



# GATOR BOWL HISTORY

MISSISSIPPI STATE UNIVERSITY

## QUICK FACTS

**Gator Bowl Appearances:** 3

**Gator Bowl Record:** 2-1

**Last Gator Bowl Played:** December 30, 2017

## APPEARANCE HISTORY

**66th Game:** January 1, 2011

Mississippi State Bulldogs vs. Michigan Wolverines

52

14

**Stadium:** EverBank Stadium

**Attendance:** 68,325

**Coached By:** Dan Mullen

**Team MVP:** Chris Relf, QB

**68th Game:** January 1, 2013

Mississippi State Bulldogs vs. Northwestern Wildcats

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34

**Stadium:** EverBank Stadium

**Attendance:** 48,612

**Coached By:** Dan Mullen

**Team MVP:** Nickoe Whitley, DB

**73rd Game:** December 30, 2017

Mississippi State Bulldogs vs. Louisville Cardinals

31

27

**Stadium:** EverBank Stadium

**Attendance:** 41,310

**Coached By:** Greg Knox

**Team MVP:** Mark McLaurin, DB

## ICONIC PLAYERS, COACHES & MOMENTS

- Chris Relf threw for four touchdowns and Vick Ballard ran for three to lead the charge in 2011. The Bulldog defense kept Michigan scoreless for the final three quarters against a very talented Denard Robinson-led offense.
- Mississippi State's quarterback, Keytaon Thompson ran for 147 yards, three touchdowns, and also threw for 127 yards. However, it was safety Mark McLaurin who was the Bulldogs hero against the 2017 Cardinals. He intercepted Jackson three times, leading his team to a 31-27 win.



Bulldogs defense going up against the Cardinals O-line, 2017.