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UB ANNOUNCES 2004 FOOTBALL SCHEDULE

Home opener versus Syracuse highlights schedule

BUFFALO, NY – The University at Buffalo 2004 football schedule features a home game against defending Mid-American Conference champion Miami (OH) and three non-conference games against BIG EAST opponents, including the highly-anticipated battle against New York State rival Syracuse University on Sept. 11 at UB Stadium.

Season tickets are now on sale at price ranges of \$85, \$65 and \$50. Individual tickets for Syracuse and all other games will go on sale on July 1.

The Bulls, under the direction of fourth-year head coach Jim Hofher, will begin the season with a conference road game at Eastern Michigan on Thursday, Sept. 2. The Eagles won the only other meeting between the schools back in 2001 in Ypsilanti.

Buffalo will then have nine days to prepare for the most anticipated college football game in Western New York history when the Orangemen of Syracuse commence the home schedule with a 6 pm kickoff against the Bulls at UB Stadium.

The Bulls will also play BIG EAST schools Temple (Sept. 18) and Connecticut (Nov. 20) on the road, while MAC road games include trips to Ohio (Sept. 25), Akron (Oct. 9) and Marshall (Oct. 23). The game at Connecticut will be in conjunction with a women's basketball game on Friday night and a men's basketball game on Saturday night against the perennially nationally-ranked Huskies.

Besides the opener against Syracuse, the Bulls will also have four other games at UB Stadium. On Oct. 2, the Golden Knights of Central Florida visit Buffalo for the second time, while the defending MAC champion Miami RedHawks will cap Homecoming Weekend activities on Oct. 16.

The Bulls will also host MAC rivals Kent State (Nov. 6) and Central Michigan (Nov. 13) to round out the home schedule.

"I think it's a good schedule and we're excited about it," said Hofher. "For us, it has challenges. We'll open on the road against a conference opponent and have three of the first four games on the road. We have a tremendous home opener against Syracuse which should be the biggest game in the history of Western New York college football and the most anticipated home game in UB's modern history.

"UConn has been a regular team on our schedule and is placed in a different spot on the schedule due to a unique opportunity to compete with our basketball teams, while Temple is a first-time opponent in our modern Division I era," said Hofher.

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University at Buffalo 2004 Football Schedule

<i>Date</i>	<i>Opponent</i>	<i>Site</i>	<i>Time</i>	<i>Series Record</i>
Sept. 2	at Eastern Michigan*	Ypsilanti, MI	7 pm	0-1-0
Sept. 11	Syracuse	UB Stadium	6 pm	3-1-1
Sept. 18	at Temple	Philadelphia, PA	TBA	9-1-0
Sept. 25	at Ohio*	Athens, OH	7 pm	4-6-0
Oct. 2	Central Florida*	UB Stadium	6 pm	0-4-0
Oct. 9	at Akron*	Akron, OH	6 pm	0-5-0
Oct. 16	Miami (OH)*#	UB Stadium	1:30 pm	0-6-0
Oct. 23	at Marshall*	Huntington, WV	4:30 pm	1-7-0
Oct. 30	Bye week			
Nov. 6	Kent State*	UB Stadium	1:30 pm	5-7-0
Nov. 13	Central Michigan*	UB Stadium	1:30 pm	0-2-0
Nov. 20	at Connecticut	East Hartford, CT	TBA	4-10-0

all times local and subject to change

home games in bold

*Mid-American Conference games

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