



**No. 2 USF 78, No. 6 Tulane 69
Game 9 – Semifinals, March 8, 2015
Mohegan Sun Arena – Uncasville, Conn.**

USF Postgame Notes

USF advanced to the American Athletic Conference championship finals against top-seeded UConn on Monday night at Mohegan Sun Arena with a semifinal win over Tulane. This is the first time in the history of the program USF has reached a conference tournament final. In two meetings this season with UConn, the Bulls were defeated 92-50 on January 18th and 88-65 on March 2nd.

Junior forward Alisia Jenkins recorded her seventh double-double in the last eight games and her 23rd overall this year. She finished with team highs of 22 points and 15 rebounds. In the process, she climbed from No. 3 to No. 1 in program history by raising her single-season rebounding total to 378. Wanda Guyton (377) held the record while Jenkins' sophomore total of 369 had been No. 2.

One night after junior guard Courtney Williams failed to score in double figures for just the second time in 40 games, she bounced back to score 21 points. It was her fourth 20-point effort in five games, and her 19th 20-point game of the season.

Needing just nine points to move into seventh place all-time in USF career scoring, Williams actually jumped into a tie for sixth with Ginger Bennett (1985, 87-89). Both have 1,483 career points. Williams also moved into second place all-time in program history with her single-season total of 652 points.

Both Jenkins and Williams moved up in the USF record books for career blocks. With one block Sunday, Jenkins broke a tie for fourth place with Jessica Lawson. Her total of 132 places her all alone at No. 4. Williams, meanwhile, moved from 13 to 12 with three blocks. She now has 63 for her career.

USF defeated its sixth RPI top 50 opponent this season with the win.

The Bulls are 19-1 when three or more Bulls score in double figures.

Tulane Postgame Notes

Tulane sophomore guard Courtnie Latham had a career-high three 3-pointers on the way to 15 points in the loss to USF on Sunday night. She finished with 40 points in three tournament games, averaging 13.3 points with seven trifectas. She was a perfect 9-for-9 from the free-throw line in those games, and shot 12-of-28 from the field.

Tulane senior guard Danielle Blagg fell one point short of her season best, collecting 19 points in the loss to USF.

Tulane made its first 11 free-throws of the game before Leslie Vorpahl missed her second attempt from the line with 12 seconds left.

Tulane senior guard Jamie Kaplan had 10 points, six assists and five rebounds. She had her second straight double-digit scoring game of the tournament.

Chinwe Duru had 10 points for Tulane after being held without a basket in the quarterfinal win over Tulsa on Saturday.

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