



# SOUTHERN MISS

## 2004 Football

www.SouthernMiss.com

### 2004 Schedule/Results

Nebraska (1-0)

- 9/4 ..... **Western Illinois** ..... **W/56-17**
- 9/11 ..... **Southern Miss** ..... **11 a.m.**
- 9/18 ..... at Pittsburgh. .... **11 a.m.**
- 10/2 ..... **Kansas** ..... **TBA**
- 10/9 ..... at Texas Tech ..... **TBA**
- 10/16 .... **Baylor** ..... **TBA**
- 10/23 .... at Kansas State ..... **TBA**
- 10/30 .... **Missouri** ..... **TBA**
- 11/6 ..... at Iowa State ..... **TBA**
- 11/13 .... at Oklahoma ..... **TBA**
- 11/20 .... **Colorado** ..... **11 a.m.**

Southern Miss (0-0)

- 9/11 ..... at Nebraska ..... **11 a.m.**
- 9/16 ..... **California** ..... **6:30 p.m.**
- 9/25 ..... at Tulane ..... **6 p.m.**
- 10/2 ..... at USF ..... **6 p.m.**
- 10/7 ..... **Houston** ..... **6 p.m.**
- 10/16 .... at Alabama ..... **2 p.m.**
- 10/23 .... **East Carolina** ..... **6 p.m.**
- 11/6 ..... **Cincinnati** ..... **2 p.m.**
- 11/12 .... at Memphis ..... **7 p.m.**
- 11/20 .... at TCU ..... **2 p.m.**
- 11/27 .... **UAB** ..... **2 p.m.**

### Internet Information

SouthernMiss.com

► Notes, releases, statistics and other pertinent information are available on Southern Miss' official Web site, **SouthernMiss.com**. Notes on the upcoming game will be updated by the end of Monday of game week. Nebraska's official athletics Web site is **www.Huskers.com**.



### Southern Miss at Nebraska

Sept. 11, 2004 - 11 a.m., CT (ABC)  
Memorial Stadium (73,918) ♦ Lincoln, Neb.

#### The Game

► (RV - USA Today/Coaches Poll/RV - AP Poll) The University of Nebraska (1-0) hosts (RV - USA Today/Coaches Poll/RV - AP Poll) The University of Southern Mississippi (2003 record - 9-4, 8-0 Conference USA) on Saturday, Sept. 11, at Memorial Stadium (73,918) at 11 a.m., CT. The game will be televised regionally by ABC Sports.

#### On the Air

##### TV

**ABC Sports** - (Gary Gerould - play-by-play, Ray Bentley - analysis, Vince Welch - sideline) will broadcast the game live.

##### Radio

**Southern Miss ISP Network** - (John Cox - play-by-play, Vic Purvis - analysis, Lance Pittman - sideline) will broadcast the game live.

**Nebraska Sports Network** - (Jim Rose - play-by-play, Adrian Fiala - analysis, Matt Davison - Sideline) will broadcast the game live.

**Internet broadcasts** of Golden Eagle games are available by accessing SouthernMiss.com and clicking on live radio broadcast of games on the athletics home page.

#### The Series

► This is the third meeting between the two schools. Nebraska leads the series, 2-0, including a 38-14 contest in Hattiesburg last season. This game marks Southern Miss' second trip to the state of Nebraska.

Nebraska won the first meeting (20-13) between the two schools on Sept. 18, 1999, in Lincoln, Neb. This is Cornhusker Head Coach Bill Callahan's first meeting against Southern Miss and Head Coach Jeff Bower.

Southern Miss is 2-11 against teams which hail from the Big XII Conference. Nebraska is 13-4 against schools who hail from Conference USA. The Cornhuskers have outscored the Golden Eagles, 58-27.

### Media Information

Media Relations Director/Football Contact .....	Mike Montoro
Office Phone/Cell .....	(601) 266-5947/297-1435
Email: .....	Michael.Montoro@usm.edu
Secondary Contact .....	Mike Martinez
Phone/Cell .....	(601) 266-6240/297-1412
Secondary Contact .....	Jared Florreich
Phone .....	(601) 266-5332
Mailing Address .....	118 College Dr., #5161, Hattiesburg, MS 39406
Phone .....	(601) 266-4503
Fax .....	(601) 266-4507

## Coaching Matchup

### Nebraska

*Coach Bill Callahan*

Record at Nebraska ..... 1-0 (1st)  
 Overall Record ..... Same  
 Callahan vs. USM ..... 0-0  
 Callahan vs. Bower ..... 0-0

### Southern Miss

*Coach Jeff Bower*

Record at USM ..... 89-62-1 (14th)  
 Overall Record ..... Same  
 Bower vs. Nebraska ..... 0-2  
 Bower vs. Callahan ..... 0-0

## Bill Callahan Year-by-Year

### High School (Assistant Coach)

1978 Oak Lawn (Oak Lawn, Ill.)  
 1979 De La Salle (Chicago, Ill.)

### College

1980 Illinois Associate Coach  
 1981 Illinois Associate Coach  
 1982 Illinois ST/TE  
 1983 Illinois ST/TE  
 1984 Illinois OL  
 1985 Illinois OL  
 1986 Illinois QB  
 1987 Northern Arizona OL  
 1988 Northern Arizona OL  
 1989 Southern Illinois OC  
 1990 Wisconsin OL  
 1991 Wisconsin OL  
 1992 Wisconsin OL  
 1993 Wisconsin OL

### National Football League

1995 Philadelphia Eagles OL  
 1996 Philadelphia Eagles OL  
 1997 Philadelphia Eagles OL  
 1998 Oakland Raiders OC/TE  
 1999 Oakland Raiders OC/OL  
 2000 Oakland Raiders OC/OL  
 2001 Oakland Raiders OC/OL

### Head Coach

**2002 Oakland Raiders 13-6**

2-1 in postseason, AFC Champions  
 Super Bowl XXXVII  
 NFL Rookie Coach of the Year  
 (Football Digest, 2002)  
 NFL Coach of the Year  
 (TD Club of Columbus)

**2003 Oakland Raiders 4-12**

### Head Coach

**2004 Nebraska 1-0**

Five coaches have taken a collegiate head coaching job after previously guiding their team to a NFL Super Bowl appearance. In addition to Callahan, Bobby Ross accepted the Army job after guiding San Diego to the Super Bowl in 1994.

Bill Callahan Oakland Nebraska  
 Super Bowl XXXVIII  
 Bobby Ross San Diego Army  
 Super Bowl XXIX  
 Bill Walsh San Francisco Stanford  
 Super Bowls XVI, XIX, XXII  
 Forrest Gregg Cincinnati SMU  
 Super Bowl XVI  
 George Allen Washington Long Beach St.  
 Super Bowl VII

## The Last Time

### No. 11/15 Nebraska 38, Southern Miss 14

► **HATTIESBURG, Miss. -- (9/25/03)** -- Nationally-ranked Nebraska took advantage of several Southern Miss turnovers to take a 38-14 win in front of a record 36,152, Thursday, at M.M. Roberts Stadium. The Huskers scored 21 of its 38 points on three Southern Miss turnovers in the contest.

The crowd was the largest ever to watch a Southern Miss game at Roberts Stadium, surpassing the previous high of 35,169 set against Jackson State last season.

Nebraska got on the board quickly just four minutes into the game, after Jammal Lord scored a 6-yard run to cap a 4-play, 29-yard drive. The scoring drive was the result of Southern Miss' first of five turnovers in the game. The Huskers then tallied points three minutes later when David Dyches connected on a 40-yard field with 8:33 left in the first quarter.

Another Southern Miss turnover on the ensuing drive resulted in a second touchdown for the Huskers, following David Horne's three-yard run with 7:20 to go in the first. The Golden Eagles held strong though to stop the scoring for the next quarter, while trimming the lead to 10 points with a late-half touchdown. Tim Blackwell scored on a one-yard run to cap off a 4-play, 22-yard drive. Prior to the possession, Marvin Young returned a Kyle Larson punt 37 yards to the Nebraska 22 to set up the drive.

But the Huskers would get back on the board in big fashion in the second half, scoring twice on Lord play-action touchdown passes of 44 and 43 yards, respectively. Then true freshman Damion Carter entered the game in Southern Miss' second-to-last drive of the game, leading the Golden Eagles to the end zone. Carter threw a three-yard slant pass to freshman receiver Caleb Hendrix to cap off a 17-play, 92-yard drive. On the possession, Carter was 10-of-13 passing.

Nebraska countered with a final touchdown on a quick, two-play drive after Robin Miller scampered 47 yards for a score in the closing minutes of the game. Miller had a game-high 47 yards rushing and scored one touchdown to lead Nebraska, while Josh Davis added 42 yards on 10 carries. Lord was 6-of-14 passing for 124 yards and two touchdowns.

Carter led Southern Miss with 143 yards and one touchdown on 14-of-17 passing in his Golden Eagle debut. Starter Dustin Almond was 4-of-24 passing for 68 yards and two interceptions. Blackwell had a team-high 44 yards on 10 carries.

Kenneth Johnson led the Golden Eagles with four receptions for 41 yards, while Pedi Causey followed with three catches for 49 yards. Antoine Cash, Michael Boley and Rod Davis had eight tackles apiece for Southern Miss, while Demorrio Williams paced Nebraska with a game-high 10 total stops.

### Scoring Summary

	1	2	3	4	Final	UN	USM
Nebraska	17	0	14	7	38		
Southern Miss	0	7	0	7	14		
<b>1st</b>							
UN - Lord 6 run (Dyches kick), 11:40							
UN - Dyches 40 field goal							
UN - Horne 3 run (Dyches kick), 7:20							
<b>2nd</b>							
USM - Blackwell 1 run (McCaleb kick), 1:57							
<b>3rd</b>							
UN - Pilkington 44 pass from Lord (Dyches kick), 9:51							
UN - Fluellen 43 pass from Lord (Dyches kick), 7:59							
<b>4th</b>							
USM - Hendrix 6 pass from Carter (McCaleb kick), 2:43							
UN - Miller 47 run (Dyches kick), 1:48							
<b>Receiving</b>							
UN - Pilkington 3-56, 1 TD; Fluellen 1-43, 1 TD; Herian 1-20; Horne 1-5							
USM - Johnson 4-41; Causey 3-49; Lawrence 3-38; Hendrix 3-28, 1 TD; Courington 2-34; Moore 1-11; Blackwell 1-7; Browden 1-3							
<b>First Downs</b>						11	19
<b>Rushing Att.-Yds.</b>						45-141	36-108
<b>Passes Att-Comp-Int</b>						15-6-1	42-18-2
<b>Offensive Plays</b>						60	78
<b>Total Offense</b>						265	319
<b>Return yards</b>						141	177
<b>Punts-Avg.</b>						7-47.6	7-41.7
<b>Fumbles-Lost</b>						2-0	3-3
<b>Penalties-Yards</b>						9-50	9-66
<b>Third-Down Conversions</b>						4 of 15	6 of 17
<b>Possession Time</b>						28:49	31:11
<b>Rushing</b>							
UN - Miller 2-47, 1 TD; Davis 10-42; Horne 6-31, 1 TD; Ross 6-25; Lord 18-6, 1 TD; Kriewald 1-2; Dailey 1 (-3); Team 1(-9).							
USM - Blackwell 10-44, 1TD; Walley 7-27; Almond 12-23; Carter 2-7; Moore 3-6; Young 1-1; Team 1-0							
<b>Passing</b>							
UN - Lord 6-14-0, 124 yards, 2 TDs; Dailey 1-0-1, 0 yards							
USM - Almond 4-24-2; 68 yards, 0 TDs							
Carter 14-17-0, 143 yards, 1 TD							
<b>Tackles (U-A-TT)</b>							
UN - Williams 7-3-10; Ruud 1-6-7; Sievers 4-2-6; Hollowell 3-2-5							
USM - Boley 7-3-10; Davis 6-3-9; Cash 6-2-8							

**No. 4 Nebraska 20, Southern Miss 13**

► **LINCOLN, Neb. -- (9/18/99)** - It's a game that Golden Eagle football fans will remember for a long time as the one that got away.

On an absolutely perfect day for football, the Southern Miss defense dominated then fourth-ranked Nebraska's powerful offensive attack, only to fall short, 20-13, in front of a record crowd at Nebraska's Memorial Stadium.

The Golden Eagles kept the red-clad crowd of 77,286 Nebraska fans relatively quiet with a tenacious defense that held the Huskers to just 185 yards of offense, their lowest total since a 21-7 victory over Oklahoma in 1993.

Jeff Kelly threw a pair of touchdown passes -- one in the first quarter to Todd Pinkston and another in the third quarter to Sherrod Gideon - - as the Golden Eagles held a 13-12 lead midway through the third quarter.

It was at that point that Nebraska's Keyuo Craver deflected a Kelly pass that went sailing into the air and was brought down by NU linebacker Julius Jackson, who returned the interception 28 yards for a Husker touchdown. It was Jackson's second touchdown of the day.

Pinkston finished the day with 163 yards on 11 receptions in the contest to earn player of the week honors for Southern Miss. On defense, both Adalius Thomas and T.J. Slaughter earned the award. Thomas finished with seven tackles and a sack, while Slaughter had 15 tackles, including two for losses.

- Individual Rushing Yards:** 70 by Derrick Nix, 1999
- Team Rushing Yards:** 108 in 2003
- Individual Rushing Attempts:** 29 by Derrick Nix, 1999
- Team Rushing Attempts:** 36 in 2003
- Individual Pass Attempts:** 45 by Jeff Kelly, 1999
- Individual Passing Yards:** 268 by Jeff Kelly, 1999
- Team Passing Yards:** 268 in 1999
- Individual Passing Completions:** 23 by Jeff Kelly, 1999
- Team Pass Completions:** 23 in 1999
- Individual Receptions:** 11 by Todd Pinkston, 1999
- Individual Receiving Yards:** 163 by Todd Pinkston, 1999
- Individual Total Offense:** 268 by Jeff Kelly, 1999
- Team Total Offense:** 319 in 2003

Three Times Perfection

Southern Miss posted a perfect 8-0 record in Conference USA last season, marking the third time the Golden Eagles had accomplished the feat since the beginning of the league in 1996. Tulane was the only other school in the league to post an undefeated conference season when they ran the table in 1998. In 2003, only four other schools finished with a perfect mark in conference play, Oklahoma (Big 12), Boise State (WAC), Miami, Ohio (MAC) and North Texas (Sunbelt).

Nine-Win Season In 2003

Southern Miss posted a 9-4 record in 2003. That record marked the first nine-win season since 1999, second one for Bower and 12th nine-win season in the school's history (1941, 1952, 1953, 1955, 1958, 1962, 1980, 1981, 1988, 1997, 1999, 2003) with half of them coming since 1980. The school record for wins in a season is 10 accomplished by the 1988 team and the 1952 team.

Shutouts

► The 3-0 victory against UAB in 2001 marked the last shutout for the Golden Eagle defense and first since the 21-0 victory at Alabama during the 2000 season. Since Bower arrived in December 1990, Southern Miss has pitched seven shutouts, one every season starting with 1995, except the 2002 and 2003 seasons.

Scoring Summary						USM	NEB
	<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>Final</b>		
Southern Miss	7	0	6	0	13		
Nebraska	6	6	8	0	20		
<b>1st</b>							
NU - Jackson 16 fumble recovery (Brown kick failed), 7:50							
USM - Pinkston 8 pass from Kelly (Hanna kick), 0:52							
<b>2nd</b>							
NU - Miller 8 run (Miller run failed), 9:45							
<b>3rd</b>							
USM - Gideon 5 pass from Kelly (Kelly pass failed), 12:54							
NU - Jackson 28 interception return (Alexander rush), 8:26							
<b>Rushing</b>							
USM - Nix 29-70; Kelly 5-(minus-45).							
NEB - Alexander 16-54; Miller 8-38 and 1TD; Crouch 16-26; Buckhalter 1-1.							
<b>First Downs</b>							
USM - 15							
NEB - 8							
<b>Offensive plays</b>							
USM - 79							
NEB - 51							
<b>Yards Per Play</b>							
USM - 3.7							
NEB - 3.6							
<b>Rushing Att./Yds.</b>							
USM - 34/25							
NEB - 41/119							
<b>Passing Att./Comp./Int.</b>							
USM - 45/23/4							
NEB - 10/6/2							
<b>Passing Yards</b>							
USM - 268							
NEB - 66							
<b>Total Offense</b>							
USM - 293							
NEB - 185							
<b>Return Yards</b>							
USM - 86							
NEB - 168							
<b>Fumbles/Lost</b>							
USM - 2/2							
NEB - 5/3							
<b>Penalties/Yards</b>							
USM - 5/24							
NEB - 9/62							
<b>Punts/Avg.</b>							
USM - 8/44.0							
NEB - 8/49.8							
<b>Third Down Conversions</b>							
USM - 7/18							
NEB - 3/12							
<b>Time of Possession</b>							
USM - 32:19							
NEB - 27:41							
<b>Passing</b>							
USM - Kelly 45-23-4 for 268 yds, 2TDs.							
NEB - Crouch 10-6-2 for 66 yds.							
<b>Receiving</b>							
USM - Pinkston 11-163, 1TD; Gideon 8-81, 1TD; Guley 3-16; Fowler 1-8.							
NEB - Davison 2-19; Gibson 2-19; Alexander 1-27; Miller 1-1.							
<b>Tackles (U-A-TT)</b>							
USM - Slaughter 10-5-15; Williams 5-10-15; Trahan 6-8-14; Barnes 3-10-13.							
NEB - Brown 8-4-12; Vanden 4-5-9; Wills 5-3-8.							

## Longevity and Stability

In a profession where coaches are constantly jumping ship, looking for that next job, Southern Miss has been blessed to have Jeff Bower for 13 seasons. Now in his 14th season, Bower is second to only Thad "Pie" Vann (20 years) in USM coaching longevity. He is in seventh on the current list of NCAA Division I head coaches, who have the longest tenure at the same institution.

Coach	School	Years
Joe Paterno	Penn St.	39
Bobby Bowden	Florida State	29
Fisher DeBerry	Air Force	21
Frank Beamer	Virginia Tech	19
Bill Snyder	Kansas St.	16
Barry Alvarez	Wisconsin	15
<b>Jeff Bower</b>	<b>Southern Miss</b>	<b>14</b>

## Bower by the Numbers

Home Games	49-11 (.817)
Road Games	40-51-1 (.440)
Bowl Games	3-4 (.429)
vs. C-USA	42-11 (.792)
vs. Non-Conference	
(Since 1996)	21-22 (.488)
August	4-2 (.667)
September	27-19 (.587)
October	31-18 (.633)
November	24-18-1 (.570)
December	3-5 (.375)

## Conference USA Records

School	C-USA	Overall
<b>Southern Miss.</b>	<b>42-11</b>	<b>63-33</b>
Louisville	32-21	56-41
East Carolina	26-22	39-43
Tulane	24-29	46-47
Cincinnati	23-30	44-50
Memphis	21-32	36-55
UAB	20-16	28-29
Houston	20-33	35-57
TCU	17-6	27-10
Army	7-35	11-58
USF	5-3	7-4

### Winning X 10

► With the win over Tulane in 2003, the Golden Eagles secured their 10th-straight winning season. Only nine other programs that have been NCAA I-A over that time have achieved this feat, Colorado State, Florida, Florida State, Miami-Ohio, Michigan, Oregon, Tennessee, Toledo and Virginia Tech.

## Nebraska's Last Game

### Nebraska 56, Western Illinois 17

► **LINCOLN, Neb. (AP)** --All the flash that was expected from Nebraska's new West Coast offense was on display early Saturday night.

The Cornhuskers looked very much like their old plodding selves in the second half against Western Illinois, attempting only seven passes in the final 30 minutes of a 56-17 victory. The Huskers scored three touchdowns in five minutes in the second quarter and were never threatened by their Division I-AA opponent.

Joe Dailey threw for four touchdowns and ran for two others, and Cory Ross and Tierre Green each rushed for more than 100 yards to highlight Bill Callahan's first game as head coach. He completed 15 of 30 passes for 218 yards, but four interceptions blemished his first career start.

All of Dailey's TD passes and his first scoring run came in the opening 20 minutes as Nebraska broke out to a 35-0 lead that stretched to 42-3 at halftime. His six total-offense touchdowns tied the school record. Ross ran 13 times for 125 yards, and Green had seven carries for 112 yards and two touchdowns. The Huskers finished with 363 yards rushing.

But the Huskers got sloppy after their fast start, committing six turnovers and the equivalent of two others when they failed to field two pooch kickoffs. They also gave up a 98-yard kickoff return for a touchdown by James Norris after Norris had run another one back 75 yards.

Matt Herian tied a school record for receptions by a tight end with seven catches for 98 yards and two touchdowns. Six other receivers caught balls for Nebraska. Nebraska's defense had seven sacks and held the Leathernecks to 220 yards. WIU netted minus-3 yards on 35 rushing attempts.

Starter Adam Smith was 10-of-15 for 111 yards and a touchdown, and Steve LaFalce was 10-of-26 for 112 yards, with four interceptions. Travis Glasford, a 1,000-yard rusher last season, was limited to 25 yards on 14 carries.

Dailey scored on a 6-yard run less than two minutes into the game, then flipped a 5-yard touchdown pass to Herian. Western Illinois' best chance to make a game of it came when Norris ran back the ensuing kickoff 75 yards to the Nebraska 8. But Smith fumbled the snap on first down and the Huskers' Jay Moore recovered.

The Huskers were ahead 21-0 after the first play of the second quarter, with Willie Amos catching a 36-yard pass for his first career reception. Dailey's other TD passes went 22 and 18 yards, respectively, to Herian and Amos.

The Huskers were woeful on special teams. Kade Pittman muffed two punts and the Leathernecks recovered two short kickoffs that the Huskers failed to field.

Nebraska won its nation-leading 19th straight opener.

### Scoring Summary

	1	2	3	4	Final
Western Illinois	0	3	14	0	17
Nebraska	14	28	7	7	56

#### 1st

NU - Dailey 6 run, Deangelis Kick, 13:07  
 NU - Herian 5 pass from Dailey, Deangelis Kick, 5:47

#### 2nd

NU - Amos 36 pass from Dailey, Deangelis Kick, 14:54  
 NU - Herian 22 pass from Dailey, Deangelis Kick, 12:34  
 NU - Amos 18 pass from Dailey, Deangelis Kick, 10:03  
 NU - Green 28 pass from Dailey, Deangelis kick, 4:45  
 WILL - Langan 24 field goal, :58

#### 3rd

NU - Dailey 10 run, Deangelis kick, Deangelis Kick, 11:54  
 WILL - Norris 98 kickoff return, Langan Kick, 11:42  
 WILL - Moore 6 pass from Smith, Langan Kick, :10

#### 4th

NU - Green 34 run, Deangelis kick, 5:22

#### Rushing

WILL - Glasford 14-25; Yellin 4-7; Norris 1-3  
 NU - Ross 13-125; Green 7-112, 2 TDs;  
 Jackson 13-79; Dailey 4-28, 2 TDs

	WIU	NU
First downs	12	30
Rushes-yards	35-(-3)	39-365
Passing	223	218
Comp-Att-Int	20-42-4	16-31-4
Plays-Offense	77-220	70-581
Return Yards	238	193
Punts-Avg.	9-35.7	5-48.0
Fumbles-Lost	1-1	3-2
Penalties-Yards	7-41	6-55
Time of Possession	35:53	24:07

#### Passing

WILL - LaFalce 10-26-4, 112 yards, 0 TDs;  
 Smith 10-15-0, 111 yards, 1 TD  
 NU - Dailey 15-30-4; 218 yards, 4 TDs

#### Receiving

WILL - Glasford 8-76; Gray 4-85; Yellin 2-7;  
 Langan 1-18; Thomas 1-13; High 1-6;  
 Lawson 1-6; Moore 1-6, 1 TD; Blackwell 1-6  
 NU - Herian 7-98, 2 TDs; Amos 2-54, 2 TDs;  
 Ross 2-32; Mulkey 2-13; Nunn 1-11;  
 Pilkington 1-10; Todd 1-0

#### Tackles (UT-AT-TT)

WILL - NcNutt 8-7-15; Hayden 3-4-7; Cherry 3-4-7; Green 2-5-7; Woods 5-1-6  
 NU - Cooper 4-8-12; Ruud 2-6-8; Huston 2-3-5; Adams 4-0-4; Thomas 3-1-4

Southern Miss Head Coach Jeff Bower

► It could be argued that Southern Miss Head Coach Jeff Bower has possibly been the most influential figure in the success of the Golden Eagle football program. And when it comes down to it, few would argue that statement.

Now beginning his 14th season as head coach and into his second quarter century with the Southern Miss program, Bower has been associated with the Golden Eagles' program for almost one-third of its entire 88-year-long football history.

First as a record setting quarterback, then as a successful assistant coach, and for the past 13 seasons as head coach, Bower has played a role second to none in the school's athletic history, and it has been appropriate that Bower has been at the helm of the program at his alma mater when it was a founding member of Conference USA, and now during a time when it is enjoying unprecedented success.

In fact, his success in C-USA has set standards other coaches in the league seek to emulate.

Bower led the Golden Eagles to an unprecedented fourth Conference USA championship in 2003, when Southern Miss finished the season with a 9-4 record, winning the final six games of the regular season in the process. The Golden Eagles tallied an 8-0 league record, posting their unprecedented third undefeated conference mark. The successes of 2003 did not end there.

For his efforts, Bower was selected as the Conference USA Coach of the Year for an unprecedented third time, adding to his previous coach of the year honors from 1999 and 1997. His 2003 Southern Miss squad featured a league-best 15 All-Conference USA selections, including Defensive Player of the Year and three-time All-American Rod Davis. Among the 15 selections, eight players were named to the all-league first team. Three first-year players also were honored as members of the all-freshman team. Three members of that group earned All-American status, Boley, Davis and Pruitt, who played key roles in helping the '03 team enjoy one of the more successful seasons in Golden Eagle history.

The Golden Eagles' 9-4 record gave them their 10th-straight winning season, making them one of only 10 schools in the nation to claim 10-straight winning seasons. The winning-season streak is the longest under a Southern Miss football coach since Thad "Pie" Vann led teams to a school-record 17-straight winning seasons. The Golden Eagles also returned to the postseason for the sixth time in seven seasons when they secured a berth in the 2003 Liberty Bowl.

The 2003 defense finished the regular season ranked No. 5 nationally in pass defense, 14th in scoring defense, 13th in pass efficiency defense and 23rd in total defense, and gave up just 20 touchdowns during the 12-game schedule. Offensively, the team didn't post great national rankings, but did whatever necessary to win games. Individually, John Eubanks finished No. 4 in kickoff returns and Marvin Young 10th in punt returns. That offense again amassed more than 4,200 yards, including 1,877 passing yards by Dustin Almond, 703 receiving yards by Young and 671 rushing yards by Anthony Harris. The Golden Eagle offense outscored the combined opposition, 293-216.

Under Bower, the Golden Eagles have posted an impressive 89-62-1 record, making him the second winningest coach in school history. In the C-USA era his teams have posted a 42-11 league record, ranking among the top 10 list for conference victories over the same period. He is the dean of conference coaches. His 152 games coached also make him only the second USM coach ever to coach more than 100 games, Thad "Pie" Vann (200 games) being the other.

Bower also has compiled that enviable record, while playing only 60 of those 152 games at home. His teams have posted a 49-11 record in those 60 games, including a 33-6 mark the last eight seasons. Overall in the last eight seasons, his teams have won 63 games, while losing just 33.

## Bower Year-by-Year

High School		
Year	School	Record
1968-69	Roswell High	
	State champs in football	
1969-70	Roswell High	
	State champs in baseball	
1970-71	Roswell High	
	State champs in football	
	State champs in baseball	
	State champs in basketball	
	Georgia Class AAA Back of the Year	
	Georgia All-Star	

College		
Year	School	Record
1971	Georgia	11-1
1972	Southern Miss	3-7-1
	Player/Redshirt	
1973	Southern Miss	6-4-1
	AP All-South (HM)	
1974	Southern Miss	6-5
1975	Southern Miss	8-3
	Team Captain/MVP	

Assistant Coach		
Year	School	Record
1976	Southern Miss	3-8
1977	Southern Miss	6-6
1978	Southern Miss	7-4
1979	Southern Miss	6-4-1
1980	Southern Miss	9-3
	Independence Bowl Champs	
1981	Southern Miss	9-2-1
	Tangerine Bowl	
1982	SMU	11-0-1
	Cotton Bowl Champs	
1983	SMU	10-2
	Sun Bowl	
1984	SMU	10-2
	Aloha Bowl Champs	
1985	SMU	6-5
1986	SMU	6-5
1987	Wake Forest	7-4
1988	Southern Miss	10-2
	Independence Bowl Champs	
1989	Southern Miss	5-6
1990	Oklahoma State	4-7

Head Coach		
Year	School	Record
1990	Southern Miss	0-1
	All-American Bowl	
1991	Southern Miss	4-7
1992	Southern Miss	7-4
1993	Southern Miss	3-7-1
1994	Southern Miss	6-5
1995	Southern Miss	6-5
1996	Southern Miss	8-3
	C-USA Co-Champs	
1997	Southern Miss	9-3
	C-USA Champs	
	Liberty Bowl Champs	
	C-USA Coach of the Year	
1998	Southern Miss	7-5
	Humanitarian Bowl	
1999	Southern Miss	9-3
	C-USA Champs	
	Liberty Bowl Champs	
	C-USA Coach of the Year	
2000	Southern Miss	8-4
	GMAC Bowl Champs	
2001	Southern Miss	6-5
2002	Southern Miss	7-6
	Houston Bowl	
2003	Southern Miss	9-4
	C-USA Champs	
	C-USA Coach of the Year	
	Liberty Bowl	
2004	Southern Miss	0-0

Record at Southern Miss: 89-62-1  
Overall Record as a Head Coach: 89-62-1

## Preseason All-Conference USA

This is a quick rundown of how Conference USA's head football coaches saw this year's race shaping up as well as the preseason all-conference selections.

### Predicted Order of Finish

1. Louisville (2) .....	106
2. Memphis (3) .....	101
<b>3. Southern Miss (2) .....</b>	<b>100</b>
4. TCU (4) .....	99
5. Houston .....	70
6. UAB .....	61
7. USF .....	56
8. Cincinnati .....	45
9. Tulane .....	39
10. East Carolina .....	37
11. Army .....	12

### First Team Offense

QB, Stan LeFors, Louisville  
 RB, Robert Merrill, TCU  
 RB, DeAngelo Williams, Memphis  
 OL, Anthony Alabi, TCU  
 OL, Chase Johnson, TCU  
 OL, Travis Leffew, Louisville  
**OL, Jeremy Parquet, Southern Miss**  
 OL, Kyle Takavitz, Cincinnati  
 WR, Maurice Avery, Memphis  
 WR, J.R. Russell, Louisville  
 WR, Roydell Williams, Tulane  
 TE, Stephen Cucci, Houston

### First Team Defense

DL, Joe Clay, Houston  
 DL, Trent Cole, Cincinnati  
 DL, Andre Frazier, Cincinnati  
 DL, Marcus Jones, USF  
**LB, Michael Boley, Southern Miss**  
 LB, Chris Moore, East Carolina  
 LB, Zac Woodfin, UAB  
 DB, Tra Boger, Tulane  
 DB, Marvin Godbolt, TCU  
 DB, Daven Holly, Cincinnati  
 DB, Wesley Smith, Memphis  
 DB, Mark Walker, TCU

### First Team Special Teams

K, Nick Hayes, UAB  
 P, Ryan Dougherty, East Carolina  
**KR, John Eubanks, Southern Miss**  
**PR, Marvin Young, Southern Miss**

### Offensive Player of the Year

RB, DeAngelo Williams, Memphis

### Defensive Player of the Year

**LB, Michael Boley, Southern Miss**

### Special Teams Player of the Year

**KR, John Eubanks, Southern Miss**

## How Good is That?

▶ Golden Eagle head coach Jeff Bower continues to post impressive numbers at his alma mater. The 2000 Eagles became the first Southern Miss team that has ever been to four-straight bowl games and finished with a four-year record of 33-15, tying the 1999 senior class for the most victories under Bower.

The school record for a four-year period is 34 wins from 1952 through 1955. The current group of Eagles has collected 22 wins over the last three years. Bower's teams also have been impressive at home. Since the advent of Conference USA, his Eagles have posted a 33-6 home record, including 21-5 at home in C-USA games. His teams are 49-11 (.817) at home during his 14-year tenure, and he has posted an impressive 89-62-1 overall record, while playing only 32.9 percent of his games at home.

## Three Times A Charm

▶ Southern Miss Head Coach Jeff Bower has been voted C-USA Coach of the Year an unprecedented three times, 1997, 1999 and 2003. All three years that Bower was honored, the Golden Eagles went undefeated in Conference USA and played in the Liberty Bowl, winning two of them.

## Bower in Elite Southern Miss Company

▶ Southern Miss' game against Nebraska will be Jeff Bower's 153rd game as head coach of the Golden Eagles. Only Thad "Pie" Vann has coached in at least 100 games for USM. In Bower's 152 games as a head coach, 33 of them have been against ranked teams and only six of those games have been at home.

Ten of those 33 opponents have been in the top 10, and seven have been in the top five. In his 152 games, he is 89-62-1; only 60 of those have been at home, where he sports a 49-11 record and he is 40-51-1 on the road.

## Jeff Bower's Senior Classes

Senior Class	Overall Record	Pct.	Final AP Ranking	Weeks in Poll	Bowl Record
1991 .....	4-7 .....	.364 .....	NR .....	0 .....	0-0
1992 .....	11-11 .....	.500 .....	NR .....	0 .....	0-0
1993 .....	14-18-1 .....	.439 .....	NR .....	0 .....	0-0
1994 .....	20-23-1 .....	.466 .....	NR .....	0 .....	0-0
1995 .....	22-21-1 .....	.511 .....	NR .....	0 .....	0-0
1996 .....	23-20-1 .....	.534 .....	NR .....	4 .....	0-0
1997 .....	29-16 .....	.644 .....	19 .....	10 .....	1-0
1998 .....	30-16 .....	.652 .....	NR .....	11 .....	1-1
1999 .....	33-14 .....	.702 .....	14 .....	19 .....	2-1
2000 .....	33-15 .....	.689 .....	NR .....	28 .....	3-1
2001 .....	30-17 .....	.638 .....	NR .....	26 .....	2-1
2002 .....	30-18 .....	.625 .....	- .....	23 .....	2-1
2003 .....	30-19 .....	.612 .....	- .....	13 .....	1-2
2004 .....	22-15 .....	.595 .....	- .....	- .....	0-2

## 2004 Schedule

▶ After having six games on the home schedule for the past two seasons, the 2004 schedule will only feature five games on the home slate. The schedule opens with a road game at Nebraska (9/11), before coming home five days later to host nationally-ranked Cal (9/16) before going back on the road for games at Tulane (9/25) and at USF (10/2). After a second Thursday home game hosting Houston (10/7), the Golden Eagles travel to Alabama (10/16) and then finish the month at home for Homecoming against East Carolina (10/23). The Golden Eagles host Cincinnati (11/6) to open November, travel to Memphis for a Friday night contest (11/12), travel the next week to face TCU (11/20) and then host UAB (11/27) to close out the regular season.

Southern Miss faces five teams that played in bowl games last season and the combined record of its opponents in 2003 was 72-66 with TCU (11-2), Nebraska (10-3), Memphis (9-4) and Cal (8-6) displaying the best records.

## 2004 Coaching Staff

► The Southern Miss coaching staff has two new full-time coaches and a new graduate assistant this year. Long-time veteran coach Ron McCrone returns to Southern Miss as the defensive backs coach. He has made collegiate stops at Tennessee-Martin, Auburn, Vanderbilt, Ole Miss, Duke, UTEP, UCF, Temple, Alabama State and Southwest Missouri State. He also coached professionally in the Arena Football League and the USFL for several seasons. After serving as the defensive graduate assistant last year, Derrick Nix was elevated to full-time status and is the team's tight ends coach. Scott Scherer, former Memphis quarterback and son of Offensive Coordinator Rip Scherer, joins the staff as the defensive graduate assistant. Second-year offensive coach Jay Johnson changes positions as he moves from coaching the tight ends to the running backs this year.

Rounding out the offensive staff, Rip Scherer is in his second season as the offensive coach and quarterbacks coach. Dave Warner is in his second year as the wide receivers coach, Mitch Rodrigue is in his second year as the offensive line coach and sixth on the Golden Eagle staff and Josh Eargle is in his second year as the offensive graduate assistant.

Defensively, coordinator and inside linebackers coach Tyrone Nix is in his fourth year as the coordinator and inside linebackers coach and 10th season at Southern Miss. Randy Butler has been on the staff the longest, serving in his 14<sup>th</sup> season overall, and ninth as defensive line coach. Lytrel Pollard is in his fourth year as the outside linebackers coach and second year as the special teams coordinator.

## Golden Eagles in Season Openers

► Under the direction of Jeff Bower, Southern Miss has posted an 8-5 record in season-opening games, 6-1 at home and 2-4 on the road. Overall, the Golden Eagles are 58-29 in opening games, 39-5 at home, 15-18 on the road and 4-6 in games played at neutral sites.

## The Rock

► Under the direction of Jeff Bower, Southern Miss has posted a 49-11 record (.817) in home games at M. M. Roberts Stadium, also known as the "The Rock." Overall, the Golden Eagles are 96-30 (.762) in home games since the stadium was dedicated as M.M. Roberts Stadium on September 25, 1976.

## Top Crowds at The Rock

► The Southern Miss - Nebraska game in 2003 broke the single-game attendance record at The Rock when 36,152 fans attended the game. That mark broke the old record set in 2002, when 35,169 fans attended the Jackson State game. The previous mark of 34,189 was set on Sept. 9, 1989 against Mississippi State. The previous largest crowd under Jeff Bower was 33,233 against Texas A&M on Sept. 19, 1998.

## 2003 Home Attendance At The Rock Sets New Mark

► The average attendance for the 2003 season was 28,645 fans, a new mark during Head Coach Jeff Bower's tenure and the second highest in the school's history.

In 2003, 29,233 attended the Memphis game, a school record 36,152 attended the Nebraska game on Sept. 25, 23,708 attended the USF game, 25,649 attended the Louisiana-Lafayette game, 26,987 came for the Tulane game and 30,141 attended the TCU game. In 2003, a new cumulative season attendance record was set when 171,870 fans attended the six home games at Roberts Stadium, breaking the former record of 167,346 set in 1982.

An average of 26,961 home fan attendance was recorded in 2002, marking the fifth highest season home average in school history. A total of 161,766 fans attended the six games, marking the third most total fans to attend home games in a season. The highest average attendance was during the 1981 season when an average of 29,381 attended the four home games that season. Under Bower, the highest average had been during the 2000 season, when 28,509 attended four home games.

## 2003 Polls

### Associated Press

(Sept. 5)	2004	PTS	PVS.
1. USC	1-0	1609	1
2. Oklahoma	1-0	1548	2
3. Georgia	1-0	1481	3
4. Florida State	0-0	1326	5
5. Miami, Fla.	0-0	1306	6
6. LSU	1-0	1292	4
7. Texas	1-0	1276	7
8. Michigan	1-0	1260	8
9. Ohio State	1-0	1012	9
10. West Virginia	1-0	987	10
11. Florida	0-0	840	11
12. California	1-0	839	13
13. Kansas State	1-0	732	12
14. Tennessee	1-0	662	14
15. Virginia	1-0	642	16
16. Iowa	1-0	578	19
17. Utah	1-0	570	20
18. Auburn	1-0	552	17
19. Missouri	1-0	535	18
20. Clemson	1-0	490	15
21. Wisconsin	1-0	346	21
22. Minnesota	1-0	259	25
23. Maryland	1-0	195	22
24. Oregon	0-0	181	23
25. Purdue	1-0	131	24

**ARV:** Nebraska, Louisville, Memphis, Boise State, N.C. State, Oregon State, Oklahoma State, TCU, Washington State, Alabama, Penn State, Arkansas, **Southern Miss**, Boston College, Fresno State, Ole Miss, Rutgers, Stanford, Virginia Tech

### ESPN/USA Today Coaches Poll

(Aug. 29)	2004	PTS	PVS
1. USC (43)	1-0	1495	1
2. Oklahoma (12)	1-0	1434	2
3. LSU (6)	1-0	1396	3
4. Georgia	1-0	1341	4
5. Miami, Fla.	0-0	1248	5
6. Florida State	0-0	1182	6
7. Michigan	1-0	1134	7
8. Texas	1-0	1079	8
9. Ohio State	1-0	1000	9
10. Florida	0-0	747	10
11. West Virginia	1-0	719	11
12. Kansas State	1-0	700	13
13. Iowa	1-0	685	12
14. California	1-0	622	15
15. Tennessee	1-0	600	14
16. Clemson	1-0	555	16
17. Missouri	1-0	513	17
18. Auburn	1-0	458	18
19. Utah	1-0	442	21
20. Virginia	1-0	435	19
21. Maryland	1-0	418	20
22. Wisconsin	1-0	258	22
23. Minnesota	1-0	191	23
24. Oregon	0-0	165	25
25. Purdue	0-0	161	23

**ARV:** Nebraska, Boise State, Oregon State, Louisville, Virginia Tech, Washington State, North Carolina State, Oklahoma State, Memphis, Notre Dame, TCU, Miami, Ohio, Bowling Green, BYU, Toledo, Georgia Tech, Marshall, Pittsburgh, Michigan State, Fresno State, Arkansas, Northern Illinois, San Diego State, Boston College, UCLA, Alabama, Colorado State, Hawaii, Texas A&M, Texas Tech, **Southern Miss**, Washington, Arizona, Arizona State, Connecticut

## Charting the Opponents

### Last Week's Results

**Nebraska 56**, Western Illinois 17  
**California 56**, Air Force 14  
**Alabama 48**, Utah State 17  
 West Virginia 56, **East Carolina 23**  
 Ohio State 27, **Cincinnati 6**  
**Memphis 20**, Ole Miss 13  
**TCU 48**, Northwestern 45 (2OT)  
**UAB 56**, Baylor 14  
 Rice 10, **Houston 7**

### This Week's Games

**Southern Miss** at **Nebraska**  
 New Mexico State at **Cal**  
 Florida A&M at **Tulane**  
 Tennessee Tech at **USF**  
**Houston** at Oklahoma  
 Ole Miss at **Alabama**  
 Wake Forest at **East Carolina**  
 Miami, Ohio at **Cincinnati**  
 Chattanooga at **Memphis**  
 SMU at **TCU**

Southern Miss opponents finished with a combined record of 6-3 for the past week. For the season overall, opponents have a 6-3 record.

## Conference USA Standings

Team	C-USA	Pct.	All
Louisville	0-0	.000	1-0
Memphis	0-0	.000	1-0
TCU	0-0	.000	1-0
UAB	0-0	.000	1-0
Army	0-0	.000	0-0
Southern Miss	0-0	.000	0-0
USF	0-0	.000	0-0
Cincinnati	0-0	.000	0-1
East Carolina	0-0	.000	0-1
Houston	0-0	.000	0-1
Tulane	0-0	.000	0-1

### Safety Report

► The Golden Eagles first score of the 2003 season came on a safety when Cal sent a bad snap into the end zone in the first quarter.

The Golden Eagles' defense recorded three safeties during the 2002 season, one each against Illinois, Memphis and Cincinnati, setting the school record for most safeties in a season. Before that, the record was two safeties during the 1996 season.

The first safety of came against Illinois in the first quarter, when the Golden Eagles had the Illini backed up on their three-yard line and forced quarterback Dustin Ward to fumble the ball, which he then recovered it in the end zone. The second safety came the next week against Memphis in the second quarter, when the Tigers' bad snap went out the end zone. The third safety was against Cincinnati when Joe Henley sacked quarterback Gino Guidugli in the end zone.

### Southern Miss on Television

► The Golden Eagles are slated to make four national television appearances during the 2004 season. Under the direction of Jeff Bower, USM has posted a 29-23 record in games which are on television, 12-7 at home, 13-11 on the road and 4-5 in games played at a neutral site. Overall, the Golden Eagles are 36-24 in television games, 14-7 at home, 15-12 on the road and 7-5 at neutral locations.

Southern Miss made eight television appearances during the 2000 season, tying the 1997 season for the most times in a season that the Golden Eagles were televised.

Since Southern Miss joined Conference USA in 1996, the Golden Eagles have appeared on television 52 times. Over that time period, USM has played in 96 games and has been on television 52 of those games, 54.2 percent.

#### 2004

9/11	..... Nebraska	..... ABC	10/14	..... Tulane	..... Fox Sports
9/16	..... California	..... ESPN	11/4	..... Louisville	..... Fox Sports
10/7	..... Houston	..... ESPN2	11/24	..... East Carolina	..... Fox Sports
11/12	..... Memphis	..... ESPN2	12/20	..... TCU	..... ESPN2

#### 2003

8/30	..... California	..... HDNet	9/6	..... Tulane	..... Fox Sports
9/4	..... UAB	..... ESPN2	9/25	..... Texas A&M	..... ABC
9/25	..... Nebraska	..... ESPN	10/9	..... East Carolina	..... Fox Sports
10/25	..... USF	..... Fox Sports Net	11/6	..... Memphis	..... Fox Sports
11/15	..... Tulane	..... ESPN Plus	11/20	..... Louisville	..... Fox Sports
11/20	..... TCU	..... ESPN	12/31	..... Colorado State	..... ESPN

#### 2002

9/7	..... Illinois	..... ESPN2	9/5	..... Penn State	..... ABC
9/21	..... Alabama	..... ESPN2	9/19	..... Texas A&M	..... Fox Sports
10/30	..... TCU	..... ESPN2	10/3	..... Tulane	..... Fox Sports
11/9	..... UAB	..... ESPN Plus	10/24	..... East Carolina	..... Fox Sports
11/14	..... Louisville	..... ESPN	12/30	..... Idaho	..... ESPN2
12/27	..... Oklahoma St.	..... ESPN			

#### 2001

9/1	..... Oklahoma State	..... ESPN	8/30	..... Florida	..... ESPN2
9/29	..... UAB	..... CSS	9/6	..... Illinois	..... ESPN2
10/16	..... Louisville	..... ESPN2	10/11	..... East Carolina	..... Fox Sports
11/3	..... Penn State	..... ESPN2	10/25	..... Tulane	..... FX
11/23	..... East Carolina	..... ESPN	11/1	..... Cincinnati	..... Fox Sports
11/29	..... Alabama	..... ESPN2	11/15	..... Houston	..... Fox Sports
12/7	..... TCU	..... ESPN2	11/22	..... Memphis	..... Fox Sports
			12/31	..... Pittsburgh	..... ESPN

#### 2000

9/2	..... Tennessee	..... ESPN	8/31	..... Georgia	..... SportSouth
9/16	..... Alabama	..... ESPN2	9/7	..... Alabama	..... Jefferson Pilot
9/30	..... Memphis	..... Fox Sports	9/28	..... Louisville	..... Fox Sports
10/7	..... USF	..... Fox Sports	10/10	..... East Carolina	..... ESPN
			10/19	..... Memphis	..... Fox Sports
			11/2	..... Cincinnati	..... Fox Sports

#### 1999

9/6	..... Tulane	..... Fox Sports
9/25	..... Texas A&M	..... ABC
10/9	..... East Carolina	..... Fox Sports
11/6	..... Memphis	..... Fox Sports
11/20	..... Louisville	..... Fox Sports
12/31	..... Colorado State	..... ESPN

#### 1998

9/5	..... Penn State	..... ABC
9/19	..... Texas A&M	..... Fox Sports
10/3	..... Tulane	..... Fox Sports
10/24	..... East Carolina	..... Fox Sports
12/30	..... Idaho	..... ESPN2

#### 1997

8/30	..... Florida	..... ESPN2
9/6	..... Illinois	..... ESPN2
10/11	..... East Carolina	..... Fox Sports
10/25	..... Tulane	..... FX
11/1	..... Cincinnati	..... Fox Sports
11/15	..... Houston	..... Fox Sports
11/22	..... Memphis	..... Fox Sports
12/31	..... Pittsburgh	..... ESPN

#### 1996

8/31	..... Georgia	..... SportSouth
9/7	..... Alabama	..... Jefferson Pilot
9/28	..... Louisville	..... Fox Sports
10/10	..... East Carolina	..... ESPN
10/19	..... Memphis	..... Fox Sports
11/2	..... Cincinnati	..... Fox Sports

### Comparing Conference Records

► Since Conference USA began football competition in 1996, the Southern Miss Golden Eagles are ranked in the Top 10 by conference record of any NCAA I-A team in the nation during that time. Southern Miss has posted a 41-11 mark in conference play. Here's a look at the top conference marks over that period:

1.	Florida State	59-5 (.921)
2.	Miami, Fla.	47-9 (.839)
3.	Florida	53-11 (.828)
4.	Tennessee	51-13 (.797)
	Michigan	50-13 (.794)
6.	<b>SOUTHERN MISS</b>	<b>42-11 (.792)</b>
7.	Toledo	43-13 (.768)
8.	Kansas State	49-15 (.766)
	Nebraska	49-15 (.766)
10.	Colorado State	44-14 (.758)
11.	Virginia Tech	40-16 (.714)

## Golden Eagles in the Polls

▶ Southern Miss opens the 2004 season receiving votes in both of the USA Today/Coaches Poll and the Associated Poll. In the latest polls, Southern Miss was ranked No. 38 in the Associated Press Poll and 56th in the coaches poll.

Under the direction of Jeff Bower, Southern Miss has appeared 30 times in the *Associated Press Weekly Poll* and 27 times in the *ESPN/USA Today Coaches Poll*. Overall, the Golden Eagles have been ranked 41 weeks in the *Associated Press Poll*, 33 times in the *ESPN/USA Today Coaches Poll* and 38 times in the *United Press International Poll*. Southern Miss has been involved in eight games when both teams were ranked in the *Associated Press Poll*, posting a 3-5 record.

During the 1999 season, Southern Miss spent more time in the polls than in any other year, spending the last 10 weeks in the poll, ending the season as the No. 13 team in the ESPN/USA Today Poll and the No. 14 in the AP Poll.

In 2000, Southern Miss spent the first 13 weeks in the Associated Press Poll and 10 weeks in the ESPN/USA Today Coaches Poll, marking a new school record, before dropping out after the Cincinnati loss on Nov. 18.

The Golden Eagles appeared in the *Associated Press Poll* for 23-straight weeks, dating back to October 10, 1999, following the 39-22 victory at East Carolina.

They were ranked the last 10 weeks of 1999 and the first 13 weeks of 2000. The Golden Eagles were ranked 13th in the Oct. 29th poll, marking the highest a Jeff Bower coached team has ever been ranked in the *Associated Press Poll*, and the 11th-ranking in the coaches poll is the second-highest ranking the program has ever experienced. The highest ranking was ninth, in the November 17 poll in 1981, after a 58-14 victory over Florida State in Tallahassee, Fla.

## 2003 Postseason Accolades

▶ For seven-straight years, Southern Miss has produced an All-American, having Rod Davis named to the Associated Press third team, All-American Football Foundation first team, CollegeFootballNews.com third team, The Sporting News second team and CNNSI.com honorable-mention team in 2002. Michael Boley was named a second team All-American from CollegeFootballNews.com and Etric Pruitt was named a third-team All-American from the All-American Football Foundation.

Rod Davis was named the Conference USA Defensive Player of the Year and Head Coach Jeff Bower was named Coach of the Year. Fifteen players were selected for All-Conference USA honors, as Michael Boley (LB), Greg Brooks (DB), Rod Davis (LB), John Eubanks (KOR), Jeremy Parquet (OL), Terrell Paul (DE), Etric Pruitt (DB) and Marvin Young (PR) were named to the first team. Terrell Browden (TE) and Jim Hicks (OL) were selected to the second team and Ronald Jones (DE), Alex Ray (DB), Eric Scott (DL), Chris White (OL) and Marvin Young (WR) were third team honorees. Greg Casnave (DL), Darren McCaleb (K) and Travis Cooley (OL) were named to the All-Freshman team.

Brooks, Davis and Pruitt were invited to play in the Senior Bowl and Jones played in the Rotary Gridiron Classic.

## Since the Formation of Conference USA . . .

▶ Since the formation of Conference USA (1996) Southern Miss has posted a 63-33 record (.656) record, ranking among the top 30 in the nation. Just ranking the teams by wins only during that period, the Golden Eagles are also in the top 30 in the nation.

## All-Time Winning Percentage

▶ The following is a look at how the top program's stack up, all-time in winning percentage, following the games on Sept. 4, 2004.

School	Percentage	Record
1. Michigan	.751	834-273-36
2. Notre Dame	.745	796-258-42
3. Alabama	.713	759-293-43
4. Oklahoma	.711	738-284-53
5. Ohio State	.709	757-294-53
Texas	.709	777-309-33
7. Nebraska	.708	782-311-40
8. Tennessee	.698	736-303-52
9. USC	.694	708-297-54
10. Penn State	.689	757-331-41
11. Boise State	.678	285-135-2
11. Florida State	.675	419-197-17
13. USF	.662	51-26-0
Miami-Ohio	.638	624-344-44
15. Georgia	.638	674-370-54
16. Washington	.637	638-353-50
Miami-Fla.	.637	507-285-19
18. LSU	.632	650-369-47
19. Auburn	.621	635-379-47
20. Arizona State	.618	508-310-24
Florida	.617	590-359-40
22. Colorado	.615	636-391-36
23. Central Mich.	.610	522-327-36
24. Texas A&M	.603	627-405-48
25. Syracuse	.601	658-428-49
26. UCLA	.600	505-330-37
Army	.600	622-406-51
28. <b>Southern Miss</b>	<b>.597</b>	<b>492-330-26</b>
29. Bowling Green	.596	450-296-52
Arkansas	.596	620-413-40

## Ranking the Defense

▶ A year-by-year look at the Southern Miss defense in the national rankings since the formation of Conference USA in 1996.

### 2003

Pass Defense - 5th  
Pass Efficiency Defense - 13th  
Scoring Defense - 14th  
Total Defense - 23rd

### 2002

Pass Efficiency Defense - 4th  
Pass Defense - 10th  
Scoring Defense - 15th  
Total Defense - 34th

### 2001

Scoring Defense - 8th  
Total Defense - 11th  
Pass Efficiency Defense - 12th  
Rushing Defense - 13th  
Turnover Margin - 21st

### 2000

Scoring Defense - 8th  
Total Defense - 2nd  
Pass Defense - 5th  
Pass Efficiency Defense - 4th  
Passes Intercepted - T34th  
Rushing Defense - 21st

### 1999

Total Defense - 8th  
Rushing Defense - 8th  
Scoring Defense - 8th  
Turnover Margin - 7th

### 1998

Scoring Defense - 18th

### 1997

Rushing Defense - 14th  
Pass Efficiency Defense - 11th

### 1996

Rushing Defense - 8th  
Turnover Margin - 3rd

### Home Grown Coaches

► While there are many Division 1-A coaches who have been at their respective schools for a long time, only a handful of them can stake that claim with the school they graduated from. Southern Miss Head Coach Jeff Bower is second on this unique list with 13 years as the Golden Eagles coach. Only Virginia Tech's Frank Beamer has been at his alma mater for more seasons (18) since being named head coach.

Alma Mater	Head Coach	1st Season
Va. Tech	Frank Beamer	1987
So. Miss	Jeff Bower	1991
Tennessee	Phillip Fulmer	1992
Marshall	Bob Pruett	1996

### Broyles Award Finalist

Southern Miss Defensive Coordinator Tyrone Nix was selected a finalist for the Frank Broyles Award in 2003, signifying the top assistant coach in the nation. The five finalists were Minnesota Offensive Coordinator Mitch Browning; Michigan Offensive Coordinator Terry Malone; Miami of Ohio Offensive Coordinator Shane Montgomery; Georgia defensive coordinator Brian VanGorder and Nix. VanGorder won the award.

The Broyles Award is named in honor of longtime University of Arkansas Athletic Director Frank Broyles, who developed a reputation during a stellar coaching career of producing top-notch assistants.

The panelists who selected the finalists are former Texas Coach Darrell Royal, former Michigan Coach Bo Schembechler, former Georgia coach Vince Dooley, former Washington Coach Don James, former Syracuse Coach Don MacPherson, former Baylor Coach Grant Teaff and former BYU Coach LaVell Edwards.

### Four Time Champions

Southern Miss has won at least a share of four Conference USA championships in the eight-year history of the league. Only three schools in Division I-A (Florida State, Marshall and Miami (Fla.)) have won more regular season conference titles over that span. Here's a look at the schools with the most league titles over that period:

- 7 Florida State (ACC)
- 6 Marshall (Mid-American)
- 5 Miami (Fla.) (Big East)
- 4 **Southern Miss (C-USA)**
- 4 Colorado State (WAC/Mountain West)

### The 2003 Season - A Tale of Two Seasons

In 2003, the Southern Miss Golden Eagles didn't really have the start to the season that they had hoped for. With a back-and-forth toggle in the win-loss bracket, the Golden Eagles were 3-3 heading into the bye week following the Alabama game. But after the bye week, the team rejuvenated for six-straight wins and helped secure the fourth Conference USA championship and a 9-3 regular season finish.

The 17-0 result to Utah in the Liberty Bowl that left everyone in the Southern Miss football family feeling that they left Memphis without accomplishing their final goal of the season.

During the last six games of the regular season, the Southern Miss offense came alive for 21.8 more points per game, 67.6 more yards rushing per game and 41.5 more yard passing – for a total of 109.1 more yards of offense each game. Defensively, the Eagles tightened down on the running game, dropping opposing offenses for 67.6 yards less per game, while only allowing 7.6 more yard of offense a game. The biggest change came in the scoring however, as Southern Miss limited opponents to 7.5 fewer points per game in the final stretch. Here is a look at how the two seasons stack up.

#### Offense

	Before (First Six)	After (Last Six)	Change
First Downs	202	229	+27
Points	81	212	+131
Average	13.5	35.3	+21.8
First Downs	89	113	+24
Net Rushing	556	962	+406
Average	92.7	160.3	+67.6
Net Passing	1,122	1,371	+249
Average	187.0	228.5	+41.5
Pass Attempts	182	143	-39
Complete	93	82	-11
Interceptions	6	7	+1
Total Offense	1,678	2,333	+655
Average	279.7	388.8	+109.1
Avg. TOP	29:52	30:09	0:18

#### Defense

	Before	After	Change
First Downs	100	111	+11
Net Rushing	1163	983	-180
Average	193.8	126.2	-67.6
Net Passing	843	1,295	+452
Average	140.5	215.8	+75.3
Total Defense	2,006	2,052	+46
Average	334.3	342.0	+7.6
Sacks/Yds.	11/66	23/153	12/87
Points	127	82	-45
Average	21.2	13.7	-7.5

### Conference USA Defensive Players of the Year

► With the selection of Michael Boley as the 2004 Conference USA Preseason Defensive Player of the Year Award, the Golden Eagles could have another defensive honor when the season is over.

Southern Miss has had the Conference USA Defensive Player of the Year in five of the eight years since the formation of Conference USA in 1996.

Rod Davis was named the Conference USA Defensive Player of the Year last season, marking the first one named since Cedric Scott was named the Conference USA Co-Defensive Player of the Year in 2000.

Patrick Surtain was selected for the award in 1997, and Adalius Thomas was tabbed for the honor in 1998 and 1999. The only years that Southern Miss didn't have a player named as the defensive player of the year was 1996, 2001 and 2002.

Freshman All-Americans

With the addition of freshman kicker Darren McCaleb to The Sporting News Freshman All-American team this season, Southern Miss has had a player named to the team in six of the last eight years. McCaleb also was named to the CollegeFootballNews.com Freshman All-America Honorable Mention team.

1996	Adalius Thomas	DE
1997	John Nix	DL
1998	Derrick Nix	RB
2000	Rod Davis	LB
2001	Skylor Magee	DL
<b>2003</b>	<b>Darren McCaleb</b>	<b>K</b>

2003 Conference USA Players of the Week

The Golden Eagles had seven players named Conference USA Player of the Week in 2003 a league high eight times. Houston, Memphis and TCU tied for the second in the league with seven player of the week honors.

Offensively, Dustin Almond was the lone honoree for the Golden Eagles, being selected after the TCU game on Nov. 24. On defense, Michael Boley and Etric Pruitt were named Player of the Week once each, Boley the week of Oct. 6 after the Cincinnati game and Pruitt the week of Sept. 8 after the UAB game. Rod Davis also picked up his first-ever player of the week honor for his performance against Houston.

On special teams, Marvin Young was named twice, on Sept. 15 and Nov. 10, John Eubanks was named once on Oct. 6 after the Cincinnati game and Luke Johnson was named on Oct. 27.

The Golden Eagles had six players of the week selected in 2002, third-highest among conference schools.

Classroom Achievement

► For the second year in a row, the Southern Miss football program was recognized for its student-athlete graduation rate by the American Football Coaches Association. Only 29 schools across the nation were recognized for graduating 70 percent or higher of their football players this past year and in 2003, 32 institutions were recognized for graduating 70 percent or more of their football players. No other institution in the states of Mississippi, Alabama or Louisiana was recognized and Memphis was the only other school from Conference USA to be honored. Southern Miss finished with 76 percent graduation rate in 2003 and raised it to 81 percent this year.

Twenty-five football players were named to the academic honor rolls for the 2003-04 academic year. Six players were named to the President's List or the Dean's List and 19 other players were named to the Athletic Director's Honor Roll.

In addition to the Southern Miss and Memphis, others receiving honorable mention with a rate of 70 percent or better include Ball State, Bowling Green, Duke, Hawaii, Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Kansas, Kansas State, Marshall, Maryland, Miami-Florida, Miami-Ohio, Nebraska, North Carolina, Ohio, Rice, Syracuse, Texas Tech, Toledo, Vanderbilt, Virginia Tech, West Virginia and Western Michigan.

The study involves the freshman class from the academic year of 1998-99, including those who entered at that time but who did not receive financial aid until after their initial year, or who transferred from another institution and subsequently received a grant-in-aid.

Football Earns C-USA Institutional Excellence & Sport Academic Award

The Southern Miss football team finished with the highest grade point average among Conference USA schools in 2003 and was awarded the Institutional Excellence and Sport Academic Award. This marks the first time the Golden Eagle football squad has earned the top academic award in the conference.

From Southern Miss Assistant To Collegiate Head Coach

► A number of Southern Miss assistants paid their dues to become eventual head coaches at a college program. In all, 12 former assistants have gone on to become head coaches at one point in time, with five of them becoming the head coach at USM.

The list of former Southern Miss assistants turned head coach include: Reed Green (USM), Jim Carmody (USM), Thad "Pie" Vann (USM), P.W. Underwood (USM), Jeff Bower (USM), Mack Brown (Texas), Doug Barfield (Auburn), Mike DuBose (Alabama), John Thompson (ECU), Maxie Lambright (Louisiana Tech), Norman Joseph (Belhaven) and Mike Williams (Jacksonville State).

Assistants Still Active

► Many former Southern Miss assistant coaches also have remained active in the football profession either as an NFL assistant, collegiate assistant coach or other area of athletics. The list includes: Bobby April (Special Teams, St. Louis Rams), Jeff Bowden (OC, Florida State), Jim Carmody (Scout, Arizona Cardinals), Bill Clay (DC, Oklahoma State), Steve Hale (Exec. Director of Senior Bowl), Jay Hopson (DB, Ole Miss), Chris Klenakis (OC/OL, Nevada), Larry Kueck (OC, Marshall), Mark McHale (OC/OL, Marshall), Chad O'Shea (Special Teams, Kansas City Chiefs), Paul Petrino (OC, Louisville) and Dave Wommack (DC, Arkansas).

Current Football Players (2004) Who Have Completed Their Bachelor's Degree

- 1. Louisiana Tech ..... 10
- 2. Virginia Tech ..... 10
- 3. Southern Miss ..... 9**
- Boston College ..... 9
- 5. Auburn ..... 8
- Cincinnati ..... 8
- Miami, Fla. .... 8
- West Virginia ..... 8
- 9. Illinois ..... 7
- 10. Alabama ..... 6
- Kentucky ..... 6
- Notre Dame ..... 6
- Texas Tech ..... 6
- Virginia ..... 6
- 15. Vanderbilt ..... 5

## Southern Miss/ISP Radio

For all the action on Golden Eagle football, both home and away, listen to the Southern Miss ISP Radio Network. The Hattiesburg-Laurel affiliate WXRR, 104.5 FM, will serve as the flagship station of the ISP Football Radio Network.

John Cox, the "Voice of the Golden Eagles" in his 27th year of broadcasting the play-by-play for football. He will also broadcast the Southern Miss Sports Today with Coach Bower television show, pre-game radio shows and the Golden Eagle Hotline weekly call-in shows. Vic Purvis, in his 31st year, will serve as the color commentator, Lance Pittman will report from the sideline and locker room.

### Southern Miss ISP Radio Network Station Affiliates

Affiliate	Location	Frequency
<b>Flagship Station</b>		
WXRR - FM	Laurel-Hattiesburg	104.5
<b>Affiliates</b>		
WAOY-FM	Biloxi / Gulfport	91.7
WBOX-AM*	Bogalusa, La.	92.0
WBOX-FM*	Bogalusa, La.	92.9
WTCL-AM***	Chattahoochee, Fla.	1580
WFFF-FM	Columbia	96.7
WFFF-AM2	Columbia	1360
WDMS-FM	Greenville / Greenwood	100.7
WGVM-AM2	Greenville / Greenwood	1260
WNLA-FM*	Indianola	105.5
WJNT-AM	Jackson	1180
WJNT-FM3	Jackson	104.3
WRBE-AM**	Lucedale	1440
WRBE-FM**	Lucedale	106.9
WAKH-FM	McComb	105.7
WFFX-AM	Meridian	1450
WABB-AM	Mobile, Ala.	1480
WANT - AM	Natchez	1450
WYKK-FM	Quitman / Meridian	98.9
WKMQ-AM*	Tupelo	1060
WTUP-AM*	Tupelo	1490
WABO-AM*	Waynesboro	990
WABO-FM*	Waynesboro	105.5
WROB-AM*	West Point	1450

2 – carries WBB and Baseball programming

3 – FM night signal -USM programming

\* Selected FB Games

\*\* Selected BSKB Games

\*\*\* Selected FB and BSKB Games

## Almond Joy

Redshirt junior quarterback Dustin Almond enters this season as the Golden Eagles' starting signal caller. Almond won the starting job last season for the Nebraska game, lost it, earned it back for the USF game Oct. 25, and promptly threw an 80-yard touchdown pass on the first play of the game. He kept the job for the remainder of the season, and led the Golden Eagles to six-straight wins to close out the regular season, a Conference USA championship and a berth in the Liberty Bowl.

Almond completed 39.1 percent of his passes in the first six games of 2003, before closing the final six with a 53.5 completion percentage, including 1,387 passing yards and 13 touchdowns.

For the season, Almond completed 121-251 passes for 1,877 yards, threw 13 touchdowns and seven interceptions. He finished with 156 rushing yards and hit paydirt three times.

## SOUTHERN MISS FOOTBALL (From 1955) Records as starting Quarterback: (Min. 10 starts)

Player	Years	W-L-T	Pct.
Billy Coleman	1961-62	10-1-0	90.0
George Herring	1955	9-1-0	90.0
George Sekul	1957-58	8-2-0	80.0
<b>Dustin Almond</b>	<b>2002-03</b>	<b>8-3-0</b>	<b>72.7</b>
Reggie Collier	1979-82	24-9-1	72.1
Don Fuell	1959-61	15-6-0	71.4
Jeff Hammond	1976-78	12-5-0	70.6
Vic Purvis	1963-65	18-8-1	68.5
Lee Roberts	1995-98	20-10-0	66.7
Jeff Kelly	1999-01	23-12-0	65.7
Heath Graham	1994-96	14-8	63.6
Brett Favre	1987-90	27-16-0	62.8
Andrew Anderson	1983-86	13-8-0	61.9
Jeff Bower	1973-75	19-13-1	59.1
Micky D'Angelo	2002-03	7-6-0	53.8
Tommy Boutwell	1967-68	9-8-0	52.9
Dane McDaniel	1977-79	9-8-1	52.8
Robert Ducksworth	1982-85	10-9-0	52.6
Rick Donegan	1969-71	11-11-0	50.0
Tommy Waters	1991-94	12-16-0	42.9
Buddy Palazzo	1970-72	6-9-1	40.6
<b>Others:</b>			
John Whitcomb	1990	1-0-0	100.0
Willie Coats	1957-58	4-0-0	100.0
Ollie Yates	1957-58	5-1-0	83.3
Doug Barfield	1954-56	6-1-1	81.3
Gary Rayburn	1967-69	3-1-0	75.0
Mike McClellan	1964-66	4-2-0	66.7
Glen Bynum	1965-67	2-1-0	66.7
Morris Meador	1959-61	3-2-0	60.0
Tommy Compton	1984	1-1-0	50.0
Ailrick Young	1987-88	1-1-0	50.0
Bobby Hughes	1955-56	1-1-0	50.0
Aaron Hightower	1992	1-1-0	50.0
Damion Carter	2003	1-2-0	33.0
Billy Larson	1959-60	1-2-0	33.3
Kevin Bentley	1992-94	1-6-0	14.3
Terry McMillian	1966-68	0-1-0	0.0
Danny Palmer	1969-70	0-3-0	0.0
Kenny Alderman	1975-77	0-9-0	0.0
Timmy Byrd	1984-85	0-1-0	0.0
Ricky Carroll	1993-94	0-0-1	0.0

### Career Starts

Brett Favre	43
Jeff Kelly	35
Reggie Collier	34
Jeff Bower	33
Lee Roberts	30

## More Almond

Almond posted his best game of the season when he threw for 237 yards against Houston. He also had big outings with 231 yards against Tulane and 227 yards against TCU. He threw three touchdowns against UL-Lafayette and TCU, both career highs.

Almond passed for more than 200 yards in the win over East Carolina, his fourth game in a row with at least 200 yards through the air. He now has five career 200-plus passing games, tying him with Heath Graham for fourth on the all-time list. Only Jeff Kelly, Lee Roberts and Brett Favre have thrown for 200-plus yards in more games.

In Conference USA, he was ranked No. 6 in passing efficiency and No. 8 in pass average yards per game and total offense. Nationally, he was No. 65 in passing efficiency and No. 85 in total offense.

## Diverse Damion

Sophomore Damion Carter could see action at multiple positions this season. Carter, who made two starts and played in five games at quarterback last season, is the backup quarterback behind Dustin Almond.

The New Orleans, La. native completed 26-41 passes in 2003, for 238 yards and threw two touchdowns. Carter has lined up at wide receiver during spring and fall practices, diversifying his offensive repertoire.

In the team's Black and Gold Spring Game, Carter ran three times for 37-yards, including a 33-yard touchdown, completed 5-of-10 passes for 105 yards and two scores, while catching three passes for 48 yards.

In 2003, he made his debut against Nebraska, entering the game in the fourth quarter. He completed 14-of-17 for 143 yards and threw a touchdown. He had a long pass completion of 30 yards.

## Harris Is Southern Miss' A-Train

Running back Anthony Harris began last season as the starting fullback, but it wasn't until he began taking snaps as the featured running back that his production blossomed.

He finished the season rushing for a team-high 671 yards and scoring seven touchdowns, leading the Golden Eagles despite serving as the featured running back in only seven games. He rushed for 100-plus yards in four of those seven games. Harris rushed for a career-high with 130 yards and one touchdown against UL-Lafayette, surpassing his previous best of 121 yards against Memphis in 2002. It was the second 100-yard game in a row for Harris, who finished with 102 yards against USF (10/25). Harris then put up 100 yards in two more outings with 111 yards against Tulane (11/15) and 119 yards against East Carolina (11/29).

While he didn't gain 100 yards against TCU (11/20), Harris contributed with a two-touchdown performance in the crucial Thursday night game.

Harris now has five career 100-yard rushing games, making him one of 16 players to do so in the school's history. Harris is tied with former backs Doyle Orange, Vic Purvis, Bucky McElroy, Eric Booth, Harold Shaw and Dawayne Woods for 11<sup>th</sup> all-time on the list.

## Looking At Depth In The Stable

Also looking to give the Golden Eagle running attack depth this season will be senior Sherron Moore and redshirt freshman Cody Hull and Larry Thomas. Moore played in seven games last season and was the team's third leading rusher with 53 carries for 239 yards, an average of 4.5 yards per carry and had a long run of 33 yards. Hull and Thomas had good high school careers, redshirted last year and look to make their mark this season.

## Conference USA Satellite Feed

The Conference USA Football Satellite Feed, featuring highlights and interviews will begin, Wednesday, Sept. 8, and will be available each week throughout the season.

Army .....	4 p.m. EST/3 CT
Cincinnati .....	4:03 p.m. EST/3:03 CT
East Carolina .....	4:06 p.m. EST/3:06 CT
Louisville .....	4:09 p.m. EST/3:09 CT
Houston .....	4:12 p.m. EST/3:12 CT
Memphis .....	4:15 p.m. EST/3:15 CT
USF .....	4:18 p.m. EST/3:18 CT
<b>Southern Miss ..</b>	<b>4:21 p.m. EST/3:21 CT</b>
TCU .....	4:24 p.m. EST/3:24 CT
Tulane .....	4:27 p.m. EST/3:27 CT
UAB .....	4:30 p.m. EST/3:30 CT

### KU BAND

SBS 6, Transponder 5

Download Frequency - 11823 MHz (H)

Any technical questions, contact Justin Oppman of Teamworks media at 312-829-8326.

### Band Of Brothers

Family relations are a common theme on the Golden Eagle football team.

Three sets of brothers are in uniform on this year's team, including Kevis and Trevis Coley, Nate and Jeremy Young, and Kenneth and Michael Boley.

In addition, Robby and Micky D'Angelo (student coach), and coaches Tyrone and Derrick Nix, are also brothers. Offensive Coordinator Rip Scherer and his son Scott (defensive graduate assistant) add to the family ties.

### Non-Offensive Touchdowns

Southern Miss scored six non-offensive touchdowns last season. Against Memphis, the Golden Eagles scored a touchdown on Marvin Young's 87-yard punt return. At Cincinnati, John Eubanks scored on a 94-yard kickoff return. Against USF, Rod Davis returned a blocked field goal 61 yards. Against Houston, John Eubanks picked up fumble and ran it 27 yards for a touchdown. Dustin Almond connected with Alan Whitney on a 34-yard touchdown off a fake field goal against Tulane and Eubanks scored when he returned an interception 80 yards for a touchdown at East Carolina.

## The Receiving Corps

The Golden Eagle receiving corps has an interesting mix of experience and youth this season.

The top three receivers return, including senior Marvin Young (42, 703, 7), redshirt senior DaRon Lawrence (37, 536, 2), and junior Antwon Courington (36, 532, 3).

From there, running back, redshirt junior Anthony Harris, caught seven passes for 29 yards and a touchdown. Only one other wide receiver, sophomore Anthony Perine, has game experience. Perine played in 10 games in 2003, catching two passes for 28 yards and a touchdown last season.

He will be counted on to play bigger roles this season, as will redshirt-freshman Chris Rhoden, and possibly true freshmen Tavarres Williams and Ivory Bradshaw. In addition, junior college transfer Josh Carwile, redshirt juniors Frank Lesure and Kelcey Winters, and redshirt freshman Chris Johnson, could also figure into the mix.

## Courington Counted On As Well, After Catching 30-plus

Wide receiver Antwon Courington also fared well last season, one of three Southern Miss players to have 30 or more catches last year. He finished with 36 grabs for 532 yards. His three touchdowns catches was second-most on the team, behind only Young's seven receiving scores.

Courington didn't make his first career touchdown until the win over UL Lafayette and did not have one in the Tulane game, though he did lead the Eagles in receiving yardage, with 87, on three catches.

The junior receiver also scored against Houston, where he had three catches, one a 25-yard touchdown catch in the second quarter of play, and in the TCU game, where he picked up two catches for 25 yards and a touchdown.

Courington has at least one reception in 10-straight games and 12 of the last 13 contests.

## Marvelous Marvin

Senior Marvin Young, a third-team Conference USA selection as a wide receiver, had a career year in 2003, catching 42 passes for 703 yards and seven touchdowns, averaging 16.7 yards a catch, the team's top receiver.

The Clarksdale, Miss. native has continued to progress throughout his career. Young joined the team in 2001 as a walk-on freshman, but played in six games, catching 10 passes for 114 yards and one touchdown.

As a sophomore, he finished second on the team with 41 catches and 615 yards, and scored six touchdowns, while averaging 15.0 yards per catch.

Before the 2003 season began, Young was awarded a scholarship, and posted his best season as a Golden Eagle. Young is currently tied for fourth in touchdown receptions (14), tied for fifth in receptions (92), and stands fifth in receiving yards (1,432).

## Lawrence To Play

Despite a completely torn ACL in his right knee, senior wide receiver DaRon Lawrence will attempt to play this season. The Orlando, Fla. native will wear a brace on his leg to provide support.

Lawrence had a breakout year in 2003, playing in all 13 games, making 10 starts. He was second on the team with 37 catches for 536 yards, an average of 14.5 yards per catch, scored two touchdowns and had a long reception of 50 yards.

He had a career high 104 yards on four catches last season against East Carolina (11/29). He had a season high six catches for 85 yards at Houston and had four catches in three different games.

Before last season, Lawrence was a walk-on who saw limited action -- a total of five games in 2001 and 2002, following his redshirt year in 2000. However, Lawrence was awarded a scholarship at the beginning of last season. Lawrence responded by recording at least one catch in every game, except one.

## The Hawgs Protect And Pave The Way

While inexperience was a question for the offensive line heading into the last season, that no longer is a worry as a solid front line jelled over the course of the year. Of the 32 sacks allowed by the offense last season, only 13 of them (41 percent) were charged to the offensive line. The front line also allowed just four sacks in the last seven games and gave up just six in the last eight.

The offensive line, under second-year O-line coach Mitch Rodrigue, returns three All-Conference USA selections, Jeremy Parquet (first-team), Chris White (third team) and Travis Cooley (All-Freshman).

Parquet (28 starts) and White (13 starts) are counted on to lead the line this season. Sophomore George Batiste (12 starts), Cooley (six starts) and Addaryl Edwards (10 games played, three starts) round out the returners from last season. Neal Mead also played in all 13 games last season and has seven starts in his career. Junior college transfers Ricardo Clark and Joseph Leech came to Southern Miss in January and look to add immediate depth.

In all, 11 players have seen time on the offensive line. In addition to the seven with starts, Robby D'Angelo, Myron Powe, Kendel Wheeler and Bradley Worthington also have seen playing time.

The offensive line paved the way for offensive success last season. On the ground, the Golden Eagles averaged 147.3 yards a game over the final seven games of the season. The Hawgs, as Offensive Line Coach Mitch Rodrigue calls them, also helped the offense average 363.7 yards of total offense a game over the final seven games with 216.4 passing yards a game.

### Top NCAA I-A Fewest Defensive TDs Allowed Since 1999

School	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	Total
<b>Southern Miss</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>90</b>
Miami, Fla.	22	22	12	27	20	0	103
Oklahoma	23	22	14	22	22	2	106
Tennessee	18	24	25	21	26	2	116
Kansas State	19	29	21	19	26	2	116
Florida State	19	13	33	34	19	0	118
Utah	19	23	23	26	26	3	120
Nebraska	17	22	22	37	23	2	123
Michigan	24	24	19	33	23	1	124
Florida	27	23	19	28	28	0	125
Georgia	33	21	25	25	20	4	128
Texas	28	20	19	27	34	0	128
Oregon State	25	21	27	23	33	3	132
Ohio State	31	27	27	19	26	0	132
TCU	24	16	34	25	31	6	136
Virginia Tech	15	31	15	33	39	3	136
Alabama	26	26	28	21	37	2	140

### Stingy on D

The 2003 Golden Eagles upheld the lofty standards and traditions set by Southern Miss defense units of the past. Last year, the Southern Miss defense was among the nation's top 15 in five important statistical categories.

The Golden Eagles allowed only 17.3 points per game, ranking them No. 1 in Conference USA and No. 14 in the country. The national-ranking marked the 15<sup>th</sup> time since 1966 that Southern Miss was included in the top 15 in that category.

With All-Americans Rod Davis and Etric Pruitt and 2004 preseason All-American Michael Boley leading the way, the Golden Eagles were especially tough on opponents through the air. The 174 passing yards a game allowed on average by Southern Miss topped C-USA and were the nation's fifth fewest. Additionally, the Golden Eagles ranked 13<sup>th</sup> nationally in pass efficiency defense.

Southern Miss proved especially adept in changing the complexion of games. The Golden Eagles forced 33 turnovers a year ago, the nation's ninth-highest total. The 19 fumbles recovered by Southern Miss ranked No. 4 in the country.

### The First Line of Defense

While a pair of defensive ends will get their first starts against Nebraska, Southern Miss return a wealth of experience in the middle of the defensive line.

Junior Akeem Lockett and redshirt sophomore Matthew Chatelain, who sat out last season, look to hold down the defensive end position. Redshirt seniors DeMarcus Barner and LeVon Pears, along with redshirt freshman Robert Henderson will all see action at the bandit end position. Last season, Lockett finished with 12 tackles, forced a fumble and had 2.5 tackles for loss. Barner finished with nine tackles and Pears had 23 tackles, five tackles for loss and a sack.

At nose tackle, Chad Ruffin returns. Last season, Ruffin made 38 tackles, 6.5 behind the line of scrimmage. The senior gained the starting role midway through the 2003 season and made six starts. He enters 2004 as one of the strongest Golden Eagles, earning the team's Strength and Conditioning Award, and as the defensive line's leader.

While Ruffin anchors the line, a pair of experienced defensive tackles returns as well. Terrance Ford is projected as the starter, while 2003 starter Eric Scott should see significant playing time as well. Ford had 30 tackles a year ago, including 3.5 for losses. Scott was named to numerous 2004 preseason all-conference teams after a 36-tackle 2003 season that included six for losses.

### Pro Opportunities

► Southern Miss had three players drafted in 2004, while three others signed free-agent contracts. Rod Davis (LB) was drafted in the fifth round and Greg Brooks (DB) and Etric Pruitt (DB) were drafted in the sixth round. Terrell Browden (TE), Ronald Jones (DE) and Corey Yates (DB) all signed free agent contracts.

There were four players drafted from each of the 1998, 2000 and 2001 teams, while two players were drafted from the 2002 team and three in 2003.

### Golden Eagles in the NFL

► Under Coach Jeff Bower, the Golden Eagles have had 22 players drafted by the NFL during his 13-year tenure. Southern Miss currently has 17 players on NFL rosters, led by NFL three-time MVP Brett Favre of the Green Bay Packers.

Since 1942, The Golden Eagles have had 110 players drafted by the NFL, AFL or AAFC. Four or more players have been drafted in one year nine different times. There have been 29 players drafted in the top five rounds, including four first round picks. There have been 88 players who have played or been on an NFL roster.

### Golden Eagles in the NFL Super Bowl

► Former Southern Miss players who have played in the NFL Super Bowl or have been on the active roster include: Jerrel Wilson (P/Kansas City/1966 (I), 1969 (IV)); Tommy Roussel (End/Washington/1972 (VII)); Ray Guy (P/Oakland/1976 (XI), 1980 (XV), 1983 (XVIII)); Bud Brown (DB/Miami/1984 (XIX)); Sammy Winder (RB/Denver/1986 (XXI), 1987 (XXII), 1989 (XXIV)); Brett Favre (QB/Green Bay/1996 (XXXI), 1997 (XXXII)); Perry Phenix (DB/Tennessee/1999 (XXXIV), Adalius Thomas (DE/Baltimore/2000 (XXXV), Bobby Hamilton (DE/New England/2001 (XXXVI) and 2003 (XXXVIII).

## Golden Eagle Preseason Honors

### Watch Lists

**Bronko Nagurski Award** - Michael Boley  
**Dick Butkus Award** - Michael Boley  
**Rotary Lombardi Award** - Michael Boley  
**Chuck Bednarik Award** - Michael Boley  
**Lou Groza Award** - Darren McCaleb

### All-America Rankings

#### Michael Boley

CollegeFootballNews.com - First Team; Athlon Sports - First Team; Phil Steele's - First Team; The Sporting News - Second-Team; Lindy's - Second Team; Street & Smith's - Honorable-Mention

### Position Rankings

#### Michael Boley

The Sporting News - No. 3, Lindy's - No. 3  
 Lindy's - No. 2 NFL Talent in C-USA; Lindy's C-USA Defensive Player of the Year; Phil Steele's - No. 2; Street & Smith's Best Instincts and Hardest Hitter

#### John Eubanks

The Sporting News - No. 11; Phil Steele - No. 7

#### Marvin Young

The Sporting News - Most Underrated Player

#### Jeremy Parquet

Lindy's - No. 9 NFL Talent in C-USA

#### Team

Phil Steele's - No. 15 Linebackers; Phil Steele's - No. 6 Special Teams

### All-Conference USA Teams

**The Sporting News** - Eric Scott, Michael Boley, John Eubanks

**Athlons** - Jeremy Parquet, Eric Scott, Michael Boley, John Eubanks, Marvin Young, Chris White, Chad Ruffin, Trevis Coley, Darren McCaleb  
**Street & Smith's** - Michael Boley, Eric Scott  
**Lindy's** - (first team) Jeremy Parquet, Michael Boley, Eric Scott (second team) Chris White, Marvin Young, Darren McCaleb

**Phil Steele's** - (first team) Jeremy Parquet, Michael Boley, Marvin Young (PR), (second team) John Eubanks (KOR), (third team) Marvin Young (WR), Eric Scott, Darren McCaleb; (fourth team) Chad Ruffin, Kevis Coley, John Eubanks (DB), Nate Young.

### Quarterback Sacks Since 1999

School	Sacks
USC	211
Texas	205
Cal	205
TCU	196
Virginia Tech	192
Miami, Fla.	191
Washington State	190
Louisville	185
Nebraska	183
Kansas State	179
New Mexico	176
<b>Southern Miss</b>	<b>173</b>
Michigan	173
Arizona State	171
Michigan	173
Arizona State	171
Auburn	169
Purdue	169
Ole Miss	165.5
Oregon State	163

### Everybody's All-American

Senior linebacker Michael Boley enters 2004 with a list of preseason honors that few defensive players across the country can match.

Boley, a 6-foot-3, 228-pound linebacker, has been selected as a first team preseason All-America by numerous publications, including Athlon Sports, Blue Ribbon, CollegeFootballNews.com, NationalChamps.net and Phil Steele's. Additionally, he has been tabbed the preseason Conference USA Defensive Player of the Year by the league's coaches, and a Lindy's top five candidate for the Butkus Award, given annually to the nation's top linebacker.

He was named the Conference USA Defensive Player of the Year and a second-team All-American by CollegeFootballNews.com last season and returns as a two-time first-team All-Conference USA selection.

A quick glance at the numbers shows why he's gained so much attention.

Last year, Boley was second on the team in tackles with 151 and second in solo stops with 101. The All-Conference USA linebacker was tops on the team in tackles for loss (22.5) and sacks (11). Combine those stats with five pass breakups, nine quarterback hurries, three fumble recoveries and three forced fumbles, and that is reason enough why he is one of the top linebackers in the nation.

Boley ranked in C-USA's top five in five statistical categories and the nation's leaders in four. His 151 total tackles ranked No. 3 in Conference USA and No. 13 in the nation. His 101 solo tackles were second in the conference to teammate Rod Davis and 10<sup>th</sup> in the nation.

The outside linebacker was often an unwelcomed guest in opposing offense's backfields as well. His 22.5 tackles for loss tied for the conference lead and were seventh-best nationally. Additionally, his 11 sacks ranked second on C-USA's chart, and tied for 16<sup>th</sup> nationally.

Boley finished with 10 tackles or more in 11 games last season, while registering at least a half-tackle for loss in each of the last 12 games. He reached 18 total tackles twice last season, at Cincinnati (10/4) and at Houston (11/8). Boley had a season-high three sacks in the finale against East Carolina (11/29) and also registered a pair of sacks in the showdown with nationally-ranked TCU (11/20).

The Athens, Ala., product finished his sophomore season with 142 total stops, including 16 tackles for loss, 8.0 sacks, one interception, three pass breakups, a forced fumble and three fumble recoveries.

### Linebackers Should Be Strong Once Again

Linebacker should be a position of strength again this season, despite the loss of All-American Rod Davis, the school's all-time leading tackler. Two senior starters return in 2004, All-American Michael Boley and Antoine Cash.

Boley will be a starter for the third-consecutive season. He posted an outstanding year in 2003, recording 151 total tackles, including 101 solos, 11 sacks, 22.5 tackles for loss, three forced fumbles, and three fumble recoveries.

Cash was moved from safety to weak-side linebacker last season and was the team's fifth-leading tackler in 2003, with 73 total tackles, including 47 solo tackles, 27 assists, 7.8 tackles for a loss, two sacks, two fumble recoveries and three forced fumbles.

Redshirt senior Dillon Cleckler and redshirt junior Kevis Coley have been battling for the starting spot at middle linebacker. Both have seen plenty of playing time. Cleckler saw action in 12 games last season, recording 38 total tackles, including 25 solos and 13 assists, while Coley played in 13 games, with 20 tackles, including 12 solos and eight assists. Both have one quarterback hurry.

Others that will push for playing time include, redshirt junior Naton Stewart, senior Carsha Stromas, and redshirt freshmen Chaz Richards and James Denley.

### Cashing In

Perhaps the most underrated player on the Golden Eagle defense, linebacker Antoine Cash is poised for an outstanding senior season. The coaching staff is counting on him to be a defensive playmaker and one of the team leaders.

In his first year as a starting weak-side linebacker, Cash posted 74 tackles a pair of sacks and 7.5 tackles for loss in 2003. His three forced fumbles tied for fifth in Conference USA. Against Nebraska, Cash finished with eight tackles, including six solo stops.

In 2002, as a free safety, Cash had 78 tackles and had an interception.

### Fresh Faces On The Corners

When the Southern Miss cornerbacks line up across from Nebraska's wide receivers for the first time, Golden Eagle fans will likely recognize two new starting defensive players.

In 2003, John Eubanks and Seth Cumbie starred on special teams, Eubanks as one of the nation's top kick returners and Cumbie as a relentless gunner on the punt coverage unit.

This year, they'll attempt to gain recognition for their outstanding defensive play as well. As a reserve at the boundary corner position in 2003, Eubanks accumulated 31 tackles and intercepted two passes – one he returned 80 yards for a touchdown to seal a Golden Eagle win over East Carolina. Cumbie had 20 tackles last season, and recovered a fumble in the Liberty Bowl.

### Here's Johnny

In addition to being one of the nations top kickoff return men, redshirt junior John Eubanks enters this season as the Golden Eagles' top cornerback, due to the losses of seniors Greg Brooks, Etric Pruitt, Alex Ray and Corey Yates to graduation.

Eubanks has made six starts at the position in his career. In 2003, he returned a fumble 27 yards for a touchdown at Houston (11/8), and an interception 80 yards for a touchdown at East Carolina (11/29). He enters this season with 29 solo tackles, 13 assists, three interceptions, two pass deflections, one forced fumble, a fumble recovery and a quarterback sack. As a sophomore, he started two games due to injuries in the secondary and last year saw four starts due to injuries during the season.

### Big Shoes to Fill

Southern Miss safety Trevis Coley spent last season as the Golden Eagles' fifth defensive back and an understudy to All-American Etric Pruitt. This season, he looks to become one of the defense's playmakers.

Coley closed 2003 strong, posting five or more tackles in each of the final seven games. All told, he finished the season with 79 tackles, good for fifth on the team, and tied for the team lead with three interceptions, despite limited playing time for a portion of the season. Against Cincinnati, he posted a season-high nine tackles (eight solo) and an interception.

While Coley begins the season as the starting free safety, the battle between Jasper Faulk and Darrell Bennett for the starting rover spot enters the final week of preseason practice.

Faulk is a former reserve cornerback played a season-high 27 plays versus Louisiana-Lafayette, while Bennett is a converted wide receiver, who missed all of 2003 while recovering from shoulder surgery. Faulk's cousin, Kevin Faulk is a member of the New England Patriots and other cousin Marshall Faulk is an All-Pro running back with the St. Louis Rams.

### Interceptions Since 1999

School	Interceptions
Oklahoma	105
Nebraska	100
Kansas State	99
Washington State	95
Miami, Fla.	93
Virginia Tech	91
Oregon	89
Fresno State	88
Oregon State	88
USC	88
Georgia	84
Wisconsin	85
Auburn	83
Cincinnati	82
UCLA	81
Louisville	81
Georgia	80
Texas	79
Texas Tech	79
Hawaii	77
Arizona State	77
Purdue	76
Florida	76
Notre Dame	74
<b>Southern Miss</b>	<b>73</b>
Michigan	72
Virginia	71
TCU	72
Colorado	70
Maryland	70

### Analyzing the Special Teams

► Over the past four years, the Southern Miss special teams have been making their own mark.

With the blocked field goals against USF (2003), Oklahoma State (2002), Illinois (2002) and Cincinnati (2002), along with the two punt blocks against Jackson State (2002), one against UAB (2002) and Louisville (2002), the Golden Eagles have blocked 11 punts and 10 field goals during that time.

In 2000, the Golden Eagles blocked four punts (USF, 2, Louisville and TCU) and four field goals (Alabama, Houston, South Florida, TCU). During the 2001 season, USM blocked three punts (Memphis, 2, Louisville) and three field goals (Tulane, UAB, Alabama).

## Producing Points

While John Eubanks' role is primarily on defense, the redshirt-sophomore was a busy man last season when it came to putting points on the board.

In fact, Eubanks registered three touchdowns this season, the most of any non-offensive player. While tallying three touchdowns is in itself a feat, the way Eubanks scored them were even more amazing. His first touchdown of the game came on a key kickoff return against Cincinnati. He then returned a fumble for a score against Houston. And in the season finale, Eubanks took an interception 80 yards against East Carolina for paydirt to put that game out of reach.

Both his fumble and interception returns were a long time coming for the Golden Eagles. His 27-yard fumble return was the first fumble the Golden Eagles had returned for a touchdown since Roy Magee did the same against Tulane in 2000 (10/14/00). His 80-yard interception return also was the first since Etric Pruitt's 44-yard interception return against Cincinnati last season (10/19/02). But his first score possibly was the best of all, when he found pay dirt with a 94-yard kickoff return against Cincinnati (10/4) that came at a very crucial point in the game. The return also was the first Southern Miss kickoff return for a touchdown since 1997 as well as the eighth-longest in Golden Eagle history.

As a return man, Eubanks had 16 kickoff returns for 480 yards, posting more than 100 yards in two games. His numbers ranked him fourth in the nation and earned him a spot on the all-conference team as a kick returner. In the season opener at California (8/31), Eubanks had four returns for 127 yards and he then added four returns for 152 yards against the Bearcats, the third-best single-game individual total in school history.

Defensively, Eubanks had 32 tackles during the season, 22 of which were solo stops. He also had one pass breakup, two interceptions and one sack.

## Threats To Go The Distance

Perhaps no school in the country can boast of as outstanding return duo as Southern Miss.

Kickoff returner John Eubanks and punt returner Marvin Young, both preseason All-Americans, are threats to break open a game at any moment. Both have proven track records as well.

Eubanks ranked No. 4 nationally in kickoff returns a year ago, averaging 29.4 yards on 17 returns. He posted five returns of more than 30 yards, and his 94-yard return against Cincinnati shifted momentum in favor of the Golden Eagles in a come-from-behind win.

Young ranked No. 10 nationally as he averaged of 13.6 yards per punt return. On three occasions, he returned punts for more than 50 yards, and his 87-yard race for a fourth quarter score sealed a critical early-season win over Memphis.

## Down-The-Middle McCaleb

If Golden Eagle placekicker Darren McCaleb, a 2004 Lou Groza Award "Watch List" member, felt any nerves as a true freshman in 2003, they failed to creep into his steady left foot.

McCaleb connected on 14-of-17 field goals a year ago, at one point hitting eight in a row. Against Cincinnati, he hit the game-winner with 1:10 remaining in a 22-20 Golden Eagle win. Additionally, he connected on 31-of-32 extra points.

McCaleb was named to The Sporting News Freshman All-American team in 2003 and was named to Max Emfinger's and CollegeSportsReport.com's True Freshman All-American teams.

## Forty-Plus Per Punt For Johnson

Redshirt-junior Luke Johnson finished with a solid record in his first season as team's starting punting. In 79 kicks last year, Johnson booted for 3,326 yards, an average of 42.1 yards per punt. He also seven go for touchbacks, eight that were fair-caught and 28 that landed inside the opponents' 20-yard line.

He ranked 40<sup>th</sup> in the nation in punting average and was third in the conference. One of Johnson's punts against USF (10/25) went for an astounding 76 yards, marking a personal best for the punter and also the third-longest punt in school history. All-Century punter Ray Guy has the longest with a 93-yarder in 1972, while Jamie Purser is second with a punt of 78 yards against Nevada in 1998.

Johnson's contribution last season didn't go unnoticed by the Southern Miss coaching staff and Head Coach Jeff Bower. In fact, Bower awarded the former walk-on a full scholarship at the end of the regular season, something that is normally reserved for the spring.

## Daigle The Deep Snapper Earns Scholarship

Sophomore Stephen Daigle came to school in August as a walk-on and joined the football team. The special teams were experiencing difficulty with the operation in the snapping on punts. Daigle earned the starting snapper duty for the Nebraska game and held the position for the remainder of the year. He snapped 54 times for the season and only had one punt blocked against Alabama when the punter dropped the ball.

He worked hard over the course of last season, throughout the spring and summer and during preseason camp. Because of his hard work and dedication, the coaching staff extended a scholarship to him this fall, furthering the long list of former walk-ons who earned scholarships.

On the current squad, former walk-ons include Marvin Young, DaRon Lawrence, LeVon Pears, Chad Ruffin, Luke Johnson and now Daigle is added to the list.

# Golden Eagles In the National Football League

► Southern Miss has 17 players currently active on NFL Rosters for the 2004 season. Under the direction of Jeff Bower, there have been 22 Golden Eagles drafted and 33 play professional football in the NFL or in the CFL.

## 2004 Golden Eagles In NFL

Jeremy Bridges	Philadelphia Eagles
Greg Brooks	Cincinnati Bengals
Rod Davis	Minnesota Vikings
Brett Favre	Green Bay Packers
Bobby Hamilton	Oakland Raiders
John Nix	Cleveland Browns
Todd Pinkston	Philadelphia Eagles
Jeff Posey	Buffalo Bills
Etric Pruitt	Atlanta Falcons
T.J. Slaughter	Baltimore Ravens
DeQuincy Scott	San Diego Chargers
Daleroy Stewart	Dallas Cowboys
Patrick Surtain	Miami Dolphins
Adalius Thomas	Baltimore Ravens
Torrin Tucker	Dallas Cowboys
Raymond Walls	Baltimore Ravens
Chad Williams	Baltimore Ravens

## Golden Eagles Pros Who Played For Jeff Bower

<b>Alexander, Jamaal (1994-97)</b> St. Louis Rams (NFL)	1998
<b>Bridges, Jeremy (1999-2002)</b> Philadelphia Eagles (NFL)	2003
<b>Brock, Fred (1992-95)</b> Arizona Cardinals	1996-98
<b>Brooks, Greg (2000-03)</b> Cincinnati Bengals	2004
<b>Brown, Robert (1994-97)</b> Edmonton Eskimos (CFL)	1998
<b>Carter, Perry (1990-93)</b> Kansas City Chiefs (NFL) Oakland Raiders (NFL) Montreal Alouettes (CFL)	1994-95 1996-98 2002
<b>Davis, Rod (2000-03)</b> Minnesota Vikings (NFL)	2004
<b>Duggins, Brent (1993-94)</b> Indianapolis Colts (NFL)	1995
<b>Gideon, Sherrod (1996-99)</b> St. Louis Rams (NFL) Houston Texans (NFL)	2001 2002
<b>Hamilton, Bobby (1990-93)</b> Seattle Seahawks (NFL) London Monarchs (WLAFL) New York Jets (NFL) New England Patriots (NFL) Oakland Raiders (NFL)	1994 1994-95 1997-99 2000-03 2004
<b>Hardy, Terry (1994-97)</b> Arizona Cardinals (NFL)	1998-01
<b>Hoskins, Derrick (1988-91)</b> Oakland Raiders (NFL)	1992-97
<b>Jimenez, Jason (2000-02)</b> Green Bay Packers (NFL)	2003
<b>Kelly, Jeff (1998-01)</b> Seattle Seahawks	2002
<b>Nix, John (1997-00)</b> Dallas Cowboys (NFL) Cleveland Browns (NFL)	2001-02 2004
<b>Phenix, Perry (1996-97)</b> Tennessee Titans (NFL) Carolina Panthers (NFL) Atlanta Falcons (NFL)	1998-00-01 2001 2002
<b>Pinkston, Todd (1996-00)</b> Philadelphia Eagles (NFL)	2000-04
<b>Posey, Jeff (1995-96)</b> San Francisco 49ers (NFL) Jacksonville Jaguars (NFL) Houston Texans (NFL) Buffalo Bills (NFL)	1997-00 2001 2002 2003-04
<b>Pruitt, Etric (2000-03)</b> Atlanta Falcons	2004
<b>Roberts, Tim (1988-91)</b> Houston Oilers (NFL) New England Patriots (NFL)	1992-94 1995
<b>Scott, Cedric (1996-00)</b> New York Giants (NFL)	2001-02
<b>Scott, DeQuincy (1996-00)</b> San Diego Chargers (NFL)	2001-04
<b>Shaw, Harold (1994-97)</b> New England Patriots (NFL)	1998-00
<b>Slaughter, T.J. (1995-99)</b> Jacksonville Jaguars (NFL) Baltimore Ravens (NFL)	2000-03 2004
<b>Smith, Tony (1989-91)</b> Atlanta Falcons (NFL) Carolina Panthers (NFL)	1992-94 1995
<b>Stewart, Daleroy (1996-00)</b> Dallas Cowboys (NFL)	2001-04
<b>Surtain, Patrick (1994-97)</b> Miami Dolphins (NFL)	1998-04
<b>Terrell, Daryl (1995-96)</b> New Orleans Saints (NFL) Jacksonville Jaguars (NFL)	1999-01 2002
<b>Thomas, Adalius (1996-99)</b> Baltimore Ravens (NFL)	2001-04
<b>Tucker, Torrin (1999-2002)</b> Dallas Cowboys (NFL)	2003-04
<b>Ulmer, Terry (1990,1992)</b> Saskatchewan Roughriders (CFL)	1994
<b>Walls, Raymond (1996-00)</b> Indianapolis Colts (NFL) Baltimore Ravens (NFL)	2001-02 2003-04
<b>Williams, Chad (1997-01)</b> Baltimore Ravens (NFL)	2002-04

## 2003 Southern Miss Football Dress List

No.	Name	Pos.	Ht.	Wt.	Yr.	Exp.	Hometown/HS/JS
1	Eubanks, John	DB	5-11	179	r-So.	1vl	Mound Bayou, Miss./Cleveland
2	Carter, Damion	QB	6-3	185	Fr.	HS	New Orleans, La./Isidore Newman
3	Harris, Anthony	RB	5-11	222	r-So.	1vl	Demopolis, Ala./Demopolis
5	Brooks, Greg	DB	5-11	180	r-Sr.	3vl	New Orleans, La./Shaw
6	Hosey, Corey	DB	6-1	201	r-Sr.	3vl	Bay Springs, Miss./Bay Springs
7	D'Angelo, Micky	QB	6-3	215	r-Jr.	2vl	Gulfport, Miss./Harrison Central
8	Champagne, Karone	DB	5-10	192	r-Sr.	3vl	Hahnville, La./Hahnville
9	Almond, Dustin	QB	6-2	212	r-So.	1vl	Orange Park, Fla./Orange Park
13	Johnson, Kenneth	WR	5-10	179	Sr.	3vl	Gramercy, La./Lutcher
14	Ray, Alex	DB	5-11	209	r-Sr.	3vl	Vicksburg, Miss./Warren Central
15	Cumbie, Seth	DB	5-11	181	r-Jr.	2vl	Pace, Fla./Pace
16	McCaleb, Darren	K	5-11	170	Fr.	HS	Biloxi, Miss./D'Iberville
17	Johnson, Luke	P/K	6-0	250	r-So.	SQ	Laurel, Miss./West Jones
18	Coley, Trevis	DB	6-1	213	r-So.	1vl	Palatka, Fla./Palatka
19	Graves, Otho	TE	6-5	250	r-Jr.	SQ	Bassfield, Miss./Pearl River CC
21	Faulk, Jasper	DB	5-10	185	r-Fr.	SQ	Lafayette, La./Lafayette
23	Blackwell, Tim	RB	5-11	190	r-Jr.	SQ	Mt. Olive, Miss./Mize
24	Davis, Rod	LB	6-3	246	r-Sr.	3vl	Gulfport, Miss./Gulfport
25	Hurst, Adam	WR	5-11	175	r-Fr.	SQ	Mandeville, La./Fontainebleau
27	Boley, Michael	LB	6-3	233	r-Jr.	2vl	Athens, Ala./Elkmont
28	Pruitt, Etric	DB	6-1	188	r-Sr.	3vl	Theodore, Ala./Theodore
29	Yates, Corey	DB	5-10	181	r-Sr.	3vl	Holly Springs, Miss./Holly Springs
30	Moore, Sherron	RB	6-1	215	Jr.	TR	Calhoun, Miss./Northwest CC
31	Archie, John	DB	6-2	208	r-Fr.	SQ	Canton, Miss./Madison Central
32	Anderson, Terry	LB	6-2	220	r-Jr.	2vl	New Orleans, La./McDonogh 35
33	Weakley, Bobby	RB	5-10	235	Fr.	HS	Brandon, Miss./Brandon
34	Hardy, Wayne	RB	6-0	223	r-Fr.	SQ	Monticello, Miss./Lawrence County
35	Browden, Terrell	TE	6-3	260	Sr.	3vl	Baton Rouge, La./Christian Life
38/79	Corbett, Patrick	TE	6-6	264	r-Jr.	1vl	Kosciusko, Miss./Kosciusko
39	Whitney, Alan	TE	6-4	250	Fr.	HS	Fairhope, Ala./Fairhope
40	Pears, LeVon	DE	6-0	256	r-Jr.	2vl	Mobile, Ala./UMS Wright Prep
41	Stromas, Carsha	LB	6-2	205	r-Jr.	2vl	Cantonment, Fla./Tate
42	Cash, Antoine	LB	6-1	222	r-Jr.	2vl	Anguilla, Miss./South Delta
45	Coley, Kevis	LB	6-1	226	r-So.	1vl	Palatka, Fla./Palatka
48	Palmer, Jonathan	DE	6-3	260	r-Fr.	SQ	Tyler, Texas/Lee
49	Stewart, Naton	LB	6-4	232	r-So.	1vl	Vero Beach, Fla./Vero Beach
50	Lockett, Akeem	DE	6-2	255	So.	1vl	Ripley, Miss./Ripley
51	Cleckler, Dillon	LB	6-2	230	r-Jr.	2vl	Pensacola, Fla./Pine Forest
54	Wheeler, Kendel	OL	6-3	288	r-So.	SQ	Petal, Miss./Petal
55	Cooley, Travis	OL	6-3	276	r-Fr.	SQ	Waynesboro, Miss./Wayne County
56	D'Angelo, Robby	OL	6-3	268	r-Fr.	SQ	Gulfport, Miss./Harrison Central
57	Barner, DeMarcus	DE	6-0	234	r-Jr.	SQ	Newnan, Ga./East Coweta/Hutchinson CC (Kan.)
58	Kelly, Adam	LS	6-2	250	Jr.	JC	Hattiesburg, Miss./Pearl River CC
61	Daigle, Stephen	LS	6-2	220	Fr.	HS	Molino, Fla./Tate
66	White, Chris	OL	6-3	280	Jr.	TR	Winona, Miss./Holmes CC
67	Edwards, Addaryl	OL	6-3	285	r-Jr.	1vl	Amite, La./Amite
68	Hicks, Jim	OL	6-4	281	r-Sr.	3vl	Philadelphia, Miss./Philadelphia
70	Batiste, George	OL	6-5	288	r-Fr.	SQ	Avondale, La./L.W. Higgins
71	Worthington, Bradley	OL	6-4	302	r-So.	SQ	Highland Home, Ala./Highland Home
72	Powe, Myron	OL	6-4	304	r-Jr.	2vl	Camden, Ala./Wilcox Central
73	Mead, Neal	OL	6-4	311	r-So.	1vl	Collins, Miss./Collins
77	Parquet, Jeremy	OL	6-7	324	r-Jr.	2vl	Norco, La./Destrehan
80	Courington, Antwon	WR	6-3	210	So.	1vl	Jasper, Ala./Walker
82	Hendrix, Caleb	WR	6-0	185	Fr.	HS	Ensley, Ala./P.D. Jackson-Olin
83	Perine, Anthony	WR	5-11	175	Fr.	HS	Lucedale, Miss./George County
84	Causey, Pedi	WR	6-3	233	So.	1vl	Franklinton, La./Franklinton
85	Lawrence, DaRon	WR	6-3	201	r-Jr.	2vl	Orlando, Fla./Colonial
87	Matlock, Jacob	K	6-0	213	Sr.	1vl	Meridian, Miss./East Mississippi CC
88	Young, Marvin	WR	6-0	165	Jr.	2vl	Clarksdale, Miss./Clarksdale
90	Jones, Ronald	DE	6-4	278	Sr.	1vl	Gulfport, Miss./Gulfport/Gulf Coast CC
91	Paul, Terrell	DE	6-3	255	r-Sr.	3vl	Troy, Ala./Charles Henderson
92	Scott, Eric	DL	6-0	298	Jr.	2vl	Scottsboro, Ala./Scottsboro
95	Ford, Terrance	DL	6-4	285	So.	1vl	Gheens, La./Central Lafourche
96	Ruffin, Chad	DL	6-0	295	r-Jr.	2vl	New Orleans, La./Edna Karr
97	Prince, Martavious	DL	6-4	264	Fr.	HS	Ft. Pierce, Fla./Ft. Pierce Westwood
99	Casnave, Greg	DL	6-3	290	r-Fr.	SQ	Lacombe, La./Fontainebleau

# Southern Miss Depth Chart

*(classes reflect football eligibility)  
(bold denotes returning starter from 2003)*

## Offense

## Defense

<p><b>SE</b>    <b>85</b>    <b>DaRon Lawrence (6-3/204/r-Sr.)</b> 83    Anthony Perine (6-0/175/So.)</p> <p><b>LT</b>    <b>66</b>    <b>Chris White (6-3/280/Sr.)</b> 60    Chris Clark (6-5/263/r-Fr.)</p> <p><b>LG</b>    <b>55</b>    <b>Travis Cooley (6-3/276/r-So.)</b> 75    Ricardo Clark (6-1/300/Jr.)</p> <p><b>C</b>      67    Addaryl Edwards (6-3/285/r-Sr.) 56    Robby D'Angelo (6-3/268/r-So.)</p> <p><b>RG</b>    <b>70</b>    <b>George Batiste (6-5/288/r-So.)</b> 72    Myron Powe (6-4/310/r-Sr.)</p> <p><b>RT</b>    <b>77</b>    <b>Jeremy Parquet (6-7/324/r-Sr.)</b> 73    Neal Mead (6-4/311/r-Jr.)</p> <p><b>TE</b>    19    Otho Graves (6-5/250/r-Sr.) 38    Patrick Corbett (6-6/264/r-Sr.)</p> <p><b>FL</b>    <b>80</b>    <b>Antwon Courington (6-3/210/Jr.)</b> 81    Chris Rhoden (6-4/183/r-Fr.)</p> <p><b>WR</b>    <b>88</b>    <b>Marvin Young (6-0/165/Sr.)</b> 82    Tavarres Williams (6-1/190/Fr.)</p> <p><b>QB</b>    <b>9</b>    <b>Dustin Almond (6-2/212/r-Jr.)</b> 3    Damion Carter (6-3/185/So.)</p> <p><b>FB</b>    34    Wayne Hardy (6-0/223/r-So.) <b>33</b>    <b>Bobby Weakley (5-10/235/So.)</b></p> <p><b>RB</b>    <b>3</b>    <b>Anthony Harris (5-11/222/r-Jr.)</b> 30    Sherron Moore (6-1/215/Sr.)</p>	<p><b>DE</b>    50    Akeem Lockett (6-2/250/Jr.) 76    Matthew Chatelain (6-4/235/r-Fr.)</p> <p><b>NT</b>    <b>96</b>    <b>Chad Ruffin (6-0/295/r-Sr.)</b> 90    Tom Johnson (6-3/280/Jr.)</p> <p><b>DT</b>    95    Terrance Ford (6-4/285/Jr.) <b>92</b>    <b>Eric Scott (6-0/298/Sr.)</b></p> <p><b>BAN</b>   57    DeMarcus Barner (6-0/242/r-Sr.) 40    LeVon Pears (6-0/256/r-Sr.)</p> <p><b>SLB</b>   <b>27</b>    <b>Michael Boley (6-3/231/r-Sr.)</b> 35    James Denley (6-2/221/r-Fr.)</p> <p><b>MLB</b>   51    Dillon Cleckler (6-2/230/r-Sr.) or 45    Kevis Coley (6-1/226/r-Jr.)</p> <p><b>WLB</b>   <b>42</b>    <b>Antoine Cash (6-1/208/r-Sr.)</b> 49    Naton Stewart (6-4/232/r-Jr.)</p> <p><b>FC</b>    1    John Eubanks (5-11/179/r-Jr.) 5    Howard Overby (5-11/191/Jr.)</p> <p><b>ROV</b>   21    Jasper Faulk (5-10/185/r-So.) or 12    Darrell Bennett (6-0/210/r-Jr.)</p> <p><b>FS</b>    18    Trevis Coley (6-1/220/r-Jr.) 26    Pierre Hutchins (5-9/180/r-Sr.)</p> <p><b>BC</b>    15    Seth Cumbie (5-11/181/r-Sr.) 14    Caleb Hendrix (5-10/177/So.)</p>
--	--

<p><b>PK</b>    <b>16</b>    <b>Darren McCaleb (5-11/170/So.)</b> 39    Britt Barefoot 6-1/170/Fr.)</p> <p><b>KO</b>    17    Luke Johnson (6-0/250/r-Jr.)</p> <p><b>H</b>      <b>9</b>    <b>Dustin Almond (6-2/212/r-Kr.)</b></p> <p><b>KR</b>    <b>1</b>    <b>John Eubanks (5-11/179/r-Jr.)</b> 21    Jasper Faulk (5-10/182/r-So.)</p>	<p><b>P</b>      <b>17</b>    <b>Luke Johnson (6-0/250/r-Jr.)</b> 39    Britt Barefoot 6-1/170/Fr.)</p> <p><b>LSN</b>   <b>61</b>    <b>Stephen Daigle (6-0/220/So.)</b> 60    Barrett Tynes (6-5/240/Jr.)</p> <p><b>SSN</b>   61    Stephen Daigle (6-0/220/So.) 60    Barrett Tynes (6-5/240/Jr.)</p> <p><b>PR</b>    <b>88</b>    <b>Marvin Young (6-0/165/Sr.)</b> 1    John Eubanks (5-11/179/r-Jr.)</p>
---	---

## By The Numbers

1	.....	Overtime games Southern Miss has won
1	.....	Number of coaches who have been head coach at their alma mater longer than Jeff Bower
2	.....	Number of starts for true freshman quarterback Damion Carter (10/4/03, at Cincinnati)
2	.....	Number of Greg Brooks interceptions against Memphis (9/13/03)
3	.....	Number of points scored by ULL (11-1-03), fewest allowed by USM since 3-0 shutout of UAB (9-29-01)
3	.....	Overtime games Southern Miss has played
3	.....	Interceptions by Etric Pruitt against Army (9/29/02)
4	.....	Southern Miss Conference USA Championships
4	.....	Southern Miss Conference USA Defensive Player of the Year Awards
4	.....	Shutouts Southern Miss has recorded since '99 season
6	.....	Number of TDs Southern Miss has given up in last five games (one each vs USF, ULL, Houston; 2 vs Tulane, 3 vs. TCU)
6	.....	Straight years in which Southern Miss has produced an All-American
6	.....	NCAA I-A head coaches at the same school 13 years or more as a head coach (Jeff Bower is in his 13th year at Southern Miss)
6	.....	Southern Miss interceptions against Army (9-28-02)
6	.....	Rushing touchdowns against Jackson State (8-31-02)
6	.....	Passing TDs Southern Miss gave up during the entire 2002 season
8	.....	Passing TDs Southern Miss has given up in 11 games in the 2003 season
8	.....	Jeff Bower's position on Southern Miss career completions list (278)
9	.....	TCU's ranking going into 11/20/03 game, second-highest ever to play at Roberts Stadium
9	.....	Number of times Jeff Bower-coached teams have scored 50 or more points
10	.....	Golden Eagles who have played in an NFL Super Bowl
11	.....	Field goals Southern Miss has blocked over the past four years
11	.....	Nebraska's ranking going into 9/25/03 USM game, third-highest ranked team ever to play at Roberts Stadium
11	.....	Punts Southern Miss has blocked over the past four years
12	.....	Alabama passing yards against Southern Miss this season (10-11-03)
13	.....	Most individual single game USM receptions (Sherrrod Gideon vs Penn State, '98)
16	.....	Number of Michael Boley tackles in the Memphis game (9-13-03)
16	.....	Southern Miss head football coaches prior to Jeff Bower
17	.....	Career-best number of 100-yard rushing games (Ben Garry)
17	.....	Etric Pruitt tackles against Alabama last season (9-21-02)
20	.....	Rod Davis tackles in the TCU game (11-20-03)
21	.....	Alabama passing yards against Southern Miss last season (9-21-02)
22	.....	Rod Davis tackles in the Cincinnati game (10-4-03)
34	.....	Number of total passing yards Alabama has against Southern Miss in past two games
36	.....	Number of times Southern Miss teams have scored 50 or more points
48	.....	Total of two retired Southern Miss football jerseys (#4 Brett Favre & #44 Ray Guy)
50	.....	Games against Louisiana-Lafayette (second most of any Southern Miss opponent)
54	.....	Games against Memphis (most of any Southern Miss opponent)
61	.....	Longest-ever Southern Miss field goal (Ray Guy vs Utah State, '72)
72	.....	Years Southern Miss played between games in which team scored ONLY a safety, 10-17-31 to 8-30-03
76	.....	Luke Johnson's career-longest punt (vs. USF, 10-25-03)
93	.....	Longest-ever Southern Miss punt (Ray Guy vs Ole Miss, '72)
94	.....	John Eubanks' longest kickoff return of the season (vs. Cincinnati, 10-4-03, touchdown)
96	.....	Number of games Southern Miss has played without being shut out
99	.....	Most plays run against Southern Miss in a single game (Tulane, 00)
107	.....	Number of Golden Eagle players who have been drafted by NFL, AFL or AAFC
186	.....	The average length of 2003 Southern Miss games (in minutes)
234	.....	Points by Southern Miss career scoring leader (Sammy Winder, '78-'81)
273	.....	Yards Micky D'Angelo threw for in his first start (8/31/02)
.590	.....	Jeff Bower's career Southern Miss winning percentage through 149 games (88-61-1)
2,216	.....	Miles in Southern Miss' longest road trip this season (to Cal)
3,584	.....	Derrick Nix's career rushing yards (second highest Southern Miss total ever)
26,961	.....	Average 2002 Roberts Stadium attendance
28,645	.....	Average 2003 Roberts Stadium attendance (for six home games)
36,152	.....	Largest crowd ever at M. M. Roberts Stadium (Nebraska, 9-25-03)
108,064	.....	Largest crowd Southern Miss has ever played before (vs Tenn., 9-2-00)
2,950,488	.....	Fans who have seen games at M. M. Roberts Stadium

## Sagarin's Rankings

The Golden Eagles are rated No. 43 in the Sagarin's Computer Rankings, a computer ranking system comprised by Jeff Sagarin. There are five of Southern Miss' opponents also ranked in the top 55 of the Sagarin poll, Nebraska (21), California (29), Alabama (42) and TCU (44). The rankings are part of what comprises the Bowl Championship Series' rankings used to determine who will vie for the national championship. Here's a rundown of the Sagarin top 25.

1. Oklahoma	14. Ohio State
2. Southern Cal	15. Boise St.
3. LSU	16. Purdue
4. Michigan	17. Arkansas
5. Texas	18. Ole Miss
6. Miami-Ohio	19. Oklahoma State
7. Georgia	20. Washington State
8. Florida St.	21. Nebraska
9. Florida	22. Utah
10. Kansas St.	23. Auburn
11. Tennessee	24. Minnesota
12. Iowa	25. Bowling Green
13. Miami - Florida	<b>43. Southern Miss</b>

## Bowl History

Southern Miss' 2002 Houston Bowl appearance marked the program's 13th bowl game in school history. The Golden Eagles have a 5-8 record in bowl games. The 13 appearances are third in the conference behind second-year conference member TCU and Houston, which spent years in the South-west Conference, while the Golden Eagles were an independent. Southern Miss' four bowl appearances in the 1990s tied East Carolina with four bowl games in the decade. Coach Jeff Bower's squad is the only team in Conference USA to appear in bowl games in four-consecutive seasons.

Team	App.	Rec.	Last/Year
TCU	19	7-11-1	Liberty/'02
Houston	14	7-6-1	Liberty/'96
<b>USM</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>5-8</b>	<b>Houston/'02</b>
ECU	12	7-6	GMAC/'01
Tulane	10	4-6	Hawaii/'02
Louisville	10	5-5	GMAC/'02
Cincinnati	7	3-4	N. O./'02
Army	4	2-2	Indep./'96
Memphis	2	2-0	Pas'dna/'71
UAB	0	0-0	None
USF	0	0-0	None

## 2003 Southern Miss Scoring Drives

Opponent	Plays	Yards	Time	Result
California	--	--	--	Team Safety
UAB	10	92	2:29	Blackwell 2 run
UAB	1	28	0:08	Browden 28 pass from D'Angelo
UAB	12	76	4:27	McCaleb 20 field goal
Memphis	2	15	0:13	D'Angelo 1 run
Memphis	9	38	3:25	McCaleb 28 field goal
Memphis	--	--	--	Young 87 punt return
Memphis	3	43	0:27	Blackwell 38 run
Nebraska	4	22	1:47	Blackwell 1 run
Nebraska	17	92	7:46	Hendrix 6 pass from Carter
Cincinnati	2	3	0:51	Harris 3 pass from Carter
Cincinnati	--	--	--	Eubanks 94 kickoff return
Cincinnati	9	48	3:44	McCaleb 21 field goal
Cincinnati	2	56	0:15	McCaleb 28 field goal
Cincinnati	13	64	4:36	McCaleb 26 field goal
Alabama	12	70	2:56	McCaleb 27 field goal
USF	1	80	:04	Young pass from Almond
USF	0	0	:00	Davis 61 blocked field goal return
USF	3	29	:33	Young 10 pass from Almond
USF	5	52	1:38	Harris 27 run
UL Lafayette	6	31	2:51	Harris 2 run
UL Lafayette	6	40	1:58	Perine 9 pass from Almond
UL Lafayette	3	62	1:09	Young 51 pass from Almond
UL Lafayette	9	58	3:11	McCaleb 43 field goal
UL Lafayette	4	68	1:37	Courington 23 pass from Almond
UL Lafayette	3	77	1:15	Almond 21 run
UL Lafayette	7	65	2:34	Young 37 pass from D'Angelo
UL Lafayette	14	52	5:58	McCaleb 22 field goal
Houston	7	63	4:07	Young 34 pass from Almond
Houston	6	29	2:28	McCaleb 24 field goal
Houston	2	41	0:38	Courington 25 pass from Almond
Houston	0	27	0:00	Eubanks 27 fumble return
Houston	8	61	3:35	Harris 1 run
Tulane	6	97	2:12	Harris 3 run
Tulane	6	80	2:13	Lawrence 33 pass from Almond
Tulane	5	-7	1:18	McCaleb 41 field goal
Tulane	12	50	5:47	McCaleb 47 field goal
Tulane	14	86	5:54	Whitney 34 pass from Almond
TCU	3	70	1:24	Lawrence 50 pass from Almond
TCU	11	42	5:16	McCaleb 39 field goal
TCU	5	24	2:17	Harris 1 run
TCU	5	33	1:51	Courington 9 pass from Almond
TCU	2	36	:46	Young 21 pass from Almond
TCU	9	52	3:46	McCaleb 32 field goal
TCU	3	11	1:21	Harris 2 run

## 2003 Southern Miss' Opponent's Scoring Drives

Opponent	Plays	Yards	Time	Result
California	7	21	2:22	Fredrickson 26 field goal
California	--	--	--	Bethea 20 blocked punt return
California	11	79	5:09	Fredrickson 18 field goal
California	2	36	0:15	Hall 4 pass from Robertson
California	7	70	2:34	Cross 30 pass from Robertson
California	7	87	3:21	Echemandu 60 run
UAB	5	50	2:29	Hayes 30 field goal
UAB	9	44	3:20	Hayes 33 field goal
UAB	8	81	2:24	Chavez 8 pass from Hackney
Memphis	5	28	2:05	Gostkowski 21 field goal
Memphis	10	94	1:15	Gostkowski 23 field goal
Nebraska	4	29	1:23	Lord 6 run
Nebraska	6	24	1:35	Dyches 40 field goal
Nebraska	3	4	0:53	Horne 3 run
Nebraska	1	44	0:03	Pilkington 44 pass from Lord
Nebraska	3	44	1:28	Fluellen 43 pass from Lord
Nebraska	2	47	0:52	Miller 47 run
Cincinnati	15	62	7:02	Manfredini 20 field goal
Cincinnati	--	--	--	Holly 20 interception return
Cincinnati	9	57	4:25	Ervin 37 field goal
Cincinnati	4	49	1:32	Hall 39 pass from Guidugli
Alabama	3	53	1:21	Williams 44 run
Alabama	15	62	7:59	Bostick 23 field goal
Alabama	1	1	0:05	Williams 1 run
USF	9	39	3:34	Gramatica 28 field goal
USF	9	46	3:58	Gramatica 29 field goal
UL Lafayette	12	80	6:26	Comiskey 22 field goal
Houston	14	80	4:19	Schirmer 1 run
Houston	8	50	2:48	Bell 49 field goal
Tulane	9	75	2:05	Williams 3 pass from Losman
Tulane	10	80	3:03	Bush 17 pass from Losman
TCU	16	87	5:31	Browne 21 field goal
TCU	7	35	2:32	Browne 41 field goal
TCU	4	52	1:21	Hayter 1 run
TCU	6	52	1:55	Hayter 1 run
TCU	6	38	2:27	Hassell 1 run

## Southern Miss' Plays of 20-yards or More in 2003

94/TD	Eubanks kickoff return (CIN)
87/TD	Young punt return (MEM)
80/TD	Eubanks Interception Return (ECU)
80/TD	Almond pass to Young (USF)
64	Young punt return (HOU)
61/TD	Davis blocked field goal return (USF)
60	Almond pass to Courington (TUL)
54	Harris run (ULL)
52	Young punt return (TCU)
51/TD	Almond pass to Young (ULL)
50/TD	Almond pass to Lawrence (TCU)
49	Almond pass to Young (CIN)
47/FG	McCaleb field goal (TUL)
45	Almond pass to Johnson (TCU)
45	D'Angelo pass to Young (CAL)
43/FG	McCaleb field goal (ULL)
43	Almond Pass to Courington (ULL)
42	D'Angelo pass to Young (UAB)
42	Almond pass to Lawrence (ECU)
41/FG	McCaleb field goal (TUL)
39/FG	McCaleb field goal (TCU)
38/TD	Blackwell run (MEM)
37/TD	D'Angelo pass to Young (ULL)
34/TD	Almond pass to Young (HOU)
34/TD	Almond pass to Whitney (TUL)
33	Moore run (CIN)
32/FG	McCaleb field goal (TCU)
32	Pruitt interception return (TCU)
31	Almond pass to Lawrence (ECU)
30	Carter pass to Causey (NEB)
30	D'Angelo pass to Blackwell (UAB)
28/TD	D'Angelo pass to Browden (UAB)
28/FG	McCaleb field goal (CIN)
28/FG	McCaleb field goal (MEM)
28	Almond pass to Courington (NEB)
27/TD	Eubanks fumble return (HOU)
27/TD	Harris run (USF)
27/FG	McCaleb Field Goal (ALA)
26/TD	Almond pass to Young (ECU)
26/FG	McCaleb Field Goal (CIN)
26	Almond pass to Courington (ECU)
26	Almond pass to Blackwell (ALA)
26	Almond pass to Johnson (CIN)
25/TD	Almond pass to Courington (HOU)
24/FG	McCaleb field goal (HOU)
24	Moore run (ULL)
24	Almond pass to Courington (ALA)
24	Eubanks kickoff return (ALA)
24	Brooks interception return (MEM)
23	D'Angelo pass to Courington (CAL)
23/TD	Almond pass to Courington (ULL)
22/FG	McCaleb field goal (ULL)
22	Almond pass to Lawrence (HOU)
22	Almond pass to Lawrence (ALA)
22	Carter pass to Hurst (ULL)
22	Almond pass to Courington (TUL)
21	Almond pass to Young (TUL)
21/TD	Almond pass to Young (TCU)
21/TD	Almond run (ULL)
21/FG	McCaleb field goal (CIN)
21	Almond pass to Hendrix (USF)
21	Almond pass to Lawrence (NEB)
20/FG	McCaleb field goal (UAB)
20	Almond pass to Young (TCU)
20	Almond pass to Browden (TCU)
20	Harris run (HOU)
20	Almond pass to Johnson (HOU)
20	Almond pass to Lawrence (HOU)
20	Almond pass to Courington (ALA)

## Southern Miss' Opponent's Plays of 20-yards or More in 2003

60/TD	Echemandu run (CAL)
49/FG	Bell field goal (HOU)
48	Banks pass to Whittaker (USF)
47/TD	Miller run (NEB)
44	Banks pass to Hicks (USF)
44/TD	Williams run (ALA)
44/TD	Lord pass to Pilkington (NEB)
43/TD	Lord pass to Fluellen (NEB)
43	Harrell pass to Rodgers (TCU)
41/FG	Browne field goal (TCU)
41	Moncur run (UAB)
39/TD	Hall pass from Guidigli (CIN)
37	Williams run (MEM)
36	Robertson pass to McArthur (CAL)
34	Merrill run (TCU)
33/FG	Hayes field goal (UAB)
30/TD	Robertson pass to Cross (CAL)
30/FG	Hayes field goal (UAB)
30	Kolb pass to Marshall (HOU)
30	Arrington run (CAL)
29/FG	Gramatica field goal (USF)
29	Banks pass to Crossley (USF)
29	Lewis kickoff return (CIN)
28/FG	Gramatica field goal (USF)
28	Fisher pass to Green (USF)
26/FG	Fredrickson field goal (CAL)
26	Hassell pass to Harrell (TCU)
26	Losman pass to Williams (TUL)
26	Evans run (HOU)
26	Banks pass to Fisher (USF)
26	Banks pass to Whittaker (USF)
26	Hackney pass to Cook (UAB)
24	Merrill rush (TCU)
24	Hassell pass Galbert (TCU)
24	Williams run (MEM)
24	Babb pass to Lindon (ULL)
23/FG	Gostkowski field goal (MEM)
23	Davis run (NEB)
23	Robertson pass to McArthur (CAL)
23	Hackney pass to Rhodes (UAB)
23	Hackney pass to White (UAB)
22	Kolb pass to Marshall (HOU)
22	Hall run (CIN)
22	Jones kickoff return (CIN)
21/FG	Browne field goal (TCU)
21/FG	Gostkowski field goal (MEM)
21	Evans run (HOU)
20/TD	Holly interception return (CIN)
20/FG	Manfredini field goal (CIN)
20	Merrill rush (TCU)
20	Hassell pass to Harrell (TCU)
20	Hassell pass to Merrill (TCU)
20	Banks pass to Whittaker (USF)
20	Hackney pass to White (UAB)
20	Lord pass to Herian (NEB)
20	Horne run (NEB)

## Statistically Speaking ... NCAA Rankings ... Conference USA

### Comparing the Two Again

#### NCAA Rankings

	USM	ECU
Rushing Offense	90	73
Passing Offense	73	103
Passing Efficiency	54	104
Total Offense	95	106
Scoring Offense	81	104
Rushing Defense	73	108
Pass Eff. Defense	16	112
Total Defense	35	86
Scoring Defense	15	105
Net Punting	75	9
Punt Returns	13	117
Kickoff Returns	36	85
Turnover Margin	36	106
Pass Defense	12	29

#### Conference USA

	USM	ECU
Scoring Offense	8	10
Rushing Offense	9	7
Scoring Defense	1	10
Rushing Defense	7	10
Passing Offense	9	11
Total Offense	8	10
Pass Defense	2	5
Total Defense	4	8
Kickoff Returns	3	10
Punt Returns	1	11
Punting	6	1
Passing Efficiency	5	9
Turnover Margin	3	10
Pass Eff. Defense	3	11
First Downs	9	8
Third Down Conv.	8	7
Opponent First Down	5	7
Opponent Third Down	5	9
Sacks By	2	11
Sacks Against	8	9
Penalties	1	6
Field Goal Percentage	2	5
Opponent Penalties	8	6
PAT Kicking	10	9
Possession Time	6	4
Fourth Down	3	10
Opponent Fourth Down	10	11
Kickoff Coverage	6	8
Red Zone Offense	4	5
Red Zone Defense	3	10

### NCAA Statistics

#### Individual

##### *Rushing*

ECU - Marvin Townes - 36

##### *Pass Efficiency*

USM - Dustin Almond - 38

ECU - Desmond Robinson - 79

##### *Total Offense*

ECU - Desmond Robinson - 87

USM - Dustin Almond - 89

##### *Receptions Per Game*

ECU - Terrance Copper - 10

##### *Receiving Yards Per Game*

ECU - Terrance Copper - 58

USM - Marvin Young - 95

##### *Interceptions*

USM - Greg Brooks - 53

USM - Etric Pruitt - 78

##### *Punting*

ECU - Ryan Dougherty - 11

USM - Luke Johnson - 44

##### *Punt Returns*

USM - Marvin Young - 7

##### *Kickoff Returns*

USM - John Eubanks - 2

ECU - DaMarcus Fox - 68

ECU - Robert Tillman - 98

##### *Field Goals*

USM - Darren McCaleb - 32

ECU - Cameron Broadwell - 48

##### *Scoring*

USM - Darren McCaleb - 84

##### *All-Purpose Runners*

ECU - Marvin Townes - 49

USM - Marvin Young - 96

### Conference USA Rankings

#### Individual

##### *Rushing*

ECU - Marvin Townes - 4

##### *Passing Avg./Game*

USM - Dustin Almond - 8

ECU - Desmond Robinson - 9

##### *Total Offense*

ECU - Desmond Robinson - 8

USM - Dustin Almond - 9

##### *Receptions Per Game*

ECU - Terrance Copper - 1

##### *Receiving Yards Per Game*

ECU - Terrance Copper - 6

USM - Marvin Young - 9

##### *All-Purpose*

ECU - Marvin Townes - 4

USM - Marvin Young - 10

##### *Interceptions*

USM - Greg Brooks - 5

USM - Etric Pruitt - 9

##### *Pass Efficiency*

USM - Dustin Almond - 4

ECU - Desmond Robinson - 6

##### *Punt Return Average*

USM - Marvin Young - 1

##### *Punting*

ECU - Ryan Dougherty - 1

USM - Luke Johnson - 3

##### *Scoring*

USM - Darren McCaleb - 10

##### *Scoring (TDs)*

ECU - Marvin Townes - 8

##### *Scoring (Kick)*

USM - Darren McCaleb - 6

ECU - Cameron Broadwell - 8

##### *Field Goals*

USM - Darren McCaleb - 6

##### *PAT Kicking Pct.*

USM - Darren McCaleb - 6

##### *Tackles Per Game*

ECU - Chris Moore - 1

USM - Rod Davis - 2

USM - Michael Boley - 4

USM - Etric Pruitt - 10

##### *Sacks*

USM - Michael Boley - 3

USM - Terrel Paul - 5

##### *Tackles For Loss*

USM - Michael Boley - 2

USM - Rod Davis - 5

##### *Fumbles Forced*

USM - Rod Davis - T1

USM - Antoine Cash - T5

##### *Fumbles Recovered*

USM - Michael Boley - 1

USM - Etric Pruitt - 7

USM - Antoine Cash - 9

ECU - Erode Jean - 5

##### *Passes Defended Per Game*

USM - Greg Brooks - 1

USM - Etric Pruitt - 5

USM - Corey Yates - 8

## Southern Miss Versus Conference USA

Under the guidance of Jeff Bower, the Golden Eagles have recorded an all-time record of 48-21 against schools which hail from Conference USA. Overall, Southern Miss is 114-51-2 against C-USA schools.

### Army (3-0)

10/17/98 .... W/37-13 ..... West Point, N.Y.  
 10/16/99 .... W/24-0 ..... Hattiesburg, Miss.  
 9/28/02 ..... W/27-6 ..... West Point, N.Y.

### Cincinnati (7-6)

10/2/76 ..... L/21-28 ..... Hattiesburg, Miss.  
 10/1/77 ..... L/6-17 ..... Cincinnati, Ohio  
 9/16/78 ..... L/14-26 ..... Cincinnati, Ohio  
 9/15/79 ..... W/24-6 ..... Hattiesburg, Miss.  
 10/26/91 .... L/7-17 ..... Cincinnati, Ohio  
 10/24/92 .... W/31-17 ..... Hattiesburg, Miss.  
 10/19/95 .... L/3-16 ..... Cincinnati, Ohio  
 11/2/96 ..... W/21-17 ..... Hattiesburg, Miss.  
 11/1/97 ..... W/24-17 ..... Cincinnati, Ohio  
 10/23/99 .... W/28-20 ..... Hattiesburg, Miss.  
 11/18/00 .... L/24-27 ..... Cincinnati, Ohio  
 10/19/02 .... W/23-14 ..... Hattiesburg, Miss.  
 10/4/03 ..... W/22-20 ..... Cincinnati, Ohio

### East Carolina (20-7)

9/15/51 ..... W/40-0 ..... Hattiesburg, Miss.  
 11/19/66 .... W/35-14 ..... Greenville, N.C.  
 10/5/68 ..... W/65-0 ..... Hattiesburg, Miss.  
 11/22/69 .... W/14-7 ..... Greenville, N.C.  
 9/15/73 ..... L/0-13 ..... Hattiesburg, Miss.  
 9/11/76 ..... L/0-48 ..... Greenville, N.C.  
 10/14/78 .... W/17-16 ..... Hattiesburg, Miss.  
 9/27/80 ..... W/35-7 ..... Greenville, N.C.  
 11/19/83 .... L/6-10 ..... Hattiesburg, Miss.  
 11/10/84 .... W/31-27 ..... Greenville, N.C.  
 11/2/85 ..... W/27-0 ..... Hattiesburg, Miss.  
 11/1/86 ..... W/23-21 ..... Greenville, N.C.  
 11/14/87 .... W/38-14 ..... Hattiesburg, Miss.  
 9/24/88 ..... W/45-42 ..... Greenville, N.C.  
 11/25/89 .... W/41-27 ..... Hattiesburg, Miss.  
 10/6/90 ..... W/16-7 ..... Greenville, N.C.  
 10/26/91 .... L/20-48 ..... Hattiesburg, Miss.  
 10/29/92 .... W/38-21 ..... Greenville, N.C.  
 10/23/93 .... W/24-16 ..... Hattiesburg, Miss.  
 10/1/94 ..... L/10-31 ..... Greenville, N.C.  
 10/28/95 .... L/34-36 ..... Hattiesburg, Miss.  
 10/10/96 .... W/28-7 ..... Greenville, N.C.  
 10/11/97 .... W/23-13 ..... Greenville, N.C.  
 10/24/98 .... W/41-7 ..... Hattiesburg, Miss.  
 10/9/99 ..... W/39-22 ..... Greenville, N.C.  
 11/24/00 .... L/9-13 ..... Hattiesburg, Miss.  
 11/23/01 .... W/28-21 ..... Greenville, N.C.  
 11/29/02 .... W/24-7 ..... Hattiesburg, Miss.

### Houston (5-2)

11/9/57 ..... L/12-27 ..... Jackson, Miss.  
 11/9/96 ..... L/49-56\* ..... Houston, Texas  
 11/15/97 .... W/33-0 ..... Hattiesburg, Miss.  
 11/7/98 ..... W/21-15 ..... Houston, Texas  
 10/28/00 .... W/6-3 ..... Houston, Texas  
 10/27/01 .... W/58-14 ..... Hattiesburg, Miss.  
 11/8/03 ..... W/31-10 ..... Houston, Texas

### Louisville (18-8-1)

11/24/49 .... W/26-21 ..... Hattiesburg, Miss.  
 11/25/50 .... W/34-28 ..... Hattiesburg, Miss.  
 11/23/51 .... L/13-14 ..... Louisville, Ky.  
 11/22/52 .... W/55-26 ..... Jackson, Miss.  
 11/18/78 .... W/37-3 ..... Hattiesburg, Miss.  
 11/3/79 ..... T/10-10 ..... Louisville, Ky.  
 11/22/80 .... L/3-6 ..... Hattiesburg, Miss.  
 11/21/81 .... L/10-13 ..... Louisville, Ky.  
 10/23/82 .... W/48-0 ..... Hattiesburg, Miss.  
 11/5/83 ..... W/27-3 ..... Louisville, Ky.

11/17/84 .... W/34-25 ..... Hattiesburg, Miss.  
 10/12/85 .... W/42-12 ..... Louisville, Ky.  
 11/22/86 .... W/31-16 ..... Hattiesburg, Miss.  
 10/3/87 ..... W/65-6 ..... Louisville, Ky.  
 10/1/88 ..... W/30-23 ..... Hattiesburg, Miss.  
 10/14/89 .... W/16-10 ..... Louisville, Ky.  
 9/29/90 ..... W/25-13 ..... Hattiesburg, Miss.  
 10/28/91 .... L/14-28 ..... Louisville, Ky.  
 10/16/93 .... L/27-35 ..... Louisville, Ky.  
 10/7/95 ..... W/25-21 ..... Hattiesburg, Miss.  
 9/28/96 ..... W/24-7 ..... Louisville, Ky.  
 10/4/97 ..... W/42-14 ..... Hattiesburg, Miss.  
 10/10/98 .... W/56-21 ..... Hattiesburg, Miss.  
 10/20/99 .... W/30-27 ..... Louisville, Ky.  
 11/4/00 ..... L/28-49 ..... Hattiesburg, Miss.  
 10/16/01 .... L/14-24 ..... Louisville, Ky.  
 11/14/02 .... L/17-20 (2ot) Hattiesburg, Miss.

### Memphis (36-17-1)

10/26/35 .... W/12-0 ..... Memphis, Tenn.  
 10/23/36 .... W/25-0 ..... Hattiesburg, Miss.  
 9/27/52 ..... W/27-20 ..... Hattiesburg, Miss.  
 10/31/53 .... L/13-27 ..... Memphis, Tenn.  
 11/20/54 .... W/34-21 ..... Hattiesburg, Miss.  
 10/21/55 .... W/34-14 ..... Memphis, Tenn.  
 10/20/56 .... W/27-0 ..... Hattiesburg, Miss.  
 10/19/57 .... W/14-6 ..... Memphis, Tenn.  
 10/4/58 ..... W/24-22 ..... Hattiesburg, Miss.  
 10/31/59 .... L/6-21 ..... Memphis, Tenn.  
 11/18/60 .... L/6-7 ..... Hattiesburg, Miss.  
 10/14/61 .... L/7-21 ..... Memphis, Tenn.  
 10/13/62 .... L/6-8 ..... Memphis, Tenn.  
 9/14/63 .... L/7-28 ..... Jackson, Miss.  
 10/10/64 .... W/20-14 ..... Memphis, Tenn.  
 11/21/64 .... W/20-18 ..... Jackson, Miss.  
 9/25/65 .... W/21-16 ..... Jackson, Miss.  
 10/1/66 ..... L/0-6 ..... Memphis, Tenn.  
 10/28/67 .... L/8-34 ..... Jackson, Miss.  
 10/26/68 .... L/7-29 ..... Memphis, Tenn.  
 11/8/69 ..... L/7-37 ..... Memphis, Tenn.  
 10/31/70 .... L/0-33 ..... Memphis, Tenn.  
 10/23/71 .... L/12-27 ..... Memphis, Tenn.  
 12/2/72 ..... T/14-14 ..... Jackson, Miss.  
 11/10/73 .... W/13-10 ..... Memphis, Tenn.  
 9/14/74 .... W/6-0 ..... Memphis, Tenn.  
 10/11/75 .... W/21-7 ..... Memphis, Tenn.  
 11/20/76 .... W/14-12 ..... Hattiesburg, Miss.  
 10/29/77 .... L/14-42 ..... Memphis, Tenn.  
 10/21/78 .... W/13-10 ..... Memphis, Tenn.  
 10/20/79 .... W/22-0 ..... Hattiesburg, Miss.  
 10/17/81 .... W/10-0 ..... Memphis, Tenn.  
 10/2/82 ..... W/34-14 ..... Hattiesburg, Miss.  
 10/15/83 .... W/27-20 ..... Memphis, Tenn.  
 9/29/84 ..... L/13-23 ..... Memphis, Tenn.  
 10/19/85 .... W/14-7 ..... Memphis, Tenn.  
 10/18/86 .... W/14-9 ..... Hattiesburg, Miss.  
 10/24/87 .... W/17-14 ..... Memphis, Tenn.  
 10/29/88 .... W/34-27 ..... Hattiesburg, Miss.  
 10/28/89 .... W/31-7 ..... Memphis, Tenn.  
 10/20/90 .... W/23-7 ..... Hattiesburg, Miss.  
 10/12/91 .... L/12-17 ..... Memphis, Tenn.  
 9/4/92 ..... W/23-21 ..... Hattiesburg, Miss.  
 11/13/93 .... L/9-20 ..... Memphis, Tenn.  
 9/17/94 .... W/20-3 ..... Hattiesburg, Miss.  
 11/11/95 .... W/17-9 ..... Memphis, Tenn.  
 10/19/96 .... W/16-0 ..... Hattiesburg, Miss.  
 11/22/97 .... W/42-18 ..... Memphis, Tenn.  
 11/14/98 .... W/45-3 ..... Hattiesburg, Miss.  
 11/6/99 ..... W/20-5 ..... Memphis, Tenn.  
 9/30/00 .... W/24-3 ..... Hattiesburg, Miss.  
 10/6/01 ..... L/17-22 ..... Memphis, Tenn.

9/14/02 ..... W/33-14 ..... Hattiesburg, Miss.  
 9/13/03 ..... W/23-6 ..... Hattiesburg, Miss.

### TCU (2-3)

9/23/89 ..... L/17-19 ..... Ft. Worth, Texas  
 12/20/00 .... W/28-21 ..... Mobile, Ala.  
 12/7/01 ..... L/12-14 ..... Hattiesburg, Miss.  
 10/30/02 .... L/7-37 ..... Ft. Worth, Texas  
 11/20/03 .... W/40-28 ..... Hattiesburg, Miss.

### Tulane (18-7)

10/13/79 .... L/19-20 ..... Hattiesburg, Miss.  
 9/6/80 ..... W/17-4 ..... New Orleans, La.  
 9/19/81 ..... W/21-3 ..... Hattiesburg, Miss.  
 10/16/82 .... W/22-10 ..... New Orleans, La.  
 10/22/83 .... L/7-14 ..... Hattiesburg, Miss.  
 10/13/84 .... L/7-35 ..... New Orleans, La.  
 11/23/85 .... W/24-6 ..... Hattiesburg, Miss.  
 10/25/86 .... L/20-35 ..... New Orleans, La.  
 9/19/87 ..... W/31-24 ..... Hattiesburg, Miss.  
 10/8/88 ..... W/38-13 ..... New Orleans, La.  
 10/7/89 ..... W/31-20 ..... Hattiesburg, Miss.  
 10/13/90 .... W/26-14 ..... New Orleans, La.  
 10/19/91 .... W/47-15 ..... Hattiesburg, Miss.  
 10/15/92 .... W/17-7 ..... New Orleans, La.  
 11/6/93 ..... L/17-15 ..... Hattiesburg, Miss.  
 9/3/94 ..... W/25-10 ..... New Orleans, La.  
 9/30/95 .... W/45-10 ..... Hattiesburg, Miss.  
 10/26/96 .... W/31-18 ..... New Orleans, La.  
 10/25/97 .... W/34-13 ..... Hattiesburg, Miss.  
 10/3/98 ..... L/21-7 ..... New Orleans, La.  
 9/6/99 ..... W/48-14 ..... Hattiesburg, Miss.  
 10/14/00 .... W/56-24 ..... New Orleans, La.  
 11/17/01 .... W/59-6 ..... Hattiesburg, Miss.  
 11/23/02 .... L/10-31 ..... New Orleans, La.  
 11/15/03 .... W/28-14 ..... Hattiesburg, Miss.

### UAB (4-0)

11/11/00 .... W/33-30\* ..... Birmingham, Ala.  
 9/29/01 ..... W/3-0 ..... Hattiesburg, Miss.  
 11/9/02 ..... W/20-13 ..... Birmingham, Ala.  
 9/4/03 ..... W/17-12 ..... Birmingham, Ala.

### USF (2-1)

10/7/00 ..... W/41-7 ..... Hattiesburg, Miss.  
 10/12/02 .... L/13-16 ..... Tampa, Fla.  
 10/25/03 .... W/27-6 ..... Hattiesburg, Miss.

## Pronunciation Guide

George Batiste ..... (ba-teeste)  
 Michael Boley ..... (bowl-ley)  
 Terrell Browden ..... (te-rel BrO-den)  
 Antoine Cash ..... (An-twan)  
 Pede Causey ..... (Pee-dey Cause-E)  
 Karone Champagne ..... (kuh-rOne)  
 Antwon Courington ..... (kerr-ington)  
 Frank Lesure ..... (Lay-Sure)  
 Beau Maggio ..... (Ma-Je-O)  
 Yamil Ortega ..... (Yu-meal)  
 Jeremy Parquet ..... (Parr-ket)  
 LeVon Pears ..... (peers)  
 Myron Powe ..... (poe)  
 Etric Pruitt ..... (et-trik)  
 Carsha Stomas ..... (Strome-us)  
 Naton Stewart ..... (Nay-Ton)

\* - Overtime Games

## Media Information

### Golden Eagle Information On The World Wide Web

Information on Southern Miss Athletics can be obtained over the World Wide Web by going to SouthernMiss.com. Game and season statistics, game notes, rosters, depth charts and other information on the Golden Eagles will be updated throughout the 2004 season. We will not be utilizing the media teamlink system this year as everything pertaining to Southern Miss football can be found on the official website, www.SouthernMiss.com.

### Conference USA Teleconference

Each Monday except for Labor Day, Conference USA will have a weekly teleconference to announce C-USA Players of the Week and get comments from each of the league's 11 head coaches regarding their upcoming games. Because of Labor Day, the teleconference will be on Tuesday at the same time

Southern Miss Coach Jeff Bower will be on the teleconference at 1:24 p.m. (CT) each Monday. The teleconference, which will begin each week at 12:30 p.m. (CT) is available by calling 913-981-5571. A playback of the teleconference will be available beginning each Monday at 5 p.m. (CT) by calling 402-220-1009.

For more information on the weekly Conference USA Teleconference contact the C-USA Office at 214-774-1300.

### Southern Miss Player and Coach Interviews

Any member of the media who wishes to interview Southern Miss players and coaches needs to set up interviews through the Southern Miss Athletic Media Relations Office. Call Assistant Athletic Director for Media Relations Mike Montoro with your requests at 601-266-5947.

Please be advised that interview days for Southern Miss players will generally be Monday - Wednesday. Interviews will be cut off after Wednesday's practice on game weeks. For Thursday games, interviews will be cut after Monday's practice and for Friday games, it will be cut off after Tuesday.

Practices are open to the media unless closed by the head coach. Photographers and videographers are allowed to shoot the first 15 minutes of each practice (or until team periods begin), then will be asked to stop shooting.

After all games, Southern Miss' locker room is closed. Requested players and coaches will be brought to the Postgame Interview Room after a 10-minute cooling off period.

### Weekly News Conference

Southern Miss Head Football Coach Jeff Bower will meet with members of the media each Monday during the 2004 season at 11 a.m., CT. The weekly press conference will be held in the team meeting room, located in the Southern Miss Athletic Center.

Media members who are unable to attend the news conference in person can get the transcript of Coach Bower's comments on www.SouthernMiss.com after 2 p.m., on Monday.

Radio stations and television stations needing broadcast quality sound bites and video from the news conference should contact Southern Miss Director of Sports Broadcasting John Cox (601-266-4505) BEFORE MONDAY morning prior to the news conference, regarding replay availability.

### Player Pictures

Southern Miss color digital head shots and action shots are available to the media. Please call Southern Miss Assistant Athletic Director for Media Relations Mike Montoro with requests at 601-266-5947.

### Golden Eagle Hotline

#### with Jeff Bower

The Golden Eagle Hotline with Jeff Bower can be heard throughout the state and in several adjacent states each Tuesday night, from 7 p.m. to 8 p.m., on the Southern Miss ISP Sports Network. The show offers the fans a way to call in and talk about Golden Eagle football with Coach Bower.

### Golden Eagle Hotline Station Affiliates

Market	Affiliate	Frequency
<b>Flagship Station</b>		
Hattiesburg-Laurel	WXRR-FM	104.5
<b>Affiliates</b>		
WAOY-FM	Biloxi-Gulfport	91.7
WBOX-AM	Bogalusa, La.	920
WBOX-FM	Bogalusa, La.	92.9
WTCL-AM	Chattahoochee, Fla.	1580
WFFF-FM	Columbia	1360
WDMS-FM	Greenville	100.7
WNLA-FM	Indianaola	105.5
WSLI-AM	Jackson	930
WRBE-FM	Lucedale	106.9
WRBE-AM	Lucedale	1440
WAKH-FM	Liberty/McComb	105.5
WFFX-AM	Meridian	1490
WABB-AM	Mobile, Ala.	1480
WTIX-AM	New Orleans, La.	690
WYKK-FM	Quitman	98.9
WTUP-AM	Tupelo	1490
WKMQ-AM	Tupelo	1060
WABO-FM	Waynesboro	105.5
WABO-AM	Waynesboro	990
WROB-AM	West Point	1450

### Southern Miss Sports Today

#### With Jeff Bower

"Southern Miss Sports Today with Jeff Bower" will air on Sunday, Sept. 5, 2004, and will continue every week with the final show airing on Sunday, Nov. 28.

The show can be seen on WJTC-TV in Mobile-Pensacola (Noon), WLOX-TV in Biloxi-Gulfport-Pascagoula and WDBD-TV in Jackson at 12:30 p.m., Regional-Southeast on CSS (TBA), and WDAM-TV in Hattiesburg at 10:30 p.m.

The 30-minute program, hosted by Eagles' Head Football Coach Jeff Bower, along with "Voice of the Golden Eagles" John Cox, takes viewers inside Southern Miss football with interviews, game highlights and interesting features.