# This Is San Diego State



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# HEAD COACH ROCKY LONG

## WHAT THEY'RE SAYING

"Rocky Long's a guy who I've known from playing against his tough New Mexico team for four seasons at San Diego State. We didn't win a game against the Lobos due to his coaching, which led to his team's excellent play. In his past two seasons at SDSU he's definitely helped get the program going in the right direction. He knows the conference, he knows the players and he knows where to recruit in California. He's a defensive-minded coach and that's a thing that San Diego is going to love about him. Defense wins games."

- Kirk Morrison, former Aztec and current LB for the Jacksonville Jaguars

"Having played against Rocky Long-coached teams and after what he's done so far at SDSU... I believe he was definitely a reputable candidate for the head coaching job. His coaching record speaks for itself. The continuity of keeping the defense intact and keeping Rocky will help the recruiting and solidify the future of the program. His teams at New Mexico were always disciplined, hard-fighting teams. You had to physically beat them because mentally they were going to be prepared. He'll bring that to the Aztecs as head coach."

- Marshall Faulk, former Aztec, all-Pro NFL RB and Hall of Famer

#### The Long Factor

Below is a look at the two seasons prior to Rocky Long joining the SDSU staff and the last two seasons in which he served as the Aztecs' defensive coordinator:

Category	2007-08	2009-10
Record	6-18	13-12
MWC Record	3-13	7-9
Opp. PPG	35.8	26.1
Opp. Total Offense/G	479.5	367.3
Opp. Rush. Yds./G	367.3	156.8

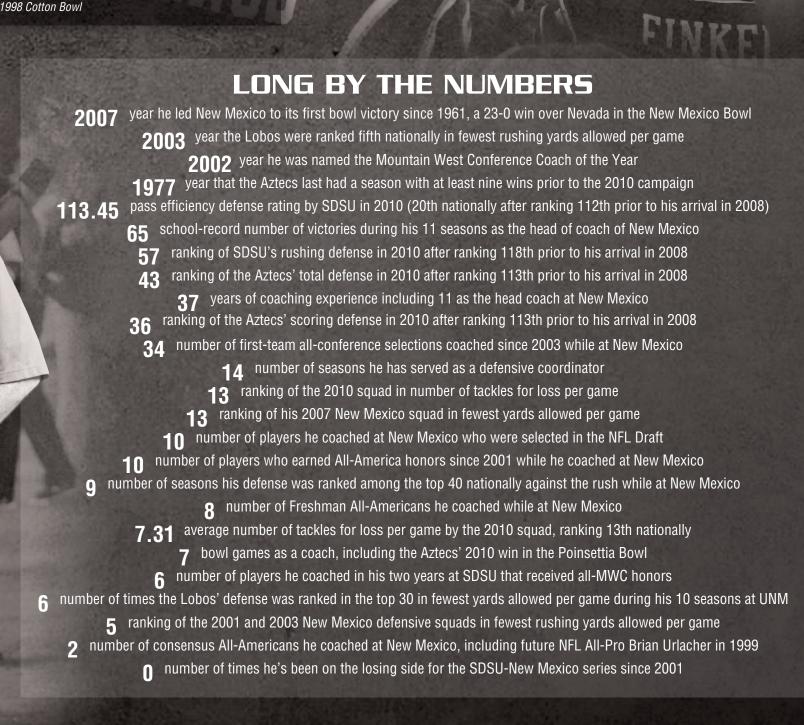
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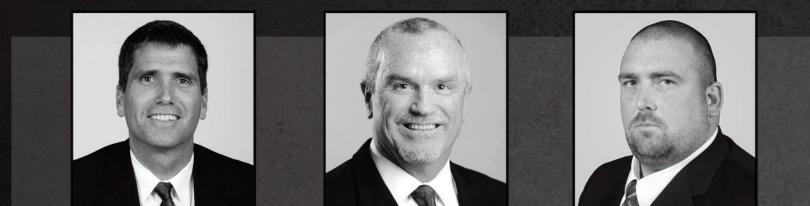
San Diego State 2010 Poinsettia Bowl

#### **New Mexico**

2007 New Mexico Bowl 2006 New Mexico Bowl 2004 Emerald Bowl 2003 Las Vegas Bowl 2002 Las Vegas Bowl

UCLA





Andy Ludwig Offensive Coordinator

Starting his 17th year as an offensive coordinator at the NCAA level and possesses 24 years of coaching experience overall. His teams have been to 11 bowl games with five bids over the past six campaigns.

Jeff Horton Assistant Heach Coach/RBs

Comes to The Mesa after spending the final five games of 2010 as the interim head coach at Minnesota. With Horton at the helm, the Gophers went 2-3 with victories over a pair of bowl-bound teams in Illinois and Iowa.

**Dan Finn** Offensive Line

Wide Receivers

Coached the offensive line the last four seasons at Idaho. The Vandals combined to go 14-12 the past two years, including an 8-5 mark and a Roady's Humanitarian Bowl victory over Bowling Green in 2009.



Daniel Gonzales Safeties

Led safeties, punters, kickers and deep snappers at UNM from 2005-08 where the safeties combined for 55 pass breakups in 2007-08. The 2007 Lobos ranked 13th nationally in total defense, 14th in scoring defense and 20th in passing defense.

#### **Osia Lewis** Defensive Line

Before coming to The Mesa, he as been a defensive coordinator at both the collegiate and professional levels since 2003, and has been a full-time football coach in the Mountain West Conference, Conference USA, Big Ten and Pac-10. Coached widely acclaimed receivers Vincent Brown and DeMarco Sampson, who were named first-team all-Mountain West and were selected in the 2011 NFL Draft. They combined for 2,572 yards and 18 touchdowns.



Kevin McGarry Linebackers

Moved across town after eight campaigns as the head football coach at the University of San Diego from 1996-2003. McGarry compiled a 39-37 overall record with five seasons at .500 or above. His squads also were ranked nationally on three occasions.

#### **Brian Sipe** Quarterbacks

Under Sipe's direction, Aztec quarterback Ryan Lindley posted career numbers in 2010. Lindley led the Mountain West in both passing average (294.6 ypg.) and total offense (292.2 ypg), while ranking in the top-14 nationally in both categories.

#### Tony White Cornerbacks

Helped the Aztec defense improve in the national rankings in 2010, climbing from 62nd to 10th in pass efficiency defense (113.4) and from 53rd to 39th in pass defense (205.0 ypg.). SDSU allowed less than 200 yards through the air eight times in 2010.

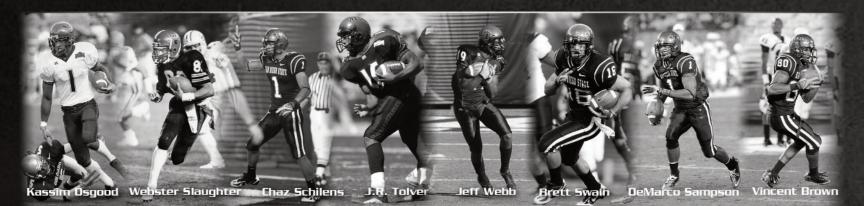
## **SDSU COACHING STAFF**



## Kevin McGarry



## **AZTEC FOOTBALL TRADITION**



### **RECEIVER U.**

There is little argument that if you're looking for future pros, record-setting collegians or just old-fashioned playmakers, San Diego State's receiving corps, past, present and future, might be a good place to start.

With the Aztecs' tradition of attacking through the air, igniting scoreboards and sending players to the next level, receiver has become a position of glory and notoriety at San Diego State. Below is a look at just some of the standout pass catchers who have worn the Red and Black:

#### **Sunday Sightings**

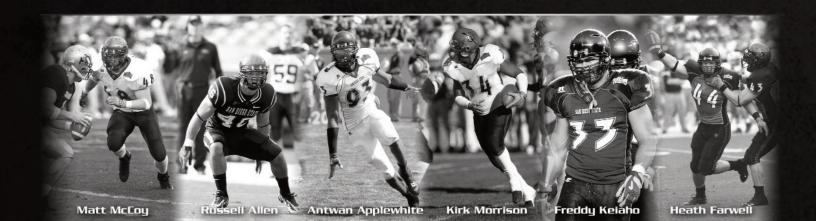
Will Blackwell Vincent Brown Ken Burrow Isaac Curtis Gary Garrison Dwight McDonald Haven Moses Kassim Osgood DeMarco Sampson Chaz Schilens Darnay Scott Ronnie Smith Webster Slaughter Brett Swain J.R. Tolver Jeff Webb

## LINEBACKER U.

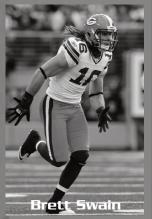
Beginning with the Dark Side Defense earlier this decade, San Diego State has quickly become synonymous with big-time linebackers. Since 2000, Aztec linebackers have combined to earn four first-team all-conference selections and four second-team all-conference accolades.

These days it is tough to turn on an NFL game without seeing a former Aztec linebacker making plays. Currently, five former San Diego State players – Russell Allen, Antwan Applewhite, Heath Farwell, Kirk Morrison and Matt McCoy - are listed as linebackers in the NFL.

Allen became the latest Aztec linebacker to join the ranks of the Sunday league when the two-time Dick Butkus Award nominee was signed by the Jacksonville Jaguars prior to the 2009 season. The school's all-time leader in assisted tackles, Allen was a four-year starter for the Aztecs.



### SUPER BOWL AZTECS



Super Bowl XLV continued a long line of San Diego State Aztecs in the NFI's biggest game. In last season's championship game, Brett Swain was a key part in the Green Bay Packers winning their fourth Super Bowl. The year before, Freddy Keiaho partipated in his second Super Bowl with the Indianapolis Colts. The former Aztec, who won in 2007, was denied his second ring as former teammate and running back Lynell Hamilton helped the New Orleans Saints capture their first Super Bowl victory. Hamilton's coach, Sean Payton, began his coaching career at SDSU in 1988, while New Orleans assistant coaches Curtis Johnson and Brett Ingalls served in the same capacity on Montezuma Mesa in the late '80s and '90s.

Hamilton and the Saints' three coaches joined 22 other players and seven coaches from SDSU who have participated in the festivities of the largest spectacle in sports. Overall, an Aztec has been involved in over half of the Super Bowls, beginning with legendary Don Horn in Green Bay's victory in Super Bowl II.

Joe Gibbs, who played at SDSU from 1961-63 and then coached on The Mesa three more seasons, has been the Aztec with the greatest influence on the Super Bowl. Gibbs won three of the four games he participated in with the Redskins, beginning with a 27-17 triumph over Miami in 1983, and finishing with a 37-24 victory over Buffalo in 1992.

Gibbs wasn't the first former Aztec to lead his team to victory. Oakland Raiders head coach John Madden won Super Bowl XI over Minnesota in 1977, only 11 years after leaving the staff of SDSU. Brian Billick is another former Aztec staffer to serve as a Super Bowl coach, leading Baltimore to a 34-7 triumph over the Giants in 2001.

In 2004, the Carolina Panthers, coached by former SDSU player John Fox, gave the New England Patriots all they could handle before falling in a 32-29 nail-biter. Fox earned two letters playing in the defensive backfield on Montezuma Mesa in 1975-76 and later served as a graduate assistant in 1978. One of Fox's Aztec teammates and former peer in the NFL coaching ranks has Super Bowl experience as a player. Former NFL head coach Herman Edwards played in the same SDSU secondary as Fox in 1976, and then went on to start in the Philadelphia Eagles' first Super Bowl, a 27-10 loss to the Raiders in 1981.

Of course the most famous Aztec in recent years, Marshall Faulk has made an impact in the big game, teaming with former SDSU wide receiver Az Hakim in two Super Bowls. Faulk totaled 117 yards to lead the St. Louis Rams to a 23-16 victory over Tennessee in 2000. The two Aztecs combined for 225 yards as the leading rusher and receiver in the Rams' 20-17 loss at the hands of New England in 2002.

Several Aztecs have been key to multiple Super Bowl appearances. Tight end Don Warren was a starter for four games, teaming with Joe Gibbs in each of the Redskins' Super Bowl appearances, while Nate Wright started in three for Minnesota from 1974-77, but was never able to hoist the trophy.

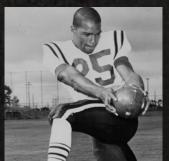
Of all the Aztec greats to participate in the Super Bowl, only one has ever been able to reach the end zone. Ronnie Smith, SDSU's leading receiver in 1976, hauled in a 24-yard touchdown strike to give the L.A. Rams a 19-13 third-quarter lead over Pittsburgh in 1980. However, former SDSU defensive end Fred Dryer and the Ram defense could not stop the Steelers from scoring two unanswered touchdowns as they earned a 31-19 victory.

San Diego State's former offensive line coach, Ed White, played in four Super Bowls in the 1960s and 1970s for Bud Grant's Minnesota Vikings.

### **SDSU RETIRED JERSEYS**



Willie Buchanon - #28 1970-71



Haven Moses - #25 1966-67



Todd Santos - #8 1984-87

1990s

George Seifert

Dennis Green

Mike Holmgren

Mike Shanahan

Jeff Fisher Norv Turner

Rav Rhodes

Marty Mornhinweg Sherman Lewis Paul Hackett



Marshall Faulk - #28 1991-93

## **CORYELL COACHING TREE**



Don Coryell's legacy began in the 1960s at San Diego State and now stretches into a new century and crosses the professional and collegiate ranks. The heart and soul of the old Aztec air attacks have since become known as the "West Coast Offense." Below are just some of the coaches connected to, or sprung from, the Don Corvell Coaching Tree.

1960s Sid Gillman Vince Lombardi Ara Parseghian Norm Van Brocklin Dick Vermeil Al Davis George Allen

1970s John Madden **Chuck Noll Bum Phillips** Tom Bass

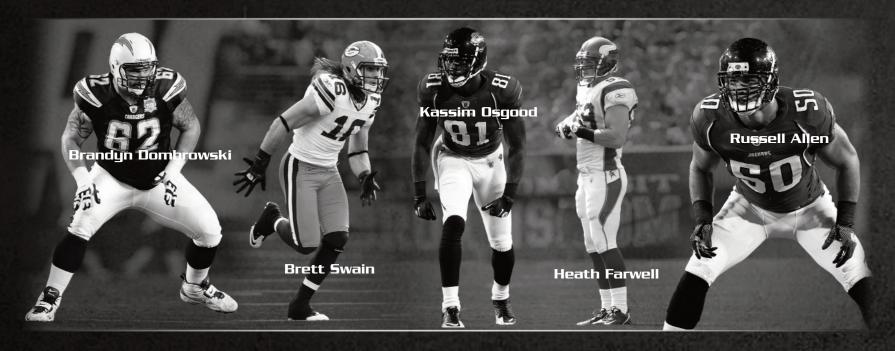
#### 1980s **Bill Walsh** Joe Gibbs

Jim Hanifan Ernie Zampese Dan Henning **Rod Dowhower** Sam Wyche AI Saunders

Steve Mariucci Tony Dungy Jon Gruden **Brian Billick** Andy Reid Mike Martz John Fox

2000s

## **AZTECS IN THE NFL**



## **AZTECS DRAFTED IN NFL**

Since 2004

Player	Year	Round
Vincent Brown	2011	Third
DeMarco Sampson	2011	Seventh
Lance Louis	2009	Seventh
Kevin O'Connell	2008	Third
Tyler Schmitt	2008	Sixth
Brett Swain	2008	Seventh
Chaz Schilens	2008	Seventh
Freddy Keiaho	2006	Third
Jeff Webb	2006	Sixth
Matt McCoy	2005	Second
Kirk Morrison	2005	Third
Marviel Underwood	2005	Fourth
Jeff Shoate	2004	Fifth

Drafting Team
San Diego Chargers
Arizona Cardinals
Chicago Bears
New England Patriots
Seattle Seahawks
Green Bay Packers
Oakland Raiders
Indianapolis Colts
Kansas City Chiefs
Philadelphia Eagles
Oakland Raiders
Green Bay Packers
Denver Broncos

## ALL-TIME NFL DRAFT PICKS BY MW SCHOOLS

School	Draft Picks
SAN DIEGO STATE	134
TCU	112
Colorado State	89
Wyoming	62
New Mexico	49
UNLV	45
Boise State	42
Air Force	7

Source - NFL.com

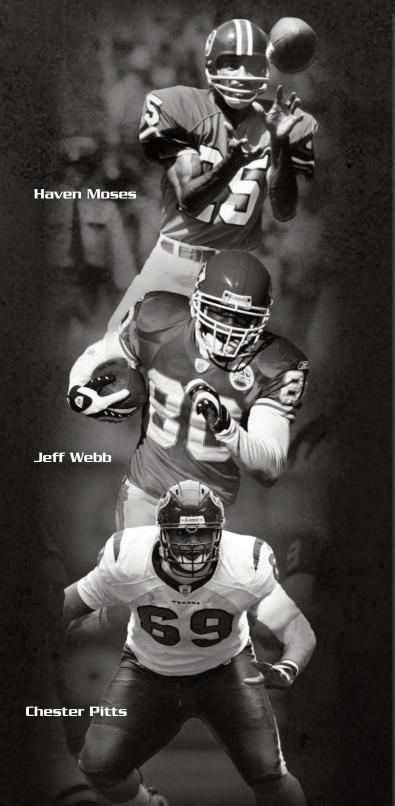


San Diego State has a storied history of sending its players to the National Football League. Over the years, the Aztecs have had 134 players selected in the NFL Draft, which ranks first in the Mountain West Conference. Of its overall total, 52 have been picked within the first 100 selections.

Over the last 10 years, San Diego State has had 20 players picked in the NFL Draft, four of which were selected in 2004. The four picks in 2004 are tied for second most since 1988, when five Aztecs were chosen.

Wide receiver Vincent Brown was the San Diego Chargers' third-round pick this year and the Arizona Cardinals selected wide receiver DeMarco Sampson in the seventh round. In 2009, offensive lineman Lance Louis was drafted by the Chicago Bears in the seventh round, while quarterback Kevin O'Connell was the 31st pick in the third round and 94th selection overall, going to the New England Patriots in 2008. Joining O'Connell in the '08 Draft were long snapper Tyler Schmitt, a sixth-round choice of the Seattle Seahawks, and wide receivers Brett Swain and Chaz Schilens, who were tabbed in the seventh round by the Green Bay Packers and Oakland Raiders, respectively.

A complete list of Aztecs drafted and those who played in the NFL can be found on pages 165-168.



## MARSHALL FAULK

- 2011 Inductee into NFL Hall of Fame
- Super Bowl XXXIV Champion
- AP Most Valuable Player (2000)
- AP Offensive Player of the Year (1999-01)
- AP Offensive Rookie of the Year (1994)
- ♦ All-American (1991-93)
- Heisman Trophy Runner-Up (1992)
- NCAA Rushing Champion (1991-92)
- Second runner ever to gain 3,000 yards in first two collegiate seasons (1991-92)



### **KIRK MORRISON**

- Drafted by Oakland Raiders (2005)
- Played in all 16 games in each of his six seasons (2005-10)
- Led all NFL rookie defenders in tackles (2005)
- All-American (2003-04)
- MWC Defensive Player of the Year (2003-04)
- All-Mountain West Conference (2002-04)
- Butkus Award semifinalist (2004)
- SDSU second all-time leader in tackles (2001-04)

### **BRIAN SIPE**

- Drafted by Cleveland Browns (1972)
- AP Most Valuable Player (1980)
- Led AFC in passing touchdowns (1979, '80, '83)
- Led AFC in passing (1980)
- All-American (1971)
- NCAA Passing Champion (1971)
- All-Pacific Coast Athletic Association (1971)



## GAME DAY AT THE Q



Game day at San Diego State is a mixture of big-city sophistication, college football at its highest level, the best climate in America and a fan base that is accustomed to points and victories in bunches. The ingredients come together in an NFL stadium that has hosted three Super Bowls and seen its share of dramatics over the years.

SDSU football has grown up with the city of San Diego. Since the Aztecs began playing their home games in Mission Valley in the 1960s under the direction of Don Coryell, the traditions of night football and all-black uniforms have become important in the San Diego lifestyle.

Part of that lifestyle can be found leading up to the game. Many can be found in the Qualcomm Stadium parking lot throwing a football around and barbequing in their red and black, enjoying a perfect Southern California afternoon. Aztec football is not just a game, it is a ritual in San Diego.



Fans, cheerleaders and the Aztec Marching Band, welcome the team off the buses at Qualcomm Stadium with the Warrior Walk.

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The Aztec Warrior hands off his spear to the Honorary Warrior, Marshall Faulk, who throws it down to signal the entrance of the team. To the tune of "Welcome to the Jungle", the Aztec Football team enters in "The Swarm" formation after the spear is thrown.

San Diego State is the only school in the Mountain West Conference to play all its home games in an NFL stadium.

This season marks the 45th year that SDSU has played its home games at Qualcomm Stadium in Mission Valley.



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The Aztecs have won 175 games in their 44 years of playing at Qualcomm Stadium, meaning SDSU has won nearly 65 percent of its home games at the Q.



## MEDIA COVERAGE

In the nation's ninth-largest city, San Diego State football is recognized at a national level. The media spotlight has always been on Montezuma Mesa and even more so with a new coaching staff and a renewed excitement surrounding the program.

The Aztecs have always been an attractive option for national, regional or local television as they have broadcasted SDSU games 157 times since 1991.

This season will be no different as eight games, with the possibility of all 12, will be seen nationally or on a regional basis.

Not only does San Diego State receive coverage locally and regionally, it is common for national and out-of-market writers and broadcasters to cover SDSU football.

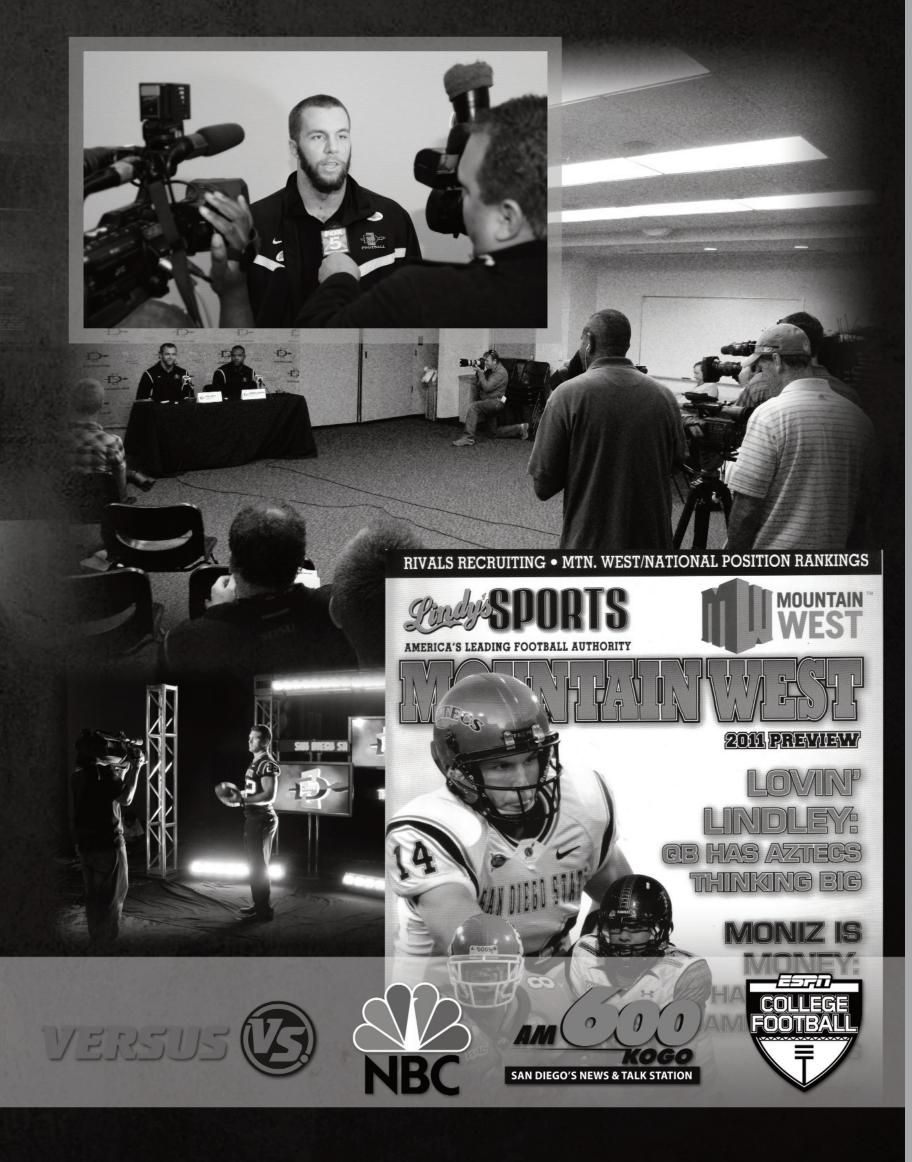
◆ San Diego State has played 178 televised games since 1991.

◆ The 2011 season has the chance for every single game to be televised, including five of which will be available nationwide.









## STRENGTH & CONDITIONING

## **RICK COURT**

• Rick Court was hired this past January and begins his first year at San Diego State as the football team's strength and conditioning coach.

• Most recently served for two years as the director of football strength and conditioning at the University of Toledo. He oversaw all aspects of the weight training and conditioning program for the Rockets, who compiled an 8-5 record and earned a berth in the Little Caesars Pizza Bowl in 2010.

• Prior to Toledo, he spent six years on the strength and conditioning staff at Bowling Green, including the 2008 campaign as the head strength and conditioning coach. The Falcons advanced to three bowl games during his stay, the 2003 Motor City Bowl and the 2004 and 2007 GMAC Bowl.

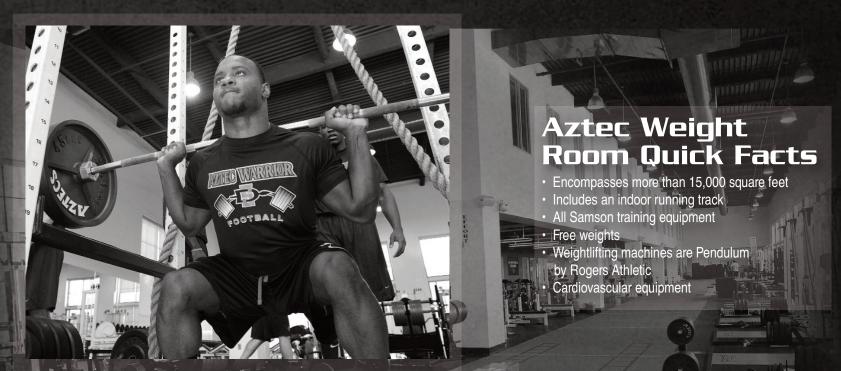
 In 2001 and 2002, he was an intern in the strength and conditioning program at Michigan Star where he worked with the hockey, basketball and football teams.

- Court also has interned in strength training with Major League Baseball's Detroit Tiger
- Played baseball at Michigan State from 2000-01, where he served as team captain as a sior.
- Competed for one season at Grand Rapids Community College, posting a .433 batting average.

• An all-state selection in baseball at Harper Woods Notre Dame High, where he also lettered in basketball and football.

• Is a 2002 graduate of Michigan State with a bachelor's degree in kinesiology. He later earned a master's degree in sport administration from Eastern Kentucky in 2003.

Court and his wife, Molly, have a daughter, Alix, and a son, Cade.



"At San Diego State, strength is the most important variable for our football players. If two football players are equal, the stronger one will always have the competitive advantage. Strength is the key component for power, explosiveness, speed, agility, quickness, conditioning, balance and flexibility. The San Diego State strength staff is dedicated to giving each student-athlete the best "hands-on" training possible, building team cohesiveness and mental toughness through a disciplined, intense and energetic approach."

– Rick Court



## **AZTEC ACADEMICS**



- Football's Miles Burris (row one, fifth from the left) was named the male Student-Athlete of the Year for demonstrating excellence in academics, athletics and leadership, while boasting outstanding character.
- During the 2010-11 school year, 80 San Diego State student-athletes garnered all-academic honors from the Mountain West Conference.
- A school-record 256 scholar-athletes who achieved a semester GPA of 3.2 or higher were honored at the 17th annual SDSU Scholar-Athlete Awards Banquet.



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.

#### 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 Fowler 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 2011, 256 student-athletes, topping the record of 246 in 2010, were honored for their work in the classroom. That number is more than one-third of the student-athlete body

A new event was launched in 2005 with the inaugural Student-Athlete Advisory Committee (SAAC) Awards. SDSU's student-athletes were treated to an awards banquet to recognize outstanding individual achievements throughout the athletic department.

#### 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.

## AZTECS IN THE COMMUNITY

Aztec Football annually volunteers at Shop-With-A-Jock

"The students are providing a community service, however, I would say they often times are the ones who gain the most from the experience"

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- Dr. Bre White, <u>SDSU Com</u>munity Service Coordinator At San Diego State University, community outreach is an important component of campus life. Over the years, Aztec athletes have been involved in numerous programs, including Habitat For Humanity, Special Olympics, Shop-With-A-Jock and MS Walk (Water Walkers).

Visits to Children's Hospital, local elementary schools and the Ronald McDonald House are common events for SDSU studentathletes. Over the last nine years, red and black jerseys from all sports have become familiar sights at local military bases and hospitals.

San Diego State University has a partnership with Encanto Elementary School in which the Aztec athletic department provides student-athlete tutors and mentors for the school. Tickets to SDSU athletic events are rewards for outstanding academic achievement by the elementary students.

Food drives, stuffed-animal drives and Christmas gift drives are annual features at San Diego State University.

Every season for four consecutive weeks during the month of November, the Aztec swimming and diving team staffs a local shelter and soup kitchen.

In addition, the swimming and diving squad, along with the crew team, participates in Race for the Cure and Row for the Cure, respectively.

"The students are providing a community service," said Dr. Bre White, who is the coordinator of SDSU's community service activities. "However, I would say that often times the student-athletes may gain the most from the experience."

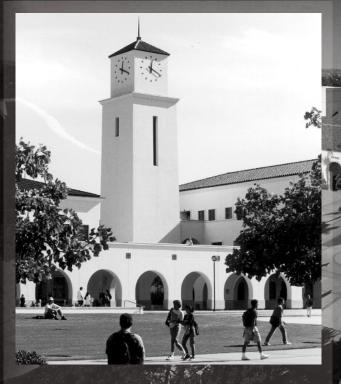
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SDSU students can choose from 84 undergraduate majors, 76 master's programs and 18 doctoral degree programs.



Sixty percent of San Diego State alums remain in San Diego.

### **Did You Know?**

• SDSU is the largest institution of higher learning in the San Diego region and one of the largest in California.

• San Diego State has achieved the prestigious designation of "Research University" with high research activity granted by the Carnegie Foundation.

◆ For the past four years, SDSU has been ranked the No. 1 Research University for those with 14 or fewer Ph.D. programs according to Academic Analytic's faculty-scholarly productivity index.

Since 2000, SDSU faculty and staff have attracted more than
 \$1 billion in grants and contracts for research and program administration.

• Founded in service, SDSU is in an ongoing partnership with San Diego City Schools, the San Diego Education Association, teachers and parents with the City Heights Educational Collaborative It is funded with an \$18 million grant from Price Charities, and the Collaborative is improving instruction for students and professional development for teachers in three inner-city schools managed by the university.

• Over the past decade, the university has completed facilities totaling more than \$430 million in value.

# AZTEC FACILITIES

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## Aztec Hall of Fame

### Peterson Gym

SDSU Softball Stadium



Tony Gwynn Stadium



### SDSU Sports Deck

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## **Aztec Tennis Center**

## Aztec Aquaplex

**Qualcomm Stadium** 

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## **AZTEC EXCELLENCE**

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#### Men's Golf - NEAA Championship





Head Coach Ryan Donovan, MWC Coach of the Year

Junior J.J. Spaun, All-American, firstteam all-MWC



The New York

## 2010-11 Aztec Athletics Highlights

- Eight athletic programs advanced to postseas on play men's basketball (NCAA Sweet 16), football (Poinsettia Bowl champions), men's golf (16th place), women's golf, softball (17th place) swimming & diving, indoor track & field and outdoor track & field.
- Nine San Diego State athletic teams spent time in the national polls in 2010-11, including men's basketball and men's golf, which were both ranked in the top five.
- San Diego State's combined football and men's basketball record in 2010-11 was 43-7. That is the second-best winning percentage
  nationally behind only Ohio State.
- Four SDSU coaches were named conference coach of the year in 2010-11 Ryan Donovan (men's golf), Steve Fisher (men's basketball), Brady Hoke (football) and Mike Shrader (swimming & diving).
- Fisher earned national coach of the year honors from multiple outlets for the second time in his career and Donovan was a finalist for national coach of the year.
- Swimming & diving finished the season with a perfect 19-0 record, winning both the MWC regular season and tournament championships.
- Men's Golf won its first-ever Mountain West Conference Championship crown.
- Three San Diego State teams finished in the top 20 nationally in 2010-11 (men's basketball, men's golf and softball).
- A school-record 256 SDSU student-athletes were named scholar-athletes in 2010-11. It is the sixth consecutive year the number of scholar-athletes has increased.

Mountain West Champions

#### Track & Field



Freshman Allison Reaser, MWC Heptathlon Champion, USA Junior Championships Heptathlon Champion

Vincent Brown Third-Round NFL Draft Pick First-Team All-MWC Ronnie Hillman
 Freshman All-American
 MWC Freshman of the Year

Mountain West Regular Season and Tournament Champions

Women's Golf - NCAA Regionals



Junior Malin Enarsson, All-America Scholar

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Sophomore Alessia Knight, All-America Scholar



Softball - NCAA Regionals

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Junior Bailey Micetich, All-American and all-MWC

Steve Fisher Naismith Coach of the Year

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Kawhi Leonard First-Round NBA Draft Pick All-American

Mountain West Co-Regular Season and Tournament Champions, & Sweet Sixteen

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## SAN DIEGO

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### San Diego

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#### 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 ninth-largest city in the United States and the second largest in California.

#### Diversity

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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 Safari 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?

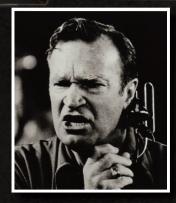
San Diego also offers Tony Award-winning theatre, opera, symphony, art galleries and performance art for the culturally curious.

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.

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## DON CORYELL LOCKER ROOM



### Don Coryell

#### SDSU Head Coach 1961-1972 | 104-19-2 | .840 career winning percentage

In 1961, San Diego State College director of athletics Bill Terry hired a little-known assistant from USC to take over as head coach of the Aztec football team. Twelve years later, Donald David Coryell left Montezuma Mesa for the National Football League, having made an indelible impact upon the San Diego State athletic program, upon the campus, on the San Diego community and, maybe most importantly, on college football.

There are many reasons why the College Football Hall of Fame voted Don Coryell into its hallowed membership in 1999.

In the first place, Coryell, who had previously been a head coach at Whittier College, was a winner throughout his career. At San Diego State, he compiled an astounding 104-19-2 record, capturing two national college division championships along the way. During his dozen seasons at SDSU, the team posted winning streaks of 31 and 25 games and in only one season did the squad lose more than twice. In 1966 and 1969, the Aztecs completed unbeaten and untied campaigns. San Diego State secured three bowl victories during Coryell's tenure.

It was Coryell who was the driving force in San Diego State's efforts to move from an NCAA college division (Division II) to a university division (Division I) program, a move that was brought to fruition in 1969.

Apart from his record or the 42 players who were drafted by the NFL during his tenure, Coryell had his greatest impact in bringing the modern passing game to college football. He was the first collegiate coach to make the commitment to the forward pass as the base component of an offensive scheme and use it as the means to be successful. Coryell's "passing tree", with numerically assigned routes, simplified the teaching aspect of his system in coordinating pass patterns for quarterbacks and receivers.

He went on to coach for nine years in the NFL (St. Louis Cardinals and San Diego Chargers) and became the first coach to win 100 games at both the collegiate and professional levels.

Don Coryell was formally inducted into the College Football Hall of Fame in South Bend, Ind., on Aug. 12-13, 1999.



#### **Honorary Nameplates**

#7 Kevin O'Connell Presented by Davis Heller
#10 Dan McGwire
#12 Dennis Shaw
#15 Tom Craft
#20 Michael Franklin

In Memory of Terrell Franklin
Presented by John & Becky Busch

#23 Leon Parma

Presented by Jack Goodall

#28 Marshall Faulk
#32 Mike Ibe, Jr.
#34 Kirk Morrison

Presented by Mike Ibe
#35 Art Preston Presented by Tom Pine #44 Herman Edwards #45 John Duich Presented by Steve Duich #50 Jim Hight #68 Dennis Jenkins Presented by Ben Bagnas #76 Steve Duich #76 Andrew Kline #77 Fred Dryer #79 Brooke Dunn #89 Rob Awalt #93 Kabeer Gbaja-Biamila One of the cornerstones of the Fowler Athletics Center is now named after the man many consider the cornerstone of Aztec football.

The San Diego State football team calls the Don Coryell Locker Room home. The naming rights to the locker room were purchased by former Aztec football players and boosters on behalf of the legendary Aztec coach, who went on to a standout NFL career with the Cardinals and Chargers.

The locker room is one of the largest areas in the Aztec Athletics Center. It is located on the first floor of the Aztec Athletics Center. It features oak lockers with personalized nameplates of current Aztecs, along with historic nameplates honoring past players who wore the same number.

The historic recognition comes via purchases made by former players in support of the football program, or by friends of those players, or boosters, who use the lockers as a way to recognize accomplishments by former Aztecs.

If you or someone you know is interested in purchasing a nameplate to honor a former Aztec, contact the Aztec Club at (619) 594-6444.