

TAILGATE FASHION

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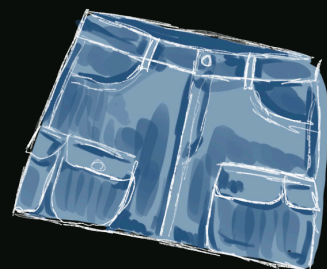
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It's no secret that Syracuse kids love everything fashion, love curating killer outfits with their unique style, whether it's for an event or just a day of classes on campus. Coming from a range of backgrounds and different areas of the country, everyone offers something different to mix into the fashion melting pot here at Syracuse University. One of the classic ways for students to reveal their fashion sense is via game day outfits.

Game day fashion at SU has been through some major trends, with some things staying very consistent. May we never forget the days of the V-neck lace up t-shirts, or the printed Syracuse bandanna tops and leggings. Anything tie dye and cropped jersey tees used to dominate on game days at the Carrier Dome.

Nowadays, students and game-goers love to look for unique Syracuse vintage pieces to wear to games and for everyday looks, as well as sleek statement pieces to wear with basics. Second hand retailers like Depop, Etsy and Poshmark are good places to find classic orange tees and jackets, as well as stores in the Syracuse area like 3fifteen.

When Syracuse is dethawed and taking in all the sunshine and warmth it can possibly get, orange tops and baby tees can be paired with denim minis and shorts. Vintage jerseys and tees look amazing when worn with baggy athletic shorts and pants, or worn-in jeans and jorts.



Basketball season brings out everyone's collection of vintage 'Cuse jackets, which can be found on Depop, collegiate apparel sites and Instagram accounts. Cutoff and distressed Syracuse sweatshirts are easy to pair with your favorite jeans or track pants. Thrifting and shopping second hand are some of the best ways to find standout pieces for game days. Goodwill locations outside of the Syracuse city limits are a great place to find alumni's special pieces from their time. Many houses throughout the streets of Madison, Euclid and Comstock do yard sales where you can find graduating students Syracuse finds.

For the sneakerheads, or those who just want to keep it more simple, wearing a bold orange sneaker with a white tee or tank and some baggy jeans is still a great way to exhibit game day spirit. Think of the Adidas Campus 00's and Gazelles, or Asics' Gel sneakers and New Balances, all of which are worthwhile options.



While Syracuse tailgate fashion choices have changed throughout the year, some pieces have always stuck around. The infamous Syracuse Nike dunks have become a staple in so many people's game day wardrobes, and almost everyone has a classic vintage basketball/baseball jersey or T-shirt. SU students can always count on local stores, such as Manny's, to provide our favorite game day graphic tees.

Our game day outfits at Syracuse are not just a fashion statement, but it's part of why we get so excited for games, and how we can bring school spirit to these events. Athletes dress themselves in their game day drip from head to toe as they prepare to go out to the field or court. Meanwhile us game-goers wear our favorite tailgate pieces to show our support and love for the sports we scream our heads off for. Everyone comes together in unison when the whole Dome wears all white, or on the other hand, all orange. These colors bring us together as one big sea of orange in the stands.

Some people may even have a lucky Syracuse jersey or t-shirt that they wear to rivalry games, such as the Syracuse versus Duke basketball game. Those who have ever been to a Syracuse national championship game may still remember exactly what they wore that day for the big game. Our clothing and fashion choices for these events can make a statement and convey a message about the game and how we feel, and just how excited we are to attend and show our support.

Our stylistic choices, even when it comes to game day gear, are not just a reflection of our personal taste, but it reflects our school's culture and spirit around sports and fashion as a whole. The mass of orange and blue that we wear on game day or around campus is what connects us all, and it's what we pride ourselves on here at Syracuse University.

