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Seventeen Georgia Southern men's and women's Sun Belt games are part of the package.

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NEW ORLEANS – The Sun Belt Conference announced its largest television and digital package ever for men's and women's basketball for the 2016-17 season with 125 games set for live telecasts.

ESPN3 will live stream regular-season games and all games of the men's and women's basketball championship March 7-12, while ESPN2 will air the championship game of the men's basketball tournament March 12 at 2 p.m. In addition, two nationally-televised men's games on ESPN2 will be selected 21 days out from Jan. 2 and Jan. 16.

The American Sports Network will also air seven men's basketball conference games during the 2016-17 season, its first year televising Sun Belt Conference men's basketball. All games aired on the American Sports Network will also be available on WatchESPN and the ESPN app with no blackout restrictions.

A combination of 17 Georgia Southern men's and women's basketball Sun Belt games will be broadcast as part of the package, and all of them will be available on WatchESPN and the ESPN app.

The addition of the Sun Belt package gives the Georgia Southern men's basketball team 12 live broadcasts this season with a chance at a 13th. The Eagles are part of the Sun Belt pool for the Jan. 16 game on ESPN2, and the matchup will be selected 21 days out. Seven Eagle games will air on ESPN3 and two will be on the American Sports Network as part of the Sun Belt package. Non-conference Games at NC State (ACC Extra), at Mercer (ESPN3) and at Minnesota (Big Ten Network) will also be carried.

The Georgia Southern's women's program will have eight contests broadcast on ESPN3 as part of the Sun Belt package. In addition, the Eagles' game at Clemson Nov. 16 will be broadcast on ACC Network Extra and the game at Alabama Nov. 22 will be on SEC Network +. Both of those contests can be seen on WatchESPN and the ESPN App.

Member institutions will deliver 92 men's and women's basketball on-campus productions on ESPN3 this season as part of an increased commitment to student and faculty managed live-game production on Sun Belt campuses. On-campus productions carried on ESPN3 offer unique opportunities for students and staff at each Sun Belt Conference member institution in live-game production.

ESPN3 is ESPN's live multi-screen sports network, a destination that delivers thousands of exclusive sports events annually. It is accessible on computers, smartphones, tablets and streaming devices through WatchESPN. The network is available nationwide at no additional cost to fans who receive their high-

speed Internet connection or video subscription from an affiliated service provider.

The Georgia Southern men open their season at NC State Friday at 7 p.m. on ACC Extra (WatchESPN.com or WatchESPN App), while the women tip off the campaign Friday at home at 7 p.m. against North Carolina A&T.

Georgia Southern Men's Basketball TV Sun Belt Schedule

ESPN2 Nationally-Televised Men's Basketball Game (one of the following)

Monday, January 16, 2017 – 3:00 p.m. ET

Georgia Southern at UL Monroe - Monroe, La.

Georgia State at UL Lafayette - Lafayette, La.

UT Arlington at South Alabama - Mobile, Ala.

Texas State at Troy - Troy, Ala.

1/21/17 - MBB – Appalachian State at Georgia Southern – Statesboro, Ga. – 5 p.m. – ESPN3

1/23/17 - MBB – Coastal Carolina at Georgia Southern – Statesboro, Ga. – 7 p.m. – ESPN3

1/28/17 - MBB – Georgia Southern at South Alabama – Mobile, Ala. – 8:05 p.m. – ESPN3

1/30/17 - MBB – Georgia Southern at Troy – Troy, Ala. – 8 p.m. – ESPN3

2/13/17 - MBB – Georgia Southern at Appalachian State – Boone, N.C. – 7 p.m. – ESPN3

2/20/17 - MBB – UT Arlington at Georgia Southern – Statesboro, Ga. – 7 p.m. – American Sports Network

2/25/17 - MBB – Georgia Southern at Arkansas State – Jonesboro, Ark. – 8 p.m. – ESPN3

2/27/17 - MBB – Georgia Southern at Little Rock – Little Rock, Ark. – 9 p.m. – American Sports Network

3/4/17 - MBB – Georgia Southern at Georgia State – Atlanta, Ga. – 2:15 p.m. – ESPN3

Georgia Southern Women's Basketball TV Sun Belt Schedule

1/5/17 - WBB – South Alabama at Georgia Southern – Statesboro, Ga. – 7 p.m. – ESPN3

1/19/17 - WBB – Coastal Carolina at Georgia Southern – Statesboro, Ga. – 7 p.m. – ESPN3

1/26/17 - WBB – Georgia Southern at Troy – Troy, Ala. – 7 p.m. – ESPN3

1/28/17 - WBB – Georgia Southern at South Alabama – Mobile, Ala. – 6 p.m. – ESPN3

2/4/17 - WBB – ULM at Georgia Southern – Statesboro, Ga. – 2 p.m. – ESPN3

2/9/17 - WBB – Georgia Southern at Appalachian State – Boone, N.C. – 7 p.m. – ESPN3

2/25/17 - WBB – Georgia Southern at Arkansas State – Jonesboro, Ark. – 4 p.m. – ESPN3

2/25/17 - WBB – Georgia Southern at Georgia State – Atlanta, Ga. – Noon – ESPN3

* - All times are Eastern and subject to change

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