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SERIES PREVIEW

FRIDAY | 6:30 P.M.
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Eagles enter the three-game set leading the East Division by a half game

Baseball

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STATESBORO – With final exams in the rearview mirror, Eagle Baseball returns to the diamond this weekend for a three-game series against Arkansas State. The Graduation Weekend series is the final chance for fans to see the Eagles in Statesboro. Games start at 6:30 p.m. on Friday and 7 p.m. on Saturday due to graduation ceremonies on campus. Follow all the action live on True Blue TV and the Georgia Southern Sports Network.

Four current Eagles ([Matt Anderson](#), [Tyler Martin](#), [Tristan Roberts](#) and [Cole Whitney](#)) will receive their degrees this weekend. On Sunday, Eagle Baseball will honor its 2019 Senior Class when [Daniel Collins](#), [Lawson Humphries](#), [Tyler Martin](#), [Tristan Roberts](#), and [Cole Whitney](#) will be recognized for their contributions to Eagle Athletics.

GAME NOTES

[Georgia Southern](#)

[Arkansas State](#)

FRIDAY (5.10.19)

Georgia Southern vs. Arkansas State

Blue Out

6:30 p.m. – Jack Stallings Field at J.I. Clements Stadium

RADIO – [Georgia Southern Sports Network](#)

VIDEO – [True Blue TV](#)

[LIVE STATS](#)

[TICKETS](#)

GS – RHP – [Seth Shuman](#)

ASU – RHP – Zach Johnson

SATURDAY (5.11.19)

Georgia Southern vs. Arkansas State

Game Presented by Nevil Tire

7 p.m. – Jack Stallings Field at J.I. Clements Stadium

RADIO – [Georgia Southern Sports Network](#)

VIDEO – [True Blue TV](#)

[LIVE STATS](#)

[TICKETS](#)

GS – RHP – [Joe Nahas](#)

ASU – RHP – Nate Alberius

SUNDAY (5.12.19)

Georgia Southern vs. Arkansas State

Sunday Funday Presented by The Clubhouse / Senior Day

1 p.m. – Jack Stallings Field at J.I. Clements Stadium

RADIO – [Georgia Southern Sports Network](#)

VIDEO – [True Blue TV](#)

[LIVE STATS](#)

[TICKETS](#)

GS – RHP – [Tyler Owens](#)

ASU – TBA

STORYLINES

- Georgia Southern welcomes Arkansas State to Statesboro for a Graduation Weekend series. The Eagles sit first in the East Division at 13-11, leading a log jam of four teams that trail the Eagles by a game or less. Arkansas State is 11-13 and six games off Texas State's pace. The Red Wolves enter the weekend just a half game above ULM for the final spot in the Sun Belt Tournament which starts on May 21st in Conway, S.C.

- Georgia Southern held on to first place in the East Division with an 11-3 win over Troy in the series finale. The Eagles avoided the sweep behind eight solid innings from [Tyler Owens](#) and three [Mason McWhorter](#) home runs.

- The Eagles are 8-5 against the Red Wolves with all 13 meetings coming since the Eagles joined the Sun Belt Conference in 2015. The Eagles took two of three from A-State last year in Jonesboro.

[Mason McWhorter](#) helped the Eagles avoid the sweep against Troy by saying "SEE-YA" and hitting three home runs against the Trojans in the finale. It was a career-high in bombs for the Junior and the most hit by an Eagle since Victor Roache in 2011 against The Citadel.

- Among the many tools in his kit, [Steven Curry](#) has shown a knack for wearing pitches. In his 161 career games with the Eagles, Steven has been hit 59 times, surpassing J.R. Revere's previously held school record of 58. He has been hit 17 times this season with 10 of those coming in the final game of the weekend series.

- After losing eight straight to South Alabama, Georgia Southern took two of three against the Jags to hold on to first place in the East Division.

- The Eagles took their second-straight series win over Coastal Carolina on Easter Weekend. The Eagles are 4-2 in the newly renovated Springs Brooks Stadium. The ballpark will play host to the 2019 Sun Belt Tournament.

- [Seth Shuman](#) crossed a milestone in the win over ULM. He reached 200 career strikeouts and is now in striking distance of joining the Georgia Southern career top-10 strikeouts list. Shuman has 237 career Ks and needs 11 more punch outs to reach Tod Lee's (1995-97) total of 248.

- Six has been the magic number over the last six years for Georgia Southern Baseball with a 139-20 record when scoring six or more runs. The Eagles are 21-4 this season when scoring six or more.

UP NEXT

The final week of the 2019 regular season awaits with a trip to the 404. Georgia Southern opens the week on Tuesday against Kennesaw State before visiting Georgia State for a three-game series beginning on Thursday. First pitch against the Owls in Cobb County is set for 6 p.m.

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