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SAN DIEGO STATE UNIVERSITY QUICK FACTS

LocationSan Diego, Calif.
 Enrollment32,936
 PresidentDr. Stephen L. Weber
 Director Of AthleticsMike Bohn
 Senior Woman AdministratorKathy Van Wyk
 Faculty Athletic RepresentativeDr. Roger Caves
 MascotAztec Warrior
 ColorsScarlet and Black
 ConferenceMountain West
 Home Field (Capacity)SDSU Softball Stadium (1,000)

ABOUT SAN DIEGO STATE SOFTBALL

Head Coach (Alma Mater) .Kathy Van Wyk (Cal State Fullerton, 1983)
 Career Record (Year)271-207-1 (9th)
 Record at SDSUSame
 Assistant CoachesKelly Warren (UCLA, 1996)
Jennifer Milo (San Diego, 1997)
 Softball Office Phone(619) 594-5853
 First Year Of Softball Competition1977
 All-time Record671-776-6
 NCAA Tournament Record (Years)4-4 (2001, 2003)
 2004 Record37-23
 2004 MWC Record/Finish14-6 (2nd)
 2004 MWC Tournament/Finish1-1 (2nd)
 2004 Final RPI47
 Letterwinners Returning/Lost10/6
 Starters Returning/Lost5/4
 Newcomers8

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2005 San Diego State Softball Schedule

DATE	OPPONENT	LOCATION	TIME
2/4	Saint Mary's !	SDSU	4:30 p.m.
2/4	UC Davis !	SDSU	7 p.m.
2/5	Long Beach State !	SDSU	4:30 p.m.
2/5	UC Riverside !	SDSU	7 p.m.
2/6	Saint Mary's !	SDSU	2 p.m.
2/9	at USD	USD	6 p.m.
2/11	vs. Kentucky \$	Palo Alto, Calif.	11 a.m.
2/11	at Stanford \$	Palo Alto, Calif.	5 p.m.
2/12	vs. DePaul \$	Palo Alto, Calif.	9 a.m.
2/12	vs. Long Beach State \$	Palo Alto, Calif.	11 a.m.
2/13	vs. Cal Poly \$	Palo Alto, Calif.	11 a.m.
2/17	Oregon State #	SDSU	6 p.m.
2/17	Florida International #	SDSU	8 p.m.
2/18	Central Michigan #	SDSU	8 p.m.
2/19	Notre Dame #	SDSU	6 p.m.
2/20	UCLA #	SDSU	1 p.m.
2/25	vs. Louisiana-Lafayette %	Columbus, Ga.	3 p.m.
2/25	vs. North Carolina %	Columbus, Ga.	5:30 p.m.
2/26	vs. DePaul %	Columbus, Ga.	8 a.m.
2/26-27	TBA	Columbus, Ga.	TBA
3/1	St. John's	SDSU	7 p.m.
3/4	vs. Southern Utah ^	Tempe, Ariz.	2 p.m.
3/4	at Arizona State ^	Tempe, Ariz.	4 p.m.
3/5	vs. Southern Utah ^	Tempe, Ariz.	Noon
3/5	at Arizona State ^	Tempe, Ariz.	3 p.m.
3/6	vs. Southern Utah ^	Tempe, Ariz.	9 a.m.
3/9	USD	SDSU	7 p.m.
3/11	at CSU Fullerton (DH)	CSU Fullerton	5 p.m.
3/12	vs. Florida *	Long Beach, Calif.	9 a.m.
3/12	vs. Indiana *	Long Beach, Calif.	11:15 a.m.
3/13	vs. Loyola Marymount *	Long Beach, Calif.	9 a.m.
3/13	at Long Beach State *	Long Beach, Calif.	1:30 p.m.
3/18	UC Santa Barbara ~	SDSU	5 p.m.
3/18	Georgia Southern ~	SDSU	7 p.m.
3/19	Towson ~	SDSU	3 p.m.
3/19	Longwood ~	SDSU	7 p.m.
3/20	Oregon ~	SDSU	2 p.m.
4/1	at Colorado State (DH) +	Fort Collins, Colo.	Noon
4/3	at New Mexico (DH) +	Albuquerque, N.M.	Noon
4/7	Brigham Young (DH) +	SDSU	5 p.m.
4/9	Utah (DH) +	SDSU	1 p.m.
4/16	at UNLV (DH) +	Las Vegas, Nev.	5 p.m.
4/22	at Brigham Young (DH) +	Provo, Utah	5 p.m.
4/23	at Utah (DH) +	Salt Lake City, Utah	Noon
4/30	NLV (DH) +	SDSU	1 p.m.
5/6	New Mexico (DH) +	SDSU	1 p.m.
5/8	Colorado State (DH) +	SDSU	1 p.m.
5/12-14	MWC Tournament	San Diego, Calif.	TBA
5/20-22	NCAA Regionals	TBA	TBA
5/27-28	NCAA Super Regionals	TBA	TBA
6/2-8	Women's College World Series	Oklahoma City, Okla.	TBA

All Times Pacific Home games in bold DH - Doubleheader
 + - Mountain West Conference games ! - Aztec Invitational
 \$ - Stanford Tournament # - Campbell/Cartier Tournament
 % - NFCA Leadoff Classic ^ - Louisville Slugger Classic
 * - Long Beach State Tournament ~ - SDSU Classic

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NUMERICAL ROSTER

No.	Player	Pos.	Ht.	B/T	Yr.	Hometown (Last School)
00	Bree Boyer	OF	5-4	R/R	JR	Huntington Beach, Calif. (Marina HS)
1	Erin Mahoney	OF	5-4	L/R	SR	Westchester, Calif. (Texas)
2	Kristen Carranza	OF	5-6	L/L	FR	San Mateo, Calif. (Burlingame HS)
3	Danielle Touhey	C	5-9	R/R	SR	Fresno, Calif. (Bullard HS)
4	Celena Velasquez	P	5-6	R/R	JR	Tucson, Ariz. (University HS)
6	Katie Cochran	P	5-9	R/R	SO	San Jose, Calif. (San Jose CC)
7	Allison Smith	IF	5-11	R/R	FR	Burlingame, Calif. (Burlingame HS)
8	Dani Sidoti	OF	5-10	L/R	FR	Scottsdale, Ariz. (Salpointe Catholic HS)
9	Cori Janelli	P	5-11	R/R	SR	Visalia, Calif. (College of Sequoias)
10	Lacey Craft	IF	6-0	R/R	SR	Valley Center, Calif. (Palomar CC)
11	Chrissie Markham	IF	5-5	R/R	FR	Phoenix, Ariz. (Mountain Ridge HS)
14	Taryin Casillas	IF	5-7	R/R	FR	San Diego, Calif. (Grossmont HS)
15	Brittany Green	IF	5-2	R/R	JR	San Clemente, Calif. (San Clemente HS)
17	Tamani Wells	OF/P	5-5	L/R	FR	Concord, Calif. (Holy Names HS)
18	Jamie Burton	C	5-5	R/R	JR	Carlsbad, Calif. (Carlsbad HS)
19	Meagan Hartung	IF/OF	5-6	L/R	JR	San Diego, Calif. (Granite Hills HS)
20	Megan McDonald	C	5-7	R/R	FR	Glendale, Ariz. (Cactus HS)
24	Amanda Beasley	IF/OF	5-4	R/R	SO	Spring Valley, Calif. (Mount Miguel HS)

Head Coach: Kathy Van Wyk, ninth season (Cal State Fullerton, 1983)

Assistant Coaches: Kelly Warren, fifth season (UCLA, 1996), and Jennifer Milo, second season (San Diego, 1997)

ALPHABETICAL ROSTER

No.	Name
24	Beasley, Amanda
00	Boyer, Bree
18	Burton, Jamie
2	Carranza, Kristen
14	Casillas, Taryin
6	Cochran, Katie
10	Craft, Lacey
15	Green, Brittany
19	Hartung, Meagan
9	Janelli, Cori
1	Mahoney, Erin
11	Markham, Chrissie
20	McDonald, Megan
8	Sidoti, Dani
7	Smith, Allison
3	Touhey, Danielle
4	Velasquez, Celena
17	Wells, Tamani

Pronunciation Guide

Beasley	.BEES-lee
Carranza	.Cah-ranza
Dani	.Danny
Markham	.Mark-UM
Sidoti	.seh-DOTEE
Tamani	.TOM-ini
Touhey	.TOO-ee
Van Wyk	.van WIKE
Velasquez	.vuh-LASS-kez

By Position

Pitchers	.4
Catchers	.3
Infielders	.7
Outfielders	.7

By Height

6-0	.Lacey Craft
5-11	.Cori Janelli
	.Allison Smith
5-10	.Dani Sidoti
5-9	.Katie Cochran
	.Danielle Touhey
5-7	.Taryin Casillas
	.Megan McDonald
5-6	.Kristen Carranza
	.Meagan Hartung

	.Celena Velasquez
5-5	.Jamie Burton
	.Chrissie Markham
	.Tamani Wells
5-4	.Amanda Beasley
	.Bree Boyer
	.Erin Mahoney
5-2	.Brittany Green

By Year

Seniors	.4
Juniors	.5
Sophomores	.2
Freshmen	.7

By Experience

Three varsity letters	.4
Two varsity letters	.5
One varsity letter	.1
Transfer	.2
High School	.7

By State

California	.14
Arizona	.4



2005 Outlook

The plans were in place, the team was put together. All that was missing was that special place for the student-athletes to play. Now it is all here...all put together; the 2005 San Diego State softball team and the brand new SDSU Softball Stadium.

"We are excited not only about our new stadium, but about the returning team," head coach Kathy Van Wyk said. "This squad has a chance to be really special and stand out at SDSU. The mix of veterans and newcomers presents a great opportunity for our team and our fans."

The Aztecs return 10 letter-winners and six starters, including the top two pitchers and top hitter from last season's 37-23 squad, which finished in second place in the Mountain West with a 14-6 record.

A blending of youth and experience are the keys to this season's squad as nearly half of the team is in the guise of eight extremely talented newcomers.

PITCHERS

The 2005 pitching staff returns the two-time MWC Pitcher of the Year and six-time MWC Pitcher of the Week Celena Velasquez, along with two-time MWC Pitcher of the Week Cori Janelli to lead one of the nation's best rotations. Janelli was ranked first in ERA in the MWC, while Velasquez was ranked second to make it a clean sweep for the SDSU pitching staff.

"Our expectations are to get to the NCAA regionals and the Women's College World Series, and this pitching staff is crucial to that effort," Van Wyk said. "They are as strong a staff as we have had here at any time, and they will lead us to many victories."

Janelli and Velasquez accounted for 72 percent of SDSU's wins, 67 percent of the team's starts, along with a combined 1.33 ERA, 186 strikeouts and just 31 walks in 262.4 innings of work. The 2004 pitching staff ERA was 23rd in the nation last year.

Velasquez, a junior right-hander, had a paltry 0.85 ERA in conference games, earning her a record of 6-1 in MWC play. Velasquez's play on the year earned her a spot on the 2004 NFCA all-west region team.

Janelli came on strong at the end of the 2004 season, winning five of her last six starts and allowing just six total runs in the five wins. She finished the season with a team-low 10 walks and 99 hits, good for a 0.89 WHIP.

The team also welcomes a pair of highly regarded new arms in sophomore transfer Katie Cochran and freshman Tamani Wells

Cochran comes from San Jose Community College as the reigning Central Coast Conference pitcher of the year, while also earning all-state honors.

Wells is a speedy, versatile performer who will see action not only in the circle, but in the field and as a pinch runner. She comes from Holy Names

High School in Concord, Calif., where she was a two-time all-league performer.

CATCHERS

SDSU opens 2005 with an embarrassment of riches behind the plate as three Aztecs could see action at catcher. Senior Danielle Touhey, junior Jamie Burton, and freshman Megan McDonald all saw extensive playing time this fall and figure into SDSU's plans this spring.

"Having the veteran Touhey back there, along with the competitors Burton and McDonald, make catcher a strong position for us," Van Wyk said. "We have the ability to put any one of them back there and get strong performances."

Touhey, having started 127 career games in 140 appearances, is among the most experienced catchers to ever play at SDSU. The Fresno, Calif., native is a defensive stalwart who has gotten better each year with the bat. She is the Aztec's leading returning power hitter after tying for second on the club in home runs last season.

Burton earned 20 starts last season and has seen action in 60 games in her career. She plays mostly as a defensive replacement and pinch runner, but has seen her role with the team become more and more important with every game.

McDonald is a decorated prepster from the Arizona high school ranks, where she earned two all-state honors and three all-region plaudits.

INFIELDERS

The infield returns three Aztecs with playing experience, Meagan Hartung, Lacey Craft and Brittany Green. Behind the three veterans though, are a group of three hungry and eager newcomers.

"We have a lot of competition for spots in the infield this year," Van Wyk said. "The ability of the new players will push the veterans and make for some very tough decisions for us as a coaching staff. However, this is a challenge that we love to have."

Hartung, a junior shortstop, was the Aztecs' leading hitter in 2004 and an all-MWC selection. She figures to once again be among the best in the Mountain West and in the nation. Last season, Hartung paced the Aztecs in batting average, hits, walks, doubles, triples, on-base percentage and slugging percentage.

Craft, the infield's lone senior, started 38 games in 2004, where she played excellent defense at first base. She led the team in fielding of 100 or more chances, nabbing a .984 fielding percentage.

Green saw spot duty behind a pair of seniors

last season for the Aztecs. This season their workload looks to increase. Green picked up 19 starts for SDSU, seeing significant action at second base.

Freshmen Allison Smith, Chrissie Markham and Taryin Casillas provide depth and competition at all the infield positions. Smith was named all-county and all-conference her senior year at Burlingame High School. Markham hails from Mountain Ridge High School in Phoenix, Ariz., where she holds the team's record for RBI, home runs, doubles, hits and batting average. Casillas comes to SDSU following a strong career at Grossmont High School in San Diego, where she earned 2004 east county player-of-the-year accolades.

OUTFIELDERS

The outfield, like the infield, is one that is short on experience, but not on talent. Veteran players Erin Mahoney and Bree Boyer collected a combined 109 starts last season and they return to anchor an extremely talented outfield corps.

"I think the outfield is one that will get better and better as the season progresses," Van Wyk said. "We have two of our most experienced players on the team ready to go out and lead this young group."

Mahoney, a senior, is a 2003 all-MWC honoree and one of the top fielders in the MWC. She is SDSU's top returning base stealer and is the second-leading returning run scorer from 2004.

Boyer is a junior who started 55 games last year for SDSU. She is the second-leading returning hitter and tied for the team lead with Mahoney with 16 sacrifice bunts.

The newcomers in freshmen Kristen Carranza, Dani Sidoti and Wells will battle for the third starting spot in the outfield. Carranza, among the top hitters from the California prep ranks, led her high school team with a .546 batting average in 2004. A two-time all-state selection from Arizona, Sidoti participated with the USA Softball junior national team.

SCHEDULE

Twenty-eight home games at the brand new SDSU Softball Stadium, including contests against 13 of the 2004 NCAA participants and a game against 2004 national champion UCLA in the Campbell-Cartier Tournament, highlight the 2005 schedule.

"This is one of the strongest schedules we have ever faced," Van Wyk said. "It will provide us the challenge and learning experiences needed to be successful in conference and postseason play."

SDSU opens the Mountain West season April 1, at Colorado State and this year's MWC tournament takes place May 12-14 at the SDSU Softball Stadium.



Meagan Hartung



Celena Velasquez



00 Bree Boyer
Jr • OF • 5-4 • R/R
Huntington Beach, Calif.



1 Erin Mahoney
Sr • OF • 5-4 • L/R
Westchester, Calif.



2 Kristen Carranza
Fr • OF • 5-6 • L/L
San Mateo, Calif.



3 Daniel Touhey
Sr • C • 5-9 • R/R
Fresno, Calif.



4 Celena Velasquez
Jr • P • 5-6 • R/R
Tucson, Ariz.



6 Katie Cochran
So • P • 5-9 • R/R
San Jose, Calif.



7 Allison Smith
Fr • IF • 5-11 • R/R
Burlingame, Calif.



8 Dani Sidoti
Fr • OF • 5-10 • L/R
Scottsdale, Ariz.



9 Cori Janelli
Sr • P • 5-11 • R/R
Visalia, Calif.



10 Lacey Craft
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Valley Center, Calif.



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Athletic Trainer