

# SOUTHERN CONFERENCE FOOTBALL

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### 2020-21 Southern Conference Football Standings

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Teams <sup>rank</sup>	W-L	Pct	Н	Α	ST	W-L Pct H A ST
VMI <sup>12/15</sup>	5-1	0.833	2-1	3-0	L1	5-1 0.833 2-1 3-0 L1
*Chattanooga	3-1	0.750	1-1	2-0	L1	3-2 0.600 1-1 2-1 L1
Mercer <sup>25/23</sup>	5-2	0.714	4-0	1-2	W4	5-5 0.500 4-1 1-4 W4
ETSU <sup>24/24</sup>	4-2	0.667	2-1	2-1	L1	4-2 0.667 2-1 2-1 L1
Samford	3-3	0.500	2-1	1-2	W1	3-3 0.500 2-1 1-2 W1
Furman	3-4	0.429	2-1	1-3	L3	3-4 0.429 2-1 1-3 L3
The Citadel	2-5	0.286	1-3	1-2	W2	2-9 0.182 1-4 1-5 W2
*Wofford	1-4	0.200	1-2	0-2	L4	1-4 0.200 1-2 0-2 L4
Western Carolina	1-5	0.167	1-1	0-4	L2	1-8 0.111 1-1 0-7 L2

Rankings listed AFCA FCS Coaches' Top 25/Stats Perform FCS Top 25 \* Chattanooga and Wofford have opted out of remainder of season

## UPCOMING SCHEDULE (all times Eastern)

April 17 (Saturday)  *Mercer at Samford  *The Citadel at VMI  *Chattanooga at ETSU  *Wofford at Furman	Series Samford leads 13-12-1 The Citadel leads 42-31-2 Chattanooga leads 23-19-1 Furman leads 54-33-7	<b>TV/Digital</b> ESPN+ Nexstar/ESPN+	Time 1 p.m. 1:30 p.m. canceled canceled
<b>April 18 (Sunday)</b> FCS Selection Show		<b>TV/Digital</b> ESPNU/WatchESPN	<b>Time</b> 11:30 a.m.

Nexstar affiliates for April 17 Ingles SoCon Game of the Week

ECBD/The Lowcountry's CW (Charleston)

WJHL/News Channel 11 (Johnson City)

WMYT/My 12 (Charlotte)

WWCW/The CW Virginia (Lynchburg/Roanoke)

WYCW/The CW62 (Greenville/Spartanburg/Asheville)

**Play-by-play:** Pete Yanity **Analyst:** Jared Singleton

### Coaching Records

Coach, School	Career Record	School (Yrs.)	SoCon (Yrs.)
Brent Thompson, The Citadel	28-29 (5th)	Same	21-18 (5th)
Randy Sanders, ETSU	15-15 (3rd)	Same	11-11 (3rd)
Clay Hendrix, Furman	25-18 (4th)	Same	21-10 (4th)
Drew Cronic, Mercer	52-11 (5th)	5-5 (1st)	5-2 (1st)
Chris Hatcher, Samford	156-86 (21st)	35-29 (6th)	38-30 (9th)
Rusty Wright, Chattanooga	9-8 (2nd)	Same	8-4 (2nd)
Scott Wachenheim, VMI	16-46 (6th)	Same	11-34 (6th)
Mark Speir, Western Carolina	33-68 (9th)	Same	21-47 (9th)
Josh Conklin, Wofford	18-12 (3rd)	Same	14-7 (3rd)

### SoCon Stats NCAA Stats





### 2020-21 SoCon Media Guide



### SoCon 100th Anniversary

The SoCon is celebrating its 100th anniversary in 2021. The fifth-oldest NCAA Division I college athletic association, the SoCon contested the first-ever collegiate conference basketball tournament in 1921, tackled freshman eligibility in 1922, became the first conference to adopt the 3-point field goal in basketball in 1980 and developed women's championships in 1984.



#### **N**otes

- The Southern Conference title and automatic bid to the NCAA Division I Football Championship will be determined Saturday, as either VMI or Mercer will be crowned league champion and clinch its first-ever FCS playoffs appearance.
- VMI hosts archrival The Citadel for the Ingles SoCon Game of the Week on select Nexstar affiliates. The Keydets, seeking their first SoCon title since 1977 and eighth overall, will claim the SoCon crown with a win or a Mercer loss.
- Mercer, looking for its first-ever SoCon title, must beat Samford and have VMI lose. The hottest team in the league entering the final week of the regular season, the Bears have won four straight games, the last three of which were over ranked opponents.
- •The Bears debuted in the national polls for the first time ever this week, entering the Stats Perform FCS Top 25 at No. 23 and the AFCA FCS Coaches'Top 25 at No. 25 (tied). WII is ranked No. 15 in the Stats Perform poll and No. 12 in the coaches' poll, while ETSU is ranked No. 24 in both polls.
- •The Keydets topped The Citadel 34-21 in last season's Military Classic of the South to claim the Silver Shako and stop the Bulldogs' 12-game win streak in the series. Mercer has won two straight over Samford, including last season's 36-33 affair in three overtimes.
- The Citadel, which opened this season 0-9, has won two straight, downing in-state rivals and traditional So-Con powers Wofford and Furman in its last two contests.
- The Citadel quarterback Jaylan Adams is the reigning SoCon Offensive Player of the Week presented by GEICO after rushing for 98 yards and two touchdowns in the Bulldogs' 26-7 win over Furman last week. He ranks eighth in the FCS in rushing yards (674) and sixth in rushing TDs (seven).
- •VMI redshirt freshman quarterback Seth Morgan has thrown for 690 yards and four touchdowns and run for 118 yards and a TD in two starts since Preseason SoCon Offensive Player of the Year Reece Udinski went down with a season-ending injury. Between Udinski and Morgan, the Keydets lead the FCS is completion percentage at .734 this season, while Morgan holds the individual lead at .770.
- VMI wide receiver Jakob Herres is in the top 10 in the FCS in receiving TDs (sixth, six), receiving yards (fourth, 684), receiving yards per game (second, 114) and receptions per game (second, 9.3).
- Mercer cornerback Yahsyn McKee, a converted wide receiver, was named both the SoCon Defensive Player of the Week and Special Teams Player of the Week after recording five tackles and a 63-yard fumble return for a touchdown and averaging 36.7 yards on three kickoff returns in the Bears' win over then-No. 20/21 ETSU last week. He is the first SoCon player to win two awards in the same week since Chattanooga quarterback Jacob Huesman was named the offensive and freshman player of the week on Nov. 19, 2012.
- Samford (3-3) lost its season opener at ETSU, which is now ranked No. 24/24, and dropped overtime games to No. 17 Furman and No. 18/19 VMI. The Bulldogs held fourth-quarter leads in all three games.
- Samford quarterback Liam Welch, who threw for a SoCon-record 570 yards and four TDs in the OT loss to No. 18/19 VMI, ranks fifth in the FCS with 359.8 passing yards per game and in pass efficiency at 160.1.

### National/Regional Awards (Spring)

#### Athlon Sports Preseason FCS All-America Team Defense

LB - Willie Eubanks III, Sr., The Citadel Special teams

PR - Montrell Washington, Sr., Samford

#### **HERO Sports Preseason All-America** First team Special teams

S – Robert Soderholm, R-So., VMI PR - Montrell Washington, Sr., Samford

#### Stats Perform FCS Offensive Player of the Week Jakob Herres, VMI, WR 3/30/21

Quay Holmes, ETSU, RB

### Stats Perform FCS Defensive Player of the Week

Michael Mason, Wofford, DL Connor Riddle, VMI, LB 3/1/21 Ty Boeck, Chattanooga, LB 3/23/21

**Stats Perform FCS Special Teams Player of the Week** Paxton Robertson, Western Carolina, K 2/22/21

### Stats Perform FCS Freshman of the Week

Carter Peevy, Mercer, QB

4/5/21

### National/Regional Awards (Fall)

#### Athlon Sports Preseason FCS All-America Team **Defense**

LB - Willie Eubanks III, Sr., The Citadel **Special teams** 

PR - Montrell Washington, Sr., Samford

#### FCS Preseason Punter of the Year Award watch list Matthew Campbell, Jr., The Citadel

#### **HERO Sports Preseason All-America** First team

Offense ATH – Brandon Rainey, Sr., The Citadel Special teams

PR – Montrell Washington, Sr., Samford

### Second team

Defense LB - Adrian Hope, R-Jr., Furman

**Special teams** KR – Quay Holmes, R-Jr., ETSU

#### Third team Offense

RB – Devin Wynn, Sr., Furman

TE – Chris James, Sr., Chattanooga AP - Alex Ramsey, R-Sr., The Citadel

**Defense** LB – Willie Eubanks III, Sr., The Citadel

**Special teams** LS – Robert Solderholm, Jr., VMI

### Preseason All-Southern Conference

### Offensive Player of the Year

Reece Udinski, QB, Sr., VMI

#### First team offense

- QB Reece Udinski, Sr., VMI
- Quay Holmes, R-Jr., ETSU
- Devin Wynn, Sr., Furman
- OL Haden Haas, R-Jr., The Citadel
- OL Tre'mond Shorts, R-Jr., ETSU
- OL Mike Williams, Sr., Samford
- Cole Strange, R-Sr., Chattanooga OL
- Nick Hartnett, R-Sr., VMI OL
- Nate Adkins, Jr., ETSU
- WR Montrell Washington, Sr., Samford
- WR Bryce Nunnelly, Sr., Chattanooga

### First team defense

- DL Blake Bockrath, R-Sr., ETSU
- DΙ Armond Lloyd, Sr., Samford
- Devonnsha Maxwell, R-Jr., Chattanooga DL
- Jordan Ward, Sr., VMI DL
- DL Jayden Pauling, Jr., Western Carolina
- DL
- Michael Mason, So., Wofford Willie Eubanks III, Sr., The Citadel I R
- LB Adrian Hope, R-Jr., Furman
- LB Ty Boeck, Jr., Chattanooga
- Chris Beverly, Jr., The Citadel DR
- DB Tyree Robinson, Jr., ETSU
- DB Brandon Dowdell, Sr., Chattanooga
- DB A.J. Smith, Sr., VMI

#### First team specialists

- Mitchell Fineran, Jr., Samford Matt Campbell, Jr., The Citadel
- Montrell Washington, Sr., Samford

## Second team offense

QB Hamp Sisson, R-So., Furman

- Jay Stanton, So., Samford
- Ailym Ford, So., Chattanooga RB
- OL Jordan Harris, R-Sr., Furman
- OL Evan Jumper, So., Furman
- McClendon Curtis, R-Jr., Chattanooga OL

**Defensive Player of the Year** 

Willie Eubanks III, LB, Sr., The Citadel

- OL Harrison Moon, Sr., Chattanooga
- Chad Gardner, Jr., Wofford OL
- OL Zak Kurz, Jr., Wofford
- TE Chris James, Sr., Chattanooga
- WR Raleigh Webb, R-Sr., The Citadel
- WR Jakob Herres, Jr., VMI

### Second team defense

- DL Dalton Owens, R-Jr., The Citadel
- Cameron Coleman, R-So., Furman
- Jay Person, R-So., Chattanooga DL
- DL Tanner Barnes, So., Wofford
- LB Braden Gilby, R-So., Furman
- Nathan East, Jr., Samford LB
- Ty Harris, Sr., Western Carolina LB DB Travis Blackshear, R-So., Furman
- DB Ty Herring, Sr., Samford
- Jordan Jones, R-Sr., Chattanooga
- DB Darron Paschal, Sr., Wofford

### Second team specialists

- Tyler Keltner, So., ETSU
- Bradley Porcellato, Jr., Samford
- RS Korey Bridy, Jr., VMI

#### Phil Steele/DraftScout.com Preseason All-America First team

### Offense

RB – Alex Ramsey, R-Sr., The Citadel Defense

DL – Adrian Hope, R-Jr., Furman LB – Willie Eubanks III, Sr., The Citadel

Special teams PR – Montrell Washington, Sr., Samford

AP – Quay Holmes, R-Jr., ETSU

### Third team

**Offense** RB – Devin Wynn, Sr., Furman

#### Fourth team Offense

OL – Cole Strange, Sr., Chattanooga

#### **Stats Perform Preseason All-America** First team

Offense

RB – Alex Ramsey, R-Sr., The Citadel

Defense

LB - Willie Eubanks III, Sr., The Citadel

Special teams
PR – Montrell Washington, Sr., Samford

AP – Quay Holmes, R-Jr. ETSU

#### Second team Offense

TE - Chris James, Sr., Chattanooga

#### Third team Offense

RB – Devin Wynn, Sr., Furman **Defense** DL – Adrian Hope, R-Jr., Furman

Special teams

AP – Brandon Rainey, Sr., The Citadel

#### Stats Perform FCS Team of the Week The Citadel

10/11/20

#### Stats Perform FCS Player of the Week

Sean-Thomas Faulkner, The Citadel 10/11/20 Lance Wise, Mercer 11/1/20

## William V. Campbell Trophy presented by Mazda

Semifinalists Bryce Nunnelly, Sr., WR, Chattanooga Grady Thomas, Sr., OL, Western Carolina

### Preseason Southern Conference Polls

Coaches		Media	
Team (1st-place votes)	Total	Team (1st-place votes)	Total
1. Wofford (5)	60	1. Furman (16)	246
2. Furman (3)	56	2. Wofford (10)	228
3. Chattanooga (1)	53	3. Chattanooga	192
4. The Citadel	39	4. The Citadel (3)	164
5. Samford	34	5. Samford	142
t6. VMI	26	6. Mercer	118
t6. Mercer	26	7. VMI	91
8. ETSU	20	8. ETSU	75
9. Western Carolina	10	9. Western Carolina	49

### SoCon vs. Other Conferences

#### FBS opponents (0-7)

American Athletic (0-1)

Sept. 12 South Florida 27, The Citadel 6

Atlantic Coast (0-2)

Sept. 19 #1 Clemson 49, The Citadel 0
Dec. 5 North Carolina 49, Western Carolina 9

Independents (0-3)

Oct. 10 Army West Point 14, The Citadel 9
Oct. 24 Army West Point 49, Mercer 3
Nov. 14 Liberty 58, Western Carolina 14

Conference USA (0-1)

Oct. 24 Western Kentucky 13, Chattanooga 10

#### FCS opponents (0-4)

Ohio Valley (0-3)

Sept. 26 Eastern Kentucky 37, The Citadel 14
Oct. 10 Jacksonville State 34, Mercer 28
Nov. 21 Eastern Kentucky 49, Western Carolina 17

Southland (0-1)

Oct. 31 Abilene Christian 20, Mercer 17

<u>Home team underlined</u> All times Eastern

## ALL-TIME RECORDS IN SOCON PLAY

<b>Team</b> The Citadel ETSU Furman	Years 82nd 30th 82nd	<b>W-L-T</b> 217-305-5 83-135-0 280-219-11	<b>Pct.</b> .417 .381 .560
Mercer	7th	23-30-0	.434
Samford	13th	55-45-0	.550
Chattanooga	44th	154-159-2	.492
VMI	86th	191-314-23	.384
Western Carolina	44th	116-204-1	.363
Wofford	24th	115-68-0	.628

### SoCon Players of the Week

#### Offensive

Feb. 22	Quay Holmes, ETSU, R-Jr., RB
	Liam Welch, Samford, Sr., QB
March 8	Ryan Miller, Furman, Jr., TE
March 15	Donnavan Spencer, WCU, Sr., RB
March 22	Liam Welch, Samford, Sr., QB
March 29	Jakob Herres, VMI, Jr., WR
April 5	Quay Holmes, ETSU, R-Jr., RB
April 12	Jaylan Adams, The Citadel, So., QB
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#### **Defensive**

Feb. 22 Donovan Manuel, ETSU, R-So., LB
March 1Connor Riddle, VMI, R-Sr., LB
March 8Chris Edmonds, Samford, So., S
March 15Chris Edmonds, Samford, So., S
March 22Ty Boeck, Chattanooga, Jr., LB
March 29 Christian Snyder, Chattanooga, Jr., LB
April 5Alijah Huzzie, ETSU, R-Fr., DB
April 12 Yahsyn McKee, Mercer, So., CB
April 19

#### Special teams

Feb. 22	Paxton Robertson, WCU, Fr., K
March 1	Gabe Boring, Chattanooga, Jr., P
March 8	Timmy Bleekrode, Furman, R-So., PK/P
March 15	Mitchell Fineran, Samford, Jr., PK
March 22.	Caleb Dowden, Mercer, R-So., P/K
March 29.	Tyler Keltner, ETSU, So., K
April 5	Caleb Dowden, Mercer, R-So., P/K
April 12	Yahsyn McKee, Mercer, So., CB
April 19	

## Home Field Records

Team	W-L-T	Pct.	Years	Stadium name
The Citadel	235-155-3	.602	71st	Johnson Hagood Stadium
ETSU	14-7-0	.667	4th	William B. Greene, Jr. Stadium
Furman	175-61-1	.741	38th	Paladin Stadium
Mercer	30-17-0	.638	8th	Five Star Stadium
Samford	172-85-4	.667	51st	Seibert Stadium
Chattanooga	66-60-0	.524	22nd	Finley Stadium
VMI	104-158-3	.398	58th	Foster Stadium
Western Carolina	130-107-2	.548	45th	E.J. Whitmire Stadium
Wofford	99-37-0	.728	23rd	Gibbs Stadium

## **SHUTOUT CHART**

Team	Last shutout win	Games ago	Last shutout loss	Games ago
The Citadel	69-0 – Davidson (2015)	70	49-0 – Clemson (2020)	10
ETSU	45-0 – Gardner-Webb (2018)	25	38-0 – Vanderbilt (2019)	7
Furman	10-0 – Elon (2004)	190	45-0 – Samford (2014)	70
Mercer	52-0 – ETSU (2015)	61	56-0 – Alabama (2017)	34
Samford	43-0 – Clark Atlanta (2015)	55	52-0 – Auburn (2019)	7
Chattanooga	34-0 – Presbyterian (2016)	51	45-0 – Tennessee (2019)	15
VMI	49-0 – St. Francis (Pa.) (2008)	140	23-0 – Robert Morris (2017)	37
Western Carolina	35-0 – Shorter (2008)	144	41-0 – NC State (2019)	20
Wofford	17-0 – VMI (2016)	46	3-0 – Gardner-Webb (2013)	86

### OVERTIME RECORDS

Current Southern Conference teams are 52-62 (.456) all-time in overtime games.

Team	Record	Pct.
The Citadel	10-11	.476
ETSU	5-4	.556
Furman	5-10	.333
Mercer	3-2	.600
Samford	3-5	.375
Chattanooga	7-14	.333
VMI*	9-5	.643
Western Carolina	3-8	.273
Wofford	7-3	.700
Total	52-62	.456

<sup>\*</sup> includes two losses as a member of the Big South Conference

### SoCon Players of the Month

#### Offensive

February	Liam Welch, Samford, Sr., QB
March	Liam Welch, Samford, Sr., QB
April	

#### Defensive

February	Connor Riddle, VMI, R-Sr., LB
	Chris Edmonds, Samford, So., S
April	

## SoCon Student-Athlete of the Week

March 10 Hamp	Sisson, Furma	an, R-So., QB
March 31	.Tyler Keltner,	ETSU, So., K

### Ingles SoCon Game of the Week

The Ingles SoCon Game of the Week will air on a regional network of Nexstar stations throughout the SoCon's footprint. All times are Eastern.

Feb. 20	Samford at ETSU	1 p.m.
Feb. 27	The Citadel at Mercer	3:30 p.m.
March 13	Mercer at VMI	1:30 p.m.
March 20	Chattanooga at Furman	12 p.m.
March 20	Western Carolina at Mercer	4 p.m.
March 27	Western Carolina at ETSU	1 p.m.
April 3	The Citadel at Wofford	1 p.m.
April 10	Furman at The Citadel	1 p.m.
April 17	The Citadel at VMI	1:30 p.m.

## RECORDS VS. RANKED FCS FOES

Team	'20-21	'19	'18	'17	'16	Total	Pct.
CIT	0-1	1-2	0-3	0-4	2-1	3-11	.214
ETSU	1-1	0-1	1-2	0-5	1-2	3-11	.214
FUR	0-1	0-2	1-1	2-3	0-3	3-10	.231
MER	3-1	0-2	1-2	2-2	0-3	6-10	.375
SAM	1-2	2-1	2-1	3-1	0-3	8-8	.500
UTC	2-0	0-3	1-1	1-2	1-2	5-8	.385
VMI	1-0	0-1	0-1	0-3	0-4	1-9	.100
WCU	0-1	0-1	0-2	1-1	0-3	1-8	.111
WOF	0-1	1-1	2-1	3-2	3-2	9-7	.563

## AFCA FCS Top 25

Team (1st-place votes)	M16	M23	M3	0A6	A13
James Madison (19)	1	1	1	1	1
Weber State (2)	3	2	2	2	2
North Dakota State (2)	4	3	3	3	3
South Dakota State	7	t5	4	4	4
Sam Houston	6	4	5	5	5
North Dakota	2	t5	6	6	6
Delaware	10	9	8	8	7
Eastern Washington	t12	11	9	9	8
Jacksonville State	8	7	12	10	9
Richmond	22	20	15	12	10
Villanova	t14	16	16	11	11
VMI	18	13	10	13	12
Monmouth	-	-	-	22	13
UC Davis	25	19	14	15	14
Southeastern Louisiana	17	22	22	19	15
Kennesaw State	9	8	7	7	16
Southern Illinois	5	12	19	18	17
Missouri State	-	-	23	23	18
Murray State	24	17	13	16	19
Nicholls	16	14	11	17	20
Southern	-	-	-	25	21
UIW	20	15	18	14	22
Northern Iowa	t14	23	20	21	23
ETSU	-	-	-	20	24
Alabama A&M	-	-	-	-	t25
Mercer	-	-	-	-	t25
Rhode Island	-	21	24	24	-
Furman	11	18	17	-	-
Tarleton	-	24	21	-	-
San Diego	-	-	25	-	-
Chattanooga	t12		-	-	-
New Hampshire	23	25	-	-	-
Albany	19	-	-	-	-
Jackson State	21	-	-	-	-

**Others receiving votes:** Arkansas-Pine Bluff, 39; Austin Peay, 33; Duquesne, 23; Gardner-Webb, 22; Sacred Heart, 12; South Carolina State, 10; Fordham, 7; Tarleton, 7; Charleston Southern, 6; Holy Cross, 4; Idaho, 3; San Diego, 3; Prairie View A&M, 2; Davidson, 1; Delaware State, 1.

## STATS PERFORM FCS TOP 25

Team (1st-place votes)	Fall	F22	M1	M8	M15	M2:	2 M2	9 A 5	A12
James Madison (25)	2	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
North Dakota State (12)	1	1	6	5	4	2	2	2	2
Weber State	4	4	2	2	3	3	3	3	3
South Dakota State (1)	5	3	8	8	6	4	4	4	4
Sam Houston (2)	22	17	12	12	7	5	5	5	5
North Dakota	-	14	4	3	2	6	6	6	6
Delaware	-	25	25	19	12	11	8	8	7
Eastern Washington	18	12	22	16	15	12	9	9	8
Jacksonville State	-	16	10	t10	8	7	12	10	9
Villanova	8	6	5	6	14	16	16	11	10
Richmond	-	-	-	-	23	21	15	12	11
Monmouth	23	20	23	24	-	-	-	20	12
UC Davis	-	-	-	23	21	15	11	13	13
Missouri State	-	-	-	-	-	-	19	15	14
VMI	-	-	-	-	19	14	10	14	15
Kennesaw State	10	8	9	9	9	8	7	7	16
Southeastern Louisiana	21	18	24	18	16	23	25	23	17
Southern Illinois	24	-	11	t10	5	10	18	16	18
Rhode Island	-	-	-	-	-	18	22	22	19
Murray State	-	-	-	-	25	19	14	17	20
Nicholls	14	9	7	7	17	17	13	18	21
Austin Peay	13	-	-	-	-	-	-	t25	22
Mercer	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	23
ETSU	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	21	24
UIW	-	-	-	25	22	13	20	19	25
Northern Iowa	3	5	3	4	10	22	23	24	-
Duquesne	-	-	-	-	-	-		t25	-
Chattanooga	-	-	18	14	11	9	17	-	-
Furman	15	10	17	15	13	20	21	-	-
Idaho	-	-	19	-	-	-	24	_	-
New Hampshire	20	15	14	17	20	24	-	-	-
Maine	- 17	12	-	12	-	25	_	_	-
Albany Jackson State	17 -	13	13	13	18 24	-	-	-	-
Wofford	16	11	t20	20	24 -	-	-	-	-
South Dakota	-	- "	t20	21	-	-	-	-	-
Illinois State	9	7	15	22	_	_	_	_	-
Southeast Missouri	9 25	/ 21	16	-	-	-	-	-	-
McNeese	-	19	-		-	-			-
Tarleton	-	22	-	-	-	-			-
Tennessee Tech	-	23	_		-	-	-		_
Elon	-	23 24	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Montana State	6	24 -	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Montana State Montana	7	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Central Arkansas	/ 11	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	_
Sacramento State	12	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
North Carolina A&T	19	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
NOTHI Calonna AQI	17	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

**Others receiving votes (schools listed on two or more ballots):** Northern Iowa 75, Sacred Heart 44, Duquesne 26, Arkansas-Pine Bluff 20, Gardner-Webb 19, Southern 15, Maine 14, Alabama A&M 11, San Diego 3

### Record Watch – Career (SoCon records unless otherwise noted)

#### **TOTAL OFFENSE**

#### MOST TOTAL YARDS

#### Game

586, Devlin Hodges (SAM) at Western Carolina Oct. 6, 2018 581, Liam Welch (SAM) vs. VMI March 20, 2021 570, Cedric Stevens (UTC) vs. Appalachian St. Oct. 30, 2004 545, Tyrie Adams (WCU) at Mercer Oct. 20, 2018 530, Devlin Hodges (SAM) at Western Caro. Sept. 23, 2017

## MOST GAMES 250 OR MORE TOTAL YARDS

38, Devlin Hodges (SAM), 2015-18

35, Armanti Edwards (APP), 2006-09

28, Scott Riddle (Elon), 2007-10

24, Jacob Huesman (UTC), 2012-15

24, Tyrie Adams (WCU), 2016-19

17, Troy Mitchell (WCU), 2012-15

17, Reece Udinski (VMI), 2017-pr.

16, Chris Sanders (UTC), 1999-00 16, Al Cobb (VMI), 2014-16

15, Jamal Jackson (APP), 2010-13

#### **PASSING**

### MOST PASSES COMPLETED

1,310, Devlin Hodges (SAM), 2015-18 (NCAA record)

1,168, Scott Riddle (Elon), 2007-10

#### 783, Reece Udinski (VMI), 2017-pr.

768, Armanti Edwards (APP), 2006-09

743, Jacob Huesman (UTC), 2012-15

739, Tyrie Adams (WCU), 2016-19

707, Dustin Taliaferro (SAM), 2008-11

703, Al Cobb (VMI), 2014-16

694, Greg Ryan (ETSU), 1993-96

657, Reese Hannon (FUR), 2012-16

### MOST PASSING YARDS

#### Game

570, Liam Welch (SAM) vs. VMI March 20, 2021 562, Devlin Hodges (SAM) vs. Western Carolina Oct. 6, 2018

534, Scott Riddle (Elon) vs. Furman Nov. 3, 2007 532, Chris Sanders (UTC) vs. Furman Nov. 20, 1999 516, Devlin Hodges (SAM) at Western Caro. Sept. 23, 2017

14,584, Devlin Hodges (SAM), 2015-18 (NCAA record)

13,264, Scott Riddle (Elon), 2007-10

10,392, Armanti Edwards (APP), 2006-09

8,978, Tyrie Adams (WCU), 2016-19

8,197, Jacob Huesman (UTC), 2012-15

7,877, Reece Udinski (VMI), 2017-pr.

7,826, Greg Ryan (ETSU), 1993-96

7,759, Richie Williams (APP), 2002-05

7,735, Todd Wells (ETSU), 1997-00

7,730, Reese Hannon (FUR), 2012-16

#### Team single game

Marshall vs. VMI Nov. 16, 1991 642 Samford vs. VMI 570 March 20, 2021

Samford vs. Western Carolina Oct. 6, 2018 562 2004

#### 540 Chattanooga vs. Appalachian State

#### MOST PASSING YARDS IN CONSECUTIVE GAMES 2 games

1,035, Devlin Hodges (SAM), Oct. 6-13, 2018

929, Liam Welch (SAM), March 13-20, 2021

925, Reece Udinski (VMI), Sept. 22-29, 2018

915, Scott Riddle (Elon) Nov. 3-10, 2007

893, Scott Riddle (Elon), Oct. 27-Nov. 3, 2007

884, David Rivers (WCU), 2000

876, Liam Welch (SAM), March 20-27, 2021

875, Devlin Hodges (SAM), Oct. 13-20, 2018

861, Michael Payton (MAR), 1992

859, Chris Sanders (UTC), 2000

#### 3 games

1,437, Devlin Hodges (SAM), Oct. 6-20, 2018

1,300, Andy Summerlin (SAM), Sept. 21-Oct. 5, 2013

1,278, David Rivers (WCU), 2000

1,278, Devlin Hodges (SAM), Oct. 15-29, 2016

1,274, Scott Riddle (Elon), Oct. 27-Nov. 10, 2007

1,274, Devlin Hodges (SAM), Oct. 13-Nov. 3, 2018

1,236, Scott Riddle (Elon), Oct. 20-Nov. 3, 2007

1,235, Liam Welch (SAM), March 13-27, 2021

1,230, Reece Udinski (VMI), Sept. 14-29, 2018

1,223, Richie Williams (APP), Oct. 23-Nov. 6, 2004

#### MOST GAMES PASSING FOR 200+ YARDS Career

39, Scott Riddle (Elon), 2007-10 39, Devlin Hodges (SAM), 2015-18

29, D.J. Campbell (APP), 1989-92

26, Greg Ryan (ETSU), 1993-96

24, Armanti Edwards (APP), 2006-09

23, Reece Udinski (VMI), 2017-pr.

22, Chris Sanders (UTC), 1999-00 21, Randy Joyce (APP), 1981-84

21, Tyrie Adams (WCU), 2016-19

20, B.J. Coleman (UTC), 2009-11

20, Michael Payton (MAR), 1989-92

### 20, Thomas Wilson (Elon), 2009-12

## MOST GAMES PASSING FOR 300+ YARDS

30, Devlin Hodges (SAM), 2015-18

23, Scott Riddle (Elon), 2007-2010

12, Chris Sanders (UTC), 1999-00

10, Armanti Edwards (APP), 2006-09 10, Al Cobb (VMI), 2014-16

#### 10, Reece Udinski (VMI), 2017-pr.

9, Thomas Wilson (Elon), 2009-12

9, Tyrie Adams (WCU), 2016-19 7, Tony Petersen (MAR), 1986-87

7, Michael Payton (MAR), 1989-92

7, Richie Williams (APP), 2002-05

## MOST GAMES PASSING FOR 400+ YARDS

12, Devlin Hodges (SAM), 2015-18

4, Chris Sanders (UTC), 1999-00

4, Richie Williams (APP), 2004

3, Michael Payton (MAR), 1989-92

3, David Rivers (WCU), 2000

3, Scott Riddle (Elon), 2007-10

3, Thomas Wilson (Elon), 2009-12

3. Andy Summerlin (SAM), 2012-13

3, Reece Udinski (VMI), 2017-pr.

#### **PUNTING**

### **HIGHEST PUNTING AVERAGE**

Career (minimum 100 punts)

44.4, Pumpy Tudors (UTC), 1989-91

43.8, Ian Berryman (WCU), 2015-18

43.4, Joe Parker (APP), 1973-76 43.4, Matt Campbell (CIT), 2018-pr.

43.4, Pat Velarde (MAR), 1982-83

43.2, Austin Barnard (SAM), 2014-17

43.0, Harold Alexander (APP), 1989-92

43.0, Ray Early (FUR), 2010-13

42.8, Ken Hinsley (WCU), 1995-98 42.4, Nate McKinney (APP), 2000-03

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# The Citadel (2-9, 2-5 SoCon)

S12 S19 S26 O10 F27 M6 M13 M20 M27	at South Florida (ESPN+)
A3	*at Wofford (Nexstar/ESPN+)W, 28-24
A10	*FURMAN (Nexstar/ESPN+) W, 26-7
A17	*at VMI <sup>12/15</sup> (Nexstar/ESPN+)1:30 p.m.



# **ETSU** (4-2, 4-2 SoCon)

F20	*SAMFORD (Nexstar/ESPN+)W, 24-17
M6	*at Wofford/20 (ESPN+)canc.
M13	*FURMAN <sup>-/15</sup> (ESPN+)L, 13-17
M20	*at The Citadel (ESPN+)W, 28-21
M27	*WESTERN CARO. (Nexstar/ESPN+) W, 24-17
А3	*at VMI <sup>10/10</sup> (ESPN+)W, 24-20
A10	*at Mercer (ESPN+) L, 13-21
A17	*CHATTANOOGA (ESPN+)canc.



### Furman (3-4, 3-4 SoCon)

F20	*WESTERN CAROLINA (ESPN+) W, 35-17
F27	*at VMI (ESPN+)L, 13-14
M6	*SAMFORD (ESPN+) W, 44-37 (OT)
M13	*at ETSU (ESPN+)W, 17-13
M20	*CHATTANOOGA <sup>11/12</sup> (Nexstar/ESPN+)L, 18-20
А3	*at Mercer (ESPN+) L, 14-26
A10	*at The Citadel (Nexstar/ESPN+)L, 7-26
A17	*WOFFORD (ESPN+)canc.



### Mercer (5-5, 5-2 SoCon)

O10	at Jacksonville State (ESPN3) L, 28-34
O24	at Army West Point (CBS Sports)L, 3-49
031	ABILENE CHRISTIAN (ESPN3/Nexstar)L, 17-20
F20	*at Wofford <sup>/16</sup> (ESPN+)L, 14-31
F27	*THE CITADEL (Nexstar/ESPN+) W, 42-28
M13	*at VMI (Nexstar/ESPN+)L, 14-41
M20	*WESTERN CAROLINA (Nexstar/ESPN+).W, 45-28
M27	*at Chattanooga <sup>10/9</sup> (ESPN+)W, 35-28
A3	*FURMAN <sup>17/21</sup> (ESPN+)W, 26-14
A10	*ETSU <sup>20/21</sup> (ESPN+)W, 21-13
A17	*at Samford (ESPN+)1 p.m.



### Samford (3-3, 3-3 SoCon)

F20	*at ETSU (Nexstar/ESPN+)	L, 17-24
F27	*WESTERN CAROLINA (ESP	N+)W, 55-27
M6	*at Furman-/17 (ESPN+)	L, 37-44 (OT)
M13	*WOFFORD/20 (ESPN+)	W, 37-31
M20	*VMI <sup>18/19</sup> (ESPN+)	L, 37-38 (OT)
M27	*at The Citadel (ESPN+)	W, 55-7
A10	*at Chattanooga (ESPN+)	
A17	*MERCER <sup>25/23</sup> (ESPN+)	1 p.m.



### Chattanooga (3-2, 3-1 SoCon)

024	at Western Kentucky (ESPN3) L, 10-13
F20	*VMIcanc.
F27	*WOFFORD-/11 (ESPN+)
M6	*at The Citadel (ESPN+) W, 25-24 (OT)
M20	*at Furman <sup>11/13</sup> (Nexstar/ESPN+)W, 20-18
M27	*MERCER (ESPN+) L, 28-35
A3	*at Western Carolina (ESPN+)canc.
A10	*SAMFORD (ESPN+)canc.
A17	*at ETSU (ESPN+)canc.



# **VMI** (5-1, 5-1 SoCon)

F20	*at Chattanooga	canc.
F27	* FURMAN-/10 (ESPN+)	
M6	*at Western Carolina (ESPN+)	W, 30-7
M13	*MERCER (Nexstar/ESPN+)	W, 41-14
M20	*at Samford (ESPN+)W,	38-37 (OT)
M27	*at Wofford (ESPN+)	W, 36-31
A3	*ETSU (ESPN+)	L, 20-24
A17	*THE CITADEL (Nexstar/ESPN+)	1:30 p.m.



### Western Carolina (1-8, 1-5 SoCon)

N14	at Liberty <sup>22</sup> (ESPNU)L, 14-58
N21	at Eastern Kentucky (ESPN3)L, 17-49
D5	at North Carolina (ACC Network)L, 9-49
F20	*at Furman <sup>-/15</sup> (ESPN+)L, 7-35
F27	*at Samford (ESPN+) L, 27-55
M6	*VMI (ESPN+)L, 7-30
M13	*THE CITADEL (ESPN+)W, 21-14
M20	*at Mercer (Nexstar/ESPN+) L, 28-45
M27	*at ETSU (Nexstar/ESPN+)L, 17-24
A3	*CHATTANOOGA (ESPN+)canc
A10	*WOFFORD (Nexstar/ESPN+)canc



### Wofford (1-4, 1-4 SoCon)

F20	*MERCER (ESPN+)W, 31-14
F27	*at Chattanooga (ESPN+)L, 13-24
M6	*ETSU (ESPN+)canc.
M13	*at Samford (ESPN+)L, 31-37
M27	*VMI <sup>13/14</sup> (ESPN+)L, 31-36
А3	*THE CITADEL (Nexstar/ESPN+) L, 24-28
A10	*at Western Carolina (Nexstar/ESPN+) canc.
A17	*at Furman (ESPN+)canc.

All times Eastern

\* - Denotes SoCon game

ALL CAPS - Denotes home game

#### Notes

• The Citadel was granted an NCAA waiver to play a 12th regular-season football game this academic year. The Bulldogs will be able to compete in a full eight-game SoCon slate in the spring and will be eligible for the league's championship and automatic bid to the NCAA Division I Football Championship.

• On March 29, Chattanooga announced that it was opting out of the remainder of the 2020-21 spring season. Wofford announced it was opting out on April 5.