



# SOUTHERN CONFERENCE MEN'S SOCCER

# 2024

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## 2024 Southern Conference Men's Soccer Standings

STANDINGS	W-L-T	CONFERENCE				OVERALL				
		Pts	GF	GA	ST	W-L-T	Pct	GF	GA	ST
UNCG	0-0-0	0	0	0	-	2-0-0	1.000	0	0	W2
VMI	0-0-0	0	0	0	-	2-0-0	1.000	0	0	W2
Furman	0-0-0	0	0	0	-	1-0-1	.750	0	0	W1
ETSU	0-0-0	0	0	0	-	1-1-0	.500	0	0	L1
Wofford	0-0-0	0	0	0	-	0-0-1	.500	0	0	T1
Mercer	0-0-0	0	0	0	-	0-1-1	.250	0	0	T1

## Notes

- UNCG was ranked No. 18 by the United Soccer Coaches Poll, collecting 62 points after a 2-0 start to their season with wins over USC Upstate and Coastal Carolina
- The Bears clinched the 2023 Men's Soccer Championship after scoring twice in the first six minutes of the 2023 SoCon Championship match to claim a 2-1 victory over No. 3 seed Furman
- Mercer's 2023 title win marks their second SoCon championship title in program history.

• ETSU won the regular season title last year with a 4-0-1 record.

• Mercer garnered the most votes for the preseason all-conference team, with 22 total points, including two first-place votes, and the team picked up four preseason all-conference selections, including the 2023 freshman of the year Barzee Blama, Carlos Santamaria, SoCon tournament MVP Sekous Agard, and Trevor McMullen.

• Furman forward Christian Kraus and defender Slade Starnes were both All-Tournament and All-Conference selections a season ago. Kraus led the Paladins offensively with 10 goals, two game-winning, and five assists for a total of 25 points on the season. Starnes started in all five conference games, coming off an injury, to earn a second team All-Conference nod.

• Arnaud Tattevin and midfielder Basile Marc made the preseason team after making the All-Conference second team last season. Tattevin scored seven goals for the Spartans, contributing 14 points. Marc started all 17 games last season and contributed three points with a goal and an assist.

• Wofford midfielder Jakob Andersson was selected after leading the league in assists last year. He made seven assists, combined with two goals for 11 points in 16 starts. Bryce Peacock, a defender, started in all 17 games for the Terriers in 2023.

• ETSU rounds out the preseason team with Gabriel Ramos, a forward who started 17 games for the Bucs. Ramos scored six goals on his way to contributing 17 points on the season with two game winning goals

• VMI return 11 players that started in at least three conference games last year, including Zack Murphy and Kyle Grant, who earned player of the week nods last season, and Cole Mooney who earned a spot on the All-Conference second team.

## Upcoming Schedule (all times eastern)

<b>Aug. 29 (Thursday)</b>	
Robert Morris at VMI	4 P.M.
Mercer at Jacksonville	5 P.M.
Presbyterian at ETSU	6 P.M.
Wofford at Queens (N.C.)	7 P.M.
<b>Aug. 30 (Friday)</b>	
UNCG at Georgetown	4 P.M.
North Greenville at Furman	7 P.M.
<b>Sept. 1 (Sunday)</b>	
VMI at UNC Asheville	4 P.M.
Mercer at North Florida	7:30 P.M.
<b>Sept. 2 (Monday)</b>	
Furman at Charlotte	7 P.M.
ETSU at North Carolina	7:30 P.M.

## Player of the Week

**SPARTANBURG, S.C.** – UNCG forward Enzo Dovlo and goalkeeper Seth Wilson have been named the Southern Conference men's soccer offensive and defensive players of the week, respectively, for all competition from Aug. 22-26.

Dovlo scored the Spartans' first two goals on the way to a 3-0 win in the season opener against USC Upstate in Greensboro, North Carolina. The Strasbourg, France, native then found the back of the net in the fourth minute of UNCG's 1-0 home victory over Coastal Carolina on Sunday. A starter in both games, the sophomore forward is a perfect three-for-three on shots after the first week of competition and leads the conference in points (6), goals (3), game winning goals (2), and shot percentage.

Wilson recorded back-to-back clean sheets for the Spartans this week. The Frisco, Texas, product faced 12 shots and made five saves this week to lead the conference in save percentage. Against USC Upstate, the redshirt sophomore made three saves followed by two saves in the Spartans' Sunday matchup with Coastal Carolina.

UNCG (2-0) travels to No. 16 Georgetown on Friday for their lone matchup of the week.

**Also nominated for offensive player of the week:** Abdi Bahur (ETSU), Lloyd Wamu-Snell (Furman), Nick Wanzer (Mercer), Grant Martin (VMI)

**Also nominated for defensive player of the week:** Sekou Agard (Mercer), Seth Wilson (UNCG), Elliot Chaffey (VMI), Leo Ledin (Wofford)

## SoCon Preseason

School (1st)	Pts.
1. Mercer (2)	22
2. Wofford (2)	20
3. UNCG (1)	17
4. Furman (1)	16
5. ETSU	10
6. VMI	5

## Preseason all-conference team Pos, Player, school

F	Gabriel Ramos, ETSU
F	Christian Kraus, Furman
F	Barzee Blama, Mercer
F	Arnaud Tattevin, UNCG
MF	Carlos Santamaria, Mercer
MF	Basile Marc, UNCG
MF	Jakob Andersson, Wofford
D	Slade Starnes, Furman
D	Sekou Agard, Mercer
D	Bryce Peacock, Wofford
GK	Trevor McMullen

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## United Soccer Coaches Top 25 Preseason Poll

School (1st)	PTS	Record
Clemson University (7)	199	1-0-0
Marshall University (1)	186	1-0-0
University of Pittsburgh	181	2-0-0
West Virginia University	180	2-0-0
Western Michigan University	165	2-0-0
Saint Louis University	152	1-0-0
Syracuse University	151	2-0-0
University of Portland	142	1-0-0
University of Denver	133	2-0-0
UCLA	128	1-0-1
Seattle University	99	1-0-1
Northwestern University	91	2-0-0
Stanford University	85	1-1-0
VCU	78	2-0-0
University of Louisville	75	1-0-0
Georgetown University	65	1-1-0
University of North Carolina	63	1-0-1
<b>UNC-Greensboro</b>	<b>62</b>	<b>2-0-0</b>
Oregon State University	61	1-1-0
Ohio State University	58	1-0-1
University of Central Florida	54	1-0-1
University of Wisconsin	49	2-0-0
University of Kentucky	39	1-0-0
UC Santa Barbara	28	1-0-0
Seton Hall University	22	1-0-0

## Active Career Leaders (end of 2023 season)

### Points Scored

- 31 - Gabriel Ramos, ETSU
- 29 - Christian Kraus, Furman
- 29 - Kadeem Agard, MEercer
- 20 - Cole Mooney, VMI
- 18 - Barzee Blama, MER

### Goals

- 12 - Christian Kraus, Furman
- 11 - Gabriel Ramos, ETSU
- 10 - Kadeem Agard, Mercer
- 8 - Blama, Barzee, Mercer
- 7 - Nick Wanzer, Mercer
- 7 - Grant Martin, VMI
- 7 - Tattevin, Arnaud, UNCG

### Assists

- 9 - Gabriel Ramos, ETSU
- 9 - Kadeem Agard, Mercer
- 8 - Cole Mooney, VMI
- 7 - Andersson, Jakob, Wofford
- 6 - Basile Marc, UNCG

### Game-Winning Goals

- 4 - Nick Wanzer; Mercer
- 3 - Christian Kraus; Furman
- 3 - Blama, Barzee; Mercer
- 3 - Slade Starnes; Furman
- 3 - Thaddeus Dennis
- 3 - Kyle Grant, VMI
- 3 - Emmanuel Hagan, UNCG

### Saves (min. 1 Game)

- 164 - Trevor McMullen, Mercer
- 67 - Murphy, Zack, VMI
- 34 - Salinas, Aaron, Furman
- 26 - Marc Kouadio, ETSU
- 13 - Cameron Maung-Maung, Furman

### Wins

- 17 - Trevor McMullen; Mercer
- 4 - Murphy, Zack; VMI 2023
- 3 - Salinas, Aaron; Furman
- 2 - Cameron Maung-Maung; Furman
- 2 - Marc Kouadio; ETSU

### Shutouts

- 9 - Trevor McMullen, Mercer
- 2 - Murphy, Zack, VMI
- 1 - Salinas, Aaron, Furman
- 1 - Cameron Maung-Maung, Furman
- 1 - Marc Kouadio, ETSU

### Goals Against Average (min. 2,000 minutes)

- 1.15 - Trevor McMullen, Mercer

## Coaches' Records (end of 2023 season)

Coach, School	Overall (Yrs.)	School (Yrs.)	SoCon (Yrs.)
Vital Allen, ETSU	294-205-60 (26)	First	First
Doug Allison, Furman	340-169-66 (28)	Same	Same
Brad Ruzzo, Mercer	147-128-38 (16)	Same	100-68-28 (10)
Chris Rich, UNCG Nick	46-28-15 (5)	Same	Same
Regan, VMI Joel	7-28-1 (2)	Same	Same
Tyson, Wofford	23-44-11 (5)	Same	Same

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