



2018 UTEP FOOTBALL

UTEP ATHLETIC COMMUNICATIONS | 500 W. UNIVERSITY AVE. | BRUMBELOW BUILDING | EL PASO, TEXAS 79968-0579

GAME 2 | SEPT. 8 | 7 PM MT | LAS VEGAS, NEV. | SAM BOYD STADIUM (35,500)

UTEP AT UNLV POST GAME NOTES

FINAL: UNLV (1-1) 52, UTEP (0-2) 24

Tonight's attendance was 14,122.

The temperature at kickoff was 106 degrees, tying it for the hottest game in school history. The temperature was also 106 at kickoff for the UTEP-Oklahoma game in Norman on Sept. 2, 2000.

The Miners scored a touchdown on their opening possession for the first time since the 2017 season opener versus Oklahoma.

UTEP junior OL and Americas High School graduate Markos Lujan made the first career start for his hometown team at center. Also starting for the Miners for the first time tonight was junior QB Kai Locksley.

Quadraiz Wadley posted the longest rush of his collegiate career (41 yards) in the first half. His previous longest run was 29 yards versus NM State on Sept. 3, 2016.

Jason Filley's 33-yard field goal in the first quarter was a career long. His previous long field goal was 27 yards at North Texas on Nov. 11, 2017.

Kai Locksley is the first UTEP quarterback to rush for two touchdowns in a game since James Thomas II did so versus NM State on Sept. 20, 2008.

With 119 yards, Locksley is the first UTEP quarterback to rush for 100+ in a game since Blaire Sullivan gained 104 versus FIU on Nov. 16, 2013.

Tight end David Lucero had a career-long catch of 22 yards.

Defensive back Kahani Smith matched his collegiate best with nine tackles. Linebacker Jamar Smith established a career-high with seven stops.

The Miners compiled 164 yards rushing in the first half, which matched the most they had in a game in all of 2017 (164 yards versus LA Tech).

UTEP's 265 yards rushing marked its most in a game since Nov. 26, 2016 versus North Texas (384).

UTEP dropped to 0-5 all-time when playing at UNLV. This was the first matchup between the old WAC rivals since the 1993 season.