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## 2012 BASEBALL STANDINGS

(Through games of February 22)

	C-USA			All Games							
	W-L	Pct.	H	A	W-L	Pct.	H	A	N	L-10	Streak
Rice	0-0	.000	0-0	0-0	5-0	1.000	5-0	0-0	0-0	5-0	W 5
East Carolina	0-0	.000	0-0	0-0	4-0	1.000	3-0	1-0	0-0	4-0	W 4
UCF	0-0	.000	0-0	0-0	3-1	.750	3-0	0-1	0-0	3-1	L 1
Tulane	0-0	.000	0-0	0-0	4-1	.800	4-0	0-1	0-0	4-1	L 1
Houston	0-0	.000	0-0	0-0	3-1	.750	3-1	0-0	0-0	3-1	L 1
Southern Miss	0-0	.000	0-0	0-0	2-2	.500	2-1	0-1	0-0	2-2	L 1
UAB	0-0	.000	0-0	0-0	2-2	.500	0-0	2-2	0-0	2-2	W 1
Marshall	0-0	.000	0-0	0-0	1-2	.333	0-0	0-1	1-1	1-2	W 1
Memphis	0-0	.000	0-0	0-0	1-2	.333	1-2	0-0	0-0	1-2	L 1

### RECENT RESULTS

#### Wed., February 22

East Carolina 10, Old Dominion 4  
 (5) Rice 12, New Mexico State 4  
 Louisiana-Monroe 2, (28) Southern Miss 1  
 (1) Florida 8, (19) UCF 0  
 Austin Peay at Memphis (postponed)

#### Tue., February 21

(5) Rice 7, New Mexico State 5  
 UAB 3, Alabama State 2  
 Texas A&M-Corpus Christi 3, Houston 2  
 Louisiana-Monroe 9, Tulane 3

#### Sun., February 19

(6) Rice 8, FIU 1  
 Tulane 8, Siena 2  
 Tulane 5, Siena 3  
 Houston 9, Delaware 2  
 (29) Southern Miss 5, Nicholls State 1  
 (29) Southern Miss 5, Nicholls State 2  
 SIU-Edwardsville 10, Memphis 7

#### Sat., February 18

East Carolina 16, UW Milwaukee 1  
 East Carolina 6, UW Milwaukee 3  
 (6) Rice 5, FIU 4 (12 inn.)  
 (21) UCF 9, Long Island 1  
 (21) UCF 9, Long Island 1  
 Houston 7, Delaware 5  
 Houston 16, Delaware 1  
 Tulane 8, Siena 1 (5 inn.)  
 NC State Tournament (Raleigh, N.C.)  
 Canisius 7, Marshall 5  
 Marshall 16, Bryant 2  
 Memphis 11, SIU-Edwardsville 2  
 (16) Clemson 6, UAB 1  
 (16) Clemson 7, UAB 2

### UPCOMING GAMES

#### Fri., February 24

Marshall at Charleston Southern ..... 1:00p  
 Ball State at UAB ..... 3:00p  
*Keith LeClair Classic (Greenville, N.C.)*  
 Purdue at East Carolina ..... 4:00p  
 Kennesaw State at Memphis ..... 4:00p  
 Boston College at (19) UCF ..... 5:30p  
 Troy at (28) Southern Miss ..... 6:00p  
 Texas State at Houston ..... 6:30p  
 Dallas Baptist at (5) Rice ..... 6:30p  
 Indiana at Tulane ..... 6:30p

#### Sat., February 25

Marshall at Charleston Southern (DH) ..... 10:30a  
*Keith LeClair Classic (Greenville, N.C.)*  
 Western Carolina at East Carolina ..... 2:00p  
 Texas State at Houston ..... 2:00p  
 Kennesaw State at Memphis ..... 2:00p  
 Dallas Baptist at (5) Rice ..... 2:00p  
 Troy at (28) Southern Miss ..... 2:00p  
 Indiana at Tulane ..... 2:00p  
 Ball State at UAB ..... 2:00p  
 Boston College at (19) UCF ..... 3:00p

#### Sun., February 26

*Keith LeClair Classic (Greenville, N.C.)*  
 Maryland at East Carolina ..... Noon  
 Boston College at (19) UCF ..... Noon  
 Marshall at Charleston Southern ..... 12:30p  
 Texas State at Houston ..... 1:00p  
 Kennesaw State at Memphis ..... 1:00p  
 Dallas Baptist at (5) Rice ..... 1:00p  
 Troy at (28) Southern Miss ..... 1:00p  
 Indiana at Tulane ..... 1:00p  
 Ball State at UAB ..... 1:00p

All Times Central

### HITTER OF THE WEEK

#### NICK SCHNEEBERGER, TULANE

Senior, 1B/OF, Jackson, Miss.  
 Schneeberger boasted a .563 batting average with nine hits in a four game series versus Siena on the opening weekend. The senior had multiple hits in each of the four games versus the Saints, while driving in at least one RBI in each contest, including the game-winner in the season opener on Friday night. Starting games in the outfield and at first base, he had a double and a triple, while stealing three bases in three attempts. He has hit safely in five straight - dating back to 2011 - and reached base in 11 of his 16 plate appearances this past weekend (nine hits, two by error).

### PITCHER OF THE WEEK

#### DILLON NAPOLEON, UAB

Senior, RHP, Winnetka, Ill.  
 Napoleon held No. 16 Clemson to one run over 7.0 innings to earn the win against the Tigers, 2-1, on the road in the Blazers' season opener. The right-hander kept Clemson off balance all night, scattering four hits and forced the Tigers to strand seven base runners over his 7.0 innings on the mound. Napoleon induced 15 fly outs, four ground outs and added a strike out, while sending down Clemson in order in three of his seven frames.

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## C-USA NOTEBOOK

### EAST CAROLINA

The Pirates opened the season with a three-game sweep of UW-Milwaukee. Despite losing 71.9 percent or 403.2 innings from a year ago, the 2012 ECU pitching staff picked up where it left off in 2011, allowing four runs (two earned) in 27.0 innings and posting an ERA of 0.67 during opening weekend. The bullpen tossed 11.0 shutout innings allowing just two hits with 11 strikeouts to just two walks. For the first time since 2000, the Pirates recorded an opening day shutout with a quartet of pitchers holding UWM to just four hits and recording 13 punch outs. In 2011, the Pirates posted 11 shutouts including a pair during their opening weekend series against Youngstown State. Senior 2B **Tim Younger** batted a team-best .667 (6-for-9), posting a pair of multi-hit games, which included a perfect 3-for-3 performance in the series finale. Junior OF **Jay Cannon** started all three games in right field posting an opening weekend .444 average (4-for-9) with a home run and four RBI. Senior LHP **Kevin Brandt** set the tone for the sweep by tossing 6 2/3 shutout innings allowing just three hits, one walk while striking out nine in his first career opening day start. The southpaw faced two over the minimum and at one point retired 12 straight batters from second to sixth innings.

### HOUSTON

Houston won its second straight opening weekend series with a three-game sweep of Delaware. The Cougars earned a series sweep on opening weekend a year ago vs. UT-Arlington. Houston improved to 40-26 on Opening Day all-time. Freshman OF **Price Jacobs** hit .455 (5-for-11) with a team-high seven RBI and five runs scored, while belting his first career home run. His squeeze bunt in the eighth inning of game one on Saturday scored two runners as the Cougars rallied from a 5-0 deficit to win, 7-5. Junior 2B **Taylor White** led the team with a .600 average and a .900 slugging percentage (6-for-10, 2B, 3B). He had multiple hits in all three games. Freshman **Zack Gibson** scored from second base on a suicide squeeze laid down by Jacobs in Game 1 (tied at 5-5). Gibson made it a 7-5 game in the eighth inning. Earning wins on the mound for the Cougars were sophomore RHP **Chase Wellbrock**, senior LHP **Jordan Lewis** (5.2 scoreless innings), and freshman RHP **Aaron Garza** (no earned runs in six innings). Senior RHP **Mo Wiley** picked up his first save in game one on Saturday.

### MARSHALL

The Thundering Herd was 1-2 at the NC State Tournament over the weekend, with the final game being rained out. Junior CF **Isaac Ballou** hit back-to-back solo home runs in a close loss against Canisius, and then went 5-for-7 with five straight singles in a win over Bryant. His 5-for-7 outing marked the first time a member of the Herd recorded five hits in a game since Rhett Stafford did it in 2009. Ballou's stolen base in the seventh moved him to 7th all-time in the Marshall record book with 33 career swipes. He is batting .533 with a slugging percentage of .933 through the first three games of the season. Hits in all three games so far in 2012 have extended his hit streak to seven games, dating back to 2011. Junior 3B **Gray Stafford** had a hit in each outing, notching five total, while stealing three bases and scoring three runs. Senior LHP **Mike Mason** threw 80 pitches in five innings against Bryant to pick up the Herd's first win in his first outing of the season. He allowed a base hit against the second hitter of the game before settling in to retire 10 straight. He had multiple strikeouts in a pair of innings.

### MEMPHIS

The Tigers finished 1-2 on opening weekend against SIU-Edwardsville. Junior RHP **Dan Langfield** had a strong 2012 debut, firing seven shutout innings, allowing just two hits. He struck out seven (his eighth career game with six or more K's) and walked two in picking up the victory in the Tigers 11-2 triumph. Senior RHP **Tyler Farley** threw four scoreless innings of relief over two appearances, striking out four and allowing only two hits. Senior 3B **Jacob Wilson** homered and drove in four runs during Saturday's win, then followed up with a pair of hits and a run scored on Sunday. Senior OF **Adam McClain** had a big opening weekend, hitting safely in all three outings, combining to go 7-for-11 (.636). He doubled, scored five runs and drove in three. The Tigers hit .286 (12-of-42) with runners in scoring position this past weekend, but had a 52 percent success rate advancing runners.

### (5) RICE

No. 6 ranked Rice swept 2011 NCAA Tournament participant FIU to move to 3-0 on the season, the Owls' first 3-0 start since the College World Series semi-final season of 2006. Rice rode a solid Opening Day start from sophomore RHP **Austin Kubitz** to a 6-2 victory Friday, rallied to force a tie in the bottom of the ninth before winning with a walk-off home run in the bottom of the 12<sup>th</sup> on Saturday, and coasted to an 8-1 victory on Sunday after exploding for five runs in the bottom of the first inning. Over the weekend Rice's starting pitching was strong. The Owls weekend rotation of Kubitz, senior RHP **Matthew Reckling** and true freshman RHP **Jordan Stephens** worked a total of 17.1 innings, maintained a 1.04 ERA and held a formidable FIU batting lineup to a composite .197 average with just two extra-base hits. After hitting just 23 home runs in 63 games all last season, the Owls connected for four home runs in three games over the weekend. New second baseman **Christian Stringer**, a junior transfer from the Navarro College team that won the JC National Championship last season, hit a home run in his first Division I at bat on Friday. Stringer scored four runs, but he also drew five walks and was hit by a pitch for a .571 on-base average. Senior OF **Jeremy Rathjen** returned to the lineup for the first time since last March and had a sensational week (4-for-120, game-winning HR on

Saturday), but he wasn't the only returnee. Versatile **Chase McDowell**, a pitcher/hitter who sidelined the final two-thirds of last season, entered Saturday's game as a pinch-hitter and drew a walk.

### (28) SOUTHERN MISS

Southern Miss was 2-1 on opening weekend vs. Nicholls State, rebounding from a 5-4 loss on opening night to sweep a Sunday doubleheader. In his first career start, freshman LHP **Jake Drehoff** allowed one run on three hits, striking out three in six innings. The Golden Eagles received solid relief pitching during the weekend, as the bullpen allowed just one run over 10.1 innings of work. Both freshman RHP **James McMahon** and sophomore RHP **Cameron Giannini** threw three innings of scoreless relief in each of the games Sunday. Senior OF **Kameron Brunty**, who missed the opener serving a one-game team suspension, started his final season in fine fashion by going 3-for-4 in the opening game with an RBI. He was 4-for-7 in the twinbill. Freshman SS **Connor Barron**, a third-round pick by the Florida Marlins in last June's MLB First-Year Player Draft, had a solid opening weekend, going 5-for-13 with two doubles and a team-high three RBI. Eight freshmen (either true or redshirt) saw action for the Golden Eagles over the opening weekend.

### TULANE

The Green Wave opened the 2012 season by sweeping a four-game series from Siena. Tulane had four different players post multiple hits in three of the four games and batted .385 as a team. Junior SS **Brennan Middleton** was the team's top hitter, going 5-for-8 (.625) with a double, four RBI and four runs scored. He also drew three walks to give him a .667 on-base percentage. Sophomore 3B **Garrett Cannizaro** has now hit safely in eight straight games, dating back to last May, and was 7-for-13 (.538) with a double, a triple and four RBI. Freshman RHP **Alex Massey** had a strong Tulane debut in game one on Sunday, not allowing an earned run over five innings, while striking out six and not walking a batter. Junior LHP **David Napoli** came out of the bullpen in the first inning of game two and allowed only one batter to reach base from the second inning to the fifth, carrying a no-hitter into the sixth inning. Overall, Napoli threw six innings, allowing only two hits – with one walk – and struck out five batters to pick up his first win of the season. Sophomore RHP **Alex Facundus** came on in the seventh inning and struck out two to collect his first career save. Tulane's pitching staff posted a composite 1.93 ERA, allowing 20 total hits over four games, striking out 26 and walking eight in 28 innings pitched.

### UAB

UAB captured the season opener at No. 16 Clemson, before dropping a doubleheader to the Tigers to close out the week 1-2. The Blazers out-hit Clemson 28 to 22 for the series, but were outscored 14 to 7. Senior RHP **Dillon Napoleon** was lights out in his season debut, holding the Tigers to one run on four hits over 7.0 innings to earn the victory, 2-1, and earn C-USA Pitcher of the Week honors. Junior C **Jacob German** hit .571 for the series and reached base in six of eight plate appearances. He tied a career-high with three hits in Friday's win over the Tigers. Senior INF **Keith DePew** scored both runs and reached bases in all four plate appearances (two hits, two walks) in the 2-1 victory on Friday night. In the 2-1 win, both runs were driven in on sac flies, one by INF **Matt Morse** and another by C/DH **Tyler Mims**. Both RBI were the first of each of their careers in Green and Gold. In the second game of the doubleheader on Saturday, senior RHP **Michael Busby** produced on the mound and at the plate. Busby pitched a career-high 6.1 innings, allowing one earned run on five hits in a no decision. At the plate, he went 2-for-3 with a pair of doubles.

### (19) UCF

The Knights opened the season with a three-game sweep of LIU-Brooklyn, allowing just two runs over the final 21 innings of the series. Junior 1B **D.J. Hicks**, the preseason C-USA Player of the Year, started his season off well by going 7-for-13 (.538) and tying for the team high with seven RBI. He hit his first two home runs of the season in game two and drove in three runs in each of the matching 9-1 victories. Senior 2B **Travis Shreve** led UCF in batting by going 5-for-9 (.556) with five RBI, while drawing four walks to post a .692 on-base percentage. In game one Sunday, sophomore RHP **Ben Lively** turned in a solid afternoon on the mound going five innings, surrendering only three hits, one run while striking out four. In the nightcap, LSU transfer **Chris Matulis** made his Knights debut, pitching six frames. The junior southpaw struck out five and walked one, while surrendering one run on four hits. The Knights will travel to Gainesville on Wednesday to face No. 1 Florida. UCF defeated the Gators twice last season, including a 4-3 decision in Gainesville. The game will be televised by Fox Sports Florida.

## THE POLLS

### Baseball America (Feb. 21)

1. Florida (2-1)
2. Stanford (3-0)
3. South Carolina (3-0)
4. Arkansas (3-0)
5. **Rice (3-0)**
6. Texas A&M (3-0)
7. LSU (3-0)
8. Arizona (2-1)
9. Georgia (3-0)
10. North Carolina (2-1)
11. Georgia Tech (3-1)
12. Texas (2-1)
13. Arizona State (3-0)
14. Miami (Fla.) (3-0)
15. TCU (1-1)
16. Clemson (2-1)
17. Vanderbilt (0-3)
18. Florida State (3-0)
19. **UCF (3-0)**
20. Mississippi (1-1)
21. Oregon State (3-1)
22. UCLA (1-2)
23. Oklahoma (1-2)
24. Louisville (2-1)
25. Baylor (3-0)

### Collegiate Baseball (Feb. 21)

1. Florida (2-1)
2. South Carolina (3-0)
3. Stanford (3-0)
4. Texas A&M (3-0)
5. **Rice (3-0)**
6. North Carolina (2-1)
7. Texas (2-1)
8. Arkansas (3-0)
9. LSU (3-0)
10. Georgia Tech (3-1)
11. Florida State (3-0)
12. Miami (Fla.) (3-0)
13. Arizona State (3-0)
14. Georgia (3-0)
15. TCU (1-1)
16. Louisville (2-1)
17. Oklahoma (1-2)
18. St. John's (1-2)
19. Cal State Fullerton (1-2)
20. California (3-0)
21. Oregon State (3-1)
22. Arizona (2-1)
23. Stetson (3-0)
24. Oregon (2-1)
25. Clemson (2-1)
26. Baylor (3-0)
27. UC Irvine (3-0)
28. **Southern Miss (2-1)**
29. College of Charleston (3-0)
30. Georgia Southern (3-0)

### Sports Weekly (Preseason)

1. Florida (53-19)
2. South Carolina (55-14)
3. Stanford (35-22)
4. North Carolina (51-16)
5. Texas (49-19)
6. Texas A&M (49-19)
7. **Rice (42-21)**
8. Arkansas (40-22)
9. Florida State (46-19)
10. Georgia Tech (42-21)
11. TCU (43-19)
12. Vanderbilt (54-12)
13. Miami (Fla.) (38-23)
14. LSU (36-20)
15. Oklahoma (41-19)
16. Cal State Fullerton (41-17)
17. Virginia (56-12)
18. UCLA (35-24)
19. Oregon State (41-19)
20. Arizona (39-21)
21. St. John's (36-22)
22. California (38-23)
23. Clemson (43-20)
24. Louisville (32-29)
25. Georgia (33-32)

#### ARV:

- Southern Miss (39-19)**  
**East Carolina (41-21)**  
**UCF (39-23)**

### NCBWA (Feb. 21)

1. Florida (2-1)
2. South Carolina (3-0)
3. Stanford (3-0)
4. Texas A&M (3-0)
5. Arkansas (3-0)
6. North Carolina (2-1)
7. **Rice (3-0)**
8. Florida State (3-0)
9. Texas (2-1)
10. LSU (3-0)
11. Georgia Tech (3-1)
12. Arizona State (3-0)
13. Miami (Fla.) (3-0)
14. TCU (1-1)
15. Clemson (2-1)
16. Vanderbilt (0-3)
17. Georgia (3-0)
18. Arizona (2-1)
19. Cal State Fullerton (1-2)
20. Oregon State (3-1)
21. UC Irvine (3-0)
22. Oklahoma (1-2)
23. California (3-0)
24. **UCF (3-0)**
25. Louisville (2-1)
26. Virginia (1-1-1)
27. UCLA (1-2)
28. Mississippi (2-0)
29. Baylor (3-0)
30. **Southern Miss (2-1)**

#### ARV:

- East Carolina (3-0)**  
**Tulane (4-0)**

## 2011 PRESEASON

### ALL-AMERICANS

Here's a look at the Conference USA players that have received preseason All-American recognition:

#### BASEBALL AMERICA

##### Third Team

UT J.T. Chargois, Rice

#### COLLEGE BASEBALL INSIDER

##### First Team

SP Austin Kubitzka, Rice

##### Second Team

UT D.J. Hicks, UCF

#### LOUISVILLE SLUGGER/

#### COLLEGIATE BASEBALL

##### Second Team

OF Michael Ratterree, Rice

##### Third Team

P Austin Kubitzka, Rice

#### NATIONAL COLLEGIATE BASEBALL WRITERS ASSOCIATION

##### Third Team

C Jeremy Schaffer, Tulane

UT D.J. Hicks, UCF

SP Austin Kubitzka, Rice

#### PERFECT GAME USA

##### Second Team

P Austin Kubitzka, Rice

##### Third Team

UT J.T. Chargois, Rice

#### STOPPER OF THE YEAR WATCH LIST

RP Joe Rogers, UCF

#### GOLDEN SPIKES AWARD WATCH LIST

P Austin Kubitzka, Rice

## TOP PROSPECTS

In its preseason preview issue, *Baseball America* listed the top players in each class. Here's a look at the C-USA players that made the list:

**FRESHMEN** – 2- Connor Barwin, SS, Southern Miss; 17 – Mason Robbins, OF/LHP, Southern Miss; 44 – Eric Skoglund, LHP, UCF; 48 – Jordan Stephens, RHP, Rice; 49 – Alex Massey, RHP, Tulane.

**SOPHOMORES** – 7 – Austin Kubitzka, RHP, Rice; 12 – John Simms, RHP, Rice; 30 – Randy LeBlanc, RHP, Tulane.

**JUNIORS** – 19 – J.T. Chargois, RHP, Rice.

**SENIORS** – 27 – Zach Wright, C, East Carolina; 23 – Matthew Reckling, RHP, Rice.

## C-USA PRESEASON ALL-CONFERENCE TEAM

Conference USA announced its 2012 preseason baseball awards, as chosen by the league's nine head coaches. UCF junior utility player **D.J. Hicks** was chosen as the preseason Player of the Year, while Rice sophomore left-hander **Austin Kubitz** was named the preseason Pitcher of the Year. Rice was chosen to win the league's championship. The Owls have won either the regular season or tournament championship in each of its first six years as a member of C-USA.

Hicks was a third team NCBWA All-American, a semifinalist for the Dick Howser Trophy and a second team All-Conference USA selection in 2011. As a redshirt sophomore last season, he led C-USA in RBI (66) and topped the Knights in batting (.351), placing fifth in the conference. Hicks ranked second in the conference in slugging percentage (.583), second on UCF in home runs (14) and walks (35), while adding 11 doubles and scoring 42 runs. He earned NCBWA National Hitter of the Week honors April 26 and had a pair of hitting streaks of 10 games or longer last season.

Kubitz headlined an outstanding group of freshmen at Rice, earning the league's Freshman of the Year honor last season after ranking fourth in the conference in earned run average at 2.34. The first team All-Conference selection made 15 starts, posting a 6-5 record with one complete game and two shutouts. In 100.0 innings pitched, Kubitz recorded a league-high 102 strikeouts and walked only 24 batters. The Colleyville, Texas native was the only player in C-USA to be named Pitcher of the Week twice last season.

Rice had a league-high four selections, while East Carolina and UCF each had three selections. Houston, Memphis, Southern Miss, Tulane and UAB each had one representative on the team.

### PREDICTED ORDER OF FINISH

1. Rice (8)
  2. UCF (1)
  3. East Carolina
  4. Southern Miss
  5. Houston
  6. Tulane
  7. Memphis
  8. UAB
  9. Marshall
- (first place votes in parentheses)*

### PLAYER OF THE YEAR

D.J. Hicks, UCF (Junior, Designated Hitter/Pitcher)

### PITCHER OF THE YEAR

Austin Kubitz, Rice (Sophomore, Right-hander)

### ALL-CONFERENCE TEAM

P	Kevin Brandt	Sr.	East Carolina
P	Austin Kubitz	So.	Rice
P	Dillon Napoleon	Sr.	UAB
RP	Tyler Duffey	Jr.	Rice
C	Jeremy Schaffer	Sr.	Tulane
C	Zach Wright	Sr.	East Carolina
IF	Chase Jensen	Jr.	Houston
IF	Darnell Sweeney	Jr.	UCF
IF	Corey Thompson	Sr.	East Carolina
IF	Jacob Wilson	Sr.	Memphis
OF	Kameron Brunty	Sr.	Southern Miss
OF	Jeremy Rathjen	Jr.	Rice
OF	Michael Ratterree	Jr.	Rice
OF	Ronnie Richardson	Jr.	UCF
DH/UT	D.J. Hicks	Jr.	UCF

## CONFERENCE SUMMARY

Here's a summary of Conference USA's record versus other conferences in non-conference competition in 2012:

<b>Conference</b>	<b>Record</b>	<b>Conference</b>	<b>Record</b>
America East	0-0	Missouri Valley	0-0
Atlantic Coast	1-3	Mountain West	0-0
Atlantic Sun	0-0	Northeast	4-0
Atlantic 10	0-0	Ohio Valley	1-2
Big East	0-0	Patriot	0-0
Big South	0-0	Pac-12	0-0
Big Ten	0-0	SEC	0-1
Big 12	0-0	Southern	0-0
Big West	0-0	Southland	2-2
Colonial	4-0	SWAC	1-0
Great West	0-0	Summit	0-0
Horizon	3-0	Sun Belt	2-3
Ivy	0-0	West Coast	0-0
Metro Atlantic	4-1	WAC	2-0
Mid-American	0-0	Independents	0-0
Mid-Eastern	0-0	Non-Division I	0-0
		<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>25-11 (.694)</b>

## NON-CONFERENCE RECORDS

Here's the record of each C-USA school in non-conference action this season:

<b>Team</b>	<b>W-L</b>	<b>Team</b>	<b>W-L</b>
East Carolina	4-0	Southern Miss	2-2
Houston	3-1	Tulane	4-1
Marshall	1-2	UAB	2-2
Memphis	1-2	UCF	3-1
Rice	5-0		
		<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>25-11</b>

## HOME FIELD ADVANTAGE

Here's a look at each team's record at their home fields in 2012:

<b>Team</b>	<b>W-L</b>	<b>Team</b>	<b>W-L</b>
East Carolina	3-0	Southern Miss	2-1
Houston	3-1	Tulane	4-0
Marshall	0-0	UAB	0-0
Memphis	1-2	UCF	3-0
Rice	5-0		
		<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>21-4</b>
		<b>NON-CONFERENCE TOTAL</b>	<b>21-4</b>

## CLOSE CALLS

Here's a look at the records of each Conference USA school in one-run games during the 2012 season:

<b>Team</b>	<b>W-L</b>	<b>Team</b>	<b>W-L</b>
East Carolina	0-0	Southern Miss	0-2
Houston	0-1	Tulane	1-0
Marshall	0-0	UAB	2-0
Memphis	0-0	UCF	0-0
Rice	1-0		
		<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>4-3</b>
		<b>NON-CONFERENCE TOTAL</b>	<b>4-3</b>

## THIS WEEK IN C-USA BASEBALL

A Wednesday evening contest against the No.1-ranked team in the nation highlights the upcoming week of action in Conference USA. UCF, now ranked No. 19, will play at No. 1 Florida in a game that will air on Fox Sports Florida, beginning at 7 pm EST. Weekend action includes No. 5 Rice hosting a series vs. Dallas Baptist, a 2011 NCAA Super Regional participant, and No. 28 Southern Miss welcoming perennial regional contender Troy for a three-game set.

## 2012 RETURNING STATISTICAL LEADERS

Category	Player, Team (2011 C-USA Rank)	
Batting.....	D.J. Hicks, UCF (4)	.351
Slugging Pct.....	D.J. Hicks, UCF(2)	.583
On-Base Pct. ....	Jeremy Schaffer, TLN (4)	.447
Runs Scored.....	Ronnie Richardson, UCF (1)	59
Hits.....	Michael Ratterree, RICE (3)	85
Doubles.....	Jeremy Schaffer, TLN (1)	23
Triples.....	Isaac Ballou, MAR (1)	7
Home Runs.....	D.J. Hicks, UCF (2)	14
RBI.....	D.J. Hicks, UCF (1)	66
Total Bases.....	D.J. Hicks, UCF (2)	133
Walks.....	T.J. Rich, MEM (4)	39
.....	Jeremy Schaffer, TLN (4)	39
Hit by Pitch.....	Landon Appling, HOU (1)	21
Stolen Bases.....	Landon Appling, HOU (2)	22
.....	Travis Shreve, UCF (2)	22
ERA.....	Kevin Brandt, ECU (3)	2.26
Innings Pitched.....	Austin Kubitz, RICE (3)	100.0
Strikeouts.....	Austin Kubitz, RICE (1)	102
Wins.....	Tyler Duffey, RICE (3)	8
.....	Alex Facundus, TLN (3)	8
Saves.....	Joe Rogers, UCF (3)	9
Appearances.....	Tyler Duffey, RICE (3)	29
Starts.....	Matthew Reckling, RICE (1)	16

## 2012 C-USA CHAMPIONSHIP

The 2012 Conference USA Baseball Championship will be held May 23-27 in Pearl, Miss. The eight-team tournament will be held at Trustmark Park, the home of the Mississippi Braves, class AA affiliate of the Atlanta Braves in suburban Jackson, Miss. This will be the second straight year that the C-USA Baseball Championship will be held at the neutral site.

Trustmark Park, which opened April 18, 2005, has capacity for nearly 7,500 fans. There are 5,500 chair-back seats in the reserved seating areas. The grass berm beyond the outfield walls has room for an additional 2,000 general admission customers.

### C-USA Championship Format

The 2012 Conference USA Championship will feature the top eight teams in regular-season league play. Those six will be split into two four-team pools (or pods), with the winner of each pod playing in a single championship game. Teams will be assigned pods based on seed, which will be determined by the order of finish in regular-season conference play.

Each team will be guaranteed to play three games. Teams in each pod will play two teams in its pod and one team outside its pod. The team with the best composite record in each pod will advance to the championship game. Two-way ties in a pod will be broken by head-to-head play. In case of a three-way tie, the highest seed will advance.

Game times are 11 a.m., 3 p.m. and 7 p.m. on Wednesday, Thursday, Friday and Saturday with the championship game slated for 1 p.m. on Sunday. The championship game will be nationally-televised by CBS College Sports.

### Makeup of the Pods and Schedule of Play.

<u>Pod 1 (Seeds 1, 4, 5, and 8)</u>		<u>Pod 2 (Seeds 2, 3, 6, and 7)</u>	
Seed 1 vs. 4, 5 and 8	Seed 2 vs. 3, 6 and 7		
Seed 4 vs. 1, 5 and 8	Seed 3 vs. 2, 6 and 7		
Seed 5 vs. 1, 4 and 8	Seed 6 vs. 2, 3 and 7		
Seed 8 vs. 1, 4 and 5	Seed 7 vs. 2, 3 and 6		



## WINNINGEST TEAMS SINCE 1999

(Since the beginning of the 1999 season, the start of the 64-team NCAA field era)

Team	Yrs.	Won	Lost	Tied	Pct.
1. Rice	13	635	221	0	.742
2. Florida State	13	651	227	1	.741
3. Oral Roberts	13	561	224	0	.714
4. Texas	13	614	247	1	.723
5. Coastal Carolina	13	573	234	0	.710
6. North Carolina	13	589	246	1	.705
7. Cal St. Fullerton	13	579	244	0	.703
8. Arizona State	13	531	224	1	.703
9. South Carolina	13	612	261	0	.701
10. Miami (Fla.)	13	565	246	3	.696
11. Wichita State	13	598	276	0	.684
12. Georgia Tech	13	551	255	1	.683
13. LSU	13	558	276	5	.668
14. Clemson	13	556	288	1	.663
15. Nebraska	13	527	268	2	.662
16. Tulane	13	532	275	2	.659
17. Stanford	13	527	274	2	.658
18. East Carolina	13	519	271	2	.657
19. Notre Dame	13	511	271	5	.652
20. Coll of Charleston	13	487	279	0	.636
21. Florida	13	517	300	2	.632
22. TCU	13	498	290	0	.632
23. Southern Miss	13	503	296	0	.629
24. Alabama	13	508	300	0	.629
25. Virginia	13	498	294	2	.628

## WINNINGEST ACTIVE COACHES BY PERCENTAGE

(Minimum five years as a Division I head coach; includes record at four-year colleges only.)

Coach, Team	Yrs.	Won	Lost	Tied	Pct.
1. Mike Fox, North Carolina	28	1,128	387	5	.744
2. Mike Martin, Florida State	32	1,673	577	4	.743
3. Brian O'Connor, Virginia	8	372	130	1	.741
4. Gene Stephenson, Wichita State	34	1,763	622	3	.739
5. Wayne Graham, Rice	20	912	361	0	.716
6. Brad Hill, Kansas State	17	684	284	3	.706
7. Jim Morris, Miami (Fla.)	30	1,318	565	4	.700
8. Rob Walton, Oral Roberts	8	329	142	0	.699
9. Ray Tanner, South Carolina	24	1,084	469	3	.698
10. Augie Garrido, Texas	43	1,817	825	9	.687
11. Jim Schlossnagle, TCU	10	425	200	0	.680
12. Gary Gilmore, Coastal Carolina	22	903	426	2	.679
13. Danny Hall, Georgia Tech	24	987	466	1	.679
14. Dave Serrano, Cal St. Fullerton	7	289	139	1	.675
15. Rick Jones, Tulane	23	910	443	2	.672
16. Dan McDonnell, Louisville	5	217	106	0	.672
17. Sunny Golloway, Oklahoma	15	596	291	0	.672
18. Dave Van Horn, Arkansas	18	730	369	0	.664
19. Ed Servais, Creighton	16	481	248	1	.660
20. Mark Marquess, Stanford	35	1,422	741	7	.657
21. Bobby Pierce, Troy	16	601	314	0	.657
22. George Horton, Oregon	14	577	304	2	.655
23. Brian Shoop, UAB	22	838	446	1	.653
24. Scott Stricklin, Kent State	7	267	145	0	.648
25. Rob Childress, Texas A&M	6	246	135	2	.645

## PSEUDO-RPI REPORT

As a league, Conference USA was ranked No. 5 among the nation's conferences in 2011. Seven of the league's nine schools ranked among the top 77, including four in the top 27. Here's a look at where each C-USA school was ranked in the final 2011 Pseudo-RPI's ratings (published by Boyd Nation ([www.boydsworld.com](http://www.boydsworld.com))):

12.	Rice
22.	UCF
24.	Southern Miss
27.	East Carolina
62.	Houston
74.	UAB
77.	Tulane
117.	Memphis
194.	Marshall

## SPRING MLB ROSTERS FEATURE 32 C-USA PLAYERS

A total of 29 players from Conference USA schools appear on the 40-man rosters of Major League Baseball teams, with three other veterans who played in 2011 currently listed as free agents. Seven of C-USA's nine baseball schools are represented, with players appearing on 16 different big league teams. Here's a look at all of the C-USA players on spring training MLB rosters.

Player	Pos.	MLB Team	C-USA School
Chad Tracy	IF	Washington Nationals	East Carolina
Michael Bourn	OF	Atlanta Braves	Houston
Jesse Crain	RHP	Chicago White Sox	Houston
Rob Johnson	C	San Diego Padres	Houston
Donnie Joseph	LHP	Cincinnati Reds	Houston
Brad Lincoln	RHP	Pittsburgh Pirates	Houston
Garrett Mock	RHP	Toronto Blue Jays	Houston
Chris Snyder	C	Houston Astros	Houston
Jarrett Grube	RHP	Seattle Mariners	Memphis
Dan Uggla	2B	Atlanta Braves	Memphis
David Aardsma	RHP	Free Agent	Rice
Lance Berkman	OF	St. Louis Cardinals	Rice
Tim Lincecum	LHP	New York Mets	Rice
Josh Rodriguez	3B	Pittsburgh Pirates	Rice
Philip Humber	RHP	Chicago White Sox	Rice
Danny Lehmann	C	Minnesota Twins	Rice
Paul Janish	SS	Cincinnati Reds	Rice
Jeff Niemann	RHP	Tampa Bay Rays	Rice
Lance Pendleton	RHP	Houston Astros	Rice
Anthony Rendon	3B	Washington Nationals	Rice
Joe Savery	LHP	Philadelphia Phillies	Rice
Craig Stansberry	SS	Free Agent	Rice
Jarrett Hoffpauir	3B	Washington Nationals	Southern Miss
Brian Bogusevic	OF	Houston Astros	Tulane
Brad Emaus	2B	Boston Red Sox	Tulane
Brandon Gomes	RHP	Tampa Bay Rays	Tulane
Mark Hamilton	1B	St. Louis Cardinals	Tulane
Tommy Manzella	SS	Arizona Diamondbacks	Tulane
Micah Owings	RHP	San Diego Padres	Tulane
Drew Butera	C	Minnesota Twins	UCF
Matt Fox	P	Seattle Mariners	UCF

## 2011 ATTENDANCE

Four Conference USA schools ranked among the Top 25 Division I schools in home attendance during the 2011 season. Here's a look at where they were ranked:

Rank	School	Dates	Total	Avg. Att.
14.	Rice	35	124,000	3,542
15.	Southern Miss	26	90,884	3,495
22.	East Carolina	34	99,516	2,926
25.	Tulane	35	96,577	2,759

## PEAK PERFORMERS

Throughout the 2012 season, we'll track some of the top individual performances around Conference USA:

### MULTIPLE HOME RUNS IN A GAME

2	Isaac Ballou, MAR (5) vs. Canisius (7)	2-18
2	D.J. Hicks, UCF (9) vs. Long Island (1)	2-18

### COMPLETE GAMES

### 10 OR MORE STRIKEOUTS

10	Andrew Benak, RICE (10) vs. New Mexico State	2-22
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## BIG PRODUCTION

Here's a look at the games in which a C-USA team has scored 15 or more runs this season:

16	Marshall (16) vs. Bryant (2)	Feb. 18
16	Houston (16) vs. Delaware (1)	Feb. 18
16	East Carolina (16) vs. UW Milwaukee (1)	Feb. 18

## TITLE HOLDERS

Rice won at least a share of its fifth regular season Conference USA title in the last six years in 2011, while Southern Miss captured a share of its first regular season C-USA crown since 2003. Rice won its fourth tournament title in six years as a member of the league. Here's a look at C-USA's regular season and tournament champions:

Year	Regular Season	Tournament
2011	Rice/Southern Miss	Rice
2010	Rice	Southern Miss
2009	East Carolina	Rice
2008	Rice	Houston
2007	Rice	Rice
2006	Rice	Rice
2005	Tulane	TCU/Tulane*
2004	East Carolina	TCU
2003	Southern Miss	Southern Miss
2002	Houston	East Carolina
2001	Tulane	Tulane
2000	Houston	Houston
1999	Houston	Tulane
1998	Tulane	Tulane
1997	Tulane	Houston
1996	USF	Tulane

\*declared co-champions after championship game was cancelled due to weather

## NCAA APPEARANCES

Seven of C-USA's nine schools have made an NCAA appearance in the last five years, including four that played in last year's field. Rice has made five College World Series since 2002, Tulane reached the CWS in 2001 and 2005 and Southern Miss played in Omaha in 2009.

School	App.	Last
East Carolina	25	2011
Houston	18	2008
Marshall	2	1978
Memphis	5	2007
Rice	17	2011
Southern Miss	12	2011
Tulane	19	2008
UAB	1	1991
UCF	10	2011

## C-USA VS. RANKED FOES

In the 2011 season, seven different league teams defeated a ranked non-conference opponent. East Carolina, Houston, Rice, Southern Miss, Tulane, UAB and UCF each defeated at least one ranked opponent. Those teams combined to total 22 ranked non-league wins on the year.

Here's a look at the 2012 wins over ranked non-conference opponents:

### 2012 RANKED WINS

Feb. 18..... UAB 2, (16) Clemson 1

## C-USA ON TV

Conference USA baseball games are scheduled to be televised nationally by Fox Sports and CBS Sports Network, as well as regionally by CSS and Cox Sports Television. Below is a list of games that have been confirmed, as of Feb. 15:

### CBS SPORTS NETWORK

Sunday, May 27..... C-USA Championship Game ..... 1:00p CT

### COMCAST SPORTS (CSS)

#Wed., March 7 ..... Florida State at UCF ..... 5:30p CT

Tue., March 13 ..... Arizona at Rice ..... 6:00p CT

%Wed., March 14 ..... Miami (Fla.) at UCF ..... 5:30p CT

\*Wed., March 14 ..... Arizona at Rice ..... 6:00p CT

\*Tue., March 20 ..... Texas A&M at Houston..... 6:00p CT

Sat., March 24 ..... Houston at Southern Miss ..... 6:00p CT

Tue., April 10 ..... Texas State at Rice ..... 6:00p CT

Sun., May 6..... Houston at Rice ..... 1:00p CT

Tue., May 8..... Stephen F. Austin at Rice..... 6:00p CT

*#will air tape delayed*

*\*will air in Houston area only*

*%will air on Comcast Southeast only*

### FOX SPORTS NET

Sun., Mar. 25 ..... East Carolina at UCF..... 12:00p CT

Sun., April 1 ..... Southern Miss at Rice ..... 1:00p CT

Sat., April 21 ..... Memphis at Southern Miss..... 12:00p CT

Sat., May 5..... Houston at Rice ..... 1:30p CT

### FOX COLLEGE SPORTS

Fri., May 4..... Houston at Rice ..... 6:30p CT

### SPORTS SOUTH

Wednesday, May 9..... Tennessee at Memphis ..... 6:30p CT

### FOX SPORTS FLORIDA

Wed., February 22..... UCF at Florida ..... 6:00p CT

### COX SPORTS TELEVISION (LOUISIANA)

Tue., March 6..... LSU at Tulane..... 6:30p CT

### LONGHORN NETWORK

Friday, March 2..... Rice vs. Texas ..... 7:00p CT

### ESPN 3

Friday, March 2..... Tennessee vs. Houston..... 3:30p CT

Saturday, March 3 ..... Arkansas vs. Houston..... 12:00p CT

Saturday, March 3 ..... Rice vs. Texas Tech ..... 7:00p CT

Sunday, March 4..... Houston vs. Texas Tech..... 2:30p CT

Sunday, March 4..... Rice vs. Tennessee ..... 6:00p CT

## NOTING C-USA UMPIRES

At least one C-USA umpire has been assigned to the College World Series each year since 1999. Last year, the conference was represented in Omaha by Mike Conlin and Jim Garman.

C-USA umpires in the 2011 NCAA Division I Baseball Championship included: John Bennett, Dave Buck, Anthony Carilli, Mike Conlin, Chris Coskey, Perry Costello, Jeff Doy, Jim Garman, Scott Graham, Marc Lewis, Dale Luker, Terrance Mobley, Mike Morris, Gus Rodriguez, David Rogers, Darrin Sealey, Greg Street, David Wiley, Doug Williams--accounting for 20% of all assignments.

## CONSECUTIVE NCAA APPEARANCES

Rice made its 17th consecutive trip to the NCAA Championship this season, the fourth-longest active streak in Division I. Southern Miss has made nine straight NCAA trips, the 10th-longest active streak. Here is a look at the longest active streaks:

39	Miami (Fla.)
34	Florida State
20	Cal State Fullerton
17	<b>RICE</b>
13	Texas
12	Arizona State
12	South Carolina
10	Arkansas
10	North Carolina
9	<b>SOUTHERN MISS</b>

## HITTERS & PITCHERS OF THE WEEK

Conference USA will name a Hitter of the Week and a Pitcher of the Week each week during the season. The award was selected by the conference office and announced on Mondays. Here are this year's winners:

### HITTER OF THE WEEK

Feb. 20 Nick Schneeberger 1B Tulane

### PITCHER OF THE WEEK

Feb. 20 Dillon Napoleon RHP UAB

## NATIONAL PLAYERS OF THE WEEK

A total of 65 athletes have earned National Player of the Week honors during the league's first 16 seasons. Here's a look at this season's winners:

### COLLEGIATE BASEBALL/LOUISVILLE SLUGGER

### NCBWA

## CONFERENCE USA BASEBALL SCHOOLS

The nine schools that currently comprise Conference USA Baseball have enjoyed a great deal of success. Here are some of their accomplishments:

\*12 College World Series Appearances

\*2003 National Champions – Rice

\*At least one College World Series team in five of the last seven seasons.

\*108 NCAA Appearances in Baseball (69 since 1995)

\*Top 5 ranked conference each year since 2006

\*Six National Players of the Year since 1995

\*Seven National Freshmen of the Year since 1995

\*125 players have been All-Americans since 1995

\*Schools have combined to win 40 or more games 57 times in the last 14 years

\*Has had a team ranked No. 1 in the nation in four of the last eight regular seasons

## C-USA 2011 ACCOMPLISHMENTS

- Conference USA was the No. 5 ranked baseball conference in 2011, trailing only the SEC, ACC, Big 12 and Pac-10.
- C-USA placed four teams in the 2011 NCAA Championship, the eighth time in 10 years that the league has produced at least four bids.
- Rice made its 17th consecutive NCAA Regional appearance, the fourth-longest active streak in the nation. Southern Miss earned an NCAA Regional bid for the ninth straight year, the 10th-longest current streak. East Carolina played in an NCAA Regional for the 11th time in 13 years and UCF made its 10th all-time NCAA appearance.
- Three teams (East Carolina, Rice and Southern Miss) finished the season nationally-ranked in at least one of the four major polls.
- Four schools (East Carolina, Rice, Southern Miss and UCF) finished the season ranked in the top 27 of the final RPI rankings. Seven of the league's nine schools ranked in the top 77.
- Seven of the nine Conference USA teams won at least one game against a nationally-ranked, non-conference opponent.
- C-USA teams posted a total of 22 wins over nationally-ranked, non-conference opponents during the regular season, including eight against top 10 foes.
- Among the NCAA top 50 RPI teams that C-USA defeated in 2011 were: No. 2 Florida (UCF), No. 3 Virginia (East Carolina), No. 6 Florida State (UCF), No. 9 Texas A&M (Houston, Rice), No. 14 Stanford (Rice), No. 19 Stetson (UCF), No. 20 TCU (Houston), No. 32 Alabama (UAB, UCF), No. 33 Florida International (Rice), No. 37 Connecticut (Southern Miss), No. 39 Kent State (Houston), No. 40 Texas State (Rice), No. 41 Mississippi (Memphis, Southern Miss, Tulane), No. 47 Elon (East Carolina) and No. 50 Troy (UAB)
- Five different Conference USA players were honored as All-Americans, including Memphis junior SS **Chad Zurcher** and Rice junior DH **Anthony Rendon**, who each were on nearly every All-American team. Rice senior LHP **Tony Cingrani**, Southern Miss senior RHP **Todd McInnis** and UCF sophomore DH **D.J. Hicks** were also named to All-American squads.
- Three C-USA players earned Freshman All-American honors, including Rice RHP **Austin Kubitz**, Southern Miss C **Jared Bales** and Tulane RHP **Alex Facundus**.
- Conference USA had a pair of players that earned National Player of the Week honors: Rice freshman RHP **John Simms** and UCF sophomore DH **D.J. Hicks**.
- Ten C-USA players were named to the 2011 Capital One Academic All-District teams, while Memphis SS **Chad Zurcher** and Southern Miss OF **Marc Bourgeois** were both named Academic All-Americans, marking the 11th time in 14 years that C-USA has produced at least one Baseball Academic All-American.
- Four Conference USA schools ranked among the top 25 nationally in average home attendance. All four averaged at least 2,759 fans per game and two other schools topped the 1,100 mark in average home attendance.
- Eleven players and eight teams ranked among the top 10 national leaders in the final 2011 NCAA statistics.
- Conference USA had 38 players chosen in the June Major League Baseball Draft, the-highest total in league history. Eight of the nine C-USA schools had at least one player selected.
- Fourteen players from C-USA schools appeared on the 2011 opening day rosters of Major League Baseball teams, with two more players being called up in the first half of the season.

## C-USA RADIO OUTLETS

East Carolina.....	WNCT-AM (1070)
Houston.....	UHCougars.com
Marshall.....	WMUL-AM (88.1)
.....	WRVC-AM (930)
Memphis.....	WUMR-FM (91.7)
Rice.....	RiceOwls.com
Southern Miss.....	WKZW-FM (94.3)
Tulane.....	WIST-AM (690)
UAB.....	WJOX-AM (690)
UCF.....	WQTM-AM (740)

## C-USA WEB SITES

East Carolina.....	www.ecupirates.com
Houston.....	www.uhcougars.com
Marshall.....	www.herdzone.com
Memphis.....	www.gotigersgo.com
Rice.....	www.riceowls.com
Southern Miss.....	www.southernmiss.com
Tulane.....	www.tulanegreenwave.com
UAB.....	www.uabsports.com
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## C-USA ON THE WEB

For all of the latest information on Conference USA baseball and the league's other 19 sports, please visit [www.ConferenceUSA.com](http://www.ConferenceUSA.com).

## C-USA ON FACEBOOK

By becoming a fan of Conference USA on Facebook, followers of C-USA teams will have the opportunity to receive score updates, event recaps and notices, video features, photos, special announcements, news on promotions and special ticket offers and much more. The Facebook page is available by searching for "Conference USA" under "Pages" on the site.

## C-USA ON TWITTER

Twitter, one of the fastest growing phenomena on the internet, provides fans a means to receive a steady flow of information on all facets of Conference USA athletics through instant messaging. Follow us: @Conference USA1

## C-USA AUDIO UPDATES

Conference USA produces a daily audio update entitled "Today in Conference USA" that focuses on baseball as well as all C-USA sports. The league also hosts selected podcasts with head baseball coaches and other baseball-related personnel during the season. Bill Hazen serves as the host and producer of these programs. Both of these shows are available for download on C-USA's podcast channel: <http://conferenceusa.cstv.com/podcasts/c-usa-podcasts.html>

**EAST CAROLINA PIRATES****(4-0, 0-0 C-USA)**

Date	Opponent	Time/Result	Record
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**FEBRUARY**

17	MILWAUKEE	W 4-0	1-0
18	MILWAUKEE	W 16-1	2-0
18	MILWAUKEE	W 6-3	3-0
22	at Old Dominion	W 10-4	4-0

**24-26 KEITH LECLAIR CLASSIC**

24	PURDUE	5:00p	
25	WESTERN CAROLINA	3:00p	
26	MARYLAND	2:00p	

**MARCH**

2	STONY BROOK	5:00p	
3	STONY BROOK	2:00p	
4	STONY BROOK	1:00p	
7	at Troy	7:00p	
9-11	at Alabama Tournament (Tuscaloosa, Ala.)		
9	at Alabama	7:05p	
10	vs. Oral Roberts	1:00p	
11	vs. Louisville	11:00a	
13	VCU	5:00p	
16	PENN STATE	6:00p	
17	PENN STATE	2:00p	
18	PENN STATE	1:00p	
20	NC STATE	6:00p	
21	at High Point	6:00p	
23	at UCF	6:30p	
24	at UCF	4:00p	
25	at UCF	1:00p	
28	at NC State	6:00p	
30	UAB	6:00p	
31	UAB	2:00p	

**APRIL**

1	UAB	10:30a	
3	at UNC Wilmington	6:30p	
5	HOUSTON	6:00p	
6	HOUSTON	6:00p	
7	HOUSTON	10:00a	
10	at Elon	6:00p	
11	vs. Old Dominion	6:00p	
13	at Memphis	7:30p	
14	at Memphis	3:00p	
15	at Memphis	1:00p	
17	UNC WILMINGTON	6:00p	
18	WILLIAM & MARY	6:00p	
20	at Rice	7:30p	
21	at Rice	3:00p	
22	at Rice	12:00p	
25	at North Carolina	6:00p	
27	TULANE	6:00p	
28	TULANE	2:00p	
29	TULANE	11:30a	

**MAY**

4	MARSHALL	6:00p	
5	MARSHALL	2:00p	
6	MARSHALL	1:00p	
8	ELON	6:00p	
9	NORTH CAROLINA	6:00p	
11	at Southern Miss	7:00p	
12	at Southern Miss	3:00p	
13	at Southern Miss	11:00a	
15	HIGH POINT	6:00p	
18	at VMI	1:00p	
19	at VCU	2:00p	
23-27	at C-USA Championship (Pearl, Miss.)		

HOME GAMES IN CAPS. Conference games in bold. All times Eastern.

**HOUSTON COUGARS****(3-1, 0-0 C-USA)**

Date	Opponent	Time/Result	Record
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**FEBRUARY**

18	DELAWARE	W 7-5	1-0
18	DELAWARE	W 16-1	2-0
19	DELAWARE	W 9-2	3-0
21	TEXAS A&M-C. CHRISTI	L 2-3	3-1
24	TEXAS STATE	6:30p	
25	TEXAS STATE	2:00p	
26	TEXAS STATE	1:00p	
28	RICE	6:30p	

**MARCH**

2-4	at Houston College Classic (Houston, Texas)		
4	vs. Tennessee	3:30p	
5	vs. Arkansas	Noon	
6	vs. Texas Tech	2:30p	
6	at Louisiana-Lafayette	6:00p	
9	at Mississippi	6:00p	
10	at Mississippi	6:30p	
11	at Mississippi	1:00p	
13	SAM HOUSTON STATE	6:30p	
16	at Oklahoma State	6:30p	
17	at Oklahoma State	2:00p	
18	at Oklahoma State	1:00p	
20	TEXAS A&M	6:30p	
21	WASHINGTON	6:30p	
23	at Southern Miss	6:30p	
24	at Southern Miss	6:00p	
25	at Southern Miss	1:00p	
27	BAYLOR	6:30p	
30	UCF	6:30p	
31	UCF	6:30p	

**APRIL**

1	UCF	1:00p	
3	McNEESE STATE	6:30p	
5	at East Carolina	5:00p	
6	at East Carolina	5:00p	
7	at East Carolina	9:00a	
10	LAMAR	6:30p	
13	at Texas Tech	6:30p	
14	at Texas Tech	5:00p	
15	at Texas Tech	1:00p	
17	at Sam Houston State	6:30p	
20	MARSHALL	6:30p	
21	MARSHALL	6:30p	
22	MARSHALL	6:30p	
27	at UAB	6:30p	
28	at UAB	6:30p	
29	at UAB	6:30p	

**MAY**

1	UTSA	6:30p	
4	at Rice	6:30p	
5	at Rice	1:30p	
6	at Rice	1:00p	
11	TULANE	6:30p	
12	TULANE	6:30p	
13	TULANE	6:30p	
15	LOUISIANA-LAFAYETTE	6:30p	
17	MEMPHIS	6:30p	
18	MEMPHIS	6:30p	
19	MEMPHIS	1:00p	
23-27	at Conference USA Championship (Pearl, Miss.)		

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**MARSHALL THUNDERING HERD****(1-2, 0-0 C-USA)**

Date	Opponent	Time/Result	Record
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**FEBRUARY**

17-19	at NC State Tournament (Raleigh, N.C.)		
17	at NC State	L 3-10	0-1
18	vs. Canisius	L 5-7	0-2
18	vs. Bryant	W 16-2	1-2
19	vs. Monmouth	(cancelled)	
24	at Charleston Southern	2:00p	
25	at Charleston Southern	11:30a	
25	at Charleston Southern	3:00p	
26	at Charleston Southern	1:30p	

**MARCH**

2-4	at Wake Forest Invitational (Winston-Salem, N.C.)		
2	vs. Eastern Michigan	Noon	
3	vs. Eastern Michigan	Noon	
3	at Wake Forest	4:00p	
4	at Wake Forest	4:00p	
7	at Kentucky	4:00p	
9	at Gardner-Webb	5:00p	
10	at Gardner-Webb	1:00p	
11	at Gardner-Webb	2:00p	
13	at Morehead State	3:00p	
16	vs. St. Bonaventure	4:00p	
17	vs. St. Bonaventure	4:00p	
18	vs. St. Bonaventure	2:00p	
20	at Ohio	6:00p	
23	at UAB	7:30p	
24	at UAB	3:00p	
25	at UAB	2:00p	
27	at Eastern Kentucky	3:00p	
30	vs. Liberty (BWV)	7:00p	
31	vs. Liberty (BWV)	3:00p	

**APRIL**

1	vs. Liberty (BWV)	1:00p	
4	vs. Ohio	3:00p	
6	vs. Memphis	7:05p	
7	vs. Memphis	7:05p	
8	vs. Memphis	1:00p	
10	COPPIN STATE (DH) (BWV)	Noon/3:30p	
13	RICE	2:05p	
14	RICE	2:05p	
15	RICE	2:05p	
17	MOREHEAD STATE	3:00p	
20	at Houston	7:30p	
21	at Houston	7:30p	
22	at Houston	Noon	
25	EASTERN KENTUCKY	3:00p	
27	SOUTHERN MISS	2:05p	
28	SOUTHERN MISS	2:05p	
29	SOUTHERN MISS	10:05a	

**MAY**

4	at East Carolina	6:00p	
5	at East Carolina	2:00p	
6	at East Carolina	1:00p	
9	at Eastern Kentucky	3:00p	
11	UCF	2:05p	
12	UCF	2:05p	
13	UCF	10:05a	
15	vs. Radford (BWV)	6:00p	
17	at Tulane	6:30p	
18	at Tulane	6:30p	
19	at Tulane	2:00p	
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CH- Charleston, W. Va.  
BWV- Beckley, W. Va.

**MEMPHIS TIGERS****(1-2, 0-0 C-USA)**

Date	Opponent	Time/Result	Record
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**FEBRUARY**

17	SIU-EDWARDSVILLE	L 2-4	0-1
18	SIU-EDWARDSVILLE	W 11-2	1-1
19	SIU-EDWARDSVILLE	L 7-10	1-2
22	AUSTIN PEAY	(postponed)	
24	KENNESAW STATE	4:00p	
25	KENNESAW STATE	2:00p	
26	KENNESAW STATE	1:00p	
28	at Mississippi	3:00p	
29	at Mississippi State	4:00p	

**MARCH**

2	BRADLEY	6:30p	
3	BRADLEY	2:00p	
4	BRADLEY	1:00p	
6	at Louisiana-Monroe	6:00p	
7	at Louisiana-Monroe	6:00p	
9	at Baylor	6:30p	
10	at Baylor	2:00p	
11	at Baylor	1:00p	
16	SIENA	6:30p	
17	SIENA (DH)	Noon/3p	
20	ARKANSAS STATE	6:30p	
23	RICE	6:30p	
24	RICE	2:00p	
25	RICE	1:00p	
27	at Middle Tennessee	6:00p	
28	at Middle Tennessee	3:00p	
30	TULANE	6:30p	
30	TULANE	2:00p	

**APRIL**

1	TULANE	1:00p	
4	at Tennessee	5:30p	
6	at Marshall (CH)	6:05p	
7	at Marshall (CH)	6:05p	
8	at Marshall (CH)	Noon	
10	at Arkansas State	6:30p	
11	ALCORN STATE	6:30p	
13	EAST CAROLINA	6:30p	
14	EAST CAROLINA	2:00p	
15	EAST CAROLINA	1:00p	
18	at Murray State	3:00p	
20	at Southern Miss	6:00p	
21	at Southern Miss	2:00p	
22	at Southern Miss	1:00p	
24	MISSISSIPPI (AZ)	6:30p	
27	at UCF	5:00p	
28	at UCF	2:00p	
29	at UCF	Noon	

**MAY**

4	UAB	6:30p	
5	UAB	3:00p	
6	UAB	1:00p	
9	TENNESSEE	6:30p	
11	at Missouri	6:30p	
12	at Missouri	2:00p	
13	at Missouri	1:00p	
15	UT-MARTIN	6:30p	
17	at Houston	6:30p	
18	at Houston	6:30p	
19	at Houston	1:00p	

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AZ- AutoZone Park, Memphis, Tenn.  
J- Jackson, Tenn.  
CH- Charleston, W. Va.**RICE OWLS****(5-0, 0-0 C-USA)**

Date	Opponent	Time/Result	Record
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**FEBRUARY**

17	FIU	W 6-2	1-0
18	FIU	W 5-4 (12)	2-0
19	FIU	W 8-1	3-0
21	NEW MEXICO STATE	W 7-5	4-0
22	NEW MEXICO STATE	W 12-4	5-0
24	DALLAS BAPTIST	6:30p	
25	DALLAS BAPTIST	2:00p	
26	DALLAS BAPTIST	1:00p	
28	at Houston	6:30p	

**MARCH**

2-4 at Houston College Classic (Houston, Texas)

2	vs. Texas	7:00p	
3	vs. Texas Tech	7:00p	
4	vs. Tennessee	6:00p	
6	vs. Texas State	6:30p	
7	TEXAS A&M-C. CHRISTI	6:30p	
9	at Stanford	7:30p	
10	at Stanford	3:00p	
11	at Stanford	2:00p	
13	ARIZONA	6:00p	
14	ARIZONA	6:30p	
17	GRAMBLING STATE	2:00p	
18	GRAMBLING STATE	1:00p	
20	UTSA	6:30p	
21	LAMAR	6:30p	
23	at Memphis	6:30p	
24	at Memphis	2:00p	
25	at Memphis	1:00p	
27	at Lamar	6:30p	
30	SOUTHERN MISS	6:30p	
31	SOUTHERN MISS	3:30p	

**APRIL**

1	SOUTHERN MISS	1:00p	
3	SAM HOUSTON STATE	6:30p	
5	at Tulane	6:30p	
6	at Tulane	6:30p	
7	at Tulane	2:00p	
10	TEXAS STATE	6:00p	
13	at Marshall (CH)	1:05p	
14	at Marshall (CH)	1:05p	
15	at Marshall (CH)	9:05a	
17	at Texas A&M	6:35p	
20	EAST CAROLINA	6:30p	
21	EAST CAROLINA	2:00p	
22	EAST CAROLINA	11:00a	

**MAY**

2	TEXAS SOUTHERN	6:30p	
4	HOUSTON	6:30p	
5	HOUSTON	1:30p	
6	HOUSTON	1:00p	
8	STEPHEN F. AUSTIN	6:00p	
11	UAB	6:30p	
12	UAB	2:00p	
13	UAB	1:00p	
15	at Sam Houston State	6:30p	
17	at UCF	5:30p	
18	at UCF	5:30p	
19	at UCF	Noon	

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CH- Charleston, W. Va.

**USM GOLDEN EAGLES****(2-2, 0-0 C-USA)**

Date	Opponent	Time/Result	Record
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**FEBRUARY**

17	NICHOLLS STATE	L 4-5	0-1
19	NICHOLLS STATE	W 5-1	1-1
19	NICHOLLS STATE	W 5-2	2-1
22	at Louisiana-Monroe	L 1-2	2-2
24	TROY	6:00p	
25	TROY	2:00p	
26	TROY	1:00p	
28	MISSISSIPPI VALLEY STATE	6:00p	
29	ALABAMA	4:00p	

**MARCH**

2-4 at Auburn Tournament (Auburn, Ala.)

2	vs. Charleston Southern	2:00p	
3	vs. Purdue	Noon	
4	at Auburn	3:00p	
6	SOUTH ALABAMA	6:00p	
9	at Louisiana-Lafayette	6:00p	
10	at Louisiana-Lafayette	2:00p	
11	at Louisiana-Lafayette	1:00p	
13	at Alabama	6:05p	
16	MURRAY STATE	6:00p	
17	MURRAY STATE	1:00p	
18	MURRAY STATE	1:00p	
20	at Mississippi	6:30p	
23	HOUSTON	6:00p	
24	HOUSTON	6:00p	
25	HOUSTON	1:00p	
27	LOUISIANA-MONROE	6:00p	
30	at Rice	6:30p	
31	at Rice	3:30p	

**APRIL**

1	at Rice	1:00p	
3	vs. Mississippi (P)	6:30p	
5	ALCORN STATE	6:00p	
6	ALCORN STATE	2:00p	
7	ALCORN STATE	1:00p	
11	vs. LSU (Z)	7:00p	
13	UCF	6:00p	
14	UCF	2:00p	
15	UCF	11:30a	
17	at South Alabama	6:30p	
20	MEMPHIS	6:00p	
21	MEMPHIS	Noon	
22	MEMPHIS	1:00p	
24	vs. Mississippi State (P)	6:30p	
27	at Marshall (CH)	1:05p	
28	at Marshall (CH)	1:05p	
29	at Marshall (CH)	9:05a	

**MAY**

2	GRAMBLING STATE	6:00p	
4	at Tulane	6:30p	
5	at Tulane	2:00p	
6	at Tulane	1:00p	
11	EAST CAROLINA	6:00p	
12	EAST CAROLINA	2:00p	
13	EAST CAROLINA	11:00a	
17	at UAB	6:30p	
18	at UAB	6:30p	
19	at UAB	1:00p	

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Z - Zephyr Field, Metairie, La.  
CH- Charleston, W. Va.

**TULANE GREEN WAVE****(4-1, 0-0 C-USA)****Date Opponent Time/Result Record****FEBRUARY**

17	SIENA	W 5-4	1-0
18	SIENA	W 8-1 (5)	2-0
19	SIENA	W 8-2	3-0
19	SIENA	W 5-3	4-0
21	at Louisiana-Monroe	L 1-9	4-1
24	INDIANA	6:30p	
25	INDIANA	2:00p	
26	INDIANA	1:00p	
28	SOUTHEASTERN LOUISIANA	6:30p	

**MARCH**

2	ALABAMA	6:30p	
3	ALABAMA	2:00p	
4	ALABAMA	1:00p	
6	LSU	6:30p	
9	at Wichita State	3:00p	
10	at Wichita State	2:00p	
11	at Wichita State	1:00p	
13	LOUISIANA-MONROE	1:00p	
16	BROWN	6:30p	
17	BROWN	2:00p	
18	BROWN	11:00a	
20	at Louisiana-Lafayette	6:00p	
23	UMBC	6:30p	
24	UMBC	2:00p	
25	UMBC	1:00p	
27	at Southeastern Louisiana	6:00p	
30	at Memphis	6:30p	
31	at Memphis	2:00p	

**APRIL**

1	at Memphis	1:00p	
3	ALCORN STATE	6:30p	
5	RICE	6:30p	
6	RICE	6:30p	
7	RICE	1:00p	
10	NICHOLLS STATE	6:30p	
11	ALCORN STATE	6:30p	
13	at UAB	6:30p	
14	at UAB	2:00p	
15	at UAB	1:00p	
17	SOUTHEASTERN LOUISIANA	6:30p	
20	UCF	6:30p	
21	UCF	2:00p	
22	UCF	1:00p	
24	NORTHWESTERN STATE	3:00p	
27	at East Carolina	5:00p	
28	at East Carolina	1:00p	
29	at East Carolina	10:30a	

**MAY**

1	at LSU	6:30p	
4	SOUTHERN MISS	6:30p	
5	SOUTHERN MISS	2:00p	
6	SOUTHERN MISS	1:00p	
8	LOUISIANA-LAFAYETTE	6:30p	
11	at Houston	6:30p	
12	at Houston	2:00p	
13	at Houston	1:00p	
17	MARSHALL	6:30p	
18	MARSHALL	2:00p	
19	MARSHALL	1:00p	

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**UAB BLAZERS****(2-2, 0-0 C-USA)****Date Opponent Time/Result Record****FEBRUARY**

17	at (16) Clemson	W 2-1	1-0
18	at (16) Clemson	L 1-6	1-1
19	at (16) Clemson	L 2-7	1-2
21	at Alabama State	W 3-2	2-2
24	BALL STATE	3:00p	
25	BALL STATE	2:00p	
26	BALL STATE	1:00p	
28	at Jacksonville State	3:00p	
29	JACKSONVILLE STATE	3:00p	

**MARCH**

2	UTAH	3:00p	
3	UTAH	2:00p	
4	UTAH	Noon	
6	at Troy	6:00p	
7	ALABAMA STATE	3:00p	
9	PENN STATE	3:00p	
10	PENN STATE	2:00p	
11	PENN STATE	1:00p	
13	at Kennesaw State	6:00p	
16-18	Coastal Carolina Classic (Conway, S.C.)		
16	vs. Connecticut	11:00a	
17	vs. Michigan	10:00a	
18	at Coastal Carolina	Noon	
21	at Jacksonville State	6:30p	
23	MARSHALL	6:30p	
24	MARSHALL	2:00p	
25	MARSHALL	1:00p	
27	ALABAMA	6:30p	
30	at East Carolina	5:00p	
31	at East Carolina	1:00p	

**APRIL**

1	at East Carolina	9:30a	
3	TROY	6:30p	
6	at UCF	5:30p	
7	at UCF	3:00p	
8	at UCF	10:00a	
10	at Alabama	6:05p	
13	TULANE	6:30p	
14	TULANE	2:00p	
15	TULANE	1:00p	
17	SAMFORD	6:30p	
18	at Samford	6:30p	
20	GARDNER-WEBB	6:30p	
21	GARDNER-WEBB	2:00p	
22	GARDNER-WEBB	1:00p	
24	KENNESAW STATE	6:30p	
27	HOUSTON	6:30p	
28	HOUSTON	2:00p	
29	HOUSTON	1:00p	

**MAY**

4	at Memphis	6:30p	
5	at Memphis	2:00p	
6	at Memphis	1:00p	
9	JACKSONVILLE STATE	6:30p	
11	at Rice	6:30p	
12	at Rice	2:00p	
13	at Rice	1:00p	
17	SOUTHERN MISS	6:30p	
18	SOUTHERN MISS	6:30p	
19	SOUTHERN MISS	1:00p	

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**UCF KNIGHTS****(3-1, 0-0 C-USA)****Date Opponent Time/Result Record****FEBRUARY**

17	LONG ISLAND	W 13-7	1-0
18	LONG ISLAND	W 9-1	2-0
19	LONG ISLAND	W 9-1	3-0
22	at (1) Florida	L 0-8	3-1
24	BOSTON COLLEGE	6:30p	
25	BOSTON COLLEGE	4:00p	
26	BOSTON COLLEGE	1:00p	
28	SOUTH FLORIDA	6:30p	
29	BETHUNE-COOKMAN	6:00p	

**MARCH**

2	SIENA	6:30p	
3	SIENA	4:00p	
4	SIENA	1:00p	
6	FLORIDA STATE	6:30p	
7	FLORIDA STATE	6:30p	
9	MASSACHUSETTS	6:30p	
10	MASSACHUSETTS	4:00p	
11	MASSACHUSETTS	1:00p	
14	MIAMI (FLA.)	6:30p	
16	HARVARD	6:30p	
17	HARVARD	4:00p	
18	HARVARD	1:00p	
20	at South Florida	7:00p	
23	EAST CAROLINA	6:30p	
24	EAST CAROLINA	4:00p	
25	EAST CAROLINA	1:00p	
27	at Florida Atlantic	6:30p	
30	at Houston	7:30p	
31	at Houston	7:30p	

**APRIL**

1	at Houston	2:00p	
4	at Miami (Fla.)	6:00p	
6	at UAB	6:30p	
7	at UAB	4:00p	
8	at UAB	1:00p	
10	FLORIDA A&M	6:30p	
11	BETHUNE-COOKMAN	6:30p	
13	at Southern Miss	7:30p	
14	at Southern Miss	3:00p	
15	at Southern Miss	12:30p	
17	FLORIDA ATLANTIC	6:30p	
20	at Tulane	7:30p	
21	at Tulane	3:00p	
22	at Tulane	2:00p	
27	MEMPHIS	6:30p	
28	MEMPHIS	4:00p	
29	MEMPHIS	1:00p	

**MAY**

2	at Stetson	6:30p	
5	PRESBYTERIAN	6:30p	
6	PRESBYTERIAN	4:00p	
7	PRESBYTERIAN	Noon	
11	at Marshall (CH)	2:05p	
12	at Marshall (CH)	2:05p	
13	at Marshall (CH)	10:00a	
15	STETSON	6:30p	
17	RICE	6:30p	
18	RICE	6:30p	
19	RICE	1:00p	

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CH- Charleston, W. Va.