



GEORGIA STATE FOOTBALL

MEDIA GUIDE



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2026 GEORGIA STATE COACHING STAFF

Dell McGee	Head Coach
Hue Jackson	Offensive Coordinator
Cam Clark	Co-Defensive Coordinator
John Haneline	Co-Defensive Coordinator
Zach Conowal	Special Teams Coordinator
Dameyune Craig	Assistant Head Coach/Wide Receivers
Enrique Davis	Running Backs
Troy Douglas	Cornerbacks
Casey Roddick	Offensive Line
Chaz Scales	Nickels
Cam Spence	Defensive Line
Juwan Taylor	Inside Linebackers
Ryan Williams	Quarterbacks

ADDITIONAL COACHING STAFF

Tristan Henderson	Offensive Analyst
Jes Sutherland	Offensive Analyst/Tight Ends
Colby Brown Sr.	Defensive Backs Assistant
Mike Eason	Quarterbacks Assistant
TaQuon Marshall	Offense/ Wide Receivers Assistant
Daniel Minenok	Defensive Assistant
Eli Peugh	Running Backs Assistant

STRENGTH & PERFORMANCE COACHING STAFF

Bob Murphy	Senior Associate A.D. of Health, Safety and Performance
KJ Florence	Head Strength Coach
Jim Durning	Assistant Football Strength Coach
Kam Edwards	Assistant Football Strength Coach
Tanner Hawthorne	Assistant Football Strength Coach

FOOTBALL SUPPORT STAFF

Cameron Lemons	Director of Operations
Joe Windon	General Manager
Nyeja Warner	Player Personnel & Special Assistant to HC
Maleak Bryant	Director of Player Personnel
Rod Rook-Chungong	Player Development
Joshua Bailey	Director of Recruiting
Stephanie Weiss	Director of Equipment
Chantel Audaine	Director of Video Operations
Marcus Troy	Assistant Video Coordinator
Valana Wiltz	Assistant A.D. of Academics
Caitlin Bamberger	Assistant Director of Academics
Maerys Joseph	Academic Advisor
Timothy Chavous	Academic Advisor

2026 FOOTBALL SCHEDULE

DATE	OPPONENT	TIME (ET)
Sept. 4	NORTH CAROLINA A&T	7:00 p.m.
Sept. 12	Kennesaw State	7:00 p.m.
Sept. 19	UCF	7:00 p.m.
Sept. 26	NORTHERN ILLINOIS	TBA
Oct. 3	OLD DOMINION*	TBA
Oct. 17	James Madison*	TBA
Oct. 24	Arkansas State*	TBA
Oct. 31	COASTAL CAROLINA*	TBA
Nov. 7	Appalachian State*	TBA
Nov. 14	GEORGIA SOUTHERN*	TBA
Nov. 21	Marshall*	TBA
Nov. 28	LOUISIANA*	TBA

* - SBC Game | **BOLD** denotes home game

FOOTBALL SCHEDULE



09.04 North Carolina A&T

09.12 Kennesaw State

09.19 Central Florida

09.26 Northern Illinois

10.03 Old Dominion

10.17 James Madison

10.24 Arkansas State

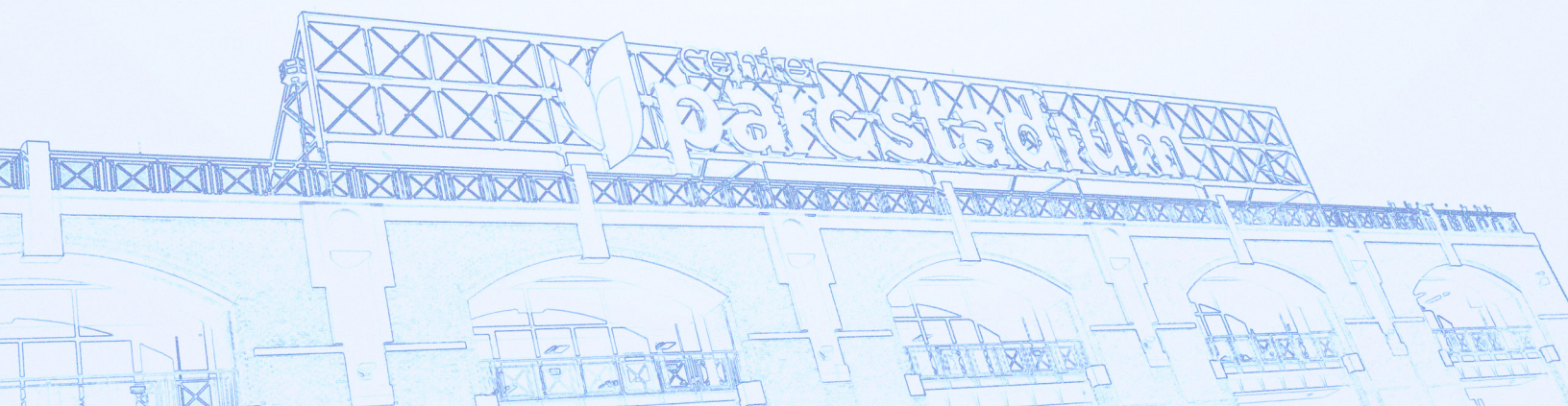
10.31 Coastal Carolina

11.07 Appalachian State

11.14 Georgia Southern

11.21 Marshall

11.28 Louisiana



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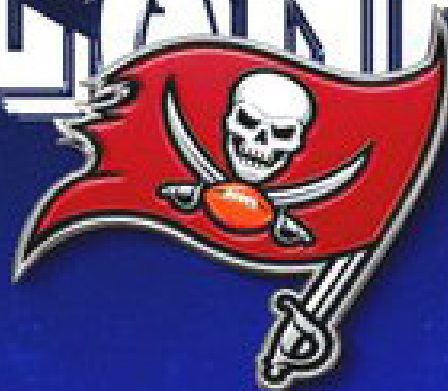
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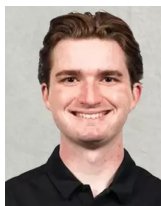
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- INTERVIEW POLICIES -

HEAD COACH DELL MCGEE

All interview requests for Head Coach Dell McGee must be coordinated through Director of Athletic Communications Ansley Rice at arice21@gsu.edu or (404) 413-4032.

PLAYERS AND COACHES

All player and coach interviews must be coordinated through the athletic communications department and must be requested at least 48 hours in advance. Players will be available each Tuesday after practice in-season. Chosen players will be available in the weekly press conference. Individual 1-on-1 interviews are available upon request.

POSTGAME

Georgia State Athletics abides by the Sun Belt's policy regarding head coach and player availability. Head Coach Dell McGee will conduct his postgame press conference at home games in the defensive auxiliary room located inside the football offices. Two players will be chosen by the Athletic Communications staff for the press conference, following the conclusion of McGee. Georgia State will provide an escort for all media to the press conference. The visiting team's head coach will conduct their postgame press conference in the designated area outside of the visiting locker room.

- WEEKLY MEDIA SCHEDULE -

Sun Belt Media Availability Monday @ 11:58 a.m.
Weekly Press Conference Tuesday at 11:30 a.m.
..... Available online Tuesday afternoon

- QUICK FACTS -

UNIVERSITY INFORMATION

Full Name Georgia State University
Abbreviation GSU (Not GAST)
Location Atlanta, Ga.
President Dr. M. Brian Blake
Director of Athletics Charlie Cobb
Enrollment 53,000
Founded 1913
University Website www.gsu.edu
Athletics Website www.georgiastatesports.com
Athletic Department Phone (404) 413-4000
Nickname Panthers
Primary Color Blue (PMS 286 /WEB 0039A6)
Secondary Color White and red (PMS 186/ WEB CC0000)
Mascot Pounce

TICKET INFORMATION

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PROGRAM INFORMATION & HISTORY

NCAA Affiliation Division I FBS (59th, joined in 1963-64)
Conference Sun Belt Conference
..... Joined July 1, 2013
First Year of Football 2010
Overall Record 65-126
Home Stadium Center Parc Credit Union Stadium
Home Field "Pete" Petit Field
Location Atlanta, GA
Physical Address 755 Hank Aaron Drive, Atlanta, GA 30315
Capacity 25,000
Surface Field Turf
Built/First Season 1996/2017
Bowl Games (Titles) 6 (4)
..... 2015 AutoNation Cure Bowl (San Jose State 27, Georgia State 16)
..... Won 2017 AutoNation Cure Bowl (Georgia State 27, Western Kentucky 17)
..... 2019 NOVA Home Loans Arizona Bowl (Wyoming 38, Georgia State 17)
..... Won 2020 LendingTree Bowl (Georgia State 39, Western Kentucky 21)
..... Won 2021 TaxAct Camillia Bowl (Georgia State 51, Ball State 20)
..... Won 2023 Famous Idaho Potato Bowl (Georgia State 45, Utah State 22)

TEAM INFORMATION

Head Coach Dell McGee
Alma Mater Auburn '95
Record at GSU 4-20 (Third Season)
Career Record 5-20 (Third full season. Interim Head Coach at Georgia Southern for one game)
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GAMEDAY ENTRANCE

The press box inside Center Parc Credit Union Stadium is located inside suite 35 in the southwest corner of the stadium, between the 200 and 300 levels.

MEDIA ENTRANCE/ WILL CALL

The media entrance is located directly across the street from the Purple Lot, between gates 1 and 2. Media Will Call is located directly inside the Media/Staff entrance, directly across the street from the Purple Lot (glass doors). Media Will Call opens two hours before kickoff and will close at kickoff time.

CREDENTIALS

Media credentials are available only to working members of the media who represent accredited outlets that actively cover Georgia State Athletics events. All credential requests must be made through the Georgia State Athletic Communications Department or through the Georgia State Athletics credentialing portal on GeorgiaStateSports.com.

PARKING

A limited amount of media parking is available in the Purple lot, across from the Media and Staff Entrance. Parking passes are available on a first-come, first-serve basis and cannot be guaranteed to all media. Passes will be distributed on Fridays. PARKING PASSES ARE REQUIRED FOR PURPLE LOT.

PRESS BOX SERVICES

Georgia State's team and individual statistics, along with game notes for both teams, will be distributed via e-mail to all approved working media on Thursdays. Notes and statistics can also be found on the schedule page of GeorgiaStateSports.com.

Box Scores will be distributed via e-mail to working media upon the conclusion of the game. Statistics will also be available on the schedule page of Georgia State Athletics' website.

PRO SCOUTS

Scouts are issued media credentials. Credentials should be requested through the athletic communications department at least four days prior to the day of the game to guarantee availability.

GEORGIA STATE ATHLETICS WORKING MEDIA CREDENTIAL POLICY

A working credential issued by Georgia State Athletics serves as a revocable license and is extended as a professional courtesy to an accredited media organization for the sole purpose of granting venue access to an individual representative of that organization who has a legitimate, event-related work function for the specific event covered by this credential. This credential is non-transferable and may not be used by any individual not officially assigned by Georgia State Athletics.

Access to working areas — including the press box, field level, photo wells, and interview spaces — is restricted to credentialed media members actively performing a professional duty. Guests, family members and children are not permitted in working media areas unless they are credentialed and fulfilling an official work role.

Photographers and videographers must adhere to Georgia State's venue-specific media access rules and guidelines. Any misuse of the credential or failure to follow stated policies may result in immediate revocation of the credential, removal from the venue and/or denial of future access.

Credentials are issued exclusively to working media personnel. Unauthorized use of a credential may result in removal from the facility and possible legal action, including prosecution for criminal trespass. Credential holders are subject to security screening at entry points and must present valid identification upon request.

Issuance and use of this credential implies full acceptance of the policies outlined above. Georgia State Athletics reserves the right to revoke or deny credentials at its discretion, at any time.

By accepting this credential, the bearer and the agency agree to adhere to all NCAA and Sun Belt Conference regulations and policies, in addition to those of Georgia State University.

PHOTOGRAPHER GUIDELINES

All on-field photographers are required to wear a Georgia State issued media vest while on the playing field. Vests will be given out to the first 25 confirmed photographer applicants.

If granted on-field photography access, photographers should pick up a media vest in the press box, starting 90 minutes before kickoff. Please note that all photographers must turn in a valid Drivers License/ ID in exchange for a vest. Licenses/IDs will be returned to individuals after their vests are turned back in. VESTS WILL NOT BE GIVEN OUT WITHOUT PROPER IDENTIFICATION.

Individuals who do not adhere to the policies and procedures put in place by Georgia State Athletics can have their media vest/on-field access revoked at any time. Individuals with a camera who do not have a media vest will be asked to leave the field level.

POST-GAME PRESS CONFERENCE

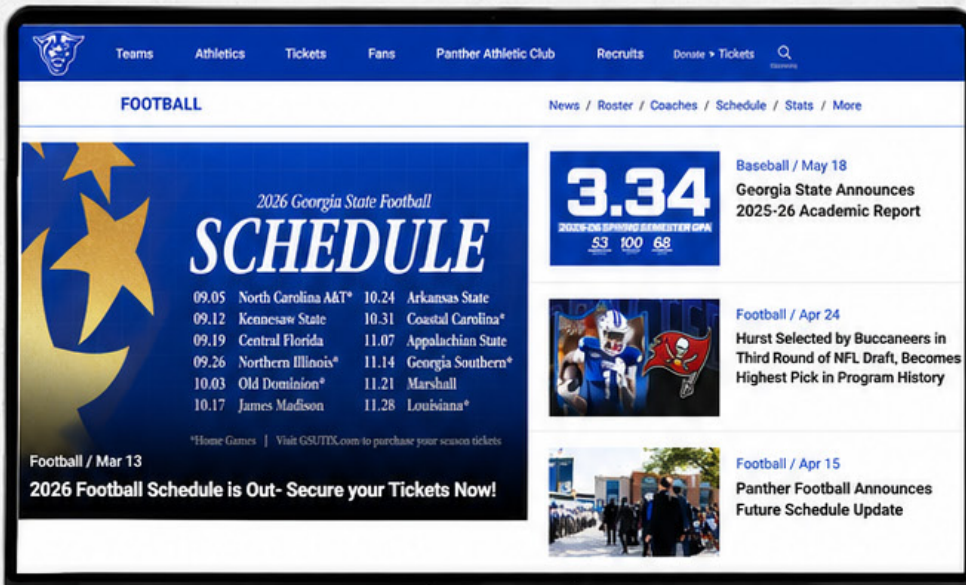
Georgia State's post-game press conference with Head Coach Dell McGee and athletes will occur in the auxiliary room located inside the football offices on the Service Level. Georgia State will provide an escort for all media to the press conference.

The visiting team's post-game press conference will take place outside the team's locker room.



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PANTHER FOOTBALL

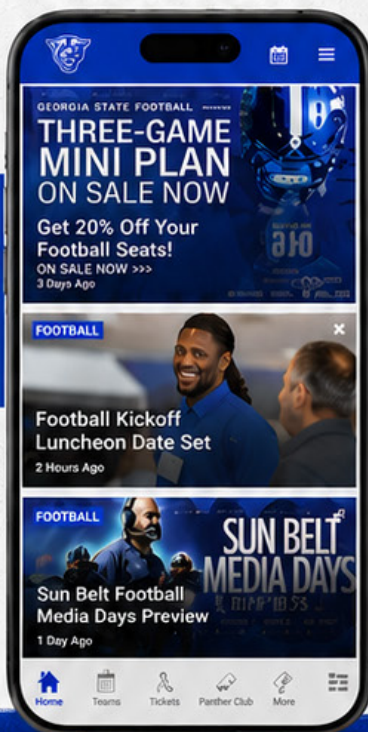


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CHARLIE COBB is in his 11th year at the helm of the Georgia State Department of Athletics and 19th as a Division I athletics director, leading a transformation for the program throughout campus and the city of Atlanta.

Through the implementation of the department's strategic plan, Cobb is focused on building a 'Culture of Success' at Georgia

State based on five themes: Academic Achievement, Competitive Greatness, Ethical Behavior, Social Responsibility, and Community Engagement. Since his hire in August 2014, multiple new facilities have opened while student-athletes continue their impressive commitment to academic performance. Georgia State has received the Sun Belt's Institutional Graduation Award twice under his tenure, and Panther student-athletes have consistently maintained a department-wide grade point average of well over 3.0, including a program-record 3.40 in spring 2020. Most recently the department achieved a 3.27 GPA for the 2022-23 academic year.

Cobb currently serves on the NCAA Division I Council and was recently a member of the College Football Playoff (CFP) Management Committee.

On the field, the Panthers have garnered unprecedented success during his tenure, including 2021-22, which was the best competitive season for GSU teams in school history. Georgia State led the Sun Belt Conference and finished an all-time high No. 88 in the final 2022 LEARFIELD Division I Director's Cup standings. The impressive year featured the men's basketball program's fourth NCAA berth in eight years, football's second consecutive bowl win, a top six NCAA finish for the beach volleyball program and NCAA appearances in men's soccer and tennis.

Among Cobb's biggest projects has been participating in the acquisition, purchase, and re-purposing of Turner Field, transforming the former Major League Baseball venue into the home of Georgia State football, now named Center Parc Credit Union Stadium in recognition of the \$21 million, 15-year naming rights agreement reached in 2020. Phase One of the project was completed in August 2017 and includes new east side seating and an artificial surface field for the football team. Phase Two moved all football operations to the stadium in 2019 as part of a \$300 million plan to transform the 68-acre site.

In fall 2022, the men's and women's basketball teams began play in the new Georgia State University Convocation Center, and new baseball and softball stadiums are next within the Summerhill footprint. The GSU Soccer Complex for the men's and women's programs was completed in 2021, and the Bobby

Jones Golf Practice Facility opened for the men's and women's golf teams in 2019.

Before returning to Atlanta in September 2014, Cobb spent nine years as the Director of Athletics at Appalachian State. Previously he worked for six years honing his business acumen with the Atlanta Sports Council, the Chick-Fil-A Peach Bowl, and the Georgia Dome, before returning to his alma mater, NC State, for 7 years.

His leadership helped build and maintain a high-performing program at App State. The Mountaineers won three consecutive Football Championship Subdivision (FCS) national championships, the first three-peat in FCS history. They also brought home eight consecutive Commissioner's Cup championships (top men's sports program in the Southern Conference) and four Germann Cup championships (top women's program). Together, they earned the men's and women's awards in the same academic year four times.

At App State, Cobb helped create \$50 million in facilities improvements as the Mountaineers' fundraising efforts that reached all-time highs, including surpassing the \$3 million mark. The jewel of the construction projects was the seven-story Appalachian Athletics Center and the campaign also produced new homes for Mountaineer baseball, softball, and soccer, as well as a new indoor practice facility.

Cobb was a four-year letterwinner as a football player at NC State. He graduated with honors with a bachelor's degree in business administration in 1990 and earned a master's degree in sports administration from Ohio in 1992. As a senior center, he was named to the All-ACC second team and was an All-ACC academic selection throughout his career.

He was awarded the prestigious Atlantic Coast Conference's Jim Tatum Award, which recognizes the senior football player with the highest GPA, in 1990.

Cobb and his wife, Lindsay, have a son and daughter, 25-year-old Harrison, a graduate of both Hampden-Sydney College and Ohio University, where he earned a dual Master of Business Administration and Sports Administration, and 22-year-old Branan, a Centre College graduate and current graduate student at Vanderbilt University. Lindsay Cobb was an All-ACC goalkeeper for the NC State women's soccer team from 1987-90 and is currently an assistant women's soccer coach at Emory University.





"PETE" PETIT FIELD AT
CENTER PARC CREDIT UNION
STADIUM





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CENTER PARC CREDIT
UNION STADIUM** is one

UNION STADIUM is one of the most historic and distinctive venues in college athletics. Home to Georgia State football since 2017, the stadium stands on a site that has played a prominent role in Atlanta's sports and Olympic history for more than three decades.

Originally constructed as the 85,000-seat Centennial Olympic Stadium for the 1996 Summer Olympic Games in Atlanta, the venue hosted the Opening and Closing Ceremonies as well as track and field competition during the Games. Following the Olympics, the stadium underwent a dramatic transformation into a 49,000-seat baseball park, becoming the home of the Atlanta Braves from 1997-2016 as Turner Field.

After the Braves played their final game on Oct. 2, 2016, Georgia State University purchased 38 of the 68-acre property for \$22.8 million. The acquisition marked the beginning of another remarkable chapter in the site's history as the former Olympic and Major League Baseball venue was converted into a football stadium for Georgia State Athletics. The Panthers debuted in their new home for the 2017 season.

Today, Center Parc Credit Union Stadium seats 25,000 fans and features a FieldTurf playing surface on “Pete” Petit Field, along with striking views of the downtown Atlanta skyline. The conversion preserved much of the original structure, incorporating the existing seating areas on the north, west and south sides while adding a new grandstand on the east side, formerly the baseball outfield.

In August 2020, Georgia State Athletics and Center Parc Credit Union, a division of Atlanta Postal Credit Union (APCU), announced a 15-year, \$21 million naming rights partnership, officially renaming the venue Center Parc Credit Union Stadium.

Beyond serving as the home of Georgia State football, the stadium is the centerpiece of the program's daily operations. The adjacent Football Operations Suite, completed in 2019, houses coaches' offices, meeting rooms, a weight room, athletic training facilities, equipment operations and practice areas.

The redevelopment of the historic site continues to shape the future of Atlanta's Summerhill neighborhood. The project includes the Georgia State Convocation Center, which opened in 2022, future baseball and softball facilities on the footprint of the former Atlanta-Fulton County Stadium and additional residential, retail and corporate developments throughout the property.

Few venues in the nation can match the history of Center Parc Credit Union Stadium, a site that has hosted Olympic champions, Major League Baseball legends and now the next generation of Georgia State Panthers.

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CENTENNIAL OLYMPIC STADIUM

CAPACITY: 85.000

Originally built for the 1996 Summer Olympics for the opening and closing ceremonies, as well as the track and field events.

1997-2016

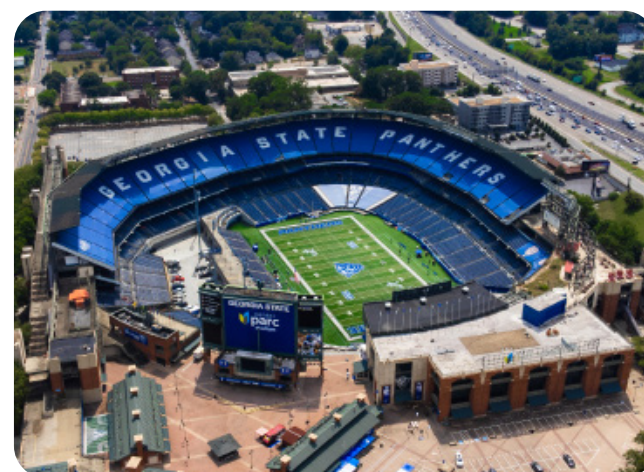


TURNER FIELD

CAPACITY: 49,000

The stadium underwent a transformation to a ballpark, becoming the home of the Atlanta Braves from 1997-2016 as Turner Field.

2017- PRES.



CENTER PARC CREDIT UNION STADIUM

CAPACITY: 25,000

Georgia State University bought the property for \$22.8 million to convert the historic field into a football stadium for Georgia State Athletics, becoming the new home of Panther Football.



Georgia State joined the Sun Belt Conference on July 1, 2013, and began competition in the 2013-14 academic year.

The official invitation was extended by Sun Belt Conference President and Troy University Chancellor Dr. Jack Hawkins, Jr., to former GSU President Mark Becker at the Georgia Dome, the former home venue of Georgia State football.

Georgia State was a founding member of the Sun Belt Conference in 1976 but left the conference in 1981. In 1984, the school joined the Trans America Athletic Conference, which was renamed the Atlantic Sun Conference in 2001, and then moved to the Colonial Athletic Association in 2005.

Founded in 1976, the Sun Belt now features 14 dynamic member institutions across 10 contiguous states. The Sun Belt boasts broad-based excellence across its 20 sponsored sports, in the classroom and in the communities across the league's footprint.

The Sun Belt's 14 member institutions are App State, Arkansas State, Coastal Carolina, Georgia Southern, Georgia State, James Madison, Louisiana, ULM, Marshall, Old Dominion, South Alabama, Southern Miss, Texas State and Troy.

Since its foundation, The Sun Belt Conference has established itself as a leader among intercollegiate athletics leagues since its move to the Football Bowl Subdivision (FBS) in 2001.

The Sun Belt Conference is showcased nationwide through a media rights partnership with ESPN that runs through the 2030-31 academic year.

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FIELD GOALS

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Fight Panthers to victory. Our voices yell, You'll hear us mighty and strong. We're from the ATL, We're gonna give them hell, Fight Panthers to victory. Drive on for the score, Blue - White, Georgia State will win the fight, G-S-U, G-S-U, g-a-s-t-a-t-e, state!

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We are proud to announce Coach Dell McGee as our head football coach. Coach McGee is an outstanding and authentic man with a strong passion for developing young men. His track record of competitive success at the high school and college levels makes me confident that he will lead our football program to its greatest achievements. We welcome Linda and Dell to Georgia State University!

- Charlie Cobb

Athletic Director



DELL MCGEE, a Georgia native with 22 years of coaching experience, including back-to-back national titles as the run game coordinator and running backs coach for the Georgia Bulldogs, was named the fourth head football coach in Georgia State history by GSU President Dr. M. Brian Blake and Director of Athletics Charlie Cobb on Feb. 23, 2024.

"We are proud to announce Coach Dell McGee as our head football coach," Cobb said upon McGee's hiring. "Coach McGee is an outstanding and authentic man with a strong passion for developing young

men. His track record of competitive success at the high school and college levels makes me confident that he will lead our football program to its greatest achievements. We welcome Linda and Dell to Georgia State University!"

In his first season as the head coach of the Panthers, McGee formed the biggest recruiting class the Panthers have ever seen, bringing in nearly 50 newcomers to the roster. Despite a short timeline to form a team of his own, McGee coached the Panthers to an SEC upset over Vanderbilt.

McGee took over a Georgia State program that began play 2010 and has appeared in six bowl games in the last nine years, winning four, including three in the last four seasons. The Columbus, Ga., native has spent almost his entire coaching career in his home state. He served the last eight seasons at Georgia, where his abilities as a coach and recruiter have contributed to the Bulldogs' remarkable run of success under Kirby Smart. McGee has been a key part of a Georgia program that has amassed 94 victories in eight seasons, highlighted by back-to-back College Football Playoff national championships in 2021 and 2022 as well as a berth in the 2017 CFP title game, eight bowl victories, two Southeastern Conference titles and six SEC Eastern Division crowns.

Rivals.com named McGee the 2018 National Recruiter of the Year after the Bulldogs signed the consensus No. 1-rated recruiting class, and he helped recruit and develop Georgia's 56

NFL draft picks from 2017-23, including 15 first-rounders and an NFL-record 25 players drafted over the last two years.

McGee joined Smart's original Georgia staff in 2016 as running backs coach, the position he worked with throughout his tenure in Athens. He also served as assistant head coach in 2018, and then in 2019, he was named run game coordinator.

In his eight seasons at UGA, McGee coached four 1,000-yard rushers: Nick Chubb in 2016-17; Sony Michel in 2017; D'Andre Swift in 2018-19; and Elijah Holyfield in 2018. Chubb and Michel amassed over 8,400 combined yards and 87 touchdowns. Chubb, Michel, and Swift, as well as James Cook and Zamir White, were all taken in the first four rounds of the NFL Draft.

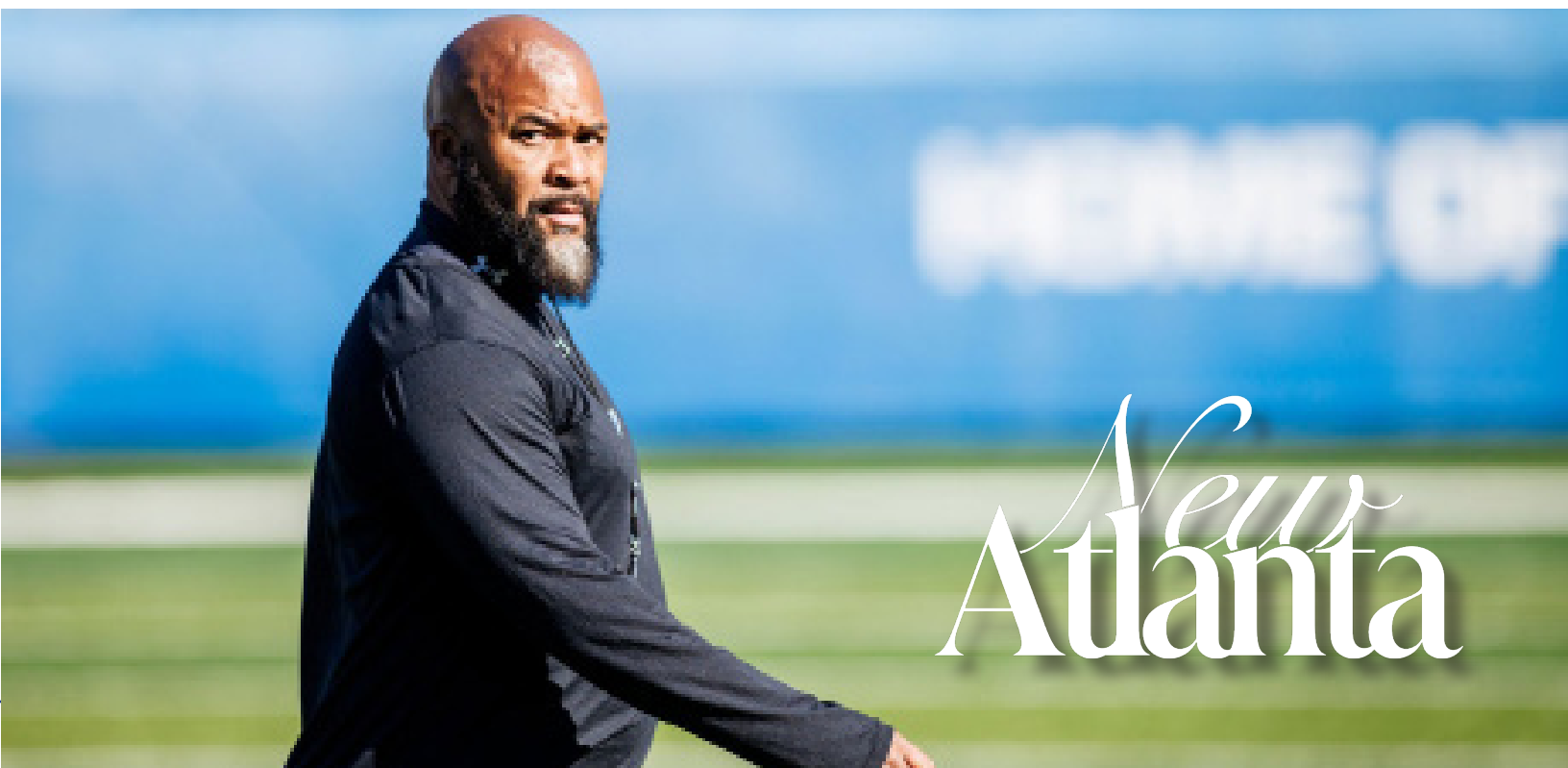
Before going to Georgia, McGee worked two seasons as the running backs coach at Georgia Southern (2014-15). In December 2015, he served as the interim head coach and led the Eagles to a victory in the GoDaddy Bowl.

He spent the 2013 season as an analyst at Auburn, his alma mater, and was part of the staff that led the Tigers to a berth in the 2013-14 BCS national championship game, one of McGee's four appearances coaching in the national championship game. He was also part of an undefeated team as a player at Auburn, where he helped preserve the Tigers' undefeated 1993 season with a critical interception against Alabama.

He began his coaching career in the prep ranks as an assistant coach at Georgia high schools Harris County (2002) and Greenville (2003-04) and then earned his first head coaching position at Carver-Columbus High School in 2005. He built that program into a perennial powerhouse that recorded seven straight seasons with 10 or more wins from 2006-2012, highlighted by the 2007 Class AAA state title.

McGee attended Kendrick High School in Columbus, Ga., and then was a two-year starter and four-year letterwinner at Auburn from 1992-95.

He was drafted in the fifth round of the 1996 NFL Draft by the Arizona Cardinals and spent time with the Cardinals and Detroit Lions over three NFL seasons. He also played in NFL Europe, the XFL and the Arena Football League in a seven-year professional career.



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HUE JACKSON
OFFENSIVE COORDINATOR
3RD YEAR AT GSU



CAM CLARK
CO-DEFENSIVE COORDINATOR
1ST YEAR AT GSU



JOHN HANELINE
CO-DEFENSIVE COORDINATOR
1ST YEAR AT GSU



ZACH CONOWAL
SPECIAL TEAMS COORDINATOR
6TH YEAR AT GSU



ENRIQUE DAVIS
SPECIAL TEAMS COORDINATOR/
RUNNING BACKS
2ND YEAR AT GSU



TROY DOUGLAS
CORNERBACKS
1ST YEAR AT GSU



CASEY RODDICK
OFFENSIVE LINE
3RD YEAR AT GSU



CAM SPENSE
DEFENSIVE LINE
1ST YEAR AT GSU



JUWAN TAYLOR
INSIDE LINEBACKERS
3RD YEAR AT GSU



RYAN WILLIAMS
QUARTERBACKS
3RD YEAR AT GSU

- ADDITIONAL COACHING STAFF -

ASSISTANTS/ GRADUATES

Colby Brown Sr.	Defensive Backs, 1st year
Mike Eason	Quarterbacks, 2nd Year
TaQuon Marshall	Wide Receivers, 3rd Year
Daniel Minenok	Defense, 1st year
Eli Peugh	Running Backs, 3rd Year

ANALYSTS

Tristan Henderson	Offensive Analyst, 1st Year
Jes Sutherland	Offensive analyst/ Tight Ends

STRENGTH AND CONDITIONING

KJ Florence	Head Strength Coach
Jim Durning	Assistant Strength Coach
Kam Edwards	Assistant Strength Coach
Tanner Hawthorne	Assistant Strength Coach

MORE THAN

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DAMEYUNE CRAIG was elevated to Assistant Head Coach while continuing to serve as Georgia State’s wide receivers coach in January 2026 after two successful seasons developing one of the nation’s top receiving corps.

Craig originally joined the Panthers’ staff in 2024 following six seasons (2018-23) as wide receivers coach at Texas A&M.

Under Craig’s guidance, Georgia State wide receiver Ted Hurst developed into one of the most accomplished players in program history.

After mentoring Hurst to a record-setting 2024 campaign that earned All-Sun Belt Second Team honors and saw him break the program’s single-season touchdown record, Craig helped Hurst build on that success in 2025 with his second consecutive 900-yard receiving season. Hurst became the first Georgia State football player to receive an invitation to the NFL Scouting Combine while continuing to rewrite the Panthers’ record book.

The success culminated in 2026 when Hurst was selected by the Tampa Bay Buccaneers with the 84th overall pick in the third round of the NFL Draft. Hurst became the highest NFL Draft selection in Georgia State history and just the fifth Panther ever selected in the NFL Draft.

Craig reunited with Georgia State head coach Dell McGee in Atlanta after previously playing alongside McGee at Auburn during the 1990s.

Widely regarded as one of college football’s premier recruiters, Craig has built an impressive coaching résumé spanning more than two decades. Prior to arriving at Georgia State, he coached at Texas A&M (2018-23), Florida State (2017; 2010-12), Auburn (2013-15), LSU (2016; 2004), South Alabama (2008-09), Tuskegee (2006-07), and the Miami Dolphins (2005).

Throughout his coaching career, Craig has consistently earned national recognition for his recruiting success. He was ranked the nation’s No. 4 recruiter by 247Sports in 2016 and No. 9 nationally in 2014, while Scout.com named him the Atlantic Coast Conference Recruiter of the Year in 2012. During his first stint at Florida State from 2010-12, Craig served as quarterbacks coach and recruiting coordinator, helping develop future NFL first-round quarterbacks Christian Ponder and EJ Manuel. He also played a key role in assembling the nation’s No. 1 and No. 2 recruiting classes in 2011 and 2012, highlighted by future Heisman Trophy winner and first-round draft pick Jameis Winston. The Seminoles posted a 31-10 record during Craig’s three seasons in Tallahassee.

Craig returned to his alma mater in 2013 as Auburn’s co-offensive coordinator and wide receivers coach, helping guide the Tigers to the Southeastern Conference championship and an appearance in the BCS National Championship Game during his first season.

He spent the 2016 season as LSU’s wide receivers coach before returning to Florida State in a quality control role in 2017. Prior to his time at Florida State, Craig helped launch South Alabama’s football program as wide receivers coach during the Jaguars’ first two seasons of competition (2008-09). Before that, he served as quarterbacks coach at Tuskegee (2006-07), where he helped lead the Golden Tigers to a 22-2 record, back-to-back SIAC championships, and the 2007 Black College National Championship.

Craig began his coaching career as a graduate assistant at LSU in 2004 before spending the 2005 season as a special teams assistant with the NFL’s Miami Dolphins.

As a player, Craig was a record-setting quarterback at Auburn from 1994-97, leading the Tigers to an 18-7 record in 25 career starts. He earned Offensive MVP honors in both the 1996 Independence Bowl and the 1997 Peach Bowl before capping his collegiate career as the Senior Bowl MVP. He was also named Academic All-SEC as a senior in 1997.

A 2002 graduate of Auburn, Craig signed with the Carolina Panthers as an undrafted free agent and appeared in six NFL games over four seasons. He also played in NFL Europe, where he set the league’s single-game passing record with 611 yards, and later competed in the Arena Football League.





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HUE JACKSON was elevated to offensive coordinator in January 2025. Previously, he served as the recruiting operations coordinator for the Panthers during the 2024 season.

In his first season as the offensive coordinator in 2025, Jackson led wide receiver Ted Hurst to a historical season, becoming the first Georgia State football player to be invited to the NFL Combine.

Before joining the Panthers' squad, Jackson served as the 14th head coach in the Grambling State University football

program on December 10, 2021.

Jackson comes to Grambling State after spending the past year as the offensive coordinator and quarterbacks coach at Tennessee State University.

Jackson, who has more than 30 years of coaching experience at both the collegiate and professional levels, began his coaching career in 1987 at the University of the Pacific, his alma mater, and spent a majority of the next 13 years in the college ranks. He then moved to the professional ranks in 2001 and remained in the National Football League until 2019.

Jackson spent three years as a graduate assistant at Pacific from 1987-1989 before spending two seasons as the running backs coach and special teams coordinator at Cal State Fullerton.

In the spring of 1991, Jackson experienced the professional level for the first time, coaching the running backs, wide receivers and special teams for the World League's London Monarchs.

Jackson returned to the collegiate level in 1992 where he spent four years (1992-1995) at Arizona State University. He coached the running backs for his first three seasons at ASU and worked with the quarterbacks in his fourth year.

Jackson was appointed offensive coordinator and quarterbacks coach at California in 1996, leading the Bears to the Aloha Bowl. The following year, Jackson began a four-year stint as the offensive coordinator at the University of Southern

California (USC).

While at USC, Jackson helped guide the Trojans in 2000 to the top of the Pac 10 in total offense. In addition, he was responsible for recruiting two Heisman Trophy-winning quarterbacks to USC - Carson Palmer (2002) and Matt Leinart (2004).

The first opportunity in the NFL for Jackson came with the Washington Redskins (now the Washington Football Team). He handled the running back corps for two seasons before being named offensive coordinator in 2003.

In 2004, Jackson began a three-year stretch coaching the wide receivers with the Cincinnati Bengals. Under Jackson's tutelage, Chad Johnson and T.J. Houshmandzadeh combined for 175 receptions for 2,388 yards in 2005, helping the Bengals secure the AFC North title and a playoff berth for the first time in 15 years. The following year, Johnson (1,369 yards) and Houshmandzadeh (1,081 yards) became the first pair of Bengals to eclipse the 1,000-yard receiving mark in a single season.

Jackson left Cincinnati to become the offensive coordinator with the Atlanta Falcons in 2007 before spending two seasons as the quarterback coach with the Baltimore Ravens.

In 2010, Jackson became the offensive coordinator for the Oakland Raiders. After leading the Raiders to a top five finish in scoring (25.6 points/game), Jackson was named head coach for the 2011 season. Oakland finished the year at 8-8.

Jackson started his second tour with the Bengals in 2012 as a secondary assistant and special teams coach. In 2013, he moved back to the offensive side of the ball, handling the running backs coach. A year later, Jackson was promoted to offensive coordinator.

In 2016, Jackson was hired as the head coach of the Cleveland Browns, where he held the position into the 2018 season. After his time in Cleveland, Jackson returned to Cincinnati as a special assistant to head coach, Marvin Lewis.

Collegiately, Jackson played quarterback at Pacific after transferring from Glendale Community College. During his career at UOP, he amassed over 3,400 yards in total offense and 19 touchdowns in two seasons. Jackson also earned a letter in basketball as a senior.

Jackson earned a degree in Physical Education from the University of Pacific in 1986.





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CAM CLARK joined the Georgia State football staff in January 2026 as the Panthers' co-defensive coordinator.

Clark brings more than 15 years of coaching experience to Atlanta, including five seasons as a defensive coordinator at the Division I level. Over his career, he has been part of five bowl games (2011 and 2012 GoDaddy.com, 2013 BCS National Championship, 2014 Outback and 2024 Gator), won the 2013 SEC Championship at Auburn and helped Arkansas State capture back-to-back Sun Belt Conference titles in 2011 and 2012.

Prior to arriving at Georgia State, Clark spent the 2024 and 2025 seasons on the Duke coaching staff as a senior analyst, working primarily with the quarterbacks. In his first year in Durham, he helped guide quarterback Maalik Murphy to a record-setting campaign. Murphy completed 254-of-421 (.603) passes for 2,933 yards and 26 touchdowns, setting or matching multiple Duke single-season records, including touchdown passes, multi-touchdown games, 200-yard passing performances and wins by a starting quarterback.

Clark came to Duke following a two-year stint (2022-23) as the defensive coordinator and safeties coach at Thomas County Central High School in Thomasville, Ga. During his tenure, the Yellow Jackets compiled a 27-1 overall record, capped by a perfect 15-0 season and the 6A Georgia state championship in 2023. That championship defense limited opponents to just 9.6 points per game while ranking well above national averages in tackles, sacks, quarterback hurries and interceptions.

Before returning to Georgia, Clark served as the defensive coordinator and safeties coach at Western Illinois University from 2020-21. There, he mentored safety Darius Joiner to FCS All-America honors in 2021. Joiner led the FCS in total tackles

(142) and solo tackles (79) and finished sixth in voting for the Stats Perform FCS Buck Buchanan Award.

Clark spent three seasons (2017-19) as co-defensive coordinator at Lamar University, coaching safeties in 2017 and linebackers in 2018 and 2019. During that span, Lamar improved from a two-win season to a 7-5 record and earned its first FCS playoff appearance in program history. He also helped develop linebacker Chaston Brooks, an Honorable Mention All-Southland Conference selection in 2018.

From 2015-16, Clark was the defensive coordinator and safeties coach at Faulkner University, adding special teams coordinator duties in his final season. In 2015, Faulkner led the nation in sacks, and Clark coached eight All-Mid-South Conference selections. He began his coaching career at Faulkner, serving in multiple roles from 2008-11.

Clark also spent two seasons as a defensive graduate assistant at Auburn University (2013-14) under head coach Gus Malzahn, working with the safeties, nickels and special teams units. He was part of Auburn's 2013 SEC Championship run and the Tigers' appearance in the BCS National Championship Game, followed by a berth in the 2014 Outback Bowl.

Earlier in his career, Clark worked at Arkansas State from 2011-12 under head coaches Hugh Freeze and Malzahn. The Red Wolves won consecutive Sun Belt titles and made back-to-back GoDaddy.com Bowl appearances, including a 2012 bowl victory over No. 25 Kent State.

A four-year letterwinner at Harding University, Clark played safety and cornerback from 2004-07 and earned the 2007 Iron Bison of the Year Award. He also lettered four seasons in track and field.

A native of Calhoun, Ga., Clark earned his bachelor's degree in kinesiology and social sciences from Harding in 2007 and a master's degree in adult education from Auburn in 2014. Clark and his wife, Dana, have two children, Hutch and Davis.





JOHN HANELINE joined the Georgia State football staff in January 2026 as the Panthers' co-defensive coordinator.

Haneline brings extensive defensive experience to Atlanta after spending four seasons on the Youngstown State coaching staff, including three as an assistant coach under head coach Doug Phillips. He most recently served as the Penguins' defensive coordinator and linebackers coach, a role he held full-time in 2024 after serving as co-defensive coordinator during the 2023 season.

In 2023, Haneline helped guide a Youngstown State defense that played a key role in the program's return to the FCS Playoffs for the first time in seven seasons. The Penguins won eight games and featured one of the Missouri Valley Football Conference's top linebacker tandems in Alex Howard and Greg Benton Jr. Howard, an honorable mention All-MVFC selection, led the team with 76 tackles and a team-high 9.5 tackles for loss, while Benton added 66 tackles and 7.5 tackles for loss. The duo combined for six sacks on the season.

YSU's defense excelled against the run in 2023, holding nine opponents to 111 or fewer rushing yards and allowing just 102.2 rushing yards per game. That mark ranked 10th nationally in the FCS, represented the program's lowest average since 2012 and was the second-lowest since 1998. The Penguins also limited four opponents to fewer than 155 passing yards and held seven teams to three or fewer third-down conversions, including a perfect 0-for-10 performance by Indiana State.

During the 2022 season, Haneline oversaw a deep and improving linebacker unit that included Griffin Hoak, Benton, Howard, Keon Freeman and Devin Johnson. Benton started

all 11 games and recorded 36 tackles after transferring from Western Illinois, while Howard finished with 34 tackles and earned MVFC Defensive Player of the Week honors following a win over Illinois State. Hoak added 28 tackles, Johnson totaled 26 and Freeman contributed 21.

Prior to Youngstown State, Haneline spent four seasons (2018-21) at Western Illinois as the defensive line coach, with expanded responsibilities overseeing the defensive run game in his final three years. He coached an All-MVFC selection in each of his four seasons with the Leathernecks. In 2018, Haneline mentored Khaleen Saunders to first-team All-MVFC and All-America honors. Saunders was later selected 84th overall by the Kansas City Chiefs in the 2019 NFL Draft, becoming Western Illinois' first NFL draft pick in a decade.

Additional All-MVFC honorees under Haneline at Western Illinois included Hunter Mason in 2021, Eryk Preston during the spring 2021 season and LaCale London in 2019.

Haneline joined the Western Illinois staff following two seasons (2016-17) at Mississippi State, where he served in a defensive quality control role assisting with the defensive line. He previously worked as a defensive graduate assistant at Mississippi State in 2014, coaching linebackers and serving as the interim linebackers coach leading into the 2015 Orange Bowl.

His coaching résumé also includes stops at Colorado School of Mines, where he coached linebackers in 2015, and Toledo, where he served as a graduate assistant in 2013.

A former standout at Bowling Green, Haneline was a four-year letterwinner and three-year starter from 2004-09. He was part of the Falcons' 2004 GMAC Bowl championship team and the 2007 Mid-American Conference East co-championship squad.

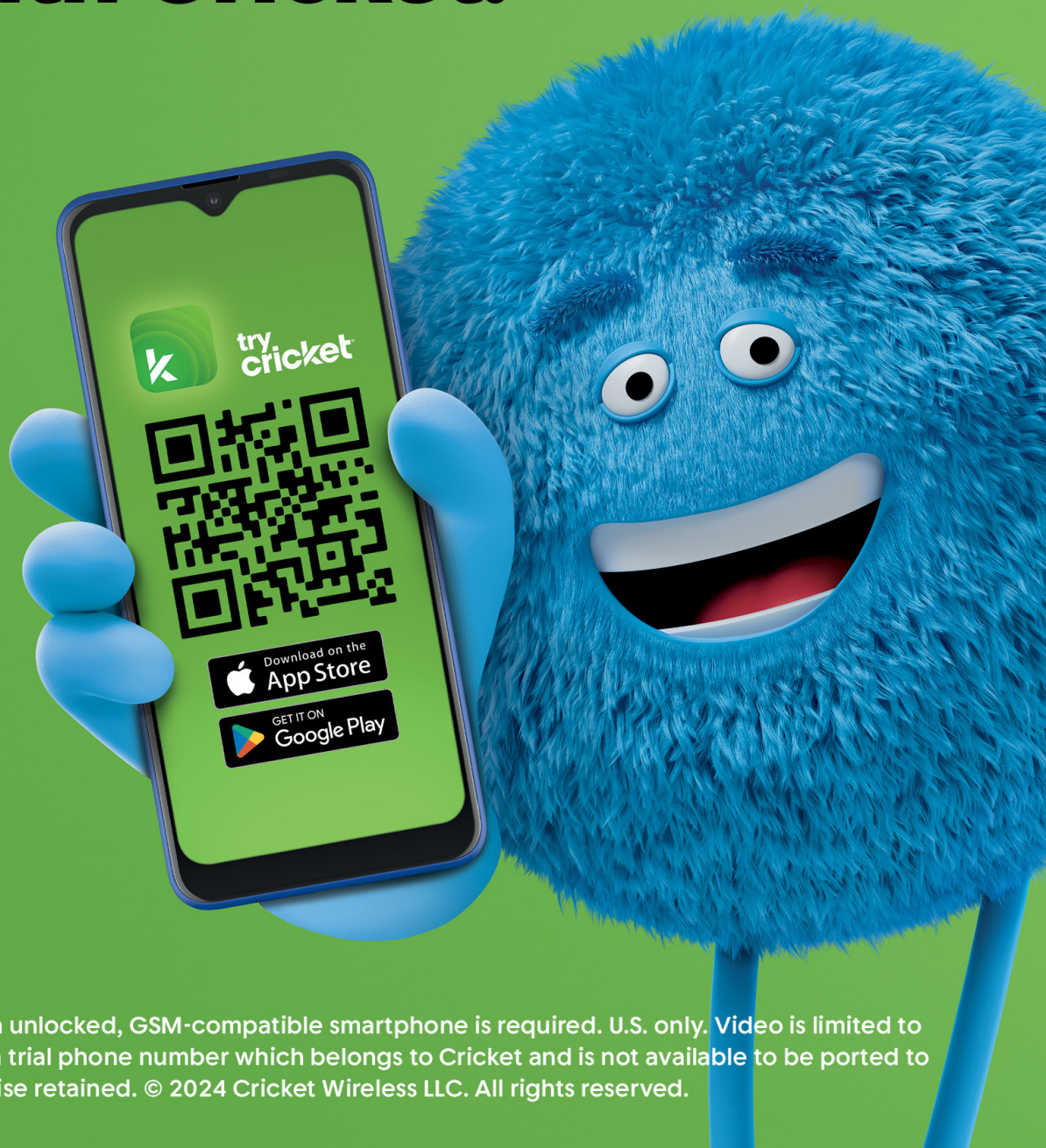
A native of Cleveland, Ohio, Haneline graduated from St. Ignatius High School and earned a bachelor's degree in sociology from Bowling Green State University in 2009.



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ZACH CONOWAL was promoted to Special Teams Coordinator at Georgia State in March 2026, quickly ascending through the Panthers' coaching ranks and establishing himself as one of the program's top young coaching talents.

In his new role, Conowal oversees all aspects of Georgia State's special teams units after serving as the program's special teams analyst during the 2025 season. In that position, he assisted with the coaching of Georgia State's special teams while supporting the daily operations of the

football program.

Conowal returned to Georgia State in the spring of 2024 to work under special teams coordinator Carter Blount. During the 2024 campaign, he helped guide punter James Allen to Second Team All-Conference honors, continuing his track record of developing standout special teams performers.

Prior to his return to Atlanta, Conowal spent the spring of 2023 at Mercyhurst University, where he coached linebackers and the punt return unit. During his time with the Lakers, he helped develop linebacker Tyler Butterbaugh, who earned Second Team All-PSAC honors.

Conowal first joined Georgia State's coaching staff during the 2020 season as a student assistant working with the Panthers' defense. In his first season on staff, he helped Georgia State secure a victory over Western Kentucky in the Lending-Tree Bowl.

In July 2021, Conowal was promoted by head coach Shawn Elliott to special teams and recruiting graduate assistant at just 20 years old, making him one of the youngest graduate assistants in college football history. That season, Georgia State produced the winningest team in program history at the time, finishing 8-5 and earning a Camellia Bowl victory.

During the 2022 season, Conowal helped coach All-Sun Belt Honorable Mention specialist Michael Hayes, further establishing himself as an emerging force in special teams development.

A native of Dawsonville, Georgia, Conowal graduated from Dawson County High School in 2018. He began his collegiate studies at Georgia State's Alpharetta campus in the fall of 2018 before transferring to Georgia State's Atlanta campus in the spring of 2020. He earned his bachelor's degree in marketing from Georgia State in the spring of 2022.





2026 SEASON PREVIEW



Entering his third season at the helm, Georgia State Head Coach Dell McGee has positioned the Panthers for an exciting 2026 campaign with a veteran core, one of the nation's largest newcomer classes and a coaching staff filled with continuity and fresh leadership.

The Panthers return 53 letterwinners from last season while welcoming 59 newcomers, including 38 transfers and 21 freshmen. The blend of returning experience and impact additions has created competition across the roster as Georgia State prepares for another season in the Sun Belt Conference.

At the forefront is returning starting quarterback Cameran Brown, who enters his second season leading the Panthers' offense after an impressive debut campaign in 2025.

Brown completed 120 passes for 1,296 yards and 13 touchdowns while throwing just one interception all season. The dual-threat quarterback also led Georgia State with four rushing touchdowns and ranked third on the team with 260 rushing yards.

His biggest performance came at Georgia Southern, where he established career highs with 29 completions, 280 passing yards and 120 rushing yards. One week later against South Alabama, Brown threw a career-high four touchdown passes, including a season-long 70-yard scoring strike.

After just one season in Atlanta, Brown already ranks No. 10 in program history in career passing yards and single-season touchdown responsibility while sitting eighth all-time in career touchdown passes.

Senior wide receiver DJ Riles also returns after appearing in all 12 games last season. Riles caught 16 passes and recorded his first touchdown as a Panther at Vanderbilt, where he finished with a career-high 57 receiving yards. He also matched a career best with five receptions against both Vanderbilt and Troy, providing Brown with one of his most experienced targets entering the season.

Defensively, Georgia State returns two of its top playmakers in senior defensive end Jabriel Rhodes-Nelson and junior safety Deuce Walker.

Rhodes-Nelson started all 12 games during his first season with the Panthers and totaled 41 tackles, five tackles for loss and 1.5 sacks. He posted a career-high nine tackles against Troy and recorded his first career sack along with two tackles for loss at Coastal Carolina.

Walker appeared in 11 games and finished with 33 tackles, including 24 solo stops. He registered a career-high seven tackles against Memphis while adding tackles for loss against Vanderbilt and James Madison. He also recorded his first career fumble recovery at Old Dominion.

Georgia State also added significant talent through the transfer portal, highlighted by several players with Power Four experience.

Among the newcomers are defensive back Keenan Nelson (Ohio State), defensive lineman Isaiah Stone (LSU), offensive lineman Kelton Smith (Georgia), defensive lineman Marcus Mascoll (Florida) and defensive back Jordan Brown (Arizona). The group is expected to compete for immediate playing time while adding depth across the roster.

The Panthers' freshman class is headlined by running back Qwantavius Wiggins, one of Georgia's top prep prospects.

Playing at Langston Hughes High School, Wiggins rushed for 1,003 yards and 12 touchdowns during his senior season despite sharing carries in a loaded backfield. He averaged 9.0 yards per carry while adding six receptions for 125 yards, showcasing his versatility as both a runner and receiver.

McGee's coaching staff also features several changes entering the 2026 season.

Dameyune Craig was promoted to assistant head coach after serving as wide receivers coach the past two seasons. Offensive coordinator Hue Jackson returns to direct the offense, while Zach Conowal was elevated to special teams coordinator after previously serving as special teams assistant. Running backs coach Enrique Davis added co-special teams coordinator responsibilities, while Casey Roddick (offensive line), Juwan Taylor (inside linebackers) and Ryan Williams (quarterbacks) all return to their respective roles.

Georgia State also welcomes co-defensive coordinators Cam Clark and John Haneline to lead the defense. Troy Douglas joins the staff as cornerbacks coach, while Cam Spence takes over the defensive line.

As McGee enters Year 3, the Panthers feature an experienced quarterback, proven veteran leadership, a highly regarded transfer class and a coaching staff designed to build on the foundation established during the past two seasons.

With experience returning on both sides of the ball and an influx of new talent throughout the roster, Georgia State enters the 2026 season looking to take another step forward and compete for a Sun Belt Conference championship.



THE ROSTER

'26



0 **DJ**
MURRAY JR.
RUNNING BACK
R-SO | 5-9 | 170



0 **JONAH**
REEDER
DEFENSIVE TACKLE
SR | 6-2 | 310



1 **JABRIEL**
RHODES-NELSON
DEFENSIVE LINE
SR | 6-4 | 270



2 **AYDEN**
PEREIRA
QUARTERBACK
R-SR | 5-11 | 205



3 **DEMONTE**
GASTON
CORNERBACK
R-SR | 6-2 | 210



4 **XAVIER**
ESQILLION
LINEBACKER
SR | 6-1 | 250



4 **KYLE**
WASHINGTON
WIDE RECEIVER
SO | 5-8 | 175



5 **LANEAR**
MCCRARY
RUNNING BACK
SR | 5-10 | 200



6 **WESLEY**
CAMPBELL VI
TIGHT END
R-SR | 6-4 | 230



7 **OWEN**
DUPREE
WIDE RECEIVER
R-JR | 6-3 | 190



7 **DEUCE**
WALKER
DEFENSIVE BACK
JR | 5-10 | 190



8 **CAMERAN**
BROWN
QUARTERBACK
R-SR | 6-2 | 230



8 **ERIC "DEUCE"**
LEE
SAFETY
SR | 5-11 | 195



9 **CHASE**
ALLEN-JACKMAN
WIDE RECEIVER
SR | 6-1 | 195



9 **ERIC**
BUTLER JR.
LINEBACKER
JR | 6-1 | 230



10 **DJ**
RILES
WIDE RECEIVER
R-SR | 5-11 | 200



THE ROSTER

'26



**11 TOBY
BOLTON**
DEFENSIVE BACK
SR | 5-10 | 185



**11 MATT
BURON**
TIGHT END
SR | 6-4 | 245



**12 DARIUS
JOHNSON**
DEFENSIVE BACK
R-SR | 5-10 | 180



**12 JADON
OLAFSSON**
QUARTERBACK
R-FR | 5-9 | 175



**13 DJ
AVERY**
WIDE RECEIVER
SO | 6-0 | 195



**13 DONOVAN
FARIA**
SAFETY
SO | 6-0 | 190



**14 TJ
STANLEY**
QUARTERBACK
R-FR | 6-2 | 215



**14 CHRISTIAN
TEETER**
PUNTER
R-SR | 6-7 | 220



**15 GAVIN
NUCKOLLS**
QUARTERBACK
FR | 5-11 | 170



**15 TRE
MITTMAN**
SAFETY
JR | 6-1 | 205



**16 JAYLIN
MARSHALL**
WIDE RECEIVER
R-SR | 5-11 | 170



**16 KEENAN
NELSON**
SAFETY
R-SR | 6-0 | 200



**17 JOSEPH
HOLT**
SAFETY
R-FR | 6-2 | 190



**17 ISAIAH
STONE**
WIDE RECEIVER
R-SO | 5-10 | 170



**18 D'ONTAE
FULTON**
WIDE RECEIVER
R-FR | 5-11 | 160



**18 ANDRE
JOCELYN**
DEFENSIVE BACK
JR | 6-0 | 190



THE ROSTER

'26



19 JAMARI MILLER
WIDE RECEIVER
R-FR | 5-9 | 155



20 JAMAL BING
RUNNING BACK
R-JR | 5-8 | 170



20 COBY OWENS
LINEBACKER
JR | 6-0 | 215



21 DERRICK MAXEY III
SAFETY
R-JR | 5-11 | 170



21 JAYLEN POE
RUNNING BACK
R-JR | 5-10 | 210



22 XAVIER BUTLER
RUNNING BACK
FR | 5-8 | 180



22 TY SNEAD
SAFETY
R-FR | 6-2 | 215



23 BRAYLON ALEXANDER
CORNERBACK
R-SR | 5-10 | 175



24 MALIQUE HARRELL
CORNERBACK
FR | 5-11 | 170



24 QWANTAVIUS WIGGINS
RUNNING BACK
FR | 5-11 | 200



25 TAYO ASHADELE
RUNNING BACK
R-FR | 5-10 | 210



25 MONTERRIUS ECHOLS
CORNERBACK
FR | 5-11 | 170



26 BALINT VOROSMARTY
KICKER
FR | 5-8 | 185



26 JACOREY WALKER
SAFETY
R-JR | 5-9 | 165



27 TYLER MOORE
LINEBACKER
R-FR | 6-0 | 230



28 SAVION HART
RUNNING BACK
JR | 5-9 | 190



THE ROSTER

'26



28 JADEN KELLY
LINEBACKER
R-SR | 6-0 | 215



30 RYAN GREEN
LINEBACKER
R-SR | 5-10 | 225



31 RY'SHEED FULLER
DEFENSIVE BACK
FR | 5-9 | 155



32 LADAINNIAN MARTIN
RUNNING BACK
R-FR | 5-10 | 180



32 TYSON MCCRARY
DEFENSIVE BACK
SO | 6-0 | 180



33 ZACHARY DAVIS
LINEBACKER
R-FR | 6-0 | 230



34 JAYDON HOOD
LINEBACKER
R-SR | 6-0 | 220



35 LANDON VARGAS
PUNTER/KICKER
FR | 6-1 | 190



35 KHALID FELIZ
LINEBACKER
FR | 6-3 | 230



36 BRAXTON KITCHENS
LONG SNAPPER
SO | 6-0 | 200



38 CHRISTON JONES
SAFETY
R-FR | 5-10 | 185



38 KHALIL QUINN
WIDE RECEIVER
R-FR | 5-9 | 180



39 CADE DUTTON
DEFENSIVE BACK
JR | 6-0 | 175



39 SAMER LAYOUS
KICKER
SO | 5-7 | 155



43 ZION LAWSON
DEFENSIVE END
R-FR | 6-2 | 240



44 KYLE MULLENIX
TIGHT END
R-FR | 6-6 | 240



THE ROSTER

'26



44 **FREDDIE
WILSON**
DEFENSIVE END
FR | 6-3 | 255



45 **KELAN
BUTLER**
LINEBACKER
SO | 6-3 | 240



46 **SEAN
ADEMOKUN**
LINEBACKER
R-FR | 6-1 | 225



47 **CHANDLER
COVINGTON**
LINEBACKER
SO | 6-3 | 210



48 **ZACH
ADAMS**
LINEBACKER
FR | 6-2 | 210



49 **TIMOTHY
DAILEY**
DEFENSIVE END
FR | 6-3 | 275



51 **AUTORO "TJ"
WHITFIELD**
OFFENSIVE LINE
FR | 6-3 | 295



52 **DONOVAN
FUNSCH**
OFFENSIVE LINE
JR | 6-6 | 320



52 **ALEXANDER
MULLINGS**
DEFENSIVE LINE
SO | 6-1 | 285



53 **MALIK
JACKSON**
OFFENSIVE LINE
R-SO | 6-2 | 295



54 **TYHLER
WILLIAMS**
OFFENSIVE LINE
R-SR | 6-2 | 315



55 **GAGE
STANALAND**
OFFENSIVE LINE
R-JR | 6-3 | 310



55 **ANTONIO
WESLEY**
LINEBACKER
R-SO | 5-9 | 205



56 **DEANDRE
DUFFUS**
OFFENSIVE LINE
R-JR | 6-4 | 330



57 **KADORIAN
BENJAMIN**
OFFENSIVE LINE
FR | 6-5 | 320



58 **MAXWELL
ROBINSON**
OFFENSIVE LINE
FR | 6-3 | 290



THE ROSTER

'26



58 **KELZE
HOWARD**
DEFENSIVE END
R-JR | 6-3 | 260



59 **ABDUL
MOHAMMED**
DEFENSIVE TACKLE
R-SO | 6-0 | 280



60 **JACKSON
TOLLEY**
LONG SNAPPER
SO | 6-5 | 200



65 **HUNTER
BRITT**
OFFENSIVE LINE
R-FR | 6-4 | 315



66 **BRAYLIN
ROBERTS**
OFFENSIVE LINE
R-FR | 6-4 | 310



68 **PETER
DIAZ**
OFFENSIVE LINE
JR | 6-3 | 320



70 **MATTHEW
GROW**
OFFENSIVE LINE
FR | 6-6 | 305



71 **AIDEN "AJ"
ANDREWS**
OFFENSIVE LINE
R-FR | 6-3 | 295



72 **KELTON
SMITH**
OFFENSIVE LINE
R-JR | 6-5 | 305



73 **DEYLIN
HASERT**
OFFENSIVE LINE
R-JR | 6-4 | 305



74 **PHERLESKI "PJ"
MARTIN JR**
OFFENSIVE LINE
R-FR | 6-5 | 320



75 **MARCUS
MASCOLL**
OFFENSIVE LINE
R-SO | 6-5 | 310



76 **JORDAN
BROWN**
OFFENSIVE LINE
R-SR | 6-4 | 330



77 **JAMES "JJ"
WILSON**
OFFENSIVE LINE
R-SO | 6-6 | 300



80 **AHMED
SQUARE**
WIDE RECEIVER
R-FR | 6-3 | 205



81 **AVION
MCBRIDE**
TIGHT END
R-SR | 6-5 | 245



THE ROSTER

'26



82 ZACH STAIR
WIDE RECEIVER
FR | 6-1 | 190



83 RODSHAUN DORSEY
WIDE RECEIVER
R-SR | 6-5 | 210



85 GRANT HOLLIER
TIGHT END
SO | 6-3 | 225



86 KERON MILTON
WIDE RECEIVER
R-SO | 5-11 | 165



87 AUSTIN MCGEE
WIDE RECEIVER
R-SO | 5-8 | 160



88 KEVIN NORWOOD
DEFENSIVE TACKLE
R-SO | 6-2 | 290



89 AMARI POWELL
WIDE RECEIVER
R-SO | 6-4 | 200



90 ZAMAR MCGEE
DEFENSIVE TACKLE
FR | 6-2 | 305



91 TYRESE CATHEY
DEFENSIVE TACKLE
R-SO | 6-3 | 275



92 ARTHUR "AJ" VAUGHNS
DEFENSIVE TACKLE
R-SR | 6-5 | 315



93 AARON MOORE
DEFENSIVE END
FR | 6-3 | 260



94 ELI RICHARDS
DEFENSIVE TACKLE
FR | 6-2 | 300



95 RICHARD KRAMER
DEFENSIVE END
JR | 6-3 | 250



97 ISAAC TOLLIVER
DEFENSIVE END
JR | 6-4 | 230



98 SAMUEL CHUKWURAH
DEFENSIVE TACKLE
JR | 6-2 | 330



99 MANDJOU BERTÉ
DEFENSIVE TACKLE
SR | 6-2 | 310



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NO.	NAME	POS	HT	WT	CL.	HOMETOWN	HIGH SCHOOL/PREVIOUS SCHOOL
0	Dennis Murray Jr.	RB	5-9	170	Jr. (3rd)	Daytona Beach, Fla.	Mainland
0	Jonah Reeder	DT	6-2	310	Sr. (4th)	Moreno Valley, Calif.	Rancho Verde/ Mt. San Jacinto CC
1	Jabriel Rhodes-Nelson	DE	6-4	270	Sr. (4th)	Philadelphia, Pa.	West Philadelphia/ Millersville
2	Ayden Pereira	QB	5-11	205	5th Yr.	Auburn, N.H.	Central Catholic/ Merrimack
3	Demonte Gaston	S	6-2	210	5th Yr.	Pensacola, Fla.	Escambia/ Hutchinson CC
4	Xavier Esquillion	OLB	6-1	250	Sr. (4th)	Charlotte, N.C.	Ardrey Kell/ Savannah State
4	Kyle Washington	WR	5-8	175	So. (2nd)	Hollywood, Fla.	Chaminade- Madonna Prep
5	Lanear McCrary	RB	5-10	200	Sr. (4th)	Rockmart, Ga.	Rockmart/ Shorter
6	Wesley Campbell VI	TE	6-4	230	5th Yr.	Fairburn, Ga.	Creekside/ ULM
7	Owen Dupree	WR	6-3	190	Sr. (4th)	Dallas, Ga.	North Paulding/ West Georgia
7	Deuce Walker	S	5-10	190	Jr. (3rd)	Salisbury, N.C.	Salisbury
8	Cameron Brown	QB	6-2	230	5th Yr.	Warner Robins, Ga.	Northside/ Texas Tech
8	Eric "Deuce" Lee	S	5-11	195	Sr. (4th)	Silver Spring, Md.	Gonzaga/ Monmouth
9	Chase Allen-Jackman	WR	6-1	195	Sr. (4th)	Fayette, Mo.	Fayette/ Washburn
9	Eric Butler Jr.	ILB	6-1	230	Jr. (3rd)	Olathe, Kan.	Olathe Northwest/ Coffeyville CC
10	DJ Riles	WR	5-11	200	5th Yr.	Columbus, Ga.	Carver/ Middle Tennessee
11	Toby Bolton	CB	5-10	185	Sr. (4th)	Athens, Ga.	Cedar Shoals/ Tennessee Tech
11	Matt Buron	TE	6-5	260	5th Yr.	Bridgewater, Mass.	Choate Rosemary Hall/ Fordham
12	Darius Johnson Jr.	CB	5-10	180	5th Yr.	Watkinsville, Ga.	Oconee County/ Gardner Webb
12	Jadon Olafsson	QB	5-9	175	So. (2nd)	Tampa, Fla.	Zephyrhills Christian Academy
13	Derrick Avery Jr.	WR	6-0	195	So. (2nd)	Alpharetta, Ga.	Chattahoochee HS
13	Donovan Faria	S	6-0	190	So. (2nd)	Land O' Lakes, Fla.	Land O'Lakes/ Gannon
14	TJ Stanley	QB	6-2	215	So. (2nd)	Lyons, Ga.	Toombs County
14	Christian Teeter	P	6-7	220	5th Yr.	Columbia, S.C.	Gray Academy/ Wingate
15	Tre Mittman	S	6-1	205	Jr. (3rd)	Durham, N.C.	Southern Durham/ NC A&T
15	Gavin Nuckolls	QB	5-11	170	Fr. (1st)	Rocky Face, Ga.	Northwest Whitfield
16	Jaylin Marshall	WR	5-11	170	5th Yr.	Hamilton, Ga.	Harris County/ Shorter
16	Keenan Nelson	S	6-0	200	5th Yr.	Philadelphia, Pa.	St. Joseph's Prep/ Ohio State
17	Joseph Holt	S	6-2	190	So. (2nd)	Birmingham, Ala.	Parker
17	Isaiah Stone	WR	5-10	170	Jr. (3rd)	Smyrna, Ga.	Campbell/ LSU
18	D'Ontae Fulton	WR	5-11	155	So. (2nd)	Sylvester, Ga.	Worth County
18	Andre Jocelyn	CB	6-0	190	Jr. (3rd)	Fort Myers, Fla.	Lehigh Senior/ Benedict
19	Jamari Miller	WR	5-9	155	So. (2nd)	Opelika, Ala.	Opelika
20	Jamal Bing Jr.	RB	5-8	170	Sr. (4th)	Hampton, Ga.	Dutchtown/ Pennsylvania
20	Coby Owens	ILB	6-0	215	Jr. (3rd)	Saltillo, Miss.	Saltillo/ NE Mississippi CC
21	Derrick Maxey III	S	5-11	170	Sr. (4th)	College Park, Ga.	Hapeville Charter/ Costal Carolina
21	Jaylen Poe	RB	5-10	210	Sr. (4th)	Dallas, Ga.	North Paulding/ Northern Illinois
22	Xavier Butler	RB	5-8	180	Fr. (2st)	Lithonia, Ga.	Snellville
22	Ty Snead	S	6-2	215	So. (1st)	East Dublin, Ga.	East Laurens
23	Braylon Alexander	CB	5-10	175	5th Yr.	Sugar Hill, Ga.	Lanier/ Washburn
24	Malique Harrell	CB	5-11	170	Fr. (1st)	St. Petersburg, Fla.	Lakewood
24	Qwantavius Wiggins	RB	5-11	200	Fr. (1st)	Fairburn, Ga.	Langston Hughes
25	Tayo Ashadele	RB	5-10	210	So. (2nd)	Sugar Hill, Ga.	Lanier/ Air Force Prep
25	Monterrius Echols	CB	5-11	170	Fr. (1st)	Phenix City, Ala.	Central-Phenix City
26	Balint Vorosmarty	K	5-8	185	Fr. (1st)	Roswell, Ga.	Roswell
26	Jacorey Walker	CB	5-9	165	Sr. (4th)	Riverdale, Ga.	Riverdale/ Georgia Military College
27	Tyler Moore	ILB	6-0	230	So. (2nd)	Opelika, Ala.	Opelika
28	Savion Hart	RB	5-9	190	Jr. (3rd)	Minneapolis, Minn.	St. Thomas Academy/ Georgetown
28	Jaden Kelly	ILB	6-0	215	5th Yr.	Dallas, Texas	Dodge City CC/Kennesaw Stata
30	Ryan Green	ILB	5-10	225	5th Yr.	Athens, Ga.	Shiloh/ Wingate
31	Ry'Sheed Fuller	CB	5-9	155	Fr. (1st)	Moultrie, Ga.	Colquitt
32	Ladainnian Martin	RB	5-10	180	So. (2nd)	Greer, S.C.	J.L. Mann
32	Tyson McCrary	CB	6-0	180	So. (2nd)	Marietta, Ga.	Walton/ Air Force Prep
33	Zachary Davis	ILB	6-0	230	So. (2nd)	Homestead, Fla.	Homestead
34	Jaydon Hood	ILB	6-0	220	5th Yr.	West Palm Beach, Fla.	St. Thomas Aquinas/ Michigan
35	Khalid Feliz	OLB	6-3	230	Fr. (1st)	Orlando, Fla.	Lake Nona
35	Landon Vargas	P/K	6-0	180	Fr. (1st)	Carrollton, Ga.	Carrollton
36	Braxton Kitchens	LS	6-0	200	So. (2nd)	Cartersville, Ga.	Cartersville/ Reinhardt
38	Christon Jones	S	5-10	185	So. (2nd)	Lawrenceville, Ga.	Archer
38	Khalil Quinn	WR	5-9	180	So. (2nd)	Warner Robins, Ga.	Warner Robins
39	Cade Dutton	CB	6-0	175	Jr. (3rd)	Folsom, Calif.	Folsom/American River CC
39	Samer Layous	K	5-7	155	So. (2nd)	Alpharetta, Ga.	Centennial/Marist University
42	Tylan Smith	CB	5-10	190	Jr. (3rd)	Mableton, Ga.	Pebblebrook
43	Zion Lawson	OLB	6-2	240	So. (2nd)	Atlanta, Ga.	Maynard Jackson
44	Kyle Mullenix	TE	6-6	240	So. (2nd)	Woodstock, Ga.	Kings Academy/ Alabama Prep
44	Freddie Wilson	DE	6-3	255	Fr. (1st)	Port Orange, Fla.	Spruce Creek
45	Kelan Butler	OLB	6-3	240	So. (2nd)	Jefferson, Ga.	Jefferson
46	Sean Ademokun	ILB	6-1	225	So. (2nd)	Lawrenceville, Ga.	Archer
47	Chandler Covington	ILB	6-3	210	So. (2nd)	Loganville, Ga.	Grayson
48	Zach Adams	ILB	6-2	210	Fr. (1st)	Atlanta, Ga.	Locust Grove
49	Timothy Dailey	DE	6-3	275	Fr. (1st)	Dallas, Ga.	Paulding County
51	Autoro "TJ" Whitfield	OL	6-3	295	Fr. (1st)	Columbus, Ga.	Brookstone



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52	Donovan Funsch.....	OT	6-6	320	Jr. (3rd)	Perry, Ga.....	Perry
52	Alexander Mullings.....	DL	6-1	285	So. (2nd)	Demopolis, Ala.....	Demopolis
53	Malik Jackson.....	OL	6-2	300	Jr. (3rd)	Atlanta, Ga.....	McNair
54	Tyler Williams.....	OL	6-2	315	5th Yr.	Alpharetta, Ga.....	Milton/ Akron
55	Gage Stanaland.....	OL	6-3	310	Sr. (4th)	Tuscola, Texas.....	Jim Ned/ Oklahoma State
55	Antonio Wesley.....	ILB	5-9	205	Jr. (3rd)	Hampton, Ga.....	Dutchtown
56	Deandre Duffus.....	OL	6-4	330	Sr. (4th)	Hollywood, Fla.....	Chaminade- Madonna/ Maryland
57	Kadorian Benjamin.....	OL	6-5	320	Fr. (1st)	Swainsboro, Ga.....	Swainsboro
58	Kelze Howard.....	DE	6-3	260	Sr. (4th)	Las Vegas, Nev.....	Spring Valley/ Oregon State
58	Maxwell Robinson.....	OT	6-3	290	Fr. (1st)	Derby, Kan.....	Derby
59	Gabriel Chigwere.....	DT	6-1	275	Jr. (3rd)	Milton, Ga.....	Cambridge
59	Abdul Mohammed.....	DT	6-0	280	Jr. (3rd)	Lilburn, Ga.....	Parkview
60	Jackson Tolley.....	LS	6-5	200	So. (2nd)	McDonough, Ga.....	Central Georgia Tech CC
65	Hunter Britt.....	OL	6-4	315	So. (2nd)	Lawrenceville, Ga.....	Mountain View
66	Braylin Roberts.....	OT	6-4	310	So. (2nd)	Newnan, Ga.....	Newnan
68	Peter Diaz.....	OL	6-3	320	Jr. (3rd)	Easton, Pa.....	Easton Area/ Shippensburg
70	Matthew Grow.....	OL	6-6	305	Fr. (1st)	Buford, Ga.....	Seckinger
71	Aiden "AJ" Andrews.....	OL	6-3	295	So. (2nd)	Griffin, Ga.....	Spalding
72	Kelton Smith.....	OL	6-5	305	Sr. (4th)	Columbus, Ga.....	Carver/ Georgia
73	Deylin Hasert.....	OL	6-4	305	5th Yr.	Marshall, Minn.....	Marshall/ Iowa State
74	Pherleski Martin.....	OL	6-4	320	So. (2nd)	Snellville, Ga.....	Shiloh
75	Marcus Mascoll.....	OL	6-5	310	Jr. (3rd)	Snellville, Ga.....	South Gwinnett/ Florida
76	Jordan Brown.....	OT	6-4	330	5th Year	Long Beach, Calif.....	Jireh Prep Academy/ Arizona
77	James "JJ" Wilson.....	OL	6-6	300	Jr. (3rd)	Oklahoma City, Okla.....	Putnam City West/Northeast Oklahoma A&M
80	Ahmed Square.....	WR	6-3	205	So. (2nd)	Loganville, Ga.....	Loganville
81	Avion McBride.....	TE	6-5	245	5th Yr.	Florence, S.C.....	West Florence
82	Zach Stair.....	WR	6-1	195	Fr. (1st)	Atlanta, Ga.....	Riverwood
83	Rodshaun Dorsey.....	WR	6-5	210	Sr. (4th)	Andrews, S.C.....	Andrews/Erskine
85	Grant Hollier.....	TE	6-3	225	So. (2nd)	Woodstock, Ga.....	River Ridge
86	Keron Milton.....	WR	5-11	165	Jr. (3rd)	Warner Robbins, Ga.....	Northside
87	Austin McGee.....	WR	5-8	160	Jr. (3rd)	Athens, Ga.....	Athens Academy
88	Kevin Norwood.....	DT	6-2	290	Jr. (3rd)	Theodore, Ala.....	East Mississippi CC
89	Amari Powell.....	WR	6-4	200	Jr. (3rd)	Cairo, Ga.....	Cairo
90	Zamar McGee.....	DT	6-2	305	Fr. (1st)	Columbus, Ga.....	Carver
91	Tyrese Cathey.....	DT	6-3	275	Jr. (3rd)	Independence, Miss.....	Independence/ Northeast Mississippi CC
92	AJ Vaughns.....	DT	6-5	315	5th Yr.	Memphis, Tenn.....	Germantown/ Dodge City CC
93	Aaron Moore.....	DE	6-3	260	Fr. (1st)	Mobile, Ala.....	B.C. Rain
94	Eli Richards.....	DT	6-2	300	Fr. (1st)	Hoschton, Ga.....	Mill Creek
95	Richard Kramer.....	DE	6-3	250	Jr. (3rd)	Port St. Lucie, Fla.....	Treasure Coast/ Hampton
96	Jalen Jordan.....	DT	6-0	290	5th Yr.	Warners Robbins, Ga. ...	Houston County/ Kennesaw State
97	Isaac Tolliver.....	DE	6-4	230	Fr. (1st)	Cumming, Ga.....	Forsyth Central
98	Samuel Chukwurah.....	DT	6-2	330	Jr. (3rd)	Bellflower, Calif.....	Mayfair/Cerritos CC
98	Jimyll Lundy.....	DT	5-11	285	Fr. (1st)	Valdosta, Ga.....	Valdosta
99	Mandjou Berte.....	DT	6-2	310	Sr. (4th)	Snellville, Ga.....	Shiloh/ Wingate

PRONUNCIATIONS

1 Gabriel Rhodes-Nelson.....	Juh-breel	57 Kadorian Benjamin.....	Kuh-DOOR-e-in
2 Ayden Pereira.....	Aiden	58 Kelze Howard.....	Kel-Zee
4 Xavier Esqillon.....	Ex-avier	59 Gabriel Chigwere.....	Chig-wAAR-aye
11 Matt Buron.....	Burr-on	74 Pherleski Martin.....	Fur-less-key
12 Jadon Olafsson.....	Olaf-son	80 Ahmed Square.....	Ahh-med Sue-wAAR-aye
13 Donovan Faria.....	Fer-E-uh	98 Samuel Chukwurah.....	Chuck-OO-rah
18 D'Ontae Fulton.....	Dee-on-tay	98 Jimyll Lundy.....	Juh-mill
18 Andre Jocelyn.....	JOS-lynn	99 Mandjou Berte.....	Man-jaw Bert-A
24 Malique Harrell.....	Muh-leek		
24 Qwantavius Wiggin.....	Quan-TAY-ve-ous		
25 Tayo Ashadele.....	TIE-oh Ash-uh-DAY-le		
25 Monterius Echols.....	Mon-TERRY-ous		
26 Balint Vorosmarty.....	Voor-O-smarty		
28 Savion Hart.....	Say-vee-on Heart		
31 RySheed Fuller.....	Ry-sheed		
32 Ladainnian Martin.....	Luh-day-nee-in		
35 Khalid Feliz.....	Kuh-leed Fuh-leez		
38 Khalil Quinn.....	Kuh-lee-ull		
39 Samer Layous.....	Say-mur Lah-oos		
46 Sean Ademokun.....	Add-uh-MOE-kin		
54 Tyler Williams.....	Tyler		
55 Gage Stanaland.....	Stan-a-land		
56 Deandre Duffus.....	DUFF-us		

COACHING STAFF

Head Coach.....	Dell McGee 3rd Year
Associate Head Coach/ Wide Receivers.....	Dameyune Craig, 3rd Year
Offensive Coordinator.....	Hue Jackson, 3rd Year
Co-Defensive Coordinator.....	Cam Clark, 1st Year
Co-Defensive Coordinator.....	John Haneline, 1st Year
Special Teams Coordinator.....	Zach Conowal, 3rd Year
Co-Special Teams Coordinator/ Running Backs.....	Enrique Davis, 2nd Year
Assistant Coach- Cornerbacks.....	Troy Douglas, 1st Year
Assistant Coach- Offensive Line.....	Casey Roddick, 2nd Year
Assistant Coach- Nickels.....	Chaz Scales, 1st Year
Assistant Coach- Defensive Line.....	Cam Spence, 1st Year
Assistant Coach-Inside Linebackers.....	Juwan Taylor, 3rd Year
Assistant Coach- Quarterbacks.....	Ryan Williams, 3rd Year
Defensive Analyst.....	Tristan Henderson, 1st Year
Offensive Analyst/ Tight Ends.....	Jes Sutherland, 3rd Year
Assistant- Defensive Backs.....	Colby Brown Sr., 1st Year
Assistant- Quarterbacks.....	Mike Eason, 2nd Year
Assistant- Offense/ Wide Receivers.....	TaQuon Marshall, 2nd Year
Assistant- Defense.....	Daniel Minenok, 1st Year
Assistant- Running Backs.....	Eli Peugh, 2nd Year



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13	Derrick Avery Jr.	WR	6-0	195	So. (2nd)	Alpharetta, Ga.	Chattahoochee
57	Kadorian Benjamin	OL	6-5	320	Fr. (1st)	Swainsboro, Ga.	Swainsboro
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19	Jamari Miller	WR	5-9	155	So. (2nd)	Opelika, Ala.	Opelika
86	Keron Milton	WR	5-11	165	Jr. (3rd)	Warner Robbins, Ga.	Northside
15	Tre Mittman	S	6-1	205	Jr. (3rd)	Durham, N.C.	Southern Durham/ NC A&T
59	Abdul Mohammed	DT	6-0	280	Jr. (3rd)	Lilburn, Ga.	Parkview
93	Aaron Moore	DE	6-3	260	Fr. (1st)	Mobile, Ala.	B.C. Rain
27	Tyler Moore	ILB	6-0	230	So. (2nd)	Opelika, Ala.	Opelika
44	Kyle Mullenix	TE	6-6	240	So. (2nd)	Woodstock, Ga.	Kings Academy/ Alabama Prep
52	Alexander Mullings	DT	6-1	285	So. (2nd)	Demopolis, Ala.	Demopolis
0	DJ Murray Jr.	RB	5-9	170	Jr. (3rd)	Daytona Beach, Fla.	Mainland
16	Keenan Nelson	S	6-0	200	5th Yr.	Philadelphia, Pa.	St. Joseph's Prep/Ohio State
88	Kevin Norwood	DT	6-2	290	Jr. (3rd)	Theodore, Ala.	East Mississippi CC
15	Gavin Nuckolls	QB	5-11	170	Fr. (1st)	Rocky Face, Ga.	Northwest Whitfield
12	Jadon Olafsson	QB	5-9	175	So. (2nd)	Tampa, Fla.	Zephyrhills Christian Academy
20	Coby Owens	ILB	6-0	215	Jr. (3rd)	Saltillo, Miss.	Saltillo/ NE Mississippi CC
2	Ayden Pereira	QB	5-11	205	5th Yr.	Auburn, N.H.	Central Catholic/ Merrimack
21	Jaylen Poe	RB	5-10	210	Sr. (4th)	Dallas, Ga.	North Paulding/ Northern Illinois
89	Amari Powell	WR	6-4	200	Jr. (3rd)	Cairo, Ga.	Cairo
38	Khalil Quinn	WR	5-9	180	So. (2nd)	Warner Robins, Ga.	Warner Robins
0	Jonah Reeder	DT	6-2	310	Sr. (4th)	Moreno Valley, Calif.	Rancho Verde/ Mt. San Jacinto College
1	Jabriel Rhodes-Nelson	DE	6-4	270	Sr. (4th)	Philadelphia, Pa.	West Philadelphia/ Millersville
94	Eli Richards	DT	6-2	300	Fr. (1st)	Hoschton, Ga.	Mill Creek
10	DJ Riles	WR	5-11	200	5th Yr.	Columbus, Ga.	Carver/ Middle Tennessee
66	Braylin Roberts	OT	6-4	310	So. (2nd)	Newnan, Ga.	Newnan
58	Maxwell Robinson	OT	6-3	290	Fr. (1st)	Derby, Kan.	Derby
72	Kelton Smith	OL	6-5	305	Sr. (4th)	Columbus, Ga.	Carver/ Georgia
42	Tylan Smith	CB	5-10	190	Jr. (3rd)	Mableton, Ga.	Pebblebrook
22	Ty Snead	S	6-2	215	So. (2nd)	East Dublin, Ga.	East Laurens
80	Ahmed Square	WR	6-3	205	So. (2nd)	Loganville, Ga.	Loganville
82	Zach Stair	WR	6-1	195	Fr. (1st)	Atlanta, Ga.	Riverwood
55	Gage Stanaland	OL	6-3	310	Sr. (4th)	Tuscola, Texas	Jim Ned/ Oklahoma State
14	TJ Stanley	QB	6-2	215	So. (2nd)	Lyons, Ga.	Toombs County
17	Isaiah Stone	WR	5-10	170	Jr. (3rd)	Smyrna, Ga.	Campbell/ LSU
14	Christian Teeter	P	6-7	220	5th Yr.	Columbia, S.C.	Gray Academy/ Wingate
60	Jackson Tolley	LS	6-5	200	So. (2nd)	McDonough, Ga.	Central Georgia Tech CC
97	Isaac Tolliver	DE	6-4	230	Fr. (1st)	Cumming, Ga.	Forsyth Central
35	Landon Vargas	P/K	6-0	180	Fr. (1st)	Carrollton, Ga.	Carrollton
92	AJ Vaughns	DT	6-5	315	5th Yr.	Memphis, Tenn.	Germantown/ Dodge City CC
26	Balint Vorosmarty	K	5-8	185	Fr. (1st)	Roswell, Ga.	Roswell
7	Deuce Walker	S	5-10	190	Jr. (3rd)	Salisbury, N.C.	Salisbury
26	Jacorey Walker	CB	5-9	165	Sr. (4th)	Riverdale, Ga.	Riverdale/ Georgia Military College
4	Kyle Washington	WR	5-8	175	So. (2nd)	Hollywood, Fla.	Chaminade- Madonna Prep
55	Antonio Wesley	ILB	5-9	205	Jr. (3rd)	Hampton, Ga.	Dutchtown
51	Autoro "TJ" Whitfield	OL	6-3	295	Fr. (1st)	Columbus, Ga.	Brookstone
24	Qwantavius Wiggins	RB	5-11	200	Fr. (1st)	Fairburn, Ga.	Langstone Hughes
54	Tyler Williams	OL	6-2	315	5th Yr.	Alpharetta, Ga.	Milton/ Akron
44	Freddie Wilson	DE	6-3	255	Fr. (1st)	Port Orange, Fla.	Spruce Creek
77	James "JJ" Wilson	DE	6-6	300	Jr. (3rd)	Oklahoma City, Okla.	Putnam City West/Northeast Oklahoma A&M



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NOVEMBER 2006

Football Feasibility study completed.

APRIL 15, 2007

Former NFL head coach Dan Reeves named Football Consultant.

APRIL 17, 2008

Georgia State University officially announces its will start an NCAA Division I football program.

JUNE 12, 2008

Bill Curry introduced as Georgia State's first head football coach.

AUGUST 2008

First six assistant coaches hired: John Bond, John Thompson, George Pugh, Anthony Midget, Chris Ward, Mike Riddle.

OCT. 15, 2008

First tryout at Hallford Stadium.

NOV. 20, 2008

Ground-breaking for practice facility at 188 MLK.

JAN. 4, 2009

First scholarship football student-athlete, Mark Hogan, enrolled at GSU.

FEB. 4, 2009

Georgia State signed its first recruiting class.

AUG. 11, 2009

First team of 71 players reported to campus.

AUG. 14, 2009

First football practice at NFL YET facility.

SEPT. 2, 2009

Inaugural scheduled was announced.

FALL 2009

First team conducted 60 practices at three sites: NFL YET, Lakewood Stadium and Georgia Dome.

MARCH 23, 2010

First spring practice began.

MARCH 27, 2010

First workout on new fields at GSU Practice Complex at 188 MLK.

APRIL 19, 2010

Over 3,000 fans watch GSU's inaugural Spring Scrimmage at Georgia Dome.

AUG. 3, 2010

Inaugural team reports for preseason.

AUG. 4, 2010

First practice of inaugural season.

AUG. 23, 2010

Before ever playing a game, Georgia State football is featured on the cover of the ESPN Magazine.



SEPT. 2, 2010

INAUGURAL GAME - Georgia State 41, Shorter 7 before 30,237 fans at Georgia Dome.

NOV. 19, 2010

First game vs. FBS opponent at defending national champion Alabama.

AUG. 30, 2013

First game as an FBS program vs. Samford.

OCT. 12, 2013

GSU's inaugural Sun Belt Conference game vs. Troy at Georgia Dome.

2014 SEASON

After completing two-year transition, Georgia State is full FBS member and eligible for postseason bowl games.

AUG. 27, 2014

Georgia State defeats Abilene Christian 38-37 for first win as an FBS program.

SEPT. 12, 2015

Georgia State wins 34-32 at New Mexico State for first Sun Belt Conference win.

DEC. 19, 2015

Georgia State plays in its first bowl game, the AutoNation Cure Bowl vs. San Jose State in Orlando, Fla.

NOV. 19, 2016

Panthers defeat Georgia Southern 30-24 in their final game at Georgia Dome.

DEC. 9, 2016

Shawn Elliott introduced as Georgia State's third head coach.

JAN. 5, 2017

Georgia State University finalizes acquisition of former Turner Field property.



AUG. 31, 2017

Georgia State hosts Tennessee State before 24,333 fans in the first game at Georgia State Stadium.

DEC. 15, 2017

Panthers defeat Western

Kentucky 27-17 in the AutoNation Cure Bowl for first bowl game

victory and first winning season as FBS program.

SPRING 2019

Football Operations Suite is completed.

AUG. 31, 2019

First Power 5 win, GSU 38,

Tennessee 30 at Neyland

Stadium.

NOV. 16, 2019

GSU hosts first FBS ranked team (No. 24 App State).

JAN. 26, 2020

New Orleans Saints PK Wil Lutz is first GSU football alum to play in the NFL Pro Bowl.

AUG. 11, 2020

Home facility is renamed Center Parc Stadium in \$21 million, 15-year

naming rights agreement.

DEC. 26, 2020

GSU defeats WKU in the LendingTree Bowl for the program's first back-to-back bowl berths and winning

seasons.

NOV. 13, 2021

GSU defeats first ranked opponent, 42-40 at No.22/21 Coastal Carolina.

SEPT. 10, 2022

North Carolina will be first Power 5 team to play at Georgia State's home stadium.

DEC. 12, 2023

Georgia State defeats Utah State 45-22 in the Famous Idaho Potato Bowl at Albertson's Stadium.

FEB. 23, 2024

Dell McGee named Georgia State football Head Coach.



FIRST POWER 5 WIN

AUG. 31, 2019: GEORGIA STATE 38, TENNESSEE 30



FIRST WIN AGAINST A RANKED OPPONENT

NOV. 13, 2019: GEORGIA STATE 42, COASTAL CAROLINA 40



GEORGIA STATE UPSETS VANDERBILT

SEPT. 14, 2025: GEORGIA STATE 36, VANDERBILT 32



FIRST BOWL GAME

2015 AutoNation Cure Bowl

San Jose State 27, Georgia State 16
Dec. 19, 2015 • Orlando, Fla.



The first bowl game in Georgia State history was a trip to the inaugural AutoNation Cure Bowl in Orlando, Fla., as the program earned a bowl berth in just its sixth year of existence and second at the FBS level.

To reach their first post-season game, the Panthers had to recover from a 2-6 start and win their final four games. The winning streak began with a convincing 41-19 victory at Texas State and continued with home wins over South Alabama and Troy. The underdog Panthers then capped the regular season with a dominating 34-7 victory at rival Georgia Southern for their bowl-clinching sixth victory.

Against San Jose State, Georgia State's late rally fell short as the Panthers lost 27-16.



Sun Belt Player of the Year Nick Arbuckle was held to just 14-of-29 passing for 208 yards and two touchdowns but still finished the season with a Sun Belt Conference single-season record of 4,368 yards.

With Georgia State trailing 13-7 early in the fourth quarter, Wil Lutz uncorked a 70-yard punt that rolled inside the SJSU 5, and the Panther defense forced a three-and-out. On the Spartans punt from the end zone,

a poor snap gave GSU a safety, pulling the Panthers within 13-9 with 12:44 left.

After the free kick and a 24-yard return by Donovan Harden, the Panthers took over at the SJSU 36. Arbuckle hit freshman tight end Ari Werts for a first down at the 20, and two plays later Todd Boyd caught a short pass and raced 19 yards for the score. That gave Georgia State its first lead at 16-13 with 10:46 left.

But San Jose State regained the lead with a quick touchdown on a 42-yard touchdown run by quarterback Kenny Potter, moving the Spartans back in front, 20-16, with nine minutes to go.

Georgia State moved to midfield but failed to convert a 3rd-and-one with eight minutes left. The Panthers went for it on fourth down, and freshman receiver Penny Hart got behind the defense, but Arbuckle's pass was just out of his reach.

The Spartans took over and held the ball for more than five minutes before scoring the clinching touchdown for the final margin.



FIRST BOWL WIN

2017 AutoNation Cure Bowl

Georgia State 27, Western Kentucky 17
Dec. 16, 2017 • Orlando, Fla.



Led by Most Valuable Player Conner Manning and a record-setting effort by the defense, Georgia State earned the first bowl victory in school history with a 27-17 win over Western Kentucky in the AutoNation Cure Bowl at Camping World Stadium.

The win gave the Panthers their school-record seventh victory of the season under first-year head coach Shawn Elliott and secured their first winning season as an FBS program.

"We're just a bunch of misfit players and misfit coaches who are blue collar, work hard and love one other and look at us," Elliott said. "First bowl win, most wins in school history - I'm damn proud to be a Georgia State Panther, I know that!"

Manning, the senior signal-caller, completed 20 of 28 passes for 276 yards and one touchdown while directing a GSU offense that also rushed for 143 yards. Georgia State accomplished that while essentially playing without top weapon Penny Hart, who was battling an ankle injury and was limited to a handful of snaps.

"Coming into this season, my only goal was to lead this team to a bowl victory," Manning said as he accepted the MVP award.

The Georgia State defense limited Western Kentucky's high-powered offense to 349 yards. With six sacks, including two by senior Mackendy Cheridor, the Panthers set a school record by holding WKU to a net of minus-two yards rushing.

Leading 13-10, the Panthers used a flea flicker to take a 10-point lead in the third quarter. After two flips, Manning got the ball back and found freshman tight end Roger Carter all alone down the left sideline for a 42-yard touchdown and a 20-10 advantage with 5:55 left in the third quarter. The score was set up by Hart's lone catch of the game, a spectacular 27-yard grab at the WKU 42-yard line.

In the fourth quarter, the Panthers effectively sealed the game with a 16-play, 74-yard drive that lasted nine minutes. The drive started after Jerome Smith's interception, and Kyler Neal tallied the clinching score on a 1-yard run to put GSU ahead 27-10 with 5:50 to play.

Georgia State scored on its opening possession on Brandon Wright's 42-yard field goal for a 3-0 lead midway through the first quarter.

Then the teams traded quick touchdowns on a total of just five plays. First, WKU needed just two plays to



score, including White's 54-yard touchdown pass to Deon Yelder.

But the Panthers' answer was almost as quick. Devin Gentry rushed for 10 yards, and then Manning found Tamir Jones down the left sideline for 49 yards to the WKU 26. On the next play, Demarcus Kirk broke through the middle of the line and rambled 26 yards for the score to regain the lead at 10-7 with 6:19 left in the first quarter.

In the second quarter, the teams exchanged field goals as Wright's second three-pointer, this one from 37 yards, gave GSU a 13-10 lead it would take into the locker room.

Junior linebacker Chase Middleton recovered a fumble and returned it 19 yards and also had a sack and an interception. Mackendy Cheridor forced a fumble along with his two sacks.

Redshirt freshman Jonathan Ifedi had career highs of six catches for 56 yards, while Carter had four catches for 85 yards. Glenn Smith rushed for 73 yards on 23 carries.



2019 NOVA Home Loans Arizona Bowl

Wyoming 38, Georgia State 17
Dec. 31, 2019 • Tucson, Ariz.

Playing in its third bowl game in the last five years, Georgia State fell 38-17 to Wyoming in the NOVA Home Loans Arizona Bowl on New Year's Eve afternoon at Arizona Stadium.

In his final game in a Georgia State uniform, senior quarterback Dan Ellington went 13-for-26 for 156 yards and one touchdown while rushing 14 times for 70 yards and another score.

Ellington led the Panthers down the field for a touchdown on their opening possession with a 6-play, 75-yard drive. He completed a 23-yard pass to Devin Gentry and Tra Barnett had a 7-yard run, but Ellington picked up the rest of the yardage on the ground, despite playing with a torn ACL in his right knee. He had a 29-yard gain down to the 20-yard line and scored on a 4-yard run, his first rushing touchdown since the injury, to give the Panthers a 7-0 lead just two minutes into the game.

Wyoming took a 17-7 lead with two touchdowns in the final two minutes of the first quarter, both set up by Panther miscues in their own territory, first a failed fourth-down attempt and then an interception. The Cowboys added a 51-yard touchdown pass in late in the first half to take a 24-10 lead into the locker room.

Senior Brandon Wright kicked a 25-yard field goal in the second quarter for the 32nd field goal of his career to break Wil Lutz's Georgia State career record. Those three points also gave Wright the GSU season scoring



record with 84 points.

Barnett, Georgia State's all-time leading, finished with 15 carries for 64 yards.

Georgia State's receiving corps was led by Cornelius McCoy, who had five catches for 78 yards, including a 44-yard touchdown.

Wyoming was led by freshman quarterback Levi Williams who went 11-for-26 for 234 yards and a touchdown. On the ground Xazavian Valladay rushed 26 times for 204 yards and a touchdown and was the game's Offensive MVP.

The difference in the game might have been on third down where the Panthers managed to go just 3-of-13, while Wyoming was 11-of-17. The Cowboys twice stopped Georgia State on fourth down in the red zone.

Georgia State saw 19 seniors play in their final game with many having played in two bowl games. Four seniors (Khai Anderson, Hunter Atkinson, Ed Curney and Brandon Wright) were part of all three GSU bowl teams.

2020 LendingTree Bowl

**Georgia State 39,
Western Kentucky 21**
Dec. 26, 2020 • Mobile, Ala.



Georgia State used a balanced offensive attack and a strong defensive effort to top Western Kentucky 39-21 in the LendingTree Bowl at Ladd-Peebles Stadium.

Georgia State completed back-to-back winning seasons for the first time in the 11-year history of the program while defeating WKU in a bowl game for the second time, following a win over the Hilltoppers in the 2017 AutoNation Cure Bowl for the program's first bowl victory.

"What a great win! What an awesome evening it turned out to be, finishing the 2020 season here at the LendingTree Bowl and getting a great win over Western Kentucky," head coach Shawn Elliott said. "It's awesome to watch our players and coaches fight and persevere through all the adversity this year."

Quarterback Cornelious Brown IV, the MVP of the game, went 16-for-30 for 232 yards and three touchdowns and rushed 10 times for 40 yards, helping the Panthers pile up 484 yards of offense with 227 yards rushing and 257 yards passing.

Running back Destin Coates was named the Offensive





Player of the Game with 117 yards rushing--his fifth 100-yard game of the season--and one touchdown. Outside linebacker Jontrey Hunter earned Defensive Player of the Game honors, while placekicker Noel Ruiz was named the Special Teams Player of the Game.

Hunter recorded six tackles, an interception and a fumble recovery, while Ruiz nailed a pair of field goals for the Panthers, who were appearing in their fourth bowl game in the last six years.

The Georgia State defense held the Hilltoppers to 284 yards of offense--one of the top 10 performances in school history--forced three turnovers and added three sacks to its season-record total.

"Our defense was outstanding," Elliott said. "We felt like we had to keep [Pigrome] in the pocket. Our guys up front did a masterful job."

Cornelius McCoy led the GSU receiving corps with five catches for 88 yards and a touchdown, while Sam Pinckney added three catches for 62 yards and a TD.

Just minutes into the game after driving the Panthers down the field 64 yards, Brown was intercepted in the end zone, which the Hilltoppers were able to turn into a 14-play, 80-yard drive, capped by quarterback Tyrrell Pigrome's 2-yard scoring run.

Georgia State responded by scoring 27-straight points, starting with Coates' 11-yard touchdown run to tie the game 7-7 just before the end of the first quarter.

Early in the second quarter, Brown found Pinckney for a 26-yard touchdown with 9:50 to play to give the Panthers a 14-7 lead.

On the following drive, Antavious Lane intercepted Pigrome, Lane's fourth interception of the season that tied the GSU season record. It was also the first interception all season by Pigrome, ending a string of 278 attempts without a pick.

That led to Brown's second TD pass, this one to Jamari Thrash, whose diving 5-yard reception put the Panthers ahead 21-7 with 2:09 left in the half.

Pigrome followed with a second straight interception by Hunter, and that set up Brown's 8-yard TD pass to McCoy to send the Panthers into the locker room with a 27-7 lead.

Western Kentucky scored on the opening drive of the second half on a two-yard run by Gaej Walker to cut Georgia State's lead to 27-14. The Hilltoppers then forced GSU to punt, but Hunter recovered the fumbled punt at the WKU 32-yard line, and Ruiz kicked a 45-yard field goal for a 30-14 advantage.

WKU had one more chance to make it a one-score game with a first down at the GSU 11 late in the third quarter, but after a 9-yard gain on first down, the Panthers came up with three straight stops, including an incomplete pass on fourth down.

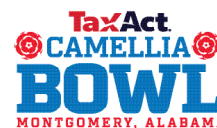
Ruiz added a 29-yard field goal to increase Georgia State's lead to 33-14 with 11:19 remaining in the game. That was Ruiz's school-record eighth-straight made field goal.

With the game in hand, freshman Mikele Colasurdo relieved Brown and found Caddarrius Thompson on a 25-yard TD for a 39-14 lead on Colasurdo's first career completion.

2021 TaxAct Camellia Bowl

Georgia State 51,
Ball State 20

Dec. 25, 2021 • Montgomery, Ala.



The slogan for the TaxAct Camellia Bowl is "History Made Here," and the Georgia State Panthers did their part with a dominating 51-20 victory over Ball State on Christmas Day at the Cramton Bowl. The Panthers made history with their second-straight bowl win and their school-record eighth victory of the season.

"Christmas is the Happiest Day of the Year, and it certainly was for us today," head coach Shawn Elliott said after leading his Panthers to their third bowl win in his fifth season at the helm.

"I think we finished Christmas Day with one of the best presents we could have ever asked for and that's a commanding, dominating win," Elliott continued.

Quarterback Darren Grainger was named the Bart Starr Most Valuable Player after accounting for four touchdowns. The junior from Conway, S.C., completed 15-of-19 passes for 203 yards and three touchdowns while rushing for a career-high 122 yards, including a 34-yard touchdown run.

Sixth-year senior tight end Aubry Payne had career high eighth receptions for 109 yards and two touchdowns, and the Georgia State defense also scored twice--another first in program history--on Javon Denis' 37-yard fumble return and Antavious Lane's 55-yard interception return.



Leading 20-13 at the half, Georgia State blew the game open with 31 straight points, including 28 in the third quarter, for their fourth straight win and seventh in the last eight games. The Panthers also won back-to-back bowl games for the first time.

"We'd never won eight games, never won back-to-back bowl games. I say this a lot ... anytime you do something for the first time, do you know what that feels like?" Elliott said. "Every

single player and coach in that locker room just did something that had not been done before at Georgia State."

Trailing 7-0 early, Georgia State got on the board with a 10-play, 75-yard touchdown drive, capped by Grainger's 18-yard TD pass to Payne to tie the game at 7-all with five minutes left in the first quarter.

Three plays later, the GSU defense came up with its first huge play of the day as Jamil Muhammad forced Ball State quarterback Drew Plitt to fumble, and Denis scooped up the loose ball and raced 37-yards for the end zone to give the Panthers a 17-14 lead.

Muhammad was credited with a sack on the play, his second of the day and Georgia State's school-record 36th of the season.



Super senior Noel Ruiz added two field goals to give the Panthers a 20-13 lead at the half.

Georgia State opened the second half with another scoring drive, moving 75 yards on eight plays as Grainger hit Robert Lewis from 10-yards out for the score. Lewis' first career touchdown gave the Panthers a 27-13 advantage three minutes into the third quarter.

Grainger then broke the game open with a 34-yard touchdown run and then a 16-yard TD pass to Payne, putting the Panthers up 41-13 late in the third quarter. Payne's second touchdown catch of the game was the 13th of his career to pass teammate Roger Carter for the GSU record for a tight end.

On the final play of the quarter, Lane grabbed his school-record fifth interception of the season and returned it 55 yards for a touchdown and a commanding 48-13 lead.

Ruiz, celebrating his birthday on Christmas Day, added a 45-yard field goal in the third quarter for 51 points, Georgia State's highest total in a bowl game.

Grainger's 122-yard effort on the ground put him over the 1,000-yard mark for his career, including his time at Furman.

2023 Famous Idaho Potato Bowl

Georgia State 45,

Utah State, 22

Dec. 23, 2023 • Boise, Idaho



Freddie Brock rushed for school-record 276 yards in his first start for Georgia State and quarterback Darren Grainger earned Most Valuable Player honors after accounting for five touchdowns to lead the Panthers to a dominating 45-22 win over Utah State in the Famous Idaho Potato Bowl at Albertston's Stadium.

Georgia State (7-6) earned its third straight bowl win and improved to 4-2 in bowl games in its 10 years at the FBS level. Grainger picked up his second straight MVP award after completing 19 of 22 passes for 257 yards and three touchdowns and rushing for 111 yards and two scores. He tied his own GSU record with five touchdowns responsible for.

With Brock and Grainger as the only ball carriers, the Panthers piled up a 386 yards on the ground and averaged 7.9 yards per carry while scoring a season-high 45 points, despite playing without three starters on the offensive line as well as the team's leading rusher and top receiver. Georgia State put up 643 yards of offense while holding the Aggies (6-7) to 346 yards.

Grainger, the sixth-year senior from Conway, S.C., scored Georgia State's first two touchdowns on GSU's first two drives and then added three scores through the air to lead the Panthers to 31-straight points, turning a 14-14 game late in the first quarter into a 45-14 lead early in the fourth quarter.

"It was a great feeling for me to go out with a bang, with all the guys and the coaches and everyone involved," said Grainger. "The whole team went out there and played an excellent and we showed what we did early in the year. What a way to go out."

Head coach Shawn Elliott agreed with his record-setting quarterback.

"I told them last night, Loosen up and go play the best 60 minutes of football in your life," Elliott said. "I told them that after the first touchdown, I wanted the goal post dunked, and he (pointing to Grainger) took care of that."

Cadarrius Thompson was Grainger's top target, catching five passes for a career-high 117 yards, including touchdown receptions of 23 and 37 yards. Tailique Williams added a 27-yard TD catch.

"I really didn't know what to expect going into this game, to be honest. There were a lot of unknowns, a lot of new guys who had to step up and be the guys," Elliott said.

"I thought these new guys stepping in would give everything they had today, and it was incredible to watch them play. To see how we prepared and got this bowl win is incredible. We had three new starters on the offensive line, three new starters on defense, a new running back starting for us. There wasn't a single person who blinked an eye; they just went out and executed and got the job done.

"What a great way to end it with this team of truly great men," Elliott continued. "I can't thank them enough. I can't say enough about every man who went out there and executed today."

Brock, the transfer from Maine in his first season at GSU, only carried the ball six times for 31 yards during the regular season, but he rushed 24 times for 276 yards, including runs of 31, 43, 58 and 60 yards.

"I hadn't played that much this season, but I trusted the scheme, trusted what Coach Elliott said and just took advantage of the moment. I just came to play," Brock said.

Elliott improved to 4-1 in bowl games in his seven seasons at the helm.

"When you win the last one, that's very important," Elliott said. "This was just a fantastic day for us and a fantastic week. This is what the bowls are all out. And now we get to end it with a bowl championship.

Georgia State drove for touchdowns on its first two possessions, both capped by 1-yard touchdowns by quarterback Darren Grainger. The Panthers' first scoring drive came after the GSU defense stopped Utah State (6-7) on downs on a fourth-down stop by Kevin Swint at the GSU 33-yard line. Grainger drove the Panthers 68 yards on 10 plays, and then 75 yards on five plays, highlighted by Freddie Brock's 60-yard run to the USU 15-yard line.





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POUNCE THE PANTHER

Pounce first appeared in 1993, created by Real Characters, Inc. as a sleek blue panther to energize the crowd, replacing the short-lived crimson panther named Urbie (1989-1993), who had briefly given rise to the team's nickname, "Crimson Panthers".

The Pounce that we all know and love today made his debut on Dec. 22, 2009, during a men's basketball game against in-state rival Georgia Southern, coinciding with Georgia State launching its football program.

The roots of the Panther nickname date back further, starting as the Owls in the 1940s (reflecting the school's evening-school origins), briefly known as the Ramblers in the late 1940s, and then officially adopting the Panthers in 1955, following a student vote (the runner-up nickname was Penguins).

A 6-foot-tall blue panther with a three-foot tail, sharp white fangs, whiskers, and bold eyebrows. Often attired in GSU basketball or football uniform, depending on the sport. Despite his fierce design, Pounce is known for his energetic engagement, leading chants, meeting fans, attending community events, hosting a kids club for young Panthers fans and even doing the Ice Bucket Challenge in 2014, where he humorously challenged other mascots to join in.





GEORGIA STATE SPIRIT

GEORGIA STATE CHEER is the official cheerleading squad of Georgia State Athletics. Serving as a fundamental part of Georgia State Athletics, the team promotes Panther Spirit at a multitude of athletic events including football and men's and women's basketball. The team plays an integral role in the university community by performing at pep rallies, parades, and other university-related events throughout Atlanta.

The cheerleaders serve as spirited university ambassadors through participation in community service, public appearances and charitable events.

GEORGIA STATE PANTHERETTES are the official dance team of Georgia State Athletics. Serving as a fundamental part of Georgia State Athletics, the team promotes Panther Spirit at a multitude of athletic events including football and men's and women's basketball.

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THE SOUND OF DOWNTOWN

The sound of Downtown is the official Georgia State Panther band that serves as an integral part of campus life at Georgia State University. Recently referred to as “the Sound of Downtown,” the Panther Band performs a pre-game show at all home games, and halftime shows at games they attend. In addition to football games, the band performs at university and community events, as well as high school marching band exhibitions.

The Georgia State University Panther Band has a brief but distinguished history. Founded in 2010 along with the University’s football team, the Panther Band has quickly made a name for itself performing for live, televised, and motion picture audiences. Rated by its peers as one of the best college marching bands in the country, the Panther Band was ranked among the top-ten bands in the nation by the College Band Directors National Association in 2013 and the top-five among the Southern Division in 2012 and 2016. In 2014, the band entertained millions along the streets of New York and on television as it participated in the 88th Macy’s Thanksgiving Day Parade. In 2013, the Panther Band proudly marched through Washington, D.C. playing the music of James Brown during the inauguration of President Barack Obama. In 2019, the Panther Band performed for over 100 million viewers as part of the Super Bowl LIII Pepsi Halftime Show. The Panther Band made its first appearance in the 2022 Tournament of Roses Parade in Pasadena, California. In a short time, the Panther Band has proven itself as a band that truly entertains.

The Panther Band distinguishes itself on the field as a leader in the marching activity. Performing precision corps-style drill, choreography, and relevant music from all genres, the Panther Band is sure to entertain audiences from all walks of life. Recent music of the ensemble spans such artists as The Beach Boys, The Rolling Stones, U2, Taylor Swift, Beyoncé, Elton John, Bill Haley and the Comets, the Allman Brothers, AC/DC, Guns N’ Roses, Ray Charles, James Brown, Kanye West, Steve Miller and the Band, Journey, Gloria Gaynor and John Williams – a wide array of styles and tastes for sure.

The Panther Band is under the direction of Devin Reid, Georgia State’s director of athletic bands, and Deidra Dobbeltmann, assistant director of bands.





