

SEVEN CONFERENCE CHAMPIONSHIPS • THREE NCAA FCS PLAYOFF BERTHS

	SCHEDULE / RESULTS	
DATE	OPPONENT	TIME
Aug. 29	at Colgate	W, 42-39
Sept. 6	at Fordham	W, 49-28
Sept. 13	at Charlotte	L, 35-42
Sept. 20	#12/11 VILLANOVA *	1 PM
Oct. 4	DELAWARE STATE	1 PM
Oct. 11	at Towson *	2 PM
Oct. 18	STONY BROOK *	1 PM
Oct. 25	at Hampton *	2 PM
Nov. 1	at Bryant *	1 PM
Nov. 8	#23/25 UNH *	12 PM
Nov. 15	at N.C. A&T *	12 PM
Nov. 22	UALBANY *	12 PM
* CAA game		

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2025 MONMOUTH UNIVERSITY FOOTBALL • GAME 4



#18/21 Monmouth

HAWKS 2-1, 0-0 CAA

#12/11 Villanova

WILDCATS 1-1, 0-0 CAA



Saturday, September 20, 2025 ●1:00 PM ET ● Kessler Stadium ● West Long Branch, N.J.

A Farewell to the 'Cats

#18/21 Monmouth takes on #12/11 Villanova, one of three top 25 showdowns across FCS this week, on Saturday in the 2025 home opener at Kessler Stadium. The Hawks are 3-0 all-time against the Wildcats, as they meet as CAA foes for the final time in the regular season.

They Nearly Did It Again

Quarterback Derek Robertson did all he could to try and pull an upset of FBS Charlotte last week in North Carolina, throwing for 410 yards and four touchdowns on 36-of-49 passing. The Hawks took the 49ers down to the final possession, aided by a +3-turnover differential, but Charlotte fans exhaled at the end of the night, narrowly escaping with a 42-35 victory.

A Win Would ...

- Be Monmouth's fourth win in four tries against the Wildcats.
- Mark the third consecutive victory over a ranked opponent.
- Be Head Coach Kevin Callahan's 191st career victory.

Monmouth **HAWKS**

RECORD	2-1, 0-0 CAA	
RANKING (AFCA / STATS)	18 / 21	
LAST GAME 9	1/13/25 - L, 35-42 @ Charlotte	
2024 RECORD 6-6, 4-4 CA		
HEAD COACH	Kevin Callahan	
Season / at Monmo	outh 33rd / 33rd	
Career Record / Cor	nference 190-149 / 106-74	
Record at Monmou	th Same	

ALL-TIME SERIES	Monmouth leads, 3-0
Last Meeting	Monmouth, 40-33 (11/16/24)
at Monmouth	Monmouth leads, 1-0
Streak	Monmouth W3

2025 TEAM STATS

POINTS PER GAME	42.0
YARDS PER GAME	535.0
PASS YARDS PER GAME	421.7
RUSH YARDS PER GAME	113.3
AVERAGE TIME OF POSSESSION	28:33
THIRD DOWNS	19-of-42 45.2%
FOURTH DOWNS	8-of-13 61.5%
OPPONENT POINTS PER GAME	36.3
OPPONENT YARDS PER GAME	508.3
OPPONENT PASS YARDS PER GAME	376.3
OPPONENT RUSH YARDS PER GAME	132.0



Villanova WILDCATS

RECORD 1-1, 0-0 CAA RANKING (AFCA / STATS) 12 / 11 LAST GAME 9/13/25 - L, 6-52 @ Penn State 2024 RECORD 10-4, 6-2 CAA **HEAD COACH** Mark Ferrante Season / at Villanova 9th / 9th Career Record 58-34 Record at Villanova Same

ALL-TIME SERIES	Monmouth leads, 3-0
First Meeting	Monmouth, 20-9 (9/17/11)
at Villanova	Monmouth leads, 2-0
All-Time +/-	Monmouth +25

2025 TEAM STATS

POINTS PER GAME	15.0
YARDS PER GAME	297.5
PASS YARDS PER GAME	197.5
RUSH YARDS PER GAME	100.0
AVERAGE TIME OF POSSESSION	32:24
THIRD DOWNS	12-of-30 40.0%
FOURTH DOWNS	3-of-3 100.0%
OPPONENT POINTS PER GAME	34.5
OPPONENT YARDS PER GAME	407.5
OPPONENT PASS YARDS PER GAME	233.5
OPPONENT RUSH YARDS PER GAME	174.0



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MONMOUTH FOOTBALL ON THE AIR

FLOSPORTS: STREAMING HOME OF THE CAA

All Monmouth home football games - and road conference games - will air on FloSports.com. Monmouth fans can expect the same level of detail and quality they experienced during the last few years with an experiential crew made up of students and professionals running multiple aspects of the productions.

The subscription based service offers a discount for CAA fans and those with a .edu email address. Monmouth will begin the 2025 season with three games on ESPN+ (at Colgate, at Fordham, at Charlotte).

REGIONAL SPORTS NETWORK BROADCASTS

Monmouth's home games could air on one or both of SNY and NBC Sports Philadelphia in 2025.

Sept. 20 – 1 pm vs. #12/11 Villanova - NBC Sports Philadelphia

MDN STREAMING AUDIO FOR ROAD CONTESTS

This fall Monmouth fans can catch all the away games streamed for free on MonmouthHawks.com/MDN.

MONMOUTH DIGITAL NETWORK

Monmouth Digital Network returns to provide loads of free content, including exclusive interviews, highlight packages and more. For more information visit: MonmouthHawks.com/watch.

MONMOUTH HOME PROMOTIONAL SCHEDULE

Family Weekend & Youth Day

Sept. 20 – 1 pm vs. #12/11 Villanova

Community Day

Oct. 4 - 1 pm vs. Delaware State

Homecoming

Oct. 18 - 1 pm vs. Stony Brook

Heroes Day

Nov. 8 - 12 pm vs. #23/25 New Hampshire

Senior Day & Fansgiving

Nov. 22 – 12 pm vs. UAlbany

HAWK HEADLINES

Victories Over Villanova

Monmouth has never lost to Villanova in three tries all-time. This year's matchup is the second consecutive season the Wildcats make the trip to the Jersey Shore after falling 40-33 in 2024 as a top 10 team in the nation. The Hawks are 2-0 as CAA rivals, as a 49-42 road victory in 2022 marked the first win for the Hawks in the league. Monmouth also took the first matchup in Philadelphia back in 2011, 20-9.

First Half Fury from the Defense

The Hawks forced three turnovers in the first half at Charlotte last week, helping the squad take a 14-7 lead into the half in front of a stunned sold-out crowd. Jaeden Jones recovered a fumble on an errant pitch and returned it 38 yards for the first takeaway, and then Brendan Bigos hopped on a loose ball where Charlie Sasso forced a fumble when the 49ers were attempting to convert on a fourth-and-short. Ayden Martin snatched his first career interception in the endzone for a touchdown late in the half.

Robertson is STILL Rolling

Quarterback Derek Robertson posted one of the top performances in program and CAA history in Monmouth's Week One victory at Colgate. His 491 passing yards are the most in an FCS game this season, and rank as the second-highest single-game total in Monmouth history. Despite throwing a career-high four INTs in the first half, Robertson responded with a near-flawless finish, completing 8-of-9 passes for 175 yards and a touchdown in the third quarter and going 4-of-5 for 105 yards and two scores in the fourth. He finished with a 178.8 pass efficiency rating and produced 191 more yards of total offense than any other CAA player in Week One. He followed up breaking single-game program records for passing touchdowns (6) and total touchdowns (7) in the 21-point win at Fordham. Last week at FBS Charlotte, he set a new career high with 36 completions and threw for 410 yards and four scores.

National Ranks - Stats

Derek Robertson leads the FCS in nearly every passing statistic through three games, including yards (1,265), touchdowns (14) and completions per game (33.3). Rodney Nelson is eighth in the nation in rushing yards per game (108.7). Josh Derry is tied for the national lead with six touchdown receptions and is third in the country with 357 receiving yards, catching 8.00 passes per game (fourth in FCS). Derry (4, at Fordham) and Gavin Nelson (3, at Colgate) are the one of six players in FCS with 3+ receiving touchdowns in a single game this season. Josiah Graham's 3.5-sack effort at Fordham is the top performance by an FCS player this season, as well. As a team, Monmouth ranks second in FCS in fourth down conversions with eight, to go along with their 535.0 yards per game -a mark that ranks third in FCS.

Explosive Offensive Output

Monmouth's high-powered attack has fueled each of the Hawks' last 12 victories, with the team scoring 40 or more points in every win dating back to the start of the 2023 season. During that span, the Hawks have piled up 608 total points, averaging 50.7 points per game. The production has come under the direction of Offensive Coordinator Jeff Gallo, who was recognized as a finalist for the 2024 FootballScoop.com FCS Coordinator of the Year Award.

Four-Piece for Josh Derry

Junior wide receiver Josh Derry, who led the CAA in yards per game (91.7) last season, posted one of the top games of his career with a 10-catch, 144-yard outing at Fordham. It was his eighth career game crossing the century mark, and his four receiving TDs tied a single-game program record while also being the most receiving scores by an FCS player this season.

Josiah Graham & Ryan Russo's Breakout

Defensive end Josiah Graham had 3.5 sacks and a forced fumble at Fordham, as he now sits atop the FCS for the best single-game sack output in 2025. The transfer had five total sacks in his two years playing at Emory & Henry University. Transfer linebacker Ryan Russo (Iowa Central CC / Rutgers) also tallied a monster game versus the Rams - picking up nine tackles, 1.5 TFL, a sack, a fumble recovery and interception.

Largest Comeback in Program History

Monmouth's 24-point comeback victory at Colgate stands as the largest in program history. The Hawks trailed 31-7 midway through the third quarter before storming back with 35 unanswered points to secure the 42-31 win. The previous record was a 19-point comeback against Wagner on Sept. 29, 2018, when Monmouth rallied from a 21-2 deficit to win 54-47 in West Long Branch. Quarterback Derek Robertson praised the resilience of the group after the historic win, saying, "There's no quit in this team, and that's why I love every single one of these guys."

Nelson Brothers Lead the Way in Week One

Monmouth's offense was powered in Week One by brothers Gavin and Rodney Nelson, who combined for 370 total yards and five touchdowns. Gavin set career highs with 176 receiving yards and three touchdowns, leading all of FCS in receiving scores and pacing the CAA in both receiving yards and touchdowns. Rodney rushed for 169 yards with one touchdown, marking his fourth career 100-yard performance, and added 25 receiving yards. The Maryland natives sat atop the league in all-purpose yards, with Rodney leading the CAA in yards from scrimmage and Gavin being named the CAA Offensive Player of the Week. It was just the second time in their careers they both scored a touchdown in the same contest.

Three 100-Yard Receivers

Monmouth featured three 100-yard receivers in the same game for the first time in program history during the win at Colgate. Gavin Nelson set career highs with 176 yards, while Josh Derry added 103 and TJ Speight totaled 100. After two weeks, the group ranks first (Derry), third (Nelson), and eighth (Speight) in the CAA in receiving yards. Derry ranks third and Nelson ranks ninth in the FCS, respectively.



AFCA COACHES POLL PRESENTED BY HUDL

September 15, 2025

	September 13, 2023	
	Team	2025 Record
1	North Dakota State (25)	3-0
2	South Dakota State (1)	3-0
3	Tarleton State	4-0
4	Illinois State	2-1
5	Montana	2-0
T6	Montana State	1-2
T6	Rhode Island	3-0
8	Idaho	2-1
9	UC Davis	1-1
10	Lehigh	3-0
11	Southern Illinois	2-1
T12	Tennessee Tech	3-0
T12	Villanova	1-1
14	UIW	1-2
15	Abilene Christian	1-2
16	Jackson State	2-1
17	North Dakota	1-2
18	Monmouth	2-1
19	Northern Arizona	2-1
20	Austin Peay	2-1
21	South Dakota	1-2
22	Sacramento State	1-2
23	New Hampshire *	2-1
24	Youngstown State	2-1
25	Mercer	1-1

^{* =} indicates Monmouth Opponent

STATS PERFORM FCS TOP 25 POLL

September 15, 2025

	Team	2025 Record
1	North Dakota State	3-0
2	South Dakota State	3-0
3	Tarleton State	4-0
4	Montana State	1-2
5	Montana	2-0
6	Illinois State	2-1
7	Rhode Island	3-0
8	Idaho	2-1
9	UC Davis	1-1
10	Lehigh	3-0
11	Villanova *	1-1
12	Tennessee Tech	3-0
13	Southern Illinois	2-1
14	Abilene Christian	1-2
15	South Dakota	1-2
16	North Dakota	1-2
17	Northern Arizona	2-1
18	Austin Peay	2-1
19	UIW	1-2
20	Jackson State	2-1
21	Monmouth	2-1
22	West Georgia	3-0
23	Lamar	2-1
24	Sacramento State	1-2
25	New Hampshire *	2-1

^{* =} indicates Monmouth Opponent

INCOMING NOTES ON THE POSITION GROUPS

The Quarterback Room

Derek Robertson is on every radar of FCS teams this season as the All-American returns for his final season of eligibility to lead the Hawks under center. Outisde of Robertson - the Hawks are young in the room. Redshirt freshman Frankie Weaver, a 6'5", 215-pound righty will serve as Robertson's primary backup in 2025. Jagger Matera, another redshirt freshman, is an athletic dual threat archetype that slots in at No. 3. True freshmen Brad Seiss and TJ Valerio round out Quartbacks Coach Jimmy Robertson's bunch.

Running Backs Revving Up

Despite losing Sone Ntoh and his FCS-leading 26 touchdowns to graduation, Coach Sam Dorsett is high on his backfield bunch heading into 2025. Rodney Nelson returns as the lead back after a season where he quietly outrushed Ntoh by over 300 yards, and senior Makhi "Flash" Green provides home run-hitting speed and stability behind him. Elijah Jennings and Kenny Smith, both freshmen, could see a large role in the Hawks' offense this season.

High TTEs

Offensive Coordinator Jeff Gallo also serves as the team's Tight Ends Coach. Gallo sees veteran Jack Neri, who was a semifinalist for the William V. Campbell Trophy, return for one final ride after a career year in 2024. Redshirt sophomores Marcus Middleton and Arturo Johnson Jr. could see their roles expanded in 2025, and Shane Garrett and Kevin Doughtery Jr. are veterans that offer versatility in Gallo's balanced rushing/passing attack.

Weapons Everywhere at Wide Receiver

This wide receiver room might just be the best Coach Kevin Callahan Jr. has ever had during his now seven seasons with the Blue & White. TJ Speight and Josh Derry are back as All-CAA selections a year ago after combining for over 1,800 receiving yards and 11 touchdowns on 161 catches. Gavin Nelson is a speedster that can take the top off of any defense on any given snap - backed by his team-leading 18.4 yards per catch in 2024. Tra Neal led the Hawks receivers with seven TDs last year and appeared on two separate Freshman All-America Teams. Maxwell James is healthy again and a big 6'3", 210-pound threat coming off his best game as a Hawk where he hauled in a 42-yard tocuhdown in the win at #20/18 Stony Brook.

In the Trenches: Offensive Line

Graduate right tackle JT Cornelius is back for his final collegiate season and expects to be one of the top offensive linemen in the CAA and the nation. He anchors a Monmouth line that returns four out of five starters. David Dutra has started each of the past five contests at tackle, while Chris Moreno (9 starts) and Shalik Hubbard (12) serve as familiar faces at the guard spots. Redshirt Kevin Shriner begins the season the top center for Brian Gabriel's crew.

In the Trenches: Defensive Line

New to Monmouth, Coach Codey Cole needed to find replacement production after losing his top two weapons, Miles Mitchell (Purdue) and Isaiah Rogers (Cincinnati), to Power 4 schools this spring. Cole expects the 6'5" edge duo of redshirt freshman Hunter Watson and transfer Josiah Graham to wreck games for opposing offenses. Defensive tackle Bryce Rooks enters 2025 healthy after missing all of 2024 with an injury, and beside him - JJ Lewis, a transfer that Cole recruited to D-II Findlay a few years ago. Expect a lot of rotating for Cole's squad early in the year.

How to Build a Linebacker Room

Four transfers join the Hawks in the second level, an area that garnered a lot of attention this offseason from DC Lewis Walker and new LB Coach Louis DiRienzo Jr. Monmouth lost two linebacker captains, Remi Johnson and Ryan Moran, to graduation this spring, and another handful to the transfer portal. Walker and DiRienzo Jr. decided to overhaul the group bringing in Evan Rutkowski (Towson), Ryan Russo (Iowa Central CC / Rutgers), Spencer Kishbaugh (Coastal Carolina) and Brody Hock (Colgate) who all have the size, speed, and tenacity to thrive in this system. Captains Charlie Sasso (MIKE) and Justin Bennin (VIPER) are back, as well.

Dumas's Defensive Backs

Coach Kamau Dumas is a 2018 graduate of Monmouth and brings a championship pedigree to the Hawks secondary - he was a key member of the Hawks 2017 FCS Playoff squad. Dumas will rely on third-year New Jersey natives Izzy Clark-White, who led the Hawks in interceptions a season ago, and Wagner transfer Zachari Ricci as top options on the outside. Freshmen Kyle Jackson and Chris Palmer Jr., and veterans Dana Johnson Jr. and Jalen Newman (transfer from Princeton) will be in the mix to slow down the opposing passing attack.

The Elite: The Specialists

Luke Schabel returns to handle punting duties, but Coach Dennis Long will have a new placekicker and longsnapper in 2025. Hudson Fiene is an Eastern Michigan transfer who will handle field goals and PATs. Senior Steven Langton steps in as the longsnapper, and freshman Byron McCann will handle kickoffs.

MONMOUTH'S 2025 PRESEASON AWARDS

Walter Payton Award Watch List

QB - Derek Robertson

Shrine Bowl 1000 Watch List

QB - Derek Robertson

Stats Perform FCS Preseason All-America

QB - Derek Robertson - First Team

OL - JT Cornelius - Second Team

FCS Football Central All-America

QB - Derek Robertson - First Team

OL - JT Cornelius - Third Team

Phil Steele FCS All-America

QB - Derek Robertson - First Team

OL - JT Cornelius - First Team

Phil Steele All-CAA

Offensive Player of the Year - QB Derek Robertson

First Team

QB - Derek Robertson

WR - Josh Derry

WR - TJ Speight

OL - JT Cornelius

AP - TJ Speight

Second Team

RB - Rodney Nelson

TE - Jack Neri

LB - Justin Bennin

S - Deuce Lee

P - Luke Schabel

KR - TJ Speight

Third Team

OL - Shalik Hubbard

DB - Izzy Clark-White

Preseason All-CAA Team

Offensive Player of the Year - QB Derek Robertson

QB - Derek Robertson

TE - Jack Neri

WR - Josh Derry

WR - TJ Speight

OL - JT Cornelius

S - Deuce Lee

KR - TJ Speight

Honorable Mention - RB Rodney Nelson

2025	CAA PREDICIED ORDER C	T FINISH
PLACE	TEAM (FIRST-PLACE VOTES)	TOTAL POINTS
1	Rhode Island (8)	163
2	Monmouth (4)	142
3	Villanova (2)	139
4	Stony Brook	125
5	New Hampshire	119
6	Towson	108
7	William & Mary	104
8	Elon	98
9	Maine	71
10	Campbell	53
11	Hampton	50
12	UAlbany	47
13	Bryant	32
14	North Carolina A&T	23

2025 CAA PREDICTED ORDER OF FINISH

ADDITIONAL NOTES

Monmouth in the Polls

The Hawks enter Week 4 as the nation's #18 team in the AFCA Coaches Poll, while Stats Perform FCS ranked them #21. The Hawks are now 11-8 all-time in games played as a ranked team following the loss at Charlotte.

CAA in the Polls

CAA Football has four teams ranked in the second editions of the FCS Top 25 polls. Rhode Island enters as the league's top team ranked #6 in the AFCA poll and #7 in the Stats poll, while Villanova appears at #12 and #11. Monmouth sits at #18 and #21 in the AFCA and Stats rankings, respectively, and New Hampshire checks in at #23 and #25. Three teams, Bryant, Elon and Stony Brook, have each received votes and sit just outside the top 25 rankings.

The Hawks in Season Openers

Monmouth improved to 9-24 all-time in season openers with the victory at Colgate being Callahan & Co.'s first road win in an opener since September 6, 2016, when the Hawks defeated Lehigh in Bethlehem, 23-21.

The Hawks in Home Openers

Monmouth is a steady 16-16 (.500) in home openers throughout its 32-year history but have lost its last four. The Hawks' last home opening win came in the Spring 2021 season when they bested Charleston Southern, 35-17.

A 33rd Season Under Callahan

Kevin Callahan is currently the longest-tenured head coach in the FCS and has amassed the most wins by an active FCS head coach with 190. The veteran has been with the program since its inception in 1993 and is a five-time conference Coach of the Year (3x NEC, 2x Big South). The 2025 campaign is Callahan's 33rd with the program.

PRESEASON AWARDS

Walter Payton Award & Shrine Bowl 1000 Watch Lists

Quarterback Derek Robertson has been garnering a ton of national attention leading into 2025, as he is one of four CAA players to earn recognition on each of the lists. Sone Ntoh appeared on the preseason list in 2024, and Jaden Shirden was the last Hawk to appear in an East-West Srhine Bowl following the 2023 season.

All-Americans

Robertson is a consensus First Team All-American from Stats Perform FCS, FCS FOotball Central, and Phil Steele FCS. Fellow graduate student and offensive lineman JT Cornelius has also seen his name appear on each of the three outlets, earning First Team for Phil Steele FCS, Second Team for Stats Perform FCS, and Third Team for FCS Football Central.

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Robertson enters 2025 as the Preseason Offensive Player of the Year for both Phil Steele's and the conference's All-CAA awards. Josh Derry (WR), TJ Speight (WR/KR/AP), Cornelius (OL), Jack Neri (TE), Rodney Nelson (RB), and Deuce Lee (S) each appear on both lists. Justin Bennin (LB), Luke Schabel (P), Shalik Hubbard (OL), and Izzy Clark-White (DB) are exclsuive members of Phil Steele's preseason recognition.

Predicted Order of Finish

The Hawks are predicted to place second in the CAA this season only behind Rhode Island, a top-10 team in the nation entering the season. Monmouth received four first-place votes and 142 total points in the preseason poll voted on by the conference's head coaches. This is the highest the Hawks have ever appeared in the Preseason CAA Poll.

WEEKLY AWARDS

Week Two: Derek Robertson Wins CAA Offensive Player of the Week & Earns Stats Perform FCS H.M. Robertson was unbelievable once again in the 49-28 victory at Fordham, breaking program record's for single-game passing touchdowns (6) and single-game total touchdowns (7) en route to a CAA Player of the Week honor plus an Honorable Mention from tStats Perform FCS. He finished with 364 passing yards - his 10th career game over 300 with the Hawks.

Week One: Gavin Nelson Named CAA Offensive Player of the Week

Trailing by 24 points midway through the third quarter, the Maryland native sparked the surge with a career performance, posting five receptions for career highs of 176 yards and three touchdowns as the Hawks stormed back with 35 unanswered points. The redshirt junior showcased his big-play ability in the second half, connecting with quarterback Derek Robertson for scores of 70, 24, and 51 yards – matching his entire touchdown total from 2024 in just one night. His 176 receiving yards were the most by any CAA wideout and the second most in the FCS during Week One, while his three touchdowns led the nation.

Week One: Gavin Nelson and Lamont Lester Jr. Earn Honorable Mentions from Stats Perform FCS

In addition to Nelson's CAA honor, he was also an Honorable Mention on the FCS National Offensive Player of the Week list from Stats Perform FCS. Lamont Lester Jr. also appeared as an Honorable Mention for his key strip sack early in the fourth quarter - the first of his career - to go along with six tackles (four solo) and one for loss.



	MONMOUTH VS. RANKED TE	AMS
DATE	OPPONENT	RESULT
11/23/2024	at 20/18 Stony Brook	W, 55-47
11/16/2024	vs. 8/9 Villanova	W, 40-33
11/02/2024	at 14/14 Rhode Island	L, 28-37
09/07/2024	vs. 19/19 Lafayette	L., 35-40
11/18/2023	at 23/12 UAlbany	L, 0-41
10/28/2023	at 24/22 William & Mary	L, 28-31
11/05/2022	at 16/18 Delaware	L, 17-49
10/22/2022	vs. 19/22 Rhode Island	L, 46-48 70T
09/24/2022	at 10/9 Villanova	W, 49-42
11/20/2021	at 5/9 Kennesaw State	L, 17-49
10/09/2021	vs. RV/24 Princeton	L, 28-31
04/24/2021	at 4/4 Sam Houston	L, 15-21
04/10/2021	vs. 7/7 Kennesaw State	W, 42-17
12/07/2019	at 2/2 James Madison	L, 21-66
11/02/2019	at 4/5 Kennesaw State	W, 45-21
09/21/2019	at 19/19 Montana	L. 27-47
11/10/2018	vs. 2/2 Kennesaw State	L, 14-51
11/25/2017	at 21/21 Northern Iowa	L, 7-46
11/18/2017	at 21/22 Kennesaw State	L, 21-52
09/09/2017	vs. 19/19 Lehigh	W, 46-27
11/05/2016	vs/18 Coastal Carolina	L, 17-38
09/24/2016	vs. 11/12 Charleston Southern	L, 7-35
10/24/2015	vs. 1/2 Coastal Carolina	L, 20-23
10/17/2015	vs. 22/22 Liberty	W, 20-17
09/27/2015	at 16/16 Fordham	L, 31-54
11/15/2014	at 1/1 Coastal Carolina	L, 21-52
08/29/2013	at 2/2 Montana St.	L, 24-42
09/01/2012	at 11/16 Lehigh	L, 17-27
09/04/2010	at 22/22 Colgate	L, 29-30
09/29/2007	at 12 Delaware	L, 7-42
09/03/2005	at 14/14 Lehigh	L, 26-54

AFCA Coaches Poll / Stats Perform Media Poll RECORD: 7-24

MONM	OUTH IN THE POLLS	
RANK	OPPONENT	RESULT
18/20	at Charlotte	L, 35-42
18/21	at Fordham	W, 49-28
21/22	at Colgate	W, 42-39
24 / RV	at 5/9 Kennesaw State	L, 17-49
RV / 25	vs. RV/24 Princeton	L, 28-31
19/20	vs. Holy Cross	L, 15-45
20/20	at Charleston Southern	W, 41-14
20/21	at Fordham	W, 26-23
10 / 10	at 4/4 Sam Houston	L, 15-21
20/22	vs. 7/7 Kennesaw State	W, 42-17
11 / 14	at 2/2 James Madison	L, 21-66
11 / 14	vs. Holy Cross	W, 44-27
12 / 15	vs. Hampton	W, 48-13
15/17	at Campbell	W, 47-10
19/20	at 4/5 Kennesaw State	W, 45-21
23 / RV	at 21/21 Northern Iowa	L, 7-46
22 / RV	at 21/22 Kennesaw State	L, 21-52
22 / RV	vs. Gardner-Webb	W, 41-14
24 / RV	vs. Presbyterian	W, 42-21
	RANK 18/20 18/21 21/22 24/RV RV/25 19/20 20/21 10/10 20/22 11/14 11/14 12/15 15/17 19/20 23/RV 22/RV	18/20 at Charlotte 18/21 at Fordham 21/22 at Colgate 24/RV at 5/9 Kennesaw State RV/25 vs. RV/24 Princeton 19/20 vs. Holy Cross 20/20 at Charleston Southern 20/21 at Fordham 10/10 at 4/4 Sam Houston 20/22 vs. 7/7 Kennesaw State 11/14 at 2/2 James Madison 11/14 vs. Holy Cross 12/15 vs. Hampton 15/17 at Campbell 19/20 at 4/5 Kennesaw State 23/RV at 21/21 Northern Iowa 22/RV at 21/22 Kennesaw State 22/RV vs. Gardner-Webb

AFCA Coaches Poll / Stats Perform Media Poll RECORD: 11-8

	MONMOUTH VS. FBS TEAMS	
DATE	OPPONENT	RESULT
09/13/2025	at Charlotte	L, 35-42
09/21/2024	at FIU	W, 45-42
09/02/2023	at Florida Atlantic	L, 20-42
09/04/2021	at Middle Tennessee	L, 15-50
08/31/2019	at Western Michigan	L, 13-48
08/31/2018	at Eastern Michigan	L, 17-51
09/17/2016	at Kent State	L, 7-27
09/12/2015	at Central Michigan	L, 10-31

RECORD: 1-7

2025 SITUATIONAL RECORD	
When playing on artificial turf	2-1
When playing on natural grass	0-0
When playing during the day	0-0
When playing at night	2-1
When scoring first	0-1
When opponent scores first	2-0
Wins the coin toss	2-1
Loses the coin toss	0-0
When leading at halftime	1-1
When tied at halftime	0-0
When losing at halftime	1-0
When leading going into the 4th quarter	1-0
When losing going into the 4th quarter	1-1
When tied going into the 4th quarter	0-0
In overtime	0-0
Leads in time of possession	1-0
Trails in time of possession	1-1
Scores 20+ points	2-1
Scores 30+ points	2-1
Scores 40+ points	2-0
Scores 50+ points	0-0
Holds opponents to single digit scoring	0-0
MU has more total yards than its opponent	2-0
MU has less total yards than its opponent	0-1
MU has more rushing yards than its opponent	2-0
MU has less rushing yards than its opponent	0-1
MU has more passing yards than its opponent	1-1
MU has less passing yards than its opponent	1-0
Converts at least 45% of third down chances	1-0
Scores on 75% of red zone opportunities	1-1
Has a quarterback throw for 200+ yards	2-1
Has a quarterback throw for 300+ yards	2-1
Has a quarterback throw for 400+ yards	1-1
Has a quarterback throw for 500+ yards	0-0
Has a quarterback complete 65% of his passes	2-1
Has a 100+ yard rusher	2-0
Has a back carry the ball 20 times or more	2-0
Has a receiver catch 10+ passes	1-0
Has a receiver record 100+ yards	2-1
Holds an opponent to under 100 yards passing	0-0
Holds an opponent to under 100 yards passing	1-0
Records three or more sacks in a game	1-0
-	2-0
Has five or more tackles for a loss in a game	2-0 1-1
Intercepts an opposing quarterback	1-1
Wins the turnover battle	
Loses the turnover battle	1-0
Has an equal amount of turnovers	0-0
Coming off a win the week before	1-1
Coming off a loss the week before	0-0

MONMOUTH RECORD BY UNIFORM	
In white helmets	1-0
In silver helmets	1-1
In white jerseys	2-1
In midnight blue jerseys	0-0
In grey jerseys	0-0
In white pants	0-0
In midnight blue pants	1-1
In grey pants	1-0
White-White-Midnight Blue	1-0
Silver-White-Grey	1-0
Silver-White-Midnight Blue	0-1
White-Blue-Midnight Blue	0-0

THE LAST MEETING

vs VILLANOVA

November 16, 2024 West Long Branch, N.J.



	1	2	3	4	F
Villanova	7	7	3	16	33
Monmouth	6	13	14	7	40

SCOI	SCORING PLAYS									
1st	10:55	MON	Ntoh 6 yd pass from Robertson ()							
			7 plays, 75 yards, TOP 04:05, 6-0							
	02:19	VIL	Watkin 2 yd run (Gettman kick)							
			14 plays, 73 yards, TOP 08:36 6-7							
2nd	13:52	MON	Derry 32 yd pass from Robertson ()							
			7 plays, 75 yards, TOP 03:27, 12-7							
	10:33	MON	James 19 yd pass from Robertson (Calton Jr kick)							
			5 plays, 52 yards, TOP 01:18, 19-7							
	06:26	VIL	Avit 25 yd run (Gettman kick)							
			8 plays, 59 yards, TOP 04:10, 19-14							
3rd	10:21	MON	Nelson, R. 26 yd run (Calton Jr. kick)							
			2 plays, 85 yards, TOP 00:33, 26-14							
	06:50	VIL	Gettman 26 yd field goal							
			7 plays, 35 yards, TOP 03:22, 26-17							
	05:01	MON								
			4 plays, 67 yards, TOP 01:40, 33-17							
4th	14:50	VIL	Watkins 6 yd run (Watkins rush)							
	09:31	MON								
	06:03	VIL								
			12 plays, 79 yards, TOP 03:25, 40-33							
	06:50 05:01	VIL MON VIL MON	2 plays, 85 yards, TOP 00:33, 26-14 Gettman 26 yd field goal 7 plays, 35 yards, TOP 03:22, 26-17 Ntoh 7 yd run (Calton Jr. kick)							

	VIL	MON
First Downs	21	18
Rushes - Yards	32-101	29-149
Passing Yards	235	358
Passes (C-A-I)	20-32-0	22-23-0
Total Offense	60-328	52-502
Fumbles-Lost	0-0	0-0
Penalties-Yards	7-71	4-55
Time of Possession	32:49	27:11
DIICHING		

VIL Davis 14-91, TD; Watkins 11-24, 2 TD; Ragland 4-9; TEAM 1-(-1);

MON Nelson, R. 10-33, TD; Ntoh 12-30, 2 TD; Green 4-28; Derry 1-3; Hios 1-1, TEAM 1-(-1)

PASSING

VIL Watkins 20-for-32, 235 yards, 1 TD MON Robertson 22-for-33, 258 yards, 3 TD

RECEIVING

Colby 4-56; Avit 3-43; Sanchez 3-37; Smith 3-36, TD; Kopecky 3-33; Lopes 2-15; Mace 1-8; Ragland 1-7

MON Speight 7-120; Nelson, G. 2-67; Derry 6-65, TD; Neri 1-33; James 1-19, TD; Neal 1-18; Green 1-15; Nelson, R. 1-9; Ntoh 1-6, TD; Middleton 1-6

GAME NOTES

- Sone Ntoh broke David Sinisi's single-season rushing touchdowns record with his 23rd rushing score of the season. He is second to Sinisi on Monmouth's career rushing touchdowns list with 37.

- Ntoh scored three times in the game, giving him 24 total touchdowns on the season, and extended his streak to 11 straight games with a touchdown.

- Derek Robertson threw for 358 yards on 22-of-23 passing and three touchdowns

- Robertson now has 28 passing touchdowns and 3,401 yards on the season, both are second on the Hawks' single-season lists. - TJ Speight totaled a team-high seven receptions for 120 yards. It was

Speight's second 100-yard game of the year.

- Josh Derry hauled in six passes for 65 yards and his fifth touchdown in 2024

- Maxwell James scored for the third time this season.

THE LAST TIME WHEN MONMOUTH

SCORING OFFENSE

35 at Charlotte 9/13/25 Scored 30 or more points 49 at Fordham 9/6/25 Scored 40 or more points Scored 50 or more points 55 at Stony Brook 11/23/24 Scored 60 or more points 63 vs. Fordham 9/28/24

TOTAL OFFENSE

Had more than 500 total yards 678 at Colgate 8/29/25 Had more than 600 total yards 678 at Colgate 8/29/25 Had more than 700 total yards 713 vs. Fordham 09/10/22 Had more than 750 total yards 790 at Gardner-Webb 11/17/18

RUSHING OFFENSE

328 vs. Bryant 10/19/24 Rushed for 200 or more yards Rushed for 250 or more yards 328 vs. Bryant 10/19/24 328 vs. Bryant 10/19/24 Rushed for 300 or more yards Rushed for 350 or more yards 407 vs. Fordham 9/28/24 Rushed for 400 or more yards 407 vs. Fordham 9/28/24

PASSING OFFENSE

Passed for 250 or more yards 410 at Charlotte 9/13/25 Passed for 300 or more yards 410 at Charlotte 9/13/25 Passed for 350 or more yards 410 at Charlotte 9/13/25 410 at Charlotte 9/13/25 Passed for 400 or more yards Passed for 500 or more yards 576 at Stony Brook 11/23/24

SCORING DEFENSE

Allowed 0 points 0 vs. Presbyterian 10/12/19 Allowed 3 or fewer points 3 vs. Charleston Southern 11/03/18 7 vs. Lehigh 9/30/23 Allowed 7 or fewer points Allowed 10 or fewer points 10 vs. Hampton 10/14/23 10 vs. Hampton 10/14/23 Allowed 14 or fewer points

TOTAL DEFENSE

Allowed fewer than 75 total yards 63 at La Salle 10/03/98 Allowed fewer than 100 total yards 88 vs. Sacred Heart 10/07/06 Allowed fewer than 125 total yards 123 at Sacred Heart 10/08/05 Allowed fewer than 150 total yards 136 vs. Presbyterian 10/12/19 Allowed fewer than 175 total yards 160 vs. Robert Morris 11/13/21 196 vs. Hampton 10/14/23 Allowed fewer than 200 total yards 196 vs. Hampton 10/14/23 Allowed fewer than 225 total yards Allowed fewer than 250 total yards 196 vs. Hampton 10/14/23

RUSHING DEFENSE

-12 at Lafayette 09/07/19 Allowed 0 or fewer yards Allowed 25 or fewer yards 14 vs. Robert Morris 10/1/11 Allowed 50 or fewer yards 39 at Fordham 9/6/25 Allowed 75 or fewer yards 39 at Fordham 9/6/25 Allowed 100 or fewer yards 39 at Fordham 9/6/25

PASSING DEFENSE

Allowed 40 or fewer yards 35 vs. Stony Brook 10/12/02 Allowed 50 or fewer yards 45 vs. Hampton 10/14/23 Allowed 100 or fewer yards 98 vs. Fordham 9/28/24 Allowed 150 or fewer yards 98 vs. Fordham 9/28/24 200 vs. Bryant 10/19/24 Allowed 200 or fewer yards

INSIDE THE SERIES

Series Record	Monmouth leads 3-0
at Monmouth	Monmouth leads 1-0
at Villanova	Monmouth leads 2-0
Most Monmouth points	49, 9/24/25
Most Villanova points	42, 9/24/25
Most combined points	91, 9/24/25
Biggest Monmouth win	11, 9/17/11
Current streak	Monmouth, W3

GAME-BY-GAME

Date	Location	Score	Winner
11/16/24	West Long Branch, N.J.	40-33	Monmouth
9/24/22	Villanova, Pa.	49-42	Monmouth
9/17/11	Villanova, Pa.	20-9	Monmouth

THE LAST TIME AN INDIVIDUAL

INDIVIDUAL RUSHING

Ran for 100+ yards R. Nelson (112) at Fordham 9/6/25 Grant (126) URI 11/2/24 Opponent Ran for 200+ yards Shirden (251) at William & Mary 10/28/23 Philyaw (234) Howard 10/08/16 Opponent Three straight 100 yard games Jaden Shirden (2023) Elon (110) / W&M (251) / Stony Brook (171) Four straight 100 yard games Jaden Shirden (2023) Hampton (276) / Elon (110) / W&M (251) / Stony Brook (171) Five straight 100 yard games Jaden Shirden (2022) Lehigh (119) / Ham (276) / Elon (110) / W&M (251) / SB (171) Consecutive 200 yard games Jaden Shirden (2022) Towson (211) / Delaware (202) Three-straight 200 yard games Pete Guerriero (2019) Campbell (237) / Hampton (240) / Holy Cross (220) Two 100+ yard rushers Ntoh (136), Barnes (134), R. Nelson (128) vs. Fordham 9/28/24 Shepherd (118) and Cousin (114) Opponent Kennesaw State 11/20/21 Scored 3+ rushing TD Ntoh (4) vs. Bryant 10/19/24 Opponent Curtis (3) vs. Lafayette 9/7/24 Rushed for 50+ yards on a single play R. Nelson (75) at Colgate 8/29/25 Tallarico (66) Opponent Stony Brook 11/19/22

INDIVIDUAL PASSING

Totaled 25+ carries

Opponent

36, Robertson, at Charlotte 9/13/25 Completed 30+ passes Opponent 37, Knopp, Stony Brook 11/23/24 Passed for 300+ yards 410, Robertson, at Charlotte 9/13/25 Opponent 382, Harrell, Charlotte 9/13/25 Passed for 400+ vards 410, Robertson, at Charlotte 9/13/25 Passed for 500+ yards 536, Robertson at Stony Brook 11/23/24 Passed for 3 TD Robertson (4), at Charlotte 9/13/25 Opponent Harrell (3), Charlotte 9/13/25 Passed for 4 TD Robertson (4), at Charlotte 9/13/25 Visperas (5), EWU 8/29/24 Opponent

Shirden (31) Campbell 9/16/23

Grant (25) at URI 11/2/24

INDIVIDUAL RECEIVING

10+ receptions Derry (10) at Fordham 9/6/25 100+ receiving yards Derry (110) at Charlotte 9/13/25 150+ receiving yards G. Nelson (176) at Colgate 8/29/25 Derry (227) at Maine 9/14/24 200+ receiving yards 300+ receiving yards Miller (333) vs. New Hampshire 11/11/23 G. Nelson (176), Derry (103), Speight (100) Two 100+ yard receivers at Colgate 8/29/25 Three 100+ yard receivers G. Nelson (176), Derry (103), Speight (100) at Colgate 8/29/25 Derry (2) at Charlotte 9/13/25 2 TD receptions 3 TD receptions Derry (4) at Fordham 9/6/25 4 TD receptions Derry (4) at Fordham 9/6/25

INDIVIDUAL DEFENSE

Smith (2) vs. URI 10/22/22 Multiple interceptions Lee (36 yds) vs. Lehigh 9/30/23 Interception for a TD Opponent Flowers-Lloyd (41 yds), Stony Brook 11/19/22 Registered 10+ tackles Lee (11) at Charlotte 9/13/25 Wharton (21) at Liberty 10/22/16 Registered 20+ tackles Recovered a fumble for a TD Shoemaker (22 yards) vs. GWU 10/2/21 Cureton (41 yards), Presbyterian 10/27/18 Opponent Forced a safety at Campbell 11/16/19 Opponent NC A&T 10/30/21

SPECIAL TEAMS

M. Calton Jr. (43) at FIU 9/21/24 Attempted a 40+ yard FG Converted a 40+ yard FG M. Calton Jr. (43) at FIU 9/21/24 Blocked a FG Jaeden Jones at Rhode Island 11/2/22 Blocked a punt Lorenzo Hernandez vs. Charleston Southern 09/18/21 Returned a blocked punt for a TD Tevrin Brandon at Bryant 11/16/13 Blocked a PAT Nick White at UAlbany 11/18/23 Justin Terry (Interception) Returned a PAT for a score at Fordham 09/11/21 Returned a kickoff for a TD TJ Speight (79 yards) vs. Fordham 9/28/24 Returned a punt for a TD Vinny Grasso (70 yards) vs Presbyterian 11/04/17



						MONMOUTH FO	OTBA	LE RUSIER					
lo.	Player	CI.	Pos.	Ht.	Wt.	Hometown/High School (Previous School)	No.	,	CI.	Pos.	Ht.	Wt.	Hometown/High School (Previous School)
	TJ Speight	R-Sr.	WR	5-11		Forte Meade, MD / Meade	77	Josh Duran	R-So.	OL	6-6	275	Paterson, NJ / DePaul Catholic
	Gavin Nelson	R-Jr.	WR	6-0	180	Reisterstown, MD / Franklin	78	Sean Sokolowski	R-Fr.	OL	6-4	260	Erie, PA / Mercyhurst Prep
	Justin Bennin	R-Sr.	DB	6-2	210	Gainesville, VA / Battlefield	79	Alec Grijalva	Jr.	OL	6-4	305	Leesburg, VA / Heritage (Ole Miss)
	Israel Clark-White	R-So.	DB	6-0	170	Camden, NJ / Camden	80	Keshawn Mister	R-Fr.	WR	6-1	190	Baltimore, MD / Concordia Prep
	Charlie Sasso	R-Jr.	LB	6-0	230	Wall, NJ / Wall	81	Ashanti Caviness Jr.	R-Sr.	TE	6-6	240	Bogota, NJ / Bogota
	Makhi Green	Sr.	RB	5-9	170	West Orange, NJ / West Orange	82	Kevin Dougherty Jr.	Jr.	TE	6-3	245	Galloway, NJ / Cedar Creek (Coastal Carolina / Lackawan
	Tra Neal	R-So.	WR	6-0	170	Frederick, MD / Frederick	83	Charlie Warren	Fr.	TE	6-5	205	Lancaster, PA / Lancaster Catholic
	Deuce Lee	So.	DB WR	5-11	185	Silver Spring, MD / Gonzaga	84	Shane Garrett Arturo Johnson Jr.	R-So.	TE TE	6-1	230	Ocean Township, NJ / Ocean Township
0	Maxwell James Jagger Matera	R-Sr. R-Fr.	QB	6-3 6-3	210 195	Charlotte, NC / Lake Braddock (JMU / Lackawanna) Newtown, PA / George School / Jireh Prep	85 86	Jack Neri	R-So. Gr.	TE	6-4 6-3	205 245	Rutland, MA / Wachusett Doylestown, PA / Central Bucks West
1	Ryan Russo	R-FI. R-Jr.	LB	6-2	230	Harrisburg, PA / Bishop McDevitt (Rutgers / Iowa Central CC)	87	Destin Hill	R-Fr.	WR	6-3	190	Laurel, MD / Reservoir
2	Derek Robertson	Gr.	QB	6-2	200	Hartsdale, NY / Iona Prep / Bridgton Academy (Maine)	87	Luke McAuliffe	R-Fr.	WR	6-2	205	Park, NY / Shenendehowa
3	Frankie Weaver	R-Fr.	QB	6-5	215	New Market, MD / Our Lady of Good Counsel	88	Marcus Middleton	R-So.	TE	6-3	225	Germantown, MD / Northwest
4	Josh Derry	Jr.	WR	5-9	175	Towson, MD / Concordia Prep	89	Donovan Rondeau Jr.	Fr.	DL	6-3	215	Gaithersburg, MD / Gaithersburg
5	Eliot Porter	Gr.	DB	6-0	195	Wheatley Heights, NY / Half Hollow Hills West (Pace)	90	Brendan Bigos	R-Jr.	DL	6-4	280	Red Bank, NJ / Middletown South
5	TJ Valerio	Fr.	QB	6-0	190	Toms River, NJ / Toms River North	91	Thomas Cader	R-So.	DL	6-2	230	Caldwell, NJ / James Caldwell
6	Landon Kennel	R-Fr.	WR	6-3	210	Lancaster, PA / Manheim Township	92	Bryce Rooks	R-Jr.	DL	6-1	300	Warren, NJ / St. Peter's Prep
7	Trey McLeer	R-Jr.	DB	5-11	185	Mullica Hill, NJ / St. Augustine Prep (St. Francis (PA))	93	DJ Briscoe Jr.	R-Fr.	DL	6-2	295	Burtonsville, MD / Our Lady of Good Counsel
8	Brad Seiss	Fr.	QB	6-3	215	Manchester, MD / Loyola Blakefield	94	Malachai Ramnath	Fr.	DL	6-3	230	York, PA / Central York
9	Owen Bill	R-Jr.	WR	6-1	185	Flemington, NJ / Hunterdon Central	95	JJ Lewis	Jr.	DL	6-4	275	Middletown, OH / Middletown (Findlay)
0	Rodney Nelson	R-So.	RB	5-8	195	Owings Mills, MD / Franklin	96	Sebastien Acheampon	g R-Fr.	DL	6-2	275	Ajax, Ontario, Canada / Wyoming Seminary
1	Emmanuel Lane	R-So.	DB	6-2	180	Willingboro, NJ / Salem	97	Rob Adamson Jr.	R-Fr.	DL	6-1	270	Bridgeton, NJ / St. Augustine
2	Ayden Martin	Jr.	DB	5-10	180	Reading, PA / Governor Mifflin	98	Anthony Johnson	R-Jr.	DL	6-6	260	Philadelphia, PA / Central Bucks South (UMass
3	Jalen Newman	Gr.	DB	6-0	195	Weddington, NC / Weddington (Princeton)	99	Josiah Graham	R-Jr.	DL	6-5	250	Newport News, VA / Menchville (Emory & Hun
4	Zachary Ricci	Jr.	DB	5-11	175	Egg Harbor City, NJ / Cedar Creek / Myrtle Beach Collegiate (Wagner)	NN	Keyshawn Efese	Fr.	OL	6-5	290	Reading, PA / Reading Senior
5	Patrick Murphy	R-Jr.	DB	6-0	200	New Windsor, NY / Cornwall Central	NN	Eli Mathis	Fr.	DB	6-3	185	Reisterstown, MD / Franklin
5	Justin Silva	Fr.	RB	6-0	195	Manahawkin, NJ / Southern Regional							
6	Donovan Fey	R-So.	DB	6-2	190	Delran, NJ / Holy Cross Prep		CHING STAFF					
7	Spencer Kishbaugh	R-So.	LB	6-3	200	Berwick, PA / Berwick (Coastal Carolina)		Callahan			Head Coa		
В	Kenny Smith	Fr.	RB	5-10	200	Sicklerville, NJ / Glassboro	Jeff (Coach / Offensive Coordinator / Tight Ends Coac
9	Elijah Jennings	R-Fr.	RB	5-8	170	Pennsauken, NJ / Pennsauken		Walker			Defensiv		
)	Jaeden Jones	So.	DB	6-0	190	Colonia, NJ / Colonia		Gabriel					dinator / Offensive Line Coach
1	Dana Johnson Jr.	R-So.	DB	6-3	190	Mansfield, MA / Worcester Academy		ny Robertson					rdinator / Quarterbacks Coach
2	Coleon Williams	Gr.	DB	5-10	200	Trenton, NJ / Notre Dame (Delaware State)		Callahan Jr.					Coach / Recruiting Coordinator
3	Brody Hock	Gr.	LB	6-1	220	Bloomsburg, PA / Bloomsburg (Colgate)		Dorsett			Running		
4	Anthony Brown	R-Fr.	DB	5-11	160	New Brunswick, NJ / Immaculata		is Long					Coordinator
5	Chris Palmer Jr.	Fr. Sr.	DB LS	6-0 6-0	175	Philadelphia, PA / Roman Catholic Manahawkin, NJ / Southern Regional (Hudson Valley CC)		y Cole : DiRienzo Jr.			Defensiv		
6 7	Steven Langton Zach Garmont	SI. R-Fr.	WR	5-11	215 180	Verona, NJ / Verona		au Dumas			Lineback Defensiv		
, 8	Kendall Dorsey	Fr.	WR	6-2	170	Randallstown, MD / Randallstown	NdIII	du Dullias			Delelisiv	e Dack:	S CODCII
8	Hudson Fiene	R-Jr.	K	5-10	180	Yorkville, IL / Yorkville (Eastern Michigan)	SUPI	PORT STAFF					
0	Evan Rutkowski	R-Sr.	LB	6-2	215	Ashburn, VA / Briar Woods (Towson)	Olivi	a Szallai			Head Foo	otball A	thletic Trainer
1	Hunter Watson	R-Fr.	DL	6-5	225	Linwood, NJ / Mainland	Jacie	Fabro			Assistant	Athleti	ic Trainer
2	Greg Randall	R-Fr.	RB	6-1	195	Madison, NJ / Madison		en Gonzalez			Assistant		
3	Kyle Jackson	R-Fr.	DB	6-2	190	Elkton, MD / Elkton	Tim F						or / Director of Strength & Conditioning
4	Connor Farrell	R-Jr.	DL	6-2	240	Toms River, NJ / Donovan Catholic	Gio C						onditioning Coach
5	Jah Reid	Fr.	LB	6-1	185	East Orange, NJ / Central		Mashel			Equipme		
6	Luke Schabel	R-Jr.	Р	6-1	190	Landing, NJ / Roxbury (Incarnate Word)	Athle	tic Communications			Ryan Sch	wager	
7	Byron McCann	Fr.	Р	6-3	200	Gillette, NJ / Watchung Hills Regional	PRO	NUNCIATION GUIDE					
9	Jason Grzymala	R-Fr.	LB	6-1	205	Florham Park, NJ / Hanover Park	1	TJ SPATE					
0	Avery Barnes	R-Fr.	DL	6-2	245	Neptune, NJ / Red Bank Catholic	6	Muh-KAI Green					
1	Chris Ulmer	Fr.	LB	6-3	225	New Britain, PA / Lansdale Catholic	7	TREY Neal					
2	Austin Lenart	R-Fr.	LB	6-2	220	Marlton, NJ / Cherokee	18	Brad Sees					
3	Ryan Alexander	R-So.	LB	6-0	190	Brooklyn, NY / Erasmus Hall	24	Zachary RICK-ee					
4	Mounir Keshen	Fr.	LB	6-1	225	Burlington, NJ / Paul VI	27	Spencer KISH-baw					
5	Colin Tunc	Gr.	OL	6-2	295	Wyckoff, NJ / Bergen Catholic (Stony Brook)	32	co-LEE-own Williams					
6	Lamont Lester Jr.	R-Fr.	DL	6-2	230	Waldwick, NJ / Don Bosco	38	Hudson FEE-nee					
7	Payton Wieczerzak	R-Fr.	LS	6-1	245	North Brunswick, NJ / North Brunswick	46	Luke SHAY-bull					
3	Mandel Pettiford Jr.	Fr.	DL	6-1	265	Mays Landing, NJ / Cedar Creek	49	${\sf Jason~GRIZZ\text{-}mah\text{-}lah}$					
7	Andrew Conklin	R-Sr.	LB	6-0	220	Long Branch, NJ / Long Branch (Caldwell)	54	Mo-NEER KEY-shun					
0	David Dutra	R-Sr.	0L	6-4	280	Vineland, NJ / Vineland	57	Payton WIZ-err-ACK					
1	Collin Goetter	R-Fr.	0L	6-4	280	Warrington, PA / Central Bucks South	60	David DOO-trah					
2	JT Cornelius	Gr.	OL.	6-6	290	Toms River, NJ / Southern Regional	61	Collin Get-ERR					
3	Blake Birbilis	Fr.	OL.	6-5	285	Swedesboro, NJ / Kingsway	63	Blake Burr-BILL-iss					
1	Chris Moreno	R-So.	OL	6-1	300	Newark, NJ / Don Bosco	66	Brandon Bit-TAR					
5	Kevin Shriner	R-Jr.	OL	6-2	300	Cranford, NJ / Cranford	69	Ha-thum Hoo-RAH-ne	е				
,	Brandon Bittar	R-So.	OL.	6-4	305	Jackson, NJ / Jackson Liberty	70	Greyson BROCK-reed					
7	Stephen Reutlinger Jr.		DL	6-2	260	Perkasie, PA / Pennridge	72	Sha-LEEK Hubbard					
	Logan Boston	Fr.	OL	6-3	260	Walkersville, MD / Walkersville	79	Alec Gruh-JALL-vuh					
)	Hathem Hooranyi	Fr.	OL	6-4	305	Toms River, NJ / Toms River North	82	Kevin DOCK-err-tee Jr.					
)	Greyson Brockriede	Sr.	OL	6-3	315	West Long Branch, NJ / The Hun School of Princeton	86	Jack Near-E					
1	Moses Gakodi	R-Fr.	OL.	6-4	270	Laurel, MD / Meade	89	Donovan Run-DOH Jr.					
2	Shalik Hubbard	R-Jr.	OL.	6-4	325	Hackensack, NJ / Hackensack	90	Brendan BEE-Gos					
3	Matt Fries	R-Jr.	OL.	6-5	275	Cranford, NJ / Cranford (Illinois)	96	Sebastien uh-CHAM-P	ong				
1		R-So.	0L	6-2	275	Woodbury Heights, NJ / Gloucester Catholic	NN	Key-shawn E-feez					
1	Michael Petito Bleek Turner	Fr.	OL	6-3	295	Philadelphia, PA / St. Joseph's Prep							

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OFFENSE	DEFENSE
Quarterback 12 Derek Robertson (6-2, 200, Gr.)	Defensive End 99 Josiah Graham (6-5, 250, R-Jr.)
13 Frankie Weaver (6-5, 215, R-Fr.)	56 Lamont Lester Jr. (6-2, 230, R-Fr.)
Running Back	Defensive Tackle
20 Rodney Nelson (5-8, 195, R-So.) 6 Makhi Green (5-9, 170, Sr.)	92 Bryce Rooks (6-1, 300, R-Jr.) 97 Rob Adamson Jr. (6-2, 290, R-Fr.)
Wide Receiver	Defensive Tackle
1 TJ Speight (5-11, 170, R-Sr.) OR 14 Josh Derry (5-9, 175, Jr.)	90 Brendan Bigos (6-4, 280, R-Jr.) 95 JJ Lewis (6-4, 275, Jr.)
Wide Receiver	Defensive End
 Gavin Nelson (6-0, 180, Jr.) Landon Kennel (6-3, 210, R-Fr.) 	41 Hunter Watson (6-5, 225, R-Fr.) 98 Anthony Johnson (6-6, 260, R-Jr.)
Wide Receiver	Linebacker
7 Tra Neal (6-0, 170, R-So.) OR 9 Maxwell James (6-3, 200, R-Sr.)	40 Evan Rutkowski (6-2, 215, Gr.) 11 Ryan Russo (6-2, 230, R-Jr.)
Tight End	Linebacker
86 Jack Neri (6-3, 245, Gr.) 88 Marcus Middleton (6-3, 225, R-So.)	5 Charlie Sasso (6-0, 230, R-Jr.)27 Spencer Kishbaugh (6-3, 200, R-So.)
Left Tackle	Viper
60 David Dutra (6-4, 280, R-Sr.) 73 Matt Fries (6-5, 275, R-Jr.)	 Justin Bennin (6-2, 210, R-Sr.) Emmanuel Lane (6-2, 180, R-So.)
Left Guard	Cornerback
64 Chris Moreno (6-1, 300, R-So.) 61 Collin Goetter (6-4, 280, R-Fr.)	4 Izzy Clark-White (6-0, 170, R-So.) 43 Kyle Jackson (6-2, 190, R-Fr.)
Center	Safety (F111 105 L)
65 Kevin Shriner (6-2, 300, R-Jr.) 55 Collin Tunc (6-2, 295, Gr.)	8 Deuce Lee (5-11, 185, Jr.) 17 Trey McLeer (5-11, 185, R-Jr.)
Right Guard	Safety
72 Shalik Hubbard (6-4, 325, R-Jr.) 74 Michael Petito (6-2, 275, R-So.)	30 Jaeden Jones (6-0, 190, So.) 26 Donovan Fey (6-2, 190, R-So.)
Right Tackle	Cornerback
62 JT Cornelius (6-6, 290, Gr.) 77 Josh Duran (6-6, 275, R-So.) OR 76 Andre Oben (6-5, 290, R-So.)	23 Jalen Newman (6-0, 195, Gr.) 31 Dana Johnson Jr. (6-3, 190, R-So.)
SPECIAL TEAMS	
Placekicker	Punter
38 Hudson Fiene (5-10, 180, R-Jr.) 46 Luke Schabel (6-1, 190, R-Jr.)	46 Luke Schabel (6-1, 190, R-Jr.) 47 Byron McCann (6-3, 200, Fr.)
Kickoff Specialist	Kickoff Returners
47 Byron McCann (6-3, 200, Fr.) 38 Hudson Fiene (5-10, 180, R-Jr.)	6 Makhi Green (5-9, 170, Sr.) 1 TJ Speight (5-11, 170, R-Sr.)
Long Snapper	Punt Returner
36 Steven Langton (6-0, 215, Sr.) 57 Payton Wieczerzak (6-1, 245, R-Fr.)	6 Makhi Green (5-9, 170, Sr.) 1 TJ Speight (5-11, 170, R-Sr.)
Holder 46 Luke Schabel (6-1, 190, R-Jr.)	
7 Tra Neal (6-0, 170, R-So.)	

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Offense	'25	Consecutive Starts	Career
Cornelius	3	20	25
Derry	3	4	8
Dutra	3	8	9
Fries	-	-	4
Green	-	-	3
Hubbard	3	15	15
James	1	1	5
Middleton	2	-	4
Moreno	3	12	13
G.Nelson	-	-	14
R. Nelson	3	7	12
Neal	-	-	5
Neri	3	26	30
Robertson	3	15	15
Shriner	3	3	3
Speight	3	8	8
		Consecutive	
Defense	'25	Starts	Career

		Consecutive	
Defense	'25	Starts	Career
Bennin	3	5	11
Bigos	3	3	3
Clark-White	3	5	12
Graham	2	2	2
Johnson Jr.	2	2	7
Jones	3	3	3
Lane	-	-	2
Lee	3	12	16
Lester Jr.	1	-	1
Ricci	1	-	1
Rooks	3	3	10
Rutkowski	3	3	3
Sasso	3	3	9
Watson	3	3	3

Longest Active Starting Streaks Jack Neri (26)

JT Cornelius (20)

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Pos QB	No. 12	Name Derek Robertson	Yr. Gr.	Ht 6-2	Wt 200	Player Notes Two-time Team Captain FCS's passing leader (1,265 yards, 14 TDs) Walter Payton Award Watch List
4 D	13	Frankie Weaver	R-Fr.	6-5	215	Will serve as Monmouth's backup quarterback Redshirt freshman who threw for 60+ TDs and 4,000+ yds in HS
RB	20	Rodney Nelson	R-So.		195	Two 100+ rushing yard games in 2025 7th in FCS in All-Purpose yards (428)
(D	6	Makhi Green	Sr.	5-9	170	Career averages of 5.3 yards per carry and 10.1 per catch One career rushing TD 19 career catches for 191 yards
NR	1	TJ Speight	Sr.	5-11	170	Preseason All-CAA WR 2 TD receptions at Fordham 896 receiving yds and six TDs in '24
	14	Josh Derry	Jr.	5-9	175	Preseason All-CAA WR Tied rogram record 4 rec. TDs last week Led CAA in rec. yards per game in '24 with 91.7
WR	2	Gavin Nelson	R-Jr.	6-0	180	20.5 yards per reception 3 TD catches at Colgate led to CAA oPotW Older brother of RB Rodney Nelson
•••	16	Landon Kennel	Sr.	6-3	210	Redshirt freshman with size and contested catch ability Basketball background in high school
WR	7	Tra Neal	R-So.		170	Was on two '24 Freshman All-American Lists Led MU with seven TD grabs in '24 Has thrown a TD pass
	9	Maxwell James	R-Sr.	6-3	210	Played in 11 games last year 22 receptions for 293 yards and four touchdowns last year
ΓΕ	86	Jack Neri	Gr.	6-3	245	Team Captain Semifinalist for William V. Campbell Trophy '24: career best 32 grabs, 329 yards and 5 TD:
_	88	Marcus Middleton	R-So.	6-3	225	Played in all 12 games last season 17 career receptions for 197 yards and two touchdowns
LT	60	David Dutra	R-Sr.		280	17 career games played Made first-career start at right guard at FIU Started at left tackle last eight game
	73	Matt Fries	R-Jr.	6-5	275	Started four games at LT Transfer from Illinois prior to 2023 Younger brother of Colts guard Will Fries
LG	64	Chris Moreno	R-So.		300	Started 10 games last season at left guard Hero Sports Sam Herder's top returning No. 64 in FCS
	61	Collin Goetter	R-Fr.	6-4	280	Begins 2025 on the Two Deep after redshirting as a freshman Pennsylvania All-State player on high school
2	65	Kevin Shriner	R-Jr.		300	Three starts at center this season are his first career starts New Jersey native
	55	Collin Tunc	Gr.	6-2	295	Graduate tranfer from Stony Brook 30 career games played
RG	72	Shalik Hubbard	R-Jr.	6-4	325	Phil Steele Preseason All-CAA Third Team Started every game last year on the offensive line
	74	Michael Petito			275	Played in five games as a reserve offensive lineman last season
RT	62	JT Cornelius	Gr.	6-6	290	Consensus Preseason All-American 34 career games played, including 25 starts (20 consecutive)
	77	Josh Duran	R-So.	6-6	275	Has not seen any game action Played OL, DT and DE at DePaul Catholic High School
	76	Andre Oben	R-So.	6-5	290	Redshirt sophomore transfer from Purdue Son of Super Bowl Champion Roman Oben
DEFEN	SE					
Pos	No.	Name	Yr.	Ht	Wt	Player Notes
DE	99	Josiah Graham	R-Jr.	6-5	250	Transfer from Emory & Hunt 3.5 sacks and a forced fumble at Fordham
	56	Lamont Lester Jr.	R-Fr.	6-2	230	Has a sack in each game this year Strip sack at Colgate for first career sack Don Bosco Prep High School standout
DT	92	Bryce Rooks	R-Jr.		300	Missed all of 2024 with an injury 16 career games played Fumble recovery at Colgate
	97	Rob Adamson Jr.	R-Fr.	6-2	290	1.0 TFL so far this season Made his collegiate debut vs. Hampton in 2023
DT	90	Brendan Bigos	R-Jr.	6-4	280	18 tackles in 28 career games played Fumble recovery at Charlotte Combined for a TFL at Fordham
	95	JJ Lewis	Jr.	6-4	275	Transfer from D-II Findlay Made eight starts at Findlay making 22 total tackles, 7.5 TFL, and two sacks
DE	41	Hunter Watson	R-Fr.	6-5	225	Appeared in four games as a true freshman Had 0.5 sack at Fordham
	98	Anthony Johnson	R-Jr.	6-6	260	Transfer from UMass with two years of eligbility Teammates with Ryan Russo at Iowa Central CC before UMass stir
LB	40	Evan Rutkowski	Gr.	6-2	215	Transfer from Towson Started all 12 games in '24 and made 32 tackles, six for loss, and forced two fumble
	11	Ryan Russo	R-Jr.	6-2	230	Transfer from Iowa Central CC Nine tackles, 1.5 TFL, a sack, a fumble recovery and interception at Fordham
LB	5	Charlie Sasso	R-Jr.		230	Team Captain Forced fumble at Charlotte 62 career tackles in 23 games Career best 28 tackles in '24
	27	Spencer Kishbaugh	R-So.		200	Transfer from Coastal Carolina 15 career game played as a Chanticleer Amateur boxer for Rocky Boxing Club
VIPER	3	Justin Bennin	R-Sr.		210	Two-time Team Captain 55 tackles and 35 solo stops while tied for team lead with two INTs in '24
	21	Emmanuel Lane	R-So.		180	Played in all 12 games in '24 with two starts at CB Will backup Bennin in a new Viper role in 2025
СВ	4	Izzy Clark-White	R-So.		170	Phil Steele Preseason All-CAA Third Team 11 career starts His two INTs last season were a team-high
_	43	Kyle Jackson	R-Fr.	6-2	190	Played in one game as a true freshman Forced a fumble and made two tackles at New Hampshire
S	8	Deuce Lee	Jr.		185	Preseason All-CAA safety 21 career games played 70 tackles (46 solo) in 2024 ranked third on MU
_	17	Trey McLeer		5-11	185	Transfer from Saint Francis (PA) 25 career games played with 80 tackles and an INT
S	30	Jaeden Jones	So.	6-0	190	Team leader with 27 tackles (16 solo) Fumble recovery and 38-yard return at Charlotte
CD.	26	Donovan Fey	R-So.		190	In 2024, played in all 12 games, primarily on special teams
СВ	23	Jalen Newman	Gr.	6-0	195	Transfer from Princeton 2 PBUs in Week One at Colgate The only offensive as defensive type from the Type Deep Philodelphia PA native
	31	Dana Johnson Jr.	R-So.	0-3	190	The only offensive or defensive true freshman on the Two Deep Philadelphia, PA native
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Pos	No.	Name	Yr.	Ht	Wt	Player Notes
PK	38	Hudson Fiene		5-10	180	Transfer from Eastern Michigan Has not attempted a collegiate kick
ı ıx	4 6	Luke Schabel		6-1	190	Monmouth's backup placekicker Starting punter
KOS	40 47	Byron McCann	Fr.	6-3	200	True freshman who will handle kickoffs in 2025
.03	38	Hudson Fiene		5-10	180	Transfer from Eastern Michigan
•	4 6	Luke Schabel	R-Jr.		190	Phil Steele Preseason All-CAA Second Team Career: 77 punts for a 42.3 average with 14 inside the 20
	47	Byron McCann	Fr.	6-3	200	True freshman who will serve as the backup to Schabel
KR	6	Makhi Green	Sr.	5-9	1 70	81-yard kickoff return at Fordham Had a 100-yard kickoff return TD last year against Fordham
***	1	TJ Speight		5-11	170	Preseason All-CAA KR Two career kickoff return touchdowns
PR	6	Makhi Green	Sr.	5-9	170	Has 18 career punt returns for 125 total yards
	1	TJ Speight		5-11	170	Phil Steele Preseason All-CAA All-Purpose Two career kickoff return touchdowns
LS	36	Steven Langton	Sr.	6-0	215	First season as the team's primary long snapper
	57	Payton Wieczerzak	R-Fr.	6-1	245	Will serve as backup long snapper
НО	46	Luke Schabel	R-Jr.		190	Monmouth's primary holder for the second time of his career (2023) Starting punter
	7	Tra Neal	R-So.		170	Will serve as Monmouth's backup holder Starting wide receiver
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OFFENSIVE STARTERS											
OPPONENT	LT	LG	С	RG	RT	TE/WR	TE	WR	WR	RB	QB
at COLGATE	Dutra	Moreno	Shriner	Hubbard	Cornelius	Middleton	Neri	Speight	Derry	R. Nelson	Robertsor
at FORDHAM	Dutra	Moreno	Shriner	Hubbard	Cornelius	Middleton	Neri	Speight	Derry	R. Nelson	Robertsor
at CHARLOTTE	Dutra	Moreno	Shriner	Hubbard	Cornelius	James	Neri	Speight	Derry	R. Nelson	Robertso
vs. VILLANOVA	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
vs. DELAWARE STATE	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
at TOWSON	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
vs. STONY BROOK	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
at HAMPTON	-	-	-	-	•	-	-	-	-	-	-
at BRYANT	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
vs. NEW HAMPSHIRE	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
at NORTH CAROLINA A&T	-	-	-	-	•	-	-	-	-	-	-
vs. UALBANY	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
DEFENSIVE STARTERS											
OPPONENT	DE	DT	DT	DE	LB	LB	VIPER	СВ	S	S	СВ
at COLGATE	Watson	Rooks	Bigos	Graham	Rutkowski	Sasso	Bennin	Clark-White	Lee	Jones	Ricci
at FORDHAM	Watson	Rooks	Bigos	Lester Jr.	Rutkowski	Sasso	Bennin	Clark-White	Lee	Jones	Johnson J
et CHARLOTTE	Watson	Rooks	Bigos	Graham	Rutkowski	Sasso	Bennin	Clark-White	Lee	Jones	Johnson J
rs. VILLANOVA	-	•	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
rs. DELAWARE STATE	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
at TOWSON	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
vs. STONY BROOK			-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
nt HAMPTON	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
at BRYANT	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
s. NEW HAMPSHIRE		-	-	-	•	-	-		-		-
at NORTH CAROLINA A&T	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
vs. UALBANY		•	•	-		-		-			_

MONMOUTH INFORMATION

Head Coach	Kevin Callahan (Rochester, 1977
Record at MU/Seasons	190-149/33
CAA at MU/Seasons	10-14/3
Career Record/Seasons	190-149/33

Assistant Coaches

Associate Head Coach / Offensive Coordinator / Tight Ends Jeff Gallo (Monmouth, '05) Defensive Coordinator Lewis Walker (Utah, '13) Run Game Coordinator / Offensive Line Brian Gabriel (Siena, '02) Pass Game Coordinator / Quarterbacks Jimmy Robertson (RPI, '10) Kevin Callahan Jr. (Amherst, '14) Sam Dorsett (Robert Morris, '03) Wide Receivers / Recruiting Coordinator Running Backs Kamau Dumas (Monmouth, '18) Defensive Backs Defensive Line Codey Cole (Kansas, '19) Linebackers / Run Game Coordinator Louis DiRienzo Jr. (So. Conn. State, '16) Dennis Long (East Stroudsburg, '17) Special Teams Coordinator Football Office Phone (732) 263-5179 Home Field Kessler Stadium (4,200) Surface FieldTurf Coastal Athletic Association (CAA) Conference Nickname/Colors Hawks/Midnight Blue and White 2025 Record 2-1 2025 Home Record 0-0 2025 Road Record 2-1 Letterwinners Returning 68 10/1 Offensive Starters Returning/Lost 4/7 Defensive Starters Returning/Lost 35 190-149/33 seasons All-Time Record (since 1993) All-Time NEC Record (1996 - 2012) 75-45 / 16 seasons All-Time Big South Record (2014 - 2021) 27-15 / 8 seasons All-Time CAA Record (2022 - 2024) 10-14 / 3 seasons

All-Time Neutral Site Record Conference Championships

All-Time Home Record

All-Time Road Record

Big South 2019, Spring 2021 1996, 1998, 2003, 2004, 2006 NCAA Playoff Appearances 2017, 2019, 2021

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2025 Media Information

INTERVIEWS WITH COACH CALLAHAN

Media wishing to interview Coach Kevin Callahan must notify the Monmouth University Athletics Communications Office.

WEEKLY PLAYER INTERVIEWS

All player interviews must be requested through the Monmouth University Athletics Communications Office, and must be arranged at least 24 hours in advance. Phone interviews are available by contacting the Athletics Communications Office. No cellular phone numbers will be supplied to members of the media

PRACTICE COVERAGE

Monmouth practices are open to the media, but please call in advance if you plan on attending. Players and coaches will usually be available after practice. There is no media availablilty on Friday or pregame Saturday.

POST-GAME INTERVIEWS

Post-game interviews for home games will be conducted in the media room of the OceanFirst Bank Center. Coach Callahan and requested players will be available after a brief cooling off period. Interviews following road games will be subject to the policies set forth by the home teams.

MEDIA CREDENTIALS

Arrangements for media credentials for Monmouth University's home football games in must be made through the Monmouth Athletics Communications Office. Requests by accredited media members should be made in writing and submitted to Ryan Schwager.

Priority of issuance of credentials will be given to daily newspapers and television stations which cover Monmouth football on a regular basis.

Credentials must be requested at least 48 hours prior to requested game

MEDIA WILL CALL

A will call window will be operated on game days at the Kessler Stadium box office for the distribution of credentials which have not been mailed. Proper ID will be required.



HEAD COACH KEVIN CALLAHAN



The only head coach in the history of football at Monmouth, Kevin Callahan has developed a winning tradition in West Long Branch. Callahan, whose 190 career wins is first among active coaches at the FCS level, has guided a once fledgling non-scholarship program to a top-ten national ranking and multiple NCAA playoff berths. He is the longesttenured FCS head coach and he is one of five Division I head coaches with at

least 30 years of experience as a head coach. In 2019 he was named AFCA Region II Coach of the Year and he is a two-time finalist for the Eddie Robinson Award, bestowed upon the nation's top FCS Coach.

Callahan enters his 33rd season with a 188-148 record while his teams have captured seven conference titles and made three FCS playoff appearances. Along the way, Monmouth has been ranked among the top 20 in total offense on seven occasions and in total defense five times. Meanwhile, over 190 players have earned conference recognition, while numerous Hawks have earned regional and national honors. Regarded as an outstanding coach by his peers, Callahan served as the President of the FCS Football Coaches Committee in 2007-08 and served a 10-year term as a member of the committee. Under his watch, 17 former Hawks have earned spots on NFL rosters, including Super Bowl Champion Chris Hogan and Miles Austin who was an All-Pro wide receiver for the Dallas Cowboys.

Academically, Callahan's squads have consistently performed at a high level. Fourteen players have been named to the prestigious FCS ADA Academic All-Star team (average of 55 FCS players selected per season) a total of 19 times. Monmouth has had at least one representative on the College Sports Communicators Academic All-District Team in 21 of the last 23 seasons, with Justin Rosato and Justin Szuba earning Academic All-American honors.

The 2024 season saw the Hawks finish 4-4 in CAA games and 6-6 overall. The offense was arguable the top unit in the nation, led by a historic season by quarterback Derek Robertson. The consensus All-American finished sixth in the Walter Payton Award voting after guiding the Hawks to finish first in the conference and second in the FCS in yards per game (489.9), points per game (39.0) and passing yards per contest (332.5). Robertson was the CAA Offensive Player of the Year and joined running back Sone Ntoh, who led the nation with 26 total tocuhdowns, on the All-CAA First Team. Wide receivers Josh Derry (Second Team) and TJ Speight (Third Team), as well as lineman JT Cornelius (Second Team) were also recognized from the offense. Defenders Ryan Moran and Isaiah Rogers made the Third Team.

The 2023 season saw Monmouth's offense continue its success from the 2022 campaign. The Hawks ranked 12th in total offense (431.5 ypg) and 13th in scoring offense (32.5 ppg) thanks in large part to a pair of consensus First Team All-Americans in running back Jaden Shirden and wide receiver Dymere Miller. Shirden finished third in the Walter Payton Award voting after leading the country in rushing for the second consecutive season (134.4 ypg), while Miller was first in the FCS in receiving in both total yards (1,293) and yards per game (117.5). Shirden once again headlined Monmouth's CAA award winners as the Offensive Player of the Year, while Miller joined him on the First Team. Running back Sone Ntoh and offensive lineman Greg Anderson earned Second Team honors. In addition, graduate center Tyler Williams made the Third Team.

Monmouth's offense did not miss a beat in its first season in the Colonial Athletic Association in 2022, highlighted by the emergence of Jaden Shirden, a consensus All-American selection at running back. Shirden finished third in the Walter Payton Award voting after he led the entire country in rushing at the end of the regular season, including FBS running backs, with 1,722 yards. His 8.4 yards per carry and 156.5 rushing yards per game were both tops in the FCS, earning him CAA Offensive Player of the Year honors. Shirden averaged an impressive 52.8 yards on 13 touchdown runs, including eight 50+

vard touchdown runs, and added 13 touchdowns. In addition to Shirden's dominance, fellow running back Owen Wright joined Shirden on the first team, while wide receiver Dymere Miller earned second team honors. Greg Anderson, Justin Szuba and Mike Reid were voted Third Team.

Callahan and the Hawks closed out the Big South era in 2021 with a 6-1 league mark and a 7-4 overall record. Monmouth placed 16 players on All-Big South teams, including 11 first team selections. The Hawks featured the top scoring unit in the conference at 32.0 points per game and had eight of 11 starters earn all-league honors. AJ Farris, Juwon Farri and Tony Muskett earned All-America honors while Farris was named as the nation's top offensive center by winning the Rimington Award for the second straight season. Monmouth amassed a 23-3 conference record over the final five seasons they were a member of the Big South Conference. Wide receiver Lonnie Moore IV and tight end Gene Scott would earn tryouts with NFL teams at the conclusion of the season.

The Hawks continued their upward trajectory in the shorted 2020-21 campaign as they earned their second consecutive Big South Championship. Callahan was named conference Coach of the Year for the fifth time in his career as the program ended the season ranked 10th in both the American Football Coaches Association Poll (AFCA) and the Athlon Sports Poll, while finishing 11th in the STATS Perform Media Poll. Monmouth was also the top-ranked private school in the FCS after a near-upset of eventual Sam Houston in the FCS Playoffs. The Hawks claimed two NCAA statistical champions in Juwon Farri (scoring) and the team on defense for most sacks (4.50 per game). Farri, the Big South Offensive Player of the Year, was a consensus Second Team All-America selection and was top-3 nationally in a number of rushing statistics. Freshman quarterback Tony Muskett earned Big South Offensive Freshman of the Year en route to a fifth-place finish for the Jerry Rice Award (FCS Freshman of the Year).

Monmouth football reached new heights in 2019, winning its first Big South Championship and first playoff game, en route to a No. 12 final ranking while setting a plethora of team and individual records. The Hawks set records for overall wins with 11, home wins (7) and put together a program record nine-game winning streak. Monmouth had a program-best 17 All-Big South selections led by fifth-year senior quarterback Kenji Bahar, who was also the Big South Offensive Player of the Year. Seven different Hawks took home All-American honors including running back Pete Guerriero who led the NCAA in rushing en route to consensus All-American status. Guerriero, who broke the Monmouth rushing and all-purpose yard records became Monmouth's first Walter Payton Award Finalist, finishing in third place. Callahan earned his first Big South Coach of the Year honor as voted on by his peers.

Prior to accepting the head coaching position at Monmouth in August of 1992, Callahan served as assistant coach at Colgate University for eight seasons. While with the Raiders, Callahan served as assistant head coach and defensive coordinator, while tutoring the linebackers and secondary. Callahan groomed his defensive coordinating skills at Wagner College from 1981 to 1983. In 1980, Callahan served as an assistant coach under Frank Maloney at Syracuse as the assistant offensive backfield coach for the Orangemen.

A native of Elmira, N.Y., Callahan began his coaching career as a graduate assistant for three seasons at the University of Albany from 1977 to 1979. In 1977 he served as the Great Danes' offensive backfield coach as they advanced to the semifinals of the Division III playoffs. In 1978 and 1979, Callahan served as outside linebackers coach

Callahan was a two-year standout on the playing field at the University of Rochester. He roamed the Yellowjackets' defensive backfield from 1975 to 1976. He earned a bachelor's degree in history from Rochester in 1977. Callahan and his wife, Ann Marie, reside in Spring Lake Heights. They have two children, Kevin Jr., who is the wide receivers coach at Monmouth, and Julia.

CALLAHAN AT A GLANCE

PERSONAL

Birthdate: February 18, 1955 Birthplace: Elmira, N.Y. Hometown: Elmira, N.Y. Family: Wife (former Ann Marie Carmody); Children (daughter Julia and son Kevin)

EDUCATION

High School: Elmira (N.Y.) Southside (1973) College: Rochester (1977)

PLAYING EXPERIENCE

COACHING EXPERIENCE

Albany (Offensive Backfield) 1978-79 Albany (Outside Linebackers) Syracuse (Offensive Backfield) 1980 1981-83 Wagner (Def. Coordinator) 1984-91 Colgate (Def. Coordinator) 1991 Colgate (Asst. Head Coach) 1992-Monmouth (Head Coach)

Record at MU: 188-148

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COACHING HONORS

NEC Coach of the Year 1998 NEC Coach of the Year 2003 NEC Coach of the Year 2006 2019 Big South Coach of the Year SP21 Big South Coach of the Year

CONFERENCE TITLES

(Assistant Coach - Wagner) 1996 Northeast Conference (Head Coach - Monmouth) 1998 Northeast Conference (Head Coach - Monmouth) 2003 Northeast Conference (Head Coach - Monmouth) 2004 Northeast Conference (Head Coach - Monmouth) 2006 Northeast Conference (Head Coach - Monmouth) 2019 Big South Conference (Head Coach - Monmouth)

. Big South Conference

NCAA III Semifinals

(Head Coach - Monmouth)

POSTSEASON EXPERIENCE

SP21

(Assistant Coach - Albany) NCAA III Quarterfinals (Assistant Coach - Wagner) 2003 ECAC Football Classic (Head Coach - Monmouth) 2006 **Gridiron Classic** (Head Coach - Monmouth) 2017 NCAA First Round (Head Coach - Monmouth) 2019 NCAA Second Round (Head Coach - Monmouth) SP2021 NCAA First Round

OTHER HONORS

New Jersey Sports Writers Coach of the Year Inducted to Jersey Shore 2006 Hall of Fame 2007-08 President of the FCS Coaches Commitee 2016 Inducted to Shore Coaches Football Foundation Hall of Fame 2017 Finalist for Eddie Robinson Award 2019 AFCA Region II Coach of the Year Finalist for Eddie Robinson Award (4th) Finalist for Eddie Robinson

Award (10th)

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(Head Coach - Monmouth)

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SP21

MONMOUTH FOOTBALL COACHING STAFF



• IN THE BOOTH • JEFF GALLO ASSOCIATE HC / OFFENSIVE COORDINATOR / TIGHT ENDS 21st SEASON • MONMOUTH '05

- 2025 is Gallo's sixth season as OC and first as Associate Head Coach
- Part of the Monmouth staff since 2005
- Has worked with Monmouth's tight ends since 2007
- TE'S Hakeem Valles and John Nalbone both played in NFL 2022 and 2023 offenses were top-15 in the FCS in points per game Three RB's led FCS in rushing (Guerriero 2019 / Shirden 2022-23)
- Played offensive line at Monmouth from 2000-03
- First Team All-NEC and Second Team All-American as a senior
- Part of Monmouth's 2003 NEC Championship team

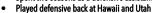


LEWIS WALKER DEFENSIVE COORDINATOR 7th SEASON • UTAH '13

2025 is Walker's second season as Defensive Coordinator

• IN THE BOOTH •

- Previously coached defensive backs at Monmouth from 2017-21 Mike Basile was an FCS ADA All-American under Walker in 2017
- MU made three FCS playoff appearances during his time on staff
- Coached cornerbacks for two years at North Dakota State (2022-23) Mentored at least two All-Big South selections in each season
- Spent two seasons as a defensive assistant at Columbia before MU





BRIAN GABRIEL RUN GAME COORDINATOR / OFFENSIVE LINE COACH 22nd SEASON • SIENA '02

- 2025 is Gabriel's sixth season as Run Game Coordinator
- Has been part of the Monmouth staff since 2004
- MU has won four conference titles during his time with the Hawks (NEC - 2004, 2006 / Big South - 2019, 2020-21)
- Has coached 44 all-conference selections on the offensive line
- Has coached two AP All-Americans (Thompson and Farris)
- Farris won FCS Rimington Trophy in 2020-21 and 2021
- Coached offensive line for two seasons at Siena (2002-03)
- Played offensive line at Siena from 1998-01



KAMAU DUMAS DEFENSIVE BACKS COACH FIRST SEASON • MONMOUTH '18

- 2025 is Dumas's first season on Monmouth's staff
- Coaching stops include Central Oklahoma, Wagner and Gannon Coached Central Oklahoma's DBs to a 2024 MIAA title in 2024
- Secondary ranked top-10 nationally in pass breakups
- Coached at Wagner in 2023, Gannon in 2022
- Former All-Big South DB at Monmouth and was a member of the 2017 FCS Playoff Team



JIMMY ROBERTSON

PASS GAME COORDINATOR / QUARTERBACKS COACH FOURTH SEASON • RPI '10

- 2025 is Robertson's fourth season at Monmouth
- Older brother of starting quarterback Derek Robertson
 Five seasons at FDU Madison, including as head coach in 2021
 FDU Madison went 7-4 and won ECAC Bowl game
- Served as QB Coach and Offensive Coordinator prior to taking head coaching position
- Coached at US Merchant Marine Academy for three seasons
- Played 2 years for Plattling Blackhawks in German Football League
- Four-year starting QB at RPI and 2018 Hall of Famer



LOUIS DIRIENZO JR. LINEBACKERS COACH / RUN GAME COORDINATOR FIRST SEASON • SOUTHERN CONNECTICUT STATE '16

- 2025 is DiRienzo Jr.'s first season on Monmouth's staff
- Joined MU after five seasons at Springfield where he served as the **Defensive Coordinator and Linebackers Coach**
- 2023 Co-Assistant Coach of the Year (Gridiron Club NE)
- Rutgers Special Teams Quality Control Coach in 2019
 Wagner Assistant in 2018 where he coached
- NEC/ECAC Defensive Player of the Year Cam Gill
- Served as a team captain in 2016 at Southern Connecticut State



• IN THE BOOTH • KEVIN CALLAHAN JR. WIDE RECEIVERS COACH / RECRUITING COORDINATOR SEVENTH SEASON • AMHERST '14

- 2025 is Callahan Jr.'s seventh season at Monmouth
- Wide receivers have all-conference honors in each of his six years
- Dymere Miller was a consensus First Team All-American in 2023
- Coached running backs at Lafayette in 2018
- Spent three seasons at Columbia coaching RB's, WR's and QB's
- Coached running backs at Amherst
- Played defensive back at Amherst and was a three-time All-Academic Team selection
- Son of Monmouth head coach Kevin Callahan



CODEY COLE DEFENSIVE LINE COACH FIRST SEASON • KANSAS '19

- 2025 is Cole's first season on Monmouth's staff
- DL Coach at Bucknell, developed two 2024 All-Patriot players
- 2023 Findlay Defensive Line Coach
- Alderson Broaddus assistant in 2022, top-15 takeaway defense Northern Illinois assistant for 2021 MAC Championship D-Line
- Former Kansas Jayhawks player that graduated in 2019



SAM DORSETT RUNNING BACKS COACH 13th SEASON • ROBERT MORRIS '03

- 2025 is Dorsett's 13th season as running backs coach
- Has coached seven all-conference running backs (Ntoh (2x), Shirden (2x), Farri, Guerriero and Chaney)
- Shirden (2022 and 2023) and Guerriero (2019) were All-Americans
- Coached running backs at Saint Francis in 2012
- Spent five seasons coaching running backs at RMU (2007-11) Played running back at Robert Morris from 1999-02
- 2009 RMU Hall of Famer ran for 3,847 yards and 29 touchdowns
- Part of 1999 and 2000 NEC Championship teams



DENNIS LONG SPECIAL TEAMS COORDINATOR FOURTH SEASON • EAST STROUDSBURG '17

- 2025 is Long's fourth season at Monmouth and third as Special Teams Coordinator
- Special Teams Quality Control for the Hawks in 2022
- Spent four years at East Stroudsburg, his alma mater Special Teams Coordinator / Linebackers Coach at ESU
- Coached the 2018 season at Sayreville High School
 Special Teams Coordinator / Asst. Offensive Line Coach at Sayreville
- Played two seasons as a long snapper at East Stroudsburg
- Also played two seasons at Nassau Community College



OPPONENT SCHEDULES / RESULTS



COLGATE

August 29 | 7 p.m. | W, 42-39 Andy Kerr Stadium | Hamilton, NY

Aug. 29	#21/22 MONMOUTH - L , 39-42
Sept. 6	at #12/13 Villanova - L, 17-24
Sept. 12	at Syracuse - L, 24-66
Sept. 20	FORDHAM
Oct. 4	at Cornell
Oct. 11	RICHMOND
Oct. 18	at Georgetown
Oct. 25	at Holy Cross
Nov. 1	MERRÍMACK
Nov. 8	at Lafayette
Nov. 15	LEÁIGH
Nov. 23	BUCKNELL
RECORD: 0-3 0-0 Patriot	



FORDHAM

September 6 | 6 p.m. | W, 49-28 Moglia Stadium | Bronx, NY

Aug. 20	at Boston College - L , 10-66
Aug. 30	
Sept. 6	#18/21 MONMOUTH - L, 28-49
Sept. 13	at Stony Brook - L, 18-41
Sept. 20	at Colgate
Sept. 27	HOLY CROSS
Oct. 4	at Lafayette
Oct. 18	DARTMÓUTH
Oct. 25	LEHIGH
Nov. 1	at Richmond
Nov. 8	BUCKNELL
Nov. 16	at Georgetown
Nov. 22	at Merrimack
RECORD: 0-3, 0-0 Patriot	



#12/11 VILLANOVA

September 20 | 1:00 p.m. Kessler Stadium | West Long Branch, NJ

Sept. 6	COLGATE - W, 24-17
Sept. 13	at #2/2 Penn State - L, 6-52
Sept. 20	at #18/21 Monmouth
Sept. 27	WILLIAM & MARY
Oct. 4	at New Hampshire
Oct. 11	at Elon
Oct. 18	HAMPTON
Oct. 25	UALBANY
Nov. 8	at Towson
Nov. 15	STONY BROOK
Nov. 22	SACRED HEART
RECORD: 1-1, 0-0 CAA	



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Oct. 30 Nov. 8 Nov. 15

Aug. 28 Sept. 6 Sept. 13 Sept. 20 Sept. 27 Oct. 4

Oct. 18 Oct. 25

Nov. 1 Nov. 8

Nov. 15

RECORD: 2-1, 0-0 MEAC

CHARLOTTE

September 13 | 6 p.m. | L, 35-42 Jerry Richardson Stadium | Charlotte, NC

Aug. 30	Appalachian State - L , 11-34
Sept. 6	NORTH CAROLINA - L, 3-20
Sept. 13	#18/20 MONMOUTH - W, 42-35
Sept. 18	RICE
Oct. 3	at South Florida
Oct. 11	at Army
Oct. 18	TEMPLĚ
Oct. 24	NORTH TEXAS
Nov. 8	at East Carolina
Nov. 15	UTSA
Nov. 22	at Georgia
Nov. 29	at Tulane
RECORD: 1-2 0-0 American	

DELAWARE STATE

Kessler Stadium | West Long Branch, NJ

at Delaware - L , 17-35 UALBANY - W, 37-32 BOWIE STATE - W, 36-14 at Saint Francis (PA)

at North Carolina Central
vs. Norfolk State
at Morgan State
HOWARD
SOUTH CAROLINA STATE

at San Diego State - L, 0-42 #8/9 RHODE ISLAND - L, 17-31 FORDHAM - W, 41-18 at Lindenwood MERRIMACK at UALBANY

at Monmouth TOWSON

at Maine

N.C. A&T at Villanova

BRYANT

at Sacred Heart at Monmouth SOUTHERN CONNECTICUT STATE

October 4 | 1 p.m.

STONY BROOK

October 18 | 1 p.m.



TOWSON

October 11 | 2 PM Johnny Unitas Stadium | Towson, MD

Aug. 28	at Norfolk State - W , 27-7
Sept. 6	at Morgan State - W, 27-22
Sept. 13	at Maryland - L, 17-44
Sept. 20	YOUNGSTOWN STATE
Sept. 27	at Bryant
Oct. 4	ELON
Oct. 11	MONMOUTH
Oct. 25	UALBANY
Nov. 1	at Stony Brook
Nov. 8	VILĽANOVA
Nov. 15	at UAlbany
Nov. 22	CAMPBELL
DECODD: 2.1 O.O.CAA	



Aug. 30	at #17/17 Jackson State - 14-28
Sept. 6	ELIZABETH CITY STATE - W, 27-20
Sept. 13	at N.C. A&T - L, 30-33
Sept. 20	vs. Howard
Sept. 27	at Elon
Oct. 4	NORFOLK STATE
Oct. 11	CAMPBELL
Oct. 18	at Villanova
Oct. 25	MONMOUTH
Nov. 8	MAINE
Nov. 15	WILLIAM & MARY
Nov. 22	at Rhode Island
RECORD: 1-2, 0-1 CAA	



BRYANT

November 1 | 1 p.m. Berine Stadium | Smithfield, RI

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* = indicates 2024 FCS Playoff Team

THIS WEEK IN THE CAA

Villanova at Monmouth

Hampton at Howard

LIU at Rhode Island

Bryant at Campbell

Cornell at UAlbany

Youngstown St. at Towson

Maine at Georgia Southern

Stony Brook at Lindenwood

Elon at ETSU

North Carolina Central at N.C. A&T

Charleston So. at William and Mary 4 p.m.

Saturday, September 20 New Hampshire at Datmouth

2025 STANDINGS

Rhode Island *

William & Mary

New Hampshire *

TEAM

N.C. A&T

Bryant

Towson

Villanova 3

Hampton

UAlbany

Campbell

Maine

Stony Brook

Elon Monmouth

Aug. 30	at New Mexico State - L. 3-19
Sept. 6	at UMass - W, 27-26
Sept. 13	BENTLEY - W, 42-6
Sept. 20	at Campbell
Sept. 27	TOWSON
Oct. 4	MAINE
Oct. 10	BROWN
	at Rhode Island
Oct. 25	
Nov. 1	MONMOUTH
Nov. 8	at UAlbanv
Nov. 15	NEW HAMPSHIRÉ
Nov. 22	at Stony Brook
RECORD: 2-1, 0-0 CAA	-



RECORD: 1-2, 0-0 CAA

#23/25 NEW HAMPSHIRE

Kessler Stadium | West Long Branch, NJ

November 8 | 12 p.m. Kessler Stadium | West Long Branch, NJ

Aug. 30 Sept. 6 Sept. 13 Sept. 20 Sept. 27 Oct. 4 Oct. 11 Oct. 18	at North Carolina Central - W, 27-10 HOLY CROSS - W, 19-16 at Ball State - L, 29-34 at Dartmouth UALBANY VILLANOVA at Rhode Island at Campbell WILLIAM & MARY
Oct. 18	at Campbell
Oct. 25	
Nov. 8	at Monmouth
Nov. 15	at Bryant
Nov. 22	MÁINE
RECORD: 2-1, 0-0 CAA	



N.C. A&T

November 15 | 12 p.m. Truist Stadium | Greensboro, NC

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Aug. 30	at Tennessee State - L, 21-24
Sept. 6	at UCF - 7-68
Sept. 13	HAMPTON - W. 33-30
Sept. 20	NORTH CAROLINA CÉNTRAL
Sept. 27	at Maine
Oct. 4	at William & Mary
Oct. 11	SOUTH CAROLINA STATĚ
Oct. 25	CAMPBELL
Nov. 1	TOWSON
Nov. 8	at Stony Brook
Nov. 15	MONMOUTH
Nov. 22	at Elon
RECORD : 1-2, 1-0 CAA	



UALBANY

November 22 | 12 p.m. Kessler Stadium | West Long Branch, NJ

Aug. 30	at Iowa - L, 7-34
Sept. 6	at Delaware State - L, 32-37
Sept. 13	NEW HAVEN - L, 17-24
Sept. 20	CÓRNELL
Sept. 27	at New Hampshire
Oct. 4	STONY BROOK
Oct. 18	RHODE ISLAND
Oct. 25	at Villanova
Nov. 1	at William & Mary
Nov. 8	BRYANT
Nov. 15	TOWSON
Nov. 22	at Monmouth
RECORD: 0-3, 0-0 CAA	

GAME-BY-GAME RECAP

Colgate

August 29, 2025 Hamilton, NY



at Fordham
September 6, 2025
Bronx, NY



at Charlotte September 13, 2025 Charlotte, N.C.



	1	2	3	4	F
Monmouth	0	7	14	21	39
Colgate	14	10	7	8	42
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SCO	RING PL	AYS	
1st	10:17	COLG	Maldonado 4 yd run (Vogeler kick)
			5-80, 01:35, 0-7
	02:39	COLG	Saunders 13 yd pass from Osborne (Vogeler kick)
			7-80, 03:16, 0-14
2nd	13:37	MON	Neal 13 yd pass from Robertson (Fiene kick)
			11-80, 03:56, 7-14
	09:20	COLG	Vogeler 42 yd field goal
			9-47, 04:09, 7-17
	02:57	COLG	Saunders 22 yd pass from Osborne (Vogeler kick)
			8-80, 04:10, 7-24
3rd	08:23	COLG	Cassamajor 2 yd pass from Stearney (Vogeler kick)
			12-45, 06:37, 7-31
	07:15	MON	G. Nelson 70 pass from Robertson (2 PAT good)
			2-80, 00:45, 15-31
	03:27	MON	R. Nelson 1 yd run (2 PAT failed)
			6-74, 02:02, 21-31
4th	14:47	MON	G. Nelson 24 yd pass from Robertson (Fiene kick)
			9-80, 02:35, 28-31
	12:24	MON	G. Nelson 51 yd pass from Robertson (Fiene kick)
			1-51, 00:08, 35-31
	09:32	MON	R. Nelson 75 yd run (Fiene kick)
			3-84, 00:39, 42-31
	04:48	COLG	Shaban 2 yd run (2 PAT good)
			11-85, 04:40, 42-39

	MON	COLG
First Downs	32	27
Rushes - Yards	28-187	40-176
Passing Yards	491	365
Passes (C-A-I)	34-45-4	21-37-0
Total Offense	73-678	77-541
Fumbles-Lost	0-0	1-1
Penalties-Yards	3-32	4-40
Time of Possession	27:03	32:57

RUSHING

MON R. Nelson 22-169, 2 TD; Derry 1-12; Green 1-6; Smith 1-4 COLG Osborne 10-59; Maldonado 15-57, TD; Cassamajor 6-21; Moore 1-16; Stearney 6-15; Shaban 2-8, TD

PASSING

MON Robertson 34-for-45, 491 yards, 4TD, 4 INT COLG Osborne 11-for-14, 227 yards, 2 TD; Stearney 10-for-23, 138 yards, TD

RECEIVING

MON G. Nelson 5-176, 3 TD; Derry 7-103; Speight 8-100; Neal 5-47, TD; Middleton 2-27; R. Nelson 5-25; Neri 1-10; Green 1-3 COLG Saunders 13-223, 2 TD; Moore 2-56; Swanson 2-32; Sawyer 1-30; Thomson 1-18; Shaban 1-4; Cassamajor 1-2, TD

GAME NOTES

- The 24-point comeback win is the largest in team history
- Robertson has thrown for 1,027 yards in last two games combined, a Hawks record over a two-game stretch
- Gavin Nelson (176), Josh Derry (103) and TJ Speight (100) became the first Monmouth wide receiver trio to each reach the century mark in a single contest
- It was Rodney Nelson's fourth career 100-yard rushing game
- Rodney Nelson's 75-yard score was the longest run of his career
- Jaeden Jones turned in a career performance with a team-high 11 tackles
- Lamont Lester Jr.'s timely strip sack was the first of his career
- Five different Hawks recorded a tackle for loss: Jones, Lester Jr., Evan Rutkowski, Spencer Kishbaugh and Rob Adamson Jr.

	1	2	3	4	F
Monmouth	21	13	0	15	49
Fordham	14	7	7	0	28

SCO	RING PL	AYS	
1st	09:36	FOR	Smith 4 yd run (Henderson kick)
			4 plays, 25 yards, 01:28, 0-7
	06:39	MON	Derry 29 yd pass from Robertson (Fiene kick)
			7 plays, 90 yards, 02:57, 7-7
	04:09	FOR	Carter 12 yd pass from Smith (Henderson kick)
			6 plays, 78 yards, 02:30, 7-14
	03:51	MON	Derry 67 yd pass from Robertson (Fiene kick)
			1 play, 67 yards, 00:11, 14-14
	00:00	MON	Speight 22 yd pass from Robertson (Fiene kick)
			9 plays, 70 yards, 03:26, 21-14
2nd	13:19	FOR	Betten 70 yd pass from Smith (Henderson kick)
			5 plays, 80 yards, 01:36, 21-21
	09:41	MON	Speight 2 yd pass from Robertson (Fiene kick)
			8 plays, 17 yards, 03:19, 28-21
	01:15	MON	Derry 7 yd pass from Robertson (PAT failed)
			9 plays, 55 yards, 03:13, 34-21
3rd	11:50	FOR	Worrell 6 yd pass from Smith (Henderson kick)
			8 plays, 75 yards, 03:10, 28-34
4th	14:52	MON	Robertson 1 yd run (2PAT good)
			13 plays, 64 yards, 04:48, 42-28
	01:56	MON	Derry 3 yd pass from Robertson (Fiene kick)
			10 plays, 49 yards, 04:53, 49-28

	MON	FOR
First Downs	25	23
Rushes - Yards	36-105	25-39
Passing Yards	364	382
Passes (C-A-I)	30-44-1	27-49-1
Total Offense	80-469	74-421
Fumbles-Lost	0-0	1-1
Penalties-Yards	9-90	9-85
Time of Possession	31:44	28:16

RUSHING

MON R. Nelson 24-112; Speight 1-3; Jennings 4-1; Green 1-(-2) Robertson 4-(-8), TD

FOR James 9-31; Parks 4-18; Rodriguez 1-3; Smith 11-(-13), TD

MON Robertson 30-for-44, 364 yards, 6 TD FOR Smith 27-for-49, 382 yards, 3 TD, INT

RECEIVING

MON Derry 10-144, 4 TD; G. Nelson 5-64; Speight 5-63, 2 TD; R. Nelson 4-46; James 2-20; Jennings 1-12; Neri 2-10; Middleton 1-5 FOR Freeburg 3-89; Betten 3-81, TD; Buron 1-56; Tracy 4-43; Carter 5-43, TD; James 5-37; Worrell 3-20, TD; Parks 2-14; Reed 1-(-1)

GAME NOTES

- Derek Robertson broke single-game program records with six passing touchdowns and seven total scores.
- Robertson breaks program record for 300-yard games with the 10th of his two-year Monmouth tenure
- Robertson's fourth-quarter one-yard touchdown was the first rushing touchdown of his Monmouth career.
- Josh Derry ties the program record with four touchdown receptions.
- Derry's 10 receptions set a new career best, breaking his previous mark of seven. This is the eighth game in his career with at least six catches.
- Rodney Nelson ran for 113 yards, his fifth career game breaking the century mark. He also set a new career-best with 46 receiving yards.
- Monmouth has now scored at least 40 points in 12 straight wins, the longest such streak in program history.
- Linebacker Ryan Russo tallied the first interception of his MU career.
- Defensive end Josiah Graham had 3.5 sacks.

	1	2	3	4	F
Monmouth	7	7	7	14	35
Charlotte	0	7	21	14	42

SCO	RING PL	AYS	
1st	03:17	MON	Jennings 1 yd run (Fiene kick)
			7 plays, 40 yards, TOP 03:03, 7-0
2nd	01:52	CLT	Mason, 7 yd pass from Harrell (Boyd kick)
			7 plays, 77 yards, TOP 03:01, 7-7
	00:51	MON	James 15 yd pass from Robertson,(Fiene kick)
			6 plays, 75 yards, TOP 01:01, 14-7
3rd	12:18	CLT	Harrell 8 yd run (Boyd kick)
			6 plays, 76 yards, TOP 02:36,14-14
	10:02	MON	Derry 29 yd pass from Robertson (Fiene kick)
			5 plays, 75 yards, TOP 02:16, 21-14
	07:59	CLT	Gainey Jr. 1 yd run (Boyd kick)
			5 plays, 65 yards, TOP 02:03, 21-21
	01:15	CLT	Bearns III 4 yd pass from Harrell (Boyd kick)
			9 plays, 55 yards, TOP 03:34, 21-28
4th	14:55	MON	Nelson,R. 8 yd pass from Robertson (Fiene kick)
			4 plays, 75 yards, TOP 01:20, 28-28
	08:37	CLT	Mason 24 yd pass from Harrell (Boyd,Liam kick)
			11 plays, 84 yards, TOP 06:07, 28-35
	03:19	MON	Derry 4 yd pass from Robertson (Fiene kick)
			11 plays, 75 yards, TOP 05:18, 35-35
	01:30	CLT	Harrell 2 yd run (Boyd kick),
			6 plays, 65 yards, TOP 01:49, 35-42

	MON	CLT
First Downs	28	29
Rushes - Yards	23-48	42-181
Passing Yards	410	382
Passes (C-A-I)	36-49-0	26-30-1
Total Offense	72-458	72-563
Fumbles-Lost	0-0	3-2
Penalties-Yards	6-65	11-103
Time of Possession	26:52	33:08

RUSHING

MON R. Nelson 11-45; Jennings 3-27, TD; Green 1-4; Speight, 1-2; Martin 1-1; TEAM 1-(-2); Robertson 5-(-29)

Gainey Jr. 15-74, TD; Harrell 13-47, 2 TD; Stokes 7-40; Smith 6-22

PASSING

MON Robertson 36-for-49, 410 yards, 4TD CLT Harrell 26-30, 382 yards, 3 TD, 1 INT

MON Derry 7-110, 2 TD; Neal 5-75; Nelson, G. 5-68; James 6-49, TD; Speight 3-34; Middleton 2-33; Nelson, R. 6-31, TD; Green 1-9; Neri

CLT Mason 10-228, 2 TD; Nicholas 5-46; Burris 3-35; Bearns III; 3-19, TD; Smith 1-17; McGee 1-14; Gainey 2-12; Stokes 1-11

- This was the first matchup between the Hawks and 49ers.
- Derek Robertson has thrown for over 400 yards in all three games to start the season.
- Robertson has thrown for 350+ yards in each of his last five games dating back to last season.
- Elijah Jennings scored his first career rushing touchdown.
- Josh Derry has six touchdown receptions in his last six quarters of play.
- Maxwell James enjoyed a nice homecoming to Charlotte, catching six passes for 49 yards and a score
- Lamont Lester now has 3.0 sacks this season.
- Ayden Martin notched his first career interception.
- Nine different receivers caught a pass.
- Luke Schabel punted three times for an average on 43.0 yards.
- Hudson Fiene went a perfect 5-of-5 on extra points.



MONMOUTH ON HOMECOMING

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DATE	OPPONENT	RESULT
10/19/2024	vs. Bryant	W, 55-17
09/30/2023	vs. Lehigh	W, 49-7
10/22/2022	vs. Rhode Island	L, 46-48 70T
10/2/2021	vs. Gardner-Webb	W, 54-17
10/19/2019	vs. Gardner-Webb	W, 49-28
10/20/2018	vs. Campbell	W, 38-21
10/21/2017	vs. Liberty	W, 56-39
10/29/2016	vs. Kennesaw State	L, 17-49
10/24/2015	at 1/2 Coastal Carolina	L, 20-23
10/11/2014	vs. Columbia	W, 61-28
10/19/2013	vs. Cornell	W, 48-23
10/20/2012	vs. Bryant	L, 24-27
10/29/2011	vs. Duquesne	L, 0-16
10/30/2010	vs. Sacred Heart	L, 25-26
10/24/2009	vs. UAlbany	L, 10-35
10/25/2008	vs. Central Connecticut State	W, 30-20
10/13/2007	vs. Wagner	L, 16-45
10/28/2006	vs. Central Connecticut State	W, 19-13
10/22/2005	vs. Robert Morris	W, 14-0
10/30/2004	vs. Central Connecticut State	W, 9-6
10/18/2003	vs. UAlbany	W, 10-7
10/19/2002	vs. Centeral Connecticut State	L, 9-10
11/03/2001	vs. UAlbany	L, 10-19
10/21/2000	vs. Stony Brook	W, 34-7
10/23/1999	vs. Robert Morris	L, 16-34
10/17/1998	vs. Saint Francis (Pa.)	W, 33-14
10/05/1997	vs. New Haven	L, 3-49
10/19/1996	vs. Towson	L, 6-15
11/04/1995	vs. Wagner	L, 20-21
11/05/1994	vs. Stonehill	W, 12-0
10/23/1993	vs. Hartwick	L, 13-17
		RECORD: 16-15

MONMOUTH FOLLOWING A BYE WEEK

DATE	OPPONENT	RESULT
10/19/2024	vs. Bryant	W, 55-17
10/14/2023	vs. Hampton	W, 61-10
11/19/2022	vs. Stony Brook	W, 24-21
10/30/2021	at North Carolina A&T	W, 35-16
4/24/2021	at #4/4 Sam Houston	L, 21-15
10/5/2019	at Wagner	W, 16-14
10/13/2018	vs. Bucknell	W, 36-19
10/21/2017	vs. Liberty	W, 56-39
11/19/2016	at Gardner-Webb	L, 33-34
11/14/2015	vs. Presbyterian	W, 21-16
10/25/2014	at Presbyterian	L, 12-18
9/13/2014	vs. Wagner	W, 21-16
11/2/2013	at Sacred Heart	L, 21-24
10/13/2012	at Cornell	L, 38-41
9/17/2011	at Villanova	W, 20-9
9/25/2010	vs. Old Dominion	L, 21-35
10/10/2009	vs. Wagner	L, 24-27
10/25/2008	vs. Central Connecticut State	W, 30-20
10/27/2007	at Central Connecticut State	W, 51-36
9/22/2007	at Stony Brook	L, 15-21
10/1/2005	at Stony Brook	W, 36-7
10/12/2002	vs. Stony Brook	W, 14-9
10/9/1999	vs. C.W. Post	L, 26-30
10/3/1998	at La Salle	W, 41-7
10/18/1997	at Saint Francis	W, 27-7
10/05/1997	vs. New Haven	L, 3-49
11/9/1996	vs. Siena	W, 43-10
10/28/1995	at Saint Francis (Pa.)	W, 35-0
10/29/1994	at Sacred Heart	W, 32-13
11/6/1993	vs. Wagner	L, 7-14
10/16/1993	at Saint Francis	L, 14-25
9/25/1993	vs. Sacred Heart	L, 0-12
		RECORD: 19-13

KESSLER STADIUM: HOME OF THE HAWKS

Monmouth University plays all of its home football and lacrosse games at Kessler Stadium on the school's beautiful 156-acre campus in West Long Branch, New Jersey. On September 2, 2017, the Hawks celebrated the start of the 25th year of football by cutting the ribbon on the 16 million dollar Kessler Stadium. The Hawks went on to defeat Lafayette 31-12 in the first contest in the new stadium en route to going 5-0 at home, one of four times in school history MU has gone unbeaten at home. Monmouth dominated in those five wins, outscoring opponents 216-113 while racking up 43.2 points per game. In all, over 16,000 fans came out to watch the Hawks in their new home, including a sellout of 4,235 on homecoming against Liberty. The 2019 season saw the Hawks set a record for home wins while going unbeaten for the fourth time in history at 7-0. Included in those wins was the program's first ever NCAA Playoff win, a 44-27 victory over Holy Cross on November 30, 2019.

The facility expanded seating to over 4,200, stretching from endzone to endzone. It also features a ticket booth, restroom facilities, concession stands and storage. The third floor of the stadium houses the press box, coaches booths, radio and broadcast booths and a replay booth. The second floor features a full donor deck, where members of the Blue/White Club can enjoy the game as well as pre and post game events. It was announced in July of 2017 that Alumni John and Henni Kantor Kessler, class of 1969 and 1968, respectively, gave a generous seven-figure gift to ensure that the Kessler name continues to be synonymous with Monmouth Athletics. In 2024, the playing surface was refitted with a state-of-the-art artificial surface by the FieldTurf Corporation.

For the opening of the Monmouth Hawks' first football season in 1993, a 3,000-seat grandstand with press box was built. It was the Kessler's who stepped up to the plate in 1993, donating \$250,000 toward construction of the original facility. On September 25, 1993, the first-ever game was played at Kessler Field as the Hawks hosted Sacred Heart University. Although the facility officially seats 4,200 fans, a record crowd of 6,233 packed Kessler Field on Homecoming Weekend in 1993.

Behind the east end zone of Kessler Stadium sits Monmouth's 57 million dollar OceanFirst Bank Center, which houses the football locker room. Opened in the Fall of 2009, the building's indoor arena and track provides a better training facility for the team's winter conditioning program as well as rehabilitation efforts. The building features meeting rooms that are large enough to accommodate the entire team but also areas small enough where individual positions can meet.



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TOTAL

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HOME RECORDS SINCE 1993 (32 seasons)

1993	1-3	2003	5-0	2013	2-2
1994	4-0	2004	5-1	2014	4-1
1995	4-1	2005	3-1	2015	3-2
1996	4-2	2006	5-2	2016	1-2
1997	2-2	2007	1-3	2017	5-0
1998	2-3	2008	3-2	2018	5-1
1999	0-4	2009	2-3	2019	7-0
2000	3-2	2010	2-4	SP21	2-0
2001	3-2	2011	0-6	2021	3-2
2002	2-3	2012	2-2	2022	3-3

MONMOUTH HAWKS IN THE PROS



Tyrese Wright | 2019-23 | Defensive Back

Wright signed a free agent contract with the Bay Area Panthers of the Indoor Football League on October 10, 2024.

Jaden Shirden | 2021-23 | Running Back

Shirden signed a free agent contract with the Carolina Panthers immediately following the 2024 NFL Draft. Shirden is currently a free agent.

Owen Wright | 2021-22 | Running Back

Wright signed a free agent contract with the Baltimore Ravens following the 2023 NFL Draft. Wright spent nearly the entire 2023 season on the Ravens' practice squad and was elevated for one game. Wright is currently on the IR with a foot injury.

Oliver Jervis | 2018-22 | Offensive Line

Jervis played his final season of eligibility at Colorado State and signed a contract with the Denver Broncos during the 2024 training camp.

Kenji Bahar '19 | 2015-19 | Quarterback

Bahar became the first Monmouth QB to suit up in an NFL game when he was activated for Baltimore Ravens' 2021 Week 16 game at Cincinnati.
Bahar was drafted by the USFL's Houston Gamblers where he played during the 2022 and 2023 seasons and also played for the Houston Roughnecks of the UFL.

Pete Guerriero | 2016-19 | Running Back

Guerriero spent time with three NFL teams, including the New York Jets, Carolina Panthers and Pittsburgh Steelers. Guerriero also played in the USFL with the New Jersey Generals.

Reggie White Jr. '18 | 2015-19 | Wide Receiver

White Jr. signed with the New York Giants following the 2019 NFL Draft and then with the Montreal Alouettes in 2021.

White Jr. scored eight touchdowns in his CFL career, including four scores this season.

Jake Powell '18 | 2015-19 | Tight End

Powell was signed by the New Orleans Saints as an undrafted free agent following the 2019 NFL Draft.

Powell started at tight end for the New York Guardians in 2020 and was in training camp with the New York Giants in 2019.

Mike Basile '18 | 2014-17 | Safety

Basile was in training camp with the New York Giants in 2018.

Alex Thompson '17 | 2014-17 | Center

Thompson was signed by the Baltimore Ravens in 2018 and played with the Arizona Hotshots in the Alliance of American Football in 2019.

Matt White '18 | 2014-17 | Punter

White was signed by the Hamilton Tiger-Cats of the Canadian Football League in 2020 and played in the USFL with the New Orleans Breakers in 2022 and 2023.

Darnell Leslie '17 | 2012-16 | Defensive End

Leslie played in training camp for the Dallas Cowboys in 2017 and also spent time with the Tampa Bay Buccaneers, Pittsburgh Steelers, BC Lions (CFL), San Antonio Commanders (AAF) and New York Guardians (XFL).

Hakeem Valles '15 | 2011-15 | Tight End

Valles was signed by the Arizona Cardinals as an undrafted free agent following the 2016 NFL Draft. He played 11 games with Arizona and made one start, before playing four games for Detroit in 2017 and 2018. Valles also spent time with the New York Giants.

Neal Sterling '15 | 2010-14 | Tight End

Sterling became the second Hawk to be drafted when the Jacksonville Jaguars selected him in the seventh round of the 2015 NFL Draft. Sterling played five seasons with the Jaguars, Jets and Chiefs from 2015-19.

Tevrin Brandon '14 | 2012-13 | Defensive Back

Brandon spent time on the Kansas City Chiefs and Denver Broncos' practice squads and also spent two years with the Hamilton Tiger-Cats of the CFL.

Ian Simon '12 | 2010-11 | Defensive End

Simon played the for the Lehigh Valley Steelhawks of the Pro Indoor Football League during the 2013 season.

Jose Gumbs '12 | 2007-11 | Safety

Gumbs was signed by the New Orleans Saints as an undrafted free agent following the 2012 NFL Draft.

He signed with Washington in 2013, where he played eight games on defense and special teams. Gumbs intercepted Matt Ryan in his only NFL start.

Chris Hogan | 2010 | Wide Receiver

Monmouth's first Super Bowl Champion, Hogan won two titles with the New England Patriots in 2016 and 2018.

Hogan played 11 NFL seasons for eight teams and set the Patriots franchise record for receiving yards in a playoff game when he had nine catches for 180 yards and two TDs in the 2017 AFC Championship game against Pittsburgh.

John Nalbone '08 | 2004-08 | Tight End

Monmouth's first - and highest - NFL draft pick, who was chosen by the Miami Dolphins in the fifth round of the 2009 NFL Draft.

Nalbone spent time with seven different organizations over four NFL seasons.

Miles Austin '18 | 2002-05 | Wide Receiver

Austin played 10 NFL seasons with three teams, including eight with the Dallas Cowboys. Austin was a Pro Bowl selection in 2009 and 2010. Austin had 361 career receptions and 37 touchdowns, including 81 for 1,320 yards and 11 TDs in 2009.

Mike Castellano '06 | 2004-06 | Linebacker

 $Castellano\ signed\ a\ contract\ with\ Team\ Arkansas\ of\ the\ then-upstart\ All-American\ Football\ League\ in\ 2008.$

Matt Hill '11 | 2003-06 | Safety

Hill became the first Hawk to sign a professional contract with a team from the Canadian Football League when he inked a deal with the Calgary Stampeders in 2007.

Will Holder '13 | 1993-97 | Wide Receiver

Holder is Monmouth's first professional football player when he joined the New Jersey Gladiators in 2002.

Holder spent time on three Arena Football League teams from 2002-08 and was in training camp with the Oakland Raiders in 2005.











2025-26 Monmouth Football Overall Team Statistics All games

Team Statistics

Team Statistics	MU	OPP
Scoring	126	109
Points per game	42.0	36.3
Points Off Turnovers	15	28
First Downs	85	79
Rushing	20	25
Passing	60	43
Penalty	5	11
Rushing Yardage	340	396
Yards gained rushing	403	465
Yards lost rushing	63	69
Rushing attempts	87	107
Average per rush	3.9	3.7
Average per game	113.3	132.0
TDs Rushing	4	6
Passing Yardage	1265	1129
Comp-Att-Int	100-138-5	74-116-2
Average per pass	9.2	9.7
Average per catch	12.7	15.3
Average per game	421.7	376.3
TDs Passing	14	9
Total offense	1605	1525
Total plays	225	223
Average per play	7.1	6.8
Average per game	535.0	508.3
Kick returns: #-Yards	6-181	15-304
Punt returns: #-Yards	13	1-22
Int returns: #-Yards	2-5	5-9
Kick return average	30.2	20.3
Punt return average	-3.0	22.0
Int return average	2.5	1.8
Fumbles-Lost	0-0	5-4
Penalties-Yards	18-187	24-228
Average per game	62.3	76.0
Punts-Yards	7-284	10-383
Average per punt	40.6	38.3
Net punt average	37.4	36.6
Kickoffs-Yards	20-1065	19-1213
Average per kick	53.3	63.8
Net kick average	37.8	37.2
Time of possession / game	28:33	31:27
3rd-down conversion	19/42	21/41
3rd-down pct	45%	51%
4th-down conversion	8/13	4/7





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	MU	OPP
4th-down pct	62%	57%
Sacks by-Yards	8-47	6-49
Misc Yards	0	0
Touchdowns scored	18	15
Field goals - attempts	0-0	1-2
On-Side kicks	0-1	0-0
Red-zone scores	(10-13) 77%	(13-16) 81%
Red-zone touchdowns	(10-13) 77%	(13-16) 81%
PAT-attempts	(14-15) 93%	(14-14) 100%
2-point conversion-attempts	(2-3) 67%	(1-1) 100%
Attendance	0	21200
Games / Avg per game	0/0	3/7067
Neutral site games	-	0/0

Score by Periods

Team	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	ОТ	ТОТ
Monmouth	28	27	21	50	0	126
Opponents	28	24	35	22	0	109



2025-26 Monmouth Football Overall Defense Statistics All games

Team Defense

				Tac	kles		Sacks	Pass	defens	se	Fumbles		blkd	
##	Player	gp	ua	а	tot	tfl/yds	no-yds	int-yds	brup	qbh	fr-yds	ff	kick	saf
30	Jaeden Jones	3	16	11	27	1-2					1-38			
11	Ryan Russo	3	7	11	18	2.5-5	1-3	1-5			1-0			
8	Deuce Lee	3	8	9	17				3					
31	Dana Johnson Jr.	3	7	9	16				1					
56	Lamont Lester Jr.	3	6	8	14	3-20	3-20			1		1		
40	Evan Rutkowski	3	4	9	13	1-1								
3	Justin Bennin	3	7	6	13	1-1	•		1					
99	Josiah Graham	3	8	5	13	3.5-20	3.5-20					1		
5	Charlie Sasso	3	6	6	12	1-1						1		
92	Bryce Rooks	3	3	8	11	1-1					1-0			
27	Spencer Kishbaugh	3	3	5	8	1-1			1	1				
41	Hunter Watson	3	3	4	7	0.5-4	0.5-4			1				
4	Izzy Clark-White	3	6	1	7		•		4					
22	Ayden Martin	2	5	1	6	2-4	•	1-0	1					
90	Brendan Bigos	3	1	4	5	0.5-1					1-0			
17	Trey McLeer	3		5	5									
24	Zachary Ricci	1	4		4		•							
97	Rob Adamson Jr.	3	1	3	4	1-1								
54	Mounir Keshen	3	1	2	3									
50	Avery Barnes	3	1	2	3		•							
32	Coleon Williams	3	2	1	3									
26	Donovan Fey	3	2	1	3									
87	Destin Hill	3	2		2		•							
33	Brody Hock	3	1	1	2									
98	Anthony Johnson	3		2	2		•							
21	Emmanuel Lane	3	1		1		•							
6	Makhi Green	3	1		1									
36	Steven Langton	3	1		1									
14	Josh Derry	3	1		1		•							
44	Connor Farrell	2		1	1									
23	Jalen Newman	2	1		1		•		2					
59	Andrew Conklin	3	1		1									
93	DJ Briscoe Jr.	2		1	1									
9	Maxwell James	3	1		1									
	Totals	3	111	116	227	19-62	8-47	2-5	13	3	4-38	3	0	0
	Opponents	3	103	114	217	11-62	6-49	5-9	10	2	0-0	0	0	0





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Rushing

Player	gp	att	gain	loss	net	avg	td	lg	avg/g
Rodney Nelson	3	57	331	5	326	5.7	2	75	108.7
Elijah Jennings	2	7	28	0	28	4.0	1	14	14.0
Josh Derry	3	1	12	0	12	12.0	0	12	4.0
Makhi Green	3	4	10	1	9	2.3	0	6	3.0
TJ Speight	3	2	5	0	5	2.5	0	3	1.7
Kenny Smith	1	1	4	0	4	4.0	0	4	4.0
Ayden Martin	2	1	1	0	1	1.0	0	1	0.5
Derek Robertson	3	9	12	49	-37	-4.1	1	9	-12.3
Team	3	5	0	8	-8	-1.6	0	0	-2.7
Total	3	87	403	63	340	3.9	4	75	113.3
Opponents	3	107	465	69	396	3.7	6	18	132.0

Passing

Player	gp	effic	comp-att-int	pct	yds	td	lg	avg/g
Derek Robertson	3	175.7	100-138-5	72.5	1265	14	70	421.7
Total	3	175.7	100-138-5	72.5	1265	14	70	421.7
Opponents	3	167.7	74-116-2	63.8	1129	9	70	376.3

Receiving

receiving							
Player	gp	no.	yds	avg	td	lg	avg/g
Josh Derry	3	24	357	14.9	5	67	119.0
TJ Speight	3	16	197	12.3	1	46	65.7
Gavin Nelson	3	15	308	20.5	3	70	102.7
Rodney Nelson	3	15	102	6.8	1	26	34.0
Tra Neal	3	10	122	12.2	1	28	40.7
Maxwell James	3	8	69	8.6	1	17	23.0
Marcus Middleton	3	5	65	13.0	0	18	21.7
Jack Neri	3	4	21	5.3	0	10	7.0
Makhi Green	3	2	12	6.0	0	9	4.0
Elijah Jennings	2	1	12	12.0	0	12	6.0
Total	3	100	1265	12.7	14	70	421.7
Opponents	3	74	1129	15.3	9	70	376.3

Punt Returns

Player	no.	yds	avg	td	lg
Makhi Green	1	-3	-3.0	0	0
Total	1	-3	-3.0	0	0
Opponents	1	22	22.0	0	22

Interceptions

Player	no.	yds	avg	td	lg
Ryan Russo	1	5	5.0	0	5
Ayden Martin	1	0	0.0	0	0
Total	2	5	2.5	0	5
Opponents	5	9	1.8	0	9

Kick Returns

Player	no.	yds	avg	td	lg
Makhi Green	4	152	38.0	0	81
TJ Speight	2	29	14.5	0	16
Total	6	181	30.2	0	81
Opponents	15	304	20.3	0	51

Fumbles Recovered

Player	no.	yds	avg	td	lg
Jaeden Jones	1	38	38.0	0	38
Ryan Russo	1	0	0.0	0	0
Bryce Rooks	1	0	0.0	0	0
Brendan Bigos	1	0	0.0	0	0
Total	4	38	9.5	0	38
Opponents	0	0	0.0	0	0





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Scoring

				PAT	-				
Player	td	fg	kick	rush	rcv	pass	dxp	saf	pts
Josh Derry	5	-	-	-	2	-	-	-	34
Derek Robertson	3	-	-	-	-	2	-	-	18
Gavin Nelson	3	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	18
Rodney Nelson	3	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	18
Hudson Fiene	-	-	14-15	-	-	-	-	-	14
Maxwell James	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6
TJ Speight	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6
Tra Neal	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6
Elijah Jennings	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6
Total	18	0-0	14-15	0	2	2	0	0	126
Opponents	15	1-2	14-14	0	1	1	0	0	109

Field Goals

Player	fg	pct.	01-19	20-29	30-39	40-49	50-99	lg	blk
Opponents	1-2	50.0	0-0	0-0	0-0	1-1	0-1	42	0

FG Sequence

Team Name	Monmouth	Opponents
Colgate		(42),56
Fordham		
Charlotte		

Numbers in (parentheses) indicate field goal was made

All Purpose

Player	g	rush	rcv	pr	kr	ir	total	avg/g
Rodney Nelson	3	326	102	0	0	0	428	142.7
Josh Derry	3	12	357	0	0	0	369	123.0
Gavin Nelson	3	0	308	0	0	0	308	102.7
TJ Speight	3	5	197	0	29	0	231	77.0
Makhi Green	3	9	12	-3	152	0	170	56.7
Tra Neal	3	0	122	0	0	0	122	40.7
Maxwell James	3	0	69	0	0	0	69	23.0
Marcus Middleton	3	0	65	0	0	0	65	21.7
Elijah Jennings	2	28	12	0	0	0	40	20.0
Jack Neri	3	0	21	0	0	0	21	7.0
Ryan Russo	3	0	0	0	0	5	5	1.7
Kenny Smith	1	4	0	0	0	0	4	4.0
Ayden Martin	2	1	0	0	0	0	1	0.5
Derek Robertson	3	-37	0	0	0	0	-37	-12.3
Team	3	-8	0	0	0	0	-8	-2.7
Total	3	340	1265	-3	181	5	1788	596.0
Opponents	3	396	1129	22	304	9	1860	620.0

Total Offense

Player	g	plays	rush	pass	total	avg/g
Derek Robertson	3	147	-37	1265	1228	409.3
Rodney Nelson	3	57	326	0	326	108.7
Elijah Jennings	2	7	28	0	28	14.0
Josh Derry	3	1	12	0	12	4.0
Makhi Green	3	4	9	0	9	3.0
TJ Speight	3	2	5	0	5	1.7
Kenny Smith	1	1	4	0	4	4.0
Ayden Martin	2	1	1	0	1	0.5
Team	3	0	-8	0	-8	-2.7
Total	3	225	340	1265	1605	535.0
Opponents	3	223	396	1129	1525	508.3

Punting

Player	no.	yds	avg	lg	tb	fc	i20	50+	blk
Luke Schabel	7	284	40.6	48	0	5	2	0	0
Total	7	284	40.6	48	0	5	2	0	0
Opponents	10	383	38.3	55	1	5	4	1	0

Kickoffs

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Player	no.	yds	avg	tb	ob	retn	net	ydln
Byron McCann	19	1009	53.1	1	2			
Luke Schabel	1	56	56.0	0	0			
Total	20	1065	53.3	1	2	15	37.8	27
Opponents	19	1213	63.8	12	1	6	37.2	27





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Monmouth - Game Highs

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RUSHES	36	at Fordham (09/06/2025)
YARDS RUSHING	187	at Colgate (08/29/2025)
YARDS PER RUSH	6.7	at Colgate (08/29/2025)
TD RUSHES	2	at Colgate (08/29/2025)
PASS ATTEMPTS	49	at Charlotte (09/13/2025)
PASS COMPLETIONS	36	at Charlotte (09/13/2025)
YARDS PASSING	491	at Colgate (08/29/2025)
YARDS PER PASS	10.9	at Colgate (08/29/2025)
TD PASSES	6	at Fordham (09/06/2025)
TOTAL PLAYS	80	at Fordham (09/06/2025)
TOTAL OFFENSE	678	at Colgate (08/29/2025)
YARDS PER PLAY	9.3	at Colgate (08/29/2025)
POINTS	49	at Fordham (09/06/2025)
SACKS BY	6	at Fordham (09/06/2025)
FIRST DOWNS	32	at Colgate (08/29/2025)
PENALTIES	9	at Fordham (09/06/2025)
PENALTY YARDS	90	at Fordham (09/06/2025)
TURNOVERS	4	at Colgate (08/29/2025)
PUNTS	3	at Charlotte (09/13/2025)
	3	at Fordham (09/06/2025)
PUNTING AVG	43.0	at Charlotte (09/13/2025)
LONG PUNT	48	at Charlotte (09/13/2025)
	48	at Fordham (09/06/2025)
PUNTS INSIDE 20	1	at Fordham (09/06/2025)
	1	at Colgate (08/29/2025)
LONG PUNT RETURN	0	at Charlotte (09/13/2025)
	0	at Fordham (09/06/2025)
	0	at Colgate (08/29/2025)





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Monmouth - Individual Game Highs

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RUSHES	24	Rodney Nelson at Fordham (09/06/2025)
YARDS RUSHING	169	Rodney Nelson at Colgate (08/29/2025)
TD RUSHES	2	Rodney Nelson at Colgate (08/29/2025)
LONG RUSH	75	Rodney Nelson at Colgate (08/29/2025)
PASS ATTEMPTS	49	Derek Robertson at Charlotte (09/13/2025)
PASS COMPLETIONS	36	Derek Robertson at Charlotte (09/13/2025)
YARDS PASSING	491	Derek Robertson at Colgate (08/29/2025)
TD PASSES	6	Derek Robertson at Fordham (09/06/2025)
LONG PASS	70	Derek Robertson at Colgate (08/29/2025)
RECEPTIONS	10	Josh Derry at Fordham (09/06/2025)
YARDS RECEIVING	176	Gavin Nelson at Colgate (08/29/2025)
TD RECEPTIONS	3	Josh Derry at Fordham (09/06/2025)
	3	Gavin Nelson at Colgate (08/29/2025)
LONG RECEPTION	70	Gavin Nelson at Colgate (08/29/2025)
PUNTS	3	Luke Schabel at Charlotte (09/13/2025)
	3	Luke Schabel at Fordham (09/06/2025)
PUNTING AVG	43.0	Luke Schabel at Charlotte (09/13/2025)
LONG PUNT	48	Luke Schabel at Charlotte (09/13/2025)
	48	Luke Schabel at Fordham (09/06/2025)
PUNTS INSIDE 20	1	Luke Schabel at Fordham (09/06/2025)
	1	Luke Schabel at Colgate (08/29/2025)
LONG PUNT RETURN	none	
LONG KICKOFF RETURN	81	Makhi Green at Fordham (09/06/2025)
TACKLES	11	Deuce Lee at Charlotte (09/13/2025)
	11	Jaeden Jones at Fordham (09/06/2025)
	11	Jaeden Jones at Colgate (08/29/2025)
SACKS	3.5	Josiah Graham at Fordham (09/06/2025)
TACKLES FOR LOSS	3.5	Josiah Graham at Fordham (09/06/2025)





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Opponent - Game Highs

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RUSHES	42	at Charlotte (09/13/2025)
YARDS RUSHING	181	at Charlotte (09/13/2025)
YARDS PER RUSH	4.4	at Colgate (08/29/2025)
TD RUSHES	3	at Charlotte (09/13/2025)
PASS ATTEMPTS	49	at Fordham (09/06/2025)
PASS COMPLETIONS	27	at Fordham (09/06/2025)
YARDS PASSING	382	at Charlotte (09/13/2025)
	382	at Fordham (09/06/2025)
YARDS PER PASS	12.7	at Charlotte (09/13/2025)
TD PASSES	3	at Charlotte (09/13/2025)
	3	at Fordham (09/06/2025)
	3	at Colgate (08/29/2025)
TOTAL PLAYS	77	at Colgate (08/29/2025)
TOTAL OFFENSE	563	at Charlotte (09/13/2025)
YARDS PER PLAY	7.8	at Charlotte (09/13/2025)
POINTS	42	at Charlotte (09/13/2025)
SACKS BY	4	at Charlotte (09/13/2025)
FIRST DOWNS	29	at Charlotte (09/13/2025)
PENALTIES	11	at Charlotte (09/13/2025)
PENALTY YARDS	103	at Charlotte (09/13/2025)
TURNOVERS	3	at Charlotte (09/13/2025)
PUNTS	5	at Fordham (09/06/2025)
PUNTING AVG	40.7	at Colgate (08/29/2025)
LONG PUNT	55	at Colgate (08/29/2025)
PUNTS INSIDE 20	2	at Charlotte (09/13/2025)
	2	at Fordham (09/06/2025)
LONG PUNT RETURN	22	at Charlotte (09/13/2025)





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Opponent - Individual Game Highs

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RUSHES	15	Rod Gainey Jr. at Charlotte (09/13/2025)
	15	Marco Maldonado at Colgate (08/29/2025)
YARDS RUSHING	74	Rod Gainey Jr. at Charlotte (09/13/2025)
TD RUSHES	2	Conner Harrell at Charlotte (09/13/2025)
LONG RUSH	18	Marco Maldonado at Colgate (08/29/2025)
PASS ATTEMPTS	49	Gunnar Smith at Fordham (09/06/2025)
PASS COMPLETIONS	27	Gunnar Smith at Fordham (09/06/2025)
YARDS PASSING	382	Conner Harrell at Charlotte (09/13/2025)
	382	Gunnar Smith at Fordham (09/06/2025)
TD PASSES	3	Conner Harrell at Charlotte (09/13/2025)
	3	Gunnar Smith at Fordham (09/06/2025)
LONG PASS	70	Gunnar Smith at Fordham (09/06/2025)
RECEPTIONS	13	Treyvhon Saunders at Colgate (08/29/2025)
YARDS RECEIVING	228	E. Jai Mason at Charlotte (09/13/2025)
TD RECEPTIONS	2	E. Jai Mason at Charlotte (09/13/2025)
	2	Treyvhon Saunders at Colgate (08/29/2025)
LONG RECEPTION	70	Jack Betten at Fordham (09/06/2025)
FIELD GOALS	1	Luke Vogeler at Colgate (08/29/2025)
LONG FIELD GOALS	42	Luke Vogeler at Colgate (08/29/2025)
PUNTS	5	Will Haslett at Fordham (09/06/2025)
PUNTING AVG	40.7	Tyler Fontenot at Colgate (08/29/2025)
LONG PUNT	55	Tyler Fontenot at Colgate (08/29/2025)
PUNTS INSIDE 20	2	Bronson Long at Charlotte (09/13/2025)
	2	Will Haslett at Fordham (09/06/2025)
LONG PUNT RETURN	22	Javen Nicholas at Charlotte (09/13/2025)
LONG KICKOFF RETURN	51	Derrick Eley at Charlotte (09/13/2025)
TACKLES	20	James Conway at Fordham (09/06/2025)
SACKS	2	Reid Williford at Charlotte (09/13/2025)
TACKLES FOR LOSS	2	Reid Williford at Charlotte (09/13/2025)
INTERCEPTIONS	2	Tymir Wynn at Colgate (08/29/2025)

