





The I Knight -

2024 UCF FOOTBALL GAME NOTES

GAME INFORMATION





COLORADO BUFFALOES (3-1, 1-0 B12)

Head Coach Deion Sanders 2nd Season at CU / 5th Overall 7-9 at CU / 33-15 Overall

UCF KNIGHTS (3-0, 1-0 B12)

Head Coach Gus Malzahn 4th Season at UCF / 13th Overall 27-16 at UCF / 104-54 Overall

Date	_ Saturday, September 28, 2024
Time	3:30 p.m. ET
Site	0 1 1 51 11
Stadium	
	Natural Grass
	44,206
TV	FOX
Play-by-Play	Kevin Kugler
Analyst	
Sideline	
Radio	FM 96.9/AM 740 The Game,
	Sirius XM 84 & Sirius XM App
Play-by-Play	Marc Daniels
Analyst	
Sideline	
	UCFKnights YouTube
Play-by-Play	Carlos Bohorquez
	Sergio Ruiz Torres
Live Stats	IICEKnights com

2024 RECORD BREAKDOWN

Overall	3-0
Conference	1-0
Home	2-0
Away	1-0
Neutral	0-0

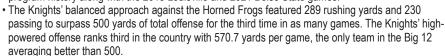
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Please refer to the University of Central Florida as UCF, not Central Florida, on all references. Also, UCF is no longer the "Golden Knights" and instead simply known as the "Knights."

FIRST AND 10

- For the fourth consecutive game, UCF will play a first-time opponent, as the Colorado Buffaloes head to Orlando this weekend. Saturday's game is slated for a 3:30 p.m. kickoff from FBC Mortgage Stadium. The game will air live on FOX with Kevin Kugler as play-by-play, Brock Huard analyst and Allison Williams sideline reporter.
- FOX also announced Sunday that its popular pregame show will be broadcasting live from UCF's campus at 10 a.m. Saturday (Memory Mall). It marks the first time in program history that the star-studded show will be broadcasting from Orlando. The two-hour pregame show will be hosted by Rob Stone and analysts Mark Ingram II, Matt Leinart, Urban Meyer and Brady Quinn along with reporters Bruce Feldman and Tom Rinaldi and wagering expert, Chris 'The Bear' Fallica.
- In its last time out, UCF rallied from a 21-point deficit to earn a 35-34 victory at TCU on Saturday, Sept. 14, to open Big 12 Conference play with a win for the first time. The 21-point comeback win is tied for the largest in

program history along with the 2013 Louisville and 2021 Boise State games.



- UCF has now rushed for 1,127 yards with 13 touchdowns on the ground through the first three games of the season. The Knights lead the nation with 375.7 rushing yards per game, which is nearly 100 more than the next-closest Power Four Conference team (Tennessee 290.0). UCF has ranked among the nation's top 10 in rushing offense each of the past two seasons.
- UCF is the only team in the nation that has rushed for at least 140 yards in each of the last 16 games, dating back to last season. During that span, the Knights have rushed for 200 or more yards 12 times and 250 plus six times.
- After earning Big 12 Offensive Player of the Week honors on Monday. Sept. 16. UCF running back RJ Harvey was selected as the Doak Walker Award National Running Back of the Week on Tuesday. Sept. 17. Last season, Harvey was a semifinalist for the Doak Walker Award, presented annually to the nation's top running back, and was on the 2024 preseason watch list. Harvey's standout performance helped lead UCF to a win in its conference opener at TCU, as he rushed for 180 yards on 29 carries with two touchdowns in the Knights' 35-34 win against the Horned Frogs in Fort Worth, Texas. Orlando's Hometown Hero also scored his second career receiving touchdown to end the day with 209 all-purpose vards and three total touchdowns.
- In contrast, UCF's defense has been stout against the run, allowing just 64.0 rushing yards per game. That mark leads the Big 12 and is the fifth-fewest nationally. The Black and Gold have not allowed more than 67 rushing yards in its first three games and have not allowed a rushing touchdown, one of only seven FBS teams to accomplish the feat.
- Since the start of the 2017 season, UCF has accumulated 68 wins, the ninth-most wins by an FBS program. The Knights went 13-0 in 2017, 12-1 in 2018, 10-3 in 2019, 6-4 in the Covid-shortened 2020 season, 9-4 in 2021, 9-5 in 2022 and 6-7 last season. The Knights join Alabama, Georgia, Clemson, Ohio State, Oklahoma, Notre Dame, Michigan and Appalachian State as the only programs to win at least 67 games since 2017.
- UCF earned its 200th victory as an FBS program (since 1996) in the win against Sam Houston, as the Knights are the youngest Power Four Conference program with the University founded in 1963.

2024 SCHEDULE & RESULTS



New Hampshire

Aug. 29

7 p.m.

W. 57-3



Sept. 7

6:30 p.m.

W. 45-14



W. 35-34



Sept. 28 3:30 p.m. FOX







Oct. 12

TBA







TBA



Nov. 2







Nov. 23

TBA



at Arizona State* Nov. 9

QUICK FACTS

GENERAL INFORMATION

School	University of Central Florida
City, State, Zip	Orlando, Fla., 32816
Founded	1963
Enrollment	68,442
Nickname	Knights
School Colors	Black and Gold
Stadium	FBC Mortgage Stadium
Capacity	44,206
Surface	419 Bermuda Grass
Affiliation/Conference	NCAA DI - FBS/Big 12
University President	Alexander N. Cartwright
Director of Athletics	Terry Mohajir
Ticket Office Phone	407-UCF-1000

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UCF FOOTBALL STAFF

Head Coach	Gus Malzahn
Defensive Coordinator/LBs	Ted Roof
Offensive Coordinator/WRs	Tim Harris
Co-Defensive Coordinator/DBs	Addison Williams (Booth)
Co-Offensive Coordinator/QBs	Darin Hinshaw (Booth)
Special Teams Coordinator/TEs	Brian Blackmon
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Defensive Tackles	Kenny Martin
Defensive Ends/Rush	Kenny Ingram
Run Game Coordinator/RBs	Kam Martin
Special Teams Analyst	Ben Larson
Defensive Analyst	Conor Raad
Offensive Analyst	Neal Posey
Analyst	Sean Beckton Sr.
Offensive Graduate Assistant	Nate Craig-Myers
Offensive Graduate Assistant	Josh Fridrich
Defensive Graduate Assistant	Alex Ward
Defensive Graduate Assistant	Michael Mosah
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Director of Football Strength & Co	ond. Anthony Kincy
Assoc. Dir. of Sports Performance	Morris Henry
Asst. Dir. of Sports Performance	Andrew Shirek Espinoza
Asst. Dir. of Sports Performance	Sean Beckton Jr.

FOOTBALL INFORMATION

Bowl Seasons	2005,	2007,	2009,	2010,	2012,	2013,
2014, 2016, 2017,	2018,	2019,	2020,	2021,	2022,	2023
First Year of Football/First Year of FBS Football						

	1979/1996
All-Time Record	298-233-1 (.561)
FBS Record (Since 1996)	201-147 (.578)
Record at FBC Mortgage Stadium	84-26 (.763)

THE OPPONENT

- Colorado owns a 3-1 record heading into Saturday's Big 12 Conference matchup against UCF. The Buffaloes rallied to defeat Baylor, 38-31, on Saturday, after a last-second Hail Mary forced the game into overtime.
- Now in his second season with the program, head coach Deion Sanders has a 7-9 record at CU and a 33-15 overall record in his fifth season as a head coach. Sanders makes his return to the Sunshine State, where he was an All-American at Florida State.
- Buffs two-way player Travis Hunter was voted the Preseason Big 12 Defensive Player of the Year and was recently named the Big 12 Defensive Player of the Week on Monday, Sept. 16.
- Colorado is averaging 26.8 points per game, while opponents have scored 23.5 ppg. Quarterback Shedeur Sanders leads the offense passing for 335 yards per game and has thrown 11 touchdowns with only two interceptions. Hunter, who plays wide receiver and defensive back, leads the Big 12 with 9.25 receptions per game and 118 receiving yards per contest.

COLORADO SCHEDULE				
A29	NORTH DAKOTA STATE	W,31-26		
S7	at Nebraska	L, 10-28		
S14	at Colorado State	W, 28-9		
S21	BAYLOR	W, 38-31 (OT)		
S28	at UCF	3:30 P.M.		
012	KANSAS STATE	TBA		
019	at Arizona	TBA		
026	CINCINNATI	TBA		
N9	at Texas Tech	TBA		
N16	UTAH	TBA		
N23	at Kansas	TBA		
N29	OKLAHOMA STATE	10 A.M.		
All times	ET			

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A WIN WOULD...

- Give the Knights a 4-0 start to the season for the first time since 2018
- Give UCF head coach Gus Malzahn a 4-0 start to the season for the third time in his career (first since 2019) and first time as Knights head coach
- Give UCF a win in its Big 12 home conference opener for the first time in program history
- Give UCF a 2-0 start to Big 12 play and a 3-0 record at home this season
- Be better than a loss

MALZAHN AFTER BYE WEEKS

Throughout his 13-year head coaching tenure, Gus Malzahn's teams have been very difficult to beat coming off a bye week, as Malzahn has compiled a 10-2 mark in the first game following the bye week. He was a perfect 9-0 during his time at Arkansas State and Auburn and is 1-2 with UCF.

Arkansas State

2012 - W at North Texas, 37-19

Auburn

2013 - W at No. 24 Ole Miss, 30-22

2014 - W vs. No. 14 LSU, 41-7

2015 - W at Kentucky, 30-27

2016 - W vs. No. 17 Arkansas, 56-3

2017 - W at Texas A&M, 42-27

2018 - W vs. No. 25 Texas A&M, 28-24

2019 - W at Arkansas, 51-10

2020 - W at Tennessee, 30-17 (Schedule adjusted due to Covid-19 Pandemic)

UCF

2021 - L at Navy, 34-30

2022 – W vs. Temple, 70-13 (Schedule adjusted due to Hurricane Ian)

2023 - L at No. 6 Oklahoma, 31-29

HARVEY NAMED NATIONAL RUNNING BACK, BIG 12 OFFENSIVE PLAYER OF THE WEEK

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imes KNIGHT **Trends (2024)**

Overall	3-(
Big 12	1-(
Non-Conference	2-(
Home	2-(
Away	1-0
Neutral Current overall streak	0-0 Won 3
Current home streak	
	Won 4
Current conference streak	
Current road streak	Won 1
Current neutral site streak Current bowl streak	Lost 1
	Lost 2
Last win	9/14/24, at TCU, 35-34
Last loss Day game	12/21/23, vs Georgia Tech, 30-17 0-0
Night game	3-(
TV game	3-(
ABC	0-(
ESPN	0-0
ESPN2	0-0
Fox	1-0
Fox Sports 1	0-0
Fox Sports 2	0-0
August	1-0
September	2-0
October	0-(
November	0-(
vs. FBS Top-25 teams	0-(
vs. FBS non-ranked teams	3-0
On artificial turf	0-(
On natural grass	3-(
Scoring first	2-0
Opponent scores first	0-(
Leading after 1st quarter	2-0
Trailing after 1st quarter	1-0
Fied after 1st quarter	0-(
Leading at halftime	2-0
Trailing at halftime	1-0
Tied at halftime	0-(
Leading after 3rd quarter	2-(
Trailing after 3rd quarter	1-0
Tied after 3rd quarter	0-(
Overtime	0-(
Scoring 0-14 points	0-0
Scoring 15-28 points	0-0
Scoring 29-39 points	1-0
Scoring 40+ points	2-0
Allowing 0-14 points	2-0
Allowing 15-28 points	0-0
Allowing 29+ points	1-0
With 100-yard rusher	3-(
Allow 100-yard rusher	0-(
With 300-yard passer	0-0
Allow 300-yard passer	1-0
Outgain opponent	3-0
Total offense 300+ yards	3-(
Allow 300+ yards total offense	
Total offense 400+ yards	3-(
Allow 400+ yards total offense	
Total offense 500+ yards	3-(
Allow 500+ yards total offense	
Total offense 600+ yards	1-0
Allow 600+ yards total offense	
No turnovers	1-0
Less than three turnovers	2-0
Three or more turnovers	0-0
No takeaways	1-0
Two or more takeaways	2-(
Commit fewer turnovers	2-(
Equal turnovers	0-(
Commit more turnovers	0-(
Control time of possession	3-(
Opponent controls time of po	
	1-(
Games decided by 1-8 points	
Games decided by 9-16 points	
Games decided by 17-24 points	
Games decided by 25+ points Win Coin Toss	
	1-(
Lose Coin Toss	2-(
Black Jerseys with White Num	
Knightmode Black Jerseys with	
	Numbers 0-0
Lightmode Jerseys with Gold I White Jerseys	1-0

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He had seven rushes of 10 or more yards in the win, headlined by a 27-yard rushing TD in the fourth quarter, which was the longest rush for either team in the game.

Harvey has now rushed for more than 100 yards in his last five games dating back to 2023, scoring 11 TDs during that span.

HISTORIC COMEBACK

Trailing 21-7 at halftime and 28-7 following the first drive of the second half, UCF was unfazed in its win at comeback win at TCU, as the Knight chipped away at the deficit. The Knights outscored TCU 13-10 in the third quarter and 15-3 in the fourth quarter to open Big 12 play with a win.

The comeback win ties the Boise State game from 2021 and the Louisville game from 2013, head coach Gus Malzahn's first game leading the Knights, for the largest come-from-behind win in program history. In just four seasons, Malzahn has guided his teams to two of the largest comeback wins in program history.

GARNERING ATTENTION

Following UCF's 3-0 start to the season, the Knights received 35 votes in this week's American Football Coaches Association (AFCA) Top 25 Poll to sit five spots shy of No. 25. Additionally, the Black and Gold earned three votes in the latest Associated Press (AP) Poll.

HUGE GAME FOR HUDSON

Wide receiver Kobe Hudson turned in one of his best games of his career in the win at TCU, as the fifth year tallied six catches for 145 yards with a pair of touchdown grabs, including the gamewinner with 36 seconds remaining.

The 145 yards are just two shy of his career high 147, achieved in the Villanova win last season. For his performance, Hudson was named to the Pro Football Focus (PFF) Big 12 Team of the Week and was also tabbed the Reese's Senior Bowl Stock Up Player of the Week.

CLUTCH WHEN IT COUNTS

After helping lead UCF to a 35-34 comeback win at TCU, quarterback KJ Jefferson was selected to

the Davey O'Brien Great 8 List and a Manning Award Star of the Week on Tuesday, Sept. 17. Jefferson spearheaded a second-half rally for the Knights, as the Black and Gold overcame a 21-point deficit to defeat the Horned Frogs in the Big 12 Conference opener for both teams.

Hailing from Sardis, Mississippi, Jefferson finished the game 13-of-22 for 230 yards passing with three touchdowns and contributed 46 yards rushing to end the game with 276 total yards. He was at his best in the second half, as he was 9-of-11 for 166 yards with two touchdowns.

Jefferson had a 191.9 quarterback rating for the game, connecting on nine of his last 11 passes, including his first five passes of the second half. On UCF's game-winning drive, he was 4-of-5 for 54 yards and found wide receiver Kobe Hudson across the middle on a post route to knot the score at 34-34 before Colton Boomer's extra point split the uprights to give UCF the one-point victory.

HALFTIME ADJUSTMENTS

The Knights have scored more points (55) in the third quarters of games this season than any other quarter and have held opponents to just 10 points, tied for the fewest in any quarter. The 45-point difference is also the largest delta in any quarter this year.

UCF has executed its gameplan coming out of the halftime intermission, making the necessary adjustments to continue its success.

KNIGHT NOTES (Cont.)

RUNNING WILD

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After ranking among the nation's top 10 in rushing offense the past two seasons, the UCF football program is poised to have another strong year on the ground in 2024. UCF has now rushed for 1,127 yards with 13 touchdowns on the ground through the first three games of the season.

The Knights lead the nation with 375.7 rushing yards per game, which is nearly 100 more than the next-closest Power Four Conference team (Tennessee 290.0). UCF has ranked among the nation's top 10 in rushing offense each of the past two seasons.

The Black and Gold rushed for 454 yards in the season opener against New Hampshire, the second most in program history. Additionally, UCF's 8.4 rushing yards per carry were the second most in a single game in program history.

The Knights were fourth nationally in rushing offense with 228.2 rushing yards per game last season. UCF rushed for 200 or more yards in nine of its 13 games in 2023 and has picked up where it left off to start the 2024 season.

ONE OF ONE

UCF is the only team in the nation that has rushed for at least 140 yards in each of the last 16 games, dating back to last season. During that span, the Knights have rushed for 200 or more yards 12 times and 250 plus six times.

HARVEY CLIMBING THE PROGRAM RECORD BOOKS

UCF running back RJ Harvey tied the program record and set a career high with four rushing touchdowns in the Knights' 45-14 victory against Sam Houston on Sept. 7 and has continued to etch his name in the Knights' record books. The Orlando native finished with 126 rushing yards on 19 carries, finding the end zone four times - the first UCF player to do so since Isaiah Bowser in 2021.

After scored two rushing touchdowns at TCU, Harvey is now tied for fourth on UCF's career list with Greg McCrae. UCF Hall of Famer Latavius Murray is third on the list with 37.

In addition, Harvey has 2,663 career rushing yards to rank fourth alltime behind Willie English with 3,131.

FAMILIAR FACES

Several UCF players will recognize one of Colorado's starting wide receivers, as Jimmy Horn Jr. attended nearby Seminole High School in Sanford, Florida, where Knight players Ja'Cari and Demari Henderson, Chasen Johnson, Kam Moore and Jordan Davis attended.

Also, Horn played in FBC Mortgage Stadium in 2021 when he was at South Florida.

UCF, CU BOULDER JOIN FORCES FOR NASA MOON MISSION

UCF and CU Boulder researchers are partners on a NASA mission to send a robotic lander and rover to a previously unexplored part of the moon. The area, known for its unusual volcanic domes, may hold clues to the history of lunar volcanic activity and offer potential resources for future space exploration.

UCF's Kerri Donaldson Hanna and Adrienne Dove (a CU Boulder alum) are leading the Lunar-VISE (Lunar Vulkan Imaging and Spectroscopy Explorer) mission, scheduled to launch in late 2028.

CU Boulder's Paul Hayne, Margaret Landis and Lena Heffern from the Laboratory for Atmospheric and Space Physics will help operate the instruments and process the science data.

For more information: LunarVISE | Research (ucf.edu)

THAT'S NEW

The Black and Gold's first four opponents of 2024 (New Hampshire, Sam Houston, TCU and Colorado) are all first-time opponents. Additionally, UCF head coach Gus Malzahn is also facing those four opponents for the first time in his 13-year head coaching tenure. In total, the Knights' 2024 slate features seven first-time opponents (Iowa State, Arizona and Utah).

NEW LOOK SCHEDULE

Despite being in its second year in the Big 12 Conference, UCF only plays two opponents that it played in 2023 – Cincinnati and West Virginia. That mark is tied with BYU (Kansas and Oklahoma State) for the fewest among returning Big 12 teams.

ALL OF THE NEWCOMERS

UCF is the only team in the Big 12 that will play each of the four newcomers to the league. The Knights host Colorado (Sept. 28), Arizona (Nov. 2) and Utah (Nov. 29), while traveling to Arizona State on Nov. 9.

VETERAN EXPERIENCE

UCF has veteran experience on both sides of the ball, as the Knights have numerous players ranked among the nation's top 25 in various active career categories. Below is a comprehensive list.

RJ Harvey

Rushing Touchdowns (29): 8th Total TDs Scored (31): 8th Rushing Yards (2,663): 11th Rushes per game: 24th

Kobe Hudson

Receiving Yards Per Catch (17.0): 3rd Receiving Touchdowns (21): 8th Receiving Yards (2,356): 12th Receiving Yards Per Game (49.0): 21st

KJ Jefferson

Rushing Touchdowns by a QB (22): 1st Passing Yards Per Attempt (8.32): 4th Passing Touchdowns (72): 5th Total TDs Responsible (94): 5th Completion Percentage (65.0): 10th Passing Efficiency (154.93): 10th Passing Yards (8,474): 14th Passing Completions (645): 15th Rushing Touchdowns (22): 22nd

Deshawn Pace

Total Tackles (265): 15th Interceptions (7): 23rd



ANOTHER 50-YARDER FOR BOOMER

Junior kicker Colton Boomer connected on his lone field goal attempt in last Saturday's game against Sam Houston, a 50-yarder that split the uprights. He was a perfect 6-of-6 on PATs and 1-of-1 on field goals.

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The Lake Mary, Florida, native now owns three field goals of at least 50 yards in his career to tie Ed O'Brien (1984-87) for the second most in program history. Only UCF Hall of Famer ('02) Scott Ryerson has more with seven.

CHILDHOOD CANCER AWARENESS GAME

The UCF football team, in conjunction with the Orlando Health Arnold Palmer Hospital for Children, recognized Childhood Cancer Awareness Month in last Saturday's game against Sam Houston.

After a successful spring game, which featured pediatric patients from the hospital creating their own UCF helmet logos for the game, the helmets helped showcase the brave patients once again during Childhood Cancer Awareness Month as they continue in the fight for their lives. The



football team donned specially designed logos on each side of their helmets.

UCF IN SEASON OPENERS

UCF now owns a 35-10 all-time mark in season openers and has won the first game of the season in each of the last nine years dating back to the 2016 season with last Thursday's victory against New Hampshire.

MALZAHN IN SEASON OPENERS

In 13 seasons as a collegiate head coach, Gus Malzahn has compiled a 12-1 record in the opening game of the year with his program. He's 4-0 as the head coach of the Knights and has won his last nine season openers dating back to the 2016 season at Auburn. His UCF teams have outscored opponents 205-50 in season openers.

OFFENSIVE GURU

Known as one of the best offensive minds in college football, not only have UCF offenses ranked among the nation's best each season under head coach Gus Malzahn, but also several of the nation's other top offenses have connections to Malzahn.

North Carolina, which ranked seventh nationally in total offense (491.2) last season, is led by offensive coordinator Chip Lindsey, who spent the 2022 season as UCF's offensive coordinator and also worked under Malzahn at Auburn. Texas State head coach GJ Kinne had the Bobcats ranked 15th in total offense last year. Kinne accepted the head coaching job after spending the 2021 season as the Knights' offensive coordinator.

SMU, which was 16th in the nation in total offense in 2023, is coached by Rhett Lashlee, who Malzahn coached at Springdale High School in Arkansas and then later hired at Auburn.

ELITE TERRITORY

UCF head coach Gus Malzahn is the only coach to ever win 100 career games as a high school coach and 100 career games at the FBS level as a collegiate head coach. Malzahn was the head coach at Hughes High School from 1992-1995, Shiloh Christian High School from 1996-2000 and Springdale High School from 2001-05 with all three located in the state of Arkansas.

Malzahn's first collegiate head coaching job was at Arkansas State in 2012, before spending the next eight seasons at Auburn and then taking over at UCF.

UCF CONSISTENTLY AMONG NCAA STAT LEADERS

UCF finished the 2023 season ranked among the top 10 in two major offensive categories: eighth nationally in total offense (487.0 yards per game) and fourth in rushing offense (228.2).

The Knights are no strangers to qualifying among the nation's top offenses and rushing attacks. Here's a recent history of where UCF has landed in final NCAA stat numbers and rankings:

Total Offense

2024	3rd	570.7
2023	8th	487.0
2020	2nd	568.1
2019	2nd	540.5
2018	5th	522.7
2017	5th	530.5

Rushing

1st	375.0
4th	228.2
9th	228.4
19th	223.8
8th	265.2
	4th 9th 19th

HOME-FIELD ADVANTAGE

UCF's all-time record of 84-26 (.761) ranks in the top 15 in the nation for best win percentage in a current home stadium. The Knights earned win No. 80 against Villanova in 2023.

Since 2017, the Knights are 41-6 in home games at FBC Mortgage Stadium.

The Knights finished last season with a 4-2 home record and were undefeated at home in 2021, marking the seventh time in UCF's FBS era, the ninth overall, and the fourth time in five years.

UCF AT HOME

2017 (7-0)

W—Florida International (8-31-17)

W-Memphis

W-East Carolina

W-Austin Peav

W-Connecticut

W-#22 South Florida

W-#16 Memphis (AAC Championship)

2018 (8-0)

W—South Carolina State

W—Florida Atlantic

W-Pittsburgh

W-SMU

W-Temple

W-Navy

W-#19 Cincinnati

W-Memphis (AAC Championship)

2019 (6-0)

W-Florida A&M

W-Stanford

W—Connecticut

W-East Carolina

W-Houston

W-South Florida

2020 (2-2)

L—Tulsa (34-26, 10-3-20, ended 21-game home win streak)

W-Tulane

W-Temple

L-#7 Cincinnati (36-33, 11-21-20)

2021 (7-0)

W-Boise State

W-Bethune-Cookman

W-East Carolina

W-Memphis

W-Tulane

W-Connecticut

W-South Florida

2022 (5-2)

W-South Carolina State

L—Louisville, 20-14, 9-9-22, ended eight-game home win streak)

W-Georgia Tech

W-SMU

W-Temple

W-#20 Cincinnati

L-Navy

2023 (4-2)

W-Kent State

W-Villanova

L—Baylor

L-West Virginia

W -#15 Oklahoma State

W-Houston

2024 (2-0)

W-New Hampshire

W-Sam Houston

KEEP AN EYE ON...

Seven UCF student-athletes appeared on a preseason watch list in advance of the start of the 2024 season. Below is a comprehensive list:

- RB RJ Harvey (Doak Walker Award, Maxwell Award)
- WR Kobe Hudson (Biletnikoff Award)
- DT Lee Hunter (Outland Trophy, Bednarik Award, Lombardi Trophy, Bronko Nagurski Trophy)
- QB KJ Jefferson (Maxwell Award, Davey O'Brien Award, Johnny Unitas
- OL Caden Kitler (Earl Campbell Tyler Rose Award)
- WR Xavier Townsend (Paul Hornung Award)
- DB William Wells (Wuerffel Trophy)

NEW COORDINATORS. NEW COACHES

UCF's offense and defense could look different in 2024, as the Knights have new coordinators on both sides of the ball. Tim Harris Jr. returns to the Black and Gold to help direct the offense after spending the 2023 season at Miami. He spent the 2021-22 seasons on staff with the Knights in Malzahn's first two seasons.

Ted Roof, who won a national championship with Malzahn when the two were coordinators at Auburn in 2010, takes over the defense for the season. Additionally, Trovon Reed was hired as cornerbacks coach in January 2024.

LEADING THE CHARGE

Quarterback KJ Jefferson, running back RJ Harvey, offensive lineman Marcellus Marshall and linebacker Ethan Barr have been voted team captains of the 2024 UCF football quad. The selections mark the first time that each captain has been a transfer student-athlete.

SENIOR BOWL WATCH LIST

A program-record 11 UCF football standouts—defensive back Brandon Adams, defensive tackle Ricky Barber, running back Peny Boone, running back RJ Harvey, wide receiver Kobe Hudson, defensive lineman Lee Hunter, quarterback KJ Jefferson, defensive end Malachi Lawrence, offensive lineman Marcellus Marshall, defensive back Mac McWilliams and linebacker Deshawn Pace — were named to the watch list for the 2025 Reese's Senior Bowl All-Star Game.

Held annually in Mobile, Alabama, the 2025 game is slated for Saturday, Feb. 1, 2025 at Hancock Whitney Stadium on the South Alabama campus.

PRESEASON PROJECTIONS

For the second consecutive year, UCF was picked to finish eighth in the Big 12 Conference Preseason Poll by the media. Conference newcomer Utah was picked to win the league in 2024.

2024 Big 12 Football Media Preseason Poll

1. Utan (20)	906
2. Kansas State (19)	889
3. Oklahoma State (14)	829
4. Kansas (5)	772
5. Arizona (3)	762
6. Iowa State	661
7. West Virginia	581
8. UCF	551
9. Texas Tech	532
10. TCU	436
11. Colorado	400
12. Baylor	268
13. BYU	215
14. Cincinnati	196
15. Houston	157
16. Arizona State	141

MALZAHN VS. OPPONENTS

Alabama 3-5 Alabama A&M 1-0	Ole Miss
	Mississippi State5-3
Alabama State1-0	Missouri2-0
Alcorn State1-0	Navy0-2
Arkansas 7-1	Nebraska0-1
Arkansas State 2-0	New Hampshire1-0
Baylor 0-1	North Texas1-0
Bethune-Cookman1-0	Oklahoma 0-2
Boise State2-0	Oklahoma State 1-0
Cincinnati2-1	Oregon1-1
Clemson0-2	Purdue1-0
Duke0-1	Samford2-0
East Carolina1-1	Sam Houston 1-0
Florida1-1	San Jose State 2-0
Florida Atlantic2-0	South Alabama 1-0
Florida International 1-0	South Carolina1-1
Florida State0-1	South Carolina State 1-0
Georgia2-7	SMU1-1
Georgia Southern 1-0	Southern Miss1-0
Georgia Tech1-1	South Florida2-0
Houston1-0	TCU 1-0
Idaho1-0	Temple2-0
Jacksonville State1-0	Tennessee2-1
Kansas0-1	Texas A&M5-3
Kansas State1-1	Texas Tech0-1
Kent State 2-0	Troy1-0
Kentucky2-0	Tulane3-1
Liberty 1-0	UCF0-1
LSU	UConn1-0
Louisiana 1-0	Vanderbilt1-0
ULM 3-0	Villanova1-0
Louisiana Tech1-0	Washington 1-0
Louisville1-2	Washington State 1-0
Memphis 3-0	West Virginia0-1
Mercer1-0	Western Carolina1-0
Middle Tennessee1-0	Western Kentucky0-1
Minnesota0-1	Wisconsin0-1
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MEDIA POLICIES

INTERVIEW POLICY

All interviews must be coordinated through the UCF Athletics strategic communications office. Please do not attempt to contact players, coaches or other team personnel directly by any means of communication, including personal phone numbers, email and social media accounts.

CLOSED PRACTICES

Practices are not open to the media during the season.

MEDIA AVAILABILITIES

The UCF football team will hold a Monday press conference with head coach Gus Malzahn and two players each week at 11:30 a.m. in the Steve and Brenda Sloan Media Room at FBC Mortgage Stadium.

POSTGAME INTERVIEWS

Coach Malzahn and selected student-athletes will meet the media following the game in the Steve and Brenda Sloan media room for home games and will use a designated location for road games. UCF's locker room is closed to the media.

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ATTENDANCE **NOTES**

Milestone Attendance Marks

- Including an exhibition game against Team Moscow in 1992, 6,381,645 spectators have attended UCF home games since 1979.
- · Including all games, home, away, neutral and exhibition, since 1979 12,886,168 spectators have watched the Knights play in person.
- Since opening FBC Mortgage in 2007, 3,573,087 fans have attended UCF home football games.

Largest Home Crowds in UCF History

	Opponent (Year) A	ttendance
1.	Tulsa (2005 - C-USA Champ.)	51,978
2.	Virginia Tech (2000)	50,220
3.	Miami (2009)	48,453
4.	Cincinnati (2018)	47,795
5.	South Carolina (2013)	47,605
6.	South Florida (2017)	47,129
7.	South Florida (2008)	46,805
8.	South Florida (2006)	46,708
9.	Marshall (2007)	46,103
10.	South Florida (2013)	45,952
IICF n	layed at the Florida Citrus Bowl fro	m 1979-06

until FBC Mortgage Stadium opened in 2007.

Largest Away Crowds in UCF History

	Opponent (Year)	Attendance				
1.	Michigan (2016)	109,295				
2.	Ohio State (2012)	104,745				
3.	Penn State (2002)	103,029				
4.	Penn State (2004)	101,715				
<u>4.</u> 5.	Texas (2009)	101,003				
6.	Penn State (2013)	92,855				
7.	Florida (2006)	90,210				
8.	Georgia (1999)	86,117				
9.	Florida (1999)	85,346				
10.	Alabama (2000)	83,818				

RECORD AT FBC MORTGAGE STADIUM OVERALL 84-26 CONFERENCE 52-16 **POSTSEASON** 3-0 **Outscored Opponents** 3,447-1,886

GAM	ES (without	1992 exhibition game)			
1	9/22/79	at St. Leo	W	21-0	
100	10/8/88	New Haven	L	23-31	
200	9/27/97	at Auburn	L	14-41	
250	11/24/01	Louisiana-Lafayette	W	31-0	
300	9/9/06	at Florida	L	0-42	
350	9/4/10	South Dakota	W	38-7	
400	11/29/13	S. Florida	W	23-20	
450	11/18/17	at Temple	W	45-19	
500	11/20/21	UConn	W	49-17	
532	9/14/24	at TCU	W	35-34	
ном	E WINS				
1	9/29/79	Fort Benning		7-6	
100	10/26/02	Akron		28-17	
195	9/7/24	Sam Houston		45-14	
AWA	Y WINS (do	es not include neutral-s	sites)		
1	9/22/79	at St. Leo		21-0	
50	10/24/09	at Rice		49-7	
96	9/14/24	at TCU		35-34	
FOOTBALL BOWL SUBDIVISION ERA GAMES					

FUU	FOOTBALL BOWL SUBDIVISION ENA GAINES						
1	8/29/96	William & Mary	W	39-33			
100	11/13/04	at Ball State	L	17-21			
300	10/24/20	Tulane	W	51-34			
348	9/14/24	at TCU	W	35-34			

FOOTBALL BOWL SUBDIVISION ERA WINS						
1	8/29/96	William & Mary	39-33			
50	10/21/05	Tulane	34-24			
100	10/13/12	Southern Miss	38-31 (2OT)			
150	9/29/18	Pittsburgh	45-14			
201	9/14/24	at TCU	W 35-34			



	2024 UCF ROSTER					
No.	Name	Pos.	Ht.	Wt.	Year	Hometown/High School (Previous School)
0	Johnny Richardson	RB	5-7	170	5th	Lake Wales, Fla./Lake Wales
0	Brandon Adams	DB	6-3	190	Sr.	Atlanta, Ga./Arabia Mountain
1	KJ Jefferson	QB	6-3	247	5th	Sadie, Miss./North Panola (Arkansas)
1	Ja'Cari Henderson	DB	6-0	171	r-So.	Sanford, Fla./Seminole
2	Kobe Hudson	WR	6-1	200	5th	Pine Mountain, Ga./Troup County (Auburn)
<u>2</u> 3	Lee Hunter Xavier Townsend	DT WR	6-4 5-11	320 185	r-Jr. Jr.	Mobile, Ala./Blount (Auburn) Tampa, Fla./Berkeley Prep
3	Deshawn Pace	LB	6-2	212	5th	Cincinnati, Ohio (Colerain/Cincinnati)
4	Chauncey Magwood	WR	6-0	187	r-Jr.	Leesburg, Ga./Lee County (Kentucky)
4	Braeden Marshall	DB	5-10	183	So.	Lake Mary, Fla./Lake Mary
5	Randy Pittman Jr.	TE	6-2	225	So.	Panama City, Fla./Mosley
5	Ricky Barber	DT	6-3	295	5th	Louisville, Ky./Doss (Western Kentucky)
6	Kylan Fox	TE	6-4	229	Fr.	Valdosta, Ga./Grayson
6	Isaiah Nixon	DE	6-4	240	r-Fr.	St. Petersburg, Fla./Lakewood
7	RJ Harvey	RB	5-9	208	5th	Orlando, Fla./Edgewater (Virginia)
7	Antione Jackson	DB	6-1	175	So.	Lauderhill, Fla./Dillard (East Carolina)
8	Bredell Richardson	WR	6-1	195	Fr.	Tampa, Fla./Carrollwood Day
8	Demari Henderson	DB	6-0	179	Jr.	Sanford, Fla./Seminole
9	Ja'Varrius Johnson	WR	5-10	180	5th	Trussville, Ala./Hewitt-Trussville (Auburn)
9 10	Sheldon Arnold Dylan Rizk	DB QB	6-1 6-2	191 205	5th r-Fr.	Loganville, Ga./Loganville (ETSU) Fort Lauderdale, Fla./Cardinal Gibbons
10	Quadric Bullard	DB	6-0	170	5th	Dania Beach, Fla./Chaminade-Madonna
11	Jacurri Brown	QB	6-4	220	r-So.	Valdosta, Ga./Lowndes (Miami)
11	Nyjalik Kelly	DE	6-5	250	Jr.	Oakland Park, Fla./Dillard (Miami)
12	EJ Colson	QB	6-1	200	Fr.	Byron, Ga./Cedar Grove
12	Bryon Threats	DB	5-10	195	Sr.	Columbus, Ohio/Coffman (Cincinnati)
13	Peny Boone	RB	6-1	232	Sr.	Detroit, Mich./Martin Luther King (Toledo)
13	Ladarius Tennison	DB	5-10	200	5th	Rockledge, Fla./Rockledge (Auburn/Ole Miss)
14	Jesiah Pierre	LB	6-2	246	5th	Mount Dora, Fla./Mt. Dora Christian (Texas Tech)
15	Tyree Patterson	WR	6-2	186	r-Fr.	Eustis, Fla./Eustis
15	Daylan Dotson	DE	6-3	255	r-Sr.	Savannah, Ga./Jenkins (Tennessee-Martin)
16	Jacoby Jones	WR	6-3	228	5th	Tunica, Miss./Rosa Fort (Ohio)
16	TJ Bullard	LB	6-1	200	r-So.	Tampa, Fla./Berkeley Prep
17	Riley Trujillo	QB	6-3	219	Fr.	Jacksonville, Fla./Bartram Trail
17 18	Jaylen "AP" Heyward Jakob Gude	DB DB	6-0 5-11	185 182	Fr. Fr.	Rockledge, Fla./Rockledge Atlanta, Ga./Langston Hughes
19	Jarrad Baker	WR	5-11	170	5th	Eau Gallie, Fla./Eau Gallie
19	Hudson Gibbs	DB	5-9	185	r-Fr.	Winter Park, Fla./Winter Park
20	Kam Ingram	RB	5-8	184	r-Jr.	Auburn, Ala./Fayetteville (Bethune-Cookman)
20	Mac McWilliams	DB	5-10	185	r-Sr.	Pensacola, Fla./Pine Forest (UAB)
21	Stacy Gage	RB	5-11	210	Fr.	Tampa, Fla./St. Thomas Aquinas
21	Cedrick Hawkins	DB	6-0	185	r-Fr.	Titusville, Fla./Cocoa (Ohio State)
22	Myles Montgomery	RB	5-11	205	r-Jr.	Jacksonville, Fla./Fletcher (Cincinnati)
22	Qua Birdsong	LB	6-3	202	Fr.	Roanoke, Ala./Troup County
23	Tre'Quon Fegans	DB	6-1	190	r-So.	Alabaster, Ala./Thompson (Alabama/USC)
24	Xe'ree Alexander	LB	6-2	223	So.	Auburn, Wash./Kennedy Catholic (Idaho)
25	Camden Vining	LB	6-0	225	r-Jr.	Bradenton, Fla./St. Stephens Episcopal
26	Brock Hansel	QB	5-10	168	r-So.	Lake Worth, Fla./Park Vista
26 27	Christian Peterson Chasen Johnson	DB DB	5-9 6-1	175 181	Fr. Fr.	Dothan, Ala./Westlake Sanford, Fla./Seminole
28	Andrew Harris	LB	6-2	223	So.	Altamonte Springs, Fla./Lake Brantley
29	William Wells	DB	6-2	196	Sr.	West Palm Beach, Fla./Suncoast
30	Kam Moore	LB	6-1	221	Jr.	Sanford, Fla./Seminole
31	DJ McCormick Jr.	LB	6-1	201	Fr.	Rockledge, Fla./Rockledge
32	Ethan Barr	LB	6-3	245	5th	Flower Mound, Texas/Marcus (Vanderbilt)
32	Michael Carter	Р	6-2	188	r-So.	Clermont, Fla./Lake Minneola
33	Kaven Call	DE	6-3	240	So.	Apopka, Fla./Apopka
34	Terrell Jackson	DB	6-1	181	r-So.	Jacksonville, Fla./Trinity Christian
35	Colton Boomer	PK	5-10	175	Jr.	Lake Mary, Fla./Lake Mary
36	Chase Jarrett	DB	6-0	195	Fr.	Tampa, Fla./Plant
37	Preston Foreman	RB	5-11	190	r-So.	Cocoa Beach, Fla./Viera
38	Jashad Presley	DB DB	6-2	220	Fr.	Orlando, Fla./Dr. Phillips
39 40	R.D. Cooper Mitch McCarthy	DB P	6-2 6-5	185 230	r-Jr. Jr.	Fort Myers, Fla./Fort Myers (North Alabama) Melbourne, Australia/Frankston
40	Jack Morgan	TE	6-4	215	r-Jr.	Mount Dora, Fla./Mount Dora
41	Gage King	LS	6-4	250	5th	El Dorado Hills, Calif./Oak Ridge (Arizona State)
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2024 UCF ROSTER

	Name	Pos.	Ht.	Wt.	Year	Hometown/High School (Previous School)
	Aidan Fedigan	LS	6-0	213	r-So.	DeLand, Fla./DeLand
43	Tyler Wrenn	RB	5-11	195	r-So.	Fort Pierce, Fla./Vero Beach (Chowan)
44 I	Evan Morris	TE	6-5	245	5th	Ovid, Mich./Ovid-Elsie (Michigan State)
44 [Matthew Alexander	DT	6-3	280	r-Jr.	Buford, Ga./Buford
45 (Quentin Hatch	LB	6-1	215	r-Jr.	Orlando, Fla./West Orange (Lake Erie College)
46 [Nicholas Antoine	DB	6-4	198	r-Fr.	Daytona Beach, Fla./Mainland
48	Troy Ford Jr.	LB	6-2	235	r-Fr.	Savannah, Ga./Calvary Day
49 (Quinten Johnson	LB	6-0	240	r-Jr.	Detroit, Mich./Voyager College Prep (Fresno City)
50 I	Pat Barnett	OL	6-6	315	r-Sr.	Key West, Fla./Key West
51 J	lack Bernstein	LS	6-0	235	r-So.	Alpharetta, Ga./Alpharetta (Georgia State)
51 I	Malachi Lawrence	DE	6-4	250	r-Jr.	Louisville, Ky./DuPont Manual
52 (Caden Kitler	OL	6-3	295	r-So.	Plano, Texas/John Paul II
53 I	Keeron Henderson	LB	6-2	225	r-Jr.	Richmond, Va./Highland Springs (Army)
54 \	Waltclaire Flynn	OL	6-2	304	Fr.	Grayson, Ga./Grayson
55 (Cameron Kinnie	OL	6-3	315	r-Sr.	Suwanee, Ga./Collins Hill (Georgia)
55 J	John Walker	DT	6-4	300	So.	Kissimmee, Fla./Osceola
56 J	Ionathan Cline	OL	6-4	315	r-Fr.	Cartersville, Ga./Cartersville
58	Iosh Dorsainvil	DE	6-5	230	r-Jr.	Orange Park, Fla./Ridgeview (Savannah State)
59 I	Keyon Cox	OL	6-5	300	r-Fr.	Phenix City, Ala./Central
62 J	Jabari Brooks	OL	6-3	335	r-Sr.	Sandersville, Ga./Washington County (Samford)
64 9	Shaheem Hill	OL	6-4	342	r-So.	Orlando, Fla./Edgewater
66 (Colin Cook	OL	6-3	339	r-Sr.	Baton Rouge, La./Parkview Baptist (Evangel [Springfield])
68 I	Ethan Higgins	OL	6-6	280	r-Fr.	Brooksville, Fla./Hernando Christian
69 I	Paul Rubelt	OL	6-11	330	r-Sr.	Frankfurt-Oder, Germany/Frankfurt-Oder
70 (Chase Malamala	OL	6-6	321	Fr.	Palm Beach Gardens, Fla./Benjamin
71	Thomas Gearity	OL	6-4	312	Fr.	St. Cloud, Fla./Osceola
72 1	Marcellus Marshall	OL	6-5	310	r-Sr.	Morgantown, W. Va./Morgantown (Kent State)
73 \	Wes Dorsey	OL	6-7	315	5th	Knoxville, Tenn./Grace Christian (Western Kentucky)
74 [Matthew Prigmore	OL	6-2	320	r-Fr.	Weston, Fla./Cypress Bay
75 /	Andrew Phelan	OL	6-3	279	r-Fr.	Orlando, Fla./East River
76	Adrian Medley	OL	6-5	305	5th	Pensacola, Fla./Pensacola
77 I	Keegan Smith	OL	6-3	314	r-Jr.	Jackson, Mich./ Jackson Lumen Christi Catholic (Central Michigan)
	Amari Kight	OL	6-7	318	5th	Alabaster, Ala./Thompson (Alabama)
	Trent Whittemore	WR	6-4	211	r-Sr.	Gainesville, Fla./Bucholz (Florida)
80 (Grant Reddick	K/P	5-10	200	r-Fr.	Orlando, Fla./Boone
	Kason Stokes	WR	6-2	186	Fr.	Tampa, Fla./Armwood
	lordyn Bridgewater	WR	6-0	170	Fr.	New Orleans, La./West Orange (FL)
	Reece Adkins	TE	6-6	250	r-Sr.	Lake Mary, Fla./Lake Mary (Eastern Kentucky)
	Thomas Wadsworth	TE	6-3	240	r-So.	Melbourne, Fla./Melbourne
	Carson Hinshaw	WR	5-10	170	Fr.	Lake Mary, Fla./Lake Mary
	lordan Davis	TE	6-4	250	r-Sr.	Sanford, Fla./Seminole
	Dwartney Wortham	WR	6-0	175	r-So.	Columbus, Ga./Troup County
	Andrew Rumph	DT	6-3	305	r-Fr.	Palmetto, Fla./Palmetto
	Derrick LeBlanc	DT	6-5	295	r-Fr.	Opa-locka, Fla./Osceola (Oklahoma)
	Grant Stevens	TE	6-4	225	r-So.	Ponte Vedra Beach, Fla./Nease
	Caleb Rollerson	WR	6-2	205	Fr.	Ocala, Fla./Hawthorne
	Marcus Downs	DT	6-5	300	Fr.	Greenville, S.C./Riverside
	Keshaun Hudson	DT	6-1	323	r-So.	Fort Lauderdale, Fla./Dillard
	Tyreek'e Robinson	DT	6-2	323	Fr.	Bradenton, Fla./Manatee
	Kevin Carrigan	K/P	6-1	198	Jr.	Warrington, Pa./Central Bucks South (Bloomsburg)
	lamaal Johnson	DE	6-2	252	r-So.	Miami, Fla./Chaminade-Madonna
<i>JJ</i> J	amadi Johnson	DL	0 2	232	1 30.	ivilaitii, i ia./ Citattiitiaue-ivilauotiitia

Coaching Staff

Head Coach: Gus Malzahn (Henderson State, 1990) - Fourth Season

Defensive Coordinator/Linebackers: Ted Roof (Georgia Tech, 1985) - First Season

Offensive Coordinator/Wide Receivers: Tim Harris Jr. (Miami, 2008) - Third Season, First as OC

Associate Head Coach/Co-Defensive Coordinator/Defensive Backs: Addison Williams (South Carolina, 2010) - Fourth Season

Co-Offensive Coordinator/Quarterbacks: Darin Hinshaw (UCF, 1993) - Second Season Special Teams Coordinator/Tight Ends: Brian Blackmon (Troy, 1996) - Fourth Season Run Game Coordinator/Running Backs: Kam Martin (Auburn, 2019) - Second Season

Offensive Line: Herb Hand (Hamilton, 1990) - Fourth Season

Defensive Ends/Rush: Kenny Ingram (Arkansas State, 1999) - Fourth Season Defensive Tackles: Kenny Martin (Western Kentucky, 2012) - Fourth Season

Cornerbacks: Trovon Reed (Auburn, 2015) - First Season



		OFFENSE
QB	1	KJ Jefferson (6-3, 247, 5th)
	11	Jacurri Brown (6-4, 220, r-So.)
RB	7	RJ Harvey (5-9, 220, 5th)
	0	Johnny Richardson (5-7, 170, 5th)
	or 13	Peny Boone (6-1, 242, Sr.)
	or 22	Myles Montgomery (5-11, 205, r-Jr.)
TE	5	Randy Pittman Jr. (6-2, 225, So.)
	44	Evan Morris (6-5, 245, 5th)
WR	80	Trent Whittemore (6-4, 211, r-Sr.)
	4	Chauncey Magwood (6-0, 187, r-Jr.)
WR	2	Kobe Hudson (6-1, 200, 5th)
	16	Jacoby Jones (6-3, 228, 5th)
WR	3	Xavier Townsend (5-11, 185, Jr.)
	9	Ja'Varrius Johnson (5-10, 180, 5th)
LT	78	Amari Kight (6-7, 318, r-Sr.)
	59	Keyon Cox (6-5, 280, r-Fr.)
LG	76	Adrian Medley (6-5, 305, 5th)
	62	Jabari Brooks (6-3, 335, 5th)
С	52	Caden Kitler (6-3, 295, r-So.)
	55	Cam Kinnie (6-3, 315, r-Jr.)
RG	72	Marcellus Marshall (6-5, 310, r-Sr.)
	77	Keegan Smith (6-3, 314, r-Jr.)
RT	69	Paul Rubelt (6-11, 330, r-Sr.)
	73	Wes Dorsey (6-7, 315, 5th)

		SPECIAL IEAMS
K	35	Colton Boomer (5-10, 175, Jr.)
	80	Grant Reddick (5-10, 190, r-Fr.)
Р	40	Mitch McCarthy (6-5, 214, Jr.)
	32	Michael Carter (6-2, 188, r-So.)
LS	41	Gage King (6-4, 240, 5th)
	42	Aidan Fedigan (6-0, 195, r-So.)
Н	40	Mitch McCarthy (6-5, 214, Jr.)
	80	Trent Whittemore (6-4, 211, r-Sr.)
PR	3	Xavier Townsend (5-11, 185, Jr.)
	9	Ja'Varrius Johnson (5-10, 180, 5th)
KR	3	Xavier Townsend (5-11, 185, Jr.)
	7	RJ Harvey (5-9, 220, 5th)

		DEFENSE
DE 51		Malachi Lawrence (6-4, 243, r-Jr.)
	6	Isaiah Nixon (6-4, 215, r-Fr.)
DT	2	Lee Hunter (6-4, 320, r-Jr.)
	44	Matthew Alexander (6-3, 280, r-Jr.)
DT	5	Ricky Barber (6-3, 295, 5th)
	15	Daylan Dotson (6-3, 255, r-Sr.)
	or 98	Tyreek'e Robinson (6-2, 320, Fr.)
DE	11	Nyjalik Kelly (6-5, 250, Jr.)
	33	Kaven Call (6-3, 240, So.)
	or 99	Jamaal Johnson (6-2, 250, r-So.)
WILL	3	Deshawn Pace (6-2, 220, 5th)
	24	Xe'Ree Alexander (6-2, 215, So.)
	or 28	Andrew Harris (6-2, 223, So.)
MIKE	32	Ethan Barr (6-3, 245, 5th)
	14	Jesiah Pierre (6-2, 240, 5th)
NICKEL 4		Braeden Marshall (5-10, 175, So.)
	20	Mac McWilliams (5-10, 185, r-Sr.)
СВ	0	Brandon Adams (6-3, 180, Sr.)
	27	Chasen Johnson (6-1, 180, Fr.)
СВ	20	Mac McWilliams (5-10, 185, r-Sr.)
	7	Antione Jackson (6-1, 175, So.)
S	9	Sheldon Arnold (6-1, 191, 5th)
	12	Bryon Threats (5-10, 195, Sr.)
S	13	Ladarius Tennison (5-10, 200, 5th)
	or 10	Quadric Bullard (6-0, 170, 5th)
	29	William Wells (6-2, 196, Sr.)

	PRONUNCIATIONS	
#1	Ja'Cari Henderson	Juh-CAR-ee
#3	Xavier Townsend	X-ZAY-vier
#3	Deshawn Pace	Dee-Shawn
#8	Demari Henderson	duh-MAR-ee
#10	Dylan Rizk	Risk
#10	Quadric Bullard	Quad-rick
#11	Jacurri Brown	Juh-CAR-ee
#19	Jarrad Baker	JARE-ed
#51	Malachi Lawrence	MAL-uh-kie
#69	Paul Rubelt	ROO-belt
#80	Trent Whittemore	Whit-UH-more

→ OFFENSE **→**

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ΛÞ		1	KJ JEFFERSON 6-3 247 5TH ARKANSAS	TATS	Year 2024 Career	C/A/I 32/51/1 658/1,013/1	Yds 563 9 8,47	187.7	TD 5 72	Long 53 91	Year 2024 Caree	Comp. 13 r 29	Yds. 230 385	TD 3 5	-	Garnered the Manning Award Star of the Week following triumph at TCU Tabbed the Big 12 Newcomer of the Year by the leagues coaches on July 20 Active FBS leader in rushing yards by a QB (2,011)
UD		11	JACURRI BROWN 6-4 220 R-SO. MIAMI	TATS	Year 2024 Career	C/A/I 5/9/0 52/85/4	Yds 22 433	11.0	TD 0 4	Long 6 30	¥ear 2024 Caree	Comp. 4 r 14	Yds. 21 181	NOTABLES 41	-	Transfered to UCF from Miami alongside DE Nyjalik Kelly Featured in eight games for Miami during his freshman campaign in 2022 Started the 2023 Bad Boy Mowers Pinstripe Bowl against Rutgers
	X	7	RJ HARVEY 5-9 220 5TH VIRGINIA	TATS	Year 2024 Career	Att. 59 406	Yds. 448 2,663	Yds./G 149.3 83.2	TD 8 29	Long 60 92	Year 2024 Caree	Att. 29 r 29	Yds. 180 206	TD 4 4 4	-	Recorded 11th–career 100–yard performance at TCU and was tabbed the Big 12 Of- fensive Player of the Week and named the Doak Walker National RB of the Week Fourth in program history in both TDs (29) and rushing yards (2,663)
RB		0	JOHNNY RICHARDSON 5-7 170 5TH	TATS	Year 2024 Career	Att. 11 267	Yds. 66 1,807	Yds./G 22.0 36.9	TD 0	Long 12 79	¥ear 2024 Caree	Att. 7 r 24	Yds. 40 147	1(5)	-	Second-leading rusher for UCF in 2023 (573 yards on 87 attempts) College Football Network Midseason All-Big 12 Offensive Team Honorable Mention Ran for a 79-yard TD on UCFs first offensive player versus Baylor
KD		13	PENY BOONE 6-1 242 JR. TOLEDO	TATS	Year 2024 Career	Att. 24 391	Yds. 159 2,256	Yds./G 53.0 52.5	TD 2 22	Long 59 71	Year <u>2024</u> Caree	Att. 10 r 24	Yds. 81 211	TD 3(2)	-	Reigning MAC Offensive Player of the Year at Toledo and First-Team All-Mac Eighth in the nation and first in the MAC in 2023 in rushing yards (1,400) 11th in the country in rushing yards per game (107.7)
		22	MYLES MONTGOMERY 5-11 205 R-JR. CINCINNATI	TATS	Year 2024 Career	Att. 20 100	Yds. 141 689	Yds./G 47.0 30.0	TD 2	Long 25 76	¥ear 2024 Caree	Att. 9 r 12	Yds. 77 104	1(2) 2	-	Notched back-to-back rushing TDs against New Hampshire and Sam Houston Jacksonville native who spent first three collegiate seasons at Cincinnati Rushed for 428 yards and three TDs on 66 attempts in 2023
TC		5	RANDY PITTMAN 6-2 225 SO.		Year 2024 Career	Rec. 6 25	Yds. 95 310	Yds./G 31.7 19.4	TD 0	Long 20 39	¥ear 2024 Caree	Rec. 3 r 3(3)	Yds. 43 50	ID III	-	Big 12 Honorable Mention Offensive Freshman of the Year Pick in 2023 Matched career-high with three receptions including two massive grabs during the game-winning drive at TCU (3 Rec./43 Yds.)
110		14	EVAN MORRIS 6-5 245 5TH MICHIGAN STATE		Year 2024 Career	Rec 4	Yds. 8	Yds./G 0.2	TD 0	Long 4	Year 2024 Caree	Rec. r 2	Yds. 4	NOTABLES 0	-	Originally featured as a kickoff specialist for Michigan State in 2019 Transitioned to tight end in 2020 and also played on special teams Caught four passes for eight yards for the Spartans in 2023
WD		30	TRENT WHITTEMORE 6-4 211 R-SR. FLORIDA	TATS	Year 2024 Career	Rec. 1 37	Yds. 11 472	Yds./G 5.5 10.7	TD 0 2	Long 11 45	¥ear 2024 Caree	Rec. 1(2) r 4(2)	Yds. 11 45	1(2)	-	Made 13 appearances and two starts (Kent St. and Baylor) in debut UCF campaign Transfered from Florida after four seasons (native of Gainesville, Fla.) where he collected 33 receptions, 425 yards and two TDs
WK		4	CHAUNCEY MAGWOOD 6-0 187 R-JR. KENTUCKY	TATS	<mark>Year</mark> 2024 Career	Rec. 12	Yds. 161	Yds./G 5.6	TD 1	Long 26	Year 2024 Caree	Rec. r 3	Yds. 37	TD	-	Reeled in four passes for 40 yards before redshirting in 2023 (four appearances) Made eight combined career catches at Kentucky in 2021 and 2022 Caught first-career collegiate TD vs. Miami (Ohio) in 2022
WD		2	KOBE HUDSON 6-1 200 5TH AUBURN	STATS	Year 2024 Career	13	Yds. 310 2,501	Yds./G 103.3 49.0	TD 2 21	Long 53 75	Year 2024 Caree	Rec. 6 9	Yds. 145 147	TD 2		Tallied seventh-career 100-yard receiving game at TCU along with a pair of (seventh multi-TD game) to complete the 21-point comeback Tabbed to the Preseason All-Big 12 Team, voted on by league head coaches
AAK		16	JACOBY JONES 6-3 228 5TH OHIO		Year 2024 Career	Rec. 1 54	Yds. 15 939	Yds./G 5.0 47.0	TD 0 6	Long 15 48	¥ear 2024 Caree	Rec. 1 r 10	Yds. 15 121	TD 2(2)	-	Transfered to UCF from Ohio where he was a standout receiver for two seasons Recorded 45 catches for 776 yards and six TDs in 2022 Played KJ Jefferson at the High School level in Mississippi in 2018
WD		3	XAVIER TOWNSEND 5-11 185 SR.	TATS	Year 2024 Career	Rec. 6	Yds. 19 471	Yds./G 6.3 16.8	TD 0	Long 7 37	¥ear 2024 Caree	Rec. 3	Yds. 17 81	10 1(3)	-	Named to the Paul Hornung Award Watch List (most versatile college player) Third-leading receiver in '23 with 33 catches, 325 yards and three TDs Started in 10 of 11 contests for the Knights in 2023
WK		9	JA'VARRIUS JOHNSON 5-10 180 5TH AUBURN	TATS	Year 2024 Career	Rec. 1 65	Yds. 0 1,114	Yds./G 0.0 30.9	TD 0	Long 0 56	Year <u>2024</u> Caree	Rec. 1 r 6	Yds. 117	TD 1(8)		Re-connects with Gus Malzahn at UCF with Kobe Hudson and Lee Hunter after five years at Auburn 66 career receptions and 1,092 yards (27th in Auburn history)
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2023 B/D - Led UCF with 83.6 (OL) PFF grade CAREER 38/15 - Althon Sports BIZ Preseason 4th-Team

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72 MARCELLUS MARSHALL

YEAR 15/5 6-5 | 310 | SR. | KENT STATE

YEAR 6/5 2023 15/11 2024 3/5 CAREER 35/26 - Sand one of four team captains 2nd Team All-Big 12 (CFN)

FAR G/5 G-3 | 335 | R-SR. | SAMFORD 2024 3.0 | -72 Southern Conference First Team AGEER 40/37 | at Samford Cateful II games)

52 CADEN KITLER

YEAR 6/S 2023 5/2 2024 3/3 CAREER 9/5 - Started vs. Kansas St. and Baylor

VEAR 6/5 CAM KINNIE

YEAR 6/5 G-3 | 315 | R-JR. | GEORGIA
2023 3/0
2034 3/0
2040 - 27 | National Champion at Georgia
27 | National Champion at Georgia

76 ADRIAN MEDLEY

YEAR 6/5 6-5 | 305 | 5TH
2003 8/6 | -74.0 rated pass blocker (PFF)

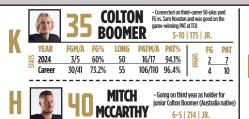
2023 11/11 2024 3/0 - Starting LG at Central Michigan, also CAREER 26/15 started at RG in '23 (11 starts in '23) YEAR 6/5
2023 13/0
2024 3/3 - 81.7% pass blocker according to PFF
CAREER 40/3 - Named UCF's SAAC President

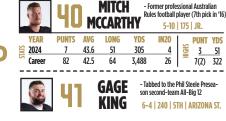
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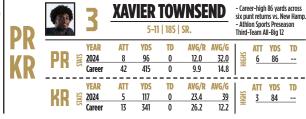
73 WES DORSEY

YEAR 6/5 6-7 | 315 | 5TH | WKU |
2023 12/10 |
- Started 11 games for WKU in '23 |
- WKU allowed 9th fewest sads

SPECIAL TEAMS







+ DEFENSE +

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DE		51	MALACHI LAWRENCE 6-4 243 R-JR.	Year 2024 Career	T/S/A 1/1/0 r 30/19/11	TFL 0 11	SACK 0 8	FF PI 0	DEF 0 1	Year 2024 Career	TOTAL 1 5	TFL 2	IABI	- Honorable Mention DL pick on All-Big 12 team, chosen by league's head coaches - Registered 10.5 tackles for loss and ranked fifth in Big 12 in sacks per game (0.58) - Tabbed to Athlon Sports and Phil Steele Preseason All-Big 12 First Team's
DE		6	ISAIAH NIXON 6-4 215 R-FR.	Year 2024 Career	T/S/A 2/1/1 r 3/1/2	TFL 0 0.5	SACK 0 0.5	FF PI 0 0	DEF 0 0	Year 2024 Career	TOTAL 1(1) 1	TFL 0.5	SACK STATE S	- Appeared in two games for the Knights in '23 and made debut vs. Kent State - Registered a half-sack and a half tackle-for-loss against the Golden Flashes - Four-star DE from Lakewood High School in St. Petersburg, Fla.
ΝŢ		2	LEE HUNTER 6-4 320 R-JR. AUBURN	Year 2024 Career	T/S/A 4/3/1 r 90/50/40	TFL 1 13	SACK 0 4	FF PI	DEF 0 1	Year 2024 Career	TOTAL 3 9	TFL 1 2.5		- Tabbed to the Preseason All-Big 12 Team and Bednarik Award Watch List - Honorable Mention DL pick on '23 All-Big 12 Team, voted on by league's coaches - Led DTs in the nation for the most tackles (69) according to PFF
DT		44	MATTHEW ALEXANDER 6-3 280 R-JR.	Year 2024 Career	T/S/A 4/3/1 r 29/13/16	TFL 1 3	SACK 0	FF PI 0 0	DEF 0 1	Year 2024 Career	TOTAL 3 4	TFL 1 1(3)	NOTABLES 1	– Appeared in all 13 games for the Knights in '23' and registered 16 tackles – Made four tackles in start vs. Oklahoma State – Tallied one sack and TFL in '23'
nT		5	RICKY BARBER 6-3 295 5TH WKU	Year 2024 Career	T/S/A 3/1/2 r 164/70/94	TFL 0 24.5	SACK 0 12.5	FF PI 0	DEF 0 6	Year 2024 Career	TOTAL 2 13	TFL 2.5	IBI	- Tabbed to the Athlon Sports Preseason Fourth-Team All-Big 12 - Started 10 games for the Knights in '23 and recorded 18 tackles and two TFLs - First-Team All-AAC selection in 2022 according to league coaches, PFN and Phil Steele
		15	DAYLAN DOTSON 6-3 255 R-SR. UT-MARTIN	Year 2024 Career	.,.,	TFL 3 37	SACK 0 14.5	0 4	DEF 0 8	OR	9	<u>o</u> –	6-2	Year T/S/A TFL SACK FF PDEF 2/024 2/0/2 0 0 0 1
DE		11	NYJALIK KELLY 6-5 250 JR. MIAMI	Year 2024 Career		1 6.5	SACK 1 5	1	DEF 1 2	Year 2024 Career	TOTAL 6 6	1 1.5	1 I	- Tallied a career-high six tackles and a strip-sack vs. Sam Houston - Joined former Hurricane teammate Jacurri Brown from Miami ahead of '24 - Played in 17 games for Miami in '22 and '23
<u> </u>	N. D.	33	6-3 240 SO.	Year 2024 Career		0 0	0	FF PI 0 0	0 0	OR	9	9 -		L JOHNSON
WILL		3	DESHAWN PACE 6-2 220 5TH CINCINNATI	Year 2024 Career		25.5	3	9	<u>1</u> 7	Year 2024 Career	12(2)	2.5(2)	1(7)	- Tabbed to Athlon Sports and Phil Steele Preseason All-Big 12 Second Team's - Joined Montgomery and Threats from Cincinnati ahead of the '24 season - Honorable Mention All-Big 12 selection in '23 (80 tackles led Cincinnati)
WILL		24	XE'REE ALEXANDER 6-2 215 SO. IDAHO	Year 2024 Career		1 5	0	PDEF 0 1	0 0	OR S	2	8 -		EW HARRIS Year T/S/A TFL SACK PDEF INT
MIKE	32	32	ETHAN BARR 6-3 245 5TH VANDERBILT	Year 2024 Career	T/S/A 4/1/3 r 223/108/115	7 7	SACK 0 1	PDEF 0 8	1NT 0 3	Year 2024 Career	TOTAL 3 11	1(5)	INT INIT INI	- Named one of four team captains prior to first season with the Knights - Team Captain in both '22 and '23 at Vanderbilt where he started at LB - Recorded at least two tackles in each game in '23
MINL		14	JESIAH PIERRE 6-2 246 5TH TEXAS TECH	Year 2024 Career	T/S/A 6/2/4 r 147/75/72	TFL 0 10	SACK 0 5	PDEF 0	0 0	Year 2024 Career	TOTAL 5 14	TFL 2.5	NOTABLES INI	- Honorable Mention All-Big 12 pick at LB in '23 with Texas Tech - Ranked fourth in tackles on team with 66, along with 1,5 TFL and a half-sack in '23 - Tallied team-high 13 tackles in regular-season finale at Texas
NICKEL		4	BRAEDEN MARSHALL 5-10 175 50.	Year 2024 Career	T/S/A 7/6/1 r 29/20/9	TFL 2 4	SACK 0 0	PDEF 1 1 2	INT 0 1	Year 2024 Career	TOTAL 4 4	TFL 2	IABI	 Led the Knights with a career-high two TFLs vs. New Hampshire Started three games (Cincinnati, Texas Tech, Houston) and appeared in all 13 during his freshman season, recording 22 tackles and one interception
ſŖ		0	BRANDON ADAMS 6-3 190 SR.	Year 2024 Career	T/S/A 1/1/0 r 75/60/15	7FL 0 3	SACK 0 0	PDEF I	INT 0 0	Year 2024 Career	TOTAL 1 6	PDEF 2(2)	NOTABLES	- Tabbed to Athlon Sports Preseason All-Big 12 Fourth Team - Started in 10 games and appeared in all 13 for the Knights in '23 - Registered two PBUs vs. Kent State in the '23 season-opener
СВ		27	CHASEN JOHNSON 6-1 180 FR.	Year 2024 Career	T/S/A // r//	TFL 	SACK 	PDEF	INT 	Year 2024 Career	TOTAL 	PDEF 		 One of two freshman (Tyreek'e Robinson) to be listed on the depth chart Latest Knight to sign from Seminole High School (joining Ja'Cari and Demari Henderson, Kam Moore
CD		20	MAC MCWILLIAMS 5-10 185 R-SR. UAB	Year 2024 Career	T/S/A 4/3/1 r 105/79/29	TFL 1 7	SACK 0 0	PDEF I 0 23	INT 1 2	Year 2024 Career	TOTAL 4 8(2)	PDEF 3(2)	1 2	- Recorded second-career interception and first with UCF vs. Sam Houston - Team captain at UAB last season - Started all 12 games for the Blazers
CD		7	ANTIONE JACKSON 6-1 175 SO. EAST CAROLINA	Year 2024 Career	T/S/A 2/1/1 r 21/12/9	TFL 0	SACK 0 0	PDEF 1 1 3	INT 1 1	Year 2024 Career	TOTAL 2	PDEF 1 1(4)		 Registered second-career interception vs. New Hampshire in season opener Played in 10 games and started three at East Carolina last season Had 19 tackles, three pass breakups and one interception
C		9	SHELDON ARNOLD 6-1 191 5TH ETSU	Year 2024 Career	T/S/A 3/2/1 r 148/98/50	TFL 0 11	SACK 0 1	PDEF I	INT 1 8	Year 2024 Career	TOTAL 3 12(2)	PDEF 1(8)		- Secured eighth-career interception and first with UCF vs. Sam Houston - Tabbed an FCS All-American at ETSU - Recorded 87 tackles, nine TFLs, four interceptions and three fumble recoveries
3		12	BRYON THREATS 5-10 195 SR. CINCINNATI	Year 2024 Career	T/S/A 4/4/0 r 127/81/46	TFL 1 8	SACK 0 2.5	PDEF I	INT 0 4	Year 2024 Career	TOTAL 2(2) 9(2)	PDEF 2(2)	INT INI	- Played 12 games with nine starts at Cincinnati last year - Finished the season with 57 tackles - Led the Bearcats in tackles five times
		13	LADARIUS TENNISON 5-10 200 5TH OLE MISS	Year 2024 Career	T/S/A 1/0/1 r 137/82/55	TFL 0 18	SACK 0 2.5	PDEF 0 2	1NT 0 0	Year 2024 Career	TOTAL 1 12	PDEF 1(2)	NOTABLES	 Recorded a blocked punt and safety vs. New Hampshire in Knights debut Tabbed an All-SEC Special Teamer of the Year by College Football Network Rated one of the top special teams players in the nation by PFF
S		10	QUADRIC BULLARD 6-0 175 5TH	Year 2024 Career	T/S/A 9/4/5 r 165/116/49	TFL 0	SACK 0 2	PDEF 0 12	INT 0 1	Year 2024 Career	TOTAL 6 9(2)	PDEF 2(1)	NOTABLES	- Started seven games for UCF last season and played in every game - Ended the year with 34 tackles - Recorded an interception at Oklahoma
		29	WILLIAM WELLS 6-2 196 SR.	Year 2024 Career	T/S/A 2/2/0 r 27/20/7	TFL 0 2	SACK 0	PDEF 0 0	INT 0 0	¥ear 2024 Career	TOTAL 1(2) 4(2)	PDEF 0	NOTABLES TWI	Played in 10 games last season Finished the season with 14 tackles, two QB hurries and a forced fumble Notched four tackles against Oklahoma State

GUS MALZAHN | HEAD COACH • FOURTH SEASON



Hometown

Fort Smith, Arkansas

Education

Henderson State, 1990

Family

Wife - Kristi

Children - Kylie and Kenzie

Head Coaching Record

		
Year	School	Record
2012	Arkansas Sta	te 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
2023	UCF	6-7
2024	UCF	3-0
Total	13 Seasons	104-54

Bowl Games

2014 .	BCS 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
2023	Gasparilla Bowl

Coaching Experience

2021-presei	ntUCF (HC)
2013-20	Auburn (HC)
2012	Arkansas State (HC)
2009-11	Auburn (OC/QBs)
2007-08	Tulsa
(4	Asst. HC/Co-OC/QBs)
2006	Arkansas (OC/WRs)
2001-05	Springdale HS (Ark.)
	Head Coach
1996-2000.	Shiloh HS (Ark.)
	Head Coach
1991-95	Hughes HS (Ark.)
DC ((1991), HC (1992-95)



Gus Malzahn was named the ninth head coach in UCF football history on Feb. 15, 2021. He has long been known as one of college football's great offensive innovators, and over his 18 seasons as a coordinator and head coach at the collegiate level, he has the resume to prove it.

Malzahn, now 104-54 (.658) in 13 seasons overall as a head coach, has guided his teams to eight conference championship game appearances, including a pair of SEC Championships at Auburn (2010, 2013) and a Sun Belt Championship at Arkansas State in 2012

He was the first head coach to implement the "Hurry-Up, No Huddle" offense in the SEC at Auburn in 2009, and his offensive philosophy and strategies have since been implemented by most collegiate programs, in addition to several NFL teams.

In nine of Malzahn's 18 seasons as a head coach or coordinator, his teams have been ranked in the Top 20 in total offense and/or rushing offense, including seven seasons in the Top 10. His 2022 and 2023 UCF teams finished the season ninth and fifth, respectively, in rushing offense, including eighth overall in total offense last season. Malzahn has produced 16 1,000-yard rushers in his career, including RJ Harvey in 2023, Tre Mason (1,816) and Nick Marshall (1,068) in 2013 and Cameron-Artis Payne (1,608) in 2014. Malzahn's Auburn teams still hold SEC Championship game records for points scored (59), total offense (677 yards), rushing yards (545), individual rushing yards (304), individual rushing TDs (4), individual receiving yds (217) and largest margin of victory (39).

Malzahn's first three seasons as UCF head football coach in 2021, 2022 and 2023 have featured three consecutive postseason bowl invitations (now 12 straight for teams coached by Malzahn and eight straight for UCF), overall nine-win marks in 2021 and 2022--plus a 2022 conference title-game qualification--as his Knight teams have injected themselves onto the list of elite collegiate programs.

Malzahn, who 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, coached his first season in the Big 12 Conference in 2023.

Highlighted by a 45-3 late-season triumph over 15th-ranked Oklahoma State, Malzahn's Knights defeated two teams that played in 2023 conference championship games—the Cowboys (Big 12) and Boise State (Mountain West). UCF's initial year in the Big 12 saw them qualify for a Gasparilla Bowl matchup with Georgia Tech.

His UCF crew in 2023 ranked among the nation's top offensive units—standing fourth in the country in rushing (233.2 yards

per game) and seventh in total offense (492.2). In addition, the Knights allowed the fewest passing yards in the Big 12—with Knight players pacing the league in receiving yards per game (Javon Baker) and tackles for loss (Tre'mon Morris-Brash). UCF also ranked sixth in the country in third-down conversions at 50 percent and 10th in yards per pass completion (14.67).

Baker and Morris-Brash received first-team All-Big 12 recognition in voting by league coaches—while senior linebacker Jason Johnson made the second team after his third straight season with 100-plus tackles and Harvey (1,296 regular-season yards and 16 rushing touchdowns) became a Doak Walker Award semifinalist.

UCF's impressive win against Big 12 runner-up Oklahoma State marked the 100th by Malzahn while coaching FBS programs—making him the first coach in college football history to win 100-plus games at both the high school level as well as while coaching at FBS institutions.

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 while also leading the nation in red-zone defense much of the season. Malzahn's team also ranked 11th in first downs, 13th in fumbles recovered to pace the league.

In 2022 UCF ranked second in the AAC in total offense and rushing. The improved Knight attack jumped 50 spots in the NCAA rankings in total offense, 19 in rushing, 34 in passing and six in scoring. The Knights also had 14 All-AAC first- or secondteam selections while cornerback Davonte 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 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. In recognition of his efforts, Malzahn was named 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.

That season UCF 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 vards in 2021
- An improvement of 70 slots in total defense, while allowing 122.5 fewer yards per game compared to the previous season

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

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.

The 34-28 victory over top-rated Alabama in 2013 came on a memorable 100-yard "Kick-6" 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 and he remains one of only a handful of 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 16 1,000-yard rushers in 18 seasons as a college coach, including Harvey in 2023 for UCF, 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 vards in 2017.

On three occasions, Malzahn has had two 1,000vard 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.

Mason, the 2013 SEC Player of the Year, ranked

third in the nation with 23 TDs and sixth with 169.57 all-purpose yards per game. He also set Auburn single-season records for rushing yards and allpurpose yards (2,374).

In Malzahn's eight seasons at Auburn 32 players were selected in the National Football League Draft while 14 of his players were named All-Americans.

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, 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 regularseason 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 nationally, averaging 47.2 points per games. Malzahn in 2006 spent one season at Arkansas as offensive coordinator, coaching Heisman Trophy runnerup 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

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 62-16 (.795) 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, 5-2 in 2022, 4-2 in 2023 and 2-0 this season. 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

(Arkansas) High School.

His overall record as a high school head coach was 144-36-1 (.798). He won two Arkansas 2A titles at Shiloh Christian (15-0 in both 1998 and 1999) and one 5A crown at Springdale (14-0 in 2005).

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)

Malzahn's full bio is available at UCFKnights.com

10 plays

72 yards

2:38

	(NIGHTS Scoring drives			
New H	ampshire			
1st	#35 C.Boomer 25 yd FG	12 plays	61 yards	4:00
1st	#35 C.Boomer 44 yd FG	9 plays	22 yards	3:44
2nd	#1 K.Jefferson 3 yd rush (#35 C.Boomer kick)	1 yard	3 yards	0:05
2nd	SAFETY			
2nd	#7 R.Harvey 1 yd rush (#35 C.Boomer kick)	2 plays	61 yards	0:19
2nd	#7 R.Harvey 13 yd rush (#35 C.Boomer kick)	4 plays	80 yards	0:49
3rd	#22 M.Montgomery 49 yd pass from #1 K.Jefferson (#35 C.Boomer kick)	5 plays	88 yards	1:57
3rd	#13 P.Boone 59 yd rush (#35 C.Boomer kick)	3 plays	70 yards	1:05
3rd	#0 J.Richardson 22 yd pass from #1 K.Jefferson (#35 C.Boomer kick)	4 plays	63 yards	1:53
3rd	#22 M.Montgomery 25 yd rush (#35 C.Boomer kick)	2 plays	29 yards	0:43
Sam H				
1st	#7 R.Harvey 19 yd rush (#35 C.Boomer kick)	12 plays	80 yards	6:37
1st	#7 R.Harvey 2 yd rush (#35 C.Boomer kick)	10 plays	76 yards	4:11
2nd	#35 C.Boomer 50 yd FG	11 plays	36 yards	5:14
2nd	#7 R.Harvey 22 yd rush (#35 C.Boomer kick)	10 plays	75 yards	4:42
3rd	#22 M.Montgomery 7 yd rush (#35 C.Boomer kick)	4 plays	42 yards	1:58
3rd	#7 R.Harvey 2 yd rush (#35 C.Boomer kick)	1 play	2 yards	0:04
4th	#13 P.Boone 3 yd rush (#35 C.Boomer kick)	8 plays	88 yards	2:49
at TCU				
2nd	#7 R.Harvey 29 yd pass from #1 K.Jefferson (#35 C.Boomer kick)	7 plays	75 yards	3:26
3rd	#7 R.Harvey 1 yd rush (#35 C.Boomer kick blocked)	8 plays	75 yards	3:52
3rd	#2 K.Hudson 27 yd pass from #1 K.Jefferson (#35 C.Boomer kick)	3 plays	75 yards	1:02
4th	#7 R.Harvey 27 yd rush (#7 R.Harvey pass from #1 K.Jefferson)	10 plays	80 yards	3:47
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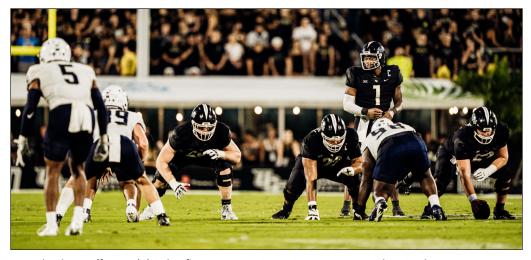
#2 K.Hudson 20 yd pass from #1 K.Jefferson (#35 C.Boomer kick)

OFFENSIVE **STARTERS**

Орр.	LT	LG	С	RG	RT	QB	RB	RB/WR	WR	WR/TE	TE	К
New Hampshire	Kight	Medley	Kitler	Marshall	Rubelt	Jefferson	Harvey	Hudson	Townsend	Whittemore	Morris	Boomer
Sam Houston	Kight	Medley	Kitler	Marshall	Rubelt	Jefferson	Harvey	Hudson	Johnson	Pittman	Morris	Boomer
at TCU	Kight	Medley	Kitler	Marshall	Rubelt	Jefferson	Harvey	Hudson	Townsend	Pittman	Morris	Boomer
Colorado												
at Florida												
Cincinnati												
at Iowa State												
BYU												
Arizona												
at Arizona State												
at West Virginia												
Utah												

DEFENSIVE **STARTERS**

Орр.	DE	DT	DT	DE	MIKE	WILL	NICKEL	СВ	S	S	СВ	Р
New Hampshire	Lawrence	Barber	Hunter	Kelly	Barr	Pace	Marshall	Adams	Arnold	Bullard	McWilliams	McCarthy
Sam Houston	Lawrence	Barber	Hunter	Kelly	Barr	Alexander	Marshall	Adams	Arnold	Bullard	McWilliams	McCarthy
at TCU	Lawrence	Barber	Alexander	Kelly	Barr	Pace	Marshall	Adams	Arnold	Bullard	McWilliams	McCarthy
Colorado												
at Florida												
Cincinnati												
at Iowa State												
BYU												
Arizona												
at Arizona State												
at West Virginia												
Utah												



Quarterback KJ Jefferson (1) in his first start at UCF against New Hampshire in the season opener.



THE **LAST TIME**

TEAM	UCF		OPPONENT	
90+ offensive plays	Tulane (99)	10/24/20	at South Florida (93)	11/27/20
500+ of total offense	at TCU (519)	9/14/24	at Cincinnati (515)	11/4/23
600+ of total offense	New Hampshire (639)	8/29/24	vs. #13 BYU (655)	12/22/20
700+ of total offense	Kent State (723)	8/31/23	at Memphis (703)	10/17/20
500+ team passing yards	at Memphis (601)	10/17/20	South Florida (503)	11/24/17
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)	10/31/15
300+ team rushing yards	Sam Houston (384)	9/7/24	at Kansas (399)	10/7/23
Two players 100 yds rushing	vs. Florida (Isaiah Bowser, 155; Ryan O'Keefe, 110)	12/23/21	at Cincinnati (Kiner:114, R. Montgomery:113)	10/7/23
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	11/27/20
	John Rhys Plumlee (121 rushing)		Kelly Joiner (116 rushing), Brian Battie (102 rushin	g)
	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 Griffn - int) 11/5/16		
Recover onside kick	East Carolina	11/19/15	UAB	11/24/12
Record a safety	New Hampshire (Tennison, blocked punt)	8/29/24	Tulsa	10/3/20
Come from down 10 points	at TCU (21 points, 28-7)	9/14/24	Baylor (28 points, 35-7 to win 36-35)	9/30/23
Score on first play of game	Baylor (Richardson, 79-yard run)	9/30/23		
Win on final snap of reg.	at Boise State (18-16, Colton Boomer, 40 FG)	9/9/23	vs. Penn State (Sam Ficken 36-yard field goal)	8/30/14
Convert two-point conv.	at TCU (Jefferson shovel pass to Harvey)	9/14/24	Baylor (Shapen pass to Nabors)	9/30/23

INDIVIDUAL

50+ passing attempts	Tulsa (Dillon Gabriel, 51)	10/3/20	at TCU (Josh Hoover, 52)	9/14/24
60+ passing attempts			Louisiana Tech (Tim Rattay, 64)	9/5/98
30+ completions	at Memphis (Dillon Gabriel, 35)	10/17/20	at TCU (Josh Hoover, 35)	9/14/24
40+ completions			Louisiana Tech (Tim Rattay, 46)	10/23/99
400+ yards passing	Tulane (Dillon Gabriel, 422)	10/24/20	at TCU (Josh Hoover, 402)	9/14/24
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	at TCU (RJ Harvey, 180)	9/14/24	at Kansas State (DJ Giddens, 4)	9/23/23
200+ rushing yards	Oklahoma State (RJ Harvey, 206)	11/11/23	at Kansas State (DJ Giddens, 4)	9/23/23
250+ rushing yards	vs. Tulsa (Kevin Smith, 284)	12/1/07	Akron (Mike Clark, 255)	9/27/86
4+ rushing touchdowns	Sam Houston (RJ Harvey, 4)	9/7/24	at Kansas State (DJ Giddens, 4)	9/23/23
5+ rushing touchdowns			Virginia Tech (Lee Suggs, 5)	11/11/00
150+ yards receiving	vs. Georgia Tech (Javon Baker, 173)	12/22/23	Baylor (Monaray Baldwin, 150)	9/30/23
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	Oklahoma State (Kobe Hudson, 75)	11/11/23	at Temple (Branden 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	Sam Houston (Colton Boomer, 50)	9/7/24	vs. Marshall (J. Rohrwasser, 50)	12/23/19
4+ field goals	at Boise State (Colton Boomer, 4)	9/9/23	vs. LSU (Cole Tracy, 4)	1/1/19
5+ field goals			Southern Miss (Danny Hrapmann, 5)	11/12/11
2+ sacks	at Cincinnati (Morris-Brash: 2.5)	11/4/23	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	Oklahoma State (Demari Henderson)	11/11/23	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	Baylor (Demari Henderson, 87 yards)	9/30/23	Baylor (Caden Jenkins, 72 yards)	9/30/23
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	at Kansas (Trevor Wilson, 82)	10/7/23
Blocked punt for TD	Georgia Tech (2nd Qtr, Q. Bullard)	9/24/22	at Navy (Daniel Taylor, 0)	10/2/21
Blocked punt	New Hampshire (2nd Qtr, L. Tennison)	8/29/24	South Carolina State (3rd Qtr, Zanjerry Dunham)	9/1/22
Blocked field goal	at Florida Atlantic (3rd Qtr, K. Hester)	9/17/22	at TCU (2nd Qtr, LaMareon James)	9/14/24
Blocked extra point	at Kansas (3rd Qtr, D Henderson)	10/7/23	at TCU (3rd Qtr, Bud Clark)	9/14/24

BOLD indicates play or game from 2024 season

UCF Runs Past New Hampshire in Season Opener, 57–3



Scoring Summary report New Hampshire vs UCF (Aug 29, 2024) New Hampshire (0-1) vs UCF (1-0)

ORE	BY	QUARTERS

Team	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	Total
New Hampshire	0	3	0	0	3
UCF	6	23	28	0	57

SCORING SUMMARY

Qtr	Time	Scoring Play
1st	10:55	UCF - #35 C.Boomer 25 yd FG, 12-61, 04:00
1st	04:56	UCF - #35 C.Boomer 44 yd FG, 9-22, 03:44
2nd	14:45	UCF - #1 K.Jefferson 3 yd rush (#35 C.Boomer kick), 1-3, 00:05
2nd	13:12	UCF - SAFETY, 01:33
2nd	09:40	UCF - #7 R.Harvey 1 yd rush (#35 C.Boomer kick), 2-61, 00:19
2nd	04:31	UNH - #37 N.Mazzie 38 yd FG, 8-55, 05:09
2nd	00:43	UCF - #7 R.Harvey 13 yd rush (#35 C.Boomer kick), 4-80, 00:49
3rd	09:15	UCF - #22 M.Montgomery 49 yd pass from #1 K.Jefferson (#35 C.Boomer kick), 5-88, 01:57
3rd	06:39	UCF - #13 P.Boone 59 yd rush (#35 C.Boomer kick), 3-70, 01:05
3rd	03:05	UCF - #0 J.Richardson 22 yd pass from #1 K.Jefferson (#35 C.Boomer kick), 4-63, 01:53
3rd	01:28	LICE - #22 M Montgomery 25 vd rush (#35 C Boomer kick) 2-29, 00:43

TIME DETAILS

Kickoff time: 07:02 PM End of Game: 10:26 PM Total elapsed: 03:23

OFFICIALS

Referee: Cravonne Barrett Umpire: Rick Podraza Linesman: Kirk Mattson

ORLANDO - After ranking among the nation's top 10 in rushing offense the past two seasons, the UCF football program is poised to have another strong year on the ground in 2024. The Knights rushed for 454 yards, the second most in program history, Thursday night en route to a 57-3 victory against New Hampshire in the season opener at FBC Mortgage Stadium.

Additionally, UCF's 8.4 rushing yards per carry are the second most in a single game in program history. The Black and Gold had eight different players carry the football in the contest with five Knights rushing for at least 40 yards. UCF had 14 rushes of 10 yards or more, headlined by a 60-yard rush from running back RJ Harvey.

"I'm proud of our team," said UCF head coach Gus Malzahn. "Taking care of business with a convincing win. Looking at the game, I just told the players the thing that stood out to me is only three penalties. We've been really focused on not beating ourselves.

"Defensively, we played a big-time game. I think [Deshawn] Pace's Interception, that was the one that really turned the game into being able to breathe a little bit. [Ladarius] Tennison had the block punt right there. I mean, he was one of the better special teams players in college football last year, and it showed. Xavier Townsend was big time in the return game.'

In addition to the offense, the Knights' defense was stellar throughout the contest limiting the Wildcats to just nine first downs. UCF's aggressive defense forced two interceptions, as linebacker Deshawn Pace swung the momentum in the Knights' favor early in the second quarter when he jumped in front of Seth Morgan's pass for his sixth career pick.

Following a pair of Colton Boomer field goals in the first half, Pace nearly recorded a pick six as he was knocked out of bounds at the three-yard line after a 37-yard return. One play later, quarterback KJ Jefferson found the end zone for the Knights' first touchdown of the season to give UCF a 13-0 lead.

Tabbed as one of the top special teams players in the country by College Football Network last season, Ladarius Tennison raced through the middle of the UNH punt unit to block the attempt and it was recovered by the Wildcats in the endzone for a safety.

From there, the Black and Gold scored 23 points in the second quarter to own a 29-3 lead at halftime behind a pair of rushing TDs from Harvey. The 2024 Doak Walker Award Preseason Watch List selection surpassed 100 yards rushing for the third consecutive game dating back to last season and the ninth time in his career. The Orlando native finished with 11 carries for 142 yards, averaging 12.9 yards per rush – second most by an individual in program history.

Following the intermission, UCF forced four consecutive punts to pull away from the Wildcats with 28 points in the third quarter. Making his debut in the Black and Gold, Myles Montgomery notched his first career receiving touchdown on a 49-yard catch from KJ Jefferson. His backfield mate, Peny Boone found the endzone a few minutes with a 59-yard scamper to push the Knights' advantage to 43-3.

Boone had seven rushes for 81 yards and Montgomery logged 77 yards on eight rushes. Johnny Richardson pitched in with 40 rushing yards and a 22-yard touchdown reception.

Sophomore Antione Jackson came up with the Knights' second interception of the day and Montgomery quickly turned it into six points for UCF, scoring from 25 yards out. It marked the first time he's scored a touchdown on the ground and receiving in the same game in his career. Pace led the defense with five tackles, including three solo, while Braeden Marshall had a great game with four tackles, including two tackles for loss and a pass breakup. Mac McWilliams notched four tackles with a TFL.

UCF Football Earns 45–14 Win Over Sam Houston







CORE	BY	QUARTERS

Team	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	Total
Sam Houston	0	7	0	7	14
UCF	14	10	14	7	45

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	Qtr	Time	Scoring Play
_	1st	08:17	UCF - #7 R.Harvey 19 yd rush (#35 C.Boomer kick), 12-80, 06:37
	1st	03:07	UCF - #7 R.Harvey 2 yd rush (#35 C.Boomer kick), 10-76, 04:11
	2nd	10:36	UCF - #35 C.Boomer 50 yd FG, 11-36, 05:14
	2nd	08:41	SHSU - #3 S.Evans 64 yd pass from #6 N.Smith (#49 C.Pavon kick), 4-75, 01:55
	2nd	03:59	UCF - #7 R.Harvey 22 yd rush (#35 C.Boomer kick), 10-75, 04:42
	3rd	09:58	UCF - #22 M.Montgomery 7 yd rush (#35 C.Boomer kick), 4-42, 01:58
	3rd	07:14	UCF - #7 R.Harvey 2 yd rush (#35 C.Boomer kick), 1-2, 00:04
	4th	12:36	UCF - #13 P.Boone 3 yd rush (#35 C.Boomer kick), 8-88, 02:49
	4th	04:14	SHSU - #4 M.Phoenix II 22 yd pass from #8 J.Bauer (#49 C.Pavon kick), 11-80, 05:27

TIME DETAILS

ORLANDO - Saturday's game was delayed 30 minutes due to lightning in the area, but that didn't have any impact on a hot start for UCF, as the Knights scored on six of their first seven drives to earn a 45-14 victory against Sam Houston at FBC Mortgage Stadium.

For the second consecutive game, the Black and Gold compiled more than 550 yards of total offense, including 384 rushing yards. Defensively, UCF forced two turnovers and held Sam Houston to just 67 rushing yards.

"I'm real proud of our team, we earned a convincing win against a quality opponent," said UCF head coach Gus Malzahn. "They've got good players and that's a Hall of Fame Coach. He's won two national championships. It was a good measuring stick for our guys."

UCF has now opened the season with a 2-0 record in three of Malzahn's four seasons in Orlando. Saturday's game also marked the 200th FBS win for the Knights as a program since making the transition from FCS in 1996.

Knights running back RJ Harvey tied the program record and set a career high with four rushing touchdowns, while surpassing 100 yards rushing for the 10th time in his career. The Orlando native finished with 126 rushing yards on 19 carries, finding the end zone four times – the first player to do so since Isaiah Bowser in 2021.

The preseason Doak Walker Award Watch List honoree recorded the first two touchdowns of the game, scoring from 19 yards out and on a twoyard rush to cap 80-yard and 76-yard drives, respectively.

"It feels great to score four times," said Harvey. "All praise goes to the offensive line. Without them, that wouldn't have been possible. So, I'm just super blessed for them to have done their job tonight to allow me to have success."

For the third time in his career, UCF kicker Colton Boomer booted a 50-yard field goal as he split the uprights to extend the Knights' early advantage to 17-0 in the second quarter. The Lake Mary native had a pair of 50-yarders in the Boise State game last season, including the gamewinner.

KJ Jefferson led the offense from his quarterback position, going 12-for-15 passing for 169 yards. He also rushed for 50 yards on nine attempts. Wide receiver Kobe Hudson reeled in 104 of those, eclipsing the 100-yard receiving mark for the sixth time in his career.

Defensively, the Black and Gold were dominant throughout the game, limiting the Bearkats to 118 yards and just 16 rushing at halftime. In comparison, UCF had already rushed for 243 yards and Harvey accounted for 115 yards on 16 carries with three rushing touchdowns in the first 30 minutes.

The Knights tallied two interceptions for the second straight game, as Mac McWilliams and Sheldon Arnold each came down with their first interceptions in a UCF uniform.

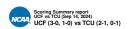
Quadric Bullard, Nyjalik Kelly and Xe'ree Alexander led the defensive effort each with six tackles. Kelly notched the Knights' first sack of the season, forced a fumble and had a pass breakup.

UCF returns to action next weekend when the Knights travel to TCU to open Big 12 Conference play. Kickoff is set for 7:30 p.m. ET on FOX from Amon G. Carter Stadium.

Second-Half Rally Lifts UCF Past TCU in Big 12 Opener, 35–34







Team		

UCF 0 7 13 15 35 TCU 14 7 10 3 34	Team	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	Total
	UCF	0	7	13	15	35
	TCU	14	7	10	3	34

CORING	SUMMARY	

Qtr	Time	Scoring Play	V-H
1st	09:38	TCU - #88 E.McAlister 14 yd pass from #10 J.Hoover (#34 K.Lemmermann kick), 10-56, 04:15	0-7
1st	03:18	TCU - #3 S.Williams 18 yd pass from #10 J.Hoover (#34 K.Lemmermann kick), 9-71, 02:16	0-14
2nd	14:52	UCF - #7 R.Harvey 29 yd pass from #1 K.Jefferson (#35 C.Boomer kick), 7-75, 03:26	7-14
2nd	10:10	TCU - #3 S.Williams 16 yd pass from #10 J.Hoover (#34 K.Lemmermann kick), 12-75, 04:42	7-21
3rd	13:28	TCU - #18 J.Bech 50 yd pass from #10 J.Hoover (#34 K.Lemmermann kick), 4-75, 01:32	7-28
3rd	09:36	UCF - #7 R.Harvey 1 yd rush (#35 C.Boomer kick blocked), 8-75, 03:52	13-28
3rd	05:03	TCU - #34 K.Lemmermann 31 yd FG, 10-62, 04:33	13-31
3rd	04:01	UCF - #2 K.Hudson 27 yd pass from #1 K.Jefferson (#35 C.Boomer kick), 3-75, 01:02	20-31
4th	13:38	UCF - #7 R.Harvey 27 yd rush (#7 R.Harvey pass from #1 K.Jefferson), 10-80, 03:47	28-31
4th	08:44	TCU - #34 K.Lemmermann 24 yd FG, 10-69, 04:54	28-34
4th	00:36	UCF - #2 K.Hudson 20 yd pass from #1 K.Jefferson (#35 C.Boomer kick), 10-72, 02:38	35-34

TIME DETAILS

Weather: Cloudy 95 F Wind: South East 2 mph

FORT WORTH, Texas – Winning is an attitude.

That's the motto for UCF's athletics teams this season coined by vice president and director of athletics Terry Mohajir and the football team epitomized that mindset Saturday evening, rallying from a 21-point deficit to earn a 35-34 win against TCU in its Big 12 Conference opener at Amon G. Carter Stadium.

Trailing 21-7 at halftime and 28-7 following the first drive of the second half, the Knights regrouped and were the better team for the remainder of the contest. UCF (3-0, 1-0 Big 12) outscored TCU (2-1, 0-1) 13-10 in the third quarter and 15-3 in the fourth quarter to open Big 12 play with a

With 3:14 seconds left on the clock, the Black and Gold put together a 10-play, 72-yard drive to score the game-winner with 36 seconds remaining in the contest. On a first and 10 play from the 20-yard line, quarterback KJ Jefferson found wide receiver Kobe Hudson across the middle on a post route to knot the score at 34-34 and Colton Boomer's extra point split the uprights to give UCF the one-point victory.

The 21-point comeback win ties the Boise State game from 2021, head coach Gus Malzahn's first game leading the Knights, for the largest comefrom-behind win in program history. It marked the largest blown lead in a loss for TCU at Amon G. Carter Stadium since joining the Big 12.

"I'm extremely proud of our team," said Malzahn. "They're a really good team and very well-coached. We simplified things on offense in the second half, making a commitment to running it downhill and it opened up the pass.

"Our guys found a way to win the game, we overcame. There are a lot of areas that we need to improve on, but I think we have the makings of a good team, finding a way to win on the road."

It was a tale of two halves for the Knights, scoring 28 points in the second half as opposed to seven in the first half. Four of UCF's five drives following the intermission ended in a touchdown.

Jefferson was 9-of-11 for 166 yards with two touchdowns in the second half and the Black and Gold ran for another 144 yards to compile 310 yards in the last two quarters. The Sardis, Mississippi, native finished the game 13-of-22 for 230 yards with three touchdowns and he rushed nine times for 46 yards.

Hudson accounted for 145 of Jefferson's passing yards, as the fifth-year senior reeled in six passes and found the end zone twice, including the game-winning score late in the fourth quarter. It marked the second consecutive game and seventh in his career surpassing 100 yards receiving.

One of the nation's most talented running backs, RJ Harvey continued his scorching hot start to the season rushing for 180 yards on 29 carries with two touchdowns on the ground. The Hometown Hero also scored his second career receiving touchdown to end the day with 209 all-purpose yards and three total touchdowns. Harvey has now rushed for more than 100 yards in his last five games dating back to 2023, scoring 11 TDs during that span.

Defensively, linebacker Deshawn Pace was all over the field to lead the Knights with 11 tackles, including eight solo, to finish one shy of matching his career high. He had two big stops on TCU's second to last drive, which resulted in a punt to give UCF the ball back with 3:14 remaining.

The Knights' defense limited the Horned Frogs to just 58 yards rushing, but they threw for 402 yards. UCF's approach was balanced with 289 yards rushing and 230 passing yards.

TEAM **STATISTICS**

	UCF	OPP
Scoring	137	51
Points per game	45.7	17.0
Points Off Turnovers	28	0
First Downs	86	47
Rushing	62	7
Passing	22	35
Penalty	2	5
Rushing Yardage	1127	192
Yards gained rushing	1163	231
Yards lost rushing	36	39
Rushing attempts	165	76
Average per rush	6.8	2.5
Average per game	375.7	64.0
TDs Rushing	13	0
Passing Yardage	585	716
Comp-Att-Int	38-61-1	66-105-4
Average per pass	9.6	6.8
Average per catch	15.4	10.8
Average per game	195.0	238.7
TDs Passing	5	6
Total offense	1712	908
Total plays	226	181
Average per play	7.6	5.0
Average per game	570.7	302.7
Kick returns: #-Yards	5-117	6-119
Punt returns: #-Yards	9-99	3-33
Int returns: #-Yards	4-95	11
Kick return average	23.4	19.8
Punt return average	11.0	11.0
Int return average	23.8	-1.0
Fumbles-Lost	2-2	2-0
Penalties-Yards	14-125	17-115
Average per game	41.7	38.3
Punts-Yards	7-305	20-765
Average per punt	43.6	38.3
Net punt average	38.9	32.3
Kickoffs-Yards	24-1538	13-828
Average per kick	64.1	63.7
Net kick average	40.4	39.3
Time of possession / game	32:10	27:50
3rd-down conversion	23/40	17/42
3rd-down pct	58%	40%
4rd-down conversion	2/5	0/1

TEAM **STATISTICS**

	UCF	OPP
4rd-down pct	40%	0%
Sacks by-Yards	1-9	3-18
Misc Yards	0	0
Touchdowns scored	18	6
Field goals - attempts	3-5	3-4
On-Side kicks	0-0	0-0
Red-zone scores	(12-15) 80%	(7-7) 100%
Red-zone touchdowns	(10-15) 67%	(4-7) 57%
PAT-attempts	(16-17) 94%	(6-6) 100%
2-point conversion-attempts	(1-1) 100%	(0-0) 0%
Attendance	88013	48889
Games / Avg per game	2/44007	1/48889
Neutral site games	-	0/0

Score by Periods

Team	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	ОТ	тот
UCF	20	40	55	22	0	137
Opponents	14	17	10	10	0	51



FBC Mortgage Stadium against Sam Houston on Saturday, Sept. 7

INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS

Rushing

Player	gp	att	gain	loss	net	avg	td	lg	avg/g
RJ Harvey	3	59	452	4	448	7.6	8	60	149.3
Peny Boone	3	24	159	0	159	6.6	2	59	53.0
Myles Montgomery	3	20	143	2	141	7.1	2	25	47.0
KJ Jefferson	3	29	155	20	135	4.7	1	14	45.0
Jacurri Brown	2	9	92	0	92	10.2	0	30	46.0
Xavier Townsend	3	10	86	4	82	8.2	0	18	27.3
Johnny Richardson	3	11	70	4	66	6.0	0	12	22.0
Dylan Rizk	1	1	3	0	3	3.0	0	3	3.0
Kameron Ingram	2	2	3	2	1	0.5	0	3	0.5
Total	3	165	1163	36	1127	6.8	13	60	375.7
Opponents	3	76	231	39	192	2.5	0	17	64.0

Passing

Player	gp	effic	comp-att-int	pct	yds	td	lg	avg/g
KJ Jefferson	3	183.9	32-51-1	62.7	563	5	53	187.7
Jacurri Brown	2	76.1	5-9-0	55.6	22	0	6	11.0
Dylan Rizk	1	100.0	1-1-0	100.0	0	0	0	0.0
Total	3	166.6	38-61-1	62.3	585	5	53	195.0
Opponents	3	131.4	66-105-4	62.9	716	6	64	238.7

Receiving

Player	gp	no.	yds	avg	td	lg	avg/g
Kobe Hudson	3	13	310	23.8	2	53	103.3
Xavier Townsend	3	6	19	3.2	0	7	6.3
Randy Pittman Jr.	3	6	95	15.8	0	20	31.7
Jarrad Baker	3	2	5	2.5	0	4	1.7
Johnny Richardson	3	2	27	13.5	1	22	9.0
RJ Harvey	3	2	37	18.5	1	29	12.3
Kylan Fox	3	2	11	5.5	0	6	3.7
Ja'Varrius Johnson	2	1	0	0.0	0	0	0.0
Trent Whittemore	2	1	11	11.0	0	11	5.5
Myles Montgomery	3	1	49	49.0	1	49	16.3
Jacoby Jones	3	1	15	15.0	0	15	5.0
Grant Stevens	2	1	6	6.0	0	6	3.0
Total	3	38	585	15.4	5	53	195.0
Opponents	3	66	716	10.8	6	64	238.7

Punt Returns

Player	no.	yds	avg	td	lg
Xavier Townsend	8	96	12.0	0	26
Trent Whittemore	1	3	3.0	0	3
Total	9	99	11.0	0	26
Opponents	3	33	11.0	0	15

Interceptions

Player	no.	yds	avg	td	lg
Mac McWilliams	1	27	27.0	0	27
Deshawn Pace	1	37	37.0	0	37
Sheldon Arnold, II	1	22	22.0	0	22
Antione Jackson	1	9	9.0	0	9
Total	4	95	23.8	0	37
Opponents	1	-1	-1.0	0	0

Kick Returns

Player	no.	yds	avg	td	lg
Xavier Townsend	5	117	23.4	0	38
Total	5	117	23.4	0	38
Opponents	6	119	19.8	0	31

Fumble Returns

Player	no.	yds	avg	td	lg
Total	0	0	0.0	0	0
Opponents	2	9	4.5	0	9

INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS

Scoring

				PAT	•				
Player	td	fg	kick	rush	rcv	pass	dxp	saf	pts
RJ Harvey	9	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	56
Colton Boomer	-	3-5	16-17	-	-	-	-	-	25
Myles Montgomery	3	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	18
Kobe Hudson	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	12
Peny Boone	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	12
KJ Jefferson	1	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	6
Johnny Richardson	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6
Total	18	3-5	16-17	0	1	1	0	1	137
Opponents	6	3-4	6-6	0	0	0	0	0	51

Field Goals

Player	fg	pct.	01-19	20-29	30-39	40-49	50-99	lg	blk
Colton Boomer	3-5	60.0	0-0	1-2	0-0	1-2	1-1	50	2
Opponents	3-4	75.0	0-0	1-1	2-2	0-0	0-1	38	0

FG Sequence

Team Name	UCF	Opponents	
TCU	47,27	(31),(24),58	
New Hampshire	(25),(44)	(38)	
Sam Houston	(50)		

Numbers in (parentheses) indicate field goal was made

Total Offense

Player	g	plays	rush	pass	total	avg/g
KJ Jefferson	3	80	135	563	698	232.7
RJ Harvey	3	59	448	0	448	149.3
Peny Boone	3	24	159	0	159	53.0
Myles Montgomery	3	20	141	0	141	47.0
Jacurri Brown	2	18	92	22	114	57.0
Xavier Townsend	3	10	82	0	82	27.3
Johnny Richardson	3	11	66	0	66	22.0
Dylan Rizk	1	2	3	0	3	3.0
Kameron Ingram	2	2	1	0	1	0.5
Total	3	226	1127	585	1712	570.7
Opponents	3	181	192	716	908	302.7

Punting

Player	no.	yds	avg	lg	tb	fc	i20	50+	blk
Mitch McCarthy	7	305	43.6	51	0	3	4	3	0
Total	7	305	43.6	51	0	3	4	3	0
Opponents	20	765	38.3	59	1	5	3	5	1

Kickoffs

Player	no.	yds	avg	tb	ob	retn	net	ydln
Colton Boomer	19	1234	64.9	17	0			
Grant Reddick	4	239	59.8	0	0			
Evan Morris	1	65	65.0	1	0			
Total	24	1538	64.1	18	0	6	40.4	24
Opponents	13	828	63.7	4	0	5	39.3	25



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DEFENSIVE **STATISTICS**

				Та	ckles		Sacks	Pass	defen	se	Fumbl	es	blk	(d
##	Player	gp	ua	a	tot	tfl/yds	no-yds	int-yds	brup	qbh	fr-yds	ff	kick	saf
3	Deshawn Pace	3	13	6	19	1-6		1-37						
10	Quadric Bullard	3	6	9	15	•	•							
9	Sheldon Arnold, II	3	7	4	11	•	•	1-22						
24	Xe'ree Alexander	3	5	4	9	1-2				2				
32	Ethan Barr	3	3	6	9	•	•		1	1				
4	Braeden Marshall	3	7	1	8	2-11			2					
13	Ladarius Tennison	3	3	5	8	•	•			1			1	
15	Daylan Dotson	3	3	5	8	3-8	•							
11	Nyjalik Kelly	3	4	4	8	1-9	1-9		1	1		1		
14	Jesiah Pierre	3	3	4	7									
20	Mac McWilliams	3	5	1	6	1-2		1-27						
44	Matthew Alexander	3	3	3	6	1-4				1				
2	Lee Hunter	3	3	2	5	1-1				1				
7	Antione Jackson	3	4	1	5			1-9	2					
5	Ricky Barber	3	2	2	4					3				
12	Bryon Threats	3	4		4	1-1								
0	Brandon Adams	3	2	2	4				1					
1	Ja'Cari Henderson	2	3		3									
99	Jamaal Johnson	3		3	3	1-2								
33	Kaven Call	3	2		2									
28	Andrew Harris	3	1	1	2	0.5-1								
5	Randy Pittman Jr.	3	1	1	2									
6	Isaiah Nixon	3	1	1	2									
87	Andrew Rumph	2		2	2									
98	Tyreek'e Robinson	2		2	2				1					
23	Tre'Quon Fegans	2	2		2									
30	Kam Moore	2	1	1	2									
91	Keshaun Hudson	2		2	2									
29	William Wells	3	2		2									
51	Malachi Lawrence	3	1	1	2					3				
16	TJ Bullard	2		1	1	0.5-0								
3	Xavier Townsend	3	1		1									
4	Chauncey Magwood	3		1	1									
53	Keeron Henderson	1		1	1									
49	Quinten Johnson	3	1		1									
9	Ja'Varrius Johnson	2	1		1	<u>.</u>	_							
	Totals	3	94	76	170	14-47	1-9	4-95	8	13	0-0	1	1	1
	Opponents	3	132	- :	258	11-39	3-18	11			2-9	2	3	

TEAM **GAME-BY-GAME**

			Rushii	ng		Receiving			g	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
08/29/2024	New Hampshire	54	454	5	60	11	185	2	49	11-22-1	185	2	49	3	84	0	38	7	89	0	26	639
09/07/2024	Sam Houston	57	384	6	26	14	170	0	53	14-17-0	170	0	53	1	20	0	20	1	13	0	13	554
09/14/2024	at TCU	54	289	2	27	13	230	3	45	13-22-0	230	3	45	1	13	0	13	1	-3	0	0	519
UCF		165	1127	13	60	38	585	5	53	38-61-1	585	5	53	5	117	0	38	9	99	0	26	1712
Opponents	1	76	192	0	17	66	716	6	64	66-105-4	716	6	64	6	119	0	31	3	33	0	15	908

UCF Averages

Games	Avg/ rush	Avg/ catch	Pass effic	KR avg	PR avg	All purpose avg/game	Total offense avg/game
3	6.8	15.4	166.6	23.4	11.0	674.3	570.7

			Tackles S			Sacks	Fu	mble	Pass Defense			blkd PAT attempts			s	off	
Date	Opponent	ua	а	total	tfl-yds	no-yds	ff	fr-yds	int-yds	qbh	brup	kick	kick	rush ro	:v s	af t/o	pts
08/29/2024	New Hampshire	30	30	60	7.0-26	0-0	0	0-0	2-46	6	3	1	7-7	0	0	1 14	57
09/07/2024	Sam Houston	32	20	52	6.0-15	1-9	1	0-0	2-49	3	1	0	6-6	0	0	0 14	45
09/14/2024	at TCU	32	26	58	1.0-6	0-0	0	0-0	0-0	4	4	0	3-4	0	1	0 0	35
UCF		94	76	170	14.0-47	1-9	1	0-0	4-95	13	8	1	16-17	0	1	1 28	137
Opponents		132	126	258	11.0-39	3-18	2	2-9	11	4	6	3	6-6	0	0	0 0	51

	Punting					Field Goals			Kickoffs								
Date Opponent	no.	o. yds avg long blkd tb fc 50+ i20 r					md-att	long	blkd	no.	yds	avg	tb	ob			
08/29/2024 New Hampshire	2	75	37.5	41	0	0	2	0	2	2-2	44	0	10	629	62.9	6	0
09/07/2024 Sam Houston	2	78	39.0	42	0	0	1	0	1	1-1	50	0	8	519	64.9	6	0
09/14/2024 at TCU	3	152	50.7	51	0	0	0	3	1	0-2	0	2	6	390	65.0	6	0
UCF	7	305	43.6	51	0	0	3	3	4	3-5	50	2	24	1538	64.1	18	0
Opponents	20	765	38.3	59	1	1	5	5	3	3-4	38	0	13	828	63.7	4	0



UCF Head Coach Gus Malzahn following the TCU victory

TEAM **GAME HIGHS**

RUSHES	57	Sam Houston (09/07/2024)
YARDS RUSHING	454	New Hampshire (08/29/2024)
YARDS PER RUSH	8.4	New Hampshire (08/29/2024)
TD RUSHES	6	Sam Houston (09/07/2024)
PASS ATTEMPTS	22	at TCU (09/14/2024)
	22	New Hampshire (08/29/2024)
PASS COMPLETIONS	14	Sam Houston (09/07/2024)
YARDS PASSING	230	at TCU (09/14/2024)
YARDS PER PASS	10.5	at TCU (09/14/2024)
TD PASSES	3	at TCU (09/14/2024)
TOTAL PLAYS	76	at TCU (09/14/2024)
	76	New Hampshire (08/29/2024)
TOTAL OFFENSE	639	New Hampshire (08/29/2024)
YARDS PER PLAY	8.4	New Hampshire (08/29/2024)
POINTS	57	New Hampshire (08/29/2024)
SACKS BY	1	Sam Houston (09/07/2024)
FIRST DOWNS	30	at TCU (09/14/2024)
PENALTIES	6	Sam Houston (09/07/2024)
PENALTY YARDS	45	at TCU (09/14/2024)
	45	Sam Houston (09/07/2024)
TURNOVERS	2	New Hampshire (08/29/2024)
PUNTS	3	at TCU (09/14/2024)
PUNTING AVG	50.7	at TCU (09/14/2024)
LONG PUNT	51	at TCU (09/14/2024)
PUNTS INSIDE 20	2	New Hampshire (08/29/2024)
LONG PUNT RETURN	26	New Hampshire (08/29/2024)

INDIVIDUAL **Game Highs**

RUSHES	29	RJ Harvey at TCU (09/14/2024)
YARDS RUSHING	180	RJ Harvey at TCU (09/14/2024)
TD RUSHES	4	RJ Harvey vs Sam Houston (09/07/2024)
LONG RUSH	60	RJ Harvey vs New Hampshire (08/29/2024)
PASS ATTEMPTS	22	KJ Jefferson at TCU (09/14/2024)
PASS COMPLETIONS	13	KJ Jefferson at TCU (09/14/2024)
YARDS PASSING	230	KJ Jefferson at TCU (09/14/2024)
TD PASSES	3	KJ Jefferson at TCU (09/14/2024)
LONG PASS	53	KJ Jefferson vs Sam Houston (09/07/2024)
RECEPTIONS	6	Kobe Hudson at TCU (09/14/2024)
YARDS RECEIVING	145	Kobe Hudson at TCU (09/14/2024)
TD RECEPTIONS	2	Kobe Hudson at TCU (09/14/2024)
LONG RECEPTION	53	Kobe Hudson vs Sam Houston (09/07/2024)
PUNTS	3	Mitch McCarthy at TCU (09/14/2024)
PUNTING AVG	50.7	Mitch McCarthy at TCU (09/14/2024)
LONG PUNT	51	Mitch McCarthy at TCU (09/14/2024)
PUNTS INSIDE 20	2	Mitch McCarthy vs New Hampshire (08/29/2024)
LONG PUNT RETURN	26	Xavier Townsend vs New Hampshire (08/29/2024)
LONG KICKOFF RETURN	38	Xavier Townsend vs New Hampshire (08/29/2024)
TACKLES	11	Deshawn Pace at TCU (09/14/2024)
SACKS	1	Nyjalik Kelly vs Sam Houston (09/07/2024)
TACKLES FOR LOSS	2	Braeden Marshall vs New Hampshire (08/29/2024)

PLAYER **PARTICIPATION**

##	Player	GP-GS	UNH	SHSU	TCU
0	Johnny Richardson	3/0	XXX	XXX	XXX
0	Brandon Adams	3/3	START	START	START
1	KI Jefferson	3/3	START	START	START
1	Ja'Cari Henderson	2/0	XXX	XXX	
2	Kobe Hudson	3/3	START	START	START
2	Lee Hunter	3/2	START	START	XXX
3	Deshawn Pace	3/2	START	XXX	START
3	Xavier Townsend	3/2	START	XXX	START
4	Chauncey Magwood	3/0	XXX	XXX	XXX
4	Braeden Marshall	3/3	START	START	START
5	Ricky Barber	3/3	START	START	START
5	Randy Pittman Jr.	3/2	XXX	START	START
6	Isaiah Nixon	3/0	XXX	XXX	XXX
6	Kylan Fox	3/0	XXX	XXX	XXX
7	RJ Harvey	3/3	START	START	START
7	Antione Jackson	3/0	XXX	XXX	XXX
8	Demari Henderson	0/0			
8	Bredell Richardson	0/0			
9	Ja'Varrius Johnson	2/1		START	XXX
9	Sheldon Arnold, II	3/3	START	START	START
10	Ouadric Bullard	3/3	START	START	START
10	Dylan Rizk	1/0		XXX	
11	Jacurri Brown	2/0	XXX	XXX	
11	Nyjalik Kelly	3/3	START	START	START
12	Bryon Threats	3/0	XXX	XXX	XXX
12	EJ Colson	0/0			
13	Ladarius Tennison	3/0	XXX	XXX	XXX
13	Peny Boone	3/0	XXX	XXX	XXX
14	Jesiah Pierre	3/0	XXX	XXX	XXX
15	Daylan Dotson	3/0	XXX	XXX	XXX
15	Tyree Patterson	0/0			
16	Jacoby Jones	3/0	XXX	XXX	XXX
16	TJ Bullard	2/0	XXX	XXX	
17	Jaylen Heyward	2/0	XXX	XXX	
17	Riley Trujillo	0/0			
18	Jakob Gude	2/0	XXX	XXX	
19	Jarrad Baker	3/0	XXX	XXX	XXX
19	Hudson Gibbs	2/0	XXX	XXX	
20	Mac McWilliams	3/3	START	START	START
20	Kameron Ingram	2/0	XXX	XXX	
21	Cedrick Hawkins Jr.	1/0	XXX		
21	:	1/0	XXX		
	Myles Montgomery	3/0	XXX	XXX	XXX
22	Qua Birdsong	1/0	XXX		
	Tre'Quon Fegans	2/0	XXX	XXX	
24	Xe'ree Alexander	3/1	XXX	START	XXX
	Cam Vining	2/0	XXX	XXX	
26	Brock Hansel	0/0			
	Christian Peterson	0/0			
27	Chasen Johnson	3/0	XXX	XXX	XXX
28	Andrew Harris	3/0	XXX	XXX	XXX
29	William Wells	3/0	XXX	XXX	XXX
30	Kam Moore	2/0	XXX	XXX	
31	DJ McCormick	0/0			
32	Ethan Barr	3/3	START	START	START
32	Michael Carter	1/0	XXX		
33	Kaven Call	3/0	XXX	XXX	XXX
34	Terrell Jackson	0/0			
35	Colton Boomer	3/0	XXX	XXX	XXX
36	Chase Jarrett	0/0			
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##	Player	GP-GS	UNH	SHSU	TCU
37	Preston Foreman	0/0			
38	Jashad Presley	1/0	XXX		
39	R.D. Cooper	0/0			
40	Mitch McCarthy	3/0	XXX	XXX	XXX
41	Gage King	3/0	XXX	XXX	XXX
41	Jack Morgan	0/0			
42	Aidan Fedigan	0/0			
43	Tyler Wrenn	0/0			
44	Evan Morris	3/3	START	START	START
44	Matthew Alexander	3/1	XXX	XXX	START
45	Quentin Hatch	0/0			
46	Nicholas Antoine	0/0			
48	Troy Ford Jr.	0/0			
49	Quinten Johnson	3/0	XXX	XXX	XXX
50	Patrick Barnett	0/0			
51	Malachi Lawrence	3/3	START	START	START
51	Jack Bernstein	0/0			
52	Caden Kitler	3/3	START	START	START
53	Keeron Henderson	1/0	XXX		
54	Waltclaire Flynn	0/0			
55	Cameron Kinnie	3/0	XXX	XXX	XXX
55	John Walker	0/0			
56	Jonathan Cline	0/0			
58	Josh Dorsainvil	1/0	XXX		
59	Keyon Cox	2/0	XXX	XXX	
62	Jabari Brooks	3/0	XXX	XXX	XXX
64	Shaheem Hill	0/0			
66	Colin Cook	0/0			
68	Ethan Higgins	0/0			
69	Paul Rubelt	3/3	START	START	START
70	Chase Malamala	0/0			
71	Thomas Gearity	0/0			
72	Marcellus Marshall	3/3	START	START	START
73	Wes Dorsey	3/0	XXX	XXX	XXX
74	Matthew Prigmore	1/0	XXX		
75	Andrew Phelan	0/0			
76	Adrian Medley	3/3	START	START	START
77	Keegan Smith	3/0	XXX	XXX	XXX
78	Amari Kight	3/3	START		START
80	Trent Whittemore	2/1	START	XXX	
80	Grant Reddick	1/0	XXX		
81	Kason Stokes	0/0			
82	Jordyn Bridgewater	0/0		•••	
83	Reece Adkins	0/0			
84	Thomas Wadsworth	3/0	XXX	 XXX	 XXX
85	Carson Hinshaw	0/0			
86	Jordan Davis	0/0			
87	Dwartney Wortham	1/0	XXX		
87	Andrew Rumph	2/0	XXX	 XXX	
88	Grant Stevens	2/0	XXX	XXX	
88	Derrick LeBlanc	:			
	•	0/0			
89	Caleb Rollerson	0/0			
90	Marcus Downs	0/0			
91	Keshaun Hudson	2/0	XXX	XXX	
98	Kevin Carrigan	0/0			
98	Tyreek'e Robinson	2/0	XXX	XXX	
99	Jamaal Johnson	3/0	XXX	XXX	XXX