



TWO THOUSAND SEVENTEEN
FLORIDA STATE
 FOOTBALL

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FINAL SCORE: FSU 17, DUKE 10

TEAM NOTES

- FSU has a touchdown pass in 13 consecutive games.
- FSU was 2-for-2 in the in red zone opportunities and has converted 13 consecutive red zone chances dating back to the NC State game.
- FSU's opening drive covered 6:22, ending with a 20-yard touchdown from **James Blackman** to **Auden Tate**. It was FSU's longest (by time) touchdown drive of the season.
- FSU's 91-yard touchdown drive in the fourth quarter was its longest in yards this season.
- **Emmett Rice** is the fourth FSU defender to record his first career takeaway this season, joining **Kyle Meyers** (INT at Wake Forest), **Jalen Wilkerson** (fumble recovery at Wake Forest) and **Stanford Samuels III** (INT vs. Miami).
- The win was **Florida State's sixth straight road victory**, the fourth-longest active streak in the country -- Alabama (currently 13) plays at home, Oklahoma (13) plays at a neutral site, Clemson (was at 12) before falling at Syracuse on Friday night, Washington (9) plays at Arizona State late Saturday night, Georgia (5) plays at home, Penn State (5) has a bye, Wisconsin (5) plays at home and Virginia Tech (5) has a bye.

COACH NOTES

- Jimbo Fisher is now only the eighth coach in ACC history to win 80 games at one school
- Jimbo Fisher now has the most wins for any coach that began his career in the ACC and the second-highest win total for any coach through his first 100 games in the ACC (Bobby Bowden, 90).

FSU LEADERS

PASSING: James Blackman
 18-of-21, 197 yards, 1 TD, 2 INT.
RUSHING: Cam Akers
 15 rushes, 115 yards, 1 TD

RECEIVING: Nyqwan Murray
 5 catches, 81 yards
TACKLES: Derwin James/A.J. Westbrook

PLAYER NOTES

- **Auden Tate's** 20-yard touchdown on FSU's opening drive was his fifth-straight game with a touchdown, tied for the longest active streak in the FBS.
- Tate entered today as one of five players in the country with at least one touchdown in every game played (min. four games).
- For FSU, Tate's five-game stretch with a touchdown is the longest to open a season since Rashad Greene caught a touchdown in the first six games of 2011. It's the longest at any point of a season since Kelvin Benjamin's final six games of 2013.
- **James Blackman** completed his first seven passes against the Blue Devils. After completing his final eight against Miami last week, Blackman's 15 consecutive completions were one shy of the FSU record for consecutive completions (16, Christian Ponder 2009 and Danny Kanell 1995).
- Freshman running back **Cam Akers** finished with 115 yards on 15 carries and had his first career touchdown in the fourth quarter to break a 10-10 tie. It was his second straight 100-yard rushing game after running for 121 yards vs. Miami last week.
- Redshirt sophomore linebacker **Adonis Thomas** and left tackle **Josh Ball** made the first starts of their career.
- Defensive tackle **Derrick Nnadi** has started a team-high 29 career games, while center **Alec Eberle** has started a team-high 24 consecutive games.
- Punter **Logan Tyler** booted a 51- and 52-yarder in the first half and a 61-yarder in the second half. He now has 11 punts of 50 yards or more this season. He has nine inside the 20-yard-line this year. The 61-yarder was the longest punt of his career (61) and the longest by an FSU punter since Cason Beatty vs. UF in 2015 (60). He averaged 52 yards on the day.
- **Emmett Rice** recorded his first career interception on a pass from Duke running back Shaun Wilson.
- Wide receivers **D.J. Matthews** and **Jared Jackson** caught the first passes of their career in the same drive in the second quarter.
- **Nyqwan Murray** set a season high with 81 yards. His 38-yard catch-and-run in the third quarter was his longest catch of the season.
- Kicker **Ricky Aguayo** has made 11 consecutive field goals.

CAPTAINS & COIN TOSS

CAPTAINS

C Alec Eberle, WR Jared Jackson, DB Derwin James and DE Derrick Nnadi.

COIN TOSS

Florida State chooses heads and loses; Duke defers to second half.

FSU STARTERS

OFFENSE

		2014	2015	2016	2017	Career	Consecutive
Josh Ball	LT	-	-	-	1	1	1
James Blackman	QB	-	-	-	4	4	4
Alec Eberle	C	-	6	13	5	24	24
Ryan Izzo	TE	-	11	12	5	28	16
Derrick Kelly	LG	-	4	2	5	11	5
Rick Leonard	RT	-	-	6	5	11	8
Cole Minshew	RG	-	-	3	5	8	8
Nyqwan Murray	WR	-	-	2	3	5	1
Jacques Patrick	RB	-	1	1	5	7	5
Mavin Saunders	TE	-	2	3	2	7	1
Auden Tate	WR	-	-	4	4	8	2

DEFENSE

		2014	2015	2016	2017	Career	Consecutive
Brian Burns	DE	-	-	-	5	5	5
Demarcus Christmas	DT	-	1	13	5	19	18
Ro'Derrick Hoskins	LB	-	6	13	3	22	1
Derwin James	FS	-	8	2	5	15	5
Tarvarus McFadden	CB	-	-	13	5	18	18
Derrick Nnadi	DT	-	13	11	5	29	13
Josh Sweat	BUCK	-	10	10	5	25	14
Levonta Taylor	CB	-	-	-	5	5	5
Adonis Thomas	LB	-	-	-	1	1	1
Matthew Thomas	LB	3	-	12	5	20	11
A.J. Westbrook	SS	-	-	8	2	10	1