2025 SUN BELT FOOTBALL

CHAMPIONSHIP GAME · DECEMBER 5, 2025

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2025 SUN BELT CONFERENCE STANDINGS

	CONFERENCE					OVERALL							
EAST DIVISION	**W-L**	**Pct.**	**PF**	**PA**	**Streak**	**W-L**	**Pct.**	**PF**	**PA**	**H**	**A**	**N**	**Streak**
James Madison	8-0	1.000	340	121	Won 8	11-1	.917	454	192	6-0	5-1	0-0	Won 10
Old Dominion	6-2	.750	258	165	Won 5	9-3	.750	392	231	6-0	3-3	0-0	Won 5
Coastal Carolina	5-3	.625	247	270	Lost 2	6-6	.500	274	407	4-2	2-4	0-0	Lost 3
Georgia Southern	4-4	.500	214	258	Won 1	6-6	.500	334	410	4-2	2-4	0-0	Won 1
Marshall	3-5	.375	262	262	Lost 2	5-7	.417	369	363	3-3	2-4	0-0	Lost 2
App State	2-6	.250	209	264	Lost 1	5-7	.417	304	358	3-3	1-4	1-0	Lost 1
Georgia State	0-8	.000	156	262	Lost 9	1-11	.083	237	454	1-5	0-6	0-0	Lost 9
WEST DIVISION													
Troy	6-2	.750	220	195	Won 2	8-4	.667	302	287	4-2	4-2	0-0	Won 2
Southern Miss	5-3	.625	241	220	Lost 3	7-5	.583	358	329	4-3	3-2	0-0	Lost 3
Louisiana	5-3	.625	238	250	Won 4	6-6	.500	325	360	4-2	2-4	0-0	Won 4
Arkansas State	5-3	.625	200	196	Won 1	6-6	.500	293	328	3-3	3-3	0-0	Won 1
Texas State	3-5	.375	288	267	Won 3	6-6	.500	433	367	4-2	2-4	0-0	Won 3
South Alabama	3-5	.375	212	244	Lost 1	4-8	.333	318	365	2-4	2-4	0-0	Lost 1
ULM	1-7	.125	132	243	Lost 7	3-9	.250	199	383	2-3	1-6	0-0	Lost 8

CHAMPIONSHIP GAME

Credit Union 1 Sun Belt Football Championship
Presented by Visit Pensacoala

Friday, Dec. 5
Troy at No. 25 James Madison
7:00 p.m. ET/6:00 p.m. CT
ESPN

All-Time Series
1994 - James Madison def. Troy, 45-26
1999 - Troy def. James Madison, 27-7
2023 - James Madison def. Troy, 16-14



CHAMPIONSHIP GAME RESULTS

2018 App State def. Louisiana, 30-19
2019 App State def. Louisiana, 45-38
2020 Louisiana at Coastal Caroilna, DNP
2021 Louisiana def. App State, 24-16
2022 Troy def. Coastal Carolina, 45-26
2023 Troy def. App State, 49-23
2024 Marshall def. Louisiana, 31-3

IN THE POLLS

Associated Press Top 25 Poll
No. 19 James Madison

US LBM Coaches Poll
No. 19 James Madison

College Football Playoff Rankings
No. 25 James Madison

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HOW THEY GOT HERE - TROY

Troy (8-4, 6-2 SBC) is seeking to add to its conference-leading eight Sun Belt football titles in Friday's Credit Union 1 Sun Belt Football Championship presented by Visit Pensacola at Bridgeforth Stadium in Harrisonburg, Va. The game is set for 7:00 p.m. ET/6:00 p.m. CT and will be broadcast nationwide on ESPN.

The Trojans are appearing in their third championship game over the past four seasons, having hosted—and won—the 2022 and 2023 editions at Veterans Memorial Stadium in Troy, Ala. Appearing for the first time as the visiting team, Troy will attempt to give the visitors back-to-back wins for the first time in championship game history. Home teams are 5-1 all-time in the championship game, with Marshall breaking through for a 31-3 road win at Louisiana a year ago. Troy is 4-2 on the road this season.

A Troy win over No. 25 James Madison (11-1, 8-0 SBC) would give West Division teams a 4-3 edge in championship games, with the Trojans providing three of those four wins. A Trojans victory also would make Troy the first-ever three-time victor in the event's history and the first team to have won the championship game at home and on the road.

Since joining the Sun Belt ahead of the 2004 season, Troy boasts a conference-leading 107 wins in league play to go along with a conference-best eight football championships (2006, 2007, 2008, 2009, 2010, 2017, 2022 & 2023). The Trojans are just a year removed from back-to-back Sun Belt titles and back-to-back 10-win campaigns.

Troy opened its season by using a 28-point fourth-quarter outburst to outpace Nicholls, 38-20, at home. The Trojans carried that momentum into a road matchup at then-No. 8/8 Clemson, where they led 16-3 at the break and held the Tigers to just 316 yards of total offense, in an eventual 27-16 defeat. Troy returned home to face a bowl-bound Memphis program, but could not overcome the loss of redshirt junior starting quarterback Goose Crowder to injury on the opening possession in a 28-7 loss. Turning to junior quarterback Tucker Kilcrease under center, Troy scored 21 unanswered fourth-quarter points in a 21-17 road win at Buffalo to close the non-conference slate and spark a season-best five-game winning streak. In the decisive fourth quarter, the Trojans defense held the Bulls to just 57 yards over four drives.

Troy then posted a four-game Sun Belt revenge tour with wins over South Alabama, bowl-bound Texas State, ULM and bowl-bound Louisiana—who all beat the Trojans a year ago—to clinch bowl eligibility and open conference action 4-0 for the first time since 2018. In front of 28,035 fans at Veterans Memorial Stadium, Kilcrease became the second Trojans quarterback since 1995 to throw for more than 200 yards and rush for more than 100 yards in Troy's seventh victory over South Alabama in the Battle for the Belt rivalry over the past eight meetings, 31-24 in OT. He then led Troy to a come-from-behind 48-41 overtime win over Texas State, throwing for 415 yards and five touchdown passes. Defense led the way with four second-half takeaways in a 37-14 win over ULM and three interceptions in a 35-23 bowl eligibility-clinching win over Louisiana. A lack of protection was the story in back-to-back losses to bowl-bound Arkansas State, 23-10, and bowl-bound Old Dominion, 33-0, as the Trojans surrendered nine sacks in consecutive weeks.

On Senior Day at Veterans Memorial Stadium, Crowder took every snap for the first time since Week 2, throwing for 361 yards and four touchdowns in a 31-19 win over Georgia State to set up a winner-take-all showdown with bowl-bound Southern Miss for the Sun Belt West Division title and a berth into the championship game on the final weekend of the regular season. Troy went on the road and clinched its third West Division title and third Credit Union 1 Sun Belt Football Championship presented by Visit Pensacola berth over the past four seasons with a 28-18 win at Southern Miss in the regular-season finale, buoyed by two fourth-quarter touchdown connections from Crowder to senior wide receiver RaRa Thomas.

Troy's defense is 1-of-3 units in the Sun Belt conceding less than 380 yards (377.8) and less than 25 points (23.9) per game, alongside James Madison and Old Dominion. The group has been particularly stingy in the red zone, where it holds opponents to a .786 scoring clip, good for 26th in the nation. Led by junior defensive lineman Donnie Smith (11.5 tackles for loss, 9.0 sacks), who paces the Sun Belt and ranks 14th in the country with 9.0 sacks, the Trojans rank among the Top 31 teams in the nation with 6.3 tackles for loss and 2.42 sacks per game. Senior linebacker Jordan Stringer (104 tackles, 8.7 tackles per game) and senior defensive back Devin Lafayette (99 tackles, 8.3 tackles per game) are 1-of-2 Sun Belt tandems each averaging eight-or-more tackles per game. The unit also leads the Sun Belt and ranks third in the country with four defensive touchdowns on the year.

Crowder and Kilcrease's top targets have been Thomas (495 yards, 5 touchdowns), senior wide receiver Tray Taylor (478 yards, 3 touchdowns), junior wide receiver DJ Epps (430 yards, 5 touchdowns) and redshirt senior tight end Ethan Conner (362 yards, 3 touchdowns). Epps and Thomas are tied for seventh in the Sun Belt with five touchdown receptions on the year. Junior running back Tae Meadows (685 yards, 5 touchdowns) and sophomore running back Jordan Lovett (311 yards, 2 touchdowns) have done the bulk of Troy's damage on the ground.

Troy's special teams units have not had a kick or punt blocked this season and rank third in the country with a 43.75 yard net punting average. Ray Guy Award finalist redshirt junior punter Evan Crenshaw averages 46.70 yards per punt to lead the Sun Belt and rank sixth in the nation. Twenty of his 56 punts on the year have gone for 50-or-more yards, with 25 being downed inside the 20-yard line. In the return game, Epps ranks sixth in the Sun Belt and 35th in the country, averaging 20.4 yards per kickoff return.

WEEKLY AWARDS

OFFENSIVE PLAYER OF THE WEEK

Sept. 1	AJ Swann, App State (RS Jr., QB)
Sept. 8	Trequan Jones, Old Dominion (Jr., RB)
Sept. 15	Colton Joseph, Old Dominion (RS So., QB)
Sept. 22	Carlos Del Rio-Wilson, Marshall (RS Jr. QB)
Sept. 29	Lunch Winfield, Louisiana (RS So., QB)
Oct. 6	Jaylen Raynor, Arkansas State (Jr., QB)
Oct. 13	Tucker Kilcrease, Troy (Jr., QB)
Oct. 20	Alonza Barnett III, James Madison (RS Jr., QB)
Oct. 27	Braylon Braxton, Southern Miss (RS Sr., QB)
Nov. 3	Alonza Barnett III, James Madison (RS Jr., QB)
Nov. 10	JC French IV, Georgia Southern (RS Jr., QB)
Nov. 17	OJ Arnold, Georgia Southern (Sr., RB)
Nov. 24	Kentrel Bullock, South Alabama (Sr., RB)
Dec. 1	Camden Brown, Georgia Southern (Sr., WR)

DEFENSIVE PLAYER OF THE WEEK

Sept. 1	D'Arco Perkins-McCallister, ULM (RS Sr., DB)
Sept. 8	Luke Hodge, Troy (So., LB)
Sept. 15	Ian Foster, Southern Miss (RS So., DB)
Sept. 22	Noah Arinze, Coastal Carolina (Sr., DL)
Sept. 29	Trent Hendrick, James Madison (Sr., LB)
Oct. 6	Devin Lafayette, Troy (Sr., DB)
Oct. 13	Boogie Trotter, Marshall (Sr., DB)
Oct. 20	Treylin Payne, Texas State (Sr., LB)
Oct. 27	Tirrell Johnson, South Alabama (RS Jr., LB)
Nov. 3	Demarcus Hendricks, Arkansas State (RS Sr., DL)
Nov. 10	Josh Moten, Southern Miss (RS Sr., DB)
Nov. 17	Kris Trinidad, Old Dominion (RS Sr., DL)
Nov. 24	Drew Spinogatti, James Madison (Jr., LB)
Dec. 1	Jaden Dugger, Louisiana (Sr., LB)

SPECIAL TEAMS PLAYER OF THE WEEK

Sept. 1	Tony Sterner, Louisiana (RS Jr., K)
Sept. 8	Tre' Brown III, Old Dominion (RS So., WR)
Sept. 15	Dalen Cobb, Georgia Southern (Sr., WR)
Sept. 22	Evan Crenshaw, Troy (Jr., P)
Sept. 29	Curtis Harris-Lopez, James Madison (RS Sr., RS)
Oct. 6	Dominic De Freitas, App State (Fr., K)
Oct. 13	Paddy McAteer, Troy (Jr., K)
Oct. 20	Lorcan Quinn, Marshall (Fr., K)
Oct. 27	Clune Van Andel, Arkansas State (Jr., K)
Nov. 3	Clune Van Andel, Arkansas State (Jr., K)
Nov. 10	Tripp Bryant, Georgia Southern (Fr., K)
Nov. 17	Braeden McAlister, Georgia State (RS Jr., K)
Nov. 24	Ian Ratliff, App State (RS So., P)
Dec. 1	Jordan Sample, Arkansas State (RS So., LB)

25TH ANNIVERSARY

The Sun Belt, which began sponsoring football in 2001, will celebrate the 25th Anniversary of Sun Belt Football throughout the 2025 season. The celebration will include student-athlete spotlights, this date in Sun belt history moments and a signage and video board presence at the Sun Belt Football Championship Game.

HOW THEY GOT HERE - JAMES MADISON

No. 25 James Madison (11-1, 8-0 SBC) is seeking its first Sun Belt football title in Friday's Credit Union 1 Sun Belt Football Championship presented by Visit Pensacola at Bridgeforth Stadium in Harrisonburg, Va. The game is set for 7:00 p.m. ET/6:00 p.m. CT and will be broadcast nationwide on ESPN.

The Dukes are appearing in the championship game for the first time in their second eligible season after transitioning to the FBS level. James Madison will attempt to add to the home team's 5-1 all-time record in the championship game. The Dukes are 6-0 at home this season.

A James Madison win over Troy (8-4, 6-2 SBC) would give East Division teams a 4-3 edge in championship games all-time. A Dukes victory would also make James Madison the second team in conference history to complete an unblemished run through the Sun Belt regular season and win the championship game (Louisiana, 2021).

Since joining the Sun Belt ahead of the 2022 season, James Madison owns a 39-10 record. The Dukes are 25-7 against Sun Belt Conference opposition, including the seventh all-time unblemished 8-0 run through the Sun Belt regular-season schedule in 2025.

James Madison is riding a 10-game winning streak—the third-longest in the country trailing only No. 1 Ohio State and No. 2 Indiana—into Friday night's championship game. The Dukes also join the Buckeyes and Hoosiers as 1-of-3 teams to boast an unbeaten record in conference play this season.

James Madison opened its season with a 45-10 victory over Weber State, as the defense came down with three interceptions and held the Wildcats to just 148 yards of total offense. The Dukes then carried a 14-14 tie with bowl-bound Louisville into the fourth quarter, before the Cardinals recovered a game-changing strip sack in the end zone to take the lead in an eventual 28-14 win.

From that point forward, James Madison has rattled off 10-straight wins en route to its first Sun Belt East Division title, first Credit Union 1 Sun Belt Football Championship presented by Visit Pensacola berth and first College Football Playoff ranking at No. 25 in this week's edition.

During that span, James Madison has won its games by an average score of 39.5 to 15.4 and has averaged 469.6 yards per game while allowing 263 yards per game. The Dukes have held 7-of-10 teams to under 300 yards of total offense and have been particularly stingy down the stretch, conceding just 34 second-half points and one fourth-quarter touchdown.

James Madison opened its 10-game winning streak with a 31-13 non-conference win over Liberty, then rattled off seven-straight Sun Belt wins over bowl-bound Georgia Southern, 35-10; Georgia State, 14-7; bowl-bound Louisiana, 24-14; in-state rival and bowl-bound Old Dominion, 63-27; bowl-bound Texas State, 52-20; Marshall, 35-23; and App State, 58-10.

The Dukes stepped out of conference action with a 24-20 win over bowl-bound Washington State to complete an unbeaten 6-0 season at home in front of a sixth-consecutive sell-out crowd at Bridgeforth Stadium. In the regular-season finale, redshirt junior quarterback Alonza Barnett III accounted for four total touchdowns in a 59-10 win over bowl-bound Coastal Carolina to cap the third unblemished Sun Belt campaign of the championship game era.

The James Madison defense paces the Sun Belt and ranks fifth in the nation in total defense at 253.5 yards per game, fifth in rushing defense at 84.7 yards per game, 10th in scoring defense at 16.0 points per game and 12th in passing defense at 167.8 yards per game. Offensively, the Dukes top the Sun Belt and rank sixth in the country at 239.8 rushing yards per game and 10th in scoring offense at 37.8 points per game.

Senior linebacker Trent Hendrick leads the defensive unit with 7.6 tackles per game, while redshirt freshman defensive lineman Sahir West paces the Dukes with 8.5 tackles for loss and 4.0 sacks on the year. Redshirt junior defensive back Justin Eaglin has hauled in four interceptions to rank 16th in the country.

Barnett III threw for 2,440 yards and 20 touchdowns and rushed for 459 yards and 13 touchdowns. He ranks ninth in the country with 16.7 points responsible for per game, 17th with 13.33 yards per completion and 22nd with 13 rushing touchdowns. Redshirt junior running back Wayne Knight ran for 1,083 yards and eight touchdowns and added 368 yards and a score through the air. Joining Knight among Barnett's top targets are junior wide receiver Landon Ellis (532 yards, 5 touchdowns) and redshirt senior wide receiver Nick DeGennaro (387 yards, 4 touchdowns). Knight paces the Sun Belt and ranks fourth in the nation with 139.75 all-purpose yards per game, while Ellis is tied for seventh in the Sun Belt with five touchdown receptions on the year.

Friday night's meeting will be the fourth in the all-time series between Troy and James Madison. The teams split two matchups in the FCS Playoffs, before James Madison escaped Troy with a 16-14 win in the first clash as Sun Belt Conference foes in 2023. The win—which gave James Madison a 2-1 edge in the all-time series—was part of the Dukes 10-0 start to an eventual 11-2 campaign and was Troy's lone conference loss in an 11-3 Sun Belt championship season. The Credit Union 1 Sun Belt Football Championship presented by Visit Pensacola will be the first-ever FBS meeting between the two programs in Harrisonburg, Va.

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SBC POSTSEASON AWARDS

Player of the Year
Alonza Barnett III, James Madison (RS Jr., QB – Whitsett, N.C.)

Offensive Player of the Year
Colton Joseph, Old Dominion (RS So., QB – Newport Beach, Calif.)

Defensive Player of the Year
Trent Hendrick, James Madison (Sr., LB – Richmond, Va.)

Special Teams Player of the Year
Evan Crenshaw, Troy (RS Jr., P – Ponte Vedra Beach, Fla.)

Newcomer of the Year
Camden Brown, Georgia Southern (Sr., WR – Monroe, La.)

Freshman of the Year
Sahir West, James Madison (RS Fr., DL – Baltimore, Md.)

Coach of the Year
Bob Chesney, James Madison

All-Sun Belt First Team Offense
QB – Alonza Barnett III, James Madison (RS Jr., QB – Whitsett, N.C.)
RB – Wayne Knight, James Madison (RS Jr., RB – Smyrna, Del.)
RB – Kentrel Bullock, South Alabama (Sr., RB – Columbia, Miss.)
OL – Caleb Cook, Georgia Southern (RS Sr., OL – Brunswick, Ga.)
OL – Pat McMurtrie, James Madison (Gr., OL – Verona, N.J.)
OL – Jax Harrington, Louisiana (RS Sr., OL – Erath, La.)
OL – Zach Barlev, Old Dominion (Sr., OL – Bolingbrook, Ill.)
OL – Dorion Strawn, Texas State (RS Sr., OL – Ennis, Texas)
TE – Toby Payne, Marshall (RS Jr., TE – Poca, W.Va.)
WR – Camden Brown, Georgia Southern (Sr., WR – Monroe, La.)
WR – Ted Hurst, Georgia State (Sr., WR – Savannah, Ga.)
WR – Beau Sparks, Texas State (Jr., WR – El Paso, Texas)

All-Sun Belt First Team Defense
DL – Demarcus Hendricks, Arkansas State (RS Sr., DL – San Antonio, Texas)
DL – MJ Stroud, Georgia Southern (RS Jr., DL – Covington, Ga.)
DL – J'Mond Tapp, Southern Miss (RS Jr., DL – Donaldsonville, La.)
DL – Donnie Smith, Troy (Jr., DL – Greenville, Miss.)
LB – Trent Hendrick, James Madison (Sr., LB – Richmond, Va.)
LB – Jaden Dugger, Louisiana (Sr., LB – Pittsburgh, Pa.)
LB – Chris Jones, Southern Miss (So., LB – Byram, Miss.)
LB – Jordan Stringer, Troy (Sr., LB – Augusta, Ga.)
DB – Boogie Trotter, Marshall (Sr., DB – Nashville, Tenn.)
DB – Nehemiah Chandler, South Alabama (RS Fr., DB – Jacksonville, Fla.)
DB – Josh Moten, Southern Miss (RS Sr., DB – Waldorf, Md.)
DB – Devin Lafayette, Troy (Sr., DB – Brunswick, Ga.)

All-Sun Belt First Team Special Teams
K – Lorcan Quinn, Marshall (Fr., K – Donaghmore, Ireland)
P – Evan Crenshaw, Troy (RS Jr., P – Ponte Vedra Beach, Fla.)
RS – Chauncy Cobb, Arkansas State (RS So., RS – Clewiston, Fla.)
AP – Wayne Knight, James Madison (RS Jr., AP – Smyrna, Del.)

All-Sun Belt Second Team Offense
QB – Colton Joseph, Old Dominion (RS So., QB – Newport Beach, Calif.)
RB – OJ Arnold, Georgia Southern (Sr., RB – Quitman, Ga.)
RB – Lincoln Pare, Texas State (RS Sr., RB – Germantown, Tenn.)
OL – Pichon Wimbley, Georgia Southern (Sr., OL – Newnan, Ga.)
OL – Zach Greenberg, James Madison (RS Sr., OL – Livingston, N.J.)
OL – Riley Robell, James Madison (RS So., OL – Harrisburg, Pa.)
OL – Ryan Joyce, Old Dominion (RS Sr., OL – Stockton, N.J.)
OL – Eli Russ, Troy (Sr., OL – Ardmore, Okla.)
TE – Ethan Conner, Troy (RS Sr., TE – Columbus, Miss.)
WR – Corey Rucker, Arkansas State (RS Sr., WR – Bentonia, Miss.)
WR – Demarcus Lacey, Marshall (Sr., WR – Birmingham, Ala.)
WR – Devin Voisin, South Alabama (Gr., WR – Crestview, Fla.)













POSTSEASON AWARDS

All-Sun Belt Second Team Defense
DL – Cody Sigler, Arkansas State (RS Jr., DL – New Hope, Ala.)
DL – Immanuel Bush, James Madison (RS Sr., DL – Lancaster, S.C.)
DL – Sahir West, James Madison (RS Fr., DL – Baltimore, Md.)
DL – Jordan Lawson, Louisiana (RS Sr., DL – Brandon, Miss.)
LB – Colton Phares, App State (RS So., LB – Beaufort, S.C.)
LB – Blayne Myrick, South Alabama (RS Jr., LB – Fairhope, Ala.)
LB – Treylin Payne, Texas State (Sr., LB – San Antonio, Texas)
DB – Xamarion Gordon, Coastal Carolina (RS Sr., DB – Houston, Texas)
DB – Justin Eaglin, James Madison (RS Jr., DB – Spring Lake, N.C.)
DB – Jacob Thomas, James Madison (Sr., DB – Ashburn, Va.)
DB – Jerome Carter, Old Dominion (So., DB – Lake City, Fla.)
DB – Jaquez White, Troy (Jr., DB – Blackshear, Ga.)

All-Sun Belt Second Team Special Teams
K – Tyler Robles, Texas State (RS So., K – Encinitas, Calif.)
P – Nathan Totten, Marshall (RS So., P – Ashland, Ky.)
RS – Jaylen Jenkins, Texas State (RS Jr., RS – Dallas, Texas)
AP – Beau Sparks, Texas State (Jr., AP – El Paso, Texas)

All-Sun Belt Third Team Offense
QB – Brad Jackson, Texas State (RS Fr., QB – San Antonio, Texas)
RB – Rashod Dubinion, App State (Sr., RB – Ellenwood, Ga.)
RB – Bill Davis, Louisiana (RS So., RB – LaPlace, La.)
OL – Johnnie Brown III, Georgia Southern (RS Jr., OL – Lilburn, Ga.)
OL – Carter Sweazie, James Madison (RS Jr., OL – Ashburn, Va.)
OL – Jalen Slappy, Marshall (RS Jr., OL – Columbus, Ohio)
OL – Kenton Jerido, South Alabama (RS Jr., OL – Tuscaloosa, Ala.)
OL – Matt Henry, Troy (Sr., OL – Auckland, New Zealand)
TE – Izayah Cummings, App State (RS Sr., TE – Louisville, Ky.)
WR – Landon Ellis, James Madison (Jr., WR – Orange, Va.)
WR – Tre' Brown III, Old Dominion (RS So., WR – Savannah, Ga.)
WR – Chris Dawn Jr., Texas State (Jr., WR – Dallas, Texas)

All-Sun Belt Third Team Defense
DL – Kevin Abrams-Verwayne, App State (RS Sr., DL – Marietta, Ga.)
DL – Ethan Hassler, Arkansas State (RS Sr., DL – Collierville, Tenn.)
DL – Ezekiel Durham-Campbell, Coastal Carolina (RS Jr., DL – Atlanta, Ga.)
DL – Aiden Gobaira, James Madison (RS Jr., DL – Fairfax, Va.)
DL – Kris Trinidad, Old Dominion (RS Sr., DL – Richmond, Va.)
LB – Noah Flemmings, ULM (Jr., LB – Austin, Texas)
LB – Jeremy Mack Jr., Old Dominion (RS Sr., LB – Clinton, Miss.)
LB – Michael Montgomery, Southern Miss (Jr., LB – Seattle, Wash.)
DB – Ethan Johnson, App State (Sr., DB – Huntersville, N.C.)
DB – DJ Barksdale, James Madison (Jr., DB – Rock Hill, S.C.)
DB – Elijah Culp, James Madison (RS Sr., DB – Charlotte, N.C.)
DB – Ian Foster, Southern Miss (RS So., DB – Brundidge, Ala.)

All-Sun Belt Third Team Special Teams
K – Dominic De Freitas, App State (Fr., K – Nappanee, Ind.)
P – Alex Smith, Georgia Southern (Jr., P – Melbourne, Australia)
RS – Dalen Cobb, Georgia Southern (Sr., RS – Washington, Ga.)
AP – Chauncy Cobb, Arkansas State (RS So., AP – Clewiston, Fla.)

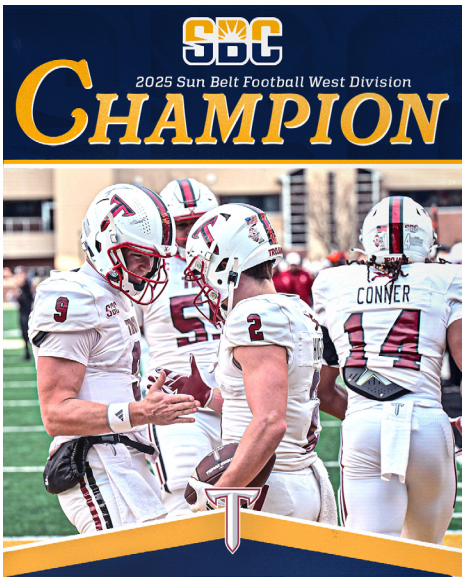
All-Sun Belt Honorable Mentions
App State
OL – Jayden Ramsey (RS Sr., OL – Anderson, S.C.)
OL – Will Flowers (RS Sr., OL – LaGrange, Ga.)
DL – Rondo Porter (RS Jr., DL – Columbia, S.C.)
DB – Emory Floyd (RS Jr., DB – Marietta, Ga.)

Arkansas State
DL – Simeon Mitchell (Sr., DL – Oakland, Calif.)
LB – Kyle Taylor (RS Sr., LB – The Colony, Texas)
DB – Avante Dickerson (RS Sr., DB – Omaha, Neb.)
DB – AG McGhee (Sr., DB – Chipley, Fla.)

Coastal Carolina
OL – Joseph Hanson (Jr., OL – Niceville, Fla.)
OL – Thomas Johnson (RS Sr., OL – Aynor, S.C.)
K – Kian Afrookhteh (RS Jr., K – Laguna Niguel, Calif.)
RS – Malcolm Gillie (Super Sr., RS – Milwaukee, Wis.)







SBC POSTSEASON AWARDS

Georgia Southern
WR – Marcus Sanders Jr. (Sr., WR – Montezuma, Ga.)
DL – Davion Rhodes (RS Sr., DL – Camilla, Ga.)
LB – Brendan Harrington (7th Yr., LB – Moncure, N.C.)
DB – Dorrian Smith (RS Sr., DB – Fort Valley, Ga.)

Georgia State
QB – Cameran Brown (RS Jr., QB – Warner Robins, Ga.)
RB – Jordon Simmons (RS Sr., RB – Marietta, Ga.)
LB – Josiah Robinson (RS Jr., LB – Apopka, Fla.)
DB – Jaylen Jones (RS So., DB – Matthews, N.C.)

James Madison
OL – Joseph Simmons (RS Jr., OL – Dover, Del.)
TE – Lacota Dippre (RS So., TE – Scott Township, Pa.)
DL – Amar Thomas (RS Jr., DL – Upper Marlboro, Md.)
DB – Tyler Brown (So., DB – Annapolis, Md.)

Louisiana
RB – Zylan Perry (RS Jr., RB – Franklin, La.)
OL – Bryant Williams (RS Jr., OL – Lake Charles, La.)
DB – Brent Gordon Jr. (Fr., DB – Cecilia, La.)
DB – Tyree Skipper (RS Sr., DB – New Orleans, La.)

ULM
RB – Zach Palmer-Smith (Sr., RB – Delran, N.J.)
OL – Elijah Fisher (RS Sr., OL – Allen, Texas)
DL – Jaden Hamlin (Sr., DL – Lafayette, Ala.)
DL – Kevontay Wells (Sr., DL – Jackson, Miss.)

Marshall
QB – Carlos Del Rio-Wilson (RS Jr., QB – Atlanta, Ga.)
DL – Paul Hutson III (RS Jr., DL – Norfolk, Va.)
LB – Jayland Parker (RS Sr., LB – Macon, Ga.)
DB – Daytione Smith (RS Jr., DB – East Highland Park, Va.)

Old Dominion
OL - Stephon Dubose-Bourne (RS Sr., OL – Chesapeake, Va.)
WR - Na'eem Abdul-Rahim Gladding (So., WR – Brooklyn, N.Y.)
DL – Chris Forbes (RS Fr., DL – Upper Marlboro, Md.)
DB – Mario Easterly (RS Jr., DB – Harrisburg, Pa.)

South Alabama
OL – Malachi Preciado (RS Jr., OL – New Orleans, La.)
LB – Tirrell Johnson (RS Jr., LB – Wynne, Ark.)
LB – Darius McKenzie (RS Sr., LB – Ottawa, Canada)
DB – Christopher Wallace Jr. (Sr., DB – Mobile, Ala.)

Southern Miss
QB – Braylon Braxton (RS Sr., QB – Frisco, Texas)
WR – Micah Davis (RS Sr., WR – Atlanta, Ga.)
WR – Elijah Metcalf (Gr., WR – Charlotte, N.C.)
DL – Brodarius Lewis (Gr., DL – Prattville, Ala.)

Texas State
OL – Emeka Obigbo (RS Sr., OL – Arlington, Texas)
TE – Titus Lyons (RS Sr., TE – Pottsboro, Texas)
DL – Kalil Alexander (RS Sr., DL – Charlotte, N.C.)
DB – Jaden Rios (RS Sr., DB – Frisco, Texas)

Troy
WR – Peyton Higgins (Sr., WR – Florence, Ala.)
WR – Tray Taylor (Sr., WR – Shreveport, La.)
DL – Luis Medina (Sr., DL – Summerville, Ga.)
DB – Kaleno Levine (Sr., DB – Fort Worth, Texas)

CONFERENCE RESULTS

WEEK 1
ULM def. Saint Francis, 29-0
App State def. Charlotte, 34-11
Mississippi State def. Southern Miss, 34-17
No. 20/19 Indiana def. Old Dominion, 27-14
No. 5/4 Georgia def. Marshall, 45-7
James Madison def. Weber State, 45-10
Virginia def. Coastal Carolina, 48-7
Arkansas State def. Southeast Missouri, 42-24
Troy def. Nicholls, 38-20
South Alabama def. Morgan State, 38-21
Rice def. Louisiana, 14-12
No. 21/15 Ole Miss def. Georgia State, 63-7
Texas State def. Eastern Michigan, 52-27
Fresno State def. Georgia Southern, 42-14

WEEK 2
Louisville def. James Madison, 28-14
App State def. Lindenwood, 20-13
Texas State def. UTSA, 43-36
No. 8/8 Clemson def. Troy, 27-16
Arkansas def. Arkansas State, 56-14
Southern Miss def. Jackson State, 38-20
Missouri State def. Marshall, 21-20
Old Dominion def. North Carolina Central, 54-6
Tulane def. South Alabama, 33-31
Memphis def. Georgia State, 38-16
Coastal Carolina def. Charleston Southern, 13-0
USC def. Georgia Southern, 59-20
No. 21/20 Alabama def. ULM, 73-0
Louisiana def. McNeese, 34-10

WEEK 3
Memphis def. Troy, 28-7
No. 24 Auburn def. South Alabama, 31-15
No. 25 Missouri def. Louisiana, 52-10
No. 14/14 Iowa State def. Arkansas State, 24-16
Marshall def. Eastern Kentucky, 38-7
Georgia State def. Murray State, 37-21
Georgia Southern def. Jacksonville State, 41-34
Southern Miss def. App State, 38-22
Old Dominion def. Virginia Tech, 45-26
East Carolina def. Coastal Carolina, 38-0
No. 24 Arizona State def. Texas State, 34-15

WEEK 4
Troy def. Buffalo, 21-17
James Madison def. Liberty, 31-13
Eastern Michigan def. Louisiana, 34-31
Kennesaw State def. Arkansas State, 28-21
Georgia Southern def. Maine, 45-17
Coastal Carolina def. South Alabama, 38-20
Louisiana Tech def. Southern Miss, 30-20
Texas State def. Nicholls, 35-3
No. 20/23 Vanderbilt def. Georgia State, 70-21
ULM def. UTEP, 31-25
Marshall def. Middle Tennessee, 42-28

WEEK 5
North Texas def. South Alabama, 36-22
James Madison def. Georgia Southern, 35-10
ULM def. Arkansas State, 28-16
Old Dominion def. Liberty, 21-7
Southern Miss def. Jacksonville State, 42-25
Boise State def. App State, 47-14
Louisiana def. Marshall, 54-51 (2OT)

WEEK 6
App State def. Oregon State, 27-23
James Madison def. Georgia State, 14-7
Northwestern def. ULM, 42-7
Arkansas State def. Texas State, 31-30
Old Dominion def. Coastal Carolina, 47-7
Troy def. South Alabama, 31-24 (OT)

WEEK 7
Southern Miss def. Georgia Southern, 38-35
James Madison def. Louisiana, 24-14
Marshall def. Old Dominion, 48-24
App State def. Georgia State, 41-20
Coastal Carolina def. ULM, 23-8
Troy def. Texas State, 48-41 (OT)

WEEK 8
Arkansas State def. South Alabama, 15-14
Troy def. ULM, 37-14
Coastal Carolina def. App State, 45-37
James Madison def. Old Dominion, 63-27
Marshall def. Texas State, 40-37 (2OT)
Southern Miss def. Louisiana, 22-10
Georgia Southern def. Georgia State, 41-24

WEEK 9
South Alabama def. Georgia State, 38-31
Old Dominion def. App State, 24-21
Southern Miss def. ULM, 49-21
Troy def. Louisiana, 35-23
Arkansas State def. Georgia Southern, 34-24

WEEK 10
James Madison def. Texas State, 52-20
Coastal Carolina def. Marshall, 44-27
Louisiana def. South Alabama, 31-22
Old Dominion def. ULM, 31-6
Arkansas State def. Troy, 23-10

WEEK 11
Georgia Southern def. App State, 25-23
James Madison def. Marshall, 35-23
Southern Miss def. Arkansas State, 27-21
Coastal Carolina def. Georgia State, 40-27
Louisiana def. Texas State, 42-39

WEEK 12
Old Dominion def. Troy, 33-0
Marshall def. Georgia State, 30-18
South Alabama def. ULM, 26-14
Texas State def. Southern Miss, 41-14
No. 24/25 James Madison def. App State, 58-10
Georgia Southern def. Coastal Carolina, 45-4

WEEK 13
Louisiana def. Arkansas State, 34-30
Old Dominion def. Georgia Southern, 45-10
No. 21/22 James Madison def. Washington State, 24-20
App State def. Marshall, 26-24
South Alabama def. Southern Miss, 42-35
South Carolina def. Coastal Carolina, 51-7
Troy def. Georgia State, 31-19
Texas State def. ULM, 31-14

WEEK 14
Georgia Southern def. Marshall, 24-19
Old Dominion def. Georgia State, 27-10
Arkansas State def. App State, 30-29
Texas State def. South Alabama, 49-26
Louisiana def. ULM, 30-27 in OT
Troy def. Southern Miss, 28-18
No. 20/21 James Madison def. Coastal Carolina, 59-10

SUN BELT AGAINST

CONFERENCES

All Non-Conference	27-29
American	2-6
ACC	1-3
Big 12	0-2
Big Ten	0-3
Conference USA	6-3
Independent	0-0
MAC	2-1
Mountain West	0-2
Pac-12	2-0
SEC	0-9
FCS	14-0

RANKED TEAMS

AP Top 25 Poll	0-9
US LBM Coaches Poll	0-8

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2025 BOWL SEASON REPRESENTATIVES
Arkansas State
Coastal Carolina
Georgia Southern
James Madison
Louisiana
Old Dominion
Southern Miss
Texas State
Troy