

GEORGIA STATE FOOTBALL

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GAME 13

GEORGIA STATE PANTHERS vs. WYOMING COWBOYS

TV: CBS Sports Network. Announcers are Rich Waltz, Aaron Murray and John Schriffren.

RADIO: Georgia State Radio Network coverage will air on 92.9 The Game (WZGC-FM) and WRAS 88.5 FM. Dave Cohen is in his 37th season as the play-by-play voice of Panther athletics. Harper LeBel joins him from the booth with Sam Crenshaw on the sideline.

2019 RECORDS:

Georgia State: 7-5, 4-4 Sun Belt (3rd East)
Wyoming: 7-5, 4-4 MW

SERIES: First meeting

BOWL HISTORY (1-1):

2015 AutoNation Cure Bowl: l. San Jose State, 27-16

2017 AutoNation Cure Bowl: d. Western Kentucky, 27-17

GSU HEAD COACH SHAWN ELLIOTT

Alma Mater: Appalachian State, 1996
Record at GSU: 16-20 (3rd year)
Career Record: 17-25 (4th year)

WYOMING HEAD COACH CRAIG BOHL

Record at WYO: 35-40 (7th year)
Career Record: 139-72 (17th year)

2019 SCHEDULE AND RESULTS

A. 31	at Tennessee (ESPNU).....	aW 38-30
S. 7	FURMAN (ESPN3).....	hW 48-42
S. 14	at Western Michigan (ESPN+).....	aL 10-57
S. 21	at Texas State (ESPN+).....(3ot)	aL 34-37
O. 5	ARKANSAS STATE (ESPN+).....	hW 52-38
O. 12	at Coastal Carolina (ESPN+).....	aW 31-21
O. 19	ARMY (ESPN+).....	hW 28-21
O. 26	TROY (ESPN+).....	hW 52-33
N. 9	at ULM (ESPN+).....	aL 31-45
N. 16	APPALACHIAN ST. ^{RV/24/25} (ESPNU) .hL	26-57
N. 23	SOUTH ALABAMA (ESPN+).....	hW 28-15
N. 30	at Georgia Southern (ESPN+).....	aL 10-38
D. 31	vs. Wyoming (CBSSN) *.....	4:30 p.m.

* NOVA Home Loans Arizona Bowl

All Times Eastern



NOVA Home Loans Arizona Bowl GEORGIA STATE (7-5, 4-4 Sun Belt) vs. WYOMING (7-5, 4-4 MW)

Tuesday, Dec. 31 | 4:30 p.m. ET | CBSSN
Arizona Stadium | Tucson, Ariz.

THE KICKOFF: Georgia State's third bowl trip is to the NOVA Home Loans Arizona Bowl, where the Panthers face Mountain West foe Wyoming on Tuesday, Dec. 31 at 4:30 p.m. ET at Arizona Stadium in Tucson, Ariz.

> Playing just its 10th season of football and sixth at the FBS level, Georgia State is in a bowl game for the third time in the last five years. Forty-five current FBS programs cannot make that claim, including 17 schools from Power 5 conferences.

> The Panthers played in their first bowl game in 2015 in the AutoNation Cure Bowl and then made a return trip to the Orlando, Fla., bowl in 2017, when GSU knocked off Western Kentucky for the first bowl win in school history.

> Georgia State has already matched its school-record for victories with seven, including a program-best 5-1 mark at home.

> With a five-game increase in wins over last season, Georgia State is one of the most improved teams in FBS. Only Navy and Central Michigan have improved more.

> In 23 seasons as a Division I coach, Shawn Elliott has been part of 21 winning seasons and 18 teams that reached a bowl game or the NCAA playoffs.

> Georgia State's offense ranks among the FBS leaders:

No. 14 Rushing (245.2 ypg)
No. 27 Total Offense (446.9 ypg)
No. 42 Scoring (32.4 ppg)
No. 15 3rd Down Conversions (47.3 percent)
No. 22 First Downs (289)

> Ten Panthers were named to the All-Sun Belt Conference team, led by first-team selections RB Tra Barnett and OT Hunter Atkinson. QB Dan Ellington and TE Aubry Payne made the second team, with OG Shamarius Gilmore and WR Cornelius McCoy on the third team. TE Roger Carter, C Malik Sumter and DL Dontae Wilson and Hardrick Willis earned honorable mention recognition.

> Senior Tra Barnett leads the Sun Belt and ranks No. 9 in FBS with 115.8 yards

rushing per game. His 1,389 yards and 12 touchdowns are GSU records, and he is the Panthers' first 1,000-yard rusher.

> With a school-record 242 yards rushing and two touchdowns vs. Troy, Barnett broke the Georgia State records for rushing yards in a game, season and career in the same game.

> Barnett is Georgia State's career leader in rushing yards (2,092)—the first Panther to top 2,000 career yards—and rushing touchdowns (19).

> A two-time Sun Belt Offensive Player of the Week and a member of the Watch List for the Manning Award, All-Sun Belt QB Dan Ellington averages 240.8 yards of total offense per game (2,291 passing/598 rushing) and has accounted for 26 touchdowns (19 passing/5 rushing).

> The Panthers' top receiver is sophomore Cornelius McCoy (65 receptions, 679 yards, 4 TD), while tight ends Aubry Payne (13-204-6) and Roger Carter (25-291-3) are also key targets.

> The Panthers have rushed for 340-plus yards four times in the last eight games, including 340 yards vs. Arkansas State, 350 vs. Coastal Carolina, 390 yards vs. Troy and a school-record 414 yards at ULM.

> Georgia State has already broken season records for:

Points (389)
Touchdowns (51)
Rushing Yards (2,942)
Rushing TDs (29)

> The Panthers need 265 yards to break the GSU record of 5,627 yards of total offense (2015).

> Four different Panthers have recorded 100-yard games: RB Tra Barnett (7), RB Seth Paige (2), RB Destin Coates (1) and QB Dan Ellington (1).

> GSU set school records with 722 yards of total offense, 340 yards rushing (since broken twice), 39 first downs and 39:19 time of possession in its Oct. 5 win 52-38 over Arkansas State.

GEORGIA STATE BY THE NUMBERS

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Playing its 10th season of football and sixth at the FBS level, Georgia State is playing in its third bowl game.

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With seven wins, GSU has tied its school record and reached seven victories in the regular season for the first time.

2,092

Career rushing yards by Tra Barnett, the first Panther to reach the 2,000-yard mark.

GENERAL INFORMATION

Full Name	Georgia State University
Location	Atlanta, Ga.
Founded	1913
Enrollment	52,000
Nickname	Panthers
Colors	Blue & White
Affiliation	NCAA Division I FBS
Conference	Sun Belt Conference
President	Mark P. Becker
Director of Athletics	Charlie Cobb

COACHING STAFF

Head Coach	Shawn Elliott
Offensive Coordinator/QBs	Brad Glenn
Defensive Coordinator/OLBs	Nate Fuqua
Offensive Line	Thomas Austin
Safeties/Recruiting Coord.	Chris Collins
Receivers	Trent McKnight
Defensive Line	Travian Robertson
Cornerbacks	Aairon Savage
Running Backs	Jimmy Smith
Tight Ends	Josh Stepp
ILBs/Special Teams	Shiel Wood
Strength & Conditioning	John Sisk
Athletic Trainer	Bob Murphy
Equipment Manager	Nate Simon
Video Coordinator	Matt Axelrod
Asst AD-FB Operations	Steve Wojcikowski
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Dir. of High School Relations	Mark LeGree
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FACILITY INFORMATION

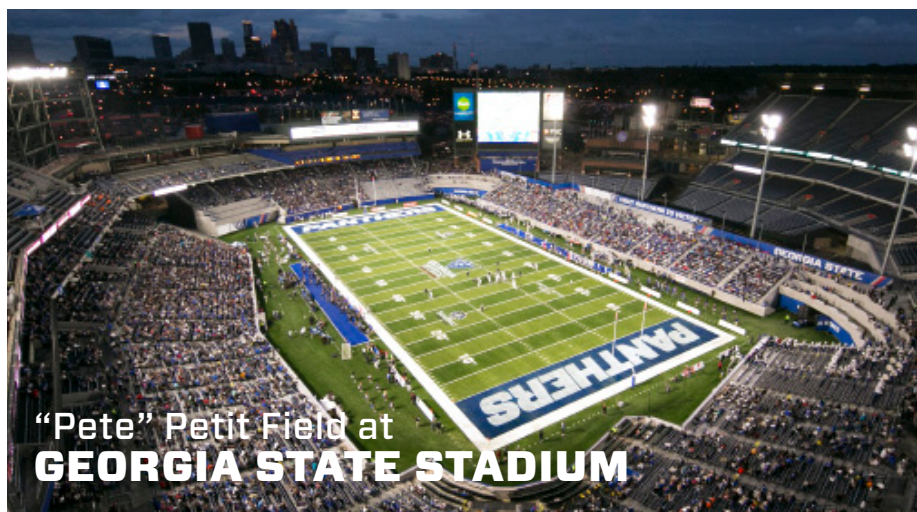
Home Field	"Pete" Petit (puh-TEET) Field at Georgia State Stadium
Capacity	25,000
Surface	FieldTurf
Opened as Georgia State Stadium	2017
Originally Built	1996

PROGRAM INFORMATION

First Season of Football	2010
Joined Sun Belt Conference	2013
Full FBS Eligibility	2014
All-Time Record	36-82 (10th year)
Bowl Record (Last Bowl)	1-1 (2017)

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"Pete" Petit Field at
GEORGIA STATE STADIUM

GEORGIA STATE vs. WYOMING: Georgia State and Wyoming are meeting for the first time.

> Both teams opened the season with victories over SEC foes. Georgia State knocked off Tennessee 38-30 at Neyland Stadium, while Wyoming topped Missouri 37-31 at home.

> The teams have played one common opponent in Texas State. Georgia State fell at Texas State 37-34 in triple overtime, while Wyoming defeated the Bobcats 23-14.

> Both head coaches have been part of national championships at the FCS level. Georgia State head coach Shawn Elliott was an assistant coach at Appalachian State when the Mountaineers won three straight FCS titles from 2005-07. Wyoming's Craig Bohl won three straight FCS titles from 2011-13 as the head coach at North Dakota State.

> Elliott faced Wyoming as an assistant coach at App State, which made a trip to Laramie, Wyo., to open the 2004 season and fell 53-7.

> Both teams rely on a strong rushing attack, with GSU ranked No. 14 in FBS at 245.2 yards per game and Wyoming at No. 27 with 208.5 ypg. And both feature 1,000-yard rushers in Georgia State's Tra Barnett (1,389 yards, No. 9 FBS) and Wyoming's Xazavian Valladay (1,061 yards, No. 28 FBS).

> Georgia State is 0-3 vs. Mountain West teams (0-1 vs. San Jose State; 0-2 vs. Air Force)

> In its brief history, the Panthers have made three previous trips to the West, playing at Washington (2014), Oregon (2015) and Air Force (2016).

> Four members of this year's team were also on Georgia State's bowl teams in 2015 and 2017: Khai Anderson, Hunter Atkinson, Ed Curney and Brandon Wright. None of the four played in the 2015 game.

THE BOOK ON BARNETT: Senior running back Tra Barnett has literally rewritten the Georgia State record book for rushing.

> Owns the Georgia State records for rushing yards in a game, season and career, all set in



THE 2017 SEASON marked the inaugural year of "Pete" Petit (pronounced puh-TEET) Field at Georgia State Stadium, the former Turner Field and venue for the Atlanta Braves that was converted into the home of Panther football.

Georgia State Stadium features 25,000 seats, a FieldTurf playing surface, the Panthers' 7,500-square foot locker room, and a 5,600-square foot video board that is the eighth-largest in college football.

The conversion process incorporated the existing seating areas on the north, west and south sides of the stadium with a new grandstand constructed on the east side, formerly the baseball outfield.

Georgia State Stadium was originally constructed as the 85,000-seat Centennial Olympic Stadium and used for the 1996 Centennial Olympic Games. Following the Olympic Games, much of the north end of the stadium was removed in order to convert it to the 49,000-seat baseball park that served as the home of the Atlanta Braves from 1997 through 2016.

The Braves played their final game at Turner Field on Oct. 2, 2016. In November 2016, the Board of Regents approved Georgia State University's purchase of 38 acres of the 68-acre site for \$22.8 million, and the conversion process began in early 2017.

Future phases of the redevelopment of this iconic property will include a new Georgia State baseball stadium, to be constructed on the footprint of the former Atlanta-Fulton County stadium. Residential, retail and corporate facilities are being developed by Carter and Associates.

FOOTBALL TIMELINE

Nov. 2006	Football feasibility study completed
Apr. 15, 2007	Dan Reeves named consultant
Apr. 17, 2008	Georgia State officially launched its football program
June 12, 2008	Bill Curry named head coach
Aug. 2008	First six assistant coaches hired
Jan. 4, 2009	First scholarship player, Mark Hogan, enrolled
Feb. 4, 2009	GSU signed its first recruiting class
June 11, 2009	GSU admitted to CAA Football, beginning in 2012
Aug. 11, 2009	First team of 71 players reported
Aug. 14, 2009	Georgia State's first football practice held at NFL YET facility
Fall 2009	First team conducted 60 practices
Mar. 23, 2010	First spring practice began
Mar. 27, 2010	First workout on new field at GSU Practice Complex at 188 MLK
April 10, 2010	First Spring Game at Georgia Dome
Aug. 3, 2010	Inaugural team reported for preseason
Aug. 4, 2010	Preseason practice began
Sept. 2, 2010	Inaugural football game at Georgia Dome: GSU 41, Shorter 7
Nov. 19, 2010	First game vs. FBS opponent at defending national champ Alabama
Aug. 2011	Team moved into GSU Practice Complex
2011 season	GSU played as an FCS Independent
April 9, 2012	GSU accepted invitation to join Sun Belt Conference in July 2013
April 21, 2012	Christo Bilukidi is the first Panther drafted by NFL (Oakland, 6th)
2012 season	GSU began FBS transition, played its only season of CAA Football
Nov. 10, 2012	Bill Curry coached final game at Maine
Dec. 3, 2012	Trent Miles hired as Georgia State's second head coach
July 1, 2013	GSU officially became a member of the Sun Belt Conference
2013 season	First season in FBS/Sun Belt Conference
Aug. 30, 2013	First game as FBS program vs. Samford at the Georgia Dome
Oct. 12, 2013	Inaugural Sun Belt Conference game vs. Troy at the Georgia Dome
2014 season	GSU is eligible for Sun Belt title and postseason bowl games.
Aug. 27, 2014	First win as an FBS program: GSU 38, Abilene Christian 37
Sept. 12, 2015	First win over FBS program and first Sun Belt Conference win: GSU 34, New Mexico State 32 (away)
Dec. 19, 2015	First bowl game: GSU vs. San Jose State in AutoNation Cure Bowl
Nov. 19, 2016	Defeated Georgia Southern 30-24 in last game in Georgia Dome.
Dec. 9, 2016	Shawn Elliott introduced as Georgia State's third head coach.
Jan. 5, 2017	Georgia State University finalizes acquisition of Turner Field property.
Aug. 31, 2017	Inaugural Game at Georgia State Stadium vs. Tennessee State.
Dec. 15, 2017	Panthers defeat Western Kentucky 27-17 in AutoNation Cure Bowl for first bowl win, first FBS winning season
Summer 2019	Program occupies new Football Operations Suite at GSU Stadium.
Aug. 31, 2019	First Power 5 win: GSU 38, Tennessee 30 at Knoxville, Tenn.
Nov. 16, 2019	First home game against Top 25 team vs. No. 24 App State at GSU Stadium.

the same game, Oct. 26 vs. Troy.

> Rushed for a school-record 242 yards on 34 carries, also a GSU record, vs. Troy. Broke Donald Russell's record of 201 yards vs. Rhode Island in 2012.

> Followed with 190 yards vs. ULM, giving him a two-game total of 432 yards.

> Georgia State's first 1,000-yard rusher, he broke the previous season record in Game 8 vs. Troy and now has 1,389 yards (115.8 ypg/ No. 9 FBS).

> Became GSU's career rushing leader vs. Troy as he passed inaugural team member Travis Evans (1,500, 2010-13) and now has 2,092 yards.

> First Georgia State player to top 100 yards rushing in five straight games:

- 169 - Arkansas State
- 110 - Coastal Carolina
- 109 - Army
- 242 - Troy
- 190 - ULM

> Also owns the GSU records for rushing touchdowns in a career (19) and touchdowns scored (rushing and total) in a season (12).

> Has seven 100-yard rushing games this season and eight in his career, both school records.

GEORGIA STATE CAREER LEADERS

RUSHING YARDS	Years	Att	Yds
1. Tra Barnett	2016-*	372	2,092
2. Travis Evans	2010-13	356	1,500

RUSHING ATTEMPTS	Years	Att
1. Tra Barnett	2016-*	372
2. Travis Evans	2010-13	356

RUSHING TD	Years	TD
1. Tra Barnett	2016-*	19
2. Kyler Neal	2013-17	13

100-YARD GAMES	Years	Games
1. Tra Barnett	2016-*	8
2. Donald Russell	2011-12	6

TOUCHDOWNS SCORED	Years	TD
1. Albert Wilson	2010-13	26
2. Penny Hart	2015-18	20
Tra Barnett	2016-*	20

POINTS SCORED	Years	TD
1. Wil Lutz	2012-15	213
2. Brandon Wright	2015-19	195
3. Albert Wilson	2010-13	156
4. Penny Hart	2015-18	120
Tra Barnett	2016-*	120

ALL-PURPOSE YARDS	Years	Yds
1. Albert Wilson	2010-13	6235
2. Penny Hart	2015-18	3497
3. Glenn Smith	2014-17	3411
4. Robert Davis	2013-16	3394
5. Tra Barnett	2016-*	2591

GEORGIA STATE SEASON LEADERS

RUSHING YARDS	Year	Att	Yds
1. Tra Barnett	2019	233	1389
2. Donald Russell	2012	120	747

RUSHING ATTEMPTS	Year	Att
1. Tra Barnett	2019	233
2. Glenn Smith	2017	170

RUSHING TD	Year	TD
1. Tra Barnett	2019	12
2. Donald Russell	2011	9
3. Tra Barnett	2018	7
Destin Coates	2019	7

TOUCHDOWNS SCORED	Year	TD
1. Tra Barnett	2019	12
2. Donald Russell	2011	9
Albert Wilson	2013	9

100-YARD GAMES	Year	Games
1. Tra Barnett	2019	7
2. Donald Russell	2012	4

GEORGIA STATE SINGLE-GAME LEADERS

RUSHING YARDS	Year	TD
1. Tra Barnett	Troy, 2019	242
2. Donald Russell	Rhode Island, 2012	201
3. Tra Barnett	ULM, 2019	190

RUSHING ATTEMPTS	Year	Att
1. Tra Barnett	Troy, 2019	34
2. Tra Barnett	ULM, 2019	32
3. Glenn Smith	Charlotte, 2017	31

GLENN NOMINATED FOR BROYLES

AWARD: Offensive coordinator/quarterbacks coach Brad Glenn, who has directed the Panthers' record-setting offense in his first season on the GSU staff, is among the 41 nominees for the Broyles Award as the nation's top assistant coach.

Under Glenn's direction, Georgia State ranks No. 14 in the nation in rushing (245.2 ypg) while averaging nearly 450 yards and 33 points per game.

The Panthers have already broken the GSU season records for rushing yards and scoring are within reach of the total offense mark. Georgia State has topped its single-game rushing record four times in the last eight contests, including a record 414 yards vs. ULM.

ACADEMIC HONORS FOR THOMAS:

Senior defensive end Terry Thomas was named to the CoSIDA Academic All-District® football team for the second straight year. The biological science major maintains a 3.4 GPA.

Thomas' selection is Georgia State's 12th Academic Academic All-District® honor in just 10 seasons of football, including eight over the last five seasons.

- Michael Hall, LB, 2011
- Kalan Jenkins, DL, 2011
- Michael Davis, OL, 2012
- Mark Hogan, LB, 2012
- Chandon Sullivan, DB, 2015
- Bobby Baker, DB, 2016
- Chandon Sullivan, DB, 2016
- Julien Laurent, DL, 2017
- Gabe Mobley, OL, 2017
- Chandon Sullivan, DB, 2017
- Terry Thomas, DL, 2018
- Terry Thomas, DL, 2019

Thomas was also a semifinalist for the

2019 HONORS**TEAM**

FWAA Reveal Suits Team of the Week, Sept. 2 (GSU 38, Tennessee 28)

HEAD COACH SHAWN ELLIOTT

Dodd Trophy National Coach of the Week, Sept. 2 (GSU 38, Tennessee 28)

OC BRAD GLENN

Nominee for Broyles Award (assistant coach)

QB DAN ELLINGTON

All-Sun Belt Conference (2nd team)

Sun Belt Offensive Player of the Week: Sept. 2 (Tennessee); Oct. 7 (Arkansas State)

Manning Award Star of the Week

Manning Award Midseason Watch List

Davey O'Brien Foundation Great 8 (Oct. 30)

RB TRA BARNETT

All-Sun Belt Conference (1st team)

Sun Belt Offensive Player of the Week: Oct. 28 (Troy)

OT HUNTER ATKINSON

All-Sun Belt Conference (1st team)

Preseason All-Sun Belt Conference (1st team)

TE AUBRY PAYNE

All-Sun Belt Conference (2nd team)

WR CORNELIUS McCOY

All-Sun Belt Conference (3rd team)

TE ROGER CARTER

All-Sun Belt Conference (HM)

C MALIK SUMTER

All-Sun Belt Conference (HM)

DE HARDRICK WILLIS

All-Sun Belt Conference (HM)

NG DONTAE WILSON

All-Sun Belt Conference (HM)

LB TRAJAN STEPHENS-McQUEEN

Sun Belt Defensive Player of the Week: Oct. 21 (Army)

DE TERRY THOMAS

NFF Campbell Trophy Semifinalist

CoSIDA Academic All-District

WR SAM PINCKNEY

FWAA Freshman All-American Team Midseason Watch List

P BRANDON WRIGHT

Preseason All-Sun Belt (1st team)

Ray Guy Award Preseason Watch List

2019 William V. Campbell Trophy® Presented by Mazda, as announced by The National Football Foundation & College Hall of Fame (NFF). Celebrating its 30th year in 2019, the Campbell Trophy® recognizes an individual as the absolute best football scholar-athlete in the nation for his combined academic success, football performance and exemplary leadership.

SENIOR DAY: Nineteen Panthers were honored before their final game at Georgia State Stadium on Senior Day vs. South Alabama.

CB Khai Anderson, LT Hunter Atkinson, RB Tra Barnett, PK Barry Brown, S Trey Chapman, LB Ed Curney, TE Bryson Duckworth, QB Dan Ellington, WR Devin Gentry, LB Kendrec Grady, P Oliver Holdenson, CB Ben Hood, TE Camrin Knight, S Remy Lazarus, OL Chris Sibilila, RB Darius Stubbs, DE Terry Thomas, DE Jalen Wade, P Brandon Wright.

This class brought Georgia State its first bowl victory in 2017 and bowl eligibility again in 2019, while four fifth-year seniors (Anderson, Atkinson, Curney and Wright) were part of the Panthers' first bowl team in 2015, although none played in the game.

SCHOOL-RECORD 20 TACKLES: Junior inside linebacker Trajan Stephens-McQueen was named the Sun Belt Conference Defensive Player of the Week (Oct. 21) after setting a school-record with 20 tackles, including 10 solo stops, in the win over Army. Stephens-McQueen leads the Panthers and is second in the Sun Belt with 9.6 tackles per game, and he also leads GSU with two interceptions.

PINCKNEY UP FOR FRESHMAN ALL-AMERICA HONORS: Redshirt freshman wide receiver Sam Pinckney was named to the Midseason Watch List for the FWAA Freshman All-American Team. Pinckney is the Panthers' second-leading receiver with 36 catches for 460 yards and five touchdowns, despite missing the final three games due to injury. He caught two touchdown passes in the win over Army.

BALLIN' AT THE BEACH: For the second straight week, the Panthers set a school record for rushing with 350 yards (since broken vs. Troy and ULM) in their 31-21 win at Coastal Carolina on Oct. 12.

> The Coastal Carolina win featured three 100-yard rushers for the first time in GSU history. QB Dan Ellington rushed for a career-best 128 yards, followed by Tra Barnett with 110 yards and two touchdowns and Seth Paige with 104 yards and one TD.

> The GSU defense had its best performance of the season against the Chanticleers, allowing a season-low 322 yards of total offense against a CCU team that was averaging 443.8 yards per game. The Panthers held Coastal to 105 yards rushing, less than half its season average of 226.8 ypg.

RECORD-SETTING DAY vs. ARKANSAS

STATE Georgia State enjoyed the most prolific offensive performance in program history and one of the best in Sun Belt Conference annals in its 52-38 win over Arkansas State (Oct. 5).

> 52 points: GSU's most vs. FBS team and second-most overall
> 722 yards of total offense - GSU record and top 10 in Sun Belt history
> 99 plays - GSU record
> 340 yards rushing - then-GSU record (broken the next game)
> 39 first downs - ties Sun Belt record
> 39:19 time of possession - GSU record
> 6 rushing touchdowns - GSU record
> 7 touchdowns - ties GSU record
> Destin Coates tied school record with three rushing touchdowns
> Career highs of 382 yards passing and 451 yards of total offense by QB Dan Ellington on his 22nd birthday. He was named Sun Belt Offensive Player of the Week for the second time this season.

LIKE A ROCK: Senior left tackle Hunter Atkinson ranks among the national leaders with 48 consecutive games started.

Lining up next to Atkinson at left guard is Shamarius Gilmore, who has started 36 straight games, giving the Panthers 84 career starts on the left side of the line.

An iron man this season has been right guard Pat Bartlett, who has plays virtually every snap on offense and also plays on the punt team and the PAT-FG unit. He played 103 snaps in the triple overtime game at Texas State and then 112 in the win over Arkansas State and 90 at Coastal Carolina.

WRIGHT STUFF: Senior Brandon Wright is one of the nation's top punters while also handling placekicking and kickoffs:

> Ranked No. 3 in FBS in both punting average (48.2 - Sun Belt record) and net (42.8) in 2018.

> First-team All-Sun Belt Conference selection and a semifinalist for the 2018 Ray Guy Award, the first GSU player to be a semifinalist for a nation award.

> Career punting average currently stands at 43.50, a school record. Ranks second in GSU history in career punts (179) and punting yards (7,786).

> Kicked a 52-yard field goal last season at Appalachian State that is the second-longest in school history.

> Tied with current New Orleans Saints kicker Wil Lutz for the GSU record of 31 career field goals. Second to Lutz in career scoring with 195 points.

> Has broken the GSU season record for PAT with 46. With 79 points on the season, he is just one away from the season record of 80 (Iain Vance, 2010).

PANTHER PROS

> Despite Georgia State's brief history, five Panther alumni are currently on 2019 NFL rosters:

ALBERT WILSON, WR (GSU 2010-13)

Miami Dolphins, 6th NFL season

WIL LUTZ, PK (GSU 2012-15)

New Orleans Saints, 4th NFL season

ROBERT DAVIS, WR (GSU 2013-16)

Philadelphia Eagles, 3rd NFL season

CHANDON SULLIVAN, CB (GSU 2014-17)

Green Bay Packers, 2nd NFL season

PENNY HART, WR (GSU 2015-18)

Seattle Seahawks (practice), Rookie

> A total of six former Panthers have played at least one game in the NFL:

CHRISTO BILUKIDI, DT (GSU 2010-11)

First Panther drafted. NFL debut in 2012 with Oakland. 4 seasons with 5 teams.

ALBERT WILSON, WR (GSU 2010-13)

Miami Dolphins, 6th NFL season

ULRICK JOHN, OL (GSU 2010-13)

5 NFL seasons with 6 teams.

WIL LUTZ, PK (GSU 2012-15)

New Orleans Saints, 4th NFL season

ROBERT DAVIS, WR (GSU 2013-16)

Philadelphia Eagles, 3rd NFL season

CHANDON SULLIVAN, CB (GSU 2014-17)

Green Bay Packers, 2nd NFL season

> Four former Panthers played in the CFL in 2019:

NICK ARBUCKLE, QB (GSU 2014-15)

Calgary Stampeders, 3rd CFL season
2018 Grey Cup Champions

JULIEN LAURENT, DT (GSU 2015-17)

Ottawa Redblacks, 2nd CFL season
1st-round pick in 2018 CFL Draft

CHASE MIDDLETON, LB (GSU 2015-18)

British Columbia Lions, Rookie (Practice)

MACKENDY CHERIDOR, DE (GSU 2013-17)

British Columbia Lions, Rookie

LARGEST COMEBACK IN WIN OVER

FURMAN: After falling behind Furman 20-3 in the second quarter, Georgia State reeled off 28 unanswered points en route to a 48-42 victory. The 17-point deficit is the largest that the Panthers have ever overcome to win a game.

Beginning midway in the second quarter, the Panthers scored on seven straight possessions, including six straight touchdowns on drives covering an average of 77 yards.

GSU enjoyed one of the most prolific offensive performances in school history against the Paladins with 48 points (second most in school history and most since 2010) and 566 yards of total offense (third-highest figure in GSU history).

Quarterback Dan Ellington tossed a school-record five touchdown passes to five different receivers and recorded career-highs with 362 yards passing and 448 yards of total offense.

GO FOR A DRIVE: Georgia State has scored 50 touchdowns on offense, a school record. Thirty-five of 50 touchdown drives have covered 75 yards or more. That includes a 16-play, 94 yard drive against Furman, and a 16-play, 81-yard drive in the win over Tennessee. Against Arkansas State, quarterback Dan Ellington engineered seven touchdown drives of 75 yards or more, including marches of 90, 89 and 80 yards.

MORE ON THE Upset: Georgia State out-rushed Tennessee 213-93 and outscored the Volunteers 24-13 in the second half to shock the Volunteers 38-30 in the season opener at Neyland Stadium.

Trailing 17-14 at the intermission, the Panthers took the opening kickoff of the second half and drove 75 yards for Dan Ellington's 6-yard touchdown pass to TE Aubry Payne. After the Vols managed a pair of field goals to take a 23-21 lead early in the fourth quarter, Ellington directed another 75-yard drive, capped by Tra Barnett's 19-yard that gave the Panthers a 28-23 lead they would not surrender. Tennessee then drove to midfield, but cornerback Evan Jones sacked Jarrett Guarantano and forced a fumble that Jhi'Shawn Taylor recovered for GSU at the UT 39. Five plays later, Ellington's 22-yard touchdown scramble put the Panthers up 35-23 with 4:45 to play, effectively sealing the win.

TEAM OF THE WEEK: After the win over Tennessee, Georgia State was honored as the Reveal Suits National Team of the Week by the FWA. This is the first honor for Georgia State and the fourth for any Sun Belt team.

> For head coach Shawn Elliott, this is the third time he has been part of the National Team of the Week. As an assistant coach, his Appalachian State team was recognized in 2007 for its win at Michigan, and his South Carolina squad was honored in 2010 after knocking off No. 1 Alabama.

> Elliott was also recognized as the Dodd Trophy Coach of the Week by the Bobby Dodd Coach of the Year Foundation, in conjunction with the Chick-fil-A Peach Bowl. The Dodd Coach of the Week Award honors the football coach whose program embodies the award's three pillars of scholarship, leadership and integrity, while also having success on the playing field during the previous week.

SUN BELT PLAYER OF THE WEEK:

Quarterback Dan Ellington was named the Sun Belt Offensive Player of the Week after leading Georgia State to its 38-30 victory at Tennessee. The senior signal caller threw two touchdown passes and ran for the game-clinching score in the fourth quarter to give the GSU program its first-ever win over a Power 5 opponent.

Ellington passed for 139 yards on 11 completions and rushed for 61 yards. After completing just one of his first nine attempts, he recovered to go 10-for-13 the rest of the way, including touchdown strikes of 17 yards to wide receiver Cornelius McCoy in the second quarter and six yards to tight end Aubry Payne in the third quarter.

Ellington led the Panthers on two 75-yard touchdown drives in the second half to give GSU a 28-23 lead with nine minutes left, and then he scampered for a spectacular 22-yard touchdown run with 4:45 left that essentially clinched the win. He faked a handoff and then eluded several defenders before running into the left corner of the end zone.

DAN THE MAN: Georgia State features one of the top quarterbacks in the Sun Belt in senior Dan Ellington, a two-time all-conference selection in 2018-19 and two-time selection as Sun Belt Offensive Player of the Week in 2019.

> Ellington averages 240.8 yards of total offense per game and has accounted for 26 touchdowns (21 passing, 5 rushing). He has passed for 2,291 yards while completing 65 percent of his passes, and he is second on the team in rushing with 598 yards.

> He threw two touchdown passes and ran for the game-clinching score in the fourth quarter to give the GSU program its first-ever win over a Power 5 opponent in 38-30 victory at Tennessee.

> Ellington tossed five touchdown passes to five different receivers and recorded then-career highs with 362 yards passing and 448 yards of total offense against Furman to rally the Panthers from a 20-3 deficit in the second quarter, the largest comeback in school history.

> In the 52-38 win over Arkansas State, Ellington directed the most prolific offensive performance in school history. He recorded career highs with 382 yards passing and 451 yards of total offense while leading the Panthers to a school-record 722 yards, including 340 yards on the ground, also a GSU record.

FUTURE OPPONENTS

2020

Sept. 5	Murray State (Home)
Sept. 12	Alabama (Away)
Sept. 26	Charlotte (Away)
Oct. 3	East Carolina (Home)

Sun Belt Home: Coastal Carolina, Georgia Southern, Louisiana, ULM

Sun Belt Road: Appalachian State, Troy, Arkansas State, South Alabama

2021

Sept. 4	Army (Home)
Sept. 11	North Carolina (Away)
Sept. 18	Charlotte (Home)
Sept. 25	Auburn (Away)

2022

Sept. 3	South Carolina (Away)
Sept. 10	North Carolina (Home)
Sept. 17	Charlotte (Home)
Oct. 1	Army (Away)

2023

Sept. 16	Charlotte (Away)
Nov. 18	LSU (Away)

2024

Sept. 28	Vanderbilt (Home)
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2025

Sept. 6	Memphis (Home)
Sept. 20	Vanderbilt (Away)

2027

Sept. 25	East Carolina (Away)
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> He added three touchdown passes in 28-21 win over Army.

> In 2018, Ellington gained 2,119 yards through the air and 625 yards on the ground while accounting for 17 touchdowns (12 passing, 5 rushing).

> Ellington ranks in the Top 5 in GSU history in passing, rushing and total offense:

PASSING YARDSYears Yards

1. Nick Arbuckle.....	2014-15	7651
2. Conner Manning.....	2016-17	5830
3. Dan Ellington.....	2018-*	4410

PASS ATTEMPTS.....Years Att

1. Nick Arbuckle.....	2014-15	915
2. Conner Manning.....	2016-17	776
3. Dan Ellington.....	2018-*	621

PASS COMPLETIONSYears Cmp

1. Nick Arbuckle.....	2014-15	566
2. Conner Manning.....	2016-17	466
3. Dan Ellington.....	2018-*	388

TD PASSESYears TD

1. Nick Arbuckle.....	2014-15	51
2. Dan Ellington.....	2018-*	33
3. Conner Manning.....	2016-17	30

TOTAL OFFENSE.....Years Yards

1. Nick Arbuckle.....	2014-15	7566
2. Conner Manning.....	2016-17	5950
3. Dan Ellington.....	2018-*	5633

TD RESPONSIBILITYYears TDR

1. Nick Arbuckle.....	2014-15	59
2. Dan Ellington.....	2018-*	43
3. Conner Manning.....	2016-17	33

RUSHING YARDS Years Att Yds

1. Tra Barnett	2016-*	357	2092
2. Travis Evans	2010-13	356	1500
3. Donald Russell.....	2011-12	248	1412
4. Dan Ellington (QB)	2018-*	290	1223

RUSHING ATTEMPTSYears Att

1. Tra Barnett	2016-*	372
2. Travis Evans	2010-13	356
3. Dan Ellington.....	2018-*	305

RUSHING TDYears TD

1. Tra Barnett	2016-*	19
2. Kyler Neal	2013-17	13
3. Donald Russell.....	2011-12	12
4. Travis Evans	2010-13	10
Dan Ellington.....	2018-*	10

NEW FACES: The Georgia State coaching staff features six new assistants this season, including offensive coordinator Brad Glenn. Also joining the staff this year are Thomas Austin (offensive line), Jimmy Smith (running backs), Airon Savage (cornerbacks), Travian Robertson (defensive line) and Shiel Wood (inside linebackers/special teams). Head strength coach John Sisk is also in his first year with the program.

RECEIVER TRADITION: Despite its brief history, the Georgia State program has produced three highly decorated receivers, and all three are in the NFL.

The trio of Albert Wilson (Miami Dolphins, 6th NFL season), Robert Davis (Philadelphia Eagles) and Penny Hart (Seattle Seahawks practice squad) combined for 599 receptions, 9,531 yards and 59 touchdowns.

Davis (GSU 2013-16), with 3,391 yards, and Hart (GSU 2015-18), with 2,950 yards, rank second and fourth, respectively, in Sun Belt history in career receiving yards.

Wilson, a member of GSU's inaugural team in 2010, had 175 receptions for 3,190 yards and 23 touchdowns, but he only played one season in the Sun Belt.

POMP AND CIRCUMSTANCE: Eleven team members will head to the bowl game as Georgia State graduates:

> LB Ed Curney: The summer 2018 graduate in Interdisciplinary Studies completed his Master of Education, Literacy Education, in Fall 2019.

> P Oliver Holdenson: Graduated Summer 2019 in Criminal Justice and enrolled in graduate program in International Business

> Other fall graduates: Hunter Atkinson, Barry Brown, Trey Chapman, Devin Gentry, Ben Hood, Jonathan Ifedi, Remy Lazarus, Matlin Marshall, Brandon Wright

2015 AUTONATION CURE BOWL: SAN JOSE STATE 27, GEORGIA STATE 16

Dec. 19, 2015 • 7 p.m. • Citrus Bowl Stadium • Orlando, Fla. (CBS Sports Network)

A late rally fell short and Georgia State fell to San Jose State 27-16 in the inaugural AutoNation Cure Bowl on Saturday night. In just their sixth year of existence, the Panthers were making their first bowl appearance in school history.

Sun Belt Player of the Year Nick Arbuckle was held to just 14-of-29 passing for 208 yards and two touchdowns but still finished the season with a Sun Belt Conference single-season record of 4,368 yards.

Georgia State (6-7) saw its four-game winning streak snapped, while San Jose State improved to 6-7.

With Georgia State trailing 13-7 early in the fourth quarter, Wil Lutz uncorked a 70-yard punt that rolled inside the SJSU 5, and the Panther defense forced a three-and-out. On the Spartans punt from the end zone, a poor snap gave Georgia State a safety, pulling the Panthers within 13-9 with 12:44 left.

After the free kick and a 24-yard return by Donovan Harden, the Panthers took over at the SJSU 36. Arbuckle hit freshman tight end Ari Werts for a first down at the 20, and two plays later Todd Boyd caught a short pass and raced 19 yards for the score. That gave Georgia State its first lead at 16-13 with 10:46 left.

But San Jose State regained the lead with a quick touchdown on a 42-yard touchdown run by quarterback Kenny Potter, moving the Spartans back in front, 20-16, with nine minutes to go.

Georgia State moved to midfield but failed to convert a 3rd-and-one with eight minutes left. The Panthers went for it on fourth down, and freshman receiver Penny Hart got behind the defense, but Arbuckle's pass was just out of his reach.

"We put the ball in the hands of the best player in our conference, the best player on our offense and on our team - Player of the Year," head coach Trent Miles said. "We had a guy that was one of the best receivers in the nation running wide open for a touchdown and it just didn't work. If the ball was about six inches shorter, it's a touchdown. We're back in the lead and everybody says what a great play call that was made. But he over threw him, and that's football"

The Spartans took over and held the ball for more than five minutes before scoring the clinching touchdown for the final margin.

"Well my hat's off to San Jose State," Miles said. "They did an excellent job defensively, stopping us from rushing the ball and throwing the ball, moving the ball. We were unable to convert on third downs. We were one of 10 on third-down conversions. They killed us with the time of possession, and they did an excellent job of getting us off the field offensively. And then at the end, they did what they needed to do to move the ball and score and make it the situation where we didn't have enough time to come back. So my hat's off to them, and I'm very proud of our team."

San Jose State running back Tyler Ervin rushed for 132 yards on 30 carries and had an 85-yard punt return for a touchdown in the first half.

Trailing 10-0 in the second quarter, Georgia State got on the board with a 5-play, 87-yard drive. After Arbuckle opened the drive with a 20-yard completion to freshman tight end Ari Werts, a 29-yard pass to Werts gave the Panthers a first down at the SJSU 38. On the next play, Arbuckle found Harden down the right sideline for a 38-yard touchdown, pulling GSU within 10-7 with seven

minutes left in the first half.

On that play, Arbuckle surpassed the Sun Belt season record for passing yards, formerly held by Troy's Levi Brown (4,254 yards in 2009).

San Jose State struck first on a 19-yard field goal by Austin Lopez after the GSU defense came up with a big third-down stop at the 2-yard line to force the field goal.

But on their ensuing possession, the Panthers came up just short on third down and punted the ball to Ervin, who returned the punt 85 yards for the score and a 10-0 Spartan lead.

Playing for injured all-conference tight end Keith Rucker, Werts finished with three receptions for 63 yards after he had just two catches all season.

When asked what he would remember most about this season, Miles said, "I'm going to remember a bunch of guys that pulled together to take a team that's been playing FBS football for three years and got themselves from 2-6 to a bowl game. That showed a team that would never quit, never gave up on each other, believed in what was going on. A great group of guys that are still young."

SAN JOSE STATE.....	0	10	3	14	—	27
GEORGIA STATE.....	0	7	0	9	—	16

SCORING SUMMARY

2nd 11:05	SJ - Lopez, Austin 19 yd field goal, 14-75 7:36
8:55	SJ - Ervin, Tyler 85 yd punt return (Lopez, Austin kick)
7:04	GSU - Harden, Donovan 38 yd pass from Arbuckle, Nick (Lutz, Wil kick), 5-87 1:43
3rd 0:02	SJ - v, Austin 19 yd field goal, 8-33 3:20
4th 12:44	GSU - TEAM safety
10:46	GSU - Boyd, Todd 19 yd pass from Arbuckle, Nick (Lutz, Wil kick), 4-36 1:58
9:15	SJ - Potter, Kenny 42 yd run (Lopez, Austin kick), 3-66 1:31
2:40	SJ - Oliver, Josh 1 yd pass from Potter, Kenny (Lopez, Austin kick), 11-49 5:10

Attendance—18,536

TEAM STATISTICS	SJ	GSU
FIRST DOWNS	20	11
RUSHES-YARDS (NET)	54-197	20-23
PASSING YDS (NET)	89	208
Passes Att-Comp-Int	19-10-1	29-14-1
TOTAL OFFENSE PLAYS-YARDS	73-286	49-231
Fumble Returns-Yards	0-0	0-0
Punt Returns-Yards	3-98	3-2
Kickoff Returns-Yards	2-46	4-81
Interception Returns-Yards	1-24	1-3
Punts (Number-Avg)	5-46.2	8-47.5
Fumbles-Lost	3-0	2-0
Penalties-Yards	5-48	6-73
Possession Time	38:19	21:41
Third-Down Conversions	6 of 15	1 of 10
Fourth-Down Conversions	0 of 1	0 of 1
Red-Zone Scores-Chances	3-3	1-1
Sacks By: Number-Yards	4-22	2-15

RUSHING

SJ: Ervin, Tyler 30-132; Potter, Kenny 15-69; Tucker, Thomas 4-12; Oliver, Josh 1-7; Team 3-(-6); Wilson, Hansell 1-(-17).
 GSU: Smith, Glenn 6-22; Bateman, Taz 2-11; Neal, Kyler 4-6; Hart, Penny 1-2; Sweeting, Avery 1-0; Arbuckle, Nick 6-(-18).

PASSING

SJ: Potter, Kenny 10-19-1-89.
 GSU: Arbuckle, Nick 14-29-1-208.

RECEIVING

SJ: Holmes, Justin 3-48; Tucker, Thomas 3-27; Wilson, Hansell 1-11; Freeman, Billy 1-5; Oliver, Josh 1-1; Ervin, Tyler 1-(-3).
 GSU: Werts, Ari 3-63; Boyd, Todd 3-56; Harden, Donovan 3-53; Hart, Penny 1-14; Bateman, Taz 1-9; Neal, Kyler 1-9; Smith, Glenn 1-3; Davis, Robert 1-1.

INTERCEPTIONS

SJ: Chachere, Andre 1-24.
 GSU: Dukes, Bruce 1-3.

2017 AUTONATION CURE BOWL: GEORGIA STATE 27, WESTERN KENTUCKY 17

Dec. 16, 2017 • 2:30 p.m. • Camping World Stadium • Orlando, Fla. (CBS Sports Network)

Led by Most Valuable Player Conner Manning and a record-setting effort by the defense, Georgia State earned the first bowl victory in school history with a 27-17 win over Western Kentucky in the AutoNation Cure Bowl at Camping World Stadium.

The win also gave the Panthers (7-5, 5-3 Sun Belt) their school-record seventh victory of the season under first-year head coach Shawn Elliott and secured their first winning season as an FBS program.

"We're just a bunch of misfit players and misfit coaches who are blue collar, work hard and love one other and look at us," Elliott said. "First bowl win, most wins in school history - I'm damn proud to be a Georgia State Panther, I know that!"

Manning, the senior signal-caller, completed 20 of 28 passes for 276 yards and one touchdown while directing a GSU offense that also rushed for 143 yards. Georgia State accomplished that while essentially playing without top weapon Penny Hart, who was battling an ankle injury and was limited to a handful of snaps.

"Coming into this season, my only goal was to lead this team to a bowl victory," Manning said as he accepted the MVP award.

The Georgia State defense limited Western Kentucky's high-powered offense to 349 yards. With six sacks, including two by senior Mackendy Cheridor, the Panthers set a school record by holding WKU to a net of minus-two yards rushing.

Leading 13-10, the Panthers used a flea flicker to take a 10-point lead in the third quarter. After two flips, Manning got the ball back and found freshman tight end Roger Carter all alone down the left sideline for a 42-yard touchdown and a 20-10 advantage with 5:55 left in the third quarter. The touchdown was set up by Hart's lone catch of the game, a spectacular 27-yard grab at the WKU 42-yard line.

In the fourth quarter, the Panthers effectively sealed the game a 16-play, 74-yard drive that ate up nine minutes on the clock. The drive started after Jerome Smith's interception, and Kyler Neal tallied the clinching score on a 1-yard run to put GSU ahead 27-10 with 5:50 left in the game.

Neal's score gave him sole possession of the GSU record for rushing touchdowns with 13.

Georgia State got on the scoreboard first with Brandon Wright's 42-yard field goal on the Panthers' opening possession, giving GSU a 3-0 lead midway through the first quarter.

Then the teams traded quick touchdowns on a total of just five plays. First, WKU needed just two plays to score, including White's 54-yard touchdown pass to Deon Yelder.

But the Panthers' answer was almost as quick. Devin Gentry rushed for 10 yards, and then Manning found Tamir Jones down the left sideline for 49 yards to the WKU 26. On the next play, Demarcus Kirk broke through the middle of the line and rambled 26 yards for the score to regain the lead at 10-7 with 6:19 to play in the first quarter.

In the second quarter, the teams exchanged field goals, with Wright's second three-pointer of the day, this one from 37 yards, giving GSU a 13-10 lead with nine minutes left in the first half.

Late in the half, the Panthers had an apparent touchdown pass called back when Jonathan Ifedi's knee was ruled to have touched the ground before

he took off for the end zone, so the halftime lead remained 13-10.

With his third-down sack in the first quarter, Cheridor became the Panthers' career leader, surpassing Christo Bilukidi (9.0, 2010-11). Cheridor added another sack, which caused a fumble, in the second quarter to bring his record total to 10.5. He also has the GSU record for forced fumbles with six.

Junior linebacker Chase Middleton recovered a fumble and returned it 19 yards and also had a sack and an interception.

Redshirt freshman Jonathan Ifedi had career highs of six catches for 56 yards, while Carter had four catches for 85 yards. Glenn Smith rushed for 73 yards on 23 carries.

WESTERN KENTUCKY.....	7	3	0	7	—	17
GEORGIA STATE.....	10	3	7	7	—	27

SCORING SUMMARY

- 1st 8:07 GSU - Wright, Brandon 42 yd field goal, 10-40 4:57
- 7:29 WKU - Yelder, Deon 54 yd pass from White, Mike (Nuss, Ryan kick), 2-75 0:38
- 6:18 GSU - Kirk, Demarcus 26 yd run (Wright, Brandon kick), 3-85 1:11
- 2nd 14:18 WKU - Nuss, Ryan 38 yd field goal, 4-5 1:36
- 9:07 GSU - Wright, Brandon 37 yd field goal, 10-55 5:11
- 3rd 5:55 GSU - Carter, Roger 42 yd pass from Manning, Conner (Wright, Brandon kick), 5-80 1:46
- 4th 5:50 GSU - Neal, Kyler 1 yd run (Wright, Brandon kick), 16-74 9:01
- 2:34 WKU - Yelder, Deon 4 yd pass from White, Mike (Nuss, Ryan kick), 11-87 3:16

Attendance—19,585

TEAM STATISTICS	WKU	GSU
FIRST DOWNS	17	21
RUSHES-YARDS (NET)	21-2	43-143
PASSING YDS (NET)	351	276
Passes Att-Comp-Int	40-26-2	28-20-0
TOTAL OFFENSE PLAYS-YARDS	61-349	71-419
Fumble Returns-Yards	0-0	1-19
Punt Returns-Yards	0-0	0-0
Kickoff Returns-Yards	3-56	2-15
Interception Returns-Yards	0-0	2--1
Punts (Number-Avg)	5-42.8	3-39.7
Fumbles-Lost	2-1	2-1
Penalties-Yards	10-89	4-30
Possession Time	24:39	35:21
Third-Down Conversions	5 of 12	8 of 16
Fourth-Down Conversions	1 of 1	1 of 2
Red-Zone Scores-Chances	1-1	3-3
Sacks By: Number-Yards	2-14	6-45

RUSHING

WKU: Moses, Jakairi 7-19; TRIGG, Marquez 3-13; Ferby, D'Andre 5-11; White, Mike 6-minus 45.

GSU: Smith, Glenn 23-73; Kirk, Demarcus 3-35; Manning, Conner 8-24; Gentry, Devin 2-8; Neal, Kyler 4-3; Barnett, Tra 2-1; TEAM 1-minus 1.

PASSING

WKU: White, Mike 26-39-1-351; Fant, Nacarius 0-1-1-0.

GSU: Manning, Conner 20-28-0-276.

RECEIVING

WKU: Fant, Nacarius 7-70; Yelder, Deon 5-112; Lane, Xavier 4-70; Jernighan, Quin 2-28; Ferby, D'Andre 2-22; Jackson, Lucky 2-8; Pearson, J. 1-24; Trigg, Marquez 1-7; Fourtenbary, K. 1-6; Moses, Jakairi 1-4.

GSU: Ifedi, Jonathan 6-56; Carter, Roger 4-85; Smith, Glenn 4-35; Jones, Tamir 3-68; Gentry, Devin 2-5; Hart, Penny 1-27.

INTERCEPTIONS

WKU: None. GSU: Middleton, C. 1-0; Smith, Jerome 1-minus 1.



HEAD COACH SHAWN ELLIOTT

In 23 seasons as a Division I coach, Shawn Elliott has been part of 21 winning seasons and 18 postseason appearances, including two bowl games in his three years at Georgia State.

A coaching veteran who brought 20 years of experience in winning programs, Shawn Elliott was introduced as Georgia State's third head football coach by President Mark Becker and Director of Athletics Charlie Cobb on Dec. 9, 2016. He came to GSU after highly successful stints at South Carolina, where he served as the co-offensive coordinator, offensive line coach and interim head coach, and Appalachian State, where he coached the offensive line.

In 23 seasons as a Division I coach, including Elliott has been part of 21 winning seasons, 18 teams that reached the NCAA playoffs or a bowl game, and three consecutive NCAA FCS titles from 2005-07.

That success has continued at Georgia State, where Elliott has led the Panthers to bowl games in two of his three seasons in Atlanta.

Other highlights of Elliott's first three years at GSU include the first bowl victory in school history, Georgia State's first winning season as an FBS program, and school-record seven-win campaigns in both 2017 and 2019.

The 2019 season began with another major first for the Georgia State program as Elliott's Panthers earned a dominating 38-30 victory over Tennessee at Neyland Stadium for the school's first win over a Power 5 opponent.

Elliott was named the Dodd Trophy

National Coach of the Week, and his Panthers were recognized as the FWAA Reveal Suits National Team of the Week. That is the third time that Elliott has been part of the National Team of the Week; his Appalachian State team was recognized for its 2007 victory at Michigan and his South Carolina squad for its 2010 win over No. 1 Alabama.

The win over Tennessee launched a record-setting 2019 season as the Panthers won seven games in the regular season for the first time and achieved their best home record with a 5-1 mark at Georgia State Stadium.

Bolstered by one of the top rushing attacks in the nation, the 2019 team has already set numerous team and individual records, most notably establishing new season standards for points, touchdowns and rushing yards, and the Panthers enter the bowl game within reach of more records, including the total offense mark.

Following the regular-season, 10 Panthers were named to the 2019 All-Sun Belt Conference squad.

Despite taking over a Georgia State program playing just its eighth season of football in 2017, Elliott not only guided GSU to a bowl game in his first year at the helm, but he led the Panthers to their first bowl victory, 27-17 over Western Kentucky in the AutoNation Cure Bowl. That



HEAD COACH SHAWN ELLIOTT

Full name: Shawn Hardwick Elliott

Born: June 26, 1973

Hometown: Camden, S.C.

Alma Mater: Appalachian State, 1996

Family: Wife Summer, daughter Maddyn, son Max

COACHING CAREER

1997-09, Appalachian State, assistant coach

2010-16, South Carolina, assistant coach

2015, South Carolina, interim head coach

2017-present, Georgia State, head coach

HEAD COACHING RECORD

2015	South Carolina (interim)	1-5
2017	Georgia State	7-5
2018	Georgia State	2-10
2019	Georgia State	7-5
AT GSU (3rd Year)		16-20
OVERALL (4th Year)		17-25



win gave the program a school-record seven victories in Elliott's first season.

Under Elliott's watch, the Panthers achieved benchmark performances on both sides of the ball. The 2017 GSU defense set season records for fewest points allowed per game, and fewest rushing yards allowed per game (136.4) and per attempt (4.13). The defense also recorded the first shutout in school history.

On offense, the Panthers established new marks, since broken, for highest completion percentage (64.2) and fewest interceptions (9) in a season, as well as most total yards in a game (670) and most points vs. an FBS opponent (47).

Nine Panthers earned All-Sun Belt honors in 2017. Senior cornerback Chandon Sullivan shined in the classroom and on the field as Georgia State's first football Academic All-American and the first Panther to be invited to the Reese's Senior Bowl.

HEAD COACH SHAWN ELLIOTT (continued)

Sullivan, one of three 2017 seniors to sign NFL free agent contracts, is now with the Green Bay Packers.

After inheriting a senior-dominated roster for his first season, Elliott's second campaign proved to be a rebuilding year as the Panthers were forced to play numerous freshmen.

Still, there were many positives during the 2018 season. First-year quarterback Dan Ellington passed for more than 2,000 yards, led the team in rushing and set a school record for fewest interceptions.

Punter Brandon Wright ranked No. 3 in FBS in punting average and net while setting the Sun Belt record at 48.3 yards per kick. The Ray Guy Award semifinalist is GSU's first semifinalist for a major college football award.

Standout receiver Penny Hart finished his career ranked fourth in Sun Belt history in receiving yards and eighth in receptions. He signed a free agent contract with the Indianapolis Colts, as did linebacker Chase Middleton, now with the Atlanta Falcons. Hart is now with the Seattle Seahawks.

Individual honors in Elliott's first three seasons include 26 All-Sun Belt Conference honorees, Georgia State's first two players selected to the Reese's Senior Bowl, five former players signed to NFL free agent contracts and a first-round selection in the CFL draft.

The accolades extend to the classroom with GSU's first Academic All-American® as well as five Academic All-District® selections in three seasons. The Panthers posted a program-record 3.03 GPA in his Elliott's first semester.

Before taking over the Georgia State program, Elliott worked seven seasons (2010-16) at South Carolina under Will Muschamp and Steve Spurrier, highlighted by three consecutive 11-win seasons from 2011-13 during the most successful run in the Gamecocks' history. In addition to coaching the offensive line, he was the running game coordinator in 2010 and 2011, was elevated to co-offensive coordinator in 2012, and then served as the interim head coach following Spurrier's retirement midway through the 2015 season.

Elliott originally joined the South Carolina staff in 2010 and helped the Gamecocks reach five straight bowl games while coaching some of the most prolific and balanced offenses in school history. The Gamecocks turned in the program's best offensive season, statistically, in 2013, averaging 34.1 points while rolling up a school-record 452.3 yards per game.

South Carolina's 2014 unit scored nearly 33 points per game while averaging over 440 yards of offense as All-America and All-Southeastern Conference offensive guard A.J. Cann paved the

way. In 2010, Elliott's first season in Columbia, his offensive line blocked for record-setting running back Marcus Lattimore, the National Freshman of the Year.

In addition to Cann, a third-round draft pick by the Jacksonville Jaguars in 2015, Elliott developed future NFL linemen Corey Robinson, Ronald Patrick, Brandon Shell, T.J. Johnson and Rokeviovous Watkins.

Before going to South Carolina in 2010, Elliott coached his entire career at Appalachian State, his alma mater. In 13 seasons there, he was an integral part of App State's three consecutive NCAA titles from 2005-07 as well as the Mountaineers' historic upset at Michigan in 2007.

Beginning in 1997, he worked two seasons as a defensive assistant (1997-98) and then two seasons as the tight ends coach (1999-00) before taking over the offensive line in 2001.

In nine seasons as the Mountaineers' offensive line coach, Elliott's players earned All-America distinction on 12 occasions, including four different linemen who received first-team All-America accolades. He also coached All-American and future NFL tight end Daniel Wilcox in 2000. In 2003, offensive lineman Wayne Smith was the first pick in the Canadian Football League Draft. From 2005-07, Elliott coached three-consecutive Southern Conference Jacobs Blocking Trophy recipients.

Elliott helped lead the Mountaineers to 10 NCAA playoff berths in 13 seasons with two trips to the national semifinals and three appearances in the quarterfinals in addition to the three championships.

Elliott was one of three App State coaches to earn the NCAA's Award of Valor for their efforts in rescuing two individuals from an automobile accident in 2000.

The two head coaches under whom Elliott spent the bulk of his time as an assistant coach, Spurrier at South Carolina and Jerry Moore at Appalachian State, are both enshrined in the College Football Hall of Fame.

Elliott was the first player in Mountaineer annals to appear in the NCAA Division I-AA playoffs four separate seasons. He was a four-year letterwinner, helping the Mountaineers to two Southern Conference titles and a combined record of 36-16. He served as a co-captain of the 1995 Appalachian State squad that finished 12-1 while earning all-league distinction as a defensive end.

A native of Camden, S.C., Elliott earned his bachelor's degree from Appalachian State in 1996. He is married to the former Summer Scruggs, also an App State grad and a standout tennis player for the Mountaineers, and the couple has two children, Maddyn and Max.



**NATE FUQUA** @OLBeastCoach03

Defensive Coordinator/OLBs (3rd year at GSU)
Alma Mater: Wofford, 2003

- Nominee for 2017 Broyles Award as nation's top assistant coach.
- His 2017 unit set GSU season records for fewest points per game (24.75), fewest rushing yards per game (136.4), fewest yards per rushing attempt (4.13) and most sacks (24).
- Former defensive coordinator at Wofford, which reached 2016 FCS quarterfinals with a defense that ranked fifth in the nation in total defense, sixth in scoring defense and 12th in rushing defense.
- Spent 12 seasons at Wofford, where he was a two-time All-American as a nose tackle.

**BRAD GLENN** @Coachbg_qb

Offensive Coordinator/QBs (1st year at GSU)
Alma Mater: Clemson, 1995

- Nominee for 2019 Broyles Award as nation's top assistant coach, in his first season on GSU staff.
- Spent the last seven seasons as associate head coach, offensive coordinator and quarterbacks coach at Western Carolina.
- For last five years, his WCU QBs averaged over 2,400 yards passing and 600 yards rushing.
- Previously served seven years at Appalachian State on the same staff with Shawn Elliott as the Mountaineers won three straight FCS titles.
- Coached two SoCon Offensive Players of the Year: QB Armanti Edwards, who also won Walter Payton Award, and QB DeAndre Pressley.

**THOMAS AUSTIN** @TAustin1114

Offensive Line (1st year at GSU)
Alma Mater: Clemson, 2009

- Former NFL offensive lineman and staff member for two-time national champion Clemson.
- Spent the last four seasons at Clemson, his alma mater, as the Tigers reached College Football Playoff each year, including titles in 2016 and 2018.
- Signed NFL free agent contract with New England in 2010; played for Houston, Carolina and Indianapolis from 2010-13.
- All-America and two-time all-conference lineman for the Tigers from 2006-09.

**CHRIS COLLINS** @CoachC_Collins

Safeties/Recruiting Coord. (3rd year at GSU)
Alma Mater: Western Carolina, 2010

- Has added the role of recruiting coordinator this year.
- Selected for 2018 AFCA 35 Under 35 Coaches Leadership Institute.
- Coached All-Sun Belt safety Bryan Williams in 2017.
- Came to GSU in 2017 after one season coaching linebackers at Western Carolina.
- Participated in NFL-NCAA Coaches Academy (2015).

**TRENT MCKNIGHT** @CoachTMcKnight

Wide Receivers (3rd year at GSU)
Alma Mater: Samford, 2010

- Worked with receiver Penny Hart, who finished his career ranked fourth in Sun Belt history in receiving yards and seventh in receptions.
- Before GSU, he helped coach a highly productive offense in four seasons at Samford.
- Served as run game coordinator/tight ends coach in 2015, when Samford ranked No. 7 in the nation in total offense and led SoCon with 34.6 ppg.
- Passing game coordinator/wide receivers coach in 2014; tight ends/inside receivers in 2012-13.

**TRAVIAN ROBERTSON**

@Robertson_9TWO

Defensive Line (1st year at GSU)
Alma Mater: South Carolina, 2011

- Former GSU graduate assistant who returned to the staff after one season coaching defensive line at Albany State.
- Seventh-round draft pick of Atlanta Falcons in 2012; played for Falcons, Seattle and Washington over four seasons.
- Standout defensive lineman at South Carolina.

**AAIRON SAVAGE** @CoachSavage2

Cornerbacks (1st year at GSU)
Alma Mater: Auburn, 2008

- Joined the GSU staff in 2019 after one season as cornerbacks coach at Northern Iowa, which ranked No. 6 in FCS in interceptions and No. 17 in scoring defense.
- Part of a 10-win season at Army in 2017, serving as a defensive quality control coach.
- Previously worked on the coaching staffs at Georgia Tech (graduate assistant, 2014) and Auburn (quality control, 2011-12), his alma mater.
- Assistant coach at Valdosta High School in 2013.

**JIMMY SMITH** @headbcg

Running Backs (1st year at GSU)
Alma Mater: Fayetteville State, 2002

- Won two state titles (2016 and 2018 in Class AAA) as head coach at Cedar Grove High School.
- Spent 12 years at Cedar Grove, including the last six as athletic director, head football coach and head track coach.
- Also won four state titles as Cedar Grove's head track coach.
- 2018 Region 5-AAA Athletic Director of the Year.
- Standout quarterback at Tennessee State.

**JOSH STEPP** @coach_stepp

Tight Ends (3rd year at GSU)
Alma Mater: Newberry, 2007

- Chosen for 2019 AFCA 35 Under 35 Coaches Leadership Institute.
- Coached tight ends and running backs at GSU in 2017, including All-Sun Belt back Glenn Smith.
- Posted a 36-17 record in four seasons (2013-16) as head coach at Lexington (S.C.) High School.
- 4A Lower State Coach of the Year in 2015
- All-American and record-setting QB at Newberry (2004-06)..

**SHIEL WOOD** @ShielWood

Inside Linebackers / Special Teams (1st year at GSU)
Alma Mater: Wofford, 2007

- Coached safeties/special teams at Georgia Tech in 2018.
- Defensive coordinator at Wofford in 2017, succeeding Nate Fuqua
- Coached eight seasons at Wofford, his alma mater; coached wide receivers (2007-10) and safeties (2011-12, 2016-17) and served as recruiting coordinator (206-17) before taking over as DC.
- Wofford won four SoCon titles and reached the FCS playoffs seven times in his eight seasons on staff.

DEPTH CHART

— OFFENSE —

QB	13	Dan Ellington	6-3	205	Sr.
	1	Cornelius Brown	6-5	180	Fr.
-or-	12	Kierston Harvey	5-10	180	Fr.
RB	5	Tra Barnett	5-10	185	Sr.
	17	Destin Coates	5-11	198	So.
	26	Tucker Gregg	5-10	210	So.
WR	83	Cornelius McCoy	5-11	185	So.
	2	Jamari Thrash	6-0	180	Fr.
WR	14	Devin Gentry	5-10	195	Sr.
	80	Matlin Marshall	5-9	180	R-Jr.
WR	6	Jonathan Ifedi	6-0	195	R-Jr.
	11	Cadarius Thompson	6-3	186	Fr.
TE	45	Roger Carter	6-3	250	Jr.
	88	Aubry Payne	6-4	228	R-Jr.
	84	Camrin Knight	6-3	240	R-Sr.
LT	76	Hunter Atkinson	6-5	295	R-Sr.
	77	Johnathan Bass	6-4	290	R-Fr.
LG	75	Shamariious Gilmore	6-3	295	R-Jr.
	79	Connor Robbins	6-9	310	R-So.
C	62	Malik Sumter	6-1	295	R-So.
	70	Chris Sibilia	6-7	285	R-So.
RG	64	Pat Bartlett	6-4	295	R-So.
	72	Luis Cristobal	6-0	301	Fr.
RT	73	Travis Glover	6-6	330	R-Fr.
	74	Despelado Alexandre	6-5	285	R-Fr.

— SPECIALISTS —

PK	93	Brandon Wright	5-10	182	R-Sr.
	94	Barry Brown	6-4	190	R-Jr.
P	93	Brandon Wright	5-10	182	R-Sr.
	48	Oliver Holdenson	5-11	190	R-Sr.
SN	51	Charlie Flint (PAT-FG)	6-1	220	R-Fr.
	66	Seth Glausier (Punt)	5-11	200	Fr.
HO	48	Oliver Holdenson	5-11	190	R-Sr.
KR	83	Cornelius McCoy	5-11	185	So.
	14	Devin Gentry	5-10	195	Sr.
PR	20	Quavian White	5-10	185	So.
	83	Cornelius McCoy	5-11	185	So.

— DEFENSE —

OLB	37	Victor Heyward	6-2	220	Jr.
	10	Jacorey Crawford	6-0	205	So.
DE	55	Terry Thomas	6-3	275	Sr.
	50	T.J. Arnold	6-0	225	R-Jr.
	30	Javonte Lain	6-2	240	R-Jr.
NG	52	Dontae Wilson	6-0	275	Jr.
	95	Tahji Gilbert	6-0	282	Jr.
DE	90	Hardrick Willis	6-3	244	R-So.
	54	Tre Moore	6-3	250	R-Fr.
OLB	47	Jhi'Shawn Taylor	6-3	211	R-So.
	33	T.J. Smith	6-3	243	R-Fr.
ILB	32	Zach Dixon	6-1	215	R-Fr.
	40	Jordan Veneziale	6-0	217	Fr.
ILB	6	Trajan Stephens-McQueen	6-1	230	Jr.
	42	Blake Carroll	6-1	230	So.
S	35	Keon Carter	5-10	185	Jr.
	3	Chris Bacon	6-1	193	R-So.
S	9	Cedric Stone	5-10	185	R-Jr.
	29	Courtney Williams	6-2	190	R-Fr.
CB	20	Quavian White	5-10	185	So.
	12	Tyler Gore	5-10	175	So.
CB	27	Jaylon Jones	5-11	180	R-So.
	11	Evan Jones	6-2	190	R-Jr.

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PLAYERS:

Despelado Alexandre	DESS-pell-ah-doe Al-ex-an-dray
Tra Barnett	TRAY
Jontrey Hunter	JON-tray
Jonathan Ifedi	ee-FED-ee
Tahji Gilbert	TA-jee
Shamariious Gilmore	shu-MARR-ee-us
Seth Glausier	GLAW-zser
Travis Glover	Hometown Vienna, Ga: VY-en-uh
Tyreke Harrison	ty-REEK
Kierston Harvey	KEER-stun
Jaylon Jones	JAY-len
Javonte Lain	juh-VON-tay
Remy Lazarus	REM-ee
Jay Lepkoske	lep-KOSS-key
Tre Moore	TRAY
Mateo Rengifo	muh-TAY-o ren-GEE-foe
Chris Sibilia	suh-BEEL-yuh
Jordan Strachan	STRAHN
Trajan Stephens-McQueen	TRAY-jun
Jhi'Shawn Taylor	juh-SHAWN
Jordan Veneziale	VEN-zee-al
Quavian White	KWAY-vee-un
Dontae Wilson	DON-tay

COACHES:

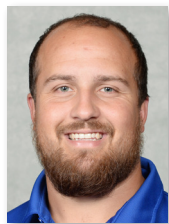
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NUMERICAL ROSTER

No.	Name	Pos	Ht	Wt	Cl.	Hometown	High School/Previous School
1	Cornelius Brown	QB	6'5	180	Fr.	Birmingham, Ala.	Calera
1	Jontrey Hunter	OLB	6'2	200	So.	Tampa, Fla.	Sickles
2	Ed Curney	ILB	5'11	220	R-Sr.	Atlanta, Ga.	Carver
2	Jamari Thrash	WR	6'0	180	Fr.	LaGrange, Ga.	Troup County
3	Chris Bacon	S	6'1	193	R-So.	Atlanta, Ga.	Westlake
4	Khai Anderson	CB	5'10	185	R-Sr.	Atlanta, Ga.	Riverwood
5	Tra Barnett	RB	5'10	185	Sr.	Elberton, Ga.	Elbert County
5	Bryquice Brown	CB	6'4	190	Fr.	Lithia Springs, Ga.	Lithia Springs
6	Jonathan Ifedi	WR	6'0	195	R-Jr.	Charlotte, N.C.	Vance
6	Trajan Stephens-McQueen	ILB	6'1	230	Jr.	Charlotte, N.C.	West Mecklenburg
7	Jamil Muhammad	QB	6'1	220	Fr.	Madison, Ala.	James Clemens
7	Jordan Strachan	OLB	6'4	215	R-So.	Kingsland, Ga.	Camden County
8	Jaquez Pennimon	CB	6'0	185	Fr.	Macon, Ga.	Southwest
9	Cedric Stone	S	5'10	185	R-Jr.	Charlotte, N.C.	Independence
10	Jacorey Crawford	S	6'0	205	So.	Thomson, Ga.	Thomson
11	Evan Jones	CB	6'2	190	R-Jr.	Decatur, Ga.	Salem/Illinois
11	Cadarrius Thompson	WR	6'3	186	Fr.	Florence, Ala.	Florence
12	Tyler Gore	CB	5'10	175	So.	North Myrtle Beach, S.C.	North Myrtle Beach
12	Kierston Harvey	QB	5'10	180	Fr.	Americus, Ga.	Americus-Sumter
13	Dan Ellington	QB	6'3	205	Sr.	Olive Branch, Miss.	Center Hill/Itawamba (Miss.) CC
14	Devin Gentry	WR	5'10	195	Sr.	Louisville, Ky.	Male
15	Sam Pinckney	WR	6'4	210	R-Fr.	Greenwood, S.C.	Greenwood
16	Makari Pruitt	WR	5'6	160	Fr.	Conyers, Ga.	Salem
17	Destin Coates	RB	5'11	198	So.	Tallahassee, Fla.	Rickards
18	Cameron Sims	CB	6'0	180	Fr.	Memphis, Tenn.	Lausanne Collegiate
19	Kerryon Richardson	WR	5'10	165	R-So.	West Columbia, S.C.	Airport
20	Quavian White	CB	5'10	185	So.	Greer, S.C.	Greer
21	Remy Lazarus	S	6'0	190	R-Sr.	Alpharetta, Ga.	King's Ridge Christian
22	Trey Chapman	S	5'11	200	R-Jr.	Madison, Ga.	Morgan County
23	Darius Stubbs	RB	5'10	200	R-Jr.	McDonough, Ga.	Luella
23	Nygee Williams-Mitchell	S	5'11	195	R-Jr.	Lawrenceville, Ga.	Mill Creek
24	Tyreke Harrison	S	5'10	180	Fr.	Plant City, Fla.	Plant City
25	Dawson Hill	RB	5'11	200	R-Fr.	Plantation, Fla.	South Plantation
26	Tucker Gregg	RB	5'10	210	So.	Chatsworth, Ga.	Murray County
26	Kendrec Grady	ILB	6'2	220	R-Jr.	Norcross, Ga.	Norcross
27	Terrance Dixon	WR	5'7	170	R-So.	Columbus, Ga.	Columbus
27	Jaylon Jones	CB	5'11	180	R-So.	Dacula, Ga.	Dacula
28	Ben Hood	CB	5'8	185	R-Sr.	Atlanta, Ga.	Eagles Landing Christian/Auburn
28	Seth Paige	RB	5'10	180	So.	Macclenny, Fla.	Baker County
29	Courtney Williams	S	6'2	190	R-Fr.	LaGrange, Ga.	Callaway
30	Javonte Lain	DE	6'2	240	R-Jr.	Fayetteville, Ga.	Sandy Creek
30	Sam Elegreet	WR	6-1	175	Fr.	Jefferson, Ga.	Jefferson
32	Zach Dixon	ILB	6'1	215	R-Fr.	Hollywood, Fla.	Chaminade-Madonna
33	T.J. Smith	OLB	6'3	245	R-Fr.	Laurinburg, N.C.	Scotland
34	Antavious Lane	S	5'9	180	Fr.	West Palm Beach, Fla.	William T. Dwyer
35	Keon Carter	S	5'10	185	Jr.	Norcross, Ga.	Norcross
35	Herman McCray	TE	6'4	220	R-Fr.	West Palm Beach, Fla.	Oxbridge Academy
36	Tiyance Dewberry	CB	5'9	188	R-Fr.	Leesburg, Ga.	Lee County
37	Victor Heyward	OLB	6'2	220	Jr.	Dacula, Ga.	Mill Creek
38	Kyle Wright	ILB	6'0	235	So.	Columbia, S.C.	Ben Lippen/North Carolina
39	Michael Hayes	PK	5'9	181	Fr.	Florence, S.C.	West Florence
40	Jordan Veneziale	ILB	6'0	217	Fr.	Dallas, Ga.	North Paulding

NUMERICAL ROSTER

No.	Name	Pos	Ht	Wt	Cl.	Hometown	High School/Previous School
42	Blake Carroll	ILB	6'1	230	So.	Lawrenceville, Ga.	Mountain View
43	Deandre Bowman	RB	5'10	185	R-Jr.	Columbus, Ga.	Pacelli
43	Josh Ingram	ILB	5'11	208	Jr.	Hinesville, Ga.	Bradwell Institute
44	Jay Lepkoske	OLB	6'2	204	Fr.	Cleveland, Ga.	White County
45	Roger Carter	TE	6'2	250	Jr.	Columbia, S.C.	Blythewood
46	Darius Snellings	OLB	6'2	215	R-So.	Jonesboro, Ga.	Mundy's Mill
47	Jhi'Shawn Taylor	OLB	6'3	211	R-So.	Cordele, Ga.	Crisp County
48	Oliver Holdenson	P	5'11	190	R-Sr.	Melbourne, Australia	
49	Joseph Lopez	LS	6'0	210	Fr.	Dacula, Ga.	Dacula
50	T.J. Arnold	DE	6'0	225	R-Jr.	Rome, Ga.	Model
51	Charlie Flint	LS	6'1	230	R-Fr.	Pembroke, Ga.	Bryan County
52	Dontae Wilson	NG	6'0	275	Jr.	Jefferson, Ga.	Jefferson
53	Jalen Wade	DE	6'3	220	R-Sr.	Lincolnton, Ga.	Lincoln County/Georgia Military
54	Tre Moore	DE	6'3	250	R-Fr.	North Augusta, S.C.	Strom Thurmond
55	Terry Thomas	DE	6'3	275	Sr.	McDonough, Ga.	Luella
56	Steven Banks	DL	6'0	290	R-So.	Grayson, Ga.	Grayson
57	Marcus Anderson	ILB	5'10	219	Fr.	Moultrie, Ga.	Colquitt County
58	Edward Verdree	DL	6'1	275	R-So.	Decatur, Ga.	Holy Innocents/Savannah State
59	Thomas Gore	DL	6'0	280	Fr.	Nashville, Tenn.	Brentwood Academy
60	Ronald Folkes	OL	6'4	265	Fr.	Belle Glade, Fla.	William T. Dwyer
62	Malik Sumter	C	6'1	295	R-So.	Irmo, S.C.	Dutch Fork
64	Pat Bartlett	G	6'4	295	R-So.	Newtown, Pa.	Council Rock North
65	Avery Reece	TE	6'2	270	Fr.	Anderson, S.C.	Belton-Honea Path
66	Seth Glausier	LS	5'11	200	Fr.	Jefferson, Ga.	Jefferson
70	Chris Sibilia	T	6'7	285	R-So.	Sugar Hill, Ga.	North Gwinnett
71	Cameron Golden	OL	6'4	250	Fr.	Fort Pierce, Fla.	Fort Pierce Central
72	Luis Cristobal	OL	6'0	301	Fr.	Miami, Fla.	Christopher Columbus
73	Travis Glover	T	6'6	330	R-Fr.	Vienna, Ga.	Dooly County
74	Despelado Alexandre	T	6'5	285	R-Fr.	Deerfield Beach, Fla.	Deerfield Beach
75	Shamarious Gilmore	G	6'3	295	R-Jr.	Riverdale, Ga.	Drew
76	Hunter Atkinson	T	6'5	295	R-Sr.	Flowery Branch, Ga.	West Hall
77	Johnathan Bass	T	6'4	290	R-Fr.	Acworth, Ga.	Kell
78	Trey Bonner	OL	6'4	299	Fr.	Gray, Ga.	Jones County
79	Connor Robbins	OL	6'9	310	R-So.	St. Augustine, Fla.	Menendez
80	Matlin Marshall	WR	5'9	180	R-Jr.	Evans, Ga.	Evans
81	Spencer Gaddis	WR	5-11	175	R-Fr.	Alpharetta, Ga.	Alpharetta/Western Kentucky
82	Maysoe Wiley	WR	6'2	205	Jr.	Adel, Ga.	Valwood
83	Cornelius McCoy	WR	5'11	185	So.	Deerfield Beach, Fla.	Deerfield
84	Camrin Knight	TE	6'3	240	R-Sr.	Tallahassee, Fla.	Lincoln/Florida
86	Bryson Duckworth	TE	6'4	230	R-Jr.	Riverdale, Ga.	Drew
87	Donavon Grier	WR	5'11	165	Jr.	Snellville, Ga.	Shiloh
88	Aubry Payne	TE	6'4	228	R-Jr.	Locust Grove, Ga.	Locust Grove/Western Carolina
89	Drake Holloway	WR	5'11	193	Fr.	Phenix City, Ala.	Central
90	Mateo Rengifo	PK	5'11	235	R-Fr.	Lawrenceville, Ga.	Wesleyan School
90	Hardrick Willis	DE	6'3	244	R-So.	Jonesboro, Ga.	Mundy's Mill
91	Jeffery Clark	DL	6'0	276	Fr.	Powder Springs, Ga.	McEachern
92	Mario Dungy	DE	6'3	278	R-Jr.	Mobile, Ala.	Blount/Highlands (Kan.) CC
93	Brandon Wright	P-PK	5'10	182	R-Sr.	Atlanta, Ga.	KIPP Atlanta Collegiate
94	Barry Brown	PK	6'4	190	R-Jr.	Dublin, Ga.	Dublin
95	Tahji Gilbert	DL	6'0	282	Jr.	Morton, Miss.	Morton/NW Mississippi CC
96	Miles Dickens	DL	6'2	231	Fr.	Deerfield Beach, Fla.	Deerfield Beach
97	Akeem Smith	NG	6-0	299	So.	Richmond, Va.	Bishop Sullivan Catholic
98	Javon Denis	DL	6'0	245	Fr.	Deerfield Beach, Fla.	Deerfield Beach
99	Hunter Williamson	PK	6-2	190	Fr.	Hogansville, Ga.	Callaway



76 - HUNTER ATKINSON

T • 6-5, 295 • R-Sr.
Flowery Branch, Ga. (West Hall HS)

- * 2019 All-Sun Belt (first team)
- * 2018 All-Sun Belt (third team)

- Two-time All-Sun Belt Conference selection as a four-year starter at left tackle, team captain and Georgia State's top offensive lineman.

- Has started Georgia State's last 48 games and ranks among the national leaders in consecutive games started.
- 2019 Preseason All-Sun Belt Conference
- Helps the Panthers rank No. 14 in FBS in rushing, including school-record games against Arkansas State (340 yards), Coastal Carolina (350 yards), Troy (390 yards) and ULM (414 yards).
- Has blocked for school-record rushing seasons in 2018 (2,057) and 2019 (2,942).
- Seldom comes out of the game. Played every offensive snap of the 2017 season. This season, he has played every snap of every game except Western Michigan and South Alabama.
- Began his career at tight end before moving to tackle in the spring of 2016 after a redshirt year.



3 - CHRIS BACON

S • 6-1, 193 • R-So.
Atlanta, Ga. (Westlake)

- Safety with two career interceptions.
- Grabbed an interception against No. 24 App State and returned it 34 yards for a touchdown to give the Panthers a 21-7 lead.
- Playing time has increased since season-ending injury to senior captain Remy Lazarus.

- Started two games as a freshman in 2018 and made 25 tackles with an interception against ULM and a forced fumble at NC State.

CAREER STATISTICS

Year	G	UA-A	Total	TFL	Sack	Int	PB	FR	FF
2018	11	15-10	25	1-2	0-0	1-0	1	0	1
2019	12	18-16	34	3-5	0-0	1-34 (td)	1	0	0
Total	23	33-26	59	4-7	0-0	2-34	2	0	1

GAME-BY-GAME STATISTICS

2019	UA-A	Total	Sack	TFL	FF	FR	Int	PB	BK
Tennessee	0-1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Furman	3-1	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
WMU	1-0	1	0	1-2	0	0	0	0	0
Texas State	0-1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Arkansas St.	1-1	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
CCU	3-3	6	0	0.5-0	0	0	0	0	0
Army	0-0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Troy	2-3	5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
ULM	1-3	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
App State	2-1	3	0	0.5-1	0	0	(td) 1-34	0	0
USA	3-1	4	0	0	0	0	0	1	0
GS	2-1	3	0	1-2	0	0	0	0	0

CAREER HIGHS

Tackles: 7 vs. Appalachian State, 2018
Interceptions: 1 vs. ULM, 2018; Appalachian State, 2019 (TD)



5 - TRA BARNETT

RB • 5-10, 185 • Sr.
Elberton, Ga. (Elbert County)

- * 2019 All-Sun Belt (first team)
- * Sun Belt Offensive Player of the Week, Oct. 28, 2019

- All-Sun Belt Conference running back who is Georgia State's career leader in rushing yards (2,092) and rushing touchdowns (19) and the first career 2,000-yard rusher in school history.
- Owns the GSU records for rushing yards in a game, season and career, as well as the marks for rushing touchdowns in a season and career.
- Career average of 5.6 yards per carry.
- A GSU-record eight career 100-yard games.
- Childhood friend and high school teammate of Kansas City Chief Mecole Hardman.

2019 SEASON HIGHLIGHTS

- First-team All-Sun Belt Conference, the first GSU running back to earn that distinction.
- Leads the Sun Belt and ranks No. 9 in FBS with a GSU-season record 1,389 yards rushing (115.8 per game). The first 1,000-yard rusher in school history.
- Averaging 6.0 yards per carry.
- Has seven 100-yard games, including five straight (Arkansas State through ULM). Had 432 yards and four touchdowns in two-game stretch vs. Troy and ULM.
- Named Sun Belt Conference Offensive Player of the Week after rushing for a school-record 242 yards and two touchdowns vs. Troy. Broke the GSU records for rushing yards in a game, season and career while recording his fourth-straight 100-yard game. Broke the single-game record with a 41-yard TD run on 4th-and-1 with one minute left. Also had a 5-yard TD run.
- Followed with 190 yards vs. ULM, including TD runs of one and five yards.
- Rushed for 128 yards on 23 carries and one TD in win over South Alabama. Had 94 yards in second half to allow GSU to control the clock and seal the win.
- Recorded his third straight 100-yard game--the first GSU player to do so--with 108 yards on 17 carries vs. Army, including a 1-yard touchdown run with 7:41 to play.
- Rushed for 139 yards on just 14 carries as part of GSU's then-school record 340 rushing yards vs. Arkansas State. Scored on a 3-yard run. Made perhaps the key play of the game with a 56-yard run down to the 5-yard line to set up a fourth-quarter touchdown that sealed the win.
- Followed with 110 yards on 20 carries at Coastal Carolina as GSU set another school record with 350 yards. Scored two second-half touchdowns on runs of 26 and two yards on back-to-back possessions.
- Had his second career 100-yard game with 127 yards on 19 carries at Western Michigan.
- Rushed for 95 yards on 21 carries in win at Tennessee. His 19-yard touchdown run in the fourth quarter gave GSU the lead for good.
- Added 52 yards on nine carries in win over Furman, including an 18-yard TD.

2018 SEASON HIGHLIGHTS

- GSU's second-leading rusher with 551 yards, then the sixth-best season total in school history.
- His seven rushing touchdowns were just two behind the GSU season record of nine, set by Donald Russell in 2011.
- Rushed for 161 yards and two touchdowns on just 11 carries vs. Coastal Carolina, the second-highest single-game rushing total in school history. Touchdown runs of 42 and 75 yards, the latter the third-longest run from scrimmage in GSU history.
- Followed with 85 yards and two more touchdowns vs. Texas State, and then 82 yards vs. Louisiana.

2017 SEASON HIGHLIGHTS

- Saw his first significant action of the season vs. App State and rushed for 42 yards on just five carries and caught three passes.

2016 SEASON HIGHLIGHTS

- Played in eight games as a true freshman
- Rushed for 109 yards on 22 carries (4.9-yard avg.) and averaged 24.5 yards on 13 kickoff returns with one touchdown.
- Saw his first action in Game 5 vs. Texas State, when he had three carries for 31 yards and two kickoff returns for 33 yards.
- Returned a kickoff 90 yards for a touchdown vs. Arkansas State.

GAME-BY-GAME STATISTICS

2019	Rsh	Yds	TD	LP	Rec	Yds	TD	LP	All-P	TD
Tennessee	21	95	1	19	1	12	0	12	107	19
Furman	9	52	1	18	0	0	0	0	52	18
W. Michigan	19	127	0	45	2	10	0	9	137	
Texas State	12	55	0	12	0	0	0	0	55	
Arkansas St.	14	139	1	56	2	10	0	10	149	3
Coastal	20	110	2	26	1	3	0	3	113	26, 2
Army	17	108	1	19	1	2	0	2	110	1
Troy	34	242	2	41	1	2	0	2	244	5, 41
ULM	32	190	2	18	0	0	0	0	190	1, 7
App State	17	90	0	44	3	3	0	5	93	
USA	23	128	1	32	1	10	0	10	138	2
GS	15	53	1	15	2	14	0	8	67	15

2018	Rsh	Yds	TD	LP	Rec	Yds	TD	LP	All-P	TD
KSU	10	18	0	5	0	0	0	0	18	
NC State	6	20	0	9	0	0	0	0	20	
Memphis	9	19	0	5	2	14	0	15	33	
WMU	5	12	0	7	1	2	0	2	14	
ULM	14	62	1	23	0	0	0	0	62	23
Troy	4	6	1	3	3	15	0	8	21	1
Arkansas St.	13	61	1	19	3	14	0	9	75	12
Coastal	11	161	2	75	0	0	0	0	161	75, 42
Texas St.	16	85	2	29	3	21	0	14	26	29, 4
Louisiana	15	82	0	0	2	4	0	2	86	
App State	6	25	0	12	0	0	0	0	25	
GS										DNP-INJURED

CAREER STATISTICS

Year	G	Att	Yds	Avg	TD	LP	Rec	Yds	Avg	TD	LP
2016	8	22	107	4.9	0	13	3	29	9.7	0	12
2017	4	8	45	5.6	0	30	6	16	2.7	0	10
2018	11	109	551	5.1	7	75	14	70	5.0	0	15
2019	12	233	1389	6.0	12	56	14	66	4.7	0	15
Total	35	372	2092	5.6	19	75	37	181	4.9	0	15

Year	G	KOR	Yds	Avg	TD	LP	AllP
2016	8	13	318	24.5	1	90	454
2017	4	0	0	0.0	0	0	61
2018	11	0	0	0.0	0	0	621
2019	12	0	0	0.0	0	0	1455
Total	35	13	318	24.5	1	90	2591

CAREER HIGHS

Rushing Attempts: 34 vs. Troy, 2019 (Georgia State record)
Yards Rushing: 242 vs. Troy, 2019 (Georgia State record)
TDs Rushing: 2 vs. five teams
Long Rush: 75 vs. Coastal Carolina, 2018 (TD)
Receptions: 3 vs. six teams
Yards Receiving: 21 vs. Texas State, 2018



64 - PAT BARTLETT

G • 6-4, 295 • R-So.
Newtown, Pa. (Council Rock North)

- Starter at right guard.
- Made five starts in 2018 before moving into the starting lineup full-time this season.
- Helps the Panthers rank No. 14 in FBS in rushing with a GSU record 2,942 yards, including school-record games against Arkansas State (340 yards), Coastal Carolina (350 yards), Troy (390 yards) and ULM (414 yards).
- Has played every offensive snap of every game this season except Western Michigan and South Alabama.
- Also on the PAT-FG and punt units, he played 103 snaps vs. Texas State, 109 vs. Arkansas State and 90 vs. Coastal Carolina.



1 - CORNELIOUS BROWN

QB • 6-5, 180 • Fr.
Birmingham, Ala. (Calera)

- True freshman backup quarterback who has played in four games.
- Played the entire second half at ULM. Completed eight passes for 80 yards and rushed three times for 14 yards.
- Played one snap against Furman and then saw his first significant action in the fourth quarter at Western Michigan.
- Nicknamed Quad

CAREER STATISTICS

Year	G-GS	Cm-Att	Int	Pct	Yds	TD	LP	Sack	PG
2019	4-0	11-28	1	.393	130	0	34	0	32.5

Year	Rsh	Yards	Avg	TD	LP	Ply	Total	TDR	PG
2019	4	15	3.8	0	9	32	145	0	36.2

GAME-BY-GAME STATISTICS

2019	C-A	Yds	TD	Int	LP	Rsh	Yds	TD	LP	TO-TD	Sck
Furman	0-0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0-0	0
WMU	0-5	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0-0	0
ULM	8-18	80	0	0	31	3	14	0	9	94-0	0
App State	3-5	50	0	0	34	1	1	0	1	51-0	0



45 - ROGER CARTER

TE • 6-2, 250 • Jr.
Columbia, S.C. (Blythewood)

*** 2019 All-Sun Belt (honorable mention)**

- Shares the tight end position with Aubry Payne
- Has six career touchdown catches on 50 receptions. Also an outstanding blocker in GSU's potent rushing attack.

2019 SEASON HIGHLIGHTS

- Team's third-leading receiver with 25 catches for 291 yards and 3 TD.
- Career game in win over South Alabama with seven catches for 87 yards, including a 4-yard touchdown in the fourth quarter.
- Two receptions for 33 yards in season-opening win at Tennessee.
- Had one catch in the win over Furman but it was a 2-yard TD.
- Receptions of 20 and 24 yards in win over Arkansas State.
- Had two catches for 39 yards and a reception for a two-point conversion in 28-20 victory over Army.
- Four catches for 38 yards, including a 4-yard TD, in win over Troy.

2018 SEASON HIGHLIGHTS

- Fifth on the team in receptions with 11 catches for 97 yards and one touchdown
- Made a spectacular one-handed catch on ball thrown behind him for a 4-yard touchdown in win over ULM.

2017 SEASON HIGHLIGHTS

- Had a strong season as a true freshman with 19 catches for 146 yards and two TD.
- Made one of the key plays of 2017 season with his TD catch vs. WKU in AutoNation Cure Bowl. The 42-yard reception came on a double-reverse flea flicker and put GSU ahead for good in third quarter.
- Breakout game in win at Georgia Southern with four catches for 42 yards, including a 4-yard touchdown and a season-long 17-yard catch.
- Saw his first action against Coastal Carolina and had his first reception at ULM.

CAREER STATISTICS

Year	G	Rec	Yds	Avg	TD	LP
2017	9	10	146	14.6	2	42
2018	12	15	136	9.1	1	20
2019	12	25	291	11.6	3	30
Total	33	50	573	11.5	6	42

GAME-BY-GAME STATISTICS

2019	Rec	Yds	TD	LP	Touchdowns
Tennessee	2	33	0	28	
Furman	1	2	1	2	2
Western Michigan	1	2	0	2	
Texas State	1	6	0	6	
Arkansas State	2	45	0	24	
Coastal Carolina	1	8	0	8	
Army	2	39	0	30	(2-PAT) 4
Troy	4	38	1	17	4
ULM	2	9	0	6	
App State	0	0	0	0	
South Alabama	7	87	1	22	4
Georgia Southern	2	21	0	16	
2018	Rec	Yds	TD	LP	Touchdowns
Kennesaw State	0	0	0	0	
NC State	1	4	0	4	
Memphis	1	10	0	10	
Western Michigan	2	25	0	15	
ULM	1	4	0	4	4
Troy	1	6	0	6	
Arkansas State	0	0	0	0	
Coastal Carolina	1	7	0	7	
Texas State	4	47	0	20	
Louisiana	2	24	0	15	
App State	1	3	0	3	
GS	1	6	0	6	
2017	Rec	Yds	TD	LP	Touchdowns
Coastal Carolina	0	0	0	0	
ULM	1	6	0	6	
Troy	0	0	0	0	
South Alabama	0	0	0	0	
Georgia Southern	4	42	1	17	4
Texas State	0	0	0	0	
App State	1	13	0	13	
Idaho	0	0	0	0	
Western Kentucky	4	85	1	42	42

CAREER HIGHS

Receptions: 7 vs. South Alabama, 2019
Yards: 87 vs. South Alabama, 2019
Long Reception: 42 vs. Georgia Southern, 2017; Western Kentucky, 2017



17 - DESTIN COATES

RB • 5-11, 198 • So.
Tallahassee, Fla. (Rickards)

- Part of GSU's running back trio who is second on the team with seven rushing touchdowns.
- Third on the team with 487 yards on 75 carries (6.5-yard average)
- Already ranks 10th in GSU history with 624 career rushing yards and tied for sixth with eight rushing touchdowns.

2019 SEASON HIGHLIGHTS

- Recorded his first 100-yard game with 119 yards on just nine carries vs. ULM. Scored on a 37-yard run and also had a 44-yard run.
- Just missed a second-straight 100-yard game, rushing for 97 yards vs. App State, highlighted by a 67-yard touchdown that is the fourth-longest run from scrimmage in GSU history.
- Tied the GSU record by rushing for three touchdowns in the win over Arkansas State. Scored on 27-yard run in the first quarter, then helped seal the win with fourth-quarter scores of one and two yards. Rushed for 66 yards on 15 yards, part of GSU's school-record 340 yards.
- Rushed for 95 yards on 21 carries at Texas State. Scored on a 7-yard run in the fourth quarter.
- Gained 54 yards on just four carries at Georgia Southern.

2018 SEASON HIGHLIGHTS

- Played in six games as a true freshman in 2018 before a season-ending foot injury.
- The team's third-leading rusher at the time of his injury with 137 yards on 32 carries (4.3 yards per carry).
- Gained 68 yards on 12 carries at Memphis.
- Rushed for 43 yards on just six carries at NC State, including an 8-yard touchdown.
- Caught a 50-yard pass down to the 10-yard line to set up a touchdown vs. Western Michigan. Added a 20-yard reception vs. ULM.

CAREER STATISTICS

Year	G	Att	Yds	Avg	TD	LP	Rec	Yds	TD	LP	All-P
2018	6	32	137	4.3	1	24	9	85	0	50	222
2019	10	75	487	6.5	7	67	7	60	0	19	547
Total	16	107	624	5.8	8	67	16	145	0	50	769

GAME-BY-GAME STATISTICS

2019	Rsh	Yds	TD	LP	Rec	Yds	TD	LP	All-P	TD
Tennessee	5	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	9	
Furman		DNP								
WMU	1	14	0	14	1	3	0	3	17	
Texas State	21	95	1	44	3	23	0	11	118	7
Arkansas St.	15	66	3	27	0	0	0	0	66	27, 1, 2
Coastal	2	5	0	5	1	3	0	3		
Army		DNP								
Troy	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
ULM	9	119	1	41	1	12	0	4	131	37
App State	7	91	1	67	0	0	0	0	97	67
USA	11	33	1	7	1	19	0	19	52	6
GS	4	54	0	34	0	0	0	0	54	
2018	Rsh	Yds	TD	LP	Rec	Yds	TD	LP	All-P	TD
KSU	2	9	0	5	0	0	0	0	9	
NC State	6	43	1	15	1	7	0	7	50	8
Memphis	12	68	0	24	3	-2	0	3	66	
WMU	4	5	0	8	2	62	0	50	67	
ULM	8	12	0	7	1	20	0	20	32	
Troy	0	0	0	0	1	-2	0	--	-2	

CAREER HIGHS

Rushing Attempts: 21 vs. Texas State, 2019
Yards Rushing: 119 vs. ULM, 2019
TD Rushing: 3 vs. Arkansas State, 2019 (ties GSU record)
Long Rush: 67 vs. Appalachian State, 2019 (TD)

Receptions: 3 vs. Memphis, 2018; Texas State, 2019
Receiving Yards: 23 vs. Texas State, 2019
Long Reception: 50 vs. Western Michigan, 2018



2 - ED CURNEY

LB • 5-11, 220 • R-Sr.
Atlanta, Ga. (Carver)

- Two-year starter at linebacker and two-year team captain.
- Ranks eighth in GSU history with 186 career tackles.
- Earned his undergraduate degree in 2018 and completed his Master's in Education, Literacy Education this fall. Hopes to become an Athletic Director.

2019 SEASON HIGHLIGHTS

- Suffered a season-ending knee injury vs. Army.
- Team's second-leading tackler with 47 and a team-leading 5.5 tackles for loss, including three sacks, through seven games.
- Had eight tackles, a sack and a fumble recovery at the UT 23-yard line to set up a touchdown in historic win at Tennessee. Helped hold the Vols to just 93 yards rushing.
- Tied his career high with 11 tackles at Texas State, including a sack.
- Made five tackles and a sack in win over Arkansas State.
- Led the Panthers with 10 tackles with a TFL and a pass breakup in win at Coastal Carolina as GSU held CCU to 105 yards rushing.

2018 SEASON HIGHLIGHTS

- Team's leading tackler in 2018 with 81.
- Career-high 11 tackles at NC State, which he equalled at Troy.
- Had five tackles and a sack at Arkansas State.
- Eight tackles and a fumble recovery vs. Coastal Carolina.
- Made his first start at Coastal Carolina in 2017 and had five tackles with a TFL in the GSU win.
- Season-high 10 tackles in win at ULM.
- Earned playing time as a true freshman in 2015, then sat out the 2016 season with a shoulder injury.
- Recovered a fumbled kickoff to set up a touchdown at Oregon in 2015.

CAREER STATISTICS

Year	G	UA-A	Total	TFL	Sack	Int	PB	FR	FF
2015	11	7-10	17	0	0	0	0	1-0	0
2016	REDSHIRTED								
2017	10	17-24	41	1.5-2	0	0	0	0	0
2018	12	34-47	81	4.5-12	1-7	0	0	1-0	0
2019	7	27-20	47	5.5-19	3-16	0	1	1-0	0
Total	40	85-101	186	11.5-33	4-23	0	1	3-0	0

GAME-BY-GAME STATISTICS

2019	UA-A	Total	Sack	TFL	FF	FR	Int	PB	BK
Tennessee	4-4	8	1-10	1-10	0	1-0	0	0	0
Furman	5-2	7	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	0
WMU	3-2	5	0-0	1-1	0	0	0	0	0
Texas State	4-7	11	1-2	1.5-3	0	0	0	0	0
Arkansas St.	5-0	5	1-4	1-4	0	0	0	0	0
Coastal	6-4	10	0-0	1-1	0	0	0	1	0
Army	0-1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
2018	UA-A	Total	Sack	TFL	FF	FR	Int	PB	BK
Kennesaw St.	6-3	9	0-0	0.5-0	0	0	0	0	0
NC State	2-9	11	0-0	0.5-1	0	0	0	0	0
Memphis	4-2	6	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	0
WMU	1-3	4	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	0
ULM	2-3	5	0-0	1-2	0	0	0	0	0
Troy	1-10	11	0-0	0.5-1	0	0	0	0	0
Arkansas St.	1-4	5	1-7	1-7	0	0	0	0	0
Coastal	2-6	8	0-0	0	0	1-0	0	0	0

Texas State	2-0	2	0-0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Louisiana	8-2	10	0-0	1-1	0	0	0	0	0
App State	3-3	6	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
GS	3-3	6	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

2017	UA-A	Total	Sack	TFL	FF	FR	Int	PB	BK
Tenn. State	DNP-INJURED								
Penn State	0-1	1	0	0.5-1	0	0	0	0	0
Charlotte	2-3	5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Coastal	2-3	5	0	1-1	0	0	0	0	0
ULM	4-6	10	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Troy	1-3	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
USA	2-1	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
GS	2-2	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Texas State	DNP-INJURED								
App State	1-1	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Idaho	3-1	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
WKU	0-3	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

CAREER HIGHS

Tackles: 11 vs. NC State, 2018; Troy, 2018; Texas State, 2019



27 - TERRANCE DIXON

WR • 5-7, 170 • R-So.
Columbus, Ga. (Columbus)

- Slot receiver who had a breakout game in win over Furman with eight catches for 68 yards, including a 12-yard touchdown catch on the final play of the first half, but suffered a season-ending knee injury in the game.
- Joined the program as a walk-on in 2017 and was awarded a scholarship in 2019 preseason camp.

GAME-BY-GAME STATISTICS

2019	Rec	Yds	TD	LP	Touchdowns
Tennessee	1	14	0	14	
Furman	8	68	1	12	10

CAREER STATISTICS

Year	G	Rec	Yds	Avg	TD	LP
2018	10	3	36	12.0	0	18
2019	2	9	82	9.1	1	14
Total	12	12	118	9.8	0	18

CAREER HIGHS

Receptions: 8 vs. Furman, 2018
Receiving Yards: 68 vs. Furman, 2018



32 - ZACH DIXON

LB • 6-1, 215 • R-Fr.
Hollywood, Fla. (Chaminade-Madonna)

- Took over at inside linebacker following season-ending injury to senior captain Ed Curney
- Made 10 tackles vs. Army following Curney's injury.
- Added eight tackles each vs. ULM and App State.
- Made his first sack in win over South Alabama.

CAREER STATISTICS

Year	G	UA-A	Total	TFL	Sack	Int	PB	FR	FF
2019	8	23-13	36	1-10	1-10	0	0	0	0

GAME-BY-GAME STATISTICS

2019	UA-A	Total	Sack	TFL	FF	FR	Int	PB	BK
Army	5-4	9	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Troy	1-2	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

ULM.....	3-5	8	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
App State.....	8-0	8	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
USA.....	4-0	4	1-10	1-10	0	0	0	0	0
GS.....	2-2	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0



13 - DAN ELLINGTON

QB • 6-3, 205 • Sr.

Olive Branch, Miss. (Center Hill/
Itawamba (Miss.) CC)

- * 2019 All-Sun Belt (2nd team)
- * 2018 All-Sun Belt (honorable mention)
- * Two-time Sun Belt Offensive Player of Week
- * 2019 Manning Award Watch List

* Davey O'Brien Foundation Great 8 (Week 9)

- Two-time All-Sun Belt Conference
- Two-year starter as a dual-threat quarterback and team captain.
- Tremendous leader who has displayed remarkable selflessness and grit in playing through a significant knee injury.
- Junior college transfer who had a very productive first season, earning All-Sun Belt honors while leading the team in passing and rushing.
- Second in GSU history with 33 TD passes and 43 TDR
- Ranks third in GSU annals in every other career passing category behind Nick Arbuckle and Conner Manning. Also stands fourth on GSU's career rushing list (first among quarterbacks).

2019 SEASON HIGHLIGHTS

- Second-team All-Sun Belt Conference
- Averages 240.8 yards of total offense while accounting for 26 touchdowns. Passed for 2,291 yards and 21 TDs while completing 65 percent.
- Team's second-leading rusher with 598 yards and five TDs.
- Playing with a significant knee injury sustained late in the first half vs. ULM (Game 9). Missed the second half vs. ULM but returned to start vs. App State. Was perhaps the leading candidate for Sun Belt Player of the Year at the time of his injury.
- Named Sun Belt Offensive Player of the Week for season-opening win over Tennessee. Threw two touchdown passes and ran for the game-clinching score in the fourth quarter to give GSU its first-ever win over a Power 5 opponent. Passed for 139 yards on 11 completions and rushed for 61 yards.
- Threw a school-record five touchdown passes to five different receivers in 48-42 win over Furman. Set then-career highs with 362 yards passing, 29 completions and 448 yards of total offense to rally GSU from 20-3 deficit. Directed seven straight scoring drives, including six straight touchdown drives that averaged 77 yards.
- Earned his second Sun Belt Offensive Player of the Week award after directing the most prolific offensive game in school history with 722 yards of total offense in 52-38 win over Arkansas State. Set career highs with 382 yards passing (29-for-41) and 451 yards of total offense. Rushed for 69 of GSU's school-record 340 yards rushing.
- Rushed for a career-high 128 yards on 19 carries in win at Coastal Carolina, including a 57-yard run down to the 2-yard line to set up a touchdown. One of GSU's three 100-yard rushers in a school-record 350-yard rushing game. Also completed 16 of 24 passes for 122 yards with a 3-yard TD pass to Cornelius McCoy.
- Passed for 232 yards and three touchdowns in win over Army. Tossed two TD passes to Sam Pinckney in the first half and then hit TE Aubry Payne with the winning 8-yard TD pass with 7:41 to play. On winning drive, he converted 4th-and-1 at the GSU 28-yard line with a 4-yard run.
- Despite his injury, he completed 21 of 27 passes for 208 yards and two touchdowns to lead 28-15 win over South Alabama for the Panthers' seventh win of the season.
- Had a career-long 64-yard run to set up a touchdown at Western Michigan.

2018 SEASON HIGHLIGHTS

- Third in the Sun Belt in passing (192.6) and total offense (249.5 pg) while accounting for 17 TDs.
- Team's leading rusher with 625 yards, the third-highest season total in GSU history (most by a QB).
- Threw just five interceptions on the season, the fewest ever by a GSU starting quarterback. That includes a string of 149 passes without an interception, the second-longest streak in school history.
- Led GSU to 24-20 win over Kennesaw State in his debut as he threw winning, 8-yard TD pass with 41 seconds left.
- Also threw two TD passes in the final minute of the first half. Was 20-for-28 for 187 yards while rushing for 77 yards on 18 carries.
- Passed for 285 yards and scored two touchdowns on runs of 10 and three yards vs. Western Michigan.
- Went 15-for-18 (.833) to set school record for completion percentage in win vs. ULM. Passed for 179 yards, 1 TD, rushed for 64 yards, 1 TD.
- Season-high 331 yards of total offense vs. Troy, including a 51-yard completion to Penny Hart.
- Passed for 250 yards and three touchdowns at Arkansas State.
- Passed for 231 yards and one touchdown while rushing for 60 yards, including a 42-yard scoring run, vs. Coastal Carolina.
- Rushed for a career-high 113 yards vs. Appalachian State, the first GSU QB with a 100-yard game since Kelton Hill in 2011.
- Added 89 yards rushing vs. Texas State.
- Sat out the Louisiana game after spending the week in concussion protocol.
- Transfer from Itawamba (Miss.) C.C. who was an NJCAA second-team All-America in 2017, when he ranked second in NJCAA with 356.8 passing yards per game and fifth with 27 TD passes.
- Completed 230 of 353 passes (65 percent) for 3,211 yards with 27 TD and seven interceptions. Rushed for 392 yards and eight TD.

CAREER STATISTICS

Year.....	G-GS	Cm-Att	Int	Pct	Yds	TD	LP	Sack	PG
2018.....	11-11	174-292	5	.596	2119	12	55	23	192.6
2019.....	12-12	214-329	7	.650	2291	21	44	19	190.6
Total.....	23-23	388-621	12	.625	4410	33	55	41	191.7

Year.....	Rsh	Yards	Avg	TD	LP	Ply	Total	TDR	PG
2018.....	159	625	3.9	5	42	451	2744	17	249.5
2019.....	146	598	4.1	5	64	475	2889	26	247.0
Total.....	305	1223	4.0	10	64	926	5644	43	249.6

GAME-BY-GAME STATISTICS

2019.....	C-A	Yds	TD	Int	LP	Rsh	Yds	TD	LP	TO-TD	Sck
UT.....	11-24	139	2	0	28	14	61	1	22	200-3	2
Furman.....	29-37	362	5	0	44	15	86	0	16	448-5	0
WMU.....	11-20	126	1	0	44	9	44	0	64	170-1	4
Texas St.....	24-39	219	3	1	28	19	53	0	15	272-3	2
Arkansas St.....	29-41	382	1	0	43	19	69	1	13	451-1	1
CCU.....	16-24	122	1	1	35	19	128	0	57	260-1	2
Army.....	20-28	232	3	0	30	10	39	0	16	248-3	0
Troy.....	18-25	189	2	1	40	11	32	2	19	221-4	1
ULM.....	5-10	42	0	0	13	9	91	1	40	133-1	1
App State.....	12-27	88	1	2	25	2	-7	0	0	81-1	1
USA.....	21-27	208	2	1	23	4	12	0	6	214-1	0
GS.....	18-27	182	0	0	26	15	-10	0	6	172-0	5

2018.....	C-A	Yds	TD	Int	LP	Rsh	Yds	TD	LP	TO-TD	Sck
KSU.....	20-28	187	3	0	18	18	77	0	24	264-3	3
NCS.....	15-28	194	0	0	46	10	30	0	17	226-0	3
Memphis.....	15-26	107	0	1	15	4	5	1	14	112-1	2
WMU.....	19-29	285	0	1	50	18	35	2	15	320-2	3
ULM.....	15-18	179	1	0	55	18	64	1	16	243-2	3
Troy.....	20-36	272	1	0	51	19	59	0	13	331-1	2
Ark State.....	15-26	250	3	0	54	18	52	0	16	302-3	3
Coastal.....	14-25	231	1	0	42	9	60	1	42	291-2	2
Texas St.....	11-22	112	0	0	20	13	89	0	19	201-0	0
Louisiana.....	DNP-Injured										
App State.....	10-21	132	1	2	40	19	113	0	22	245-1	0
GS.....	20-33	170	2	1	27	14	41	0	20	211-2	2

CAREER HIGHS

Yards Passing: 362 vs. Furman, 2019
Pass Attempts: 37 vs. Furman, 2019
Pass Completions: 29 vs. Furman, 2019
Long Pass: 55 vs. ULM, 2018 (Sam Pinckney)
TD Passes: 5 vs. Furman, 2019 (GSU record)
Yards Rushing: 118 vs. Coastal Carolina, 2019
Rushing Attempts: 19 vs. Troy, Appalachian State, 2018; Coastal Carolina, 2019
TD Rushing: 2 vs. Western Michigan, 2018; Troy, 2019
Long Rush: 64 vs. Western Michigan, 2019
Total Offense: 451 vs. Arkansas State, 2019
TDR: 5 vs. Furman, 2019 (5 pass)



14 - DEVIN GENTRY

WR • 5-10, 195 • Sr.
Louisville, Ky. (Male)

- Versatile, speedy receiver who can also line up in the backfield and return kickoffs.
- Ranks 10th in GSU history in career receiving yards.
- Scored nine career touchdowns (8 receiving, 1 rushing). Seventh in GSU history with eight receiving TDs.

2019 SEASON HIGHLIGHTS

- Team's fourth-leading receiver with 22 catches for 254 yards and two touchdowns.
- Had two catches for 49 yards in win over Furman, including a 43-yard reception down to the 5-yard line to set up a touchdown.
- Had a 44-yard reception at Western Michigan.
- Four catches for 32 yards including a 4-yard TD catch vs. App State.
- Four receptions for 27 yards in win over South Alabama, including a leaping catch in traffic in the corner of the end zone for a 5-yard TD.

2018 SEASON HIGHLIGHTS

- Team's third-leading receiver with 22 catches for 286 yards, including three TDs. Added 26 yards rushing and 47 kickoff return yards.
- Career-high five catches for 83 yards at NC State, including a 46-yard reception to set up a TD.
- Caught touchdown passes in three of the final four games.

2017 SEASON HIGHLIGHTS

- Had the team's two longest receptions of 2017 at 69 and 71 yards.
- Averaged 21.6 yards on 12 receptions and 6.8 yards on 12 rushes.
- Scored his first two touchdowns in win at ULM, one through the air and one on the ground. First he took a short pass from Conner Manning and turned it into a 69-yard touchdown. Then on a reverse, he took a pitch from Taz Bateman and raced around the left end and down the sideline for a 15-yard rushing touchdown.
- Had two more touchdowns in win at Texas State on receptions of 34 and 71 yards, both times catching a short pass and turning it into big play. Finished with three catches for 120 yards.
- Nephew of long-time NFL coach Sherman Lewis.

CAREER STATISTICS

Year	G	Rec	Yds	Avg	TD	LP	Rsh	Yds	TD	LP
2016	12	1	15	15.0	0	15	0	0	0	0
2017	12	12	259	21.6	3	71	12	82	1	27
2018	12	22	286	13.0	3	46	6	26	0	1
2019	12	22	254	11.5	2	44	2	18	0	15
Total	48	57	814	14.3	8	71	20	126	1	27

Year	G	KOR	Yds	Avg	TD	LP	All-P
2016	12	0	0	0.0	0	0	15
2017	12	8	173	21.6	0	46	514
2018	12	2	47	33.5	0	30	359
2019	12	1	18	18.0	0	0	290
Total	48	11	238	21.6	0	46	1178

GAME-BY-GAME STATISTICS

2019	Rec	Yds	TD	LP	Rsh	Yds	TD	LP	All-P	TD
Tennessee	1	14	0	14	1	15	0	15	29	
Furman	2	49	0	43	1	3	0	3	70	
WMU	1	44	0	44	0	0	0	0	44	
Texas State	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Arkansas St.	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Coastal	2	8	0	8	0	0	0	0	8	
Army	1	15	0	15	0	0	0	0	15	
Troy	2	17	0	9	0	0	0	0	17	
ULM	2	14	0	9	0	0	0	0	14	
App State	4	32	0	14	0	0	0	0	32	4
USA	4	27	1	13	0	0	0	0	27	5
GS	3	34	0	26	0	0	0	0	34	

2018	Rec	Yds	TD	LP	Rsh	Yds	TD	LP	All-P	TD
KSU	1	16	0	16	1	11	0	11	27	
NC State	5	83	0	46	0	0	0	0	83	
Memphis	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
WMU	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
ULM	2	24	0	18	0	0	0	0	0	
Troy	2	33	0	20	1	5	0	5	38	
Arkansas State	1	5	0	5	0	0	0	0	5	
Coastal	1	42	0	42	2	0	0	10	59	
Texas State	2	32	1	27	0	0	0	0	32	5
Louisiana	2	25	1	13	1	11	0	11	36	13
App State	2	10	0	5	0	0	0	0	10	
GS	4	16	1	7	1	-1	0	0	15	7

2017	Rec	Yds	TD	LP	Rsh	Yds	TD	LP	All-P	TD
TSU	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
PSU	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Charlotte	1	8	0	8	0	0	0	0	8	
Coastal	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
ULM	1	69	1	69	1	15	1	15	84	69, 15
Troy	1	7	0	7	3	12	0	5	177	
USA	0	0	0	0	1	4	0	4	4	
GS	1	16	0	0	0	0	0	0	16	
Texas State	3	120	2	71	0	0	0	0	120	34, 71
App State	2	9	0	6	0	0	0	0	9	
Idaho	1	25	0	25	5	43	0	27	68	
WKU	2	5	0	10	2	8	0	10	15	

CAREER HIGHS

Receptions: 5 vs. NC State, 2018
Yards Receiving: 120 vs. Texas State, 2017
Long Reception: 71 vs. Texas State, 2017 (TD)
All-Purpose Yards: 177 vs. Troy, 2017



75 - SHAMARIOUS GILMORE

G • 6-3, 295 • R-Jr.
Riverdale, Ga. (Drew)

- * 2019 All-Sun Belt (third team)
- * 2018 All-Sun Belt (honorable mention)
- * 2017 All-Sun Belt (honorable mention)

- Third-year starter at left guard and a three-time All-Sun Belt Conference selection.
- Has started 36 straight games at left guard.
- Has helped the Panthers to school-record rushing totals the last two seasons.
- Played every offensive snap of the 2017 season and has missed only a handful of snaps in 2018 and 2019.
- Made history as the offensive lineman in GSU history to score a touchdown. Recovered a blocked field goal in end zone vs. Charlotte.



73 - TRAVIS GLOVER

T • 6-6, 330 • R-Fr.
Vienna, Ga. (Dooly County)

- Starter at right tackle and the largest player on the team at 6-6, 330 pounds
- Earned starting berth in preseason and has started every game as a redshirt freshman
- Hometown pronounced VY-en-na



12 - TYLER GORE

CB • 5-10, 175 • So.
North Myrtle Beach, S.C. (North Myrtle Beach)

- Started six games at cornerback
- Has two interceptions this season and three in his career.
- Grabbed fourth-quarter interceptions in win over Arkansas State and South Alabama.
- Career-high with eight tackles at Western Michigan, along with a pass breakup
- Four tackles and a pass breakup in the win at Tennessee
- Earned playing time as a true freshman in 2018, including an interception against Troy.

CAREER STATISTICS

Year	G	UA-A	Total	TFL	Sack	Int	PB	FR	FF
2018	11	8-4	12	0-0	0-0	1-0	0	0	0
2019	12	16-7	23	0-0	0-0	2-0	3	0	0
Total	22	24-11	35	0-0	0-0	3-0	3	0	0

GAME-BY-GAME STATISTICS

2019	UA-A	Total	Sack	TFL	FF	FR	Int	PB	Bk
Tennessee	4-0	4	0	0	0	0	0	1	0
Furman	0-2	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
WMU	6-1	7	0	0	0	0	0	1	0
Texas State	0-0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Arkansas St.	1-0	1	0	0	0	0	1-0	0	0
CCU	0-0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Army	0-0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Troy	2-2	4	0	0	0	0	0	1	0
ULM	2-1	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
App State	1-1	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
USA	0-0	0	0	0	0	0	1-0	0	0
GS	0-0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

CAREER HIGHS

Tackle: 7 vs. Western Michigan, 2019



12 - KIERSTON HARVEY

QB • 5-10, 180 • Fr.
Americus, Ga. (Americus-Sumter)

- True freshman backup quarterback who has played in two games.
- Finished the games against South Alabama and Georgia Southern but did not attempt a pass.
- Two-time all-region quarterback at Americus-Sumter who joined the program in August.

GAME-BY-GAME STATISTICS

2019	C-A	Yds	TD	Int	LP	Rsh	Yds	TD	LP	TO-TD	Sck
USA	0-0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0-0	0
GS	0-0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	1	1-0	0



37 - VICTOR HEYWARD

OLB • 6-2, 220 • Jr.
Dacula, Ga. (Mill Creek)

- Second-year starter at outside linebacker
- Has started 27 straight games.
- Younger brother Shaka is a redshirt freshman linebacker at Duke.

2019 SEASON HIGHLIGHTS

- Second on the team in tackles with 68. Has 5.5 TFL, two sacks, an interception, a fumble recovery and four pass breakups.
- Had five tackles with a sack for seven yards and a pass breakup in strong defensive effort at Tennessee; helped hold the Vols to 93 yards rushing.
- Career-high 12 tackles with a pass breakup at Texas State.
- Forced a fumble vs. Army that GSU recovered at midfield to set up a touchdown. Had seven tackles in the 28-20 win.
- Had an interception and a pass breakup at ULM, along with eight tackles.
- Recovered a fumble in win over South Alabama.

2018 SEASON HIGHLIGHTS

- Made 48 tackles with three tackles for loss, one interception, two pass breakups and a forced fumble.
- Led a strong defensive effort vs. ULM with an interception and a fumble recovery, both setting up scores. Helped GSU hold ULM to 262 yards, third-lowest in school history.
- Had two tackles for loss vs. Texas State.
- Season-high eight tackles and a pass breakup at Arkansas State

2017 SEASON HIGHLIGHTS

- Started the final three games of 2017. Made 38 tackles on the year with five TFL, three sacks and two pass breakups.
- Career-high seven tackles with two sacks for 19 yards and a pass breakup vs. Idaho.
- Made his first start vs. App State and had a career-high six tackles and a pass breakup. Was in on fourth-down stop at the goal line.

CAREER STATISTICS

Year	G	UA-A	Total	TFL	Sack	Int	PB	FR	FF
2017	12	23-15	38	5-28	3-25	0	2	0	0
2018	12	22-26	48	3-10	0.5-1	1-10	2	1-0	0
2019	12	39-29	68	5.5-25	2-15	1-1	4	1-0	1
Total	36	84-70	154	13.5-63	5.5-41	2-11	8	2-0	1

GAME-BY-GAME STATISTICS

2019	UA-A	Total	Sack	TFL	FF	FR	Int	PB	BK
Tennessee	2-3	5	1-7	1-7	0	0	0	1	0
Furman	2-0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
WMU	2-2	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Texas State	4-8	12	0	0.5-2	0	0	0	1	0
Arkansas St.	5-0	5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
CCU	1-2	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Army	4-3	7	0	0	1	0	0	0	0
Troy	7-3	10	1-8	3-12	0	0	0	1	0
ULM	3-5	8	0	0	0	0	1-1	1	0
App State	1-0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
USA	4-1	5	0	0	0	0	1-0	0	0
GS	4-2	6	0	1-4	0	0	0	0	0

2018	UA-A	Total	Sack	TFL	FF	FR	Int	PB	BK
Kennesaw St.	3-0	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
NC State	0-2	2	0	0	0	0	0	1	0
Memphis	2-1	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
WMU	1-1	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
ULM	1-1	2	0	0	0	1	1-10	0	0
Troy	1-4	5	0	0.5-0	0	0	0	0	0
Arkansas St.	1-7	8	0	0	0	0	0	1	0

CCU.....2-6	8	0.5-1	0.5-1	0	0	0	0	0	0
Texas State.....4-0	4	0	2-9	0	0	0	0	0	0
Louisiana.....1-1	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
App State.....0-3	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
GS.....6-0	6	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
2017.....UA-A Total	Sack	TFL	FF	FR	Int	PB	BK		
Tenn. State.....0-0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Penn State.....2-0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Charlotte.....2-3	5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
CCU.....0-0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0
ULM.....1-2	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Troy.....1-1	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
USA.....3-0	3	0	1-2	0	0	0	0	0	0
GS.....2-1	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Texas State.....2-1	3	1-6	2-7	0	0	0	0	0	0
App State.....2-4	6	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0
Idaho.....6-1	7	2-19	2-19	0	0	0	1	0	0
WKU.....1-2	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

2017.....Rec	Yds	TD	LP	Touchdowns
Tennessee State.....0	0	0	0	
Penn State.....1	22	0	22	
Charlotte.....1	4	0	4	
Coastal Carolina.....0	0	0	0	
ULM.....1	9	0	9	
Troy.....1	8	0	8	
South Alabama.....1	11	0	11	
Georgia Southern.....0	0	0	0	
Texas State.....1	8	0	8	
App State.....3	42	0	30	
Idaho.....5	30	0	11	
WKU.....6	56	0	19	

CAREER HIGHS

Tackles: 12 vs. Texas State, 2019
TFL: 3 vs. Troy, 2019



6 - JONATHAN IFEDI

WR • 6-0, 195 • R-Jr.
Charlotte, Ga. (Vance)

- Fifth on the team with 19 catches for 193 yards.
- Made five catches for a career-best 78 yards in win over Arkansas State, including a career-long 37-yard completion.
- Had 20 catches for 190 yards as a redshirt

freshman in 2017, including 14 catches for 128 yards over the final three games.

- Had his best game in the 2017 AutoNation Cure Bowl win over WKU with six catches for 56 yards.
- Made three catches for 42 yards vs. Appalachian State in 2017, including a season-long 30-yard reception.

CAREER STATISTICS

Year.....	G	Rec	Yds	Avg	TD	LP
2017.....	12	20	190	9.5	0	30
2018.....	12	6	71	11.8	0	28
2019.....	11	19	193	10.2	0	37
Total.....	35	45	454	10.1	0	37

GAME-BY-GAME STATISTICS

2019.....Rec	Yds	TD	LP	Touchdowns
Texas State.....2	9	0	5	
Arkansas State.....5	78	0	37	
Coastal Carolina.....3	47	0	35	
Army.....4	31	0	12	
Troy.....0	0	0	0	
ULM.....2	18	0	13	
App State.....1	6	0	6	
South Alabama.....0	0	0	0	
Georgia Southern.....2	4	0	2	
2018.....Rec	Yds	TD	LP	Touchdowns
Kennesaw State.....1	15	0	15	
NC State.....2	8	0	5	
Memphis.....0	0	0	0	
Western Michigan.....0	0	0	0	
ULM.....0	0	0	0	
Troy.....0	0	0	0	
Arkansas State.....1	28	0	28	
Coastal Carolina.....0	0	0	0	
Texas State.....1	14	0	14	
Louisiana.....0	0	0	0	
App State.....0	0	0	0	
Georgia Southern.....1	6	0	6	

CAREER HIGHS

Receptions: 6 vs. Western Kentucky, 2017
Receiving Yards: 78 vs. Arkansas State, 2019
Long Reception: 37 vs. Arkansas State, 2019



27 - JAYLON JONES

CB • 5-11, 180 • R-So.
Dacula, Ga. (Dacula)

- Second-year starter at cornerback.

2019 SEASON HIGHLIGHTS

- Career-high nine tackles at Texas State.
- Made eight tackles at Western Michigan, along with a pass breakup
- Missed four games due to injury before returning against ULM, when he had four tackles and a pass breakup.
- Eight tackles with a TFL and a pass breakup vs. App State.
- Had five tackles with a TFL in win over South Alabama.

2018 SEASON HIGHLIGHTS

- Began the season at safety but moved to starting cornerback in Game 4.
- Made his first start at safety at Memphis and grabbed an interception and returned it one yard for a touchdown. That is just the fourth pick-six in GSU history. Also had three tackles with a tackle for loss.
- Moved to starting cornerback for the Western Michigan game and made six tackles.
- Career-high eight tackles and a forced fumble at NC State.
- Tackle for loss and pass breakup in win over ULM.

CAREER STATISTICS

Year.....	G	UA-A	Total	TFL	Sack	Int	PB	FR	FF
2018.....	12	36-12	48	2-7	0-0	1-1 (TD)	2	0	1
2019.....	8	29-12	41	2.5-8	0-0	0	4	0	0
Total.....	20	65-24	89	4.5-15	0-0	1-1	6	0	1

GAME-BY-GAME STATISTICS

2019.....UA-A Total	Sack	TFL	FF	FR	Int	PB	Blk
Tennessee.....2-1	3	0	0	0	0	0	0
Furman.....3-0	3	0	0	0	0	1	0
WMU.....4-4	8	0	0	0	0	1	0
Texas State.....3-6	9	0	0.5-3	0	0	0	0
Arkansas St.....DNP-Injured							
Coastal.....DNP-Injured							
Army.....DNP-Injured							
Troy.....DNP-Injured							
ULM.....3-1	4	0	0	0	0	1	0
App State.....8-0	8	0	1-1	0	0	1	0
USA.....5-0	5	0	1-4	0	0	0	0
GS.....1-0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
2018.....UA-A Total	Sack	TFL	FF	FR	Int	PB	Blk
Kennesaw St.....0-0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
NC State.....6-2	8	0	0	1	0	0	0
Memphis.....3-1	4	0	1-4	0	0	(td) 1-1	0
WMU.....5-1	6	0	0	0	0	0	0

ULM.....	2-0	2	0	1-3	0	0	0	1	0
Troy.....	4-1	5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Arkansas St.....	1-4	5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
CCU.....	4-2	6	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Texas State.....	6-0	6	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Louisiana.....	0-0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0
App State.....	3-1	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
GS.....	0-0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

Troy.....	1-6	7	0	0.5-1	0	0	0	0	0
Arkansas St.....	2-4	6	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Coastal.....	2-5	7	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Texas State.....	9-0	9	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Louisiana.....	6-2	8	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
App State.....	1-1	2	0	0	0	0	0	1	0
GS.....	6-4	10	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

CAREER HIGHS

Tackle: 9 vs. Texas State, 2019



21 - REMY LAZARUS

S • 6-0, 190 • R-Sr.
Alpharetta, Ga. (King's Ridge Christian)

- Two-year starter at safety and 2019 team captain.
- Suffered a season-ending knee injury vs. ULM.
- Former walk-on who was awarded a scholarship in 2018. Enrolled in 2015 and spent his first semester as an intern in the ticket office before joining the football team in the spring of 2016.

2019 SEASON HIGHLIGHTS

- Third on the team with 53 tackles and a team-leading six pass breakups. Also has an interception, a fumble recovery and a forced fumble.
- Made a key defensive play in the fourth quarter of the win over Furman with his first career interception, which he returned 57 yards to set up a score. Also had a third-down pass breakup.
- Equalled his career-high with 10 tackles at Texas State.
- Made eight tackles and a key pass breakup in win over Arkansas State.
- Forced a fumble that GSU recovered in win at Coastal Carolina.
- Recovered a fumble at midfield to set up a touchdown in win over Army. Also had a key pass breakup on third down, along with four tackles.
- Five tackles and a pass breakup in win over Troy.

2018 SEASON HIGHLIGHTS

- Second on the team in tackles with 75 in 2018.
- Career-high nine tackles vs. Western Michigan and Texas State, followed by seven tackles against Troy and Coastal Carolina.
- Tackle for loss and pass breakup vs. ULM.

CAREER STATISTICS

Year	G	UA-A	Total	TFL	Sack	Int	PB	FR	FF
2017	12	13-4	17	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0
2018	11	42-33	75	1.5-3	0-0	0	2	0	0
2019	9	33-20	53	0.5-1	0-0	1-57	6	1-0	1
Total	32	88-57	145	2-4	0-0	1-57	8	1-0	1

GAME-BY-GAME STATISTICS

2019	UA-A	Total	Sack	TFL	FF	FR	Int	PB	BK
Tennessee.....	3-3	6	0	0	0	0	0	1	0
Furman.....	4-0	4	0	0	0	0	1-57	1	0
WMU.....	4-3	7	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Texas State.....	2-8	10	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Arkansas St.....	7-1	8	0	0	0	0	0	1	0
Coastal.....	2-2	4	0	0.5-1	1	0	0	0	0
Army.....	3-1	4	0	0	0	1-0	0	1	0
Troy.....	4-1	5	0	0	0	0	0	1	0
ULM.....	3-1	4	0	0	0	0	0	1	0
2018	UA-A	Total	Sack	TFL	FF	FR	Int	PB	BK
Kennesaw St.....	6-0	6	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
NC State.....	1-5	6	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Memphis.....	DNP								
WMU.....	4-5	9	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
ULM.....	4-1	5	0	1-2	0	0	0	1	0

CAREER HIGHS

Tackles: 10 vs. Georgia Southern, 2018; Texas State, 2019

Interceptions: 1 vs. Furman, 2019



80 - MATLIN MARSHALL

WR • 5-9, 180 • R-Jr.
Evans, Ga. (Evans)

- Veteran slot receiver seeing his first significant playing time this season.
- Had two catches for 23 yards at Western Michigan and three receptions vs. Texas State.

CAREER STATISTICS

Year	G	Rec	Yds	Avg	TD	LP
2019	12	10	75	7.5	0	18

GAME-BY-GAME STATISTICS

2019	Rec	Yds	TD	LP	Touchdowns
Tennessee.....	0	0	0	0	
Furman.....	0	0	0	0	
Western Michigan.....	2	23	0	18	
Texas State.....	3	10	0	6	
Arkansas State.....	1	5	0	5	
Coastal Carolina.....	1	0	0	0	
Army.....	0	0	0	0	
Troy.....	1	13	0	13	
ULM.....	0	0	0	0	
App State.....	1	12	0	12	
South Alabama.....	1	12	0	12	
Georgia Southern.....	0	0	0	0	



83 - CORNELIUS MCCOY

WR • 5-11, 185 • So.
Deerfield Beach, Fla. (Deerfield Beach)

* 2019 All-Sun Belt Conference (third team)

- GSU's leading receiver with 65 catches for 679 yards and four touchdowns.
- Fourth in Sun Belt with 5.4 receptions and seventh with 56.6 receiving yards per game.
- Ranks sixth in GSU history with 100 career receptions and 1,174 yards receiving.

2019 SEASON HIGHLIGHTS

- All-Sun Belt Conference (third team)
- Career highs with 10 receptions for 143 yards in win over Furman, including a 44-yard touchdown in the fourth quarter.
- Caught a 17-yard touchdown pass from Dan Ellington in the win at Tennessee.
- Recorded his second 100-yard game in win over Arkansas State, finishing with eight catches for 107 yards.
- Caught a 3-yard touchdown in 31-21 win at Coastal Carolina.
- Had a game-high seven catches for 66 yards in win over Army.
- Finished the regular season with seven catches in each of the final two games vs. South Alabama (53 yds.) and Georgia Southern (89 yds.)

2018 SEASON HIGHLIGHTS

- Started every game as a true freshman in 2018, when he was the team's second-leading receiver with 35 catches for 495 yards and one touchdown.
- Season highs of five catches for 80 yards vs. Western Michigan.
- Had two catches for 23 yards at NC State and five receptions for 32 yards at Memphis.
- Added three receptions for 35 yards at Troy.
- Caught his first touchdown on a 37-yard reception at Arkansas State.

CAREER STATISTICS

Year	G	Rec	Yds	Avg	TD	LP
2018	12	35	495	14.1	1	45
2019	12	65	679	10.4	4	44
Total	24	100	1174	11.7	5	45

GAME-BY-GAME STATISTICS

2019	Rec	Yds	TD	LP	Touchdowns
Tennessee	3	43	1	17	17
Furman	10	143	1	44	44
Western Michigan	2	13	0	11	
Texas State	6	66	1	17	17
Arkansas State	8	107	0	25	
Coastal Carolina	4	12	1	12	3
Army	7	66	0	20	
Troy	3	17	0	20	
ULM	5	38	0	12	
App State	3	22	0	9	
South Alabama	7	53	0	23	
Georgia Southern	7	89	0	25	

2018	Rec	Yds	TD	LP	Touchdowns
Kennesaw State	1	5	0	5	
NC State	2	23	0	16	
Memphis	5	32	0	12	
Western Michigan	5	80	0	25	
ULM	1	2	0	2	
Troy	3	35	0	19	
Arkansas State	3	59	1	37	37
Coastal Carolina	3	45	0	31	
Texas State	3	24	0	17	
Louisiana	2	60	0	45	
App State	2	45	0	33	
Georgia Southern	5	74	0	27	

CAREER HIGHS

Receptions: 10 vs. Furman, 2019
 Receiving Yards: 143 vs. Furman, 2019
 Long Reception: 45 vs. Louisiana, 2018



28 - SETH PAIGE

RB • 5-10, 190 • So.
 Macclenny, Fla. (Baker County)

- Part of the Panthers' backfield trio, along with Tra Barnett and Destin Coates
- Fourth on the team with 405 yards rushing and four touchdowns. Averaging 6.6 yards per carry.
- Owns two of the six longest runs in GSU history at 82 yards and 65 yards.

2019 SEASON HIGHLIGHTS

- Scored Georgia State's first touchdown in win over Tennessee on a 4-yard run.
- Had 53 of his 64 yards against Furman in the second half.
- Rushed for 68 yards on nine carries in win over Arkansas State, including a 7-yard TD. Helped GSU set school records with 340 yards rushing, six rushing touchdowns and 722 yards of total offense.
- Rushed for 104 yards on a career-high 13 carries in win at Coastal Carolina, highlighted by a 46-yard touchdown run. One of three 100-

yard rushers in the game as GSU set a school record with 350 yards on the ground.

- Gained 109 yards on just nine carries in win over Troy, highlighted by his 65-yard touchdown run that is the fifth-longest run from scrimmage in school history.

2018 SEASON HIGHLIGHTS

- The Panthers' third-leading rusher as a true freshman.
- Rushed for 341 yards and four touchdowns; averaged 5.5 yards per carry. Also caught six passes for 61 yards.
- Rushed for 145 yards and two touchdowns on just nine carries vs. ULM, highlighted by an 82-yard TD run that is the longest run and third-longest play from scrimmage in GSU history.
- His 145 yards vs. ULM were the most by a Panther since 2012 and the fifth-most ever, and he is just the second GSU freshman to top the 100-yard mark.
- Rushed for 35 yards on just seven carries at Memphis, including a 1-yard touchdown. Also had a 15-yard reception.
- Had 59 yards rushing vs. Coastal Carolina, including a 1-yard TD.

GAME-BY-GAME STATISTICS

2019	Rsh	Yds	TD	LP	Rec	Yds	TD	LP	All-P	TD
Tennessee	11	40	1	15	0	0	0	0	40	4
Furman	13	68	0	17	0	0	0	0	40	
WMU	3	16	0	8	0	0	0	0	16	
Texas State										
Arkansas St.	9	68	1	15	0	0	0	0	68	7
CCU	13	104	1	46	0	0	0	0	104	46
Army	3	4	0	4	0	0	0	0	4	
Troy	9	109	1	65	0	0	0	0	109	65
ULM										
App State										
South Alabama										
GS										

2018	Rsh	Yds	TD	LP	Rec	Yds	TD	LP	All-P	TD
KSU	3	7	0	5	0	0	0	0	7	
NC State	2	-3	0	2	1	6	0	6	3	
Memphis	7	35	1	19	1	15	0	15	50	1
WMU	2	4	0	4	0	0	0	0	4	
ULM	9	145	2	82	0	0	0	0	145	82, 1
Troy	9	39	0	12	1	13	0	13	52	
Ark State	5	15	0	4	0	0	0	0	15	
CCU	12	59	1	15	2	15	0	16	74	1
Texas State	7	12	0	4	1	12	0	12	24	
Louisiana										
App State										
GS	6	28	0	10	0	0	0	0	0	

CAREER STATISTICS

Year	G	Att	Yds	Avg	TD	LP	Rec	Yds	TD	LP	All-P
2018	10	62	341	5.5	4	82	6	61	0	16	402
2019	7	61	405	6.6	4	65	0	0	0	0	296
Total	17	123	746	6.1	8	82	6	61	0	16	698

CAREER HIGHS

Rushing Attempts: 13 vs. Coastal Carolina, 2019
 Yards Rushing: 145 yards vs. ULM, 2018
 TD Rushing: 2 vs. ULM, 2018
 Long Rush: 82 vs. ULM, 2018 (school record)



88 - AUBRY PAYNE

TE • 6-4, 228 • R-Jr.
Locust Grove, Ga. (Locust Grove/
Western Carolina)

* 2019 All-Sun Belt Conference (second team)

- Earned All-Sun Belt honors in his first season playing for the Panthers after transferring from Western Carolina and sitting out the 2018 season.
- Has six touchdown receptions in 10 games, including one in each of the first four games of the season.
- Made his GSU debut against Tennessee and caught a 6-yard touchdown pass from Dan Ellington in the 38-30 victory.
- Caught a 20-yard touchdown in the win over Furman.
- Had another 20-yard TD at Western Michigan and the a 5-yard TD at Texas State.
- After missing the Coastal Carolina game due to injury, he returned vs. Army and caught the go-ahead touchdown with an 8-yard reception with 7:41 to play in the 28-21 wins. Also had a 29-yard reception on that drive, finishing with three catches for 43 yards in the game.
- Caught a 40-yard touchdown pass in win over Troy.
- Named to Southern Conference All-Freshman team at Western Carolina in 2016. Had 14 receptions for 123 yards in 10 games.

CAREER STATISTICS

Year	G	Rec	Yds	Avg	TD	LP
2016 (at WCU)	10	14	123	8.8	0	
2017 (at WCU)	1	1	23	23.0	0	23
2019	10	13	204	15.7	6	40

GAME-BY-GAME STATISTICS

2019	Rec	Yds	TD	LP	Touchdowns
Tennessee	2	17	1	11	6
Furman	1	20	1	20	20
Western Michigan	1	20	1	20	20
Texas State	2	10	1	5	5
Arkansas State	0	0	0	0	
Coastal Carolina	DNP-INJURED				
Army	3	43	1	29	8
Troy	2	51	1	40	40
ULM	0	0	0	0	
App State	1	25	0	25	
Coastal Carolina	DNP-INJURED				
Georgia Southern	1	28	0	28	

CAREER HIGHS (AT GSU)

Receptions: 3 vs. Army, 2019
Yards Receiving: 51 vs. Troy, 2019
Long Reception: 40 vs. Troy, 2019



15 - SAM PINCKNEY

WR • 6-4, 210 • R-Fr.
Greenwood, S.C. (Greenwood)

2019 SEASON HIGHLIGHTS

- Named to the Midseason Watch List for the FWAA Freshman All-American Team.
- GSU's second-leading receiver with 36 catches for 460 yards and five touchdowns, despite missing the final three games with a broken foot.
- Had a breakout game against Furman with seven receptions for 80 yards, including a spectacular 26-yard touchdown catch.
- Caught a 13-yard touchdown pass in the first overtime at Texas State.
- Notched his first 100-yard game in win over Arkansas State, finishing with a career-high nine receptions for 120 yards, including an 11-yard touchdown catch in the second quarter and a season-long 43-yard completion.

- Caught two touchdown passes in the win over Army, covering 24 and 12 yards.

2018 SEASON HIGHLIGHTS

- Showed promise in three games as a true freshman before a season-ending knee injury.
- Caught a 55-yard pass down the sideline to the 2-yard line to set up a touchdown vs. ULM.

CAREER STATISTICS

Year	G	Rec	Yds	Avg	TD	LP
2018	3	3	82	27.3	0	55
2019	9	36	460	12.8	5	43
Total	12	39	542	13.9	5	55

GAME-BY-GAME STATISTICS

2019	Rec	Yds	TD	LP	Touchdowns
Tennessee	1	6	0	6	
Furman	7	80	1	26	26
WMU	1	11	0	11	
Texas State	7	95	1	28	13
Arkansas State	9	120	1	43	11
Coastal Carolina	3	41	0	31	
Army	2	36	2	24	24, 12
Troy	5	40	0	14	
ULM	1	31	0	31	
App State	DNP-INJURED				
South Alabama	DNP-INJURED				
Georgia Southern	DNP-INJURED				

2018	Rec	Yds	TD	LP	Touchdowns
Western Michigan	0	0	0	0	
ULM	2	74	0	55	
Troy	1	8	0	8	

CAREER HIGHS

Receptions: 9 vs. Arkansas State, 2019
Yards Receiving: 120 vs. Arkansas State, 2019
Long Reception: 55 vs. ULM, 2018
TD Receptions: 2 vs. Army, 2019



6-TRAJAN STEPHENS-McQUEEN

LB • 6-1, 230 • Jr.
Charlotte, N.C. (West Mecklenburg)

* Sun Belt Defensive Player of the Week
(Oct. 21, 2019)

- Moved into starting role at inside linebacker after two seasons as a top backup.
- Fifth in Sun Belt with 8.3 tackles pg, including seven TFL. Also tied for team lead with two interceptions.
- Ranks seventh on GSU career tackling chart.

2019 SEASON HIGHLIGHTS

- The third Panther to record 100 tackles in a season, standing 15 behind the GSU record of 115 (Joseph Peterson, 2015)
- Grabbed an interception in the fourth quarter to help seal the 38-30 upset victory at Tennessee. Had five tackles with one TFL.
- Made 11 tackles with one TFL in win over Furman.
- Career-high 15 tackles at Texas State.
- Made a key defensive play in the win over Arkansas State with his third-quarter interception at the GSU 45-yard line.
- Set the Georgia State record with 20 TACKLES, including 10 solo stops, in win over Army. Named Sun Belt Defensive Player of the Week.
- Had eight tackles with a sack in win over Troy.
- Added six tackles with 1.5 TFL win over South Alabama.

2018 SEASON HIGHLIGHTS

- Fourth on the team in tackles with 50 in 2018.
- Made eight tackles, his career high, at NC State and seven at Troy.
- Had eight tackles with a pass breakup and a shared sack vs. Coastal Carolina.
- Gained experience as a true freshman in 2017, when he played in every game and made 38 tackles.
- Broke up two passes at No. 5 Penn State in 2017.

CAREER STATISTICS

Year	G	UA-A	Total	TFL	Sack	Int	PB	FR	FF
2017	12	15-23	38	2-2	0-0	0	2	0	0
2018	12	23-27	50	1-0	0.5-0	0	1	0	0
2019	12	55-45	100	7-20	1-9	2-4	3	0	0
Total	36	93-95	188	10-22	1.5-9	2-4	6	0	0

GAME-BY-GAME STATISTICS

2019	UA-A	Total	Sack	TFL	FF	FR	Int	PB	BK
Tennessee	2-3	5	0	1-2	0	0	1-0	0	0
Furman	8-3	11	0	1-1	0	0	0	0	0
WMU	7-3	10	0	1-3	0	0	0	1	0
Texas State	2-13	15	0	0.5-2	0	0	0	0	0
Arkansas St.	0-1	1	0	0	0	0	1-4	1	0
Coastal	4-3	7	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Army	10-10	20	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Troy	6-2	8	1-9	1-9	0	0	0	0	0
ULM	4-4	8	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
App State	2-1	3	0	1-1	0	0	0	1	0
USA	5-1	6	0	1.5-2	0	0	0	0	0
GS	5-1	6	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

2018	UA-A	Total	Sack	TFL	FF	FR	Int	PB	BK
Kennesaw St.	2-0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
NC State	2-6	8	0	0.5-0	0	0	0	0	0
Memphis	1-1	2							
WMU	4-0	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
ULM	1-4	5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Troy	1-6	7	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Arkansas St.	3-2	5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Coastal	4-4	8	0.5-0	0.5-0	0	0	0	1	0
Texas State	1-2	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Louisiana	0-1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
App State	2-1	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
GS	2-0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

CAREER HIGHS

Tackles: 15 vs. Texas State, 2019



9 - CEDRIC STONE

S • 5-10, 185 • R-Jr.
Charlotte, N.C. (Independence)

- Moved from safety to cornerback in the spring.
- Redshirted in 2018 after a season-ending knee injury in Game 2 vs. NC State.
- Career-high seven tackles at Texas State.
- Followed with six tackles and a tackle for loss in win over Arkansas State.
- Broke up passes in each of the first two games of 2018.
- Grabbed his first interception in the fourth quarter of win over South Alabama (2017) and returned it 26 yards to the 23-yard line.

CAREER STATISTICS

Year	G	UA-A	Total	TFL	Sack	Int	PB	FR	FF
2016	12	10-3	13	1-6	0	0	2	0	0
2017	12	2-1	3	0-0	0	1-26	0	0	0
2018	2	3-1	4	0-0	0	0	2	0	0

2019	12	32-10	42	2-4	0	0	4	0	0
Total	39	47-15	62	3-10	0	1-26	8	0	0

GAME-BY-GAME STATISTICS

2019	UA-A	Total	Sack	TFL	FF	FR	Int	PB	BK
Tennessee	2-1	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Furman	3-2	5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
WMU	2-1	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Texas State	4-3	7	0	0	0	0	0	1	0
Arkansas St.	5-1	6	0	1-2	0	0	0	0	0
Coastal	1-0	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	0
Army	4-0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Troy	1-1	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
ULM	4-0	4	0	0	0	0	0	1	0
App State	4-1	5	0	1-2	0	0	0	1	0
USA	2-0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
GS	0-0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

2018	UA-A	Total	Sack	TFL	FF	FR	Int	PB	BK
Kennesaw St.	2-0	2	0	0	0	0	0	1	0
NC State	1-1	2	0	0	0	0	0	1	0

CAREER HIGHS

Tackles: 7 vs. Texas State, 2019



62 - MALIK SUMTER

C • 6-1, 295 • R-So.
Irmo, S.C. (Dutch Fork)

* 2019 All-Sun Belt Conference (HM)

- Starting center
- Took over for the final five games of 2018 and has started 17 straight games.
- Since he moved into the starting lineup last season, GSU has averaged 235 yards rushing per game in his 17 starts



47 - JHI'SHAWN TAYLOR

OLB • 6-3, 211 • R-So.
Cordele, Ga. (Crisp County)

- Moved into the starting lineup in Game 2 following season-ending injury to Jordan Strachan.
- Made his first start vs. Furman and had a sack.
- Six tackles and a fumble recovery in win at Tennessee
- Career-high seven tackles in win over South Alabama

CAREER STATISTICS

Year	G	UA-A	Total	TFL	Sack	Int	PB	FR	FF
2018	9	10-10	20	0	0	0	0	0	0
2019	12	19-18	31	3-7	1.5-4	0	0	1-0	0
Total	21	29-28	51	3-7	1.5-4	0	1	1-0	0

GAME-BY-GAME STATISTICS

2019	UA-A	Total	Sack	TFL	FF	FR	Int	PB	BK
Tennessee	2-4	6	0	0	0	1-0	0	0	0
Furman	2-1	3	1-3	1-3	0	0	0	0	0
WMU	0-0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Texas State	2-0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Arkansas St.	0-0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
CCU	0-3	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Army	2-2	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Troy	0-1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
ULM	0-2	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
App State	2-1	3	0.5-1	0.5-1	0	0	0	0	0
USA	4-3	7	0	0.5-1	0	0	0	0	0
GS	5-1	6	0	1-2	0	0	0	0	0

CAREER HIGHS

Tackles: 7 vs. South Alabama, 2019



55 - TERRY THOMAS

DE • 6-3, 275 • Sr.
McDonough, Ga. (Luella)

- * 2018 CoSIDA Academic All-District®
- * 2019 CoSIDA Academic All-District®
- * Semifinalist for 2019 NFF Campbell Trophy

- Two-year starter at defensive end and an outstanding student.
- Semifinalist for the 2019 William V. Campbell Trophy® by the NFF, recognizing the best football scholar-athlete in the nation for his combined academic success, football performance and leadership.
- Two-time selection to the CoSIDA Academic All-District® football team
- Biological science major who is enrolled in Georgia State's Honors College.

2019 SEASON HIGHLIGHTS

- 2018 CoSIDA Academic All-District Football Team
- Led a strong defensive effort in win at Coastal Carolina with a fumble recovery, a pass breakup and a key third-down stop at the GSU 8-yard line with four minutes left.
- Had two tackles for loss, including one sack, in win over Arkansas State.
- Had a key sack on third down, leading to a missed field goal, in win over Troy.
- In win over South Alabama, his fourth-down stop at the GSU 7-yard line with 10 minutes left effectively sealed the win.

2018 SEASON HIGHLIGHTS

- 2018 CoSIDA Academic All-District Football Team
- Made 46 tackles with four tackles for loss and 1.5 sacks.
- Opened the season with seven tackles vs. Kennesaw State. Caused a fumble at the GSU 14-yard line that the Panthers recovered.
- Career-high nine tackles at NC State.

2017 SEASON HIGHLIGHTS

- Season-high six tackles, including a shared sack, in win at ULM.
- Had a tackle for loss in win at South Alabama, in which GSU allowed a then-school record low 41 yards rushing.
- Two tackles and a 10-yard sack to help GSU hold WKU to school-record minus-2 yards rushing in AutoNation Cure Bowl victory.

CAREER STATISTICS

Year	G	UA-A	Total	TFL	Sack	Int	PB	FR	FF
2016	11	10-7	17	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	1
2017	11	4-22	26	2.5-18	1.5-18	0	0	0	1
2018	12	13-33	46	4-20	1.5-8	0	0	0	1
2019	12	12-17	29	4.5-17	2-13	0	2	1-0	0
Total	46	39-79	118	11-55	5-39	0	2	1-0	3

GAME-BY-GAME STATISTICS

2019	UA-A	Total	Sack	TFL	FF	FR	Int	PB	BK
Tennessee	0-0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Furman	2-0	2	0	0	0	0	0	1	0
WMU	1-1	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Texas State	0-6	6	0	0.5-1	0	0	0	0	0
Arkansas St.	2-0	2	1-6	2-7	0	0	0	0	0
Coastal	3-1	4	0	0	0	1-0	0	1	0
Army	0-1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Troy	1-0	1	1-7	1-7	0	0	0	0	0
ULM	0-3	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
App State	0-1	1	0	0.5-2	0	0	0	0	0
USA	2-0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
GS	1-4	5	0	0.5-1	0	0	0	0	0

2018	UA-A	Total	Sack	TFL	FF	FR	Int	PB	BK
Kennesaw St.	5-2	7	0	0	1	0	0	0	0
NC State	1-8	9	0	1-2	0	0	0	0	0
Memphis	0-1	1	0.5-2	0.5-2	0	0	0	0	0
WMU	0-0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
ULM	0-0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Troy	0-2	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Arkansas St.	0-6	6	0	0.5-1	0	0	0	0	0
Coastal	2-5	7	0.5-3	0.5-3	0	0	0	0	0
Texas State	0-2	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Louisiana	3-1	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
App State	0-3	3	0.5-3	0.5-3	0	0	0	0	0
GS	2-3	5	1-9	0-0	0	0	0	0	0

CAREER HIGHS

Tackles: 9 vs. NC State, 2018



20 - QUAVIAN WHITE

CB • 5-10, 185 • So.
Greer, S.C. (Greer)

- Two-year starter at cornerback after a strong freshman season but was hampered by injury early in the season.
- Also serves as a punt returner.

2019 SEASON HIGHLIGHTS

- Made a game-saving interception on fourth down at the 2-yard line with 1:00 left to seal the Panthers' 28-20 win over Army. Also had five tackles and a pass breakup.
- Had two pass breakups against App State.

2018 SEASON HIGHLIGHTS

- Started 11 games as a true freshman and had 42 tackles, one interceptions, two pass breakups and a fumble recovery.
- Intercepted NC State QB Ryan Finley at the goal line and returned it 23 yards.
- Against ULM, he raced down a ball carrier near the goal line, forced a fumble and recovered in the end zone for a touchback. Had a career-high six tackles.
- Had five tackles and a key pass breakup in the end zone vs. Coastal Carolina.

CAREER STATISTICS

Year	G	UA-A	Total	TFL	Sack	Int	PB	FR	FF
2018	12	31-11	42	1-4	0-0	1-23	2	1-0	1-0
2019	8	26-5	31	2-3	0-0	1-27	6	0	0
Total	20	57-16	73	3-7	0-0	2-50	8	1-0	1-0

GAME-BY-GAME STATISTICS

2019	UA-A	Total	Sack	TFL	FF	FR	Int	PB	BK
Tennessee	0-0	0	DNP-Injured	0	0	0	0	0	0
Furman	2-0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
WMU	0-0	0	DNP-Injured	0	0	0	0	0	0
Texas State	0-2	0	DNP-Injured	0	0	0	0	0	0
Arkansas State	3-0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0
Coastal	5-0	5	0	1-2	0	0	0	0	0
Army	3-2	5	0	0	0	0	1-27	1	0
Troy	3-1	4	0	1-1	0	0	0	1	0
ULM	4-2	6	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
App State	4-0	4	0	0	0	0	0	2	0
USA	2-0	2	0	0	0	0	0	1	0
GS	3-1	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

2018	UA-A	Total	Sack	TFL	FF	FR	Int	PB	BK
Kennesaw St.	4-1	5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
NC State	1-2	3	0	0	0	0	1-23	0	0
Memphis	1-0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
WMU	2-1	3	0	1-4	0	0	0	0	0
ULM	5-1	6	0	0	1	1-0	0	0	0

Troy	3-2	5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Arkansas St.	4-1	5	0	0	0	0	0	1	0
Coastal	5-0	5	0	0	0	0	0	1	0
Texas State	3-1	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Louisiana	2-0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
App State	1-2	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
GS	0-0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

CAREER HIGHS

Tackles: 6 vs. ULM, 2018; ULM 2019



90 - HARDRICK WILLIS

DE • 6-3, 235 • R-So.
Jonesboro, Ga. (Mundy's Mill)

* 2019 All-Sun Belt Conference (HM)

- Starter at defensive end after a redshirt in 2018.
- Leads the team with 8.5 tackles for loss, 4.5 sacks and two forced fumbles.

2019 SEASON HIGHLIGHTS

- All-Sun Belt Conference (honorable mention)
- Had five tackles with 2 TFL, including one sack, in win at Tennessee. On the second play of the game, he caused a fumble that GSU recovered at the UT 23 to set up a touchdowns. Helped GSU hold the Vols to 93 yards rushing.
- Blocked a PAT vs. Furman.
- Had a tackle for loss and pass breakup in win over Arkansas State.
- Recorded a sack for a 10-yard loss and a forced fumble as part of GSU's strong defensive effort in win at Coastal Carolina.
- Career-high seven tackles vs. App State, with a TFL and a shared sack.
- Had a sack in Panthers' strong defensive effort in win over South Alabama and another sack in the regular-season finale at Georgia Southern, giving him 4.5 TFL and 2.5 sacks in the final three games.

2017 SEASON HIGHLIGHTS

- Playing as a true freshman, had 19 tackles with 2.5 TFL and 1.5 sacks.
- Had a TFL at No. 5 Penn State.
- Shared sack in win over South Alabama, helping hold USA to school-record 41 yards rushing.
- Had one of GSU's six sacks in the AutoNation Cure Bowl win over Western Kentucky, helping the Panthers set school record with minus-2 rushing yards allowed.

CAREER STATISTICS

Year	G	UA-A	Total	TFL	Sack	Int	PB	FR	FF
2017	11	12-7	19	2.5-12	1.5-11	0	0	0	0
2018	REDSHIRTED								
2019	10	25-15	40	8.5-37	4.5-31	0	1	0	2
Total	21	37-22	59	11-49	6-42	0	1	0	2

GAME-BY-GAME STATISTICS

2019	UA-A	Total	Sack	TFL	FF	FR	Int	PB	BK
Tennessee	4-1	5	1-7	2-9	1	0	0	0	0
Furman	0-0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
WMU	DNP-INJURED								
Texas State	DNP-INJURED								
Arkansas St.	2-0	2	0	1-1	0	0	0	1	0
CCU	1-2	3	1-10	1-10	1	0	0	0	0
Army	3-3	6	6	0	0	0	0	0	0
Troy	1-2	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
ULM	2-3	5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
App State	5-2	7	0.5-5	1.5-2	0	0	0	0	0
USA	3-0	3	1-8	1-8	0	0	0	0	0
GS	4-2	6	1-6	2-7	0	0	0	0	0

2017	UA-A	Total	Sack	TFL	FF	FR	Int	PB	BK
Tenn. State	0-0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Penn State	2-0	2	0	1-1	0	0	0	0	0
Charlotte	1-1	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
CCU	0-2	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
ULM	0-1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Troy	2-2	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
USA	1-1	2	0.5-3	0.5-3	0	0	0	0	0
GS	0-0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Texas State	DNP-INJURED								
App State	2-0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Idaho	1-0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
WKU	3-0	3	1-8	1-8	0	0	0	0	0

CAREER HIGHS

Tackles: 7 vs. App State, 2019

TFL: 2 vs. Tennessee, 2019; Georgia Southern, 2019



52 - DONTAE WILSON

NG • 6-0, 285 • Jr.
Jefferson, Ga. (Jefferson)

* 2019 All-Sun Belt Conference (HM)

- Two-year starter at noseguard
- Third in GSU history with 8.5 career sacks and eighth with 15.5 tackles for loss.

2019 SEASON HIGHLIGHTS

- All-Sun Belt Conference (honorable mention)
- A first-team All-Sun Belt selection by Pro Football Focus, which said, "he may very well be one of the best true nose tackles in all of college football."
- Fifth on the team in tackles, including 6.5 TFL and three sacks.
- Contributed two sacks in win over Furman.
- Had two key defensive plays in the second half of win over Arkansas State with a forced fumble for a 2-yard loss and then a third-down sack at the GSU 23 to force a field goal.
- Outstanding game against Army's triple option offense as he made a career-high 10 tackles.

2018 SEASON HIGHLIGHTS

- Third on the team with four tackles for loss, including 1.5 sacks
- Collected 30 tackles, including a career-high six in win over Kennesaw State.

2017 SEASON HIGHLIGHTS

- Top backup as a true freshman, when tied for the team lead with four sacks, just one shy of the GSU season record. Finished with 24 tackles and five tackles for loss.
- Had a sack that caused a fumble at No. 5 Penn State.
- Added another sack in shutout win at Charlotte and shared sacks in win over ULM and South Alabama.
- Collected sack No. 4 in the AutoNation Cure Bowl win over Western Kentucky, helping the Panthers set a school record by allowing a net of minus-2 yards rushing.

CAREER STATISTICS

Year	G	UA-A	Total	TFL	Sack	Int	PB	FR	FF
2017	12	10-14	24	5-28	4-27	0	0	0	1
2018	12	18-12	30	4-15	1.5-11	0	0	0	0
2019	12	20-26	46	6.5-23	3-16	0	0	0	2
Total	36	48-52	100	15.5-66	8.5-54	0	0	0	3

GAME-BY-GAME STATISTICS

2019	UA-A	Total	Sack	TFL	FF	FR	Int	PB	BK
Tennessee	2-2	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Furman	2-1	3	2-12	2-12	0	0	0	0	0
WMU	0-0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

Texas State.....2-5	7	0	1-7	0	0	0	0	0
Arkansas St.....2-1	3	1-4	1-4	1	0	0	0	0
CCU.....1-2	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Army.....7-3	10	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Troy.....0-2	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
ULM.....0-2	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
App State.....1-2	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
USA.....1-2	3	0	1-2	0	0	0	0	0
GS.....2-4	6	0	1.5-1	0	0	0	0	0

2018.....UA-A	Total	Sack	TFL	FF	FR	Int	PB	BK
Kennesaw St.....5-1	6	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
NC State.....0-1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Memphis.....1-0	1	0	1-2	0	0	0	0	0
WMU.....3-0	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
ULM.....1-0	1	1-8	1-8	0	0	0	0	0
Troy.....0-4	4	0.5-3	0.5-3	0	0	0	0	0
Arkansas St.....1-1	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Coastal.....2-0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Texas State.....0-0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Louisiana.....3-0	3	0	1-1	0	0	0	0	0
App State.....1-2	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
GS.....1-3	4	0	0.5-1	0	0	0	0	0

2017.....UA-A	Total	Sack	TFL	FF	FR	Int	PB	BK
Tenn. State.....0-1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Penn State.....2-0	2	1-10	1-10	1	0	0	0	0
Charlotte.....3-0	3	1-8	1-8	0	0	0	0	0
CCU.....0-1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
ULM.....1-4	5	0.5-2	0.5-2	0	0	0	0	0
Troy.....1-0	1	0	1-1	0	0	0	0	0
USA.....1-1	2	0.5-2	0.5-2	0	0	0	0	0
GS.....0-4	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Texas State.....0-1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
App State.....0-2	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Idaho.....1-0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
WKU.....1-0	1	1-5	1-5	0	0	0	0	0

CAREER HIGHS

Tackles: 10 vs. Army, 2019
Sacks: 2 vs. Furman, 2019



93 - BRANDON WRIGHT

P-PK • 5-10, 182 • R-Sr.
Atlanta, Ga. (KIPP Atlanta Collegiate)

- * 2018 Ray Guy Award Semifinalist
- * 2018 All-Sun Belt Conference (1st team)

- Handles punting, place-kicking and kickoffs
- Career punting average of 43.5 is ahead of the school record of 42.84 by current New Orleans Saints kicker Wil Lutz.
- Tied with Lutz for the GSU record of 31 career field goals
- Ranks second in school history in career punts (179), punting yards (7,786), PAT (102) and career scoring with 195 points.

2019 SEASON HIGHLIGHTS

- Has hit 11-of-16 field goals and 46-of-47 PAT while averaging 42.5 yards per punt.
- Has broken the GSU season record for PAT and with 75 points, he is just one point behind the school scoring record of 80 (Iain Vance, 2010).
- In win at Tennessee, he nailed a 48-yard FG for a 38-23 lead with 2:37 left. Also averaged 40 yards on two punts and was 5-for-5 on PAT.
- Booted field goals of 29 and 38 yards, hit 6-for-6 PAT, averaged 45.3 yards on three punts with two inside the 20, and had only one of eight kickoffs returned in win over Furman.
- Averaged 49.2 yards on eight punts at Western Michigan, including a 56-yard boot that was downed at the 1-yard line and a 55-yarder downed at the 4. Also kicked a 32-yard field goal.
- Averaged 47.5 yards on four punts at Georgia Southern.

2018 SEASON HIGHLIGHTS

- First-team All-Sun Belt and one of 10 semifinalists for the Ray Guy Award as the top punter in FBS. The first GSU player to be a semifinalist for a major college football award.
- Third in FBS in both punting average (48.2) and net (42.8).
- Season punting average of 48.2 yards set a new Sun Belt Conference record (old record: 47.8, Austin Rekhov, Idaho, 2014) and the eighth-best season mark in FBS history. Net is the second best mark in Sun Belt history.
- Twice named to Ray's 8 as a nominee for FBS punter of the week.
- 24 of his 51 punts travelled 50-plus yards, including six 60-plus punts, and 22 were inside the 20-yard line.
- In season-opening win over Kennesaw State, he punted four times for a 53.8 average, hit a 35-yard field and all three PATs and put four of his five kickoffs for touchbacks.
- Averaged 49.8 yards on five punts vs. Louisiana, including a 68-yard blast from the end zone, despite a high snap. That is the fourth-longest punt in GSU history.
- Kicked a 52-yard field goal at Appalachian State that is the second-longest FG in school history.

2017 SEASON HIGHLIGHTS

- Made 12 field goals, including 8-for-10 over the final four games.
- Led the team with 64 points, the third-highest season total in school history
- Shared punting duties with Oliver Holdenson and averaged 44.4 yards (just behind the school record of 44.52) on 27 punts, with nine downed inside the 20. Nine punts of 50+ yards.
- Took over kickoff duties for the final four games and had 14 touchbacks on 20 kickoffs.
- Set school records with four field goals and 15 points by kicking in 33-30 win at Texas State. Had two 48-yarders--then his career long--and also hit from 22 and 29 yards. Also had six touchbacks on eight kickoffs and punted three times for a 46.3-yard average, including a 66-yarder.
- Nailed a career-long 50-yard field goal vs. Appalachian State, equaling the second-longest field goal in school history.
- Booted two field goals, including a 46-yarder, and a 71-yard punt (third-longest in school history) that was downed at the 8-yard line in win at ULM.
- Hit from 42 and 37 yards in the AutoNation Cure Bowl win over Western Kentucky.

2016 SEASON HIGHLIGHTS

- Averaged 39.8 yards on 60 punts in 2016, including 11 punts of 50 or more yards and 13 kicks downed inside the 20-yard line.
- Averaged 49.2 yards, with a net of 44.5, on four punts vs. Texas State. Also had eight kickoffs, resulting in a starting field position inside the 20-yard line.
- Averaged 46.6 yards on seven punts at Appalachian State, including one that went out of bounds at the 1-yard line.
- Made three clutch plays in win over Georgia Southern. Called upon as a placekicker for the first time, he booted an extra point and a 27-yard field goal. With time running down, he had a 49-yard punt to the 13-yard line with 1:14 left.

CAREER STATISTICS

Punting.....	G	No.	Yds	Avg	LP	TB	FC	I20	50+
2016.....	12	61	2430	39.8	60	3	10	13	11
2017.....	12	27	1199	44.4	71	5	1	9	9
2018.....	12	51	2458	48.2	68	4	2	22	24
2019.....	12	40	1699	42.5	65	2	8	11	13
Total.....	48	179	7786	43.5	71	14	21	55	57

FIELD GOALS [] Indicates FG made

2016: [27GS], 25IDA
 2017: [20TSU], 31PSU, 51CHA, 25CHA, 25CCU, [27ULM], [46ULM], [30TROY], 48TROY, 42TROY, 50USA, 32GS, 50GS, [48TXST], [48TXST], [22TXST], [29TXST], 45APP, [50APP], [28IDA], [42WKU], [37WKU], 54WKU
 2018: [35KSU], 44NCS, 34NCS, [42ULM], [35ULM], [32TROY], [28TROY], [27TXST], 29LA, [52APP]; 47GS
 2019: [48UT], [29FUR], [38FUR], [32WMM], [27TXST], [20TXST], 46TXST, 36TXST, [43ASU], 46ASU, [38CCU], 30CCU, [29TROY], [31ULM], 41ULM; 47GS, [35GS]

Kicking	G	PAT	FG	0-29	30-39	40-49	50+	LG	Pts
2016	12	1-2	1-2	1-2	0-0	0-0	0-0	27	4
2017	12	28-30	12-23	5-7	2-4	4-7	1-5	50	64
2018	12	27-28	7-11	2-3	3-4	1-3	1-1	52	48
2019	12	46-47	11-17	3-3	6-8	2-6	0-0	48	79
Total	47	102-107	31-53	11-15	11-16	7-16	2-6	52	195

CAREER HIGHS

Field Goals Made: 4 vs. Texas State, 2017
Field Goals Attempted: 4 vs. Texas State, 2017
Long Field Goal: 52 vs. Appalachian State, 2018
PAT: 7 vs. Arkansas State, 2019
Points: 15 vs. Texas State, 2017
Punts: 8 vs. Arkansas State, 2016
Punting Yards: 339 vs. Arkansas State, 2016
Punting Average (Minimum 3): 56.2 vs. NC State, 2018 (4)
Long Punt: 71 vs. ULM, 2017

GAME-BY-GAME STATISTICS

2019	Punts	Yds	Avg	LP	TB	I20	50+	KO	TB	FG	PAT	Pts
Tennessee	2	80	40.0	46	0	0	0	7	4	1-1	5-5	8
Furman	3	135	45.3	52	0	2	2	8	5	2-2	6-6	12
WMU	8	394	49.2	58	2	2	5	3	2	1-1	1-1	4
Texas State	2	81	40.5	41	0	0	0	4	2	2-4	4-4	10
Arkansas St.	3	128	42.7	46	0	0	0	9	5	1-2	7-7	10
Coastal Carolina	4	93	23.2	44	0	1	0	6	3	1-2	4-4	7
Army	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0	5	5	0-0	2-3	2
Troy	2	105	52.5	65	0	1	1	9	3	1-1	6-6	9
ULM	2	64	32.0	42	0	0	0	6	3	1-2	4-4	7
App State	7	306	43.7	61	0	2	2	5	3	0-0	3-3	3
USA	3	122	40.7	59	0	1	1	5	3	0-0	3-3	3
Ga Southern	4	190	47.5	58	0	1	2	3	1	1-2	1-1	4

2018	Punts	Yds	Avg	LP	TB	I20	50+	KO	TB	FG	PAT	Pts
Kennesaw St.	4	215	53.8	64	1	3	2	5	4	1-1	3-3	6
NC State	4	225	56.2	65	2	1	3	0	0	0-2	1-1	1
Memphis	6	302	50.3	57	0	1	5	0	0	0-0	0-0	0
WMU	3	156	52.0	56	0	1	1	0	0	0-0	0-0	0
ULM	3	147	49.0	61	0	3	2	0	0	2-2	4-5	10
Troy	4	178	44.5	52	0	2	1	0	0	2-2	0-0	6
Arkansas State	5	230	46.0	61	0	2	2	6	0	0-0	5-5	5
Coastal Carolina	3	111	37.0	46	0	2	0	6	4	0-0	4-4	4
Texas State	4	179	44.8	58	0	2	2	5	3	1-1	5-5	8
Louisiana	5	249	49.8	68	0	1	2	4	2	0-1	2-2	2
App State	4	189	47.2	62	1	2	1	4	4	1-1	2-2	5
Ga Southern	6	277	46.2	58	0	2	2	1	0	0-1	2-2	2

2017	Punts	Yds	Avg	LP	TB	I20	50+	KO	TB	FG	PAT	Pts
Tenn. State	1	26	26.0	26	0	1	0			1-1	1-1	4
Penn State	1	35	35.0	35	0	0	0			0-1	0-0	0
Charlotte	1	47	47.0	47	1	0	0			0-2	4-4	4
Coastal Carolina	2	93	46.5	53	1	1	1			0-1	3-4	3
ULM	2	112	56.0	71	0	2	1			2-2	5-6	11
Troy	4	155	38.8	58	0	2	1			1-3	1-1	4
South Alabama	3	148	49.3	53	1	1	1			0-1	3-3	3
Ga Southern	5	223	44.6	58	2	1	1			0-2	3-3	3
Texas State	3	139	46.3	66	0	0	1	8	6	4-4	3-3	15
App State	2	93	46.5	49	0	1	0	3	3	1-2	1-1	4
Idaho	3	128	42.7	52	0	0	1	3	2	1-1	1-1	4
WKU	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0	6	3	2-3	3-3	9

2016	Punts	Yds	Avg	LP	TB	I20	50+	KO	TB	FG	PAT	Pts
Ball State	7	258	36.9	55	1	1	2					
Air Force	4	128	32.0	60	0	1	1					
Wisconsin	5	204	40.8	55	0	0	1	2	2			
App State	7	326	46.6	53	2	2	3	2	0			
Texas State	4	197	49.2	57	0	2	2	8	4			
Troy	5	197	39.4	45	0	1	0	3	2			
UT Martin	5	200	40.0	52	0	0	1	6	1			
South Alabama	7	236	33.7	47	0	1	0	3	0			
Arkansas State	8	339	42.4	53	0	3	1	4	2			
ULM	2	53	26.5	36	0	0	0	6	0			
Ga Southern	5	209	41.8	49	0	2	0	6	0	1-1	1-1	4
Idaho	2	83	41.5	43	0	0	0	3	1	0-1	0-1	0

GEORGIA STATE RECORDS - SINGLE-GAME HIGHS

RUSHING YARDS

242	Tra Barnett vs. Troy, 2019
201	Donald Russell vs. Rhode Island, 2012
190	Tra Barnett vs. ULM, 2019
161	Tra Barnett vs. Coastal Carolina, 2018
152	Kelton Hill vs. West Alabama, 2011 (QB)
146	Donald Russell vs. Campbell, 2011
145	Seth Paige vs. ULM, 2018
141	Kelton Hill vs. Campbell, 2011 (QB)
139	Tra Barnett vs. Arkansas state, 2019
136	Donald Russell vs. South Alabama, 2011
128	Dan Ellington vs. Coastal Carolina, 2019 (QB)
128	Tra Barnett vs. South Alabama, 2019
127	Tra Barnett vs. Western Michigan, 2019
123	Krysten Hammon vs. New Mexico State, 2014
120	Donald Russell vs. S.C. State, 2012
119	Destin Coates vs. ULM, 2019
119	Donald Russell vs. Richmond, 2012
118	Travis Evans vs. West Virginia, 2013
113	Dan Ellington vs. Appalachian State, 2018 (QB)
110	Tra Barnett vs. Coastal Carolina, 2019
109	Seth Paige vs. Troy, 2019
108	Tra Barnett vs. Army, 2019
107	Donald Russell vs. W&M, 2012
104	Seth Paige vs. Coastal Carolina, 2019
104	Albert Wilson vs. Arkansas State, 2013
100	Taz Bateman vs. Penn State, 2017

MULTIPLE 100-YD RUSHERS IN SAME GAME

128	Dan Ellington vs. Coastal Carolina, 2019 (QB)
110	Tra Barnett vs. Coastal Carolina, 2019
104	Seth Paige vs. Coastal Carolina, 2019
242	Tra Barnett vs. Troy, 2019
109	Seth Paige vs. Troy, 2019
190	Tra Barnett vs. ULM, 2019
119	Destin Coates vs. ULM, 2019

RUSHING ATTEMPTS

34	Tra Barnett vs. Troy, 2019
32	Tra Barnett vs. Troy, 2019
31	Glenn Smith vs. Charlotte, 2017
29	Taz Bateman vs. Penn State, 2017
27	Marcus Caffey vs. UL Lafayette, 2014
25	Krysten Hammon vs. New Mexico State, 2014
24	Donald Russell vs. Richmond, 2012

RUSHING TOUCHDOWNS

3	Marcus Caffey vs. UL Lafayette, 2014
3	Destin Coates vs. Arkansas State, 2019
2	Drew Little vs. South Alabama, 2010
2	Donald Russell vs. Rhode Island, 2012
2	Donald Russell vs. Clark Atlanta, 2011
2	Donald Russell vs. Murray State, 2011
2	Kelton Hill vs. West Alabama, 2011
2	Parris Lee vs. Shorter, 2010
2	Krysten Hammon vs. New Mexico State, 2014
2	Kyler Neal vs. New Mexico State, 2015
2	Nick Arbuckle vs. Ball State, 2015
2	Kyler Neal vs. Georgia Southern, 2015
2	Glenn Smith vs. Charlotte, 2017
2	Dan Ellington vs. Western Michigan, 2018
2	Seth Paige vs. ULM, 2018
2	Tra Barnett vs. Coastal Carolina, 2018
2	Dan Ellington vs. Troy, 2019
2	Tra Barnett vs. ULM, 2019
2	Tra Barnett vs. Troy, 2019
2	Tra Barnett vs. Coastal Carolina, 2019

RECEIVING YARDS

191	Penny Hart vs. Georgia Southern, 2017
190	Penny Hart vs. ULM, 2017
186	Donovan Harden vs. Georgia Southern, 2014
179	Donovan Harden vs. Liberty, 2015
177	Robert Davis vs. Texas State, 2015
175	Albert Wilson vs. South Alabama, 2011
167	Albert Wilson vs. Samford, 2013
158	Albert Wilson vs. Jacksonville State, 2013
154	Keith Rucker vs. Troy, 2015
153	Albert Wilson vs. Troy, 2013
151	Danny Williams vs. Murray State, 2011
150	Albert Wilson vs. UTSA, 2012
150	Penny Hart vs. New Mexico State, 2015

149	Robert Davis vs. Texas State, 2016
149	Albert Wilson vs. Old Dominion, 2012
149	Albert Wilson vs. Arkansas State, 2013
146	Albert Wilson vs. Jacksonville State, 2011
145	Keith Rucker vs. Georgia Southern, 2016
143	Cornelius McCoy vs. Furman, 2019
141	Penny Hart vs. Charlotte, 2017
132	Albert Wilson vs. Chattanooga, 2013
132	Penny Hart vs. Coastal Carolina, 2017
132	Donovan Harden vs. South Alabama, 2014
131	Glenn Smith vs. Wisconsin, 2016
128	Penny Hart vs. Troy, 2018
128	Penny Hart vs. Oregon, 2015
128	Penny Hart vs. Arkansas State, 2015
125	Robert Davis vs. Ball State, 2015
123	Glenn Smith vs. UL Monroe, 2016
122	Todd Boyd vs. Troy, 2016
121	Keith Rucker vs. UL Lafayette, 2013
120	Albert Wilson vs. West Alabama, 2011
120	Sam Pinckney vs. Arkansas State, 2019
120	Devin Gentry vs. Texas State, 2017
119	Penny Hart vs. Georgia Southern, 2015
118	Penny Hart vs. Coastal Carolina, 2018
118	LynQuez Blair vs. Abilene Christian, 2014
117	Robert Davis vs. Texas State, 2014
117	Robert Davis vs. Troy, 2016
114	Robert Davis vs. UL Monroe, 2016
113	Penny Hart vs. Texas State, 2015
112	Robert Davis vs. Idaho, 2016
111	Joel Ruiz vs. Abilene Christian, 2014
110	Robert Davis vs. South Alabama, 2013
108	Robert Davis vs. South Alabama, 2014
108	Emmanuel Ogbuehi vs. ODU, 2012
107	Cornelius McCoy vs. Arkansas State, 2019
105	Albert Wilson vs. New Hampshire, 2012
104	Albert Wilson vs. Villanova, 2012
103	Danny Williams vs. N.C. Central, 2010
103	Jawan Nobles vs. UL Monroe, 2016
102	Danny Williams vs. Old Dominion, 2010
101	Danny Williams vs. Morehead State, 2010
101	Albert Wilson vs. South Alabama, 2013
100	Robert Davis vs. Chattanooga, 2013

MULTIPLE 100-YD RECEIVERS IN SAME GAME

120	Sam Pinckney vs. Arkansas State, 2019
107	Cornelius McCoy vs. Arkansas State, 2019
123	Glenn Smith vs. UL Monroe, 2016
114	Robert Davis vs. UL Monroe, 2016
103	Jawan Nobles vs. UL Monroe, 2016
122	Todd Boyd vs. Troy, 2016
117	Robert Davis vs. Troy, 2016
177	Robert Davis vs. Texas State, 2015
113	Penny Hart vs. Texas State, 2015
118	LynQuez Blair vs. Abilene Christian, 2014
111	Joel Ruiz vs. Abilene Christian, 2014
132	Donovan Harden vs. South Alabama, 2014
108	Robert Davis vs. South Alabama, 2014
110	Robert Davis vs. South Alabama, 2013
101	Albert Wilson vs. South Alabama, 2013
132	Albert Wilson vs. Chattanooga, 2013
100	Robert Davis vs. Chattanooga, 2013
149	Albert Wilson vs. Old Dominion, 2012
108	Emmanuel Ogbuehi vs. ODU, 2012

RECEPTIONS

11	Penny Hart vs. ULM, 2017
11	Penny Hart vs. Charlotte, 2017
11	Penny Hart vs. New Mexico State, 2015
11	Donovan Harden vs. Georgia Southern, 2014
11	Danny Williams vs. Old Dominion, 2010
10	Donovan Harden vs. South Alabama, 2014
10	Keith Rucker vs. Troy, 2015
10	Cornelius McCoy vs. Furman, 2019
9	Sam Pinckney vs. Arkansas State, 2019
9	Todd Boyd vs. Troy, 2016
9	Robert Davis vs. Texas State, 2016
9	Robert Davis vs. Arkansas State, 2016
9	Robert Davis vs. Idaho, 2016

9	Penny Hart vs. Oregon, 2015
9	Robert Davis vs. Ball State, 2015
9	Danny Williams vs. Murray State, 2011
9	LynQuez Blair vs. Troy, 2014

RECEIVING TOUCHDOWNS

4	Donovan Harden vs. Georgia Southern, 2014
3	Penny Hart vs. ULM, 2017
2	Albert Wilson vs. seven teams
2	Jordan Giles vs. Campbell, 2011
2	Arthur Williams vs. Morehead St., 2010
2	Kelton Hill vs. Samford, 2013
2	Joel Ruiz vs. Abilene Christian, 2014
2	LynQuez Blair vs. Air Force, 2014; Troy, 2014
2	Donovan Harden vs. South Alabama, 2014
2	Penny Hart vs. New Mexico State, 2015
2	Keith Rucker vs. Arkansas State, 2015
2	Keith Rucker vs. UL Lafayette, 2015
2	Donovan Harden vs. Texas State, 2015
2	Devin Gentry vs. Texas State, 2017
2	Sam Pinckney vs. Army, 2019

PASSING YARDS

471	Nick Arbuckle vs. Texas State, 2015
446	Conner Manning vs. ULM, 2017
422	Conner Manning vs. ULM, 2016
414	Nick Arbuckle vs. Air Force, 2014
414	Drew Little vs. Old Dominion, 2010
413	Nick Arbuckle vs. Abilene Christian, 2014
412	Nick Arbuckle vs. Ball State, 2015
408	Nick Arbuckle vs. Georgia Southern, 2014
394	Nick Arbuckle vs. Liberty, 2015
391	Ronnie Bell vs. Samford, 2013

PASS ATTEMPTS

53	Drew Little vs. Old Dominion, 2010
52	Conner Manning vs. Troy, 2016
51	Ronnie Bell vs. Samford, 2013
50	Ronnie Bell vs. Troy, 2013
47	Nick Arbuckle vs. Abilene Christian, 2014
46	Conner Manning vs. Arkansas State, 2016
46	Nick Arbuckle vs. Texas State, 2014

PASS COMPLETIONS

32	Nick Arbuckle vs. Texas State, 2014
32	Nick Arbuckle vs. New Mexico State, 2015
32	Drew Little vs. Old Dominion, 2010
31	Nick Arbuckle vs. Abilene Christian, 2014
30	Conner Manning vs. ULM, 2017
29	Nick Arbuckle vs. Troy, 2015
29	Dan Ellington vs. Arkansas State, 2019
29	Dan Ellington vs. Furman, 2019

COMPLETION PERCENTAGE

.833	Dan Ellington vs. ULM, 2018 (15-18)
.824	Conner Manning vs. Tennessee St., 2017 (14-17)
.800	Kelton Hill vs. South Alabama 2011 (12-15)
.784	Dan Ellington vs. Furman, 2019 (29-37)
.778	Dan Ellington vs. South Alabama, 2019 (21-27)
.765	Drew Little vs. Shorter, 2010 (13-17)

TOUCHDOWN PASSES

5	Dan Ellington vs. Furman, 2018
4	Conner Manning vs. ULM, 2017
4	Nick Arbuckle vs. Texas State, 2015
4	Nick Arbuckle vs. Abilene Christian, 2014
4	Nick Arbuckle vs. Georgia Southern, 2014
4	Nick Arbuckle vs. Texas State, 2014
4	Ronnie Bell vs. Troy, 2013
4	Kelton Hill vs. Campbell, 2011
4	Drew Little vs. Morehead State, 2010
4	Drew Little vs. Savannah State, 2010

TOTAL OFFENSE

496	Nick Arbuckle vs. Texas State, 2015
465	Conner Manning vs. ULM, 2017
448	Dan Ellington vs. Furman, 2019
438	Nick Arbuckle vs. Abilene Christian, 2014
428	Conner Manning vs. Texas State, 2017
420	Conner Manning vs. ULM, 2016
419	Nick Arbuckle vs. Air Force, 2014
417	Drew Little vs. Old Dominion, 2010
412	Nick Arbuckle vs. Georgia Southern, 2014

GEORGIA STATE RECORDS - SINGLE-GAME HIGHS

TD RESPONSIBILITY (RUSH/PASS)

- 5 Dan Ellington vs. Furman, 2019 (5/0)
- 5 Kelton Hill vs. Campbell, 2011 (1/4)
- 4 Conner Manning vs. ULM, 2017 (0/4)
- 4 Nick Arbuckle vs. 6 teams
- 4 Ronnie Bell vs. Troy, 2013 (0/4)
- 4 Drew Little vs. 3 teams
- 4 Dan Ellington vs. Troy, 2019 (2/2)

TOUCHDOWNS SCORED

- 4 Donovan Harden vs. Georgia Southern, 2014
- 3 Penny Hart vs. ULM, 2017
- 3 Destin Coates vs. Arkansas State, 2019
- 3 Marcus Caffey vs. UL Lafayette, 2014
- 3 Donald Russell vs. Rhode Island, 2012

POINTS BY KICKING

- 15 Brandon Wright vs. Texas State, 2017
- 13 Iain Vance vs. Savannah State, 2010
- 13 Brandon Wright vs. Furman, 2019
- 11 Brandon Wright vs. ULM, 2017
- 11 Iain Vance vs. Shorter, 2010; Shorter, 2010
- 11 Wil Lutz vs. Texas State, 2015
- 11 Wil Lutz vs. Rhode Island, 2012
- 11 Rogier ten Lohuis vs. Texas State, 2016

FIELD GOALS

- 4 Brandon Wright vs. Texas State, 2017
- 3 Iain Vance vs. Lamar, 2010
- 2 Multiple players

PAT

- 7 Brandon Wright vs. Furman, 2019
- 7 Brandon Wright vs. Arkansas State, 2019
- 7 Iain Vance vs. Savannah State, 2010
- 6 Matt Ehasz vs. Campbell, 2011

PUNTS

- 10 Matt Hubbard vs. Old Dominion, 2011
- 10 Matt Hubbard vs. Houston, 2011
- 10 Matt Hubbard vs. Troy, 2013
- 10 Matt Hubbard vs. West Virginia, 2013
- 8 Matt Hubbard vs. 10 teams

PUNTING YARDS

- 406 Matt Hubbard vs. Old Dominion, 2011
- 398 Matt Hubbard vs. Troy, 2013
- 393 Matt Hubbard vs. West Virginia, 2013
- 380 Wil Lutz vs. San Jose State, 2015
- 372 Matt Hubbard vs. Houston, 2011

PUNTING AVERAGE (MIN. 3 PUNTS)

- 62.2 Matt Hubbard vs. S.C. State, 2012 (5)
- 56.2 Brandon Wright vs. NC State, 2018 (4)
- 55.0 Wil Lutz vs. New Mexico State, 2015 (4)
- 53.8 Brandon Wright vs. Kennesaw State, 2018 (4)
- 52.0 Brandon Wright vs. WMU, 2018 (3)
- 51.0 Bo Schlechter vs. NCCU, 2010 (4)

KICKOFF RETURNS

- 7 Devin Gentry vs. Troy, 2017
- 7 Avery Sweeting vs. Abilene Christian, 2014
- 5 Avery Sweeting vs. Georgia Southern, 2014
- 5 Albert Wilson vs. three teams
- 5 LynQuez Blair vs. Air Force, 2013
- 5 Marquan Greene vs. Arkansas State, 2015
- 5 Glenn Smith vs. Ball State, 2016

KICKOFF RETURN YARDS

- 176 Albert Wilson vs. Villanova, 2012
- 169 Marquan Greene vs. Arkansas State, 2015
- 158 Devin Gentry vs. Troy, 2017
- 156 Albert Wilson vs. Old Dominion, 2012
- 140 Albert Wilson vs. Alabama, 2010
- 131 Avery Sweeting vs. Abilene Christian, 2014

PUNT RETURNS

- 7 Albert Wilson vs. Old Dominion, 2011
- 4 Penny Hart vs. Texas State, 2017
- 4 Albert Wilson vs. South Alabama, 2013

PUNT RETURN YARDS

- 85 Albert Wilson vs. Old Dominion, 2011
- 69 Penny Hart vs. Texas State, 2018
- 67 Penny Hart vs. ULM, 2018
- 58 Albert Wilson vs. South Alabama, 2013
- 49 Penny Hart vs. Texas State, 2017

ALL-PURPOSE YARDS

- 296 Albert Wilson vs. Old Dominion, 2012
- 290 Albert Wilson vs. Villanova, 2012
- 283 Albert Wilson vs. Arkansas State, 2013
- 280 Albert Wilson vs. Jacksonville State, 2013
- 268 Albert Wilson vs. Troy, 2013
- 244 Tra Barnett vs. Troy, 2019
- 236 Donald Russell vs. Rhode Island, 2012

TACKLES

- 20 Trajan Stephens-McQueen vs. Army, 2019
- 17 Tarris Batiste vs. Liberty, 2015
- 16 Joseph Peterson vs. Troy, 2013
- 16 Fred Barnes vs. Shorter, 2010
- 15 Joseph Peterson vs. New Mexico State, 2014
- 15 Chase Middleton vs. Air Force, 2016
- 15 Trajan Stephens-McQueen vs. Texas State, 2019

TACKLES FOR LOSS

- 4 Michael Shaw vs. UL Monroe, 2016
- 4 Alonzo McGee vs. Charlotte, 2015
- 4 Jake Muasau vs. UTSA, 2011
- 4 Jarrell Robinson vs. Abilene Christian, 2014
- 3.5 Tarris Batiste vs. Clemson, 2014
- 3.5 Mackendy Cheridor vs. Texas State, 2016
- 3 Marterious Allen vs. ULM, 2017
- 3 Tarris Batiste vs. Oregon, 2015
- 3 Alonzo McGee vs. Liberty, 2015

SACKS

- 3 Marterious Allen vs. ULM, 2017
- 3 Jake Muasau vs. Lambuth, 2010
- 2.5 Mackendy Cheridor vs. Texas State, 2016

INTERCEPTIONS

- 2 Bryan Williams vs. Charlotte, 2017
- 2 B.J. Clay vs. UT Martin, 2016
- 2 Jerome Smith vs. Ball State, 2016
- 2 Tarris Batiste vs. Georgia Southern, 2015
- 2 Bobby Baker vs. Charlotte, 2015
- 2 D'Mario Gunn vs. Murray State, 2011
- 2 Demazio Skelton vs. Old Dominion, 2012

TEAM SUPERLATIVES

POINTS SCORED

- 55 Savannah State, 2010
- 52 Troy, 2019
- 52 Arkansas State, 2019
- 48 Furman, 2019
- 47 ULM, 2017
- 46 ULM, 2018
- 42 Campbell, 2011
- 41 Rhode Island, 2012
- 41 Clark Atlanta, 2011
- 41 Shorter, 2010
- 41 Texas State, 2015
- 41 Texas State, 2016

POINTS SCORED - HALF

- 34 Savannah State, 2010 (1st)
- 31 Arkansas State, 2019 (1st)
- 31 Texas State, 2015 (1st)
- 31 Furman, 2019 (2nd)
- 30 ULM, 2018 (1st)
- 28 Campbell, 2011 (2nd)
- 28 Air Force, 2014 (2nd)
- 28 Texas State, 2014 (2nd)
- 28 Arkansas State, 2018 (2nd)
- 28 Troy, 2019 (1st)

POINTS SCORED - QUARTER

- 24 Texas State, 2016 (2nd)
- 24 Arkansas State, 2019 (2nd)
- 21 vs. 8 teams

MARGIN OF VICTORY

- 34 Shorter, 2010
- 34 Savannah State, 2010
- 34 Clark Atlanta, 2011
- 34 Rhode Island, 2012
- 32 ULM, 2018
- 27 Morehead State, 2010
- 27 Georgia Southern, 2015

TOTAL OFFENSE

- 722 Arkansas State, 2019
- 670 ULM, 2017
- 643 Texas State, 2015
- 582 New Mexico State, 2015
- 579 Troy, 2019
- 566 Furman, 2019
- 566 Abilene Christian, 2014
- 536 Texas State, 2016
- 536 ULM, 2019
- 532 Air Force, 2014

RUSHING YARDS

- 414 ULM, 2019
- 390 Troy, 2019
- 350 Coastal Carolina, 2019
- 340 Arkansas State, 2019
- 308 ULM, 2018
- 301 Campbell, 2011

- 280 Coastal Carolina, 2018
- 274 Rhode Island, 2012
- 252 Louisiana, 2018
- 244 South Carolina State, 2011

PASSING YARDS

- 471 Texas State, 2015
- 446 UL Monroe, 2017
- 422 UL Monroe, 2016
- 419 Old Dominion, 2010
- 414 Air Force, 2014
- 413 Abilene Christian, 2014
- 412 Ball State, 2015
- 408 Georgia Southern, 2014

FEWEST POINTS ALLOWED

- 0 Charlotte, 2017
- 6 UT Martin, 2016
- 7 Georgia Southern, 2015
- 7 Shorter, 2010
- 7 Rhode Island, 2012
- 7 Clark Atlanta, 2011

FEWEST YARDS ALLOWED

- 203 Georgia Southern, 2015
- 247 Clark Atlanta, 2011
- 262 ULM, 2018
- 263 Shorter, 2010
- 263 Savannah State, 2013
- 273 Charlotte, 2017
- 286 San Jose State, 2015
- 282 South Alabama, 2015
- 287 Idaho, 2016
- 288 Rhode Island, 2012
- 290 Arkansas State, 2013
- 298 Samford, 2013

FEWEST RUSHING YARDS ALLOWED

- 2 Western Kentucky, 2017
- 41 South Alabama, 2017
- 50 Morehead State, 2010
- 75 Texas State, 2017
- 81 Troy, 2015
- 84 New Mexico State, 2015
- 84 Lamar, 2010
- 88 Campbell, 2011
- 93 Arkansas State, 2016
- 93 Tennessee, 2019
- 94 Charlotte, 2017
- 95 Abilene Christian, 2014
- 96 Troy, 2019

FEWEST PASSING YARDS ALLOWED

- 47 Georgia Southern, 2014
- 47 Texas State, 2013
- 57 Shorter, 2010
- 65 Army, 2019
- 67 Air Force, 2016
- 68 Georgia Southern, 2015
- 84 Campbell, 2010

GEORGIA STATE RECORDS - LONGEST PLAYS

LONGEST PLAYS FROM SCRIMMAGE

- 93 Pass: Albert Wilson from Ben McLane vs. Old Dominion, 2012 (TD)
 84 Pass: Albert Wilson from Ben McLane vs. UTSA, 2012 (TD)
82 Run: Seth Paige vs. ULM, 2018 (TD)
 80 Run: Albert Wilson vs. Arkansas State, 2013 (TD)
 80 Pass: Robert Davis from Ronnie Bell vs. South Alabama, 2013
 78 Pass: Albert Wilson from Kelton Hill vs. South Alabama, 2011 (TD)
 78 Pass: Glenn Smith from Conner Manning vs. ULM, 2016
 76 Pass: Donovan Harden from Nick Arbuckle vs. Liberty, 2015 (TD)
75 Run: Tra Barnett vs. Coastal Carolina, 2018 (TD)
 75 Pass: Robert Davis from Nick Arbuckle vs. Texas State, 2014 (TD)
 75 Pass: Robert Davis from Nick Arbuckle vs. Oregon, 2015 (TD)
 75 Pass: Albert Wilson from Ronnie Bell vs. Jacksonville State, 2013 (TD)
 73 Pass: Kyler Neal from Nick Arbuckle vs. Air Force, 2014
71 Pass: Devin Gentry from Conner Manning vs. Texas State, 2017 (TD)
70 Pass: Penny Hart from Conner Manning vs. Georgia Southern, 2017
 70 Pass: Albert Wilson from Kelton Hill vs. Arkansas State, 2013 (TD)
69 Pass: Devin Gentry from Conner Manning vs. ULM, 2017 (TD)
 68 Pass: Donovan Harden from Nick Arbuckle vs. New Mexico State, 2014 (TD)
 67 Pass: Robert Davis from Ronnie Bell vs. Western Kentucky, 2013 (TD)
67 Run: Destin Coates vs. Appalachian State, 2019 (TD)
 66 Pass: Donovan Harden from Nick Arbuckle vs. Arkansas State, 2015
 65 Pass: Robert Davis from Conner Manning vs. Troy, 2016 (TD)
 65 Run: Travis Evans vs. West Virginia, 2013 (TD)
65 Run: Seth Paige vs. Troy, 2019 (TD)
 64 Pass: Albert Wilson from Kelton Hill vs. South Alabama, 2011 (TD)
63 Pass: Penny Hart from Nick Arbuckle vs. Georgia Southern, 2015 (TD)
 62 Run: Sidney Haynes vs. Lamar, 2010
 62 Pass: Donovan Harden from Nick Arbuckle vs. UL Lafayette, 2014

LONGEST PASS PLAYS

- 93 Albert Wilson from Ben McLane vs. Old Dominion, 2012 (TD)
 84 Albert Wilson from Ben McLane vs. UTSA, 2012 (TD)
 80 Robert Davis from Ronnie Bell vs. South Alabama, 2013
 78 Albert Wilson from Kelton Hill vs. South Alabama, 2011 (TD)
 78 Glenn Smith from Conner Manning vs. ULM, 2016
 76 Donovan Harden from Nick Arbuckle vs. Liberty, 2015 (TD)
 75 Robert Davis from Nick Arbuckle vs. Oregon, 2015 (TD)
 75 Robert Davis from Nick Arbuckle vs. Texas State, 2014 (TD)
 75 Albert Wilson from Ronnie Bell vs. Jacksonville State, 2013 (TD)
 73 Kyler Neal from Nick Arbuckle vs. Air Force, 2014
71 Devin Gentry from Conner Manning vs. Texas State, 2017 (TD)
 70 Albert Wilson from Kelton Hill vs. Arkansas St. (TD)
69 Devin Gentry from Conner Manning vs. ULM, 2017 (TD)
 68 Donovan Harden from Nick Arbuckle vs. New Mexico State, 2014 (TD)
 67 Robert Davis from Ronnie Bell vs. Western Kentucky, 2013 (TD)
 66 Donovan Harden from Nick Arbuckle vs. Arkansas State, 2015

- 65 Robert Davis from Conner Manning vs. Troy, 2016 (TD)
 64 Albert Wilson from Kelton Hill vs. South Alabama, 2011 (TD)
63 Penny Hart from Nick Arbuckle vs. Georgia Southern, 2015 (TD)
 62 Donovan Harden from Nick Arbuckle vs. UL Lafayette, 2014
 61 Robert Davis from Nick Arbuckle vs. Liberty, 2015 (TD)
61 Jawan Nobles from Conner Manning vs. ULM, 2016 (TD)
 60 Glenn Smith from Conner Manning vs. Wisconsin, 2016
 59 Donovan Harden from Nick Arbuckle vs. Georgia Southern, 2014 (TD)
 59 Ari Werts from Conner Manning vs. Tennessee State, 2017
 58 Robert Davis from Conner Manning vs. ULM, 2016 (TD)
 58 Penny Hart from Nick Arbuckle vs. Liberty, 2015 (TD)
 57 Robert Davis from Nick Arbuckle vs. South Alabama, 2014
 57 Donovan Harden from Nick Arbuckle vs. Liberty, 2015
 56 Danny Williams from Kelton Hill vs. Campbell, 2011 (TD)
 55 Emmanuel Ogbuehi from Ben McLane vs. Old Dominion, 2010
 55 Jordan Giles from Kelton Hill vs. Campbell, 2011 (TD)
 55 Emmanuel Ogbuehi from Drew Little vs. Alabama, 2010
 55 Albert Wilson from Ronnie Bell vs. Villanova, 2012 (TD)
 55 Robert Davis from Conner Manning vs. Texas State, 2016
55 Sam Pinckney from Dan Ellington vs. ULM, 2018
54 Tamir Jones from Dan Ellington vs. Arkansas State, 2018
 54 Albert Wilson from Ronnie Bell vs. New Hampshire, 2012 (TD)
 54 Albert Wilson from Kelton Hill vs. UTSA, 2011 (TD)
 54 Albert Wilson from Bo Schlechter vs. Jacksonville State, 2011
 53 Albert Wilson from Drew Little vs. Jacksonville State, 2011
 53 Penny Hart from Nick Arbuckle vs. Charlotte, 2015 (TD)
 52 Ari Werts from Conner Manning vs. Coastal Carolina, 2017
51 Penny Hart from Dan Ellington vs. Troy, 2018
 51 Albert Wilson from Drew Little vs. Campbell, 2010
 51 Robert Davis from Nick Arbuckle vs. New Mexico State, 2014
 51 Nyiakki Height from Nick Arbuckle vs. New Mexico State, 2015
 50 Penny Hart from Conner Manning vs. ULM, 2017 (TD)
 50 Albert Wilson from Kelton Hill vs. St. Francis, 2011
50 Destin Coates from Dan Ellington vs. WMU, 2018

LONGEST RUNS

- 82 Seth Paige vs. ULM, 2018 (TD)**
 80 Albert Wilson vs. Arkansas State, 2013 (TD)
75 Tra Barnett vs. Coastal Carolina, 2018 (TD)
67 Destin Coates vs. Appalachian State, 2019 (TD)
65 Seth Paige vs. Troy, 2019 (TD)
 65 Travis Evans vs. West Virginia, 2013 (TD)
64 Dan Ellington vs. Western Michigan, 2019
 62 Sidney Haynes vs. Lamar, 2010
57 Dan Ellington vs. Coastal Carolina, 2019
56 Tra Barnett vs. Arkansas State, 2019
 54 Krysten Hammon vs. New Mexico St., 2014 (TD)
 54 Emmanuel Ogbuehi vs. James Madison, 2012 (fake punt)
 53 Kelton Hill vs. West Alabama, 2011 (TD)
 53 Kelton Hill vs. Lambuth, 2010
 52 Kelton Hill vs. St. Francis, 2011
 52 Donald Russell vs. S.C. State, 2012
 52 Donald Russell vs. Richmond, 2012

LONGEST PUNT RETURNS

- 62 Albert Wilson vs. South Alabama, 2013
49 Penny Hart vs. ULM, 2018 (TD)
48 Penny Hart vs. Texas State, 2018
 47 Demarius Matthews vs. Morehead St., 2010
 35 Donovan Harden vs. App State, 2014

- 31 Demarius Matthews vs. Shorter, 2010
 31 Donovan Harden vs. Abilene Christian, 2014

LONGEST KICKOFF RETURNS

- 100 Marquan Greene vs. Arkansas State, 2015 (TD)
 100 Albert Wilson vs. Old Dominion, 2012 (TD)
 97 Albert Wilson vs. Alabama, 2010 (TD)
 96 Darren McCray vs. Campbell, 2010 (TD)
90 Tra Barnett vs. Arkansas State, 2016 (TD)
 90 Glenn Smith vs. Coastal Carolina (TD), 2017
 88 Glenn Smith vs. Air Force, 2016
 71 Albert Wilson vs. Troy, 2013
 67 Demarius Matthews vs. Jacksonville St., 2011

LONGEST INTERCEPTION RETURNS

- 73 D'Mario Gunn vs. Old Dominion, 2012
57 Remy Lazarus vs. Furman, 2019
 48 Jerome Smith vs. Ball State, 2016 (TD)
 38 B.J. Clay vs. UT Martin, 2016 (TD)
34 Chris Bacon vs. Appalachian State, 2019 (TD)
 34 Tarris Batiste vs. Georgia Southern, 2015
 31 Robert Ferguson vs. Clark Atlanta, 2011
 28 Joseph Peterson vs. Abilene Christian, 2014
 27 Nate Simon vs. New Mexico State, 2015

LONGEST FUMBLE RETURNS

- 93 Demazio Skelton vs. Old Dominion, 2011
 88 Robert Ferguson vs. ULM, 2013 (TD)
 28 Chandon Sullivan vs. Georgia Southern, 2017 (TD)
 23 Marterious Allen vs. UT Martin, 2016 (TD)
 23 Qwontez Mallory vs. Houston, 2011

LONGEST FIELD GOALS

- 53 Wil Lutz vs. Alabama, 2013
52 Brandon Wright vs. Appalachian State, 2018
50 Brandon Wright vs. Appalachian State, 2017
 50 Wil Lutz vs. Charlotte, 2015
 50 Wil Lutz vs. Ball State, 2015
 49 Iain Vance vs. Morehead State, 2010
48 Brandon Wright vs. Tennessee, 2019
48 Brandon Wright vs. Texas State, 2017
48 Brandon Wright vs. Texas State, 2017
 48 Wil Lutz vs. UL Lafayette, 2014

LONGEST PUNTS

- 80 Matt Hubbard vs. Jacksonville State, 2013
 80 Matt Hubbard vs. S.C. State, 2012
71 Brandon Wright vs. ULM, 2017
68 Brandon Wright vs. Louisiana, 2018
66 Brandon Wright vs. Texas State, 2017
65 Brandon Wright vs. NC State, 2018
 65 Matt Hubbard vs. Alabama, 2013
 64 Matt Hubbard vs. UTSA, 2011
 64 Oliver Holdenson vs. Air Force, 2016
64 Brandon Wright vs. Kennesaw State, 2018

LONGEST DRIVES

- 97 vs. UTSA, 2011 (TD), 8 plays, 4:11
 97 vs. New Mexico State, 2015 (TD), 6 plays, 2:21
 96 vs. UL Lafayette, 2014 (TD), 10 plays, 4:52
 95 vs. ULM, 2017 (TD), 15 plays, 7:55
 95 vs. South Alabama (TD), 8 plays, 3:31
 94 vs. Furman (TD), 2019, 16 plays, 5:32
 93 vs. Old Dominion, 2012 (TD), 1 play, 0:14
 92 vs. Louisiana, 2018 (TD), 10 plays, 5:04
 91 vs. Washington, 2014 (TD), 13 plays, 6:31
 91 vs. UL Lafayette, 2014 (TD), 16 plays, 6:38
 91 vs. Arkansas State, 2015 (TD), 2 plays, 0:32
 91 vs. Texas State, 2016 (TD), 11 plays, 3:17
 91 vs. Coastal Carolina, 2017 (TD), 8 plays, 3:51

GEORGIA STATE RECORDS - CAREER LEADERS

RUSHING YARDS

Player	Years	Att	Yds
1. Tra Barnett	2016-*	372	2092
2. Travis Evans	2010-13	356	1500
3. Donald Russell	2011-12	248	1412
4. Dan Ellington	2018-*	305	1223
5. Kyler Neal	2013-17	288	1130
6. Glenn Smith	2014-17	301	1103
7. Kelton Hill	2010-13	176	1076
8. Seth Paige	2018-*	114	746
9. Demarcus Kirk	2015-18	162	710
10. Destin Coates	2018-*	107	624

RUSHING ATTEMPTS

Player	Years	ATT
1. Tra Barnett	2016-*	372
2. Travis Evans	2010-13	356
3. Dan Ellington (QB)	2018-*	305
4. Glenn Smith	2014-17	301
5. Kyler Neal	2013-17	288
6. Donald Russell	2011-12	248

RUSHING TOUCHDOWNS

Player	Years	TD
1. Tra Barnett	2016-*	19
2. Kyler Neal	2013-17	13
3. Donald Russell	2011-12	12
4. Travis Evans	2010-13	10
5. Dan Ellington (QB)	2018-*	10
6. Nick Arbuckle (QB)	2014-15	8
7. Seth Paige	2018-*	8
8. Destin Coates	2018-*	8

100-YARD RUSHING GAMES

Player	Years	Games
1. Tra Barnett	2016-*	8
2. Donald Russell	2011-12	6

PASSING YARDS

Player	Years	Yards
1. Nick Arbuckle	2014-15	7651
2. Conner Manning	2016-17	5830
3. Dan Ellington	2018-*	4410
4. Ronnie Bell	2012-14	3124
5. Drew Little	2010-11	2570

PASS ATTEMPTS

Player	Years	Att
1. Nick Arbuckle	2014-15	915
2. Conner Manning	2016-17	776
3. Dan Ellington	2018-*	621

PASS COMPLETIONS

Player	Years	Cmp
1. Nick Arbuckle	2014-15	566
2. Conner Manning	2016-17	466
3. Dan Ellington	2018-*	388

TOUCHDOWN PASSES

Player	Years	TD
1. Nick Arbuckle	2014-15	51
2. Dan Ellington	2018-*	33
3. Conner Manning	2016-17	30

TOTAL OFFENSE

Player	Years	Yards
1. Nick Arbuckle	2014-15	7566
2. Conner Manning	2016-17	5950
3. Dan Ellington	2018-*	5633
4. Ronnie Bell	2012-14	3298
5. Drew Little	2010-11	2531
6. Kelton Hill	2010-13	2346
7. Tra Barnett	2016-*	2092

TOUCHDOWN RESPONSIBILITY

Player	Years	TDR
1. Nick Arbuckle	2014-15	59
2. Dan Ellington	2018-*	43
3. Conner Manning	2016-17	33

RECEIVING YARDS

Player	Years	Rec	Yds
1. Robert Davis	2013-16	222	3391
2. Albert Wilson	2010-13	175	3190
3. Penny Hart	2015-18	202	2950
4. Donovan Harden	2014-15	99	1610
5. Danny Williams	2010-13	121	1605
6. Cornelius McCoy	2018-*	86	1174
7. Keith Rucker	2013-16	90	1148
8. Glenn Smith	2014-17	111	1122
9. Todd Boyd	2014-17	82	962
10. Devin Gentry	2016-*	54	814

RECEPTIONS

Player	Years	Rec
1. Robert Davis	2013-16	222
2. Penny Hart	2015-18	202
3. Albert Wilson	2010-13	175
4. Danny Williams	2010-13	121
5. Glenn Smith	2014-17	111
6. Cornelius McCoy	2018-*	100
7. Donovan Harden	2014-15	99
8. Keith Rucker	2013-16	90
9. Todd Boyd	2014-17	82

TOUCHDOWN RECEPTIONS

Player	Years	Rec
1. Albert Wilson	2010-13	23
2. Penny Hart	2015-18	19
3. Robert Davis	2013-16	17
4. Donovan Harden	2014-15	12
5. Keith Rucker	2013-16	10
6. Danny Williams	2010-13	9
7. Devin Gentry	2016-*	8

100-YARD RECEIVING GAMES

Player	Years	Games
1. Albert Wilson	2010-13	13
2. Penny Hart	2015-18	11
3. Robert Davis	2013-16	10
4. Danny Williams	2010-13	4
5. Donovan Harden	2014-15	3
6. Cornelius McCoy	2018-*	3

KICKOFF RETURNS

Player	Years	KR
1. Albert Wilson	2010-13	95
2. Glenn Smith	2014-17	53
3. Parris Lee	2010-13	35
4. Avery Sweeting	2012-15	31
5. Kelton Hill	2010-13	25

KICKOFF RETURN YARDS

Player	Years	KR Yds
1. Albert Wilson	2010-13	2338
2. Glenn Smith	2014-17	1186
3. Parris Lee	2010-13	664
4. Avery Sweeting	2012-15	604
5. Kelton Hill	2010-13	436

PUNT RETURNS

Player	Years	PR
1. Albert Wilson	2010-13	41
2. Penny Hart	2015-18	16
3. Donovan Harden	2014-15	13

PUNT RETURN YARDS

Player	Years	PR Yds
1. Albert Wilson	2010-13	376
2. Penny Hart	2015-18	200
3. Demarius Matthews	2010-13	78
4. Donovan Harden	2014-15	76

ALL-PURPOSE YARDS

Player	Years	Yards
1. Albert Wilson	2010-13	6235
2. Penny Hart	2015-18	3497
3. Glenn Smith	2014-17	3411
4. Robert Davis	2013-16	3394
5. Tra Barnett	2016-*	2591
6. Travis Evans	2010-13	2052
7. Kelton Hill	2010-13	1804
8. Donovan Harden	2014-15	1723
9. Donald Russell	2011-12	1616

TOUCHDOWNS SCORED

Player	Years	TD
1. Albert Wilson	2010-13	26
2. Penny Hart	2015-18	20
3. Tra Barnett	2016-*	20
4. Robert Davis	2013-16	17

POINTS

Player	Years	Points
1. Wil Lutz	2012-15	213
2. Brandon Wright	2016-*	195
3. Albert Wilson	2010-13	156
4. Penny Hart	2015-18	120
5. Tra Barnett	2016-*	120

FIELD GOALS

Player	Years	FG
1. Wil Lutz	2012-15	31
2. Brandon Wright	2016-*	31
3. Albert Wilson	2010-13	15
4. Christian Benvenuto	2011-12	11

PAT

Player	Years	PAT
1. Wil Lutz	2012-15	120
2. Brandon Wright	2016-*	102
3. Iain Vance	2010	35
4. Rogier ten Lohuis	2016	25
5. Christian Benvenuto	2011-12	24

PUNTS

Player	Years	Punts
1. Matt Hubbard	2011-14	214
2. Brandon Wright	2016-*	179
3. Wil Lutz	2012-15	95
4. Oliver Holdenson	2016-*	44

PUNTING YARDS

Player	Years	Yards
1. Matt Hubbard	2011-14	8814
2. Brandon Wright	2016-*	7786
3. Wil Lutz	2012-15	3941
4. Bo Schlechter	2010-11	1739
5. Oliver Holdenson	2016-*	1663

PUNTING AVERAGE

Player	Years	Punts
1. Wil Lutz	2012-15	42.84
2. Bo Schlechter	2010-11	42.41
3. Matt Hubbard	2011-14	41.19

TACKLES

Player	Years	Tackles
1. Joseph Peterson	2012-15	381
2. Tarris Batiste	2013-15	263
3. Trey Payne	2014-17	263
4. Michael Shaw	2015-18	216
5. Robert Ferguson	2010-13	199
6. Chase Middleton	2015-18	191
7. T. Stephens-McQueen	2017-*	188
8. Ed Curney	2015-*	186
9. Chandon Sullivan	2014-17	182

INTERCEPTIONS

Player	Years	Int
1. Chandon Sullivan	2014-17	7
2. Bryan Williams	2012-17	6
3. Brent McClendon	2010-13	5
4. Demazio Skelton	2011-12	5
5. Tarris Batiste	2013-15	5
6. Jerome Smith	2015-18	5
7. D'Mario Gunn	2011-12	4

INTERCEPTION RETURN YARDS

Player	Years	Int
1. D'Mario Gunn	2011-12	77
2. Remy Lazarus	2016-*	57
3. Tarris Batiste	2013-15	56
4. Jerome Smith	2015-18	49
5. Robert Ferguson	2010-13	48

SACKS

Player	Years	Sacks
1. Mackendy Cheridor	2013-17	10.5
2. Christo Bilukidi	2010-11	9.0
3. Marterious Allen	2015-18	8.5
4. Dontae Wilson	2017-*	8.5
5. Michael Shaw	2015-18	7.0
6. Jake Muasau	2010-11	7.0
7. Joseph Peterson	2012-15	7.0
8. Jarrell Robinson	2011-14	6.0
9. Hardrick Willis	2017-*	6.0

TACKLES FOR LOSS

Player	Years	TFL
1. Michael Shaw	2015-18	26.5
2. Mackendy Cheridor	2013-17	25.0
3. Joseph Peterson	2012-15	22.0
4. Tarris Batiste	2013-15	21.5
5. Jarrell Robinson	2011-14	20.0
6. Alonzo McGee	2015-16	17.0
7. Jake Muasau	2010-11	16.5
8. Dontae Wilson	2017-*	15.5

FUMBLES FORCED

Player	Years	FF
1. Mackendy Cheridor	2013-17	6
2. Jake Muasau	2010-11	4
3. Brent McClendon	2010-13	4

FUMBLES RECOVERED

Player	Years	FR
1. Bobby Baker	2015-16	5
2. Jake Muasau	2010-11	4
3. Kail Singleton	2010-13	3
4. Ed Curney	2015-*	3

GAMES PLAYED

Player	Years	G
1. Robert Davis	2013-16	49
2. Jalen Lawrence	2013-16	49
3. Chandon Sullivan	2014-17	49
4. Glenn Smith	2014-17	49
5. Michael Shaw	2015-18	49

GEORGIA STATE RECORDS - SEASON LEADERS

RUSHING YARDS

Player	Year	Yards
1. Tra Barnett	2019	1389
2. Donald Russell	2012	747
3. Donald Russell	2011	665
4. Dan Ellington	2018	625
5. Kelton Hill	2011	609
6. Dan Ellington	2019	598
7. Glenn Smith	2017	594
8. Tra Barnett	2018	551
9. Destin Coates	2019	487

RUSHING ATTEMPTS

Player	Year	Att
1. Tra Barnett	2019	233
2. Glenn Smith	2017	170
3. Dan Ellington	2018	159
4. Dan Ellington	2019	146
5. Donald Russell	2011	128
6. Donald Russell	2012	120
7. Travis Evans	2013	115
8. Tra Barnett	2018	109

RUSHING TOUCHDOWNS

Player	Year	TD
1. Tra Barnett	2019	12
2. Donald Russell	2011	9
3. Tra Barnett	2018	7
Destin Coates	2019	7
5. Nick Arbuckle	2015	6
6. Kyler Neal	2015	5
Kyler Neal	2017	5
Dan Ellington	2018	5
Dan Ellington	2019	5

PASSING YARDS

Player	Year	Yards
1. Nick Arbuckle	2015	4368
2. Nick Arbuckle	2014	3283
3. Conner Manning	2017	3146
4. Conner Manning	2016	2684
5. Ronnie Bell	2013	2573
6. Dan Ellington	2019	2291
7. Dan Ellington	2018	2119
8. Drew Little	2010	2102

PASS ATTEMPTS

Player	Year	Att
1. Nick Arbuckle	2015	486
2. Nick Arbuckle	2014	429
3. Conner Manning	2017	403
4. Ronnie Bell	2013	375
5. Conner Manning	2016	373
6. Dan Ellington	2019	329
7. Drew Little	2010	306
8. Dan Ellington	2018	292

PASS COMPLETIONS

Player	Year	Comp
1. Nick Arbuckle	2015	307
2. Nick Arbuckle	2014	259
Conner Manning	2017	259
4. Dan Ellington	2019	214
5. Conner Manning	2016	207
6. Drew Little	2010	190
7. Ronnie Bell	2013	188
8. Dan Ellington	2018	174

TOUCHDOWN PASSES

Player	Year	TD
1. Nick Arbuckle	2014	28
2. Nick Arbuckle	2015	23
3. Dan Ellington	2019	21
4. Drew Little	2010	18

5. Conner Manning	2016	16
6. Ronnie Bell	2013	15
7. Conner Manning	2017	14
8. Dan Ellington	2018	12

TOTAL OFFENSE

Player	Year	Yards
1. Nick Arbuckle	2015	4273
2. Nick Arbuckle	2014	3293
3. Conner Manning	2017	3269
4. Dan Ellington	2019	2889
5. Dan Ellington	2018	2744
6. Ronnie Bell	2013	2686
7. Conner Manning	2016	2681

TD RESPONSIBILITY

Player	Year	TDR
1. Nick Arbuckle	2015	34
2. Dan Ellington	2019	26
3. Nick Arbuckle	2014	25
4. Drew Little	2010	22
5. Ronnie Bell	2013	18
6. Conner Manning	2016	18
7. Dan Ellington	2018	17

RECEPTIONS

Player	Year	Rec
1. Penny Hart	2017	74
2. Albert Wilson	2013	71
Penny Hart	2015	71
4. Robert Davis	2016	67
5. Cornelius McCoy	2019	65
6. Robert Davis	2015	61

RECEIVING YARDS

Player	Year	Yards
1. Albert Wilson	2013	1177
2. Penny Hart	2015	1099
3. Penny Hart	2017	1099
4. Robert Davis	2015	980
5. Robert Davis	2016	968
6. Albert Wilson	2012	947
7. Donovan Harden	2014	885

TD RECEPTIONS

Player	Year	Rec
1. Albert Wilson	2013	8
Penny Hart	2015	8
Penny Hart	2017	8
4. Albert Wilson	2012	7
Donovan Harden	2014	7
6. Albert Wilson	2011	6
LynQuez Blair	2014	6
Keith Rucker	2015	6
Robert Davis	2015	6
Aubry Payne	2019	6

ALL-PURPOSE YARDS

Player	Year	Yards
1. Albert Wilson	2013	2283
2. Albert Wilson	2012	1810
4. Tra Barnett	2019	1455
5. Glenn Smith	2017	1378

TOUCHDOWNS SCORED

Player	Year	TD
1. Tra Barnett	2019	12
2. Donald Russell	2011	9
Albert Wilson	2013	9
4. Albert Wilson	2012	8
5. Conner Manning	2015	8
Penny Hart	2017	8
7. Donovan Harden	2014	7
Tra Barnett	2018	7
Destin Coates	2019	7

POINTS

Player	Year	Pts
1. Iain Vance	2010	80
2. Brandon Wright	2019	79
3. Wil Lutz	2015	78
4. Tra Barnett	2019	72
5. Brandon Wright	2017	64
6. Wil Lutz	2014	56
7. Donald Russell	2011	54
Albert Wilson	2013	54

FIELD GOALS

Player	Years	FG
1. Iain Vance	2010	15
2. Wil Lutz	2015	12
Brandon Wright	2017	12
4. Brandon Wright	2019	11
Christian Benvenuto	2011	9
6. Wil Lutz	2013	8
Rogier ten Lohuis	2016	8

PAT KICKS

Player	Years	PAT
1. Brandon Wright	2019	46
2. Wil Lutz	2015	42
3. Iain Vance	2010	35
Wil Lutz	2014	35
5. Brandon Wright	2017	28
6. Brandon Wright	2018	27

PUNTS

Player	Years	Punts
1. Matt Hubbard	2013	78
2. Wil Lutz	2015	65
3. Brandon Wright	2016	61
4. Matt Hubbard	2012	59
5. Brandon Wright	2018	51

PUNTING YARDS

Player	Years	Yards
1. Matt Hubbard	2013	3278
2. Wil Lutz	2015	2882
3. Matt Hubbard	2012	2541
4. Brandon Wright	2018	2458
5. Brandon Wright	2016	2430

PUNTING AVERAGE

Player	Years	Avg
1. Brandon Wright	2018	48.20
2. Bo Schlechter	2010	44.52
3. Brandon Wright	2017	44.41
4. Wil Lutz	2015	44.34
5. Matt Hubbard	2012	43.07

TACKLES

Player	Year	Tkls
1. Joseph Peterson	2015	116
2. Joseph Peterson	2013	103
3. Tarris Batiste	2015	100
T. Stephens-McQueen	2019	100
5. Joseph Peterson	2014	97
Alonzo McGee	2016	97
7. Trey Payne	2014	88

INTERCEPTIONS

Player	Year	Int
1. Tarris Batiste	2015	4
Bryan Williams	2017	4
2. Demazio Skelton	2012	3
Bobby Baker	2015	3
Chandon Sullivan	2016	3
Jerome Smith	2016	3
B.J. Clay	2016	3

SACKS

Player	Year	Sacks
1. Christo Bilukidi	2010	5
2. Hardrick Willis	2019	4.5
3. Christo Bilukidi	2011	4
Jake Muasau	2010	4
Marterious Allen	2017	4
Dontae Wilson	2017	4

TACKLES FOR LOSS

Player	Year	TFL
1. Alonzo McGee	2015	12.5
2. Michael Shaw	2016	12.0
3. Tarris Batiste	2013	9.5
4. Joseph Peterson	2015	9.0
5. Jake Muasau	2011	8.5
Hardrick Willis	2019	8.5

SEASON LEADERS TEAM

RUSHING YARDS

Season	G	Yards
1. 2019	12	2942
2. 2018	12	2057
3. 2011	11	1847

RUSHING YARDS PER GAME

Season	G	YPG
2019	12	245.2
1. 2018	12	171.4
2. 2011	11	167.9

RUSHING TOUCHDOWNS

Season	G	TD
1. 2019	12	29
2. 2018	12	21

TOTAL OFFENSE

Season	G	Yards
1. 2015	13	5627
2. 2019	12	5363
3. 2017	12	4656

TOTAL OFFENSE PER GAME

Season	G	YPG
2019	11	446.9
1. 2015	13	432.8
2. 2017	12	388.0
3. 2018	12	378.2

POINTS (TD/PAT/FG)

Season	G	PTS
1. 2019 (51/49/11)	12	389
1. 2015 (45/42/12)	13	350
3. 2010 (37/35/15)	11	302
4. 2018 (38/30/9)	11	287

POINTS PER GAME

Season	G	PPG
2019	12	32.4
1. 2010 (302)	11	27.5
2. 2015 (350)	13	26.9
3. 2018 (273)	11	23.9

TOUCHDOWNS (RUSH/REC/RET)

Season	G	TD
1. 2019 (29/21/1)	12	51
2. 2015 (15/28/2)	13	45
3. 2018 (21/15/2)	12	38

2010: 6-5

Head Coach: Bill Curry

Inaugural Season (Unclassified)

Date	Opponent	Result	Att	OFFENSE						DEFENSE						
				Att-Yds	TD	Pass	Com-Att	TD-I	Ply-TO	Att-Yds	TD	Pass	Com-Att	TD-I	Ply-TO	
S. 2	Shorter (Thur.)	hW	41-7	30,237	35-212	3	154	14-19	2-0	54-366	53-206	1	57	5-11	0-0	64-263
S. 11	Lambuth	hL	14-23	12,647	17-91	1	92	8-18	1-4	35-183	50-184	2	126	19-26	0-1	76-310
S. 18	[6/5] Jacksonville State ^{TV1}	(ot) hL	27-34	16,128	22-112	3	227	25-40	0-1	62-339	39-167	3	283	24-32	1-0	71-450
S. 25	at Campbell	aW	24-21	3,021	26-117	0	163	16-23	2-0	49-280	54-257	2	84	9-18	1-1	72-341
O. 2	Morehead State ^{TV2}	hW	37-10	15,264	40-152	1	289	22-33	4-2	73-441	21-50	0	230	27-44	1-2	65-280
O. 9	Savannah State	hW	55-21	14,908	40-232	3	201	19-29	4-0	69-433	44-154	2	109	13-19	1-2	63-263
O. 16	N.C. Central (HC)	(ot) hW	20-17	13,378	35-112	1	205	16-29	1-0	64-317	43-175	1	154	11-23	1-3	66-329
O. 23	at Old Dominion ^{TV2}	aL	20-34	19,782	23-58	1	419	33-55	1-0	78-477	43-229	3	152	22-38	1-0	81-381
O. 30	at South Alabama	aL	34-39	23,446	19-46	3	234	21-35	2-2	54-280	49-293	1	181	12-24	3-0	73-474
N. 6	Lamar	hW	23-17	14,689	27-133	0	189	22-36	2-1	63-322	29-84	0	273	19-36	1-1	65-357
N. 18	at [10/12] Alabama (Thur.) ^{TV3}	aL	7-63	101,621	32-91	0	74	5-17	0-4	49-165	45-262	4	216	19-22	3-0	67-478
TOTALS			302-286	316-1356	16	2247	201-334	19-14	650-3603	470-2061	19	1865	180-293	13-10	763-3926	

Television Legend:TV1-CSS;TV2- Comcast Digital;TV3-ESPNU; National Rankings are Sports Network/FCS Coaches for FCS;API/USA Today Coaches for FBS.

2011 • 3-8

Head Coach: Bill Curry

Division I FCS Independent

Date	Opponent	Result	Att	OFFENSE						DEFENSE						
				Rush-Yds	TD	Pass	Com-Att	TD-I	Ply-TO	Rush-Yds	TD	Pass	Com-Att	TD-I	Ply-TO	
S. 2	Clark Atlanta (Fri.)	hW	41-7	26,273	37-146	2	196	13-18	3-0	55-342	38-140	0	107	10-17	1-2	55-247
S. 10	Old Dominion ^{TV1}	hL	17-40	11,701	35-85	2	206	16-44	0-3	79-291	54-282	3	126	13-21	1-0	75-408
S. 17	at [16/17] Jacksonville State ^{TV1}	aL	21-37	17,618	28-116	2	209	17-30	1-1	58-325	58-246	3	155	9-11	1-0	69-401
S. 24	at Houston ^{TV1}	aL	0-56	32,005	35-108	0	133	12-27	0-1	62-241	39-171	5	561	40-50	3-0	89-732
O. 18	Murray State	hL	24-48	10,963	34-86	2	281	19-44	1-2	78-367	31-138	3	321	35-46	4-2	77-459
O. 15	at South Carolina State	aL	13-23	11,517	45-244	1	76	6-20	0-3	65-320	47-155	2	213	16-30	0-0	77-368
O. 22	South Alabama (HC)	(2ot) hW	27-20	14,086	43-220	1	209	12-15	2-0	58-429	50-178	0	145	14-30	2-4	80-323
O. 29	at UTSA ^{TV2}	(ot) aL	14-17	25,977	44-164	1	91	6-15	1-0	59-255	35-108	1	189	17-34	0-1	69-297
N. 5	St. Francis (Ill.)	(ot) hL	27-30	11,565	32-158	1	197	14-24	2-1	56-355	42-258	1	217	21-33	2-1	75-475
N. 12	at West Alabama	aL	23-30	6,253	31-219	2	228	19-37	1-2	68-447	54-222	2	166	15-21	1-2	75-388
N. 19	Campbell	hW	42-35	11,125	50-301	2	213	13-22	4-1	72-514	30-88	4	250	21-32	1-1	62-338

Television Legend:TV1-CSS;TV2- Longhorn Network. National rankings are Sports Network/FCS Coaches.

2012 • 1-10, 1-7 CAA

Head Coach: Bill Curry

Division I FCS / First Year of FBS Transition

Date	Opponent	Result	Att	OFFENSE						DEFENSE						
				Rush-Yds	TD	Pass	Com-Att	TD-I	Ply-TO	Rush-Yds	TD	Pass	Com-Att	TD-I	Ply-TO	
A. 30	South Carolina State (Thur.) ^{TV1}	hL	6-33	18,921	30-99	0	130	14-28	0-1	58-229	49-188	0	300	19-29	3-2	78-488
S. 8	at Tennessee ^{TV2}	aL	13-51	87,821	41-87	1	176	18-41	0-1	82-263	43-184	3	374	22-28	4-1	71-558
S. 15	UTSA	hL	14-38	11,496	23-86	0	221	11-25	2-3	48-307	54-225	3	217	18-25	2-0	79-442
S. 22	Richmond	hL	14-35	9,476	36-159	1	231	23-37	1-3	73-390	39-144	4	254	21-32	1-0	71-398
S. 29	at William & Mary ^{TV1}	aL	3-35	11,125	35-92	0	157	13-26	0-4	61-249	57-312	5	101	8-13	0-0	70-413
O. 6	[14/17] New Hampshire	hL	21-44	9,531	30-56	0	243	13-29	3-3	59-299	42-332	2	292	21-41	4-1	83-624
O. 13	at Rhode Island	aW	41-7	6,013	34-274	3	217	15-27	2-0	61-491	31-104	0	184	17-35	1-1	66-288
O. 20	[24/rv] Villanova (HC)	hL	24-49	12,136	29-79	1	230	23-41	2-2	70-309	53-343	2	127	11-15	3-1	68-470
O. 27	at [9/10] James Madison	aL	21-28	22,813	38-173	1	175	23-38	2-0	76-348	42-221	2	119	11-23	1-1	65-340
N. 3	[5/5] Old Dominion	hL	27-53	12,293	31-52	2	303	17-37	1-2	68-355	47-205	4	351	28-42	3-3	89-556
N. 10	at Maine ^{TV3}	aL	7-51	2,979	33-59	0	154	12-30	1-4	63-213	48-332	2	262	11-17	4-0	65-594

Television Legend:TV1-CSS;TV2-ESPN3/PPV;TV3-WABI, Bangor, Me. National rankings are Sports Network/FCS Coaches.

2013 • 0-12, 0-7 Sun Belt

Head Coach: Trent Miles

Division I FBS / Second Year of FBS Transition

Date	Opponent	Result	Att	OFFENSE						DEFENSE						
				Rush-Yds	TD	Pass	Com-Att	TD-I	Ply-TO	Rush-Yds	TD	Pass	Com-Att	TD-I	Ply-TO	
A. 30	Samford (Fri.) ^{TV1}	hL	21-31	17,606	25-72	0	391	28-51	3-2	76-463	36-105	1	193	19-31	1-1	67-298
S. 7	Chattanooga ^{TV1}	hL	14-42	14,952	17-30	0	273	17-35	2-0	52-303	60-401	2	108	11-15	2-0	75-509
S. 14	at West Virginia ^{TV2}	aL	7-41	57,440	33-136	1	84	8-18	0-0	51-220	42-245	2	359	25-41	3-1	83-604
S. 21	Jacksonville State ^{TV1}	(ot) hL	26-32	15,425	42-150	0	250	16-42	2-1	84-400	44-122	4	339	18-32	0-0	76-461
O. 5	at Alabama (1/1) ^{TV3}	aL	3-45	101,254	22-15	0	160	12-22	0-0	44-175	30-181	1	296	29-34	5-0	64-477
O. 12	Troy (HC) ^{TV4}	hL	28-35	17,732	26-52	0	370	22-50	4-1	76-422	59-249	2	385	25-43	3-2	102-634
O. 19	at Texas State ^{TV4}	aL	17-24	15,684	35-160	1	208	20-36	1-1	71-368	42-296	3	47	5-12	0-1	54-343
O. 26	at UL Monroe ^{TV1}	aL	10-38	11,357	33-136	0	108	12-31	0-3	64-244	38-225	1	309	30-44	4-0	82-534
N. 2	Western Kentucky ^{TV4}	hL	28-44	15,212	27-85	2	325	26-41	2-2	68-410	46-203	4	241	18-29	2-1	75-444
N. 16	UL Lafayette ^{TV1}	hL	21-35	14,415	39-183	1	298	26-44	2-1	83-481	46-248	1	234	10-16	4-0	62-482
N. 23	at Arkansas State ^{TV1}	aL	33-35	18,512	40-184	2	248	14-26	2-0	66-432	45-138	1	152	14-19	2-0	64-290
N. 30	South Alabama ^{TV1}	hL	17-38	13,697	25-24	2	321	17-34	0-1	59-345	54-242	4	280	19-30	1-0	84-522

Television Legend:TV1-ESPN3;TV2-ROOT Sports;TV3-SEC TV; TV4-Sun Belt Network/CSS; National rankings are API/USA Today Coaches.

2014 • 1-11, 0-8 Sun Belt

Head Coach: Trent Miles

Division I FBS		OFFENSE										DEFENSE				
Date	Opponent	Result	Att	Rush-Yds	TD	Pass	Cm-Att	TD-I	Ply-TO	Rush-Yds	TD	Pass	Cm-Att	TD-I	Ply-TO	
A. 27	Abilene Christian (Wed.) ^{TV1}	hW	38-37	10,140	33-153	1	413	31-49	4-2	82-566	36-95	0	403	30-40	4-1	76-498
S. 6	New Mexico State ^{TV2}	hL	31-34	10,126	39-162	3	294	21-37	1-2	76-456	41-194	0	241	25-44	3-1	85-435
S. 13	Air Force ^{TV2}	hL	38-48	16,836	26-118	3	414	26-42	2-1	68-532	65-315	4	224	12-15	2-0	80-539
S. 20	at Washington (rv/rv/na) ^{TV3}	aL	14-45	64,608	41-68	0	205	22-34	2-3	75-273	41-182	2	154	19-27	3-0	68-336
O. 4	at UL Lafayette ^{TV2}	aL	31-34	24,616	37-138	4	287	20-31	0-0	68-425	32-195	3	266	24-31	2-0	63-461
O. 11	Arkansas State (HC) ^{TV2}	hL	10-52	10,196	34-71	1	198	20-39	0-1	73-269	53-384	4	234	22-30	3-0	83-618
O. 18	at South Alabama ^{TV2}	aL	27-30	13,186	37-90	1	311	23-40	3-0	77-401	54-321	1	126	11-32	2-0	86-447
O. 25	Georgia Southern ^{TV2}	hL	31-69	28,427	23-47	0	408	24-38	4-1	61-455	63-613	10	47	5-6	0-0	69-660
N. 1	at Appalachian State ^{TV2}	aL	0-44	22,643	26-8	0	54	9-19	0-1	45-62	66-469	6	98	9-14	0-0	80-567
N. 8	at Troy ^{TV2}	aL	21-45	16,418	34-101	0	293	23-37	3-2	71-394	45-324	5	116	18-22	1-0	67-440
N. 22	at Clemson (rv/rv/22) ^{TV4}	aL	0-28	77,693	33-40	0	115	13-33	0-3	66-155	43-209	3	148	21-33	1-1	76-357
N. 29	Texas State ^{TV2}	hL	31-54	14,312	27-160	0	356	32-47	4-2	74-516	43-340	3	267	26-32	2-0	75-607

Television Legend:TV1-ESPNNU;TV2- ESPN3;TV3-Pac-12 Network;TV4-RSN. Rankings are API/USA Today/CF Playoff

2015 • 6-7, 5-3 Sun Belt/4th (AutoNation Cure Bowl)

Head Coach: Trent Miles

Division I FBS		OFFENSE										DEFENSE				
Date	Opponent	Result	Att	Rush-Yds	TD	Pass	Cm-Att	TD-I	Ply-TO	Rush-Yds	TD	Pass	Cm-Att	TD-I	Ply-TO	
S. 4	Charlotte (Fri.) ^{TV1}	hL	20-23	10,252	26-93	0	299	25-43	2-1	69-392	54-164	0	244	19-32	1-2	86-408
S. 12	at New Mexico State ^{TV2}	aW	34-32	27,201	46-210	2	372	32-43	2-1	89-582	23-84	1	445	31-55	3-1	78-529
S. 19	at Oregon (12/13) ^{TV3}	aL	28-61	56,859	36-113	1	318	25-40	3-2	76-431	53-311	3	228	23-31	2-0	84-539
O. 3	Liberty (18-FCS) (HC) ^{TV2}	hL	33-41	11,512	14-11	1	394	18-29	3-1	43-405	49-260	5	242	26-33	0-0	82-502
O. 10	Appalachian State ^{TV2}	hL	3-37	10,101	21-59	0	166	21-39	0-1	60-225	41-184	0	314	21-28	3-1	69-498
O. 17	at Ball State ^{TV2}	aW	31-19	7,564	32-33	3	412	28-39	1-0	71-445	40-154	0	218	28-48	2-1	88-372
O. 31	at Arkansas State ^{TV2}	aL	34-48	18,217	32-101	1	390	23-43	2-1	75-491	52-296	4	224	21-29	3-2	81-520
N. 7	UL Lafayette ^{TV2}	hL	21-23	10,007	29-78	0	312	23-39	3-1	68-390	41-145	0	162	18-27	1-1	68-307
N. 14	at Texas State ^{TV2}	aW	41-19	13,238	37-172	1	471	23-35	4-2	72-643	32-186	1	267	29-52	1-2	84-453
N. 21	South Alabama ^{TV2}	hW	24-10	10,033	34-73	2	311	27-44	1-0	78-394	34-157	1	125	14-34	0-1	68-282
N. 27	Troy (Fri.) ^{TV2}	hW	31-21	10,113	43-151	2	368	29-41	2-0	84-519	25-81	1	193	21-46	2-1	71-374
D. 5	at Georgia Southern ^{TV2}	aW	34-7	23,401	37-143	2	346	20-32	3-1	69-489	44-135	1	68	6-19	0-2	63-203
D. 19	San Jose State ^{*TV4}	nL	16-27	18,536	20-23	0	208	14-29	2-1	49-231	54-197	1	89	10-19	1-1	73-286

*AutoNation Cure Bowl, Orlando, Fla. Television Legend:TV1-ESPNNU;TV2- ESPN3;TV3-Pac-12; Network;TV4-CBS Sports Network. FBS rankings are API/Coaches

2016 • 3-9, 2-6 Sun Belt

Head Coach: Trent Miles (2-8)/Tim Lappano (1-1)

Division I FBS		OFFENSE										DEFENSE				
Date	Opponent	Result	Att	Rush-Yds	TD	Pass	Cm-Att	TD-I	Ply-TO	Rush-Yds	TD	Pass	Cm-Att	TD-I	Ply-TO	
S. 2	Ball State (Fri.) ^{TV1}	hL	21-31	12,233	25-77	1	195	25-40	1-1	65-272	52-325	4	130	15-29	0-2	81-455
S. 10	at Air Force ^{TV2}	aL	14-48	24,173	14-27	1	142	9-27	1-0	41-169	83-464	5	67	3-9	0-0	92-531
S. 17	at Wisconsin (9/12) ^{TV3}	aL	17-23	79,883	24-33	1	269	20-30	1-0	54-302	49-187	1	213	18-30	1-1	79-400
O. 1	at Appalachian State ^{TV1}	aL	3-17	24,782	25-88	0	153	19-44	0-4	69-241	48-218	1	143	13-25	1-1	73-361
O. 8	Texas State ^{TV4}	hW	41-21	13,179	37-196	3	340	27-40	2-0	77-536	41-120	2	300	27-47	1-2	88-420
O. 15	at Troy ^{TV4}	aL	21-31	23,913	24-37	0	381	28-52	3-2	76-418	43-128	1	235	20-36	2-1	79-363
O. 22	UT Martin (HC) ^{TV4}	hW	31-6	15,223	39-166	1	119	8-16	1-2	55-285	31-110	0	210	20-40	0-3	71-320
O. 29	at South Alabama ^{TV4}	aL	10-13	11,565	40-127	1	113	11-18	0-0	58-240	43-182	1	124	15-27	0-1	70-306
N. 3	Arkansas State (Thur.) ^{TV5}	hL	16-31	13,363	31-94	0	237	22-46	1-2	77-331	41-93	2	212	15-35	0-0	76-305
N. 12	UL Monroe ^{TV4}	hL	23-37	13,106	26-42	0	422	19-30	3-0	56-464	54-264	5	193	17-31	0-0	85-457
N. 19	Georgia Southern ^{TV4}	hW	30-24	23,513	27-73	2	318	21-39	2-0	66-391	46-241	3	122	14-26	0-0	72-363
D. 3	at Idaho ^{TV4}	aL	12-37	11,242	24-92	0	266	22-37	2-4	61-358	45-149	0	138	16-20	3-0	65-287

Television Legend: TV1-American Sports Network/ESPN3; TV2-Mountain West Network-Campus Insiders; TV3-Big Ten Network; TV4-ESPN3;TV5-ESPNU FBS rankings are API/Coaches

2017 • 7-5, 5-3 Sun Belt/4th (AutoNation Cure Bowl)

Head Coach: Shawn Elliott

Division I FBS		OFFENSE										DEFENSE				
Date	Opponent	Result	Att	Rush-Yds	TD	Pass	Cm-Att	TD-I	Ply-TO	Rush-Yds	TD	Pass	Cm-Att	TD-I	Ply-TO	
A. 31	Tennessee State (Thur.) ^{TV1}	hL	10-17	24,333	29-49	0	224	18-23	1-1	52-273	42-238	2	145	12-25	0-0	67-383
S. 16	at Penn State (5/5) ^{TV2}	aL	0-56	102,746	49-150	0	170	18-32	0-3	81-320	24-166	3	360	21-29	5-0	53-526
S. 23	at Charlotte ^{TV3}	aW	28-0	11,029	40-119	2	250	26-37	1-0	77-369	34-94	0	179	16-29	0-2	63-273
O. 7	at Coastal Carolina ^{TV1}	aW	27-21	15,991	40-91	2	273	18-30	1-1	70-364	32-127	0	239	18-26	3-0	58-366
O. 14	at UL Monroe ^{TV1}	aW	47-37	12,578	41-224	2	446	26-35	4-0	76-670	37-117	1	314	23-37	3-0	74-431
O. 21	Troy (HC) ^{TV1}	hL	10-34	15,388	33-52	0	255	25-40	1-1	73-307	22-122	2	335	25-36	2-1	58-457
O. 26	South Alabama (Thur.) ^{TV4}	hW	21-13	12,125	34-114	1	195	17-31	2-0	65-309	23-41	0	297	27-48	1-2	71-338
N. 4	Georgia Southern ^{TV1}	aW	21-17	18,722	49-24	0	319	22-37	2-1	61-368	50-197	1	147	22-28	1-0	78-344
N. 11	Texas State ^{TV1}	aW	33-30	14,017	41-162	1	368	26-40	2-0	81-530	25-75	1	315	35-55	3-1	80-390
N. 25	Appalachian State ^{TV1}	hL	10-31	13,154	26-91	1	201	22-35	0-1	61-292	46-323	2	107	15-23	2-2	69-430
D. 2	Idaho ^{TV1}	hL	10-24	14,163	39-164	1	271	27-45	0-1	84-435	40-147	2	228	16-30	1-0	70-375
D. 16	Western Kentucky ^{*TV5}	nW	27-17	19,585	43-143	2	276	20-28	1-0	71-419	21-(-2)	0	351	26-40	2-2	61-349

*AutoNation Cure Bowl, Orlando, Fla. Television Legend: TV1-ESPN3; TV2-Big Ten Network.TV3-WCCB-TV/WPCH-TV/CUSA.tv.TV4-ESPNU;TV5- CBS Sports Network FBS rankings are API/Coaches

2018 • 2-10, 1-7 Sun Belt/5th-East**Head Coach: Shawn Elliott**

Division I FBS		OFFENSE									DEFENSE					
Date	Opponent	Result	Att	Rush-Yds	TD	Pass	Cm-Att	TD-I	Ply-TO	Rush-Yds	TD	Pass	Cm-Att	TD-I	Ply-TO	
A. 30	Kennesaw State [5/5 FCS] (Thur.) ^{TV1}	hW 24-20	23,088	38-128	0	187	20-28	3-0	66-315	51-181	1	201	12-19	1-1	70-382	
S. 8	at NC State ^{TV2}	aL 7-41	56,017	31-107	1	242	19-34	0-0	65-349	31-115	3	426	32-39	2-1	70-541	
S. 14	at Memphis (Fri.) ^{TV3}	aL 22-59	27,768	43-173	2	139	19-34	0-1	77-312	35-410	3	269	19-27	5-1	62-679	
S. 22	Western Michigan ^{TV1}	hL 15-34	15,264	30-58	2	285	19-29	0-1	59-343	45-294	1	234	20-25	3-0	70-528	
S. 29	ULM ^{TV1}	hW 46-14	14,368	56-308	4	179	15-18	1-0	74-487	20-125	2	137	20-34	0-2	54-262	
O. 4	at Troy (Thur.) ^{TV4}	aL 20-37	22,903	35-116	1	272	20-36	1-0	71-388	38-340	2	217	19-25	3-1	62-554	
O. 18	at Arkansas State (Thur.) ^{TV4}	aL 35-51	18,176	43-123	1	299	20-33	4-0	76-422	37-273	3	257	17-28	3-0	65-530	
O. 27	Coastal Carolina (HC) ^{TV1}	hL 34-37	15,648	35-280	4	231	24-25	1-0	59-521	48-251	3	225	13-18	1-0	66-476	
N. 3	Texas State ^{TV1}	hL 31-40	11,312	43-221	3	224	21-40	1-0	83-445	36-190	4	325	21-26	2-0	62-489	
N. 10	at Louisiana ^{TV1}	aL 22-36	14,945	43-252	2	121	10-21	1-1	64-373	38-355	4	170	16-23	1-0	61-525	
N. 18	at Appalachian State ^{TV1}	aL 17-45	22,315	34-197	1	132	10-21	1-2	55-329	39-228	2	296	22-26	3-0	65-524	
N. 24	Georgia Southern ^{TV1}	hL 14-35	20,011	32-94	0	170	20-33	2-1	55-264	41-276	2	105	8-11	2-0	52-381	

Television Legend: TV1-ESPN+;TV2-ACC RSN;TV3-ESPN;TV4-ESPNU

2019 • 7-5, 4-4 Sun Belt/3rd-East (NOVA Home Loans Arizona Bowl)**Head Coach: Shawn Elliott**

Division I FBS		OFFENSE									DEFENSE					
Date	Opponent	Result	Att	Rush-Yds	TD	Pass	Cm-Att	TD-I	Ply-TO	Rush-Yds	TD	Pass	Cm-Att	TD-I	Ply-TO	
A. 31	at Tennessee ^{TV1}	aW 38-30	85,503	53-213	3	139	11-24	2-0	77-352	31-93	1	311	26-40	2-1	71-404	
S. 7	Furman [11/17 FCS] ^{TV2}	hW 48-42	20,351	39-204	1	362	29-37	5-0	76-566	41-215	2	323	16-26	4-1	67-526	
S. 14	at Western Michigan ^{TV3}	aL 10-57	22,328	41-210	0	126	11-25	1-2	66-336	44-450	7	244	16-21	1-0	65-694	
S. 21	at Texas State ^{TV3}	(3ot) aL 34-37	15,803	53-208	1	219	24-40	3-1	93-423	50-221	3	129	16-25	0-0	75-350	
O. 5	Arkansas State (HC) ^{TV3}	hW 52-38	16,109	58-340	6	382	29-41	1-0	99-722	22-115	1	306	22-34	4-2	56-421	
O. 12	at Coastal Carolina ^{TV3}	aW 31-21	17,249	56-350	3	122	16-24	1-1	80-472	27-105	0	217	19-31	2-0	58-322	
O. 19	Army ^{TV3}	hW 28-21	21,720	32-147	1	232	20-28	3-0	60-379	61-278	3	65	6-11	0-1	72-343	
O. 26	Troy ^{TV3}	hW 52-33	14,527	57-390	5	189	18-25	2-1	82-579	23-96	3	421	34-46	2-0	69-517	
N. 9	at ULM ^{TV3}	aL 31-45	13,213	53-414	4	122	13-28	0-0	81-536	46-299	3	291	24-33	3-1	79-590	
N. 16	Appalachian State [RV/24/25] ^{TV1}	hL 27-56	17,908	31-186	2	138	15-32	1-2	63-324	46-280	3	273	21-34	4-1	80-553	
N. 23	South Alabama ^{TV3}	hW 28-15	12,501	48-176	2	208	21-27	2-1	75-384	39-108	0	218	12-25	2-1	64-326	
N. 30	at Georgia Southern ^{TV3}	aL 10-38	15,175	37-108	1	182	18-27	0-0	64-290	47-279	5	73	7-10	0-0	57-352	

Television Legend: TV1-ESPNU;TV2-ESPN3;TV3-ESPN+. FBS Rankings are AP/Coaches/CFP

GEORGIA STATE 38, TENNESSEE 30

Game 1: Aug. 31, 2019 • 3:30 p.m. (ESPN2)
Neyland Stadium • Knoxville, Tenn.

Georgia State scored a pair of fourth quarter touchdowns and out-rushed Tennessee 213-93 to shock the Volunteers 38-30 at Neyland Stadium.

Georgia State, celebrating just its 10th season of football, knocked off its first SEC opponent and Power 5 opponent by out-scoring Tennessee 24-13 in the second half, including 17 straight points.

"First of all, I will go ahead and say how proud I am of our university and our football program to come in here and do something probably only 108 or 109 players we have on our roster believed we could do," head coach Shawn Elliott said. "I don't know if anyone else in the country believed that a program just a mere 10 years old could come in here to Neyland Stadium at the University of Tennessee and beat them. We believed. We notched a signature win for our university and our football program.

"It has been an unbelievable day," Elliott continued. "I am just so proud of our guys and players because, ultimately, they work so hard to do the things necessary to put us in a position to even to go and compete. It was a joy to sit back and watch the confidence in our guys' eyes and hearts."

Senior quarterback Dan Ellington, who finished 11-of-24 for 139 yards and two touchdowns, also added 61 yards on the ground on 14 rushes. His 22-yard touchdown run with 4:45 to play effectively sealed the win.

Tra Barnett led the Panthers on the ground with 95 yards on 21 rushes. His 19-yard touchdown run gave Georgia State a 28-23 lead with 8:56 to play in the game.

After Tennessee took a 23-21 lead on Brent Cimaglia's 31-yard field goal with 12 minutes to play, Ellington drove the Panthers 75 yards for the go-ahead score. After hit Terrance Dixon with a 14-yard completion for a first down at the UT 30, Barnett gained 11 yards on second down and then took it to the end zone on the next play.

Tennessee took the ensuing kickoff and moved to out midfield when GSU cornerback Evan Jones sacked Jarrett Guarantano and forced a fumble, which was recovered by the Panthers' Jhi'Shawn Taylor, setting up Ellington's clinching touchdown.

Trailing 17-14 at the intermission, the Panthers took the opening kickoff of the second half and drove down the field. Paige had a 15-yard run on the drive, and then Ellington hit Barnett for 15 yards and Payne for 11 yards for a first down at the UT 25. On second down, Devin Gentry took a reverse pitch and raced around the left end for 15 yards, hurdling a defender at the end of the play for a first down at the 6.

Then Ellington found Payne, the junior tight end and transfer from Western Carolina, on the left sideline. Payne caught the ball at the two and dove in for the score, giving the Panthers a 21-17 lead with 10:22 in the third quarter.

"I think that was the most important possession of the game," Elliott said.

Tennessee answered with two scoring drives but had to settle for a pair of field goals.

Georgia State got off to a strong start in the game, forcing a fumble on Tennessee's second play from scrimmage and punching it in for an early lead.

Hardrick Willis forced a fumble and Ed Curney recovered at the UT 23. Ellington had a pair of 8-yard runs, and one 3rd-and-goal from the 2-yard line, Seth Paige burst up the middle and into the end zone for the first touchdown of the 2019 season to put the Panthers up 7-0 four minutes into the game.

Tennessee countered with a 16-play, 78-yard

drive that lasted 7:42, tying the game on Jarrett Guarantano's 6-yard touchdown pass to Marquez Callaway. The Vols took the lead on Ty Chandler's 31-yard scoring run with nine seconds left in the first quarter.

The Panthers engineered a long scoring drive midway through the second quarter. After the GSU defense held the Vols on 3rd-and-1 at the UT 34 to force a punt, Ellington drove the Panthers 81 yards in 16 plays and 6:32, capped by a 17-yard touchdown pass over the middle to Cornelius McCoy. That tied the game at 14-all with three minutes left in the half.

On the drive, Georgia State had three key conversions. First on 4th-and-1 at the GSU 39, Tra Barnett's 2-yard run kept the drive alive, and Ellington gained two yards on 3rd-and-1 at the UT 33. Then Ellington hit McCoy for a 12-yard completion and a first down at the UT 18 to set up the touchdown two plays later.

Tennessee managed a 19-yard field goal with just one second in the half to take a 17-14 lead into the locker room.

GEORGIA STATE.....	7	7	7	17	—	38
TENNESSEE	14	3	3	10	—	30

SCORING SUMMARY

1st 12:00	GSU - Paige, Seth 4 yd run (Wright, Brandon kick), 6-23 2:45
4:13	UT - Callaway,M. 6 yd pass from Guarantano,J. (Cimaglia,B. kick), 16-78 7:42
0:09	UT - Chandler,T. 31 yd run (Cimaglia,B. kick), 5-46 1:58
2nd 3:11	GSU - McCoy, Cornelius 17 yd pass from Ellington, Dan (Wright, Brandon kick), 16-81 6:32
0:00	UT - Cimaglia,B. 19 yd field goal, 12-73 3:11
3rd 10:30	GSU - Payne, Aubry 6 yd pass from Ellington, Dan (Wright, Brandon kick), 9-75 4:30
3:32	UT - Cimaglia,B. 48 yd field goal, 7-19 3:01
4th 12:05	UT - Cimaglia,B. 31 yd field goal, 5-62 2:16
8:56	GSU - Barnett, Tra 19 yd run (Wright, Brandon kick), 9-75 3:09
4:45	GSU - Ellington, Dan 22 yd run (Wright, Brandon kick), 5-39 2:25
2:37	GSU - Wright, Brandon 48 yd field goal, 4-5 1:37
0:02	UT - Jennings,J. 18 yd pass from Guarantano,J. (Cimaglia,B. kick), 5-69 0:53

Attendance—85,503

TEAM STATISTICS	GSU	UT
FIRST DOWNS	24	21
RUSHES-YARDS (NET)	53-213	31-93
PASSING YDS (NET)	139	311
Passes Att-Comp-Int	24-11-0	40-26-1
TOTAL OFFENSE PLAYS-YARDS	77-352	71-404
Fumble Returns-Yards	0-0	0-0
Punt Returns-Yards	0-0	1-35
Kickoff Returns-Yards	0-0	3-72
Interception Returns-Yards	1-0	0-0
Punts (Number-Avg)	3-37.3	1-47.0
Fumbles-Lost	1-1	4-2
Penalties-Yards	5-31	3-24
Possession Time	30:34	29:26
Third-Down Conversions	10 of 17	8 of 13
Fourth-Down Conversions	1 of 2	0 of 2
Red-Zone Scores-Chances	4-5	4-4
Sacks By: Number-Yards	4-36	2-17
Sacks By: Number-Yards	3-23	1-1

RUSHING

GSU: Barnett, Tra 21-95; Ellington, Dan 14-61; Paige, Seth 11-40; Gentry, Devin 1-15; Coates, Destin 5-4; TEAM 1-minus 2.
UT: Chandler,T. 6-48; Gray,E. 7-29; Jordan,T. 7-16; Keyton,R. 1-10; Guarantano,J. 10-minus 10.

PASSING

GSU: Ellington, Dan 11-24-0-139.
UT: Guarantano,J. 26-40-1-311.

RECEIVING

GSU: McCoy, Cornelius 3-43; Carter, Roger 2-33; Payne, Aubry 2-17; Dixon, Terrance 1-14; Gentry, Devin 1-14; Barnett, Tra 1-12; Pinckney, Sam 1-6.
UT: Jennings,J. 7-108; Gray,E. 6-51; Wood-Anderson 3-79; Callaway,M. 3-46; Palmer,J. 3-17; Chandler,T. 1-4; Jordan,T. 1-3; Tillman,C. 1-3; Pope,A. 1-0.

INTERCEPTIONS

GSU: Stephens-McQueen, 1-0. UT-None.

GEORGIA STATE 48, FURMAN 42

Game 2: Sept. 7, 2019 • 7 p.m. (ESPN3)
Georgia State Stadium • Atlanta, Ga.

Before a crowd of 20,351 at Georgia State Stadium, senior quarterback Dan Ellington threw a school-record five touchdown passes and Georgia State rallied from a 20-3 first-half deficit for a 48-42 win over Furman on Saturday night.

Using the biggest comeback in program history, Georgia State improved to 2-0 for the first time in its brief history following the upset win over Tennessee last week in Knoxville.

"I knew it would be a fight. I knew we would have to go out there and fight," head coach Shawn Elliott said. "We faced adversity. We did not fold. We did not flinch. We struck back.

"It has been an incredible seven days. It is the first time Georgia State football has started 2-0. I am so proud of our guys. They deserve all the credit for this win. It was a total team effort, even though it was not sharp."

Ellington threw his five touchdowns to five different receivers, going 29-of-37 for a career-high 362 yards. He also rushed 15 times for 86 yards, and his 448 total yards of offense is the third-most in a single-game in program history.

Georgia State's 48 points scored were the second-most in school history and only behind the 55 scored against Savannah State during the program's inaugural year of 2010. The Panthers combined for 566 total yards which is tied for fourth-most in GSU annals.

After falling behind 20-3, Georgia State scored 28 straight points to take its first lead three minutes into the second half.

Trailing 20-17 at the half, GSU took the opening kickoff and marched 85 yards on eight plays. Ellington had a 16-yard run down to the Furman 26, and then his 26-yard touchdown pass to Sam Pinckney gave the Panthers their first lead at 24-20 three minutes into the second half.

The GSU defense used a sack by Dontae Wilson and a pass breakup by Remy Lazarus to force a three-and-out, setting up another Panther touchdown. Ellington hit Devin Gentry for a 43-yard completion down to the 5-yard line, and on third down, he found tight Roger Carter for the 2-yard touchdown pass to put the Panthers up 30-20 with seven minutes to play in the third quarter.

Furman, the No. 11 ranked FCS team, pulled within 38-28 with a touchdown and two-point conversion, but the Panthers answered with Ellington's 20-yard touchdown to tight end Aubry Payne to move ahead 38-28 late in the third quarter.

After another Furman touchdown, Georgia State finally found a little breathing room on an Ellington-to-Cornelius McCoy 44-yard touchdown over the middle and Brandon Wright's 38-yard field, which made it 48-35 with seven minutes to play. But after Furman scored with 3:26 left, the Panthers had to make one last stop when the Paladins got the ball back on their own 10-yard line with 2:18 to play. The GSU defense held on four downs, including an incomplete pass on 4th-and-5 from the 15, to seal the win.

Georgia State got off to a slow start both offensively and defensively and fell behind the

Paladins 20-3 before scoring two late touchdowns to pull within 20-17 at the intermission.

The Panthers' first touchdown came on a 16-play, 94-yard drive, capped by Tra Barnett's 18-yard scoring run. That pulled GSU within 20-10 with 2:47 left in the half.

After the Panthers forced a punt, they took over at their own 34 with 1:27 on the clock. Ellington hit McCoy with three straight completions to the Furman 30 and then connected with Pinckney to the 14. On 2nd-and-6 from the 10 with time running down, Ellington found Terrance Dixon over the middle, and Dixon stretched the ball over the goal line for the score on the final play of the half.

"You saw Terrance catch that ball and will himself in there. He stretched his arms out and put that ball across," Elliott said. "The momentum swing at that point was amazing. Just the way he got in, zeros on the clock. We head in with great momentum for the second half and we understand we really can take control."

Cornelius McCoy (10 catches, 143 yards), Dixon (8 catches, 68 yards), and Pinckney (7 catches, 80 yards) all set career-high for receptions and yards, while Dixon and Pinckney earned their first touchdown catches.

"Let me tell you, the crowd was amazing," Elliott said. "I want you to know, the students in the north end zone were FANTASTIC. I felt the energy coming from the stands. I could feel the excitement in the voices and the cheering. The band was phenomenal."

Furman quarterback Darren Grainger went 16-of-25 for 323 yards and four touchdowns, while Devin Wynn led the Paladin ground attack with 13 rushes for 83 yards.

FURMAN.....	13	7	8	14	—	42
GEORGIA STATE.....	3	14	21	10	—	48

SCORING SUMMARY

- 1st 12:37 FUR - Ryan Miller 18 yd pass from Darren Grainger (Grayson Atkins kick blocked), 6-75 2:23
 - 9:05 GSU - Wright, Brandon 29 yd field goal, 10-63 3:32
 - 3:34 FUR - Thomas Gordon 32 yd pass from Darren Grainger (Grayson Atkins kick), 11-83 5:31
 - 2nd 12:55 FUR - Devin Wynn 3 yd run (Grayson Atkins kick), 8-82 4:21
 - 2:47 GSU - Barnett, Tra 18 yd run (Wright, Brandon kick), 16-94 5:32
 - 0:00 GSU - Dixon, Terrance 10 yd pass from Ellington, Dan (Wright, Brandon kick), 8-66 1:27
 - 3rd 12:03 GSU - Pinckney, Sam 26 yd pass from Ellington, Dan (Wright, Brandon kick), 8-85 2:57
 - 7:12 GSU - Carter, Roger 2 yd pass from Ellington, Dan (Wright, Brandon kick), 7-66 3:03
 - 2:44 FUR - Ryan DeLuca 11 yd pass from Darren Grainger (Ryan Miller pass from Darren Grainger), 8-75 4:28
 - 0:38 GSU - Payne, Aubry 20 yd pass from Ellington, Dan (Wright, Brandon kick), 8-75 2:06
 - 4th 13:41 FUR - Devin Abrams 30 yd pass from Darren Grainger (Grayson Atkins kick), 5-75 1:57
 - 12:10 GSU - McCoy, Cornelius 44 yd pass from Ellington, Dan (Wright, Brandon kick), 5-75 1:31
 - 7:35 GSU - Wright, Brandon 38 yd field goal, 4-6 2:15
 - 3:26 FUR - Darren Grainger 12 yd run (Grayson Atkins kick), 8-75 4:09
- Attendance—20,351

TEAM STATISTICS	FUR	GSU
FIRST DOWNS	26	29
RUSHES-YARDS (NET)	41-215	39-204
PASSING YDS (NET)	311	362
Passes Att-Comp-Int	26-16-1	37-29-0
TOTAL OFFENSE PLAYS-YARDS	67-526	76-566
Fumble Returns-Yards	0-0	0-0
Punt Returns-Yards	0-0	1-0
Kickoff Returns-Yards	1-16	2-32
Interception Returns-Yards	0-0	1-57
Punts (Number-Avg)	3-41.7	3-45.3
Fumbles-Lost	1-0	2-0
Penalties-Yards	6-37	7-57
Possession Time	32:46	27:14
Third-Down Conversions	6 of 11	6 of 11
Fourth-Down Conversions	1 of 2	0 of 0
Red-Zone Scores-Chances	4-4	6-7
Sacks By: Number-Yards	0-0	3-15

RUSHING

FUR: Devin Wynn 13-83; Darren Grainger 9-53; Corey Watkins 7-41; Wayne Anderson 3-21; Devin Abrams 8-15; Jeff McElveen 1-2.
 GSU: Ellington, Dan 15-86; Paige, Seth 13-64; Barnett, Tra 9-52; Gentry, Devin 1-3; TEAM 1-minus 1.

PASSING

FUR: Darren Grainger 16-25-0-311; Ryan DeLuca 0-1-1-0.
 GSU: Ellington, Dan 29-37-0-362..

RECEIVING

FUR: Thomas Gordon 8-163; Ryan DeLuca 4-48; Ryan Miller 2-60; Devin Abrams 2-40.
 GSU: McCoy, Cornelius 10-143; Dixon, Terrance 8-68; Pinckney, Sam 7-80; Gentry, Devin 2-49; Payne, Aubry 1-20; Carter, Roger 1-2.

INTERCEPTIONS

FUR: None. GSU: Lazarus 1-57.

WESTERN MICHIGAN 57, GEORGIA STATE 10

**Game 3: Sept. 14, 2019 • 7 p.m. (ESPN+)
 Waldo Stadium • Kalamazoo, Mich.**

Georgia State suffered its first loss of the season as the Panthers fell 57-10 at Western Michigan Saturday night at Waldo Stadium.

Tra Barnett recorded his second career 100-yard rushing game for Georgia State (2-1), finishing with 127 yards on 19 carries.

Western Michigan (2-1) was led by Levante Bellamy who rushed 15 times for 192 yards and three touchdowns. Quarterback Jon Wassink was 15-of-20 for 246 yards and a touchdown for the Broncos, who finished the night with 694 yards of total offense, including 450 yards rushing.

Trailing 17-3 late in the first quarter, the Panthers took over at their own 25, and on the first play, quarterback Dan Ellington broke through the middle for a career-long 64-yard run. Then he tossed a 20-yard touchdown pass to Aubry Payne, who made a spectacular juggling catch. The junior tight end has caught a touchdown in each of the first three games.

But then the Broncos reeled off 26 straight points to take a 43-10 lead into the locker room.

"They were able to do about anything they wanted to us offensively," head coach Shawn Elliott said. "The inability to stop the run is the most obvious thing. It was a poor effort defensively."

"After we got behind, we were pressing offensively and couldn't get anything going. We tried to come out and do something in the second half and just got further behind."

Ellington finished the game 11-of-20 for 126 yards passing and a touchdown, while rushing nine times for 44 yards.

The Panthers hurt themselves with three turnovers and an uncharacteristic nine penalties

for 95 yards.

One bright spot for Georgia State was punter Brandon Wright, who averaged 49.2 yards on eight punts, including a 56-yard boot that was downed at the 1-yard line and a 55-yarder downed at the 4. He also kicked a 32-yard field goal.

GEORGIA STATE.....	10	0	0	0	—	10
WESTERN MICHIGAN	24	19	14	0	—	57

SCORING SUMMARY

- 1st 14:18 WM - Bellamy, L. 60 yd run (Kapps, T. kick), 2-75 0:42
 - 12:32 GSU - Wright, Brandon 32 yd field goal, 6-60 1:46
 - 9:55 WM - Kapps, T. 26 yd field goal, 7-44 2:37
 - 3:32 WM - Tyler, S. 61 yd run (Kapps, T. kick), 4-80 1:48
 - 1:43 GSU - Payne, Aubry 20 yd pass from Ellington, Dan (Wright, Brandon kick), 4-75 1:49
 - 0:38 WM - Bellamy, L. 36 yd run (Kapps, T. kick), 4-75 1:05
 - 2nd 12:22 WM - Bellamy, L. 73 yd run (Kapps, T. kick failed), 3-80 1:17
 - 6:12 WM - Tyler, S. 30 yd run (Bellamy, L. rush failed), 4-80 1:38
 - 0:21 WM - Wassink, J. 16 yd run (Kapps, T. kick), 4-26 0:23
 - 3rd 7:54 WM - Bussell, D. 41 yd pass from Wassink, J. (Kapps, T. kick), 11-96 5:04
 - 3:26 WM - Tucker, D. 19 yd run (Kapps, T. kick), 4-39 2:05
- Attendance—22,328

TEAM STATISTICS	GSU	WM
FIRST DOWNS	13	25
RUSHES-YARDS (NET)	41-210	44-450
PASSING YDS (NET)	126	244
Passes Att-Comp-Int 25-11-2	21-16-0	
TOTAL OFFENSE PLAYS-YARDS	66-336	65-694
Fumble Returns-Yards	0-0	0-0
Punt Returns-Yards	1-11	2-2
Kickoff Returns-Yards	2-30	1-46
Interception Returns-Yards	0-0	2-0
Punts (Number-Avg)	8-49.2	5-36.8
Fumbles-Lost	1-1	0-0
Penalties-Yards	9-95	11-85
Possession Time	27:30	32:30
Third-Down Conversions	4 of 16	4 of 11
Fourth-Down Conversions	0 of 1	0 of 0
Red-Zone Scores-Chances	2-2	3-3
Sacks By: Number-Yards	0-0	4-36

RUSHING

GSU: Barnett, Tra 19-127; Ellington, Dan 9-44; Paige, Seth 3-16; Coates, Destin 1-14; Gregg, Tucker 4-12; Stubbs, Darius 5-minus 3.
 WM: Bellamy, L. 15-192; Tyler, S. 6-138; Tucker, D. 6-39; Wassink, J. 4-33; Schick, D. 7-32; Davie, R. 6-16

PASSING

GSU: Ellington, Dan 11-20-1-126; Brown, Cornelious 0-5-1-0.
 WM: Wassink, J. 15-20-0-246; Alstott, G. 1-1-0-minus 2.

RECEIVING

GSU: Marshall, Matlin 2-23; McCoy, Cornelius 2-13; Barnett, Tra 2-10; Gentry, Devin 1-44; Payne, Aubry 1-20; Pinckney, Sam 1-11; Coates, Destin 1-3; Carter, Roger 1-2.
 WM: Moore, S. 6-97; Bussell, D. 3-65; Hall, J. 2-23; Ricci, G. 1-30; Eskridge, D. 1-20; Crooms, C. 1-6; Mixon Jr., K. 1-5; Mussat, A. 1-minus 2.

INTERCEPTIONS

GSU: None. WM: Taylor, H. 1-0; Tranquill, J. 1-0.

TEXAS STATE 37, GEORGIA STATE 34 (30T)

Game 4: Sept. 21, 2019 • 7 p.m. ET (ESPN+) Bobcat Stadium • San Marcos, Texas

Texas State kicked a 35-yard field goal in triple overtime to earn a 37-34 win over Georgia State on Saturday night at Bobcat Stadium. It was the first overtime game for the Panthers since 2013 and first-ever triple overtime game.

The winning kick came after Brandon Wright missed a 36-yard field goal attempt on Georgia State's possession to open the third overtime period. However, it was Wright's 20-yard kick as time expired in regulation that tied the game and gave the Panthers a chance during the extra periods.

"Certainly a very disappointing, disappointing ball game," head coach Shawn Elliott said. "What a hard-fought contest. Everyone laid it on the line and gave great effort, but we came up short. Tough situation to be in. A very tough loss for us."

In double-overtime, both kickers just missed field goals from more than 40 yards to send it into the third overtime.

Both teams scored touchdowns in the first overtime period as Dan Ellington hit Sam Pinckney on a 13-yard touchdown pass to give Georgia State a 34-27 lead before the Bobcats responded to tie the game.

Wright's tying field goal came on the final play of regulation. Ellington drove Panthers down the field and spiked the ball. After a review by the officials, one second was put back on the clock setting up the game-tying field goal.

After winning its first two games, Georgia State dropped its second-straight contest and fell to 2-2 and 0-1 in Sun Belt play heading into next week's bye. Texas State snapped a 12-game home losing streak in conference games and improved to 1-3 overall and 1-0 in conference play.

"We gave them 10 points on the turnovers, with the fumbled punt and the interception, and then at the end there [of regulation], we mismanaged the clock a little bit," Elliott said. "We didn't get out of bounds when we should have and that eliminated a play. We were very fortunate to have an opportunity to kick the field goal. On that last drive, we didn't put ourselves in position to win. That's on us."

Ellington finished 23-of-35 for 213 yards and three touchdowns, while Destin Coates led the rushing game with 98 yards on 19 attempts and a touchdown.

Senior Tra Barnett finished with 55 yards on 12 attempts and became the sixth Panther in program history to eclipse 1,000 career rushing yards.

Pinckney led all Panther receivers with seven catches for 95 yards and a touchdown. Cornelius McCoy added six catches for 66 yards and a touchdown.

Trailing 20-17 as the fourth quarter began, the Panthers took the lead with a 13-play, 56-yard drive that ate up 6:48 seconds on the clock with Coates scoring the touchdown on a 7-yard run.

Texas State responded with a seven-play, 75-yard drive capped off by Anthony Taylor's touchdown to retake the lead 27-24 with 4:56 to play.

After Texas State kicked a field goal on its first possession of the game, the Panthers answered with a 75-yard touchdown drive. Ellington hit Pinckney with a 27-yard completion to convert on 3rd-and-15 for a first down at the 18, and two plays later, he hit McCoy for a 17-yard touchdown pass to put GSU ahead 7-3 midway through the first quarter.

After the Bobcats recovered a muffed punt for a touchdown to take a 10-7 lead, Ellington directed a 9-play, 73-yard drive. Three straight runs by Barnett got the Panthers to the 20-yards line, and on

3-and-8, Ellington gained 15 yards on a keeper up the middle, making a great move on the defender for a first down at the 5. On the next play he found tight end Aubry Payne for a 5-yard touchdown to give the Panthers a 14-10 lead with nine minutes to play in the first half.

Payne has caught a touchdown pass in each of the first four games.

Following a Texas State touchdown with 3:43 left in the first half, the Panthers tied the game on Brandon Wright's 38-yard field goal for a 17-17 deadlock at the intermission.

GEORGIA STATE.....	7	10	0	10	7	0	0	—	34
TEXAS STATE.....	10	7	3	7	7	0	3	—	37

SCORING SUMMARY

1st	13:14	TXST - Rowland, Joshua 45 yd field goal, 4--2 1:01
	8:30	GSU - McCoy, Cornelius 17 yd pass from Ellington, Dan (Wright, Brandon kick), 10-75 4:44
	2:55	TXST - Banks,Javen 0 yd fumble recovery (Rowland, Joshua kick)
2nd	9:09	GSU - Payne, Aubry 5 yd pass from Ellington, Dan (Wright, Brandon kick), 9-73 3:33
	3:43	TXST - Taylor,AnthonyD 2 yd run (Rowland, Joshua kick), 15-75 5:26
	0:00	GSU - Wright, Brandon 37 yd field goal, 13-50 3:43
3rd	5:11	TXST - Rowland, Joshua 34 yd field goal, 7-33 2:40
4th	8:05	GSU - Coates, Destin 7 yd run (Wright, Brandon kick), 13-56 6:48
	4:56	TXST - Taylor,AnthonyD 20 yd run (Rowland, Joshua kick), 7-75 3:09
	0:00	GSU - Wright, Brandon 20 yd field goal, 14-76 4:49
OT 1		GSU - Pinckney, Sam 13 yd pass from Ellington, Dan (Wright, Brandon kick), 4-25 0:00
OT 1		TXST - Jensen, Gresch 1 yd run (Rowland, Joshua kick), 5-25 0:00
OT 3		TXST - Rowland, Joshua 35 yd field goal, 4-7 0:00
Attendance--15,803		

TEAM STATISTICS	GSU	TXST
FIRST DOWNS	27	20
RUSHES-YARDS (NET)	53-204	50-221
PASSING YDS (NET)	219	129
Passes Att-Comp-Int	40-24-1	25-16-0
TOTAL OFFENSE PLAYS-YARDS	93-423	75-350
Fumble Returns-Yards	0-0	0-0
Punt Returns-Yards	1-(-6)	0-0
Kickoff Returns-Yards	2-43	2-26
Interception Returns-Yards	0-0	1-0
Punts (Number-Avg)	2-40.5	4-34.0
Fumbles-Lost	2-2 0-0	
Penalties-Yards	4-41	8-91
Possession Time	34:46	25:14
Third-Down Conversions	11 of 21	9 of 19
Fourth-Down Conversions	2 of 3	0 of 1
Red-Zone Scores-Chances	6-8	5-7
Sacks By: Number-Yards	1-2	2-8

RUSHING

GSU: Coates, Destin 21-95; Barnett, Tra 12-55; Ellington, Dan 19-53; Gregg, Tucker 1-1.
TXST: Twyford,Caleb 27-137; Taylor,AnthonyD 17-54; Jensen, Gresch 6-30.

PASSING

GSU: Ellington, Dan 24-39-1-219; Coates, Destin 0-1-0-0.
TXST: Jensen, Gresch 16-25-0-129.

RECEIVING

GSU: Pinckney, Sam 7-95; McCoy, Cornelius 6-66; Coates, Destin 3-23; Marshall, Matlin 3-10; Payne, Aubry 2-10; Ifedi, Jonathan 2-9; Carter, Roger 1-6.
TXST: White,Hutch 4-19; Sheread,J 3-38; Hays,Mason 2-36; Hilts, Micah 2-13; Haydel,Jeremiah 2-12; Banks,Javen 1-13; Taylor,AnthonyD 1-3; Twyford,Caleb 1-minus 5.

INTERCEPTIONS

GSU: None. TXST: Morris,Jarron 1-0.

GEORGIA STATE 52, ARKANSAS STATE 38

Game 5: Oct 5, 2019 • 3:30 p.m. (ESPN+) Georgia State Stadium • Atlanta, Ga.

Georgia State used a record-setting offensive performance to earn a 52-38 win over Arkansas State on homecoming Saturday at Georgia State Stadium.

Georgia State (3-2, 1-1 Sun Belt) scored the first 21 points of the game and held off Arkansas State (3-3, 1-1) in the second half, sealing the win on Destin Coates' 2-yard touchdown with 2:05 to play.

Senior quarterback Dan Ellington, who was celebrating his 22nd birthday Saturday, finished with a career-high 382 yards passing on 29-of-41 attempts. He added 69 yards on 19 rushing attempts for the Panthers, who scored the most points in program history against an FBS opponent. Ellington had one TD pass and one rushing score.

Georgia State rushed for a school-record 340 yards along with a school-record six rushing touchdowns, while combining for 722 total yards, which is also a school record. The Panthers tied the Sun Belt Conference record with 39 first downs and controlled the clock with a school-record 39:19 of possession time.

"What a display from us offensively tonight," head coach Shawn Elliott said after the Panthers defeated Arkansas State for the first time. "For the offense to go out and do what they did, both running the football and throwing the football, as really impressive. What a phenomenal win on homecoming."

Sophomore receiver Sam Pinckney finished with a career-high 120 yards receiving on nine catches, including a touchdown catch, while Cornelius McCoy added eight catches for 107 yards as Georgia State had two 100-yard receivers for the first time since 2016.

The running back trio of Tra Barnett, Seth Paige and Destin Coates combined for 273 yards and five rushing touchdowns. Barnett went for 139 yards on 14 carries and a touchdown, Coates tied the GSU single-game record with three touchdowns to go along with 66 yards on 15 carries, and Paige added 68 yards and a touchdown.

With his third career 100-yard game, Barnett raised his career rushing total to 1,171 yards to climb into third place in GSU history.

Barnett had perhaps the key play of the game with his 56-yard run in the fourth quarter. After Arkansas State pulled within 45-38 on a field goal with 4:27 still to play, Barnett started the Panthers' ensuing possession with a 14-yard gain and then raced 56 yards down to the 5-yard line. Two plays later, Coates punched it in to give GSU a 52-38 lead with two minutes left and effectively seal the win.

"There's such balance in the offense whether it be running the football or throwing the football, it's just great balance," Elliott said. "But you see it every day in practice. These guys come out every day to practice and really enjoy practice. They really have fun in practice. And our backs are so unselfish."

Georgia State jumped to a 21-0 lead midway through the second quarter as Ellington directed scoring drives of 75, 89 and 80 yards, each capped by a rushing touchdown by a different Panther running back.

Barnett started the scoring with a 3-yard scoring run, followed by Coates' 27-yard touchdown and Paige's 7-yard score.

After a slow start, Arkansas State responded with a pair of quick touchdowns, sandwiched around Brandon Wright's 43-yard field goal, making the score 24-14 with just under five minutes remaining in the half.

From there, the teams exchanged touchdowns just before the half. Ellington drove the Panthers 75 yards for their fourth touchdown of the half,

finding Pinckney in the corner of the end zone for an 11-yard scoring pass and a 31-14 lead with 1:39 to play in the half.

But the Red Wolves finished the half with Omar Bayless' 31-yard touchdown catch from Layne Hatcher, and the Panthers took a 31-21 lead into the locker room.

The offensive firepower continued in the second half for both teams.

Bayless' third touchdown catch of the game pulled the Red Wolves within 38-35 with 10 minutes to play, but Ellington and the Panthers responded with a 75-yard touchdown drive, capped by a 1-yard run by Coates, to reestablish a 10-point advantage with 6:30 left.

Bayless, the nation's leading receiver, finished 154 yards on eight catches and three touchdown catches. Quarterback Layne Hatcher went 21-of-32 in the air for 299 yards and four touchdown passes.

ARKANSAS STATE	.....0	21	7	10	—	34
GEORGIA STATE	.....7	24	7	14	—	37

SCORING SUMMARY

1st 9:41	GSU - Barnett, Tra 3 yd run (Wright, Brandon kick), 12-75 5:19
2nd 14:55	GSU - Coates, Destin 27 yd run (Wright, Brandon kick), 8-89 2:47
8:56	GSU - Paige, Seth 7 yd run (Wright, Brandon kick), 8-80 3:33
8:00	ASU - Merritt, Kirk 24 yd pass from Hatcher, Layne (Grupe, Blake kick), 3-75 0:56
5:44	GSU - Wright, Brandon 43 yd field goal, 8-49 2:16
4:40	ASU - Murray, Marcel 28 yd run (Grupe, Blake kick), 3-75 1:04
1:38	GSU - Pinckney, Sam 11 yd pass from Ellington, Dan (Wright, Brandon kick), 9-75 3:02
0:47	ASU - Bayless, Omar 31 yd pass from Hatcher, Layne (Grupe, Blake kick), 5-59 0:51
3rd 10:26	GSU - Ellington, Dan 10 yd run (Wright, Brandon kick), 6-90 2:21
4:21	ASU - Bayless, Omar 4 yd pass from Hatcher, Layne (Grupe, Blake kick), 4-80 1:05
4th 10:30	ASU - Bayless, Omar 5 yd pass from Hatcher, Layne (Grupe, Blake kick), 9-68 3:07
6:30	GSU - Coates, Destin 1 yd run (Wright, Brandon kick), 8-75 4:00
4:27	ASU - Grupe, Blake 44 yd field goal, 7-48 2:03
2:05	GSU - Coates, Destin 2 yd run (Wright, Brandon kick), 4-75 2:22
Attendance—16,109	

TEAM STATISTICS	ASU	GSU
FIRST DOWNS	.....22	39
RUSHES-YARDS (NET)	.....22-115	58-340
PASSING YDS (NET)	.....306	382
Passes Att-Comp-Int	.....34-22-2	41-29-0
TOTAL OFFENSE PLAYS-YARDS	.....56-421	99-722
Fumble Returns-Yards	.....0-0	0-0
Punt Returns-Yards	.....3-46	1-10
Kickoff Returns-Yards	.....4-113	0-0
Interception Returns-Yards	.....0-0	2-4
Punts (Number-Avg)	.....5-49.0	4-38.5
Fumbles-Lost	.....2-0	0-0
Penalties-Yards	.....9-85	10-124
Possession Time	.....20:41	39:19
Third-Down Conversions	.....4 of 12	7 of 14
Fourth-Down Conversions	.....1 of 1	1 of 1
Red-Zone Scores-Chances	.....2-2	6-7
Sacks By: Number-Yards	.....1-9	3-14

RUSHING

ASU: Murray, Marcel 6-58; Azubuike, I. 5-45; Merritt, Kirk 1-9; Hatcher, Layne 10-3.
GSU: Barnett, Tra 14-139; Ellington, Dan 19-69; Paige, Seth 9-68; Coates, Destin 15-66; TEAM 1-minus 2.

PASSING

ASU: Hatcher, Layne 21-32-2-299; Coates, Carson 1-2-0-7.
GSU: Ellington, Dan 29-41-0-382.

RECEIVING

ASU: Merritt, Kirk 9-84; Bayless, Omar 8-154; Adams, Jonathan 2-48; Murray, Marcel 1-7; Chatman, DJ 1-7; Bowling, B. 1-6.
GSU: Pinckney, Sam 9-120; McCoy, Cornelius 8-107; Ifedi, Jonathan 5-78; Carter, Roger 2-45; Thrash, Jamari 2-17; Barnett, Tra 2-10; Marshall, Matlin 1-5.

INTERCEPTIONS

ASU: None.
GSU: Stephens-McQueen, Trajan 1-4; Gore, Tyler 1-0.

GEORGIA STATE 31, COASTAL CAROLINA 21

Game 6: Oct. 12, 2019 • 5 p.m. (ESPN+) Brooks Stadium • Conway, S.C.

Behind a career-high 128 yards rushing from senior quarterback Dan Ellington and a school-record 350 yards on the ground, Georgia State earned a key Sun Belt Conference road victory at Coastal Carolina 31-21 Saturday night at Brooks Stadium.

After setting a school-record with 340 rushing yards last week, Georgia State (4-2, 2-1 Sun Belt) broke the record with 350 yards on the ground Saturday. It marked the first time in program history where three different rushers each went for more than 100 yards on the ground as Tra Barnett and Seth Paige joined Ellington with 100-yard games.

Ellington rushed 19 times for 128 yards, including a long of 57 yards, while also going 16-of-24 for 122 yards and a touchdown through the air. Barnett rushed 20 times for 110 yards and two touchdowns, while Paige added 104 yards on 13 carries including a touchdown.

The Georgia State defense held a potent Coastal Carolina rushing attack to just 105 yards and came up with several key plays, including two stops for no gain on 3rd-and-1 and 4th-and-1 at the GSU 8-yard line with three minutes left to seal the win.

"What a performance by our defense. They really rose to the occasion and stopped them on fourth down," head coach Shawn Elliott said. "I'm very proud of our football team and our coaching staff for winning this game. It's going to be a happy ride back to Atlanta."

Ellington also praised the defense, as well as his offensive line, which has paved the way for 690 yards rushing over the last two games.

"Credit to the defense for playing their butts off," he said. "And I've got to give it to those guys up front. Back to back weeks with 350 yards rushing - I can't thank them enough."

With his 128-yard effort tonight, Ellington topped the 1,000-yard rushing mark for his career; he now has 1,066 yards on the ground.

The first 18 minutes of the game saw just three field goals as Coastal Carolina took a 6-3 lead with 12 minutes left in the second quarter. For GSU, Brandon Wright nailed a 38-yard field goal that was set up by Terry Thomas' fumble recovery at the CCU 44-yard line.

Less than two minutes later, Georgia State took its first lead as the Panthers needed just four plays to move 75 yards, thanks to Seth Paige's 46-yard touchdown run down the left sideline. That put GSU ahead 10-6 with 10:46 to play in the first half.

The GSU defense forced a three-and-out, and the Panthers took over at their 30 and embarked on another touchdown drive. All but 15 of the 70 yards came on the ground. Tra Barnett had a key third-down conversion for a first down at the 20, and on 3rd-and-goal at the 3-yard line, Ellington threw a quick pass in the flat to Cornelius McCoy, who fought his way into the end zone for the score, giving the Panthers a 17-6 lead with 1:51 left in the first half.

Coastal Carolina took the opening kickoff of the second half and drove for a touchdown, but the Panthers responded with back to back scoring

drives of 75 and 74 yards, both capped by Barnett runs, to take a 31-13 lead with two minutes left in the third quarter.

The Chanticleers cut the deficit to 10 points after converting a short field, the result of a poor punt, into a touchdown with 10 minutes to play. But Georgia State's special teams then came up with a big play as Keon Carter recovered a fumbled punt at the CCU 19, and then the defense made their late stand.

With two rushing touchdowns, covering 26 and two yards, Barnett raised his career total to 12 to move into a tie for second place in GSU history, just one behind the school record.

GEORGIA STATE	.....3	14	14	0	—	31
COASTAL CAROLINA	.....3	3	7	8	—	21

SCORING SUMMARY

1st 6:25	GSU - Wright, Brandon 38 yd field goal, 8-23 3:35
2:23	CCU - Biscardi, M. 38 yd field goal, 9-55 4:02
2nd 12:18	CCU - Biscardi, M. 21 yd field goal, 7-39 3:03
10:46	GSU - Paige, Seth 46 yd run (Wright, Brandon kick), 4-75 1:32
1:51	GSU - McCoy, Cornelius 3 yd pass from Ellington, Dan (Wright, Brandon kick), 15-70 6:22
3rd 10:45	CCU - Heiligh, J. 20 yd pass from Carpenter, B. (Biscardi, M. kick), 9-75 4:15
7:22	GSU - Barnett, Tra 26 yd run (Wright, Brandon kick), 9-75 3:23
2:44	GSU - Barnett, Tra 2 yd run (Wright, Brandon kick), 7-74 2:59
4th 10:34	CCU - Marable, CJ 5 yd pass from Carpenter, B. (Tyler, KyJon rush), 6-23 2:55
Attendance—17,249	

TEAM STATISTICS	GSU	CCU
FIRST DOWNS	.....22	15
RUSHES-YARDS (NET)	.....56-350	27-105
PASSING YDS (NET)	.....122	217
Passes Att-Comp-Int	.....24-16-1	31-19-0
TOTAL OFFENSE PLAYS-YARDS	.....80-472	58-322
Fumble Returns-Yards	.....0-0	0-0
Punt Returns-Yards	.....1-(-2)	1-10
Kickoff Returns-Yards	.....0-0	1-12
Interception Returns-Yards	.....0-0	1-19
Punts (Number-Avg)	.....4-23.2	5-42.2
Fumbles-Lost	.....1-0	4-2
Penalties-Yards	.....2-18	7-65
Possession Time	.....34:59	25:01
Third-Down Conversions	.....10 of 19	4 of 14
Fourth-Down Conversions	.....2 of 2	2 of 3
Red-Zone Scores-Chances	.....2-3	4-5
Sacks By: Number-Yards	.....1-10	2-20

RUSHING

GSU: Ellington, Dan 19-128; Barnett, Tra 20-110; Paige, Seth 13-104; Marshall, Matlin 1-5; Coates, Destin 2-5; TEAM 1-minus 2.
CCU: Payton, F. 7-31; Carpenter, B. 4-29; Bedgood, A. 1-19; Marable, CJ 10-15; Hairston, J. 4-11; TEAM 1-0.

PASSING

GSU: Ellington, Dan 16-24-1-122.
CCU: Payton, F. 10-17-0-99; Carpenter, B. 9-14-0-118.

RECEIVING

GSU: McCoy, Cornelius 4-12; Ifedi, Jonathan 3-47; Pinckney, Sam 3-41; Gentry, Devin 2-8; Carter, Roger 1-8; Coates, Destin 1-3; Barnett, Tra 1-3; Marshall, Matlin 1-0.
CCU: Heiligh, J. 6-73; Marable, CJ 3-48; Tyler, KyJon 3-22; Likely, I. 2-40; Bedgood, A. 2-13; Williams, J. 1-13; Bell, S. 1-5; Holmes, T. 1-3.

INTERCEPTIONS

GSU: None. CCU: Spillum, A. 1-19.

GEORGIA STATE 28, ARMY 21

Game 7: Oct. 19, 2019 • 7 p.m. (ESPN+)
Georgia State Stadium • Atlanta, Ga.

Dan Ellington threw the go-ahead, 8-yard touchdown pass to tight end Aubry Payne with 7:41 to play and the Georgia State defense made a fourth-down stop to seal the Panthers' third straight victory, 28-21 over Army on a rainy night at Georgia State Stadium.

After Payne's catch, his fifth touchdown of the season, and Roger Carter's two-point conversion catch put the Panthers (5-2, 2-1 Sun Belt), Army drove inside the GSU 30-yard line with under two minutes to play. On 3rd-and-4 at the 28, Remy Lazarus and Quavian White made a stop for no gain, and then on fourth down, White intercepted Army (3-4) quarterback Kelvin Hopkins Jr. near the goal line.

"The effort and toughness we had to go out there and beat this Army team was a joy to watch," head coach Shawn Elliott said. "I tried to tell them before the game when you face an offense like those guys present, it is going to be a tough and physical ball game.

"That Army bunch is a tough outfit. I am so glad to get that one behind us with a great victory and I'm so proud our team and we are sitting here at 5-2."

Ellington passed for 232 yards and three touchdowns, while senior Tra Barnett rushed for 108 yards on 17 carries for his third straight 100-yard game, a first in Georgia State history. He also scored his 13th career rushing touchdown to tie the Panthers' career mark.

Leading the way for the Georgia State defense against Army's triple option was junior linebacker Trajan Stephens-McQueen, who set a school record with 20 tackles, including 10 solo stops. Lazarus had a fumble recovery and a key pass breakup, and noseguard Dontae Wilson added 10 tackles.

"Let's just talk about the entire defense," Elliott said. "That's such a tough offense to face, especially with only four days to prepare. The entire defense was phenomenal."

With the game tied at 14-14 at the half, Army drove 75 yards for a touchdown on its first possession of the second half. Georgia State responded with a 75-yard drive of its own, capped by Barnett's 1-yard scoring run. But a missed extra point left GSU trailing 21-20 late in the third quarter.

The GSU defense then forced a punt, and the Panthers took over at their own 19 to begin their game-winning drive. Ellington converted on 4th-and-1 at the GSU 28 with a 4-yard run and then hit Payne for a 29-yard completion down to the Army 39. Four straight runs by Barnett gave GSU a first down at the 14, and then Ellington hit Jonathan Ifedi for six yards before the touchdown to Payne.

"That's a magician over there," Lazarus said, pointing to Ellington. "I don't know how he does what he does, but I'm glad he's on our team and not anybody else in the country's team. He comes to play every day in practice, and the guy you see in the game is the guy you see in practice every day."

Ellington connected with redshirt freshman Sam Pinckney for two touchdown yards in the first half, but Army answered with a pair of short touchdown runs by Sandon McCoy.

The Panthers first touchdown came on the second possession, after Army tried a fake punt on 4th-and-8 from the GSU 43. Ellington needed just four plays for the touchdown, hitting Cornelius McCoy from 24 yards out to put GSU up 7-0 midway through the first quarter.

Georgia State's second touchdown was set up by an Army turnover as Victor Heyward caused a fumble that Remy Lazarus recovered at the Army

46. Three plays later, Pinckney caught his second touchdown, this time from 24 yards, and GSU led 14-7 midway through the second quarter.

But Army drove 75 yards on 12 plays, chewing up 6:26 on the clock, before scoring with 1:15 left as the teams entered the locker room tied at 14-14.

Connor Slomka led Army with 10 rushes for 89 yards, while Sandon McCoy rushed 19 times for 71 yards.

The Black Knights controlled the clock with more than 38 minutes of possession and went 6-of-8 on fourth down.

ARMY.....	7	7	7	0	—	21
GEORGIA STATE.....	7	7	6	8	—	28

SCORING SUMMARY

1st	7:47	GSU - Pinckney, Sam 24 yd pass from Ellington, Dan (Wright, Brandon kick), 4-57 1:22
	2:18	ARMY - McCoy, Sandon 2 yd run (Talley, Cole kick), 9-75 5:29
2nd	7:41	GSU - Pinckney, Sam 12 yd pass from Ellington, Dan (Wright, Brandon kick), 3-46 1:08
	1:15	ARMY - McCoy, Sandon 8 yd run (Talley, Cole kick), 12-75 6:26
3rd	8:17	ARMY - Moy, Jalen 16 yd run (Talley, Cole kick), 12-75 6:43
	1:48	GSU - Barnett, Tra 1 yd run (Wright, Brandon kick failed), 16-75 6:29
4th	7:41	GSU - Payne, Aubry 8 yd pass from Ellington, Dan (Carter, Roger pass from Ellington, Dan), 11-81 5:28
Attendance—21,720		

TEAM STATISTICS	ARMY	GSU
FIRST DOWNS	20	23
RUSHES-YARDS (NET)	61-278	32-147
PASSING YDS (NET)	65	232
Passes Att-Comp-Int	11-6-1	28-20-0
TOTAL OFFENSE PLAYS-YARDS	72-343	60-379
Fumble Returns-Yards	0-0	0-0
Punt Returns-Yards	0-0	0-0
Kickoff Returns-Yards	0-0	0-0
Interception Returns-Yards	0-0	1-27
Punts (Number-Avg)	1-40.0	0-0.0
Fumbles-Lost	2-1	1-1
Penalties-Yards	3-25	1-5
Possession Time	38:08	21:52
Third-Down Conversions	6 of 15	6 of 10
Fourth-Down Conversions	6 of 8	1 of 2
Red-Zone Scores-Chances	3-3	3-4
Sacks By: Number-Yards	0-0	0-0

RUSHING

ARMY: Slomka, Connor 10-89; McCoy, Sandon 19-71; Hopkins Jr., K. 20-70; Buchanan, J. 5-18; Moy, Jalen 1-16; Walker, Kell 3-10; Walters, B. 1-3; Hobbs, Artice 1-1; Hancock, Malik 1-0.
 GSU: Barnett, Tra 17-108; Ellington, Dan 10-39; Paige, Seth 3-4; TEAM 2-minus 4.

PASSING

ARMY: Hopkins Jr., K. 6-10-1-65; Potter, Zach 0-1-0-0.
 GSU: Ellington, Dan 20-28-0-232.

RECEIVING

ARMY: Harrison, C. 4-58; Hobbs, Artice 2-7.
 GSU: McCoy, Cornelius 7-66; Ifedi, Jonathan 4-31; Payne, Aubry 3-43; Carter, Roger 2-39; Pinckney, Sam 2-36; Gentry, Devin 1-15; Barnett, Tra 1-2.

INTERCEPTIONS

ARMY: None. GSU: White, Quavian 1-27.

GEORGIA STATE 52, TROY 33

Game 8: Oct. 26, 2019 • 7 p.m. (ESPN+)
Georgia State Stadium • Atlanta, Ga.

Tra Barnett rushed for 242 yards to set Georgia State records for rushing yards in a game, season and career and lead the Panthers to their fourth straight game and bowl eligibility for the third time in five years with a 52-33 victory over Troy Saturday night at Georgia State Stadium.

GSU piled up a school-record 390 yards rushing as a team, breaking the school record for the third time in four games. The Panthers (6-2, 3-1 Sun Belt) remained undefeated (4-0) at home this year while Troy fell to 3-4 and 1-2 in Sun Belt play.

"What a tremendous effort by our football team," head coach Shawn Elliott said. "Everyone is probably saying we are bowl eligible, but to tell you the truth, I do not want to even think about bowl eligibility. If we achieve what I think we can achieve in practice and preparation, we have a chance to go fight for this championship. I will challenge our football team. I want them to understand we have the capability to compete for it.

"As I sit here tonight, we have an opportunity to do so much more than go to a bowl game, that is why I am so proud."

Barnett's 242 yards shattered the school record of 201 yards by Russell vs. Rhode Island in 2012. He broke the record with a 41-yard touchdown run on 4th-and-1 with one minute to play to seal the victory.

In doing so, the senior from Elberton, Ga., became Georgia State's career rushing leader with 1,631 yards, passing Travis Evans (1,500, 2010-13). His two touchdowns give him sole possession of the GSU career record for rushing touchdowns with 15.

With 928 yards on the year, Barnett also broke the Georgia State single-season record previously held by Russell (747 in 2012).

"Talk about a guy who fought to get in that backfield," Elliott said. "To see him go out there and do those things, it makes our entire team smile. I think he is setting records that will last for a while, and he is still not finished. He has a great group that helps him, our tight ends, our offensive line, our quarterback, our defense, and everyone. I am very proud of what he stands for, who he is, and how he comes to work."

Quarterback Dan Ellington accounted for four touchdowns, going 18-of-25 for 189 yards passing and two touchdowns while rushing 11 times for 32 yards and two scores.

Leading 28-14 at the half, Georgia State extended its lead on its first possession of the second half with an 80-yard drive that covered 16 plays and seven minutes on the clock as Ellington scored from one yard out to give GSU a 35-21 lead with four minutes to play in the third quarter.

After a Troy touchdown, Georgia State answered with Brandon Wright's 29-yard field goal. But the Trojans needed less than two minutes to score another touchdown and pull within 38-27 with nine minutes to play.

Ellington directed another long drive as the Panthers drove 75 yards on 13 plays for Roger Carter's 4-yard touchdown catch, eating up another five minutes to give GSU a 45-27 lead with 3:51 left.

Reggie Todd's 79-yard kickoff return set up another Troy touchdown, but the Panthers recovered the ensuing on-sides kick, and Barnett put an exclamation point on the win with a 41-yard touchdown run with 1:04 to play.

Georgia State opened the game with a 75-yard touchdown drive on its first possession, capped by Ellington's 19-yard touchdown run, to take a quick 7-0 lead four minutes into the game.

After Troy tied the score, the Panthers scored

on back-to-back possessions. Ellington connected with tight end Aubry Payne, who caught a tipped ball over the middle and raced for the end zone for a 40-yard touchdown and a 14-7 lead with 10 minutes left in the second quarter. For Payne, that is his team-leading sixth touchdown catch in seven games.

The Panthers got a fourth-down stop and took over at their 35-yard line. On the first play, Paige took the handoff from Ellington and raced 65 yards, dragging tacklers into the end zone for the score. The sophomore running back has two of the five longest runs in school history; he set the GSU record with a 82-yard touchdown last season vs. ULM.

Leading 21-14, Ellington directed a nine-play, 75-yard touchdown drive, capped by Barnett's 5-yard scoring run, to take a 28-14 lead with 3:28 left in the half.

Twice in the first half after Troy drove into GSU territory, the Panther defense came up with third-down sacks by Terry Thomas and Victor Heyward to keep the Trojans off the scoreboard.

TROY	0	14	0	19	—	33
GEORGIA STATE	7	21	7	17	—	52

SCORING SUMMARY

1st 11:08	GSU - Ellington, Dan 19 yd run (Wright, Brandon kick), 10-75 3:52
2nd 12:19	TROY - Billingsley, DK 10 yd run (Sumpter, Tyler kick), 9-83 3:31
10:33	GSU - Payne, Aubry 40 yd pass from Ellington, Dan (Wright, Brandon kick), 5-75 1:46
8:14	GSU - Paige, Seth 65 yd run (Wright, Brandon kick), 1-65 0:13
6:20	TROY - Billingsley, DK 2 yd run (Sumpter, Tyler kick), 4-70 1:46
2:52	GSU - Barnett, Tra 5 yd run (Wright, Brandon kick), 9-75 3:28
3rd 4:05	GSU - Ellington, Dan 1 yd run (Wright, Brandon kick), 16-80 6:55
4th 14:51	TROY - Lewis, A.J. 23 yd pass from Barker, Kaleb (Sumpter, Tyler kick), 11-98 4:14
10:52	GSU - Wright, Brandon 29 yd field goal, 8-31 3:59
9:03	TROY - Billingsley, DK 1 yd run (Whittemore, L. pass failed), 6-75 1:49
3:51	GSU - Carter, Roger 4 yd pass from Ellington, Dan (Wright, Brandon kick), 13-75 5:12
2:47	TROY - McClain, Khalil 7 yd pass from Barker, Kaleb (Barker, Kaleb pass failed), 4-21 0:51
1:04	GSU - Barnett, Tra 41 yd run (Brown, Barry kick), 4-50 1:43
Attendance—14,527	

TEAM STATISTICS	TROY	GSU
FIRST DOWNS	25	30
RUSHES-YARDS (NET)	23-96	57-390
PASSING YDS (NET)	421	189
Passes Att-Comp-Int	46-34-0	25-18-1
TOTAL OFFENSE PLAYS-YARDS	69-517	82-579
Fumble Returns-Yards	0-0	0-0
Punt Returns-Yards	1-5	1-5
Kickoff Returns-Yards	6-139	0-0
Interception Returns-Yards	1-3	0-0
Punts (Number-Avg)	3-35.7	2-52.5
Fumbles-Lost	2-0	0-0
Penalties-Yards	2-20	3-35
Possession Time	25:32	34:28
Third-Down Conversions	8 of 13	10 of 16
Fourth-Down Conversions	0 of 1	2 of 2
Red-Zone Scores-Chances	4-4	5-5
Sacks By: Number-Yards	1-10	4-33

RUSHING

TROY: Billingsley, DK 9-81; Daughtry-Frye 5-20; Barker, Kaleb 9-minus 5.
GSU: Barnett, Tra 34-242; Paige, Seth 9-109; Ellington, Dan 11-32; McCoy, Cornelius 1-4; Gregg, Tucker 2-3.

PASSING

TROY: Barker, Kaleb 34-45-0-421; Whittemore, L. 0-1-0-0.
GSU: Ellington, Dan 18-25-1-189.

RECEIVING

TROY: McClain, Khalil 8-128; Geiger, Kaylon 7-47; Clark, Bret 5-53; Eafford, Tray 3-90; Todd, Reggie 3-39; Billingsley, DK 2-18; Letton, Sam 2-8; Lewis, A.J. 1-23; Gibson, Timmie 1-12; Whittemore, L. 1-5; Daughtry-Frye 1-minus 2.
GSU: Pinckney, Sam 5-40; Carter, Roger 4-39; McCoy, Cornelius 3-27; Payne, Aubry 2-51; Gentry, Devin 2-17; Marshall, Matlin 1-13; Barnett, Tra 1-2.

INTERCEPTIONS

TROY: Hayes, Jarvis 1-3. GSU: None.

ULM 45, GEORGIA STATE 31

Game 9: Nov. 9, 2019 • 5 p.m. ET (ESPN+) Malone Stadium • Monroe, La.

Despite a school-record 414 rushing yards, Georgia State fell on the road to ULM 45-31 at Malone Stadium on Saturday night, snapping the Panthers' four-game winning streak.

Tra Barnett rushed for 190 yards—the third-highest single-game total in school history—on 32 attempts for his fifth-straight 100-yard game and the seventh of his career, another GSU record. He became the first 1,000-yard rusher in school history and broke another GSU record by scoring his 10th touchdown of the season.

Georgia State (6-3, 3-2 Sun Belt) played without senior quarterback Dan Ellington in the second half after he sustained an injury with seconds to play in the first half. Ellington went 5-of-10 for 42 yards and rushed nine times for 91 yards and a touchdown in the first 30 minutes.

"It's a disappointing loss. We didn't make enough stops and we certainly didn't outscore them," head coach Shawn Elliott said. "We've got to get a lot of guys healthy. It was a tough game for us from an injury standpoint, but we've got a lot left to play for. We'll keep our heads high and push forward. I certainly don't fault the effort."

True freshman quarterback Cornelious Brown, pressed into service for his first significant action of the season, came in and passed for 80 yards in the second half while rushing twice for 14 yards.

"Ultimately, he's going to be a fantastic quarterback, but when you get thrown into the fire like that without a whole lot of game reps, there's going to be some good and bad," Elliott said. "He did everything he could tonight, and I was proud of him."

Sophomore Destin Coates rushed eight times for 109 yards, his first 100-yard game as GSU had multiple 100-yard rushers for the third time this season. Coates is the fourth different Panther to top the century mark this season.

With 414 yards on the ground, the Panthers broke their school record for the fourth time in the last five games.

Caleb Evans led ULM (4-5, 3-2 Sun Belt) going 24-of-32 for 291 yards and three touchdowns. Josh Johnson led the Warhawks on the ground rushing 20 times for 168 yards and two touchdowns.

"We've got to play better defensively," Elliott said. "They're a fantastic offensive football team, but we couldn't tackle tonight and didn't have an answer for about anything they did."

The first half featured 48 points and eight lead changes as the teams alternated scores, beginning with Brandon Wright's 39-yard field goal on Georgia State's first possession and ending with Jared Porter's 31-yard field for ULM that tied the game at 24-24 with 43 seconds left in the half.

In between, Georgia State scored touchdowns on a 37-yard run by Coates, a 40-yard run by Ellington and a 1-yard plunge by Barnett.

Each team scored a touchdown in the third quarter to tie the score at 31-31 before the Warhawks took the lead for good midway through the fourth quarter.

The Panthers had one last chance, taking over at their own 27 with 5:57 left but turned the ball over on downs, and ULM scored for the final 45-31 margin.

GEORGIA STATE	10	14	7	0	—	31
ULM	14	20	7	14	—	45

SCORING SUMMARY

1st 9:26	GSU - Wright, Brandon 39 yd field goal, 12-45 3:38
5:59	ULM - Evans, Caleb 16 yd run (Porter, Jared kick), 9-77 3:27
3:25	GSU - Coates, Destin 37 yd run (Wright, Brandon kick), 7-75 2:34
1:47	ULM - Pederson, Josh 43 yd pass from Evans, Caleb (Porter, Jared kick), 5-94 1:38
2nd 12:54	GSU - Ellington, Dan 40 yd run (Wright, Brandon kick), 3-59 0:45
9:28	ULM - Johnson, Josh 10 yd run (Porter, Jared kick), 9-75 3:26
4:50	GSU - Barnett, Tra 1 yd run (Wright, Brandon kick), 12-75 4:38
0:43	ULM - Porter, Jared 31 yd field goal, 11-61 4:07
3rd 11:16	ULM - Johnson, Josh 30 yd run (Porter, Jared kick), 3-82 0:53
8:24	GSU - Barnett, Tra 7 yd run (Wright, Brandon kick), 8-75 2:52
4th 7:40	ULM - McCray, Markis 1 yd pass from Evans, Caleb (Porter, Jared kick), 11-65 5:02
2:46	ULM - McCray, Markis 14 yd pass from Evans, Caleb (Porter, Jared kick), 5-28 2:30
Attendance—13,213	

TEAM STATISTICS

	GSU	ULM
FIRST DOWNS	27	28
RUSHES-YARDS (NET)	53-414	46-299
PASSING YDS (NET)	122	291
Passes Att-Comp-Int	28-13-0	33-24-1
TOTAL OFFENSE PLAYS-YARDS	81-536	79-590
Fumble Returns-Yards	0-0	0-0
Punt Returns-Yards	0-0	0-0
Kickoff Returns-Yards	0-0	3-42
Interception Returns-Yards	1-1	0-0
Punts (Number-Avg)	2-32.0	2-34.0
Fumbles-Lost	1-1	1-0
Penalties-Yards	3-25	6-40
Possession Time	26:05	33:55
Third-Down Conversions	8 of 15	9 of 15
Fourth-Down Conversions	1 of 3	1 of 1
Red-Zone Scores-Chances	2-3	5-6
Sacks By: Number-Yards	0-0	1-3

RUSHING

GSU: Barnett, Tra 32-190; Coates, Destin 9-119; Ellington, Dan 9-91; Brown, Cornelious 3-14.
ULM-Johnson, Josh 20-168; Evans, Caleb 16-110; Vaughn, Austin 7-21; White, Kayin 1-3; TEAM 2-minus 3.

PASSING

GSU: Brown, Cornelious 8-18-0-80; Ellington, Dan 5-10-0-42.
ULM-Evans, Caleb 24-32-1-291; Pederson, Josh 0-1-0-0..

RECEIVING

GSU: McCoy, Cornelius 5-38; Ifedi, Jonathan 2-18; Gentry, Devin 2-14; Carter, Roger 2-9; Pinckney, Sam 1-31; Coates, Destin 1-12.
ULM-McCray, Markis 7-35; Jackson, Zach 5-91; Hodoh, Jonathan 3-34; Jackson, Malik 3-23; Carter, Perry 2-49; Pederson, Josh 2-48; Johnson, Josh 1-8; Vaughn, Austin 1-3.

INTERCEPTIONS

GSU: Heyward, Victor 1-1. ULM: None

APP STATE 56, GEORGIA STATE 27

Game 10: Nov. 16, 2019 • 7:30 p.m. (ESPN)
Georgia State Stadium • Atlanta, Ga.

Georgia State fell 56-27 to No. 24 Appalachian State Saturday night at Georgia State Stadium in the first visit by a nationally-ranked opponent to the Panthers' home field.

Quarterback Dan Ellington, who sustained a knee injury in last week's game that, gave the Panthers (6-4, 3-3 Sun Belt) a lift with his presence and led helped Georgia State to a 21-7 lead late in the first half, but App State scored 28 straight points to take a 35-21 lead into the locker room.

"What a great opportunity for us to come in here and play against a great football team," head coach Shawn Elliott said. "I thought the first 26 minutes of the first half were a great contest. It was a battle. You have 14 crazy points that take a 21-21 game and turn it into a 14-point lead going into halftime. We really could not recover."

Destin Coates led the Panthers with 97 rushing yards on seven attempts and a touchdown, while Tra Barnett rushed 17 times for 90 yards.

Ellington, with limited mobility, went 12-of-27 for 88 yards through the air, but was limited to two rushes for minus-7 yards.

"As disappointed as I am talking to you about the outcome of that game, we all witnessed something tonight that was incredible," Elliott said. "I hope you paid attention."

"For Dan Ellington to take the field tonight and do the things he did was extraordinary, nothing short of amazing what that young man did. He didn't do it for himself. It was not selfish. He did it for the guys in the locker room and for the coaching staff. It is truly a testament to who that man is."

App State (9-1, 5-1 Sun Belt) quarterback Zac Thomas threw for 256 yards and four touchdowns, three of them caught by Corey Sutton caught three touchdowns passes. Darrynton Evans rushed for 131 yards on 18 carries to lead the Mountaineers, who are ranked No. 24 in the coaches' poll and No. 25 in the CFP rankings.

Georgia State started the scoring on its second possession of the game as Ellington drove the Panthers 84 yards on nine plays, highlighted by Tra Barnett's 44-yard run down to the 15-yard line. Four plays later, on 3rd down, Ellington hit Gentry with a swing pass for a 4-yard touchdown and a 7-0 lead with eight minutes left in the first half.

After App State tied the game, the Panthers scored twice in less than a minute.

First, Coates broke through the middle for a 67-yard touchdown run, the Panthers' longest run of the season and the fourth-longest run in GSU history.

On App State's ensuing possession, sophomore safety Chris Bacon intercepted Thomas and returned it 34 yards for Georgia State's first defensive touchdown of the season and a 21-7 lead with 1:38 to play in the first quarter.

With the game tied at 21 late in the first half, App State scored two touchdowns off Ellington interceptions, both by cornerback Shaun Jolly. Jolly returned the first pick 30 yards for a touchdown, and then his second one set up Evans' 1-yard TD with 33 seconds left in the half, giving the Mountaineers a 35-21 lead.

APPALACHIAN STATE.....	14	21	7	14	—	56
GEORGIA STATE.....	21	0	0	6	—	27

SCORING SUMMARY

1st 8:20 GSU - Gentry, Devin 4 yd pass from Ellington, Dan (Wright, Brandon kick), 9-84 3:01
 5:13 APP - Sutton, Corey 12 yd pass from Thomas, Zac (Staton, C. kick), 8-89 3:07

2:21 GSU - Coates, Destin 67 yd run (Wright, Brandon kick), 3-81 1:07
 1:38 GSU - Bacon, Chris 34 yd interception return (Wright, Brandon kick)
 0:09 APP - Sutton, Corey 20 yd pass from Thomas, Zac (Staton, C. kick), 5-75 1:29
 2nd 6:20 APP - Thomas, Zac 3 yd run (Staton, C. kick), 10-55 4:44
 2:18 APP - Jolly, Shaun 30 yd interception return (Staton, C. kick)
 0:22 APP - Evans, D. 1 yd pass from Thomas, Zac (Staton, C. kick), 5-48 0:33
 3rd 5:58 APP - Evans, D. 29 yd run (Staton, C. kick), 4-73 1:43
 4th 14:55 APP - Sutton, Corey 24 yd pass from Thomas, Zac (Staton, C. kick), 7-51 3:30
 11:04 APP - Anderson, R. 5 yd run (Staton, C. kick), 4-62 2:05
 5:35 GSU - Gregg, Tucker 20 yd run (Brown, Barry kick failed), 3-63 1:01

Attendance—17,908

TEAM STATISTICS	APP	GSU
FIRST DOWNS	25	13
RUSHES-YARDS (NET)	46-280	31-186
PASSING YDS (NET)	273	138
Passes Att-Comp-Int	34-21-1	32-15-2
TOTAL OFFENSE PLAYS-YARDS	80-553	63-324
Fumble Returns-Yards	0-0	0-0
Punt Returns-Yards	4-34	1-0
Kickoff Returns-Yards	1-5	1-9
Interception Returns-Yards	2-30	1-34
Punts (Number-Avg)	7-39.4	9-42.1
Fumbles-Lost	1-0	2-1
Penalties-Yards	3-35	2-20
Possession Time	36:50	23:10
Third-Down Conversions	5 of 15	4 of 15
Fourth-Down Conversions	1 of 1	0 of 1
Red-Zone Scores-Chances	5-5	2-2
Sacks By: Number-Yards	1-8	1-1

RUSHING

APP: Evans, D. 18-131; Thomas, Zac 6-52; Williams, Marc. 9-51; Anderson, R. 10-48; Williams, Malik 1-2; TEAM 2-minus 4.
 GSU: Coates, Destin 7-97; Barnett, Tra 17-90; Gregg, Tucker 2-20; Brown, Cornelious 1-1; Ellington, Dan 2-minus 7; TEAM 2-minus 15.

PASSING

APP: Thomas, Zac 19-31-1-256; Huesman, Jacob 2-2-0-17; Anderson, R. 0-1-0-0.
 GSU: Ellington, Dan 12-27-2-88; Brown, Cornelious 3-5-0-50.

RECEIVING

APP: Sutton, Corey 8-173; Williams, Malik 6-45; Virgil, Jalen 2-23; Hennigan, T. 2-14; Watson, K. 1-13; Casey, Ryker 1-4; Evans, D. 1-1.
 GSU: Gentry, Devin 4-32; McCoy, Cornelious 3-22; Barnett, Tra 3-3; Thompson, Cadarius 1-34; Payne, Aubry 1-25; Marshall, Matlin 1-12; Ifedi, Jonathan 1-6; Grier, Donavon 1-4.

INTERCEPTIONS

APP: Jolly, Shaun 2-30. GSU: Bacon, Chris 1-34.

GEORGIA STATE 28, SOUTH ALABAMA 15

Game 11: Nov. 23, 2019 • 2 p.m. (ESPN+)
Georgia State Stadium • Atlanta, Ga.

Tra Barnett rushed for 128 yards and a touchdown and the Georgia State defense turned in a strong performance in a 28-15 victory over South Alabama on Senior Day at Georgia State Stadium, giving the Panthers (7-4, 4-3 Sun Belt) seven victories in the regular season for the first time in the program's 10-year history.

With the win, Georgia State finished with a program-best 5-1 record at Georgia State Stadium.

"First, I would like to say how proud I am of the football team and the 19 seniors who took the field tonight," head coach Shawn Elliott said. "It is amazing to think that we are sitting here with

our seventh win. Seven wins have never been accomplished in the regular season at Georgia State University in ten years of football. We just did it. That is making history.

"There are a couple of things you remember. You always remember the first game you play, the last game you play, and you always remember Senior Day," Elliott continued. "They (the seniors) are going to remember this one. They set another standard. They have an opportunity to set another notch next week and the following."

Barnett, the senior from Elberton, Ga., recorded his seventh 100-yard game of the season and scored his 11th touchdown, both school records. In doing so, he topped the 2,000-yard mark for career rushing, another program first. He now has 2,039 yards.

Quarterback Dan Ellington, playing through a knee injury, completed 21 of 27 passes for 208 yards and two touchdowns. He also ran four times for 12 yards.

His top target today was tight end Roger Carter, who had career highs with seven receptions and 87 yards, including a 4-yard TD.

The GSU defense turned in one of its best performances of the season, holding the Jaguars to 326 yards of offense. Both touchdowns that South Alabama managed came in the final six minutes after GSU began playing backups.

Leading 14-3 at the half, Georgia State pulled away with back-to-back touchdown drives in the third quarter. First, Barnett capped a 75-yard march with a 2-yard scoring plunge to give the Panthers a 21-3 lead with six minutes left in the third quarter.

After the GSU defense forced a three-and-out, the Panthers took over at their 24 and drove 76 yards on 10 plays, capped by Carter's TD. The junior tight end caught a pass in the flat and bulled his way into the end zone for a 28-3 advantage early in the fourth quarter.

South Alabama took the kickoff and drove down the field for a first down at the GSU 15. But four plays netted eight yards as senior defensive end Terry Thomas came up with the fourth-down stop at the GSU 7 that effectively sealed the win.

After an early South Alabama field goal, Georgia State got on the board early in the second quarter with a 13-play, 82-yard drive. Destin Coates ended the march with a 6-yard scoring run to put the Panthers up 7-3 with 13 minutes to play in the half.

On South Alabama's ensuing possession, the GSU defense forced the Jaguars to turn the ball over on downs, the Panthers took over at their own 35-yard line. Ellington directed a 9-play, 65-yard drive, capped by a 5-yard touchdown pass to Devin Gentry, who made a leaping catch in traffic in the corner of the end zone. That gave Georgia State a 14-3 led with six minutes left in the half.

SOUTH ALABAMA.....	3	0	0	12	—	15
GEORGIA STATE.....	0	14	7	7	—	27

SCORING SUMMARY

1st 9:57 USA - Guajardo, Diego 34 yd field goal, 8-29 3:53
 2nd 13:14 GSU - Coates, Destin 6 yd run (Wright, Brandon kick), 13-82 4:36
 6:39 GSU - Gentry, Devin 5 yd pass from Ellington, Dan (Wright, Brandon kick), 9-65 4:17
 3rd 5:52 GSU - Barnett, Tra 2 yd run (Wright, Brandon kick), 7-75 2:52
 4th 14:53 GSU - Carter, Roger 4 yd pass from Ellington, Dan (Brown, Barry kick), 10-76 4:28
 5:56 USA - Wayne, Jalen 20 yd pass from Trotter, Desmond (Guajardo, Diego kick failed), 5-61 1:36
 0:49 USA - Tolbert, Jalen 52 yd pass from Trotter, Desmond (Trotter, Desmond pass failed), 1-52 0:09

Attendance—12,501

TEAM STATISTICS	USA	GSU
FIRST DOWNS	14	24
RUSHES-YARDS (NET)	39-108	48-176
PASSING YDS (NET)	218	208
Passes Att-Comp-Int	25-12-1	27-21-1
TOTAL OFFENSE PLAYS-YARDS	64-326	75-384
Fumble Returns-Yards	0-0	0-0
Punt Returns-Yards	0-0	1-10
Kickoff Returns-Yards	1-55	0-0
Interception Returns-Yards 1-0	1-0	
Punts (Number-Avg)	5-49.6	5-40.6
Fumbles-Lost	2-1	0-0
Penalties-Yards	4-44	3-30
Possession Time	27:27	32:33
Third-Down Conversions	5 of 16	6 of 14
Fourth-Down Conversions	1 of 4	1 of 2
Red-Zone Scores-Chances	2-3	4-4
Sacks By: Number-Yards	0-0	2-18

RUSHING

USA: Minter, Tra 18-70; Trotter, Desmond 14-37; Davis, Carlos 5-10; Wilson, Jared 1-1; TEAM 1-minus 10.
 GSU: Barnett, Tra 23-128; Coates, Destin 11-33; Ellington, Dan 4-12; Gregg, Tucker 4-10; Stubbs, Darius 4-minus 3; TEAM 2-minus 4.

PASSING

USA: Trotter, Desmond 12-25-1-218.
 GSU: Ellington, Dan 21-27-1-208.

RECEIVING

USA: Baker, Kawaan 3-56; Crum, Brandon 3-51; Tolbert, Jalen 2-74; Minter, Tra 2-2; Wayne, Jalen 1-20; Thompson, Nick 1-15.
 GSU: Carter, Roger 7-87; McCoy, Cornelius 7-53; Gentry, Devin 4-27; Coates, Destin 1-19; Marshall, Matlin 1-12; Barnett, Tra 1-10.

INTERCEPTIONS

USA: Rockette, Devin 1-0. GSU: Gore, Tyler 1-0.

GEORGIA SOUTHERN 38, GEORGIA STATE 10

Game 12: Nov. 30, 2019 • 6 p.m. (ESPN+)
 Paulson Stadium • Statesboro, Ga.

Georgia State fell in its regular-season finale, 38-10, at Georgia Southern Saturday night at Paulson Stadium.

With seven victories, Georgia State (7-5, 4-4 Sun Belt) is bowl-eligible for the third time in five years, and bowl selections will be announced on Sunday, Dec. 8, following the conference championship games.

Senior quarterback Dan Ellington, battling a knee injury for the third-straight game went 18-for-27 for 182 yards for the Panthers.

Senior running back Tra Barnett, who became the first Panther to rush for 2,000 career yards one game ago, led Georgia State on the ground with 15 rushes for 53 yards and his 12th touchdown of the season, while sophomore Destin Coates rushed four times for 54 yards.

Senior Brandon Wright booted his 31st career field goal with a 35-yard kick in the third quarter, tying him with current New Orleans Saints' kicker Wil Lutz for the GSU career record.

Georgia State opened the scoring with a nine-play, 86-yard touchdown drive, capped by Barnett's 15-yard scoring run, giving the Panthers a 7-0 lead midway through the first quarter.

Georgia Southern (7-5, 5-3 Sun Belt) responded with a touchdown on its next possession on its way to a 17-7 halftime lead.

The Eagles continued to apply pressure to the Georgia State defense with two more touchdowns in the third and one more in the fourth quarter en route to a second-straight win over the Panthers. The two teams have now split six all-time meetings, but Georgia State lost for the first time in three games in Statesboro.

"We had a hard time protecting Dan, and once we got behind, we didn't have the opportunity to stay with the game plan and run the football," head coach Shawn Elliott said.

"It's very tough to lose like that. We're not playing with all our cards, but that's not an excuse," Elliott continued. "We came here to win the game, and we're disappointed with the way it turned out. But a lot of good things happened in this regular season, and we've got another ballgame to play so we can finish strong."

"We're playing with a gutsy group of guys. I'm not proud of the outcome of course, but I'm very proud of the effort. We'll learn from these struggles and push forward and get better."

Junior quarterback Shai Werts led Georgia Southern's offense, going 7-of-10 through the air for 73 yards, while adding 15 rushes for 55 yards and a touchdown. The Eagles finished the game rushing for 279 yards, led by J.D. King with 107 yards on 16 touches.

GEORGIA STATE.....	7	0	3	0	—	10
GEORGIA SOUTHERN.....	7	10	4	7	—	38

SCORING SUMMARY

1st 7:59 GSU - Barnett, Tra 15 yd run (Wright, Brandon kick), 9-86 3:44
 3:24 GS - S. Werts 11 yd run (T. Bass kick), 8-75 4:35
 2nd 10:00 GS - T. Bass 49 yd field goal, 6-37 3:20
 2:59 GS - J. King 7 yd run (T. Bass kick), 9-73 5:07
 3rd 12:08 GS - W. Kennedy III 13 yd run (T. Bass kick), 5-51 2:37
 3:53 GS - J. King 13 yd run (T. Bass kick), 6-43 3:23
 0:38 GSU - Wright, Brandon 35 yd field goal, 9-57 3:15
 4th 7:06 GS - J. King 30 yd run (T. Bass kick), 7-61 4:07
 Attendance—15,175

TEAM STATISTICS

	GSU	GS
FIRST DOWNS	18	22
RUSHES-YARDS (NET)	37-108	47-279
PASSING YDS (NET)	182	73
Passes Att-Comp-Int	27-18-0	10-7-0
TOTAL OFFENSE PLAYS-YARDS	64-290	57-352
Fumble Returns-Yards	0-0	0-0
Punt Returns-Yards	1-0	1-0
Kickoff Returns-Yards	0-0	1-48
Interception Returns-Yards	0-0	0-0
Punts (Number-Avg)	4-47.5	4-48.8
Fumbles-Lost	0-0	0-0
Penalties-Yards	2-20	2-25
Possession Time	26:21	33:39
Third-Down Conversions	4 of 14	2 of 8
Fourth-Down Conversions	1 of 4	0 of 0
Red-Zone Scores-Chances	2-2	4-4
Sacks By: Number-Yards	1-6	5-34

RUSHING

GSU: Coates, Destin 4-54; Barnett, Tra 15-53; Gregg, Tucker 2-10; Harvey, Kierston 1-1; Ellington, Dan 15-minus 10.
 GS: J. King 16-107; W. Kennedy III 11-78; S. Werts 15-55; M. Murray 1-18; N. Thompson 1-12; G. Green 3-9.

PASSING

GSU: Ellington, Dan 18-27-0-182.
 GS: Werts 7-10-0-73.

RECEIVING

GSU: McCoy, Cornelius 7-89; Gentry, Devin 3-34; Carter, Roger 2-21; Barnett, Tra 2-14; Ifedi, Jonathan 2-4; Payne, Aubrey 1-18; Thompson, Cadarrus 1-2.
 GS: K. Hood 2-28; M. Michaud 2-25; C. Ransom 2-16; J. King 1-4.

INTERCEPTIONS

None

A DECADE OF PANTHERS FOOTBALL

by Jim Auchmuty (B.A. '77), Georgia State University Magazine (Winter 2020)

Georgia State fielded a team from scratch and stormed the gridiron for its first season of football in 2010. Ten years, three coaches, two bowl games -- the Panthers will play in their third bowl game this month -- and two stadiums later, the program is gaining momentum and becoming an established tradition.

On a warm Saturday afternoon in late August, as the Georgia State Panthers lined up against the Tennessee Volunteers in one of the great venues of college football, Neyland Stadium, two of the most excited fans were hundreds of miles away. They were pioneers in the university's football program, and they knew better than anyone what a win over a Southeastern Conference stalwart like Tennessee would mean for the old school during the first game of the 2019 season.

"Carolyn," said Bill Curry, Georgia State's first coach, calling out to his wife as he sat in front of a television in his Atlanta condo, "come in here and watch this. We're knocking them off the ball. We've got a chance."

In North Carolina, Mark Hogan Jr., (B.B.A. '13) who had received the Panthers' first football scholarship, was leaving a game at Davidson College, where he coaches safeties. His phone rang. It was Kail Singleton, a former Georgia State teammate, telling him to get home fast and turn on the game. Hogan arrived in time for the last quarter, watching as quarterback Dan Ellington ran 22 yards for a touchdown to put the underdogs up by 15.

"I had never been so proud of them," Hogan remembers.

"I got goosebumps," Curry says.

On Aug. 31, 2019, in its 10th season and 107th game, Georgia State scored its first win over a Power Five conference opponent, defeating Tennessee 38-30. The Panthers had taken on a dozen traditional college football powerhouses over the years — marquee names like Alabama, Clemson, Penn State and Oregon — but had come close to beating only one of them: Wisconsin in 2016.

"We call those opportunity games," says athletic director Charlie Cobb, referring to the exposure and revenue such match-

ups can bring — a national broadcast on ESPN and more than \$1 million in some cases.

The Tennessee game proved to be an opportunity that paid off in every way. The win put an exclamation point on the first decade, prompting an outburst of pride for a program that once seemed as unlikely as an August frost in Atlanta.

"I got emails from college presidents all over the country commenting on that game," says Georgia State President Mark Becker. "They were amazed at what we've done in 10 years. And it wasn't a fluke. We dominated."

The Panthers' radio play-by-play man since he was a student in the early 1980s, Dave Cohen (B.A. '94) has broadcast every Georgia State football game.

"I thought I'd never see a football program here," he says, recalling a novelty gag he encountered on campus long ago: a wallet schedule someone had printed that said "Georgia State Football" on one side. The other side of the card was blank.

Georgia State's football history began, in a sense, at Georgia Tech, where the university traces its roots to an evening business school founded in 1913. The courses were popular with athletes, including football players for John Heisman's legendary teams at Tech.

Twenty years later, when the school came under the aegis of the University of Georgia, a few athletic squads competed under various nicknames — the Redbirds, the Owls and finally the Panthers. As the institution grew and became a full-fledged university, no one seriously considered adding varsity football — certainly not Noah Langdale, president from 1957 to 1988. Langdale knew the glories of the gridiron firsthand from his student days in the early 1940s when he played tackle for the Alabama Crimson Tide. But he also understood he led a commuter school that had neither the fan base nor the political clout to take on football. In the university system he inhabited, that was reserved for Bulldogs and Yellow Jackets.

Carl Patton, the university's seventh president, had opposed starting a football

program since his arrival in 1992. When students occasionally asked about it, he had a standard response: "Over my dead body."

It wasn't that he disliked football. It was just that Georgia State needed so many other things.

"This was a different place 25 years ago. There was no student housing, no Rialto, no Aderhold [Learning Center], relatively little in the way of financial resources. We had so much to do," Patton, who retired in 2008, says. "If I had gone to the Board of Regents and said we wanted to start a football program, they probably would have fired me. We weren't ready. It would have failed."

As the university expanded throughout downtown and began to build on-campus housing for thousands of students, football inevitably came up again. Tom Lewis, the university's former vice president of external affairs, made sure of it.

"I firmly believe that athletics can help shape an institution," Lewis says. "It's one of the best things for molding an identity that students and alumni can share. I thought football could help put us in another realm."

Lewis asked Patton what it would take to reconsider football. The answer came in 2006 when the university commissioned a feasibility study and hired Dan Reeves, the former head coach of the Atlanta Falcons, as a consultant. Thousands of students, faculty and alumni were surveyed, and about two-thirds of them were in favor of a football program. But the study, conducted by C.H. Johnson Consulting, also warned that the enterprise would be costly and would have to be funded by an increase in the student athletic fee because Georgia State couldn't count on the revenue streams that fuel more established programs, such as lucrative television contracts and lavish support from generations of football-loving alumni.

Patton insisted on two conditions before moving forward. He wanted the alumni to raise \$1 million seed money, and he wanted to make sure students supported hiking the activity fee.

The money was raised in 30 days. The stu-

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dent activity fee committee unanimously approved the increase.

“I ran out of excuses,” Patton says.

With that, Georgia State finally asked the Regents for permission to gear up football.

When Bill Curry took the job as he university’s first football coach in 2008, he told some of his New York friends that he was going to GSU.

“‘You’re coaching at Georgia Southern?’” he remembers them saying. “They hadn’t heard of us.”

Curry was the perfect choice to change that. An Atlanta native, he played as an offensive lineman for three of the game’s greatest coaches: Bobby Dodd of Georgia Tech, Vince Lombardi of the Green Bay Packers, and Don Shula of the Baltimore Colts and Miami Dolphins. Curry went on to coach at Tech, Alabama and Kentucky, and he was finishing a decade as a college football analyst on ESPN when Georgia State came calling. He was 65 and came to regard the Panthers with the affection an aging father shows for the last child who was unplanned.

“We needed everything from footballs to chin straps,” he says. “We didn’t even have a place to practice.”

Until a facility could be built, the team practiced at middle and high school fields in Atlanta. One of them had yellow jacket nests on the edge of the turf, which made footwork drills rather lively.

The team spent its first year in 2009 doing nothing but practicing. Every Saturday, players would line up against each other as if a game were scheduled.

“We had 60 scrimmages that fall with no actual games to look forward to,” says Hogan, the linebacker who became the program’s first recruit. “It definitely built character.”

The first game, played at the Georgia Dome on the evening of Saturday, Sept. 2, 2010, was a red-letter date in the university’s history. It attracted more than 30,000 people, still the largest crowd ever to see the Panthers play. In the glow of the

excitement, even spectators who had been lukewarm about football felt themselves warming.

Pearl McHaney, a longtime English professor at Georgia State, had reservations about her school getting into the football business. She was particularly concerned about the athletic fee and considered it unfair that students who might care nothing about touchdowns would be asked to subsidize scholarships for fellow students who happened to be football players.

She began to appreciate what a football team could mean for Georgia State when two of her students who were headed to France for study abroad debated whether they should miss the orientation session so they could attend the inaugural game. They went to France as scheduled, and McHaney went to the game and collected programs and other souvenirs to give them when they returned.

As she looked around the stands at the Dome, she began to understand why her students hadn’t wanted to miss the event.

“It was moving to see that many people in one place all pulling for Georgia State,” she says. “I had never experienced anything like that. I thought to myself: ‘So, this is what it’s all about.’”

She wasn’t the only one who was touched. Becker, then in his second year as president, remembers his eyes filling with tears. Curry says it was one of the highlights of his career.

“It was like running on the field at the Super Bowl,” he says — and he should know, having played in three of the first five Super Bowls with the Packers and the Colts.

Best of all, Georgia State won, beating Shorter University 41-7.

The Panthers finished their first season with a winning record, but they wouldn’t have another one for seven years.

“I thought we’d be instantly competitive,” Curry says. “We weren’t. That was an education for the old coach.”

Things got tougher after Curry retired and was succeeded in 2013 by Trent Miles, the former head coach at Indiana State. In his first year, Georgia State moved up to

the top classification of college football, the Football Bowl Subdivision, which comprises 130 schools and includes the members of highly regarded leagues, such as the Big Ten and the Southeastern Conference. Facing stiffer competition in the Sun Belt Conference, the Panthers went winless in 2013 and secured only one victory the following season. Miles led the team to its first bowl game in 2015, but they lost, ending with a 6-7 record — another losing season.

But better days were just around the corner. In 2017, Georgia State got a new coach, Shawn Elliott, who had been the interim head coach at South Carolina. And it got a new address when Georgia State purchased Turner Field, the home of the Atlanta Braves, who were moving to a new stadium in Cobb County.

The Panthers weren’t going to be a tenant anymore. They were going to have their own home.

It’s an hour before kickoff, and Charlie Cobb is sitting at his desk in the building that once housed the Braves’ offices and now holds the university’s athletic staff (except for basketball and volleyball, which are still at the Sports Arena). The football operations center, with a spiffy new weight room and locker room, is downstairs. Across the street is Aspen Heights, a new apartment complex with 700 beds for students, where 120 Georgia State student-athletes live.

Beyond his picture window is the football field and a stadium that holds almost 26,000 fans for football games in the lower bowl. The upper deck, unneeded for now, is covered with a blue tarp and letters that spell out “Georgia State Panthers.” It’s like an enormous advertisement for the university.

“The traffic helicopters love that thing,” Cobb says.

A block to the north, ground will soon be broken for a new convocation center with 8,000 seats for Georgia State basketball. Eventually, a baseball field and grandstand will be built between the two buildings on the footprint of Atlanta–Fulton County Stadium, where Hank Aaron became the home run king.

Georgia State looks to build upon 'monumental' win over Tennessee



FURTHER REVIEW Sept 03, 2019 By Steve Hummer, The Atlanta Journal-Constitution

Georgia State had no previous experience at beating anyone from the highfalutin conferences. Hadn't beating anyone of any size been practically a biblical trial?

And, yet, when it did happen in the Panthers' 10th year of football existence, when they upset 26-point favorite Tennessee on Saturday and sent the college realm into a seizure of disbelief, they seemed to know almost instinctively the right notes to sound during the after-party. The lead on the CBS Sports web site made the Georgia State quarterback out to be about the worst thing to hit the Vols hometown since Nick Saban. "Dan Ellington is a name that will live forever in infamy in Knoxville, Tenn.," it was written.

The quarterback took the higher road when he heard about that one. "I think it should be Georgia State (in that first sentence)," Ellington said Monday. "I wasn't the only one playing out there. Though, hearing that means a lot because I was blessed to be a part of history, part of the first time Georgia State did something."

Ellington had scored the decisive touchdown in the 38-30 victory on a nifty, shifty 22-yard, fourth-quarter touchdown run. He did lead the Panthers on three no-fluke touchdown drives of 75 yards or more. But there also was a running game that outgained Tennessee in yardage, 213-93. And a defense that took away the ball three times and held the Vols to just one second-half touchdown, that in the final two seconds when it mattered little. And a certain crusty nature to the whole team that allowed it to survive five lead changes, making certain it owned the final one.

It was a pure joy to behold. "At the end of the day we won, they lost. We were just the better team. We went out and played and had a lot of fun that day I don't think they had a lot of fun. I know their fans didn't have fun," Ellington said.

There was a simple determination at play Saturday. It can be heard in Ellington's words when describing his thoughts while running toward one of Neyland Stadium's distinctive end zones: "It was, 'I got to get to that check-board.' And I got to it."

While all the rest of the college football world was prone to shock and to ridicule and, in certain parts of Tennessee, to blind anger, it was left to Georgia State to act as if this was all part of the plan.

If there's an insult buried in all the incredulity – who and what is Georgia State to come into Knoxville and do this to Tennessee – Panthers coach Shawn Elliott isn't wounded. Knowing who you are and what you've just done is a big part of sounding the all the right notes.

"No, not at all, I didn't take it as that," Elliott said. "We're 10 years old. We hadn't done a whole lot. And here is Tennessee and the mighty SEC.

"I don't know if they took us seriously or not," he added after a pause. "But they certainly do now."

After all, with this one victory at the start of the season, the Panthers matched or surpassed their win totals in three of their first five seasons. They came to Tennessee off a 2-10 season, having lost their last seven of 2018.

Only those who practiced within the confines of the old Turner Field could have even imagined such a victory possible – and surely many of those had to harbor grave doubts. All they had heard since the end of '18 was the need for better leadership, a better attitude, a greater commitment.

They also heard the incessant playing of Tennessee's battle cry, "Rocky Top," done to condition the Panthers players to what awaited them at Neyland.

All the messages worked, with an obvious assist from the Vols. And nobody was hear-

ing "Rocky Top" at the close of the business Saturday.

"We took a group of gutsy individuals up to Knoxville and they played with a lot of heart, lot of enthusiasm, lot of togetherness and pulled off a great win," Elliott said.

Elliott was an assistant with his alma mater, FCS Appalachian State, in 2007 when the Mountaineers went to fifth-ranked Michigan and beat the Wolverines 34-32 in what is considered one of the college game's grandest modern upsets.

He resists all possible comparisons to Saturday.

Unlike that Michigan, this Tennessee was unranked. And unlike that App State, this Georgia State hadn't even the faintest hint of a winning tradition.

"It's totally different," Elliott said, looking back at that 2007 Mountaineer team. "We had just won two (FCS) national championships. And we had a lot of returning starters. We knew we were going to compete."

The Panthers open at home Saturday night against an FCS opponent – Furman. The Paladins are ranked 11th in the lower division, a few spots south of a Kennesaw State bunch that gave GSU fits last year.

The coach is really hoping one extra large victory still resonates a week later. He'd very much like the world to pay his team some mind even when it's not reordering college football's food chain.

"I would like to see the excitement continue," Elliott said. "I'd like for people to have a great interest and enthusiasm about our football program that I think these guys deserve. They've done everything asked of them. They've gone out and had a major accomplishment. It would be really special to see that enthusiasm. I'd love to see our students embrace this football program and come out and rock this place Saturday night."

By early this week, his players already were making the right noises about coming down off the high of one win and trying to fashion another, more modest one. Now it is the one trying to avoid the upset.

"From a program standpoint and big-picture standpoint we know it's a monumental win, an historic win," safety Remy Lazarus said. "But honestly if you could tune into practice today and the vibe today, we're locked in. I wouldn't say we're on a cloud at all."

But, wait, there was still time to put one more good lick on mighty Tennessee before moving on.

"I think (Furman) will give us a tougher battle than we faced Saturday, if you want to be honest," Lazarus said.

Knox shock: Georgia State ecstasy, Big Orange humiliation

By Mark Bradley, The Atlanta Journal-Constitution, Sept. 1, 2019

On paper, a game between a team picked to finish last in the Sun Belt East and one tabbed to finish third-from-last in the SEC East looked to be among the least appealing of a not-exactly-scintillating opening week. Which only goes to show ...

Well, something. Darned if I know exactly what.

Georgia State beat Tennessee 38-30 in Neyland Stadium on Saturday. The Volunteers scored with two seconds left to make it that close. They went 45 minutes and five seconds between touchdowns. They were run off their famous field by a team that just went 2-10, and it was an especially bad 2-10. The Panthers beat only Kennesaw State of FCS — they needed a fourth-quarter rally to manage that — and Louisiana-Monroe. Only two of their 10 losses came by fewer than 14 points.

Before the game began, only two numbers seemed to matter. The Panthers were 24 ½-point underdogs against a team that lost its final two games of 2018 by an aggregate 58 points to Missouri and Vanderbilt. Also: Georgia State was being paid \$950,000 for its presence in the big stadium by the Tennessee River.

Put another way, that's \$950K Phillip Fulmer can't use to buy out Jeremy Pruitt.

To say this was the biggest victory in Georgia State football history falls under the heading of Duh. Only once had the Panthers come close against a Power 5 opponent, that a 23-17 loss at Wisconsin in September 2016. Georgia State's first 10 Power 5 dates yielded this aggregate score: Big guys 454, GSU 96.

Now this. Now a victory against one of football's Brand Names, and not some fluke, either. This was domination from the second quarter on. The Atlantan in me would love to say that Saturday's result proves beyond doubt that the Panthers can be more than a doormat in the South's one true sport. On this day, they looked like a real team. But the suspicion is that, for as much as this game said about the Panthers, it said more about the Vols.

From John Adams of the Knoxville News-Sentinel: "This was the worst loss in the modern era of Tennessee football."

From Blake Toppmeyer, also of the New-Sentinel: "At least Butch Jones never did this."

Pruitt is coaching the Vols, at least for the

moment, only because so many others spurned the job that the school fired athletic director John Currie, who was then on the West Coast interviewing Washington State's Mike Leach. Currie's replacement was Fulmer, who'd been pushed aside as coach in 2008 to make room for -- whoa, Nellie -- Lane Kiffin, who lasted a year. Fulmer hired Pruitt, a defensive coordinator at Florida State, Georgia and Alabama. It appeared an iffy fit. It has become a misfit.

Tennessee is a fishbowl job. The man who coaches the Vols is the most scrutinized figure in the Volunteer State. Pruitt is the fourth man to be handed the job post-Fulmer — the full list: Kiffin, Derek Dooley and Jones — and he arrived having never been a head coach. It shows. Pruitt is aggressively unpolished. Not to go all schoolmarm on you, but his grammar is atrocious. ("Blocking, tackling, execution," he said of Georgia State. "They done all that today.")

At SEC Media Days, Pruitt offered a 21-minute opening statement. That's a coach's basic Rotary Club speech — "Here's our roster, from the quarterback to the long snapper" — but it was, for an audience of professional media types, a sneering way of running down the clock. (Coaches are allotted 30 minutes in the big room. This seemed Pruitt's attempt to avoid questions on the order of, "How'd you lose to Mizzou and Vandy by 58 points?")

Tennessee went 5-7 in Pruitt's Year 1. He changed offensive and defensive coordinators. He lured Jim Chaney from Georgia for \$1.5 million, which tells us that the Vols have money to burn but aren't shrewd about spending it. (Is Chaney a competent OC? Yes. Is he top-shelf? Nope.) And still there was no question Saturday as to the identity of the better-coached team.

The Vols scored two first-quarter touchdowns. Afterward they tried to make do by kicking field goals. When they fell behind in the fourth quarter, they couldn't muster even that. The Panthers took the lead with 8:56 on a 75-yard drive that featured only one third down, that a third-and-1. (So much for new Tennessee defensive coordinator Derrick Ansley, hired for \$1 million.) But you figured, having seen many such budding upsets undone when the bigger team finally gets serious, the Vols would fashion some answer.

They fashioned eight minutes of football that should stand as an embarrassment to anyone who has worn the Big Orange. The ensuing



drive went splat when GSU cornerback Evan Jones strip-sacked Jarrett Guarantano on a blitz of which no blocker took note. Looking to kill the game, the Panthers faced third-and-5 at the Vols' 34. Dan Ellington's pass was incomplete. But wait.

Tennessee tried to make a late personnel change, so late that it wound up with 12 men on the field at the snap. This wasn't a failure of playing; this was tactical malpractice. You cannot seek to change defenders with the offense about to set itself. Georgia State converted the first down. Two plays later, Ellington ran 22 yards for clinching touchdown.

But wait. The Panthers would score again! They banked a field goal after Tennessee's next possession, which lasted two plays — a sack and an interception. Were I Greg Sankey, I'd have revoked the Vols' SEC membership on the spot. (Indeed, Elliott had \postgame fun with the league's famous credo: "They say, 'It just means more' — it meant more to us.") Full credit to Georgia State for holding the Vols' feet to the fire. No credit to Tennessee for capitulating so abjectly.

There are some in Knoxville who believe Fulmer won't be happy until he's back coaching the Vols. (He turned 69 Sunday; Nick Saban turns 68 in October.) Being displaced 10 years after leading his alma mater to a national title has never sat right with him. Nobody was shocked when the Vols self-reported that their AD, in full coaching regalia, was seen instructing offensive linemen in a practice last fall, which is technically an NCAA violation. Only designated coaches are allowed on the field.

Ordinarily I'd laugh at the thought of Fulmer replacing the guy he hired with, er, himself, but I wouldn't be shocked at anything Tennessee does. One week in, Georgia State has made its season by defeating an SEC team. But we have to ask: In anything but name, is Tennessee still an SEC team?

Georgia State Had Its Victory Celebration Against Tennessee Planned Well In Advance



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The game ended at 6:58 p.m. The tee-shirt was available at 7:41 p.m.

Georgia State 38, Tennessee 30.

Wow, that's pretty salty for a program that was 2-10 in 2018 and 26-point underdog against the Vols.

Here's more. The Panthers planned this tee-shirt...the last week in July.

Brian Kelly, the boss of external marketing for Georgia State's athletic department, was presenting ideas for the season to Charlie Cobb, the GSU athletic director, and the conversation started like this from Kelly: "When we beat Tennessee here is what I want to do...."

Cobb signed off on it. He was the athletic director at Appalachian State when App St. beat Michigan. Cobb knows. Things happen. Big things.

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So Saturday night, when Cobb was getting messages after the game from breathless GSU supporters telling him, "We need to have a tee-shirt, we need to do something quick to market this" he could tell them it was already done.

The Panthers got the tee-shirt licensed on Tuesday before the game in Knoxville and finalized the design. The digital team left XX-XX for the score. They called in 38-23 to start the printing with a minute left at 6:57 p.m., but then Tennessee scored late and it was 38-30 and there was a moment of scrambling to fix the score.

And there it was. Boom.

Tee-shirts were being sold before the team got back to Atlanta.

"These things don't happen overnight," Cobb said. "We need to be prepared for things like this, to be able to turn on a dime. We've got an experienced staff and they have different ideas they put out there and it's always great to dream.

"We have a lot of belief in Shawn and his coaches and the kids so you want to be able to capture the moment. And most of us have been around and have seen what the marquee win can create so we certainly don't want to be left behind."

The digital marketing team, headed by Will Owens, had a plan to seize eyeballs on Twitter, Facebook, and Instagram, if there was an upset. The GSU communications team took a separate van up to Knoxville. They did not want to be packing up and coming back with the football team right after the game. They had to be locked down in the UT media room with Wi-Fi and fast internet to spread the news.

They stayed at UT several hours after the team left. They were still posting to social media coming down I-75 to Atlanta. Owens finally turned off the computer before midnight figuring people had gone to bed and he had done all the "sharing" he could.

The message about this school in downtown Atlanta slaying an SEC team went viral and the Tweets were Retweeted and the Facebook messages were shared and Instagram images were turned out.

The big number on Saturday was supposed to be the \$950,000 Georgia State received for playing at Tennessee.

Here are some bigger numbers Owens compiled:

Since the win, GSU has 2.5 million impressions across its Twitter/Facebook/Instagram accounts.

@GeorgiaStateFB on Twitter gained 1,300 followers and had 1.9 million impressions.

@GSUPanthers on Twitter had a 788 percent increase in mentions from previous month. There were more than 15,000 profile visits, an increase of 230 percent.

@GSUPanthers on Instagram reached an audience of nearly 20,000, an increase of more than 11,000. There were more than 200,000 impressions, an increase of more than 163,000.

GSU Athletics on Facebook had more than 25,000 engagements, an increase of almost 800 percent.

GSU football players personal Instagram accounts went up 23 percent where the industry average is 6 percent.

Now, there are bigger things for the Panthers to set their sights on. Could GSU be the next University of Central Florida, the gargantuan commuter school in Orlando that has become a very good Division I football program? GSU can start to boast to a bigger conference like the American Athletic Conference with schools like UConn, Temple, UCF. "hey, keep an eye on us Panthers."

There have been discussions of Georgia State and the AAC. No question, the AAC covets the Atlanta market. We'll see. More wins like the one over Tennessee and who knows.

By the way, GSU is at Alabama next Sept. 12, 2020.

Georgia State's Aubry Payne Has the Knack for Finding the End Zone

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Georgia State's Aubry Payne knows how to be in the right place at the right time, especially when it's inside the red zone.

The junior tight end has caught 11 passes this season for 161 yards, a modest 14.6-yard average. But six of those have been for touchdowns. In the seven games he's played, Payne has caught a touchdown pass in six of them, making him one of quarterback Dan Ellington's go-to guys around the goal line.

"Those balls just keep coming my way, so hopefully they keep coming," Payne said. "Coach puts me in the right spot, and Dan puts me in the right spot, so I just go and try to make a play when they call my number."

After completing an all-state career at Locust Grove High School, Payne signed with Western Carolina. He played in 11 games, started the last six and was named to the Southern Conference's All-Freshman team.

But Payne missed home, grew weary of small-town mountain life in Cullowhee, N.C., and was getting impatient after a hamstring injury limited him to one game as a sophomore. He began to consider his options and started searching for a larger school.

Midway through his sophomore season, Payne announced he was transferring and selected Georgia Southern -- at least for a couple of hours.

"The same night I posted the picture of Georgia Southern stuff, (Georgia State tight ends) coach (Josh) Stepp called me said they wanted to get me on campus," Payne said. "The next week I said I went to look at Georgia State and that was it. This was actually my first offer, so it has a little bit of value to me."

This season Payne been consistent and reliable as a blocker and receiver. He combines with Roger Carter to give the Panthers solid production at tight end.

"Aubry and Roger have done a great job in our run game and throw game," coach Shawn Elliott said. "Aubry has been opportunistic in the red zone. He does a phenomenal job with his hands, can catch really well and does a great job in the run game. We're fortunate to have him, and he has propelled himself this year under coach Stepp."

Until the last game, all of Payne's touchdowns had come from inside the 20. Against Troy he went for a 40-yard score, catching a pass that deflected off a defender and staying in stride to the goal line.

"Anytime you can have a tight end who can do both (block and catch), it gives you the personnel grouping you can play fast with," Elliott said. "You don't have to change in and out, and that gives you an opportunity -- it certainly helps Dan -- and it helps us do what we want to do."

Payne likely will have his number called this week when the Panthers (6-2, 3-1 Sun Belt) travel to play Louisiana-Monroe (3-5, 2-2). The game has all the makings of a shootout: Georgia State average 478.6 yards in total offense and Louisiana-Monroe averages 429.8 yards.

The game is important for Georgia State, which already is bowl-eligible, but wants to get in position to play for the Sun Belt championship. The Panthers can't afford to look past Louisiana-Monroe if they want to keep those dreams alive.

"The coaches always preached, '1-0, 1-0, 1-0,'" Payne said. "We've got to get through this week, and then we know we'll look to App State next week, but right now we're playing ULM, and we've got to beat them first."

Georgia State Line Opening the Way to Success for Offense

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Georgia State's first two possessions last weekend gave no indication that great things were on the horizon. The Panthers went three-and-out twice, a six-play sequence that included a sack and two incomplete passes. It may have been the ultimate rope-a-dope.

"Our offensive line did not get off to a fast start," said coach Shawn Elliott.

After than inauspicious beginning, Georgia State got its offense moving in the right direction. And when the night was over the Panthers set a school rushing record and produced three 100-yard rushers for the first time in school history in the 31-21 win over Coastal Carolina on Saturday.

Not bad after a couple of wasted possessions. "I wouldn't say anything clicked in," senior left tackle Hunter Atkinson said. "We just for some reason got off to a slow start. We went to the sideline and were all trying to figure out what was wrong, what they were doing. And it wasn't much of what they were vs. what we were doing. We were stopping ourselves."

Atkinson and his fellow offensive lineman detected some sluggishness, so they decided to stand to their feet and move around to get the blood flowing. That seemed to do the trick.

"Eventually we just started going and our legs felt good," Atkinson said. "I mean, we just started out sluggish and you can't

do that in the game because the first two possessions can come down to wins or losses."

Once the offensive line began to perform up to its standards, the yards began to pile up. Quarterback Dan Ellington ran for a career-best 128 yards. Tra Barnett rushed for 110 yards and two touchdowns and Seth Paige ran for 104 yards – his first game over 100 yards this season -- and one touchdown.

"With the backs and quarterback we have, it's a lot of fun," sophomore right guard Pat Bartlett said. "We've got a really deep running back room. Get them a little crease and it's off to the races. It makes our job so much easier."

Atkinson said, "We have a really special group in the backfield and at quarterback. They're all really good on their feet. As long as we can get a hat on a hat and give them the slightest crease, they'll fit through it. They really help us look good up front, and we help them as far as making the holes, but without the special backfield like we have, I don't think 350 yards with three different people would have happened."

The offensive line is a very experienced group, so it's not a real surprise that the Panthers rank second in the Sun Belt and No. 8 in FBS with 253.5 yards rushing per game.

"Anytime you have a consistent group of offensive linemen coming back – and we

had four of five returning starters – we knew it was going to be a good group," Elliott said. "We had success running the football a year ago and we thought they'd continue to improve."

Atkinson, a team captain, is a four-year starter who has started the past 42 games and was named to the preseason All-Sun Belt team. Bartlett made five starts in 2018 before becoming a full-time starter this season.

Junior left guard Shamariious Gilmore is a three-year starter who has been an honorable-mention all-conference choice the past two seasons. Sophomore Malik Sumter played 10 games in 2018 and started the last five when Jamal Paxton was injured. Redshirt freshman Travis Glover, the largest lineman at 6-foot-6, 330 pounds, starts at right tackle.

The offense will face a challenge Saturday when Army visits Georgia State Stadium for a 7 p.m. game. The Black Knights (3-3) have an opportunistic defense that has 12 takeaways, including eight fumble recoveries, and produced 54 points off those turnovers. They limited Michigan to 340 yards, 108 rushing, in 24-21 overtime loss in Ann Arbor on Sept. 7. "They have discipline and definitely a great team chemistry," Atkinson said. "I'm really looking forward to testing our team and what we're building against a team that's been around for so long."

Georgia State punter loves to see the fair catch

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The happiest moment of a football game for Georgia State kicker Brandon Wright occurs when an opponent raises his arm and moves it side-to-side. That may be the universal signal for a fair catch, but it carries a deeper meaning for Wright. For him it signifies success.

“When I see their hand go up and start waving it ... that’s a great feeling,” Wright said.

More than booming one 60 yards or dropping a kick inside the 5, the instant surrender that comes with a fair catch means Wright has done his job.

He’s been doing his job well all season. The senior leads the Sun Belt Conference in punting at 46.1 yards, which ranks No. 15 in FBS. His career average is a school-record 44 yards, and he ranks fifth among active FBS punters. He has been added to the watch list for the Ray Guy Award, handed out annually to the nation’s top punter, for the second straight season.

“He can flip the field instantly,” Georgia State coach Shawn Elliott said. “He’s got one of the strongest legs in the country that he can utilize at any moment.

Wright has punted 15 times in 2019. Seven have gone 50-plus yards and only two have resulted in a touchback. Four times a punt has been downed inside the 20. Twice Wright has seen the opposition surrender and take a fair catch.

Not bad for a guy who didn’t play football until he got to high school. Wright grew up in East Point and attended the KIPP charter school. A soccer player as a kid, Wright began his football career when his new high school didn’t field a soccer team. After being named to the all-region high school team his sophomore season, Wright began to realize he might have a future in football.

Wright opted to walk on and play at Georgia State, where current New Orleans Saints kicker Wil Lutz was finishing his career. After redshirting as a freshman, Wright took over as the starter. He punted for a 39.8-yard average as a redshirt freshman, improved that to 44.4 yards as a sophomore and 48.2 yards as a junior.

Unlike most college programs, which split the kicking duties between two or three different players, Wright does it all for the Panthers. He handles all the kicking – from kickoffs to field goals and extra points. And he’s good at all three.

“It’s comforting to know we have a guy who is consistent in all three phases and works and puts in the effort to be consistent in all three,” Elliott said. “It helps you in your travel plans ... pack up all three phases and put it in one body.”

Wright has kicked off 22 times this season, with only seven returned.

He has attempted eight field goals and made six. Wright missed his final two tries in overtime of the last game against Texas State, which Georgia State ended up losing. Wright was disappointed, but has the kicker’s mentality that allows him to move on and not dwell on the negative.

“It happens,” Elliott said. “We had an opportunity to win a football game, offensively, defensive and special teams, and didn’t get it done. There wasn’t anybody pointing fingers at him. He missed kick, but his mentality is straight and where it needs to be. I don’t have to do anything for him, just let him keep being who he is.”

Wright will have a handful of family members present Saturday when Georgia State (2-2, 0-1 Sun Belt) entertains Arkansas State (3-2, 1-0) for homecoming. Georgia State has never beaten Arkansas State in five tries and lost 51-35 in 2018 in Jonesboro, Ark.

Arkansas State runs a pass-heavy offense that features wide receivers Omar Bayless (last week’s Sun Belt Offensive Player of the Week) and Brandon Bowling. But the Red Wolves, who lost to Georgia 55-0 on Sept. 14, are without starting quarterback Logan Bonner, who had thrown for 1,052 yards and 10 touchdowns before tearing a ligament in the thumb of his throwing hand. Layne Hatcher stepped into the starting role last week against Troy and threw for 440 yards and four touchdowns.

Georgia State's 'extremely unselfish' receivers a key part of early success



Photo: Branden Camp

Georgia State sophomore receiver Cornelius McCoy still remembers the sound advice former teammate Penny Hart gave him last season.

During a workout session, Hart noticed some quirks in McCoy's technique. He helped the second-year wideout work on better hand placement and releases off the ball. "He told me to use my hands a lot, especially with a press defensive back," McCoy said. "He also told me to turn my shoulders and my toes when I plant to get in and out of breaks."

The advice stuck with McCoy all offseason. He spent hours self-reflecting and making improvements in his game. Different drills enhanced his footwork and polished his route running skills. "You can't beat a defensive back without a great release on the line of scrimmage," McCoy said.

After being an All-Sun Belt honorable mention last season, McCoy elevated his production. He leads the Panthers (2-0) with 13 receptions, 186 receiving yards, and two touchdowns.

McCoy leads a group of young receivers. As a unit, they have combined for 40 catches, 501 yards, and seven touchdowns this season. Six players have eclipsed 30 receiving yards, and five different players have a touchdown reception.

"They all work hard and are an extremely unselfish group as you can see from last week (against Furman)," Panthers coach

Shawn Elliott said.

In the offense, speedster Terrance Dixon has found a streamlined role. He's thrived against zone formations on the field with nine catches for 82 yards and one touchdown. Redshirt freshman Sam Pinckney provides big-play potential. The 6-foot-4 wideout is healthy after suffering a torn MCL early last season. He has eight catches for 86 yards and a touchdown.

"If you put it in his area, he is going to go and make the play," Panthers senior quarterback Dan Ellington said.

Behind the trio, senior Devin Gentry and junior tight end Aubry Payne have made contributions as well. Payne is a red-zone target with touchdowns in consecutive games.

"We've been together and hung out all the time," Pinckney said. "We are family and brothers."

Several players acknowledge they are comfortable in the offense. They have developed a better rapport with Ellington in his second season under center.

"I've trusted my teammates a lot more and those guys have trusted me," Ellington said. "It's an easier transition from Year 1 to Year 2."

A new playbook has also helped the process. The coaching staff added specific plays that enhance each receiver's skill set.

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"We have the ability to run a lot of option routes and give these guys kind of freelance to go out there and get open," Elliott said.

In Georgia State's stunning upset of Tennessee in the season opener, the Panthers stretched the field and averaged 12.6 yards per completion. Last week, they scored 31 second-half points in a comeback win against Furman. As a result, the Panthers started 2-0 for the first time in school history.

"It's good to see them out there making plays for us," Ellington said. "... Having those types of weapons makes my job easier. I just got to get the ball to them."

The Panthers hope their receivers continue to grow and develop. In school history, the program has sent three wideouts to the NFL. Former Panthers include Hart, Albert Wilson (Dolphins), and Robert Davis (Redskins).

"Looking up to Penny (Hart), it also helped me be a great leader and great mentor to others," McCoy said.

The unit has another opportunity to shine Saturday at Western Michigan. They aim for retribution after losing 34-15 last season.

"We don't know what the future has in store for us, but we are certainly building our confidence and building our football program," Elliott said. "I think it is evident from our 2-0 start."

The journey of Remy Lazarus: From ticket office to football captain at Georgia State

BY STAN AWREY

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Photo: Branden Camp

Remy Lazarus almost missed the phone call that changed his life and initiated his journey from the Georgia State ticket office to the captaincy of the football team.

Lazarus was taking a quick shower before going to class when assistant coach P.J. Volker called to invite him to walk on to the Panthers football team. Somewhere between shampoo-rinse-repeat, Volker left a voice message. Lazarus was shaken to learn he had missed a call and perhaps an opportunity.

But it turned out personal hygiene had been only a temporary obstacle. “I still have the voice mail saved,” Lazarus said. “I thought I had missed my chance. I thought, ‘He’s never going to answer my callback.’ But he called back and that’s all she wrote.”

Lazarus had been a good player at Kings Ridge Christian in Alpharetta, where he was a teammate of Georgia State receiver Penny Hart, now in the NFL. He was scouted, but not offered any preferred walk-on status, so Lazarus decided to enroll at Georgia State as a regular student.

During registration, his parents – against his wishes – signed him up to work for various organizations, and Lazarus was assigned to the ticket office. If he couldn’t play football, he would at least be near the

program. It also gave him an opportunity to get to know the coaches, learn how the program worked and “drop a word in their ear.”

Lazarus received the life-changing phone call in February 2016 and immediately set about making his presence known on the field. He did it by putting forth great energy during practice, soaking in the instruction and playing every down with maximum effort. Then-coach Trent Miles noticed the defensive dervish. As a reward for his effort and hard work, he allowed Lazarus to travel with the team.

“I was giving full-out effort on the scout team,” Lazarus said. “He let me come on the trips, even though I wasn’t going to play. From that moment, I realized if I just kept doing what I’d been doing and working hard, I knew I had a chance.”

His odds of playing improved after Miles left and Shawn Elliott was hired as the head coach in 2017. “When Coach came in, he gave everyone a clean slate,” Lazarus said. “He told everyone, ‘I don’t care who you are, scholarship, non-scholarship, the best guys are going to play.’ I took that as my opportunity.”

Lazarus played right away. He was on every special team to start the season and eventually worked his way onto the field

at safety. By his junior season, Lazarus was starting at free safety and had 75 tackles, second-most on the team.

Lazarus had hip surgery in 2018 and worried his playing days may be over. Not only was he able to return, he was named one of the team’s captains. It was an honor based on effort and leadership as much for on-field accomplishments.

“He’s a great young man,” Elliott said. “Very intelligent. He’s earned everything and rightfully so because he’s done everything the right way. He leads the right way. He’s one of those all-around great guys you need on your football team and want on your football team.”

This season Lazarus has started three games and has 16 tackles. His biggest moment came when he made a crucial interception in the fourth quarter to set up a touchdown that beat Furman. He had seven tackles in Saturday’s 57-10 loss to Western Michigan.

Lazarus and the rest of the Georgia State defense needs a better effort this week when the Panthers travel to Texas State for the Sun Belt Conference opener. Kickoff is 7 p.m. and will be broadcast on ESPN-Plus.

Small-town guy, Dontae Wilson at home in middle of Georgia State D-line

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Dontae Wilson likes nothing better than spending time in the woods hunting deer or sitting on the lake with a tackle box for a day of fishing. His country roots and his love of family are two big reasons he is playing football at Georgia State.

Wilson was an all-state selection at Jefferson High School, in a small town about an hour northeast of Atlanta and about 20 miles from Athens. He originally decided to join a friend and attend Army, but Wilson changed his mind when he sat down and realized how far he would be from familiar surroundings.

New York seemed like a million miles away. Georgia State offered a chance to play FBS football right away and was close enough for family to attend games. Plus, he could sneak away for an occasional day in the deer stand.

“West Point is a phenomenal institution, but I just feel I’m from Jefferson, a small town,” Wilson said. “So just being able to stay home here, in Atlanta, it’s only an hour away, and I can keep close contact with my family. It was the right decision for me.”

Wilson, a 6-foot, 285-pound defensive tackle, came up big Saturday

in Georgia State’s 28-21 win over Army. Asked to defend Army’s option attack – which featured an endless diet of fullback dives – Wilson was under siege all game by blockers from assorted angles. He wound up with a career-high 10 tackles, seven of them solo stops.

On Monday, coach Shawn Elliott handed out five game balls. One of them went to Wilson, his second of the season. The last one came after the surprising win over Tennessee.

“It made me feel really good because I originally committed to West Point,” Wilson said. “So, it was a special game to play and to get a game ball.”

This season, the junior has 28 tackles, three for loss, two sacks, one hurry and once forced fumble.

“Dontae has been a steady contributor since he’s been here,” Georgia State coach Shawn Elliott said. “He’s just a guy that’s relentless, powerful and strong. He’s a stalwart of our defense. I gave him a game ball because he’s such a critical guy in there. It’s hard to pull him out of the game because he’s really the backbone of our defense.”

Wilson and his teammates will have a different challenge Saturday when the Panthers (5-2, 2-1) return to Sun Belt Conference play. Georgia State will host Troy (3-3, 1-1) at 7 p.m. at Georgia State Stadium. Georgia State has won three consecutive and needs one more victory to become eligible for a bowl game.

Unlike the time-crunching offense that Army brought to town last week, Troy features a spread attack and plays a similar style to Georgia State. The Trojans average 35 points and have nearly a 50-50 balance between passing and running. Troy quarterback Kaleb Barker has thrown for 1,670 yards and 16 touchdowns

“It’s going to be a challenge with their quarterback and receivers and skill play,” Elliott said. “We’ve been practicing against it for a long time. We’ll see if we can get back and turn our attention to more of a throwing game.”

Georgia State will be playing without linebacker Ed Curney and defensive end Terry Thomas, a pair of seniors who were injured last week. T.J. Arnold and redshirt freshmen Tre Moore and Zach Dixon will be asked to play significant roles.

Georgia State spotlight will shine Saturday on Tra Barnett

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When Tra Barnett's football career is over, he would like to be an actor.

It's the course of study he's following at Georgia State, and Barnett doesn't hesitate to raise his hand in class and volunteer to read a dramatic role. The spotlight doesn't bother him.

Good thing, because this week the senior from Elberton will be a focal point for the Georgia State offense when it hosts No. 25 Appalachian State at 7:30 p.m. Saturday. With prolific quarterback Dan Ellington out for this week's game with a knee sprain, Barnett likely will play a key role in the crucial Sun Belt Conference contest.

Barnett, who wore a red non-contact jersey in practice this week, has rewritten many of Georgia State's rushing records this season.

Barnett leads the Sun Belt Conference and ranks No. 6 in FBS competition, with 124.2 yards per game. He has 1,118 yards and 10 touchdowns – both Georgia State records – and he is the first player in school history to rush for 1,000 yards.

"None of that has really hit me right now because you've got to keep moving forward," Barnett said. "When I look back, it will be something I'll be proud of, but right now I'll just keep my head down and grind."

Barnett set a school record with 242 yards against Troy on Oct. 26, the night he broke school records for a single game, a season and a career. Barnett is Georgia State's



all-time leader in rushing yards (1,821) and rushing touchdowns (17).

He credited his offensive line "for doing a phenomenal job" and said he planned to give them a treat at the end of the year, although he's still thinking about it "because it's got to be something good."

Barnett grew up playing every sport in his small town, the granite capital of Georgia, where the high school stadium is called "The Granite Bowl." He starred in football, basketball, baseball and track for the Blue Devils, where he was a teammate of Mecole Hardman, the former Georgia receiver who is enjoying a productive rookie NFL season with the Kansas City Chiefs. The two remain close and exchange texts or phone calls several times each week.

Barnett chose Georgia State after attending the school's Junior Day. He showed up with his workout gear and was ready to run, only to learn it was just a glorified meet-and-greet. The 90-mile drive wasn't a waste of time because Barnett got what he was looking for.

"The coach pulled me off to the side and said, 'I want to offer you a full scholarship,'" Barnett said. "Coming out of high school I wanted to be close to home, and I wanted to be part of something new and help get the program started."

He played eight games as a freshman and ran for 107 yards, although his highlight was a 90-yard kickoff return for a touchdown against Arkansas State. He played only four games as a sophomore, but had a breakthrough in 2018 when he was the team's second-leading rusher.

The big test comes this week against Appalachian State, which last week knocked off the same South Carolina team that defeated Georgia in Athens last month. The Mountaineers (8-1, 4-1 Sun Belt) have won three consecutive Sun Belt titles and is 28-7 in league play since joining the conference in 2014. App State is 5-0 all-time against the Panthers and won 45-17 in 2018.

Georgia State (6-3, 3-2) will be without Ellington, the Sun Belt's No. 3 player for total offense and passing. The Panthers will replace him with freshman Cornelious "Quad" Brown who completed 8 of 18 passes for 80 yards in second half of last week's game against Louisiana-Monroe.

"It was great for him to go out and get those reps," coach Shawn Elliott said. "Just to run off and get the feeling of the in-game excitement. I told him not to make it bigger than it is. He's got a great attitude, he's a phenomenal young man and we're looking forward to seeing him go out there and compete."

Ellington Nears the End of Stellar Georgia State Career

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Georgia State coach Shawn Elliott can remember the instant he realized Dan Ellington was going to be his starting quarterback. Ellington not so much.

Elliott had scheduled meetings with all the players at the end of spring practice in 2018. Ellington, who had transferred in from a junior college, had a simple conversation with Elliott. The message, delivered in Ellington's gentle manner, left Elliott certain that he had found his man.

That day I knew he was going to be a special quarterback," Elliott said. "He said, 'Anything and everything I need to do to help the team win, that's exactly what I'm going to do. It doesn't matter if I play or not.' When he said that I walked into the offensive coordinator's office – and we had two or three quarterbacks competing at the time – and looked at him and said, 'Just so you know, Dan Ellington is going to be our starting quarterback.'"

Ellington smiled when the story was relayed to him.

I never knew that story," he said. "But I do remember going into the office that spring, and I do remember telling him that. There was no doubt in my mind that I was going to be the starter. I knew I had the talent to be the starter and I just wanted to prove it to the coaches and get their respect."

Elliott's intuition was correct, and Ellington's accomplishments over the past two seasons have put him among the program's all-time greats. He enters this week's regular-season finale against Georgia Southern ranked No. 3 in passing yards (4,228), second in touchdown passes (33) and third in total yards (5,461).

He has more than earned their respect.

Elliott said, "What an inspiration he is to myself and to our football team and to everybody that's watching and paying attention to what we're doing."



Ellington originally committed to Louisiana-Monroe when he graduated from Center Hill High School in Olive Branch, Miss., but he did not qualify academically. He stayed in-state and enrolled at Itawamba Community College, not far from Tupelo, and went on to become a second-team junior-college All-American. He then committed to Central Arkansas.

Meanwhile, Elliott was looking for a quarterback to replace Conner Manning who could come in and play right away. Elliott had a friend on the JUCO staff who suggested the Panthers look at Ellington. After conducting some due diligence, Ellington and his family came for a visit in Atlanta. Within three weeks from the start of the courtship, Ellington changed his mind and opted for Georgia State.

"What a player and what a person he turned out to be for our football program," Elliott said.

In the middle of a remarkable season that saw him leading the Sun Belt Conference in total offense, Ellington tore the ACL in his right knee in the ninth game, just before the end of the first half against Louisiana-Monroe on Nov. 9. Ellington vividly remembers the popping sound that occurred when he stuck his foot in the ground to make a move. He knew it was bad right away and the trainer confirmed it was a torn ACL.

It looked like a season-ending injury to everyone except Ellington. After giving his teammates an encouraging speech at halftime, Ellington began to conjure the likelihood of playing on the bad knee. "Literally the quarter after it happened, I was thinking about playing the next week," he said.

The doctor left the decision up to Ellington, who didn't need to think twice. His mind was already made up. After talking it over with his parents, Ellington told the staff he wanted to play.

"I knew I just wanted to get out there and try to play and just see how I felt," Ellington said. "After the doctor said it was my decision, I knew I was going to play for these guys."

Ellington has played two games since and been effective, despite limited mobility. He can run, but can't make the cuts that made him so elusive and avoids as much contact as possible. The injury hasn't hurt Ellington's ability to pass. He threw for 132 yards and one touchdown against Appalachian State and threw for 208 yards and two touchdowns against South Alabama.

"I told (offensive coordinator Brad Glenn) I didn't want him worrying about me," Ellington said. "I told him to call the game and I'll protect myself."

At 6-foot-3, 205 pounds, Ellington has the size should warrant a few looks from professional scouts, although he's unsure how process will work since he'll have surgery after the season his over. If that doesn't work out, Ellington said he'll probably become a college football coach, something he's thought about since he was in the ninth grade, or investigate a career in the secret service.

"That stuff is really interesting, come in three or four days before the president to check stuff out," Ellington said. "I'm a nerd when it comes to stuff like that."

Former Georgia State kicker Wil Lutz looks to give Falcons boot again

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This week it is the New Orleans Saints turn to kick the Falcons while they are down. And the man chiefly in charge of doing the kicking is an unapologetic Atlanta guy, a proud Georgia State Panther and what you'd call a reformed Falcons follower.

"I've bought into the culture, and I understand that we are not Falcons fans here," chuckled Wil Lutz, who's going on his fourth season as the Saints placekicker.

While growing up in Newnan, he could call himself a Falcons guy because, well, it was far safer than doing so around the French Quarter. When he played at Georgia State, he even shared a home field with the Falcons. There was a real kinship. But he's in a far better place now. The 7-1 Saints are polar opposites of the 1-7 Falcons. As the Falcons implode, the Saints are cruising toward their third consecutive NFC South title, finding constant success in a league that prizes turmoil in the standings. They have beaten the Falcons their past three meetings and are 13-point favorites Sunday — the biggest spread on the board this weekend. When faced with a setback — Drew Brees mangling his thumb certainly qualified — here's a team that stepped up and won the next five games. And Brees is back now.

"It was the complementary football," Lutz said, explaining how New Orleans did far more than tread water in Brees' absence. "The offense wasn't what we're used to so the defense stepped up. Special teams played equally big a part in those

games. Complementary football all the way around." Oh, such a different story than the one the Falcons bring with them Sunday.

Against the Falcons, Lutz is a career 11-for-11 on field goals. His biggest boot against them was a 57-yarder as time expired in the first half in his rookie year of 2016. "It's a little special game for me, I always look forward to it," he said.

Obviously, the trip from Newnan to New Orleans has been good for Lutz. That is a particularly fine place to be when the pro football team is rolling. "It's a party town as it is. Our fan base is so loyal, they have the same goals we have. I tell people every game feels like a party. It's pretty fun to be a part of," Lutz said. Where, in contrast, Falcons home games are tilting more toward a wake these days.

The last year has been particularly eventful for Lutz.

In March, the Saints signed him to a five-year \$20.25 million extension, with half of it guaranteed. The guy who even late into his senior season at Georgia State was looking at going to law school has found a measure of security in one of football's more insecure positions. The world doesn't need another lawyer. But it can always use a kicker who is a career 86 percent accurate on field goals (a ridiculous 93 percent last season, 28-of-30).

Georgia State began its season with a big upset of Tennessee, which allowed him major bragging rights in a locker room

that included such former Volunteers as running back Alvin Kamara and defensive lineman Shy Tuttle. It's something of a Saints ritual to mark those moments when one teammate's alma mater beats up on another's. And sure enough, at Lutz's request, Georgia State sent its Panther mascot outfit to New Orleans so the kicker could show it off proudly. (It was worn by a locker room attendant, not Lutz himself).

Lutz is one of three former Panthers on an active NFL roster, along with receiver Albert Wilson in Miami and cornerback Chandon Sullivan in Green Bay.

"Between all of us, it's kind of our job to continue trying to help the legacy," he said.

The 2019 season began with Lutz hitting a 58-yarder with time expiring to beat Houston. A couple of weeks later in Chicago he set an NFL record with his 35th consecutive field goal on the road (he'd miss his next attempt).

He's presently in a bit of a slump, having missed three of his past six attempts. But the just completed Saints bye week allowed him to "kind of reset going into the second half of the season."

Not to worry. The Falcons are coming to town. And, presently, that is a cure surpassing any antibiotic.

Georgia State to play third bowl game in five seasons

BY STAN AWREY
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Georgia State will learn its bowl destination Sunday, and any place the Panthers are sent is OK with coach Shawn Elliott.

The most likely landing spot for the Panthers appears to be the Camellia Bowl, played Dec. 21 in Montgomery, Ala. Georgia State's opponent would be a representative from the Mid-American Conference.

"It doesn't matter to me," Elliott said. "I'm just thrilled to death to have the opportunity to play one last time and have the opportunity to be successful. It's a tremendous honor to tell the truth. When you look at where we are 10 years into our football program and this is our third opportunity to play in a bowl game, that says a lot."

There are plenty of appealing factors in Georgia State's favor. The Panthers (7-5) have a prolific offense that averages 32.4 points and 446.9 total yards. They feature quarterback Dan Ellington, who averaged 240.8 yards in total offense, and running back Tra Barnett, who led the Sun Belt Conference with 1,389 yards rushing.

This will be the third bowl trip in five seasons for Georgia State. Both previous trips were to the Cure Bowl in Orlando, with the Panthers losing to San Jose State in 2015 and beating Western Kentucky in 2017.

"People remember that, not just Georgia State fans, but football fans across the country," Elliott said. "I've had numerous people come up to me and say they remembered that day and that bowl celebration. It brings great attention and we get a lot of notice from it."

The Camellia Bowl is one of five bowls that have a tie-in with the Sun Belt Conference. The winner of this week's Sun Belt Championship game between Appalachian State and Louisiana-Lafayette is automatically headed to the New Orleans Bowl for a Dec. 21 meeting against a team from Conference USA.

The loser of the championship game most likely will go to the Arizona Bowl on Dec. 31 in Tucson, Ariz., and face a team from the Mountain West Conference.

That leaves the Cure Bowl on Dec. 21 and the LendingTree Bowl in Mobile, Ala., on Jan. 6. One will take Georgia Southern, the other will take Arkansas State.

The Cure Bowl is unlikely to want Georgia State to return so soon. Likewise, the Camellia Bowl has hosted Georgia Southern in 2018 and Arkansas State in 2017, leaving it as Georgia State's likely landing spot.

Regardless, Elliott plans to find a way to combine business and pleasure during the bowl trip.

"It's an opportunity to go spend four or five days in a destination and enjoy the time we have there," Elliott said. "The last time we went down (to Orlando for the Cure Bowl), I told them we were going to use the opportunity to get better as a football team and we were going to enjoy the week. We were going to concentrate and do the things necessary to win the football game, but were going to us it as a reward for our team for how hard they worked."

Adjustments help Mill Creek grad Victor Heyward make bigger impact on GSU defense

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ATLANTA — For a lot of football players, the transition from their senior year in high school to the freshman year of college involves making the some of the biggest adjustments of one's career.

But for Georgia State's Victor Heyward, it can be argued that the biggest adjustment he's had to make was not necessarily making the transition from high school to college football during his freshman season in 2017.

Though GSU has used a 3-4 set as their primary base defense since the program started in 2010, the Mill Creek grad and now Panthers linebacker admits his second season in the system a year ago was actually more of a learning curve than even his freshman campaign.

"I was still feeling things out (last year) because of the new defense," Heyward said. "We were putting new things in the whole year for every game plan. I was still pretty young, but I was trying to make my mark on the team and have the best year I could on the defense."

His struggles mirrored those of the team, which struggled to a 2-10 finish just one year removed from their first bowl win and a record seven-win season.

However, the Panthers (7-5) have bounced back nicely in 2019, and as they prepare to head to Tucson, Ariz., for the NOVA Home Loans Arizona Bowl on New Year's Eve, it appears Heyward has finally found his comfort zone based on his performance during the 2019 season.

Through the regular season, the 6-foot-2, 220-pound junior is GSU's second-leading tackler with 68 combined tackles and assists, leads the team with three quarterback hurries and ranks among the top four in tackles for loss (tied for fourth, 5 1/2), sacks (tied for fourth, 2), pass break-ups (tied for second, 4), pass defenses (tied for third, 5) and interceptions (tied for third, 1).

And that comfort level hasn't come without a lot of time and effort.

"It all has to do with (putting in a lot of) time," Heyward said. "You get the summertime. ... You get spring (practice), and I get to watch film in that time. I can work on steps in that time. I can work on footwork, hands, everything, in that time. So it's really about timing.

"I didn't play 3-4 at all until I got to (GSU). I'm (still) on the outside on both sides. I think getting off the ball has become second nature now. I think I'm faster off the ball. I like playing it because in high school, I did rush off the edge a little bit. So it's a little (repeat) for me. The coverage is totally different. Sometimes you get it all the way into the flats. In high school, (I) didn't have to cover that much ground in a 4-3 defense. But in the 3-4 defense, the outside linebackers have to cover a lot of ground in the flat."

While Georgia State head coach Shawn Elliott and the Panthers' defensive staff are thrilled with the end results, they also appreciate the process Heyward has gone through to adapt himself to the 3-4.

And while it has taken a little longer than Heyward would've liked, Elliott says the work he has put into understanding the system and making the physical improvements to fit himself better into it is perhaps an even more apparent sign of how much he's grown up over the past two years.

"I think maturity plays a huge role in the development of any player," Elliott said. "The physical maturity and mental maturity they have to go through to understand what it takes to play at a high level, it just doesn't happen overnight. There's a lot of preparation that's gone into (Heyward) maturing and becoming the player he's become."

Both Heyward and Elliott agree that even more preparation is necessary if Heyward



is to get to the level he wants to reach by his senior season next year.

And with the Arizona Bowl just over a week away and a chance for the Panthers to set a single-season school record with their eighth win, that preparation is already underway.

"It starts with the bowl game," Heyward said. "We've got to get a win versus Wyoming. That would be the most wins (in a season) in school history. We're definitely going for that. That's something that (nobody can) take away from us.

"We've been grinding since we got here. The freshmen I came in with haven't stopped working. The people that were already here, the seniors, the great leadership we've had this year, I think it's the best leadership we've had all year. And it really speaks a lot to what we did this year."

If the Panthers are to be successful next week against Wyoming, Elliott is convinced that Heyward will be right in the middle of things.

"He's going to have to be physical in this game coming up, Elliott said. "Wyoming is a physical football team. It's a team that likes to run the ball downhill, we're going to have to share some tackles and make some tough tackles because they're going to run it right at us."

2019 GEORGIA STATE FOOTBALL
Georgia State Game Results (12 Games)
All games

Date	Opponent		Score	Overall	Conference	Time	Attend
Aug 31, 2019	at Tennessee	W	38-30	1-0	0-0	3:21	85503
Sep 07, 2019	FURMAN	W	48-42	2-0	0-0	3:31	20351
Sep 14, 2019	at Western Michigan	L	10-57	2-1	0-0	3:10	22328
* Sep 21, 2019	at Texas State	Lo	34-37	2-2	0-1	3:30	15803
* Oct 05, 2019	ARKANSAS STATE	W	52-38	3-2	1-1	3:40	16109
* Oct 12, 2019	at Coastal Carolina	W	31-21	4-2	2-1	3:14	17249
Oct 19, 2019	ARMY	W	28-21	5-2	2-1	2:42	21720
* Oct 26, 2019	TROY	W	52-33	6-2	3-1	3:10	14527
* Nov 09, 2019	at ULM	L	31-45	6-3	3-2	3:11	13213
* Nov 16, 2019	#24 APPALACHIAN STATE	L	27-56	6-4	3-3	3:24	17908
* Nov 23, 2019	SOUTH ALABAMA	W	28-15	7-4	4-3	2:53	12501
* Nov 30, 2019	at Georgia Southern	L	10-38	7-5	4-4	2:45	15175

2019 GEORGIA STATE FOOTBALL
Georgia State Overall Team Statistics (12 Games)
All games

Team Statistics	GSU	OPP
SCORING	389	433
Points Per Game	32.4	36.1
Points Off Turnovers	44	44
FIRST DOWNS	289	263
Rushing	149	131
Passing	123	117
Penalty	17	15
RUSHING YARDAGE	2942	2539
Yards gained rushing	3191	2748
Yards lost rushing	249	209
Rushing Attempts	558	477
Average Per Rush	5.3	5.3
Average Per Game	245.2	211.6
TDs Rushing	29	31
PASSING YARDAGE	2421	2859
Comp-Att-Int	225-358-8	219-336-8
Average Per Pass	6.8	8.5
Average Per Catch	10.8	13.1
Average Per Game	201.8	238.2
TDs Passing	21	24
TOTAL OFFENSE	5363	5398
Total Plays	916	813
Average Per Play	5.9	6.6
Average Per Game	446.9	449.8
KICK RETURNS: #-Yards	7-114	24-574
PUNT RETURNS: #-Yards	9-28	13-132
INT RETURNS: #-Yards	8-123	8-52
KICK RETURN AVERAGE	16.3	23.9
PUNT RETURN AVERAGE	3.1	10.2
INT RETURN AVERAGE	15.4	6.5
FUMBLES-LOST	12-7	19-6
PENALTIES-Yards	51-501	64-576
Average Per Game	41.8	48.0
PUNTS-Yards	46-1911	45-1882
Average Per Punt	41.5	41.8
Net punt average	37.8	40.8
KICKOFFS-Yards	70-4261	75-4104
Average Per Kick	60.9	54.7
Net kick average	38.7	40.5
TIME OF POSSESSION/Game	29:54	30:06
3RD-DOWN Conversions	86/182	70/162
3rd-Down Pct	47%	43%
4TH-DOWN Conversions	12/23	13/24
4th-Down Pct	52%	54%
SACKS BY-Yards	20-135	19-145
MISC YARDS	0	-8
TOUCHDOWNS SCORED	51	57
FIELD GOALS-ATTEMPTS	11-17	13-17
ON-SIDE KICKS	0-0	0-4
RED-ZONE SCORES	(44-52) 85%	(45-50) 90%
RED-ZONE TOUCHDOWNS	(37-52) 71%	(36-50) 72%
PAT-ATTEMPTS	(48-50) 96%	(48-51) 94%
ATTENDANCE	103116	169271
Games/Avg Per Game	6/17186	6/28212
Neutral Site Games		0/0

Score by Quarters	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	OT	Total
Georgia State	89	125	79	89	7	389
Opponents	109	122	77	115	10	433

2019 GEORGIA STATE FOOTBALL
Georgia State Overall Individual Statistics (12 Games)
All games

Rushing	gp	att	gain	loss	net	avg	td	lg	avg/g
Barnett, Tra	12	233	1411	22	1389	6.0	12	56	115.8
Ellington, Dan	12	146	761	163	598	4.1	5	64	49.8
Coates, Destin	10	75	501	14	487	6.5	7	67	48.7
Paige, Seth	7	61	413	8	405	6.6	4	65	57.9
Gregg, Tucker	12	15	60	4	56	3.7	1	20	4.7
Gentry, Devin	12	2	18	0	18	9.0	0	15	1.5
Brown, Cornelious	4	4	15	0	15	3.8	0	9	3.8
Marshall, Matlin	12	1	5	0	5	5.0	0	5	0.4
McCoy, Cornelius	12	1	4	0	4	4.0	0	4	0.3
Harvey, Kierston	2	1	1	0	1	1.0	0	1	0.5
Stubbs, Darius	2	9	2	8	-6	-0.7	0	1	-3.0
TEAM	8	10	0	30	-30	-3.0	0	0	-3.8
Total	12	558	3191	249	2942	5.3	29	67	245.2
Opponents	12	477	2748	209	2539	5.3	31	73	211.6

Passing	gp	effic	comp-att-int	pct	yds	td	lg	avg/g
Ellington, Dan	12	140.35	214-329-7	65.0	2291	21	44	190.9
Brown, Cornelious	4	71.14	11-28-1	39.3	130	0	34	32.5
Coates, Destin	10	0.00	0-1-0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0
Total	12	134.54	225-358-8	62.8	2421	21	44	201.8
Opponents	12	155.46	219-336-8	65.2	2859	24	64	238.2

Receiving	gp	no.	yds	avg	td	lg	avg/g
McCoy, Cornelius	12	65	679	10.4	4	44	56.6
Pinckney, Sam	9	36	460	12.8	5	43	51.1
Carter, Roger	12	25	291	11.6	3	30	24.2
Gentry, Devin	12	22	254	11.5	2	44	21.2
Ifedi, Jonathan	11	19	193	10.2	0	37	17.5
Barnett, Tra	12	14	66	4.7	0	12	5.5
Payne, Aubry	10	13	204	15.7	6	40	20.4
Marshall, Matlin	12	10	75	7.5	0	18	6.2
Dixon, Terrance	2	9	82	9.1	1	14	41.0
Coates, Destin	10	7	60	8.6	0	19	6.0
Thompson, Cadarius	7	2	36	18.0	0	34	5.1
Thrash, Jamari	3	2	17	8.5	0	16	5.7
Grier, Donavon	2	1	4	4.0	0	4	2.0
Total	12	225	2421	10.8	21	44	201.8
Opponents	12	219	2859	13.1	24	64	238.2

Punt Returns	no.	yds	avg	td	lg
White, Quavian	6	23	3.8	0	10
McCoy, Cornelius	3	5	1.7	0	11
Total	9	28	3.1	0	11
Opponents	13	132	10.2	0	30

Interceptions	no.	yds	avg	td	lg
Stephens-McQueen, T.	2	4	2.0	0	4
Gore, Tyler	2	0	0.0	0	0
Bacon, Chris	1	34	34.0	1	34
Lazarus, Remy	1	57	57.0	0	57
White, Quavian	1	27	27.0	0	27
Heyward, Victor	1	1	1.0	0	1
Total	8	123	15.4	1	57
Opponents	8	52	6.5	1	30

Kick Returns	no.	yds	avg	td	lg
McCoy, Cornelius	6	96	16.0	0	22
Gentry, Devin	1	18	18.0	0	18
Total	7	114	16.3	0	22
Opponents	24	574	23.9	0	79

Fumble Returns	no.	yds	avg	td	lg
Total	0	0	0.0	0	0
Opponents	0	0	0.0	1	0

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Scoring	td	fg	PAT				dxp	saf	pts
			kick	rush	rcv	pass			
Wright, Brandon	-	11-17	46-47	-	-	-	-	-	79
Barnett, Tra	12	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	72
Coates, Destin	7	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	42
Payne, Aubry	6	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	36
Ellington, Dan	5	-	-	-	-	1-1	-	-	30
Pinckney, Sam	5	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	30
Paige, Seth	4	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	24
McCoy, Cornelius	4	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	24
Carter, Roger	3	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	20
Gentry, Devin	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	12
Bacon, Chris	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6
Gregg, Tucker	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6
Dixon, Terrance	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6
Brown, Barry	-	-	2-3	-	-	-	-	-	2
Thomas, Terry	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0
Total	51	11-17	48-50	-	1	1-1	-	-	389
Opponents	57	13-17	48-51	1-2	1	1-4	-	-	433

Total Offense	g	plays	rush	pass	total	avg/g
Ellington, Dan	12	475	598	2291	2889	240.8
Barnett, Tra	12	233	1389	0	1389	115.8
Coates, Destin	10	76	487	0	487	48.7
Paige, Seth	7	61	405	0	405	57.9
Brown, Cornelious	4	32	15	130	145	36.2
Gregg, Tucker	12	15	56	0	56	4.7
Gentry, Devin	12	2	18	0	18	1.5
Marshall, Matlin	12	1	5	0	5	0.4
McCoy, Cornelius	12	1	4	0	4	0.3
Harvey, Kierston	2	1	1	0	1	0.5
Stubbs, Darius	2	9	-6	0	-6	-3.0
TEAM	8	10	-30	0	-30	-3.8
Total	12	916	2942	2421	5363	446.9
Opponents	12	813	2539	2859	5398	449.8

Field Goals	fg	pct.	01-19	20-29	30-39	40-49	50-99	lg	blk
Wright, Brandon	11-17	64.7	0-0	3-3	6-8	2-6	0-0	48	1

FG Sequence	Georgia State	Opponents
Tennessee	(48)	(19),(48),(31)
Furman	(29),(38)	-
Western Michigan	(32)	(26)
Texas State	(37),(20),46,36	(45),(34),43,(35)
Arkansas State	(43),46	(44)
Coastal Carolina	(38),30	(38),(21)
Army	-	-
Troy	(29)	51
ULM	(39),42	(31),41
Appalachian State	-	41
South Alabama	-	(34)
Georgia Southern	47,(35)	(49)

Punting	no.	yds	avg	lg	tb	fc	i20	50+	blk
Wright, Brandon	40	1699	42.5	65	2	8	11	13	0
Holdenson, Oliver	6	212	35.3	41	0	3	2	0	0
Total	46	1911	41.5	65	2	11	13	13	0
Opponents	45	1882	41.8	60	1	16	22	8	0

Kickoffs	no.	yds	avg	tb	ob	retn	net	ydln
Wright, Brandon	70	4261	60.9	39	1			
Total	70	4261	60.9	39	1	23.9	38.7	26
Opponents	75	4104	54.7	38	1	16.3	40.5	24

Numbers in (parentheses) indicate field goal was made.

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<u>All Purpose</u>	<u>g</u>	<u>rush</u>	<u>rcv</u>	<u>pr</u>	<u>kr</u>	<u>ir</u>	<u>total</u>	<u>avg/g</u>
Barnett, Tra	12	1389	66	0	0	0	1455	121.2
McCoy, Corneliu	12	4	679	5	96	0	784	65.3
Ellington, Dan	12	598	0	0	0	0	598	49.8
Coates, Destin	10	487	60	0	0	0	547	54.7
Pinckney, Sam	9	0	460	0	0	0	460	51.1
Paige, Seth	7	405	0	0	0	0	405	57.9
Carter, Roger	12	0	291	0	0	0	291	24.2
Gentry, Devin	12	18	254	0	18	0	290	24.2
Payne, Aubry	10	0	204	0	0	0	204	20.4
Ifedi, Jonathan	11	0	193	0	0	0	193	17.5
Dixon, Terrance	2	0	82	0	0	0	82	41.0
Marshall, Matlin	12	5	75	0	0	0	80	6.7
Lazarus, Remy	9	0	0	0	0	57	57	6.3
Gregg, Tucker	12	56	0	0	0	0	56	4.7
White, Quavian	9	0	0	23	0	27	50	5.6
Thompson, Cad	7	0	36	0	0	0	36	5.1
Bacon, Chris	12	0	0	0	0	34	34	2.8
Thrash, Jamari	3	0	17	0	0	0	17	5.7
Brown, Cornelio	4	15	0	0	0	0	15	3.8
Stephens-McQu	12	0	0	0	0	4	4	0.3
Grier, Donavon	2	0	4	0	0	0	4	2.0
Heyward, Victor	12	0	0	0	0	1	1	0.1
Harvey, Kierston	2	1	0	0	0	0	1	0.5
Stubbs, Darius	2	-6	0	0	0	0	-6	-3.0
TEAM	8	-30	0	0	0	0	-30	-3.8
Total	12	2942	2421	28	114	123	5628	469.0
Opponents	12	2539	2859	132	574	52	6156	513.0

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##	Defensive Leaders	gp	Tackles				tfl/yds	Sacks no-yds	Pass defense			Fumbles		blkd	
			ua	a	tot				int-yds	brup	qbh	rcv-yds	ff	kick	saf
6D	Stephens-McQueen, T.	12	55	45	100	7.0-20	1.0-9	2-4	3	1	.	.	.	.
37	Heyward, Victor	12	39	29	68	5.5-25	2.0-15	1-1	4	3	1-0	1	.	.	
21	Lazarus, Remy	9	33	20	53	0.5-1	.	1-57	6	.	1-0	1	.	.	
2D	Curney, Ed	7	27	20	47	5.5-19	3.0-16	.	1	1	1-0	.	.	.	
52	Wilson, Dontae	12	20	26	46	6.5-23	3.0-16	.	.	1	.	2	.	.	
9	Stone, Cedric	12	32	10	42	2.0-4	.	.	4	.	.	.	.	.
7C	Jones, Jaylon	8	29	12	41	2.5-8	.	.	4	.	.	.	.	.
90	Willis, Hardrick	10	25	15	40	8.5-37	4.5-31	.	1	1	.	2	1	.	
47	Taylor, Jhi'Shawn	12	19	18	37	3.0-7	1.5-4	.	.	2	1-0	.	.	.	
32	Dixon, Zach	8	23	13	36	1.0-10	1.0-10	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
20	White, Quavian	9	29	6	35	2.0-3	.	1-27	6	.	.	.	.	.
3	Bacon, Chris	12	18	16	34	3.0-5	.	1-34	1	.	.	.	.	.
55	Thomas, Terry	12	12	17	29	4.5-17	2.0-13	.	2	2	1-0	.	.	.	
2C	Gore, Tyler	12	16	7	23	.	.	2-0	3	.	.	.	.	.
1C	Jones, Evan	12	20	3	23	1.0-12	1.0-12	.	1	1	.	1	.	.	
5C	Carter, Keon	8	9	7	16	.	.	.	.	.	1-0	.	.	.
40	Veneziale, Jordan	11	8	5	13	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
29	Williams, Courtney	9	9	4	13	.	.	.	1	.	.	.	.	.
33	Smith, T.J.	7	6	6	12	1.0-1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
50	Arnold, T.J.	10	4	7	11	0.5-1	.	.	1	1	.	.	.	.
54	Moore, Tre	12	6	5	11	1.0-9	1.0-9	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
95	Gilbert, Tahji	11	2	8	10	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
10	Crawford, Jacorey	8	6	2	8	.	.	.	1	.	.	.	.	.
42	Carroll, Blake	8	3	3	6	1.0-3	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
4	Anderson, Khai	11	3	2	5	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
53	Wade, Jalen	12	4	1	5	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
30	Lain, Javonte	12	2	2	4	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
4C	Ingram, Josh	6	3	.	3	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
26	Gregg, Tucker	12	2	1	3	.	.	.	.	.	.	1	.	.
14	Gentry, Devin	12	2	1	3	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
93	Wright, Brandon	12	3	.	3	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
34	Lane, Antavious	4	2	1	3	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
97	Smith, Akeem	4	.	1	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
6	Ifedi, Jonathan	11	1	.	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
76	Atkinson, Hunter	12	1	.	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
25	Hill, Dawson	3	.	1	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
3C	Williams-Mitchell, N	11	1	.	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
6C	Grady, Kendrec	3	1	.	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
7D	Strachan, Jordan	1	1	.	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
64	Bartlett, Pat	12	1	.	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
57	Anderson, Marcus	4	.	1	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
11	Thompson, Cadarrius	7	1	.	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
75	Gilmore, Shamarious	12	1	.	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
Total		12	479	315	794	56-205	20-135	8-123	39	13	6-0	8	1	.	
Opponents		12	497	375	872	67-238	19-145	8-52	45	25	7-0	7	1	.	

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Date	Opponent	Rushing				Receiving				Passing				Kick Returns				Punt Returns				tot off
		no.	yds	td	lg	no.	yds	td	lg	cmp-att-int	yds	td	lg	no.	yds	td	lg	no.	yds	td	lg	
Aug 31	at Tennessee	53	213	3	22	11	139	2	28	11-24-0	139	2	28	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	352
Sep 07	FURMAN	39	204	1	18	29	362	5	44	29-37-0	362	5	44	2	32	0	18	1	0	0	0	566
Sep 14	at Western Michigan	41	210	0	64	11	126	1	44	11-25-2	126	1	44	2	30	0	15	1	11	0	11	336
Sep 21	at Texas State	53	204	1	44	24	219	3	28	24-40-1	219	3	28	2	43	0	22	1	-6	0	0	423
Oct 05	ARKANSAS STATE	58	340	6	56	29	382	1	43	29-41-0	382	1	43	0	0	0	0	1	10	0	10	722
Oct 12	at Coastal Carolina	56	350	3	57	16	122	1	35	16-24-1	122	1	35	0	0	0	0	1	-2	0	0	472
Oct 19	ARMY	32	147	1	19	20	232	3	30	20-28-0	232	3	30	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	379
Oct 26	TROY	57	390	5	65	18	189	2	40	18-25-1	189	2	40	0	0	0	0	1	5	0	5	579
Nov 09	at ULM	53	414	4	41	13	122	0	31	13-28-0	122	0	31	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	536
Nov 16	APPALACHIAN STATE	31	186	2	67	15	138	1	34	15-32-2	138	1	34	1	9	0	9	1	0	0	0	324
Nov 23	SOUTH ALABAMA	48	176	2	32	21	208	2	23	21-27-1	208	2	23	0	0	0	0	1	10	0	10	384
Nov 30	at Georgia Southern	37	108	1	34	18	182	0	26	18-27-0	182	0	26	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	290
Georgia State		558	2942	29	67	225	2421	21	44	225-358-8	2421	21	44	7	114	0	22	9	28	0	11	5363
Opponents		477	2539	31	73	219	2859	24	64	219-336-8	2859	24	64	24	574	0	79	13	132	0	30	5398

Games: 12 • Avg/rush: 5.3 • Avg/catch: 10.8 • Pass effic: 134.54 • KR avg: 16.3 • PR avg: 3.1 • All purpose avg/game: 469.0 • Total offense avg/gm: 446.9

Date	Opponent	Tackles				Sacks no-yds	Fumble		Pass Defense			blkd kick	PAT Attempts			off		pts	
		ua	a	total	tfl-yds		ff	fr-yds	int-yds	qbh	brup		kick	rush	rcv	saf	t/o		
Aug 31	at Tennessee	38	28	66	6.0-40	4.0-36	2	2-0	1-0	2	4	0	5-5	0	0	0	0	17	38
Sep 07	FURMAN	42	18	60	4.0-16	3.0-15	1	0-0	1-57	2	3	1	6-6	0	0	0	0	3	48
Sep 14	at Western Michigan	41	26	67	3.0-6	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	1	2	0	1-1	0	0	0	0	0	10
Sep 21	at Texas State	30	66	96	5.0-15	1.0-2	0	0-0	0-0	3	3	0	4-4	0	0	0	0	0	34
Oct 05	ARKANSAS STATE	38	8	46	6.0-18	3.0-14	1	0-0	2-4	1	4	0	7-7	0	0	0	0	0	52
Oct 12	at Coastal Carolina	32	22	54	4.0-14	1.0-10	3	2-0	0-0	0	3	0	4-4	0	0	0	0	3	31
Oct 19	ARMY	46	32	78	0.0-0	0.0-0	1	1-0	1-27	0	2	0	2-3	0	1	0	7	28	
Oct 26	TROY	39	23	62	7.0-38	4.0-33	0	0-0	0-0	0	5	0	7-7	0	0	0	0	0	52
Nov 09	at ULM	39	48	87	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	1-1	1	4	0	4-4	0	0	0	7	31	
Nov 16	APPALACHIAN STATE	53	12	65	7.0-11	1.0-1	0	0-0	1-34	1	6	0	3-4	0	0	0	7	27	
Nov 23	SOUTH ALABAMA	42	10	52	6.0-27	2.0-18	0	1-0	1-0	2	2	0	4-4	0	0	0	0	28	
Nov 30	at Georgia Southern	39	22	61	8.0-20	1.0-6	0	0-0	0-0	0	1	0	1-1	0	0	0	0	10	
Georgia State		479	315	794	56.0-205	20.0-135	8	6-0	8-123	13	39	1	48-50	0	1	0	44	389	
Opponents		497	375	872	67.0-238	19.0-145	7	7-0	8-52	25	45	1	48-51	1	1	0	44	433	

Date	Opponent	Punting										Field Goals			Kickoffs				
		no.	yds	avg	long	blkd	tb	fc	50+	i20	md-att	long	blkd	no.	yds	avg	tb	ob	
Aug 31	at Tennessee	3	112	37.3	46	0	0	0	0	1	1-1	48	0	7	443	63.3	4	0	
Sep 07	FURMAN	3	136	45.3	52	0	0	1	2	2	2-2	38	0	8	469	58.6	5	0	
Sep 14	at Western Michigan	8	394	49.2	58	0	2	1	5	2	1-1	32	0	3	179	59.7	2	0	
Sep 21	at Texas State	2	81	40.5	41	0	0	1	0	0	2-4	37	0	4	230	57.5	2	0	
Oct 05	ARKANSAS STATE	4	154	38.5	46	0	0	1	0	1	1-2	43	0	9	565	62.8	5	0	
Oct 12	at Coastal Carolina	4	93	23.2	44	0	0	0	0	1	1-2	38	0	6	336	56.0	3	0	
Oct 19	ARMY	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0-0	0	0	5	325	65.0	5	0	
Oct 26	TROY	2	105	52.5	65	0	0	0	1	1	1-1	29	0	9	545	60.6	3	0	
Nov 09	at ULM	2	64	32.0	42	0	0	0	0	0	1-2	39	1	6	383	63.8	3	0	
Nov 16	APPALACHIAN STATE	9	379	42.1	61	0	0	5	2	2	0-0	0	0	5	294	58.8	3	0	
Nov 23	SOUTH ALABAMA	5	203	40.6	59	0	0	0	1	2	0-0	0	0	5	323	64.6	3	1	
Nov 30	at Georgia Southern	4	190	47.5	58	0	0	2	2	1	1-2	35	0	3	169	56.3	1	0	
Georgia State		46	1911	41.5	65	0	2	11	13	13	11-17	48	1	70	4261	60.9	39	1	
Opponents		45	1882	41.8	60	0	1	16	8	22	13-17	49	0	75	4104	54.7	38	1	

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OPPONENT STATISTICS

Date	Opponent	Rushing				Receiving				Passing				Kick Returns				Punt Returns				tot off
		no.	yds	td	lg	no.	yds	td	lg	cmp-att-int	yds	td	lg	no.	yds	td	lg	no.	yds	td	lg	
Aug 31	at Tennessee	31	93	1	31	26	311	2	54	26-40-1	311	2	54	3	72	0	33	1	35	0	30	404
Sep 07	FURMAN	41	215	2	33	16	311	4	42	16-26-1	311	4	42	1	16	0	16	0	0	0	0	526
Sep 14	at Western Michigan	44	450	7	73	16	244	1	41	16-21-0	244	1	41	1	46	0	46	2	2	0	2	694
Sep 21	at Texas State	50	221	3	22	16	129	0	28	16-25-0	129	0	28	2	26	0	26	0	0	0	0	350
Oct 05	ARKANSAS STATE	22	115	1	36	22	306	4	46	22-34-2	306	4	46	4	113	0	41	3	46	0	28	421
Oct 12	at Coastal Carolina	27	105	0	37	19	217	2	23	19-31-0	217	2	23	1	12	0	12	1	10	0	9	322
Oct 19	ARMY	61	278	3	38	6	65	0	18	6-11-1	65	0	18	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	343
Oct 26	TROY	23	96	3	53	34	421	2	64	34-46-0	421	2	64	6	139	0	79	1	5	0	0	517
Nov 09	at ULM	46	299	3	36	24	291	3	46	24-33-1	291	3	46	3	42	0	21	0	0	0	0	590
Nov 16	APPALACHIAN STATE	46	280	3	32	21	273	4	50	21-34-1	273	4	50	1	5	0	0	4	34	0	17	553
Nov 23	SOUTH ALABAMA	39	108	0	12	12	218	2	52	12-25-1	218	2	52	1	55	0	55	0	0	0	0	326
Nov 30	at Georgia Southern	47	279	5	30	7	73	0	18	7-10-0	73	0	18	1	48	0	48	1	0	0	0	352
Opponents		477	2539	31	73	219	2859	24	64	219-336-8	2859	24	64	24	574	0	79	13	132	0	30	5398
Georgia State		558	2942	29	67	225	2421	21	44	225-358-8	2421	21	44	7	114	0	22	9	28	0	11	5363

Games: 12 • Avg/rush: 5.3 • Avg/catch: 13.1 • Pass effic: 155.46 • KR avg: 23.9 • PR avg: 10.2 • All purpose avg/game: 513.0 • Total offense avg/gm: 449.8

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		ua	a	total	tfl-yds		ff	fr-yds	int-yds	qbh	brup		kick	rush	rcv	saf	t/o	
Aug 31	at Tennessee	35	40	75	6.0-25	2.0-17	1	1-0	0-0	3	3	0	3-3	0	0	0	3	30
Sep 07	FURMAN	43	24	67	4.0-6	0.0-0	1	0-0	0-0	2	1	0	4-5	0	1	0	0	42
Sep 14	at Western Michigan	26	56	82	9.0-45	4.0-36	1	1-0	2-0	2	5	0	6-7	0	0	0	7	57
Sep 21	at Texas State	43	56	99	7.0-17	2.0-8	1	2-0	1-0	4	6	0	4-4	0	0	0	10	37
Oct 05	ARKANSAS STATE	72	12	84	6.0-17	1.0-9	0	0-0	0-0	0	3	0	5-5	0	0	0	0	38
Oct 12	at Coastal Carolina	39	54	93	5.0-29	2.0-20	2	0-0	1-19	6	3	0	1-1	1	0	0	3	21
Oct 19	ARMY	33	16	49	2.0-3	0.0-0	0	1-0	0-0	0	2	0	3-3	0	0	0	0	21
Oct 26	TROY	43	43	86	6.0-21	1.0-10	0	0-0	1-3	1	2	0	3-3	0	0	0	7	33
Nov 09	at ULM	34	38	72	1.0-3	1.0-3	1	1-0	0-0	3	6	1	6-6	0	0	0	0	45
Nov 16	APPALACHIAN STATE	37	8	45	4.0-16	1.0-8	0	1-0	2-30	2	8	0	8-8	0	0	0	14	56
Nov 23	SOUTH ALABAMA	52	8	60	9.0-18	0.0-0	0	0-0	1-0	0	1	0	0-1	0	0	0	0	15
Nov 30	at Georgia Southern	40	20	60	8.0-38	5.0-34	0	0-0	0-0	2	5	0	5-5	0	0	0	0	38
Opponents		497	375	872	67.0-238	19.0-145	7	7-0	8-52	25	45	1	48-51	1	1	0	44	433
Georgia State		479	315	794	56.0-205	20.0-135	8	6-0	8-123	13	39	1	48-50	0	1	0	44	389

Date	Opponent	Punting								Field Goals			Kickoffs					
		no.	yds	avg	long	blkd	tb	fc	50+	i20	md-att	long	blkd	no.	yds	avg	tb	ob
Aug 31	at Tennessee	1	47	47.0	47	0	0	1	0	1	3-3	48	0	5	325	65.0	5	0
Sep 07	FURMAN	3	125	41.7	43	0	0	0	0	1	0-0	0	0	6	387	64.5	4	0
Sep 14	at Western Michigan	5	184	36.8	44	0	0	3	0	1	1-1	26	0	10	468	46.8	1	0
Sep 21	at Texas State	4	136	34.0	44	0	0	1	0	2	3-4	45	0	6	382	63.7	4	0
Oct 05	ARKANSAS STATE	5	245	49.0	59	0	0	2	3	4	1-1	44	0	7	305	43.6	1	0
Oct 12	at Coastal Carolina	5	211	42.2	54	0	0	1	1	3	2-2	38	0	5	275	55.0	3	0
Oct 19	ARMY	1	40	40.0	40	0	0	0	0	1	0-0	0	0	4	210	52.5	2	0
Oct 26	TROY	3	107	35.7	39	0	1	0	0	0	0-1	0	0	5	243	48.6	3	0
Nov 09	at ULM	2	68	34.0	37	0	0	2	0	0	1-2	31	0	8	468	58.5	5	1
Nov 16	APPALACHIAN STATE	7	276	39.4	47	0	0	4	0	3	0-1	0	0	9	451	50.1	3	0
Nov 23	SOUTH ALABAMA	5	248	49.6	60	0	0	1	2	3	1-1	34	0	3	145	48.3	1	0
Nov 30	at Georgia Southern	4	195	48.8	54	0	0	1	2	3	1-1	49	0	7	445	63.6	6	0
Opponents		45	1882	41.8	60	0	1	16	8	22	13-17	49	0	75	4104	54.7	38	1
Georgia State		46	1911	41.5	65	0	2	11	13	13	11-17	48	1	70	4261	60.9	39	1

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#13 Ellington, Dan	Comp	Att	Int	Pct	Yards	TD	Long	Sacked	Effic
Tennessee	11	24	0	45.8	139	2	28	2-17	121.98
Furman	29	37	0	78.4	362	5	44	0-0	205.16
Western Michigan	11	20	1	55.0	126	1	44	4-36	114.42
Texas State	24	39	1	61.5	219	3	28	2-8	128.96
Arkansas State	29	41	0	70.7	382	1	43	1-9	157.04
Coastal Carolina	16	24	1	66.7	122	1	35	2-20	114.78
Army	20	28	0	71.4	232	3	30	0-0	176.39
Troy	18	25	1	72.0	189	2	40	1-10	153.90
ULM	5	10	0	50.0	42	0	13	1-3	85.28
Appalachian State	12	27	2	44.4	88	1	25	1-8	69.23
South Alabama	21	27	1	77.8	208	2	23	0-0	159.53
Georgia Southern	18	27	0	66.7	182	0	26	5-34	123.29
TOTALS	214	329	7	65.0	2291	21	44	19-145	140.35

#1 Brown, C.	Comp	Att	Int	Pct	Yards	TD	Long	Sacked	Effic
Western Michigan	0	5	1	0.0	0	0	0	0-0	-40.00
ULM	8	18	0	44.4	80	0	31	0-0	81.78
Appalachian State	3	5	0	60.0	50	0	34	0-0	144.00
TOTALS	11	28	1	39.3	130	0	34	0-0	71.14

#17 Coates, Destin	Comp	Att	Int	Pct	Yards	TD	Long	Sacked	Effic
Texas State	0	1	0	0.0	0	0	0	0-0	0.00
TOTALS	0	1	0	0.0	0	0	0	0-0	0.00

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RUSHING	No-Yds/TD	UT	FUR	WMU	TXST	ASU	CCU	ARMY	TROY	ULM	APP	USA	GS
Barnett, Tra	233-1389/12	21-95/1	9-52/1	19-127/0	12-55/0	14-139/1	20-110/2	17-108/1	34-242/2	32-190/2	17-90/0	23-128/1	15-53/1
Ellington, Dan	146-598/5	14-61/1	15-86/0	9-44/0	19-53/0	19-69/1	19-128/0	10-39/0	11-32/2	9-91/1	2--7/0	4-12/0	15--10/0
Coates, Destin	75-487/7	5-4/0	DNP	1-14/0	21-95/1	15-66/3	2-5/0	DNP	-	9-119/1	7-97/1	11-33/1	4-54/0
Paige, Seth	61-405/4	11-40/1	13-64/0	3-16/0	DNP	9-68/1	13-104/1	3-4/0	9-109/1	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP
Gregg, Tucker	15-56/1	-	-	4-12/0	1-1/0	-	-	-	2-3/0	-	2-20/1	4-10/0	2-10/0
Gentry, Devin	2-18/0	1-15/0	1-3/0	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Brown, C.	4-15/0	DNP	-	-	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	3-14/0	1-1/0	DNP	DNP
Marshall, M.	1-5/0	-	-	-	-	-	1-5/0	-	-	-	-	-	-
McCoy, C.	1-4/0	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1-4/0	-	-	-	-
Harvey, K.	1-1/0	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	-	1-1/0
Stubbs, Darius	9--6/0	DNP	DNP	5--3/0	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	4--3/0	DNP
TEAM	10--30/0	1--2/0	1--1/0	DNP	-	1--2/0	1--2/0	2--4/0	DNP	DNP	2--15/0	2--4/0	DNP

RECEIVING	No-Yds/TD	UT	FUR	WMU	TXST	ASU	CCU	ARMY	TROY	ULM	APP	USA	GS
McCoy, C.	65-679/4	3-43/1	10-143/1	2-13/0	6-66/1	8-107/0	4-12/1	7-66/0	3-27/0	5-38/0	3-22/0	7-53/0	7-89/0
Pinckney, Sam	36-460/5	1-6/0	7-80/1	1-11/0	7-95/1	9-120/1	3-41/0	2-36/2	5-40/0	1-31/0	DNP	DNP	DNP
Carter, Roger	25-291/3	2-33/0	1-2/1	1-2/0	1-6/0	2-45/0	1-8/0	2-39/0	4-39/1	2-9/0	-	7-87/1	2-21/0
Gentry, Devin	22-254/2	1-14/0	2-49/0	1-44/0	-	-	2-8/0	1-15/0	2-17/0	2-14/0	4-32/1	4-27/1	3-34/0
Payne, Aubry	13-204/6	2-17/1	1-20/1	1-20/1	2-10/1	-	DNP	3-43/1	2-51/1	-	1-25/0	DNP	1-18/0
Ifedi, Jonathan	19-193/0	-	DNP	-	2-9/0	5-78/0	3-47/0	4-31/0	-	2-18/0	1-6/0	-	2-4/0
Dixon, Terrance	9-82/1	1-14/0	8-68/1	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP
Marshall, M.	10-75/0	-	-	2-23/0	3-10/0	1-5/0	1-0/0	-	1-13/0	-	1-12/0	1-12/0	-
Barnett, Tra	14-66/0	1-12/0	-	2-10/0	-	2-10/0	1-3/0	1-2/0	1-2/0	-	3-3/0	1-10/0	2-14/0
Coates, Destin	7-60/0	-	DNP	1-3/0	3-23/0	-	1-3/0	DNP	-	1-12/0	-	1-19/0	-
Thompson, C.	2-36/0	DNP	DNP	-	DNP	DNP	-	-	-	DNP	1-34/0	-	1-2/0
Thrash, Jamari	2-17/0	DNP	DNP	-	DNP	2-17/0	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	-
Grier, Donavon	1-4/0	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	1-4/0	-	DNP

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Total Tackles	UA-A	Total	UT	FUR	WMU	TXST	ASU	CCU	ARMY	TROY	ULM	APP	USA	GS
StephensMcQueen	55-45	100	2-3	8-3	7-3	2-13	0-1	4-3	10-10	6-2	4-4	2-1	5-1	5-1
Heyward, Victor	39-29	68	2-3	2-0	2-2	4-8	5-0	1-2	4-3	7-3	3-5	1-0	4-1	4-2
Lazarus, Remy	33-20	53	3-3	4-0	4-3	2-8	7-1	2-2	3-1	5-1	3-1	DNP	DNP	DNP
Curney, Ed	27-20	47	4-4	5-2	3-2	4-7	5-0	6-4	0-1	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP
Wilson, Dontae	20-26	46	2-2	2-1	-	2-5	2-1	1-2	7-3	0-2	0-2	1-2	1-2	2-4
Stone, Cedric	32-10	42	2-1	3-2	2-1	4-3	5-1	1-0	4-0	1-1	4-0	4-1	2-0	-
Jones, Jaylon	29-12	41	2-1	3-0	4-4	3-6	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	3-1	8-0	5-0	1-0
Willis, H.	25-15	40	4-1	-	DNP	DNP	2-0	1-2	3-3	1-2	2-3	5-2	3-0	4-2
Taylor, J.	19-18	37	2-4	2-1	-	2-0	-	0-3	2-2	0-1	0-2	2-1	4-3	5-1
Dixon, Zach	23-13	36	DNP	DNP	-	DNP	DNP	-	5-4	1-2	3-5	8-0	4-0	2-2
White, Quavian	29-6	35	DNP	2-0	DNP	DNP	3-0	5-0	3-2	3-1	4-2	4-0	2-0	3-1
Bacon, Chris	18-16	34	0-1	3-1	1-0	0-1	1-1	3-3	-	2-3	1-3	2-1	3-1	2-1
Thomas, Terry	12-17	29	-	2-0	1-1	0-6	2-0	3-1	0-1	1-0	0-3	0-1	2-0	1-4
Gore, Tyler	16-7	23	4-0	0-2	6-1	-	1-0	-	-	2-2	2-1	1-1	-	-
Jones, Evan	20-3	23	4-1	1-0	-	2-1	-	2-0	2-0	2-1	-	3-0	1-0	3-0
Carter, Keon	9-7	16	DNP	DNP	DNP	-	0-1	-	-	-	6-4	2-2	1-0	DNP
Williams, C.	9-4	13	-	-	2-2	-	-	DNP	DNP	DNP	-	1-0	4-1	2-1
Veneziale, J.	8-5	13	1-1	-	3-3	-	-	-	-	2-0	2-1	-	DNP	-
Smith, T.J.	6-6	12	1-2	1-0	-	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	-	1-4	3-0	-	DNP
Moore, Tre	6-5	11	0-1	2-2	0-1	1-0	-	-	1-0	1-0	-	-	-	1-1
Arnold, T.J.	4-7	11	DNP	DNP	1-1	2-3	-	-	1-1	-	0-2	-	-	-
Gilbert, Tahji	2-8	10	-	1-1	0-1	0-3	-	-	1-1	DNP	0-1	-	-	0-1
Crawford, J.	6-2	8	1-0	DNP	1-0	2-1	-	-	DNP	DNP	-	DNP	-	2-1
Carroll, Blake	3-3	6	DNP	DNP	DNP	0-1	0-1	-	-	-	DNP	1-0	1-1	1-0
Wade, Jalen	4-1	5	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2-1	-	2-0	-	-
Anderson, Khai	3-2	5	1-0	-	1-0	-	1-0	-	DNP	-	0-2	-	-	-
Lain, Javonte	2-2	4	-	1-1	1-0	-	-	-	-	-	0-1	-	-	-
Gregg, Tucker	2-1	3	1-0	-	-	-	0-1	1-0	-	-	-	-	-	-
Ingram, Josh	3-0	3	DNP	DNP	DNP	-	3-0	DNP	-	-	DNP	-	-	DNP
Wright, Brandon	3-0	3	-	-	1-0	-	1-0	-	-	1-0	-	-	-	-
Lane, Antavious	2-1	3	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	0-1	DNP	1-0	-	1-0
Gentry, Devin	2-1	3	1-0	0-1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1-0	-	-
Thompson, C.	1-0	1	DNP	DNP	1-0	DNP	DNP	-	-	-	DNP	-	-	-
Atkinson, H.	1-0	1	-	-	-	-	-	1-0	-	-	-	-	-	-
Gilmore, S.	1-0	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1-0	-	-	-
Anderson, M.	0-1	1	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	0-1	-	-	-
Hill, Dawson	0-1	1	-	0-1	-	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP
Ifedi, Jonathan	1-0	1	-	DNP	-	-	-	-	-	1-0	-	-	-	-
Strachan, J.	1-0	1	1-0	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP
Bartlett, Pat	1-0	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1-0	-	-	-	-
Grady, Kendrec	1-0	1	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	-	1-0	-	DNP
Smith, Akeem	0-1	1	-	-	0-1	-	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP
Williams-Mitch	1-0	1	-	-	-	-	-	1-0	-	-	-	-	DNP	-