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Mason McWhorter and Seth Shuman earn first team honors
Baseball

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NEW ORLEANS – Three Georgia Southern Eagles have been named to the All-Sun Belt Conference Baseball Team as announced by the league office on Monday following a vote of the league's head coaches. [Seth Shuman](#) (SP) and [Mason McWhorter](#) (OF) took home first team honors, while [Steven Curry](#) was named to the second team at second base. The Sun Belt East Division Champions open the 2019 Sun Belt Championships on Wednesday against the highest seeded surviving team at 12:30 p.m. from Springs Brooks Stadium on the campus of Coastal Carolina University.

A native of Valdosta, [Seth Shuman](#) turned in an outstanding junior campaign going 6-5 in 14 outings at the sharp end of the Eagle rotation to score first team all-conference honors for the first time in his career. He struck out 104 batters to rank second in the league and moved into 10th place on the Georgia Southern career strikeouts list with 248 career punch outs, even with Tod Lee (1995-97). In his 14 outings, he held opponents to a .231 average with a 3.64 ERA and eight quality starts.

[Mason McWhorter](#) earned his first All-Sun Belt nod after a red-hot conference season which saw him hit 11 home runs and drive in 50 runs against league opponents. The outfielder from Cumming, Georgia hit .380 in league play and .319 in all contests while limiting his strikeout total in his third season. Mason logged seven RBIs in the Saturday win over South Alabama and tagged three home runs in the series finale at Troy.

Alpharetta's [Steven Curry](#) earned second team honors at second base after earning the league's regular season batting championship with a .355 mark, 10 points clear of second place. The unflappable second baseman started 53 games this season and led the Eagles from the top of the order. He posted a league-high 75 hits and scored 57 runs for the Eagles. Curry has been hit by 20 pitches this season give him the school record for career HBPs and reached base in 38 straight games, the longest streak in the league this season.

Next up for Georgia Southern is the 2019 Sun Belt Baseball Championships in Conway, South Carolina. The tournament begins with a preliminary round on Tuesday afternoon. The Eagles will face the highest remaining seed from that round on Wednesday at 12:30 p.m. All games are available on ESPN+ with all Georgia Southern contests on the Georgia Southern Sports Network.

All-Sun Belt Baseball First Team
Chandler Fidel, Little Rock, SP
[Seth Shuman](#), Georgia Southern, SP
Connor Reich, Texas State, SP

Zach Greene, South Alabama, RP
Chase Smartt, Troy, C
Zach Biermann, Coastal Carolina, 1B
Jaxon Williams, Texas State, 2B
Hayden Cantrelle, Louisiana, SS
Chad Bell, ULM, 3B
Parker Chavers, Coastal Carolina, OF
[Mason McWhorter](#), Georgia Southern, OF
Ethan Wilson, South Alabama, OF
Todd Lott, Louisiana, Utility
Riley Pittman, Little Rock, DH

All-Sun Belt Baseball Second Team

Hunter Gaddis, Georgia State, SP
Nicholas Frazee, Texas State, SP
Cory Gill, Troy, SP
Andrew Gross, UT Arlington, RP
Kyle Skeels, Coastal Carolina, C
Sadler Goodwin, Troy, 1B
[Steven Curry](#), Georgia Southern, 2B
Drew Frederic, Troy, SS
Jaylen Hubbard, Texas State, 3B
Kieton Rivers, Coastal Carolina, OF
Orynn Veillon, Louisiana, OF
Rigsby Mosley, Troy, OF
Andrew Beesley, ULM, Utility
Jake Wright, Coastal Carolina, DH

Community Coffee Player of the Year

Ethan Wilson, South Alabama (Freshman, OF)

Community Coffee Pitcher of the Year

Connor Reich, Texas State (Senior, RHP)

Community Coffee Freshman of the Year

Ethan Wilson, South Alabama (Freshman, OF)

Community Coffee Newcomer of the Year

Jake Wright, Coastal Carolina (Sophomore, OF)

Community Coffee Ron Maestri Coach of the Year

Ty Harrington, Texas State

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