



SOUTHERN CONFERENCE FOOTBALL



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2022 SOUTHERN CONFERENCE FOOTBALL STANDINGS

Teams ^{rank}	CONFERENCE					OVERALL				
	W-L	Pct	H	A	ST	W-L	Pct	H	A	ST
The Citadel	0-0	.000	0-0	0-0	-	0-0	.000	0-0	0-0	-
ETSU ^{11/11}	0-0	.000	0-0	0-0	-	0-0	.000	0-0	0-0	-
Furman ^{RV/RV}	0-0	.000	0-0	0-0	-	0-0	.000	0-0	0-0	-
Mercer ^{23/23}	0-0	.000	0-0	0-0	-	0-0	.000	0-0	0-0	-
Samford	0-0	.000	0-0	0-0	-	0-0	.000	0-0	0-0	-
Chattanooga ^{13/12}	0-0	.000	0-0	0-0	-	0-0	.000	0-0	0-0	-
VMI	0-0	.000	0-0	0-0	-	0-0	.000	0-0	0-0	-
Western Carolina	0-0	.000	0-0	0-0	-	0-0	.000	0-0	0-0	-
Wofford	0-0	.000	0-0	0-0	-	0-0	.000	0-0	0-0	-

Rankings listed AFCA FCS Coaches' Top 25/Stats Perform FCS Top 25

NOTES

• The Southern Conference football season opens Saturday with Mercer hosting Morehead State for a Week Zero game. The remaining eight SoCon teams open their seasons next week.

• The 2022 campaign is the 101st season of SoCon football. Founded in 1921, the SoCon is the fifth-oldest Division I conference.

• The Bears enter the season ranked No. 23 in both the AFCA FCS Coaches' Preseason Top 25 and the Stats Perform FCS Preseason Top 25.

• Mercer is one of three ranked SoCon squads this preseason. Defending SoCon champion ETSU is No. 11 in both the AFCA and Stats Perform polls, while preseason SoCon favorite Chattanooga is No. 13 in the AFCA poll and No. 12 in the Stats Perform poll. Furman received votes in both polls.

• Mercer was picked third in the preseason coaches poll and tied for second in the preseason media poll after going 7-3 overall and 6-2 in the SoCon last season, finishing a game back ETSU. The Bears return eight starters on offensive, seven on defense and three on special teams and have seen punt returner Devron Harper and defensive back Lance Wise earn preseason All-America honors.

• The Bears fell just shy of their first SoCon title last season. Mercer and ETSU met on the final day of the regular season with identical 6-1 league records and the SoCon title on the line. The Bears held a late fourth-quarter lead but saw the Bucs rally for the win and the conference crown. The second-place finish and the 6-2 league mark were both Mercer's best since joining the SoCon in 2014.

• Morehead State was picked fifth in the preseason Pioneer Football League poll. The Eagles went 7-4 overall and 6-2 in the PFL last season.

• Three SoCon players are on the preseason watch list for the Walter Payton Award and two are on the watch list for the Buck Buchanan Award. ETSU running back Jacob Saylor, Furman tight end Ryan Miller and Chattanooga running back Ailym Ford are on the initial watch list for the FCS offensive player of the year award and Chattanooga defensive lineman Devonsha Maxwell and VMI linebacker Stone Snyder are in the running for the defensive player of the year award. Snyder has been a finalist for the Buchanan Award in each of the last two seasons, while Maxwell was a finalist last season.

• Seventeen SoCon football student-athletes have earned preseason All-America distinction heading into this season. Chattanooga offensive lineman McClendon Curtis, UTC's Maxwell and VMI's Snyder have earned first-team nods from Athlon Sports, HERO Sports, Phil Steele and Stats Perform. VMI long snapper earned first-team honors from HERO Sports and Stats Perform and ETSU's Saylor was a first-team all-purpose pick on the Stats Perform squad.

• Fifteen SoCon student-athletes earned postseason All-America honors last season. ETSU running back Quay Holmes was a consensus first-team pick and finished third in the Walter Payton Award voting. Chattanooga offensive lineman Cole Strange and Samford wide receiver/kick returner Montrell Washington both earned first-team honors from at least three organizations and were taken in the NFL Draft, with Strange becoming the SoCon's first first-rounder since 1974.

UPCOMING SCHEDULE

(all times Eastern)

Aug. 27 (Saturday)	Series	TV/Digital	Time
Morehead State at Mercer ^{23/23}	First meeting	ESPN+	7 p.m.
Sept. 1 (Thursday)	Series	TV/Digital	Time
The Citadel at Campbell	First meeting	ESPN+	6 p.m.
North Greenville at Furman	First meeting	ESPN3	7 p.m.
Kennesaw State ^{6/6} at Samford	Kennesaw State leads 2-1	ESPN+	7 p.m.
Mars Hill at ETSU ^{11/11}	ETSU leads 8-2-1	ETSU+	7:30 p.m.
VMI at Wake Forest ^{22/19}	Wake Forest leads 3-2-2	ACC Network	7:30 p.m.
Sept. 3 (Saturday)	Series	TV/Digital	Time
Western Carolina at Charleston Southern	First meeting	ESPN+	12 p.m.
*Wofford at Chattanooga ^{13/12}	Wofford leads 15-13	ESPN+	6 p.m.
Mercer ^{23/23} at Auburn	Auburn leads 12-0	ESPN+/SEC+	7 p.m.

FCS rankings listed AFCA FCS Coaches' Top 25/Stats Perform FCS Top 25
FBS rankings listed Associated Press Top 25/AFCA FBS Coaches' Top 25

STARTERS RETURNING/LOST

The Southern Conference returns 65 percent of its starters from last season, with Western Carolina leading the way with 73.1 percent of its starters back. All nine teams return more than half of their starters from 2021, with all but Furman bringing back at least 60 percent.

Team	Offense	Defense	Specialists	Total	Pct.
The Citadel	5/7	10/3	2/1	17/11	.607
ETSU	7/4	7/4	4/1	18/9	.667
Furman	8/3	7/4	0/2	15/9	.577
Mercer	8/3	7/4	3/1	18/8	.692
Samford	8/3	7/4	2/3	17/10	.630
Chattanooga	5/6	7/4	3/0	15/10	.600
VMI	7/5	7/4	3/0	17/9	.654
Western Carolina	8/3	7/4	4/0	19/7	.731
Wofford	6/5	8/3	2/1	16/9	.640
Total	62/39	67/34	23/9	152/82	.650

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AFCA FCS COACHES' TOP 25

Team (1st-place votes)	PS
North Dakota State (24)	1
Montana	2
South Dakota State (1)	3
Montana State	4
Villanova	5
Kennesaw State	6
Sacramento State	7
Missouri State	8
Southern Illinois	9
Stephen F. Austin	10
ETSU	11
Eastern Washington	12
Chattanooga	13
UIW	14
UT Martin	15
Southeastern Louisiana	16
Jackson State	17
Holy Cross	18
Delaware	19
Weber State	20
Northern Iowa	21
UC Davis	22
Mercer	23
Rhode Island	t24
Richmond	t24

Others receiving votes: South Dakota, 49; Florida A&M, 44; Harvard, 38; South Carolina State, 38; Princeton, 29; Central Arkansas, 23; Eastern Kentucky, 18; Dartmouth, 17; Nicholls, 8; **Furman**, 6; North Carolina A&T, 6; William & Mary, 6; Murray State, 5; Davidson, 3; Fordham, 3; Southeast Missouri State, 3; North Dakota, 2; Utah Tech, 2; Austin Peay, 1; Elon, 1.

STATS PERFORM FCS TOP 25

Team (1st-place votes)	PS
North Dakota State (52)	1
South Dakota State (2)	2
Montana	3
Montana State	4
Missouri State	5
Villanova	6
Sacramento State	7
Kennesaw State	8
Southern Illinois	9
Stephen F. Austin	10
ETSU	11
Chattanooga	12
Eastern Washington	13
UIW	14
Jackson State	15
Holy Cross	16
Southeastern Louisiana	17
UT Martin	18
Delaware	19
Weber State	20
Northern Iowa	21
Rhode Island	22
Mercer	23
Richmond	24
UC Davis	25

Others receiving votes: South Dakota 151, Eastern Kentucky 129, Florida A&M 78, William & Mary 66, Dartmouth 59, Monmouth 23, Harvard 19, Princeton 18, Central Arkansas 14, **Furman** 14, South Carolina State 13, Sacred Heart 12, Elon 8, North Carolina A&T 4.

RECORDS VS. RANKED FCS FOES

Team	'22	'21	'20	'19	'18	'17	Total	Pct.
CIT	0-0	1-1	0-2	1-2	0-3	0-4	2-12	.143
ETSU	0-0	3-1	1-1	0-1	1-2	0-5	5-10	.333
FUR	0-0	2-1	0-1	0-2	1-1	2-3	5-8	.385
MER	0-0	1-1	3-1	0-2	1-2	2-2	7-8	.467
SAM	0-0	0-2	2-2	2-1	2-1	3-1	9-7	.563
UTC	0-0	1-1	2-0	0-3	1-1	1-2	5-7	.417
VMI	0-0	1-1	1-1	0-1	0-1	0-3	2-7	.222
WCU	0-0	0-2	0-1	0-1	0-2	1-1	1-7	.125
WOF	0-0	0-4	0-1	1-1	2-1	3-2	6-9	.400

SoCon PLAYERS IN THE NFL

Thirteen former SoCon players were on NFL active rosters for the 2021 season.

NFL team	Player, SoCon team
Atlanta Falcons	Younghoe Koo, Georgia Southern
Buffalo Bills	Matt Breida, Georgia Southern
Denver Broncos	Sam Martin, Appalachian State
Detroit Lions	Nick Williams, Samford
Kansas City Chiefs	Jerick McKinnon, Ga. Southern
Los Angeles Chargers	Andre Roberts, The Citadel
Minnesota Vikings	Michael Pierce, Samford
New York Giants	C.J. Board, Chattanooga
New York Giants	James Bradberry, Samford
New York Giants	Keion Crossen, Western Carolina
San Francisco 49ers	Jaquiski Tartt, Samford
Tampa Bay Buccaneers	Dee Delaney, The Citadel (finished career at Miami)
Tennessee Titans	Kendall Lamm, Appalachian State

Seven more former SoCon players were on NFL practice squads in 2021.

NFL team	Player, SoCon team
Carolina Panthers	John Brannon, Western Carolina
L.A. Rams	Kareem Orr, Chattanooga
Minnesota Vikings	Dakota Dozier, Furman
New York Jets	Ronald Blair, App State
New York Jets	Noah Dawkins, The Citadel
San Francisco 49ers	Dee Virgin, Chattanooga (finished career at West Alabama)
Tennessee Titans	Corey Levin, Chattanooga

INGLES SoCon GAME OF THE WEEK

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

Sept. 10	ETSU at The Citadel	4 p.m.
Sept. 17	The Citadel at Mercer	6 p.m.
Oct. 1	Mercer at Wofford	1:30 p.m.
Oct. 8	ETSU at VMI	1:30 p.m.
Oct. 15	Western Carolina at Furman	2 p.m.
Oct. 22	Samford at ETSU	3:30 p.m.
Oct. 29	Chattanooga at Furman	2 p.m.
Nov. 5	Wofford at Western Carolina	2 p.m.
Nov. 12	Wildcard selection*	TBA
Nov. 19	Wildcard selection*	TBA

* Wildcard selections will be made 10-14 days prior to game date.

SoCon POINTS OF PRIDE

• Since it began competing in FCS, the SoCon has amassed the second-most national championships with eight.

• The SoCon prides itself on quality and depth.

• Eight of the nine current SoCon football members have participated in the FCS Playoffs with seven different schools receiving bids since 2016.

• Overall, current SoCon football members have combined for 47 total FCS playoffs appearances.

• Six of the nine SoCon teams appeared in an FCS top-25 national poll in the 2020-21 season and five of nine did so in the fall 2021 campaign.

• The SoCon has had seven Walter Payton Award winners, two Buck Buchanan Award winners and five Eddie Robinson Award winners. VMI Coach Scott Wachenheim won the Eddie Robinson Award (FCS National Coach of the Year) in 2020-21.

• Sixty-three former SoCon players and coaches have been enshrined in the College Football Hall of Fame.

• The SoCon had 15 FCS All-America selections in fall 2021 season.

• The SoCon broadcasts all of its home games on ESPN+ or ESPN3 and has an over-the-air television network that will air eight games in five southern states in 2022.

• Thirteen former SoCon players were on active NFL rosters last season and seven more were on practice squads. Former Georgia Southern kicker Younghoe Koo, who played in the SoCon as a freshman, was a Pro Bowler for the second straight season.

• The SoCon has been playing Division I FCS football since the 1982 season. The NCAA created two subdivisions for Division I football beginning in 1978 with the creation of I-A (now FBS) and I-AA (now FCS). The SoCon was shifted from I-A to I-AA along with the Ivy League and Southland Conference following the 1981 season, joining the Mid-Continent, Big Sky, MEAC, SWAC, OVC, and Yankee conferences, along with a number of independents, as I-AA participants.

• The 2021 season was the 100th of Southern Conference football. The SoCon is the fifth-oldest NCAA Division I college athletic association.

PRESEASON ALL-SOUTHERN CONFERENCE

Offensive Player of the Year
Jacob Saylor, Sr., RB, ETSU

Defensive Player of the Year
Devonnsha Maxwell, Sr., DL, Chattanooga

First team offense

QB Tyler Riddell, R-So., ETSU
RB Jacob Saylor, Sr., ETSU
RB Ailym Ford, Jr., Chattanooga
OL Tavon Matthews, Jr., ETSU
OL Anderson Tomlin, R-Sr., Furman
OL Pearson Toomey, R-Jr., Furman
OL John Thomas, Jr., Mercer
OL McClendon Curtis, Sr., Chattanooga
OL Tyler Smith, R-Jr., Western Carolina
TE Ryan Miller, 5th, Furman
WR Will Huzzie, R-Jr., ETSU
WR Raphael Williams, R-So., Western Carolina

First team defense

DL Jalen Porter, R-Jr., ETSU
DL Devonnsha Maxwell, Sr., Chattanooga
DL Jay Person, Jr., Chattanooga
DL Micheal Mason, Sr., DL, Wofford
LB Nathan East, Gr., Samford
LB Ty Boeck, Sr., Chattanooga
LB Stone Snyder, Sr., VMI
DB Destin Mack, Sr., The Citadel
DB Mike Price, R-Jr., ETSU
DB Travis Blackshear, R-Sr., Furman
DB Lance Wise, Jr., Mercer

First team specialists

PK Tyler Keltner, Jr., ETSU
PK Jerry Rice, R-Jr., VMI
P Jack Culbreath, Jr., VMI
LS Robert Soderholm, R-Sr., VMI
RS Jacob Saylor, Sr., ETSU

Second team offense

QB Seth Morgan, R-Jr., VMI
RB Dominic Roberto, R-Jr., Furman
RB TJ Jones, Sr., Western Carolina
OL Tereis Drayton, Jr., The Citadel
OL Fred Norman, R-So., ETSU
OL Joe Schreiber, R-Jr., ETSU
OL Gavin Orr, Gr., Samford
OL Colin Truett, Jr., Chattanooga
OL Jarvis Chandler, R-Jr., VMI
OL Al Hogan, 5th, Wofford
TE Aidan Twombly, Jr., VMI
WR Ty James, R-So., Mercer
WR Leroy Thomas, Sr., VMI

Second team defense

DL Carson Hatchett, Jr., The Citadel
DL Cameron Coleman, R-Sr., Furman
DL Solomon Zubairu, Jr., Mercer
DL Eric Weaver, R-Sr., VMI
LB Marquise Blount, Sr., The Citadel
LB Isaac Dowling, So., Mercer
LB Kam Jones, Sr., Chattanooga
DB Alijah Huzzie, R-So., ETSU
DB CaMiron Smith, Sr., Chattanooga
DB Aljareek Malry, Sr., VMI
DB Andreas Keaton, So., Western Carolina

Second team specialists

PK Richard McCollum, Jr., Western Carolina
P Trey Turk, So., Mercer
P Bradley Porcellato, Gr., Samford
LS Colin Springer, 5th, Wofford
RS Calvin Jones, So., Western Carolina

SoCon PLAYERS OF THE WEEK

Offensive

Sept. 5
Sept. 12
Sept. 19
Sept. 26
Oct. 3
Oct. 10
Oct. 17
Oct. 24
Oct. 31
Nov. 7
Nov. 14
Nov. 21

Defensive

Sept. 5
Sept. 12
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Special teams

Sept. 5
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PRESEASON SOUTHERN CONFERENCE POLLS

Coaches

Team (1st-place votes)	Total
1. Chattanooga (5)	60
2. ETSU (2)	54
3. Mercer (1)	53
4. Furman (1)	43
5. Western Carolina	38
6. Samford	26
7. VMI	23
8. The Citadel	14
9. Wofford	13

Media

Team (1st-place votes)	Total
1. Chattanooga (18)	256
t2. ETSU (7)	226
t2. Mercer (5)	226
4. Furman	175
5. Western Carolina	125
6. VMI	119
7. Samford	106
8. Wofford	60
9. The Citadel	57

SoCon PLAYERS OF THE MONTH

Offensive

September
October
November

Defensive

September
October
November

COACHING RECORDS

Coach, School	Career Record	School (Yrs.)	SoCon (Yrs.)
Brent Thompson, The Citadel	32-37 (7th)	Same	24-24 (7th)
George Quarles, ETSU	0-0 (1st)	Same	0-0 (1st)
Clay Hendrix, Furman	31-23 (6th)	Same	25-14 (6th)
Drew Cronic, Mercer	59-15 (7th)	13-9 (3rd)	11-5 (3rd)
Chris Hatcher, Samford	161-93 (23rd)	40-36 (8th)	42-35 (11th)
Rusty Wright, Chattanooga	15-13 (4th)	Same	13-7 (4th)
Scott Wachenheim, VMI	23-52 (8th)	Same	16-38 (8th)
Kerwin Bell, Western Carolina	97-48 (14th)	4-7 (2nd)	4-4 (2nd)
Josh Conklin, Wofford	19-22 (5th)	Same	14-15 (5th)

SoCon vs. Other Conferences

FBS opponents (0-0)

Atlantic Coast (0-0)

Sept. 1 VMI at Wake Forest, 7:30 p.m.
 Sept. 10 Furman at Clemson, 3:30 p.m.
 Sept. 10 Western Carolina at Georgia Tech, 7 p.m.
 Sept. 17 Wofford at Virginia Tech, 11 a.m.

Big Ten (0-0)

Sept. 22 Chattanooga at Illinois, 8:30 p.m.

Southeastern (0-0)

Sept. 3 Mercer at Auburn, 7 p.m.
 Sept. 10 Samford at Georgia, 4 p.m.
 Nov. 19 ETSU at Mississippi State, TBA

Sun Belt (0-0)

Oct. 1 The Citadel at App State, TBA

FCS opponents (0-0)

ASUN (0-0)

Sept. 1 Kennesaw State at Samford, 7 p.m.
 Sept. 17 North Alabama at Chattanooga, 6 p.m.
 Sept. 24 Wofford at Kennesaw State, 6 p.m.

Big South (0-0)

Sept. 1 The Citadel at Campbell, 6 p.m.
 Sept. 3 Western Carolina at Charleston So., 12 p.m.
 Sept. 24 Furman at Charleston Southern, 12 p.m.
 Sept. 24 ETSU at Robert Morris, 12 p.m.
 Sept. 24 Mercer at Gardner-Webb, 6 p.m.

Colonial (0-0)

Sept. 10 Elon at Wofford, 6 p.m.

Ivy (0-0)

Sept. 17 Cornell at VMI, 1:30 p.m.

Ohio Valley (0-0)

Sept. 10 Chattanooga at Eastern Illinois, 7 p.m.
 Sept. 17 Samford at Tennessee Tech, 7 p.m.

Patriot (0-0)

Sept. 10 Bucknell at VMI, 1:30 p.m.

Pioneer (0-0)

Aug. 27 Morehead State at Mercer, 7 p.m.
 Sept. 17 Presbyterian at Western Carolina, 3:30 p.m.

Non-Division I opponents (0-0)

Sept. 1 North Greenville at Furman, 7 p.m.
 Sept. 1 Mars Hill at ETSU, 7:30 p.m.
 Nov. 12 Virginia-Lynchburg at The Citadel, 2 p.m.

Home team underlined

All times Eastern

Home Field Records

Team	W-L-T	Pct.	Years	Stadium name
The Citadel	238-158-3	.600	73rd	Johnson Hagood Stadium
ETSU	21-7-0	.750	6th	William B. Greene, Jr. Stadium
Furman	178-63-1	.738	40th	Paladin Stadium
Mercer	34-18-0	.654	10th	Five Star Stadium
Samford	175-88-4	.663	53rd	Seibert Stadium
Chattanooga	69-62-0	.527	24th	Finley Stadium
VMI	109-159-3	.408	60th	Foster Stadium
Western Carolina	131-111-2	.541	47th	E.J. Whitmire Stadium
Wofford	99-42-0	.702	25th	Gibbs Stadium

Shutout Chart

Team	Last shutout win	Games ago	Last shutout loss	Games ago
The Citadel	69-0 – Davidson (2015)	82	49-0 – Clemson (2020)	22
ETSU	45-0 – Gardner-Webb (2018)	38	38-0 – Vanderbilt (2019)	20
Furman	26-0 – Tennessee Tech (2021)	10	45-0 – Samford (2014)	81
Mercer	69-0 – Point (2021)	10	56-0 – Alabama (2017)	45
Samford	43-0 – Clark Atlanta (2015)	67	52-0 – Auburn (2019)	19
Chattanooga	20-0 – North Alabama (2021)	10	45-0 – Tennessee (2019)	26
VMI	49-0 – St. Francis (Pa.) (2008)	153	23-0 – Robert Morris (2017)	50
Western Carolina	35-0 – Shorter (2008)	155	76-0 – Oklahoma (2021)	10
Wofford	17-0 – VMI (2016)	57	3-0 – Gardner-Webb (2013)	97

Overtime Records

Current Southern Conference teams are 55-65 (.458) all-time in overtime games.

Team	Record	Pct.
The Citadel	11-11	.500
ETSU	6-4	.600
Furman	5-10	.333
Mercer	3-2	.600
Samford	3-6	.333
Chattanooga	7-15	.318
VMI*	10-5	.667
Western Carolina	3-8	.273
Wofford	7-4	.636
Total	55-65	.458

* includes two losses as a member of the Big South Conference

All-Time Records in SoCon Play

Team	Years	W-L-T	Pct.
The Citadel	84th	220-311-5	.415
ETSU	32nd	90-136-0	.398
Furman	84th	284-223-11	.559
Mercer	9th	29-33-0	.468
Samford	15th	59-50-0	.541
Chattanooga	46th	159-162-2	.495
VMI	88th	196-318-23	.386
Western Carolina	46th	120-208-1	.366
Wofford	26th	115-76-0	.602

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RUSHING

YARDS PER CARRY

Career
(minimum 300 carries)
 7.4 (330-2,454), Cam Jackson (CIT), 2014-17
 7.3, Jesse McCoy (WOF), 1999-02
 7.0, Erik Thomas (MAR), 1995-96
 6.8, Gwain Durden (UTC), 1977-80
 6.7 (539-3,636), Jayson Foster (GSU), 2004-07
6.6 (383-2,544), Jacob Saylor (ETSU), 2018-pr.
 6.6 (996-6,559), Adrian Peterson (GSU), 1998-01

PASSING

HIGHEST PASS COMPLETION PERCENTAGE

Career (minimum 425 attempts)
 69.1 (1,310-1,896), Devlin Hodges (SAM), 2015-18
 67.3 (743-1,104), Jacob Huesman (UTC), 2012-15
 66.4 (566-853), Thomas Wilson (Elon), 2009-12
 66.0 (307-465), Michael Eubank (SAM), 2014-15
 65.7 (1,168-1,779), Scott Riddle (Elon), 2007-10
 65.1 (768-1,180), Armanti Edwards (APP), 2006-09
64.9 (324-499), Seth Morgan (VMI), 2019-pr.
 64.9 (560-863), Liam Welch (SAM), 2016-21
 64.7 (311-481), Lee Chapple (GSU), 2008-09

RECEIVING

MOST YARDS PER RECEPTION

Career (minimum 50 receptions)
 23.1 (92-2,125), Joe Burke (UTC), 1977-80
 22.8 (80-1,827), Donald Lipscomb (FUR), 1988-91
 21.1 (102-2,151), Raleigh Webb (CIT), 2017-21
 20.4 (77-1,567), Brenton Berson (WOF), 2008-11
20.2 (56-1,129), Ty James (MER), 2020-pr.
 19.6, Paul Maguire (CIT), 1957-59

KICKING

MOST CONSECUTIVE EXTRA POINTS MADE

Career
 152, Adrian Mora (GSU), 2008-11
 141, Luke Carter (WOF), 2016-19
 124, Tim Openlander (MAR), 1994-96
 104, Jacob Godek (CIT), 2017-19
 96, Adam Shriner (Elon), 2009-11
 94, Julian Rauch (APP), 2004-07
93, Tyler Keltner (ETSU), 2019-pr.
 91, Mitchell Fineran (SAM), 2018-19

DEFENSE

MOST QUARTERBACK SACKS

Career
 37.0, Davis Tull (UTC), 2011-14
 36.5, Josh Jeffries (APP), 1999-02
 36.0, Marques Murrell (APP), 2003-06
 32.5, James Russell (ETSU), 1993-96
 31.5, Kelly Fletcher (FUR), 1986-89
 31.5, Bryan Dailer (FUR), 1994-97
 31.0, Keionta Davis (UTC), 2013-16
 30.5, Anthony Jones (WOF), 1999-02
 30.0, Louis Cooper (WCU), 1981-85
 30.0, Edward Thomas (GSU), 1993-96
 ...
29.5, Devonsha Maxwell (UTC), 2018-pr.

Allstate AFCA Good Works Team nominee
 McClendon Curtis, Sr., OL, Chattanooga

Athlon Sports Preseason All-American Teams

Offense
 OL – McClendon Curtis, Sr., Chattanooga
Defense
 DL – Devonsha Maxwell, Sr., Chattanooga
 LB – Stone Snyder, Sr., VMI

HERO Sports Preseason All-American Teams

First team
Offense
 OL – McClendon Curtis, Sr., Chattanooga
Defense
 DL – Devonsha Maxwell, Sr., Chattanooga
 LB – Stone Snyder, Sr., VMI
Special teams
 LS – Robert Soderholm, R-Sr., VMI

Second team
Offense
 FB – Alex Ramsey, Gr., The Citadel

Third team
Offense
 TE – Ryan Miller, 5th, Furman
 OL – Tavon Matthews, Jr., ETSU
Defense
 LB – Ty Boeck, Sr., Chattanooga
Special teams
 K – Jerry Rice, R-Jr., VMI
 LS – Steele Judy, Jr., The Citadel

Phil Steele Preseason All-America Teams

First team
Offense
 OL – McClendon Curtis, Sr., Chattanooga
Defense
 DL – Devonsha Maxwell, Sr., Chattanooga
 LB – Stone Snyder, Sr., VMI

Second team
Special teams
 K – Jerry Rice, R-Jr., VMI
 AP – Jacob Saylor, Sr., ETSU
 LS – Robert Soderholm, R-Sr., VMI

Third team
Offense
 FB – Alex Ramsey, Gr., The Citadel
Defense
 LB – Ty Boeck, Sr., Chattanooga
Special teams
 KR – Calvin Jones, So., Western Carolina

Fourth team
Offense
 TE – Ryan Miller, 5th, Furman
 OL – Anderson Tomlin, R-Sr., Furman
Defense
 DB – Travis Blackshear, R-Sr., Furman
Special teams
 PR – Devron Harper, Sr., Mercer

Reese's Senior Bowl
Watch list
 Ryan Miller, 5th, TE, Furman
 McClendon Curtis, Sr., OL, Chattanooga
 Devonsha Maxwell, Sr., DL, Chattanooga

Stats Perform FCS Preseason All-America Teams

First team
Offense
 OL – McClendon Curtis, Sr., Chattanooga
Defense
 DL – Devonsha Maxwell, Sr., Chattanooga
 LB – Stone Snyder, Sr., VMI
Special teams
 LS – Robert Soderholm, R-Sr., VMI
 AP – Jacob Saylor, Sr., ETSU

Second team
Offense
 TE – Ryan Miller, 5th, Furman
 OL – Anderson Tomlin, R-Sr., Furman
Special teams
 PR – Devron Harper, Sr., Mercer

Third team
Offense
 RB – Ailym Ford, Jr., Chattanooga
Defense
 LB – Ty Boeck, Sr., Chattanooga
 DB – Lance Wise, Sr., Mercer
Special teams
 KR – Calvin Jones, So., Western Carolina

Stats Perform Walter Payton Award

Watch list
 Jacob Saylor, Sr., RB, ETSU
 Ryan Miller, 5th, TE, Furman
 Ailym Ford, Jr., RB, Chattanooga

Stats Perform Buck Buchanan Award

Watch list
 Devonsha Maxwell, Sr., DL, Chattanooga
 Stone Snyder, Sr., LB, VMI

SOUTHERN CONFERENCE TEAM-BY-TEAM SCHEDULES



The Citadel (0-0, 0-0 SoCon)

S1	at Campbell (ESPN+)	6 p.m.
S10	*ETSU (Nexstar/ESPN+)	4 p.m.
S17	*at Mercer (Nexstar/ESPN3)	6 p.m.
O1	at App State (TBA)	TBA
O8	*FURMAN (ESPN3)	2 p.m.
O15	*at Wofford (ESPN+)	1:30 p.m.
O22	*at Western Carolina (ESPN+)	2 p.m.
O29	*SAMFORD (ESPN+)	2 p.m.
N5	*CHATTANOOGA (ESPN+)	2 p.m.
N12	VIRGINIA-LYNCHBURG (ESPN3)	2 p.m.
N19	*at VMI* (ESPN+)	TBA



ETSU (0-0, 0-0 SoCon)

S1	MARS HILL (ESPN+)	7:30 p.m.
S10	*at The Citadel (Nexstar/ESPN+)	4 p.m.
S17	*FURMAN (ESPN+)	7:30 p.m.
S24	at Robert Morris	12 p.m.
O1	*CHATTANOOGA (ESPN+)	7:30 p.m.
O8	*at VMI (Nexstar/ESPN+)	1:30 p.m.
O15	*at Mercer (ESPN+)	4 p.m.
O22	*SAMFORD (Nexstar/ESPN3)	3:30 p.m.
O29	*at Wofford (ESPN+)	1:30 p.m.
N12	*WESTERN CAROLINA (ESPN+)	1 p.m.
N19	at Mississippi State (TBA)	TBA



Furman (0-0, 0-0 SoCon)

S1	NORTH GREENVILLE (ESPN3)	7 p.m.
S10	at Clemson (ACC Network)	3:30 p.m.
S17	*at ETSU (ESPN+)	7:30 p.m.
S24	at Charleston Southern (ESPN+)	12 p.m.
O1	*SAMFORD (ESPN+)	2 p.m.
O8	*at The Citadel (ESPN3)	2 p.m.
O15	*WESTERN CAROLINA (Nexstar/ESPN+)	2 p.m.
O22	*at VMI (ESPN+)	1:30 p.m.
O29	*CHATTANOOGA (Nexstar/ESPN3)	2 p.m.
N12	*at Mercer (ESPN+)	3 p.m.
N19	*WOFFORD (ESPN+)	1 p.m.



Mercer (0-0, 0-0 SoCon)

A27	MOREHEAD STATE (ESPN+)	7 p.m.
S3	at Auburn (ESPN+/SEC Network+)	7 p.m.
S17	*THE CITADEL (Nexstar/ESPN3)	6 p.m.
S24	at Gardner-Webb	6 p.m.
O1	*at Wofford (Nexstar/ESPN+)	1:30 p.m.
O8	*WESTERN CAROLINA (ESPN+)	4 p.m.
O15	*ETSU (ESPN+)	4 p.m.
O22	*at Chattanooga (ESPN+)	1:30 p.m.
O29	*at VMI (ESPN+)	1:30 p.m.
N12	*FURMAN (ESPN+)	3 p.m.
N19	*at Samford (ESPN3)	1 p.m.



Samford (0-0, 0-0 SoCon)

S1	KENNESAW STATE ^{6/8} (ESPN+)	7 p.m.
S10	at Georgia (SEC Network)	4 p.m.
S17	at Tennessee Tech (ESPN3)	7 p.m.
S24	*WESTERN CAROLINA (ESPN3)	3 p.m.
O1	*at Furman (ESPN+)	2 p.m.
O8	*WOFFORD (ESPN+)	1 p.m.
O22	*at ETSU (Nexstar/ESPN3)	3:30 p.m.
O29	*at The Citadel (ESPN+)	2 p.m.
N5	*VMI (ESPN+)	3 p.m.
N12	*at Chattanooga (ESPN+)	1:30 p.m.
N19	*MERCER (ESPN3)	1 p.m.



Chattanooga (0-0, 0-0 SoCon)

S3	*WOFFORD (ESPN+)	6 p.m.
S10	at Eastern Illinois	7 p.m.
S17	NORTH ALABAMA (ESPN+)	6 p.m.
S22	at Illinois (Big Ten Network)	8:30 p.m.
O1	*at ETSU (ESPN+)	7:30 p.m.
O15	*VMI (ESPN3)	1:30 p.m.
O22	*MERCER (ESPN+)	1:30 p.m.
O29	*at Furman (Nexstar/ESPN3)	2 p.m.
N5	*at The Citadel (ESPN+)	2 p.m.
N12	*SAMFORD (ESPN+)	1:30 p.m.
N19	*at Western Carolina (ESPN+)	1 p.m.



VMI (0-0, 0-0 SoCon)

S1	at Wake Forest ^{22/19} (ACC Network)	7:30 p.m.
S10	BUCKNELL (ESPN+)	1:30 p.m.
S17	CORNELL (ESPN+)	1:30 p.m.
O1	*at Western Carolina (ESPN3)	3:30 p.m.
O8	*ETSU (Nexstar/ESPN+)	1:30 p.m.
O15	*at Chattanooga (ESPN3)	1:30 p.m.
O22	*FURMAN (ESPN+)	1:30 p.m.
O29	*MERCER (ESPN+)	1:30 p.m.
N5	*at Samford (ESPN+)	3 p.m.
N12	*at Wofford (ESPN+)	1:30 p.m.
N19	*THE CITADEL (ESPN+)	TBA



Western Carolina (0-0, 0-0 SoCon)

S3	at Charleston Southern (ESPN+)	12 p.m.
S10	at Georgia Tech (ESPN+/ACCNX)	7 p.m.
S17	PRESBYTERIAN (ESPN+)	3:30 p.m.
S24	*at Samford (ESPN3)	3 p.m.
O1	*VMI (ESPN3)	3:30 p.m.
O8	*at Mercer (ESPN+)	4 p.m.
O15	*at Furman (Nexstar/ESPN+)	2 p.m.
O22	*THE CITADEL (ESPN+)	2 p.m.
N5	*WOFFORD (Nexstar/ESPN3)	2 p.m.
N12	*at ETSU (ESPN+)	1 p.m.
N19	*CHATTANOOGA (ESPN+)	1 p.m.



Wofford (0-0, 0-0 SoCon)

S3	*at Chattanooga ^{13/12} (ESPN+)	6 p.m.
S10	ELON (ESPN3)	6 p.m.
S17	at Virginia Tech (ACC Network)	11 a.m.
S24	at Kennesaw State (ESPN+)	6 p.m.
O1	*MERCER (Nexstar/ESPN+)	1:30 p.m.
O8	*at Samford (ESPN+)	1 p.m.
O15	*THE CITADEL (ESPN+)	1:30 p.m.
O29	*ETSU (ESPN+)	1:30 p.m.
N5	*at Western Carolina (Nexstar/ESPN3)	2 p.m.
N12	*VMI (ESPN+)	1:30 p.m.
N19	*at Furman (ESPN+)	1 p.m.

All times Eastern
National rankings (in superscript) listed AFCA/Stats Perform (FCS) and AP/AFCA (FBS)

* - Denotes SoCon game

^ - Denotes FCS playoffs

ALL CAPS - Denotes home game