



# THE CITADEL FOOTBALL

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

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## GAMEDAY CENTRAL

Date                      Saturday, Oct. 18

Kickoff                      2:02 pm ET

Location                      Charleston, S.C.

Stadium                      Sansom Field at  
                     Johnson Hagood Stadium

Capacity                      11,427  
                     Leaders in Philanthropy

Series Results                      27-21-1, The Citadel

Last Time                      L, 16-30 (10/12/2024)

Last at JHS                      L, 14-49 (9/30/2023)

Streak                      L2

### FOLLOW LIVE

TV Broadcast                      ESPN+

Play-by-Play                      Dave Weinstein

Analyst                      Vad Lee

Sideline                      Matison Little



Radio Broadcast                      102.1 FM The City

Play-by-Play                      Brian Giffin

Analyst                      Lee Glaze, '86



## GAME VII

SATURDAY, OCT. 18 | 2 PM ET  
CHARLESTON, S.C. | JOHNSON HAGOOD STADIUM



NR/NR **THE CITADEL BULLDOGS**  
**[3-3, 2-1 SOCON]**

Head Coach: Maurice Drayton, 3rd Season (The Citadel, 1998)

Record at The Citadel: 8-21 (.276) Career Record: Same



RV/RV **WESTERN CAROLINA CATAMOUNTS**  
**[4-3, 3-0 SOCON]**

Head Coach: Kerwin Bell, 5th Season (Florida, 1987)

Record at WCU: 28-24 (.538) Career Record: 121-66 (.647)

## THE CITADEL 2025 SCHEDULE

DATE	TIME	OPPONENT	TV	RESULT
Saturday, Aug. 30	Noon vs	#1/1 NORTH DAKOTA STATE	ESPN+	L, 0-38
Saturday, Sept. 6	3:30 pm at	Samford*	ESPN+	W, 40-13
Saturday, Sept. 13	7 pm at	RV/RV Gardner-Webb	ESPN+	L, 13-23
Saturday, Sept. 20	2 pm vs	RV/#25 MERCER* [PW]	ESPN+	L, 0-38
Saturday, Sept. 27	6 pm at	NR/RV Chattanooga*	ESPN+	W, 28-10
Saturday, Oct. 4		-----BYE WEEK-----		
Saturday, Oct. 11	2 pm vs	VALDOSTA STATE [HoF / MA]	ESPN+	W, 38-14
Saturday, Oct. 18	2 pm vs	WESTERN CAROLINA*	ESPN+	
Saturday, Oct. 25	2 pm at	Furman*	ESPN+	
Saturday, Nov. 1	2 pm vs	VMI* [Military Classic of the South / SD]	ESPN+	
Saturday, Nov. 8	1 pm at	Ole Miss	SECN+	
Saturday, Nov. 15	2 pm vs	WOFFORD* [HC]	ESPN+	
Saturday, Nov. 22	1 pm at	ETSU*	ESPN+	

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

\* = Southern Conference game; [PW] = Parents' Weekend; [HoF] = Hall of Fame Weekend;

[MA] = Military Appreciation; [SD] = Senior Day; [HC] = Homecoming

## BY THE NUMBERS

### CIT [3-3]

### 2025 STATISTICAL COMPARISON

### WCU [4-3]

Avg.	FCS / Conf.	Category	FCS / Conf.	Avg.
298.2	104 / 7	Total Offense	8 / 1	486.0
214.2	12 / 1	Rushing Offense	64 / 5	150.1
84.0	126 / 9	Passing Offense	2 / 1	335.9
135.56	48 / 3	Pass Efficiency Offense	14 / 1	158.60
19.8	96 / 6	Scoring Offense	14 / 1	36.1
385.3	68 / 2	Total Defense	115 / 8	461.9
136.3	37 / 4	Rushing Defense	79 / 6	171.3
249.0	102 / 5	Passing Defense	117 / 8	290.6
141.66	80 / 7	Pass Efficiency Defense	43 / 1	130.51
22.7	29 / 3	Scoring Defense	90 / 7	32.7
0.33	40 / 3	Turnover Margin	24 / 1	0.57
.413	47 / 3	3rd Down Conversion Rate	52 / 4	.402
.413	63 / 7	3rd Down Conversion Rate Defense	34 / 3	.360
.813	67 / 5	Red Zone Offense	87 / 7	.781
.826	57 / 5	Red Zone Defense	47 / 3	.808
42.77	3 / 1	Net Punting	33 / 5	38.23
5.8	44 / 6	Tackles-for-Loss	9 / 3	7.6
3.00	1 / 1	Fewest Penalties	119 / 9	9.14

### INDIVIDUAL RANKINGS

Category	Stat	FCS / SoCon
<b>P James Platte</b>		
Punting	47.3	4 / 1
<b>WR Braylon Knauth</b>		
Return Yards / Punt	3.1	40 / 4
<b>DB Cale Williams</b>		
Total Tackles / Game	6.7	157 / 15
<b>DB Tyrik McDaniel</b>		
Total Tackles / Game	7.0	118 / 10
<b>DL Chris Benton</b>		
Sacks / Game	0.67	28 / 3
<b>DB Bradlee Jones</b>		
Pass Breakups / Game	1.00	41 / 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 \_\_\_\_\_ 3,793  
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 (USMC)  
Athletic Director \_\_\_\_\_ Art Chase (Guilford College, 1991)  
Senior Woman Administrator \_\_\_\_\_ Rachel Fineberg (Penn State, 2002)  
Faculty Athletic Representative \_\_\_\_\_ Chip Taylor (Tennessee, 1996)

## PROGRAM INFORMATION

Offensive Formation \_\_\_\_\_ Option  
Defensive Formation \_\_\_\_\_ Multiple  
2024 Overall Record \_\_\_\_\_ 5-7  
2024 Conference Record \_\_\_\_\_ 3-5  
2024 Conference Finish \_\_\_\_\_ t-6th  
Offensive Starters Returning / Lost \_\_\_\_\_ 6 / 5  
Defensive Starters Returning / Lost \_\_\_\_\_ 6 / 5  
Special Teams Starters Returning / Lost \_\_\_\_\_ 2 / 1  
First Varsity Season \_\_\_\_\_ 1905  
Overall Record \_\_\_\_\_ 531-612-32 (.466)  
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 \_\_\_\_\_ 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 \_\_\_\_\_ 242-173-3 (.583)

## STAFF INFORMATION

Head Coach \_\_\_\_\_ Maurice Drayton (The Citadel, 1998)  
Record at The Citadel \_\_\_\_\_ 8-21, Third Season  
Overall Record \_\_\_\_\_ 8-21, Third Season  
Chief of Staff \_\_\_\_\_ Keith Jones (The Citadel, 1975)  
Assistant HC / TE / General Manager \_\_\_\_\_ Danny Lewis (South Carolina, 1995)  
Offensive Coordinator / WR \_\_\_\_\_ Lamar Owens (Maryland, 2008)  
Defensive Coordinator / Bandits \_\_\_\_\_ Raleigh Jackson (The Citadel, 2007)  
Associate HC / Special Teams Coordinator \_\_\_\_\_ Tony Coaxum (USMA, 2000)  
Assistant HC / Recruiting Coordinator / RB \_\_\_\_\_ Everette Sands (The Citadel, 1993)  
Pass Game Coordinator / QB \_\_\_\_\_ Jackson Eskierka (San Diego State, 2016)  
Offensive Line \_\_\_\_\_ Phill Guard (Mount Union, 2015)  
Defensive Run Game Coordinator / DL \_\_\_\_\_ Roberto Pinilla (West Georgia, 1997)  
Linebackers \_\_\_\_\_ Zane Vance (ETSU, 1986)  
Secondary \_\_\_\_\_ Jo Jackson (Florida Tech, 2018)  
Safeties \_\_\_\_\_ Jason Simmons Jr. (Syracuse, 2024)  
Video Coordinator \_\_\_\_\_ Dennis Carlson (Charlotte, 2010)  
Director of Operations & Player Personnel \_\_\_\_\_ Rett Russell (Wofford, 2022)  
Director of Strength & Conditioning \_\_\_\_\_ Joe Varga (Central Conn. State, 2006)  
Director of Football Equipment \_\_\_\_\_ Gary Monteer (Arkansas, 2016)  
General Manager Emeritus \_\_\_\_\_ Andy Clawson (Henderson State, 1969)

## ATHLETIC COMMUNICATIONS INFORMATION

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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 coaching staff and / or cadet-athlete interviews must be submitted in writing via email or text message 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 in writing 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  
Comms & Creative



**Collin Smith**  
Director of  
Athletic Comms



**Matt Shimko**  
Assistant Director  
of Athletic Comms



**Alaina Raybon**  
Director of  
Creative Services



**Jackson Kaplan**  
Director of  
Creative Content



**Lucas Ferreira**  
Director of  
Broadcast Operations



## DEPTH CHART // UPDATED OCT. 13

### OFFENSE

<b>LT</b>	<b>75</b>	<b>Darwin Murillo</b>
	74	Dylan Barbrey
<b>LG</b>	<b>77</b>	<b>Tyler Heggins-Hill</b>
	62	Mike Lengi
<b>C</b>	<b>57</b>	<b>Mike Bartilucci</b>
	69	Matt Metrosky
<b>RG</b>	<b>65</b>	<b>Sawyer Whitman</b>
	63	Nico Rodriguez-Pena
<b>RT</b>	<b>60</b>	<b>Brady Pickett</b>
	71	Carter Jacobs
<b>QB</b> -- OR --	<b>17</b>	<b>Quentin Hayes</b>
	<b>9</b>	<b>Cobey Thompkins</b>
<b>RB</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>Garrison Johnson Sr.</b>
	44	Sebastien Boyle
<b>TE</b>	<b>80</b>	<b>Saul Diaz</b>
	89	Whit Hobgood
<b>WR</b>	<b>83</b>	<b>Braylon Knauth</b>
	12	JJ Hudson
<b>WR</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>Malachi Taylor</b>
	82	Ha'Keem Monroe
<b>WR</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>Javonte Graves-Billips</b>
	88	Kemani Brown

### DEFENSE

<b>DE</b>	<b>56</b>	<b>Josh Cole</b>
	91	Chris Benton
<b>NT</b>	<b>76</b>	<b>Jordan Marks</b>
	96	Phillip Collins
<b>DT</b>	<b>93</b>	<b>Chris Iverson</b>
	98	Carson Arnold
<b>BAN</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>Jeremiah Holmes</b>
	0	Maurice Bonneau Jr.
<b>LB</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>Je'Mazin Roberts</b>
	50	Lee Alexander Jr.
<b>LB</b>	<b>45</b>	<b>Mikey Rosa</b>
	42	Darryle Ware
<b>CB</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>Drew Nyangweso</b>
	3	Melvin Ravenel
<b>CB</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>Bradlee Jones</b>
	37	Sayre Smothers
<b>NB</b> -- OR --	<b>24</b>	<b>Nikolas Mirabella</b>
	<b>26</b>	<b>Nolan Jones</b>
<b>SS</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>Cale Williams</b>
	32	Temarcus Elam
<b>FS</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>Tyrik McDaniel</b>
	11	Peyton Betts

### SPECIAL TEAMS

<b>K</b> -- OR --	<b>87</b>	<b>Ben Barnes</b>	<b>H</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>Jack McCall</b>
	<b>46</b>	<b>Jack Weil</b>		90	James Platte
<b>P</b>	<b>90</b>	<b>James Platte</b>	<b>KR</b>	<b>83</b>	<b>Braylon Knauth</b>
	46	Jack Weil		2	Javonte Graves-Billips
<b>LS</b>	<b>61</b>	<b>Tommy DiLiegro</b>	<b>PR</b>	<b>83</b>	<b>Braylon Knauth</b>
	92	Adam Comer		2	Javonte Graves-Billips
			-- OR --	0	Jack McCall



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## ALPHABETICAL

No.	Name	Pos.	No.	Name	Pos.	Ht.	Wt.	Class	Hometown / Previous School
			0	Maurice Bonneau Jr.	DL	6-1	245	r-Jr.	Rock Hill, S.C. / Rock Hill HS
			0	Jack McCall	LS / H	5-8	165	Sr.	Columbia, S.C. / Hammond School
50	Lee Alexander Jr.	LB	1	Dustin Fletcher	QB	6-3	220	GS	Flint, Mich. / Ainsworth HS / Northern Illinois
	Chase Anderson	LB	2	Javonte Graves-Billips	WR	5-10	195	GS	Mobile, Ala. / St. Paul's Episcopal School
	Joey Annetta	DL	3	Melvin Ravenel	DB	6-3	180	r-Sr.	Charleston, S.C. / Goose Creek HS
98	Carson Arnold	DL	3	Cooper Tankersley	QB	6-4	180	Jr.	Greenville, S.C. / Wade Hampton HS
74	Dylan Barbrey	OL	4	Johnny Crawford III	RB	5-8	180	Sr.	Moore Haven, Fla. / Moore Haven HS
87	Ben Barnes	K	5	Je'Mazin Roberts	LB	6-2	235	r-Jr.	Milledgeville, Ga. / John Milledge Academy
57	Mike Bartilucci	OL	6	Reese Patterson	DB	5-11	170	r-Fr.	Atlanta, Ga. / Druid Hills HS
95	Jameson Bell	LB	7	Bradlee Jones	DB	6-1	175	Jr.	Greenwood, S.C. / Emerald HS
	Zander Benitez	OL	8	Tyrik McDaniel	DB	6-1	200	GS	Columbia, S.C. / Dutch Fork HS / Indiana
25	Israel Benjamin	RB	9	Alex Lewis	WR	5-11	185	GS	West Columbia, S.C. / Heathwood Hall / Presbyterian
91	Chris Benton	DL	9	Cobey Thompkins	QB	6-1	180	r-Fr.	Atlanta, Ga. / Stockbridge HS
11	Peyton Betts	DB	10	Drew Nyangweso	DB	6-1	185	GS	Tacoma, Wash. / Curtis HS / Morehead State
55	DJ Blanchard	OL	10	Corey Tillman Jr.	QB	5-11	170	Fr.	North Augusta, Ga. / North Augusta HS
0	Maurice Bonneau Jr.	DL	11	Peyton Betts	DB	5-11	185	r-Fr.	Irmo, S.C. / Dutch Fork HS
44	Sebastien Boyle	RB	11	Beau Herrington	RB	5-9	185	GS	Haines City, Fla. / Ridge Community HS / Allen
70	Tanner Bracey	DL	12	JJ Hudson	WR	5-11	175	r-Jr.	Athens, Ga. / T.L. Hanna HS
	Logan Branting	WR	13	Cale Williams	DB	6-0	200	Sr.	Canton, Ga. / Creekview HS
78	James Brockington	DL	16	Xavier Hill	QB	5-10	190	Fr.	Kennesaw, Ga. / Harrison HS
88	Kemani Brown	WR	17	Quentin Hayes	QB	6-0	195	r-So.	Enterprise, Ala. / Enterprise HS / Air Force
29	Eli Calhoun	WR	18	Malachi Taylor	WR	6-3	190	GS	Goose Creek, S.C. / Goose Creek HS / Coastal Carolina
34	Ky'Mani Carpenter	DB	19	Jeremiah Holmes	LB	6-3	240	Jr.	Durham, N.C. / Hillside HS
	Jude Claborn	TE	20	Corey Ibrahim	RB	5-10	190	r-Jr.	Raleigh, N.C. / Myrtle Beach Collegiate
56	Josh Cole	DL	20	Rhyder Poppell	RB	5-10	220	r-So.	Tallahassee, Fla. / Florida HS
96	Phillip Collins	DL	21	Abijah Webb	WR	5-11	220	Fr.	Townville, S.C. / Pendleton HS
92	Adam Comer	DL	22	Garrison Johnson Sr.	RB	5-11	220	GS	Manvel, Texas / Manvel HS / Northwestern State
4	Johnny Crawford III	RB	23	Jabraivon Woodard	DB	6-0	175	Jr.	Conway, S.C. / Conway HS
	Dru Darby	LB	24	Nikolas Mirabella	DB	6-0	195	So.	Tampa, Fla. / East Lake HS
	Caleb Davis	RB	25	Israel Benjamin	RB	5-9	205	GS	Phoenix, Ariz. / Saguaro HS / Harvard / Texas A&M
	Tyler DeRienzo	TE	26	Nolan Jones	DB	6-0	205	GS	Atlanta, Ga. / Lovejoy HS / Benedict College
80	Saul Diaz	TE	27	Anthony Turnbow	DB	5-10	180	Fr.	Chapin, S.C. / Chapin HS
61	Tommy DiLiegro	LS	28	Jammall Fludd	WR	6-0	180	Fr.	North Charleston, S.C. / Porter-Gaud School
	Malachi Dixon	RB	29	Eli Calhoun	WR	6-4	205	r-So.	Winston-Salem, N.C. / Reynolds HS / NC State
32	Temarcus Elam	DB	30	Cooper Johns	RB	5-10	190	r-So.	Lexington, S.C. / River Bluff HS
1	Dustin Fletcher	QB	31	J'hari Mosley	DB	5-11	190	Fr.	Shelby, N.C. / Crest HS
28	Jammall Fludd	WR	32	Temarcus Elam	DB	6-0	205	r-So.	Augusta, Ga. / Lakeside HS
49	Kellen George	DL	33	Jaiden Haltiwanger	DB	6-1	185	Fr.	Columbia, S.C. / Hammond School
39	Justice Gilliard	DB	34	Ky'Mani Carpenter	DB	6-0	175	Fr.	Fredericksburg, Va. / King George HS
2	Javonte Graves-Billips	WR	36	Ryland Mitchell	DB	6-1	180	r-Fr.	Summerville, S.C. / Summerville HS
40	Camden Gray	LB	37	Sayre Smothers	DB	5-10	160	Fr.	Cincinnati, Ohio / La Salle HS
	Colton Green	TE	38	HJ Grigsby III	RB	6-1	170	r-Fr.	Joliet, Ill. / Joliet Catholic Academy
38	HJ Grigsby III	RB	39	Justice Gilliard	DB	6-0	185	r-Jr.	Yorktown, Va. / Grafton HS
	Will Hall	OL	40	Camden Gray	LB	6-3	240	r-Sr.	Inman, S.C. / Chapman HS / Wofford
33	Jaiden Haltiwanger	DB	41	Bryce Jamison	DB	6-1	180	GS	Columbia, Md. / Atholton HS / Dayton / Hampton
	Acie Hatfield	DB	41	Corey Moraux	WR	6-2	175	GS	Moncks Corner, S.C. / St. John's Christian / Tusculum
17	Quentin Hayes	QB	42	Darryle Ware	LB	6-2	230	GS	Charleston, S.C. / Fort Dorchester HS / South Carolina
77	Tyler Heggins-Hill	OL	43	Willie Smith Jr.	LB	6-0	210	Fr.	Columbia, S.C. / Dreher HS
11	Beau Herrington	RB	44	Sebastien Boyle	RB	5-11	215	r-Fr.	Scottsbluff, Neb. / Scottsbluff HS
16	Xavier Hill	QB	45	Mikey Rosa	LB	6-3	245	r-So.	Charleston, S.C. / Wando HS
89	Whit Hobgood	TE	46	Jack Weil	K / P	6-1	220	r-So.	Charleston, S.C. / Lucy Beckham HS
19	Jeremiah Holmes	LB	47	Daniel Turpin	LB	6-0	220	r-Fr.	Decatur, Ga. / Arabia Mountain HS
12	JJ Hudson	WR	48	Cameron Sutton	TE	6-3	245	r-Fr.	Lexington, S.C. / Lexington HS
68	Brock Hundley	OL	49	Kellen George	DL	6-2	225	Fr.	Columbia, S.C. / Ben Lippen School
20	Corey Ibrahim	RB	50	Lee Alexander Jr.	LB	6-0	225	r-Fr.	Indianapolis, Ind. / Warren Central HS
93	Chris Iverson	DL	52	Cam'rich Smith	DB	5-10	190	Fr.	Spartanburg, S.C. / Spartanburg HS
73	Andrew Jackson	DL	53	Miles Robinson	OL	6-5	330	r-So.	Tyrone, Ga. / Sandy Creek HS
71	Carter Jacobs	OL	54	Tanner Johnson	LB	6-0	210	r-Jr.	Lexington, S.C. / Lexington HS
41	Bryce Jamison	DB	55	DJ Blanchard	OL	6-1	300	Fr.	Orangeburg, S.C. / Wilkinson HS
22	Garrison Johnson	RB	56	Josh Cole	DL	6-3	245	r-Jr.	Roswell, Ga. / Fellowship Christian School
54	Tanner Johnson	LB	57	Mike Bartilucci	OL	6-1	300	GS	Jacksonville, Fla. / Fletcher HS
30	Cooper Johns	RB	58	Andrew Tumbleston	OL	6-4	260	r-Fr.	Summerville, S.C. / Cane Bay HS
7	Bradlee Jones	DB	59	Pac Pitts	OL	6-4	265	Fr.	Lexington, S.C. / River Bluff HS
			60	Brady Pickett	OL	6-3	285	r-Fr.	Myrtle Beach, S.C. / Myrtle Beach HS
			61	Tommy DiLiegro	LS	5-10	220	Jr.	Charleston, S.C. / Bishop England HS / Wofford
			62	Mike Lengi	OL	6-1	300	r-So.	Montreal, Quebec / Rabun Gap-Nacoochee School
			63	Nico Rodriguez-Pena	OL	6-1	310	Jr.	Bradenton, Fla. / Manatee HS
			64	Frank Schmidt	OL	6-5	240	Fr.	Charleston, S.C. / Porter-Gaud School
			65	Sawyer Whitman	OL	6-1	300	Sr.	Gaffney, S.C. / Gaffney HS
			67	Mason Williams	OL	6-2	260	r-Fr.	Annapolis, Md. / Mount Saint Joseph HS
			68	Brock Hundley	OL	6-6	255	r-So.	Kingstree, S.C. / Williamsburg Academy
			69	Matt Metrosky	OL	6-1	290	GS	Greensburg, Pa. / Greensburg Central Catholic / Pitt
			70	Tanner Bracey	DL	6-2	250	Fr.	Camden, S.C. / Camden HS
			71	Carter Jacobs	OL	6-5	290	r-Fr.	Apex, N.C. / Middle Creek HS
			72	Aiden Wiles	OL	6-2	265	Fr.	Camden, S.C. / North Central HS
			73	Andrew Jackson	DL	6-2	220	r-Fr.	Charleston, S.C. / West Ashley HS





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No.	Name	Pos.	Ht.	Wt.	Class	Hometown / Previous School
74	Dylan Barbrey	OL	6-6	305	r-Fr.	West Columbia, S.C. / Airport HS / Appalachian State
75	Darwin Murillo	OL	6-4	310	Jr.	Garland, Texas / South Garland HS
76	Jordan Marks	DL	6-0	305	GS	Alpharetta, Ga. / Centennial HS
77	Tyler Heggins-Hill	OL	6-4	280	r-So.	Raleigh, N.C. / Millbrook HS
78	James Brockington	DL	6-1	280	r-Fr.	Kingstree, S.C. / Kingstree HS
79	Brock Nobles	DL	6-2	280	r-Fr.	Lyons, Ga. / Toombs County HS
80	Saul Diaz	TE	6-3	230	GS	Columbia, S.C. / Hammond School
81	Kaiden Swortzel	TE	6-3	250	r-So.	Floyd County, Va. / Floyd County HS
82	Ha'Keem Monroe	WR	6-2	185	r-Jr.	Ruskin, Fla. / Lennard HS
83	Braylon Knauth	WR	5-8	170	So.	Orlando, Fla. / Lake Minneola HS
84	Jihad Marks	WR	6-1	210	GS	Goodyear, Ariz. / Desert Edge HS / McNeese State
85	Wilson Long	WR	6-3	190	r-Jr.	Roswell, Ga. / Fellowship Christian School
86	Noah Lucas	TE	6-5	260	Fr.	Hopkins, S.C. / Lower Richland HS
87	Ben Barnes	K	5-10	190	r-Jr.	Medina, Ohio / Buckeye HS
88	Kemani Brown	WR	6-0	175	GS	Miami, Fla. / Northwestern HS / Tulsa / Tusculum
89	Whit Hobgood	TE	6-4	230	r-Jr.	Charleston, S.C. / St. Francis DeSales HS / Mt. Union
90	James Platte	P	6-0	210	GS	Aiken, S.C. / South Aiken HS
91	Chris Benton	DL	6-0	250	Jr.	Haines City, Fla. / Haines City HS
92	Adam Comer	DL	6-9	225	GS	Spartanburg, S.C. / Broome HS / College of Charleston
93	Chris Iverson	DL	6-0	265	GS	Richmond, Va. / Life Christian Academy
94	Terrance Wells Jr.	DL	6-3	235	r-Fr.	Irmo, S.C. / Dutch Fork HS
95	Jameson Bell	LB	6-3	240	r-Fr.	Mount Pleasant, S.C. / Wando HS
96	Phillip Collins	DL	6-0	275	GS	Aiken S.C. / Aiken HS
97	Tucker Witte	DL	6-2	250	Fr.	Tampa, Fla. / Jesuit HS
98	Carson Arnold	DL	6-3	280	r-Jr.	Charleston, S.C. / Oceanside Collegiate
	Caleb Davis	RB	6-0	175	r-Fr.	Walterboro, S.C. / Colleton Prep Academy
	Colton Green	TE	6-6	230	r-So.	Brookfield, Wis. / Brookfield Academy
	Drew Spires	WR	6-1	190	r-Fr.	Winnsboro, S.C. / Richard Winn Academy
	Chase Anderson	LB	6-3	190	Fr.	Charleston, S.C. / Porter-Gaud School
	Logan Branting	WR	5-9	170	Fr.	Houston, Texas / St. Thomas HS
	Andy Young V	LS	6-0	150	r-Fr.	Greenville, S.C. / Greenville HS
	Jude Claborn	TE	6-4	210	Fr.	Charleston, S.C. / West Ashley HS
	Tyler DeRienzo	TE	6-0	260	r-Fr.	Lexington, S.C. / Lexington HS
	Dru Darby	LB	6-2	185	Fr.	Roebuck, S.C. / Dorman HS
	Hayden Vasquez	TE	6-2	200	r-Jr.	Sumter, S.C. / Sumter HS
	Zander Benitez	OL	6-1	275	r-Fr.	Fallbrook, Calif. / Santa Margarita Catholic HS
	Will Hall	OL	6-3	280	r-Fr.	Myrtle Beach, S.C. / Socastee HS
	Malachi Dixon	RB	5-10	190	Fr.	Chatham, Va. / Hargrave Military Academy
	Acie Hatfield	DB	6-0	165	Fr.	Greenville, S.C. / Christ Church Episcopal School
	Craig Jones	LS	5-11	185	Fr.	Elgin, S.C. / Lugoff-Elgin HS
	Landon Mare	K	6-2	185	Fr.	Concord, N.C. / Cannon HS
	Tripp Simmons	LB	5-9	195	Fr.	Inman, S.C. / Chapman HS
	Evan Wayland	DB	5-11	180	Fr.	Canton, Ga. / Creekview HS
	Evan Beckwith	OL	6-5	220	r-Fr.	Columbia, S.C. / Ben Lippen School
	Joey Annetta	DL	6-1	230	r-Sr.	Holly Springs, N.C. / Holly Springs HS / Mercer
	Jordan Thomas	RB	5-9	180	So.	North Augusta, S.C. / Fox Creek HS

## COACHING STAFF

Head Coach:  
 Chief of Staff:  
 Assistant Head Coach / TE / General Manager:  
 Offensive Coordinator / WR:  
 Defensive Coordinator / Bandits:  
 Associate Head Coach / Special Teams Coordinator:  
 Assistant Head Coach / Recruiting Coordinator / RB:  
 Pass Game Coordinator / QB:  
 Assistant Coach / OL:  
 Defensive Run Game Coordinator / DL:  
 Assistant Coach / LB:  
 Assistant Coach / Secondary:  
 Assistant Coach / Safeties:  
 Defensive Assistant / Bandits / Player Personnel:  
 Offensive Analyst / Player Personnel:  
 Defensive Assistant / DL:  
 Offensive Assistant / OL:

## SUPPORT STAFF

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

Maurice Drayton (The Citadel, 1998)  
 Keith Jones (The Citadel, 1975)  
 Danny Lewis (South Carolina, 1995)  
 Lamar Owens (Maryland, 2008)  
 Raleigh Jackson (The Citadel, 2007)  
 Tony Coaxum (USMA, 2000)  
 Everett Sands (The Citadel, 1993)  
 Jackson Eskierka (San Diego State, 2016)  
 Phill Guard (Mount Union, 2015)  
 Roberto Pinilla (West Georgia, 1997)  
 Zane Vance (ETSU, 1986)  
 Jo Jackson (Florida Tech, 2018)  
 Jason Simmons Jr. (Syracuse, 2024)  
 Greg Dixon (Thomas More, 2010)  
 Barry Casterlin (South Carolina, 2001)  
 Giovanni Ricciardi (Western Carolina, 2024)  
 Brock Carroll (Grove City College, 2024)

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)  
 Caleb Spencer (Appalachian State, 2020)  
 Logan Hatley (Appalachian State, 2021)  
 Sean O'Donnell (UNC Wilmington, 2021)

## ALPHABETICAL

No.	Name	Pos.
	Craig Jones	LS
26	Nolan Jones	DB
83	Braylon Knauth	WR
62	Mike Lengi	OL
9	Alex Lewis	WR
85	Wilson Long	WR
86	Noah Lucas	TE
	Landon Mare	K
84	Jihad Marks	WR
76	Jordan Marks	DL
0	Jack McCall	LS / H
8	Tyrik McDaniel	DB
69	Matt Metrosky	OL
24	Nikolas Mirabella	DB
36	Ryland Mitchell	DB
82	Ha'Keem Monroe	WR
41	Corey Moraux	WR
31	J'hari Mosley	DB
75	Darwin Murillo	OL
79	Brock Nobles	DL
10	Drew Nyangweso	DB
6	Reese Patterson	DB
60	Brady Pickett	OL
59	Pac Pitts	OL
90	James Platte	P
20	Rhyder Poppell	RB
3	Melvin Ravenel	DB
5	Je'Mazin Roberts	LB
53	Miles Robinson	OL
63	Nico Rodriguez-Pena	OL
45	Mikey Rosa	LB
64	Frank Schmidt	OL
	Tripp Simmons	LB
52	Cam'rich Smith	DB
43	Willie Smith Jr.	LB
37	Sayre Smothers	DB
	Drew Spires	WR
48	Cameron Sutton	TE
81	Kaiden Swortzel	TE
3	Cooper Tankersley	QB
18	Malachi Taylor	WR
	Jordan Thomas	RB
9	Cobey Thompkins	QB
10	Corey Tillman Jr.	QB
58	Andrew Tumbleston	OL
27	Anthony Turnbow	DB
47	Daniel Turpin	LB
	Hayden Vasquez	TE
42	Darryle Ware	LB
	Evan Wayland	DB
21	Abijah Webb	WR
46	Jack Weil	K / P
94	Terrance Wells Jr.	DL
65	Sawyer Whitman	OL
72	Aiden Wiles	OL
13	Cale Williams	DB
67	Mason Williams	OL
97	Tucker Witte	DL
23	Jabraivon Woodard	DB
	Andy Young V	LS





# MAURICE DRAYTON

**HEAD COACH | 3RD 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 former 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."

Across two seasons at the helm, Drayton orchestrated immense strides for the program, ending his second campaign holding claim to the Silver Shako (vs. VMI), the Big Dog Bowl (vs. Wofford) and the inaugural Lowcountry Boil Bowl, a recently-created trophy designed to enhance a longtime local rivalry with crosstown adversary Charleston Southern. Additionally, four players -- P James Platte, LS Nathan Tokar, QB Johnathan Bennett & KOR Braylon Knauth -- scored All-SoCon honors for their stellar performances on the season.

Statistically, the Bulldogs consistently maintained pace with high-level competition, concluding the regular season ranked first within the SoCon in tackles-for-loss allowed (4.0 per game), second in rushing offense (175.1 yards per game) and time of possession (31:11) and third in passing defense (203.5 yards per game), third-down conversion percentage (.379) and third-down defense (.345).

Notably, however, The Citadel special teams anchored the team throughout the year, logging a division-best eight blocked kicks while the punting unit punished opposing offenses off the leg of five-time All-American James Platte, who closed the season second within the FCS and fifth nationally behind a 47.3 yards per punt average.

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 acted 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 punter 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.

## THE DRAYTON FILE

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





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.

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, S.C., Drayton and his wife are the proud parents of two children.



# THE CITADEL FOOTBALL | GAME NOTES

## THE CITADEL UNDER MAURICE DRAYTON

In August	1-1	When allowing 30+ points	0-15	With 300+ passing yards	0-1
In September	3-10	When scoring first	3-2	When out-gaining opponents	4-2
In October	3-5	When leading after 1st quarter	3-2	When allowing less than 300 yards	4-5
In November	1-5	When tied after 1st quarter	3-3	When allowing 300-399 yards	3-6
In December	0-0	When trailing after 1st quarter	2-16	When allowing 400-499 yards	1-6
In SoCon home games	1-8	When leading at halftime	4-1	When allowing 500+ yards	0-6
In SoCon road games	4-6	When tied at halftime	0-1	When allowing less than 100 rush yards	5-1
In non-conference home games	2-3	When trailing at halftime	4-19	When allowing 100-199 rush yards	3-11
In non-conference road games	1-4	When leading after 3rd quarter	6-2	When allowing 200-299 rush yards	0-7
vs. ranked FCS opponents at home	0-5	When tied after 3rd quarter	0-0	When allowing 300+ rush yards	0-2
vs. ranked FCS opponents on road	1-3	When trailing after 3rd quarter	2-19	When allowing less than 100 pass yards	0-1
vs. FBS opponents	0-2	In overtime	0-0	When allowing 100-199 pass yards	4-6
In home day games	3-11	When gaining less than 300 yards	1-14	When allowing 200-299 pass yards	3-9
In home night games	0-0	When gaining 300-399 yards	6-6	When allowing 300+ pass yards	1-5
In road day games	3-5	When gaining 400-499 yards	1-1	When scoring non-offensive TD	2-1
In road night games	2-5	When gaining 500+ yards	0-0	When allowing non-offensive TD	1-3
In games decided by 10 points or less	2-5	When gaining less than 100 rush yards	0-5	When committing 3+ turnovers	0-4
In games decided by 3 points or less	2-2	When gaining 100-199 rush yards	5-12	When forcing 3+ turnovers	2-1
When scoring 0-13 points	1-11	When gaining 200-299 rush yards	1-4	When leading time of possession	6-11
When scoring 14-20 points	0-8	When gaining 300-399 rush yards	2-0		
When scoring 21-29 points	3-2	When gaining 400-499 rush yards	0-0		
When scoring 30+ points	4-0	When gaining 500+ rush yards	0-0		
When allowing 0-13 points	5-1	With less than 100 passing yards	3-8		
When allowing 14-20 points	2-2	With 100-199 passing yards	5-10		
When allowing 21-29 points	1-3	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
Lamar Owens	Offensive Coordinator / Wide Receivers
Raleigh Jackson	Defensive Coordinator / Bandits
Tony Coaxum	Associate Head Coach / Special Teams Coordinator
Everette Sands	Assistant Head Coach / Running Backs
Phill Guard	Assistant Coach / Offensive Line
Roberto Pinilla	Assistant Coach / Defensive Line
Jason Simmons Jr.	Assistant Coach / Safeties
Barry Casterlin	Offensive Analyst
Greg Dixon	Defensive Assistant / Bandits

### IN THE PRESS BOX

Keith Jones	Chief of Staff
Jackson Eskierka	Assistant Coach / Quarterbacks
Jo Jackson	Assistant Coach / Secondary
Zane Vance	Assistant Coach / Linebackers
Giovanni Ricciardi	Defensive Assistant / Defensive Line
Brock Carroll	Offensive Assistant / Offensive Line

## PRONUNCIATION GUIDE

### STUDENT- & CADET-ATHLETES / COACHING STAFF

0 Maurice <b>Bonneau</b> Jr.	bon-KNOW	37 <b>Sayre</b> Smothers	SIGH-rhee
3 Melvin <b>Ravenel</b>	rah-VIN-ell	39 Justice <b>Gilliard</b>	gill-YARD
5 <b>Je'Mazin</b> Roberts	juh-MAZE-in	41 Corey <b>MorauX</b>	MORE-oh
8 <b>Tyrik</b> McDaniel	TYE-reek	46 Jack <b>Weil</b>	while
10 Drew <b>Nyangweso</b>	yang-WHEY-soh	57 Mike <b>Bartilucci</b>	BAR-till-ew-chee
18 <b>Malachi</b> Taylor	MAL-uh-kye	61 Tommy <b>DiLiegro</b>	duh-LEGG-row
20 Corey <b>Ibrahim</b>	EE-bra-heem	62 Mike <b>Lengi</b>	ling-EE
21 <b>Abijah</b> Webb	ah-BYE-juh	69 Matt <b>Metrosky</b>	Muh-TRO-ski
23 <b>Jabraivon</b> Woodard	juh-BRAY-vee-on	83 Braylon <b>Knauth</b>	nawth
27 Anthony <b>Turnbow</b>	TURN-beau	88 <b>Kemani</b> Brown	kuh-MAWN-ee
28 JJ <b>Fludd</b>	flood	92 Adam <b>Comer</b>	comb-UR
31 <b>J'hari</b> Mosley	juh-HARR-ee	Tony <b>Coaxum</b>	COKES-um
33 Jaiden <b>Haltiwanger</b>	JAY-den	Jackson <b>Eskierka</b>	ESS-CARE-kuh
34 <b>Ky'Mani</b> Carpenter	KYE-mawn-ee	Roberto <b>Pinilla</b>	pin-ELL-uh





# GAME NOTES | THE CITADEL FOOTBALL

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Recovery	Maurice Drayton Press Conference	Practice	Practice	Practice	Practice	vs. Western Carolina
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

### DRAYTON DELIVERS

Maurice Drayton guided the Bulldogs to a five-win improvement from year one to year two, the largest season-to-season victory bump for any head coach in program history. Further, the team's three-victory surge in SoCon competition matches HC Mike Houston's 2015 squad, which collected six league wins en route to a SoCon Championship before later advancing into the second round of the FCS Playoffs.

### TRIPLE THREAT

In the SoCon kickoff at Samford, The Citadel managed to score a touchdown during all three phases of the game -- offense, defense & special teams, a first for the program since hosting Chowan on Sept. 4, 2010. In the more recent matchup against Samford, the Bulldogs found the end zone on three offensive occasions -- two receiving scores for JGB plus a Quentin Hayes rushing TD -- while tacking on a pair of scoop 'n scores to round out the triple play, the first courtesy of Sayre Smothers on a 31-yard recovery for a defensive TD with the second coming via a 59-yard return from Bradlee Jones on a botched fake field goal.

### NEVER GONNA GIVE YOU UP

The Citadel offense has continuously evolved under third-year head coach Maurice Drayton, improving across a variety of categories thus far into his tenure; however, arguably the most significant adjustment has come in the form of ball control. Through the first six games of the campaign, the Bulldogs have surrendered just five turnovers, good for the 12th-best mark in the FCS and the top position amongst SoCon brethren. Comparably, The Citadel coughed up 16 turnovers last year (48th nationally, first league-wide) while giving up a grand total 21 during Drayton's first run back in 2023 (95th in FCS, seventh within the SoCon).

### #DISRUPTOR

Defensive end Chris Benton has defined The Citadel pass rush across the opening slate of the season, logging a pair of sacks against Samford -- both solo takedowns -- with two QB hurries followed up by another set at Gardner-Webb -- one solo, two assists. Currently, the junior ranks 28th within the FCS for the category as well as third overall league-wide. As a unit, the Bulldogs' defensive front has proven difficult for opposing offenses to properly deal with in terms of penetrataion, racking up 2.17 sacks per game en route to the No. 32 position on the FCS leaderboard as well as third conference-wide while also logging 5.8 tackles-for-loss per game, good for 44th nationally and sixth amongst league opponents.

## THE BULLDOGS' RECORD WHEN...

### The Citadel's Record in...

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

### The Citadel's Conference Record...

At home	0-1
On the road	2-0

### The Citadel's Non-Conference Record

At home	1-1
On the road	0-1

### The Citadel vs. Ranked Opponents...

At home	0-2
On the road	1-1

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

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

### The Citadel's Record When Scoring...

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

### The Citadel's Record When Allowing...

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

### The Citadel's Record in Games...

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

### The Citadel's record with...

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



## NOTABLE NOTES

### HOMETOWN HEROES

Highlighted by the return of local product Darryle Ware, the Bulldogs continue to showcase the strong football tradition of the greater Charleston area on the roster, including:

- DB Melvin Ravenel & WR Malachi Taylor, Goose Creek, S.C.
- LB Darryle Ware, LS Tommy DiLiegro, OL Andrew Jackson, OL Frank Schmidt & TE Whit Hobgood, Charleston, S.C.
- WR Kemani Brown & WR Corey Moraux, Moncks Corner, S.C.
- WR Jammall Fludd, North Charleston, S.C.
- DB Ryland Mitchell & OL Andrew Tumbleston, Summerville, S.C.
- LB Mikey Rosa, DL Carson Arnold, K Jack Weil & LB Jameson Bell, Mount Pleasant, S.C.

### THAT TRACKS

The continued success of third-year mainstay Bradlee Jones both in the secondary and on special teams has many potential attributions, but the most reasonable explanation boils down to an unteachable quality -- pure speed, an advantage the junior has leveraged into multiple recognitions with The Citadel Track & Field team. Currently, Jones serves as the reigning SoCon champion in a trio of speed-centric events: the 60m (indoor), 100m (outdoor) and 200m (outdoor), scoring the league's Most Outstanding Track Performer honors for his effort. Additionally, he holds the program record in the 100m dash as well, clocking a 10.31 mark at the East Coast Relays in early May.

### AN OFFICER, A GENTLEMAN & A QUARTERBACK

Air Force standout QB Quentin Hayes serves as the first incoming transfer from a fellow service academy since former VMI tailback Alex Ramsey joined the Bulldogs as a graduate prior to the 2021 campaign. A statistical leader for the Falcons last year under center, Hayes compiled a strong 4-2 record across his six starts and 10 total appearances during the 2024 season, logging a team-best 455 yards with three touchdowns through the air on 25-of-43 passing while netting 466 yards on the ground on 126 carries for another seven scores.

### MILITARY DISCIPLINE

In spite of the mascot, The Citadel has managed to avoid the doghouse often thus far into the season, ranking first FCS-wide with 3.00 penalties per game while sitting fourth nationally with just 30.50 penalty yards per game. Notably, the Bulldogs opened the 2025 campaign against No. 1 NDSU with zero penalties, a first for the program since 2014 against then-No. 1 Florida State.

### JONESING FOR A NEW RECORD

Late during the Bulldogs' 2025 SoCon kickoff at Samford, Bradlee Jones found himself the beneficiary of a Melvin Ravenel forced fumble midway through a botched fake field goal, scooping and scoring for a 59-yard fumble recovery for a touchdown. Notably, the 59-yard distance serves as the second longest fumble recovery for a TD in program history, falling 11 yards short of matching Vincent Hill's 70-yard score at Florida State in 2005.

### STARTING OFF ON THE RIGHT (OR LEFT) FOOT

A monumental effort from graduate student James Platte provided the Bulldogs a dynamic edge in terms of field position throughout last season, capping the year with a program-best 47.1 punting average -- good for the top mark in the SoCon and third-best within the FCS -- with 18 punts breaking the 50-yard mark while a total 17 pinned opposing teams inside the 20-yard line. Thus far into the 2025 campaign, the stud boot has continued his usual antics, averaging 47.3 yards per punt -- good for fourth nationally and first within the SoCon -- with nine coffin corners inside the 20-yard line and 13 sailing over 50 yards.

### POUND THE ROCK

Following back-to-back 300-yard-plus rushing performances against Chattanooga (336) and Valdosta State (355), the Bulldogs' ground game has turned the corner after a slow start to the campaign. In spite of the early-season setbacks, The Citadel still ranks as one of the top rushing attacks in the FCS, sitting at 12th nationally and first within the SoCon behind a 214.2 yards per game mark. Individually, the triple threat of Cobey Thompkins (271 yards), Quentin Hayes (264 yards, three TDs) and Garrison Johnson Sr. (209 yards, four TD) has given opposing defenses fits, especially when factoring in the downhill nature of redshirt freshman Sebastien 'Bash' Boyle (202 yards, three TDs) as well.

### POSSESSION IS NINE-TENTHS OF THE LAW

After narrowly missing the mark during Drayton's first season at the helm, the 2024 campaign saw The Citadel offense return to averaging 30:00 minutes of possession or more on the year, with the Bulldogs ranking inside the top five nationally for the category in seven of the past 10 seasons. In spite of a rough start for the third-year head coach in the statistic (three sub-30:00 games of first four), the past two contests has generated a noteworthy rebound for the Bulldogs, swinging the season average back above the midpoint position to 30:04, a first for the campaign.

### WHEN OPPORTUNITY KNOCKS...

Bolstered by a five-turnover performance at Samford, The Citadel currently boasts a 0.33 turnover margin on the year, good for the 40th-best mark nationally and third overall in the SoCon. Of particular note, all seven turnovers -- four interceptions and a trio of fumble recoveries -- on the season have come from different Bulldogs, including Camden Gray, Lee Alexander and Tyrik McDaniel & Cale Williams for the former category and Nikolas Mirabella, Sayre Smothers plus Bradlee Jones on the latter, the final of two of which concluded with an end zone visit.

### THE CALM COMES BEFORE THE STORM

Despite a banner year for the special teams unit in 2024, including an FCS-best eight blocked kicks, the Bulldogs had been stymied thus far into the season; however, J'hari Mosley and punt return team shook the proverbial monkey off the team's back against VSU, snuffing out the initial Blazers kick early in the first.

## THE LAST TIME...

### PASSING

#### 30 Pass Attempts

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

Opp.: 31 by Holcomb, Valdosta State (2025)

#### 40 Pass Attempts

CIT: 43 by Graeson Underwood at ETSU (2023)

Opp.: 56 by Crittendon, Samford (2025)

#### 20 Completions

CIT: 22 by Graeson Underwood at ETSU (2023)

Opp.: 21 by Holcomb, Valdosta State (2025)

#### 200 Passing Yards

CIT: 304 by Johnathan Bennett at Mercer (2024)

Opp.: 201 by Orth, Chattanooga (2025)

#### 300 Passing Yards

CIT: 304 by Johnathan Bennett at Mercer (2024)

Opp.: 305 by Atkinson, Mercer (2025)

#### 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.: 4 by Atkinson, Mercer (2025)

#### Four Touchdown Passes

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

Opp.: 4 by Atkinson, Mercer (2025)

### 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: 103 by Quentin Hayes at Chattanooga (2025)

Opp.: 104 by CJ Miller, Mercer (2025)

#### 200 Rushing Yards

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

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

#### Three Rushing Touchdowns

CIT: 3 by Garrison Johnson Sr. vs. Valdosta State (2025)

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.: Davis (118) & Durant (105), UTC (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 Jaden Gibson, Samford (2025)

#### 100 Receiving Yards

CIT: 139 by Javonte Graves-Billips at Samford (2025)

Opp.: 100 by Adjatay Dabbs, Mercer (2025)

#### 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. Wofford (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.: Payton Page (57 yards), Clemson (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: Sayre Smothers (31 yards) & Bradlee Jones (59 yards) at Samford (2025)

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: J'hari Mosley vs. Valdosta State (2025)

Opp.: Isaiah Wadsworth, WOF (2024)

#### Blocked Punt Returned for Touchdown

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

Opp.: Javario Tinch (34 yards), WOF (2024)

#### 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 Clemson (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: DaVonyae Pettis at Clemson (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: vs. Mercer (2025), 0-38

#### Scored an Offensive, Defensive & Special Teams Touchdown

The Citadel: at Samford, 40-13 (2025)

#### Beat FBS Team

The Citadel: at Georgia Tech, 2019





# THE CITADEL FOOTBALL | GAME NOTES

## OPPONENT PROFILES

### GAME I | VS. NORTH DAKOTA STATE

Date \_\_\_\_\_ Saturday, Aug. 30  
Kickoff \_\_\_\_\_ 12:02 pm ET  
Location \_\_\_\_\_ Charleston, S.C.  
Stadium \_\_\_\_\_ Sansom Field at  
\_\_\_\_\_ Johnson Hagood Stadium  
Capacity \_\_\_\_\_ 11,427  
\_\_\_\_\_ White Out Game  
Series Results \_\_\_\_\_ 1-0, North Dakota State  
Last Time \_\_\_\_\_ L, 0-38 (8/30/2025)  
Last at Johnson Hagood Stadium \_\_\_\_\_ L, 0-38 (8/30/2025)  
Streak \_\_\_\_\_ L1

### 2025 SCHEDULE [6-0, 3-0 MVFC]

Saturday, Aug. 30 \_\_\_\_\_ at The Citadel \_\_\_\_\_ W, 38-0  
Saturday, Sept. 6 \_\_\_\_\_ at Tennessee State \_\_\_\_\_ W, 59-3  
Saturday, Sept. 13 \_\_\_\_\_ Southeast Missouri State \_\_\_\_\_ W, 41-14  
Saturday, Sept. 27 \_\_\_\_\_ South Dakota\* \_\_\_\_\_ W, 51-13  
Saturday, Oct. 4 \_\_\_\_\_ at Illinois State\* \_\_\_\_\_ W, 33-16  
Saturday, Oct. 11 \_\_\_\_\_ Southern Illinois\* \_\_\_\_\_ W, 45-17  
Saturday, Oct. 18 \_\_\_\_\_ at Indiana State\* \_\_\_\_\_  
Saturday, Oct. 25 \_\_\_\_\_ at South Dakota State\* \_\_\_\_\_  
Saturday, Nov. 1 \_\_\_\_\_ Youngstown State\* \_\_\_\_\_  
Saturday, Nov. 8 \_\_\_\_\_ at North Dakota\* \_\_\_\_\_  
Saturday, Nov. 15 \_\_\_\_\_ Northern Iowa\* \_\_\_\_\_  
Saturday, Nov. 22 \_\_\_\_\_ St. Thomas \_\_\_\_\_

### GAME II | AT SAMFORD

Date \_\_\_\_\_ Saturday, Sept. 6  
Kickoff \_\_\_\_\_ 3:32 pm ET  
Location \_\_\_\_\_ Birmingham, Ala.  
Stadium \_\_\_\_\_ Bobby Bowden Field at  
\_\_\_\_\_ Pete Hanna Stadium  
Capacity \_\_\_\_\_ 6,700  
Series Results \_\_\_\_\_ 10-9, Samford  
Last Time \_\_\_\_\_ W, 40-13 (9/6/2025)  
Last at Pete Hanna Stadium \_\_\_\_\_ W, 40-13 (9/6/2025)  
Streak \_\_\_\_\_ W2

### 2025 SCHEDULE [0-6, 0-4 SOCON]

Thursday, Aug. 28 \_\_\_\_\_ West Georgia \_\_\_\_\_ L, 3-34  
Saturday, Sept. 6 \_\_\_\_\_ The Citadel\* \_\_\_\_\_ L, 13-40  
Saturday, Sept. 13 \_\_\_\_\_ at Baylor \_\_\_\_\_ L, 7-42  
Saturday, Sept. 20 \_\_\_\_\_ at Western Carolina\* \_\_\_\_\_ L, 35-50  
Saturday, Sept. 27 \_\_\_\_\_ Furman\* \_\_\_\_\_ L, 13-31  
Saturday, Oct. 4 \_\_\_\_\_ at Mercer\* \_\_\_\_\_ L, 21-45  
Saturday, Oct. 18 \_\_\_\_\_ at VMI\* \_\_\_\_\_  
Saturday, Oct. 25 \_\_\_\_\_ Chattanooga\* \_\_\_\_\_  
Saturday, Nov. 1 \_\_\_\_\_ at Wofford\* \_\_\_\_\_  
Saturday, Nov. 8 \_\_\_\_\_ ETSU\* \_\_\_\_\_  
Saturday, Nov. 15 \_\_\_\_\_ at Austin Peay \_\_\_\_\_  
Saturday, Nov. 22 \_\_\_\_\_ at Texas A&M \_\_\_\_\_

### GAME III | AT GARDNER-WEBB

Date \_\_\_\_\_ Saturday, Sept. 13  
Kickoff \_\_\_\_\_ 7:02 pm ET  
Location \_\_\_\_\_ Boiling Springs, N.C.  
Stadium \_\_\_\_\_ Norman Harris Field at  
\_\_\_\_\_ Spangler Stadium  
Capacity \_\_\_\_\_ 8,500  
Series Results \_\_\_\_\_ 2-0, The Citadel  
Last Time \_\_\_\_\_ L, 13-23 (9/13/2025)  
Last at Spangler Stadium \_\_\_\_\_ L, 13-23 (9/13/2025)  
Streak \_\_\_\_\_ L1

### 2025 SCHEDULE [4-2, 2-0 BIG SOUTH-OVC]

Saturday, Aug. 30 \_\_\_\_\_ at Western Carolina \_\_\_\_\_ W, 52-45  
Saturday, Sept. 6 \_\_\_\_\_ at Georgia Tech \_\_\_\_\_ L, 12-59  
Saturday, Sept. 13 \_\_\_\_\_ The Citadel \_\_\_\_\_ W, 23-13  
Saturday, Sept. 20 \_\_\_\_\_ at Ohio \_\_\_\_\_ L, 35-52  
Saturday, Oct. 4 \_\_\_\_\_ Charleston Southern\* \_\_\_\_\_ W, 30-27  
Saturday, Oct. 11 \_\_\_\_\_ at Eastern Illinois\* \_\_\_\_\_ W, 21-10  
Saturday, Oct. 18 \_\_\_\_\_ UT Martin\* \_\_\_\_\_  
Saturday, Oct. 25 \_\_\_\_\_ at Lindenwood\* \_\_\_\_\_  
Saturday, Nov. 1 \_\_\_\_\_ at Tennessee Tech\* \_\_\_\_\_  
Saturday, Nov. 8 \_\_\_\_\_ Southeast Missouri State\* \_\_\_\_\_  
Saturday, Nov. 15 \_\_\_\_\_ at Tennessee State\* \_\_\_\_\_  
Saturday, Nov. 22 \_\_\_\_\_ Western Illinois \_\_\_\_\_



# GAME NOTES | THE CITADEL FOOTBALL

## OPPONENT PROFILES

### GAME IV | VS. MERCER

**Date** \_\_\_\_\_ **Saturday, Sept. 20**  
**Kickoff** \_\_\_\_\_ **2:02 pm ET**  
**Location** \_\_\_\_\_ **Charleston, S.C.**  
Stadium \_\_\_\_\_ Sansom Field at  
\_\_\_\_\_ Johnson Hagood Stadium  
Capacity \_\_\_\_\_ 11,427  
\_\_\_\_\_ Parents' Weekend  
**Series Results** \_\_\_\_\_ **11-11-1, Even**  
Last Time \_\_\_\_\_ L, 0-38 (9/20/2025)  
Last at Johnson Hagood Stadium \_\_\_\_\_ L, 0-38 (9/20/2025)  
Streak \_\_\_\_\_ L6

### 2025 SCHEDULE [5-1, 4-0 SOCON]

Saturday, Aug. 23 \_\_\_\_\_ vs. UC Davis \_\_\_\_\_ CANCELLED  
Saturday, Aug. 30 \_\_\_\_\_ Presbyterian \_\_\_\_\_ L, 10-15  
Saturday, Sept. 13 \_\_\_\_\_ Wofford\* \_\_\_\_\_ W, 22-21  
**Saturday, Sept. 20 \_\_\_\_\_ at The Citadel\* \_\_\_\_\_ W, 38-0**  
Saturday, Sept. 27 \_\_\_\_\_ at ETSU\* \_\_\_\_\_ W, 38-34  
Saturday, Oct. 4 \_\_\_\_\_ Samford\* \_\_\_\_\_ W, 45-21  
Saturday, Oct. 11 \_\_\_\_\_ at Princeton \_\_\_\_\_ W, 38-14  
Saturday, Oct. 25 \_\_\_\_\_ VMI\* \_\_\_\_\_  
Saturday, Nov. 1 \_\_\_\_\_ at Furman\* \_\_\_\_\_  
Saturday, Nov. 8 \_\_\_\_\_ at Western Carolina\* \_\_\_\_\_  
Saturday, Nov. 15 \_\_\_\_\_ Chattanooga\* \_\_\_\_\_  
Saturday, Nov. 22 \_\_\_\_\_ at Auburn \_\_\_\_\_

### GAME V | AT CHATTANOOGA

**Date** \_\_\_\_\_ **Saturday, Sept. 27**  
**Kickoff** \_\_\_\_\_ **6:02 pm ET**  
**Location** \_\_\_\_\_ **Chattanooga, Tenn.**  
Stadium \_\_\_\_\_ Finley Stadium  
Capacity \_\_\_\_\_ 20,668  
**Series Results** \_\_\_\_\_ **36-21-2, Chattanooga**  
Last Time \_\_\_\_\_ W, 28-10 (9/27/2025)  
Last at Finley Stadium \_\_\_\_\_ W, 28-10 (9/27/2025)  
Streak \_\_\_\_\_ W1

### 2025 SCHEDULE [2-4, 1-1 SOCON]

Saturday, Aug. 30 \_\_\_\_\_ at Memphis \_\_\_\_\_ L, 10-45  
Saturday, Sept. 6 \_\_\_\_\_ at Tennessee Tech \_\_\_\_\_ L, 17-45  
Saturday, Sept. 13 \_\_\_\_\_ Stetson \_\_\_\_\_ W, 63-0  
Saturday, Sept. 20 \_\_\_\_\_ at Tarleton State \_\_\_\_\_ L, 24-52  
**Saturday, Sept. 27 \_\_\_\_\_ The Citadel\* \_\_\_\_\_ L, 10-28**  
Saturday, Oct. 4 \_\_\_\_\_ at VMI\* \_\_\_\_\_ W, 21-14  
Saturday, Oct. 18 \_\_\_\_\_ ETSU\* \_\_\_\_\_  
Saturday, Oct. 25 \_\_\_\_\_ at Samford\* \_\_\_\_\_  
Saturday, Nov. 1 \_\_\_\_\_ Western Carolina\* \_\_\_\_\_  
Saturday, Nov. 8 \_\_\_\_\_ Furman\* \_\_\_\_\_  
Saturday, Nov. 15 \_\_\_\_\_ at Mercer\* \_\_\_\_\_  
Saturday, Nov. 22 \_\_\_\_\_ at Wofford\* \_\_\_\_\_

### GAME VI | VS. VALDOSTA STATE

**Date** \_\_\_\_\_ **Saturday, Oct. 11**  
**Kickoff** \_\_\_\_\_ **2:02 pm ET**  
**Location** \_\_\_\_\_ **Charleston, S.C.**  
Stadium \_\_\_\_\_ Sansom Field at  
\_\_\_\_\_ Johnson Hagood Stadium  
Capacity \_\_\_\_\_ 11,427  
\_\_\_\_\_ Hall of Fame Weekend / Military Appreciation  
**Series Results** \_\_\_\_\_ **0-0, Even**  
Last Time \_\_\_\_\_  
Last at Johnson Hagood Stadium \_\_\_\_\_  
Streak \_\_\_\_\_

### 2025 SCHEDULE [2-4, 0-0 GSC]

Saturday, Aug. 30 \_\_\_\_\_ Clark Atlanta \_\_\_\_\_ W, 31-28  
Saturday, Sept. 6 \_\_\_\_\_ at Johnson C. Smith \_\_\_\_\_ L, 16-28  
Saturday, Sept. 13 \_\_\_\_\_ at Chowan \_\_\_\_\_ W, 56-3  
Saturday, Sept. 27 \_\_\_\_\_ UNC Pembroke \_\_\_\_\_ L, 0-31  
Saturday, Oct. 4 \_\_\_\_\_ Lenoir-Rhyne \_\_\_\_\_ L, 25-32  
**Saturday, Oct. 11 \_\_\_\_\_ at The Citadel \_\_\_\_\_ L, 14-38**  
Saturday, Oct. 25 \_\_\_\_\_ North Greenville \_\_\_\_\_  
Saturday, Nov. 1 \_\_\_\_\_ West Alabama\* \_\_\_\_\_  
Saturday, Nov. 8 \_\_\_\_\_ Delta State\* \_\_\_\_\_  
Saturday, Nov. 15 \_\_\_\_\_ at West Florida\* \_\_\_\_\_



# THE CITADEL FOOTBALL | GAME NOTES

## OPPONENT PROFILES

### GAME VII | VS. WESTERN CAROLINA

**Date** \_\_\_\_\_ **Saturday, Oct. 18**  
**Kickoff** \_\_\_\_\_ **2:02 pm ET**  
**Location** \_\_\_\_\_ **Charleston, S.C.**  
Stadium \_\_\_\_\_ Sansom Field at  
\_\_\_\_\_ Johnson Hagood Stadium  
Capacity \_\_\_\_\_ 11,427  
\_\_\_\_\_ Leaders in Philanthropy  
**Series Results** \_\_\_\_\_ **27-21-1, The Citadel**  
Last Time \_\_\_\_\_ L, 16-30 (10/12/2024)  
Last at Johnson Hagood Stadium \_\_\_\_\_ L, 14-49 (9/30/2023)  
Streak \_\_\_\_\_ L2

### 2025 SCHEDULE [4-3, 3-0 SOCON]

Saturday, Aug. 30 \_\_\_\_\_ Gardner-Webb \_\_\_\_\_ L, 45-52  
Saturday, Sept. 6 \_\_\_\_\_ at Wake Forest \_\_\_\_\_ L, 10-42  
Saturday, Sept. 13 \_\_\_\_\_ Elon \_\_\_\_\_ L, 31-37  
Saturday, Sept. 20 \_\_\_\_\_ Samford\* \_\_\_\_\_ W, 50-35  
Saturday, Sept. 27 \_\_\_\_\_ at Campbell \_\_\_\_\_ W, 42-35  
Saturday, Oct. 4 \_\_\_\_\_ at Wofford\* \_\_\_\_\_ W, 23-21  
Saturday, Oct. 11 \_\_\_\_\_ Furman\* \_\_\_\_\_ W, 52-7  
**Saturday, Oct. 18 \_\_\_\_\_ at The Citadel\***  
Saturday, Nov. 1 \_\_\_\_\_ at Chattanooga\* \_\_\_\_\_  
Saturday, Nov. 8 \_\_\_\_\_ Mercer\* \_\_\_\_\_  
Saturday, Nov. 15 \_\_\_\_\_ ETSU\* \_\_\_\_\_  
Saturday, Nov. 22 \_\_\_\_\_ at VMI\* \_\_\_\_\_

### GAME VIII | AT FURMAN

**Date** \_\_\_\_\_ **Saturday, Oct. 25**  
**Kickoff** \_\_\_\_\_ **2:02 pm ET**  
**Location** \_\_\_\_\_ **Greenville, S.C.**  
Stadium \_\_\_\_\_ Paladin Stadium  
Capacity \_\_\_\_\_ 14,518  
**Series Results** \_\_\_\_\_ **64-37-3, Furman**  
Last Time \_\_\_\_\_ L, 16-17 (10/5/2024)  
Last at Paladin Stadium \_\_\_\_\_ L, 14-28 (10/7/2023)  
Streak \_\_\_\_\_ L4

### 2025 SCHEDULE [4-2, 2-1 SOCON]

Saturday, Aug. 30 \_\_\_\_\_ William & Mary \_\_\_\_\_ W, 23-21  
Saturday, Sept. 6 \_\_\_\_\_ Presbyterian \_\_\_\_\_ L, 38-39 (OT)  
Saturday, Sept. 13 \_\_\_\_\_ at Campbell \_\_\_\_\_ W, 28-24  
Saturday, Sept. 27 \_\_\_\_\_ at Samford\* \_\_\_\_\_ W, 31-13  
Saturday, Oct. 4 \_\_\_\_\_ ETSU\* \_\_\_\_\_ W, 31-22  
Saturday, Oct. 11 \_\_\_\_\_ at Western Carolina\* \_\_\_\_\_ L, 7-52  
Saturday, Oct. 18 \_\_\_\_\_ at Wofford\* \_\_\_\_\_  
**Saturday, Oct. 25 \_\_\_\_\_ The Citadel\***  
Saturday, Nov. 1 \_\_\_\_\_ Mercer\* \_\_\_\_\_  
Saturday, Nov. 8 \_\_\_\_\_ at Chattanooga\* \_\_\_\_\_  
Saturday, Nov. 15 \_\_\_\_\_ VMI\* \_\_\_\_\_  
Saturday, Nov. 22 \_\_\_\_\_ at Clemson \_\_\_\_\_

### GAME IX | VS. VMI

**Date** \_\_\_\_\_ **Saturday, Nov. 1**  
**Kickoff** \_\_\_\_\_ **2:02 pm ET**  
**Location** \_\_\_\_\_ **Charleston, S.C.**  
Stadium \_\_\_\_\_ Sansom Field at  
\_\_\_\_\_ Johnson Hagood Stadium  
Capacity \_\_\_\_\_ 11,427  
\_\_\_\_\_ The Military Classic of the South / Senior Day  
**Series Results** \_\_\_\_\_ **45-33-2, The Citadel**  
Last Time \_\_\_\_\_ W, 13-10 (10/19/2024)  
Last at Johnson Hagood Stadium \_\_\_\_\_ L, 13-17 (10/14/2023)  
Streak \_\_\_\_\_ W1

### 2025 SCHEDULE [1-5, 0-2 SOCON]

Saturday, Aug. 30 \_\_\_\_\_ at Navy \_\_\_\_\_ L, 7-52  
Saturday, Sept. 6 \_\_\_\_\_ Ferrum College \_\_\_\_\_ W, 42-7  
Saturday, Sept. 13 \_\_\_\_\_ at Bucknell \_\_\_\_\_ L, 28-35  
Saturday, Sept. 20 \_\_\_\_\_ at Richmond \_\_\_\_\_ L, 14-38  
Saturday, Oct. 4 \_\_\_\_\_ Chattanooga\* \_\_\_\_\_ L, 14-21  
Saturday, Oct. 11 \_\_\_\_\_ at ETSU\* \_\_\_\_\_ L, 10-45  
Saturday, Oct. 18 \_\_\_\_\_ Samford\* \_\_\_\_\_  
Saturday, Oct. 25 \_\_\_\_\_ at Mercer\* \_\_\_\_\_  
**Saturday, Nov. 1 \_\_\_\_\_ at The Citadel\***  
Saturday, Nov. 8 \_\_\_\_\_ Wofford\* \_\_\_\_\_  
Saturday, Nov. 15 \_\_\_\_\_ at Furman\* \_\_\_\_\_  
Saturday, Nov. 22 \_\_\_\_\_ Western Carolina\* \_\_\_\_\_





# GAME NOTES | THE CITADEL FOOTBALL

## OPPONENT PROFILES

### GAME X | AT OLE MISS

**Date** \_\_\_\_\_ **Saturday, Nov. 8**  
**Kickoff** \_\_\_\_\_ **1:02 pm ET**  
**Location** \_\_\_\_\_ **Oxford, Miss.**  
Stadium \_\_\_\_\_ Hollingsworth Field at  
\_\_\_\_\_ Vaught-Hemingway Stadium  
Capacity \_\_\_\_\_ 64,038  
**Series Results** \_\_\_\_\_ **1-0, Ole Miss**  
Last Time \_\_\_\_\_ L, 7-27 (10/8/2005)  
Last at Vaught-Hemingway Stadium \_\_\_\_\_ L, 7-27 (10/8/2005)  
Streak \_\_\_\_\_ L1

### 2025 SCHEDULE [6-0, 3-0 SEC]

Saturday, Aug. 30 \_\_\_\_\_ Georgia State \_\_\_\_\_ W, 63-7  
Saturday, Sept. 6 \_\_\_\_\_ at Kentucky\* \_\_\_\_\_ W, 30-23  
Saturday, Sept. 13 \_\_\_\_\_ Arkansas\* \_\_\_\_\_ W, 41-35  
Saturday, Sept. 20 \_\_\_\_\_ Tulane \_\_\_\_\_ W, 45-10  
Saturday, Sept. 27 \_\_\_\_\_ LSU\* \_\_\_\_\_ W, 24-19  
Saturday, Oct. 11 \_\_\_\_\_ Washington State \_\_\_\_\_ W, 24-21  
Saturday, Oct. 18 \_\_\_\_\_ at Georgia\* \_\_\_\_\_  
Saturday, Oct. 25 \_\_\_\_\_ at Oklahoma\* \_\_\_\_\_  
Saturday, Nov. 1 \_\_\_\_\_ South Carolina\* \_\_\_\_\_  
**Saturday, Nov. 8** \_\_\_\_\_ **The Citadel** \_\_\_\_\_  
Saturday, Nov. 15 \_\_\_\_\_ Florida\* \_\_\_\_\_  
Saturday, Nov. 28 \_\_\_\_\_ at Mississippi State\* \_\_\_\_\_

### GAME XI | VS. WOFFORD

**Date** \_\_\_\_\_ **Saturday, Nov. 15**  
**Kickoff** \_\_\_\_\_ **2:02 pm ET**  
**Location** \_\_\_\_\_ **Charleston, S.C.**  
Stadium \_\_\_\_\_ Sansom Field at  
\_\_\_\_\_ Johnson Hagood Stadium  
Capacity \_\_\_\_\_ 11,427  
\_\_\_\_\_ Homecoming / The Big Dog Bowl  
**Series Results** \_\_\_\_\_ **45-32-1, The Citadel**  
Last Time \_\_\_\_\_ W, 30-17 (11/16/2024)  
Last at Johnson Hagood Stadium \_\_\_\_\_ L, 3-11 (11/11/2023)  
Streak \_\_\_\_\_ W1

### 2025 SCHEDULE [1-5, 0-2 SOCON]

Saturday, Aug. 30 \_\_\_\_\_ at South Carolina State \_\_\_\_\_ L, 15-16  
Saturday, Sept. 6 \_\_\_\_\_ Richmond \_\_\_\_\_ L, 10-14  
Saturday, Sept. 13 \_\_\_\_\_ at Mercer\* \_\_\_\_\_ L, 21-22  
Saturday, Sept. 20 \_\_\_\_\_ at Virginia Tech \_\_\_\_\_ L, 6-38  
Saturday, Oct. 4 \_\_\_\_\_ Western Carolina\* \_\_\_\_\_ L, 21-23  
Saturday, Oct. 11 \_\_\_\_\_ Norfolk State \_\_\_\_\_ W, 31-14  
Saturday, Oct. 18 \_\_\_\_\_ Furman\* \_\_\_\_\_  
Saturday, Oct. 25 \_\_\_\_\_ at ETSU\* \_\_\_\_\_  
Saturday, Nov. 1 \_\_\_\_\_ Samford\* \_\_\_\_\_  
Saturday, Nov. 8 \_\_\_\_\_ at VMI\* \_\_\_\_\_  
**Saturday, Nov. 15** \_\_\_\_\_ **at The Citadel\*** \_\_\_\_\_  
Saturday, Nov. 22 \_\_\_\_\_ Chattanooga\* \_\_\_\_\_

### GAME XII | AT ETSU

**Date** \_\_\_\_\_ **Saturday, Nov. 22**  
**Kickoff** \_\_\_\_\_ **1:02 pm ET**  
**Location** \_\_\_\_\_ **Johnson City, Tenn.**  
Stadium \_\_\_\_\_ Bank of Tennessee Field at  
\_\_\_\_\_ William B. Greene, Jr. Stadium  
Capacity \_\_\_\_\_ 7,694  
**Series Results** \_\_\_\_\_ **20-13, ETSU**  
Last Time \_\_\_\_\_ L, 17-34 (9/28/2024)  
Last at Greene, Jr. Stadium \_\_\_\_\_ L, 23-35 (11/18/2023)  
Streak \_\_\_\_\_ L2

### 2025 SCHEDULE [3-4, 1-2 SOCON]

Saturday, Aug. 30 \_\_\_\_\_ Murray State \_\_\_\_\_ W, 45-17  
Saturday, Sept. 6 \_\_\_\_\_ at Tennessee \_\_\_\_\_ L, 17-72  
Saturday, Sept. 13 \_\_\_\_\_ at West Georgia \_\_\_\_\_ L, 31-35  
Saturday, Sept. 20 \_\_\_\_\_ Elon \_\_\_\_\_ W, 26-16  
Saturday, Sept. 27 \_\_\_\_\_ Mercer\* \_\_\_\_\_ L, 34-38  
Saturday, Oct. 4 \_\_\_\_\_ at Furman\* \_\_\_\_\_ L, 22-31  
Saturday, Oct. 11 \_\_\_\_\_ VMI\* \_\_\_\_\_ W, 45-10  
Saturday, Oct. 18 \_\_\_\_\_ at Chattanooga\* \_\_\_\_\_  
Saturday, Oct. 25 \_\_\_\_\_ Wofford\* \_\_\_\_\_  
Saturday, Nov. 8 \_\_\_\_\_ at Samford\* \_\_\_\_\_  
Saturday, Nov. 15 \_\_\_\_\_ at Western Carolina\* \_\_\_\_\_  
**Saturday, Nov. 22** \_\_\_\_\_ **The Citadel\*** \_\_\_\_\_





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### 2025 SOUTHERN CONFERENCE FOOTBALL STANDINGS

Teams <sup>rank</sup>	CONFERENCE					OVERALL				
	W-L	Pct	H	A	ST	W-L	Pct	H	A	ST
Mercer <sup>16/20</sup>	4-0	1.000	2-0	2-0	W4	5-1	.833	2-1	3-0	W5
Western Carolina <sup>RV/RV</sup>	3-0	1.000	2-0	1-0	W3	4-3	.571	2-2	2-1	W4
Furman <sup>RV</sup>	2-1	.667	1-0	1-1	L1	4-2	.667	2-1	2-1	L1
The Citadel	2-1	.667	0-1	2-0	W1	3-3	.500	1-2	2-1	W2
Chattanooga	1-1	.500	0-1	1-0	W1	2-4	.333	1-1	1-3	W1
ETSU <sup>RV</sup>	1-2	.333	1-1	0-1	W1	3-4	.429	3-1	0-3	W1
VMI	0-2	.000	0-1	0-1	L2	1-5	.167	1-1	0-4	L4
Wofford	0-2	.000	0-1	0-1	L2	1-5	.167	1-2	0-3	W1
Samford	0-4	.000	0-2	0-2	L4	0-6	.000	0-3	0-3	L6

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

### UPCOMING SCHEDULE

(all times Eastern)

Oct. 18 (Saturday)	Series	TV/Digital	Time
*Furman <sup>RV</sup> at Wofford	Furman leads 56-35-7	ESPN+	Noon
*ETSU <sup>RV</sup> at Chattanooga	Chattanooga leads 27-19-1	ESPN+	1:30 p.m.
*Samford at VMI	Samford leads 9-3	ESPN+	1:30 p.m.
*Western Carolina <sup>RV/RV</sup> at The Citadel	The Citadel leads 27-21-1	ESPN+	2 p.m.

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 40.9 percent of its starters from last season, with Furman leading the way with 58.3 percent of its starters back.

Team	Offense	Defense	Specialists	Total	Pct.
The Citadel	6/5	6/5	2/1	14/11	.560
ETSU	3/8	3/8	5/1	11/17	.393
Furman	7/4	5/6	2/0	14/10	.583
Mercer	5/6	3/8	4/0	12/14	.462
Samford	1/10	3/8	2/2	6/20	.231
Chattanooga	2/9	1/10	2/1	5/20	.250
VMI	5/6	7/4	1/3	13/13	.500
Western Carolina	3/8	4/7	2/1	9/16	.360
Wofford	4/7	4/7	2/1	10/15	.400
<b>Total</b>	<b>36/63</b>	<b>36/63</b>	<b>22/10</b>	<b>94/136</b>	<b>.409</b>

### NOTES

• **Eight SoCon teams are in action on Saturday.** League-leading Mercer is on a bye this week.

• **Mercer is ranked 16th in the AFCA Top 25 poll and 20th in the Stats Perform poll.**

• **Mercer is tied for first in FCS football in sacks with 24.** The Bears are fourth in nation tackles for loss per game (8.3).

• **Western Carolina received votes in the AFCA and Stats Perform poll.** ETSU and Furman each got votes in the AFCA poll.

• **Wofford hosts Furman for the 99th meeting between the two programs. The Terriers are looking for their third straight win in the series.** The two squads have split the last six meetings overall. **Wofford comes into the game with three touchdowns on special teams, while Furman has three scores on defense.**

• **The 48th installment of the Rail Rivalry between ETSU and Chattanooga takes place this week.** The Mocs have won the last five meetings, with the Bucs last winning in 2018, 17-14, in Johnson City. **The game features the top two players in rushing yards in the SoCon in Chattanooga's Justus Durant (448) and ETSU's Devontae Houston (423).**

• **Samford has won the last three meetings against VMI.** The Keydets last win over the Bulldogs was in 2021.

• **The Citadel and Western Carolina each come into Saturday's game with a loss in the month of October.** The Catamounts have won four of the last five meetings between the top programs, with the Bulldogs' win coming in 2022 in Cullowhee. **The Citadel is the least penalized team in FCS football as they average only three per game.**

• **Furman's Joshua Stoneking leads FCS football in sacks (10.5) and tackles for loss per game (2.42).**

• **The conference boasts four of the top 11 passing offenses in the country.** Western Carolina (335.9), Samford (294.2), Mercer (278.2) and Furman (267.5) are ranked second, fifth, eighth and 11th, respectively.

• **VMI's Owen Sweeney and Western Carolina's James Tyre both have six receiving touchdowns this season, which ties them for seventh-best in the country in the category.**

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## AFCA FCS COACHES' TOP 25

Team (1st-place votes)	W-L	PTS	Prev
1. North Dakota State (26)	6-0	650	1
2. South Dakota State	6-0	621	2
3. Tarleton State	7-0	598	3
4. Montana	6-0	567	4
5. Montana State	5-2	525	5
6. UC Davis	5-1	504	6
7. Lehigh	7-0	470	8
8. Tennessee Tech	6-0	465	7
9. Illinois State	4-2	431	10
10. Monmouth	5-1	410	11
11. North Dakota	4-2	391	12
12. Southern Illinois	4-2	323	9
13. Jackson State	5-1	318	14
14. Villanova	4-2	289	17
15. Rhode Island	5-2	267	18
<b>16. Mercer</b>	<b>5-1</b>	<b>249</b>	<b>19</b>
17. Abilene Christian	4-3	228	T21
18. Lamar	5-1	203	24
19. Presbyterian	6-0	176	23
20. Harvard	4-0	145	25
21. Northern Arizona	4-3	100	16
22. Southeastern Louisiana	4-2	98	NR
23. West Georgia	5-2	70	T21
24. Austin Peay	4-3	64	15
25. Youngstown State	3-3	53	20R

**Others receiving votes:** Gardner-Webb, 37; South Dakota, 34; Stephen F. Austin, 34; Lafayette, 28; **Western Carolina, 19**; North Carolina Central, 14; Idaho, 10; Sacramento State, 10; UT Rio Grande Valley, 10; Brown, 8; Dartmouth, 7; Penn, 7; Alabama State, 5; Central Arkansas, 4; Elon, 3; **Furman, 3**; **ETSU, 1**; Eastern Kentucky, 1.

## STATS PERFORM FCS TOP 25

Team (1st-place votes)	W-L	PTS	Prev
1. North Dakota State	6-0	1,399	1
2. South Dakota State	6-0	1,340	2
3. Tarleton State	7-0	1,265	3
4. Montana	6-0	1,222	4
5. Montana State	5-2	1,206	5
6. UC Davis	5-1	1,086	6
7. Lehigh	7-0	1,023	7
8. Tennessee Tech	6-0	954	10
9. North Dakota	4-2	869	13
10. Illinois State	4-2	866	9
11. Monmouth	5-1	846	12
12. Southern Illinois	4-2	812	8
13. Abilene Christian	4-3	560	19
14. Jackson State	5-1	557	15
15. Villanova	4-2	521	18
16. Rhode Island	5-2	512	17
17. Lamar	5-1	454	20
18. Harvard	4-0	435	22
19. Northern Arizona	4-3	376	14
<b>20. Mercer</b>	<b>5-1</b>	<b>359</b>	<b>25</b>
21. Presbyterian	6-0	299	24
22. South Dakota	4-3	257	23
23. Austin Peay	4-3	224	16
24. Idaho	2-4	183	11
25. Stephen F. Austin	4-2	152	NR

**Others receiving votes:** West Georgia 126; Southeastern Louisiana 96; Gardner-Webb 54; Sacramento State 28; Brown 25; Youngstown State 23; **Western Carolina 23**; North Carolina Central 18; Northern Colorado 9; Eastern Kentucky 5; Lafayette 5

## RECORDS VS. RANKED FCS FOES

Team	'25	'24	'23	'22	'21	'20	Total	Pct.
CIT	0-2	0-2	0-2	0-0	1-1	0-2	1-9	.100
ETSU	0-2	1-2	0-3	0-2	3-1	1-1	5-11	.313
FUR	0-0	1-3	4-0	2-1	2-1	0-1	9-6	.600
MER	0-0	5-0	1-3	0-2	1-1	3-1	10-7	.588
SAM	0-1	2-0	1-2	3-1	0-2	2-2	8-8	.500
UTC	0-2	1-1	2-3	0-2	1-1	2-0	6-9	.400
VMI	0-0	0-3	1-2	0-1	1-1	1-1	3-8	.273
WCU	0-0	2-2	2-1	0-1	0-2	0-1	4-7	.364
WOF	0-1	1-4	1-3	0-1	0-4	0-1	2-14	.125

## 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. 28	West Georgia at Samford	7:30pm
Aug. 30	North Dakota State at The Citadel	Noon
Oct. 18	Furman at Wofford	Noon
Nov. 8	Furman at Chattanooga	Noon
Nov. 15	ETSU at Western Carolina	Noon
Nov. 22	Western Carolina at VMI	Noon



## 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 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.

• The league has had a different champion in each of the last six years.

• Overall, current SoCon football members have combined for 53 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 serving as the most recent inductees from the league in 2024.**

• **Former SoCon player James Bradberry, who played cornerback for Samford from 2012-15, was a part of the Philadelphia Eagles' Super Bowl-winning squad in February.**

• **The SoCon broadcasts all of its home games on ESPN+ and has an over-the-air television network that will air six games in five southern states in 2025.**

• **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 2024 season was the 103rd of Southern Conference football.** The SoCon is the fourth-oldest NCAA Division I college athletic association.

## COACHING RECORDS

Coach, School	Career Record	School (Yrs.)	SoCon (Yrs.)
Maurice Drayton, The Citadel	8-21 (3rd)	Same	5-14 (3rd)
Will Healy, ETSU	31-49 (8th)	3-4 (1st)	1-2 (1st)
Clay Hendrix, Furman	58-39 (9th)	Same	43-22 (9th)
Mike Jacobs, Mercer	90-21 (10th)	16-4 (2nd)	11-1 (2nd)
Chris Hatcher, Samford	182-113 (26th)	61-56 (11th)	57-47 (14th)
Rusty Wright, Chattanooga	39-31 (7th)	Same	30-16 (6th)
Danny Rocco, VMI	128-87 (19th)	7-22 (3rd)	5-13 (3rd)
Kerwin Bell, Western Carolina	121-62 (17th)	28-24 (5th)	22-12 (5th)
Shawn Watson, Wofford	22-46 (7th)	11-24 (4th)	8-16 (4th)





# THE CITADEL FOOTBALL | GAME NOTES

## PRESEASON ALL-SOUTHERN CONFERENCE

### Offensive Player of the Year

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

### Defensive Player of the Year

Andrew Zock, So., DL, Mercer

### First team offense

QB Taron Dickens, Western Carolina  
RB Devontae Houston, ETSU  
RB Branson Adams, Western Carolina  
OL Mike Bartilucci, The Citadel  
OL Ashton Flinn, ETSU  
OL Eli Brasher, Furman  
OL Xavier Jennings, Mercer  
OL B J Ragland, Chattanooga  
OL Zach Watson, Western Carolina  
TE Jackson Pryor, Furman  
WR Hakeem Meggett, ETSU  
WR Adjatay Dabbs, Mercer

### First team defense

DL Nick Hunter, ETSU  
DL Andrew Zock, Mercer  
DL Conroy Cunningham, Samford  
DL Caleb Fisher, Western Carolina  
LB Je'Mazin Roberts, The Citadel  
LB Ryan Earl, Furman  
LB Hayward McQueen Jr., Western Carolina  
DB Cale Williams, The Citadel  
DB Kouri Crump, VMI  
DB Ken Moore Jr., Western Carolina  
DB CJ Coombes, Wofford

### First team specialists

PK Ian Williams, Furman  
P James Platte, The Citadel  
LS Alex Applefield, Samford  
RS Brayden Smith, Mercer

### Second team offense

QB Quincy Crittendon, Samford  
RB Autavius Ison, Mercer  
RB CJ Miller, Mercer  
OL Johnathan Cline, ETSU  
OL Micah Sumpter, ETSU  
OL Luke Petit, Furman  
OL Tyler Murray, Mercer  
OL Aaron Sanez, Western Carolina  
OL Quincy Hughes, Wofford  
TE John McIntyre, Chattanooga  
WR Adonis McDaniel, Mercer  
WR Malik Knight, Western Carolina  
WR Isaiah Scott, Wofford

### Second team defense

DL Brenden LeBlanc, ETSU  
DL Micah Nelson, Western Carolina  
DL Brandon Maina, Wofford  
DL Marion Smokes, Wofford  
LB Ty Anderson, ETSU  
LB Jaden Mosley, Samford  
LB Blue Monroe, Western Carolina  
DB Donovan Watkins, Mercer  
DB Jeremiah Batiste, Chattanooga  
DB Samaurie Dukes, Western Carolina  
DB Maximus Pulley, Wofford

### Second team specialists

PK Ewan Johnson, ETSU  
P John McConnell, Mercer  
LS Jaiden Hamilton, Mercer  
RS Braylon Knauth, The Citadel

## SoCON PLAYERS OF THE WEEK

### Offensive

Sept. 1 .....Devontae Houston, Gr., RB, ETSU  
Sept. 8.....Javonte Graves-Billips, Gr., WR, The Citadel  
Sept. 15 .....Trey Hedden, So., QB, Furman  
Sept. 22 .Taron Dickens, R-So., QB, Western Carolina  
Sept. 29 .....CJ Miller, R-Jr., RB, Mercer  
Oct. 6.....Taron Dickens, R-So., QB, Western Carolina  
Oct. 13 .....Braden Atkinson, Fr., QB, Mercer  
Oct. 20 .....  
Oct. 27 .....  
Nov. 3 .....  
Nov. 10 .....  
Nov. 17 .....

### Defensive

Sept. 1 ..... Taylen Blaylock, Gr., DB, Furman  
Sept. 8..... CJ Coombes, So., DB, Wofford  
Sept. 15 ..... Joshua Stoneking, R-So., DE, Furman  
Sept. 22 ..... Julian Fox, R-So., LB, Mercer  
Sept. 29 ..... Joshua Stoneking, R-So., DE, Furman  
Oct. 6..... Jordan Miller, R-Fr., DB, Furman  
Oct. 13 .....Ken Moore Jr., Jr., DB, Western Carolina  
Oct. 20 .....  
Oct. 27 .....  
Nov. 3 .....  
Nov. 10 .....  
Nov. 17 .....

### Special teams

Sept. 1 ..... Ian Williams, Gr., PK, Furman  
Sept. 8.....Bradlee Jones, Jr., DB, The Citadel  
Sept. 15 .....AJ Little, R-So., WR, Chattanooga  
Sept. 22 .....Reice Griffith, Jr., PK, Mercer  
Sept. 29 .....Reice Griffith, Jr., PK, Mercer  
Oct. 6..... Ben Shrewsbury, Jr., K/P, VMI  
Oct. 13 .....Xavier Gaillardetz, R-Jr., WR, ETSU  
Oct. 20 .....  
Oct. 27 .....  
Nov. 3 .....  
Nov. 10 .....  
Nov. 17 .....

## PRESEASON SOUTHERN CONFERENCE POLL

### Coaches

#### Team (1st-place votes)

Team (1st-place votes)	Total
1. Mercer (6)	60
2. Chattanooga (2)	50
3. Western Carolina (1)	49
4. ETSU	43
5. Samford	40
6. Furman	36
7. Wofford	19
8. The Citadel	17
9. VMI	10

## SoCON NATIONAL WEEKLY AWARDS

### Stats Perform FCS Special Teams Player of the Week

Sept. 1 ..... Ian Williams, Gr., PK, Furman

### Stats Perform FCS Freshman of the Week

Sept. 15 ..... Evan James, WR, Furman  
Sept. 22 ..... Braden Atkinson, QB, Mercer

### Stats Perform FCS National Offensive Player of the Week

Sept. 29 .....CJ Miller, R-Jr., RB, Mercer  
Oct. 6.....Taron Dickens, R-So., QB, Western Carolina

## SoCON PLAYERS OF THE WEEK (OCT. 13)

### OFFENSIVE

#### Braden Atkinson, Fr., QB, Mercer

Atkinson was 27-of-42 passes, throwing for 347 yards in Mercer's 38-14 win at Princeton. The native of Rolesville, North Carolina, recorded touchdown passes from 2, 23 and yards out during the contest. The freshman completed passes to 11 different receivers in the contest en route to his fourth 300-plus yard passing game of the season, which is a school record. Atkinson led the Bears to their fifth straight win against Princeton, elevating Mercer to No. 16 in the AFCA poll and No. 20 in the Stats Perform poll.

### DEFENSIVE

#### Ken Moore Jr., Jr., DB, Western Carolina

Moore had two interceptions and a tackle for loss in Western Carolina's 52-7 win over Furman on Saturday. In the second quarter, the junior logged his tackle for loss before returning his first pick of the day 64 yards for a touchdown with 1:38 on the clock. Moore's touchdown was the team's first defensive score of the season. The product of Miami, Florida, got his second interception of the day inside the Catamounts' endzone, ending Furman's drive and keeping the squad ahead 31-7 with 10:20 remaining in the third quarter. Western Carolina, who is on a four-game winning streak, received votes in the AFCA and Stats Perform polls.

### SPECIAL TEAMS

#### Xavier Gaillardetz, R-Jr., WR, ETSU

Gaillardetz scored ETSU's first points of the day as the Buccaneers topped VMI, 45-10, on Saturday. Following a 3-and-out by the ETSU defense to begin the game, the redshirt junior from Trois-Rivieres, Quebec, Canada returned a punt for 80 yards for a touchdown. Gaillardetz's return marked the first punt return touchdown for the Bucs since 2018.



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### Team Results

	Date	Opponent		Score	Att.
	08/30/2025	North Dakota St.	L	0-38	10691
*	09/06/2025	at Samford	W	40-13	4017
	09/13/2025	at Gardner-Webb	L	13-23	4522
*	09/20/2025	Mercer	L	0-38	11339
*	09/27/2025	at Chattanooga	W	28-10	6725
	10/11/2025	Valdosta St.	W	38-14	8693

### Rushing

Player	gp	att	gain	loss	net	avg	td	lg	avg/g
Cobey Thompkins	6	54	306	35	271	5.0	0	36	45.2
Quentin Hayes	6	58	334	70	264	4.6	3	33	44.0
Garrison Johnson Sr.	6	52	236	27	209	4.0	4	37	34.8
Sebastien Boyle	6	43	212	10	202	4.7	3	72	33.7
Javonte Graves-Billips	6	6	131	0	131	21.8	0	54	21.8
Beau Herrington	6	24	105	4	101	4.2	0	21	16.8
Israel Benjamin	4	28	89	9	80	2.9	0	14	20.0
Corey Ibrahim	1	3	9	0	9	3.0	0	4	9.0
Cooper Tankersley	4	6	11	3	8	1.3	0	5	2.0
Peyton Betts	6	2	6	0	6	3.0	0	3	1.0
Cooper Johns	1	2	4	0	4	2.0	0	3	4.0
<b>Total</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>278</b>	<b>1443</b>	<b>158</b>	<b>1285</b>	<b>4.6</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>72</b>	<b>214.2</b>
<b>Opponents</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>194</b>	<b>949</b>	<b>131</b>	<b>818</b>	<b>4.2</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>79</b>	<b>136.3</b>

### Passing

Player	gp	effic	comp-att-int	pct	yds	td	lg	avg/g
Cobey Thompkins	6	161.0	22-36-1	61.1	334	3	51	55.7
Quentin Hayes	6	107.7	17-29-1	58.6	154	1	21	25.7
Cooper Tankersley	4	108.6	3-4-0	75.0	16	0	9	4.0
<b>Total</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>135.6</b>	<b>42-69-2</b>	<b>60.9</b>	<b>504</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>51</b>	<b>84.0</b>
<b>Opponents</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>141.7</b>	<b>138-199-4</b>	<b>69.3</b>	<b>1494</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>67</b>	<b>249.0</b>

### Receiving

Player	gp	no.	yds	avg	td	lg	avg/g
Javonte Graves-Billips	6	18	223	12.4	2	51	37.2
Braylon Knauth	6	8	108	13.5	1	34	18.0
Kemani Brown	6	3	29	9.7	0	15	4.8
Sebastien Boyle	6	3	28	9.3	0	12	4.7
JJ Hudson	6	2	14	7.0	0	9	2.3
Whit Hobgood	6	2	22	11.0	1	14	3.7
Malachi Taylor	6	1	40	40.0	0	40	6.7
Jihad Marks	6	1	18	18.0	0	18	3.0
Beau Herrington	6	1	10	10.0	0	10	1.7
Ha'Keem Monroe	6	1	3	3.0	0	3	0.5
Garrison Johnson Sr.	6	1	7	7.0	0	7	1.2
Xavier Hill	1	1	2	2.0	0	2	2.0
<b>Total</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>42</b>	<b>504</b>	<b>12.0</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>51</b>	<b>84.0</b>
<b>Opponents</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>138</b>	<b>1494</b>	<b>10.8</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>67</b>	<b>249.0</b>

### Game Records

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

### Team Statistics

	CIT	OPP
<b>First Downs</b>	<b>88</b>	<b>119</b>
Rushing	62	46
Passing	20	66
Penalty	6	7
<b>Rushing Yardage</b>	<b>1285</b>	<b>818</b>
Rushing attempts	278	194
Average per rush	4.6	4.2
Average per game	214.2	136.3
TDs Rushing	10	8
<b>Passing Yardage</b>	<b>504</b>	<b>1494</b>
Comp-Att-Int	42-69-2	138-199-4
Average per pass	7.3	7.5
Average per catch	12.0	10.8
Average per game	84.0	249.0
TDs Passing	4	8
<b>Total offense</b>	<b>1789</b>	<b>2312</b>
Average per play	5.2	5.9
Average per game	298.2	385.3
<b>Kick returns: #-Yards</b>	<b>11-177</b>	<b>10-228</b>
<b>Punt returns: #-Yards</b>	<b>9-28</b>	<b>4-41</b>
<b>Int returns: #-Yards</b>	<b>4-70</b>	<b>2-14</b>
<b>Fumbles-Lost</b>	<b>10-3</b>	<b>7-3</b>
<b>Penalties-Yards</b>	<b>18-183</b>	<b>36-281</b>
<b>Punts-Avg</b>	<b>26-46.7</b>	<b>23-40.6</b>
<b>Time of possession / game</b>	<b>30:04</b>	<b>29:48</b>
<b>3rd-down conversion</b>	<b>33/80</b>	<b>33/80</b>
<b>4th-down conversion</b>	<b>5/14</b>	<b>6/12</b>
<b>PAT-attempts</b>	<b>(14-14) 100%</b>	<b>(16-16) 100%</b>
<b>2-point conversion-attempts</b>	<b>(0-2) 0%</b>	<b>(0-0) 0%</b>

### Interceptions

Player	no.	yds	avg	td	lg
Camden Gray	1	19	19.0	0	19
Tyrik McDaniel	1	37	37.0	0	37
Cale Williams	1	0	0.0	0	0
Lee Alexander Jr.	1	14	14.0	0	14
<b>Total</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>70</b>	<b>17.5</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>37</b>
<b>Opponents</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>7.0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>14</b>



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### Field Goals

Player	fg	pct.	01-19	20-29	30-39	40-49	50-99	lg	blk
Ben Barnes	3-5	60.0	0-0	1-1	1-2	1-2	0-0	40	0
Jack Weil	0-1	0.0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-1	0	0
<b>Opponents</b>	<b>8-8</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>0-0</b>	<b>3-3</b>	<b>3-3</b>	<b>1-1</b>	<b>1-1</b>	<b>51</b>	<b>0</b>

### Scoring

Player	td	fg	PAT					dxp	saf	pts
			kick	rush	rcv	pass				
Garrison Johnson Sr.	4	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	24
Ben Barnes	-	3-5	14-14	-	-	-	-	-	-	23
Quentin Hayes	3	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	18
Sebastien Boyle	3	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	18
Javonte Graves-Billips	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	12
Bradlee Jones	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6
Whit Hobgood	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6
Braylon Knauth	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6
Sayre Smothers	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6
<b>Total</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>3-6</b>	<b>14-14</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>119</b>
<b>Opponents</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>8-8</b>	<b>16-16</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>136</b>

### Score by Periods

Team	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	OT	TOT
The Citadel	21	34	31	33	0	119
Opponents	27	47	24	38	0	136

### Punting

Player	no.	yds	avg	lg	tb	fc	i20	50+	blk
James Platte	23	1088	47.3	72	2	6	9	13	0
Jack Weil	3	125	41.7	50	1	1	2	1	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>1213</b>	<b>46.7</b>	<b>72</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>Opponents</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>934</b>	<b>40.6</b>	<b>67</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>1</b>

### Punt Returns

Player	no.	yds	avg	td	lg
Braylon Knauth	8	25	3.1	0	10
J'Hari Mosley	1	3	3.0	0	3
<b>Total</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>3.1</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>10</b>
<b>Opponents</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>41</b>	<b>10.3</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>37</b>

### Kick Returns

Player	no.	yds	avg	td	lg
Braylon Knauth	5	122	24.4	0	34
Javonte Graves-Billips	3	49	16.3	0	19
Israel Benjamin	1	8	8.0	0	8
Whit Hobgood	1	-2	-2.0	0	0
Rhyder Poppell	1	0	0.0	0	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>177</b>	<b>16.1</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>34</b>
<b>Opponents</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>228</b>	<b>22.8</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>36</b>

### All Purpose

Player	g	rush	rcv	pr	kr	ir	total	avg/g
Javonte Graves-Billips	6	131	223	0	49	0	403	67.2
Cobey Thompson	6	271	0	0	0	0	271	45.2
Quentin Hayes	6	264	0	0	0	0	264	44.0
Braylon Knauth	6	0	108	25	122	0	255	42.5
Sebastien Boyle	6	202	28	0	0	0	230	38.3
Garrison Johnson Sr.	6	209	7	0	0	0	216	36.0
Beau Herrington	6	101	10	0	0	0	111	18.5
Israel Benjamin	4	80	0	0	8	0	88	22.0
Malachi Taylor	6	0	40	0	0	0	40	6.7
Tyrik McDaniel	5	0	0	0	0	37	37	7.4
Kemani Brown	6	0	29	0	0	0	29	4.8
Whit Hobgood	6	0	22	0	-2	0	20	3.3
Camden Gray	5	0	0	0	0	19	19	3.8
Jihad Marks	6	0	18	0	0	0	18	3.0
JJ Hudson	6	0	14	0	0	0	14	2.3
Lee Alexander Jr.	6	0	0	0	0	14	14	2.3
Corey Ibrahim	1	9	0	0	0	0	9	9.0
Cooper Tankersley	4	8	0	0	0	0	8	2.0
Peyton Betts	6	6	0	0	0	0	6	1.0
Cooper Johns	1	4	0	0	0	0	4	4.0
Ha'Keem Monroe	6	0	3	0	0	0	3	0.5
J'Hari Mosley	4	0	0	3	0	0	3	0.8
Xavier Hill	1	0	2	0	0	0	2	2.0
<b>Total</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>1285</b>	<b>504</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>177</b>	<b>70</b>	<b>2064</b>	<b>344.0</b>
<b>Opponents</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>818</b>	<b>1494</b>	<b>41</b>	<b>228</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>2595</b>	<b>432.5</b>

### Total Offense

Player	g	plays	rush	pass	total	avg/g
Cobey Thompson	6	90	271	334	605	100.8
Quentin Hayes	6	87	264	154	418	69.7
Garrison Johnson Sr.	6	52	209	0	209	34.8
Sebastien Boyle	6	43	202	0	202	33.7
Javonte Graves-Billips	6	6	131	0	131	21.8
Beau Herrington	6	24	101	0	101	16.8
Israel Benjamin	4	28	80	0	80	20.0
Cooper Tankersley	4	10	8	16	24	6.0
Corey Ibrahim	1	3	9	0	9	9.0
Peyton Betts	6	2	6	0	6	1.0
Cooper Johns	1	2	4	0	4	4.0
<b>Total</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>347</b>	<b>1285</b>	<b>504</b>	<b>1789</b>	<b>298.2</b>
<b>Opponents</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>393</b>	<b>818</b>	<b>1494</b>	<b>2312</b>	<b>385.3</b>





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### Team Statistics

	CIT	OPP
<b>Scoring</b>	<b>119</b>	<b>136</b>
Points per game	19.8	22.7
Points Off Turnovers	27	24
<b>First Downs</b>	<b>88</b>	<b>119</b>
Rushing	62	46
Passing	20	66
Penalty	6	7
<b>Rushing Yardage</b>	<b>1285</b>	<b>818</b>
Yards gained rushing	1443	949
Yards lost rushing	158	131
Rushing attempts	278	194
Average per rush	4.6	4.2
Average per game	214.2	136.3
TDs Rushing	10	8
<b>Passing Yardage</b>	<b>504</b>	<b>1494</b>
Comp-Att-Int	42-69-2	138-199-4
Average per pass	7.3	7.5
Average per catch	12.0	10.8
Average per game	84.0	249.0
TDs Passing	4	8
<b>Total offense</b>	<b>1789</b>	<b>2312</b>
Total plays	347	393
Average per play	5.2	5.9
Average per game	298.2	385.3
<b>Kick returns: #-Yards</b>	<b>11-177</b>	<b>10-228</b>
<b>Punt returns: #-Yards</b>	<b>9-28</b>	<b>4-41</b>
<b>Int returns: #-Yards</b>	<b>4-70</b>	<b>2-14</b>
<b>Kick return average</b>	<b>16.1</b>	<b>22.8</b>
<b>Punt return average</b>	<b>3.1</b>	<b>10.3</b>
<b>Int return average</b>	<b>17.5</b>	<b>7.0</b>
<b>Fumbles-Lost</b>	<b>10-3</b>	<b>7-3</b>
<b>Penalties-Yards</b>	<b>18-183</b>	<b>36-281</b>
Average per game	30.5	46.8
<b>Punts-Yards</b>	<b>26-1213</b>	<b>23-934</b>
Average per punt	46.7	40.6
Net punt average	43.7	36.3
<b>Kickoffs-Yards</b>	<b>23-1387</b>	<b>30-1828</b>
Average per kick	60.3	60.9
Net kick average	38.0	39.5
<b>Time of possession / game</b>	<b>30:04</b>	<b>29:48</b>
<b>3rd-down conversion</b>	<b>33/80</b>	<b>33/80</b>
3rd-down pct	41%	41%
<b>4th-down conversion</b>	<b>5/14</b>	<b>6/12</b>



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	CIT	OPP
4th-down pct	36%	50%
<b>Sacks by-Yards</b>	<b>13-72</b>	<b>12-76</b>
<b>Misc Yards</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>Touchdowns scored</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>16</b>
<b>Field goals - attempts</b>	<b>3-6</b>	<b>8-8</b>
<b>On-Side kicks</b>	<b>0-2</b>	<b>0-0</b>
<b>Red-zone scores</b>	<b>(13-16) 81%</b>	<b>(19-23) 83%</b>
<b>Red-zone touchdowns</b>	<b>(11-16) 69%</b>	<b>(12-23) 52%</b>
<b>PAT-attempts</b>	<b>(14-14) 100%</b>	<b>(16-16) 100%</b>
<b>2-point conversion-attempts</b>	<b>(0-2) 0%</b>	<b>(0-0) 0%</b>
<b>Attendance</b>	<b>30723</b>	<b>15264</b>
Games / Avg per game	3/10241	3/5088
Neutral site games	-	0/0

### Score by Periods

Team	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	OT	TOT
The Citadel	21	34	31	33	0	119
Opponents	27	47	24	38	0	136





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### All Purpose

Player	g	rush	rcv	pr	kr	ir	total	avg/g
Javonte Graves-Billips	6	131	223	0	49	0	403	67.2
Cobey Thompkins	6	271	0	0	0	0	271	45.2
Quentin Hayes	6	264	0	0	0	0	264	44.0
Braylon Knauth	6	0	108	25	122	0	255	42.5
Sebastien Boyle	6	202	28	0	0	0	230	38.3
Garrison Johnson Sr.	6	209	7	0	0	0	216	36.0
Beau Herrington	6	101	10	0	0	0	111	18.5
Israel Benjamin	4	80	0	0	8	0	88	22.0
Malachi Taylor	6	0	40	0	0	0	40	6.7
Tyrik McDaniel	5	0	0	0	0	37	37	7.4
Kemani Brown	6	0	29	0	0	0	29	4.8
Whit Hobgood	6	0	22	0	-2	0	20	3.3
Camden Gray	5	0	0	0	0	19	19	3.8
Jihad Marks	6	0	18	0	0	0	18	3.0
JJ Hudson	6	0	14	0	0	0	14	2.3
Lee Alexander Jr.	6	0	0	0	0	14	14	2.3
Corey Ibrahim	1	9	0	0	0	0	9	9.0
Cooper Tankersley	4	8	0	0	0	0	8	2.0
Peyton Betts	6	6	0	0	0	0	6	1.0
Cooper Johns	1	4	0	0	0	0	4	4.0
Ha'Keem Monroe	6	0	3	0	0	0	3	0.5
J'Hari Mosley	4	0	0	3	0	0	3	0.8
Xavier Hill	1	0	2	0	0	0	2	2.0
<b>Total</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>1285</b>	<b>504</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>177</b>	<b>70</b>	<b>2064</b>	<b>344.0</b>
<b>Opponents</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>818</b>	<b>1494</b>	<b>41</b>	<b>228</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>2595</b>	<b>432.5</b>



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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
13	Cale Williams	6	20	20	40	1-1	.	1-0	3	.	.	.	.	.
45	Mikey Rosa	6	24	11	35	3.5-16	2-8	.	1	3	.	1	.	.
8	Tyrik McDaniel	5	19	16	35	3.5-10	.	1-37	.	.	.	.	.	.
7	Bradlee Jones	6	22	6	28	1-1	.	.	6	1	1-59	.	.	.
5	Je'Mazin Roberts	6	11	13	24	1-4	0.5-1	.	.	2	.	.	.	.
42	Darryle Ware	6	14	8	22	1.5-2	.	.	.	.	.	1	.	.
91	Chris Benton	6	10	6	16	4-37	4-37	.	.	4	.	.	.	.
3	Melvin Ravenel	6	12	3	15	2-12	.	.	2	.	.	1	.	.
19	Jeremiah Holmes	6	3	12	15	1.5-7	1.5-7	.	.	5	.	.	.	.
26	Nolan Jones	6	10	4	14	0.5-0	0.5-0	.	3	1	.	1	.	.
24	Nikolas Mirabella	6	10	4	14	1-2	.	.	.	.	1-0	.	.	.
37	Sayre Smothers	6	11	2	13	2-5	.	.	2	.	1-31	.	.	.
56	Josh Cole	6	6	6	12	1.5-6	1-6	.	.	1	.	.	.	.
32	Temarcus Elam	5	6	6	12	.	.	.	1	.	.	.	.	.
76	Jordan Marks	6	5	6	11	2-3	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
93	Chris Iverson	6	6	5	11	3-8	1-6	.	.	1	.	.	.	.
40	Camden Gray	5	4	5	9	.	.	1-19	.	1	.	.	.	.
50	Lee Alexander Jr.	6	3	6	9	.	.	1-14	.	2	.	.	.	.
10	Drew Nyangweso	5	4	4	8	1-2	.	.	.	1	.	.	.	.
96	Phillip Collins	6	1	6	7	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
11	Peyton Betts	6	3	3	6	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
0	Maurice Bonneau Jr.	3	4	2	6	1-2	0.5-1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
87	Ben Barnes	6	3	1	4	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
98	Carson Arnold	6	2	2	4	2-2	1-1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
72	Aiden Wiles	3	1	1	2	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
31	J'Hari Mosley	4	1	1	2	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	1	.
49	Kellen George	2	1	1	2	1-5	1-5	.	.	1	.	.	.	.
47	Daniel Turpin	6	.	2	2	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
23	Rhyder Poppell	6	1	1	2	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
78	James Brockington	2	2	.	2	.	.	.	.	.	.	1	.	.
95	Jameson Bell	3	2	.	2	1-6	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
80	Saul Diaz	6	2	.	2	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
41	Bryce Jamison	5	1	1	2	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
79	Brock Nobles	1	.	1	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
36	Ryland Mitchell	3	.	1	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
92	Adam Comer	6	1	.	1	.	.	.	.	1	.	.	.	.
<b>Totals</b>		<b>6</b>	<b>225</b>	<b>166</b>	<b>391</b>	<b>35-131</b>	<b>13-72</b>	<b>4-70</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>3-90</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>0</b>
Opponents		6	200	214	414	34-118	12-76	2-14	6	5	3-9	1	0	0

