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# SETTING THE SCENE

## Game Preview

**Site:** Hanner Fieldhouse (3,897)

**Tipoff:** 7 p.m.

**Listen:** GS Sports Network (pregame show starts a half hour before tipoff)

**Watch:** ESPN+

**Series:** GS trails series 12-10, W1

**Last meeting:** 3/15/19, W 81-64 (Lakefront)

**Promotions:** Faculty/Staff Appreciation Night - All Georgia Southern faculty and staff receive a \$1 ticket when they show their Eagle ID (limit 4 per person).

### Probable Starters:

#2 - Elijah McCadden

#3 - Ike Smith

#13 - Quan Jackson

#24 - David-Lee Jones Jr.

#53 - Isaiah Crawley

- GS opens a two-game weekend Sun Belt homestand against ULM Thursday. Tipoff is set for 7 p.m. in Hanner Fieldhouse.
- It's Georgia Southern Faculty/Staff Appreciation Night. All Georgia Southern faculty and staff receive a \$1 ticket when they show their Eagle ID (limit 4 per person).
- It will have been 18 days in between games in Hanner Fieldhouse. The Eagles' last contest there was Dec. 21.
- The Eagles are 4-2 in games decided by five points or less, and four of their five Sun Belt games have been decided by three points or less.
- The Eagles are 2-3 in their last five and coming off a 79-73 loss at Little Rock Monday night.
- The Eagles rank 37th in the country in steals (8.8/gm), 18th in turnovers forced (18.1/gm) and sixth in turnover margin (+5.8).
- GS ranks fourth in the Sun Belt in fewest fouls (16.6/gm) and third in fewest turnovers (12.3/gm). The Eagles are second in the league in blocked shots per game (4.4); Simeon Carter ranks third (1.5/gm) and Trey Dawkins is seventh (1.2/gm).
- The Eagles rank 21st in the country and first in the Sun Belt in total 3-point field goal attempts (425), and GS is first in the league in 3-pointers made per game (8.9).
- The Eagles are 66-22 in Hanner Fieldhouse under Mark Byington and 37-12 in Sun Belt contests.
- ULM is 2-3 in its last five and coming off a 93-64 loss at Coastal Carolina Monday night. The setback dropped the Warhawks to 0-5 on the road.
- Seven of ULM's games have been decided by eight points or less (2-5 record).
- The Warhawks have held 12 of their opponents below 50-percent shooting from the field. They rank third in the Sun Belt in scoring defense (64.9/gm).
- ULM was picked eighth in the Sun Belt Preseason Coaches Poll, and Michael Ertel was named preseason second-team all-conference.