






KNIGHTS

FOOTBALL



CAPTAINS	ATTENDANCE					ORLANDO, FLA	CAPTAINS
Blake Shapen 12, Quarterback	44,005					FBC Mortgage Stadium	Ricky Barber 5, Defensive Line
Devin Lemear 20, Safety	- 44,000+ in first three home games this season					Weather: Cloudy, 83 F / Wind: South West 9 mph	John Rhys Plumlee 10, Quarterback
Mike Smith Jr. 40, Linebacker	BAYLOR BEARS (2-3, 1-1 B12)					UCF KNIGHTS (3-2, 0-2 B12)	
Monaray Baldwin 80, Wide Receiver	Head Coach Dave Aranda 22-19 at BU / 22-19 Overall Next week: Oct. 7, Texas Tech					Head Coach Gus Malzahn 21-11 at UCF / 98-49 Overall Next week: Oct. 7, at Kansas	

× TEAM NOTES

- UCF is now 3-2 on the season.
- UCF is now 291-228-1 all-time and 195-142 at the FBS level.
- UCF is now 80-25 all-time at FBC Mortgage Stadium.
- Gus Malzahn is now 98-49 all-time and 21-11 at UCF.
- Malzahn remains two wins away from reaching the century mark as head coach (Arkansas State: 9, Auburn: 68, UCF: 21).
- UCF is now 1-1 against Baylor all-time following the two programs' first meeting in the regular season.
- UCF is now 3-2 as a member of the Big 12.

× OFFENSIVE NOTES

- UCF's 201 total yards of offense in the first quarter marked the most in the first 15 minutes of a game since the Knights accumulated 235 yards versus Stanford on Sept. 14, 2019.
- UCF scored a touchdown on three consecutive drives to start the game for the first time since jumping out to a 21-0 lead at South Florida on Nov. 26, 2022.
- Johnny Richardson's first-quarter 79-yard rushing touchdown marked the first time UCF scored on its first play of regulation since A.J. Guyton's 76-yard touchdown reception at Rice on Oct. 24, 2009.
- The 79-yard touchdown was the longest rushing play by a UCF player since Adrian Killians secured his own 79-yard touchdown rush at Navy on Oct. 21, 2017.
- Richardson secured the longest rush of his career, besting his previous high of 50 yards set at Florida Atlantic on Sept. 17, 2022.
- Richardson's 105 rushing yards mark a season-high, besting his 100-yard rushing performance versus Kent State on Aug. 31, 2023. The performance was his fifth game with 100 or more rushing yards and the most since his 147-yard performance versus UConn on Nov. 20, 2021.
- Timmy McClain's first-quarter two-yard rushing touchdown was the first of his UCF career and fifth overall. McClain threw for 234 yards on 13 completions while rushing for 17 yards on six attempts.
- Javon Baker's first-quarter 65-yard touchdown reception marked both the longest reception and touchdown of his career.
- Baker surpassed 100 receiving yards for the first time this season and the third time in his career. His 113 receiving yards are the second most in a single game in his career (138 vs. SMU on 10/5/22).
- Xavier Townsend's third-quarter six-yard receiving touchdown was both the second of his season and of his career.

✕ DEFENSIVE NOTES

- Demari Henderson's second-quarter forced fumble and subsequent 87-yard recovery return for a touchdown were both firsts in his career.
- Henderson's touchdown marked the first time a Knight has returned a fumble for a touchdown since Tre'mon Morris-Brash secured a 55-yard fumble recovery versus Marshall on Dec. 23, 2019.
- Henderson's seven tackles mark a career high, topping his previous best of three set in two games (last at South Florida on 11/26/22).
- Morris-Brash matched his career high in both sacks and tackles for loss. He recorded two of the four sacks UCF had on the day, the first game he's notched two sacks since Nov. 27, 2020, at South Florida. His three TFLs marked his second game of the season (9/16/23 vs. Villanova) and the third of his career.
- Nikai Martinez's five tackles are a career high, topping his previous best of three set in three games (last at Boise State on 9/9/23).
- Jason Johnson's 15 tackles mark a season high and match his career high with UCF (15 at East Carolina on 10/22/22). Johnson surpassed 400 career tackles with his performance, moving his career tally to 405.
- Lee Hunter's nine tackles are also a career high, topping his previous best of eight set versus Kent State on Aug. 31, 2023.

✕ SPECIAL TEAMS NOTES

- Colton Boomer converted on all five of his PAT attempts, extending his streak to 62 consecutive PATs made. He is now in sixth place all-time, jumping former Knight Javier Beorlegui (60 | 1999-00) and moving just five away from former Knight Michael Torres (67 | 2006-07).