



# 2019 UCF FOOTBALL

Sept. 28, 2019  
Postgame Notes



#22/23 UCF 56 (4-1, 1-0) vs. UConn 21 (1-3, 0-1)

Sept. 28, 2019 | Spectrum Stadium | Attendance: 44,164

Weather: Partly Cloudy | Temp: 83 degrees | Wind: 13 MPH from the east-northeast

## General

- UCF captains: Junior running back Otis Anderson, senior defensive back Nevelle Clarke, junior defensive back Richie Grant, junior tight end Jake Hescocock and sophomore offensive lineman Samuel Jackson
- Coin Toss: UCF won the toss and elected to defer to the second half. UConn chose to defend the south end zone.

## Team

- The Knights' extended their program record home game win streak to 18 games
- UCF also extended its American Athletic Conference win streak to 19 games
- UCF scored on the ground and through the air, its 31<sup>st</sup> straight game doing so, a streak that leads the nation (Oklahoma, 2<sup>nd</sup> – 17)
- The Knights improved to 16-2 with Josh Heupel at the helm
- UCF took a 5-2 advantage over UConn in the all-time series
- The Knights are now 35-3 as a Top 25 team

## Offense

- UCF scored 30 or more points for the 31<sup>st</sup> straight game, the nation's longest such streak and the longest streak of the AP Poll era (since 1936)
- The Knights scored a touchdown on their first drive for fourth time in their first five games of the 2019 season
- Jordan Johnson made his 43<sup>rd</sup> straight start on the offensive line
- Dillon Gabriel threw a touchdown pass for the fifth straight game to start his career
- Gabriel also threw multiple touchdown passes for the fifth straight game to start his career
- It was the fourth time in five games he didn't have a turnover
- He finished with 281 yards and three touchdowns in the game
- Greg McCrae scored his fourth rushing touchdown of the season and the 16<sup>th</sup> of his career
- Gabriel Davis recorded a career-high three touchdown receptions
- He now has a career-best eight touchdowns on the season
- Davis now has 19 career touchdown receptions, which is eighth all-time at UCF
- He finished with five receptions for 119 yards, his second 100-yard game of the season and the fifth of his career
- Adrian Killins Jr. rushed for a 75-yard touchdown, the longest rush for UCF this season
- Killins now has four rushing touchdowns on the season and 22 rushing touchdowns for his career, tied for sixth all-time (Mark Giacone, 1987-90)
- He also had 77 yards in the game, moving into ninth place all-time in career rushing with 2,140 yards rushing
- Killins also has 31 total touchdowns in his career, which ranks fourth all-time at UCF



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- UCF's 28 points in the first quarter were tied for the most this season with the win over Stanford
- Darriel Mack Jr. saw his first action this season after suffering an injury in the pre-season
- He threw his first touchdown pass of the season
- Mack now has four career passing touchdowns
- Marlon Williams caught his second touchdown reception of the season and the fifth of his career
- Bentavious Thompson rushed for his second career touchdown
- The Knights' 56 points were their second most of the season

### Defense

- Antwan Collier recorded his third career interception with a pick on UConn's first offensive drive. It was his first of the season.
- The Knights forced multiple turnovers for the first time this season
- Stephon Zayas recovered the first fumble of his career
- Nevelle Clarke recorded his fourth career interception and his first of the season
- Clarke returned it for a touchdown, his first career score
- It was UCF's first interception returned for a touchdown this season and first points from the defense in 2019
- Kalia Davis recorded his first career sack, forced fumble and fumble recovery, all on one play
- The Knights forced four total turnovers, the most since recording five Oct. 20, 2018 against ECU
- Tatum Bethune had the first forced fumble of his career
- UCF held UConn scoreless in two quarters and has now held its opponent scoreless in nine quarters this season
- Mason Cholewa recorded his first career full sack
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### Special Teams

- Andrew Osteen punted two time for 68 yards
- Dylan Barnas was 7-for-7 on extra points, while Daniel Obarski was 1-for-1