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Eagles and Broncos to kick at 7 pm on ESPN3



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The Georgia Southern football squad takes a break from conference play to take on Western Michigan on Saturday, Sept. 24 in Kalamazoo, Mich. Here's all you need to know about the game:

Game 4: Saturday, Sept. 24, 2016 • 7 PM

Location: Kalamazoo, Mich. (Waldo Stadium; 30,200)

Records:

Georgia Southern: 3-0, 2-0 Sun Belt

Western Michigan: 3-0, 0-0 MAC (RV in both polls)

Broadcast Information

Online: ESPN3/Watch ESPN

PBP: Dan Gutowski; **Analyst:** Pete Najarian

Radio: Georgia Southern Sports Network

PBP: [Danny Reed](#); **Analyst:** Terry Harvin; **Sidelines:** Russ Brown

GS: [GAME NOTES \(PDF\)](#)

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The Series

- Georgia Southern leads the all-time series with Western Michigan 1-0 after beating the Broncos 43-17 last year in Statesboro.
- [Matt Breida](#) carried the ball 11 times for 176 yards and four touchdowns while [Favian Upshaw](#) ran it 16 times for 114 yards. The Eagles completed just one pass in the game and ran for 413 yards.
- This will be Georgia Southern's first game ever played in the state of Michigan and just the second against a team from the state of Michigan (WMU, 2015).

Against the MAC

- Georgia Southern has played just two games all-time against any of the 12 teams in the MAC and they came last year as GS downed WMU, 43-17, at in Statesboro and then breezed by Bowling Green 58-27 in the GoDaddy Bowl.
- GS has two games against MAC teams on future schedules: at Kent State in 2018 at home against the Golden Flashes in 2019.

Battle of Young Coaches

- Saturday's game will be a battle between two of the youngest head coaches in the FBS as Georgia Southern's [Tyson Summers](#) and Western Michigan's P.J. Fleck face off.
- Summers is the third-youngest FBS head coach at 36 years old while Fleck is the second-youngest at 35. Only Mike Norvell (34; Memphis) is younger than the two.

Possession Time Monsters

- Western Michigan and Georgia Southern were among the nation's best in time of possession last year with the Broncos averaging 34:33 minutes of possession each game, second-best in the FBS. Georgia Southern averaged 33:59 per game, which was fourth in the nation in 2015. This year, GS is ranked fifth while WMU is ranked sixth in the country.

- In last year's game, WMU won the possession battle 30:39 to 29:21, but the Eagles won the game 43-17.

Undefeated Teams Match Up

- The Georgia Southern/Western Michigan game is one of six FBS games this weekend that features a pair of undefeated teams. The others are: Clemson/GT; Wisconsin/Michigan St; Florida/Tennessee; Arkansas/Texas A&M; and Wake Forest/Indiana.

- There are 37 undefeated teams in the FBS heading into week 4 and two of them will play Saturday in Kalamazoo.

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