

Monday, December 19
2:30 PM ET ESPN



Brooks Stadium
Conway, SC



(6-6)

**UCONN
HUSKIES**
O/U (41)

VS.

**MARSHALL
THUNDERING HERD**
(-10.0)



(8-4)



JACKSON MITCHELL - LB

Myrtle Beach Bowl History	
2021	Tulsa 30-17 Old Dominion
2020	App State 56-28 North Texas



KHALAN LABORN - RB

UConn Bowl History (3-3)
2015 St. Petersburg - Marshall (L 10-16)
2010 Fiesta - Oklahoma (L 20-48)
2009 PapaJohns - South Carolina (W 20-7)
2008 International - Buffalo (W 38-20)
2007 Meineke Car Care - Wake (L 10-24)

QUICK STATS	UCONN	MARSH
Points Per Game	19.8	24.2
PPG Allowed	26.1	16.2
Pass YDs	106.9	200.3
Rush YDs	194.9	205.6
Pass YDs Allowed	220.6	204.0
Rush YDs Allowed	166.3	88.8
Turnover Margin	3	7
Last 5 Games	(3-2)	(4-1)

Marshall Bowl History (12-5)
2021 New Orleans - Louisiana (L 21-36)
2020 Camelia - Buffalo (L 10-17)
2019 Gasparilla - UCF (L 25-48)
2018 Gasparilla - USF (W 38-20)
2017 New Mexico - Colorado St. (W 31-28)



Aaron's Pick
30-16

Jonny's Pick
31-17



THE BOTTOM LINE

Jim Mora's transformation of UConn was perhaps the most impressive coaching effort in the country. For reference, the Huskies hadn't topped more than two wins since 2017 and were 3-21 over the last three seasons prior to Mora's arrival. Their wins included Mountain West champion Fresno State, Boston College, and Liberty. While outmatched on paper to Marshall, don't under-estimate UConn's excitement for returning to a bowl for the first time since 2015 (where they also played Marshall). The Thundering Herd completed one of the most notable upsets of the season against then #8 Notre Dame early in the year and rolled off four straight wins to end the season. Look for the Thundering Herd to assert their physical dominance in the run game and to rely on their strong defense that is allowing just 16.2 points per game this season. Marshall allowed a minuscule 23.4% third-down conversion rate this season, a mark that was the best in the country. It could be tough sledding for a Huskies offense that is fairly one-dimensional.

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