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San Diego State University — one of U.S. News & World Report's top "Up-and-Coming Schools" — is emerging as a major public research university that addresses real-world global challenges.

SDSU's 35,000 students live the ethos "Leadership Starts Here" and pursue research, international experiences and learning under the guidance of internationally recognized mentors in campus labs, entrepreneurship centers and business incubators. SDSU offers bachelor's degrees in 91 areas, master's degrees in 78 fields, and 22 doctoral degrees (Ph.D., Ed.D., Au.D., DNP, and DPT).

Throughout its 117-year history, SDSU has been deeply engaged in the community, providing students internships, mentoring relationships, a broad range of student life and leadership activities and volunteer opportunities that complement and enhance the classroom experience.

Students from more than 90 nations achieve academic excellence at SDSU, contributing to the university's dynamic mix of ethnic, racial, and social backgrounds. The university ranks No. 19 in the nation for ethnic and racial diversity, is recognized as a Hispanic-serving institution and is one of the top universities for economic diversity.

SDSU ranks in the top 25 in the number of students who study abroad to gain new perspectives and to grow personally and intellectually. More than 1,600 SDSU students each year study in nearly 70 countries and 66 SDSU students have earned prestigious Fulbright Awards since 2005.

SDSU researchers receive more than \$115 million annually in grants and contracts — including more than 130 awards from the National Institutes of Health and the National Science Foundation.

The university has been recognized for its campus-based Integrated Regenerative Research Institute that aims to harness the healing power of stem cells and for the Donald P. Shiley BioScience Center that addresses the microbial basis of cardiovascular disease. In addition, SDSU partners with MIT and the University of Washington on an NSF center to perfect brain-controlled robotic limbs for wounded warriors.

Entrepreneurship is a theme across campus; there is a new entrepreneurship minor open to students from all disciplines. Student teams in the Zahn Innovation Center and Lavin Entrepreneurship Center have launched successful startups. Forbes, Fortune and Entrepreneur magazine have all named SDSU as one of the top universities in the nation for entrepreneurship.

To support SDSU's excellence for future generations, the university's first comprehensive fundraising campaign is raising \$500 million. Donations from generous alumni and friends are supporting faculty; student scholarships; and transformative student experiences.



Conrad Prebys Aztec Student Union



New Arts and Letters Building

UNIVERSITY DISTINCTIONS

ACADEMIC STRENGTH

- SDSU is ranked No. 14 on the U.S. News and World Report list of Up-and-Coming Schools for “making the most promising and innovative changes in the areas of academics, faculty and student life.” The university also ranked in the top 100 public schools, moving up nine spots to No. 81.
- Several SDSU degree programs were named by U.S. News & World Report as leaders in their area, including international business (No. 8), rehabilitation counseling (No. 9), audiology (No. 27), clinical psychology (No. 26), public health (No. 30) and speech language pathology (No. 25).
- SDSU is a hotbed for student invention and innovation, beginning with the Lavin Entrepreneurship Center and the Zahn Center for engineering innovation. Both Fortune and Entrepreneur magazines rate SDSU as one of the best universities for entrepreneurs.
- SDSU’s advances in 6-year graduation rates are among the nation’s best and the Education Trust has applauded SDSU as a model for improving graduation rates, especially among students of color and low-income students.

A CULTURE OF ENGAGEMENT

- More than 46,5000 donors have contributed to the first campus wide fundraising campaign, The Campaign for SDSU, which is raising \$500 million for student and faculty support.
- Fiscal 2013 was the most successful year of private giving in SDSU’s 116-year history with \$91 million received in gifts and pledges. To date, The Campaign for SDSU has raised more than \$494 million, including 90 gifts of \$1 million or more.
- SDSU has raised more than \$87 million in support for students over the last five years, including scholarships funds for the most academically gifted graduate and undergraduate students.
- “Building on Excellence,” SDSU’s broadly consultative strategic plan, establishes the clear direction and priorities of the university for the next several years, underscored by a strategy to secure financial resources through private funds, investment and revenue-generating programs.
- SDSU is ranked No. 35 among universities who are top producers of Peace Corps volunteers.

COMMUNITY ROOTS

- San Diego State is the largest higher education in the San Diego region with a proud Aztec population of more than 320,000 alumni, students, faculty and staff.
- The Price Community Scholars program provides financial support for local, first-generation students with track records of strong academic achievement and leadership in high school. In turn, they mentor neighborhood middle school students who aspire to earn college degrees.
- SDSU students, staff and faculty raised 227,000 lbs. of food for San Diego’s low-income families, military, senior citizens and children in need in the 2013 Aztecs Rock Hunger food drive, more than twice the quantity collected in 2012.
- SDSU’s Guardian Scholars program is a unique opportunity for students leaving the foster care system. Young men and women accepted into the program receive full scholarships, year-round housing and academic mentoring to support their efforts toward becoming active, participatory members of society.
- SDSU’s Graduate School of Public Health, with researchers funded by the National Institutes for Health and the National Center for Disease Control, is a leader in research and outreach programs designed to combat childhood obesity, particularly in San Diego and Baja California.

A DIVERSE CAMPUS

- SDSU was a winner of the 2013 Higher Education Excellence in Diversity (HEED) Award from INSIGHT Into Diversity magazine, the oldest and largest diversity-focused publication in higher education.

- SDSU was named to the Kiplinger’s Personal Finance list of 100 best values in public colleges for 2012-2013. The ranking cites four-year colleges and universities that combine outstanding education with economic value.
- Hispanic Network magazine ranked SDSU among the “best of the best” colleges and universities while Diverse Issues in Higher Education recognized SDSU as a leading provider of bachelor’s degrees to all underrepresented students.
- In SDSU’s 2012 freshman class (admitted students), 57 percent of students are from diverse ethnic and racial backgrounds.
- SDSU is consistently ranked by CampusPride.org as among the top 20 most LGBT-friendly campuses in the nation.
- Recognized by the Military Times as a top school for veterans, SDSU educates more than 1,200 student veterans. They are served by the Joan and Art Barron Veterans Center and the on-campus Veterans House.

AN INTERNATIONAL PERSPECTIVE

- SDSU is among the top 25 public universities in the number of students who study abroad, according to the Institute for International Education. Students choose from nearly 400 international education programs in 52 countries.
- SDSU is a top producer of Fulbright Award winners. A total of 66 SDSU students have received Fulbright grants since 2005 to teach, study and conduct research abroad.
- SDSU’s undergraduate international business program—ranked No. 8 in the nation—enrolls 550 students, all of whom speak a second language and study abroad for at least one semester.
- The Confucius Institute at SDSU was recognized as one of eight model institutes in the world at the Global Confucius Conference in Beijing last December, an honor that makes it eligible for a \$1 million grant to grow and improve the program.
- SDSU cares about building a sustainable future for this region and the world. The university has solar PV arrays supplying nearly 10 percent of campus energy demand; a trolley station that serves the SDSU community; and the only student union in California designed and built to meet LEED platinum specifications.

RESEARCH ACCOMPLISHMENTS

- San Diego State researchers received nearly \$116 million in research grants and contracts for 2011-2012, including more than 130 awards from the National Institutes of Health and the National Science Foundation.
- In cutting-edge facilities like the privately funded Donald P. Shiley BioScience Center, San Diego State researchers are developing novel treatments for healing hearts with stem cells and studying the role of inflammation in heart disease.
- SDSU’s Engineering Research Center, funded by the National Science Foundation, is partnering with MIT and the University of Washington in an \$18.5-million project to perfect brain-controlled robotic devices that interact seamlessly with the human body to improve muscle function and movement.
- SDSU has made an investment in four “areas of excellence,” long-term research programs in which faculty from several disciplines work collaboratively to address some of our most critical global challenges
- The Student Research Symposium is an annual forum for graduate and undergraduate students to present their faculty-mentored research to an academic audience and incorporate the evaluation into their work. More than 450 students across 80 majors participated in 2013.
- Astronomy professor William Welsh is a participating scientist with NASA’s Kepler Mission, which has discovered five new planets outside our solar system; and astronomy professor Jerome Orosz has calculated the mass of the notorious black hole Cygnus X-1, shedding new light on its origin.



Kathleen Kennedy



Dennis Conner

Arts/Actors

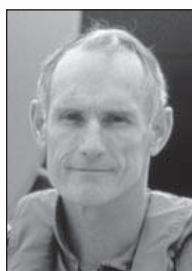
Robert Hays, television/film actor, "Airplane"
 Julie Kavner, television actor, "The Simpsons"
 Kathleen Kennedy, film producer, "Schindler's List"
 Kathy Najimy, television/film actor, "Sister Act"
 Gregory Peck, film actor, "To Kill a Mockingbird"
 Marion Ross, television/stage actor, "Happy Days"
 Claire Van Vliet, visual artist, founder of the Janus Press
 Carl Weathers, film actor, "Rocky"
 Gary David Goldberg, executive producer and co-creator, "Spin City"
 Raquel Welch, film and television actor, starred in "The Three Musketeers"

Authors

Patricia Benke, best-selling crime novelist
 Sid Fleischman, author, The Whipping Boy (Newbery Medal, 1987)
 Susan Vreeland, author, The Girl in Hyacinth Blue (New York Times Bestseller)

Business

Norman Brinkler, Brinkler International, Ltd., (Chili's, Macaroni Grill and On the Border)
 Robert Peterson, founder, Jack in the Box
 Sol Price, founder, Price Club
 R. Andrew Rathbone, creator, "...for Dummies" book series
 Ralph Rubio, founder/CEO, Rubio's Baja Grill
 Jim Sinegal, co-founder and President/CEO, Costco
 Julia Stewart, CEO, International House of Pancakes
 Suzy Spafford, creator, Suzy's Zoo
 Sue Swenson, COO, Leap Wireless
 Jack Williams, retired COO, Royal Caribbean International and Celebrity Cruises



Merrill R. McPeak



Timothy J. Muris

Communication/Media

Art Linkletter, television show host
 Jeanne Zelasko, Fox Sports anchor/reporter
 Armen Keteyian, CBS Sports reporter



Armen Keteyian



Jim Sinegal

Education

Sandra McBrayer, 1994 National Teacher of the Year
 Janis Gabay, 1990 National Teacher of the Year
 Dr. Doris Alvarez, 1997 Principal of the Year

Government/Military

Timothy J. Muris, Chairman, Federal Trade Commission
 General Merrill R. McPeak, former chief of staff, United States Air Force



R. Andrew Rathbone



Marion Ross

Science

Robert Kaplan, nationally known psychologist
 Ellen Ochoa, astronaut, world's first Hispanic female astronaut
 Siegfried Reich, HIV testing researcher pioneer
 Gerald Schleif, WD-40 inventor

Sports

Michael Cage, former NBA basketball player
 Dennis Conner, America's Cup-winning sailor
 Mark Grace, former Chicago Cubs and Arizona Diamondbacks baseball player
 Tony Gwynn, former San Diego Padres baseball player/Aztec baseball coach
 Fred Dryer, former Los Angeles Rams football player/actor
 Marshall Faulk, former NFL MVP and 2011 NFL Hall of Fame Inductee
 Courtney Clements, Chicago Sky guard; first Aztec to play in WNBA Finals (2013-14)
 Kawhi Leonard, 2011 NBA first-round draft pick, 2014 NBA Finals MVP
 Stephen Strasburg, 2009 MLB No. 1 overall draft pick, current Washington Nationals pitcher
 Joe Gibbs, former Washington Redskins football coach
 Graig Nettles, former New York Yankees baseball player
 Brian Sipe, former Cleveland Browns football player/current Aztec assistant football coach
 Mark Reynolds, sailor, four-time Olympian, two-time Olympic gold medalist, three-time world champion
 Marla Runyan, 1991-1994-2000 Olympian, visually impaired marathon runner
 Gene Littler, former PGA tour golfer, winner - 1961 US Open
 Kevin Kennedy, Fox Sports baseball analyst, former major league manager



Jeanne Zelasko and Kevin Kennedy

AZTEC CULTURE



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.



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 to at least 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.





DR. ELLIOT HIRSHMAN

Eighth President of SDSU

Dr. Elliot Hirshman serves as president of San Diego State University – a major public research university committed to addressing global challenges.

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Its 35,000 students pursue learning and research under the guidance of internationally recognized mentors in innovative on-campus labs, entrepreneurship centers and business incubators.

SDSU has doubled its external research funding over the past 20 years. Its undergraduate and graduate students work with faculty and staff on life-changing studies with the help of grants from the National Science Foundation, the National Institutes of Health and others.

Dr. Hirshman is committed to student success for students from all backgrounds. SDSU is among the country’s most ethnically and economically diverse universi-

ties. It has been recognized for the largest increase in graduation rates in the U.S. – rates equal for all ethnic and racial groups.

Dr. Hirshman oversaw the creation of the university’s new strategic plan, which has established new student success programs, created more internship opportunities and started a program that matches students with alumni mentors.

Dr. Hirshman is leading the university’s first campuswide fundraising campaign, which is raising more than \$500 million for student and faculty support.

He also serves on the boards of the San Diego Economic Development Corporation and the San Diego Regional Chamber of Commerce.

Prior to Dr. Hirshman’s appointment at SDSU in 2011, he served as provost and senior vice president for academic affairs at the University of Maryland, Baltimore County. He also had been chief research officer at the George Washington University and chaired the Departments of Psychology there and at the University of Colorado

at Denver. He began his academic career, rising to the rank of full professor, at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill.

Dr. Hirshman earned his bachelor’s degree summa cum laude in economics and mathematics from Yale and his master’s degree and Ph.D. in cognitive psychology from UCLA.

He is a fellow of the American Psychological Association. His research and teaching focus on the psychopharmacology of human cognition, using an interdisciplinary approach that involves collaboration among psychologists, medical doctors and statisticians. Dr. Hirshman has served as associate editor of the *Journal of Experimental Psychology: Learning, Memory & Cognition* and *Psychonomic Bulletin & Review*.

Dr. Hirshman is married to Jeri Hirshman. The Hirshmans’ children, Wendy and Nathan, are honors students. Wendy graduated from Muhlenberg College in Pennsylvania, and Nathan attends the University of Virginia.



DIRECTOR OF ATHLETICS



Below is a list of San Diego State teams that have advanced to postseason play and their NCAA finish the last four seasons under Jim Sterk.

2010-11 NCAA FINISHES

- Men's Basketball (9th)
- Men's Golf (16th)
- Softball (17th)
- Football (26th)
- Women's Golf (49th)
- Outdoor Track & Field (60th)

2011-12 NCAA FINISHES

- Men's Golf (5th)
- Outdoor Track & Field (9th)
- Softball (17th)
- Men's Basketball (33rd)
- Women's Basketball (33rd)
- Football (44th)
- Swimming & Diving (45th)
- Indoor Track & Field (48th)
- Women's Golf (58th)

2012-13 NCAA FINISHES

- Women's Soccer (9th)
- Men's Basketball (17th)
- Outdoor Track & Field (23rd)
- Indoor Track & Field (25th)
- Men's Golf (31st)
- Softball (33rd)
- Women's Tennis (33rd)
- Women's Volleyball (33rd)
- Swimming & Diving (41st)
- Football (44th)
- Baseball (49th)

2013-14 NCAA FINISHES

- Men's Basketball (9th)
- Outdoor Track & Field (12th)
- Indoor Track & Field (19th)
- Football (26th)
- Swimming & Diving (27th)
- Softball (33rd)
- Women's Soccer (33rd)
- Men's Golf (44th)
- Baseball (49th)
- Women's Golf (61st)

● - indicates best Division I finish in program history.

Jim Sterk enters his fifth season as the University's Director of Intercollegiate Athletics, having already left an indelible mark on San Diego State. He has overseen the most successful four seasons in San Diego State athletic history. In terms of on-the-field accomplishments, the Aztecs have won 24 conference team championships since the beginning of the 2011-12 academic year, and in the classroom, there have been a record number of scholar-athletes on The Mesa. In addition, Sterk oversaw SDSU's record-breaking fundraising campaign this past season.

In terms of competitive success, San Diego State continues to set itself apart, compiling the third-highest combined winning percentage in the country in football and men's basketball since the beginning of the 2010-11 season at 76.7 percent (148-45). In addition, SDSU is one of five schools nationally to have appeared in five consecutive NCAA tournaments and have its football team play in four straight bowl games.

The overall success of the program can be traced to the 2011-12 academic year when nine athletic teams advanced to postseason play and scored postseason points in NCAA competition. Two of those programs - men's golf and women's outdoor track & field - finished among the nation's top 10. Since then, a school-record 11 teams accumulated postseason points for SDSU in 2012-13, followed by 10 this past season.

In addition, Aztec teams won seven conference championships during the 2013-14 campaign, one year after winning 12 league titles.

In his tenure, Sterk has watched 13 San Diego State sports finish in the top 25 at NCAA championships, including five squads that finished in the top 10 of their NCAA tournament.

Since arriving at San Diego State in February 2010, Sterk, 58, has led the Aztec athletic department to fiscal stability. Despite state cutbacks, he has ended each

of his first four years at SDSU in the black, and athletic department fundraising is at an all-time high.

His impact has also been felt throughout the department, as he has hired or extended the contract of 15 current head coaches at San Diego State. The current collection of Aztec head coaches have combined to earn 36 conference coach-of-the-year honors.

Sterk's vision of a program that competes with the nation's best on the field, and one that takes a back seat to no one in the classroom, is well on its way to becoming a reality.

This past April, a school-record 317 individuals were honored as scholar student-athletes at the traditional year-end banquet, bettering the mark set in Sterk's third year on The Mesa.

In addition, San Diego State set a school-record with a department average of 980 in the Academic Progress Report (APR) released by the NCAA in May 2014. Among those programs that scored record multi-year APR figures were football, men's basketball and baseball.

Sterk came to SDSU from Washington State University, where he served as athletic director since 2000. Prior to his hiring at WSU, he was the AD at Portland State University from 1995 to 2000.

Sterk also has a solid reputation and the respect of his peers across the country. The NCAA recognized him in 2006 as the Division IA Athletic Directors' "Program of Excellence."

He oversaw a period of unparalleled success at Washington State with historic accomplishments both on and off the field.

In his last three years at WSU, 13 Cougar teams competed in NCAA postseason tournaments, including back-to-back trips by the men's basketball team (2007 and 2008), while women's rowing earned five NCAA championship bids, including a fourth-place finish in 2006, the highest finish ever by a WSU women's team in NCAA competition.

Sterk graduated from Western Washington University in 1980, where he earned four letters in football and one in basketball. He was credited with a school-record 164 tackles during the 1977 season, garnering first-team NAIA District I all-star accolades. He was named team captain and MVP, helping the Vikings to the district championship game. On Feb. 6, 2010, Sterk was inducted into Western Washington's Athletics Hall of Fame for his success in football.

Sterk received his master's degree in sports administration from Ohio University. In addition to SDSU, Washington State and Portland State, his professional career has also included positions at North Carolina, Maine, Seattle Pacific and Tulane.

Sterk and his wife Debra have three daughters: Ashley (25), Amy (22) and Abby (19).



JIM STERK

Director of Athletics

Fifth Year at SDSU

Western Washington '80

Education

1980 - Bachelor of Arts
Physical and Business Education
Western Washington

1986 - Master of Arts
Sports Administration
Ohio University

Career Experience

1986
Assistant to the Director of
Ticket Operations
North Carolina

1987-90
Assistant Business and Ticket Manager
(87-88),
Director of Athletic Services (88-89),
Assistant Athletics Director/Finance (89-90)
Maine

1990-91
Associate Athletics Director
Seattle Pacific

1991-95
Senior Associate Athletics Director
Tulane

1995-2000
Director of Athletics
Portland State

2000-10
Director of Athletics
Washington State

2010-present
Director of Athletics
San Diego State



One of the premier on-campus basketball arenas in all of America, Viejas Arena at Aztec Bowl provides a 12,414-seat, state-of-the-art venue while keeping fans close to the floor and part of the action.

Opened in 1997, the facility is the home of San Diego State basketball and provides a venue for university functions, cultural events, concerts and other special-event programming. It features a unique open-air concourse design that allows fans to enjoy the excellent San Diego climate and adds a new experience to attending arena-type events.

The arena is built on the site of the old Aztec Bowl stadium which hosted San Diego State football games as well as other athletic, entertainment and cultural events from the time of its construction in 1936 until 1967.

Built directly into a canyon hillside, Viejas Arena encloses one end of the old horseshoe-shaped Aztec Bowl. Two sections of the stadium's original concrete bleachers and cobblestone walls frame each side of the arena's north entrance. In addition, the university's 10-ton granite boulder, a California landmark commemorating President John F. Kennedy's 1963 commencement address at Aztec Bowl, has also been placed in this area.

In addition to Aztec basketball contests, Viejas Arena has played host to concerts by such artists as Cher, Eric Clapton, Britney Spears, No Doubt, Barry Manilow and Aerosmith. In spring of 2001, Billy Joel and Elton John opened their world tour with a sold-out show at Viejas Arena.

Viejas Arena seats 12,414 for sporting events. The seating includes the top nine rows consisting of bench seats with the remaining areas as chairbacks. The total seating is approximately 3,935 bench seats and 8,065 chairs. In the special event/concert configuration there are approximately 11,500 seats. All seating configurations are flexible and can be adjusted.

The facility features a state-of-the-art videoboard with video-replay capabilities. The board also includes up-to-the-minute statistical information on individual players.

The facility is equipped with seven locker rooms, two of which are complete with team rooms, equipment rooms, and a shared training room.



The women's team lounge was recently renovated and now includes three large-screen television sets, individual leather recliners and track lighting.

The Mezzanine Level houses a VIP Room for banquets, pre- and post-game functions, and other formal and informal gatherings. The room consists of a 2,200 square-foot space

that can be divided into two rooms of 800 and 1,400 square feet. The 800-square foot area can also serve as an interview room for sporting events.

Viejas Arena served as host to the first and second rounds of the NCAA men's basketball championships in 2001 and 2006, along with second and third-round action in 2014.

In addition, the venue was the home of the 2001 NCAA women's volleyball national championship and the 2006 McDonald's All-American High School basketball games, before welcoming the first and second rounds of the NCAA women's basketball tournament in 2009.

The Playing Floor at Viejas Arena

The original Viejas Arena court was used at the 1997 NCAA Final Four in Indianapolis. In the semifinals, Kentucky defeated Minnesota, 78-69, and Arizona beat North Carolina, 66-58. In the championship game, Arizona defeated Kentucky, 84-79, on March 31, 1997. A new playing surface was installed prior to the 2010-11 season.



VIEJAS ARENA

VIEJAS ARENA SERIES RECORDS

Team	Record	Team	Record	Team	Record
Air Force	13-2	Indiana State	1-0	San José State	3-1
American	1-0	Kansas State	1-0	Santa Clara	0-1
Arizona	1-0	Long Beach State	1-0	Savannah State	1-0
Arkansas-Pine Bluff	1-0	Longwood	1-0	SMU	1-2
Auburn	1-0	Loyola (Md.)	0-1	South Carolina	0-1
Boise State	4-0	Loyola Marymount	1-1	Southern Utah	2-0
Boston College	0-1	Miami (OH)	1-0	TCU	5-4
Brigham Young	4-9	Missouri	0-1	Texas	1-0
Brown	1-0	Missouri-Kansas City	1-0	Texas A&M	0-1
California	1-0	Montana	1-0	Texas A&M-CC	0-1
Cal Poly	3-0	Montana State	1-0	Texas-El Paso	1-0
Cal State Bakersfield	0-1	Navy	2-0	Texas-Pan American	1-0
Cal State Dominguez Hills	1-0	NC Greensboro	1-0	Texas-San Antonio	1-0
Cal State Fullerton	3-0	Nevada	2-1	Toledo	0-1
Cal State Northridge	1-0	New Mexico	6-9	Tulsa	1-0
Cal State Stanislaus	1-0	North Carolina State	0-1	UC Davis	2-0
Canisius	0-1	Northern Arizona	1-0	UC Irvine	1-2
Centenary	1-0	Northern Colorado	1-0	UC Riverside	2-1
Chattanooga	0-1	Northwestern State	1-0	UC San Diego	0-1
Colorado State	9-6	Oklahoma State	0-1	UC Santa Barbara	2-1
Connecticut	0-1	Oral Roberts	0-1	UCLA	0-3
Creighton	0-1	Oregon State	1-0	UNLV	10-5
Detroit	1-0	Penn	1-0	USC	1-1
Duquesne	1-0	Penn State	0-1	Utah	3-10
Eastern Washington	1-0	Pepperdine	1-1	Utah State	1-0
Fresno Pacific	1-0	Pittsburgh	0-1	Utah Valley	1-0
Fresno State	1-3	Portland State	2-0	Wake Forest	1-0
George Washington	0-1	Quinnipiac	0-1	Washington	1-0
Hawai'i	0-2	Radford	1-0	Washington State	1-0
Idaho State	1-0	Rice	0-1	Western Michigan	1-0
Illinois State	1-0	Sacramento State	2-0	Wichita State	1-0
		Saint Mary's	1-1	Wyoming	6-9
		San Diego	2-4	TOTALS	137-93
		San Francisco	0-1		



6 REGULAR-SEASON CONFERENCE TITLES
4 CONFERENCE TOURNAMENT CROWNS



The Aztec Athletics Center was re-dedicated as the Fowler Athletics Center in May 2011



Aztec Hall of Fame

Dreams became reality on the campus of San Diego State University in August of 2001, when all facets of the Department of Athletics relocated to the Aztec Athletics Center.

The construction of the new complex came on the heels of the completion of Tony Gwynn Stadium, Viejas Arena and the SDSU Sports Deck.

The facility, which was re-christened the Fowler Athletics Center in May 2011, is a four-story, 130,000-square-foot structure located west of Viejas Arena on 55th Street and just south of Peterson Gym. The center truly moves San Diego State athletics into the 21st century.

The multi-level structure houses all elements of the Aztec athletic program. Until its completion, the San Diego State athletic department operated out of six buildings on the west side of campus.

The Fowler Athletics Center is one of the latest pieces of the San Diego State facility upgrade.

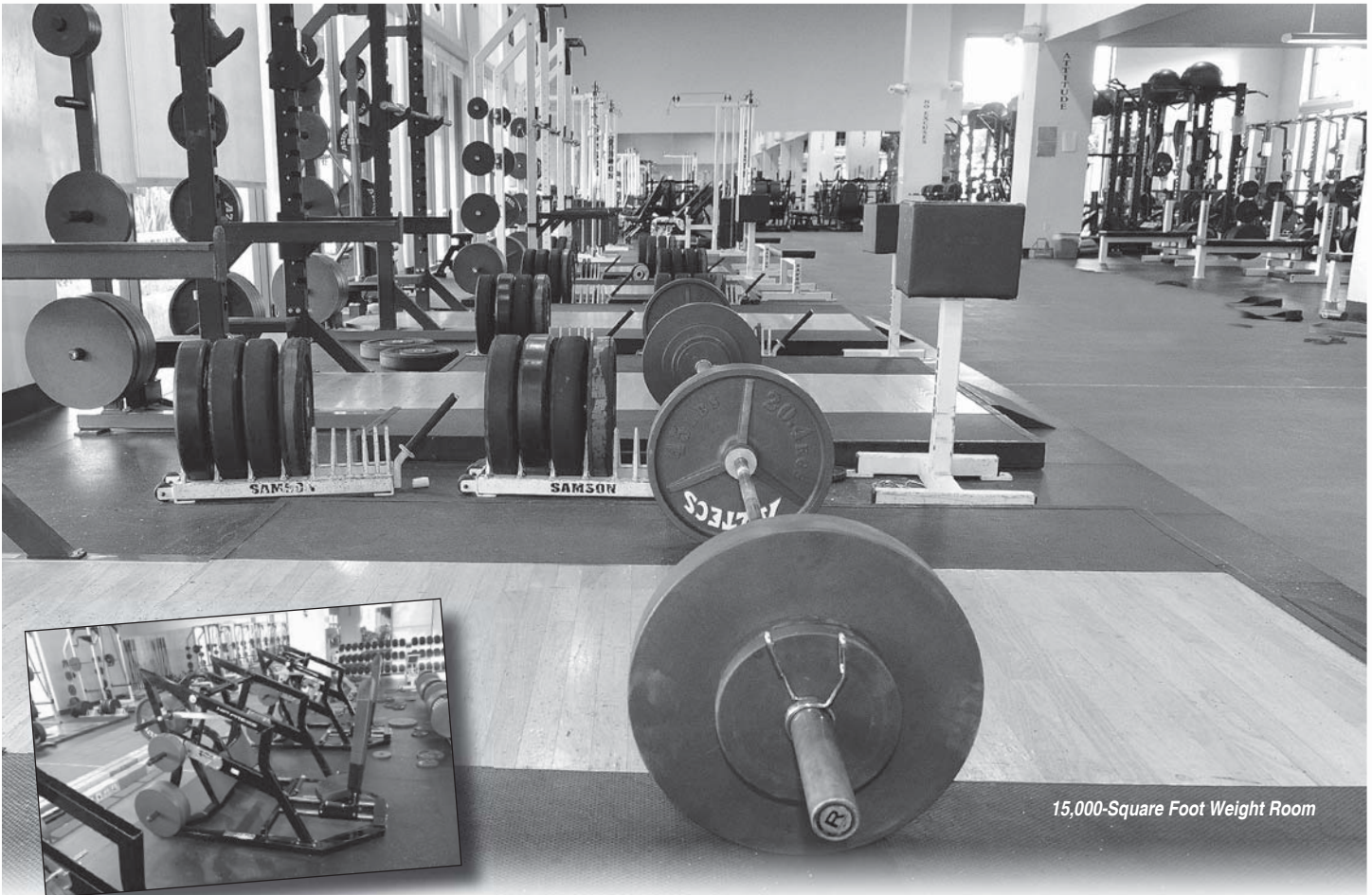
In August of 2000, the University held its first competitions on the new soccer and track and field facility, located just south of the Fowler Athletics Center site.

In the spring of 2005, the San Diego State men's and women's tennis squads began play at their new facility, the Aztec Tennis Center, while the softball team opened up its new complex, the SDSU Softball Stadium.

A brand new on-campus pool, the Aztec Aquaplex, where the swimming and diving and water polo teams compete, opened in March 2007. The complex features two pools, one for competition and one for recreation.

With the completion of its building plan, the San Diego State athletic complex and facilities rival any university in the western United States.

FOWLER ATHLETICS CENTER

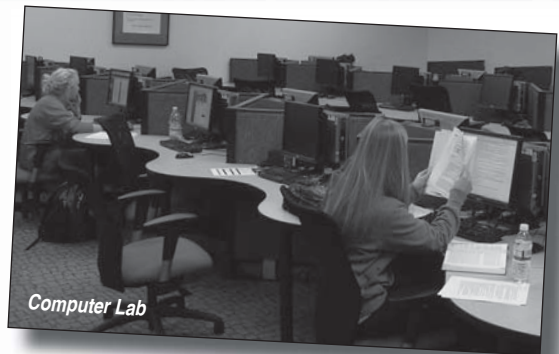


15,000-Square Foot Weight Room



FOWLER ATHLETICS CENTER HIGHLIGHTS

- The entrance lobby of the Fowler 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. Women's basketball players who are members of the Hall of Fame include Kieisha Games, Chana Perry, Judy Porter, Falisha Wright and Michelle Suman. (See page 106 for more information on the Hall of Fame).
- 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.
- A first-floor auditorium that seats more than 200 has already been the site of major news conferences, watch parties and public forums.
- SDSU's football offices are located on the second floor.
- The academic center, complete with two lecture halls, private tutorial rooms, and a new computer lab, is housed on the third floor. The computer lab and study areas are flanked by academic counselors, tutor offices and learning specialists.
- The third floor is also home to the athletic administration and the women's basketball staffs.
- The fourth floor includes coaches offices and a plush recruiting lounge.



Computer Lab



Hydrotherapy Pool

JEFF JACOBS JAM CENTER



"This has been a priority for some time and will help both basketball programs immensely. This will be another showcase facility for the athletic department as well as the University as a whole."

- Steve Fisher, SDSU Men's Basketball Head Coach

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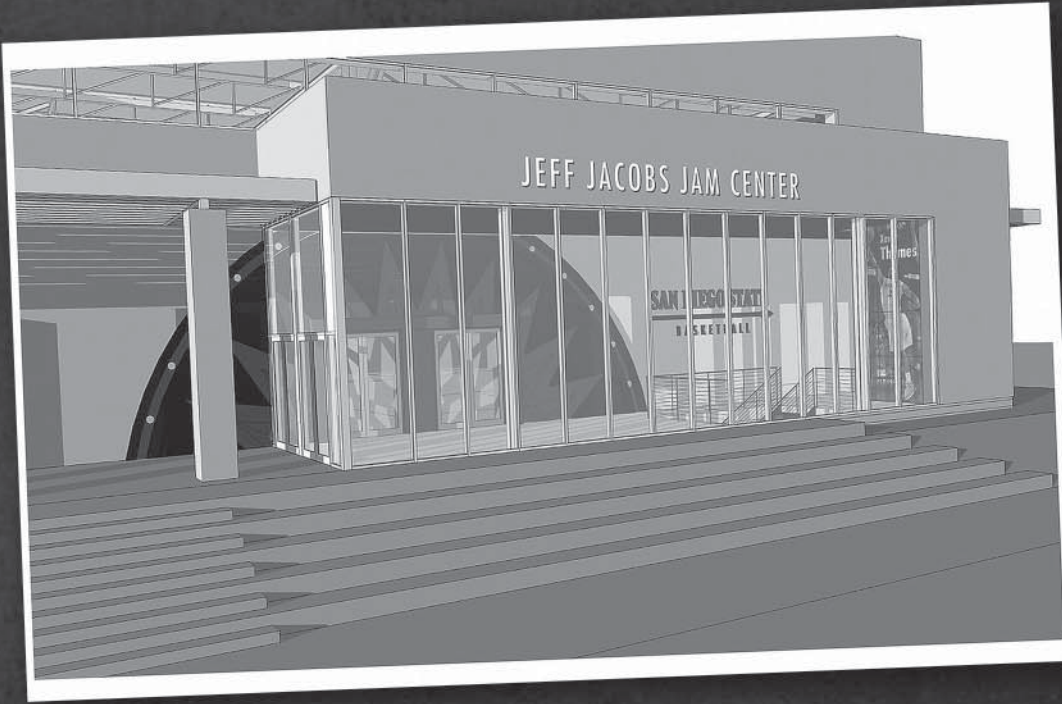
On Aug. 27, 2014, San Diego State held a ceremonial groundbreaking for the Jeff Jacobs JAM Center, the men's and women's basketball performance center, which is scheduled to be completed in time for the start of the 2015-16 campaign.

SDSU President Dr. Elliot Hirshman, men's hoops head coach Steve Fisher and Jeff Jacobs spoke before a selected group of invited guests, which included Steve and Lisa Altman, and Jim and Susan Morris, as well as members of both the Aztec men's and women's basketball programs. The master of ceremonies for the event was the voice of San Diego State men's basketball, Ted Leitner.

Preliminary site work started in July where the Jeff Jacobs JAM Center will be located, just south of the Fowler Athletics Center and east of the football practice fields. The facility, which will support the continued growth and development of the SDSU men's and women's basketball teams, includes two full-length courts, eight baskets, locker rooms, film rooms, team lounges, athletic training room and coaches locker rooms.

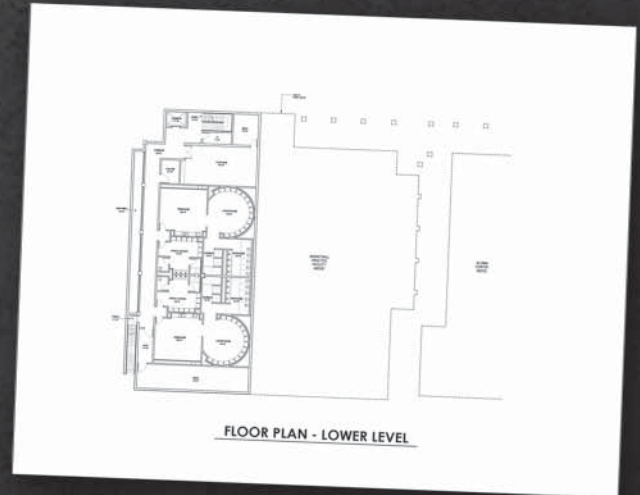
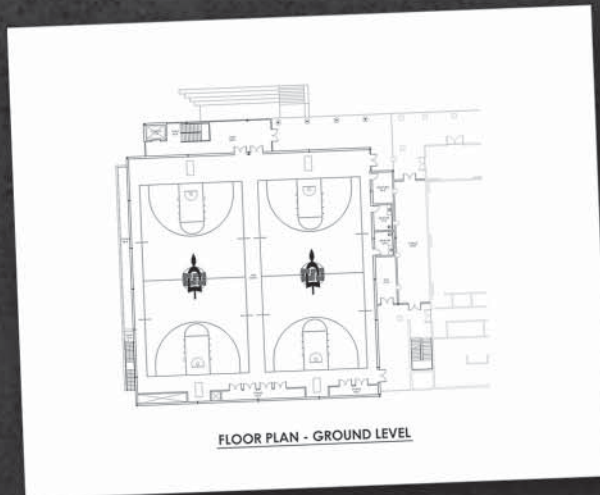
Hundreds of supporters contributed to the effort to make the Jeff Jacobs JAM Center a reality. In addition to the naming gift from Jeff Jacobs, Hal and Debby Jacobs, Steve and Lisa Altman and Jim Morris, creating the name "JAM" Center, sizeable donations were made from the Manna Charitable Foundation and the Walter and Betty Zable Foundation. The total cost of the project is \$14.5 million, of which \$12.5 million in private funding has been raised. No state funds will be used to construct this building.

The project was designed by J CJ Architecture and is being built by The Hunt Construction Group.



JEFF JACOBS JAM CENTER FEATURES

- 23,500 square feet
- Two full-length courts
- Eight baskets
- Locker rooms
- Film rooms
- Team lounges
- Athletic training room
- Coaches locker rooms



"This is more than just a building, it is our classroom. This will provide an opportunity for our student-athletes to enhance their individual games, which will in turn benefit our programs. This also keeps SDSU competing at the highest level not only in basketball, but in recruiting as well."

- Stacie Terry, SDSU Women's Basketball Head Coach



RENDERING - INTERIOR COURT

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.

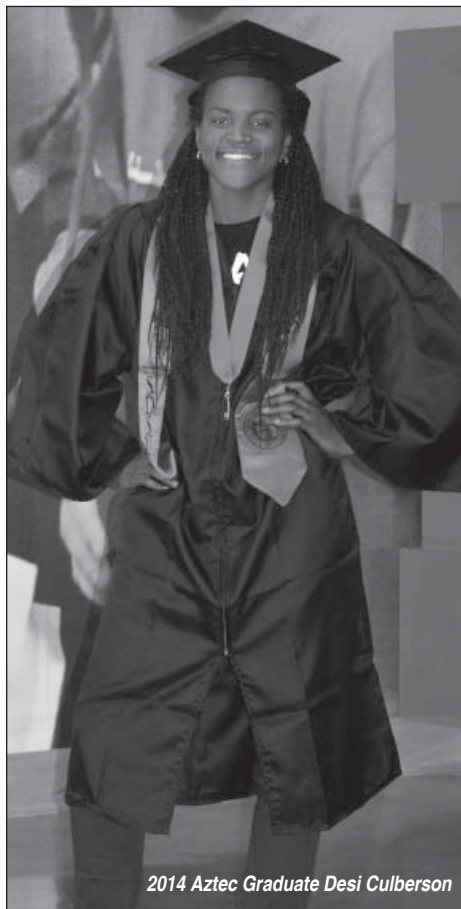
It is a source of pride within San Diego State athletics that the department has developed one of the most comprehensive academic support programs in the country.

THE STAFF

The SAASS staff includes a director, 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.



2014 Aztec Graduate Desi Culberson

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. The course also



2014 SDSU Scholar-Athlete Banquet

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 \$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

SDSU's annual Scholar-Athlete Awards Banquet honors students with at least a 3.0 cumulative or a 3.2 semester GPA during a calendar year. In the spring of 2014, a University record 316 scholar-athletes and athletic training students were honored for their work in the classroom.

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 SAAC, the Life Skills Program represents SDSU's total commitment to enhancing the quality of each student's experience.

AZTEC BASKETBALL SCHOLAR-ATHLETES

2014 SDSU Scholar-Athletes

(3.0 Cumulative or 3.2 semester GPA)

Aleiah Brandon
Desi Culberson
Chloe Johnson

2013-14 Academic All-Mountain West Team

Chloe Johnson

2014 Aztec Graduate Danesha Long



LIFE SKILLS

Part of being an Aztec means giving back to the community as well as developing as an individual. The Life Skills Program at San Diego State University offers student-athletes a wide range of off-the-court experiences in the areas of personal development, community service and career development.

To ensure success in all three areas, the NCAA Life Skills program began at San Diego State in the fall of 1999. The program provides leadership and community service opportunities, encourages personal and social responsibility and utilizes athletics as preparation for success in life.

The personal development section of Life Skills covers a wide variety of areas, including personal health and drug awareness programs, as well as financial planning, ethics and integrity, and public-speaking opportunities.

The Life Skills Program brings in experts in each field to discuss the topics with each team in an open-forum setting that promotes interaction by those in attendance.

In the area of community service, the Life Skills program matches students and teams to specific groups in the community, providing athletes with the opportunity to play a meaningful role in community involvement.

The San Diego State women's basketball team has embraced this section of the program since its inception. Already this year, the Aztecs have volunteered their time with the San Diego Senior Women's Basketball Association (SWBA), Rosa Parks Elementary School and St.

Vincent de Paul Village.

Previous Aztec basketball service projects included a beach cleanup with San Diego Coastkeeper, delivering goods to Rachel's Women's Shelter during the holiday season, building a house with Habitat for Humanity and serving as volunteers at the Special Olympics. In the past, the team has also promoted literacy by reading to kids at various elementary schools in the region, taken part in the San Diego Breast Cancer Awareness Walk, and made visits to San Diego's Children's Hospital.

The team has also hosted basketball clinics at the Boys and Girls Club of San Diego, providing young girls with the opportunity to learn the fundamentals of basketball and enjoy one-on-one time with the players.

Previously, the women's basketball team has helped celebrate National Girls and Women in Sports Day by inviting 200 young women from STAR/PAL to Take A Girl to the Game. In addition to receiving free admission to the game, participants were provided with an individual autograph session with the team following the game.

The Life Skills Program also assists student-athletes with post-graduate career development planning, offering résumé writing and interview workshops while working closely with mentors and career placement services.

The Life Skills Program at SDSU continues to evolve, striving to fit the needs of student-athlete, while benefiting the San Diego community at large.



St. Vincent de Paul Village



Mount Vernon Elementary School Visit



SWBA Skills Clinic



Wade Trophy Finalist Judy Porter

39 YEARS AND COUNTING

The 2014-15 season is the 39th in Aztec women's basketball history. Since beginning basketball operations in 1976-77, San Diego State has posted a 605-516 (.540) record, making the Aztecs one of the top programs in the Mountain West.

AZTECS IN THE POSTSEASON

The Aztecs have made 12 postseason appearances since achieving varsity status, including nine berths in the NCAA tournament.

SDSU last punched its ticket to the big dance in 2012, when it lost to LSU in the first round by a 64-56 count. Ironically, Stacie Terry was in her first season as an assistant coach with the Lady Tiger staff.

In 2010, the Aztecs advanced to the NCAA Sweet Sixteen for the first time in program history since the tournament was expanded to 64 teams. SDSU knocked off a pair of ranked foes in No. 17 Texas on the Longhorns' home floor, and then upset No. 10 West Virginia before falling to No. 6 Duke, despite trailing by only a point at halftime, in the regional round.

The Aztecs also earned an at-large berth to the 2009 NCAA tournament, defeating DePaul, 76-70, in the first round for what was the program's first postseason victory in 14 years.

Prior to 2009, the Aztecs most recent trip to the NAAs occurred in 1997, when San Diego State squared off against Oregon in the NCAA Midwest Regional in Knoxville, Tenn.

TOPPING 20

The Aztecs have finished 15 seasons with 20 victories or more in the 38 years of the program, including a school-record 27-win campaign

in 2012-13, when SDSU reeled off a 17-game unbeaten streak en route to claiming its second consecutive MW regular-season championship.

The Scarlet and Black has logged over 20 victories in four of the last six seasons, including a 23-11 mark in 2009-10, when the Aztecs advanced to the Sweet Sixteen of the NCAA tournament.

AZTECS AND THE MOUNTAIN WEST

SDSU enters the 16th year of conference play in the Mountain West after spending the previous nine in the WAC. The Aztecs captured two straight regular-season conference titles in 2012 and 2013, while sharing the top spot in 2009. SDSU has advanced to the championship game of the MW tournament in five of the last seven years, winning it all in 2010 and 2012.

In the final six years of San Diego State's competition in the Western Athletic Conference, the Aztecs won three regular-season conference championships, including back-to-back titles in 1994 and 1995. SDSU also captured conference tournament titles in 1994 and 1997.

1,000-POINT CLUB

San Diego State's top 20 scorers have all recorded in excess of 1,000 points, including the Aztecs' all-time leader, Judy Porter, who tallied an amazing 2,318 points from 1980-83.

During the 2012-13 season, guard Courtney Clements joined this elite club, vaulting all the way to fifth place on SDSU's career list with 1,495 points scored during her prolific three years on Montezuma Mesa.

Recently, SDSU had three star players finish among the top 10 scorers in school history, including Paris Johnson (3rd - 1,598 points), Jené Morris (4th - 1,499 points) and Quenese Davis (8th - 1,370 points).

Falisha Wright



ALL-CONFERENCE HONORS

The Aztecs have garnered first-team all-conference accolades on 27 occasions in program history, including two apiece by Chelsea Hopkins and Courtney Clements. In all, SDSU has produced three Western Collegiate Athletic Association honorees, four all-Big West selections 12 all-Western Athletic Conference choices and eight all-MW picks.

ALL-AMERICA ACCOLADES

San Diego State players have garnered nine All-America accolades in school history, including Courtney Clements, who collected three certificates during her illustrious career on The Mesa. Clements received honorable mention recognition from the Associated Press in 2012 and twice earned the same distinction from the Women's Basketball Coaches Association (WBCA) in back-to-back seasons in 2012-13.

In addition, Chelsea Hopkins was a WBCA honorable mention choice in 2013, giving the Scarlet and Black two All-Americans in the same season for the first time ever.



Chelsea Hopkins

Jené Morris became the second Aztec to earn All-America recognition twice in her career after landing on the State Farm/WBCA honorable mention squad in 2009 and 2010.

Prior to Morris, another Aztec standout Falisha Wright was a two-time honorable mention choice in both 1993 and 1994.

Chana Perry (1989) was the program's first All-American. She was a two-time first-team Big West selection in 1988 and 1989 and ranks sixth on SDSU's all-time scoring list with 1,445 career points. Perry was also the Big West's player of the year in each of her final two seasons.

WADE HONOREE

The Aztecs' all-time leading scorer Judy Porter was a finalist for the Wade Trophy in 1982. Porter averaged 19.7 points per game as a junior in 1982-83, and 22.6 points per outing as a senior.

During the 2012-13 campaign, Chelsea Hopkins was named to the mid-season watch list for the Wade Trophy en route to receiving honorable mention All-America recognition. Hopkins wound up leading the nation with a whopping four triple-doubles and ranked seventh in assists.

Prior to the 2009-10 campaign, Jené Morris was selected to the preseason watch list for the Wade Trophy, as well as the John R. Wooden Award and Naismith Trophy, becoming the first Aztec so honored.

The Wade Trophy honors the NCAA Division I player of the year and was first presented in 1978.

FABULOUS FRESHMAN

San Diego State has produced some of the top freshman performances in NCAA history. Tina Hutchinson owns the Division I scoring record for a freshman for both points (899) and points per game (29.9), which she recorded in 1984. In addition, Michelle Suman's 66.7 field-goal percentage in her first season on The Mesa (1992) still ranks fifth in the record books.

PROGRAM HISTORY



Jené Morris

Sky club fell to the Phoenix Mercury in three games. The former Aztec star, who was traded to the Sky by the Atlanta Dream prior to the season, saw action in 33 games, averaging 2.7 points in 11.4 minutes per contest.

After completing her senior campaign at SDSU, Clements began her professional career as a rookie free agent with the Dream in 2013, while former Aztec teammate Chelsea Hopkins was a late-season pickup that year by the San Antonio Silver Stars.

Clements played in 30 games for Atlanta, including a WNBA finals appearance against the Minnesota Lynx, while Hopkins saw action in four contests before traveling to play overseas in Israel.

Not to be outdone, Jené Morris was the first-ever Aztec selected in the WNBA Draft, going in the first round with the 11th overall pick to the Indiana Fever in 2010.

Morris made her pro debut with the Fever on May 15, 2010, vs. the Washington Mystics and went on to play in 25 games overall during her rookie campaign. After the WNBA season, she went to Europe to compete for CCC Polkowice in Poland before returning to the WNBA for a one-year stint in 2012 with the Tulsa Shock.

Falisha Wright, a member of the Aztec Hall of Fame, also played professionally with both the Portland Power and the Nashville Noise of the American Basketball League (ABL).

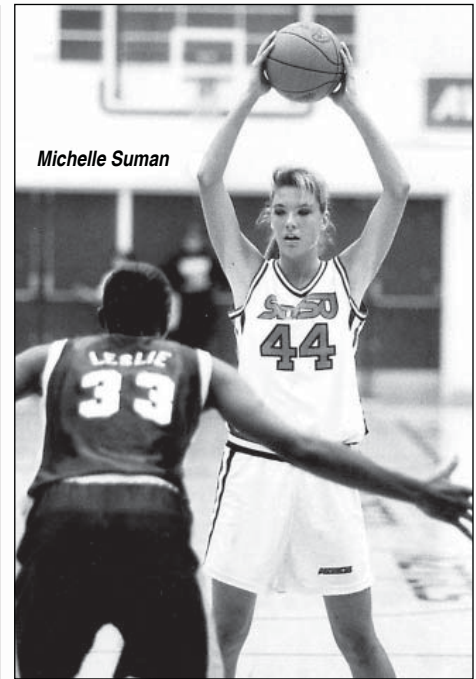
In addition, Cierra Warren, a first-team all-MW selection in 2014, signed a contract to play professionally in Europe with the Haskovo 2012 club based in Bulgaria.

PLAYERS OF THE YEAR

San Diego State boasted the Mountain West Player of the Year for the second year in a row as point guard Chelsea Hopkins captured the award after guiding the Aztecs to their second consecutive conference regular-season title in 2012-13. Hopkins topped the MW in assists and finished among the top five in scoring, rebounding and steals.

Meanwhile, Hopkins' backcourt mate Courtney Clements was tabbed the MW Player of the Year in 2011-12, after leading the league with 17.4 points per game overall, which included 13 performances of 20 points or higher.

SDSU also produced a pair of conference players of the



Michelle Suman

year during its affiliation with the WAC in Christina Murguia (1995) and Kieishsha Garnes (1991). An honorable mention all-WAC selection in 1994, Murguia ranks 14th in points (1,237), eighth in rebounds (692) and 10th in steals (191) on the Aztecs all-time career charts.

ACADEMICS JOB NO. 1

Over the past 15 seasons, SDSU basketball players have earned all-academic honors from the Mountain West Conference 26 times, thus proving that athletic and academic success can go hand-in-hand.

The academic accolades also go back to the program's early years as two-year letterwinner Susan Shue was a first team Academic All-American in 1980.

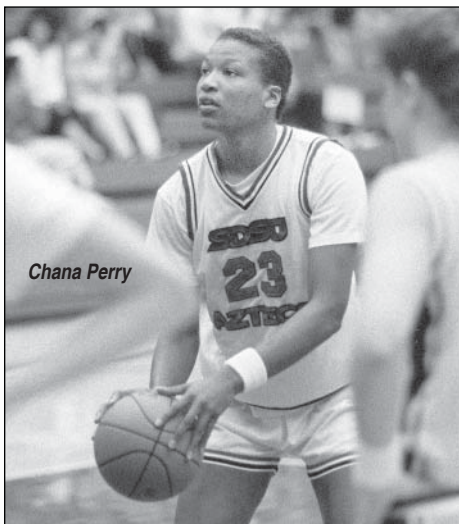
TOUGH ON D

The 1996-97 Aztecs led the nation in scoring defense with a 52.0 points per game average en route to a 23-7 overall record. The mark was third-best all-time and is currently tied for 20th in NCAA Division I history.

In addition, San Diego State established a program record during the 2012-13 campaign by limiting opponents to a .337 field-goal percentage, which ranked seventh in the nation. The Aztecs also finished ninth in the country that season with 5.6 blocked shots per game.

AZTECS IN THE PROS

Courtney Clements played in the WNBA championship finals for the second straight year in 2014, as her Chicago



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THIS IS THE MOUNTAIN WEST

From its inception in 1999, the Mountain West has been committed to excellence in intercollegiate athletics, while promoting the academic missions of its member institutions. Progressive in its approach, the MW continues to cultivate opportunities for student-athletes to compete at the highest level, while fostering academic achievement and sportsmanship. Now in its 16th year, the MW has been assertive in its involvement with the NCAA governance structure and has taken a leadership role in the overall administration of intercollegiate athletics.

The Mountain West has marked several achievements over its first 14 years of existence, most notably becoming the first to establish a sports television network dedicated solely to an intercollegiate athletic conference (The Mtn.). The Mountain West also was the first to experiment with the coaches' challenge in the college football instant replay system, and was the first non-automatic-qualifying BCS conference to participate in four BCS bowl games, winning three. In 2011-12, the Mountain West was among the first conferences to implement a league-wide state-of-the-art basketball instant replay system. Additionally, the Mountain West was the first conference to have a member institution with No. 1 overall picks in both the NFL and NBA drafts in the same year (Utah's Alex Smith and Andrew Bogut, respectively in 2005). With UNLV's Anthony Bennett claiming the No. 1 pick in the 2013 NBA Draft, the Mountain West is one of three conferences to have multiple No. 1 NBA draft selections since 2000. Also, with San Diego State's Stephen Strasburg earning the No. 1 pick in the 2009 MLB Draft, the Mountain West is one of two conferences to have the No. 1 selection in each of the NFL, NBA and MLB drafts since the MW was founded in 1999.

The Mountain West is noted for its geographic diversity. Some of the most beautiful terrain and landscapes in the nation can be found within Mountain West boundaries, including the majestic Rocky Mountain range, which borders five MW institutions (Air Force, Boise State, Colorado State, New Mexico and Utah State). The high plains of Wyoming (elevation 7,220 feet – the highest Division I campus in the nation) contrast with the desert cities of Las Vegas and Reno, home to UNLV and Nevada, respectively, while Fresno State, San Diego State and San José State add a West Coast influence with their locations in Central, Southern and Northern California. The inclusion of the Hawai'i football

program extends the Mountain West footprint to the beautiful islands in the Pacific Ocean.

HISTORY

The Mountain West was conceived on May 26, 1998, when the presidents of eight institutions — Air Force, BYU, Colorado State, New Mexico, San Diego State, UNLV, Utah and Wyoming — decided to form a new NCAA Division I-A intercollegiate athletic conference. The split from a former 16-team conference re-established continuity and stability among the membership within the new league and signaled the continuation of its tradition-rich, long-standing athletic rivalries. Three of the MW's eight original members have been conference rivals since the 1960s (New Mexico, Wyoming and Colorado State), while San Diego State (1978) and Air Force (1980) were longtime members as well. UNLV and TCU entered the fold in 1996 and the Rebels continued as one of the original eight institutions that formed the MW in 1999. TCU re-joined the group with its first year of competition in the Mountain West in 2005-06. With conference realignment sweeping the nation in recent years, the MW has been proactive in addressing membership changes. Boise State University joined the Mountain West in 2011-12, followed by Fresno State and the University of Nevada on July 1, 2012. Also on July 1, 2012, the University of Hawai'i became a football-only member of the Conference. On July 1, 2013, the Mountain West further expanded when San José State University and Utah State University joined the Conference, bringing to 11 the number of full-time member institutions and 12 football-playing members.

2013-14 IN REVIEW

From the gridiron to the diamond, Mountain West teams enjoyed an outstanding year in 2013-14.

In women's basketball, Fresno State made its seventh consecutive NCAA tournament appearance after capturing the MW tournament crown to earn the Conference's automatic bid. Mountain West regular-season champion Colorado State advanced to the Women's National Invitation Tournament, while Boise State received a berth in the Women's Basketball Invitational.

ACADEMIC CONSORTIUM

From the outset, Mountain West member institutions have been committed to creating strong academic relationships, as well as athletic competition. To that end, the chief academic officers of each institution have explored academic exchange programs, library crossovers and shared research. In addition, the faculty athletics representatives routinely provide academic assistance and test-taking services for student-athletes visiting from fellow member institutions for competition.

OPPORTUNITY

The Mountain West provides a first-class athletic and academic experience for more than 5,100 student-athletes each year. Over the past 14 years, 41 Mountain West student-athletes have earned NCAA Postgraduate Scholarships, and since the league's inception in 1999, an additional 28 student-athletes have been named MW Scholar-Athlete of the Year and awarded league-sponsored postgraduate scholarships. Three Mountain West student-athletes have earned distinction as Rhodes Scholars (Jessica Mellinger, Wyoming and Delavane Diaz and Brittany Morreale, Air Force).

Conference student-athletes are also given a voice regarding pertinent issues within the MW and NCAA

governance structure through representation on the Student-Athlete Advisory Committee (SAAC). The Mountain West SAAC consists of 23 representatives; two student-athletes from each full member institution and one faculty athletics representative. The committee reviews and reacts to legislation and to other topics referred by the Conference constituent groups or committees related to the student-athlete experience.

ACHIEVEMENT

The MW has produced 840 All-America selections among its 18 sponsored sports (men's swimming was discontinued as a Conference sport following the 2010-11 season) in the last 15 years, including a league-record 83 All-America honorees in 2010-11. A total of 150 MW student-athletes have also earned Academic All-America accolades in that span. The Mountain West has sent at least 25 teams to NCAA postseason events in each of the past 15 years, capturing three team national championships in women's cross country and producing 36 individual national champions in the sports of men's golf, men's cross country, and men's and women's indoor track & field and outdoor track & field.

Mountain West members have participated in 62 bowl games under the league umbrella, including four appearances in BCS games. The MW has earned 72 postseason bids in men's basketball, with five Sweet 16 appearances among 40 NCAA Tournament slots, as well as two NIT Final Four berths. MW women's basketball has tallied 63 postseason slots, including 33 NCAA bids, five Sweet 16 appearances and one Elite Eight berth since 2000. Wyoming won the MW's first WNIT championship in 2007 with a win over Wisconsin. In women's volleyball, the MW has had 37 NCAA bids with eight Sweet 16 berths and one Elite Eight appearance. Women's soccer has earned 28 NCAA bids since 1999, with two Sweet 16 berths and one Elite Eight appearance. Mountain West men's golf has sent at least three teams to the NCAA Men's Golf Regionals in each of its 15 years, while women's golf has had at least three teams participate in NCAA Regionals 12 of the last 15 years.

SPORTSMANSHIP

Named a Sports Ethics Fellow by the Institute for International Sport in 1998, Commissioner Thompson has been a driving force for sportsmanship within intercollegiate athletics. As part of its continuing growth and development, the Mountain West implemented an extensive Sportsmanship Initiative, endorsed by both the MW Joint Council and MW Board of Directors. The program is made up of several elements, which are both practical and philosophical in nature. While the MW has significant penalties in place to deal with violations, the Sportsmanship Initiative is primarily promotional and educational in nature. The goal is to develop an environment that fosters appropriate behavior from all Conference constituencies.



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COACHING STAFFS

Baseball - (619) 594-6889

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Joe Oliveira, Assistant Coach/Camp Director
Landon Burt, Director of Operations

Men's Basketball - (619) 594-6249

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Brian Dutcher, Associate Head Coach/
Head Coach in Waiting
Justin Hutson, Assistant Coach
David Velasquez, Assistant Coach
Mark Fisher, Assistant to the Head Coach
Matt Soria, Director of Basketball Operations
Tim Shelton, Director of Player Development
Leana DeKock, Administrative Assistant

Women's Basketball - (619) 594-4095

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Ciara Carl, Assistant Coach
Nick Grant, Assistant Coach
Fatema Arefi, Director of Basketball Operations
Mike Bynum, Director of Player Development
Gladié Jaffe, Administrative Assistant

Women's Crew - (619) 594-0650

Bill Zack, Head Coach
Daniel Duxbury, Assistant Coach
Michelle Crichton, Assistant Coach

Women's Track & Cross Country - (619) 594-5514

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Michelle Freeman, Assistant Coach
Greg Garza, Assistant Coach

Football - (619) 594-6769

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Bob Toledo, Offensive Coordinator
Zach Arnett, Assistant Coach
Danny Gonzales, Assistant Coach
Osia Lewis, Assistant Coach
LeCharls McDaniel, Assistant Coach
Mike Schmidt, Assistant Coach
Brian Sipe, Assistant Coach
Tony White, Assistant Coach
Jashon Sykes, Director of Operations
Kevin McGarry, Director of Player Personnel

Men's Golf - (619) 594-4334

Ryan Donovan, Head Coach

Women's Golf - (619) 594-7665

Leslie Spalding, Head Coach

Women's Lacrosse - (619) 594-6548

Kylee White, Head Coach
Brandi Jones, Assistant Coach

Men's Soccer - (619) 594-0136

Lev Kirshner, Head Coach
Matt Hall, Associate Head Coach
Sami Nedjar, Assistant Coach
Dennis Sanchez, Assistant Coach
Carlos Menjivar, Director of Operations

Women's Soccer - (619) 594-3749

Mike Friesen, Head Coach
Juan Pablo Favero, Associate Head Coach

Softball - (619) 594-1952

Kathy Van Wyk, Head Coach
Stacey Nuvevan Deniz, Associate Head Coach
Mia Longfellow, Assistant Coach

Women's Swimming & Diving - (619) 594-5883

Mike Shrader, Head Coach
Stephen Allnutt, Assistant Coach
Roland McDonald, Diving Coach

Men's Tennis - (619) 594-5084

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Jeff Thomsen, Assistant Coach

Women's Tennis - (619) 594-6505

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Lindsey Gamp, Assistant Coach

Women's Volleyball - (619) 594-5064

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Kevin Maureen Campbell, Assistant Coach
Melanie Greene, Assistant Coach
Julie Parker, Operations Assistant

Women's Water Polo - (619) 594-0649

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