

**WEEK FOURTEEN**  
**SOUTH FLORIDA at UCF**

**UCF dominates South Florida 34-7**

ORLANDO, Fla. -- Dillon Gabriel threw for 270 yards and two touchdowns, Adrian Killins rushed for 115 yards and a touchdown, and UCF concluded its regular season with a 34-7 win over South Florida in the War on I-4 on Friday night.

The Knights (9-3, 6-2) were never seriously tested, as they built a 24-0 lead by halftime with a 35-yard touchdown run from Killins and a 32-yard scoring reception from Gabriel Davis. They erased any lingering doubt as to the outcome when they drove 82 yards for another touchdown immediately after USF finally got on the scoreboard in the third quarter.

"I was just running with a chip on my shoulder out there," said Killins, a senior. "This was my last game in the Bounce House, my last time playing with my brothers on my left and right. It was a great feeling going out there and competing."

UCF gained 495 yards to the Bulls' 181 through the first three quarters. The disparity narrowed to 539-250 after a fourth quarter in which the final margin was all that was left to be determined. The Bulls committed three turnovers, while the hosts committed none.

"I thought our defense was suffocating the entire night," Knights coach Josh Heupel said. "Our defensive line changed the line of scrimmage."

For USF (4-8, 2-6), Jordan McCloud completed 9 of 21 passes for 116 yards and two interceptions. Johnny Ford added 58 yards and a touchdown on 11 carries.

**THE TAKEAWAY**

UCF: The Knights' ascendancy as a program has coincided with a marked shift in results in the War on I-4 rivalry. While USF leads the overall series 6-5, UCF won for the fifth time in the seven meetings between the schools since the Knights became members of the American Athletic Conference.

USF: The Bulls seemed out of sorts at times, committing four false start penalties in the first quarter alone. USF concluded 2019 with five losses in its final six games, falling to 4-14 since starting the 2018 season 7-0. As a result, coach Charlie Strong's job may be in jeopardy.

Strong referred to the season as "very disappointing, very frustrating" after Friday's loss. Asked directly if he expected to return next season, Strong said he had "no idea."

"I know this," Strong said, "I know how to win."

**EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES**

Tempers flared between the Sunshine State rivals on a few different occasions, both before and during the game. The most noteworthy incident came with 50 seconds remaining in the second quarter, when Killins was taken to the turf a few seconds after USF's Antonio Grier had stopped his progress.

Killins grabbed the facemask of USF's Nick Roberts as he went down, and a scuffle ensued. Killins was penalized for his actions, and after an extended delay while officials discussed the incident, multiple players from both teams drew offsetting unsportsmanlike conduct flags.

"It's emotional, the rivalry, right?" Heupel said. "The focus from the fans, our kids can sense and feel that energy. They know this is talked about 365 days a year. They know there's a trophy that, this year, will be inside our building. And they know these guys on the other side of the line of scrimmage. They grew up playing against a lot of these guys. So, it's an emotional game. It has been chippy in the past, and it got chippy tonight too."

Final	1	2	3	4	T
USF	0	0	7	0	7
UCF	7	17	7	3	34

**Scoring Summary -----**

	USF	UCF
<b>FIRST QUARTER</b>		
UCF TD 12:27 Gabriel Davis 19 Yd pass from Dillon Gabriel (Dylan Barnas Kick)		7
12 plays, 65 yards, 2:33	0	7
<b>SECOND QUARTER</b>		
UCF TD 11:41 Adrian Killins Jr. 35 Yd Run (Dylan Barnas Kick)		14
8 plays, 70 yards, 1:50	0	14
UCF TD 5:32 Gabriel Davis 32 Yd pass from Dillon Gabriel (Dylan Barnas Kick)		21
11 plays, 87 yards, 2:59	0	21
UCF FG 0:03 Dylan Barnas 50 Yd Field Goal		24
9 plays, 27 yards, 2:02	0	24
<b>THIRD QUARTER</b>		
USF TD 7:23 Johnny Ford 1 Yd Run (Coby Weiss Kick)	7	
9 plays, 75 yards, 3:50	7	24
UCF TD 4:22 Darriel Mack Jr. 2 Yd Run (Dylan Barnas Kick)		31
8 plays, 82 yards, 3:01	7	31
<b>FOURTH QUARTER</b>		
UCF FG 14:26 Dylan Barnas 27 Yd Field Goal		34
10 plays, 65 yards, 3:45	7	34

Team Stats	USF	UCF
First Downs	15	28
Passes for First	4	10
Rushes for First	8	17
Penalties for First	3	1
Third Down Efficiency	4-14	10-18
Fourth Down Efficiency	2-4	1-2
Total Yards	250	539
Total Plays	63	82
Avg Gain Per Play	4.0	6.6
Net Yards Rushing	134	232
Rushes	41	42
Yards Per Rush	3.3	5.5
Net Yards Passing	116	307
Comp-Att	9-22	24-40
Yards Per Pass	5.3	7.7
Times Sacked	2	1
Yds Lost To Sacks	0	-4
Interceptions	2	0
Punts	6	2
Punt Average	46.7	52.5
Penalties	11	11
Penalty Yards	80	112
Fumbles	1	0
Fumbles Lost	1	0
Time of Poss	32:39	27:21

**Individual Stats**

**RUSHING**

USF	Rush	Yds	Avg	TD	LONG
Johnny Ford	11	58	5.3	1	39
Jordan McCloud	12	38	3.2	0	12
Kelley Joiner Jr.	13	23	1.8	0	7
Jah'Quez Evans	3	8	2.7	0	5
Eddie McDoom	1	5	5.0	0	5
Team	1	2	2.0	0	2
UCF	Rush	Yds	Avg	TD	LONG
Adrian Killins Jr.	14	115	8.2	1	35
Darriel Mack Jr.	8	36	4.5	1	11
Greg McCrae	5	30	6.0	0	12
Dillon Gabriel	10	29	2.9	0	14
Trillion Coles	1	9	9.0	0	9
Otis Anderson	1	7	7.0	0	7
Bentavious Thompson	3	6	2.0	0	3

**PASSING**

USF	Comp	Att	Yds	Y/A	TD	Int	QBRat
Jordan McCloud	9	21	116	5.5	0	2	36.6
Jah'Quez Evans	0	1	0	0.0	0	0	9.4
UCF	Comp	Att	Yds	Y/A	TD	Int	QBRat
Dillon Gabriel	23	39	270	6.9	2	0	54.9
Darriel Mack Jr.	1	1	37	37.0	0	0	92.3

**RECEIVING**

USF	Rec	Yds	Avg	TD	LONG
Kelley Joiner Jr.	2	30	15.0	0	31
Eddie McDoom	1	25	25.0	0	25
Terrence Horne	1	21	21.0	0	21
Mitchell Wilcox	2	16	8.0	0	10
Xavier Weaver	1	12	12.0	0	12
DeVontres Dukes	1	8	8.0	0	8
Bryce Miller	1	4	4.0	0	4
UCF	Rec	Yds	Avg	TD	LONG
Gabriel Davis	8	106	13.3	2	32
Tre Nixon	3	54	18.0	0	37
Jacob Harris	1	51	51.0	0	51
Otis Anderson	5	45	9.0	0	17
Marlon Williams	5	36	7.2	0	11
Greg McCrae	2	15	7.5	0	13