



**GAME INFO**

UCF 49 (1-0) at Georgia Tech 21 (1-1)

Sept. 19, 2020 | Bobby Dodd Stadium | Attendance: 11,000

Weather: Cloudy | Temp: 69 degrees | Wind: 3 MPH from the NE

**OFFENSE NOTES**

- The Knights scored on the ground and through the air, its 40th straight game doing so, a streak that leads the nation.
- Six out of UCF's seven scoring drives were under three minutes and three were under two minutes.
- Dillon Gabriel recorded his fifth career 300-yard passing game, tied for the fourth most in program history, as well as his first-career 400-yard passing game, finishing with 417 yards, the seventh most in a game in UCF history.
- Gabriel also threw a touchdown pass for the 14th straight game, tied for the fourth longest streak in UCF history. It is the longest streak for a Knight to start his career. He finished with four touchdown passes, tying his career best.
- It was Gabriel's 11th game with multiple touchdown passes and the sixth time he's thrown for three or more scores in a game in just over one season of action.
- In the first half, Gabriel completed 10 consecutive passes for 182 yards.
- Tre Nixon grabbed two touchdowns in the game, the 12th and 13th receiving touchdowns of his career.
- Marlon Williams snagged the 10th and 11th receiving scores of his career, going for a career-high 154 yards on a career-best 10 receptions.
- Jaylon Robinson went over the 100-yard mark receiving in his first game as Knight, finishing with 105 yards in the game.
- It was the 26th time that two Knights went over 100 yards receiving and the fifth time since 2017.
- McCrae moved into a tie for eighth at UCF with his 20th career rushing touchdown.
- UCF scored 30 or more points for the 38th time in the last 39 games.

**DEFENSE NOTES**

- Freshman Josh Celiscar made an impact in his first collegiate game, forcing and recovering a fumble in the first quarter.
- Celiscar also recorded the first interception of his career, collecting a Randy Charlton-batted ball in the second quarter.
- Senior Noah Hancock recorded the first blocked kick of his career, getting his hand on a second-quarter field goal attempt by the Yellow Jackets.
- Junior Eriq Gilyard recorded the first forced fumble of his career and led the way with 10 total tackles and two tackles for loss.
- Senior Richie Grant recovered the second fumble of his career and had nine tackles.
- The Knights totaled 6.0 tackles for loss on the day after leading the nation with 9.0 TFLs a season ago.
- Stephon Zayas also snagged the first interception of his career.
- Randy Charlton had 1.5 tackles for loss and two pass break-ups.

**GENERAL NOTES**

- UCF captains: Senior quarterback McKenzie Milton and senior cornerback Brandon Moore represented the Knights as captains.
- Coin Toss: UCF won the toss and elected to defer to the second half. Georgia Tech elected to receive from the north end zone.

**TEAM NOTES**

- The Knights improved to 23-4 with Josh Heupel at the helm.
- It marked UCF's first win over Georgia Tech, as the Yellow Jackets now lead the all-time series, 3-1.
- The Knights have won 36 of their last 40 games dating back to the start of the 2017 season.
- UCF is now 5-2 since 2017 in games against non-conference Power 6 opponents (Maryland, 2017; Auburn, 2017; Pittsburgh, 2018; Stanford, 2019).
- It was the Knights' fifth straight win in a season opener and UCF is now 28-14 all-time to open a season.
- Saturday, Sept. 19 marked the second latest into the year that UCF began a season, bested only by the 1979 inaugural UCF season, when the Knights opened on Sept. 22.
- The Knights are now 36-4 all-time as a ranked team, and 12-2 while ranked on the road.
- Tre Nixon started the team-leading 27th game of his career. Richie Grant earned his 26th career start, while Otis Anderson started for the 21st time.
- The Knights ended Georgia Tech's 13-game home opener winning streak.

**SPECIAL TEAMS NOTES**

- Redshirt freshman Daniel Obarski connected on all seven of his extra point attempts and kicked off eight times for 515 yards with six touchbacks.
- Sophomore punter Andrew Osteen punted three times for 136 yards for an average of 45.3 yards per punt.
- The Knights did not return a single punt or kickoff in the game.

**DRIPU NOTES**

- UCF is now 8-1 when wearing anthracite pants, 8-3 when wearing the anthracite jersey and 9-3 when wearing gold helmets.
- It marked the second time this combo has been worn, previously donning the gold-anthracite-anthracite against Maryland in 2016.

