

2020 UTSA Football Preview



Head Coach (Yr)
Jeff Traylor (1)
Offensive Coord.
Barry Lunney (1)
Defensive Coord.
Tyrone Nix (1)
Conference/Div
CUSA/West

Team Profile	#	Rk
2020 Team Power Rating	49.4	121
Power Ratings Diff vs Last Year	2.0	43
2020 Strength of Schedule	60.5	105
2020 Season Win Projection	4.0	112
Returning Starters (OFF/DEF)	13 (8/5)	69
Return Starting QB (YES/NO)	YES	
Returning Production %	65%	63
Returning Defense Production	76%	30
Returning Defense Production	53%	94
2020 Recruiting (Signees)	16	105
2020 Roster Talent Rank		85

2020 Offense/Defense Analysis

UTSA fired Frank Wilson last December after back-to-back losing seasons. The Roadrunners were a respectable 12-12 in 2016-17 and started the 2018 season 3-3 before collapsing to just 4-14 in their last 18 games. New head coach Jeff Traylor has ties to the state of Texas having been a high school head coach at Gilmer for 15 years (3 state championships). Traylor has also been known as a good recruiter at Texas, SMU and Arkansas the last 5 years. We like his coordinator hires in O.C. Barry Lunney and long-time D.C. Tyrone Nix.

Traylor and company inherit an experienced and talented roster thanks to three straight Top 100 recruiting classes from 2017-2019. That's a big reason why UTSA is No. 85 in our roster talent rankings. QB's Lowell Narcisse and Frank Harris (both left-handed) return and they added in New Mexico St transfer Josh Adkins (22 starts last 2 years) recently. Leading rusher Sincere McCormick (983 yards and 8 TD's) is back as well as 3 of their top 4 receivers.

The defense has to replace their top 2 tacklers from last year. However, keep an eye on DT Jaylon Haynes who had 2 sacks and 10.5 TFL's a year ago. They also bring in Oklahoma St transfer Jayveon Cardwell at CB.

All new head coaches and staff will be challenged more than normal this year. UTSA is no different as they failed to get in any spring practices before the COVID-19 cancellations. However, the schedule does feature 4 or 5 winnable games and we think the Roadrunners will match last year's win total.

2020 Schedule with BP Projected Lines

Date	Opponent	Line	Win %	Line	Total	Score	W/L/O/U
9/5	at LSU	49.1	0%				
9/12	at Texas State	0.7	49%				
9/19	Grambling	-10.7	76%				
9/26	Memphis	23.1	6%				
10/3	at UAB	16.9	11%				
10/10							
10/17	Old Dom	-3.2	61%				
10/24	La Tech	9.1	28%				
10/31	at Florida Atl	18.8	8%				
11/7	at Rice	7.1	32%				
11/14	UTEP	-12.2	80%				
11/21	at So. Miss	17.4	10%				
11/28	North Texas	3.9	39%				
Projected Wins		4.00					

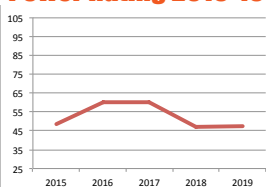
Last 5 Year Records

	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	Total
Straight Up	3-9	6-7	6-5	3-9	4-8	22-38
Home	1-4	4-2	3-2	2-4	2-4	12-16
Away	2-5	2-5	3-3	1-5	2-4	10-22
Neutral	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0
Conference	3-5	5-3	3-5	2-6	3-5	16-24
Non-Conf	0-4	1-4	3-0	1-3	1-3	6-14
ATS	5-7	7-5	1-3	4-8	7-5	26-33-1
Home Fav	1-1	2-2	0-5	0-2	1-0	4-10
Home Dog	2-1	2-0	0-0	1-3	2-3	7-17
Away Fav	1-2	0-1	2-3	0-0	0-0	3-6
Away Dog	1-3	3-2	1-0	2-3	4-2	11-10-1
Conference	3-5	4-4	1-7	4-4	5-3	17-23
Non-Conf	2-2	3-1	1-2	0-4	2-2	9-10-1
O/U	7-5	6-7	2-8	6-6	6-5-1	28-31-1

ATS Stat

Just 3 years ago, UTSA was favored in each of their last 10 games of the season but lost 5 of those outright.

End of Season Power Rating 2015-19



2019 Stats

Rushing	UTSA	Rk	Opp	Rk
YPC	4.3	70	5.3	118
YPG	162.5	64	198.3	105
Passing	UTSA	Rk	Opp	Rk
Comp %	58.2%	84	63.4%	102
YPA	6.0	117	8.2	109
YPG	182.4	106	230.8	73
TD-INT	13-11		21-6	
Total	UTSA	Rk	Opp	Rk
YPP	5.1	113	6.5	114
YPG	344.9	107	429.1	92
Scoring	UTSA	Rk	Opp	Rk
PPG	20.3	117	33.9	111
3rd Down	UTSA	Rk	Opp	Rk
%	36.3%	100	37.9%	50
Red Zone	UTSA	Rk	Opp	Rk
TD %	61.8%	61	57.7%	51
Scoring %	82.4%	74	88.5%	108
KO Ret	UTSA	Rk	Opp	Rk
Avg	21.0	58	19.4	37
Punt Ret	UTSA	Rk	Opp	Rk
Avg	2.2	127	11.0	104
Sacks	By	Rk	Vs	Rk
#	26	70	31	97
TFL's	By	Rk	Vs	Rk
#	96	22	73	61
Net Punt	UTSA			
Avg	38.4	67		
4th Down	Off	Rk	Follow Brad on Twitter: @BradPowers!	
Att P/Gm	2.6	11		
Turnovers		Rk		
Margin	-6	100		
Penalties		Rk		
Per Game	7.4	119		

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Scoring Quarter-By-Quarter

	1Q	2Q	3Q	4Q	OT	Total
UTSA	58	37	69	80	0	244
Opp	89	114	119	85	0	407

2019 Stat Margins

Margins	+/-	Rk
Rush YPC	-1.0	112
Pass YPA	-2.2	124
YPP	-1.5	122
YPG	-84.2	114
Scoring	-13.6	118

2019 Individual Stats

Bold = Returning				
Passing	Att	Yds	%	Ratio
Lowell Narcisse	201	1226	53.2	8.5
Frank Harris	91	486	72.5	3.2
Rushing	Att	Yds	YPC	TD
S. McCormick	177	983	5.6	8
Lowell Narcisse	118	492	4.2	4
Receiving	Rec	Yds	YPC	TD
C. Strickland	38	492	12.9	4
Z. Franklin	38	491	12.9	3
Sheldon Jones	31	259	8.4	0
S. McCormick	24	194	8.1	1
Defense	Tkl	Sks	TFL	INT
Andrew Martel	83	1	6	0
Carl Austin	67	0	7.5	0
T. Harmanson	48	0	8.5	0
Rashad Wisdom	44	2	3.5	1
Jaylon Haynes	40	2	10.5	0
SaVion Harris	38	0	0.5	1
Kicking	FG	LG	XP	
H. Duplessis	9-11	43	25-25	
Punting	Avg	I20	50+	BLK
Lucas Dean	40.8	16	12	0

2019 Game-By-Game Recap

Teams	Open	Close	Score	ATS
Incarinate Word	58.5	58.5	7	Under: 16.5
UTSA	-5.5	-9	35	Cover: 19
-UTSA had 28-14 first down and 490-209 yard edges including 284-28 on the ground.				
-UTSA QB Frank Harris was 28 of 36 for 206 yards & 3 TD's while also adding 123 rushing yards.				
Teams	Open	Close	Score	ATS
UTSA	57.5	58.5	14	Over: 18.5
Baylor	-28.5	-25.5	63	Cover: 23.5
-Baylor had 25-14 first down and 546-266 yard edges including 368-164 on the ground.				
-The temperature at kickoff was 99 degrees. And it was much warmer on the playing turf -- "Felt like it was 150 degrees," said Baylor QB Charlie Brewer, who was sent to an early shower by coach Matt Rhule and not allowed to play in the second half after feeling a burning sensation in his feet.				
Teams	Open	Close	Score	ATS
Army	-13.5	-17	31	Cover: 1
UTSA	46.0	45	13	Under: 1
-Army had 22-13 first down and 358-260 yard edges including 340-51 on the ground.				
-Army only led 10-7 late in the 3Q.				
Teams	Open	Close	Score	ATS
UTSA	60	56.5	3	Under: 8.5
North Texas	-18.5	-17.5	45	Cover: 24.5
-North Texas had 25-18 first down and 501-295 yard edges including 290-167 on the ground.				
-The Mean Green were also +4 in TO's and scored 28 points off those UTSA TO's.				
Teams	Open	Close	Score	ATS
UTSA	-2.5	46	26	Cover: 11
UTEP	46.5	-1	16	Under: 4
-UTSA had a 366-280 yard edge including 320-99 on the ground.				
-UTSA RB Sincere McCormick ran for 189 yards and a TD.				
Teams	Open	Close	Score	ATS
UAB	-9	-12.5	33	Cover: 6.5
UTSA	45	47	14	Push
-UAB had 26-12 first down & 492-220 yard edges. -It was a 16-14 game in the 3Q.				
Teams	Open	Close	Score	ATS
Rice	-2.5	-5.5	27	Over: 15
UTSA	46.5	43	31	Cover: 9.5
-Rice had 21-19 first down and 369-361 yard edges but were -3 in TO's including UTSA getting a 34-yard interception return TD.				
Teams	Open	Close	Score	ATS
UTSA	51.5	55	14	Cover: 7
Texas A&M	-36.5	-38	45	Over: 4
-A&M had 23-14 first down and 505-231 yard edges including 267-93 on the ground.				
Teams	Open	Close	Score	ATS
UTSA	43.5	42	24	Cover: 4.5
Old Dominion	-3.5	-3.5	23	Over: 5
-UTSA had 22-21 first down and 419-371 yard edges including 179-82 on the ground.				
-ODU led 23-10 entering the 4Q!				
Teams	Open	Close	Score	ATS
Southern Miss	-16.5	-17	36	Cover: 2
UTSA	52.5	54	17	Under: 1
-UTSA had a 20-19 first down edge but So Miss a 493-422 yard edge including 203-97 on the ground.				
Teams	Open	Close	Score	ATS
Florida Atlantic	-18.5	-21.5	40	Over: 8.5
UTSA	58.5	57.5	26	Cover: 7.5
-FAU had 31-20 first down & 526-401 yard edges.				
Teams	Open	Close	Score	ATS
UTSA	57.5	56.5	27	Cover: 6.5
Louisiana Tech	-19	-20.5	41	Over: 11.5
-LT had 24-17 first down & 499-408 yard edges.				
-LT QB J'Mar Smith returned to action after missing 2 games due to suspension. Smith threw for 331 yards and 3 TD's.				

2015 (SU: 3-9, ATS: 5-7, O/U: 7-5)

Date	Opponent	Line	Score	W/L/O/U
9/3	at Arizona	+31	32-42	W o58
9/12	Kansas St	+16	3-30	L u51
9/19	at Oklahoma St	+26	14-69	L o55
9/26	Colorado St	+9	31-33	W o56
10/3	at UTEP	-3	25-6	W u57
10/10	Louisiana Tech	+12	31-34	W o55
10/17	at Southern Miss	+8	10-32	L u58
10/24				
10/31	at North Texas	-7	23-30	L u54
11/7	Old Dominion	-8	31-36	L o54
11/14	at Charlotte-OT	-4	30-27	L o55
11/21	Rice	-3	34-24	W o56
11/28	at Middle Tenn	+12	7-42	L u58

2016 (SU: 6-7, ATS: 7-5-1, O/U: 6-7)

Date	Opponent	Line	Score	W/L/O/U
9/3	Alabama St	-24	26-13	L u48
9/12	at Colorado St	+9	14-23	P u53
9/19	Arizona St	+21	28-32	W o59
9/24	at Old Dominion	+5	19-33	L o50
9/30				
10/7	Southern Miss	+16	55-32	W o55
10/15	at Rice	-3	14-13	L u53
10/22	UTEP-SOT	-10	49-52	L o46
10/29	North Texas	-4	31-17	W u51
11/5	at Middle Tenn	+10	45-25	W o64
11/12	at La Tech	+22	35-63	L o67
11/19	at Texas A&M	+26	10-23	W u55
11/26	Charlotte	-10	33-14	W u53
12/17	at New Mexico	+9	20-23	W u54

2017 (SU: 6-5, ATS: 3-8, O/U: 3-8)

Date	Opponent	Line	Score	W/L/O/U
9/2	Houston	Cancelled		
9/9	at Baylor	+13	17-10	W u58
9/15	Southern	-35	51-17	L o47
9/23	at Texas St	-13	44-14	W o45
9/30				
10/7	Southern Miss	-12	29-31	L o50
10/14	at North Texas	-2	26-29	L u59
10/21	Rice	-20	20-7	L u53
10/28	at UTEP	-15	31-14	W u47
11/4	at FIU	-6	7-14	L u51
11/11	UAB	-27	19-24	L u50
11/18	Marshall	-2	9-7	L u45
11/25	at Louisiana Tech	-1	6-20	L u50

2018 (SU: 3-9, ATS: 4-8, O/U: 6-6)

Line	Score	W/L/O/U	Date	Opponent	Line	Score	W/L/O/U
17	-7.49	L	8/31	Incarcate Word	-9	35-7	W u58
20	-26-20.37	L	9/7	at Baylor	+25	-14-31	L o58
26	-20-17.41	L	9/14	Army	+17	13-63	L u45
7	25-21	L	9/21	at North Texas	+17	3-45	L u56
10	30-21	L	10/5	at UTEP	+1	26-16	W u45
PK	20-3	W	10/12	UAB	+12	-14-33	L p47
12	-3-31	W	10/19	Rice	+3	31-27	W u45
16	-17-27	W	10/26				
			11/2	at Texas A&M	+38	14-45	W o55
21	-5.42	L	11/9	at Old Dominion	+3	24-23	W o42
20	-7.45	L	11/16	Southern Miss	+17	-17-36	L u54
27	-27-23	W	11/23	Florida Atlantic	+20	-26-40	W o57
24	-21-24	W	11/30	at Louisiana Tech	+20	27-41	W o56