

HOUSTON COUGARS



WR CHANCE ALLEN

POSITION OUTLOOK FOR 2016

QUARTERBACKS - In '13 UH ret'd its starting QB but he was injured in the opener & true frosh John O'Korn took over. In week 3 true frosh Greg Ward debuted. The duo was used in every game after that & were very effective. O'Korn threw for 3,117 (58%, 28-10) while Ward threw for 310 (66%, 1-0, 176 rush, 10 rec). In '14 Ward moved to WR. O'Korn struggled & Ward st'd the L/8 (2010, 67%, 12-7, 573 rush). LY Ward barely beat out Utah transfer Adam Schulz. He threw a career high 4 td's vs TXST (QB schl rec 182 rush yds vs Tulsa). Ward was injured vs Memphis & JC Kyle Postma (had moved WR late Aug), led the comeback win (Herman called him unflappable). Postma struggled in UH's lone loss at UConn. Ward ret'd to throw for 308 vs Navy & led UH to an AAC title & a Peach Bowl win (2828, 67.2%, 17-6). He was the 1st QB in UH hist to rush for 1,000+ (1108, 5.6, UH rec 21 td)! Ward returns along w/Postma & Bear Fenimore (6'1 215 rF, PS#86). Ward is a Heisman candidate, but it will be tough to improve much on '15's numbers.

RUNNING BACKS - In '13 Ryan Jackson (PS#98, 10.3 100M) led with 661 (4.8, 296 rec) while Kenneth Farrow was #2 (514, 5.0, 113 rec). In '14 Farrow became their first 1,000 yd rusher s/'08 (Bryce Beall 1247) w/1,037 (5.6). Jackson was #2 (610, 5.4). LY all 3 ret'd. Herman called Farrow the best Off ply'r on the tm & he had a car high 167 vs UCF but was inj'd vs UConn (miss 2) & had just 3 carries in the bowl. He just missed B2B 1,000 yd ssns (958, 5.2). Jackson missed time w/a broken collarbone but was the #2 RB (407, 4.8). CB Brandon Wilson (RB out of HS) st'd vs Navy due to inj's and had 111 and 2 td's. The losses are heavy this year as just 1 RB has exp (just 18 att's). They figure to take a step back with the loss of 2x All-AAC Farrow but the top 3 RB's did have just 1,642 (4.8) rush in '15 and I expect big things from Texas transfer Duke Catalon (PS#20).

RECEIVERS - Last year they had to replace 4 of the top 6 including the top 2 (PS#6, PS#10 comb'd 1380, 13.2). The leading returner was DeMarcus Ayers (335, 10.2) who was known more as a KR. Injuries forced QB Postma into the mix & despite just 4 days removed as the #3QB, he had 4-82 in the opener, but then ret'd to QB after Schulz was injured. Ayers improved dramatically & led w/1,222 (12.5, 1st Tm AAC), while Oregon transfer Chance Allen was #2 (752, 13.4). Ayers left early for the NFL (#7DC PIT), but UH brings back its next 5. They also add in Okla St transfer Ra'shaad Samples (PS#34) and true frosh Courtney Lark (PS#40). This unit is more exp'd than '15.

OFFENSIVE LINE - UH ret'd 64 car sts in '14 & the more veteran line improved (184, 4.8, 34 sk) as 4 OL st'd all 13. LY they lost a 1st Tm AAC 4Y st'g RG, a 2x 3rd Tm AAC 3Y C & their LT. I said the unit could be just as good despite returning just 44 car sts. LG Ben Dew was OFY after 3 sts. True frosh Will Noble st'd

the L/8 at C (1st Tm Fr AA). UH rushed for 236 ypg (4.9, 28 sk), their highest s/'83! TY they must replace 2nd Tm AAC Alex Cooper (14/28), Carter Wall (12/12), Colton Freeman (11/11), RT Zach Johnson (3/14), LG Ben Dew (3/21) and RT Damien Parris (1/2). They lose 88 car sts and return just 26. After 3 gms, UH basically had 1 ret st'r in '15 and TY have 3 back who had 6 or more sts LY. They also add in JUCO OT Na'Ty Rogers (PS#29, IFS).

DEFENSIVE LINE - Last year Houston lost 5 of their top 6 DL tk'l's including a 1st Tm AAC DT. They ret'd just 1 starter and shifted to a 3-4 scheme. I said they would likely slip some and was surprised when they finished #8 in the FBS, all'g 109 rush ypg (3.2, 36 sk), their least s/'99! TY they only have to replace DE Tomme Mark (14 st, #10 tk'l'r) as they return 2nd Tm AAC DT BJ Singleton & get the addition of just their 2nd 5 star recruit ever in Ed Oliver (PS#5). They are more experienced and talented, now can they top '15's production?

LINEBACKERS - In '13 Houston's D improved by over 2 td's down to 21.8 ppg! In '14 UH ret'd their #1 & #2 tk'l's. My computer called for them to allow 21.6 ppg and they gave up 20.6. LY they lost a 2nd Tm AAC LB (t-#8 FBS w/137 tk'l) and '13 1st Tm MLB (F/6 st '14 then OFY). They ret'd 1.5 st's incl their #2 tk'l'r Steven Taylor. ILB Elandon Roberts, a transfer from Morgan St, thrived in the new 3-4 scheme & led the AAC w/142 tkls and 19 tfl! Taylor led the AAC w/10 sks. Roberts was ejected in the 1Q vs UConn (targeting) their only loss. UH finished nearly identical at 20.7 ppg. TY they must replace 1st Tm AAC Roberts (#6DC NE) and NB Lee Hightower (11 st, #6 tk'l'r). This group is on par with the solid '15 unit.

DEFENSIVE BACKS - In '14 the Cougars had to replace both starting CB's (comb 55 car st), but still improved to #17 (56%, 15-19) in my PDR. Last year 7 of the top 8 ret'd incl 1st Tm AAC SS Adrian McDonald and 2nd Tm AAC CB William Jackson. In the opener they all'd a Tenn Tech WR to gain 264 yds (most ever by an opp player) & dropped to #55 (55.6%, 20-21). TY the losses are huge as UH must replace 147 car sts. Gone are 2x All-AAC CB Jackson (schl rec 23 pbu, #1DC CIN), 2x All-AAC FS Trevon Stewart, 3x All-AAC SS McDonald & 3 bkps (comb 14 st's). They do get back Howard Wilson (3 st, 48 tk'l '14 MedRS '15) and 2 top notch JUCO's. This is my biggest question mark on the '16 team.

SPECIAL TEAMS - In '14 UH had to replace their 4Y P & had their worst finish under then HC Tony Levine at #107. LY everyone ret'd. K Kyle Bullard lost his job after 4 gms. KR Brandon Wilson had 2 KR td's (1st Tm AAC), Demarcus Ayers had a 73 yd PR td (1st Tm AAC) & UH had their best ever finish in my rankings at #20! TY they must replace PR Ayers, P Logan Piper & 3Y LS Nolan Frese so they figure to take a step back.

COACHES - Tom Herman (finalist Eddie Robinson COY) became just the 4th coach in NCAA history with at least 13 wins in his first season (Chris Petersen 2006, George Woodruff 1882, Walter Camp 1888). LY was the first time in 11 yrs that he did not view the games from the press box. Major Applewhite begins his 2nd season as the OC, after a dramatic jump to 10th in FBS ppg (40.4). He played QB at Texas and spent 7Y there ('08-'14, co-OC). He was also the OC at Alabama ('06) and Rice ('07). 2nd year DC Todd Orlando's defense led the FBS w/35 takeaways in '15. He's been a DC s/'05 spending '13-'14 at Utah St, 2Y at FIU and 6Y at UConn. Co-DC Craig Naivar was at Kentucky (ST) in '14, Texas St (DC) from '11-'13 and at Rice for 4 yrs. ST's cch Jason Washington returns for his 2nd ssn.

THIS DECADE 52-26 (66.7%) #21 - In 2011 Houston was coming off a 5-7 season and I pegged them as my #1 Most Improved Team. They had the largest improvement of any team in '11 going from 5-7 to 13-1. They were unbeaten and #7 when they hosted the CUSA Title game as a 2 td favorite but lost by

21 and dreams of a BCS bowl were gone. They beat Penn St in the TicketCity Bowl (13-1, #18). In '12 Tony Levine stepped into a tough situation and they slipped back to 5-7. In '13 Houston drew a +4.0 in my Stock Market Indicator and made my Most Improved List at #5. Houston spent 17 years as a member of CUSA and were now in their 8th conf (started football in '46) and they nearly won the AAC. The Cougars opened up 5-0 and were throwing into the EZ at #19 UCF and #19 L'ville in B2B weeks w/chances to win and/or tie. Their 3 AAC losses were by 5, 7 & 7 and they were 8-4 and lost their bowl. Times have changed in Houston as the previous HC's Art Briles and Kevin Sumlin raised the bar to the level in which B2B 8-5 seasons wasn't good enough for Tony Levine to hold on to his job. Last year Tom Herman took them to a Jan 1 bowl and a super 13-1 record to put them 52-26, 21st best this decade.

2015 ANALYSIS 13-1 - Tom Herman had just 11 returning starters (fewest s/'08) but they did return their QB and were +6 in all-conf pts returning. Also, despite being just 5-3 in conf play, in '14 Houston was +84.9 ypg (4th best). Houston caught L'ville in an Auburn/Clemson national TV sandwich and won on the road 34-31 (blk UL 53 yd FG :54 left). Herman became just the second coach here to win his first 3 games but easily surpassed that, winning his first 10. Houston beat 6 teams that finished with losing records (incl Tulsa who was in a bowl) by an avg of 33 ppg. They got 2 key division wins at home beating Cincy by 3 and then trailed Memphis 34-14 in the 4Q but bkp QB Postma guided a comeback 1 pt win. In a flat spot, traveling to the East coast with UConn off a bye and QB Ward not starting, they lost their only game of the season. They won a showdown with Navy for the West title then beat Temple in the AAC title game to grab the top Group of 5 spot and a NY's Six bowl game. They then upset Florida St (38-24) in the Peach Bowl and finished #8 in the AP Poll.

ALSO ON ROSTER:

QB Luke Klingler 6'3" 200 So	WR Christian Luce 6'2" 213 So	LB Nomliss Fruge 6'0" 225 Jr
QB Hunter McCoy 6'4" 220 Sr	WR Austin Dies 6'3" 190 Fr	LB Rashad Tynes 5'11" 220 Sr
QB Mason McClellan 5'10" 190 So	WR Ben Sinclair 5'8" 170 Fr	LB Roman Brown 6'0" 220 So
RB Blake Hirsch 6'0" 220 Fr	LS Jon Letter 6'3" 191 Fr	LB Khari Dotson 6'1" 210 So
TE Corey Mangos 6'5" 240 Sr	LB Roman Brown 6'0" 220 So	
	LB Khari Dotson 6'1" 210 So	

PHIL'S FORECAST

OFFENSE - The Cougars 232 pts in the first 5 gms was the most s/their record breaking 1989 offense. The Cougars have not been shut out in 199 gms (Sept '00). Houston was just 1 of 3 FBS teams with an avg of at least 235 yds both rush and pass (Baylor, Oregon). QB Greg Ward is one of 6 returning starters on offense and they could be just as potent in 2016.

DEFENSE - Houston has had a solid D allowing just 21.8, 20.6 & 20.7 ppg the L3Y including a shutout of an SEC team in '15. They held Florida St's RB Delvin Cook to 33 yds rushing. Houston is #1 in the FBS in forced TO's the L3Y w/108 (90, #2 tms). They lose 4 of their top 6 tk'l's but will be strong again.

2016 - Houston was one of 4 teams in the nation to play at least 4 ranked foes and go unbeaten against them (and won 3 by DD's!). Herman's hiring and a 13-1 season saw home attendance rise from 28,311 per game to 33,980. On the downside TY, they rate a -5.0 in my Stock Market Indicator (pg 32). They were +21 in my Turnovers=Turnaround (pg 30). Houston returns just 11 st's they drops from #87 in my experience rankings in '15 to #112 this year. Tom Herman will get the most out of this team and they could be favored in 11 of their 12 games despite opening with Oklahoma and facing 3 top AAC teams on the road (Cincinnati, Navy, Memphis). This team may be stronger than the one that finished #8 AP last year and if they upset Oklahoma in the opener they would turn themselves into a playoff contender.

OFFENSE

JERSEY #
IN RED

2016 PROJECTED STARTING LINEUP

JERSEY #
IN RED

DEFENSE

QB 1 GREG WARD SR. 5-11 185 PS#58. 12 st, 13 gm, 2010 (67%, 12-7), 756 rush (4.9) '14. 13 st, 2828 (67%, 17-6), 1108 rush (5.6). **2nd Tm AAC LY. 3** Kyle Postma (6'3" 205 Jr) 1 st, 9 gm, 453 (63%, 3-1), 194 rush (7.2) LY. **RB 31 DUKE CATALON SO.** 6-0 210 PS#20. RS '14. Trans Texas LY. Mulbah Car is PS#81. **32** Kevin Justice (5'11" 190 rF) PS#156. **28** Josh Burrell (5'10" 247 rF). **20** Kalik Kokuma (5'11" 210 So) PS#110. 3 gm, 92 (51.1) LY. **WR 14 ISAIAH JOHNSON SO.** 6-4 205 PS#238. 11 gm, 6 rec LY. **5** Ra'Shaad Samples (5'11" 190 Jr) PS#34. 6 gm, 3 rec '14. Trans Okla St LY. Terry Mark is PS#273. **85** John Leyday (6'0" 200 Jr) PS#281. 8 gm, 4 rec LY. **WR 21 CHANCE ALLEN SR.** 6-3 215 PS#151. 14 gm on Oregon. **14** st, 752 (13.4) here LY. Marquez Stevenson is PS#169. Keith Corbin is PS#140. **19** Derek Lemore (6'0" 197 Jr). **34** Colton Cerdery (6'0" 216 rF). RS LY. **WR 88 STEVEN DUNBAR JR.** 6-3 210 PS#201. 2 sts, 13 gms, 286 (14.3) true '14. 12 st, 382 (13.2) LY. **15** Linell Bonner (6'0" 202 Jr) 3 st, 12 gm, 317 (12.7) LY. Courtney Lark is PS#40. **39** Keisland Smalls (5'9" 185 So). **TE 45 TYLER McCLOSKEY SR.** 6-2 245 PS#256. 13 st, 157 (11.2) LY. **82** Romello Brookler (6'4" 240 So) PS#248. 6 gm LY. **87** Alex Leslie (6'5" 240 Jr) PS#83. 9 gm '14. Trans Iowa St LY. **89** Byron Simpson (6'5" 260 Jr). **C 69 WILL NOBLE SO.** 6-4 308 PS#410. L/8 st, Fr AA true LY. **70** Mac Lyon (6'4" 300 Sr) PS#131. 14 gm L3Y. **61** Ryan Deshotel (6'4" 272 rF) PS#141. **LS 48** Zach Fairies (6'2" 235 Sr). **57** Payton Pardoe (5'10" 190 Jr). **RG 76 KAMERON ELOPH SO.** 6-3 294 PS#168. 4 st (2LG, 2RG), 10 gm true LY. Alex Fontana (6'2" 310 Jr) late JUCO sinee. Keenan Murphy is PS#93. 3X 1st Tm All-Dist in HS. **58** Ryan Hirsch (6'2" 280 rF). Walk-on and RS LY. **LG 72 MASON DENLEY SO.** 6-4 305 PS#191. RS '14. 6 st, 8 gm LY. **79** Josh Thomas (6'6" 332 Jr) PS#111. RS '13. 13 gm '14. 1 st, 4 gm then OFY (ankle LY). Dixie Wooten is PS#189. 1st Tm All-Dist as HS Sr. **RT 51 Na'Ty Rodgers Jr.** 6-5 292 PS#29. Under Armour HS AA. RS South Carolina '13. JC 2Y IFS. **62** Jarrod Williams (6'6" 290 rF) PS#514. 2nd Tm All-Dist HS Sr. RS LY. Braylon Jones (6'3" 201). 2x All-Dist HS. **LT 75 MARCUS OLIVER JR.** 6-3 295 PS#220. 12 gm, '14. 7 st (6LT, 1RT), 11 gm LY. **74** Josh Johnson (6'5" 280 rF) PS#161. 3X All-District in HS. RS LY. **63** Marc Frey (6'7" 285 Jr). Walked on and DNP LY. From DL spg '16. **K 47 TY CUMMINGS SR.** 6-0 185 PS#5. 5 KO/1 TB as true '13. 13 gm, 75 KO/21 TB '14. 14 gm, 8-8 fg, L/45, 51-51 PAT, 100/30 TB LY. **41** Joel Scarbrough (5'10" 182 rF) Walked on and RS LY.

DE 91 Nick Thurman Jr. 6-4 290 PS#190. 5 gm, 7 tk'l '14. 1 st, 14 gm, 27 tk'l, 5 tfl LY. Ed Oliver (6'2" 290 Fr) PS#5. **17** Chauntez Jackson (6'5" 280 Sr) PS#31TE. 26 gm, 7 tk'l 3Y. **35** Zac Reid (6'0" 248 Jr). **36** Blaine Medland (6'0" 246 So). **DT 52 JERARD CARTER SO.** 6-3 297 PS#340. 13 gm, 13 tk'l LY. **93 BJ Singleton** (6'4" 314) PS#212 13 gm, 22 tk'l, 3 sk '13. 11 st, 22 tk'l, 3 st, 3 pbu '14. 14 st, 20 tk'l, 2 tfl, 3 pbu. **2nd Tm AAC LY.** Zorrell Ezell (6'1" 295 Sr) PS#138. **DE 94 CAMERON MALVEUX SR.** 6-6 270 PS#453. 12 gm, 12 tk'l '13. 1 st, 13 gm, 15 tk'l '14. 13 st, 33 tk'l, 2.5 sk, 6 tfl, 3 pbu LY. **30** Zach Vaughan (6'4" 270 So) PS#222. 11 gm LY. **27** DJ Jenkins (6'2" 260 Fr) PS#255. Nathan Hill (6'4" 245 So). **OLB 81 TYUS BOWSER SR.** 6-3 240 PS#120. 21 gm, 18 tk'l, 8 sk 2Y. 14 st, 50 tk'l, 5.5 sk, 3 pbu LY. **43** Leroy Godfrey (6'3" 240 rF) PS#171. **21** Ralph Hawner (6'2" 245 Sr) 6 gm LY. **86** Kobe Idumwonyi (6'2" 245 Sr) PS#142. **38** Nomliss Fruge (6'0" 225 Jr) PS#273. **ILB 9 Matthew Adams Jr.** 6-1 230 PS#169. 3 st, 13 gm, 40 tk'l, 4.5 tfl, true. 3 st, 13 gm, 49 tk'l, 2 sk LY. **8** Emeke Egbule (6'3" 240 So) PS#251. 14 gm, 11 tk'l true LY. **45** Jordan Milburn (6'1" 225 Fr) PS#247. Ja'Von Shelley (5'10" 230 So). **ILB 41 STEVEN TAYLOR SR.** 6-1 225 PS#285. 20 st, 165 tk'l, 19.5 tfl F2Y. 14 st, 92 tk'l, 10 sk, 8.5 tfl, 2 int, **2nd Tm AAC LY.** D'Juan Hines (6'1" 225 Jr) PS#81. 23 gm, 17 tk'l 2Y. **55** Davonte Thomas (6'1" 228 Sr) PS#228. 9 gm 3Y. **NB 26 BRANDON WILSON SR.** 5-11 205 PS#216. 7 st, 38 tk'l 2Y. 12 st, 58 tk'l, 8 pbu, 1 int, 188 rush (6.1) 49 rec (8.1) 611 KR (26.6). 1 st Tm AAC KR LY. OFS. **13** Joael Williams (5'10" 190 So) PS#305. 7 gm 2 tk'l LY. **34** Cameron Doudermier (5'11" 220 Jr). **CB 24 Jeremy Winchester SO.** 6-0 190 PS#302. 2 st, 13 gm, 17 tk'l 3 pbu LY. Patrick Roubette is PS#282. **33** Andrew Robertson (5'9" 175 So) Javian Smith is PS#348. **37** Carmen Mayfield (5'10" 204 So). **35** Andrew Mathis (6'0" 204 So). **CB 6 Howard Wilson Jr.** 6-1 185 3 st, 13 gm, 48 tk'l, 3 pbu, 3 int as true '14. 3 gm, 5 tk'l, Med RS LY. **17** DJ Dallas (6'0" 200 So) PS#115JC. Ka'Darian Smith is PS#431. **35** Alexander Myres (5'10" 184 Jr). **SS 1 Garrett Davis So.** 6-1 200 PS#321. 13 gm, 7 tk'l LY. **33** Terrell Williams (6'3" 210 Jr) PS#155JC. 5 tk'l, 4 pbu, 2 int, 1st Tm All-Conf JC LY. IFS. **10** Micheal Eke (6'2" 205 Fr) PS#575. 3X All-Dist, 103 tk'l, 7 pbu, 2 int, 6.5 sk HS Sr. RS LY. **FS 2 Khalil Williams Jr.** 6-0 200 PS#301. 7 gm, 9 tk'l true. 3 st, 18 tk'l, 4 pbu, 1 int LY. Collin Wilder is PS#100. 124 tk'l, 12 pbu, 3int, 2nd MVP. 2nd Tm All-TX as HS Sr LY. **28** Darius Gilbert (6'2" 195 Fr). 2X All-Dist and Area in HS. RS LY. **P 3 Kyle Postma Jr.** 6-3 205 #2QB in spring but will also serve as P. Listed as the #1 and only punter in the spring. Avg 41.3, L/57 in spring game '16. K Ty Cummings (PS#5) is the backup P, may add one.

HOUSTON COUGARS

Houston, Texas
Enrollment: 40,914 (#4/#23)

WEATHER ZIP: 77004

Phil's Homefield Edge - 4.0

2016 Schedule Difficulty - #87

DATE	OPPONENT	TURF	LINE	FINAL SCORE	W
Sep. 3	† Oklahoma (NRG Stadium)	A			
Sep. 10	Lamar	A			
Sep. 15	at Cincinnati (Thur)	A			
Sep. 24	at Texas St	A			
Sep. 29	Connecticut (Thur)	A			
Oct. 8	at Navy	A			
Oct. 15	Tulsa	A			
Oct. 22	at SMU	A			
Oct. 29	UCF	A			
Nov. 5					
Nov. 12	Tulane (HC)	A			
Nov. 17	Louisville (Thur)	A			
Nov. 25	at Memphis (Fri)	A			
Dec. 3					

CAREER PASSING LEADERS

1. Case Keenum 19,217 '07-'11
2. Kevin Kolb 12,964 '03-'06
3. David Klingler 9,430 '88-'91

CAREER RUSHING LEADERS

1. Ketric Sanford 3,636 '96-'99
2. Chuck Weatherspoon 3,247 '87-'90
3. Bryce Beall 3,098 '08-'11

CAREER RECEIVING LEADERS

1. Patrick Edwards 4,507 '08-'11
2. Vincent Marshall 3,770 '03-'06
3. Tyron Carrier 3,493 '08-'11

Cougars are 0-2, L/mtg was in '04 (UH just 3-8 that ssn while OU finished 12-1; lost in BCS Title gm). UH just ply'd here in '12 & '13 (2-0). NRG Stadium is 5 miles from the UH campus & 436 miles from OUs.

UH is 3-0 winning by 23 ppg but the L/mtg was in '83 (42-35). Cardinals went 5-6 LY incl a 66-31 loss at Baylor. LU is 0-6 (losses by 44 ppg) vs schools w/FBS status since its return in 2010 from a 21 yr absence.

Last time UH won B2B was 1965-74 (5 str). LTH UH never led. In the 2H the closest they got was 7 after a td w/5:27 left. After a punt UH drove 84/12pl but after a TO w/0:02, their pass from UC11 fell in the EZ.

LTH ('46, only prior trip) UH lost 21-7. In '12TXST stunned UH 30-13 in the ssn opener as UH was coming off a 13-1 yr (#18) while TXST was in their 1st full FBS ssn. From '05-'06 Herman was the Bobcats OC.

LY (first mtg) UH came in 10-0 (ranked #13) needing to win out for a NYD six bowl. UH trailed 13-3 into the 4Q but cut it to 3 w/9:36 left. UH was SOD at the UC48 & int'd at the UC29 (w/5:55) its L/3 drives.

First trip here. Prior to LY, only prior mtg was Garden State Bowl in '80. Herman spent 2012-'14 as Ohio St's OC helping win the Nat'l Title 2Y ago, his OSU offense that ssn put up 420 yds vs Navy (won 34-17).

LY there were 4 lead changes in the first 4 scores. Cougars only led 24-17 into the 4Q. UT fmb'd at the UH41 down 14 & 4pl later Houston put the gm away w/44 yd td run w/2:21 (UT gub'd w/1:20).

UH surprisingly trailed 9-7 at HT LTH (SMU came in 0-10). In the 2H UH scored 28 str, outgaining SMU 255-68. Into '16, Cougars are 8-4 on the AAC road w/ the avg win by 25 ppg & 4 losses by 5, 7, 7 & 3 pts.

Cougars are 2-5 LY UH struggled most of the 1H trailing 10-7 w/under 5 min before HT. They went ahead w/2:27 2Q after a 78/6pl td drive which sparked 52 unanswered. UCF's L/5 poss t'd 23/14pl.

Bonus: The Cougars are 6-19 in road openers but 3 of their 6 wins have come instate.

Louisville: LY's game featured 8 lead changes incl 5 in the 4Q. Down just 4, the Cougars went (cont'd)

LY UH went up 14-0:08 into the 2Q. TU cut it to 7 after a 75/12pl td drive on the next poss but UH answered w/4 69/7pl drive scoring the gm's final 28 pts. Into '16, UH is 10-3 in AAC HG's, avg loss by just 6 ppg.

(cont) 75/9pl for a 15 yd td pass w/3:09 left to lead 34-31.

UL 9 plays later lined up for a 53 yd fg but UH blk'd it w/49.

The Cougars have won 6 str by 16 ppg. LTH UH trailed 14-1 early 2Q, but after a 83/8pl td drive w/13:34 left led

28-21. Up 4, Houston forced 2 of their 5 takeaways on the Tigers last 2 poss (FR at the UH28 & int at UH40).

SIGNEES 4 VHT • 11HT • 5 IFS

DL Ed Oliver 6-2 290 PS#5
WR Courtney Lark 6-1 163 PS#40
QB D'Erin King 5-10 170 PS#31
DL NaTy Rodgers 6-5 292 PS#15JC IFS
DB Collin Wilder 5-11 175 PS#100
OL Keenan Murphy 6-2 295 PS#93
QB Bowman Sells 6-2 202 PS#72 IFS
RB Mulbah Car 5-11 194 PS#81
WR Keith Corbin 6-2 175 PS#140
WR Marquez Stevenson 6-0 175 PS#169
DB JJ Dallas 6-0 200 PS#115JC IFS
OL Dixie Wooten 6-5 322 PS#189
OL Braylon Jones 6-3 278 PS#210
DL Hasaun Glasgow 6-3 243 PS#220
DB Terrell Williams 6-3 210 PS#15JC IFS
DB Patrick Rosette 6-1 195 PS#282
DL Aymiel Fleming 6-2 284 PS#287
DB Ka'Darian Smith 6-0 172 PS#341
WR Terry Mark 6-1 190 PS#273 IFS
DB Javian Smith 6-1 165 PS#348

TDECU STADIUM - UBU Speed Series S5-M Synthetic Turf

Built: 2014 • 40,000 (#79) • LY's Capacity: 84.9% (#54)

	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	10Yr Total
STRAIGHT UP	10-4	8-5	8-5	10-4	5-7	13-1	5-7	8-5	8-5	13-1	88-44
Home	7-1	5-1	5-0	6-0	3-3	6-1	4-3	4-2	4-3	8-0	52-14
Away	3-2	3-3	2-4	4-3	2-4	6-0	0-4	4-2	3-2	4-1	30-25
Neutral	0-1	0-1	1-1	0-1	0-0	1-0	1-0	1-1	1-0	1-0	6-5
vs Conf	8-1	6-2	6-2	6-3	4-4	8-1	4-4	5-3	5-3	8-1	60-24
vs Non-Conf	2-3	2-3	2-3	4-1	1-3	5-0	1-3	3-2	3-2	5-0	28-20
ATS	8-5	4-8	5-7	9-5	3-9	11-3	5-7	10-3	7-5-1	9-5	71-57-1
Home Fav	5-1	1-4	2-1	5-0	1-3	6-1	3-2	3-2	2-5	3-4	31-23
Home Dog	1-0	0-0	1-0	0-0	0-2	0-0	0-2	1-0	0-0	1-0	4-4
Away Fav	1-2	2-1	0-4	1-4	1-2	4-2	0-2	2-0	2-0	3-1	16-18
Away Dog	1-1	1-2	1-1	2-0	1-2	0-0	1-1	3-0	2-0	1-0	13-7-1
Neutral	0-1	0-1	1-1	0-1	0-0	1-0	1-0	1-1	1-0	1-0	6-5
vs Conf	6-3	2-6	4-4	5-4	3-5	7-2	4-4	6-2	4-3-1	5-4	46-37-1
vs Non-Conf	2-2	2-2	1-3	4-1	0-4	4-1	1-3	4-1	3-2	4-1	25-20
Off SU Win	7-2	2-5	2-5	6-4	2-3	9-3	2-2	6-2	4-2-1	8-4	48-32-1
Off SU Loss	1-2	2-2	3-2	2-1	1-5	1-0	3-4	3-1	3-2	1-0	20-19



OFFENSE — LAST 7 YEARS — DEFENSE

RET	PTS	TOTAL	OFF	RUSH	OFF	PASS	PASS	AVG	YPP	SKS	TOTAL	TURN
5	40	484	236	4.9	248	66.0	6.2	12.0	28	+21	2015	
7	29.8	414	184	4.8	230	60.4	5.7	13.9	34	+8	2014	
8	33.2	420	139	4.2	281	57.7	5.7	12.7	29	+25	2013	
5	32.4	480	151	4.6	328	57.0	5.8	14.8	19	-4	2012	
6	49.3	599	149	5.0	450	70.2	7.6	12.2	19	+16	2011	
8	37.7	481	153	4.5	327	61.6	6.4	12.8	12	-6	2010	
8	42.2	563	130	4.5	434	70.3	6.9	13.3	18	+4	2009	

LAST 5 BOWLS ALL-TIME RECORD 11-12-1

YR	BOWL/TEAM RANK	LINE	OPPONENT	SCORE
09	Armed Forces	-4'	Air Force	20-47
11	TicketCity - #20	-7'	Penn St - #24	30-14
13	Compass	+2'	Vanderbilt	24-41
14	Armed Forces	+3'	Pittsburgh	35-34
15	Peach - #14	+7'	Florida St - #9	38-24

RET	PTS	TOTAL	DEF	RUSH	DEF	PASS	PASS	AVG	YPP	SKS	BY
6	20.7	384	109	3.2	275	55.6	5.5	18.5	36		
8	26.6	343	143	3.7	200	55.8	4.9	16.7	27		
5	21.8	416	149	3.6	267	60.4	5.2	19.1	31		
7	36.0	483	193	4.4	290	59.2	5.6	13.4	36		
6	22.4	380	172	4.2	209	55.0	5.1	17.0	31		
6	32.2	433	209	4.8	224	59.2	5.8	13.5	20		
4	30.1	451	227	5.1	225	62.6	6.0	15.0	24		

2015 STATISTICAL LEADERS

RUSHING	ATT	GAIN	LOST	NET	TO	AVG	PLAYER	TKL	SKS	TFL	PBU	INT		
Greg Ward	198	1301	193	1108	21	5.6	Elandon Roberts	142	6	13	5	1		
Kenneth Farrow	185	975	17	958	12	5.2	Steven Taylor	92	10	8.5	3	2		
Ryan Jackson	84	428	21	407	4	4.8	Adrian McDonald	92	1	2.5	2	4		
Javin Webb	70	283	6	277	4	4.0	Trevon Stewart	76	6	4.5	2	4		
Kyle Postma	27	205	11	194	1	7.2	Brandon Wilson	58	0	2	8	1		
Brandon Wilson	37	194	6	188	2	5.1	Lee Hightower	53	0	0	2	1		
Demarcus Ayers	25	162	15	147	1	5.9	Tyus Bowser	50	5.5	1	3	1		
PASSING	ATT	COM	PCT	YDS	INT	AVG	PLAYER	TKL	SKS	TFL	PBU	INT		
Greg Ward	345	232	67.2	2828	17	6	William Jackson	43	0	1.5	23	5		
Kyle Postma	68	43	63.2	453	3	6.7	Tomme Mark	36	0	3	0	0		
Adam Schulz	13	7	53.8	129	0	137.2	Cameron Malveaux	33	2.5	6	3	0		
RECEIVING	REC	YDS	AVG	TO	LONG	PLAYER	TKL	SKS	TFL	PBU	INT			
Demarcus Ayers	98	1222	12.5	6	67	BJ Singleton	20	1	1	3	0			
Chance Allen	56	752	13.4	6	52	Khalil Williams	18	0	1	4	1			
Steven Dunbar	31	382	12.3	3	65	Jeremy Winchester	17	0	0	3	0			
Linell Bonner	25	317	12.7	5	37	D'Juan Hines	13	0	0	1	0			
Tyler McCloskey	14	157	11.2	1	38	Jerard Carter	13	0	0	0	0			
Kyle Postma	6	145	24.2	1	49	Emeke Egbule	11	1	0	0	0			
Kenneth Farrow	10	119	11.9	0	28	Garrett Davis	7	0	0	1	0			
Ryan Jackson	12	111	9.2	0	27	Rasheed Tynes	7	0	0	0	0			
PUNTING	NO	YDS	AVG	FC	NET	BLK	TO	LONG	PLAYER	NO	YDS	AVG	TO	LONG
Logan Piper	64	2584	40.4	23	38.9	0	23	PUNT RETURNS	NO <td>YDS<td>AVG<td>TO<td>LONG</td></td></td></td>	YDS <td>AVG<td>TO<td>LONG</td></td></td>	AVG <td>TO<td>LONG</td></td>	TO <td>LONG</td>	LONG	
KICKING	XP <th>1-29</th> <th>30-49</th> <th>50+</th> <th>TLG</th> <th>LONG</th> <th>PLAYER</th> <td>NO</td> <td>YDS</td> <td>AVG</td> <td>TO</td> <td>LONG</td>	1-29	30-49	50+	TLG	LONG	PLAYER	NO	YDS	AVG	TO	LONG		
Ty Cummings	51-51	4-4	3-3	1-1	0-0	8-8	ADRIAN MCDONALD	28	290	10.4	1	73		
Kyle Bullard	24-24	4-5	0-0	1-4	0-0	5-9	ADRIAN MCDONALD	23	611	26.6	2	100		

2015 GAME-BY-GAME STATS

ATT	OPPONENT	SCORE	TTL	FD	RUSH	ATT	PASS	YDS	SKS	VS
30,479	Tennessee Tech	52-24	621	27	45-266	5.9	27-37	355	2	
50,019	at Louisville	34-41	462	25	57-226	4.0	18-25	236	2	
35,257	Texas St	59-14	689	29	54-366	6.8	18-34	323	1	
17,146	at Tulsa	38-24	638	28	55-364	6.6	23-39	274	2	
25,204	SMU	49-28	457	23	48-214	4.5	16-18	243	3	
21,522	at Tulane	42-47	461	24	47-239	5.1	17-25	222	2	
28,350	at UCF	59-10	600	30	48-366	7.6	20-28	234	2	
29,565	Vanderbilt	34-0	371	19	51-150	2.9	15-23	221	3	
32,889	Cincinnati	33-30	427	24	63-266	4.2	16-24	161	1	
42,159	Memphis	35-34	392	20	31-96	3.1	26-44	296	4	
26,879	at Connecticut	17-20	318	13	33-110	3.3	17-31	208	3	
40,562	Navy	52-31	555	27	44-218	5.0	27-36	337	1	
35,721	Temple	24-13	339	16	40-233	5.8	12-22	106	0	
71,007	† Florida St	38-24	448	27	53-187	3.5	28-46	261	2	
TOTALS		566-290	6778	332	669-3301	4.9	285-432	3477	28	
AVERAGES		40-21	484	24	48-236	4.9	66.0%	24.8	6.5	
ATTENDANCE	CONF	39-22	465	23	45-234	5.1	65.2%	23.1	6.7%	
33,980 (#63)	HOME	42-22	481	23	47-226	4.8	68.9%	25.5	6.6%	
35,821 (#79)	AWAY	38-19	488	25	49-249	5.1	62.7%	23.9	6.4%	

OFFENSE

	RUSH YDS	AVG	PASS C/AT	YDS	SKS VS	TTL DEFS	RUSH FD	ATT	YDS
0	45-266	5.9	27-37	355	2	341	10	33-29	
7	57-226	4.0	18-25	236	2	395	25	26-79	
5	54-366	6.8	20-24	323	1	401	21	32-90	
8	55-364	6.6	23-39	274	2	456	23	43-130	
3	48-214	4.5	16-18	243	3	399	21	39-155	
4	47-239	5.1	17-25	222	2	262	11	32-112	
0	48-366	7.6	20-28	324	2	280	14	30-97	
1	51-150	2.9	15-23	221	3	185	12	42-141	
4	63-266	4.2	16-24	161	1	589	24	18-66	
3	31-96	3.1	26-44	296	4	490	26	54-212	
3	33-110	3.3	17-31	208	3	315	13	43-156	
7	44-218	5.0	27-36	337	1	459	17	38-147	
6	40-233	5.8	12-22	106	0	385	19	27-90	
7	53-187	3.5	28-46	261	2	413	17	23-16	
2	669-330	4.9	285-432	3477	28	5370	253	480-152	
4	48-236	4.9	66.0%	248	6.5%	384	18	34-109	
3	45-234	5.1	65.2%	231	6.7%	404	19	36-130	
7	47-226	4.8	68.8%	255	6.6%	406	19	35-118	
5	49-249	5.1	62.7%	239	6.4%	354	17	33-97	