



THE CITADEL FOOTBALL

SOCON CHAMPIONS - 1961, 1992, 2021S, 2016 | FCS PLAYOFFS - 1988, 1990, 1992, 2015, 2016

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GAMEDAY CENTRAL

Date Saturday, Nov. 9

Kickoff 2:02 pm ET

Location Charleston, S.C.

Stadium Sansom Field at
 Johnson Hagood Stadium

Capacity 11,427
 Homecoming

Series Results 35-20-2, Chattanooga

Last Time L, 3-48 (9/16/2023)

Last at Johnson Hagood L, 21-31 (11/5/2022)

Streak L2

FOLLOW LIVE

TV Broadcast ESPN+

Play-by-Play Jason Kempf

Analyst Vad Lee

Sideline Matison Little



Radio Broadcast 102.1 FM The City

Play-by-Play Brian Giffin

Analyst Lee Glaze, '86



GAME X

SATURDAY, NOV. 9 | 2:00 PM ET
CHARLESTON, S.C. | JOHNSON HAGOOD



NR **THE CITADEL BULLDOGS**
[4-5, 2-4 SOCON]

Head Coach: Maurice Drayton, 2nd Season (The Citadel, 1998)

Record at The Citadel: 4-16 (.158) Career Record: Same



23 **CHATTANOOGA MOCS**
[5-4, 4-2 SOCON]

Head Coach: Rusty Wright, 6th Season (Chattanooga, 1996)

Record at UTC: 35-26 (.574) Career Record: Same

THE CITADEL 2024 SCHEDULE

DATE	TIME	OPPONENT	TV	RESULT
Saturday, Aug. 31	6 pm	at Charleston Southern [LCBB]	ESPN+	W, 22-21
Saturday, Sept. 7	Noon	vs SOUTH CAROLINA STATE [HoF]	ESPN+	L, 20-23
Saturday, Sept. 14	Noon	vs NORTH GREENVILLE [MA]	ESPN+	W, 54-0
Saturday, Sept. 21	6 pm	at Mercer*	ESPN+	L, 21-38
Saturday, Sept. 28	2 pm	vs ETSU* [PW]	ESPN+	L, 17-34
Saturday, Oct. 5	2 pm	vs FURMAN*	ESPN+	L, 16-17
Saturday, Oct. 12	2:30 pm	at Western Carolina*	ESPN+	L, 16-30
Saturday, Oct. 19	1:30 pm	at VMI* [Military Classic of the South]	ESPN+	W, 13-10
Saturday, Oct. 26	2 pm	vs SAMFORD [SD]	ESPN+	W, 28-11
Saturday, Nov. 2		-----BYE WEEK-----		
Saturday, Nov. 9	2 pm	vs CHATTANOOGA* [HC]	ESPN+	
Saturday, Nov. 16	1:30 pm	at Wofford*	ESPN+	
Saturday, Nov. 23	TBD	at Clemson	TBD	

All times Eastern; All games broadcast via 102.1 FM The City; Home games = **BOLD / CAPS**

* = Southern Conference game; [LCBB] = Lowcountry Boil Bowl; [HoF] = Hall of Fame Weekend;

[MA] = Military Appreciation; [PW] = Parents' Weekend; [HC] = Homecoming

BY THE NUMBERS

CIT [4-5]

2024 STATISTICAL COMPARISON

UTC [5-4]

Avg.	FCS / Conf.	Category	FCS / Conf.	Avg.
313.0	95 / 5	Total Offense	54 / 4	368.0
154.3	62 / 3	Rushing Offense	86 / 5	130.4
158.7	103 / 8	Passing Offense	26 / 3	237.6
111.81	101 / 7	Pass Efficiency Offense	42 / 4	136.90
23.0	74 / 5	Scoring Offense	51 / 4	25.8
347.9	47 / 4	Total Defense	68 / 6	371.3
137.6	38 / 4	Rushing Defense	56 / 5	149.9
210.3	59 / 3	Passing Defense	74 / 4	221.4
134.28	74 / 6	Pass Efficiency Defense	52 / 5	128.43
19.8	18 / 2	Scoring Defense	37 / 5	22.9
0.11	54 / 5	Turnover Margin	13 / 2	0.89
.371	71 / 3	3rd Down Conversion Rate	48 / 2	.403
.327	17 / 3	3rd Down Conversion Rate Defense	41 / 5	.370
.727	98 / 8	Red Zone Offense	61 / 5	.815
.750	27 / 3	Red Zone Defense	111 / 9	.900
42.05	7 / 1	Net Punting	55 / 5	37.39
6.8	15 / 3	Tackles-for-Loss	41 / 6	6.0
4.56	12 / 2	Fewest Penalties	53 / 4	6.00

INDIVIDUAL RANKINGS

Category	Stat	FCS / SoCon
QB Johnathan Bennett		
Pass Yards / Completion	13.5	15 / 2
WR Dervon Pesnell		
Yards / Reception	19.0	13 / 4
LB Thomas Wyatt		
Total Tackles / Game	8.2	43 / 5
Tackles-for-Loss / Game	1.1	54 / 5
DB Dominick Poole		
Interceptions / Game	0.3	23 / 3
WR Braylon Knauth		
Combined Kick Returns	496	17 / 3
P James Platte		
Punting	48.4	1 / 1
K Ben Barnes		
Field Goals / Game	1.2	19 / 3

THE CITADEL FOOTBALL | GAME NOTES

UNIVERSITY INFORMATION

University Name ___ The Citadel | The Military College of South Carolina
Preferred Name _____ The Citadel
Abbreviation _____ CIT
Location _____ Charleston, S.C.
Founded _____ Dec. 20, 1842
Enrollment _____ 3,727
Affiliation _____ NCAA Division I (FCS)
Conference _____ Southern
Colors _____ Infantry Blue (PMS 542c), Flag Blue (PMS 295c) & White
Nickname _____ Bulldogs
Stadium _____ Johnson Hagood Stadium (11,427)
President _____ Gen. Glenn M. Walters, '79 (The Citadel)
Athletic Director _____ Mike Capaccio (Mary, 1981)
Senior Woman Administrator _____ Joni Stephens (EKU, 1994)
Faculty Athletic Representative _____ Chip Taylor (Tennessee, 1996)

FOOTBALL INFORMATION

Offensive Formation _____ Option
Defensive Formation _____ Multiple
2023 Overall Record _____ 0-11
2023 Conference Record _____ 0-8
2023 Conference Finish _____ Ninth
Offensive Starters Returning / Lost _____ 9 / 2
Defensive Starters Returning / Lost _____ 6 / 5
Special Teams Starters Returning / Lost _____ 1 / 2
First Varsity Season _____ 1905
Overall Record _____ 527-607-32 (.452)
All-Time Playoff Record _____ 2-5
SoCon Titles _____ 4 (1961, 1992, 2015, 2016)
NCAA Playoff Appearances _____ 5 (1988, 1990, 1992, 2015, 2016)

STADIUM INFORMATION

Stadium Name _____ Sansom Field at Johnson Hagood Stadium
Field _____ Artificial turf
Capacity _____ 11,427
First Year _____ 1948
First Game _____ Oct. 16, 1948 (Davidson 14, The Citadel 6)
Largest Crowd _____ 23,025 Oct. 17, 1992 (Marshall 34, The Citadel 13)
Record at Stadium _____ 241-170-3 (.582)

STAFF INFORMATION

Head Coach _____ Maurice Drayton (The Citadel, 1998)
Record at The Citadel _____ 4-16 (2-12 SoCon), 2nd Season
Overall Record _____ 4-16 (2-12 SoCon), 2nd Season
Chief of Staff _____ Keith Jones (The Citadel, 1975)
Assistant Head Coach / TE _____ Danny Lewis (South Carolina, 1995)
Co-Offensive Coordinator / OL _____ Patrick Covington (Furman, 2006)
Co-Offensive Coordinator / WR _____ Lamar Owens (Maryland, 2008)
Defensive Coordinator / LB _____ Raleigh Jackson (The Citadel, 2007)
Special Teams Coordinator _____ Tony Coaxum (USMA, 2000)
Recruiting Coordinator / RB _____ Everette Sands (The Citadel, 1993)
Quarterbacks _____ Jackson Eskierka (San Diego State, 2016)
Defensive Line _____ Roberto Pinilla (West Georgia, 1997)
Cornerbacks _____ Jo Jackson (Florida Tech, 2018)
Safeties _____ Blaze Barista (Dubuque, 2019)
Bandits _____ Zane Vance (ETSU, 1986)
General Manager _____ Andy Clawson (Henderson State, 1969)
Director of Football Operations _____ Rett Russell (Wofford, 2022)
Video Coordinator _____ Dennis Carlson (Charlotte, 2010)
Director of Football Equipment _____ Gary Monteer (Arkansas, 2016)
Head Athletic Trainer _____ Caleb Spencer (Appalachian State, 2021)
Director of Strength & Conditioning _____ Joe Varga (Central Conn. State, 2006)

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MEDIA INFORMATION

Monday Press Conference

The Citadel Football head coach Maurice Drayton has a standing weekly press conference every Monday throughout the season at 1 pm in the Pearson Club on the fourth floor of Johnson Hagood Stadium.

The Citadel Cadet-Athlete Media Opportunities

All requests for cadet-athlete interviews must be submitted via email to Assistant Athletic Director for Communications & Creative Services Jay Sullivan (james.sullivan@citadel.edu) at least 24 hours in advance of the requested interview. The best time for interviews is before practice Tuesdays or Wednesdays, but other times can be arranged.

Locker Room Policy

The Citadel maintains a closed locker room policy.

Credentials

All requests for home games must be submitted through Jay Sullivan (james.sullivan@citadel.edu). Season credentials should be requested in the preseason and game-by-game credentials must be requested at least one week prior to the game. Local media requesting credentials for a road game must have said request submitted to Jay Sullivan two weeks prior to the contest (the preceding Monday).

ATHLETIC COMMUNICATIONS STAFF



Jay Sullivan
Assistant AD for
Communications



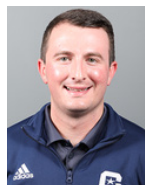
Collin Smith
Assistant Director



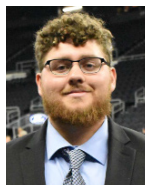
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Assistant Director



Hannah Vernon
Creative Services



Jackson Kaplan
Creative Content



Lucas Ferreira
Broadcast Operations

GAME NOTES | THE CITADEL FOOTBALL

DEPTH CHART // UPDATED NOV. 8

OFFENSE

LT	55	Bryson Jones
	75	Darwin Murillo
LG	63	Nico Rodriguez-Pena
	59	Alex Duré
C	57	Mike Bartilucci
	62	Mike Lengi
RG	65	Sawyer Whitman
	70	Zach Blanchard
RT	71	Cameron Moewe
	77	Tyler Heggins-Hill
QB	11	Johnathan Bennett
	1	Dustin Fletcher
RB	42	Corey Ibrahim
	27	Cooper Wallace
TE	49	Cole England
	81	Kaiden Swortzel
WR	0	Javonte Graves-Billips
	83	Braylon Knauth
WR	5	Malachi Taylor
	88	Tyler Cherry
WR	7	Dervon Pesnell
	82	Ha'Keem Monroe

DEFENSE

DE	56	Josh Cole
	91	Chris Benton
DT	76	Jordan Marks
	99	Kenneth Pierce Jr.
DT	93	Chris Iverson
	98	Carson Arnold
DE	37	DaVonya Pettis
	33	Jeremiah Holmes
LB	52	Giovanni Ricciardi
	43	Je'Mazin Roberts
LB	2	Thomas Wyatt
	45	Mikey Rosa
N	19	Dominick Poole
	28	Nick McGill
CB	3	Melvin Ravenel
	25	Amond Myers
CB	34	Bradlee Jones
	26	Jaleel Laffitte
-- or --	39	Justice Gilliard
S	16	Evan Byrd
	17	Kaleb Brown
S	31	Cale Williams
	13	Will Pickren

SPECIAL TEAMS

K	87	Ben Barnes	H	86	Jack McCall
	86	Jack McCall		90	James Platte
P	90	James Platte	PR	83	Braylon Knauth
	46	Jack Weil		19	Dominick Poole
LS	61	Nathan Tokar	KR	83	Braylon Knauth
				0	Javonte Graves-Billips



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ALPHABETICAL

No.	Name	Pos.
50	Lee Alexander Jr.	LB
98	Carson Arnold	DL
10	Andre Banks	WR
87	Ben Barnes	K
57	Mike Bartilucci	OL
29	Elijah Bass	TE
	Jameson Bell	LB
	Zander Benitez	OL
11	Johnathan Bennett	QB
91	Chris Benton	DL
	Ben Bessinger	DL
	Peyton Betts	DB
70	Zach Blanchard	OL
58	Maurice Bonneau Jr.	DL
44	Sebastien Boyle	RB
78	James Brockington	DL
17	Kaleb Brown	DB
92	Dwayne Bryant Jr.	DL
	Chase Burton	WR
16	Evan Byrd	DB
41	Berlin Campfort	DB
88	Tyler Cherry	WR
56	Josh Cole	LB
96	Phillip Collins	DL
4	Johnny Crawford III	RB
	Caleb Davis	RB
	Tyler DeRienzo	TE
80	Saul Diaz	TE
59	Alex Duré	OL
32	Temarcus Elam	DB
49	Cole England	TE
40	Pierre Fertil	DB
1	Dustin Fletcher	QB
39	Justice Gilliard	DB
0	Javonte Graves-Billips	WR
	Colton Green	TE
64	Quentin Green	OL
38	HJ Grigsby III	RB
	Austin Hadlock	LB
	Will Hall	OL
77	Tyler Heggins-Hill	OL
97	John Hewlett	DL
89	Whit Hobgood	LB
33	Jeremiah Holmes	LB
12	JJ Hudson	DB
69	Brock Hundley	OL
42	Corey Ibrahim	RB
93	Chris Iverson	DL
73	Andrew Jackson	DL
72	Carter Jacobs	OL
30	Cooper Johns	RB
22	Garrison Johnson	RB
54	Ryan Johnson	LB
36	Tanner Johnson	LB
34	Bradlee Jones	DB
55	Bryson Jones	OL
21	Romello Jones	WR
83	Braylon Knauth	WR
48	AJ Kut	WR
26	Jaleel Laffitte	DB
89	Varney Layman	WR
62	Mike Lengi	OL
9	Alex Lewis	RB
85	Wilson Long	WR
76	Jordan Marks	DL
86	Jack McCall	LS / H

No.	Name	Pos.	Ht.	Wt.	Class	Hometown / Previous School
0	Javonte Graves-Billips	WR	5-10	195	r-Jr.	Mobile, Ala. / St. Paul's Episcopal School
1	Dustin Fletcher	QB	6-3	220	GS	Flint, Mich. / Ainsworth HS / Northern Illinois
2	Thomas Wyatt	LB	6-3	230	Sr.	McKeesport, Pa. / McKeesport HS
3	Melvin Ravenel	DB	6-3	180	r-Jr.	Goose Creek, S.C. / Goose Creek HS
4	Johnny Crawford III	RB	5-8	180	Jr.	Moore Haven, Fla. / Moore Haven HS
5	Malachi Taylor	WR	6-3	190	r-Sr.	Goose Creek, S.C. / Goose Creek HS / Coastal Carolina
6	Reese Patterson	DB	5-11	170	Fr.	Atlanta, Ga. / Druid Hills HS
6	Cobey Thompkins	QB	6-1	180	Fr.	Atlanta, Ga. / Stockbridge HS
7	Dervon Pesnell	WR	6-4	205	GS	Moncks Corner, S.C. / Berkeley HS / Campbell
8	Justin Preaster	DB	6-2	210	So.	Orlando, Fla. / Central Florida Christian Academy
9	Alex Lewis	WR	5-11	185	Sr.	West Columbia, S.C. / Heathwood Hall HS / Presbyterian
10	Andre Banks	WR	6-0	220	GS	Lincolnton, S.C. / Summerville HS / Newberry
11	Johnathan Bennett	QB	6-1	235	GS	Summerville, S.C. / Summerville HS / Liberty
12	JJ Hudson	DB	5-11	175	r-So.	Athens, Ga. / T.L. Hanna HS
13	Will Pickren	DB	6-2	175	GS	Mount Pleasant, S.C. / Wando HS / Hampden-Sydney
16	Evan Byrd	DB	5-10	175	GS	Lawrenceville, Ga. / Greater Atlanta Christian / Rhodes
17	Kaleb Brown	DB	6-0	185	r-Fr.	Hollywood, S.C. / Baptist Hill HS
18	Ryland Mitchell	DB	6-1	180	Fr.	Summerville, S.C. / Summerville HS
18	Graeson Underwood	QB	6-1	255	GS	Irmo, S.C. / Dutch Fork HS
19	Dominick Poole	DB	6-0	195	GS	Randleman, N.C. / Randleman HS
20	Jenorris Wilcher Jr.	RB	5-10	175	Fr.	Pahokee, Fla. / Pahokee HS
21	Romello Jones	WR	6-0	180	So.	Plant City, Fla. / Plant City HS
22	Garrison Johnson	RB	5-11	220	GS	Manvel, Texas / Manvel HS / Northwestern State
23	Jabraivon Woodard	DB	6-0	175	So.	Conway, S.C. / Conway HS
24	Nikolas Mirabella	DB	6-0	195	Fr.	Tampa, Fla. / East Lake HS
25	Amond Myers	DB	6-0	175	So.	Greeleyville, S.C. / Kingstree HS
26	Jaleel Laffitte	DB	6-0	195	GS	Phoenix, Ariz. / McClintock HS / Baker University
27	Cooper Wallace	RB	5-10	190	GS	Florence, S.C. / West Florence HS
28	Nick McGill	DB	6-0	180	So.	North Charleston, S.C. / Fort Dorchester HS
29	Elijah Bass	TE	6-1	230	Sr.	Stafford, Va. / Colonial Forge HS
30	Cooper Johns	RB	5-10	190	r-Fr.	Lexington, S.C. / River Bluff HS
31	Cale Williams	DB	6-0	200	Jr.	Canton, Ga. / Creekview HS
32	Temarcus Elam	DB	6-0	205	r-Fr.	Augusta, Ga. / Lakeside HS
33	Jeremiah Holmes	LB	6-3	240	So.	Durham, N.C. / Hillside HS
34	Bradlee Jones	DB	6-1	175	So.	Greenwood, S.C. / Emerald HS
37	DaVonyae Pettis	LB	6-2	235	So.	Shelby, N.C. / Crest HS
38	HJ Grigsby III	RB	6-1	170	Fr.	Joliet, Ill. / Joliet Catholic Academy
39	Justice Gilliard	DB	6-0	185	r-So.	Yorktown, Va. / Grafton HS
40	Pierre Fertil	DB	6-0	180	Fr.	Pahokee, Fla. / Pahokee HS
41	Berlin Campfort	DB	6-0	170	Fr.	Miami, Fla. / Miami Central HS
42	Corey Ibrahim	RB	5-10	190	r-So.	Raleigh, N.C. / Myrtle Beach Collegiate
43	Je'Mazin Roberts	LB	6-2	235	r-So.	Milledgeville, Ga. / John Milledge Academy
44	Sebastien Boyle	RB	5-11	215	Fr.	Scottsbluff, Neb. / Scottsbluff HS
45	Mikey Rosa	LB	6-3	245	r-Fr.	Charleston, S.C. / Wando HS
46	Jack Weil	K / P	6-1	220	r-Fr.	Charleston, S.C. / Lucy Beckham HS
47	Daniel Turpin	LB	6-0	220	Fr.	Decatur, Ga. / Arabia Mountain HS
48	Cameron Sutton	TE	6-3	245	Fr.	Lexington, S.C. / Lexington HS
49	Cole England	TE	6-4	230	r-Jr.	Laurens, S.C. / Laurens HS
50	Lee Alexander Jr.	LB	6-0	225	Fr.	Indianapolis, Ind. / Warren Central HS
52	Giovanni Ricciardi	LB	6-0	220	GS	Winston-Salem, N.C. / West Forsyth HS / Western Carolina
53	Miles Robinson	OL	6-5	330	r-Fr.	Tyrone, Ga. / Sandy Creek HS
54	Ryan Johnson	LB	5-11	210	Jr.	Fairfax, Va. / Amador Valley HS / Laney College
55	Bryson Jones	OL	6-4	290	GS	Greenwood, S.C. / Emerald HS
56	Josh Cole	DL	6-3	245	r-So.	Roswell, Ga. / Fellowship Christian School
57	Mike Bartilucci	OL	6-1	300	r-Jr.	Jacksonville, Fla. / Fletcher HS
58	Maurice Bonneau Jr.	DL	6-1	245	r-So.	Rock Hill, S.C. / Rock Hill HS
59	Alex Duré	OL	6-1	310	r-So.	Lake Butler, Fla. / Union County HS
60	Brady Pickett	OL	6-3	285	Fr.	Myrtle Beach, S.C. / Myrtle Beach HS
61	Nathan Tokar	LS	5-9	265	GS	Naperville, Ill. / Waubonsie Valley HS / Saint Xavier
62	Mike Lengi	OL	6-1	300	r-Fr.	Montreal, Quebec / Rabun Gap-Nacoochee School
63	Nico Rodriguez-Pena	OL	6-1	310	So.	Bradenton, Fla. / Manatee HS
64	Quentin Green	OL	6-0	250	Jr.	Moncks Corner, S.C. / C.E. Murray HS
65	Sawyer Whitman	OL	6-1	300	Jr.	Gaffney, S.C. / Gaffney HS
70	Zach Blanchard	OL	6-2	340	GS	Clover, S.C. / Clover HS
71	Cameron Moewe	OL	6-4	255	GS	Jacksonville, Fla. / Bishop Kenny HS
72	Carter Jacobs	OL	6-5	290	Fr.	Apex, N.C. / Middle Creek HS
73	Andrew Jackson	DL	6-2	220	Fr.	Charleston, S.C. / West Ashley HS
75	Darwin Murillo	OL	6-4	310	So.	Garland, Texas / South Garland HS
76	Jordan Marks	DL	6-0	305	Sr.	Alpharetta, Ga. / Centennial HS
77	Tyler Heggins-Hill	OL	6-4	280	r-Fr.	Raleigh, N.C. / Millbrook HS
78	James Brockington	DL	6-1	280	Fr.	Kingstree, S.C. / Kingstree HS
79	Brock Nobles	DL	6-2	280	Fr.	Lyons, Ga. / Toombs County HS
80	Saul Diaz	TE	6-3	230	GS	Columbia, S.C. / Hammond HS
81	Kaiden Swartzel	TE	6-3	250	r-Fr.	Floyd County, Va. / Floyd County HS
82	Ha'Keem Monroe	WR	6-2	185	r-So.	Ruskin, Fla. / Lennard HS
83	Braylon Knauth	WR	5-8	170	Fr.	Orlando, Fla. / Lake Minneola HS



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No.	Name	Pos.	Ht.	Wt.	Class	Hometown / Previous School
84	Will Ramey	WR	6-1	195	r-Jr.	Charleston, S.C. / Philip Simmons HS
85	Wilson Long	WR	6-3	190	r-So.	Roswell, Ga. / Fellowship Christian School
86	Jack McCall	LS / H	5-8	165	Jr.	Columbia, S.C. / Hammond HS
87	Ben Barnes	K	5-10	190	r-So.	Medina, Ohio / Buckeye HS
88	Tyler Cherry	WR	6-1	195	GS	Piedmont, S.C. / Wren HS
89	Whit Hoggood	LB	6-4	230	r-So.	Charleston, S.C. / St. Francis DeSales HS / Mt. Union
89	Varney Layman	WR	6-1	185	Sr.	Concord, N.C. / Cox Mill HS
90	James Platte	P	6-0	210	GS	Aiken, S.C. / South Aiken HS
91	Chris Benton	DL	6-0	250	So.	Haines City, Fla. / Haines City HS
92	Dwayne Bryant Jr.	DL	6-1	300	Fr.	Chadbourne, N.C. / West Columbus HS
93	Chris Iverson	DL	6-0	265	r-Jr.	Richmond, Va. / Life Christian Academy
94	Terrance Wells Jr.	DL	6-3	235	Fr.	Irmo, S.C. / Dutch Fork HS
96	Phillip Collins	DL	6-0	275	r-Jr.	Aiken S.C. / Aiken HS
97	John Hewlett	DL	6-1	280	r-Sr.	Beaufort, S.C. / Thomas Heyward Academy
98	Carson Arnold	DL	6-3	280	r-So.	Charleston, S.C. / Oceanside Collegiate
99	Kenneth Pierce Jr.	DL	6-2	285	GS	Concord, N.C. / Northwest Cabarrus HS
	Caleb Davis	RB	6-0	175	Fr.	Walterboro, S.C. / Colleton Prep Academy
	Cooper Tankersley	QB	6-4	180	So.	Greenville, S.C. / Wade Hampton HS
	Colton Green	TE	6-6	230	r-Fr.	Brookfield, Wis. / Brookfield Academy
	Drew Spires	WR	6-1	190	Fr.	Winnsboro, S.C. / Richard Winn Academy
48	AJ Kut	WR	5-11	170	r-Fr.	Charleston, S.C. / Lucy Beckham HS
69	Brock Hundley	OL	6-6	255	r-Fr.	Kingstree, S.C. / Williamsburg Academy
	CJ Meetze	DB	5-10	185	r-So.	Batesburg, S.C. / Gilbert HS
36	Tanner Johnson	LB	6-0	210	r-So.	Lexington, S.C. / Lexington HS
	Chase Burton	WR	6-3	205	r-So.	Anderson, S.C. / T.L. Hanna HS
	Tyler DeRienzo	TE	6-0	260	Fr.	Lexington, S.C. / Lexington HS
	Haydan Pinckney	DB	6-0	190	r-Jr.	Wilmington, N.C. / IMG Academy / Jacksonville State
	Peyton Betts	DB	5-11	185	Fr.	Irmo, S.C. / Dutch Fork HS
12	Hayden Vasquez	QB	6-2	200	r-So.	Sumter, S.C. / Sumter HS
38	Rhyder Poppell	RB	5-10	220	r-Fr.	Tallahassee, Fla. / Florida HS
	Zander Benitez	OL	6-1	275	Fr.	Fallbrook, Calif. / Santa Margarita Catholic HS
	Will Hall	OL	6-3	280	Fr.	Myrtle Beach, S.C. / Socastee HS
95	Ashton Phillips	LB	6-0	225	Fr.	St. Louis, Mo. / Desmet Jesuit HS
	Andrew Tumbleston	OL	6-4	260	Fr.	Summerville, S.C. / Cane Bay HS
	Jameson Bell	LB	6-3	240	Fr.	Mount Pleasant, S.C. / Wando HS
	Hunter Zorn	OL	6-2	235	Fr.	Barnwell, S.C. / Jefferson Davis Academy
	Mason Williams	OL	6-2	260	Fr.	Annapolis, Md. / Mount Saint Joseph HS
	Austin Hadlock	LB	6-3	190	Fr.	Tampa, Fla. / East Lake HS
	Andy Young V	LS	6-0	150	Fr.	Greenville, S.C. / Greenville HS
	Ben Bessinger	DL	5-10	250	Fr.	Charleston, S.C. / First Baptist HS

COACHING STAFF

Head Coach:
 Chief of Staff:
 Assistant Head Coach / Tight Ends:
 Co-Offensive Coordinator / Offensive Line:
 Co-Offensive Coordinator / Wide Receivers:
 Defensive Coordinator / Linebackers:
 Special Teams Coordinator / Gameday Management:
 Recruiting Coordinator / Running Backs:
 Assistant Coach / Quarterbacks:
 Assistant Coach / Defensive Line:
 Assistant Coach / Cornerbacks:
 Assistant Coach / Safeties:
 Assistant Coach / Bandits:
 Offensive Assistant / Tight Ends:
 Offensive Assistant / Runnings Backs:
 Offensive Assistant / Wide Receivers:
 Defensive Assistant / Defensive Line:
 Student Assistant / Offensive Line:
 Student Assistant / Analytics & Research:

Maurice Drayton (The Citadel, 1998)
 Keith Jones (The Citadel, 1975)
 Danny Lewis (South Carolina, 1995)
 Patrick Covington (Furman, 2006)
 Lamar Owens (Maryland, 2008)
 Raleigh Jackson (The Citadel, 2007)
 Tony Coaxum (USMA, 2000)
 Everette Sands (The Citadel, 1993)
 Jackson Eskierka (San Diego State, 2016)
 Roberto Pinilla (West Georgia, 1997)
 Jo Jackson (Florida Tech, 2018)
 Blaze Barista (Dubuque, 2019)
 Zane Vance (ETSU, 1986)
 Barry Casterlin (South Carolina, 2001)
 Tobias Jordan (Coastal Carolina, 2024)
 Jason Simmons Jr. (Syracuse, 2024)
 Greg Dixon (Thomas More, 2010)
 Garrett Bonneville
 Shane Mahoney

SUPPORT STAFF

General Manager:
 Director of Football Operations:
 Video Coordinator:
 Director of Football Equipment:
 Director of Strength & Conditioning:
 Associate Director of S&C / Head of Nutrition:
 Strength & Conditioning / Nutrition / Team Activities:
 Head Athletic Trainer:
 Athletic Trainer:
 Athletic Trainer:

Andy Clawson (Henderson State, 1969)
 Rett Russell (Wofford, 2022)
 Dennis Carlson (Charlotte, 2010)
 Gary Monteer (Arkansas, 2016)
 Joe Varga (Central Conn. State, 2006)
 Russell Hubbs (The Citadel, 2018)
 Sierra Chavez (Newberry, 2022)
 Caleb Spencer (Appalachian State, 2020)
 Logan Hatley (Appalachian State, 2021)
 Sean O'Donnell (UNC Wilmington, 2021)

ALPHABETICAL

No.	Name	Pos.
28	Nick McGill	DB
	CJ Meetze	DB
24	Nikolas Mirabella	DB
18	Ryland Mitchell	DB
71	Cameron Moewe	OL
82	Ha'Keem Monroe	WR
75	Darwin Murillo	OL
25	Amond Myers	DB
79	Brock Nobles	DL
6	Reese Patterson	DB
7	Dervon Pesnell	WR
37	DaVonyae Pettis	LB
95	Ashton Phillips	LB
60	Brady Pickett	OL
13	Will Pickren	DB
99	Kenneth Pierce Jr.	DL
	Haydan Pinckney	LB
90	James Platte	P
19	Dominick Poole	DB
38	Rhyder Poppell	RB
8	Justin Preaster	DB
84	Will Ramey	WR
3	Melvin Ravenel	DB
52	Giovanni Ricciardi	LB
43	Je'Mazin Roberts	LB
53	Miles Robinson	OL
63	Nico Rodriguez-Pena	OL
45	Mikey Rosa	LB
	Drew Spires	WR
48	Cameron Sutton	TE
81	Kaiden Swortzel	TE
	Cooper Tankersley	QB
5	Malachi Taylor	WR
6	Cobey Thompkins	QB
61	Nathan Tokar	LS
	Andrew Tumbleston	OL
47	Daniel Turpin	LB
18	Graeson Underwood	QB
12	Hayden Vasquez	QB
27	Cooper Wallace	RB
46	Jack Weil	K / P
94	Terrance Wells Jr.	DL
65	Sawyer Whitman	OL
20	Jenorris Wilcher Jr.	RB
31	Cale Williams	DB
	Mason Williams	OL
23	Jabraivon Woodard	DB
2	Thomas Wyatt	LB
	Andy Young V	LS
	Hunter Zorn	OL





MAURICE DRAYTON

**HEAD COACH | 2ND SEASON
THE CITADEL, '98**

Former Bulldog cadet-athlete and defensive coordinator Maurice Drayton currently serves as the head football coach at The Citadel. The announcement was made by Director of Athletics Mike Capaccio on Dec. 14, 2022.

"We are very excited to have Maurice back at The Citadel," said Capaccio. "We conducted a very thorough search and it was clear that Maurice was the best person for this position. He understands what it takes to be a cadet-athlete at The Citadel, and also understands what it takes to be successful on the field."

A former standout player and defensive coordinator, Drayton returned to The Citadel after spending the previous seven seasons working in the NFL. He most recently served as the assistant special teams coordinator for the Las Vegas Raiders. Drayton also served as the special teams coordinator in Green Bay in 2021, assistant special teams coordinator for the Packers from 2018-20, and assisted with special teams for the Indianapolis Colts in 2016-17.

In his final season in Green Bay, Drayton worked with newcomer P Corey Bojorquez, who finished with the highest gross punting average (46.5 avg.) in a season (min. 35 punts) in franchise history. He also saw K Mason Crosby set a new franchise record with a streak of 24 consecutive field goals made from 2019-2021.

Drayton's first season with the Colts saw him guide Pat McAfee to his second Pro Bowl after leading the league with a 49.3 yard average. Additionally, he helped Adam Vinatieri register his 19th and 20th 100-point seasons, extending his NFL record.

"I want to thank Gen. Walters, Mike Capaccio and the entire committee for giving me this opportunity. I made the decision several years ago to take the road less traveled, and it allowed me to meet people that have remained loyal.

"I believe in the divine power of God and that has moved in the minds of those who extended the invitation to return home. For me and my family, Moncks Corner, Charleston and The Citadel will always be home. I am prepared to assist in taking our school to the next level."

Drayton served as The Citadel's defensive coordinator from 2014-15, helping the Bulldogs to the 2015 Southern Conference Championship. The 2015 defense led the conference with 31 takeaways, 11 fumble recoveries, 10 passing TDs allowed and a 36.5 opponent third-down conversion percentage. The defense also ranked third in the FCS with 20 interceptions, including five returned for touchdowns.

THE DRAYTON FILE

2023-	The Citadel Head Coach
2022	Las Vegas Raiders Assistant Special Teams
2021	Green Bay Packers Special Teams Coordinator
2018-20	Green Bay Packers Assistant Special Teams
2016-17	Indianapolis Colts Special Teams Assistant
2014-15	The Citadel Assistant Head Coach/Defensive Coordinator/Cornerbacks
2013	Montreal Alouettes Guest Coach
2012	Southern Mississippi Secondary
2010-11	Coastal Carolina Assistant Head Coach/Special Teams/Wide Receivers
2008-09	South Carolina State Special Teams/Defensive Backs
2007	Goose Creek High School Assistant Coach
2006	Seinajoki Crocodiles Defensive Coordinator
2003-05	The Citadel Special Teams/Secondary/Recruiting Coordinator
2002	The Citadel Outside Linebackers
2001	The Citadel Wide Receivers
2000	The Citadel Tight Ends/Tackles
1999	The Citadel Graduate Assistant/Secondary





All-in-all, Drayton spent 14 seasons at The Citadel as a player or coach prior to taking over the helm as head coach ahead of the 2023 campaign. He earned his bachelor's degree in physical education in 1998 and his master's in education in 2007.

As a player, Drayton was a two-year starter at cornerback and finished his career with 145 tackles, 17 pass break-ups and three interceptions.

After completing his eligibility in 1998, Drayton spent the next seven seasons as a member of the Bulldog coaching staff. He began as a graduate assistant/secondary coach, before spending the 2000 season coaching the tackles/tight ends. He also worked with the wide receivers (2001) and outside linebackers (2002), before spending the 2003-05 seasons coaching the secondary, special teams and serving as the recruiting coordinator.

Drayton spent the 2006 season as the defensive coordinator for the Seinajoki (Finland) Crocodiles of the European Football League. He spent 2007 as an assistant principal and assistant coach at Goose Creek High School.

Drayton joined the staff at South Carolina State in 2008, coaching the defensive backs and special teams. In his two seasons in Orangeburg, Drayton helped SCSU capture a pair of Mid-Eastern Athletic Conference (MEAC) titles.

Drayton spent the 2010-11 seasons as the assistant head coach, special teams coordinator and wide receivers coach at Coastal Carolina.

He would serve as the secondary coach for former Bulldog head coach Ellis Johnson at Southern Miss in 2012 before working with the defense and special teams with the Montreal Alouettes of the Canadian Football League in 2013.

A native of Moncks Corner, South Carolina, Drayton and his wife are the proud parents of two children.

THE CITADEL FOOTBALL | GAME NOTES

THE CITADEL UNDER MAURICE DRAYTON

In August	1-0	When allowing 30+ points	0-11	With 300+ passing yards	0-1
In September	1-8	When scoring first	2-2	When out-gaining opponents	1-2
In October	2-5	When leading after 1st quarter	2-2	When allowing less than 300 yards	2-5
In November	0-3	When tied after 1st quarter	1-1	When allowing 300-399 yards	2-4
In December	0-0	When trailing after 1st quarter	1-13	When allowing 400-499 yards	0-5
In SoCon home games	1-6	When leading at halftime	1-1	When allowing 500+ yards	0-4
In SoCon road games	1-6	When tied at halftime	0-1	When allowing less than 100 rush yards	3-1
In non-conference home games	1-2	When trailing at halftime	3-14	When allowing 100-199 rush yards	1-9
In non-conference road games	1-2	When leading after 3rd quarter	2-2	When allowing 200-299 rush yards	0-5
vs. ranked FCS opponents at home	0-2	When tied after 3rd quarter	0-0	When allowing 300+ rush yards	0-1
vs. ranked FCS opponents on road	0-2	When trailing after 3rd quarter	2-14	When allowing less than 100 pass yards	0-1
vs. FBS opponents	0-1	In overtime	0-0	When allowing 100-199 pass yards	2-5
In home day games	2-8	When gaining less than 300 yards	1-11	When allowing 200-299 pass yards	2-6
In home night games	0-0	When gaining 300-399 yards	3-4	When allowing 300+ pass yards	0-4
In road day games	1-4	When gaining 400-499 yards	0-1	When scoring non-offensive TD	1-1
In road night games	1-4	When gaining 500+ yards	0-0	When allowing non-offensive TD	0-2
In games decided by 10 points or less	2-4	When gaining less than 100 rush yards	0-5	When committing 3+ turnovers	0-3
In games decided by 3 points or less	2-2	When gaining 100-199 rush yards	3-10	When forcing 3+ turnovers	0-1
When scoring 0-13 points	1-7	When gaining 200-299 rush yards	1-1	When leading time of possession	3-9
When scoring 14-20 points	0-7	When gaining 300-399 rush yards	0-0		
When scoring 21-29 points	2-2	When gaining 400-499 rush yards	0-0		
When scoring 30+ points	1-0	When gaining 500+ rush yards	0-0		
When allowing 0-13 points	3-1	With less than 100 passing yards	1-3		
When allowing 14-20 points	0-2	With 100-199 passing yards	3-10		
When allowing 21-29 points	1-2	With 200-299 passing yards	0-2		

GAMEDAY COACHING STAFF GPS

ON THE SIDELINE

Maurice Drayton	Head Coach
Danny Lewis	Assistant Head Coach / Tight Ends
Patrick Covington	Co-Offensive Coordinator / Offensive Line
Raleigh Jackson	Defensive Coordinator / Linebackers
Tony Coaxum	Special Teams Coordinator
Everette Sands	Recruiting Coordinator / Running Backs
Roberto Pinilla	Assistant Coach / Defensive Line
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Greg Dixon	Defensive Assistant / Defensive Line

IN THE PRESS BOX

Keith Jones	Chief of Staff
Lamar Owens	Co-Offensive Coordinator / Wide Receivers
Jackson Eskierka	Assistant Coach / Quarterbacks
Jo Jackson	Assistant Coach / Cornerbacks
Zane Vance	Assistant Coach / Bandits
Tobias Jordan	Offensive Assistant / Running Backs

PRONUNCIATION GUIDE

STUDENT- & CADET-ATHLETES

3 Melvin Ravenel	rah-VIN-ell	52 Giovanni Ricciardi	rich-CHAR-dee
23 Jabraivon Woodard	juh-BRAY-vee-on	57 Mike Bartilucci	BAR-till-ew-chee
26 Jaleel Laffitte	luh-feet	58 Maurice Bonneau Jr.	bon-NO
29 Elijah Bass	like the fish	59 Alex Duré	dur-A
37 DaVonyae Pettis	duh-VON-yay	61 Nathan Tokar	rhymes with 'poker'
39 Justice Gilliard	gill-YURD	62 Mike Lengi	lin-GUY
40 Pierre Fertil	FUR-till	71 Cameron Moewe	Maui, like the island
42 Corey Ibrahim	EE-bra-heem	83 Braylon Knauth	noth
43 Je'Mazin Roberts	juh-MAZE-in	CJ Meetze	meets
46 Jack Weil	while	Tyler DeRienzo	duh-REE-EN-zoh

COACHING STAFF

Tony Coaxum	COKE-um	Roberto Pinilla	pin-EL-uh
Jackson Eskierka	ES-CARE-kuh	Blaze Barista	bah-REE-sta



GAME NOTES | THE CITADEL FOOTBALL

Sunday 11/2	Monday 11/4	Tuesday 11/5	Wednesday 11/6	Thursday 11/7	Friday 11/8	Saturday 11/9
Recovery	Maurice Drayton Press Conference	Practice	Practice	Practice	Practice	vs. Chattanooga
No Media Availability	1 pm ET Johnson Hagood	Potential Media Availability	Potential Media Availability	Potential Media Availability	No Media Availability	Kickoff 2:02 pm ET

NOTABLE NOTES

STARTING OFF ON THE RIGHT (OR LEFT) FOOT

A monumental effort from graduate student P James Platte has provided the Bulldogs a dynamic edge in terms of field position throughout the season, posting a 48.4 punting average thus far -- good for the top mark within the FCS as well as second at the Division I level -- with 16 punts breaking the 50-yard mark while a total 15 pinned opposing teams inside the 20-yard line.

BLOCK PARTY

Ignited by a pair of blocked kicks from sophomore DB Bradlee Jones to launch the season, The Citadel special teams emerged as a high-impact unit early in the campaign and has maintained that designation behind key plays in virtually every contest since. Eight games in, Jones holds credit for tipping the potential game-winning field goal at Charleston Southern as well as the opening PAT attempt against SC State while fellow DB Melvin Ravenel scored a key blocked punt turned touchdown recovery versus North Greenville, newcomer DB Evan Byrd shut down the initial PAT attempt from ETSU and true freshman Nikolas Mirabella diverted a punt at Western Carolina. Accordingly, Jones ranks third on the leaderboard nationally for the individual category while The Citadel maintains a tie for second behind Dayton (6) via five total blocked kicks.

THE LOCAL CONNECTION

Despite playing against one another at rival Charleston-area high schools Summerville and Berkeley, QB Johnathan Bennett and WR Dervon Pesnell established a rhythm throughout the early goings this season. Thus far, the pair have connected 21 times for a total 399 yards, including a trio of 45-plus yarders against NGU, Mercer and Furman, for a notable 19.0 yards per reception average, good for 13th-best nationally.

THE LINE MUST BE DRAWN HERE

The Citadel defense has managed to come into its own over the course of the 2024 campaign, evolving into an elite shutdown force. Notably, the unit has produced a .327 (37-of-113) third-down percentage, good for the 17th-best mark nationally.

ONE-MAN ARMY

A lead-by-example centerpiece for The Citadel defense, redshirt junior Thomas Wyatt has made his presence felt throughout the 2024 campaign, registering 74.0 total tackles thus far, good for 43rd in the FCS. The Pennsylvania native also ranks as the team's top backfield disrupter, pacing the squad with 9.5 TFLs.

THE BULLDOGS' RECORD WHEN...

The Citadel's Record in...

August	1-0
September	1-3
October	2-2
November	0-0

The Citadel's Conference Record...

At home	1-2
On the road	1-2

The Citadel's Non-Conference Record

At home	1-1
On the road	1-0

The Citadel vs. Ranked Opponents...

At home	0-0
On the road	0-1

The Citadel's Record in Games Decided by...

1-3 points	2-2
4-7 points	0-0
8-10 points	0-0
11-19 points	1-3
20-29 points	0-0
30+ points	1-0

The Citadel's Record When Scoring...

10 or fewer points	0-0
11-19 points	1-3
20-29 points	2-2
30+ points	1-0

The Citadel's Record When Allowing...

10 or fewer points	2-0
11-19 points	1-1
20-29 points	1-1
30+ points	0-3

The Citadel's Record in Games...

Day games (kickoff prior to 6 pm)	3-4
Night games (kickoff 6 pm or later)	1-1
Scoring first	2-2
Scoring on first drive	1-1
Opponent scores first	2-3
Leading after 1st quarter	2-2
Trailing after 1st quarter	1-2
Tied after 1st quarter	1-1
Leading at halftime	1-1
Trailing at halftime	3-4
Tied at Half	0-0
Leading after 3rd quarter	2-1
Trailing after 3rd quarter	2-4
Tied after 3rd quarter	0-0
In overtime	0-0

The Citadel's record with...

200-yard passer	0-1
100-yard rusher	1-1
100-yard receiver	0-1
Less than 300 yards total offense	1-3
300-399 yards total offense	3-1
400-499 yards total offense	0-1
500+ yards total offense	0-0
Surrendered less than 300 total yards	2-1
Surrendered 300-399 total yards	2-1
Surrendered 400-499 total yards	0-3
Surrendered 500+ total yards	0-0
Committing fewer turnovers	2-1
Committing more turnovers	1-3
Turnovers are equal	1-1



THE LAST TIME...

PASSING

30 Pass Attempts

CIT: 31 by Johnathan Bennett vs. ETSU (2024)

Opp.: 36 by Crittendon, Samford (2024)

40 Pass Attempts

CIT: 43 by Graeson Underwood at ETSU (2023)

Opp.: 40 by Carlos Davis, Western Carolina (2021)

20 Completions

CIT: 22 by Graeson Underwood at ETSU (2023)

Opp.: 29 by Crittendon, Samford (2024)

200 Passing Yards

CIT: 304 by Johnathan Bennett at Mercer (2024)

Opp.: 223 by Crittendon, Samford (2024)

300 Passing Yards

CIT: 304 by Johnathan Bennett at Mercer (2024)

Opp.: 353 by Hiers, Samford (2023)

400 Passing Yards

CIT: 428 by Kip Allen vs. Wofford (1985)

Opp.: 401 by Carlos Davis, Western Carolina (2021)

Three Touchdown Passes

CIT: 3 by Brandon Rainey vs. Western Carolina (2019)

Opp.: 3 by Hiers, Samford (2023)

Four Touchdown Passes

CIT: 6 by Bart Blanchard vs. Presbyterian (2009)

Opp.: 4 by Chase Brice, App State (2022)

RUSHING

25 Rushing Attempts

CIT: 26 by Hi'keem Elmore vs. Wofford (2023)

Opp.: 25 by Ryan Ingram, Wofford (2023)

35 Rushing Attempts

CIT: 36 by Graeson Underwood at Western Carolina (2022)

Opp.: 35 by Jerick McKinnon, Georgia Southern (2010)

100 Rushing Yards

CIT: 164 by Johnathan Bennett at Western Carolina (2024)

Opp.: 126 by Bryson Ibry & 119 by Khamran Laborn, ETSU (2024)

200 Rushing Yards

CIT: 217 by Brandon Rainey vs. Samford (2018)

Opp.: 220, Donnavan Spencer, Western Carolina (2021)

Three Rushing Touchdowns

CIT: 3 by Brandon Rainey vs. Samford (2019)

Opp.: 5 by Reid, Western Carolina (2023)

FCS Opp.: 3 by Mike Holloway, Charleston Southern (2015)

Four Rushing Touchdowns

CIT: 4 by Lorenzo Ward vs. Samford (2018)

Opp.: 5 by Reid, Western Carolina (2023)

FCS Opp.: 4 by Chaz Williams, Georgia Southern (2004)

Two 100-Yard Rushers in Same Game

CIT: Jaylan Adams (188) and Logan Billings (112) vs. VMI (2021)

Opp.: Ibry (126) & Laborn (119), ETSU (2024)

Three 100-Yard Rushers in Same Game

CIT: Dominique Allen (174), Tyler Renew (129), Cam Jackson (113) and Vinny Miller (100) at Coastal Carolina, 2015

Opp.: Brothel Cole (137), Steve Bishop (101), Mike Glenn (100), Furman (1980)

Four 100-Yard Rushers in Same Game

CIT: Dominique Allen (174), Tyler Renew (129), Cam Jackson (113) and Vinny Miller (100) at Coastal Carolina, 2015

Two Players with Three Rushing Touchdowns in Same Game

CIT: Erick Little (3) and Everette Sands (3) vs. Lees-McRae (1993)

RECEIVING

10 Receptions

CIT: 10 by Raleigh Webb vs. VMI (2019)

Opp.: 10 by Kendall Watson, Samford (2022)

100 Receiving Yards

CIT: 105 by Javonte Graves-Billips at Mercer (2024)

Opp.: 102 by Booker, Western Carolina (2024)

Three Touchdown Receptions

CIT: 4 by Andre Roberts vs. Presbyterian (2009)

Opp.: 4 by Garris Schwarting, Charleston Southern (2021)

SPECIAL TEAMS

Three Field Goals Made

CIT: 3 by Ben Barnes vs. Furman (2024)

Opp.: 3 by Caleb Dowden, Campbell (2022)

Four Field Goals Made

CIT: 5 by Eric Goins vs. VMI (2015)

Opp.: by JJ Jerman, ETSU (2018)

DEFENSE

20 Tackles

CIT: 23 by Rod Harland vs. Wofford (2011)

Opp.: 23 by Chandler Martin, ETSU (2022)

Three Sacks

CIT: 3.0 by Mitchell Jeter at Samford (2015)

Opp.: 3.0 by Patrick Hatcher, Samford (2008)

Two Interceptions

CIT: 2 by Dominick Poole at Western Carolina (2022)

Opp.: 2 by Tyree Robinson, ETSU (2018)

Interception Returned for Touchdown

CIT: Dominick Poole (13 yards) at Mercer (2024)

Opp.: TJ Moore (39 yards), Mercer (2024)

Two Interceptions Returned for Touchdowns in Same Game

CIT: Cortez Allen (7 yards) and Demetrius Jackson (52 yards) vs. Chowan (2010)

Four Interceptions

CIT: vs. VMI - Q. Washington (2), Malik Diggs, Tevin Floyd (2015)

Fumble Returned for Touchdown

CIT: Jonathan King (54 yards) at VMI (2016)

Opp.: Trey Elston (53 yards), Samford (2022)

Safety Scored

CIT: TEAM at Western Carolina (2024)

Opp.: Wofford tackled Ben Dupree in end zone (2011)

Blocked Punt

CIT: Nikolas Mirabella at Western Carolina (2024)

Opp.: Eric Rankin, VMI (2022)

Blocked Punt Returned for Touchdown

CIT: Whit Hobgood (0 yards) vs. North Greenville (2024)

Opp.: Elijah Quamily (20 yards), VMI (2022)

Punt Returned for Touchdown

CIT: DeAndre Schoultz (81 yards) at Gardner-Webb (2016)

Opp.: Montrell Washington (68 yards), Samford (2021)

Two Punt Returns for Touchdowns in Same Game

CIT: Carlos Frank (53 and 80 yards) vs. Newberry (1997)

Kickoff Returned for Touchdown

CIT: Raleigh Webb (77 yards) vs. Charleston Southern (2018)

Opp.: Joshua Edwards (100 yards), North Greenville (2021)

Blocked Field Goal

CIT: Bradlee Jones at Charleston Southern (2024)

Opp.: by ETSU (2024)

Blocked Field Goal Returned for Touchdown

CIT: Demetrius Jackson (74 yards) vs. Chowan (2010)

Opp.: S. Arnold II (99 yards), ETSU (2023)

Blocked PAT

CIT: Evan Byrd vs. ETSU (2024)

Opp.: Timothy Jamison, Western Carolina (2021)

Defensive Extra Point Scored

CIT: Never

Opponent: Robert Mason, VMI (2003)

MISC

Earned Shutout

The Citadel vs. North Greenville, 54-0 (2024)

The Citadel vs. DI: vs. Davidson, 69-0 (2022)

Opponent: at Georgia Southern (2023), 0-34

Beat FBS Team

The Citadel: at Georgia Tech, 2019



OPPONENT PROFILES

2024 SCHEDULE [1-8, 0-6 BIG SOUTH/OVC]

Saturday, Aug. 31	The Citadel	L, 21-22
Saturday, Sept. 7	at Furman	W, 24-20
Saturday, Sept. 14	at Richmond	L, 0-38
Saturday, Sept. 28	at Tennessee State*	L, 9-13
Saturday, Oct. 5	Western Illinois*	L, 20-31
Saturday, Oct. 12	at Lindenwood*	L, 14-29
Saturday, Oct. 19	Southeast Missouri State*	L, 13-26
Saturday, Oct. 26	at Tennessee Tech*	L, 23-28
Saturday, Nov. 2	Gardner-Webb*	L, 14-17
Saturday, Nov. 9	UT Martin*	
Saturday, Nov. 16	at Eastern Illinois*	
Saturday, Nov. 23	at Florida State	

2024 SCHEDULE [6-2, 2-0 MEAC]

Saturday, Aug. 31	at Florida A&M	L, 18-22
Saturday, Sept. 7	at The Citadel	W, 23-20
Saturday, Sept. 14	at Georgia Southern	L, 14-42
Saturday, Sept. 28	North Carolina A&T	W, 45-25
Saturday, Oct. 5	at Tennessee Tech	W, 22-20
Saturday, Oct. 19	Fort Valley State	W, 30-3
Saturday, Oct. 26	Delaware State*	W, 69-35
Thursday, Oct. 31	North Carolina Central*	W, 24-21
Saturday, Nov. 9	at Howard*	
Saturday, Nov. 16	at Morgan State*	
Saturday, Nov. 23	Norfolk State*	

2024 SCHEDULE [4-4, 3-2 GSC]

Thursday, Sept. 5	_____	Keiser University	_____	L, 20-23
Saturday, Sept. 14	_____	at The Citadel	_____	L, 0-54
Saturday, Sept. 21	_____	at Mississippi College*	_____	W, 29-7
Saturday, Sept. 28	_____	Shorter University	_____	CANCELLED
Saturday, Oct. 5	_____	at Benedict College	_____	W, 38-21
Saturday, Oct. 12	_____	Valdosta State*	_____	L, 24-32
Saturday, Oct. 19	_____	Erskine College*	_____	W, 52-35
Saturday, Oct. 26	_____	Delta State*	_____	W, 47-45 (4OT)
Saturday, Nov. 2	_____	West Alabama*	_____	L, 14-17
Saturday, Nov. 9	_____	West Florida*	_____	
Saturday, Nov. 16	_____	Chowan*	_____	



THE CITADEL FOOTBALL | GAME NOTES

OPPONENT PROFILES

GAME IV | AT MERCER

Date	Saturday, Sept. 21
Kickoff	6:02 pm ET
Location	Macon, Ga.
Stadium	Five Star Stadium
Capacity	10,200
Series Results	10-10-1, Even
Last Time	L, 21-38 (9/21/2024)
Last at Five Star Stadium	L, 21-38 (9/21/2024)
Streak	L5

2024 SCHEDULE (8-1, 5-1 SOCON)

Thursday, Aug. 29	Presbyterian	W, 63-10
Saturday, Sept. 7	at Bethune-Cookman	W, 31-2
Saturday, Sept. 14	at Chattanooga*	W, 10-3
Saturday, Sept. 21	The Citadel*	W, 38-21
Saturday, Sept. 28	at Wofford*	W, 22-3
Saturday, Oct. 12	Princeton*	W, 34-7
Saturday, Oct. 19	at Samford*	L, 35-55
Saturday, Oct. 26	Western Carolina*	W, 44-34
Saturday, Nov. 2	ETSU*	W, 37-31
Saturday, Nov. 9	at VMI*	
Saturday, Nov. 16	at Alabama	
Saturday, Nov. 23	Furman*	

GAME V | VS. ETSU

Date _____ **Saturday, Sept. 28**

Kickoff _____ **2:02 pm ET**

Location _____ **Charleston, S.C.**

Stadium _____ **Samson Field at**
_____ **Johnson Hagood Stadium**

Capacity _____ **11,427**
_____ **Parents' Weekend**

Series Results _____ **20-12, ETSU**

Last Time _____ **L, 17-34 (9/28/2024)**

Last at Johnson Hagood Stadium _____ **L, 17-34 (9/28/2024)**

Streak _____ **L2**

2024 SCHEDULE [5-4, 3-2 SOCON]

Saturday, Aug. 31	_____ at Appalachian State _____	L, 10-38
Saturday, Sept. 7	_____ UVA Wise _____	W, 61-0
Saturday, Sept. 14	_____ North Dakota State _____	L, 35-38
Saturday, Sept. 21	_____ at Elon _____	W, 34-14
Saturday, Sept. 28	_____ at The Citadel*	W, 34-17
Saturday, Oct. 5	_____ Chattanooga* _____	L, 10-17
Saturday, Oct. 12	_____ Samford* _____	W, 31-28
Saturday, Oct. 26	_____ at Wofford* _____	W, 24-7
Saturday, Nov. 2	_____ at Mercer* _____	L, 31-37
Saturday, Nov. 9	_____ Western Carolina* _____	
Saturday, Nov. 16	_____ Furman* _____	
Saturday, Nov. 23	_____ at VMI* _____	

GAME VI | VS. FURMAN

Date _____ **Saturday, Oct. 5**

Kickoff _____ **2:02 pm ET**

Location _____ **Charleston, S.C.**

Stadium _____ **Samson Field at**
_____ **Johnson Hagood Stadium**

Capacity _____ **11,427**

Series Results _____ **63-37-3, Furman**

Last Time _____ **L, 16-17 (10/5/2024)**

Last at Johnson Hagood Stadium _____ **L, 16-17 (10/5/2024)**

Streak _____ **L4**

2024 SCHEDULE [2-6, 1-3 SOCON]

Saturday, Aug. 31	at Ole Miss	L, 0-76
Saturday, Sept. 7	Charleston Southern	L, 20-24
Saturday, Sept. 14	Stetson	W, 48-7
Saturday, Sept. 21	at William & Mary	L, 24-34
Saturday, Sept. 28	Samford*	POSTPONED
Saturday, Oct. 5	at The Citadel*	W, 17-16
Saturday, Oct. 12	Chattanooga*	L, 10-41
Saturday, Oct. 19	Western Carolina*	L, 20-52
Saturday, Nov. 2	at VMI*	L, 17-21
Saturday, Nov. 9	Wofford*	
Saturday, Nov. 16	at ETSU*	
Saturday, Nov. 23	at Mercer*	



GAME NOTES | THE CITADEL FOOTBALL

OPPONENT PROFILES

GAME VII | AT WESTERN CAROLINA

Date _____ **Saturday, Oct. 12**
Kickoff _____ **2:32 pm ET**
Location _____ **Cullowhee, N.C.**
Stadium _____ Bob Waters Field at
_____ E.J. Whitmire Stadium
Capacity _____ 13,742
Series Results _____ **26-21-1, The Citadel**
Last Time _____ L, 16-30 (10/12/2024)
Last at E.J. Whitmire Stadium _____ L, 16-30 (10/12/2024)
Streak _____ L2

2024 SCHEDULE [5-4, 4-1 SOCON]

Thursday, Aug. 29 _____ at North Carolina State _____ L, 21-38
Saturday, Sept. 7 _____ Campbell _____ L, 16-24
Saturday, Sept. 14 _____ at Elon _____ W, 24-17
Saturday, Sept. 21 _____ at Montana _____ L, 35-46
Saturday, Oct. 5 _____ Wofford* _____ W, 21-17
Saturday, Oct. 12 _____ The Citadel* _____ W, 30-16
Saturday, Oct. 19 _____ at Furman* _____ W, 52-20
Saturday, Oct. 26 _____ at Mercer* _____ L, 34-44
Saturday, Nov. 2 _____ Chattanooga* _____ W, 38-34
Saturday, Nov. 9 _____ at ETSU* _____
Saturday, Nov. 16 _____ VMI* _____
Saturday, Nov. 23 _____ at Samford* _____

GAME VIII | AT VMI

Date _____ **Saturday, Oct. 19**
Kickoff _____ **1:32 pm ET**
Location _____ **Lexington, Va.**
Stadium _____ Alumni Memorial Field at
_____ Foster Stadium
Capacity _____ 10,000
Rivalry _____ The Military Classic of the South
Series Results _____ **45-33-2, The Citadel**
Last Time _____ W, 13-10 (10/19/2024)
Last at Foster Stadium _____ W, 13-10 (10/19/2024)
Streak _____ W1

2024 SCHEDULE [1-8, 1-4 SOCON]

Thursday, Aug. 29 _____ at William & Mary _____ L, 7-41
Saturday, Sept. 7 _____ Bucknell _____ L, 28-35
Saturday, Sept. 14 _____ at Georgia Tech _____ L, 7-59
Saturday, Sept. 21 _____ Norfolk State _____ L, 10-32
Saturday, Oct. 5 _____ at Samford* _____ L, 3-27
Saturday, Oct. 12 _____ at Wofford* _____ L, 16-31
Saturday, Oct. 19 _____ The Citadel* _____ L, 10-13
Saturday, Oct. 26 _____ at Chattanooga* _____ L, 10-31
Saturday, Nov. 2 _____ Furman* _____ W, 21-17
Saturday, Nov. 9 _____ Mercer* _____
Saturday, Nov. 16 _____ at Western Carolina* _____
Saturday, Nov. 23 _____ ETSU* _____

GAME IX | VS. SAMFORD

Date _____ **Saturday, Oct. 26**
Kickoff _____ **2:02 pm ET**
Location _____ **Charleston, S.C.**
Stadium _____ Samson Field at
_____ Johnson Hagood Stadium
Capacity _____ 11,427
_____ Senior Day / Leaders in Philanthropy
Series Results _____ **9-8, Samford**
Last Time _____ W, 28-11 (10/26/2024)
Last at Johnson Hagood Stadium _____ W, 28-11 (10/26/2024)
Streak _____ L4

2024 SCHEDULE [3-5, 2-3 SOCON]

Saturday, Aug. 31 _____ at West Georgia _____ L, 29-38
Saturday, Sept. 7 _____ at Florida _____ L, 7-45
Saturday, Sept. 14 _____ Alabama State _____ W, 12-7
Saturday, Sept. 28 _____ at Furman* _____ POSTPONED
Saturday, Oct. 5 _____ VMI* _____ W, 27-3
Saturday, Oct. 12 _____ at ETSU* _____ L, 28-31
Saturday, Oct. 19 _____ Mercer* _____ W, 55-35
Saturday, Oct. 26 _____ at The Citadel* _____ L, 11-28
Saturday, Nov. 2 _____ Wofford* _____ L, 13-17
Saturday, Nov. 9 _____ Tennessee Tech _____
Saturday, Nov. 16 _____ at Chattanooga* _____
Saturday, Nov. 23 _____ Western Carolina* _____



THE CITADEL FOOTBALL | GAME NOTES

OPPONENT PROFILES

GAME X | VS. CHATTANOOGA

Date _____ **Saturday, Nov. 9**
Kickoff _____ **2:02 pm ET**
Location _____ **Charleston, S.C.**
Stadium _____ Samson Field at
_____ Johnson Hagood Stadium
Capacity _____ 11,427
_____ Homecoming
Series Results _____ **35-20-2, Chattanooga**
Last Time _____ L, 3-48 (9/16/2023)
Last at Johnson Hagood Stadium _____ L, 21-31 (11/5/2022)
Streak _____ L2

2024 SCHEDULE [5-4, 4-2 SOCON]

Saturday, Aug. 31 _____ at Tennessee _____ L, 3-69
Saturday, Sept. 7 _____ at Georgia State _____ L, 21-24
Saturday, Sept. 14 _____ Mercer* _____ L, 3-10
Saturday, Sept. 28 _____ Portland State _____ W, 45-30
Saturday, Oct. 5 _____ at ETSU* _____ W, 17-10
Saturday, Oct. 12 _____ at Furman* _____ W, 41-10
Saturday, Oct. 19 _____ Wofford* _____ W, 37-5
Saturday, Oct. 26 _____ VMI* _____ W, 31-10
Saturday, Nov. 2 _____ at Western Carolina* _____ L, 34-28
Saturday, Nov. 9 _____ **at The Citadel*** _____
Saturday, Nov. 16 _____ Samford* _____
Saturday, Nov. 23 _____ at Austin Peay _____

GAME XI | AT WOFFORD

Date _____ **Saturday, Nov. 16**
Kickoff _____ **1:32 pm ET**
Location _____ **Spartanburg, S.C.**
Stadium _____ Gibbs Stadium
Capacity _____ 13,000
Rivalry _____ Big Dog Trophy
Series Results _____ **44-31-1, The Citadel**
Last Time _____ L, 3-11 (11/11/2023)
Last at Gibbs Stadium _____ L, 16-31 (10/15/2022)
Streak _____ L2

2024 SCHEDULE [4-5, 2-4 SOCON]

Thursday, Aug. 29 _____ at Gardner-Webb _____ W, 21-20
Saturday, Sept. 7 _____ at Richmond _____ W, 26-19
Saturday, Sept. 14 _____ William & Mary _____ L, 21-28
Saturday, Sept. 28 _____ Mercer* _____ L, 3-22
Saturday, Oct. 5 _____ at Western Carolina* _____ L, 17-21
Saturday, Oct. 12 _____ VMI* _____ W, 31-16
Saturday, Oct. 19 _____ at Chattanooga* _____ L, 5-37
Saturday, Oct. 26 _____ ETSU* _____ L, 7-24
Saturday, Nov. 2 _____ at Samford* _____ W, 17-13
Saturday, Nov. 9 _____ at Furman* _____
Saturday, Nov. 16 _____ **The Citadel*** _____
Saturday, Nov. 23 _____ at South Carolina* _____

GAME XII | AT CLEMSON

Date _____ **Saturday, Nov. 23**
Kickoff _____ **TBD**
Location _____ **Clemson, S.C.**
Stadium _____ Memorial Stadium
Capacity _____ 81,500
Series Results _____ **33-5-1, Clemson**
Last Time _____ L, 0-49 (9/19/2020)
Last at Memorial Stadium _____ L, 0-49 (9/19/2020)
Streak _____ L18

2024 SCHEDULE [6-2, 5-1 ACC]

Saturday, Aug. 31 _____ vs. Georgia _____ L, 3-34
Saturday, Sept. 7 _____ Appalachian State _____ W, 66-20
Saturday, Sept. 21 _____ North Carolina State* _____ W, 59-35
Saturday, Sept. 28 _____ Stanford* _____ W, 40-14
Saturday, Oct. 5 _____ at Florida State* _____ W, 29-13
Saturday, Oct. 12 _____ at Wake Forest* _____ W, 49-14
Saturday, Oct. 19 _____ Virginia* _____ W, 48-31
Saturday, Nov. 2 _____ Louisville* _____ L, 21-33
Saturday, Nov. 9 _____ at Virginia Tech* _____
Saturday, Nov. 16 _____ at Pitt* _____
Saturday, Nov. 23 _____ **The Citadel** _____
Saturday, Nov. 30 _____ South Carolina _____





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2024 SOUTHERN CONFERENCE FOOTBALL STANDINGS

Teams ^{rank}	CONFERENCE						OVERALL					
	W-L	Pct	H	A	ST		W-L	Pct	H	A	ST	
Mercer ^{13/10}	5-1	.833	3-0	2-1	W2		8-1	.889	5-0	3-1	W2	
Western Carolina ^{RV/22}	4-1	.800	3-0	1-1	W1		5-4	.556	3-1	2-3	W1	
Chattanooga ^{RV/23}	4-2	.667	2-1	2-1	L1		5-4	.556	3-1	2-3	L1	
ETSU ^{NA/RV}	3-2	.600	1-1	2-1	L1		5-4	.556	2-2	3-2	L1	
Samford	2-3	.400	2-1	0-2	L2		3-5	.375	3-1	0-4	L2	
The Citadel	2-4	.333	1-2	1-2	W2		4-5	.444	2-3	2-2	W2	
Wofford	2-4	.333	1-2	1-2	W1		4-5	.444	1-3	3-2	W1	
Furman	1-3	.250	0-2	1-1	L3		2-6	.250	1-3	1-3	L3	
VMI	1-4	.200	1-1	0-3	W1		1-8	.111	1-3	0-5	W1	

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

UPCOMING SCHEDULE

(all times Eastern)

Nov. 9 (Saturday)

*Western Carolina^{RV/22} at ETSU^{NA/RV}

*Chattanooga^{RV/23} at The Citadel

*Mercer^{13/10} at VMI

*Wofford at Furman

Tennessee Tech at Samford

Series

Western Carolina leads 27-25-1

Chattanooga leads 35-20-2

Mercer leads 7-3

Furman leads 56-34-7

Samford leads 5-3

TV/Digital

ESPN+

ESPN+

ESPN+

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ESPN+

Time

Noon

1 p.m.

1:30 p.m.

2 p.m.

3 p.m.

* Denotes SoCon game

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

STARTERS RETURNING/LOST

The Southern Conference returns 51.5 percent of its starters from last season, with The Citadel, Chattanooga and Wofford leading the way with 64 percent of its starters back.

Team	Offense	Defense	Specialists	Total	Pct.
The Citadel	9/2	6/5	1/2	16/9	.640
ETSU	5/6	5/6	4/2	14/14	.500
Furman	3/8	3/8	2/1	8/17	.320
Mercer	4/7	6/5	2/1	12/13	.480
Samford	6/5	3/8	2/4	11/17	.392
Chattanooga	8/3	7/4	1/2	16/9	.640
VMI	5/6	6/5	3/3	14/14	.500
Western Carolina	5/6	6/5	3/1	14/12	.538
Wofford	7/4	7/4	2/1	16/9	.640
Total	52/47	49/50	20/17	121/114	.515

NOTES

• All nine SoCon teams are in action on Saturday for the first time in three weeks. Samford is the lone team that will not play a conference game this week.

• Three SoCon squads - Mercer, Chattanooga and Western Carolina - are ranked in national polls. The Bears are ranked in both the AFCA and Stats Perform polls, while the Mocs and Catamounts are in the Stats Perform poll. Chattanooga and Western Carolina received votes in the AFCA poll. ETSU received votes in the Stats Perform poll.

• Western Carolina at ETSU serves as the marquee matchup on the SoCon schedule this week. The Catamounts have won the last two Blue Ridge Border Battles, including a 58-7 victory at home last season.

• The Citadel, who is coming off its bye week, host Chattanooga looking for its third straight win. After dropping their first three games, the Mocs had won five straight games before dropping a close game at Western Carolina last week.

• Mercer found its way back into the top 10 of the Stats Perform after winning its second consecutive game last week. The Bears boast the top 3rd Down Conversion Pct Defense (.224) in FCS football. Also after scoring twice on defense last week, Mercer leads the FCS in defensive TDs (6).

• VMI and The Citadel are tied for second in the FCS in blocked kicks (5) this season. One of those blocks for the Keydets came last week by Shamus Jones, who was named SoCon Defensive Player of the Week on Monday.

• Wofford went on the road last week and handed Samford its first home loss of the season. The Terriers will now try to win at rival Furman this Saturday.

• Samford looks to win its third straight game against Tennessee Tech. The Bulldogs defeated the Golden Eagles, 33-28, on Sept. 17, 2022, in the two teams' last matchup.

• Samford's Noah Martin (9.9) and Furman's Evan DiMaggio (9.8) are ranked fifth and ninth, respectively, in total tackles per game in the FCS.

• Mercer wide receiver Brayden Smith is ranked 10th in FCS football in all-purpose yards per game (136.2) and is one of two players in the nation to have multiple punt return touchdowns this season.

• Chattanooga's Leroy Harris III is one of four players in FCS football with three fumble recoveries, which leads the country.

• Furman's Trey Hedden and Wofford's CJ Coombes were named to the Jerry Rice Award Watch List. Chattanooga's Reuben Lowery III was named a finalist for the Doris Robinson Scholar-Athlete Award.

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AFCA FCS COACHES' TOP 25

Team (1st-place votes)	W-L	PTS	PREV
1. North Dakota State (24)	9-1	648	1
2. Montana State (2)	9-0	622	2
3. South Dakota State	7-2	599	3
4. UC Davis	8-1	568	4
5. South Dakota	6-2	523	5
6. Southeast Missouri State	8-1	493	6
7. Montana	7-2	484	8
8. UIW	7-2	452	10
9. Richmond	7-2	411	12
10. Rhode Island	8-1	372	14
11. Villanova	7-2	368	13
12. Idaho	6-3	357	11
13. Mercer	8-1	348	16
14. Tarleton State	7-2	320	7
15. Missouri State	7-2	274	17
16. ACU	6-3	249	18
17. Illinois State	6-3	224	19
18. Stony Brook	7-2	202	20
19. Central Arkansas	6-3	201	9
20. Jackson State	7-2	144	23
21. William & Mary	6-3	134	24
22. UT Martin	6-3	99	NR
23. North Dakota	5-4	83	15
24. Duquesne	6-2	71	NR
25. Harvard	6-1	27	NR

Others receiving votes: South Carolina St., 23; North Carolina Central, 22; Dartmouth, 18; Butler, 16; Stephen F. Austin, 15; Florida A&M, 14; Austin Peay, 11; Drake, 11; Columbia, 9; **Western Carolina, 9; Chattanooga, 7;** Northern Arizona, 7; Robert Morris, 6; Tennessee St., 4; Indiana St., 3; Lamar, 1; South-eastern Louisiana, 1.

STATS PERFORM FCS TOP 25

Team (1st-place votes)	W-L	PTS	PREV
1. North Dakota State (43)	9-1	1387	1
2. Montana State (13)	9-0	1352	2
3. South Dakota State	7-2	1288	3
4. UC Davis	8-1	1213	4
5. South Dakota	6-2	1157	5
6. Southeast Missouri	8-1	1107	6
7. Montana	7-2	1009	8
8. UIW	7-2	950	9
9. Idaho	6-3	930	10
10. Mercer	8-1	929	12
11. Rhode Island	8-1	829	14
12. Villanova	7-2	799	13
13. Richmond	7-2	683	16
14. Tarleton State	7-2	680	7
15. Abilene Christian	6-3	650	17
16. Central Arkansas	6-3	447	11
17. Stony Brook	7-2	444	20
18. Illinois State	6-3	411	21
19. UT Martin	6-3	349	NR
20. William & Mary	6-3	290	24
21. North Dakota	5-4	246	15
22. Western Carolina	5-4	160	24
23. Chattanooga	5-4	158	18
24. Harvard	6-1	153	NR
25. Duquesne	6-2	102	NR

Others receiving votes: Jackson State 89; North Carolina Central 74; **ETSU 61;** Northern Arizona 55; Stephen F. Austin 54; South Carolina State 48; Dartmouth 37; Drake 28; Southeastern Louisiana 13; Tennessee State 12; Southern Utah 3

RECORDS VS. RANKED FCS FOES

Team	'24	'23	'22	'21	'20	'19	Total	Pct.
CIT	0-1	0-2	0-0	1-1	0-2	1-2	2-8	.200
ETSU	0-2	0-3	0-2	3-1	1-1	0-1	4-10	.286
FUR	0-2	4-0	2-1	2-1	0-1	0-2	8-7	.533
MER	4-0	1-3	0-2	1-1	3-1	0-2	9-9	.500
SAM	1-0	1-2	3-1	0-2	2-2	2-1	9-8	.529
UTC	1-1	2-3	0-2	1-1	2-0	0-3	6-10	.375
VMI	0-2	1-2	0-1	1-1	1-1	0-1	3-8	.273
WCU	2-2	2-1	0-1	0-2	0-1	0-1	4-8	.333
WOF	1-4	1-3	0-1	0-4	0-1	1-1	3-14	.176

INGLES SOCON GAME OF THE WEEK

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

Aug. 29	Presbyterian at Mercer	7 p.m.
Sept. 7	Campbell at Western Carolina	1 p.m.
Sept. 14	North Greenville at The Citadel	Noon
Sept. 28	Portland State at Chattanooga	7 p.m.
Oct. 19	The Citadel at VMI	1:30 p.m.
Nov. 16	Furman at ETSU	Noon



COACHING RECORDS

Coach, School	Career Record	School (Yrs.)	SoCon (Yrs.)
Maurice Drayton, The Citadel	4-16 (2nd)	Same	2-12 (2nd)
Tre Lamb, ETSU	25-24 (5th)	5-4 (1st)	3-2 (1st)
Clay Hendrix, Furman	53-35 (8th)	Same	40-19 (8th)
Mike Jacobs, Mercer	82-18 (9th)	8-1 (1st)	5-1 (1st)
Chris Hatcher, Samford	181-105 (25th)	60-48 (10th)	56-42 (13th)
Rusty Wright, Chattanooga	35-26 (6th)	Same	28-14 (5th)
Danny Rocco, VMI	127-79 (18th)	6-14 (2nd)	5-8 (2nd)
Kerwin Bell, Western Carolina	115-58 (16th)	22-20 (4th)	17-11 (4th)
Shawn Watson, Wofford	20-39 (6th)	9-17 (3rd)	7-13 (3rd)

SOCON POINTS OF PRIDE

• Since it began competing in FCS, the SoCon has **amassed the second-most national championships with eight**. Also boasting another eight national championship runner-up finishes, **the league has 16 title-game appearances, the most among FCS conferences.**

• **The SoCon prides itself on quality and depth.**

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

• Overall, current SoCon football members have combined for 52 total FCS playoffs appearances.

• **The SoCon has had seven Walter Payton Award winners, two Buck Buchanan Award winners and five Eddie Robinson Award winners.**

• **Sixty-six former SoCon players and coaches have been enshrined in the College Football Hall of Fame, with App State's Armanti Edwards and Marshall's Randy Moss going into the hall this year.**

• **Two former SoCon players participated in the Super Bowl LVII in February. Kansas City Chiefs running back Jerick McKinnon played at Georgia Southern from 2010-13, while Philadelphia Eagles cornerback James Bradberry played at Samford from 2012-15.**

• **The SoCon broadcasts all of its home games on ESPN+ or ESPN3 and has an over-the-air television network that will air six games in five southern states in 2024.**

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

• **The 2023 season was the 102nd of Southern Conference football.** The SoCon is the fifth-oldest NCAA Division I college athletic association.



PRESEASON ALL-SOUTHERN CONFERENCE

Offensive Player of the Year

Cole Gonzales, Jr., QB, Western Carolina

Defensive Player of the Year

Marlon Taylor, Sr., DL, Chattanooga

First team offense

QB Cole Gonzales, Jr., Western Carolina
RB Hunter Rice., Sr., RB, VMI
RB Ryan Ingram, Sr., Wofford
OL Luke Smith, Gr., ETSU
OL Luke Petit, R-Jr., Furman
OL Xavier Jennings, Gr., Mercer
OL Reid Williams, Jr., Chattanooga
OL Tyriq Poindexter, Sr., VMI
OL Blake Whitmore, R-Sr., Western Carolina
TE Jordan Davis, Sr., Wofford
WR Javin Whatley, Jr., Chattanooga
WR AJ Colombo, Jr., Western Carolina

First team defense

DL Xavier Stephens, Sr., Furman
DL Marlon Taylor, Sr., DL, Chattanooga
DL Dorian Starnes, Sr., VMI
DL Brandon Maina, Sr., Wofford
LB Ken Standley, Gr., Mercer
LB Noah Martin, Sr., Samford
LB David Powers, Sr., Wofford
DB Chris Hope, Sr., DB, ETSU
DB Myles Redding, Sr., Mercer
DB Jordan Walker, Jr., Chattanooga
DB Maximus Pulley, Jr., Wofford

First team specialists

PK Ian Williams, R-Sr., Furman
P Nate Brackett, R-Jr., ETSU
LS Colby Cross, R-Sr., Western Carolina
RS Colton Hinton, So., Furman

Second team offense

QB Chase Artopoulos, Sr., QB, Chattanooga
RB Grant Robinson, R-Jr., Furman
RB Branson Adams, Jr., Western Carolina
OL Riley Adcock, Gr., Mercer
OL Chris Noble, Gr., Samford
OL Dave Monnot III, Sr., Chattanooga
OL Derek Simmons, Sr., Western Carolina
OL Anthony Garcia, Sr., Wofford
OL Quincy Hughes, Jr., Wofford
TE Jay Gibson, Sr., Chattanooga
WR Joshua Harris, Sr., Furman
WR Sam Phillips, Jr., Chattanooga

Second team defense

DL Brayden Manley, So., Mercer
DL Jordan Swain, Gr., Mercer
DL Quay Wiggles, Sr., Chattanooga
DL Curtis Fann Jr., R-Sr., Western Carolina
LB Luke Clark, 5th, Furman
LB Evan DiMaggio, R-Sr., Furman
LB Eric Rankin, Sr., VMI
DB Josh Battle, Jr., Sr., Chattanooga
DB Samaurie Dukes, Jr., Western Carolina
DB Ed Jones IV, Sr., Western Carolina
DB CJ Williams, Sr., DB, Western Carolina

Second team specialists

PK Bridger Jones, Jr., Wofford
P James Platte, Jr., The Citadel
LS Tommy DiLiegro, So., Wofford
RS Ivan Thorpe, Jr., WR, VMI

SoCON PLAYERS OF THE WEEK

Offensive

Sept. 2DJ Smith, Jr., QB, Mercer
Sept. 9 Amari Odom, R-Fr., QB, Wofford
Sept. 16 Trey Hedden, Fr., QB, Furman
Sept. 23DJ Smith, Jr., QB, Mercer
Sept. 30 Khamran Laborn, R-Jr., WR, ETSU
Oct. 7 Sam Phillips, R-Jr., WR, Chattanooga
Oct. 14AJ Johnson, R-So., WR, ETSU
Oct. 21 Cole Gonzales, Jr., QB, Western Carolina
Oct. 28 Dwayne McGee, Sr., RB, Mercer
Nov. 4 Taron Dickens, R-Fr., QB, Western Carolina
Nov. 11
Nov. 18

Defensive

Sept. 2 Jalen Marshall, Jr., LB, Wofford
Sept. 9 Amir Annoor, Sr., DB, Wofford
Sept. 16 CJ Coombes, R-Fr., DB, Wofford
Sept. 23 TJ Moore, Sr., DB, Mercer
Sept. 30 Dainsus Miller, Jr., DB, Mercer
Oct. 7 David Powers, Sr., LB, Wofford
Oct. 14 TJ Moore, Sr., DB, Mercer
Oct. 21 Noah Martin, Jr., LB, Samford
Oct. 28 Brayden Manley, So., DL, Mercer
Nov. 4 Shamus Jones, Sr., DB, VMI
Nov. 11
Nov. 18

Special teams

Sept. 2Brayden Smith, So., WR, Mercer
Sept. 9 John McConnell, R-Jr., P, Mercer
Sept. 16 Ian Williams, R-Sr., PK, Furman
Sept. 23Ewan Johnson, R-So., K, ETSU
Sept. 30 John McConnell, R-Jr., P, Mercer
Oct. 7 Nate Brackett, R-Jr., P, ETSU
Oct. 14 Jude Kelley, R-Jr., PK, Chattanooga
Oct. 21 Jude Kelley, R-Jr., PK, Chattanooga
Oct. 28 James Platte, Gr., P, The Citadel
Nov. 4Reice Griffith, So., PK, Mercer
Nov. 11
Nov. 18

SoCON NATIONAL WEEKLY AWARDS

Stats Perform FCS Special Teams Player of the Week

Sept. 2Brayden Smith, So., WR, Mercer
Oct. 28James Platte, Gr., P, The Citadel

Stats Perform National Team of the Week

Sept. 9 Wofford
Sept. 16 Mercer
Sept. 30 ETSU

Stats Perform FCS Freshman of the Week

Sept. 16 Trey Hedden, Fr., QB, Furman
Nov. 4 Taron Dickens, R-Fr., QB, Western Carolina

Stats Perform FCS Offensive Player of the Week

Oct. 21 Cole Gonzales, Jr., QB, Western Carolina

PRESEASON SOUTHERN CONFERENCE POLL

Coaches

Team (1st-place votes)

Team (1st-place votes)	Total
1. Chattanooga (5)	61
2. Furman (3)	56
3. Western Carolina (1)	49
4. Mercer	45
5. Samford	37
6. ETSU	26
7. VMI	23
8. Wofford	19
9. The Citadel	8

SoCON PLAYERS OF THE WEEK (Nov. 4)

OFFENSIVE

Taron Dickens, R-Fr., QB, Western Carolina

Dickens, making his first career start, completed 34-of-48 his pass attempts, finishing with 431 yards and five touchdowns in Western Carolina's 38-34 comeback win over then No. 25/18 Chattanooga. The redshirt freshman also ran for a team-best 41 yards on 19 carries against the Mocs. The Miami, Florida, product's touchdown passes came from 15, 32, 3, 11 and 8 yards out. Dickens was named the Stats Perform FCS National Freshman Player of the Week on Monday for his performance. Western Carolina is now ranked No. 22 in the Stats Perform Top 25 poll.

DEFENSIVE

Shamus Jones, Sr., DB, VMI

Jones recorded a game-high 13 tackles, a pass breakup, a blocked field goal and an interception as VMI defeated Furman, 21-17, on Saturday. The senior's blocked field goal came in the first quarter with 6:01 on the clock, keeping the VMI lead at 7-0. The native of Chester, Virginia, logged his interception with 1:41 left in the game, effectively ending the contest to give the Keydets their first win of the season. For the season, Jones is third on the team with 70.0 tackles and a team-high two interceptions.

SPECIAL TEAMS

Reice Griffith, So., PK, Mercer

Griffith accounted for 13 points in a 37-31 victory of ETSU on Saturday in a matchup of top 25 squads. The Poca, Florida, native converted on all four of his extra point tries, while going 3-for-3 on field goals for the Bears. The sophomore's field goals were from 36, 36 and 31 yards out, with the final make coming with 97 seconds left in the game. Mercer is now ranked No. 13 in the AFCA poll and No. 10 in the Stats Perform polls.



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Team Results

	Date	Opponent		Score	Att.
	08/31/2024	at Charleston So.	W	22-21	5831
	09/07/2024	South Carolina St.	L	20-23	10579
	09/14/2024	North Greenville	W	54-0	8867
*	09/21/2024	at Mercer	L	21-38	10489
*	09/28/2024	ETSU	L	17-34	11363
*	10/05/2024	Furman	L	16-17	9053
*	10/12/2024	at Western Caro.	L	16-30	6278
*	10/19/2024	at VMI	W	13-10	8277
*	10/26/2024	Samford	W	28-11	8977

Rushing

Player	gp	att	gain	loss	net	avg	td	lg	avg/g
Johnathan Bennett	9	115	497	101	396	3.4	4	34	44.0
Corey Ibrahim	9	86	366	16	350	4.1	1	48	38.9
Cooper Wallace	9	72	247	8	239	3.3	2	18	26.6
Garrison Johnson	9	37	170	1	169	4.6	6	31	18.8
Johnny Crawford III	9	24	107	0	107	4.5	3	18	11.9
Javonte Graves-Billips	9	16	81	20	61	3.8	0	15	6.8
Dustin Fletcher	5	11	60	3	57	5.2	2	30	11.4
Elijah Bass	8	2	34	0	34	17.0	0	33	4.3
Cobey Thompkins	2	1	2	0	2	2.0	0	2	1.0
Ben Barnes	9	1	1	0	1	1.0	0	1	0.1
Team	9	9	0	27	-27	-3.0	0	0	-3.0
Total	9	375	1565	176	1389	3.7	18	48	154.3
Opponents	9	326	1497	259	1238	3.8	14	58	137.6

Passing

Player	gp	effic	comp-att-int	pct	yds	td	lg	avg/g
Johnathan Bennett	9	111.7	103-201-6	51.2	1394	5	60	154.9
Dustin Fletcher	5	171.4	4-4-0	100.0	34	0	11	6.8
Ha'Keem Monroe	8	0.0	0-1-0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0
James Platte	9	0.0	0-1-0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0
Total	9	111.8	107-207-6	51.7	1428	5	60	158.7
Opponents	9	134.3	175-257-6	68.1	1893	7	64	210.3

Receiving

Player	gp	no.	yds	avg	td	lg	avg/g
Javonte Graves-Billips	9	24	252	10.5	1	60	28.0
Dervon Pesnell	9	21	399	19.0	1	54	44.3
Tyler Cherry	9	14	258	18.4	2	43	28.7
Corey Ibrahim	9	12	113	9.4	0	33	12.6
Cooper Wallace	9	9	75	8.3	0	30	8.3
Malachi Taylor	9	6	87	14.5	0	36	9.7
Andre Banks	8	5	67	13.4	0	22	8.4
Johnny Crawford III	9	4	48	12.0	0	24	5.3
Braylon Knauth	9	4	27	6.8	0	11	3.0
Saul Diaz	6	3	39	13.0	1	24	6.5
Romello Jones	7	3	41	13.7	0	29	5.9
Garrison Johnson	9	1	11	11.0	0	11	1.2
Kaiden Swortzel	7	1	11	11.0	0	11	1.6
Total	9	107	1428	13.3	5	60	158.7
Opponents	9	175	1893	10.8	7	64	210.3

Game Records

Record	Overall	Home	Away	Neutral
ALL GAMES	4-5	2-3	2-2	0-0
CONFERENCE	2-4	1-2	1-2	0-0
NON-CONFERENCE	2-1	1-1	1-0	0-0

Team Statistics

	CIT	OPP
First Downs	144	178
Rushing	72	69
Passing	61	97
Penalty	11	12
Rushing Yardage	1389	1238
Rushing attempts	375	326
Average per rush	3.7	3.8
Average per game	154.3	137.6
TDs Rushing	18	14
Passing Yardage	1428	1893
Comp-Att-Int	107-207-6	175-257-6
Average per pass	6.9	7.4
Average per catch	13.3	10.8
Average per game	158.7	210.3
TDs Passing	5	7
Total offense	2817	3131
Average per play	4.8	5.4
Average per game	313.0	347.9
Kick returns: #-Yards	20-413	21-402
Punt returns: #-Yards	17-102	15-133
Int returns: #-Yards	6-50	6-48
Fumbles-Lost	10-5	12-6
Penalties-Yards	41-350	67-529
Punts-Avg	39-48.0	40-37.6
Time of possession / game	30:33	29:27
3rd-down conversion	49/132	37/113
4rd-down conversion	10/18	9/19
PAT-attempts	(22-23) 96%	(20-23) 87%
2-point conversion-attempts	(0-2) 0%	(1-1) 100%

Interceptions

Player	no.	yds	avg	td	lg
Dominick Poole	3	34	11.3	1	19
Giovanni Ricciardi	1	0	0.0	0	0
Evan Byrd	1	16	16.0	0	16
Cale Williams	1	0	0.0	0	0
Total	6	50	8.3	1	19
Opponents	6	48	8.0	2	39



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Field Goals

Player	fg	pct.	01-19	20-29	30-39	40-49	50-99	lg	blk
Ben Barnes	11-19	57.9	0-0	1-2	5-7	5-8	0-2	49	1
Opponents	6-13	46.2	0-0	2-4	2-3	2-4	0-2	44	1

Scoring

Player	td	fg	PAT					pts
			kick	rush	rcv	pass	dxp	
Ben Barnes	-	11-19	22-23	-	-	-	-	55
Garrison Johnson	6	-	-	-	-	-	-	36
Johnathan Bennett	4	-	-	-	-	-	-	24
Johnny Crawford III	3	-	-	-	-	-	-	18
Cooper Wallace	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	12
Tyler Cherry	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	12
Dustin Fletcher	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	12
Dervon Pesnell	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	6
Dominick Poole	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	6
Saul Diaz	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	6
Javonte Graves-Billips	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	6
Corey Ibrahim	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	6
Whit Hobgood	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	6
Total	25	11-19	22-23	0	0	0	0	207
Opponents	24	6-13	20-23	0	1	1	0	184

Score by Periods

Team	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	OT	TOT
The Citadel	26	47	74	60	0	207
Opponents	31	67	27	59	0	184

Punting

Player	no.	yds	avg	lg	tb	fc	i20	50+	blk
James Platte	37	1792	48.4	69	5	5	15	16	0
Ben Barnes	1	26	26.0	26	0	0	1	0	0
Jack Weil	1	55	55.0	55	0	1	0	1	0
Total	39	1873	48.0	69	5	6	16	17	0
Opponents	40	1502	37.6	61	1	9	10	4	2

Punt Returns

Player	no.	yds	avg	td	lg
Braylon Knauth	16	102	6.4	0	17
Nikolas Mirabella	1	0	0.0	0	0
Total	17	102	6.0	1	17
Opponents	15	133	8.9	0	46

Kick Returns

Player	no.	yds	avg	td	lg
Braylon Knauth	19	394	20.7	0	43
Javonte Graves-Billips	1	19	19.0	0	19
Total	20	413	20.7	0	43
Opponents	21	402	19.1	0	35

All Purpose

Player	g	rush	rcv	pr	kr	ir	total	avg/g
Braylon Knauth	9	0	27	102	394	0	523	58.1
Corey Ibrahim	9	350	113	0	0	0	463	51.4
Dervon Pesnell	9	0	399	0	0	0	399	44.3
Johnathan Bennett	9	396	0	0	0	0	396	44.0
Javonte Graves-Billips	9	61	252	0	19	0	332	36.9
Cooper Wallace	9	239	75	0	0	0	314	34.9
Tyler Cherry	9	0	258	0	0	0	258	28.7
Garrison Johnson	9	169	11	0	0	0	180	20.0
Johnny Crawford III	9	107	48	0	0	0	155	17.2
Malachi Taylor	9	0	87	0	0	0	87	9.7
Andre Banks	8	0	67	0	0	0	67	8.4
Dustin Fletcher	5	57	0	0	0	0	57	11.4
Romello Jones	7	0	41	0	0	0	41	5.9
Saul Diaz	6	0	39	0	0	0	39	6.5
Dominick Poole	9	0	0	0	0	34	34	3.8
Elijah Bass	8	34	0	0	0	0	34	4.3
Evan Byrd	9	0	0	0	0	16	16	1.8
Kaiden Swortzel	7	0	11	0	0	0	11	1.6
Cobey Thompkins	2	2	0	0	0	0	2	1.0
Ben Barnes	9	1	0	0	0	0	1	0.1
Total	9	1389	1428	102	413	50	3382	375.8
Opponents	9	1238	1893	133	402	48	3714	412.7

Total Offense

Player	g	plays	rush	pass	total	avg/g
Johnathan Bennett	9	316	396	1394	1790	198.9
Corey Ibrahim	9	86	350	0	350	38.9
Cooper Wallace	9	72	239	0	239	26.6
Garrison Johnson	9	37	169	0	169	18.8
Johnny Crawford III	9	24	107	0	107	11.9
Dustin Fletcher	5	15	57	34	91	18.2
Javonte Graves-Billips	9	16	61	0	61	6.8
Elijah Bass	8	2	34	0	34	4.3
Cobey Thompkins	2	1	2	0	2	1.0
Ben Barnes	9	1	1	0	1	0.1
Total	9	582	1389	1428	2817	313.0
Opponents	9	583	1238	1893	3131	347.9



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Team Defense

##	Player	gp	Tackles				Sacks	Pass defense			Fumbles		blkd	
			ua	a	tot	tfl/yds		int-yds	brup	qbh	fr-yds	ff	kick	saf
2	Thomas Wyatt	9	41	33	74	9.5-29	4-19	.	2	3	.	.	.	.
31	Cale Williams	9	42	20	62	4.5-13	1.5-9	1-0	2	.	.	.	.	.
19	Dominick Poole	9	28	17	45	0.5-0	.	3-34	4	.	.	1	.	.
16	Evan Byrd	9	27	15	42	1-1	.	1-16	2	1	.	.	1	.
43	Je'Mazin Roberts	9	24	18	42	4.5-20	2-17	.	.	2	.	2	.	.
52	Giovanni Ricciardi	8	19	5	24	3-15	1-8	1-0	1	.	.	.	.	.
26	Jaleel Laffitte	9	14	9	23	.	.	.	4	.	.	.	.	.
56	Josh Cole	9	10	12	22	5-29	1.5-14	.	.	1	.	.	.	.
34	Bradlee Jones	9	18	4	22	1-2	.	.	6	.	1-0	1	2	.
13	Will Pickren	9	19	1	20	.	.	.	.	.	.	1	.	.
8	Justin Preaster	8	11	8	19	2-2	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
3	Melvin Ravenel	9	10	8	18	1-1	.	.	.	.	.	.	1	.
93	Chris Iverson	9	7	9	16	3.5-17	1.5-11	.	.	2	1-0	.	.	.
37	DaVonyae Pettis	9	10	6	16	4.5-26	2.5-19	.	.	1	.	1	.	.
99	Kenneth Pierce Jr.	9	10	5	15	2-3	.	.	1	1	.	.	.	.
45	Mikey Rosa	9	10	5	15	.	.	.	.	.	1-0	.	.	.
33	Jeremiah Holmes	9	8	4	12	1-1	.	.	.	.	1-17	.	.	.
17	Kaleb Brown	9	8	3	11	2-3	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
76	Jordan Marks	9	5	5	10	1.5-2	1-1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
98	Carson Arnold	9	6	4	10	4-12	2-7	.	1	.	.	.	.	.
58	Maurice Bonneau Jr.	8	6	1	7	4.5-27	3.5-23	.	.	1	.	1	.	.
24	Nikolas Mirabella	9	3	4	7	1-4	.	.	.	.	1-0	.	1	.
29	Elijah Bass	8	4	1	5	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
91	Chris Benton	9	3	2	5	2.5-19	2-19	.	.	.	1-0	.	.	.
23	Jabraivon Woodard	6	4	.	4	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
96	Phillip Collins	9	1	2	3	0.5-3	0.5-3	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
54	Ryan Johnson	3	1	2	3	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
87	Ben Barnes	9	1	1	2	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
7	Dervon Pesnell	9	1	.	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
88	Tyler Cherry	9	1	.	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
97	John Hewlett	1	1	.	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
32	Temarcus Elam	2	1	.	1	1-1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
85	Wilson Long	7	1	.	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
89	Whit Hobgood	8	1	.	1	1-4	1-4	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
41	Berlin Campfort	3	1	.	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
38	Rhyder Poppell	1	1	.	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
61	Nathan Tokar	9	1	.	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
Totals		9	359	204	563	61-234	24-154	6-50	23	12	6-17	7	5	1
Opponents		9	359	190	549	39-143	16-92	6-48	19	29	5-0	6	1	0



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Team Statistics

	CIT	OPP
Scoring	207	184
Points per game	23.0	20.4
Points Off Turnovers	33	17
First Downs	144	178
Rushing	72	69
Passing	61	97
Penalty	11	12
Rushing Yardage	1389	1238
Yards gained rushing	1565	1497
Yards lost rushing	176	259
Rushing attempts	375	326
Average per rush	3.7	3.8
Average per game	154.3	137.6
TDs Rushing	18	14
Passing Yardage	1428	1893
Comp-Att-Int	107-207-6	175-257-6
Average per pass	6.9	7.4
Average per catch	13.3	10.8
Average per game	158.7	210.3
TDs Passing	5	7
Total offense	2817	3131
Total plays	582	583
Average per play	4.8	5.4
Average per game	313.0	347.9
Kick returns: #-Yards	20-413	21-402
Punt returns: #-Yards	17-102	15-133
Int returns: #-Yards	6-50	6-48
Kick return average	20.7	19.1
Punt return average	6.0	8.9
Int return average	8.3	8.0
Fumbles-Lost	10-5	12-6
Penalties-Yards	41-350	67-529
Average per game	38.9	58.8
Punts-Yards	39-1873	40-1502
Average per punt	48.0	37.6
Net punt average	42.5	34.3
Kickoffs-Yards	44-2735	39-2354
Average per kick	62.2	60.4
Net kick average	40.3	39.0
Time of possession / game	30:33	29:27
3rd-down conversion	49/132	37/113
3rd-down pct	37%	33%
4rd-down conversion	10/18	9/19



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	CIT	OPP
4rd-down pct	56%	47%
Sacks by-Yards	24-154	16-92
Misc Yards	0	0
Touchdowns scored	25	24
Field goals - attempts	11-19	6-13
On-Side kicks	0-1	0-1
Red-zone scores	(24-33) 73%	(21-28) 75%
Red-zone touchdowns	(18-33) 55%	(17-28) 61%
PAT-attempts	(22-23) 96%	(20-23) 87%
2-point conversion-attempts	(0-2) 0%	(1-1) 100%
Attendance	48839	30875
Games / Avg per game	5/9768	4/7719
Neutral site games	-	0/0

Score by Periods

Team	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	OT	TOT
The Citadel	26	47	74	60	0	207
Opponents	31	67	27	59	0	184



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		Rushing				Receiving				Passing				Kick Returns				Punt Returns				tot		
Date	Opponent	no.	yds	td	lg	no.	yds	td	lg	cmp	att	int	yds	td	lg	no.	yds	td	lg	no.	yds	td	lg	off
08/31/2024	at Charleston So.	49	190	3	19	10	170	0	39	10	17	0	170	0	39	2	40	0	23	0	0	0	0	360
09/07/2024	South Carolina St.	26	106	1	48	13	169	1	51	13	22	1	169	1	51	2	83	0	43	1	4	0	4	275
09/14/2024	North Greenville	42	222	5	28	12	124	1	22	12	22	0	124	1	22	0	0	0	0	5	49	1	15	346
09/21/2024	at Mercer	28	89	2	31	17	304	0	60	17	39	1	304	0	60	7	140	0	29	1	0	0	0	393
09/28/2024	ETSU	37	81	1	16	17	188	1	42	17	32	1	188	1	42	4	72	0	28	1	5	0	5	269
10/05/2024	Furman	51	154	0	15	11	103	1	48	11	23	1	103	1	48	0	0	0	0	3	21	0	17	257
10/12/2024	at Western Caro.	49	274	2	34	12	155	0	23	12	28	2	155	0	23	2	32	0	19	1	0	0	0	429
10/19/2024	at VMI	47	107	0	18	4	81	1	43	4	6	0	81	1	43	1	21	0	21	2	3	0	2	188
10/26/2024	Samford	46	166	4	24	11	134	0	33	11	18	0	134	0	33	2	25	0	14	3	20	0	17	300
The Citadel		375	1389	18	48	107	1428	5	60	107	207	6	1428	5	60	20	413	0	43	17	102	1	17	2817
Opponents		326	1238	14	58	175	1893	7	64	175	257	6	1893	7	64	21	402	0	35	15	133	0	46	3131

The Citadel Averages

Games	Avg/ rush	Avg/ catch	Pass effic	KR avg	PR avg	All purpose avg/game	Total offense avg/game
9	3.7	13.3	111.8	20.7	6.0	375.8	313.0

Date	Opponent	Tackles				Sacks	Fumble		Pass Defense			blkd	PAT attempts			off		
		ua	a	total	tfl-yds	no-yds	ff	fr-yds	int-yds	qbh	brup	kick	kick	rush	rcv	saf	t/o	pts
08/31/2024	at Charleston So.	43	16	59	6.0-34	3-25	2	1-0	0-0	0	2	1	1-1	0	0	0	0	22
09/07/2024	South Carolina St.	46	22	68	3.0-20	2-16	0	0-0	0-0	0	0	1	2-2	0	0	0	0	20
09/14/2024	North Greenville	39	30	69	9.0-24	3-15	3	2-17	0-0	0	1	1	6-7	0	0	0	9	54
09/21/2024	at Mercer	35	26	61	8.0-14	1-4	0	0-0	1-15	2	3	0	3-3	0	0	0	7	21
09/28/2024	ETSU	35	22	57	4.0-15	2-13	0	1-0	3-0	0	2	1	2-2	0	0	0	7	17
10/05/2024	Furman	35	18	53	9.0-44	5-35	0	1-0	0-0	2	5	0	1-1	0	0	0	3	16
10/12/2024	at Western Caro.	46	20	66	4.0-15	1-8	0	0-0	0-0	1	4	1	2-2	0	0	1	0	16
10/19/2024	at VMI	30	38	68	10.0-32	4-20	1	0-0	0-0	2	3	0	1-1	0	0	0	0	13
10/26/2024	Samford	50	12	62	8.0-36	3-18	1	1-0	2-35	5	3	0	4-4	0	0	0	7	28
The Citadel		359	204	563	61.0-234	24-154	7	6-17	6-50	12	23	5	22-23	0	0	1	33	207
Opponents		359	190	549	39.0-143	16-92	6	5-0	6-48	29	19	1	20-23	0	1	0	17	184

Date	Opponent	Punting										Field Goals			Kickoffs			
		no.	yds	avg	long	blkd	tb	fc	50+	i20	md-att	long	blkd	no.	yds	avg	tb	ob
08/31/2024	at Charleston So.	3	125	41.7	46	0	0	0	0	1	1-2	49	0	5	304	60.8	0	0
09/07/2024	South Carolina St.	3	137	45.7	52	0	0	1	1	2	2-2	47	0	5	292	58.4	2	0
09/14/2024	North Greenville	4	220	55.0	69	0	0	1	3	2	2-2	36	0	10	642	64.2	4	0
09/21/2024	at Mercer	5	222	44.4	57	0	0	0	2	2	0-0	0	0	4	198	49.5	2	0
09/28/2024	ETSU	6	303	50.5	59	0	3	1	2	1	1-3	32	1	3	207	69.0	2	0
10/05/2024	Furman	5	215	43.0	65	0	0	1	1	3	3-3	48	0	5	320	64.0	4	0
10/12/2024	at Western Caro.	3	123	41.0	45	0	1	0	0	1	0-2	0	0	3	192	64.0	1	0
10/19/2024	at VMI	5	255	51.0	59	0	1	1	4	1	2-2	48	0	4	257	64.3	2	0
10/26/2024	Samford	5	273	54.6	61	0	0	1	4	3	0-3	0	0	5	323	64.6	4	0
The Citadel		39	1873	48.0	69	0	5	6	17	16	11-19	49	1	44	2735	62.2	21	0
Opponents		40	1502	37.6	61	2	1	9	4	10	6-13	44	1	39	2354	60.4	17	1

