



SDSU Tennis Stadium



SDSU Tennis Stadium features 12 courts, plus a 2,000-square foot tennis center.

In the spring of 2005, the San Diego State women's and men's tennis programs began play at the SDSU Tennis Stadium courts, located on the western edge of campus.

The brand new, 12-court, tennis complex was made possible due to the generosity of San Diego Padres owner John Moores.

The 12 courts are surfaced with Plexicushion Prestige surfacing which is a similar surface to what is used at the National Tennis Center, home of the U.S. Open, in New York.

The opening of the tennis center has been long anticipated by both San Diego State tennis programs. It is one of the finest collegiate facilities on the west coast and one of the few in the nation to utilize the state-of-the-art surface material.

Plexicushion entails six coats of liquid cushion squeezed onto the base, which provides for uniform bounce, as well as, being easier on the legs due to the increased cushion.

We are very excited to be playing at our new home this season, said women's head coach Peter Mattera. It is an excellent showcase for our nationally ranked women's and men's tennis teams.

We were able to maintain our national standing while playing on an extremely antiquated facility, Mattera added. Both Gene Carswell (men's head coach) and I feel that with the addition of the SDSU Tennis Stadium, we can take a big leap forward nationally.

Carswell certainly feels the same way. "I am excited that our new facility is open. For us to be able to play two dual

matches at the one time is going to allow us to run some collegiate events here, some different tournaments that we just have not been able to host," Carswell said.

"As far as a recruiting tool, it is one of the best facilities in the country, bar none, the head coach said. So we're really excited to be playing at our new home and posting some victories and some championships there."

Currently, the women's program ranks 12th nationally in all-time NCAA Tournament appearances.

In addition to the 12 tennis courts, the new tennis stadium includes a 2,000-square

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Peter Mattera*

foot tennis center with a team room, office space and a multi-purpose room.

The central room will feature an adjoining, covered patio that will provide a very fan-friendly environment, as well as the ability to host tournaments, receptions and athletic functions.

With its prime location, the tennis complex is one of the final pieces of the puzzle of San Diego State athletics. The courts are nestled next to Tony Gwynn Stadium and are surrounded by the new softball stadium, three football practice fields, the SDSU Sports Deck and a new pool set to open in 2006. In addition, Cox Arena is within walking distance, which truly makes the westside of campus the home for Aztec athletics. Moreover, the facility is situated behind the Aztec Athletics Center, which will allow student-athletes easy access to some of the top training personnel and weightlifting facilities on the west coast.



One of 12 brand new tennis courts located on the west side of campus.

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SDSU Tennis Stadium Highlights

- * 12 outdoor tennis courts
- * Plexicushion Prestige surfacing
- * 2,000-square foot tennis center
- * Lighting for night competition
- * Team rooms
- * Staff offices
- * Covered patio
- * Spectator seating
- * Easy access to training facilities



The SDSU tennis center features office space, a lounge, team rooms and kitchen.



SDSU Facilities



AZTEC ATHLETICS CENTER HIGHLIGHTS

◆ The Aztec Athletics Center, which opened in 2001, is the home for San Diego State athletics. The entrance lobby of the Aztec Athletics Center houses the 5,000-square-foot Aztec Hall of Fame, presented by the Wise Foundation. The museum is the first permanent home of the Hall of Fame and features displays, informative kiosks, interactive video trivia games and a plaque commemorating the induction of each Hall of Fame member. Notable players who are members of the Hall of Fame include Willie Buchanon, Haven Moses, legendary coach Don Coryell, and NFL MVPs Brian Sipe and Marshall Faulk, Tony Gwynn and Michael Cage.

◆ A state-of-the-art weight room, encompassing more than 15,000 square feet, is also located on the first floor of the building. It includes a running track for indoor timing.

◆ Each varsity sport, with the exception of the baseball squad which has a clubhouse at Tony Gwynn Stadium, has a plush locker room on the first floor of the building. The locker rooms include a lounge and television area and oak lockers.

◆ The sports medicine center and equipment operations are also located on the first floor and help provide incredible convenience to the locker rooms, weight room and other practice facilities.



Aztec Athletics Center



The 15,000-Square Foot Weight Room

Aztec Sports Medicine Center





\$13 Million SDSU Sports Deck

Fantastic Facilities



*One of Two
Field-Turf
Practice Fields*



*Tony Gwynn
Stadium*



AZTEC ATHLETIC FACILITIES

The buildings are not just sparkling new, but they are already postseason tested. Cox Arena, the 12,400-seat basketball facility, has served as a site for the NCAA Men's Basketball Division I Championship (first and second rounds) as well as the NCAA Division I Women's Volleyball National Championship. The NCAA men's basketball tournament is scheduled to return to the facility in 2006.

The Sports Deck has already played host to the Mountain West Conference Track & Field Championships. Tony Gwynn Stadium also was the site of the MWC baseball tournament in 2001.

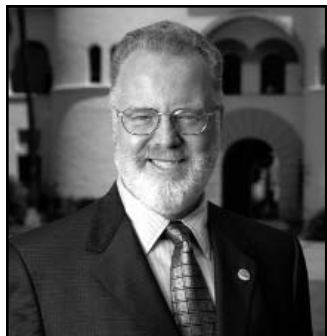
San Diego State recently opened a new tennis stadium and softball facility located just west of Tony Gwynn Stadium in January, 2005.

Incidentally, the three programs with new facilities, men's and women's tennis and softball, all claimed Mountain West Conference championships in 2002 and 2003.

Tony Gwynn Stadium and the Aztec Athletics Center were constructed thanks to donations by San Diego Padres owners John and Becky Moores.



Aztec Leadership



Dr. Stephen L. Weber

University President

Stephen L. Weber, the seventh president of San Diego State University, provides dynamic leadership to an institution that ranks among the largest in the nation and third largest in California. Educated as a philosopher, President Weber began his tenure at SDSU in July 1996 and shortly afterward initiated a broad-based dialog intended to set the course for the University's future.

Under President Weber's guidance, students, faculty, staff, alumni and community leaders participated in shaping this "Shared Vision." SDSU is now moving boldly ahead toward goals set by those discussions: reinforcing academic excellence, nurturing students, honoring diversity and social justice, carefully stewarding resources and further developing global programs.

In the process, SDSU has become an increasingly popular and selective choice among college-bound students. For fall 2003, some 45,635 undergraduate applicants competed for 6,545 vacancies. Not surprisingly, the overall academic quality of SDSU students is also rising. In addition, alumni involvement and private financial support of the university have never been stronger.

A champion of community involvement as well as academic excellence, President Weber has been an advocate for community service. Leading by example, he is immediate past chair of the American Association of State Colleges and Universities Board of Directors and co-chairs Partners for K-12 School Reform. He also serves on the boards of governors of The Peres Center for Peace and the San Diego Foundation, and on the boards of directors of the San Diego Regional Economic Development Corporation, the San Diego Science and Technology Council, and the California Healthcare Institute. He co-chairs the College Presidents Forum of the San Diego County Policy Panel on Youth Access to Alcohol.

In addition, President Weber is a member of the international advisory board for the Foundation for Children of the Californias, the advisory council of the San Diego Performing Arts League, and the honorary advisory board of the San Diego Science Alliance. He is a member of the San Diego Rotary Club, an honorary director of the Japan Society of San Diego and Tijuana, and a member of the advisory board for Bahcesehir University in Turkey.

Born in Boston, President Weber is a graduate of Bowling Green University with a B.A. in philosophy. He received his Ph.D. in philosophy from the University of Notre Dame in 1969 and is the author of numerous articles on philosophy and higher education.

President Weber's many awards include an honorary degree from Beijing Capital Normal University. He was named among the 1997 Headliners of the Year by the San Diego Press Club. Also in 1997, the San Diego Mediation Center honored him with its Peacemaker Award. In 1999, President Weber received the Executive Director's Award from the San Diego Education Association and the Gold Key Award from the San Diego Hospitality Association. He was recognized as a Leader of Vision by the League of Women Voters of San Diego in 2000.

Before coming to San Diego State University, President Weber served as interim provost of the State University of New York (SUNY). He also served seven years as president of the SUNY Oswego campus. Prior to that he was vice president of academic affairs at St. Cloud State University in Minnesota, dean of arts and sciences at Fairfield University in Connecticut, and assistant to the president of the University of Maine. While a faculty member at the University of Maine, he was recognized as the outstanding professor in humanities.

President Weber is married to Susan Keim Weber, who shares his enthusiastic commitment to SDSU. They have two sons.

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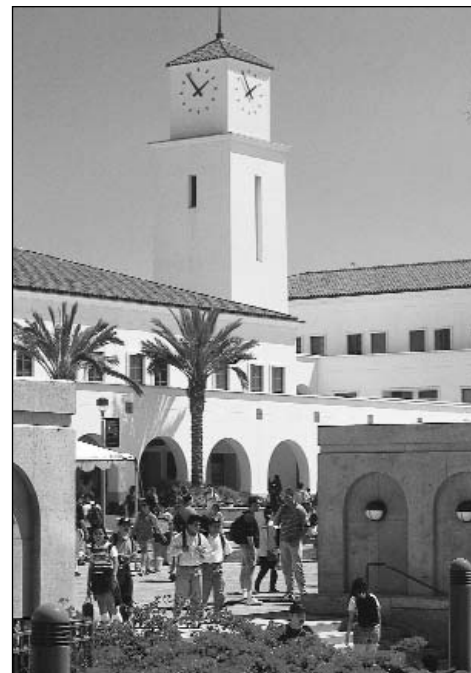


Beginning its 108th academic year in fall 2004, San Diego State University can take pride in more than a century of achievement in education, research and service. With an enrollment of more than 33,000 students, SDSU has grown into the largest institution of higher education in the San Diego region and one of the largest in California.

- San Diego State is the only member of the 23-campus California State University system designated as a Doctoral/Research University-Intensive by the Carnegie Foundation, placing it among the top 6.7 percent of higher education institutions in the United States.
- San Diego State currently grants bachelor's degrees in 79 academic areas, master's degrees in 67 and doctoral degrees in 14.
- One in seven adults in San Diego holds a degree from San Diego State.
- San Diego State ranked 10th nationally in 1999-00 for bachelor's degrees awarded to minorities, according to *Black Issues In Higher Education*.



- In 2002, SDSU's International Business program was ranked 15th in the country by *U.S. News and World Report*. The magazine, along with *Success* magazine, also named San Diego State's College of Business as one of the top in the country for entrepreneurs.
- The School of Accountancy was the first and one of only four accredited accounting programs in California. Student test scores on the CPA exam consistently rank among the top five in the nation.
- Three times during the past 15 years the College of Education has been ranked among the top three programs in the country for teacher education by the Association of Teacher Educators. On two occasions the college has been ranked best in the country.
- Increasingly recognized for innovative research, San Diego State has achieved the prestigious Doctoral/Research University-Intensive designation. This is granted by the Carnegie Foundation to the top 6.7 percent of the nation's research-conducting universities. Over the last three years, SDSU faculty has attracted nearly \$400 million in grants and contracts for research and program administration. SDSU now ranks among the top 100 public universities nationwide in research expenditures, and SDSU's research funding has doubled from a decade ago.
- In 2002, SDSU was ranked among the 31 hottest and trendiest universities in the nation according to Kaplan's Annual National High School Guidance Counselor Survey.
- Recently completed facilities, totaling more than \$200 million in value, include Cuicacalli, a dining and residence complex; the Chemical Sciences Laboratory, a showcase of leading-edge laboratories and infrastructure; a 2,458-space parking structure, the largest in the CSU system; and the Aztec Athletics Center, housing coaches' offices, training facilities and the Wise Foundation Hall of Fame. Construction continues on the SDSU trolley station and tunnel, part of the Metropolitan Transit Development Board's Mission Valley East extension of the San Diego Trolley system scheduled to open in 2005.





Academic Support



The dual role of student and athlete can be a daunting challenge for any person at the Division I level. Recognizing that academic challenge, the Student Athlete Academic Support Services program has been developed at San Diego State to assist all student-athletes in achieving academic excellence.

It is a source of pride within San Diego State athletics that the department has developed one of the most comprehensive academic support programs in the country.

The Staff

The SAASS staff includes a learning specialist, four academic advisors, the department's director of compliance, an eligibility coordinator, a financial aid coordinator



as well as a recruitment coordinator.

In addition to the full-time staff, the department employs more than 20 mentors and tutors.

Collectively, they operate a program that enhances each student's satisfactory progress toward graduation.

The Services

Throughout the academic year, advisors offer a variety of services to aid individuals in the development of their personal goals and the blueprint for pursuing those goals.

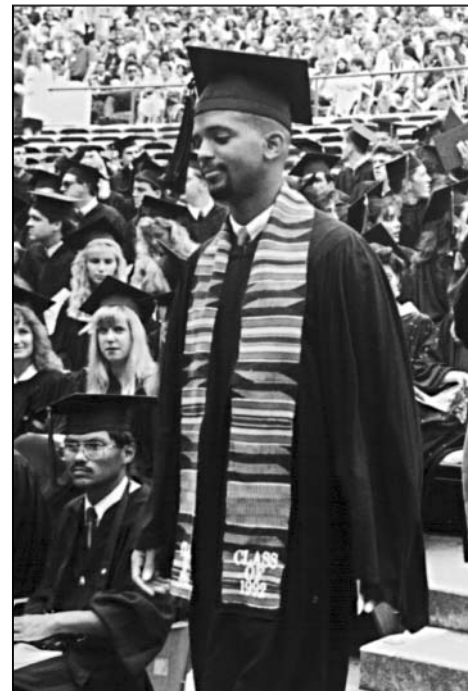
All new student-athletes are invited to an orientation that helps lay the foundation for future successes. Each advisor teaches a section of the University's Freshman Success course (General Studies 100), which deals with specific transition issues for student-athletes. Topics include time management, study skills and test taking. In addition, the course also introduces new students to services such as the Love Library, University Advising Center, Career Services, Health Services and the counseling center.

The Resources

In the fall of 2001, the academic unit joined the rest of the athletic department in moving into the new \$30 million, 130,000-square-foot Aztec Athletics Center. The academic staff is located on the third floor of the complex and includes a new 40-station computer lab, individual study rooms and two lecture rooms.

The Commitment

San Diego State's annual Scholar-Athlete Awards Banquet honors students with a grade-point average in excess of 3.2. In 2003, 153 student-athletes, more than one-third of the SDSU student-athlete body, were honored at the Scholar-Athlete Awards Banquet and attended a San Diego Padres baseball game at PETCO Park.



Life Skills

To further increase the opportunities for success, San Diego State is part of the NCAA's CHAMPS/Life Skills Program. The curriculum of Aztec Pride (Promoting Responsibility, Integrity, Diversity, Education) offers a wide range of programs and activities that enhance the educational experience. Special emphasis is placed on the areas of personal development, community service and career development.

In conjunction with the Student Athlete Advisory Committee, the Life Skills Program represents San Diego State's total commitment to enhancing the quality of each student's experience.



SDSU's Aztec Heritage

From the early decades of its history, San Diego State has identified itself with the Aztecs, one of the most sophisticated and distinctive societies in the history of the Western Hemisphere. A fitting choice for a university committed to internationalism and diversity, the Aztec identity evokes great pride in Mexico, as well as among many people in the United States, and certainly within the SDSU community. Consequently, San Diego State strives to honor the Aztec people by enhancing awareness, understanding and appreciation of Aztec culture and achievements.

Aztec History

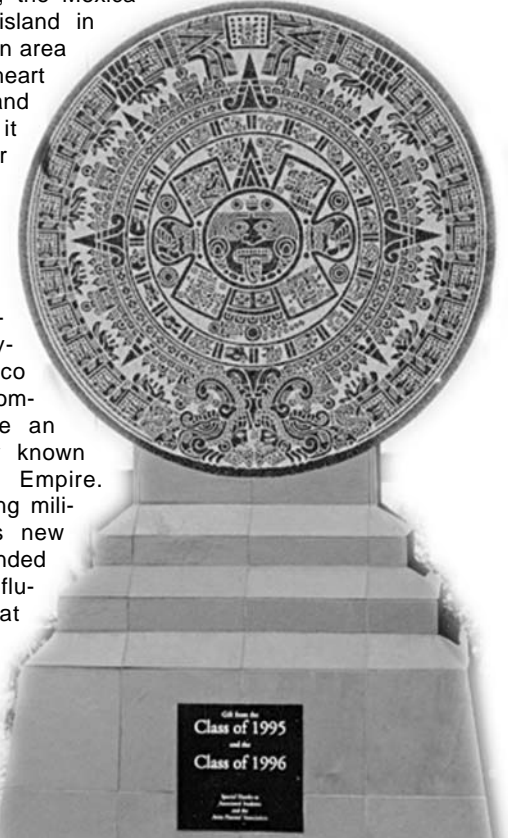
Aztec civilization dates back at least to the 12th century A.D. The precise location is still debated by scholars, but tradition tells us of a place somewhere north of modern-day Mexico City known at that time as Aztlan, which meant "the place of the cranes" or "the place of the herons." The people who lived in this land were called Azteca, meaning "those of Aztlan."

The Azteca eventually left their homeland and became known as the Mexica. Native folklore attributes this name change to the instructions of the people's patron deity, Huitzilopochtli

(Hummingbird on the Left).

Around 1325, the Mexica settled on an island in Lake Texcoco, an area that is now the heart of Mexico City, and named it Tenochtitlan or "the place of the fruit of the cactus." A century later, the Mexica and two other Nahuatl-speaking city-states, Texcoco and Tlacopan, combined to create an entity popularly known as the Aztec Empire. Boasting a strong military force, this new alliance commanded a sphere of influence that stretched across much of present-day Mexico. Tenochtitlan and its surrounding valley evolved

into a highly sophisticated, multicultural and multilingual city-state of several million inhabitants. At this same time, major European cities numbered only 30,000 to 40,000 in population. A cradle of innovation, the Aztec Empire developed advanced systems of trade, science, politics, religion, education and agriculture. The Aztecs also enjoyed sports and built grand ballcourts to accommodate team events.



Aztecs and SDSU

San Diego State University first adopted the Aztec name in the 1920s as a nickname for the college's sports teams. In 1925, the student newspaper followed suit, changing its name from *The Paper Lantern* to *The Aztec*. Since that time, San Diego State's celebration of Aztec heritage has permeated the campus. In 1936, a Donald Hord sculpture of Montezuma II, the last Aztec emperor, became a welcoming campus icon. With the passing years, Aztec themes echoed in the names, colors and architectural elements of new campus buildings. And Aztec culture became the subject of more than a dozen university courses.

In 1941, Monty Montezuma, a character based on Montezuma II, debuted at San Diego State athletic events as a symbolic personification of the Aztecs. Over time, the Montezuma character's look and activities have evolved from a sports mascot into a more dignified and accurate representation of the historical emperor. Montezuma now serves as the university's ambassador of Aztec culture, charged with the responsibility of informing and educating the San Diego community about Aztec civilization. SDSU continues to take pride in its affiliation with Aztec culture and to celebrate the Aztec virtues of strength, valor and intellectual achievement.





City of San Diego

The City

Dubbed the jewel of the southern California coast, the city of San Diego has grown to surround its natural harbor and is the seventh largest city in the United States and the second largest in California.

Diversity

The rich flavors and colors of this diverse population blends all ethnic groups and all walks of life to create an amazing quality of life that makes San Diego all things to all people.

Natural Beauty

As America's seventh largest city, San Diego also protects vast areas of open space for riding, hiking, skiing, and camping. The region also boasts more than 70 miles of beaches along its coastline. From Torrey Pines and La Costa to Aviara, Mission Bay or Singing Hills, beautiful settings offer an abundance of golf and tennis options.

The Weather

Meteorologists claim San Diego as the country's only area with a perfect climate. This year-round environment posts an average daytime temperature of 70 degrees, with an annual rainfall average of less than 10 inches.

Ideal Living

Whether watching the sun rise over the east county mountains or the sun setting over the Pacific, in San Diego, one is surrounded by natural beauty, pampered by an ideal climate, immersed in old-world traditions and able to enjoy a comfortable, friendly lifestyle that no other city offers. What a treat to live, play and study in America's Finest City.

Places To Go

There's always something to do in San Diego. SeaWorld, the World-Famous San Diego Zoo and Wild Animal Park, LEGOLAND California, Balboa Park and historic Old Town are just some of the attractions San Diego has to offer.

If it's art and history you seek, you'll find it here. Did you know San Diego is the birthplace of California or that San Diego boasts the largest concentration of museums west of the Mississippi?

San Diego also offers Tony Award-winning theatre, opera, symphony, art galleries and performance art for the culturally curious.

For that night on the town, San Diego's night life beckons with over 200 nightclubs that offer toe-tapping beats of everything from country western to R&B.



San Diego Quick Facts

Population (County)	2,800,000
Population (City)	1,264,600
U.S. Population Rank (City).....	Seventh
Avg. Daytime Temperature	70
Avg. Annual Rain Fall.....	10 inches
Airport.....	Lindbergh Field (SAN)
Media Age of Residents	32

