



2024

GEORGIA STATE MEN'S SOCCER

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GAME 9:

GEORGIA STATE PANTHERS at UCF

TV: ESPN+

2024 RECORDS:

Georgia State: 3-4-1 (0-1-0 Sun Belt)

UCF: 2-2-3 (0-1-0 Sun Belt)

SERIES RECORD: 0-2-0

... **At home:** 0-1-0

... **On the road:** 0-1-0

... **On a neutral field:** 0-0-0

... **Streak:** L2

LAST MEETING: Georgia State lost 2-3 to UCF on Oct. 27, 2023, at the GSU Soccer Complex.

GSU HEAD COACH BRETT SURRENCY

Record at GSU: 144-103-25 (15th year)

2024 SCHEDULE

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| Aug. 22 | BELMONT | 0-0 (D) |
| Aug. 27 | at UAB | 0-1 (L) |
| Sep. 1 | at Liberty | 2-1 (W) |
| Sep. 5 | at Lipscomb | 1-2 (L) |
| Sep. 8 | MEMPHIS | 1-3 (L) |
| Sep. 13 | USC UPSTATE | 3-2 (W) |
| Sep. 17 | at Wofford | 2-0 (W) |
| Sep. 21 | COASTAL CAROLINA* | 0-1 (L) |
| Sep. 29 | at UCF* | 7:00 PM ET |
| Oct. 5 | at Old Dominion* | 7:00 PM ET |
| Oct. 8 | MERCER | 7:00 PM ET |
| Oct. 11 | SOUTH CAROLINA* | 7:00 PM ET |
| Oct. 18 | at Georgia Southern* | 7:30 PM ET |
| Oct. 23 | at West Virginia* | 7:00 PM ET |
| Oct. 27 | MARSHALL* | 6:00 PM ET |
| Nov. 1 | at James Madison* | 7:00 PM ET |
| Nov. 5 | KENTUCKY* | 7:00 PM ET |
| Sun Belt Conference Games* | | |

GEORGIA STATE (3-4-1) at UCF (2-2-3)

Sunday, Sept. 29 | 7:00 p.m. ET | Orlando, FL. | ESPN+

THE OPENING KICK: Following a setback in their Sun Belt opener against Coastal Carolina, the Panthers aim to rebound on the road against UCF on Sunday, Sept. 29, at 7:00 p.m.

SERIES VS. UCF: The Panthers are 0-2-0 on the series against UCF after losing to the Knights 2-3 at home on Oct. 27, 2023.

SETTING THE RECORD STRAIGHT: After nearly 40 years, head coach Brett Surrency became the winningest coach in Georgia State history with 144 wins.

> The record for most wins by a head coach was previously set by former head coach Scottie O'Neill in 1986, when the 1986 Sun Belt Coach of the Year posted a 143 win total to set the record.

> Surrency tied the record of 143 total wins in the Panthers' 3-2 win over USC Upstate (Sept. 13), before breaking it the following game (at Wofford, Sept. 17).

> The Panthers have won 11 matches in six of the past eight seasons under Head Coach Brett Surrency.

PANTHERS IN THE SUN BELT: The Panthers rank eighth in the Sun Belt heading into conference play, after going 3-3-1 in non-conference matchups to start the season.

> The Panthers lead the Sun Belt and rank 20th nationally in saves per game (4.88). The team's save percentage (0.796) ranks third in the conference and 32nd nationally.

> Georgia State also ranks top 10 in the conference in assists-per-game (0.63), points-per-game (2.88), total goals (9) and points (23).

PANTHERS AT-A-GLANCE

| No. | Name | Pos. | Ht. | Cl. | Hometown (High School) |
|-----|------------------------|------|------|-----|--|
| 2 | Charlie Ward | D | 6-4 | Gr. | Manchester, England (Coastal Bend College) |
| 3 | Dylan Williams | D | 5-10 | So. | Canton, Ga. (Sequoyah) |
| 4 | Cole Biasi | D | 5-10 | So. | Buford, Ga. (Flowery Branch) |
| 5 | Tyrone Kirunda | D | 6-1 | Gr. | London, England (The Ravensbourne School/ Santa Clara) |
| 6 | Yuki Nakamura | M | 5-9 | Jr. | Kanagawa, Japan (Toin Gakuen/ Cowley College) |
| 7 | Miguel Ramirez | M | 5-10 | Gr. | Lawrenceville, Ga. (Discovery/ Duke) |
| 8 | Shun Kushima | M | 5-9 | Sr. | Yokohama, Japan (Seya HS/ Southern Nazarene University) |
| 9 | Gustavo Marques | F | 6-1 | Jr. | Indaiatuba/SP, Brazil (Colégio Anglo Indaiatuba/Sao Paulo) |
| 10 | Gavin Williams | M | 5-10 | Jr. | Cumming, Ga. (South Forsyth) |
| 11 | Tom Williams | M | 5-8 | Gr. | Cheshire, England (Sandbach Boys School/Coastal Bend) |
| 12 | Nolan Williams | M | 5-10 | Fr. | Atlanta, Ga. (South Forsyth) |
| 13 | Braiden Hall | M | 5-10 | Jr. | London, England (Royal Russell Croydon/Usc Upstate) |
| 14 | Bryan Silva | M | 5-9 | Sr. | Cumming, Ga. (North Forsyth) |
| 15 | David Blanton | M | 5-9 | Fr. | Roswell, Ga. (Roswell) |
| 16 | Sebastian Zabala | D | 6-3 | Sr. | Cumming, Ga. (Denmark HS /Saint Louis University) |
| 17 | Jordan Beam | M | 5-7 | Sr. | Covington, Ga. (Eastside) |
| 18 | Josh Acevedo | F | 5-9 | So. | Smyrna, Ga. (Campbell High School) |
| 19 | Diego Soza | D | 6-1 | Fr. | Peachtree Corners, Ga. (Marist School) |
| 20 | Tom Fillaudeau | D | 6-1 | Jr. | Nantes, France (Nantes Educational Center for Athletes) |
| 23 | Pavel Romero | M | 5-11 | Fr. | Lawrenceville (Atlanta United Academy) |
| 24 | Justin McLean | M | 6-0 | Jr. | Atlanta, Ga. (Central Gwinnett) |
| 27 | Hideto Gondo | D | 5-9 | Sr. | Fukuoka, Japan (Funimi HS/ Cowley College) |
| 28 | Yverson Monongo-Kuangu | D | 6-2 | Fr. | Montreal, Canada (Ontario Virtual School) |
| 30 | Finn Marchisen | GK | 6-1 | Fr. | Decatur, Ga. (Lakeside/ Dayton) |
| 31 | Evan Bohms | D | 6-3 | Fr. | Blairsville, Ga. (Union County High School) |
| 32 | Matthew Taylor | F | 5-10 | Jr. | Snellville, Ga. (Greater Atlanta Christian) |
| 33 | CJ Wyborn | GK | 6-2 | Jr. | Sugar Hill, Ga. (Johns Creek HS/Piedmont University) |
| 34 | Josue Hangi | GK | 6-1 | Gr. | Decatur, Ga. (Clarkston) |



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RETURNING PANTHERS : Georgia State returns five key players from the 2023 season, including Hideto Gondo, Jousue Hangi, Justin McLean, Gavin Williams and Charlie Ward.

> Starting goalkeeper **Josue Hangi** leads the Sun Belt and ranks 15th in the nation for saves-per-game with 4.75. His 38 total saves leads the conference and ranks 10th in the nation. The veteran goalie has recorded two shutouts on the season, the third-most of any other Sun Belt goalie this season.

> Hangi set a new career-high in saves with 12 at Lipscomb (Sept. 5).

> Junior **Justin McLean**, who has seen action in all but one match this season, leads the Panthers with 7 points on the season. The junior midfielder also leads the Panthers in goals with three, which ranks sixth in the Sun Belt. His 2.43 shots-per-game also lead the Panthers and rank seventh in the conference.

> McLean set a new career-high two goals to secure the 2-0 win over Wofford (Sept. 17).

> Forward **Matthew Taylor** is the Panthers second-leading scorer this season, totaling four points on two goals. The junior's first goal of the season marked the game-winning goal in the Panthers' 2-1 victory at Liberty (Sept. 1). He added his second goal of the season in a 1-3 loss against Memphis (Sept. 8).

> Veteran midfielder **Tom Williams** is tied for third on the Panthers' leaderboard for points after totaling three on one goal and one assist. All of his points came in the Panthers' 3-2 win vs. USC Upstate (Sept. 13).

> Veteran **Hideto Gondo** is one of six Panthers to record a goal this season. Gondo scored his first career goal in the Panthers 1-2 loss at Lipscomb (Sept. 5).

> Graduate student **Charlie Ward** is one of two players to participate in every minute for the Panthers this season. Ward has recorded two shots this season.

NEW FACES: The Panthers welcome 13 newcomers to the 2024 roster, with seven transfers and six freshmen.

> Junior transfer **Braiden Hall**, totals 207 minutes on the season. Hall came to Georgia State from USC Upstate, where he earned a spot on the Big South All-Conference Second Team in 2023 after recording seven goals and five assists during his two-year tenure.

> Junior transfer **Gustavo Marques** scored his first goal as a Panther in Georgia State first win of the season against Liberty (Sept.

1). Marques' goal marked the first on the season for the Panthers.

> Transfer defender **Tom Fillaudeau** is one of six Panthers to start in all matches this season, and has played every minute of the season so far.

> As a junior from Iona, Fillaudeau earned All-MAAC First Team honors in 2023 and was a constant presence on the field, starting every match that season.

GAME RECAPS

GAME ONE (vs. Belmont): Georgia State and Belmont played to a 0-0 tie Thursday (Aug. 22) at the GSU Soccer Complex. Josue Hangi recorded his sixth career shutout and finished with four saves on the night.

GAME TWO (at UAB): Georgia State fell 1-0 on the road against UAB Tuesday (Aug. 27) at PNC Field. Georgia State kept UAB off the scoreboard in the first half before giving up the lone goal after the break in the loss. Josue Hangi led Georgia State with three saves. The Panthers recorded six shots in the loss, one of them on goal.

GAME THREE (at Liberty): Georgia State fought back from a 0-1 deficit to take down Liberty 2-1 Sunday (Sept. 1) on the road at Osborne Stadium. Gustavo Marques scored the Panthers' first goal of the season in the 50th minute, and Matthew Taylor scored the game-winner in the 72nd minute.

GAME FOUR (at Lipscomb): Georgia State fell 2-1 on the road against Lipscomb Thursday (Sept. 5) at Lipscomb Soccer Complex. Hideto Gondo scored his first career goal in the 22nd minute. Josue Hangi piled up a new career-high 12 saves for the Panthers out of 26 total Bison's shots.

GAME FIVE (vs. Memphis): Georgia State fell 3-1 at home to Memphis Sunday (Sept. 8) at GSU Soccer Complex. Matthew Taylor scored the lone Panther goal in the 81st minute assisted by Cole Biasi.

GAME SIX (vs. USC Upstate): Georgia State secured a thrilling 3-2 victory over USC Upstate Friday (Sept. 13) at the GSU Soccer Complex, tying Head Coach Brett Surrency for the all-time wins record with 143 in program history. Bryan Silva opened the scoring just 34 seconds into the game with his first goal of the season, giving the Panthers an early lead. In the second half, Georgia State extended their advantage with back-to-back penalty kicks, first from Justin McLean in the 53rd minute and then from Tom Williams in the 55th minute, netting their first goals of the season.

GAME SEVEN (vs. Wofford): Justin McLean's two second-half goals powered Georgia State to a 2-0 road victory over Wofford on Tuesday, Sept. 17, at Snyder Field, setting

a new program record for career wins by Head Coach Brett Surrency with 144. McLean found the back of the net in the 74th and 85th minutes, securing the Panthers' second consecutive victory.

GAME EIGHT (vs. Coastal Carolina): Georgia State fell 1-0 at home to Coastal Carolina on Saturday (Sept. 21) at the GSU Soccer Complex. Georgia State kept Coastal Carolina off the scoreboard in the first half before giving up the lone goal after the break in the loss. Josue Hangi led Georgia State with three saves. The Panthers totaled six shots in the loss, two of them on goal. Georgia State faced 16 Coastal Carolina shots, five of them on goal.