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Georgia Southern hosts two early season tournaments, 22 games overall at Eagle Field

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STATESBORO - Georgia Southern Head Softball Coach [Kim Dean](#) has announced the 2020 Spring schedule for the Eagles. For a second straight year, Georgia Southern will host a pair of early season tournaments at Eagle Field and the schedule also features a pair of Power 5 opponents making the journey to Statesboro.

"In general, I think we gave ourselves a pretty good schedule," Coach Dean said. "We have a really good mix of talented teams to help push us. The Sun Belt Conference is one of the toughest conferences, as we all know. So we worked hard to try and add some really good competition this year. I'm really excited to be invited to Auburn's tournament, we're going back to South Carolina, and then having three Power Five schools coming to Statesboro; we've made some major upgrades to our field and it'll be great to showcase that to the country. Maryland, Rutgers and Boston College coming here is huge for us, but the overall goal was to schedule tough teams, which you have to do to prepare yourself for Sun Belt Conference play."

The Eagles will open up the 2020 slate by hosting the Bash in the Boro on Feb. 7-9, which features Hartford, ETSU, Rutgers and Army West Point. The 2020 season opener will be at 4:30 p.m. on Friday, Feb. 7, against Hartford at Eagle Field. A midweek visit to Mercer (Feb. 12) is followed by a trip to Orlando, Fla., for the Citrus Classic at the Wide World of Sports Complex, where the Eagles will take on Lehigh, Saint Joseph's, Bethune-Cookman and Charleston Southern from Feb. 14-16.

The second tournament Georgia Southern hosts at Eagle Field will be the Eagle Round Robin on Feb. 21-23, with Evansville, Monmouth, Furman and Maryland visiting Statesboro. The Eagles will then visit SEC foe South Carolina on Feb. 26, before wrapping up early season tournament action on Feb. 28-Mar. 1 at the 2020 Auburn Tiger Invitational. Georgia Southern will take on the host Tigers, as well as Minnesota and Binghamton during the tournament.

Boston College comes to Statesboro for a midweek contest on March 4, before the Eagles open up Sun Belt Conference play by hosting ULM on March 6-8. A midweek contest at the College of Charleston (Mar. 11) begins a nine-game road swing for the Eagles, taking Georgia Southern to Troy (March 13-15), Furman (March 17), Coastal Carolina (March 20-22) and Kennesaw State (March 25). The month of March ends with Georgia Southern hosting UT Arlington on March 27-29 at Eagle Field.

April begins for the Eagles on the road at Texas State (April 3-5) before Georgia Southern hosts its final home series of the year against South Alabama on April 9-11. The Eagles then finish up the regular season with three straight road Sun Belt series, at Louisiana (April 17-19), at Appalachian State (April 24-26) and at Georgia State (May 1-3). The 2020 Sun Belt Conference Tournament takes place in Atlanta, Ga., on May 5-9 on the campus of Georgia State University.

"We're happy to be able to open the season at home," Coach Dean said. "It'll give us a chance to really get our kids going. Again, it's a great schedule for us in 2020. We really believe that we're in that top six or seven of conferences in strength of schedule and the RPI in the Sun Belt, so we always keep that in mind when we're scheduling. Geographically, we fall in an outstanding location so that teams traveling are open the idea that they can stop here and play against a really good team from a great conference. Our conference carries itself so that other schools don't mind playing us. And our administration continues to build our field and make our facilities as good as they can be."

Season tickets for 2020 Georgia Southern softball are on sale now and can be purchased by visiting the Georgia Southern Ticket Office website at <http://gsathletics.com/tickets> or by calling 1-800-GSU-WINS. All 22 home contests will also be broadcast live online via ESPN+ and True Blue Live.

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