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San Diego State returns 12 starters from the 2013 season, including the senior trio of (left to right) offensive lineman Terry Poole, wide receiver Ezell Ruffin and defensive back J.J. Whittaker, each of whom earned honorable mention all-Mountain West recognition last year.



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## 2014 SAN DIEGO STATE SCHEDULE

AUG. 30 - SAN DIEGO 4 p.m. PT • CBS Sports Network		NORTHERN ARIZONA
SEPT. 6 - CHAPEL HILL, N.C. 8 p.m. ET • ESPNNews		at NORTH CAROLINA
SEPT. 20 - CORVALLIS, ORE. TBA • TBA		at OREGON STATE
SEPT. 27 - SAN DIEGO TBA • ESPN Networks		UNLV
OCT. 3 - FRESNO, CALIF. 7 p.m. PT • CBS Sports Network		at FRESNO STATE
OCT. 10 - ALBUQUERQUE, N.M. 7:30 p.m. MT • ESPNU		at NEW MEXICO
OCT. 18 - SAN DIEGO 7:30 p.m. PT • CBS Sports Network		HAWAI'I
NOV. 1 - RENO, NEV. 7:30 p.m. PT • CBS Sports Network		at NEVADA
NOV. 8 - SAN DIEGO 3:30 p.m. PT • ROOT SPORTS		IDAHO
NOV. 15 - BOISE, IDAHO TBA • ESPN Networks		at BOISE STATE
NOV. 21 - SAN DIEGO 6:30 p.m. PT • CBS Sports Network		AIR FORCE
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# SDSU Football Quick Facts



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## UNIVERSITY INFORMATION

Name: .....San Diego State University  
 Location: .....San Diego, Calif.  
 Founded: .....1897  
 Enrollment: .....33,726  
 Nickname: .....Aztecs  
 School Colors: .....Scarlet (PMS 185) and Black  
 Stadium (Capacity): .....Qualcomm Stadium (54,000)  
 Surface: .....Natural Grass  
 Conference: .....Mountain West  
 President: .....Dr. Elliot Hirshman  
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2013 Record: .....8-5  
 Conference/Finish: .....6-2/2nd West Division  
 Starters Returning/Lost: .....12/12  
     Offense/Defense/Kickers Returning: .....6/4/2  
 Lettermen Returning/Lost: .....35/22  
 Offensive System: .....Pro-Style  
 Defensive System: .....3-3-5

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 Offensive Line: .....Mike Schmidt  
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Seasons of Football: .....Entering 92nd  
 First Year of Football: .....1921  
 All-Time Record: .....509-403-32  
 Conference Championships: .....19  
     1922, 1923, 1924, 1936, 1937, 1950, 1951, 1962, 1963,  
     1966, 1967, 1969, 1970, 1972, 1973, 1974, 1986, 1998, 2012  
 Bowl Games: .....12 (6-6)  
     1948, 1951, 1966, 1967, 1969, 1986, 1991, 1998, 2010, 2011, 2012, 2013  
 Division I Seasons: .....Entering 46th  
 Division I Record: .....277-240-8  
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## 2013 SCHEDULE/RESULTS

Date	Opponent	Result	Score	Broadcast
Aug. 31	Eastern Illinois	L	19-40	Mountain West Network
Sept. 7	at No. 3/2 Ohio State	L	7-42	ABC/ESPN2
Sept. 21	Oregon State	L	30-34	CBS Sports Network
Sept. 28	at New Mexico State	W	26-16	Fox Sports San Diego
Oct. 4	Nevada*	W	51-44 (ot)	ESPN
Oct. 10	at Air Force*	W	27-20	CBS Sports Network
Oct. 26	No. 15/18 Fresno State*	L	28-35 (ot)	ESPN2
Nov. 2	New Mexico*	W	35-30	ROOT Sports/Fox Sports San Diego
Nov. 9	at San José State*	W	34-30	CBS Sports Network
Nov. 16	at Hawai'i*	W	28-21 (ot)	CBS Sports Network
Nov. 23	Boise State*	W	34-31 (ot)	CBS Sports Network
Nov. 30	at UNLV*	L	19-45	ESPNU
Dec. 21	vs. Buffalo^	W	49-24	ESPN

\* - Mountain West game

^ - Famous Idaho Potato Bowl (Bronco Stadium; Boise, Idaho)

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As Rocky Long enters his sixth year at San Diego State – his fourth as head coach – he clearly takes pride in seeing his staff's past recruiting classes bear fruit around him. The overall talent level of the Aztecs program is significantly elevated from where it was when he first arrived on campus, back when SDSU was reeling from a decade of losing. But it's not just an obvious boost in strength and speed that gives the famously stoic Long reason to crack a smirk from time to time.

"I think the program has solidified to a point that we're not needing to recruit kids that don't fit the right personality," Long said.

If you're familiar with Rocky Long, you'll know that personality matters quite a lot.

The traits of that personality are as clear as a San Diego forecast: hard-nosed, physical and mentally tough. The upperclassmen on this year's squad are the players that helped set that tone at SDSU. And the younger players are the recruits who were drawn to it like a moth to a flame. That, says Long, is a pretty good recipe for success.

"When you get that, the progression of the program starts to accelerate," he said. "Players make progress quicker than in the past because they come here knowing what to expect and they have the personality that fits it.

"It makes my job more enjoyable. You're not fighting as many battles."

While forging their rugged personality, the Aztecs have battled their way into the upper echelon of the Mountain West. After suffering a non-winning-season streak that persisted under three U.S. Presidents and tested the faith of the fan base, SDSU has now been to a program-record four consecutive bowl games. It has also notched four-straight eight-win seasons for the first time since the days when fans showed up at San Diego Stadium clad in polyester and blasting Led Zeppelin.

While far from a high-water mark, last year's 8-5 showing was a remarkable accomplishment given the way the squad stumbled out of the gate – a start that included a home loss to Eastern Illinois, a quarterback change and a season-ending injury to its top defender. But the Aztecs were able to right the ship. They won eight of their final 10 games, came within

an ill-fated overtime loss of winning the Mountain West's Pacific Division and capped it all off by throttling Buffalo in the Famous Idaho Potato Bowl.

With momentum on its side and a strong cast of stellar returners in key spots, SDSU seems to be positioned – with a few breaks and some good health – to take that next step in its progression as a program. As to what that means, Long points to the Aztecs men's basketball team that has captured the imagination of San Diego sports fans with a pair of recent magical Sweet 16 runs. He believes the football equivalent (11, perhaps 12 wins) would create the same buzz around SDSU football.

And while he's not sure if that's in the cards for 2014, he's not ruling it out, either.

"In order to get the support of the community like (basketball has) now, we have to have one of those years," Long said. "We're right on the cusp of being able to do that."

## ■ The Aztec Offense

With SDSU losing its top running back and returning its starting quarterback and star receiver, it would be natural to assume the 2014 offense might tilt a little more pass-heavy than in years past. Long, however, scoffs at the notion.

"I think our style is going to be the same," he said. "I think our offensive line needs to play better and we need to find another running back. But other than that, I think we'll be pretty good."

That means another balanced – if generally run-first – attack, similar to last season when the Aztecs rushed 510 times against 462 pass attempts. After early struggles that necessitated a change at quarterback in the season's second game, that balance once again proved to be effective in 2013. SDSU scored at least 26 points in 10 of its final 11 games, including 51 in an overtime win over Nevada and 49 in its bowl romp.

The Aztecs most obvious offensive question mark this year is replacing running back Adam Muema, who garnered more than half the team's carries a season ago. But SDSU returns six starters on that side of the ball, including a potent passing connection and three offensive linemen. The Aztecs

also have a stable of talented youngsters at the running back and wide receiver spots who appear to be ready to step up and contribute.

## QUARTERBACKS

**Returning players with starting experience: Quinn Kaehler\***

\* - denotes returning starter

Continuity under center has been something of an Achilles' heel for the Aztecs since Ryan Lindley departed after the 2011 season. Senior transfer Ryan Katz started in 2012 before getting injured and giving way to Adam Dingwell. Dingwell entered as the starter last year, but battled a back injury and didn't play after the second game of the season.

But when Diablo Valley College transfer Quinn Kaehler buckled his chinstrap and trotted onto the field in front of a packed house at Ohio Stadium last September, it proved to be a turning point. The staff expected Kaehler – more of a pure passer than the scramblers Dingwell and Katz – to be accurate. And he was. But what impressed them more was his maturity.

"We weren't surprised about how he played because we'd seen that in practice," Long said. "But what you see in practice and what you see in a Division I football game when the action is live – that's different. We put him in there against a good team in front of 100,000 people and he handled it well."

And he did so consistently.

After a rough fourth quarter in his first start – a heart-breaking loss to Oregon State – Kaehler quickly found his groove. He passed for more than 200 yards in each of his starts and threw a mere six interceptions over his final 348 pass attempts. On the season, his completion percentage was just a shade under 60 percent and he joined Lindley, Kevin O'Connell and Adam Hall as the program's only 3,000 yard passers since 1996.

Kaehler also displayed a knack for coming through in clutch situations. He completed 71 percent of his throws in an overtime win over Nevada, fired three touchdown strikes in a comeback victory at Air Force and tossed a game-winning touchdown pass in overtime against Boise State in what may



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have been the signature moment of the 2013 season.

Now a senior with a year of Division I experience under his belt and a greater understanding of offensive coordinator Bob Toledo's scheme, Kaehler is expected to be even more polished this season.

Entering fall camp, however, the identity of Kaehler's backup remained an open question. During spring ball, Long gave equal reps to three quarterbacks – redshirt freshman Chase Favreau, Ventura College transfer Brad Odeman and freshman Nico Bawden – but none of them separated himself as an obvious second stringer.

## RUNNING BACKS

**Returning players with starting experience:** Donnel Pumphrey, Adam Roberts

In recent years, the Aztecs have liked to identify two running backs to carry the load – usually a 20-carry workhorse and a 10-15 carry change-of-pace back. It worked that way with slight speedster Ronnie Hillman and the bruising Walter Kazee. And it worked that way last year with the churning Muema and the elusive Donnel Pumphrey.

Pumphrey, last year's change-of-pace guy, returns and will play a big part in the offense again – what is unclear is whether he will now get the lion's share of the carries. The diminutive burner proved to be deadly in the open field in 2013, rushing for 752 yards on an eye-catching six yards per carry. He also hauled in 22 receptions – good enough for third on the team – to become the first freshman in school history to amass 750-plus rushing yards and 230-plus receiving yards in the same season. The Aztecs will again try to get him the ball out in space using screen passes and occasionally lining him up in the slot.

Because of Pumphrey's 5-foot-9, 170-pound build, some might question if the sophomore can handle more of a workload than the 151 touches he garnered last year. Long, however, harbors no such doubts.

"I don't think he's even close to maxed out," he said, noting that Pumphrey runs the power play surprisingly well for a player his size.

But the majority of the runs between the tackles will go



elsewhere, and the two prime candidates battling for that duty are junior Chase Price and redshirt freshman Marcus Stamps.

Price, the faster of the two, is only 5-foot-8 but he packs a punch. He also has the benefit of experience after carrying the ball 17 times for 78 yards last season and 46 times for 192 yards for his career. But the Aztecs are also intrigued by the size and strength of Stamps, who checks in at 6-foot-1, 210 pounds and was also a standout outside linebacker at Jefferson High in Los Angeles.

Long also left the door open for one of his younger backs to fight his way into the mix, noting that running back – as Pumphrey proved last year – is one of the few positions that a freshman can play effectively.

SDSU has big shoes to fill at the fullback position after the departure of bulldozing fan-favorite Chad Young. The Aztecs will compensate by shifting senior Adam Roberts – a quality blocker who made 20 receptions for 217 yards in 2013 – from tight end to fullback. But the position will likely change a bit, with Roberts being used more as an H-back than as a traditional fullback.

## WIDE RECEIVERS

**Returning players with starting experience:** Eric Judge, Ezell Ruffin\*

\* - denotes returning starters

The Aztecs' 2014 hopes received a major shot in the arm this offseason when Ezell Ruffin, after flirting with declaring for the NFL Draft, opted to return for his senior season. The presence of the 6-foot-1 speedster gives SDSU a reliable weapon capable of stretching the field and making highlight reel grabs. He also adds veteran savvy that helps compensate for the losses of senior receivers Colin Lockett, Tim Vizzi and Dylan Denso.

"I think (Ruffin) is really important for our success because he's a guy who's played a lot," Long said. "He's very versatile – he can play outside receiver, inside receiver, he can be the guy who runs reverses and fly sweeps. He can do all that."

Ruffin entered last season as a player with ample talent, but who had never proven himself as a consistent performer. Consider it proven. Ruffin's 1,136 receiving yards was sixth best in the Mountain West and the most by an Aztec non-senior in MW history, and his season featured a stretch of three straight 100-yard receiving games, including 10 catches for 181 yards against Fresno State and seven catches for 165 yards and two scores against New Mexico.

Eric Judge is the likely candidate to take over for Lockett at the flanker position. The sophomore, who may be as fast as Ruffin, showed flashes of his potential when he snagged a pair of touchdown catches last season against Nevada in a start for an injured Lockett. To snag the starting spot ably manned by Lockett for the past three years, Judge must now prove he can do it week in and week out.

Two juniors – 6-foot-4 target Larry Clark and the talented Jemond Hazely – will also be in the mix after solid performances in spring ball. Clark played in eight games last year, catching four passes. Speedy sophomore Lloyd Mills should see action as a slot receiver.

## TIGHT ENDS

**Returning players with starting experience:** None

Tight end is one position where the Aztecs are technically looking to replace a starter ... yet they're not exactly losing last year's starter. The new fullback Roberts, who hauled in three touchdown passes in the final five games of 2013, will spend ample time as a de facto tight end (an H-back lines up like a tight end, only set back from the line of scrimmage).

But Roberts' positional shift creates an opportunity for junior Robert Craighead and sophomore Daniel Brunskill. The sure-handed Craighead has experience, playing in every game last year, and Long believes he has the potential to develop into good blocker. Brunskill is already a solid blocker, but Long says he needs to improve as a pass catcher.

Don't be surprised if redshirt freshmen David Wells and Darryl Richardson see time as well. Both are talented receivers with impressive size who can find their way onto the field quickly if they make strides as blockers.





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SEASON OUTLOOK ◀ 2014 SEASON



JORDAN SMITH

## OFFENSIVE LINE

Returning players with starting experience: Zach Dilley, Darrell Greene\*, Terry Poole\*, Nico Siragusa, Jordan Smith\*

\* - denotes returning starter

The Aztecs entered last season thinking they had more answers than questions on the offensive line. It didn't exactly work out that way. The 30 sacks the unit surrendered was the third-highest mark in the Mountain West and SDSU's 166 rush yards per game was down nearly 25 percent from its 2012 total. What happened?

"I have no idea," Long admits.

This year, though there are a bevy of experienced players returning, the coach sees more questions than answers.

"We're probably going to have a battle for one of the tackle spots, we'll probably have a battle for the center spot and we'll probably have a battle for one of the guard spots," he cautioned. "So it's not like we have five veterans coming back and they're all seniors where you know exactly how they're going to perform."

Left tackle Terry Poole certainly counts as one of the known quantities. The 6-foot-5, 310-pound senior seized the starting job last year and settled in nicely. More steady progress should put him on the radar of NFL scouts.

Another standout is junior right guard Darrell Greene. Known for his nasty temperament between the lines, he worked his way into the starting lineup in Week 2 and became one of the most dependable blockers on the interior.

The biggest unknown is at right tackle where the Aztecs must replace all-Mountain West second-teamer Bryce Quigley. Garrett Corbett is a senior with some experience, but he hasn't seen significant action since 2011 because of injury. He'll be pushed by massive El Camino College transfer Pearce Slater and senior Zach Dilley, who was the starter at the position in 2012.

Sophomore Nico Siragusa, checking in at 6-foot-5, 325 pounds, figures to have the inside track at left guard, but he will get competition from the versatile Dilley. At center, junior Jordan Smith, who started every game last year, must beat

out Phoenix Community College transfer Lenicio Noble and sophomore Austin Maass.

## ■ The Aztec Defense

When stripped of context, statistics can sometimes be misleading. And without context, the raw data might lead you to believe last year's Aztecs defense was particularly porous – especially against the pass. Indeed, opposing quarterbacks last year put up numbers on SDSU that would make Aaron Rodgers nod in approval (3,312 yards, 31 touchdowns, 8 interceptions).

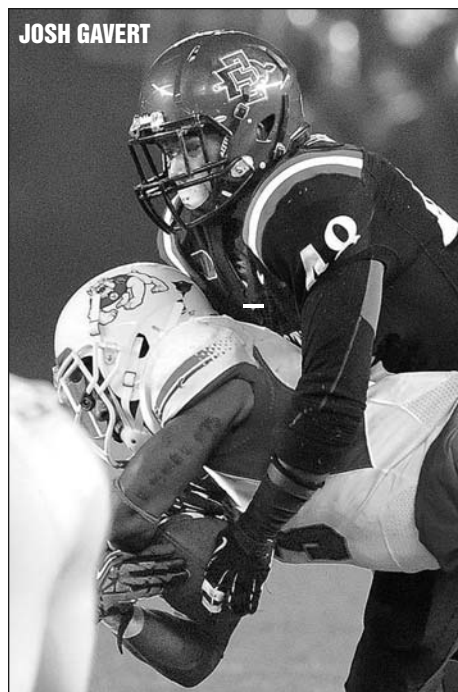
But here's where some context might paint a different picture. In 2013, the Aztecs faced three quarterbacks selected in the NFL draft – second rounders Derek Carr (Fresno State) and Jimmy Garoppolo (Eastern Illinois) and sixth rounder David Fales (San José State). Another, Oregon State's Sean Mannion, likely would have been selected had he opted to come out early. And yet SDSU beat Fales and came agonizingly close to besting both Mannion and Carr.

And how about another eyebrow raising stat: the Aztecs forcing a mere 19 turnovers, contributing to its conference-worst turnover margin of minus-11.

"I think causing turnovers is a momentum deal that changes from year to year," Long said. "Because we don't change how we coach it from year to year. Sometimes your schedule determines that, too. If you play a bunch of teams that are very careful with the football, you don't have as many turnovers."

And yet despite those troubling numbers, despite a steady diet of pass-happy opponents and despite losing star linebacker Jake Fely to injury in Week 4, the defense largely held tough and kept the team in games. The Aztecs finished second in the conference in total defense and fifth in scoring defense.

Here's another deceptive statistic: SDSU's 3-3-5 defense features only four returning starters for 2013. A deeper look shows that this should be one of the more experienced, deep and talented units Long has fielded on Montezuma Mesa. The glaring exception is at the safety position, where the no player has more than marginal game experience.



JOSH GAVERT



CODY GALEA

## DEFENSIVE LINE

Returning players with starting experience: Sam Meredith, Dontrell Onuoha\*

\* - denotes returning starter

It's not just coach speak or a convenient cliché. When Long asserts that how you play on the line of scrimmage determines how good a team you'll be, you can tell the longtime defensive mastermind means every word.

And judging from the talent the Aztecs' defense has up front, you can surmise that this year's team has the potential to be very good. Several key pieces return from a unit that helped hold opposing running backs to a paltry 3.7 yards per carry last season. But there's one very important caveat.

"If they're healthy," Long cautions.

Take the line's lone returning starter, Dontrell Onuoha. The senior defensive end, who started every game last season, is recovering from a broken wrist that caused him to miss the spring campaign. Sam Meredith, an experienced senior who will be in the mix at the other end position, must bounce back from surgery to repair a shoulder injury that dogged him in 2013.

Even the highly touted newcomer on the line is not immune. USC transfer Christian Heyward – a 6-foot-3, 300 pound defensive tackle who was a four-star recruit out of Point Loma High – is recovering from a dislocated kneecap that may slow his integration into the defense.

Fortunately depth is an area of strength as seasoned players abound. Junior Jon Sanchez, who Long considers SDSU's best run-stuffing defensive lineman, is penciled in as a starter at end. Alex Barrett is expected to step in at defensive tackle after showing his pass rushing acumen as a freshman in 2013. His three sacks tied for second on the team, despite not starting a game.

Junior tackle Kenny Galea'i, sophomore tackle Malcolm Jackson, and redshirt freshman defensive ends Jordan Watson and Dakota Turner will also compete for playing time.

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**DEREK LARGENT**

## LINEBACKERS

**Returning players with starting experience:** Jake Fely, Cody Galea\*, Josh Gavert\*, Derek Largent\*  
\* - denotes returning starter

The linebacking corps was considered an overwhelming area of strength for the SDSU defense heading into last season. Much of that acclaim had to do with the dynamic duo of Jake Fely and Derek Largent – two players all but certain to initiate mayhem and cause opposing offensive coordinators sleepless nights. Fate had other ideas.

A second-team all-Mountain West pick as a sophomore, Fely's junior's season ended in Week 4 with a broken foot. While only missing one game, Largent was hobbled by knee injuries all season, causing him to hardly resemble the impact player he'd proven himself to be in 2012.

Now the silver lining: Both return hungry to write a more fitting ending to their SDSU careers.

Fely, an Oceanside High product, who hits with a ferocity that belies his size, racked up 90 tackles and seven sacks as a sophomore in 2012. He'll vie for time at middle linebacker with senior Josh Gavert, who stepped up impressively in Fely's absence to the tune of 68 tackles and three sacks. He also recently was granted a sixth year, which means SDSU will have him for two more years (2014-15).

Largent, who Long considers his best pass rusher, will attempt to regain the prowess he showed as a sophomore when he tallied 6.5 sacks and intercepted two passes despite not becoming a starter until late in the season.

The other outside linebacker spot will be held down by Cody Galea, who started last season at defensive end. The shift shouldn't prove too much of a learning curve for the senior, because the position will evolve into more of a hybrid linebacker/defensive end.

"In the past, we'd slide the front one way and move one of the linebackers to the line of scrimmage," Long said. "Now every time we do it, it's going to be the same linebacker, so he'll get more practice at it. And we won't just put him at the end of the line of scrimmage, there are times where we'll put him inside, too."

Redshirt freshman Fred Melifonwu will also see time at

the hybrid role. Other young linebackers expected to contribute include sophomores Micah Seu and Calvin Munson.

## SECONDARY

**Returning players with starting experience:** J.J. Whittaker\*

\* - denotes returning starter

It's far from an ideal situation to still have no clue of what to expect from a position when the spring turns to summer. Particularly at a position as important as safety. And even more so when you run a defensive scheme that utilizes three of them. Yet that's exactly the bind in which Long finds himself – evaluating a stable of unproven youngsters and hoping a couple of them make a big leap before it starts to count.

"There's some very talented guys there, but when you play a real game at the Division I level, things move so much faster than they're used to, and so much faster than practice," Long said. "But for us to be good on defense, they've got to get good fast. There's going to be all kinds of pressure on those safeties because those are run-support guys as well as pass defenders."

In the place of departed savvy veterans like 2014 NFL Draft picks Nat Berhe and Eric Pinkins, and other seniors Marcus Andrews, Gabe Lemon and Rene Siluano, the Aztecs' tentative starters are two sophomores and a freshman. Sophomore Malik Smith is the most experienced player of the group, playing 12 games and registering 21 tackles a season ago. He'll start at one of the Warrior positions, likely opposite redshirt freshman Troy Lomax. Juniors T.J. Hickman and Stan Sedberry, who both played sparingly last season, are also in the conversation.

Newcomer Na'im McGee, a sophomore transfer from Diablo Valley College, is the favorite to take over for the dynamic leader Berhe at the important Aztec spot, the middle safety position that demands versatility and the ability to make adjustments on the fly. Redshirt freshman Tyler Morris, who possesses linebacker size at 6-foot-3, 235 pounds, is another intriguing possibility.

"The positive is that, last year, we were worried about our corners," Long said. "It took them a while to play well, but now we're good at corner. We've got four corners who can



**JOEL ALESI**



**J.J. WHITTAKER**

play."

J.J. Whittaker has certainly proven it. The senior started every game last season and led the team with three interceptions, including a memorable pick-six that proved to be a pivotal play in the win over Boise State. Long loves Whittaker's confidence playing man-to-man – a trait he also admires in his other starting corner, sophomore Damontae Kazee. While not a starter, Kazee saw plenty of action in 2013, logging 41 tackles and a team-high four forced fumbles.

Promising redshirt freshmen Billy Vaughn, Jr., and Kalan Montgomery and small but powerfully-built junior Pierre Romain provide quality depth.

## ■ The Aztec Special Teams

**Returning players with starting experience:** Joel Alesi\*, Seamus McMorrow\*

\* - denotes returning starter

Placekicking is a position with a tortured history at SDSU, particularly in recent years where ineffectiveness has caused Long to reevaluate whether he should even use kickers at all. Last year was particularly trying, as the Aztecs' kickers combined to make just 8-of-16 field goals and miss a whopping six extra points. But Long isn't prepared to give kicking the boot just yet.

"We'll be much better," he insisted. "Dramatically better."

The key is constant competition. Junior Seamus McMorrow (0-for-4 on field goals last year) is listed as the starter, but he'll have to beat out the powerful leg of freshman John Baron II as well as Mt. San Antonio College transfer Donny Hageman.

Senior Joel Alesi returns at punter after a solid season in which he averaged 39.4 yards on 53 punts. But Baron is also a punter, and his ability to roll out on punts may earn him consideration when SDSU is looking to neutralize a dangerous returner.

With the departure of Lockett and Vizzi, SDSU must find new kickoff and punt returners. Judge, Pumphrey and Ruffin have some experience as returners, though those spots will also open to young receivers and running backs eager to show their explosiveness.

# Aztec Roster



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AZTEC ROSTER ◀ 2014 SEASON

## Alphabetical

No.	Name	Pos.
77	Alesi, Joel	P
63	Anderson, Alex	OL
11	Anigbogu, Kene	WR
58	Barrett, Alex	DL
29	• Baron II, John	K
57	Bauer, Breckon	DB
15	• Bawden, Nick	QB
87	Boesch, Aaron	TE
76	Brady, Caleb	OL
89	Brunskill, Daniel	TE
40	Buck, Donavin	LB
43	• Campano, Kevin	DB
10	Chapman, Christian	QB
61	Christensen, Hunter	LS
80	Clark, Larry	WR
13	• Clewis, Jabril	WR
67	Corbett, Garrett	OL
94	Craighead, Robert	TE
2	Cumberlander, Christian	DB
36	Davis, Devante	LB
64	Dilley, Zach	OL
32	• Dunlap, Daryl	RB
5	Favreau, Chase	QB
42	Fely, Jake	LB
70	Flores, Arthur	OL
47	Galea, Cody	LB
96	Galea'i, Kenny	DL
48	Gavert, Josh	LB
46	• Gordon, Dakota	FB
72	Greene, Darrell	OL
59	Hageman, Donald	K/P
95	Hall, Noble	DL
86	Hazely, Jemond	WR
46	• Henderson, Jay	LB
92	Heyward, Christian	DL
30	Hickman, T.J.	DB
38	• Hokokian, Chris	FB
85	Holder, Mikah	WR
32	• Hoover, Scott	WR
51	Hunter, D.J.	LB
93	Jackson, Malcolm	DL
62	Juarez, Anthony	OL
81	Judge, Eric	WR
18	• Kaehler, Quinn	QB
37	• Kale, Garrett	WR
23	Kazee, Damontae	DB
27	Kelly, Kameron	ATH
16	Lamar, David	DB
50	Largent, Derek	LB
14	Lomax, Trey	DB
74	Maass, Austin	OL
32	• Mathis, Kendrick	DB
53	• McCutchan, David	LB
21	McGee, Na'im	DB
43	• McGrory, John	K/P
17	McMorrow, Seamus	K/P
45	Melifonwu, Fred	LB
98	Meredith, Sam	DL
33	• Merriweather, Davontae	DB
75	Miller, Kwayde	OL
82	Mills, Lloyd	WR
22	• Montgomery, Kalan	DB
44	• Morris, Tyler	DB
54	Munson, Calvin	LB
37	• Murray, Davaughn	DB

## Numerical

No.	Name	Pos.	Ht.	Wt.	Yr.	Exp.	Hometown (High School/College)
2	Christian Cumberlander	DB	6-3	205	Fr.	RS	West Point, Ga. (Jireh Prep (Matthews, N.C.))
3	Ezell Ruffin	WR	6-1	210	Sr.	2L	Long Beach, Calif. (Woodrow Wilson High)
5	Chase Favreau	QB	6-1	200	Fr.	RS	Huntington Beach, Calif. (Edison High)
7	J.J. Whittaker	DB	5-10	180	Sr.	1L	Oceanside, Calif. (Oceanside High)
9	Stan Sedberry	DB	6-2	210	Jr.	2L	Albuquerque, N.M. (La Cueva High)
10	Christian Chapman	QB	6-0	180	Fr.	HS	Carlsbad, Calif. (Carlsbad High)
11	Kene Anigbogu	WR	6-4	205	So.	RS	San Diego, Calif. (Helix High/Southwestern College)
12	Brad Odeman	QB	6-3	220	Jr.	TR	Napa, Calif. (Appleton North High/Ventura College)
12	Malik Smith	DB	6-0	185	So.	1L	Compton, Calif. (Dominguez High)
13	Jabril Clewis	WR	6-2	200	Fr.	HS	San Diego, Calif. (Patrick Henry High)
13	Pierre Romain	DB	5-8	165	Jr.	2L	Los Angeles, Calif. (Crenshaw High)
14	Trey Lomax	DB	5-11	185	Fr.	RS	San Diego, Calif. (Mira Mesa High)
15	Nick Bawden	QB	6-3	225	Fr.	HS	Los Gatos, Calif. (Los Gatos High)
15	Fred Trevillion	ATH	6-2	190	Fr.	HS	Brookhaven, Miss. (Brookhaven High)
16	David Lamar	DB	6-2	185	Sr.	2L	San Diego, Calif. (Madison High)
17	Seamus McMorrow	K/P	5-11	195	Jr.	2L	San Diego, Calif. (St. Augustine High)
18	Quinn Kaehler	QB	6-4	215	Sr.	1L	Pleasant Hill, Calif. (California High/Diablo Valley College)
18	Brandon Porter	DB	5-11	195	So.	1L	Waggaman, La. (John Curtis High)
19	Donnel Pumphrey	RB	5-9	170	So.	1L	Las Vegas, Nev. (Canyon Springs High)
20	Rashaad Penny	RB	5-11	200	Fr.	HS	Norwalk, Calif. (Norwalk High)
21	Na'im McGee	DB	6-0	200	So.	TR	Oakland, Calif. (Saint Mary's High/Diablo Valley College)
22	Kalan Montgomery	DB	6-1	185	Fr.	RS	Compton, Calif. (Dominguez High)
22	Chase Price	RB	5-8	200	Jr.	2L	Diamond Bar, Calif. (Diamond Ranch High)
23	Damontae Kazee	DB	5-11	180	So.	1L	San Bernardino, Calif. (Cajon High)
24	Billy Vaughn, Jr.	DB	6-1	180	Fr.	RS	Los Angeles, Calif. (Dorsey High)
26	Marcus Stamps	RB	6-1	210	Fr.	RS	Los Angeles, Calif. (Jefferson High)
27	Kameron Kelly	ATH	6-2	190	Fr.	HS	Murphy, Texas (Wylie High)
29	John Baron II	K	5-11	175	Fr.	HS	Temecula, Calif. (Chaparral High)
29	Lucky Radley	RB	5-9	185	Sr.	TR	Inglewood, Calif. (Taft High/Univ. of Utah)
30	T.J. Hickman	DB	6-0	190	Jr.	1L	Riverside, Calif. (Martin Luther King High)
31	William Walker	RB	5-10	190	Fr.	HS	Perris, Calif. (Citrus High)
32	Daryl Dunlap	RB	6-2	220	Fr.	HS	LaGrange, Ga. (Troup High)
32	Scott Hoover	WR	6-2	190	Fr.	RS	San Juan Capistrano, Calif. (San Juan Hills High)
32	Kendrick Mathis	DB	6-0	195	So.	1L	Ventura, Calif. (Buena High)
33	Davontae Merriweather	DB	6-1	200	Jr.	TR	Palmdale, Calif. (Highland High/Saddleback College)
33	Paul Sierra	RB	5-9	190	Jr.	SQ	Tijuana, Mexico (Castle Park High (Chula Vista, Calif.))
34	Parker Wells	FB	5-10	230	Fr.	RS	Las Flores, Calif. (Tesoro High)
35	Kevin Walcott	DB	5-11	180	Fr.	RS	Los Angeles, Calif. (Washington Prep High)
36	Devante Davis	LB	6-2	210	Jr.	TR	Dallas, Texas (Lincoln High/Tyler College)
37	Garrett Kale	WR	6-1	185	So.	SQ	Temecula, Calif. (Great Oak High)
37	Davaughn Murray	DB	6-0	175	Fr.	HS	San Diego, Calif. (Mount Miguel High)
38	Chris Hokokian	FB	6-1	235	Jr.	SQ	Fresno, Calif. (Clovis North High)
40	Donavin Buck	LB	6-5	205	Fr.	HS	Brawley, Calif. (Brawley Union High)
41	Dakota Turner	DL	6-3	235	Fr.	RS	Mililani, Hawaii (Mililani High)
42	Jake Fely	LB	5-10	215	Jr.	2L	Oceanside, Calif. (Oceanside High)
43	Kevin Campano	DB	5-10	170	Sr.	SQ	San Diego, Calif. (Scripps Ranch High/Baker University)
43	John McGrory	K/P	6-2	180	Fr.	RS	Rancho Santa Margarita, Calif. (Santa Margarita High)
44	Tyler Morris	DB	6-3	215	Fr.	RS	Henderson, Nev. (Foothill High)
44	Adam Roberts	FB	6-3	235	Sr.	3L	El Paso, Texas (Coronado High)
45	Fred Melifonwu	LB	6-5	235	Fr.	RS	San Diego, Calif. (Lincoln High)
46	Dakota Gordon	FB	5-10	235	Jr.	TR	Clovis, Calif. (Clovis High/Fresno City College)
46	Jay Henderson	LB	6-2	205	Fr.	LB	Phelan, Calif. (Serrano High)
47	Cody Galea	LB	6-3	255	Sr.	3L	Elk Grove, Calif. (Franklin High)
48	Josh Gavert	LB	6-2	215	Sr.	3L	Lakewood, Calif. (Mayfair High)
49	Dionte Sykes	ATH	6-2	215	Fr.	HS	Phoenix, Ariz. (Chandler High)
50	Derek Largent	LB	6-4	240	Sr.	2L	Hermosa Beach, Calif. (Mira Costa High/El Camino College)
51	D.J. Hunter	LB	6-0	210	So.	SQ	San Diego, Calif. (Mira Mesa High)
52	Teddy Queen	DL	6-1	245	So.	SQ	Temecula, Calif. (Chaparral High)
53	David McCutchan	LB	6-4	230	Fr.	RS	Irvine, Calif. (Woodridge High)
53	Lenicio Noble	OL	6-2	285	Jr.	RS	Las Vegas, Nev. (Cheyenne High/Phoenix CC)
54	Calvin Munson	LB	6-1	235	So.	1L	St. Charles, Mo. (Francis Howell High)
55	Micah Seau	LB	6-3	260	So.	1L	Spring Valley, Calif. (Bishop's High)
56	Nico Siragusa	OL	6-5	325	So.	1L	Chula Vista, Calif. (Mater Dei Catholic High)
57	Breckon Bauer	DB	6-1	205	Jr.	RS	Wichita, Kan. (East High)
58	Alex Barrett	DL	6-3	260	So.	1L	Mesa, Ariz. (Desert Ridge High)



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59	Donald Hageman	K/P	6-1	170	Jr.	TR	Covina, Calif. (Damien High/Mt. San Antonio College)
60	Jeff Overbaugh	LS	6-2	235	Jr.	2L	Anchorage, Alaska (Service High)
61	Hunter Christensen	LS	6-2	200	So.	SQ	Carlsbad, Calif. (La Costa Canyon High)
62	Anthony Juarez	OL	6-6	310	Fr.	RS	Corona, Calif. (Centennial High)
63	Alex Anderson	OL	6-5	290	Fr.	HS	Scottsdale, Ariz. (Saguaro High)
64	Zach Dilley	OL	6-5	295	Sr.	2L	Sun City, Calif. (Paloma Valley High)
65	Sergio Phillips	DL	6-2	285	Fr.	HS	DeSoto, Texas (DeSoto High)
66	Antonio Rosales	OL	6-4	295	Fr.	RS	Tucson, Ariz. (Tucson Magnet High)
67	Garrett Corbett	OL	6-5	315	Sr.	2L	Sparks, Nev. (Reed High)
68	Devin Tomlinson	OL	6-4	295	Fr.	RS	San Diego, Calif. (Madison High)
69	Paul Rodriguez	OL	6-7	295	Jr.	1L	San Bernardino, Calif. (San Geronimo High)
70	Arthur Flores	OL	6-5	305	So.	SQ	Denver, Colo. (J.K. Mullen High)
71	Pearce Slater	OL	6-7	335	Jr.	TR	Los Angeles, Calif. (Taft High/El Camino College)
72	Darrell Greene	OL	6-4	315	Jr.	2L	Oakley, Calif. (Freedom High)
73	Jordan Smith	OL	6-5	285	Jr.	2L	Redlands, Calif. (Redlands High)
74	Austin Maass	OL	6-4	285	So.	SQ	Mission Viejo, Calif. (Mission Viejo High)
75	Kwayde Miller	OL	6-7	310	So.	SQ	Ramona, Calif. (Ramona High)
76	Caleb Brady	OL	6-5	310	Jr.	TR	Fort Worth, Texas (Brewer High/Tyler College)
77	Joel Alesi	P	6-0	235	Sr.	2L	El Cajon, Calif. (Christian High)
78	Joe Salcedo	OL	6-7	280	Fr.	HS	Santa Barbara, Calif. (Bishop Diego High)
79	Terry Poole	OL	6-5	310	Sr.	1L	Seaside, Calif. (Seaside High/Monterey Peninsula College)
80	Larry Clark	WR	6-4	210	Jr.	1L	Venice, Calif. (Venice High)
81	Eric Judge	WR	6-1	190	So.	1L	San Diego, Calif. (San Diego High)
82	Lloyd Mills	WR	5-10	165	So.	SQ	Chandler, Ariz. (Chandler High)
83	Paul Pitts III	WR	6-0	190	Jr.	SQ	Rancho Cucamonga, Calif. (Los Osos High)
84	Darryl Richardson	TE	6-5	240	Fr.	RS	Seffner, Fla. (Armwood High)
85	Mikah Holder	WR	6-0	175	Fr.	HS	Oceanside, Calif. (Oceanside High)
86	Jemond Hazely	WR	6-1	190	Jr.	1L	Corona, Calif. (Santiago High)
87	Aaron Boesch	TE	6-5	250	Jr.	SQ	Oak Harbor, Wash. (Oak Harbor High/Santa Monica College)
88	David Wells	TE	6-5	250	Fr.	RS	Clovis, Calif. (Clovis North High)
89	Daniel Brunskill	TE	6-5	250	So.	1L	Valley Center, Calif. (Valley Center High)
91	Jordan Watson	DL	6-5	285	Fr.	RS	Chicago, Ill. (Hales Franciscan High)
92	Christian Heyward	DL	6-3	300	Jr.	TR	San Diego, Calif. (Point Loma High/USC)
93	Malcolm Jackson	DL	6-3	275	So.	SQ	Spring Valley, Calif. (Mount Miguel High)
94	Robert Craighead	TE	6-3	265	Jr.	2L	Lakeside, Calif. (El Capitan High)
95	Noble Hall	DL	6-3	230	Fr.	HS	Las Vegas, Nev. (Valley High)
96	Kenny Galea'i	DL	6-1	280	Jr.	1L	Oceanside, Calif. (Oceanside High)
97	Dontrell Onuoha	DL	6-2	290	Sr.	3L	Indio, Calif. (La Quinta High)
98	Sam Meredith	DL	6-4	290	Sr.	3L	La Mesa, Calif. (Helix High)
99	Jon Sanchez	DL	6-2	260	Jr.	2L	Murrieta, Calif. (Vista Murrieta High)
	Jake Rodrigues	QB	6-3	217	So.	TR	Rocklin, Calif. (Whitney High/Univ. of Oregon)

Alphabetical		
No.	Name	Pos.
53 ♦	Noble, Lenicio	OL
12 ♦	Odeman, Brad	QB
97	Onuoha, Dontrell	DL
60	Overbaugh, Jeff	LS
20	Penny, Rashaad	RB
65	Phillips, Sergio	DL
83	Pitts III, Paul	WR
79	Poole, Terry	OL
18 ♦	Porter, Brandon	DB
22 ♦	Price, Chase	RB
19	Pumphrey, Donnel	RB
52	Queen, Teddy	DL
29 ♦	Radley, Lucky	RB
84	Richardson, Darryl	TE
44 ♦	Roberts, Adam	FB
	Rodrigues, Jake	QB
69	Rodriguez, Paul	OL
13 ♦	Romain, Pierre	DB
66	Rosales, Antonio	OL
3	Ruffin, Ezell	WR
78	Salcedo, Joe	OL
99	Sanchez, Jon	DL
55	Seau, Micah	LB
9	Sedberry, Stan	DB
33 ♦	Sierra, Paul	RB
56	Siragusa, Nico	OL
71	Slater, Pearce	OL
73	Smith, Jordan	OL
12 ♦	Smith, Malik	DB
26	Stamps, Marcus	RB
49	Sykes, Dionte	ATH
68	Tomlinson, Devin	OL
15 ♦	Trevillion, Fred	ATH
41	Turner, Dakota	DL
24	Vaughn, Jr., Billy	DB
35	Walcott, Kevin	DB
31	Walker, William	RB
91	Watson, Jordan	DL
88	Wells, David	TE
34	Wells, Parker	FB
7	Whittaker, J.J.	DB

♦ - Duplicate Number

## THE COACHING STAFF

**Rocky Long** (New Mexico '74) Head Coach/Defensive Coordinator, 4th season as head coach at SDSU/6th overall; **Jeff Horton** (Nevada '81) Assistant Head Coach/Running Backs, 4th season; **Bob Toledo** (San Francisco State '68) Offensive Coordinator, 2nd season; **Zach Arnett** (New Mexico '09) Linebackers, 1st season/4th overall; **Danny Gonzales** (New Mexico '98) Safeties, 4th season; **Osia Lewis** (Oregon State '86) Defensive Line, 4th season; **LeCharls McDaniel** (Cal Poly '81) Wide Receivers, 14th season; **Mike Schmidt** (San Diego State '09) Offensive Line, 3rd season; **Brian Sipe** (San Diego State) Quarterbacks, 6th season; **Tony White** (UCLA '02) Cornerbacks/Recruiting Coordinator, 6th season; **Kevin McGarry** (USD '79) Director of Player Personnel, 1st season/4th overall; **Adam Hall** (San Diego State '05) Strength & Conditioning, 3rd season; **Jashon Sykes** (Colorado '02) Director of Football Operations, 2nd season; **Doug Deakin** (San Diego State '10) Graduate Assistant, 3rd season; **Dorian Keller** (USD '08) Graduate Assistant, 3rd season; **Jake Laudenslayer** (Cal Lutheran '11) Graduate Assistant, 1st season; **Chris Jurek** (Cincinnati '09) Assistant Strength & Conditioning, 4th season

## PRONUNCIATION GUIDE

No. 3 <b>Ezell</b> Ruffin	ee-ZELL
No. 21 <b>Na'im</b> McGee	NYE-eem
No. 35 Chris <b>Hokokian</b>	ho-KO-key-an
No. 42 Jake <b>Fely</b>	FEE-lee
No. 43 Kevin <b>Campano</b>	cam-PONNO
No. 45 Fred <b>Melifonwu</b>	mel-ee-FON-woo
No. 47 Cody <b>Galea</b>	GALLEY-ah
No. 48 Josh <b>Gavert</b>	GAV-ert
No. 72 <b>Darrell</b> Greene	duh-RELL
No. 77 Joel <b>Alesi</b>	uh-LEE-see

No. 78 Joe <b>Salcedo</b>	sal-SAY-do
No. 86 Jemond <b>Hazely</b>	juh-MOND haze-UH-lee
No. 96 Kenny <b>Galea'i</b>	gah-LEE-ah-EE
No. 97 Dontrell <b>Onuoha</b>	on-OOH-o-ha
<b>Osia</b> Lewis	OH-say
<b>LeCharls</b> McDaniel	luh-CHARLES
<b>Jashon</b> Sykes	JAY-shawn

# Aztec Depth Chart



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## OFFENSE

### LEFT TACKLE (LT)

- 79 Terry Poole, 6-5, 310, Sr.\*
- 75 Kwayde Miller, 6-7, 310, So.-SQ
- 69 Paul Rodriguez, 6-7, 295, Jr.\*

### LEFT GUARD (LG)

- 56 Nico Siragusa, 6-5, 325, So.\*
- 64 Zach Dilley, 6-5, 295, Sr.\*\*
- 70 Arthur Flores, 6-5, 305, So.-SQ

### CENTER (C)

- 73 Jordan Smith, 6-5, 285, Jr.\*\*
- 53 Lencio Noble, 6-2, 285, Jr.-RS
- 74 Austin Maass, 6-4, 285, So.-SQ

### RIGHT GUARD (RG)

- 72 Darrell Greene, 6-4, 315, Jr.\*\*
- 66 Antonio Rosales, 6-4, 295, Fr.-RS
- 62 Anthony Juarez, 6-6, 310, Fr.-RS

### RIGHT TACKLE (RT)

- 67 Garrett Corbett, 6-5, 315, Sr.\*\*
- 71 Pearce Slater, 6-7, 335, Jr.-TR
- 68 Devin Tomlinson, 6-4, 295, Fr.-RS

### WIDE RECEIVER (X)

- 3 Ezell Ruffin, 6-1, 210, Sr.\*\*
- 80 Larry Clark, 6-4, 210, Jr.\*
- 83 Paul Pitts III, 6-0, 190, Jr.-SQ
- 37 Garrett Kale, 6-1, 185, So.-SQ

### RUNNING BACK (TB)

- 19 Donnel Pumphrey, 5-9, 170, So.\*
- 22 Chase Price, 5-8, 200, Jr.\*\*
- 26 Marcus Stamps, 6-1, 210, Fr.-RS
- 29 Lucky Radley, 5-9, 185, Sr.-TR
- 33 Paul Sierra, 5-9, 190, Jr.-SQ

### QUARTERBACK (QB)

- 18 Quinn Kaehler, 6-4, 215, Sr.\*
- 5 Chase Favreau, 6-1, 200, Fr.-RS
- 12 Brad Odeman, 6-3, 220, Jr.-TR
- 15 Nick Bawden, 6-3, 225, Fr.-HS

### FULLBACK (FB)

- 44 Adam Roberts, 6-3, 235, Sr.\*\*
- 46 Dakota Gordon, 5-10, 235, Jr.-TR
- 38 Chris Hokokian, 6-1, 235, Jr.-SQ
- 34 Parker Wells, 5-10, 230, Fr.-RS

### TIGHT END (TE)

- 94 Robert Craighead, 6-3, 265, Jr.\*\*
- 89 Daniel Brunskill, 6-5, 250, So.\*
- 88 David Wells, 6-5, 250, Fr.-RS
- 84 Darryl Richardson, 6-5, 240, Fr.-RS
- 87 Aaron Boesch, 6-5, 250, Jr.-SQ

### WIDE RECEIVER (Z)

- 81 Eric Judge, 6-1, 190, So.\*
- 86 Jemond Hazely, 6-1, 190, Jr.\*
- 82 Lloyd Mills, 5-10, 165, So.-SQ
- 11 Kene Anigbogu, 6-4, 205, So.-RS
- 32 Scott Hoover, 6-2, 190, Fr.-RS

## DEFENSE

### DEFENSIVE END (DE)

- 99 Jon Sanchez, 6-2, 260, Jr.\*\*
- 98 Sam Meredith, 6-4, 290, Sr.\*\*
- 91 Jordan Watson, 6-5, 285, Fr.-RS

### DEFENSIVE TACKLE (DT)

- 58 Alex Barrett, 6-3, 260, So.\*
- 96 Kenny Galea'i, 6-1, 280, Jr.\*
- 93 Malcolm Jackson, 6-3, 275, So.-SQ
- 65 Sergio Phillips, 6-2, 285, Fr.-HS
- 92 Christian Heyward, 6-3, 300, Jr.-TR

### DEFENSIVE END (DE)

- 97 Dontrell Onuoha, 6-2, 290, Sr.\*\*
- 41 Dakota Turner, 6-3, 235, Fr.-RS
- 52 Teddy Queen, 6-1, 245, So.-SQ

### LINEBACKER (LB)

- 50 Derek Largent, 6-4, 240, Sr.\*\*
- 45 Fred Melifonwu, 6-5, 235, Fr.-RS
- 53 David McCutchan, 6-4, 230, Fr.-RS
- 36 Devante Davis, 6-2, 210, Jr.-TR

### MIDDLE LINEBACKER (MLB)

- 48 Josh Gavert, 6-2, 215, Sr.\*\*
- 42 Jake Fely, 5-10, 215, Jr.\*\*
- 55 Micah Seau, 6-3, 260, So.\*
- 51 D.J. Hunter, 6-0, 210, So.-SQ

### LINEBACKER (LB)

- 47 Cody Galea, 6-3, 255, Sr.\*\*
- 54 Calvin Munson, 6-1, 235, So.\*

### CORNERBACK (CB)

- 34 J.J. Whittaker, 5-10, 180, Sr.\*
- 13 Pierre Romain, 5-8, 165, Jr.\*\*
- 22 Kalan Montgomery, 6-1, 185, Fr.-RS
- 43 Kevin Campano, 5-10, 170, Sr.-SQ

### WARRIOR (WAR)

- 12 Malik Smith, 6-0, 185, So.\*
- 41 T.J. Hickman, 6-0, 190, Jr.\*
- 32 Kendrick Mathis, 6-0, 195, So.-SQ
- 57 Breckon Bauer, 6-1, 205, Jr.-RS

### AZTEC (AZ)

- 21 Na'im McGee, 6-0, 200, So.-TR
- 44 Tyler Morris, 6-3, 235, Fr.-RS
- 18 Brandon Porter, 5-11, 195, So.\*

### WARRIOR (WAR)

- 14 Trey Lomax, 5-11, 185, Fr.-RS
- 9 Stan Sedberry, 6-2, 210, Jr.\*\*
- 2 Christian Cumberlander, 6-3, 205, Fr.-RS

### CORNERBACK (CB)

- 23 Damontae Kazee, 5-11, 180, So.\*
- 24 Billy Vaughn, Jr., 6-1, 180, Fr.-RS
- 16 David Lamar, 6-2, 185, Sr.\*\*
- 35 Kevin Walcott, 5-11, 180, Fr.-RS

## SPECIALISTS

### PUNTER (P)

- 77 Joel Alesi, 6-0, 235, Sr.\*\*
- 17 Seamus McMorro, 5-11, 195, Jr.\*\*
- 43 John McGrory, 6-2, 180, Fr.-RS

### PLACEKICKER (PK)

- 17 Seamus McMorro, 5-11, 195, Jr.\*\*
- 43 John McGrory, 6-2, 180, Fr.-RS

### KICKOFFS (KO)

- 17 Seamus McMorro, 5-11, 195, Jr.\*\*
- 43 John McGrory, 6-2, 180, Fr.-RS

### HOLDER (H)

- 12 Brad Odeman, 6-3, 220, Jr.-TR

### LONG SNAPPER (LS)

- 60 Jeff Overbaugh, 6-2, 235, Jr.\*\*
- 61 Hunter Christensen, 6-2, 200, So.-SQ

### KICKOFF RETURNS (KOR)

TBA

### PUNT RETURNS (PR)

TBA

\* - Denotes number of letters earned through the 2013 season. Players in bold are returning starters from the 2013 season. Underlined players are newcomers or freshmen who redshirted last season.

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## AZTECS BY CLASS

Personnel listed with eligibility as it will be entering the 2014 season.

### Seniors (16)

P Joel Alesi, DB Kevin Campano, OL Garrett Corbett, OL Zach Dilley, LB Cody Galea, LB Josh Gavert, QB Quinn Kaehler, DB David Lamar, LB Derek Largent, DL Sam Meredith, DL Dontrell Onuoha, OL Terry Poole, RB Lucky Radley, TE Adam Roberts, WR Ezell Ruffin, DB J.J. Whittaker

### Juniors (29)

LB Breckon Bauer, TE Aaron Boesch, OL Caleb Brady, WR Larry Clark, TE Robert Craighthead, LB Devante Davis, LB Jake Fely, DL Kenny Galea'i, FB Dakota Gordon, OL Darrell Greene, K/P Donald Hageman, WR Jemond Hazely, DL Christian Heyward, DB T.J. Hickman, DB Davontae Merriweather, FB Chris Hokokian, K/P Seamus McMorrow, OL Lenicio Noble, QB Brad Odeman, LS Jeff Overbaugh, WR Paul Pitts III, RB Chase Price, OL Paul Rodriguez, DB Pierre Romain, DL Jon Sanchez, DB Stan Sedberry, RB Paul Sierra, OL Pearce Slater, OL Jordan Smith

### Sophomores (23)

WR Kene Anigbogu, DL Alex Barrett, TE Daniel Brunskill, LS Hunter Christensen, OL Arthur Flores, LB D.J. Hunter, DL Malcolm Jackson, WR Eric Judge, WR Garrett Kale, DB Damontae Kazee, OL Austin Maass, DB Kendrick Mathis, DB Na'im McGee, OL Kwayde Miller, WR Lloyd Mills, LB Calvin Munson, DL Teddy Queen, DB Brandon Porter, RB Donnel Pumphrey, QB Jake Rodrigues, LB Micah Seau, OL Nico Siragusa, DB Malik Smith

### Redshirt Freshmen (20)

DB Christian Cumberlander, QB Chase Favreau, WR Scott Hoover, OL Anthony Juarez, DB Trey Lomax, K/P John McGrory, LB Fred Melifonwu, LB David McCutchan, DB Kalan Montgomery, DB Tyler Morris, TE Darryl Richardson, OL Antonio Rosales, RB Marcus Stamps, OL Devin Tomlinson, LB Dakota Turner, DB Billy Vaughn, Jr., DB Kevin Walcott, DL Jordan Watson, TE David Wells, FB Parker Wells

### True Freshmen (18)

OL Alex Anderson, K John Baron II, QB Nick Bawden, LB Donavin Buck, QB Christian Chapman, WR Jabril Clewis, RB Darryl Dunlap, LB Jay Henderson, WR Mikah Holder, ATH Kameron Kelly, DL Noble Hall, DB Dav Vaughn Murray, RB, Rashaad Penny, DL Sergio Phillips, OL Joe Salcedo, ATH Dionte Sykes, ATH Fred Trevillion, RB William Walker

## WHAT RETURNS

By percentage, what returns from last season.

Offense	Pct.
Rushing Yards . . . . . 756 of 2,166	34.9
Passing Yards . . . . . 3,007 of 3,358	89.5
Receiving Yards . . . . . 1,447 of 3,358	43.1
Scoring . . . . . 154 of 387	39.8

Defense	Pct.
Tackles . . . . . 386 of 871	44.3
Tackles For Loss . . . . . 34 of 75	45.7
Sacks . . . . . 16 of 26	61.5
Forced Fumbles . . . . . 8 of 14	57.1
Fumble Recoveries . . . . . 5 of 11	45.5
Interceptions . . . . . 6 of 8	75.0

Special Teams	Pct.
Field Goals . . . . . 0 of 8	0.0
Punting Yards . . . . . 2,214 of 2,214	100.0
Punt Return Yards . . . . . 0 of 213	0.0
Kickoff Return Yards . . . . . 204 of 1,157	17.6

## STARTERS RETURNING & LOST

### Offensive Starters Returning (6)

Pos.	Name	Career Starts
RG	Darrell Greene . . . . .	12
QB	Quinn Kaehler . . . . .	11
RT	Terry Poole . . . . .	12
FB	Adam Roberts . . . . .	21
WR	Ezell Ruffin . . . . .	16
C	Jordan Smith . . . . .	14

### Other Offensive Players With Starts (4)

LG	Zach Dilley . . . . .	18
WR	Eric Judge . . . . .	1
RB	Donnel Pumphrey . . . . .	1
RG	Nico Siragusa . . . . .	1
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>107</b>

### Offensive Starters Lost (5)

Pos.	Name	Career Starts
LG	Japheth Gordon . . . . .	16
WR	Colin Lockett . . . . .	30
RB	Adam Muema . . . . .	27
LT	Bryce Quigley . . . . .	38
FB	Chad Young . . . . .	31

### Other Offensive Players With Starts Lost (2)

WR	Dylan Denso . . . . .	12
QB	Adam Dingwell . . . . .	7
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>161</b>

### Defensive Starters Returning (4)

Pos.	Name	Career Starts
LB	Cody Galea . . . . .	22
LB	Josh Gavert . . . . .	10
DE	Dontrell Onuoha . . . . .	12
CB	J.J. Whittaker . . . . .	13

### Other Defensive Players With Starts (3)

LB	Jake Fely . . . . .	30
LB	Derek Largent . . . . .	7
DE	Sam Meredith . . . . .	19
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>113</b>

### Defensive Starters Lost (7)

Pos.	Name	Career Starts
WAR	Marcus Andrews . . . . .	23
AZ	Nat Berhe . . . . .	45
LB	Vaness Harris . . . . .	21
CB	King Holder . . . . .	14
WAR	Eric Pinkins . . . . .	24
LB	Nick Tenhaeff . . . . .	25
DE	Jordan Thomas . . . . .	34

### Other Defensive Players With Starts Lost (2)

WAR	Gabe Lemon . . . . .	18
WAR	Rene Siluano . . . . .	6
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>210</b>

### Specialists Returning (3)

Pos.	Name
P	Joel Alesi
K/P	Seamus McMorrow
LS	Jeff Overbaugh

### Specialist Lost (1)

Pos.	Name
K/P	Wes Feer

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## RETURNING STATISTICAL LEADERS

Rushing	Donnel Pumphrey (125 att., 752 yds., 8 TDs)
Passing	Quinn Kaehler (232-389-9, 3,007 yds., 19 TDs)
Receiving	Ezell Ruffin (68 rec., 1,136 yds., 3 TDs)
Total Offense	Quinn Kaehler (438 plays, 2,898 yds.)
All-Purpose	Ezell Ruffin (1,140 yds.)
Punt Returns	none
Kickoff Returns	Eric Judge (5 ret., 22.6 ypr.)
Field Goals	none
Scoring	Donnel Pumphrey (60 points)
Tackles	Josh Gavert (94)
Tackles For Loss	Josh Gavert (6-38 yds.)
Sacks	Josh Gavert (3-21 yds.) and Alex Barrett (3-20 yds.)
Interceptions	J.J. Whittaker (3)
Punting Average	Joel Alesi (39.4)

## LOST STATISTICAL LEADERS

Rushing	Adam Muema (256 att., 1,244 yds., 15 TDs)
Passing	Adam Dingwell (27-68-5, 318 yds.)
Receiving	Colin Lockett (52 rec., 736 yds., 5 TDs)
Total Offense	Adam Muema (256 plays, 1,244 yds.)
All-Purpose	Colin Lockett (1,549 yds.)
Punt Returns	Tim Vizzi (17 ret., 12.5 ypr.)
Kickoff Returns	Colin Lockett (31 ret., 24.5 ypr.)
Field Goals	Wes Feer (8-for-12)
Scoring	Adam Muema (94 points)
Tackles	Nat Berhe (99)
Tackles For Loss	Nick Tenhaeff (15-61 yds.)
Sacks	Nick Tenhaeff (6-43 yds.)
Interceptions	Marcus Andrews, Vaness Harris, Nick Tenhaeff (1)
Punting Average	none

## GEOGRAPHICAL BREAKDOWN

Current Aztecs by home state:

### California (78)

P Joel Alesi, WR Kene Anigbogu, K John Baron II, QB Nick Bawden, TE Daniel Brunskill, LB Donavin Buck, DB Kevin Campano, QB Christian Chapman, LS Hunter Christensen, WR Larry Clark, WR Jabril Clewis, TE Robert Craighead, OL Zach Dilley, QB Chase Favreau, LB Jake Fely, LB Cody Galea, DL Kenny Galea'i, LB Josh Gavert, FB Dakota Gordon, OL Darrell Greene, K/P Donald Hageman, WR Jemond Hazely, LB Jay Henderson, DL Christian Heyward, DB T.J. Hickman, FB Chris Hokokian, WR Mikah Holder, WR Scott Hoover, LB D.J. Hunter, DL Malcolm Jackson, OL Anthony Juarez, WR Eric Judge, QB Quinn Kaehler, WR Garrett Kale, DB Damontae Kazee, DB David Lamar, LB Derek Largent, DB Trey Lomax, OL Austin Maass, DB Kendrick Mathis, LB David McCutchan, DB Na'im McGee, K/P John McGrory, K/P Seamus McMorrow, LB Fred Melifonwu, DL Sam Meredith, DB Davonte Merriweather, OL Kwayde Miller, DB Davaughn Murray, DB Kalan Montgomery, QB Brad Odeman, DL Dontrell Onuoha, RB Rashaad Penny, WR Paul Pitts III, OL Terry Poole, RB Chase Price, DL Teddy Queen, RB Lucky Radley, QB Jake Rodrigues, OL Paul Rodriguez, DB Pierre Romain, WR Ezell Ruffin, OL Joe Salcedo, DL Jon Sanchez, LB Micah Seau, RB Paul Sierra, OL Nico Siragusa, OL Pearce Slater, OL Jordan Smith, DB Malik Smith, RB Marcus Stamps, OL Devin Tomlinson, DB Billy Vaughn, Jr., DB Kevin Walcott, RB William Walker, TE David Wells, FB Parker Wells, DB J.J. Whittaker

### Arizona (5)

OL Alex Anderson, DL Alex Barrett, WR Lloyd Mills, OL Antonio Rosales, ATH Dionte Sykes

### Nevada (5)

OL Garrett Corbett, DL Noble Hall, DB Tyler Morris, OL Lenicio Noble, RB Donnel Pumphrey

### Texas (5)

OL Caleb Brady, LB Devante Davis, ATH Kameron Kelly, DL Sergio Phillips, TE Adam Roberts

### Georgia (2)

DB Christian Cumberlander, RB Daryl Dunlap

### Alaska (1)

LS Jeff Overbaugh

### Colorado (1)

OL Arthur Flores

### Florida (1)

TE Darryl Richardson

### Hawaii (1)

LB Dakota Turner

### Illinois (1)

DE Jordan Watson

### Kansas (1)

LB Breckon Bauer

### Louisiana (1)

DB Brandon Porter

### Mississippi (1)

ATH Fred Trevillion

### Missouri (1)

LB Calvin Munson

### New Mexico (1)

DB Stan Sedberry

### Washington (1)

TE Aaron Boesch

## 2014 SIGNING CLASS

Name	Pos.	Ht.	Wt.	Hometown
Alex Anderson	OL	6-5	290	Scottsdale, Ariz.
John Baron II	K	5-11	175	Temecula, Calif.
Nick Bawden	QB	6-3	225	Los Gatos, Calif.
Donavin Buck	LB	6-5	205	Brawley, Calif.
Caleb Brady	OL	6-5	310	Fort Worth, Texas
Christian Chapman	QB	6-0	180	Carlsbad, Calif.
Jabril Clewis	WR	6-2	200	San Diego, Calif.
Devante Davis	LB	6-2	210	Dallas, Texas
Daryl Dunlap	RB	6-2	220	LaGrange, Ga.
Noble Hall	DE	6-3	230	Las Vegas, Nev.
Donald Hageman	K/P	6-1	170	Covina, Calif.
Jay Henderson	LB	6-2	205	Phelan, Calif.
Christian Heyward	DL	6-3	300	San Diego, Calif.
Mikah Holder	WR	6-0	175	Oceanside, Calif.
Kameron Kelly	ATH	6-2	190	Murphy, Texas
Na'im McGee	DB	6-0	200	Oakland, Calif.
Davontae Merriweather	DB	6-1	200	Palmdale, Calif.
Davaughn Murray	DB	6-0	175	San Diego, Calif.
Brad Odeman	QB	6-3	220	Napa, Calif.
Rashaad Penny	RB	5-11	200	Norwalk, Calif.
Joe Salcedo	OL	6-7	280	San Diego, Calif.
Pearce Slater	OL	6-7	340	Los Angeles, Calif.
Dionte Sykes	ATH	6-2	215	Phoenix, Ariz.
Fred Trevillion	ATH	6-2	190	Brookhaven, Miss.
William Walker	RB	5-10	190	Perris, Calif.

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