



KNIGHTS

FOOTBALL



<p>CAPTAINS</p> <p>Xavier Benson 1, Linebacker</p> <p>Korie Black 2, Cornerback</p> <p>Jaden Nixon 3, Running Back</p> <p>Alan Bowman 7, Quarterback</p>	<p>ATTENDANCE</p> <p>44,046</p> <hr/> <p>Oklahoma St. Cowboys (7-3, 5-2 B12) Head Coach Mike Gundy 163-78 at OSU / 163-78 Overall Next week: Nov. 18, at Houston</p>	 	<p>ORLANDO, FLA.</p> <p>FBC Mortgage Stadium</p> <hr/> <p>UCF KNIGHTS (5-5, 2-5 B12) Head Coach Gus Malzahn 23-14 at UCF / 100-52 Overall Next week: Nov. 18, at Texas Tech</p>	<p>CAPTAINS</p> <p>Jason Johnson 0, Linebacker</p> <p>Ricky Barber 5, Defensive Lineman</p> <p>Alec Holler 72, Tight End</p>
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× TEAM NOTES

- UCF defeated No. 15 Oklahoma State, 45-3.
- UCF is now 5-5 on the season.
- UCF is now 293-231-1 all-time and 197-144 at the FBS level.
- Gus Malzahn secured the 100th win of his career. With a career record of 100-52 all-time and 23-14 at UCF, Malzahn becomes the fourth active head coach in the Big 12 to reach the century mark.
- Malzahn also secured his 23rd win versus a ranked opponent in his career and his third at UCF.
- In the first meeting between the two programs, UCF defeated Oklahoma State, handing the Cowboys their first-ever loss in Orlando following three bowl game victories in 1976, 2017 and 2020.
- UCF moves to 7-0 in its annual 'SpaceU' game. Since 2017, UCF has defeated opponents by a combined 202 points in the annual game. Tonight's victory is tied for the second-largest win margin, matching a 63-21 triumph over East Carolina in the first-ever edition of the Space Game on Oct. 14, 2017.
- The triumph is the 10th win in FBS program history over a ranked opponent and the eighth at FBC Mortgage Stadium.
- The 42-point win marks the largest margin of victory over a ranked opponent in program history. The previous high was the Knights' 38-13 victory over No. 19 Cincinnati on Nov. 17, 2018.
- The Knights secured their 30th win in program history on ESPN, shifting their record to 30-22 on the network.
- UCF is now 96-58 all-time during November, the most successful month historically for the Knights.

× OFFENSIVE NOTES

- The Knights' offense accumulated 592 yards, the third most in a game this season and the most in a Big 12 conference game. UCF is now averaging 494.5 yards per game, one of the top marks in both the nation and the conference. The Knights have surpassed more than 400 yards in seven of their 10 games this season.
- UCF ran for 292 yards on the ground, the second most in a game this season and the most in a Big 12 conference game. The Knights' mark of 233.7 rushing yards per game leads the conference and is one of the top averages in the nation. The performance is the seventh game this season the Knights have rushed for more than 200 yards.
- RJ Harvey set a career high in rushing yards with 206 on the ground, besting his 164-yard performance a week ago at Cincinnati on Nov. 4. Harvey's three rushing touchdowns match last week's tally as he now has 12 on the season which places him in a three-way tie for seventh all-time with Mike Grant (1997) and Daunte Culpepper (1998) for rushing touchdowns in a single season.
- Harvey has notched five consecutive games with 100 or more yards, becoming just the second player in program history to accomplish the feat. In 2007, Kevin Smith went five consecutive games with 100+ rushing yards to start the season before going eight straight to finish the campaign.
- Harvey becomes just the third player in program history with back-to-back games with three rushing touchdowns and the first since Brynn Harvey accomplished the feat in 2009.

- His 92-yard third-quarter rushing touchdown was the longest of the season for UCF and the longest rush of his career. The play marked the second-longest rush from scrimmage in program history, just four yards behind Adrian Killins Jr.'s 96-yard rushing touchdown versus Memphis on Sept. 30, 2017.
- Harvey becomes the first player to surpass 200 rushing yards in a game since Otis Anderson ran for 205 at Temple on Oct. 26, 2019, and the eighth player in program history to do so. His 206 yards are the most since Greg McCrae also tallied 206 a season prior versus Memphis on Dec. 1, 2018.
- Kobe Hudson became the first player since 2020 (Jacob Harris at South Florida on 11/27/20) and just the 17th player in program history to record three receiving touchdowns in a game. Hudson reeled in a seven-yard touchdown in the first quarter, a 75-yard touchdown in the second quarter and a 14-yard touchdown in the third quarter. His three receptions and 96 yards move him just six shy of 2,000 receiving yards in his career.
- Hudson's second-quarter 75-yard touchdown reception marked the second-longest passing touchdown of the season, 11 yards short of Javon Baker's 86-yard touchdown reception at Oklahoma on Oct. 21. The reception is the longest of Hudson's career, besting his previous career high of 69 set earlier this season at Kansas State on Sept. 23.
- Baker secured his fifth career game with 100+ receiving yards and the third this season, setting a new career-high. Baker surpassed 100 career receptions as he reeled in four passes for 112 yards.
- John Rhys Plumlee threw for a season-high 299 yards on 11 completions, propelling him past 4,000 at UCF and 5,000 in his career. Plumlee also matched his season-high with four total touchdowns (three passing and one rushing) and surpassed 400 career completions. The fifth year currently has 5,139 passing yards, 30 passing touchdowns, 27 rushing touchdowns and 409 completions in his career.
- UCF's first play of the game saw Plumlee connect with Xavier Townsend on a 37-yard completion. The reception marks Townsend's longest of his career, besting his 32-yard reception in the season-opener versus Kent State on Aug. 31.
- Receiving the ball first, the Knights' offense wasted no time in jumping out to a 14-point lead. From the opening drive to Kobe Hudson's seven-yard reception with 9:08 left on the clock, UCF had scored two touchdowns in five minutes and 52 seconds. With the ball, the Knights scored two touchdowns in just four minutes and 21 seconds.
- The scoring span marks the second fastest to open a game this season. The Knights scored two touchdowns in just one second less versus Baylor, jumping out to a 14-point lead in five minutes and 51 seconds.
- The Knights' 24-point first half is the second most Oklahoma State has allowed in a half this season. The Cowboys allowed 25 points in the first half versus Kansas on Oct. 14.
- Alec Holler's first-quarter 38-yard reception marked a season high.

× DEFENSIVE NOTES

- The Knights defense allowed the fewest points in a game since a shutout victory over Florida A&M to open the 2019 campaign on Aug. 29.
- The UCF defense allowed just three points on a lone field goal, securing the Knights their second game this season holding the opponent to zero touchdowns, with the first coming against Kent State on Aug. 31.
- The defensive performance marks the first season with two games holding opponents to zero touchdowns since 2016 when the Knights did so versus South Carolina State on Sept. 3 and Cincinnati on Nov. 12.
- In each UCF win this season, the defense has held opponents to 30 points or less and the season-low tonight marked the 23rd game under Gus Malzahn it has accomplished the feat. The Knights are 20-3 since 2021 when doing so.
- UCF's defense held the leading rusher in the nation, Ollie Gordon, to just 25 yards on the ground and the team to only 52 rushing yards. For the Cowboys, the tally is the fewest in a single game since a 34-yard performance against Texas on Nov. 15, 2014.
- UCF forced four turnovers en route to the win, the most this season and the highest amount under Malzahn. The tally is the most since UCF secured one interception and three fumble recoveries at East Carolina on Sept. 26, 2020.

- Along with one fumble recovery, the Knights defense intercepted Oklahoma State three times in the win, the most since tallying three versus UConn on Nov. 20, 2021, versus UConn.
- Demari Henderson intercepted two passes, a career high, and recovered a fumble in the first quarter, making him the first Knight to secure three turnovers since Antwan Collier recovered two fumbles and tallied an interception in the 2019 Gasparilla Bowl against Marshall on Dec. 23, 2019.
- Henderson's two interceptions are the most in a single game since Aaron Robinson secured two at Temple on Oct. 26, 2019.
- Henderson also becomes the first Knight to recover three fumbles in a season since teammate Quadric Bullard accomplished the feat in 2021.
- Freshman Braeden Marshall notched the first interception of his career with UCF early in the first quarter.
- Lee Hunter set a career high with two tackles for loss, besting his previous high of one which he's done three times in his career (last at Oklahoma on Oct. 21).

× SPECIAL TEAMS NOTES

- Colton Boomer was good on his lone field goal attempt of the night from 30 yards. He is now 12 of 16 on the season and 26 of 31 in his career.
- Boomer extended his consecutive PATs-made streak to 81, leveling him with Charlie Pierce (1993-94) and Shawn Moffitt (2012-14) for third all-time.