlee, freshman Thomas Castellanos also gave a worthy introduction to the fans with a 32-yard rush in his first drive.

Walter Yates III led the UCF defense with seven total tackles, while redshirt-senior safety Divaad Wilson recorded his third career interception in the victory.

UCF Football Comes Up Short Against Louisville, 20-14



SCORE BY QUARTER					
Team	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	Total
Louisville	7	0	10	3	20
UCF	7	7	0	0	14

SCORING SUMMARY				
Qtr	Time	Scoring Play		V-H
1st	10:03	LOU - #7 T. Evans 7 yd rush (#32 J. Turner kick), 10:75, 04:57		7-0
1st	06:33	UCF - #5 I. Bowser 2 yd rush (#98 D. Obanski kick), 10:40, 03:24		7-7
2nd	11:31	UCF - #5 I. Bowser 3 yd rush (#98 D. Obanski kick), 8:77, 02:43		7-14
3rd	02:07	LOU - #32 J. Turner 35 yd FG, 8:46, 03:22		10-14
3rd	02:46	LOU - #3 M. Cunningham 43 yd rush (#32 J. Turner kick), 9:57, 01:12		17-14
4th	09:45	LOU - #32 J. Turner 35 yd FG, 11:37, 05:15		20-14

TIME DETAILS	
Kickoff time	07:34 PM
End of game	11:11 PM
Total elapsed	03:37

OFFICIALS	
Referee	Clay Patterson
Umpire	Mark Orsini
Line judge	Eden Perry
Line judge	Eden Belknap
Back judge	Paul Ryan
Field judge	Harry Tyson
Side judge	Jarrell Chase
Center judge	Tedrick Jones
Play judge	Michael Webster

WEATHER	
Weather	Cloudy 77 F
Wind	South East 4 mph

ORLANDO – Despite a pair of opportunities to tie the score or take the lead late, the UCF football team came up short against the Louisville Cardinals, 20-14, Friday night at FBC Mortgage Stadium. The Knights move to 1-1 on the year, while the Cardinals improve to 1-1.

“Obviously an extremely tough loss,” said UCF head coach Gus Malzahn. “We came out of the game playing well. We were in control of the game and at halftime had some momentum. The third quarter we came out and did nothing really offensively at all.

“We had a long touchdown called back for holding I think, it was a second of the game. Our defense did a good job at the end, that gave us a chance. We just didn’t get things done down there.”

Trailing late in the fourth quarter, the UCF defense came up with a big fourth down stop to give the offense a chance to knot the score with 5:41 remaining. Quarterback John Rhys Plumlee found wide receiver Javon Baker for a 24-yard pass to put the Knights in the red zone. A three-yard rush from Isaiah Bowser gave UCF first and goal from the nine-yard line, but the Black and Gold was unable to convert.

The Knights defense rose to the occasion once again to force a Louisville punt with 1:41 on the clock, but UCF was unable to get in the endzone and turned the ball over after an unsuccessful fourth-down attempt.

After Louisville scored on its opening drive following a touchdown from Tiyon Evans, UCF countered with a 10 play, 80-yard drive capped off by Bowser’s two-yard touchdown run to even the game at 7-7. Bowser found the endzone a few minutes later, this time from three yards out to give the Knights a 14-7 lead.

Louisville trimmed the UCF advantage to 14-10 after a 35-yard field goal from James Turner and the Cards took the lead after quarterback Malik Cunningham broke loose for a 43-yard touchdown run to make it 17-14.

UCF had a few big plays called back in the second half due to penalties and the Knights were not able to find the endzone.

Jason Johnson led a strong defensive effort with 12 tackles, including nine solo stops. Jeremiah Jean-Baptiste tallied seven and Quadric Bullard had four.

UCF Football Bounces Back with 40-14 Win at Florida Atlantic



SCORE BY QUARTER					
Team	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	Total
UCF	7	9	14	10	40
Fla. Atlantic	14	0	0	0	14

SCORING SUMMARY				
Qtr	Time	Scoring Play		V-H
1st	13:00	FAU - #22 Z.Mobley 15 yd rush (#38 M.Suarez kick), 6:57, 02:00		0-7
1st	05:12	UCF - #10 J.Plumlee 7 yd rush (#35 C.Boomer kick), 8:50, 02:33		7-7
1st	00:08	FAU - #1 L.Wester 4 yd pass from #7 N.Perry (#38 M.Suarez kick), 12:58, 05:01		7-14
2nd	12:10	UCF - #35 C.Boomer 41 yd FG, 11:51, 02:58		10-14
2nd	08:03	UCF - #10 J.Plumlee 5 yd rush (#35 C.Boomer kick missed), 6:56, 02:21		16-14
3rd	09:25	UCF - #5 I.Bowser 1 yd rush (#35 C.Boomer kick), 12:73, 05:28		23-14
3rd	04:01	UCF - #22 R.Harvey 3 yd rush (#35 C.Boomer kick), 7:56, 02:24		30-14
4th	13:15	UCF - #35 C.Boomer 29 yd FG, 8:49, 03:27		33-14
4th	07:00	UCF - #1 J.Baker 20 yd pass from #10 J.Plumlee (#35 C.Boomer kick), 9:09, 04:45		40-14

TIME DETAILS	
Halftime	07:28 PM
End of Game	11:19 PM
Total elapsed	05:40

OFFICIALS	
Referee	Kenny Randal
Umpire	Brandon Wood
Linebacker	Chris Reed
Line Judge	Dan Smith
Back Judge	James Sims
Field Judge	James Hall
Side Judge	Mark Madison
Center Judge	Joe Clarkson
Playter	Shelton-Jamir Monroe

WEATHER	
Weather	Bunny 70 F
Wind	West 4 mph

BOCA RATON, Fla. — After allowing just 18 yards in the second half, UCF football bounced back in a big way with a 40-14 win against Florida Atlantic Saturday night at FAU Stadium. The Knights defense held the Owls to zero yards in the third quarter and only allowed 18 yards in the fourth quarter.

UCF (2-1) has now won all four games in the series against Florida Atlantic (2-2), including a perfect 2-0 record at FAU Stadium.

Florida Atlantic scored on its opening drive of the game, but UCF quickly responded to knot the score at 7-7. Following consecutive passes to Ryan O'Keefe and Xavier Townsend, Knights quarterback John Rhys Plumlee called his own number and scored on a rushing play from seven yards out.

The Owls scored a second touchdown with a few seconds remaining in the first quarter, but the Knights defense held Florida Atlantic scoreless for the final three quarters.

A 41-yard field goal from freshman kicker Colton Boomer, making his collegiate debut, cut the UCF deficit to 14-10 and Plumlee scored his second rushing touchdown of the game a few minutes later to give the Knights a 16-14 lead at halftime. The Hattiesburg, Mississippi, native turned in a career performance with 121 rushing yards, a career-high 339 passing yards and 25 completions for three total touchdowns.

The second half was all UCF with the Knights compiling 327 yards of total offense and limiting Florida Atlantic to 18 total yards.

Isaiah Bowser opened the second-half scoring with a one-yard rushing touchdown, his fifth of the season. The Sidney, Ohio, native has scored a rushing touchdown in all three games this season and dating back to the bowl game last year, Bowser has seven touchdowns in his last four games.

A three-yard touchdown run from RJ Harvey pushed the Knights' lead to 30-14 on the redshirt junior running back's first career touchdown.

Boomer connected on a 29-yard field goal in the fourth quarter to finish a perfect 2-2 on field goal attempts, stretching the UCF advantage to 33-14. Javon Baker reeled in a 20-yard pass from Plumlee for the final score of the game to cap a nine-play, 69-yard drive.

UCF Football Runs Past Georgia Tech, 27-10



SCORE BY QUARTERS

Team	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	Total
Georgia Tech	0	7	3	0	10
UCF	3	10	3	11	27

SCORING SUMMARY

Qtr	Time	Scoring Play	V-H
1st	05:13	UCF - #95 C.Boomer 21 yd FG, 20-71, 06:47	0-3
2nd	05:54	GT - #7 M.Carter 59 yd pass from #10 J.Sims (#87 J.Kelley kick), 2-73, 00:31	7-3
2nd	01:39	UCF - #95 C.Boomer 31 yd FG, 10-62, 04:07	7-6
2nd	00:35	UCF - #97 Q.Bullard 29 yd blocked punt return (#95 C.Boomer kick), 01:04	7-13
3rd	08:44	UCF - #95 C.Boomer 37 yd FG, 9-55, 04:10	7-16
3rd	00:41	GT - #87 J.Kelley 42 yd FG, 7-56, 02:05	10-16
4th	10:37	UCF - #10 J.Plumlee 28 yd rush (#8 K.Gamble pass from #10 J.Plumlee), 4-57, 01:29	10-24
4th	04:17	UCF - #95 C.Boomer 43 yd FG, 8-49, 03:06	10-27

TIME DETAILS

Kickoff Time: 04:01 PM
End of Game: 07:22 PM
Total elapsed: 03:20

OFFICIALS

Referee: Mike Roche
Umpires: Troy Riley
Linebacker: Ryan Perry
Line Judge: Hugh Darabell
Back Judge: Robert Lukan
Field Judge: Jake DeHaven
Side Judge: George Latus
Center Judge: Anthony Chabrese
Playoff Official: John Busch

WEATHER

Weather: Sunny 80 F
Wind: North East 10 mph

ORLANDO – Headlined by 284 yards rushing, the UCF football team defeated Georgia Tech 27-10 Saturday afternoon at FBC Mortgage Stadium. For the third time this season, the Knights held an opponent to 14 points or less.

“It was a good, hard fought win at home,” said UCF head coach Gus Malzahn. “Our crowd was unbelievable, and we really appreciate our crowd. We started out with a 20-play drive, I think it took almost 10 minutes and we only got three points with that. That’s really the first time I’ve seen that. Probably the big play of the game was the blocked punt right before halftime, that gave us some momentum going into halftime.

“Our defense got off the field and came back out. We were able to establish a run better once the second half got going. I think we had 285 yards rushing. There’s a lot of things we can correct, which is good. We got a quality win. I’m very proud of our players and our coaches.”

UCF scored first in the game following a 20-play, 71-yard opened drive capped by a 21-yard field goal from freshman Colton Boomer. The game’s opening drive featured 17 running plays and chewed up 9:47. It was the longest scoring drive by time of possession since Oct. 27, 2012, in a 54-17 UCF win over Marshall.

Georgia Tech countered with a 59-yard touchdown pass from quarterback Jeff Sims to wide receiver Malachi Carter in the second quarter, as the Yellow Jackets pulled ahead 7-3. A few minutes later, Boomer connected on his second field goal of the game from 31 yards out, as the Knights regained the lead 10-7.

A big play on special teams helped UCF head into the locker room at halftime with momentum leading 13-7, as redshirt senior Jarvis Ware powered through the Yellow Jackets line to get a hand on the punt attempt from David Shanahan. For the second time this season, Quadric Bullard scooped up the blocked punt and returned it 29 yards for the touchdown. It was the first blocked punt of Ware’s career.

For the second consecutive game, the Knights defense was stellar in the second half as Georgia Tech was just 1-for-7 on third down attempts, 0-for-3 on fourth down attempts and 0-for-3 on red zone opportunities.

“Our defense did a good job,” Malzahn added. “We did give up some yards, but once we got into the red zone, they came up big time and time again. Our team is growing, I thought it was a quality win.”

The teams traded field goals in the third quarter, with Boomer connecting from 37 yards and Georgia Tech’s Jude Kelley making a 42-yarder to cut the UCF lead to 16-10 heading into the fourth quarter.

John Rhys Plumlee scored his fourth rushing touchdown of the season with 10:37 remaining in the game, breaking free along the right side for a 28-yard scamper. He finished the game with 100 rushing yards on 16 attempts.

Boomer matched the Knights program record with his fourth field goal of the game to push the UCF lead to 27-10. The Lake Mary, Florida, native is the first player to make four field goals in a single game since Matthew Wright against South Carolina State on Sept. 3, 2016.

Jason Johnson led the UCF defense with eight tackles, while Jeremiah Jean-Baptiste returned to the lineup for the Knights and contributed seven, including 2.0 TFLs.

Strong Second Half Lifts UCF to 41-19 Win Over SMU



SCORE BY QUARTERS

Team	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	Total
SMU	7	6	0	6	19
UCF	3	7	14	17	41

SCORING SUMMARY

Qtr	Time	Scoring Play	V-H
1st	10:02	UCF - #35 C.Boomer 41 yd FG, 11-30, 03:54	0-3
1st	07:27	SMU - #24 V.Gardner 39 yd rush (#41 C.Rogers kick), 8-75, 02:35	7-3
2nd	13:44	SMU - #41 C.Rogers 32 yd FG, 13-08, 03:40	10-3
2nd	06:49	UCF - #5 I.Bowser 1 yd rush (#35 C.Boomer kick), 10-70, 04:24	10-10
2nd	03:24	SMU - #41 C.Rogers 24 yd FG, 10-08, 02:25	13-10
3rd	13:14	UCF - #5 I.Bowser 1 yd rush (#35 C.Boomer kick), 5-79, 01:39	13-17
3rd	03:07	UCF - #4 R.O'Keefe 26 yd pass from #10 J.Plumlee (#35 C.Boomer kick), 8-86, 03:10	13-24
4th	12:41	UCF - SAFETY, 00:41	13-26
4th	11:51	UCF - #4 R.O'Keefe 59 yd pass from #10 J.Plumlee (#2 K.Hudson pass from #10 J.Plumlee), 2-63, 00:43	13-34
4th	05:27	UCF - #5 I.Bowser 3 yd rush (#35 C.Boomer kick), 9-71, 05:14	13-41
4th	00:00	SMU - #2 P.Stone 2 yd rush, 7-62, 01:28	19-41

TIME DETAILS

Kickoff time 07:04 PM
End of game 10:53 PM
Total elapsed 03:29

OFFICIALS

Referee: Luke Richmond
Umpire: Joe Pennac
Linebacker: Dan Hartington
Linebacker: Alex Azevedo
Defensive Back: Chris Brownfield
Offensive Back: Dan Vasconcelos
Offensive Line: Mike Wadton
Center: Javon Jones
Quarterback: Wayne Polansky

WEATHER

Weather: Sunny 78 F
Wind: East 7 mph

ORLANDO – Thanks to a strong second half, the UCF football team opened American Athletic Conference play with a 41-19 win over SMU Wednesday night at FBC Mortgage Stadium. Trailing 13-10 at halftime, the Knights outscored the Mustangs 31-6 in the second half with SMU scoring as time expired.

“First of all, I’m really proud of our team and the way we played, specifically in the second half,” said UCF head coach Gus Malzahn. “We’ve been talking all week about we’ve got to come out in the second half and play good football and we did that. We dominated the second half.”

“We played our best football game, and I’m telling you hats off to SMU. They’re a really good team and Coach Lashlee is a great coach. We wish them nothing but the best moving forward.”

The game was a difference of two halves, as SMU compiled 287 yards of total offense to UCF’s 145 to take a three-point lead into the intermission. It was a different story in the second half; however, as the Knights came out of the locker room and dominated for the remainder of the game.

UCF recorded 204 yards of offense in the third quarter, passing for 148 yards and rushing for 56 yards. The Knights’ defense was stellar in the quarter, shutting out SMU and limiting the Mustangs to just 83 yards. SMU was 0-for-3 on third-down conversions and 0-for-2 fourth-down conversions in the third quarter.

Isaiah Bowser ignited the offense with a one-yard touchdown run to give UCF a 17-13 lead after the extra point from Colton Boomer. Ryan O’Keefe found the endzone for the first time this season on a 26-yard pass from John Rhys Plumlee with 3:07 remaining to push the Knights’ advantage to 24-13.

UCF’s defense pressure continued in the fourth quarter, as Tre’mon Morris-Brash tackled SMU quarterback Tanner Mordecai in the endzone for a six-yard loss and the Knights first safety since the 2021 season opener against Boise State.

Plumlee found O’Keefe for his second touchdown reception of the game on a 58-yard pass, as O’Keefe scampered down the left side of the field. Bowser recorded his third rushing touchdown of the game and eighth of the season to take over the AAC lead, extending UCF’s lead to 41-13.

Several Knights turned in their best performances of the season, as Javon Baker caught a career-best six passes for 138 yards, which was also a personal best. O’Keefe’s 117 yards receiving were a season-high and Plumlee surpassed 300 yards passing for the third time this season.

Jeremiah Jean-Baptiste, Jason Johnson and Koby Perry led UCF in tackles with nine each. The Knights defense tallied seven tackles for loss, eight pass break ups and five quarterback hurries.

UCF SOARS PAST TEMPLE IN ANNUAL SPACE GAME, 70-13



SCORING BY QUARTERS

Team	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	Total
Temple	10	3	0	0	13
UCF	14	21	21	14	70

SCORING SUMMARY

Qtr	Time	Scoring Play	V-H
1st	11:42	TEM - #35 C.Price 25 yd FG, 9-46, 03:18	3-0
1st	06:50	UCF - #10 J.Plumlee 9 yd rush (#35 C.Boomer kick), 10-74, 04:46	3-7
1st	02:23	TEM - #10 J.Barbon 7 yd pass from #13 E.Warner (#35 C.Price kick), 11-75, 04:27	10-7
1st	01:18	UCF - #10 J.Plumlee 1 yd rush (#35 C.Boomer kick), 3-72, 01:50	10-14
2nd	08:43	TEM - #35 C.Price 49 yd FG, 11-48, 03:54	13-14
2nd	05:46	UCF - #5 L.Bowser 1 yd rush (#35 C.Boomer kick), 6-46, 02:47	13-21
2nd	01:40	UCF - #2 K.Hudson 25 yd pass from #10 J.Plumlee (#35 C.Boomer kick), 5-75, 01:46	13-28
2nd	00:05	UCF - #10 J.Plumlee 5 yd rush (#35 C.Boomer kick), 7-66, 00:56	13-35
3rd	11:41	UCF - #4 R.O'Keefe 11 yd pass from #10 J.Plumlee (#35 C.Boomer kick), 7-63, 03:12	13-42
3rd	10:22	UCF - #4 R.O'Keefe 68 yd pass from #10 J.Plumlee (#35 C.Boomer kick), 1-68, 00:13	13-49
3rd	07:43	UCF - #2 K.Hudson 64 yd pass from #10 J.Plumlee (#35 C.Boomer kick), 2-69, 00:43	13-56
4th	14:53	UCF - #12 T.Castellanos 37 yd rush (#35 C.Boomer kick), 7-75, 03:53	13-63
4th	07:31	UCF - #9 J.McDonald 1 yd rush (#35 C.Boomer kick), 8-68, 05:27	13-70

TIME DETAILS

Kickoff time 07:35 PM
End of game 10:59 PM
Total elapsed 03:23

OFFICIALS

Referee: Tim Fitch
Umpire: Michael Provost
Linebacker: Jeff Pugh
Line Judge: Colin Wagner
Back Judge: Chris Scott
Field Judge: DJ Hayes
Wide Judge: Bryan Porter
Center Judge: Patrick Charles
Punter Observer: James Downey

WEATHER

Weather: Cloudy 76 F
Wind: South West 4 mph

ORLANDO – In its annual Space Game, the UCF football team played out of this world to rout the Temple Owls, 70-13, Thursday night at FBC Mortgage Stadium. The Knights' 70 points scored are the third most in program history and third most by an FBS team this season.

UCF moves to 5-1 on the year and 2-0 in American Athletic Conference play, while Temple falls to 2-4 and 0-2 in league action. The Knights remained unbeaten in their annual Space Game with a record of 6-0 following the win.

"I'm real pleased with our team," said UCF head coach Gus Malzahn. "I think we played our best football game tonight. Early on they moved the football, but our defense held them to field goals. Offensively, I thought we had some good rhythm early and had some good drives. Probably the key drive of the whole game was right before halftime. We were able to punch that in and give it some breathing room."

"Our defense played really well in the second half, I think they gave up around 90 yards and held another opponent under 20 points. I think that's the ninth in a row or something like that."

UCF's offense was firing on all cylinders in the game, recording 737 total yards – the second most by an FBS team in a single game this season behind Ohio State's 763 yards against Toledo. The Knights rushed for more than 300 yards for the second time this season and passed for 433 yards, the most in a game since Oct. 24, 2020, against Tulane when UCF had 422.

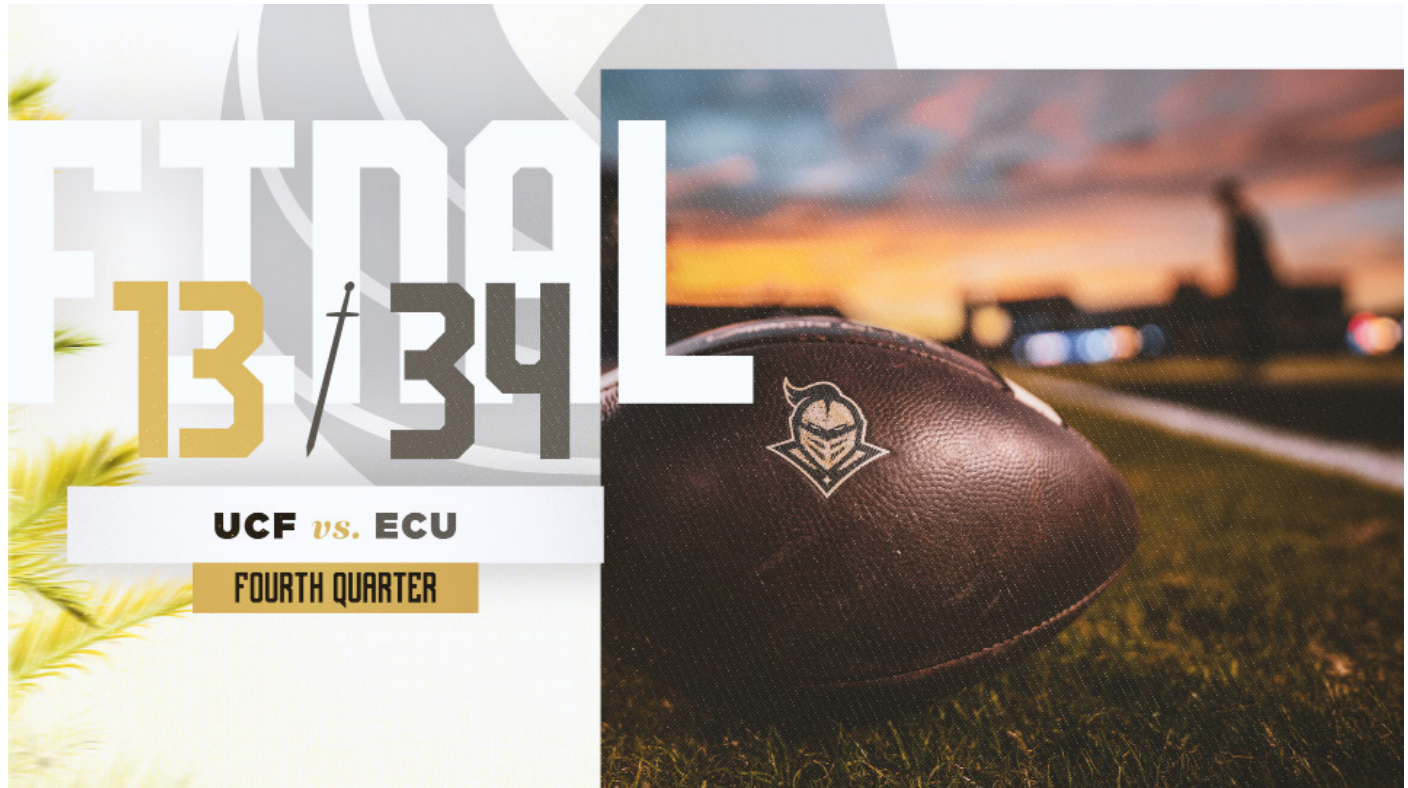
Knights quarterback John Rhys Plumlee had arguably one of the best performances of his career, as he tied the program record with seven touchdowns responsible for with four passing and three rushing. The Hattiesburg, Mississippi, native tied the mark set by former UCF standouts Darin Slack in 1987 and Daunte Culpepper in 1998. His seven touchdowns are the most by any player in the American Athletic Conference this season. Plumlee threw for a career-high 373 yards on 18-for-22 passing and he rushed for 37 yards on seven attempts. He ignited the scoring for UCF in the contest, scoring from nine yards out to cap a 10-play, 74-yard drive in the first quarter to give the Knights a 7-3 lead.

After Temple scored to take a 10-7 advantage, Plumlee found the endzone for the second time on the day with a one-yard rush to help UCF regain the lead, 14-10.

"Our quarterback, he played extremely well," Malzahn added. "Not very many times I think, I've had an offense that had 400 yards passing and 300 yards rushing so I'm real proud. That team [Temple] had a real defense coming in, you know they were top 10 statistically in a lot of different categories, so I'm real pleased with our team."

The Knights scored 21 points in the second quarter to pull away and take a 35-13 lead into halftime, as UCF has led at the intermission in five of its six games this season. Isaiah Bowser found the endzone for the 10th time this season and Kobe Hudson recorded his first touchdown in a UCF uniform moments later. Plumlee's third rushing touchdown with five seconds remaining in the first half pushed the Knights' lead to 22 heading into halftime – its largest lead at halftime this season.

UCF Football Drops First Conference Road Game at ECU



SCORE BY QUARTERS

Team	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	Total
UCF	0	3	7	3	13
East Carolina	3	14	7	10	34

SCORING SUMMARY

Qtr	Time	Scoring Play	V-H
1st	02:00	ECU - #95 A.Conrad 28 yd FG, 16-50, 07:30	0-3
2nd	07:46	ECU - #12 H.Ahlers 3 yd rush (#95 A.Conrad kick), 10-80, 05:21	0-10
2nd	00:49	ECU - #5 C.Johnson 39 yd pass from #12 H.Ahlers (#95 A.Conrad kick), 7-72, 02:54	0-17
2nd	00:00	UCF - #35 C.Boomer 27 yd FG, 5-70, 00:44	3-17
3rd	10:28	UCF - #5 L.Bowser 3 yd rush (#35 C.Boomer kick), 10-74, 04:25	10-17
3rd	06:23	ECU - #2 K.Mitchell 4 yd rush (#95 A.Conrad kick), 9-75, 04:05	10-24
4th	12:51	ECU - #95 A.Conrad 26 yd FG, 12-55, 06:56	10-27
4th	03:36	UCF - #35 C.Boomer 36 yd FG, 13-67, 03:33	13-27
4th	03:21	ECU - #2 K.Mitchell 37 yd rush (#95 A.Conrad kick), 2-43, 00:14	13-34

TIME DETAILS

Kickoff time: 07:08 PM
End of Game: 10:08 PM
Total elapsed: 09:23

OFFICIALS

Referee: Harry Johns
Umpire: Bill Landon
Linebacker: Greg Reed
Line Judge: James Bryant
Back Judge: Frederick Draper
Field Judge: Glenn Crowther
Side Judge: Eric Hartman
Center Judge: Darryl Dabney
Playboy Official: Michael Stevens

WEATHER

Weather: Clear 65 F
Wind: East 7 mph

GREENVILLE, N.C. – The UCF football team was outdone in its first American Athletic Conference road game of the season at East Carolina 34-13 Saturday evening at Dowdy-Ficklen Stadium. The Knights couldn't overcome four turnovers and suffered their second loss of the season.

"Give East Carolina the credit, they got after us and beat us in all three phases of the game," said UCF head coach Gus Malzahn. "What stood out to me was that they controlled the tempo and time of possession, we couldn't get off the field."

UCF (5-2, 2-1 AAC) moved the ball well in the first half, but saw its first two drives end with a turnover. It was the first time the Knights turned the football over since the Georgia Tech game.

After the UCF pressure forced a missed field goal on East Carolina's (5-3, 3-2) first drive of the game, the Pirates got on the board with a 28-yard field goal with two minutes remaining in the opening period.

The Knights had a nine-play, 59-yard drive end on a fumble early in the second quarter and East Carolina turned the miscue into a touchdown to grab a 10-0 lead.

Freshman kicker Colton Boomer ignited the scoring for UCF in the game, as he connected on a 27-yard field goal as time expired in the first half. The kick capped a five-play, 70-yard drive for the Knights in 44 seconds to end the shutout prior to the intermission.

For just the second time this season, UCF trailed at halftime, but the Knights marched down the field on their opening drive of the third quarter. Isaiah Bowser found the endzone for the 10th time this season, scoring from three yards out to trim the Knights deficit to 17-10.

ECU countered with a touchdown and a field goal to pull ahead 27-10 and take control of the game. Boomer connected on his second field goal attempt of the game from 36 yards to make it 27-13, but UCF couldn't get any closer.

Linebacker Jason Johnson led the UCF defense with 15 tackles, while Tre'mon Morris-Brash added six tackles, 2.5 tackles for loss and a sack.

"Disappointing loss, but we've gotta find a way to put it behind us," Malzahn added.

UCF will return to action at home next weekend when the Knights welcome No. 21 Cincinnati to FBC Mortgage Stadium for its homecoming game. Kickoff is set for 3:30 p.m. on ESPN.

UCF Takes Down No. 20 Cincinnati on Homecoming, 25-21



SCORING SUMMARY

Team	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	Total
Cincinnati	0	6	7	8	21
UCF	10	0	2	13	25

SCORING SUMMARY

Qtr	Time	Scoring Play	V-H
1st	08:50	UCF - #35 C.Boomer 26 yd FG, 7-53, 03:31	0-3
1st	03:00	UCF - #22 R.Harvey 26 yd rush (#35 C.Boomer kick), 10-64, 04:54	0-10
2nd	00:19	CIN - #40 R.Coe 33 yd FG, 10-45, 03:38	3-10
2nd	00:13	CIN - #40 R.Coe 33 yd FG, 9-33, 02:09	6-10
3rd	07:52	UCF - #88 J.Celiscar SAFETY, 01:06	6-12
3rd	00:07	CIN - #61 J.Whyte 14 yd pass from #6 B.Bryant (#40 R.Coe kick), 10-64, 03:28	13-12
4th	04:36	UCF - #5 L.Bowser 3 yd rush (#62 A.Holler pass from #13 M.Keene failed), 13-77, 05:57	13-18
4th	03:04	CIN - #22 R.Montgomery 39 yd rush (#21 T.Scott pass from #6 B.Bryant), 7-75, 01:32	21-18
4th	00:48	UCF - #22 R.Harvey 17 yd rush (#35 C.Boomer kick), 7-75, 02:16	21-25

TIME DETAILS

Kickoff time 03:54 PM
End of game 07:39 PM
Total elapsed 03:32

OFFICIALS

Referee Luke Richmond
Umpires Joe Peruzzi
Linebacker Dan Harrington
Linebacker Alex Amato
Back Judge Chris DiStasio
Field Judge Ben Vasconcelos
Wide Receiver Jerry Waller
Center Judge James Jones
Replay Official Michael Chavira

WEATHER

Weather: Sunny 65°
Wind: North East 10 mph

ORLANDO – The UCF football team bounced back in a big way on Saturday with a strong performance to take down No. 20 Cincinnati 25-21 on Homecoming at FBC Mortgage Stadium. With the win, the Knights snapped the Bearcats' 19-game winning streak against American Athletic Conference opponents, as Cincinnati looked to set the conference record for consecutive wins.

UCF (6-2, 3-1 AAC) picked up its first ranked win since the 2018 matchup against Cincinnati (6-2, 3-1) and first under second-year head coach Gus Malzahn. The Knights remained unbeaten in home AAC games in the last two seasons under Malzahn's direction, improving to 7-0. UCF is now bowl eligible for the 13th time in school history and the seventh consecutive year, the only team from the state of Florida that is bowl eligible at this point in the season.

"First of all, I'm just real proud of our team. This was a huge win for us," said Malzahn. "I think everybody knows that. Sometimes it's how you win that really can help you moving forward. I'm real proud of our team, you know, that's a championship program we beat."

"They went down and scored with three minutes left and took all the momentum, but then Mikey Keene came in and drove us down the field. It was one of those championship type of drives."

In his first action of the season, sophomore quarterback Mikey Keene came up big for UCF leading a pair of Knights scoring drives including the game-winner in the fourth quarter. After taking a hit in the second quarter, quarterback John Rhys Plumlee was removed from the game and did not return but Keene turned in a stellar outing to lift the Knights to the victory.

Keene finished the game 15-for-21 with 176 yards, completing 71% of his passes.

After both teams punted on their opening drives, UCF struck first in the game after a seven-play, 53-yard drive capped by a 26-yard field goal from Colton Boomer. Three big runs by Plumlee, Ryan O'Keefe and Johnny Richardson set up the Knights' first score.

Running back RJ Harvey had the best game of his career, as he rushed 18 times for 84 yards with two touchdowns – all of which are career highs. He found the endzone late in the first quarter on a 26-yard run to give UCF a 10-0 lead.

The Knights defense shut down any thoughts of a late score, as K.D. McDaniel sacked Bryant and forced a fumble which was nearly recovered by UCF but resulted in a 20-yard loss for the Bearcats.

No. 25 UCF Earns Hard-Fought Road Win at Memphis



SCORE BY QUARTER

Team	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	Total
UCF	7	14	0	14	35
Memphis	7	7	7	7	28

SCORING SUMMARY

Qtr	Time	Scoring Play	V-H
1st	10:52	UCF - #22 R. Harvey 22 yd rush (#35 C. Boomer kick), 9-78, 04:04	7-0
1st	05:59	MEM - #22 B. Thomas 7 yd rush (#16 C. Howard kick), 10-75, 04:53	7-7
2nd	11:23	UCF - #47 S. Martin 4 yd pass from #5 I. Bowser (#35 C. Boomer kick), 9-89, 03:27	14-7
2nd	08:18	MEM - #5 S. Henigan 1 yd rush (#16 C. Howard kick), 8-75, 03:05	14-14
2nd	06:39	UCF - #2 K. Hudson 24 yd pass from #13 M. Keene (#35 C. Boomer kick), 5-75, 01:39	21-14
3rd	06:53	MEM - #8 J. Duckert 1 yd rush (#16 C. Howard kick), 11-77, 05:40	21-21
4th	12:19	UCF - #2 K. Hudson 13 yd pass from #13 M. Keene (#35 C. Boomer kick), 9-61, 03:49	28-21
4th	04:58	UCF - #1 J. Baker 24 yd pass from #13 M. Keene (#35 C. Boomer kick), 6-50, 02:28	35-21
4th	03:18	MEM - #11 J. Scates 14 yd pass from #5 S. Henigan (#16 C. Howard kick), 6-61, 01:33	35-28

TIME DETAILS

Kickoff time: 02:35 PM
End of game: 02:10 PM
Total elapsed: 02:39

OFFICIALS

Referee: Kevin Panchal
Umpires: Brandon Wood
Linebacker: Craig Reed
Linebacker: Dan Smith
Back Judge: James Stone
Field Judge: James Hall
Side Judge: Mark Waldron
Center Judge: Joe Clarkson
Replay Official: Paul Zurek

WEATHER

Weather: Sunny 81°
Wind: South West 11 mph

MEMPHIS – Headlined by forcing three red zone stops, the 25th-ranked UCF football team earned a hard-fought 35-28 road win at Memphis Saturday afternoon at Simmons Bank Liberty Stadium. The Knights moved to 7-2 on the year and 4-1 in American Athletic Conference (AAC) play, earning the first conference road win of the season, while Memphis falls to 4-5 and 2-4 in league action.

As the nation's top red zone defense, UCF came up big again on Saturday forcing a turnover on downs, interception and a missed field goal. In 36 trips to the red zone for opponents this season, the Knights have only allowed 12 touchdowns (33%).

With the score knotted at 21-21 heading to the fourth quarter, UCF capped a nine-play, 61-yard drive to take a 28-21 lead after quarterback Mikey Keene connected with Kobe Hudson for the second time on the day for a 13-yard touchdown.

On Memphis' next drive, Divaad Wilson picked off quarterback Seth Henigan to give the Knights the ball back with their second turnover of the day to have a chance to add to their lead. It was Wilson's third interception of the season and second interception of the game for UCF.

After the teams traded possessions with both ending in punts, Keene found wide receiver Javon Baker in the back of the endzone for his third touchdown pass of the day, extending the UCF lead to 35-21 following the extra point from Colton Boomer.

The Tigers answered with a six-play, 61-yard drive to cut the deficit to 35-28 after a 14-yard touchdown pass from Henigan to Joe Scates. Needing a few first downs to continue running the clock and retain possession, Alec Holler made one of the biggest plays of the day on third down to keep the drive going. He caught the pass at the UCF 19-yard line, made the first defender miss and then leaped across the line to gain to pick up the first down.

After Memphis used its final timeout, Isaiah Bowser burst through the middle for 19 yards to give UCF another first down and the ability to run out the clock for the win.

After winning the toss and electing to receive, UCF marched down the field on its opening possession to grab a 7-0 lead after a 22-yard touchdown run from RJ Harvey. He took the handoff from Keene and bounced it to the sideline to score his fourth touchdown of the season.

The Tigers countered on their first possession with a 10-play, 75-yard drive to even the score at 7-7 after a seven-yard touchdown run from Brandon Thomas.

No. 22 UCF Runs Past No. 17 Tulane for Ranked Road Win



SCORE BY QUARTER

Team	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	Total
UCF	17	7	7	7	38
Tulane	7	7	9	14	31

SCORING SUMMARY

Qtr	Time	Scoring Play	V-H
1st	12:17	UCF - #35 C.Boomer 25 yd FG, 9-46, 02:43	3-0
1st	10:49	UCF - #10 J.Plumlee 67 yd rush (#35 C.Boomer kick), 2-70, 00:42	10-0
1st	08:39	TUL - #2 D.Watts 1 yd pass from #7 M.Pratt (#43 V.Ambrosio kick), 4-79, 02:09	10-7
1st	02:24	UCF - #5 I.Bowser 2 yd rush (#35 C.Boomer kick), 17-75, 06:15	17-7
2nd	07:18	UCF - #1 J.Baker 8 yd pass from #10 J.Plumlee (#35 C.Boomer kick), 13-85, 05:56	24-7
2nd	01:15	TUL - #7 M.Pratt 1 yd rush (#43 V.Ambrosio kick), 13-75, 06:03	24-14
3rd	08:58	UCF - #10 J.Plumlee 9 yd rush (#35 C.Boomer kick), 8-83, 04:20	31-14
3rd	03:41	TUL - #43 V.Ambrosio 23 yd FG, 14-53, 05:09	31-17
4th	11:39	TUL - #69 R.Brown 2 yd pass from #7 M.Pratt (#43 V.Ambrosio kick), 10-73, 04:00	31-24
4th	03:32	UCF - #5 I.Bowser 1 yd rush (#35 C.Boomer kick), 16-75, 08:07	38-24
4th	01:46	TUL - #10 S.Wyatt 6 yd pass from #7 M.Pratt (#43 V.Ambrosio kick), 8-75, 01:46	38-31

TIME DETAILS

Kickoff time: 02:38 PM
End of game: 02:51 PM
Total elapsed: 02:49

OFFICIALS

Referee: Pete Black
Umpires: Jeffery Allen
Linebacker: Adam Louisa
Line Judge: James Bryant
Back Judge: Patrick Dineen
Field Judge: Matt Hill
Side Judge: Matt Waldron
Center Judge: Patrick O'Brien
Replay Official: James Downey

WEATHER

Weather: Cloudy 64°
Wind: North West 14 mph

NEW ORLEANS – Needing to play one of its best games of the season on the road at No. 17 Tulane, the 22nd-ranked UCF football team was up for the challenge. Headlined by a season-high 336 rushing yards, the Knights earned a 38-31 road win against the Green Wave Saturday evening at Yulman Stadium.

UCF (8-2, 5-1 AAC) handed the Green Wave (8-2, 5-1) their first conference loss of the season and first home AAC loss in nearly a full calendar year. The win was also the Knights' first ranked road win since 2013 when the program defeated No. 8 Louisville, 38-35.

With the win, UCF now sits in a three-way tie for first place in the American Athletic Conference but the Knights control their own destiny thanks to defeating Tulane and Cincinnati, the other two teams tied for first.

"Real proud of our team," said UCF head coach Gus Malzahn. "Going on the road against a top-20 team in one of the biggest games that they've had here in probably a really long time and our guys played really well. Defensively, we were down three starters and had a bunch of young guys that haven't played a lot in the game, and I thought they battled. We forced turnovers and almost had three."

Dubbed as a battle between the American's top defenses statistically, it was the offenses that stole the show in the game. UCF tallied 468 yards of total offense, while Tulane compiled 391. The Knights rushed for 336 yards to eclipse their previous season high of 314 set against Florida Atlantic. That mark is the most for the program since Oct. 31, 2020, when UCF recorded 353 at Houston.

Tulane entered the game allowing 127 rushing yards per game and had only given up four rushing touchdowns. After it was all said and done Saturday, UCF more than doubled the rushing yards mark and tallied at least four rushing touchdowns in a game for the fourth time this season.

Making his return to the field, John Rhys Plumlee started at quarterback for the Knights and rushed for 176 yards to set the program record for rushing yards by a quarterback in a single game. The previous mark of 122 was held by Vic Penn, who accomplished the feat against Middle Tennessee in 1999.

Playing nearly two hours from his hometown of Hattiesburg, Mississippi, Plumlee ignited the Knights offense early in the game as he raced 47 yards down the field to the three-yard line to set up a Colton Boomer 25-yard field goal on the opening drive of the game. After a quick three-and-out by Tulane's offense, Plumlee took off for a 67-yard touchdown run to give the Knights a 10-0 lead on the longest rush of the season for UCF.

Navy Edges #20 UCF On Senior Knight



SCORE BY QUARTERS

Team	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	Total
Navy	7	7	3	0	17
UCF	0	6	8	0	14

SCORING SUMMARY

Qtr	Time	Scoring Play	V-H
1st	08:20	NAV - #7 X.Arlene 1 yd rush (#43 B.Nichols kick), 11-75, 06:40	7-0
2nd	12:27	UCF - #35 C.Boomer 21 yd FG, 13-55, 04:30	7-3
2nd	08:23	UCF - #35 C.Boomer 31 yd FG, 5-41, 01:48	7-6
2nd	01:33	NAV - #23 V.Terrell II 8 yd rush (#43 B.Nichols kick), 13-84, 06:47	14-6
3rd	13:25	UCF - #1 J.Baker 28 yd pass from #13 M.Keene (#1 J.Baker pass from #10 J.Plumlee), 5-75, 01:35	14-14
3rd	08:22	NAV - #43 B.Nichols 45 yd FG, 4-6, 01:58	17-14

TIME DETAILS

Kickoff time 11:31 AM
End of game 02:00 PM
Total elapsed 02:00

OFFICIALS

Referee: Luke Richmond
Umpires: Joe Pennard
Line judges: Dan Harrington
Line judges: Alex Ranga
Back judges: Chris O'Connell
Field judges: Ben Vasconcelos
Wide receivers: Martin Jones
Center judge: James Jones
Playoff officials: Michael Stevens

WEATHER

Weather: Sunny 72°

ORLANDO – Despite allowing just 82 yards and three points in the second half, the 20th-ranked UCF football team came up short against Navy 17-14 Saturday afternoon at FBC Mortgage Stadium. Points were at a premium in the contest, as both teams' strong defenses were on display and offenses were held well below their season averages.

"First of all, extremely tough loss. It was real disappointing for our guys, especially our seniors in their last home game and everything that went with that," said UCF head coach Gus Malzahn. "Give them [Navy] credit. They did what it took to win the game. First half, they had the ball quite a bit. We had opportunities, but we got field goals down there going in and you have to score touchdowns."

Playing against a triple-option offense, the flow of the game and time of possession is always something to keep an eye on. Navy had possession for 39:36, while UCF had the ball for 20:24, the lowest time of the possession the Knights have had in a game this season.

The game only saw three touchdowns scored along with three field goals and both teams were held scoreless in the fourth quarter.

Navy opened the game with a strong drive, as quarterback Xavier Arline capped an 11-play, 75-yard drive that spanned 6:40. For the first time since the East Carolina game, UCF was held scoreless in the first quarter.

The Knights' second drive of the game ended with a field goal from their standout freshman kicker Colton Boomer. Big runs by running back RJ Harvey and a 10-yard completion from quarterback John Rhys Plumlee to Ryan O'Keefe helped put UCF in position to score and trim the score to 7-3.

After the UCF defense forced a quick three-and-out, the Knights cut the Midshipmen's lead to one at 7-6 following Boomer's second field goal of the day. Navy responded with a 6:47 drive to pull ahead 14-6 before halftime with an eight-yard touchdown run Vincent Terrell II.

Looking for a spark after the intermission, UCF made a change at the quarterback position and Mikey Keene started the second half. In his first action of the day, he led the Knights on a 75-yard, five-play scoring drive. Keene found Baker for six yards on his first pass and then connected with O'Keefe for 45 yards on a deep ball, which set up his 28-yard touchdown pass to Baker.

Navy countered with a field goal on its next possession, but after that offense was limited on both sides. On its lone possession in the fourth quarter, UCF was unable to convert on fourth down from the Navy 37-yard line as Keene's pass to Baker was broken up by Navy's Mbiti Williams Jr.

No. 22 UCF Defeats South Florida, Clinches Spot in AAC Championship Game

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UCF vs. S. FLA

KNIGHTS WIN



SCORE BY QUARTERS

Team	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	Total
UCF	14	14	3	15	46
South Fla.	0	7	22	10	39

SCORING SUMMARY

Qtr	Time	Scoring Play	W-H
1st	12:17	UCF - #10 J. Plumlee 64 yd rush (#35 C.Boomer kick), 6:75, 02:43	7-0
1st	02:44	UCF - #22 R. Harvey 3 yd rush (#35 C.Boomer kick), 13:45, 05:35	14-0
2nd	11:25	UCF - #10 J. Plumlee 20 yd rush (#35 C.Boomer kick), 7:40, 02:25	21-0
2nd	07:20	UCF - #4 R. O'Keefe 3 yd pass from #10 J. Plumlee (#35 C.Boomer kick), 8:53, 03:33	28-0
2nd	00:40	USF - #38 S. Atkins 2 yd pass from #17 B. Brown (#32 S. Shadrer kick), 15:75, 06:40	28-7
3rd	09:15	UCF - #35 C.Boomer 27 yd FG, 6:30, 02:34	31-7
3rd	07:15	USF - #17 B. Brown 4 yd rush (#5 J. Horn Jr. pass from #17 B. Brown), 4:79, 01:54	31-15
3rd	05:00	USF - #2 M. Duke 5 yd rush (#38 S. Atkins pass from #17 B. Brown), 4:25, 01:39	31-23
3rd	03:31	USF - #21 B. Battle 14 yd rush (pass from #17 B. Brown failed), 3:29, 01:25	31-29
4th	12:27	UCF - #32 K. Hudson 4 yd pass from #13 M. Keene (#35 C.Boomer kick), 13:75, 06:04	38-29
4th	09:31	USF - #32 S. Shadrer 34 yd FG, 6:54, 02:56	38-32
4th	07:02	USF - #17 B. Brown 42 yd rush (#32 S. Shadrer kick), 3:45, 00:49	38-39
4th	00:20	UCF - #82 A. Holler 14 yd pass from #13 M. Keene (#1 B. Bowser pass from #13 M. Keene), 8:42, 02:29	46-39

TIME DETAILS

Kickoff time: 07:07 PM
End of game: 10:41 PM
Total elapsed: 03:34

OFFICIALS

Referee: Tim Pich
Umpire: Michael Prewitt
Line judge: Craig Reed
Line judge: Larion Thompson
Back judge: James Smith
Field judge: James Hall
Side judge: Martina Jones
Center judge: Joe Clarkson
Playoff official: Paul Zinke

WEATHER

Weather: Cloudy 70 F
Wind: West 5 mph

TAMPA – The 22nd-ranked UCF football team would not be denied on Saturday, as the Knights earned a 46-39 victory against South Florida at Raymond James Stadium to clinch a spot in the American Athletic Conference (AAC) Championship game next weekend.

Following a great first half in which UCF led 28-7 at the break, South Florida countered in the second half and took the lead 39-38 in the fourth quarter, but the Knights had an answer. With the drive starting on the 18-yard line, UCF needed to move the ball the length of the field and did just that.

Wide receiver Javon Baker made a great catch on a deep pass down the middle for a 41-yard gain and a few plays later tight end Alec Holler made a fantastic one-handed grab in the endzone to give UCF a 47-49 lead after the two-point conversion.

"I'm so proud of our team, it's hard to win in college football rivalry games. There's nothing like it and we got their best," said UCF head coach Gus Malzahn. "We were in control of the game in the first half, but we had three turnovers in the second half. Our guys just kept fighting and we found a way to win."

With the win, UCF finishes the regular season with a 9-3 overall record and a 6-2 mark in AAC play. The Knights won the head-to-head tiebreaker with Cincinnati and will play in the AAC Championship game for the third time. UCF also appeared in the game in 2017 when the squad defeated Memphis 62-55 and 2018 when the Knights took down Memphis 56-41.

After winning the toss and electing to receive the opening kick, UCF put together a six-play, 75-yard drive to score on its first possession and take a 7-0 lead. Quarterback John Rhys Plumlee kept the read option and raced 64 yards down the sideline for his 10th rushing touchdown of the season, tying Jeff Godfrey for the second most rushing touchdowns by a quarterback in a single season.

UCF made it a 14-0 advantage later in the first quarter, as running back RJ Harvey scored on a three-yard rush as the Knights moved the ball 85 yards on 13 plays in 5:35.

Plumlee scored for the second time on the day with 11:25 remaining the second quarter with a 20-yard rush and he found Ryan O'Keefe for a touchdown pass to push the UCF lead to 28-0. South Florida scored with 40 seconds left in the first half on a two-yard grab from Sean Atkins.

At halftime, UCF owned 318 yards of total offense with 245 rushing yards, while the Knights limited the Bulls to 200 overall yards and forced a pair of South Florida turnovers.

UCF's Comeback Falls Short in AAC Championship Game

22 **UCF** vs. 18 **TULANE**

SCORE BY QUARTERS

Team	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	Total
UCF	0	7	7	14	28
Tulane	10	7	7	21	45

SCORING SUMMARY

Qtr	Time	Scoring Play	Y-A
1st	07:46	TUL - #10 S. Wyatt 10 yd pass from #7 M. Pratt (#43 V. Ambrosio kick), 9-65, 04:12	0-7
1st	01:01	TUL - #43 V. Ambrosio 27 yd FG, 9-66, 03:19	0-10
2nd	06:46	UCF - #3 X. Townsend 5 yd rush (#35 C. Boomer kick), 9-32, 03:27	7-10
2nd	05:00	TUL - #6 L. Keys III 43 yd pass from #7 M. Pratt (#43 V. Ambrosio kick), 4-75, 01:48	7-17
3rd	12:09	TUL - #22 T. Spears 60 yd rush (#43 V. Ambrosio kick), 5-76, 02:47	7-24
3rd	01:53	UCF - #2 K. Hudson 17 yd pass from #10 J. Plumlee (#35 C. Boomer kick), 8-80, 02:22	14-24
4th	14:29	TUL - #2 D. Watts 73 yd pass from #7 M. Pratt (#43 V. Ambrosio kick), 1-73, 00:11	14-31
4th	12:26	UCF - #2 K. Hudson 49 yd pass from #22 R. Harvey (#35 C. Boomer kick), 6-75, 02:03	21-31
4th	09:48	UCF - #5 I. Bowser 10 yd rush (#35 C. Boomer kick), 4-30, 01:52	28-31
4th	08:18	TUL - #10 S. Wyatt 60 yd pass from #7 M. Pratt (#43 V. Ambrosio kick), 4-75, 01:30	28-38
4th	04:04	TUL - #7 M. Pratt 18 yd rush (#43 V. Ambrosio kick), 4-46, 01:30	28-45

TIME DETAILS

Kickoff time 03:00 PM
End of game 03:57 PM
Total elapsed 03:47

OFFICIALS

Referee: Hank Johns
Umpires: Michael Prosser
Linebacker: Todd Rogers
Line Judge: Alex Amara
Back Judge: James Strain
Field Judge: Jerry Weber
Side Judge: Eric Hartman
Center Judge: Patrick Chisham

WEATHER

Weather: Cloudy 79 F
Wind: North West 8 mph

NEW ORLEANS – In search of its fifth American Athletic Conference (AAC) Championship, 22nd-ranked UCF football came up just short of achieving its season-long goal as No. 18 Tulane earned a 45-28 victory Saturday night at Yulman Stadium.

Playing in its first conference championship game, Tulane was able to hold off a late comeback as the Knights cut the deficit to 31-28 with 9:48 remaining in the fourth quarter but the Green Wave responded with a touchdown to regain a 10-point lead and went on to win by 17 points.

"First of all, give Tulane all the credit. They're a really good team and we knew that coming in," said UCF head coach Gus Malzahn. "We didn't play our best, but they had something to do with that. I'm proud of our team and the way we fought back. We got off a tough start, but we fought back and made a three-point game at 31-28 and it was right there before us. Give them credit, they went down and scored to take the momentum back."

Following a tough first half, UCF scored 21 points and compiled 292 total yards but the Knights were unable to slow down the Green Wave offense as they logged 365 yards in the second half to score 28 points to secure the victory.

Tulane started fast in the game, scoring on its first two drives to own a 10-0 lead following the first quarter. UCF grabbed momentum in the contest after a big fourth down stop, as Walter Yates III powered through the Green Wave offensive line to bring down quarterback Michael Pratt for no gain and force the turnover.

The Knights quickly converted the turnover into points, as Isaiah Bowser rushed six times for 19 yards to put UCF within a few yards of the end zone and Xavier Townsend punched it in on a five-yard rush to score his first career touchdown.

A touchdown pass from Michael Pratt to Lawrence Keys III and a 60-yard touchdown run gave Tulane a 24-7 lead right after halftime. After missing most of the first half, as he battled a leg injury, UCF quarterback John Rhys Plumlee reentered the game in the third quarter and immediately provided the Knights with a spark.

Plumlee found wide receiver Kobe Hudson for a 17-yard touchdown pass to give the Pine Mountain, Georgia, native a team-leading six receiving TDs. The Green Wave answered with a big play, as Deuce Watts caught a short pass and raced 73 yards for a touchdown to make it a 31-14 advantage.

UCF picked the perfect time to pull out one of its special plays, as Plumlee threw a lateral pass to running back RJ Harvey, who then found Hudson for a 49-yard touchdown pass. It was Harvey's first career pass and first touchdown throw.

UCF Falls to Duke in Military Bowl



SCORE BY QUARTERS

Team	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	Total
UCF	7	0	0	6	13
Duke	7	13	3	7	30

SCORING SUMMARY

Qtr	Time	Scoring Play	V-H
1st	07:47	Duke - #20 J. Moore 14 yd rush (#29 T. Pelino kick), 9:47, 04:46	0-7
1st	02:10	UCF - #5 I. Bowser 1 yd rush (#35 C. Bowser kick), 14:75, 05:37	7-7
2nd	06:28	Duke - #29 T. Pelino 22 yd FG, 11:46, 05:11	7-10
2nd	01:54	Duke - #13 R. Leonard 1 yd rush (#29 T. Pelino kick), 7:58, 03:50	7-17
2nd	00:00	Duke - #29 T. Pelino 48 yd FG, 9:38, 01:14	7-20
3rd	08:02	Duke - #29 T. Pelino 38 yd FG, 13:54, 06:58	7-23
4th	09:03	UCF - #5 I. Bowser 2 yd rush (#5 I. Bowser pass from #10 J. Plumlee failed), 11:91, 05:07	13-23
4th	02:29	Duke - #13 R. Leonard 3 yd rush (#29 T. Pelino kick), 7:26, 02:56	13-30

TIME DETAILS

Kickoff time: 02:03 PM
End of Game: 05:12 PM
Total elapsed: 03:09

OFFICIALS

Referee: Rodney Burnette
Umpire: Stephen Marshall
Linesman: Jeff Mikus
Line judge: Jonathan May
Back judge: Michael Delee
Field judge: Victor Sanchez
Side judge: Kirk Wisniewski
Center judge: Chris Bordelon
Replay Official: Rimas Kozica

WEATHER

Weather: Sunny 43 F
Wind: South East 12 mph

ANNAPOLIS, Md. – In its first appearance in the Military Bowl presented by Peraton, the UCF football team was defeated by Duke as the Blue Devils earned a 30-13 victory Wednesday afternoon at Navy-Marine Corps Memorial Stadium.

The Knights came up short of achieving their ninth 10-win season in program history, as UCF finishes the 2022 season with a 9-5 overall record while Duke concludes its campaign with a 9-4 mark.

“First of all, congratulations to Duke. They played extremely well and deserved to win the game,” said Knights head coach Gus Malzahn. “Obviously, we’re disappointed for our seniors that we couldn’t send them out with a win. They’ve done such a good job for our program, so it’s disappointing.”

“The positive from this game is that we were able to play a lot of young guys and they competed. They’re going to be really, really good football players and this is great experience for them.”

Missing some key players, UCF held Duke to just seven points in the opening period as the teams were knotted at 7-7 following the first quarter of play. Duke struck first after a 14-yard touchdown run from Jaquez Moore, but UCF answered on its next drive with a 14-play drive that amassed 75 yards, ending with a one-yard TD run from running back Isaiah Bowser.

Following a pair of field goals and TD run from the Blue Devils quarterback Riley Leonard, Duke led 20-7 at halftime. It was just the fourth time this season that the Knights have trailed at the intermission. Thanks to a couple of long drives by the Blue Devils, UCF had just two possessions in the third quarter and was unable to turn either into points.

“When you look at the game, time of possession was very lopsided most of the game,” Malzahn added. “When we had a good drive, we fumbled and the momentum kind of left us. We weren’t very good on third downs, and we knew we had to be good on third downs against these guys and we were unable to do that.”

UCF’s defense keep the Knights in it late, as Duke punted on three consecutive drives to keep UCF within striking distance. Bowser found the end zone for the second time on the day with 9:03 remaining in the fourth quarter to make it 23-13. The score was Bowser’s 16th rushing touchdown of the season to move into second in program history for rushing TDs in a single season behind Kevin Smith, who owns the record with 29 during the 2007 season.

For just the second time this year, UCF’s offense was held to fewer than 330 yards of total offense. Quarterback John Rhys Plumlee was 21-34 for 182 yards passing and Bowser recorded 11 carries for 39 yards with a pair of scores.



TEAM STATISTICS

	UCF	OPP
Scoring	460	331
Points per game	32.9	23.6
Points Off Turnovers	44	48
First Downs	342	282
Rushing	165	104
Passing	157	147
Penalty	20	31
Rushing Yardage	3197	2208
Yards gained rushing	3516	2496
Yards lost rushing	319	288
Rushing attempts	615	488
Average per rush	5.2	4.5
Average per game	228.4	157.7
TDs Rushing	35	24
Passing Yardage	3377	3112
Comp-Att-Int	291-451-9	268-454-6
Average per pass	7.5	6.9
Average per catch	11.6	11.6
Average per game	241.2	222.3
TDs Passing	22	15
Total offense	6574	5320
Total plays	1066	942
Average per play	6.2	5.6
Average per game	469.6	380.0
Kick returns: #-Yards	34-639	24-452
Punt returns: #-Yards	24-210	17-145
Int returns: #-Yards	6-34	9-97
Kick return average	18.8	18.8
Punt return average	8.8	8.5
Int return average	5.7	10.8
Fumbles-Lost	21-12	19-11
Penalties-Yards	68-649	71-566
Average per game	46.4	40.4
Punts-Yards	52-2175	60-2610
Average per punt	41.8	43.5
Net punt average	38.3	39.7
Kickoffs-Yards	86-5211	71-4419
Average per kick	60.6	62.2
Net kick average	38.1	40.7
Time of possession / game	30:33	29:15
3rd-down conversion	97/208	74/194
3rd-down pct	47%	38%
4rd-down conversion	19/30	13/30



TEAM STATISTICS

	UCF	OPP
4rd-down pct	63%	43%
Sacks by-Yards	22-154	36-207
Misc Yards	0	0
Touchdowns scored	59	39
Field goals - attempts	14-17	19-26
On-Side kicks	0-1	0-0
Red-zone scores	(51-65) 78%	(41-58) 71%
Red-zone touchdowns	(40-65) 62%	(27-58) 47%
PAT-attempts	(52-53) 98%	(34-34) 100%
2-point conversion-attempts	(4-6) 67%	(3-4) 75%
Attendance	290792	186936
Games / Avg per game	7/41542	6/31156
Neutral site games	-	1/17974

Score by Periods

Team	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	OT	TOT
UCF	110	112	100	138	0	460
Opponents	79	87	79	86	0	331



TEAM GAME-BY-GAME

		Rushing				Receiving				Passing				Kick Returns				Punt Returns				tot		
Date	Opponent	no.	yds	td	lg	no.	yds	td	lg	cmp	att	int	yds	td	lg	no.	yds	td	lg	no.	yds	td	lg	off
09/01/2022	South Carolina St.	49	297	3	33	20	308	4	53	20	32-0	308	4	53	3	72	0	30	3	43	1	22	605	
09/09/2022	Louisville	38	208	2	28	16	131	0	25	16	34-1	131	0	25	2	24	0	17	3	27	0	17	339	
09/17/2022	at Fla. Atlantic	56	314	4	50	25	339	1	64	25	36-1	339	1	64	2	40	0	25	4	26	0	8	653	
09/24/2022	Georgia Tech	56	284	1	28	8	49	0	22	8	17-1	49	0	22	1	25	0	25	2	33	1	31	333	
10/05/2022	SMU	40	160	3	30	22	324	2	58	22	31-0	324	2	58	3	70	0	30	3	20	0	12	484	
10/13/2022	Temple	41	304	6	61	24	433	4	68	24	28-0	433	4	68	4	112	0	51	1	4	0	4	737	
10/22/2022	at East Carolina	32	130	1	30	25	296	0	37	25	37-3	296	0	37	6	95	0	24	0	0	0	0	426	
10/29/2022	Cincinnati	52	258	3	26	22	247	0	26	22	32-0	247	0	26	1	15	0	15	2	7	0	8	505	
11/05/2022	at Memphis	42	204	1	61	23	223	4	24	23	29-1	223	4	24	2	29	0	16	2	21	0	11	427	
11/12/2022	at Tulane	54	336	4	67	17	132	1	18	17	30-0	132	1	18	1	8	0	8	0	0	0	0	468	
11/19/2022	Navy	24	84	0	30	19	230	1	45	19	33-1	230	1	45	2	16	0	16	3	29	0	16	314	
11/26/2022	at South Fla.	47	345	3	64	24	202	3	41	24	29-0	202	3	41	1	18	0	18	0	0	0	0	547	
12/03/2022	at Tulane	48	145	2	20	24	265	2	49	24	48-0	265	2	49	3	74	0	35	1	0	0	0	410	
12/28/2022	vs Duke	36	128	2	19	22	198	0	37	22	35-1	198	0	37	3	41	0	20	0	0	0	0	326	
UCF		615	3197	35	67	291	3377	22	68	291	451-9	3377	22	68	34	639	0	51	24	210	2	31	6574	
Opponents		488	2208	24	70	268	3112	15	73	268	454-6	3112	15	73	24	452	0	41	17	145	0	33	5320	

UCF Averages

Games	Avg/ rush	Avg/ catch	Pass effc	KR avg	PR avg	All purpose avg/game	Total offense avg/game
14	5.2	11.6	139.5	18.8	8.8	532.6	469.6

Date	Opponent	Tackles				Sacks		Fumble		Pass Defense				blkd	PAT attempts				off		
		ua	a	total	tfl-yds	no-yds	ff	fr-yds	int-yds	qbh	brup	kick	kick	rush	rcv	saf	t/o	pts			
09/01/2022	South Carolina St.	28	22	50	9.0-38	2-19	0	0-0	1-0	3	5	1	8-8	0	0	0	7	56			
09/09/2022	Louisville	47	16	63	5.0-9	3-6	1	1-9	0-0	4	4	0	2-2	0	0	0	0	14			
09/17/2022	at Fla. Atlantic	24	30	54	5.0-20	1-7	0	1-0	0-0	3	4	1	4-5	0	0	0	0	40			
09/24/2022	Georgia Tech	47	12	59	9.0-32	4-26	2	2-104	0-0	4	4	1	1-1	0	1	0	3	27			
10/05/2022	SMU	47	26	73	7.0-14	1-6	2	1-0	1-0	5	8	0	4-4	0	1	1	3	41			
10/13/2022	Temple	41	22	63	4.0-10	0-0	0	0-0	0-0	9	4	0	10-10	0	0	0	0	70			
10/22/2022	at East Carolina	47	32	79	6.0-18	1-7	1	0-0	0-0	3	1	0	1-1	0	0	0	0	13			
10/29/2022	Cincinnati	35	8	43	5.0-42	4-41	1	0-0	0-0	10	7	0	2-2	0	0	1	0	25			
11/05/2022	at Memphis	37	34	71	4.0-6	0-0	0	0-0	2-12	1	4	0	5-5	0	0	0	7	35			
11/12/2022	at Tulane	38	20	58	5.0-31	2-19	2	2-20	0-0	5	2	0	5-5	0	0	0	0	38			
11/19/2022	Navy	37	48	85	6.0-16	2-12	0	0-0	0-0	0	1	0	0-0	0	1	0	0	14			
11/26/2022	at South Fla.	46	18	64	4.0-33	1-9	2	2-0	1-0	0	1	0	5-5	0	1	0	17	46			
12/03/2022	at Tulane	33	24	57	4.0-9	1-2	2	2-0	1-22	0	4	0	4-4	0	0	0	7	28			
12/28/2022	vs Duke	39	28	67	3.0-3	0-0	0	0-0	0-0	5	3	0	1-1	0	0	0	0	13			
UCF		546	340	886	76.0-281	22-154	13	11-133	6-34	52	52	3	52-53	0	4	2	44	460			
Opponents		667	368	1035	82.0-326	36-207	13	12-83	9-97	13	38	1	34-34	0	3	0	48	331			

Date	Opponent	Punting										Field Goals				Kickoffs				
		no.	yds	avg	long	blkd	tb	fc	50+	i20	md-att	long	blkd	no.	yds	avg	tb	ob		
09/01/2022	South Carolina St.	3	93	31.0	50	1	1	0	1	0	0-1	0	0	9	582	64.7	8	0		
09/09/2022	Louisville	8	308	38.5	47	0	1	2	0	1	0-1	0	0	3	193	64.3	2	0		
09/17/2022	at Fla. Atlantic	1	46	46.0	46	0	0	0	0	0	2-2	41	0	8	516	64.5	4	0		
09/24/2022	Georgia Tech	3	131	43.7	54	0	0	0	1	1	4-4	43	0	7	446	63.7	5	0		
10/05/2022	SMU	7	283	40.4	48	0	0	1	0	3	1-1	41	0	7	455	65.0	7	0		
10/13/2022	Temple	1	40	40.0	40	0	0	1	0	0	0-0	0	0	11	667	60.6	7	0		
10/22/2022	at East Carolina	2	86	43.0	43	0	0	1	0	0	2-2	36	0	3	138	46.0	2	0		
10/29/2022	Cincinnati	5	203	40.6	52	0	0	3	1	2	1-1	26	0	5	323	64.6	4	1		
11/05/2022	at Memphis	4	177	44.3	53	0	0	2	1	1	0-1	0	0	6	387	64.5	5	0		
11/12/2022	at Tulane	2	58	29.0	31	0	0	1	0	1	1-1	25	0	7	346	49.4	2	1		
11/19/2022	Navy	4	193	48.3	56	0	0	1	3	3	2-2	31	0	4	237	59.3	2	0		
11/26/2022	at South Fla.	1	46	46.0	46	0	0	0	0	0	1-1	27	0	8	416	52.0	1	0		
12/03/2022	at Tulane	7	322	46.0	52	0	0	3	2	2	0-0	0	0	5	320	64.0	3	0		
12/28/2022	vs Duke	4	189	47.3	60	0	0	2	1	2	0-0	0	0	3	185	61.7	1	0		
UCF		52	2175	41.8	60	1	2	17	10	16	14-17	43	0	86	5211	60.6	53	2		
Opponents		60	2610	43.5	61	2	2	12	19	19	19-26	49	1	71	4419	62.2	35	0		

OPPONENT GAME-BY-GAME

Date	Opponent	Rushing				Receiving				Passing				Kick Returns				Punt Returns				tot off
		no.	yds	td	lg	no.	yds	td	lg	cmp-att-int	yds	td	lg	no.	yds	td	lg	no.	yds	td	lg	
09/01/2022	South Carolina St.	33	35	0	10	7	56	1	26	7-23-1	56	1	26	0	0	0	0	1	6	0	6	91
09/09/2022	Louisville	45	226	2	43	14	201	0	37	14-29-0	201	0	37	1	15	0	15	3	17	0	7	427
09/17/2022	at Fla. Atlantic	30	188	1	34	13	108	1	28	13-29-0	108	1	28	1	12	0	12	1	3	0	3	296
09/24/2022	Georgia Tech	31	124	0	23	21	314	1	59	21-32-0	314	1	59	2	70	0	41	1	17	0	17	438
10/05/2022	SMU	31	113	2	39	33	363	0	29	33-54-1	363	0	29	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	476
10/13/2022	Temple	27	59	0	8	24	234	1	28	24-44-0	234	1	28	4	57	0	25	0	0	0	0	293
10/22/2022	at East Carolina	33	147	3	37	30	311	1	39	30-36-0	311	1	39	1	0	0	0	1	1	0	1	458
10/29/2022	Cincinnati	18	35	1	39	25	298	1	32	25-46-0	298	1	32	0	0	0	0	1	15	0	15	333
11/05/2022	at Memphis	36	149	3	26	26	284	1	29	26-39-2	284	1	29	1	36	0	36	2	27	0	21	433
11/12/2022	at Tulane	27	155	1	70	23	236	3	36	23-39-0	236	3	36	4	53	0	32	1	0	0	0	391
11/19/2022	Navy	63	248	2	46	0	0	0	0	0-1-0	0	0	0	2	23	0	16	2	19	0	15	248
11/26/2022	at South Fla.	43	298	4	68	13	140	1	27	13-20-1	140	1	27	5	100	0	38	1	33	0	33	438
12/03/2022	at Tulane	31	254	2	60	20	394	4	73	20-33-1	394	4	73	2	64	0	40	3	7	0	4	648
12/28/2022	vs Duke	40	177	3	37	19	173	0	32	19-29-0	173	0	32	1	22	0	22	0	0	0	0	350
Opponents		488	2208	24	70	268	3112	15	73	268-454-6	3112	15	73	24	452	0	41	17	145	0	33	5320
UCF		615	3197	35	67	291	3377	22	68	291-451-9	3377	22	68	34	639	0	51	24	210	2	31	6574

Opponents Averages

Games	Avg/ rush	Avg/ catch	Pass effc	KR avg	PR avg	All purpose avg/game	Total offense avg/game
14	4.5	11.6	124.9	18.8	8.5	429.6	380.0

Date	Opponent	Tackles				Sacks no-yds	Fumble		Pass Defense			blkd kick	PAT attempts			off		
		ua	a	total	tfl-yds		ff	fr-yds	int-yds	qbh	brup		kick	rush	rcv	saf	t/o	pts
09/01/2022	South Carolina St.	46	34	80	6.0-20	2-13	1	1-80	0-0	0	2	1	1-1	0	0	0	0	10
09/09/2022	Louisville	48	16	64	6.0-16	4-14	0	0-0	1-0	0	5	0	2-2	0	0	0	0	20
09/17/2022	at Fla. Atlantic	49	56	105	5.0-7	1-1	1	2-0	1-49	1	1	0	2-2	0	0	0	0	14
09/24/2022	Georgia Tech	56	22	78	6.0-14	2-8	2	1-0	1-0	0	3	0	1-1	0	0	0	3	10
10/05/2022	SMU	51	20	71	5.0-26	1-2	0	0-0	0-0	0	5	0	1-1	0	0	0	0	19
10/13/2022	Temple	51	14	65	5.0-19	1-1	0	0-0	0-0	1	1	0	1-1	0	0	0	0	13
10/22/2022	at East Carolina	31	46	77	7.0-32	4-27	1	1-3	3-17	3	4	0	4-4	0	0	0	17	34
10/29/2022	Cincinnati	59	20	79	7.0-11	1-3	1	2-0	0-0	1	2	0	1-1	0	1	0	7	21
11/05/2022	at Memphis	42	34	76	5.0-33	2-18	0	0-0	1-0	0	0	0	4-4	0	0	0	0	28
11/12/2022	at Tulane	47	34	81	4.0-10	0-0	1	0-0	0-0	1	5	0	4-4	0	0	0	0	31
11/19/2022	Navy	37	12	49	6.0-33	5-30	1	1-0	1-31	0	1	0	2-2	0	0	0	0	17
11/26/2022	at South Fla.	52	14	66	3.0-12	1-4	2	3-0	0-0	0	0	0	2-2	0	2	0	14	39
12/03/2022	at Tulane	61	20	81	9.0-45	6-41	0	0-0	0-0	4	5	0	6-6	0	0	0	0	45
12/28/2022	vs Duke	37	26	63	8.0-48	6-45	3	1-0	1-0	2	4	0	3-3	0	0	0	7	30
Opponents		667	368	1035	82.0-326	36-207	13	12-83	9-97	13	38	1	34-34	0	3	0	48	331
UCF		546	340	886	76.0-281	22-154	13	11-133	6-34	52	52	3	52-53	0	4	2	44	460

Date	Opponent	Punting										Field Goals			Kickoffs			
		no.	yds	avg	long	blkd	tb	fc	50+	i20	md-att	long	blkd	no.	yds	avg	tb	ob
09/01/2022	South Carolina St.	8	341	42.6	61	1	0	0	4	2	1-1	23	0	3	172	57.3	0	0
09/09/2022	Louisville	4	193	48.3	55	0	0	1	1	1	2-3	35	0	5	312	62.4	3	0
09/17/2022	at Fla. Atlantic	7	338	48.3	57	0	0	0	3	3	0-1	0	1	3	190	63.3	1	0
09/24/2022	Georgia Tech	4	125	31.3	51	1	0	0	1	0	1-3	42	0	3	195	65.0	2	0
10/05/2022	SMU	4	178	44.5	49	0	0	1	0	1	2-2	32	0	5	329	65.8	2	0
10/13/2022	Temple	6	251	41.8	52	0	0	3	1	0	2-2	49	0	4	247	61.8	0	0
10/22/2022	at East Carolina	1	41	41.0	41	0	0	0	0	1	2-3	28	0	7	416	59.4	1	0
10/29/2022	Cincinnati	6	268	44.7	51	0	0	3	1	3	2-2	33	0	6	387	64.5	5	0
11/05/2022	at Memphis	2	95	47.5	52	0	0	0	1	0	0-2	0	0	5	311	62.2	3	0
11/12/2022	at Tulane	3	122	40.7	50	0	0	2	1	2	1-1	23	0	5	301	60.2	3	0
11/19/2022	Navy	6	301	50.2	55	0	1	1	4	0	1-1	45	0	4	244	61.0	2	0
11/26/2022	at South Fla.	2	61	30.5	34	0	0	1	0	2	1-1	34	0	7	445	63.6	6	0
12/03/2022	at Tulane	3	125	41.7	47	0	1	0	0	1	1-1	27	0	8	513	64.1	4	0
12/28/2022	vs Duke	4	171	42.8	57	0	0	0	2	3	3-3	48	0	6	357	59.5	3	0
Opponents		60	2610	43.5	61	2	2	12	19	19	19-26	49	1	71	4419	62.2	35	0
UCF		52	2175	41.8	60	1	2	17	10	16	14-17	43	0	86	5211	60.6	53	2

INDIVIDUAL GAME-BY-GAME

Passing

#5 Isaiah Bowser	Comp	Att	Int	Pct	Yards	TD	Long	Sacked	Effic.
SMU	1	1	0	100.0	0	0	0	0-0	100.0
Memphis	1	1	0	100.0	4	1	4	0-0	463.6
Totals	2	2	0	100.0	4	1	4	0-0	281.8

#10 John Rhys Plumlee	Comp	Att	Int	Pct	Yards	TD	Long	Sacked	Effic.
South Carolina St.	20	31	0	64.5	308	4	53	2-13	190.6
Louisville	16	34	1	47.1	131	0	25	4-14	73.5
Fla. Atlantic	25	36	1	69.4	339	1	64	1-1	152.2
Georgia Tech	8	16	1	50.0	49	0	22	2-8	63.2
SMU	20	29	0	69.0	316	2	58	1-2	183.3
Temple	18	22	0	81.8	373	4	68	1-1	284.2
East Carolina	25	37	3	67.6	296	0	37	4-27	118.6
Cincinnati	7	11	0	63.6	71	0	25	1-3	117.9
Tulane	17	30	0	56.7	132	1	18	0-0	104.6
Navy	11	18	1	61.1	107	0	37	1-2	99.9
South Fla.	9	9	0	100.0	73	1	32	1-4	204.8
Tulane	21	39	0	53.8	209	1	25	4-21	107.3
Duke	21	34	1	61.8	182	0	37	6-45	100.8
Totals	218	346	8	63.0	2586	14	68	28-141	134.5

#12 Thomas Castellanos	Comp	Att	Int	Pct	Yards	TD	Long	Sacked	Effic.
South Carolina St.	0	1	0	0.0	0	0	0	0-0	0.0
SMU	1	1	0	100.0	8	0	8	0-0	167.2
Temple	6	6	0	100.0	60	0	24	0-0	184.0
Tulane	2	8	0	25.0	7	0	5	2-20	32.4
Totals	9	16	0	56.3	75	0	24	2-20	95.6

#13 Mikey Keene	Comp	Att	Int	Pct	Yards	TD	Long	Sacked	Effic.
Cincinnati	15	21	0	71.4	176	0	26	0-0	141.8
Memphis	22	28	1	78.6	219	3	24	2-18	172.5
Navy	8	15	0	53.3	123	1	45	4-28	144.2
South Fla.	15	19	0	78.9	129	2	41	0-0	170.7
Totals	60	83	1	72.3	647	6	45	6-46	159.2

#22 RJ Harvey	Comp	Att	Int	Pct	Yards	TD	Long	Sacked	Effic.
Tulane	1	1	0	100.0	49	1	49	0-0	841.6
Duke	1	1	0	100.0	16	0	16	0-0	234.4
Totals	2	2	0	100.0	65	1	49	0-0	538.0

Rushing

Player	No-Yds/TD	SCSt	LOU	FAU	GaTech	SMU	Temple	ECU	UC	Mem	Tulane	Navy	USF	Tulane	DU
Isaiah Bowser	205-799/16	22-74/2	15-51/2	13-33/1	19-70/0	15-62/3	5-25/1	11-63/1	14-58/1	15-67/0	19-54/2	10-64/0	16-54/0	20-85/1	11-39/2
John Rhys Plumlee	159-862/11	16-100/1	17-83/0	20-121/2	16-100/1	11-27/0	7-37/3	14-38/0	7-26/0	DNP	18-176/2	2-7/0	8-133/2	9-7/0	14-21/0
RJ Harvey	118-796/5	-	DNP	8-50/1	12-73/0	7-69/0	4-73/0	6-32/0	18-84/2	17-151/1	12-83/0	7-44/0	16-74/1	5-34/0	6-29/0
Johnny Richardson	54-370/0	5-59/0	5-47/0	11-79/0	7-33/0	3-12/0	5-40/0	1-3/0	5-32/0	1-3/0	3-13/0	1-3/0	1-14/0	3-20/0	3-30/0
Ryan O'Keefe	23-222/0	2-33/0	1-27/0	2-25/0	1-10/0	2-1/0	1-2/0	-	6-51/0	2-3/0	1-17/0	-	3-53/0	2-8/0	DNP
Thomas Castellanos	14-120/1	2-32/0	DNP	1-6/0	DNP	1-2/0	3-88/1	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	7-8/0	DNP
Mikey Keene	13-13/0	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	1-9/0	5-11/0	DNP	4-28/0	3-17/0	DNP	DNP
Jordan McDonald	11-43/1	2-1/0	-	DNP	-	-	9-44/1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Xavier Townsend	5-27/1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1-5/0	-	-	-	2-13/1	2-9/0
Trillion Coles	3-0/0	-	-	DNP	-	-	3-0/0	-	-	DNP	-	-	DNP	-	-
Tylan Grable	1-5/0	-	-	DNP	-	-	1-5/0	-	-	-	-	DNP	DNP	DNP	-
Mark-Antony Richards	1-0/0	-	-	-	-	-	1-0/0	DNP	-	DNP	-	-	-	-	DNP

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Receiving

Player	No-Yds/TD	SCSt	LOU	FAU	GaTech	SMU	Temple	ECU	UC	Mem	Tulane	Navy	USF	Tulane	DU
Ryan O'Keefe	73-725/5	3-48/0	4-8/0	6-74/0	2-6/0	6-117/2	7-111/2	4-28/0	7-69/0	10-75/0	6-31/0	6-78/0	6-43/1	6-37/0	DNP
Javon Baker	56-796/5	5-84/1	5-84/0	7-83/1	1-6/0	6-138/0	1-8/0	1-8/0	7-55/0	3-38/1	5-54/1	6-101/1	3-51/0	4-37/0	2-49/0
Kobe Hudson	39-641/7	-	DNP	DNP	-	3-53/0	4-121/2	5-85/0	5-74/0	6-85/2	1-15/0	2-9/0	4-38/1	4-98/2	5-63/0
Xavier Townsend	23-127/0	-	3-7/0	6-53/0	-	1-8/0	2--1/0	1-11/0	-	-	-	1-5/0	-	2-19/0	7-25/0
Alec Holler	22-276/1	-	1-0/0	3-115/0	-	3-8/0	1-12/0	3-56/0	1-12/0	2-14/0	-	-	4-32/1	2-9/0	2-18/0
RJ Harvey	22-215/0	-	DNP	-	-	-	1-29/0	7-77/0	1-25/0	1-7/0	1-1/0	2-22/0	4-14/0	2-15/0	3-25/0
Johnny Richardson	22-122/1	2-19/1	2-25/0	3-14/0	3-3/0	1--5/0	1-0/0	1-8/0	-	-	3-22/0	-	2-12/0	2-22/0	2-2/0
Isaiah Bowser	14-185/0	3-26/0	-	-	1-22/0	-	2-58/0	2-15/0	-	-	1-9/0	2-15/0	1-12/0	2-28/0	-
Kemore Gamble	7-118/1	3-82/1	1-7/0	-	1-12/0	1-5/0	-	-	1-12/0	DNP	-	-	DNP	DNP	-
Stephen Martin	4-58/1	-	-	DNP	-	-	2-46/0	1-8/0	-	1-4/1	DNP	-	-	-	-
Jaylon Griffin	4-47/0	3-28/0	-	-	DNP	DNP	1-19/0	-	-	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	-
Dwartney Wortham	2-30/0	-	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	2-30/0	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP
Zach Marsh Wojan	1-21/1	1-21/1	-	DNP	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	DNP	-
John Rhys Plumlee	1-16/0	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	DNP	-	-	-	-	1-16/0
Trillion Coles	1-0/0	-	-	DNP	-	1-0/0	-	-	-	DNP	-	-	DNP	-	-

INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS

Rushing

Player	gp	att	gain	loss	net	avg	td	lg	avg/g
John Rhys Plumlee	13	159	1019	157	862	5.4	11	67	66.3
Isaiah Bowser	14	205	808	9	799	3.9	16	30	57.1
RJ Harvey	13	118	804	8	796	6.7	5	61	61.2
Johnny Richardson	14	54	390	20	370	6.9	0	50	26.4
Ryan O'Keefe	13	23	237	15	222	9.7	0	33	17.1
Thomas Castellanos	5	14	142	22	120	8.6	1	43	24.0
Jordan McDonald	13	11	45	2	43	3.9	1	9	3.3
Xavier Townsend	14	5	27	0	27	5.4	1	9	1.9
Tylan Grable	10	1	5	0	5	5.0	0	5	0.5
Mikey Keene	4	13	37	50	-13	-1.0	0	10	-3.3
Team	14	8	0	34	-34	-4.3	0	0	-2.4
Total	14	615	3516	319	3197	5.2	35	67	228.4
Opponents	14	488	2496	288	2208	4.5	24	70	157.7

Punt Returns

Player	no.	yds	avg	td	lg
Xavier Townsend	19	177	9.3	0	31
Divaad Wilson	5	33	6.6	0	22
Quadric Bullard	0	0	0.0	2	0
Total	24	210	8.8	2	31
Opponents	17	145	8.5	0	33

Interceptions

Player	no.	yds	avg	td	lg
Divaad Wilson	3	12	4.0	0	12
Davonte Brown	2	22	11.0	0	22
Justin Hodges	1	0	0.0	0	0
Total	6	34	5.7	0	22
Opponents	9	97	10.8	0	49

Passing

Player	gp	effic	comp-att-int	pct	yds	td	lg	avg/g
John Rhys Plumlee	13	134.5	218-346-8	63.0	2586	14	68	198.9
Mikey Keene	4	159.2	60-83-1	72.3	647	6	45	161.8
Thomas Castellanos	5	95.6	9-16-0	56.3	75	0	24	15.0
Isaiah Bowser	14	281.8	2-2-0	100.0	4	1	4	0.3
RJ Harvey	13	538.0	2-2-0	100.0	65	1	49	5.0
Ryan O'Keefe	13	0.0	0-1-0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0
Team	14	0.0	0-1-0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0
Total	14	139.5	291-451-9	64.5	3377	22	68	241.2
Opponents	14	124.9	268-454-6	59.0	3112	15	73	222.3

Kick Returns

Player	no.	yds	avg	td	lg
Ryan O'Keefe	22	448	20.4	0	51
Johnny Richardson	5	78	15.6	0	25
Xavier Townsend	3	47	15.7	0	18
Isaiah Bowser	2	27	13.5	0	14
Trillion Coles	1	19	19.0	0	19
RJ Harvey	1	20	20.0	0	20
Total	34	639	18.8	0	51
Opponents	24	452	18.8	0	41

Receiving

Player	gp	no.	yds	avg	td	lg	avg/g
Ryan O'Keefe	13	73	725	9.9	5	68	55.8
Javon Baker	14	56	796	14.2	5	53	56.9
Kobe Hudson	12	39	641	16.4	7	64	53.4
Xavier Townsend	14	23	127	5.5	0	16	9.1
Alec Holler	14	22	276	12.5	1	64	19.7
Johnny Richardson	14	22	122	5.5	1	25	8.7
RJ Harvey	13	22	215	9.8	0	29	16.5
Isaiah Bowser	14	14	185	13.2	0	45	13.2
Kemore Gamble	11	7	118	16.9	1	35	10.7
Stephen Martin	12	4	58	14.5	1	34	4.8
Jaylon Griffin	7	4	47	11.8	0	19	6.7
Dwartney Wortham	2	2	30	15.0	0	24	15.0
Trillion Coles	11	1	0	0.0	0	0	0.0
John Rhys Plumlee	13	1	16	16.0	0	16	1.2
Zach Marsh Wojan	12	1	21	21.0	1	21	1.8
Total	14	291	3377	11.6	22	68	241.2
Opponents	14	268	3112	11.6	15	73	222.3

Fumble Returns

Player	no.	yds	avg	td	lg
Tre'mon Morris-Brash	2	104	52.0	0	90
K.D. McDaniel	1	20	20.0	0	20
Divaad Wilson	1	9	9.0	0	9
Jason Johnson	2	0	0.0	0	0
Justin Hodges	2	0	0.0	0	0
Walter Yates	1	0	0.0	0	0
Josh Celiscar	1	0	0.0	0	0
Branden Jennings	1	0	0.0	0	0
Total	11	133	12.1	0	90
Opponents	12	83	6.9	0	80

INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS

Scoring

Player	td	fg	PAT					dpx	saf	pts
			kick	rush	rcv	pass				
Isaiah Bowser	16	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	98
Colton Boomer	-	14-15	42-43	-	-	-	-	-	-	84
John Rhys Plumlee	11	-	-	-	-	3	-	-	-	66
Kobe Hudson	7	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	44
Javon Baker	5	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	32
RJ Harvey	5	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	30
Ryan O'Keefe	5	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	30
Quadric Bullard	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	12
Daniel Obarski	-	0-2	10-10	-	-	-	-	-	-	10
Kemore Gamble	1	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	8
Alec Holler	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6
Xavier Townsend	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6
Jordan McDonald	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6
Stephen Martin	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6
Johnny Richardson	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6
Zach Marsh Wojan	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6
Thomas Castellanos	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6
Josh Celiscar	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	2
Total	59	14-17	52-53	0	4	4	0	2	460	
Opponents	39	19-26	34-34	0	3	3	0	0	331	

Field Goals

Player	fg	pct.	01-19	20-29	30-39	40-49	50-99	lg	blk
Colton Boomer	14-15	93.3	0-0	7-7	4-4	3-3	0-1	43	0
Daniel Obarski	0-2	0.0	0-0	0-0	0-1	0-1	0-0	0	0
Opponents	19-26	73.1	0-1	8-10	7-9	4-5	0-1	49	1

FG Sequence

Team Name	UCF	Opponents
South Carolina St.	43	(23)
Louisville	32	41,(35),(35)
Fla. Atlantic	(41),(29)	19
Georgia Tech	(21),(31),(37),(43)	32,37,(42)
SMU	(41)	(32),(24)
East Carolina	(27),(36)	25,(28),(26)
Cincinnati	,(26)	(33),(33)
Memphis	64	26,54
Tulane	(25)	,(23)
Navy	(21),(31)	(45)
South Fla.	(27)	(34)
Temple		(26),(49)
Tulane		(27)
Duke		(22),(48),(38)

Numbers in (parentheses) indicate field goal was made

Total Offense

Player	g	plays	rush	pass	total	avg/g
John Rhys Plumlee	13	505	862	2586	3448	265.2
RJ Harvey	13	120	796	65	861	66.2
Isaiah Bowser	14	207	799	4	803	57.4
Mikey Keene	4	96	-13	647	634	158.5
Johnny Richardson	14	54	370	0	370	26.4
Ryan O'Keefe	13	24	222	0	222	17.1
Thomas Castellanos	5	30	120	75	195	39.0
Jordan McDonald	13	11	43	0	43	3.3
Xavier Townsend	14	5	27	0	27	1.9
Tylan Grable	10	1	5	0	5	0.5
Team	14	0	-34	0	-34	-2.4
Total	14	1066	3197	3377	6574	469.6
Opponents	14	942	2208	3112	5320	380.0

Punting

Player	no.	yds	avg	lg	tb	fc	i20	50+	blk
Mitch McCarthy	39	1698	43.5	60	0	15	13	9	0
Andrew Osteen	12	477	39.8	50	2	2	3	1	0
Team	1	0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Total	52	2175	41.8	60	2	17	16	10	1
Opponents	60	2610	43.5	61	2	12	19	19	2

Kickoffs

Player	no.	yds	avg	tb	ob	retn	net	ydln
Ryker Casey	85	5203	61.2	53	2			
Daniel Obarski	1	8	8.0	0	0			
Total	86	5211	60.6	53	2	25	38.1	26
Opponents	71	4419	62.2	35	0	34	40.7	24



DEFENSIVE STATISTICS

Team Defense

			Tackles				Sacks	Pass defense			Fumbles		blkd	
##	Player	gp	ua	a	tot	tfl/yds	no-yds	int-yds	brup	qbh	fr-yds	ff	kick	saf
15	Jason Johnson	14	67	59	126	4-19	1-12	.	.	5	2-0	2	.	.
4	Koby Perry	13	33	23	56	2.5-3	.	.	1	1	.	.	.	.
27	Walter Yates	14	33	21	54	5-17	1.5-12	.	.	1	1-0	.	.	.
88	Josh Celiscar	14	32	22	54	8.5-27	3-14	.	1	5	1-0	3	.	1
11	Jeremiah Jean-Baptiste	10	37	15	52	5-11	1-3	.	4	1	.	1	.	.
33	Tre'mon Morris-Brash	14	28	24	52	13-49	6-37	.	4	7	2-104	1	.	.
14	Corey Thornton	13	37	13	50	1-1	.	.	7	2	.	1	.	.
5	Ricky Barber	14	18	31	49	9-30	3-22	.	4	12	.	.	.	.
94	Anthony Montalvo	14	23	20	43	6.5-13	2-5	.	2	6	.	.	.	.
24	Jarvis Ware	12	27	14	41	1-2	.	.	4	.	.	.	1	.
9	Divaad Wilson	12	32	9	41	1-1	.	3-12	4	2	1-9	1	.	.
12	Justin Hodges	14	23	17	40	3-17	1-12	1-0	5	.	2-0	.	.	.
31	Brandon Adams	14	27	7	34	0.5-1	.	.	4	.	.	.	.	.
7	Davonte Brown	13	24	6	30	2.5-24	.	2-22	4	.	.	1	.	.
37	Quadric Bullard	7	17	10	27	2-2	.	.	3	.	.	1	1	.
21	Nikai Martinez	14	17	4	21	1.5-9	1-7	.	2	1	.	.	.	.
2	Lee Hunter	13	9	8	17	1-7	1-7	.	.	1	.	.	.	.
8	Demari Henderson	12	7	5	12	0.5-2	.	.	2	2	.	.	.	.
47	K.D. McDaniel	13	7	3	10	2-26	1-20	.	.	1	1-20	1	.	.
30	Kam Moore	9	6	4	10	2-10	.	.	.	.	.	1	.	.
56	Matthew Alexander	14	4	5	9	1-2	.	.	.	3	.	.	.	.
29	William Wells	12	5	1	6	1-1	.	.	.	1	.	.	.	.
82	Alec Holler	14	3	1	4	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
58	Dallaz Corbitt	6	1	3	4	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
52	Keenan Hester	4	1	3	4	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	1	.
99	Jamaal Johnson	5	2	2	4	.	.	.	.	1	.	.	.	.
19	Jarrad Baker	12	3	.	3	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
18	Dyllon Lester	4	3	.	3	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
3	Ja'Cari Henderson	4	2	1	3	.	.	.	1	.	.	.	.	.
35	Keenan Cupit	5	1	2	3	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
0	Johnny Richardson	14	2	.	2	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
40	Kervins Choute	3	2	.	2	2-4	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
44	Branden Jennings	4	.	2	2	.	.	.	.	.	1-0	.	.	.
32	Alex Ward	14	1	1	2	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
4	Ryan O'Keefe	13	2	.	2	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
92	Austin Camden	14	2	.	2	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
23	Jaiden Francois	9	2	.	2	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
51	Malachi Lawrence	3	1	1	2	0.5-3	0.5-3	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
45	Ryker Casey	14	1	.	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
2	Kobe Hudson	12	.	1	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
84	Keahnist Thompson	1	1	.	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
35	Colton Boomer	12	1	.	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
10	John Rhys Plumlee	13	.	1	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
1	Javon Baker	14	1	.	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
3	Xavier Townsend	14	1	.	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
	Totals	14	546	340	886	76-281	22-154	6-34	52	52	11-133	13	3	2
	Opponents	14	667	368	1035	82-326	36-207	9-97	38	13	12-83	13	1	0

DEFENSIVE STATISTICS BY GAME

Total Tackles

Player	S-A	Total	SCSt	LOU	FAU	GaTech	SMU	Temple	ECU	UC	Mem	Tulane	Navy	USF	Tulane	DU
Jason Johnson	67-59	126	0-2	9-3	3-7	7-1	5-4	5-4	5-10	3-3	6-6	6-2	6-6	7-4	1-4	4-3
Koby Perry	33-23	56	1-1	DNP	0-1	4-2	5-4	2-0	2-2	2-0	1-0	5-1	2-3	3-0	2-3	4-6
Walter Yates	33-21	54	5-2	3-1	0-4	1-0	1-0	1-1	1-1	1-0	2-0	3-3	6-5	2-0	1-1	6-3
Josh Celiscar	32-22	54	0-1	5-1	3-1	2-1	2-1	3-3	2-2	5-1	1-2	1-2	1-3	2-1	3-0	2-3
Jeremiah Jean-Baptiste	37-15	52	3-2	7-0	DNP	7-0	8-1	4-0	0-1	3-1	4-4	DNP	DNP	1-1	0-5	DNP
Tre'mon Morris-Brash	28-24	52	2-1	1-1	3-3	1-2	3-2	2-1	3-3	1-0	2-2	1-1	1-4	6-3	2-1	-
Corey Thornton	37-13	50	-	2-0	1-1	2-0	3-2	5-0	7-1	-	5-3	2-0	0-3	DNP	5-1	5-2
Ricky Barber	18-31	49	0-1	2-2	0-2	2-1	2-1	0-2	0-2	3-1	0-4	1-1	5-8	1-2	0-1	2-3
Anthony Montalvo	23-20	43	0-2	3-1	0-1	1-0	4-2	1-1	0-3	1-0	2-1	-	4-5	5-2	2-1	0-1
Divaad Wilson	32-9	41	-	4-0	1-1	4-1	5-2	1-0	6-0	2-0	4-1	DNP	1-1	3-1	1-2	DNP
Jarvis Ware	27-14	41	1-0	DNP	-	-	1-1	2-0	-	2-0	4-2	6-2	3-2	3-3	5-4	DNP
Justin Hodges	23-17	40	3-0	1-1	0-2	3-2	3-1	1-1	3-2	2-0	1-2	1-4	0-2	1-0	3-0	1-0
Brandon Adams	27-7	34	1-0	1-1	4-0	2-0	1-2	1-0	3-0	3-1	0-1	4-1	-	1-0	2-0	4-1
Davonte Brown	24-6	30	2-0	1-1	1-0	4-1	1-0	1-0	3-0	2-1	0-1	3-2	1-0	4-0	1-0	DNP
Quadric Bullard	17-10	27	0-1	4-1	2-3	3-0	DNP	1-2	5-1	DNP	2-2	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP
Nikai Martinez	17-4	21	1-1	-	1-0	2-0	0-1	3-0	1-0	1-0	1-0	2-0	0-1	3-0	1-0	1-1
Lee Hunter	9-8	17	DNP	0-1	1-1	0-1	-	0-1	3-0	-	0-2	1-0	1-2	-	1-0	2-0
Demari Henderson	7-5	12	0-2	DNP	-	1-0	0-1	2-1	-	-	-	DNP	-	2-1	-	2-0
K.D. McDaniel	7-3	10	2-0	1-1	1-0	1-0	DNP	-	0-1	1-0	-	-	-	-	1-0	0-1
Kam Moore	6-4	10	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	-	1-0	-	1-0	-	1-1	2-2	-	DNP	1-1
Matthew Alexander	4-5	9	0-1	-	-	-	-	0-1	1-0	1-0	0-1	-	2-0	-	-	0-2
William Wells	5-1	6	-	-	-	-	2-0	2-1	-	-	-	1-0	DNP	-	DNP	-
Alec Holler	3-1	4	-	-	1-0	-	-	-	1-1	-	-	-	1-0	-	-	-
Jamaal Johnson	2-2	4	0-2	DNP	DNP	DNP	-	1-0	-	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	1-0
Dallaz Corbitt	1-3	4	-	-	0-1	-	0-1	1-1	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP
Keenan Hester	1-3	4	0-2	1-0	0-1	-	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP
Dyllon Lester	3-0	3	-	2-0	1-0	-	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP
Jarrad Baker	3-0	3	-	-	DNP	-	-	-	-	1-0	-	DNP	1-0	1-0	-	-
Ja'Cari Henderson	2-1	3	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	-	DNP	-	-	2-1
Keenan Cupit	1-2	3	-	-	DNP	DNP	DNP	1-2	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	-	-	DNP
Johnny Richardson	2-0	2	-	-	1-0	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1-0
Austin Camden	2-0	2	1-0	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1-0	-	-	-	-	-
Kervins Choute	2-0	2	2-0	DNP	-	DNP	-	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP
Jaiden Francois	2-0	2	1-0	DNP	-	DNP	1-0	-	DNP	DNP	DNP	-	-	-	-	-
Ryan O'Keefe	2-0	2	1-0	-	-	-	-	-	1-0	-	-	-	-	-	-	DNP
Alex Ward	1-1	2	-	-	0-1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1-0	-
Malachi Lawrence	1-1	2	1-0	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	-	0-1	DNP	DNP	DNP
Branden Jennings	0-2	2	0-1	0-1	-	-	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP
Xavier Townsend	1-0	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1-0	-	-
Javon Baker	1-0	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1-0
Keahnist Thompson	1-0	1	1-0	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP
Ryker Casey	1-0	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1-0	-
Colton Boomer	1-0	1	DNP	DNP	-	-	-	-	-	-	1-0	-	-	-	-	-
Kobe Hudson	0-1	1	-	DNP	DNP	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0-1	-
John Rhys Plumlee	0-1	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	0-1	-	DNP	-	-	-	-	-



TEAM GAME HIGHS

RUSHES	56	Georgia Tech (09/24/2022)
	56	at Fla. Atlantic (09/17/2022)
YARDS RUSHING	345	at South Fla. (11/26/2022)
YARDS PER RUSH	7.4	Temple (10/13/2022)
TD RUSHES	6	Temple (10/13/2022)
PASS ATTEMPTS	48	at Tulane (12/03/2022)
PASS COMPLETIONS	25	at East Carolina (10/22/2022)
	25	at Fla. Atlantic (09/17/2022)
YARDS PASSING	433	Temple (10/13/2022)
YARDS PER PASS	15.5	Temple (10/13/2022)
TD PASSES	4	Temple (10/13/2022)
	4	at Memphis (11/05/2022)
	4	South Carolina St. (09/01/2022)
TOTAL PLAYS	96	at Tulane (12/03/2022)
TOTAL OFFENSE	737	Temple (10/13/2022)
YARDS PER PLAY	10.7	Temple (10/13/2022)
POINTS	70	Temple (10/13/2022)
SACKS BY	4	Georgia Tech (09/24/2022)
	4	Cincinnati (10/29/2022)
FIRST DOWNS	32	at Fla. Atlantic (09/17/2022)
PENALTIES	11	Louisville (09/09/2022)
PENALTY YARDS	111	Louisville (09/09/2022)
TURNOVERS	4	at East Carolina (10/22/2022)
PUNTS	8	Louisville (09/09/2022)
PUNTING AVG	48.3	Navy (11/19/2022)
LONG PUNT	60	vs Duke (N) (12/28/2022)
PUNTS INSIDE 20	3	Navy (11/19/2022)
	3	SMU (10/05/2022)
LONG PUNT RETURN	31	Georgia Tech (09/24/2022)



INDIVIDUAL GAME HIGHS

RUSHES	22	Isaiah Bowser vs South Carolina St. (09/01/2022)
YARDS RUSHING	176	John Rhys Plumlee at Tulane (11/12/2022)
TD RUSHES	3	John Rhys Plumlee vs Temple (10/13/2022)
	3	Isaiah Bowser vs SMU (10/05/2022)
LONG RUSH	67	John Rhys Plumlee at Tulane (11/12/2022)
PASS ATTEMPTS	39	John Rhys Plumlee at Tulane (12/03/2022)
PASS COMPLETIONS	25	John Rhys Plumlee at East Carolina (10/22/2022)
	25	John Rhys Plumlee at Fla. Atlantic (09/17/2022)
YARDS PASSING	373	John Rhys Plumlee vs Temple (10/13/2022)
TD PASSES	4	John Rhys Plumlee vs Temple (10/13/2022)
	4	John Rhys Plumlee vs South Carolina St. (09/01/2022)
LONG PASS	68	John Rhys Plumlee vs Temple (10/13/2022)
RECEPTIONS	10	Ryan O'Keefe at Memphis (11/05/2022)
YARDS RECEIVING	138	Javon Baker vs SMU (10/05/2022)
TD RECEPTIONS	2	Kobe Hudson at Tulane (12/03/2022)
	2	Kobe Hudson at Memphis (11/05/2022)
	2	Ryan O'Keefe vs Temple (10/13/2022)
	2	Kobe Hudson vs Temple (10/13/2022)
	2	Ryan O'Keefe vs SMU (10/05/2022)
LONG RECEPTION	68	Ryan O'Keefe vs Temple (10/13/2022)
PUNTS	8	Andrew Osteen vs Louisville (09/09/2022)
PUNTING AVG	48.3	Mitch McCarthy vs Navy (11/19/2022)
LONG PUNT	60	Mitch McCarthy vs Duke (N) (12/28/2022)
PUNTS INSIDE 20	3	Mitch McCarthy vs Navy (11/19/2022)
LONG PUNT RETURN	31	Xavier Townsend vs Georgia Tech (09/24/2022)
LONG KICKOFF RETURN	51	Ryan O'Keefe vs Temple (10/13/2022)
TACKLES	15	Jason Johnson at East Carolina (10/22/2022)
SACKS	1	Josh Celiscar at Tulane (12/03/2022)
	1	Ricky Barber at South Fla. (11/26/2022)
	1	Ricky Barber vs Navy (11/19/2022)
	1	Tre'mon Morris-Brash at Tulane (11/12/2022)
	1	Jason Johnson at Tulane (11/12/2022)
	1	Anthony Montalvo vs Cincinnati (10/29/2022)
	1	K.D. McDaniel vs Cincinnati (10/29/2022)
	1	Josh Celiscar vs Cincinnati (10/29/2022)
	1	Tre'mon Morris-Brash vs Cincinnati (10/29/2022)
	1	Tre'mon Morris-Brash at East Carolina (10/22/2022)
	1	Tre'mon Morris-Brash vs SMU (10/05/2022)
	1	Jeremiah Jean-Baptiste vs Georgia Tech (09/24/2022)
	1	Walter Yates vs Georgia Tech (09/24/2022)
	1	Tre'mon Morris-Brash vs Georgia Tech (09/24/2022)
	1	Ricky Barber vs Georgia Tech (09/24/2022)
	1	Lee Hunter at Fla. Atlantic (09/17/2022)
	1	Tre'mon Morris-Brash vs Louisville (09/09/2022)
	1	Josh Celiscar vs Louisville (09/09/2022)
	1	Anthony Montalvo vs Louisville (09/09/2022)
	1	Justin Hodges vs South Carolina St. (09/01/2022)
TACKLES FOR LOSS	2.5	Tre'mon Morris-Brash at East Carolina (10/22/2022)