## Aztec Coaches and Staff Profiles





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## Rocky Long - Head Coach



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### At San Diego State: 6th Overall; 4th as Head Coach Overall: 15th Season as a Head Coach → 2002 & 2012 Mountain West Coach of the Year

n the 15-year history of the Mountain West, no football coach is more synonymous with success than Aztec head coach Rocky Long.

Named San Diego State's 18th head coach on Jan. 12, 2011, he begins his fourth year at the helm of the Aztecs. He will also continue his role as the squad's defensive coordinator, a position that he has held when he first arrived on campus in 2009.

Long is the winningest head coach in the history of the Mountain West and has helped usher in two of the biggest turnarounds at MW schools - New Mexico and San Diego State.

Over the last five seasons, Long helped institute a hardnosed, blue-collar, physical-style of football on Montezuma Mesa that revitalized a football program that had been struggling to find an identity for decades.

In December 2008, Long inherited one of the worst defensive units statistically in the country. That season, the Aztecs went 2-10 and posted one victory over a FBS team. The team's defense allowed an average of 37.2 points, 460.8 yards, 247.5 rushing yards and had a passing efficiency defense rating of 151.5. San Diego State also ranked among the bottom eight nationally in all four of those categories, allowing 35 or more points in seven of its final eight games of the season.

Enter Long and his attacking 3-3-5 defense, and the improvement was immediate. Despite employing a drastically different style, Long, in his first year as SDSU's defensive coordinator in 2009, managed to shave more than a touchdown a game off the team's average points allowed and took more than 78 yards per outing off of the total offense allowed figure.

In 2010, Long built a top-40 defense that ceded 20 points or less six times, as the Aztecs posted a winning record for the first time in 12 years, claimed nine victories for the first time since 1977, and captured a bowl victory for the first time since 1969.

The 2011 campaign was no different, as he became the first Aztec head coach to lead the team to a bowl game in his debut season. SDSU compiled an 8-5 record, including its first 3-0 start in 30 years, while also snapping a 19-game losing streak against Pac-10/12 foes and a 23-game skid vs. schools from automatic qualifying BCS conferences.

In 2012, Long garnered his second Mountain West Coachof-the-Year award after guiding the Aztecs to their first conference championship since 1998 and a third straight bowl appearance. Despite a modest fifth-place prediction in the MW preseason poll, Long and SDSU closed out the regular season by winning seven consecutive games, matching the program's longest victory streak since 1980-81.

During that stretch, the Aztecs ranked fifth in the nation in allowing 4.7 yards per play, while limiting the opposition to 19 points or less on five occasions.

Last season, Long directed SDSU to an unprecedented fourth straight postseason appearance, capped by an impressive 49-24 victory over Buffalo in the Famous Idaho Potato Bowl. With Long at the controls, the 2013 Aztecs became just the 19th team out of 488 since 1980 to advance to a bowl game after starting the season with an 0-3 record. The gritty SDSU squad flashed its mettle down the stretch, rallying from fourth-quarter deficits in five games and led the FBS Division with three victories when trailing by 14 points or more.

Long had already made the transition from defensive coordinator to head coach once before, as he directed New Mexico to unparalleled success from 1998-2008. During those 11 years, Long compiled a 65-69 record, including seven seasons with six victories or more. To put that accomplishment in perspective, consider that since 1984, the Lobos are 56-143 with only three six-plus win seasons in the 17 campaigns without Long at the helm.

At New Mexico, Long compiled a schoolrecord 65 victories and led the Lobos to five bowl game appearances in his final seven seasons, despite inheriting a team that had only three winning seasons the previous 15 years. His teams were also bowl eligible in seven of his final eight campaigns.

Long, the 2002 Mountain West Coach of the Year, has earned a national reputation for producing one of the nation's stingiest defensive units. In his final nine campaigns in Albuquerque, Long's defensive units ranked among the top 30 in fewest yards allowed six times and among the top 40 nationally against the rush every year. In addition, six times his units were among the top 26 in fewest rushing yards allowed per game, including fifth-place finishes in both 2001 and 2003.

While at New Mexico, Long coached 13 players selected in the NFL Draft, 10 players who earned All-America honors and 44 first-team all-conference selections. In addition, four Lobos garnered Academic All-America accolades five times during his tenure.

And Long does not mince words when describing what his vision for his San Diego State football program is.

"Everybody should anticipate that this program eventually will be competing for conference championships, year-in and year-out," Long said. "Now, how many you win is determined by a whole lot of factors, but we ought to be able to get to the point where we compete yearly for it."-Prior to accepting the head coaching position at New Mexico, Long served as defensive coordinator for 12 seasons at three different schools. He was the defensive coordinator for two years under Bob Toledo at UCLA in 1996-97, for five seasons at Oregon State from 1991-95, and for five campaigns at Wyoming from 1981-85.

He also served as an assistant coach at TCU and the CFL's British Columbia Lions after starting his career at New Mexico as a graduate assistant coach in 1972.

Originally a defensive back, Long became a three-year starter at quarterback for the Lobos from 1969-71. He earned team MVP honors three times and was the Western Athletic Conference Offensive Player of the Year as a senior. He is a 1974 graduate of New Mexico and was awarded an NCAA postgraduate scholarship.

#### HIGHEST WIN TOTAL IN FIRST THREE SEASONS AS AZTEC HEAD COACH

Rk. Name, Yrs.	Wins
1. Rocky Long, 2011-12-13	25
Claude Gilbert, 1973-74-75	25
3. Don Coryell, 1961-62-63	22
4. Ted Tollner, 1994-95-96	20
Al Luginbill, 1989-90-91	20

#### **MOUNTAIN WEST COACHING VICTORIES**

<u>Rk</u>	Name, Team	Wins
1.	Rocky Long, UNM-SDSU*	87
2.	Gary Patterson, TCU	77
3.	Sonny Lubick, Colorado State	59
4.	Kyle Whittingham, Utah	58
5.	Bronco Mendenhall, Brigham Young	g 56
6	Fisher DeBerry Air Force	<u>1</u> 0

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Includes all victories while team was in the league since the inception of the MW.

\* - indicates current active coach in the MW

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## Rocky Long - Head Coach

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#### **COACHING HIGHLIGHTS**

■ Was named the 18th head coach in Aztec football history in January 2011 and became the first San Diego State head coach to lead the team to a bowl game in his debut campaign. Long has also amassed the most victories of any Mountain West head coach since the league's inception in 1999.

■ Guided San Diego State to an 8-5 record in 2011, the program's best mark in a coach's inaugural season since 1986. The eight victories are tied for second in school history by a first-year head coach.

■ Led the Aztecs to their first 3-0 start in 30 years during the 2011 campaign, highlighted by a 42-24 victory over Washington State, which snapped a 19-game losing streak vs. Pac-10/12 foes and a 23-game skid against schools from automatic qualifying BCS conferences.

■ Helped three players garner All-America honors in 2011, including running back Ronnie Hillman, who was a third-team pick by the Associated Press, tight end Gavin Escobar and cornerback Larry Parker. The trio was among a record seven Aztecs to receive firstteam all-Mountain West recognition.

During the 2011 campaign, SDSU also led the league in turnover margin (0.92/g), sacks (2.23/g), tackles for loss (6.54/g), sacks allowed (0.85/g) and fewest penalties (41.1 ypg).

■ Was named Mountain West Coach of the Year for the second time in his career in 2012 after guiding the Aztecs a 9-4 record and their first conference championship since 1998. SDSU also set a school record with its third consecutive bowl appearance.

■ In 2012, the Aztecs topped the league in rushing defense (133.5 ypg), vaulting to the 28th spot in the national rankings after finishing 78th in that category in 2011.

■ Under his guidance, a total of nine Aztecs have been chosen in the NFL Draft over the past three years, including defensive backs Nat Berhe (fifth round) and Eric Pinkins (sixth round) in May 2014. With their selections, SDSU has had multiple picks in four consecutive years, marking the program's longest stretch since 1978-86.

■ Came to San Diego State to be the team's defensive coordinator in December 2008. In his first year, he helped improve defensive marks in points allowed, first downs, rushing, total defense, thirddown conversion percentage, fourth-down conversion percentage, sacks, interceptions and red-zone conversion percentage, among other categories.

■ In his second campaign, he was part of the coaching staff that helped the Aztecs make their first postseason appearance and log their first winning record in 12 years.

■ Arrived at SDSU after serving as head coach at New Mexico from 1998-2008. He was tabbed the league's coach of the year in 2002.

■ Compiled a New Mexico-record 65 victories and led the Lobos to five bowl game appearances in his final seven seasons. His teams were bowl eligible in seven of his last eight campaigns.

In his final nine seasons in Albuquerque, Long's defensive units ranked among the top 30 in fewest yards allowed six times and among the top 40 against the rush every year. In both 2001 and 2003, New Mexico's defense ranked fifth nationally in fewest rushing yards allowed per game.

■ While at New Mexico, he coached 13 players selected in the NFL Draft, 10 players who earned All-America honors and had a MW-high 34 first-team all-conference selections since 2003.

■ Prior to accepting the head coaching position at New Mexico, he served as defensive coordinator for 12 seasons at three different schools. He was the defensive coordinator for two years under Bob Toledo at UCLA in 1996-97, for five seasons at Oregon State from 1991-95, and for five campaigns at Wyoming from 1981-85.

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#### PLAYING EXPERIENCE

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### LONG TIDBITS

→ Long was one of four NCAA players that visited U.S. servicemen in Vietnam in the summer of 1971. Along with Johnny Musso (Alabama), Lydell Mitchell (Penn State) and Stan Mauldin (Texas), Long spent two weeks in the country going to different U.S. bases.

→ Long is a member of both the University of New Mexico Hall of Honor (inducted in 1996) and the New Mexico Sports Hall of Fame (inducted in 2011).

→ Long met his wife, Debby, while coaching the Pi Beta Phi sorority team in the spring of 1971. He guided the sorority to consecutive undefeated championship seasons in 1971 and 1972. Long's defense was not scored upon in any game in either year.

→ Bobby Knight paid Long a home visit and recruited the twosport athlete to play basketball at Army.

→ Long was a three-time academic all-conference selection, earned the WAC Scholar-Athlete Award (1970) and was an honorable mention Academic All-American in 1969. He earned a coveted NCAA postgraduate scholarship in 1974.

→ Long has been on the winning sideline of the San Diego State-New Mexico game in 12 of the past 13 seasons, save for the 2012 campaign, when the two schools did not meet. He won the first eight meetings as the head coach at UNM and has been on the sidelines as the defensive coordinator or head coach in Aztec victories in 2009, 2010, 2011 and 2013.

→ Long was the starting quarterback at UNM when the Lobos posted consecutive winning seasons in 1970-71. That was the only time that occurred in the 33 seasons between 1964 and 1996.

→ At New Mexico, he left the program as the all-time leading rusher (2,071 yards) and threw just 23 interceptions in 30 career games.

→ Both of Rocky and Debby Long's children were Division I student-athletes and both are currently head coaches at the NAIA or NCAA Division III levels.

letic Conference Offensive Player of the Year as a senior.

■ Long played professionally in the CFL with British Columbia in 1972-73 and 1975-76. He also competed in the World Football League with the Detroit Wheels in 1974.

Attended Alta Loma High School in Alta Loma, Calif.

#### **EDUCATION**

■ He is a 1974 graduate of New Mexico with a bachelor's degree in secondary education and was awarded an NCAA postgraduate scholarship. Long was a three-time academic all-conference pick and received the WAC Scholar-Athlete Award in 1970.

#### PERSONAL

■ Long and his wife, Debby, have two daughters, Roxanne and Hannah.

■ Both of Long's daughters are head coaches at the university level. Roxanne was hired in July of 2012 as the head women's basketball coach at Rogers State University (NAIA) in Claremore, Okla., after four years in the same position at Texas Lutheran (NCAA Division III).

Hannah, meanwhile, is the head volleyball coach at Southwestern University, an NCAA Division III school in Georgetown, Texas. She is a four-time conference coach of the year, having compiled a 306-79 (.795) record in 10 years, including a pair of regional finals appearances in 2008 and 2009.



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### LONG FILE

■ Year at San Diego State: Fourth Season as Head Coach/ Sixth Overall

Hometown: Rancho Cucamonga, Calif.

■ Family: Wife, Debby, and daughters, Roxanne and Hannah

■ Alma Mater: New Mexico, 1974

■ Collegiate Playing Experience: New Mexico - 1969-71

#### Coaching Experience:

2009-14 San Diego State Head Coach (2011-14) Defensive Coordinator (2009-14)

1998-2008 New Mexico *Head Coach* 

1996-97 UCLA Defensive Coordinator

1991-95 Oregon State Defensive Coordinator

1988-90 TCU Secondary

1986-87 British Columbia Lions (CFL) *Linebackers* 

1981-85 Wyoming Defensive Coordinator

1978-80 New Mexico Secondary (1979-80) Offensive Backs (1978)

1972-73 New Mexico *Graduate Assistant* 

# Rocky Long - Head Coach



#### The Long Factor

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

Category	2006-08	2009-13
Record	9-27	38-26
MW Record	6-18	24-15
Opp. PPG	32.9	26.7
Opp. Total Offense/G	436.9	376.3
Opp. Rush. Yds./G	223.3	149.4

#### Most Victories By A First-Year **SDSU Head Coach**

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Name	First Year at SDSU	Wins
Claude Gilbert	1973	9
Rocky Long	2011	8
Denny Stolz	1986	8
Don Coryell	1961	7
Bill Schutte	1947	7
Al Luginbill	1989	6
Doug Scovil	1981	6
Bill Terry	1946	6

#### Bowl Games As A Coach (10)

#### San Diego State

2013 Famous Idaho Potato Bowl 2012 Poinsettia Bowl 2011 New Orleans Bowl 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 1998 Cotton Bowl



Rocky Long		
Head Coaching Record vs. Opp	oner	nts
William Street	W	L
Air Force	8	6
Arizona	2	0
Army	2	0
Baylor	1	1
Boise State	2	3
Brigham Young	2	10
Buffalo	1	0
Cal Poly	1	0
Central Florida	0	1
Colorado State	0	1
Eastern Illinois Fresno State	1	3
Hawai'i	3	0
Idaho State	5 1	0
Louisiana-Lafavette	0	1
Michigan	0	1
Missouri	1	1
Navy	0	1
Nevada	3	0
New Mexico	2	0
New Mexico State	9	3
North Carolina State	0	1
North Dakota	1	0
Northern Arizona	2	0
Ohio State	0	1
Oregon State	0	4
Portland State	Ő	1
Sacramento State	1	0
San Diego State	9	2
San José State	1	3
TCU	0	5
Texas A&M	0	1
Texas State	1	0
Texas Tech	1	4
Tulsa	0	1
UCLA	0	1
UNLV	9	4
Utah	5	6
Utah State	2	1
UTEP		4
Washington	0	1
Washington State Weber State	1	2
	1	0
Wyoming	9	3
Totals	90	83

#### Rocky Long Division I Year-By-Year - Head Coach

Year	School	Title	Record	Conf.	Finish	Conf.	Home	Away	Neutral	Bowl Game
1998	New Mexico	Head Coach	3-9	1-7	7th	WAC	2-4	1-5		
1999	New Mexico	Head Coach	4-7	3-4	T-5th	MW	3-3	1-4		
2000	New Mexico	Head Coach	5-7	3-4	T-5th	MW	3-3	2-4		
2001	New Mexico	Head Coach	6-5	4-3	T-3rd	MW	4-2	2-3		
2002	New Mexico	Head Coach	7-7	5-2	2nd	MW	5-1	2-5	0-1	Las Vegas Bowl
2003	New Mexico	Head Coach	8-5	5-2	2nd	MW	5-2	3-2	0-1	Las Vegas Bowl
2004	New Mexico	Head Coach	7-5	5-2	2nd	MW	3-2	4-2	0-1	Emerald Bowl
2005	New Mexico	Head Coach	6-5	4-4	T-4th	MW	2-3	4-2		
2006	New Mexico	Head Coach	6-7	4-4	5th	MW	3-5	3-2		New Mexico Bowl
2007	New Mexico	Head Coach	9-4	5-3	T-3rd	MW	6-1	3-3		New Mexico Bowl
2008	New Mexico	Head Coach	4-8	2-6	T-6th	MW	3-3	1-5		
NEW M	IEXICO TOTALS (11	Seasons)	65-69	41-41			39-29	26-37	0-3	
2011	San Diego State	Head Coach	8-5	4-3	4th	MW	4-3	4-1	0-1	New Orleans Bowl
2012	San Diego State	Head Coach	9-4	7-1	T-1st	MW	6-2	3-2		Poinsettia Bowl
2013	San Diego State	Head Coach	8-5	6-2	2nd (W)	MW	3-3	4-2	1-0	Famous Idaho Potato Bowl
SAN DI	EGO STATE HEAD C	OACHING TOTALS (3 Seasons	) 25-14	17-6			13-8	11-5	1-1	
CAREE	R HEAD COACHIN	G TOTALS (13 Seasons)	90-83	58-47			52-37	37-42	1-4	

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#### ■ NEW MEXICO 1998

3-9 Ov	verall; 1-7	WAC (7t	h Place -	Pacific)

Date 1	Ópponent `	<u>Result</u>
Sept. 5	Idaho StateW	38 - 9
Sept. 12	Utah State	39 - 36
Sept. 19	at New Mexico StateL	27 - 28
Sept. 26	at San Jose StateL	20 - 37
Oct. 3	at Air ForceL	14 - 56
Oct. 10	UTEPL	19 - 22
Oct. 17	San Diego Stateot-L	33 - 36
Oct. 24	at Hawai'iW	30 - 20
Oct. 31	Fresno StateL	20 - 28
Nov. 7	at Brigham YoungL	21 - 46
Nov. 14	UtahL	7 - 41
Nov. 21	at Central FloridaL	6 - 38

#### ■ NEW MEXICO 1999 verall: 3-4 MWC (Tie-5th Place)

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Opponent	Result
at UTEPL	10 - 13
New Mexico StateL	28 - 35
Northern ArizonaW	45 - 14
at Boise StateL	9 - 20
at San Diego StateW	24 - 21
Brigham YoungL	
UNLVW	
Colorado StateL	22 - 36
at UtahL	7 - 52
at WyomingL	28 - 42
Air ForceW	33 - 28
	Ópponent         L           at UTEP         L           New Mexico State         L           Northern Arizona         W           at Boise State         L           at San Diego State         W           Brigham Young         L           UNLV         W           Colorado State         L           at Utah         L           at Wyoming         L

#### ■ NEW MEXICO 2000

#### 5-7 Overall; 3-4 MWC (Tie-5th Place)

Date	Opponent	<u>Result</u>
Aug. 26	at Texas TechL	3 - 24
Sept. 2	Boise StateL	14 - 31
Sept. 9	Oregon StateL	20 - 28
Sept. 16	at New Mexico StateW	16 - 13
Sept. 23	Northern ArizonaW	35 - 28
Sept. 30	WyomingW	45 - 10
Oct. 7	at Colorado StateL	14 - 17
Oct. 21	at Air ForceW	29 - 23
Oct. 28	UtahW	10 - 3
Nov. 4	San Diego StateL	16 - 17
Nov. 11	at UNLVL	14 - 18
Nov. 18	at Brigham YoungL	13 - 37

#### ■ NEW MEXICO 2001

#### 6-5 Overall; 4-3 MWC (Tie-3rd Place)

<u>Opponent</u>	Result
UTÉPW	26 - 6
at Texas TechL	30 - 42
at Baylorot-L	13 - 16
at UtahL	16 - 37
at WyomingW	30 - 29
Brigham YoungL	20 - 24
Air ForceW	52 - 33
at San Diego StateW	20 - 15
UNLVW	27 - 17
Colorado StateL	17 - 24
New Mexico StateW	53 - 0
	UTÉP         W           at Texas Tech         L           at Baylor         ot-L           at Utah         L           at Wyoming         W           Brigham Young         L           Air Force         W           at San Diego State         W           UNLV         W           Colorado State         L

#### ■ NEW MEXICO 2002

### ^ = LAS VEGAS BOWL 7-7 Overall; 5-2 MWC (2nd Place)

Date	Opponent	Result
Aug. 23	at North Carolina StateL	14 - 34
Aug. 31	Weber StateW	38 - 24
Sept. 7	at Air Forceot-L	31 - 38
Sept. 14	BaylorW	23 - 0
Sept. 21	at New Mexico StateL	13 - 24
Sept. 27	Texas TechL	0 - 49
Oct. 12	at UNLVW	25 - 16
Oct. 19	at Utah Stateot-L	44 - 45
Oct. 26	Utah2ot-W	42 - 35
Nov. 9	San Diego StateW	15 - 8
Nov. 16	at Brigham YoungW	20 - 16
Nov. 23	at Colorado StateL	14 - 22
Nov. 30	WyomingW	49 - 20
Dec. 25	^vś. UCĽAL	13 - 27

#### NEW MEXICO 2003 ^ = LAS VEGAS BOWL

#### 8-5 Overall; 5-2 MWC (2nd Place)

Date	Opponent	<u>Result</u>		
Aug. 30	Texas StateW	72 - 8		
Sept. 6	at Texas TechL	28 - 42		
Sept. 13	Brigham YoungL	7 - 10		
Sept. 20	at Washington StateL	13 - 23		
Sept. 27	New Mexico StateW	24 - 17		
Oct. 4	Utah StateW	34 - 7		
Oct. 18	at San Diego StateW	30 - 7		
Oct. 25	at UtahW	47 - 35		
Nov. 1	UNLVL	35 - 37		
Nov. 7	Colorado StateW	37 - 34		
Nov. 15	Air ForceW	24 - 12		
Nov. 22	at WyomingW	26 - 3		
Dec. 24	^vs. Oregon StateL	14 - 55		

#### NEW MEXICO 2004 ^ = EMERALD BOWL

#### 7-5 Overall; 5-2 MWC (2nd Place)

Date	Opponent	Result.		
Sept. 3	Washington StateL	17 - 21		
Sept. 11	Texas TechW	27 - 24		
Sept. 18	at Oregon StateL	7 - 17		
Sept. 25	at New Mexico StateW	38 - 3		
Oct. 1	UtahL	7 - 28		
Oct. 9	at Air ForceL	23 - 28		
Oct. 16	at UNLVW	24 - 20		
Oct. 23	San Diego StateW	19 - 9		
Oct. 30	at Colorado StateW	26 - 17		
Nov. 13	at Brigham YoungW	21 - 14		
Nov. 20	WyomingW	16 - 9		
Dec. 30	^vs. NavyL	19 - 34		

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0-5 Overall, 4-4 WWVC (4th Place)				
Date Date	Opponent	Result Result		
Sept. 5	UŃĹVW	24 - 22		
Sept. 10	at MissouriW	45 - 35		
Sept. 17	New Mexico StateW	38 - 21		
Sept. 24	at UTEPL	13 - 21		
Oct. 1	at TCUL	28 - 49		
Oct. 8	Brigham YoungL	24 - 27		
Oct. 15	at WyomingW	27 - 24		
Oct. 22	at San Diego StateW	47 - 24		
Oct. 28	Colorado StateL	25 - 35		
Nov. 12	at UtahW	31 - 27		
Nov. 19	Air ForceL	24 - 42		

#### NEW MEXICO 2006

#### ^ = NEW MEXICO BOWL 6-7 Overall: 4-4 MWC (5th Place)

6-7 Overall; 4-4 WWC (5th Place)				
Date	<u>Ópponent</u>	Result		
Sept. 2	Portland StateL	6 - 17		
Sept. 9	at New Mexico StateW	34 - 28		
Sept. 16	MissouriL	17 - 27		
Sept. 23	UTEPW	26 - 13		
Sept. 30	at Air ForceL	7 - 24		
Oct. 7	WyomingL	10 - 14		
Oct. 14	at UNLVot-W	39 - 36		
Oct. 19	UtahW	34 - 31		
Oct. 28	at Colorado StateW	20 - 19		
Nov. 11	TCUL	21 - 27		
Nov. 18	at Brigham YoungL	17 - 42		
Nov. 25	San Diego StateW	41 - 14		
Dec. 23	^San José StateL	12 - 20		

#### NEW MEXICO 2007

#### ^ = NEW MEXICO BOWL ים ו

9-4 Overall; 5-3 MWC (Tie-3rd Place)			
Date	Opponent	Result	
Sept. 1	at UTEPL	6 - 10	
Sept. 8	New Mexico StateW	44 - 34	
Sept. 15	at ArizonaW	29 - 27	
Sept. 22	Sacramento StateW	58 - 0	
Sept. 29	Brigham YoungL	24 - 31	
Oct. 13	at WyomingW	20 - 3	
Oct. 20	at San Diego StateW	20 - 17	
Oct. 25	Air ForceW	34 - 31	

Nov. 10 Nov. 17 Nov. 24 Dec. 22	Colorado StateW at UtahL UNLVW ^NevadaW	10 - 28 27 - 6
4-8 Overa	MEXICO 2008 all; 2-6 MWC (Tie-6th Place) Opponent	<u>Result</u>

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Aug. 30	TCÚL	3 - 26
Sept. 6	Texas A&ML	22 - 28
Sept. 13	ArizonaW	36 - 28
Sept. 20	at TulsaL	14 - 56
Sept. 27	at New Mexico StateW	35 - 24
Oct. 4	WyomingW	24 - 0
Oct. 11	at Brigham YoungL	3 - 21
Oct. 18	San Diego StateW	70 - 7
Oct. 23	at Air ForceL	10 - 23
Nov. 1	UtahL	10 - 13
Nov. 8	at UNLVL	20 - 27
Nov. 15	at Colorado StateL	6 - 20

#### SAN DIEGO STATE 2011

#### ^ = NEW ORLEANS BOWL

8-5 Overa	all; 4-3 MW (4th Place)	
Date	<u>Opponent</u>	Result
Sept. 3	Cal PolyW	49 - 21
Sept. 10	at ArmyW	23 - 20
Sept. 17	Washington StateW	42 - 24
Sept. 24	at MichiganL	7 - 28
Oct. 8	TCUL	14 - 27
Oct. 13	at Air ForceW	41 - 27
Oct. 29	WyomingL	27 - 30
Nov. 5	New MexicoW	35 - 7
Nov. 12	at Colorado StateW	18 - 15
Nov. 19	Boise StateL	35 - 52
Nov. 26	at UNLVW	31 - 14
Dec. 3	Fresno StateW	35 - 28
Dec. 17	^vs. Louisiana-LafayetteL	30 - 32

#### SAN DIEGO STATE 2012 A = POINSETTIA BOWI

9-4 Overa	all; 7-1 MW (Tie-1st Place)			
Date	<u>Opponent</u>	Result		
Sept. 1	at WashingtonL	12 - 21		
Sept. 8	ArmyW	42 - 7		
Sept. 15	North DakotaW	49 - 41		
Sept. 22	San José StateL	34 - 38		
Sept. 29	at Fresno StateL	40 - 52		
Oct. 6	Hawai'iW	52 - 14		
Oct. 13	Colorado StateW	38 - 14		
Oct. 20	at Nevadaot-W	39 - 38		
Oct. 27	UNLVW	24 - 13		
Nov. 3	at Boise StateW	21 - 19		
Nov. 10	Air ForceW	28 - 9		
Nov. 24	at WyomingW	42 - 28		
Dec. 20	^vs. Brigham YoungL	6 - 23		

#### SAN DIEGO STATE 2013

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8-5 Overall; 6-2 MW (2nd Place - West Division)				
Date Date	Opponent		Result	
Aug. 31	Eastern Illinois	L	19 - 40	
Sept. 7	at Ohio State	L	7 - 42	
Sept. 21	Oregon State	L	30 - 34	
Sept. 28	at New Mexico State	W	26 - 16	
Oct. 4	Nevada	ot-W	51 - 44	
Oct. 10	at Air Force	W	27 - 20	
Oct. 26	Fresno State	ot-L	28 - 35	
Nov. 2	New Mexico	W	35 - 30	
Nov. 9	at San José State	W	34 - 30	
Nov. 16	at Hawai'i	ot-W	28 - 21	
Nov. 23	Boise State	ot-W	34 - 31	
Nov. 30	at UNLV	L	19 - 45	
Dec. 21	^vs. Buffalo	W	49 - 24	

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## Jeff Horton - Asst. Head Coach/RBs



#### **COACHING EXPERIENCE**

■ With 26 years of collegiate coaching experience, including seven as a head coach, Jeff Horton begins his fourth season at San Diego State. Horton is the team's assistant head coach and also works with the Aztec running backs.

Under his guidance, SDSU ran for 2,000 yards as a team and produced a 1,000-yard rusher for the fourth year in a row in 2013.

■ Oversaw the development last season of Donnel Pumphrey, who became the first Aztec running back to record three straight 100yard games as a true freshman since Pro Football Hall of Famer Marshall Faulk accomplished the feat in 1991.

#### NOTABLE PLAYERS COACHED BY HORTON

Ronnie Hillman, RB (SDSU), Denver Broncos
 AP Third-Team All-American, Third-Round NFL Draft pick
 Matthew Stafford, QB (Detroit Lions), Detroit Lions
 No. 1 NFL Draft pick, Started 10 games as a rookie
 Brooks Bollinger, QB (Wisconsin)
 Four-year starter, NFL Draft Pick in 2003
 Jim Sorgi, QB (Wisconsin)
 2006 Super Bowl champion
 Jon Denton, QB (UNLV)
 Set 10 NCAA freshman passing records in 1996
 Chris Vargas, QB (Nevada)
 Nevada Team of the Century

#### BOWL GAMES AS A COACH (11) San Diego State

2013 Famous Idaho Potato Bowl, 2012 Poinsettia Bowl, 2011 New Orleans Bowl

#### Wisconsin

2005 Capital One Bowl, 2004 Outback Bowl, 2003 Music City Bowl, 2002 Alamo Bowl, 2000 Sun Bowl, 1999 Rose Bowl

#### UNLV

1994 Las Vegas Bowl

■ Nevada 1992 Las Vegas Bowl ■ Despite the loss of All-American Ronnie Hillman to the NFL, SDSU established school records for rushing yardage (2,869) and rushing attempts (578) in 2012, finishing with its highest national ranking in rushing offense (20th) dating back to 1987. The Aztecs also scored 30 rushing touchdowns, their most since 1991, and gained 5.0 yards per carry, matching the 1995 and 1951 squads for the fifth-highest average in school history. Under his guidance, Adam Muema earned second-team all-Mountain West honors after gaining 1,498 yards, which marked the third-highest single-season rushing total by an SDSU sophomore and eighth-best overall.

■ Helped Ronnie Hillman receive All-America recognition from the Associated Press in 2011 after the the Aztec running back rushed for a conference-record 1,711 yards, which ranked fourth nationally, and added 19 touchdowns. Hillman, who was one of 10 semifinalists for the Doak Walker Award that season, was selected in the third round of the NFL Draft by the Denver Broncos in April 2012.

■ Came to The Mesa after spending the final five games of the 2010 campaign 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 after beginning the year with a 1-6 mark.

■ As the co-offensive coordinator, the Gophers saw drastic improvements from 2009 in the NCAA rankings in total offense (+34 spots), rushing offense (+26), passing offense (+18), scoring offense (+11), turnovers (+82), time of possession (+82) and penalties (+21).

■ Prior to his time at Minnesota, he was the quarterbacks coach for the Detroit Lions in 2009, working with No. 1 overall Draft pick Matthew Stafford. Stafford started 10 games and threw for more than 2,000 yards.

■ Began his stint in the NFL with the St. Louis Rams from 2006-08, where he was the assistant offensive line coach, special assistant to the head coach and an offensive assistant.

■ Was on the sidelines in six bowl games as the quarterbacks coach at the University of Wisconsin from 1999-2005. The Badgers tallied four postseason victories, including a 17-9 win over Stanford in the 2000 Rose Bowl, after claiming the Big Ten championship.

■ Tutored Wisconsin signal-caller Brooks Bollinger to a combined 30-12 record over his four seasons as a starter. Both Bollinger and quarterback Jim Sorgi were selected in the NFL Draft during his stay in Madison.

■ The Arlington, Texas, native was the head coach at UNLV for five years. In 1994, he was named the Big West Coach of the Year after leading the Rebels to the conference title and a berth in the Las Vegas Bowl.

■ Compiled a 7-4 record at Nevada in his first season as a head coach in 1993. The Wolf Pack led the nation in offense that campaign, including 4,373 yards passing.

■ In addition, he spent six years as a wide receivers, special teams or running backs coach at Nevada (1985-89, 1992) and two campaigns as an assistant head coach, running backs and wide receivers coach at UNLV (1990-91).

■ Started his collegiate coaching career in 1984 as a graduate assistant at Minnesota under head coach Lou Holtz.

#### PLAYING EXPERIENCE

■ Was a walk-on wide receiver at Arkansas from 1976-77.

#### EDUCATION

■ Graduated from Nevada in 1981 with his bachelor's degree and earned his master's from the University of San Francisco in 1993.

#### PERSONAL

Horton and his wife, Teri, reside in San Diego.



#### **HORTON FILE**

■ Year at San Diego State: Fourth Season

■ Hometown: Arlington, Texas

■ Family: Wife, Teri

■ Alma Mater: Nevada, 1981 University of San Francisco, 1993 (M.S.)

■ Collegiate Playing Experience: Arkansas - 1976-77

■ Coaching Experience: 2011-13 San Diego State Assistant Head Coach/Running Backs

2010 Minnesota Interim Head Coach Offensive Coordinator/QBs

2009 Detroit Lions *Quarterbacks* 

2006-08 St. Louis Rams Assistant Offensive Line (2008) Special Assistant to HC/Offense (2006-07)

1999-2005 Wisconsin *Quarterbacks* 

1994-98, 1990-91 UNLV Head Coach (1994-98) Assistant Head Coach (1990-91)

1992-93, 1985-89 Nevada Head Coach (1993) Wide Receivers (1992) Assistant Coach (1985-89)

1984 Minnesota Graduate Assistant

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## **Bob Toledo - Offensive Coordinator**

#### **ONFERENCE CHAMPIONSHIPS**

#### **COACHING EXPERIENCE**

Bob Toledo begins his second season as the Aztecs' offensive coordinator after arriving on Montezuma Mesa in January 2013.

In his 40th year of collegiate coaching overall, he has served 18 years as a head coach. His teams have been to 14 bowl games, including seven of the traditional New Year's Day bowls.

Enters his fourth season working with Rocky Long. Held the role of assistant head coach/offensive coordinator/quarterbacks coach under Long at New Mexico in 2006. Long, meanwhile was the de-fensive coordinator on Toledo's staff at UCLA for two years from 1996-97

■ In his first season calling the plays on Montezuma Mesa, the 2013 Aztecs became just the fifth team in school history to surpass 3,000 yards passing and 2,000 yards rushing in the same year.

■ In his lone season at UNM, he helped the Lobos to a berth in the inaugural New Mexico Bowl, as running back Rodney Ferguson led the Mountain West in rushing and earned first-team all-conference honors. Also thriving in his system were wide receiver Travis Brown and offensive guard Robert Turner, who garnered first-team all-MW recognition as well.

■ Under his tutelage at Tulane, tailback Matt Forte rushed for a school-record 2,127 yards in 2007--the seventh-highest single-season total in NCAA history. A second-round pick of the Chicago Bears in 2008, Forte became the sixth running back coached by Toledo to be selected in the NFL Draft, joining Karim Abdul-Jabbar (UCLA), DeShaun Foster (UCLA), Skip Hicks (UCLA), Lionel Manuel (Pacific) and Derek Williams (UC Riverside).

Coached Tulane's first 1,000-yard rushing and 1,000-yard receiving combination in the same season during the 2009 campaign, as running back Andre Anderson played in the East-West Shrine Game, while wide receiver Jeremy Williams was named South MVP in the Senior Bowl.

Spent seven years as head coach at UCLA from 1996-2002, compiling a 49-32 overall record. During his tenure, the Bruins fashioned a school-record 20-game winning streak, claimed two Pac-10 titles and posted non-conference victories over Texas (twice), Alabama (twice), Ohio State and Texas A&M. Before assuming the head coaching duties in Westwood, he served as UCLA's offensive coordinator for two seasons (1994-95) under Terry Donahue.

Coached 11 first-team All-Americans during his tenure at UCLA, including Cade McNown, Kris Farris and Jonathan Ogden. In 1998, McNown was the winner of the Unitas Golden Arm Award and was named Pac-10 Offensive Player of the Year, while Farris captured the Outland Trophy that season. Ogden, meanwhile, took home the Outland Trophy in 1995 and was later enshrined into the College Football Hall of Fame.

■ His 1998 Bruin squad went 10-2, rising to No. 2 in the national polls. Under his direction, UCLA finished the regular season ranked fifth nationally in scoring offense (40.5 pts/gm) and eighth in total offense (482.6 yds/gm). He was also a finalist for three Coach of the Year awards after the team set school records in total offense (5,487 yds), passing (3,658 yds) and passing TDs (29).

■ In 1997, the Bruins also established a school standard, scoring 477 points en route to a 10-2 record. In the Cotton Bowl against Texas A&M, UCLA overcame a 16-0 first-half deficit for a 29-23 victory to secure a No. 5 national ranking. With Rocky Long guiding the defense that year, the Bruins ranked second nationally in turnovers forced (39) and turnover margin (+1.8), while leading the Pac-10 in interceptions (10).

Spent five years as offensive coordinator at Texas A&M (1986-93), as the Aggies amassed a 49-12-1 record, winning three Southwest Conference titles to go with five straight bowl appearances.

Served as the offensive coordinator at Oregon for six seasons (1983-88), developing two of the Pac-10's most productive quarterbacks in Chris Miller and Bill Musgrave.

■ Coached the defensive backfield at USC from 1976-78, helping the Trojans to a 31-6 overall record and a share of the national championship following the 1978 campaign. Future NFL stars Dennis Thurman, Ronnie Lott and Dennis Smith were among his most heralded pupils.

Earned his first head coaching assignment at UC Riverside (1974-75), guiding the Highlanders to consecutive California Collegiate Athletic Association championships.

#### PLAYING EXPERIENCE

Starred at quarterback for two seasons at San Francisco State (1966-67) after transferring from San Jose City College. Earned Northern California Player of the Year honors and was a secondteam All-American.

#### EDUCATION

Obtained his bachelor's degree in physical education from San Francisco State in 1968.

#### PERSONAL

■ Toledo and his wife, Elaine, have three daughters, Demetra, Christa and Alissa, and eight grandchildren.

#### NOTABLE PLAYERS COACHED BY TOLEDO Matt Forte, RB (Tulane), Chicago Bears

AP Third-Team All-American, Two-time All-Conference USA pick, Tulane's single-season rushing leader

Jonathan Ogden, OT (UCLA), Baltimore Ravens First-Team All-American, Outland Trophy winner and Lombardi Trophy finalst, Was the fourth overall selection in the 1996 NFL Draft by the Ravens

■ <u>Cade McNown</u>, QB (UCLA), Chicago Bears First-Team All-America honoree, Unitas Golden Arm Award recipient and Pac-10 Offensive Player of the Year, Tops the Bruins' ca-

reer charts in passing yards and total offense Kris Farris, OT (UCLA)

First-Team All-American and Outland Trophy winner ■ Skip Hicks, RB (UCLA)

First-Team All-American, All-Time Pac-10 leader with 55 career TDs, Third-Round NFL Draft Pick in 1998

■ J.J. Stokes, WR (UCLA), San Francisco 49ers Ranks fourth on the Bruins' all-time charts in receptions and receiving yards, First-Round NFL Draft pick in 1995

■ Richmond Webb, OT (Texas A&M), Miami Dolphins

Seven straight Pro Bowls, NFL 1990s All-Decade Team Chris Miller, QB (Oregon), Atlanta Falcons

Twice earned First-Team All-Pac-10 honors, Set 13 school records, Ranks fifth on the Ducks' all-time passing yardage list

■ Ronnie Lott, DB (USC), San Francisco 49ers Inducted into the Pro Football Hall of Fame in 2000 and College Football Hall of Fame in 2002

Butch Johnson, WR (UC Riverside), Dallas Cowboys Caught TD pass to help Cowboys win Super Bowl XII

#### BOWL GAMES AS A COACH (14)

San Diego State 2013 Famous Idaho Potato Bowl

New Mexico 2006 New Mexico Bowl

UCLA 2000 Sun Bowl, 1999 Rose Bowl, 1998 Cotton Bowl, 1995 Aloha Bowl

Texas A&M 1994 Cotton Bowl, 1993 Cotton Bowl, 1992 Cotton Bowl, 1990 Holiday Bowl, 1989 John Hancock Bowl

USC 1979 Rose Bowl, 1977 Bluebonnet Bowl, 1977 Rose Bowl



#### **TOLEDO FILE**

Year at San Diego State: Second Season

Hometown: San Jose, Calif.

#### Family:

Wife, Elaine, and daughters, Demtera, Christa and Alissa, and eight grandchildren

Alma Mater: San Francisco State, 1968

Collegiate Playing Experience: San Jose State - 1964 San Jose City College - 1965

San Francisco State - 1966-67

Coaching Experience: 2013

San Diego State Offensive Coordinator

2007-11 Tulane Head Coach

2006 New Mexico Assistant Head Coach/Offensive Coordinator/Quarterbacks

1994-2002 UCLA Head Coach (1996-2002) Offensive Coordinator (1994-95)

1989-93 Texas A&M Offensive Coordinator

1983-88 Oregon Assistant Head Coach/Offensive Coordinator

1979-82 Pacific Head Coach

1976-78 USC Defensive Backfield

1973-75 UC Riverside Head Coach (1974-75) Offensive Coordinator (1973) ⋗

## Zach Arnett - Linebackers

FOUR STRAIGHT BOWL GAME APPEARANCES  $\blacktriangleright$  19 CONFERENCE CHAMPIONSHIPS

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■ Zach Arnett was promoted to linebackers coach in the spring of 2014 after spending three years as a defensive graduate assistant.

■ Helped linebacker Nick Tenhaeff earn all-Mountain West honorable mention in 2013. Tenhaeff led the Aztecs with 15.0 tackles for loss and 5.0 sacks last season and was third on the squad with 64 tackles combined, including 43 solo stops.

■ Helped coach two Aztecs - Jake Fely and Derek Largent - to allleague accolades in 2012. Fely had 90 tackles, and led the team in tackles for loss (11.5), sacks (7) and forced fumbles (2) en route to second-team honors, while Largent was an honorable mention pick with 61 tackles (9.5 TFL), 6.5 sacks, three fumble recoveries, two interceptions and a forced fumble.

■ Prior to his arrival on Montezuma Mesa, Arnett played collegiately for four seasons at New Mexico under current San Diego State head coachh Rocky Long.

#### PLAYING EXPERIENCE

■ Was a standout linebacker for the Lobos from 2005-08, lettering four times and serving as team captain during his senior campaign.

■ Started all 12 contests as a senior, recording 92 tackles, including 11 behind the line of scrimmage, and an MW record-tying six forced fumbles. Helped UNM rank 36th nationally in rushing defense in 2008.

■ Finished his Lobo career with 200 total stops, 19 tackles for loss and four sacks in 47 outings.

■ New Mexico won 25 games during his four-year stint and made consecutive bowl game appearances in 2006 and 2007.

■ Excelled in the classroom, where he was a first-team Academic All-American in 2008. Also was a four-time academic all-conference honoree and scholar-athlete.

■ Originally signed to play for the UNM baseball team coming out of high school, but was given a football scholarship the summer before the start of his true freshman season.

■ Attended La Cueva High School in Albuquerque, competing in both football and baseball. Was a two-time all-state pick at line-backer and three-time selection at catcher.

#### EDUCATION

Graduated from New Mexico in 2009, with his bachelor's degree in history and a minor in political science.

#### NOTABLE PLAYERS COACHED BY ARNETT

Nick Tenhaeff, LB (SDSU) 2013 Honorable Mention All-MW
Jake Fely, LB (SDSU) 2012 Second-Team All-MW
Derek Largent, LB (SDSU) 2012 Honorable Mention All-MW

#### BOWL GAMES AS A COACH (3)

■ San Diego State 2013 Famous Idaho Potato Bowl, 2012 Poinsettia Bowl, 2011 New Orleans Bowl

#### **BOWL GAMES AS A PLAYER (2)**

■ New Mexico 2007 New Mexico Bowl, 2006 New Mexico Bowl



#### **ARNETT FILE**

■ Year at San Diego State: Fourth Season

Hometown: Albuquerque, N.M.

■ Alma Mater: New Mexico, 2009

■ Collegiate Playing Experience: New Mexico - 2005-08

Coaching Experience: 2014 San Diego State *Linebackers* 

2011-13 San Diego State Graduate Assistant - Defense

## Danny Gonzales - Safeties

#### FOUR STRAIGHT BOWL GAME APPEARANCES ▶ 19 CONFERENCE CHAMPIONSHIPS

#### **COACHING EXPERIENCE**

Danny Gonzales is in his fourth season with San Diego State and coaches the team's safeties. He previously was a member of Aztec head coach Rocky Long's staff at New Mexico.

■ Coached Nat Berhe and Eric Pinkins, both of whom were selected in the 2014 NFL Draft. Berhe was a fifth-round selection of the New York Giants, while Pinkins went in the sixth round to the defending Super Bowl champion Seattle Seahawks.

■ Under his guidance, Berhe became the first Aztec safety in the Mountain West era (since 1999) to garner all-conference accolades three years in a row. Berhe, who landed on the 2013 preseason watch lists for the Jim Thorpe Award and Lott IMPACT Trophy, capped a brilliant collegiate career with first-team all-MW honors after leading the team with a career-high 99 tackles, including 60 solo stops.

■ As a team in 2012, helped the Aztec defense top the MW in rushing defense with 133.5 yards per game. SDSU also showed dramatic improvement in that statistic at the national level, climbing from the 78th spot in 2011 to the 28th position in 2012.

■ Was part of a staff that saw the Aztec defense finish 2011 with a No. 1 conference ranking in sacks (2.23/g), tackles for loss (6.54/g), interceptions (15) and turnovers gained (28).

■ From 2005-08, worked with the safeties, punters, kickers and deep snappers at UNM. Under his tutelage, the Lobo safeties combined for 55 pass breakups in 2007-08, and the 2007 New Mexico

#### NOTABLE PLAYERS COACHED BY GONZALES

<u>Nat Berhe</u>, DB (SDSU), New York Giants

Three-time All-MW selection, Fifth-round NFL Draft pick in 2014

■ <u>Eric Pinkins</u>, DB (SDSU), Seattle Seahawks

#### Sixth-round NFL Draft pick in 2014 James Aho, PK (New Mexico)

2008 Second-Team Freshman All-American

Quincy Black, DB (New Mexico), Tampa Bay Buccaneers

First-Team All-MW, Third-Round NFL Draft pick in 2007

■ <u>Kenny Byrd</u>, PK (New Mexico) 2006 First-Team All-MW selection

■ <u>Clint McPeek</u>, DB (New Mexico)

Played for the UFL's Hartford Colonials

■ <u>Glover Quin</u>, DB (New Mexico), Houston Texans

Fourth-Round NFL Draft pick in 2007 ■ Jordan Scott, P (New Mexico)

2007 Honorable Mention All-MW

■ John Sullivan, PK (New Mexico)

2007 Consensus All-American

#### **BOWL GAMES AS A COACH (6)**

San Diego State

2013 Famous Idaho Potato Bowl, 2012 Poinsettia Bowl, 2011 New Orleans Bowl

#### New Mexico

2007 New Mexico Bowl, 2006 New Mexico Bowl, 2002 Las Vegas Bowl

BOWL GAME AS A PLAYER (1) New Mexico 1997 Insight.com Bowl



squad ranked 13th nationally in total defense, 14th in scoring defense and 20th in passing defense.

■ Coached placekicker John Sullivan to consensus All-America honors. A former walk-on, Sullivan nailed a nation's best 29 field goals in 2007.

Placekickers Kenny Byrd (first-team all-MWC) and James Aho (freshman All-American), and punter Jordan Scott (honorable mention all-MWC) also were honored during Gonzales' coaching stint at UNM.

■ Worked with NFL Draft picks defensive back Glover Quin (Houston Texans) and linebacker/defensive back Quincy Black (Tampa Bay Buccaneers) at New Mexico.

■ Was the school's video coordinator from 2003-05 and started his coaching career as a defensive graduate assistant for the Lobos from 1999-2002.

#### PLAYING EXPERIENCE

■ Was a three-year letterwinner at New Mexico, competing as a punter and safety. He earned the team's Chuck Cummings Memorial Award for morale and spirit as a senior.

■ Was a part of the 1997 Lobo squad that won the Western Athletic Conference Mountain Division championship and competed in the Insight.com Bowl. UNM compiled an 9-4 overall record that year, including a 6-2 mark in league action.

#### EDUCATION

Has a bachelor's degree from New Mexico in business administration and general management and a master's degree in physical education and recreation.

#### PERSONAL

■ Is married to Sandra and has four children, Cole (16), Jake (14), Chloe (2) and a newborn Abby.



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#### **GONZALES FILE**

Year at San Diego State:
Fourth Season

■ Hometown: Albuquerque, N.M.

■ Family: Wife, Sandra, and children, Cole, Jake, Chloe and Abby

■ Alma Mater: New Mexico, 1998, 2002

■ Collegiate Playing Experience: New Mexico - 1994-98

■ Coaching Experience: 2011-14 San Diego State Safeties

2005-08, 1999-2002 New Mexico Special Teams/Safeties (2005-08) Graduate Asst. (1999-2002)

## Osia Lewis - Defensive Line

FOUR STRAIGHT BOWL GAME APPEARANCES  $\blacktriangleright$  19 CONFERENCE CHAMPIONSHIPS

#### **COACHING EXPERIENCE**

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■ Osia Lewis enters his fourth season as San Diego State's defensive line coach. He brings extensive experience to the position, having served as a defensive coordinator at both the professional and collegiate levels.

■ Has coached in the Mountain West, Conference USA, Big Ten and Pac-10, and has been on the sidelines in nine bowl games.

■ In 2012, helped SDSU improve by nearly 30 places nationally in total defense, as the Aztecs vaulted from the 68th position in 2011 to the 39th spot last season.

■ With Lewis' assistance, SDSU also led the conference in rushing defense during the 2012 campaign, allowing 133.5 yards per game. In addition, he coached defensive tackle Sam Meredith to honorable mention all-MW recognition. Meredith led all Aztec defensive linemen that season with 36 tackles, 5.5 tackles for loss, one fumble recovery and a pass breakup.

■ In his first year on The Mesa, he tutored defensive tackle Jerome Long, who was a second-team all-league choice and was selected by the Kansas City Chiefs in the 2012 NFL Draft. As a team, SDSU finished first in the MW in sacks and tackles for loss and limited four opponents to less than 100 yards on the ground in 2011.

■ Previously worked alongside Aztec head coach Rocky Long at New Mexico from 2003-07 as the Lobos' defensive coordinator. He also tutored the defensive line (2003-05) and linebackers (2006-07) during that same time span.

■ In his tenure, UNM went to four bowl games and its defensive unit was fifth in the country in rushing defense in 2003 and first in the MW in total defense in 2003 and 2004.

■ Was in charge of the Lobo defense that included NFL Draft picks Quincy Black, Glover Quin and DeAndre Wright. Additionally, defensive back Brandon Payne was named a Walter Camp Second-Team All-American in 2004 when he led the nation in passes defended with 23.

■ The Tucson, Ariz., native left Albuquerque to take a similar position as defensive coordinator at UTEP from 2008-09. He then had



#### NOTABLE PLAYERS COACHED BY LEWIS ■ <u>Sam Meredith</u>, DT (SDSU) 2012 Honorable Mention All-MW ■ <u>Jerome Long</u>, DT (SDSU) 2011 Second-Team All-MW, 2012 NFL Draft pick ■ Quincy Black, DB (New Mexico), Tampa Bay Buccaneers 2006 First-Team All-MW, Third-Round NFL Draft pick in 2007 ■ Cody Kase, LB (New Mexico) Two-time Academic All-American ■ Brandon Payne, DB (New Mexico) 2004 Walter Camp Second-Team All-American, 2014 First-Team All-MW, Jim Thorpe Award semifinalist ■ Glover Quin, DB (New Mexico), Houston Texans Fourth-Round NFL Draft pick in 2007 Michael Tuohy, DE (New Mexico) 2004 Freshman All-American ■ <u>DeAndre Wright</u>, DB (New Mexico) Sixth-Round NFL Draft pick in 2009 ■ Jerry Schumacher, LB (Illinois) Two-Time All-Big Ten honoree Matt Sinclair, LB (Illinois) Played three years in the NFL Fred Wakefield, DL (Illinois) Played eight NFL seasons, First-Team All-Big Ten pick **BOWL GAMES AS A COACH (9)**

San Diego State 2013 Famous Idaho Potato Bowl, 2012 Poinsettia Bowl, 2011 New Orleans Bowl

■ New Mexico 2007 New Mexico Bowl, 2006 New Mexico Bowl, 2004 Emerald Bowl, 2003 Las Vegas Bowl

■ Illinois 2002 Sugar Bowl, 1999 Micronpc.com Bowl

a one-year stint in the United Football League with the Hartford Colonials before coming to San Diego State.

■ Was an assistant coach in the Big Ten at Illinois from 1997-02, guiding the linebackers and defensive line. The Illini played in the 2002 Nokia Sugar Bowl, the school's first-ever appearance in a Bowl Championship Series game and posted a final No. 12 national ranking.

■ His first full-time NCAA Division I coaching position was at his alma mater, Oregon State. He was an assistant coach with linebackers and special teams from 1991-96, working for the first five seasons with Long, who was the Beavers' defensive coordinator.

Started his career as an assistant coach at Western Oregon from 1989-90.

#### PLAYING EXPERIENCE

■ Was an honorable mention All-American and team captain at Oregon State from 1982-85. As a senior, he was an all-conference selection and was the Beavers' most inspirational player.

■ Continued his playing career in the professional ranks in the CFL with the Toronto Argonauts and in the AFL with the Chicago Bruisers and New York Firebirds. Lewis earned all-arena league honors in 1988 and played in the Arena Bowl.

#### EDUCATION

■ Earned his bachelor's degree in social science education from Oregon State in 1986, and also has a master's degree in education from the school (1989).

#### PERSONAL

Lewis and his wife, Darlene, have one son, Marvin, and one daughter, Kiana.



#### **LEWIS FILE**

■ Year at San Diego State: Fourth Season

**Hometown:** Tucson, Ariz.

■ Family: Wife, Darlene, and children, Marvin and Kiana

■ Alma Mater: Oregon State, 1986, 1989

■ Collegiate Playing Experience: Oregon State - 1982-85

■ Coaching Experience: 2011-14 San Diego State Defensive Line

2010 Hartford Colonials (UFL) Defensive Coordinator

2008-09 UTEP Defensive Coordinator

2003-07 New Mexico Defensive Coordinator Defensive Line (2003-05) Linebackers (2006-07)

1997-02 Illinois Linebackers (2001-02) Defensive Line (1997-00)

1991-96 Oregon State Linebackers & Special Teams

1989-90 Western Oregon Assistant Coach

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## LeCharls McDaniel - Wide Receivers

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#### **COACHING EXPERIENCE**

Begins the 10th year of his third stint on Montezuma Mesa. For the ninth straight season, he will work with the wide receivers and will also be in charge of the team's punters in 2014.

Oversaw the development of Ezell Ruffin, who garnered honorable mention all-Mountain West distinction in 2013. Last season, Ruffin totaled 1,136 receiving yards, which ranks 16th in school history on a team-best 68 catches.

Coached Brice Butler, who became SDSU's fifth receiver in a five-year span to be selected in the NFL Draft when he was picked by the Oakland Raiders in April 2013.

■ In 2011, mentored a young receiving corps that entered the season with just four total career catches. Sophomores Colin Lockett, a converted defensive back, and Dylan Denso, a walk-on, combined to log 107 receptions for 1,604 yards and 11 scores. Lockett was also tabbed to the Biletnikoff Award Watch List.

■ Was also in charge of the SDSU special teams unit during the 2011 season that featured two-time first-team all-league punter Brian Stahovich and logged two kick returns for touchdowns.

Coached one of the best 1-2 receiver tandems in the nation in 2011, as both Vincent Brown and DeMarco Sampson were named first-team all-Mountain West and were selected in the NFL Draft. The pair combined for 2,572 yards and 18 touchdowns, while tallying 12, 100-yard receiving efforts.

■ In 2010, Brown and Sampson each eclipsed the 1,000-yard receiving mark, becoming the first Aztecs to do so in the same campaign since another McDaniels' coached duo, J.R. Tolver and Kassim Osgood in 2002.

#### NOTABLE PLAYERS COACHED BY McDANIEL ■ Ezell Ruffin, WR (SDSU) 2013 Honorable Mention All-MW Colin Lockett, KR/WR (SDSU) 2013 Honorable Mention All-MW ■ Brice Butler, WR (SDSU), Oakland Raiders 2013 NFL Draft pick <u>Vincent Brown</u>, WR (SDSU), San Diego Chargers 2011 NFL Draft pick Kassim Osgood, WR (SDSU) Two-Time NFL Pro-Bowler ■ DeMarco Sampson, WR (SDSU), Arizona Cardinals 2011 NFL Draft pick

Chaz Schilens, WR (SDSU), New York Jets 2008 NFL Draft pick, Played 59 NFL games from 2008-12 Brett Swain, WR (SDSU), San Francisco 49ers 2008 NFL Draft pick, 2011 Super Bowl champion ■ J.R. Tolver, WR (SDSU) SDSU's All-Time leading receiver ■ Joe Newton, TE (OSU) Capital One MVP - Insight Bowl Alexis Serna, K (OSU) Lou Groza Award winner <u>Brian Mitchell</u>, KR (Washington Redskins) 14 NFL seasons ■ <u>Matt Turk</u>, P (Washington Redskins) Three-time NFL Pro-Bowler, NFL All-Pro, 15 NFL seasons ■ Gary Clark, WR (Phoenix Cardinals) Four-time NFL Pro-Bowler, NFL All-Pro <u>Ricky Proehl</u>, WR (Phoenix Cardinals) 17 NFL seasons

#### **BOWL GAMES AS A COACH (6)**

San Diego State 2013 Famous Idaho Potato Bowl, 2012 Poinsettia Bowl, 2011 New Orleans Bowl, 2010 Poinsettia Bowl Oregon State 2004 Insight Bowl, 2003 Las Vegas Bowl



for the 2009 Biletnikoff Award, given to the nation's top receiver.

■ Tutored a pair of 2008 NFL Draft picks in wideouts Chaz Schilens (Oakland Raiders) and Brett Swain (Green Bay Packers). Swain was a second team all-conference pick in 2007, finishing second in the league in receiving yards per contest (79.6). Schilens ended his career with three straight 100-yard receiving games and ranked No. 1 in the Mountain West in 2007 in receiving yards in league outings (100.7 ypg.).

Returned to SDSU in 2005, after a two-year stay on Mike Riley's staff at Oregon State, which saw the Beavers earn invitations to two straight postseason bowl games.

From 1994-96, coached the special teams and secondary at SDSU, and in 2002, he was the receivers and special teams coach. That season, Aztec wideouts J.R. Tolver and Kassim Osgood set NCAA single-season records for receptions and receiving yards by two teammates.

Prior to 2002, was on the staff at California, coaching the Golden Bear special teams and assisting with the defensive backs.

Served as a coach and administrator with the Washington Redskins from 1998 to 2000. Was the Redskins special teams coach for three seasons under head coach Norv Turner.

■ NFL background also includes a one-year stint as the wide receivers coach for the Phoenix Cardinals (1993) and a stop with the Philadelphia Eagles as a pro scout.

Began his coaching career at Hartnell College in Salinas, Calif., before joining the San Diego Chargers in 1989 as assistant special teams coach. He remained with the Chargers until he returned to his alma mater, Cal Poly, as special teams and secondary coach in 1992.

#### PLAYING EXPERIENCE

Cornerback on Cal Poly's 1980 NCAA Division II National Championship football team. Honorable mention All-American as a senior, a two-time team captain and finished his career with 13 career interceptions. Inducted into the Cal Poly Athletic Hall of Fame in 2002.

Spent four years in the NFL with the Giants and Redskins, where he was a part of a Super Bowl championship team in 1983.

#### EDUCATION

Received his bachelor's degree in social sciences from Cal Poly in 1981.

#### PERSONAL

■ McDaniel and his wife, Sheryl, have a son and two daughters.



#### McDANIEL FILE

Year at San Diego State: 14th Season

Hometown: Seaside. Calif.

Family: Wife, Sheryl, and children, Michael, Michelle and Keisha

Alma Mater: Cal Poly, 1981

Collegiate Playing Experience: Cal Poly - 1977-80

#### Coaching Experience:

2005-14, 2002, 1994-96 San Diego State Wide Receivers/Special Teams (2011) Wide Receivers (2002, 2006-10, 2012-13) Running Backs (2005) Secondary/Special Teams (1994-96)

2003-04 Oregon State Special Teams/Tight Ends

2001 California Special Teams

1998-00 Washington Redskins Special Teams

1993 Phoenix Cardinals Receivers

1992 Cal Poly Secondary/Special Teams

1989-91 San Diego Chargers Assistant Special Teams

1986-88 Hartnell College Secondary/Special Teams ⋗

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## Mike Schmidt - Offensive Line



#### **COACHING EXPERIENCE**

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■ Mike Schmidt will continue to work with the offensive line after he was elevated to assistant coach in the spring of 2012.

• One of three former SDSU players currently on the coaching staff, along with fellow assistant coach Brian Sipe and strength and conditioning coach Adam Hall.

■ Under his tutelage in 2013, the Aztec offensive line helped pave the way for a rushing attack that totaled over 2,000 yards for the fourth consecutive year for the first time in school history.

■ Coached multiple all-Mountain West selections for the second year in a row after tackle Bryce Quigley earned second-team distinction and guard Terry Poole received honorable mention.

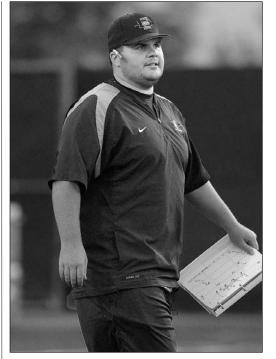
■ In his first year as assistant coach in 2012, the Aztec offensive line helped establish team rushing records with 2,869 yards in 578 attempts.

■ Had three players garner all-MW accolades that same season. Guard Nik Embernate signed a free agent contract with the Pittsburgh Steelers after collecting first-team honors; center Alec Johnson was a second-team selection for the second straight year, while Quigley landed on the honorable mention squad.

■ Was SDSU's graduate assistant on the offensive side of the ball for two years from 2010-11, working primarily with the offensive line. In 2010, the Aztecs tied for fifth nationally in fewest sacks allowed (0.69/g) and ranked seventh (0.85/g) in the same category in 2011.

■ In 2011, helped mentor Tommie Draheim, who became the first Aztec offensive lineman to earn first-team all-MW recognition since 2003. Draheim inked a free agent contract with the Kansas City Chiefs in the spring of 2013 after spending time with the Packers and Patriots camps in 2012.





■ In 2009, volunteered as a student assistant with the team, while completing his undergraduate degree.

#### PLAYING EXPERIENCE

■ Played offensive line for San Diego State from 2005-08 and was a captain in his senior campaign.

■ A former walk-on on the defensive line, he changed sides of the ball and earned a scholarship in the fall of 2007.

■ Team captain at Madison High School in San Diego from 2004-05. Led the Warhawks to two Harbor League titles, while earning second-team all-CIF, league co-offensive player of the year and first-team all-league honors as a senior.

■ Played in the 15th annual Alex Spanos All-Star Classic and was a San Diego Union-Tribune all-academic pick.

#### EDUCATION

■ Graduated from San Diego State with his bachelor's degree in criminal justice in the fall of 2009.

#### NOTABLE PLAYERS COACHED BY SCHMIDT

- <u>Bryce Quigley</u>, OL (SDSU) Two-time All-Mountain West selection
- Terry Poole, OL (SDSU)
- 2013 Honorable Mention All-MW
- <u>Nik Embernate</u>, OL (SDSU)
- 2012 First-Team All-MW
- <u>Alec Johnson</u>, OL (SDSU)

2011-12 Second-Team All-MW selection, Rimington Trophy Watch List

BOWL GAMES AS A COACH (4)

■ San Diego State 2013 Famous Idaho Potato Bowl, 2012 Poinsettia Bowl, 2011 New Orleans Bowl, 2010 Poinsettia Bowl



#### SCHMIDT FILE

■ Year at San Diego State: Third Season

■ Hometown: San Diego, Calif.

■ Alma Mater: San Diego State, 2009

■ Collegiate Playing Experience: San Diego State - 2005-08

Coaching Experience: 2012-13 San Diego State Offensive Line

2010-11 San Diego State Graduate Assistant - Offense

2009 San Diego State *Student Assistant* 

## Brian Sipe - Quarterbacks

#### FOUR STRAIGHT BOWL GAME APPEARANCES ▶ 19 CONFERENCE CHAMPIONSHIPS

#### **COACHING EXPERIENCE**

One of the greatest players in program history, Brian Sipe enters his sixth season at SDSU as the team's quarterbacks coach.

■ Coached Quinn Kaehler, who went 8-3 as a starter, to help the Aztecs secure their fourth straight bowl game appearance. Kaehler became the 13th quarterback in program history to throw more for 3,000 yards in a single season in 2013.

■ Tutored four-year starting quarterback Ryan Lindley, who finished his Aztec career in 2011, as the school's all-time leader in passing yards (12,690), passing touchdowns (90), total offense (12,415), completions (961), quarterback starts (49) and consecutive quarterback starts (45).

■ As a senior, Lindley was tabbed to national watch lists for the Maxwell, Manning and Davey O'Brien Awards and was later selected in the 2012 NFL Draft by the Arizona Cardinals.

■ Under Sipe's direction, Lindley garnered second-team all-conference accolades as a junior in 2010, after leading 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. Lindley's 3,830 yards and 28 touchdowns through the air are both third in SDSU season history.

■ As a team, the Aztecs were first in the league and 12th nationally in passing in 2010, while compiling over 300 yards six times, highlighted by a 528-yard effort vs. Utah.

■ In 2009, helped SDSU rank 30th in the country in pass offense (263.6 yards per game).

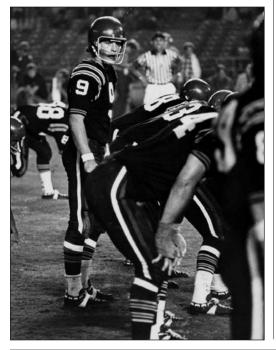
■ Before returning to San Diego State, spent eight years as head football coach at nearby Santa Fe Christian High School, where he helped the Eagles to four CIF titles and a combined record of 75-21-1.

#### PLAYING EXPERIENCE

Starred at quarterback for San Diego State from 1969-71, before embarking on a 12-year NFL career with the Cleveland Browns.

■ As an Aztec, completed 436-of-788 passes for 5,707 yards and 44 touchdowns. He compiled a 15-7 record as a starter and his 68.2 winning percentage is the third highest in the school's D-I era.

■ Posted seven, 300-yard passing performances, the fifth-highest total in school history, including a career-best 439 yards against Utah





State in 1971. He was inducted into the Aztec Hall of Fame as part of the inaugural class of 1988.

■ Played for legendary SDSU coach Don Coryell and was the Aztecs' leading passer in 1970 and 1971. In 1970, he directed SDSU to a 9-2 record as the Aztecs spent eight weeks ranked among the nation's top 20.

■ As a junior, was an honorable mention All-American by the Associated Press after throwing for 2,618 yards and 23 TDs.

■ Was once again an honorable mention All-American after he led the nation in completions per game with a 17.8 mark in 1971. In his first season on campus, he was a member of the Aztecs' undefeated 11-0 squad in 1969 that won the Pasadena Bowl.

■ The San Diego native was picked in the 13th round of the 1972 NFL Draft, playing for 12 seasons with the Cleveland Browns. He compiled career numbers of 1,944 completions, 3,439 attempts, 23,713 passing yards and 154 passing touchdowns.

■ In 1980, earned league MVP honors and was named first-team All-Pro, leading the Browns to an 11-5 record. He completed more than 60 percent of his passes, threw for 4,132 yards and 30 touch-downs en route to a league-best 91.4 passer rating.

■ In his NFL career, ranked among the top three quarterbacks in passing yards three times and was among the top six in touchdown strikes on five occasions. He was inducted into the Cleveland Browns' Hall of Fame in 2002.

■ Continued his professional football career in the United States Football League with the New Jersey Generals and Jacksonville Bulls from 1984-85.

#### PERSONAL

■ Sipe and his wife, Jeri, a 1972 San Diego State graduate, have three children, Lani, Morgan and Nolan.

NOTABLE PLAYER COACHED BY SIPE ■ <u>Ryan Lindley</u>, QB (SDSU), Arizona Cardinals SDSU's all-time passing leader, 2012 NFL Draft pick

BOWL GAMES AS A COACH (4) San Diego State 2013 Famous Potato Bowl, 2012, Poinsettia Bowl, 2011 New Orleans Bowl, 2010 Poinsettia Bowl



#### **SIPE FILE**

■ Year at San Diego State: Sixth Season

■ Hometown: San Diego, Calif.

■ Family: Wife, Jeri, and children, Lani, Morgan and Nolan

■ Alma Mater: San Diego State

■ Collegiate Playing Experience: San Diego State - 1969-71

Coaching Experience:

2009-14 San Diego State *Quarterbacks* 

2001-08 Santa Fe Christian High School *Head Coach* 

## Tony White - Cornerbacks/Recruiting

#### **COACHING EXPERIENCE**

Tony White joined the Aztec coaching staff in January 2009 and is in charge of the team's cornerbacks for the sixth straight season. In 2011, he also added duties as San Diego State's recruiting coordinator.

■ Helped J.J. Whittaker receive all-Mountain West honorable mention accolades in his first year of collegiate play last season. Whittaker led the squad with 14 passes defended (3 interceptions, 11 pass breakups), which ranked fifth in the conference.

■ Under White's guidance, Leon McFadden became the fifth Aztec player in program history and the first since Kirk Morrison (2002-04) to gamer first-team all-conference accolades in three consecutive seasons. McFadden, who owns the SDSU career record with 39 passes defended, was a third-round draft pick of the Cleveland Browns in the 2013 NFL Draft after setting career highs with 61 tackles and three interceptions, including two for touchdowns, during his senior campaign in 2012.

■ In 2011, both of the team's starting cornerbacks, McFadden and senior Larry Parker, earned first-team all-league honors. Parker, who was also tabbed an honorable mention All-American by *Sl.com*, led the Mountain West in interceptions with seven to tie for fourth nationally in his first campaign as a starter. His seven picks were the most by an Aztec since 1969, and are tied for third in program history.

■ Helped the Aztec defense improve substantially 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 in eight of 13 contests.

■ In 2010, he tutored McFadden to his initial first-team all-conference accolade, while the team's other starting corner, senior Jose Perez, received honorable mention all-league recognition. The pair both ranked in the top five in the MWin passes defended.

■ In 2009, SDSU surrendered only 15 passing touchdowns, including four in non-conference action, after giving up 21 TDs in 2008. Opponents scored one passing touchdown or fewer in eight of 12 contests.

■ Came to San Diego State after spending 2008 alongside current Aztec head coach Rocky Long at New Mexico. White was in charge of the Lobos' linebackers.

■ At UNM, coached two honorable mention all-conference linebackers in Zach Arnett and Herbert Felder. New Mexico ended 2008 ranked 26th nationally in rushing defense, 45th nationally in total defense and 46th nationally in scoring defense.

Before moving to Albuquerque, served as the graduate assistant

#### NOTABLE PLAYERS COACHED BY WHITE ■ <u>J.J. Whittaker</u>, DB (SDSU)

2013 Honorable Mention All-MW Leon McFadden, DB (SDSU) Cleveland Browns 2013 NFL Draft pick, Three-time First-Team All-MW selection,

Led the MW in passes defended in 2010 and 2011 **Larry Parker, DB (SDSU)** 2011 SI.com Honorable Mention All-American, 2011 First-Team All-MW, Led MW/Fourth nationally in INTs in 2011 **Jose Perez, DB (SDSU)** 

2010 Honorable Mentiona All-MW ■ <u>Zach Arnett</u>, LB (New Mexico) 2008 First-Team Academic All-American, 2008 MW Honorable Mention, Tied for national lead in fumbles caused in 2008 ■ <u>Herbert Felder</u>, LB (New Mexico)

2008 Honorable Mention All-MW

#### BOWL GAMES AS A COACH (4) ■ San Diego State

2013 Famous Idaho Potato Bowl, 2012 Poinsettia Bowl, 2011 New Orleans Bowl, 2010 Poinsettia Bowl

### BOWL GAMES AS A PLAYER (3)

2000 Sun Bowl, 1999 Rose Bowl, 1998 Cotton Bowl

in football operations at UCLA in 2007. White assisted with the dayto-day operations and administration, recruiting administration and provided professional scouts with player information and videos.

■ In 2006, was the head football coach at St. Genevieve High School in Panorama City, Calif., where he led the team to its best record in 13 seasons and coached two first-team all-CIF selections.

#### PLAYING EXPERIENCE

■ Was a three-year starter and four-year letterman at outside linebacker for Bob Toledo at UCLA from 1997-2000.

■ Served as a team captain during his senior campaign in 2000, making 64 tackles and earning the team's N.N. Sugarman Award for Best Leadership.

■ Spent four seasons playing in the Canadian Football League for the Calgary Stampeders, Ottawa Renegades and Hamilton Tiger-Cats.

#### EDUCATION

Received his bachelor's degree in history from UCLA in 2002.

PERSONAL ■ White and his wife, Angela, have a son, Anthony III.



#### WHITE FILE

■ Year at San Diego State: Sixth Season

■ Hometown: El Paso, Texas

■ Alma Mater: UCLA, 2002

■ Family: Wife, Angela, and son, Anthony III

■ Collegiate Playing Experience: UCLA - 1997-2000

#### Coaching Experience:

2009-13 San Diego State Cornerbacks Recruiting Coordinator (2011-13)

2008 New Mexico *Linebackers* 

2007 UCLA Graduate Asst. - Football Operations

2006 St. Genevieve High School *Head Coach* 



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## Kevin McGarry - Player Personnel



#### **PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE**

■ Kevin McGarry enters his fourth season as a full-time member of the San Diego State football staff. After serving as special teams coach for the past two years following a stint as linebackers coach in 2011, he assumed the title of director of player personnel in March 2014.

■ In his new role, McGarry will handle the day-to-day adminstrative duties of the Aztecs' recruiting efforts and will contribute to the team's overall talent evaluation.

#### NOTABLE PLAYERS COACHED BY McGARRY

■ <u>Miles Burris</u>, LB (SDSU), Oakland Raiders First-Team All-MW honoree, 2012 NFL Draft pick

■ <u>Dylan Ching</u>, WR (USD) Finished career as school's all-time leading receiver, Drafted by CFL's Saskatchewan Roughriders

■ <u>Jeb Dougherty</u>, DB (USD) Two-time Academic All-American, NCAA Division I-AA All-American, AP Third-Team I-AA All-American

■ <u>Dan Herbert</u>, DB (USD) Kodak College Div. II All-American, Academic All-American

■ <u>Dylan Mora</u>, P (USD) I-AA Sports Network Mid-Major First-Team All-American ■ Doug Popovich, DB (USD)

Two-Time First-Team Academic All-American, AFCA Third-Team All-American, Sports Network Third-Team and Honorable Mention All-American

#### ■ Eric Rasmussen, QB (USD)

AFCA All-American, Led the nation in passing efficiency in 2002

#### BOWL GAMES AS A COACH (3)

■ San Diego State 2013 Famous Idaho Potato Bowl, 2012 Poinsettia Bowl, 2011 New Orleans Bowl

#### COACHING EXPERIENCE

■ Coached two players - punter Joel Alesi (Oct. 7) and return specialist Tim Vizzi (Nov. 25) - who received Mountain West Special Teams Player of the Week recognition in 2013. Alesi was also named to the Ray Guy Award watch list, while Vizzi tied a school record with two punt returns for touchdowns last year.

■ Oversaw a special teams unit that returned two kicks for touchdowns in 2012. Also coached two players in kicker Chance Marden (Oct. 22) and returner Colin Lockett (Nov. 5), who earned Mountain West Special Teams Player of the Week honors.

■ In 2011, coached first-team all-conference linebacker Miles Burris, who led the league in tackles for loss with 19.5, which ranked ninth nationally. Burris also was named to watch lists for the Butkus, Lombardi and Nagurski Awards and was selected in the fourth round the 2012 NFL Draft by the Oakland Raiders.

■ Two of McGarry's linebackers, Burris and Logan Ketchum, also received acclaim for their work in the classroom. In the spring of 2012, Burris earned a spot on the National Football Foundation (NFF) Hampshire Honor Society and was a semifinalist for the NFF's William V. Campbell Trophy. Ketchum, meanwhile, was named the 2011-12 SDSU Student-Athlete of the Year and became the first Aztec football player to secure a spot on the Capital One Academic All-District 8 first team since 2006.

■ Before beginning his current position, served as an assistant to the Aztec coaches from 2009-10.

■ 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.

■ Under McGarry's direction, the Toreros were the No. 1 offense in the nation (Div. I-AA) in 2003, and consistently were rated in the top 20 in various defensive categories. In 2002, he helped then junior quarterback Eric Rasmussen lead the nation in passing efficiency (164.2).

■ Was named the Pioneer Football League Coach of the Year in 2002, and had eight players garner All-America honors during his tenure.

■ Prior to being named head coach, was USD's defensive coordinator from 1980-95, and was an assistant coach at the school from 1978-80.

■ Also was the Toreros' head softball coach from 1980-85.

#### **PLAYING EXPERIENCE**

Began his collegiate career at Saddleback College in Mission Viejo, Calif., where he started at wide receiver and defensive back from 1974-75. He was tabbed the team's MVP his final campaign and was later inducted into Saddleback's Athletic Hall of Fame.

■ Transferred to the University of San Diego, playing on both sides of the ball at wide receiver and defensive back from 1976-77. He picked up team defensive player-of-the-year honors his senior season.

#### EDUCATION

■ Has a bachelor's degree in English/diversified liberal arts and a master's in educational administration from the University of San Diego.

#### PERSONAL

McGarry and his wife, Mary Ann, have four sons, Pat (27), Mike (27), Timbo (24) and Matt (18).



#### **McGARRY FILE**

Year at San Diego State:
Fourth Season

■ Hometown: San Diego, Calif.

■ Family: Wife, Mary Ann, and children, Pat, Mike, Timbo and Matt

■ Alma Mater: San Diego, 1979, 1985

■ Collegiate Playing Experience: Saddleback College, 1974-75 University of San Diego, 1976-77

Professional Experience:
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San Diego State
Director of Player Personnel

■ Coaching Experience: 2011-13 San Diego State Special Teams (2012-13) Linebackers (2011)

1978-2003 University of San Diego Head Coach (1996-2003) Defensive Coordinator (1980-95) Assistant Coach (1978-80)

## Jashon Sykes - Director of Operations

#### **PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE**

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■ Jashon Sykes begins his second season at San Diego State as the team's director of operations, overseeing the administrative side of the Aztec football program, including scheduling, budgeting and team travel.

■ Before his arrival on Montezuma Mesa, Sykes spent seven years as an administrator at his alma mater Colorado, including the last two as the Buffaloes' director of football operations in 2011-12. Also served as director of the team's elite high school summer camp.

■ Returned to the Boulder campus in 2006 following a four-year pro playing career, working as an adminstrative assistant in recruiting and operations for one season before taking on the role of oncampus recruiting director in 2007-08.

■ Spent two summers with the Denver Broncos as a training camp assistant. Worked with the linebackers as an intern in 2007, before assuming a dual role in 2008 with the operations department while assisting the defensive line.

#### PLAYING EXPERIENCE

■ Starred at linebacker for Colorado, finishing 10th on the school's all-time list with 330 tackles. Also amassed 33 tackles for a loss and 12.5 quarterback sacks during his collegiate career.

■ Played in all 12 games as a true freshman in 1998, starting four of the last five games of the year, including the Buffaloes' victory over Oregon in the Aloha Bowl. Received first-team freshman All-America honors from *The Sporting News* after making 52 tackles, including 14 in the regular-season finale against Nebraska.

■ Garnered second-team All-America accolades from *Football* News and was a first-team all-Big 12 selection by the Associated Press following his sophomore campaign in 1999. Finished second in the conference with 134 tackles (82 solo), becoming just the fifth CU sophomore to lead the team in that statistic since 1965. Also topped the nation with a school-record seven forced fumbles.

■ Was named defensive MVP of the Insight.com Bowl that season after recording nine tackles and returning an interception for a touchdown in the Buffaloes' romp over Boston College.

■ Earned honorable mention all-Big 12 recognition as a junior in 2000, after totaling 111 tackles (78 solo), 3.5 sacks, two pass deflections and one interception.

■ Appeared on preseason watch lists for both the Butkus and Lombardi Awards prior to his senior campaign in 2001. Started the first four games that year before suffering a herniated disc. Opted to declare for the NFL Draft in lieu of pursuing a medical redshirt.

■ Played two seasons for the Denver Broncos in 2003 and 2004 after landing on the team's practice squad in 2002. Made 11 starts during the 2003 season, helping the Broncos post the NFL's fourth-ranked defense by collecting 65 tackles, two fumble recoveries and a block punt. Ended his professional playing career with the Washington Redskins.

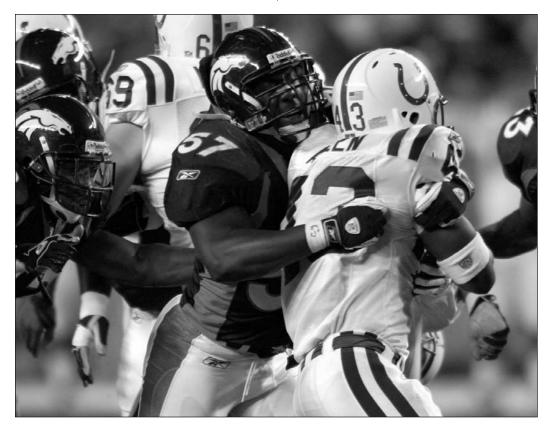
■ Prepped at Serra High School in Gardena, Calif., landing on multiple All-America lists. Additionally earned a spot on the *Long Beach Press-Telegram's* prestigious Best-in-the-West Team, receiving a maximum 10 votes. Also won three varsity letters in track as a sprinter and one in basketball.

#### EDUCATION

■ Received his bachelor's degree in ethic studies from the University of Colorado in 2002.

#### PERSONAL

He and his wife, Qiana, have two daughters, Joslyn and Autumn, and a son, Semion.





#### SYKES FILE

■ Year at San Diego State: Second Season

■ Hometown: Los Angeles, Calif.

■ Family: Wife, Qiana, and children, Joslyn, Autumn and Semion

■ Alma Mater: Colorado, 2002

■ Collegiate Playing Experience: Colorado - 1997-2001

Professional Experience:
2013-14
San Diego State
Director of Football Operations

#### 2006-12

Colorado Director of Football Operations (2011-12) Assistant Operations Director and Coordinator of Football Relations (2009-10) Director of On-Campus Recruiting (2007-08) Administrative Assistant - Recruiting and Operations (2006)

2007-08 Denver Broncos Training Camp Assistant



## Graduate Assistants



### **DOUG DEAKIN**

Graduate Assistant - Defense/Safeties Third Year at San Diego State San Diego State '10



#### **DEAKIN FILE**

Year at San Diego State:
Third Season

■ Hometown: Oak Park, Calif.

High School: Oak Park

■ Alma Mater: San Diego State, 2010

■ Collegiate Playing Experience: San Diego State (2007-10)

Coaching Experience: 2012-14 San Diego State *Graduate Asst. - Defense* 

#### COACHING EXPERIENCE

■ Doug Deakin begins his third season at SDSU as a graduate assistant on defense and will specifically work with the Aztec safeties.

#### PLAYING EXPERIENCE

Walked on at SDSU as a defensive back out of high school, before switching to wide receiver in time for spring camp in 2007.

Played a combined 24 games during the 2009 and 2010 campaigns, serving as the team's holder on field goals and extra-point attempts.

■ Was one of three captains selected by his teammates prior to his senior season in 2010. Ran 13 yards for a first down off a fake field-goal try in the Aztecs' rout of Utah State on Sept. 25 and saw in action in SDSU's win over Navy in the Poinsettia Bowl.

■ Won the 2008 SDSU President's Award for Highest Standards of Academic and Athletic Excellence.

■ Garnered SDSU scholar-athlete honors and received academic all-Mountain West distinction in 2009. Was also nominated for the College Football Rudy Awards, which recognize student-athletes who demostrate excellent character, contribution and commitment as members of their college football teams.

#### EDUCATION

Received his undergraduate degree in business management from San Diego State in 2010.



## **DORIAN KELLER**

Graduate Assistant - Defense Third Year at San Diego State University of San Diego '08



#### **KELLER FILE**

■ Year at San Diego State: Third Season

■ Hometown: Santa Rosa. Calif.

High School: El Molino

#### ■ Alma Mater: University of San Diego, 2008

#### ■ Collegiate Playing

Experience: University of San Diego (2006) Santa Rosa College (2004-05)

Coaching Experience: 2012-14

San Diego State Graduate Asst. - Offense

2010-11 University of San Diego *Tight Ends* 

2009 University of San Diego Football Admin. Asst.

#### **COACHING EXPERIENCE**

■ Dorian Keller begins his third season at SDSU as a graduate assistant and will make the switch to the defensive side of the ball in 2014.

■ Spent three campaigns at his alma mater, the University of San Diego, where he coached the tight ends in 2010 and 2011. He also assisted with the Toreros' offensive line and wide receivers during his tenure.

■ In 2011, helped USD finish 9-2 overall and in second place in the Pioneer Football League standings. He also tutored Toreros' tight end Patrick Doyle, who signed a rookie contract with the San Diego Chargers in June 2012.

■ Spent 2009 as an administrative assistant helping with the day-to-day operations in the Toreros' football office.

#### PLAYING EXPERIENCE

■ Was a wide receiver at University of San Diego in 2006, but suffered a career-ending knee injury that same season.

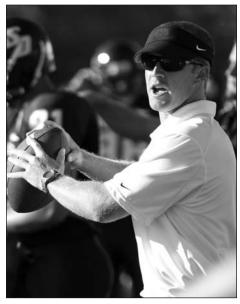
■ Played two seasons at Santa Rosa Junior College, where he was a team captain. In 2005, his team went 8-3 and won the Fresno City Dairy Bowl.

■ Competed on both sides of the ball (wide receiver and cornerback) at El Molino High School in Forestville, Calif., where he earned all-conference honors as a wide receiver for the Lions.

#### EDUCATION

■ Graduated from University of San Diego in the fall of 2008, where he majored in psychology and minored in business administration.

Currently pursuing his master's degree in interdisciplinary studies at San Diego State.





## Graduate Assistants

### **JAKE LAUDENSLAYER**

Graduate Assistant - Offense/Tight Ends First Year at San Diego State Cal Lutheran '11



#### LAUDENSLAYER FILE

Year at San Diego State:
First Season

■ Hometown: Modesto, Calif.

High School:
Grace Davis

■ Alma Mater: Cal Lutheran, 2011

Collegiate Playing
Experience:
2010-11
Cal Lutheran

2009 Marshall

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2007-08 Mendocino College

■ Coaching Experience: 2012 Cal Lutheran

Wide Receivers

2014 San Diego State *Graduate Asst. - Offense* 

#### **COACHING EXPERIENCE**

■ Jake Laudenslayer is in his first year at San Diego State as an offensive graduate assistant and will work with the Aztec tight ends.

■ Served as wide receivers coach during the 2012 campaign at his alma mater, Cal Lutheran. Helped Eric Rogers earn Southern California Intercollegiate Athletic Conference Offensive-Player-of-the-Year honors.

#### PLAYING EXPERIENCE

■ Starred at quarterback for two seasons at Cal Lutheran, leading the Kingsmen to consecutive SCIAC championships. Was named the league's offensive player of the year in 2011 after directing CLU to its second straight NCAA Division III playoff appearance. Threw for a combined 4,256 yards and 37 touchdowns during his stint on the Thousand Oaks campus, completing 297 passes on 471 attempts. Also rushed for 620 yards with seven TDs.

■ Signed with Marshall University in 2009, but did not see action.

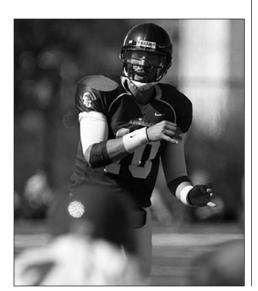
■ Played two seasons at Mendocino College in Ukiah, Calif., following his prep career. Garnered first-team all-state accolades and collected Bay Valley Conference Most Valuable Player honors after leading the Eagles to the league championship in 2007. Also earned first-team all-BVC honors as a sophomore in 2008.

■ Attended Grace Davis High School in Modesto, Calif., where he was an all-Metro League selection in football.

#### EDUCATION

Graduated from Cal Lutheran in the fall of 2011 with his bachelor's degree in marketing communications.

Currently pursuing his master's degree in liberal arts and studies.





# **SAN DIEGO STATE**



## Strength and Conditioning

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### ADAM HALL

Football Strength & Conditioning Coach Third Year at San Diego State San Diego State '04



#### HALL FILE

Year at San Diego State:
Third Season

Hometown: Austin, Texas

High School: Westlake

■ Alma Mater: San Diego State, 2004

■ Collegiate Playing Experience: San Diego State (2001-03) Texas (1999)

Coaching Experience: 2012-14 San Diego State Football Strength & Conditioning Coach

2011 Texas *Recruiting Coordinator* 

2010 Texas Graduate Asst. - Offense

2009-10 San Diego State Assistant Strength & Conditioning Coach

#### **COACHING EXPERIENCE**

■ Former Aztec quarterback Adam Hall returned to his alma mater in January 2012 and is in his third year as the football team's head strength and conditioning coach.

■ Before accepting his current position, he spent two years at Texas where he was the Longhorns' offensive graduate assistant in 2010 and the program's recruiting coordinator in 2011. Texas compiled an 8-5 mark in 2011, capped by a victory over California at the Holiday Bowl in San Diego.

■ Worked at SDSU as the assistant strength and conditioning coach from January 2009 until May 2010 during current head coach Rocky Long's first 16 months with the Aztecs. Hall assisted then-strength and conditioning coach Aaron Wellman with all workouts.

#### PLAYING EXPERIENCE

■ Started his collegiate playing career at Texas in 1999, before transferring to San Diego State after his freshman campaign.

■ As an Aztec, needed just three seasons to become a 5,000-yard passer, one of only nine players to accomplish that feat at SDSU. Playing through injuries, he still managed to record 423 completions, 5,173 passing yards and 24 touchdowns.

■ Produced two of the nine best individual passing games in school history, throwing for 516 yards against Arizona State on Sept. 14, 2002, and 506 yards at Idaho on Sept. 21, 2002. His 60 attempts against the Sun Devils were a school-record until Adam Dingwell threw 63 times in the 2013 opener vs. Eastern Illinois. In addition, he led the Mountain West in passing efficiency his junior season.

In the school's career record book, ranks ninth in attempts, eighth in completions and ninth in passing yards.

■ Nominated for the 2003 Davy O'Brien Award and was an honorable mention all-league selection as a junior. He also served as one the team's captains his final campaign.

■ Prepped at Westlake High School in Austin, Texas, where he was a decorated athlete, earning first-team 5A all-state honors by the *Associated Press* and second-team accolades by the Texas Sportswriters Association.

#### EDUCATION

■ Earned his bachelor's degree from San Diego State in 2004 in public administration.

## **CHRIS JUREK**

Assistant Strength & Conditioning Coach Third Year at San Diego State Cincinnati '09



#### JUREK FILE

■ Year at San Diego State: Third Season

Hometown: Southfield. Mich.

High School:
Southfield-Lathrup

■ Alma Mater: Cincinnati. 2009

■ Collegiate Playing Experience: Cincinnati (2005-09)

■ Coaching Experience: 2011-14 San Diego State

San Diego State Asst. Strength & Conditioning Coach

#### **COACHING EXPERIENCE**

Chris Jurek, who is in his third year at San Diego State, assists with the football team's strength and conditioning program.

#### PLAYING EXPERIENCE

■ Was a three-year starter at center for Cincinnati, helping the squad to four consecutive bowl games and two BIG EAST championships.

As a senior, garnered first-team all-conference honors as the Bearcats completed an undefeated regular season (12-0), advanced to the Allstate Sugar Bowl and achieved a No. 8 final national ranking in the Associated Press poll.

■ Started every game his junior campaign when the program won the Big East title and competed in the FedEx Orange Bowl.

■ Earned the starting assignment at center in 2007, as Cincinnati set school records for scoring and posted a 10-3 record en route to a victory in the PapaJohns.com Bowl.

■ Was a reserve in 2006 when the Bearcats went to the International Bowl.

■ Competed in four sports as a prep at Southfield-Lathrup Senior High School, where he was a three-year starter at center.

#### EDUCATION

■ Received his bachelor's degree in secondary education in 2009, and also took postgraduate classes in curriculum and instruction his final year at Cincinnati.

■ Is currently working toward his certification from the Collegiate Strength and Conditioning Association.



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### **BRIAN MURPHY**

Video Coordinator 12th Year at San Diego State



Brian Murphy joined the San Diego State athletic department staff in August 2003 as the video coordinator.

In his position, he films and edits the Aztecs' football games and practices and coordinates film exchange with other schools. He is in charge of all video packages used by the football coaches in their scouting and game preparation.

Murphy's responsibilities also include overseeing the dayto-day operations of the video room and assisting with the video needs of other SDSU sports. In April 2012, he was named the Collegiate Sports Video

Asst. Video Coordinator Gregg Nassen

Association Conference Video Coordinator of the Year for the the fourth time in his career (also 2003, 2009, 2010). The honor, which was voted on by his peers, made Murphy a finalist for the Bob Matey National Video Coordinator of the Year award.

From 1997-2000, Murphy was an assistant video director with the San Diego Chargers. He filmed and edited games and practices and assisted the NFL with the Super Bowl held in San Diego in 1998. He also provided the NFL with video support for the 1999 Holiday Bowl.

Murphy graduated from Mira Mesa High School in 1995, and attended both SDSU and Miramar College. He currently lives in Poway with his wife, Shawna, and their daughters, Cali, and Finley.

## **ANGIE GARZA**

**Director of Athletic Equipment Services** Eighth Year at San Diego State San Diego State '04



Assistant Director **Ben Herman** 

Equipment Attendants Dennis Brown Sonny Sanfilippo

Angie Garza returned to Montezuma Mesa in the spring of 2012 as the director of athletic equipment services.

In her position, she oversees the purchasing, budgeting, fitting, maintenance and distribution of equipment for the entire Aztec athletic program, including the football team.

Previously, she worked at the University of San Diego as the manager of athletic equipment services for three years. At USD, her responsibilities included purchasing, budgeting, maintaining, fitting, laundering, organizing and distributing equipment for all 17 Torero varsity sports. Garza's first full-time stint at SDSU was from 2004-09, when

she was the assistant manager of equipment services. In that

position, she helped supervise a staff of three full-time assis-

tants and 12 student managers in the daily operations for 18

degree from San Diego State in child development with an em-

phasis in family development. As an undergraduate, she

worked as a student equipment manager for the football team

The Los Angeles, Calif., native has a bachelor of science

#### from 2001-04

Garza is a certified member of the Athletic Equipment Managers' Association and resides in San Diego with her husband, Ricky.

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### **MERIDITH BARTMAN**

Assistant for Operations/Assistant to the Head Coach Second Year at San Diego State Fresno State '07, '10



Meridith Bartman, who begins her second season with the San Diego State football staff, was named assistant for operatons/assistant to the head coach in March 2014.

Bartman's responsibilities include coordinating all travel, meals and schedules for the team, coaching staff and administration. She also assists head coach Rocky Long and his staff with day-to-day operations, maintaining calendars and schedules, and serves as a liaison for players and their families, human resources, compliance, marketing, as well as all NFL personnel

Bartman joined the Aztec athletic department in 2013 as a season ticket sales representative before making the transition to the football office. She is also a former NFL cheerleader, having spent two seasons each with the San Diego Charger Girls (2012-14) and San Francisco 49ers Gold Rush (2008-10).

Bartman received her bachelor of science degree in kinesiology from Fresno State in 2007 and earned a master of arts in sports administration from the same school in 2011.

### MARCUS CORRENTI

Adminstrative Assistant for Recruiting First Year at San Diego State Gonzaga '11, '13



Marcus Correnti reioined the San Diego State football staff in the spring of 2014 as administrative assistant for recruiting. The San Diego native previously worked for the Aztecs as an intern in operations and recruiting during the summer of 2012.

Prior to his return to Montezuma Mesa, Correnti made his coaching debut, serving as defensive backs coach at Georgetown University during the 2013 campaign while working in the office of financial affairs for the Hoyas athletic department. He also spent time as an intern in the business operations office with the Washington Redskins in 2011.

Correnti earned two degrees from Gonzaga University, completing his bachelor's in finance in 2011 before finishing with a master's in sports and athletic adminstration in 2013.

### **EMILY DANIELS**

Adminstrative Assistant for Recruiting Third Year at San Diego State San Diego State '12



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football office, serving as administrative assistant for recruiting.

In her position, Daniels assists with official visits and gameday activities for potential recruits, coaches travel during recruiting periods, compliance needs, as well general recruiting contact.

Prior to her appointment, Daniels worked in the SDSU equipment room, traveling with the Aztecs for the 2011 New Orleans Bowl.

A native of Lancaster, Pa., Daniel attended Santa Monica College before graduating from San Diego State in 2012 with her bachelor's degree in political science. She plans to enroll at Thomas Jefferson School of Law in San Diego in the fall of

Emily Daniels begins her third season in the San Diego State

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## Support Staff

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## JESSICA AMEROSA

#### Academic Advisor Ninth Year at San Diego State Mississippi State '00; Kansas State '06



Jessica Amerosa is in her ninth year as an academic advisor at San Diego State.

She works with the Aztec football team's defensive and special teams players and also is the advisor for the SDSU baseball and softball squads.

Before moving to San Diego, the former Jessica Simmons earned her master's degree in educational psychology with an emphasis in intercollegiate athletics at Kansas State University in 2006. While in Manhattan, she also was an assistant academic counselor for the Wildcat football team.

Amerosa has a bachelor's degree in sociology and criminal justice from Mississippi State and worked at Butler County Community College from 2000-04, where she was the athletic academic advisor/assistant coordinator of special needs. The El Dorado, Kan., native is a member of the National Association of Academic Advisors for Athletics. Amerosa and her husband, Mathew, reside in San Diego.

## DR. SABRINA "BRE" WHITE

Assistant Director of Academic Services 15th Year at San Diego State Utah State '94, '97; San Diego State '07, '11



Dr. Bre White is in her 19th year as a student-athlete support services professional and enters her 15th year at SDSU, where she is the assistant director of academic services. She works directly with the Aztec football team (offense), as well as the men's and women's golf, women's basketball and cross country and track and field squads. White also is in charge of the department's community service program and works with the Student-Athlete Advisory Committee (SAAC).

Prior to coming to San Diego State, White was an academic coordinator at Utah State for six years (1994-2000). She started off her career as an interim academic coordinator at her alma

mater in 1994 right after graduation, and then was hired as a full-time academic coordinator in 1995. With the Aggies, she served as an advisor for the football, men's basketball, women's soccer, women's volleyball, men's golf, softball, gymnastics, and men's and women's tennis and track and field teams.

White earned her first degree from Utah State in liberal arts and science, and later went on to earn a second bachelor's degree in business. She received her master's degree in educational leadership, with an emphasis in student affairs, from San Diego State in 2007, and was tabbed the college of education's outstanding graduate student. White finished her Doctorate of Education (Ed.D) in 2011, completing her dissertation on "Transfer Shock and the Student-Athlete".

Born in Wethersfield, England, White enjoys boxing, crocheting and scrapbooking, and is looking forward to running her second half marathon one day. She also is a member of the National Association of Academic Advisors for Athletics and recently became a lifetime member of the SDSU alumni association and is now an "Aztec for Life".

## CHENG KO

Academic Advisor/Learning Specialist Fourth Year at San Diego State Fresno State '06, '08



Cheng Ko, who has a passion to help student-athletes succeed, enters his fourth year as a learning specialist at San Diego State.

In his position, Ko identifies and works with "academically at-risk" student-athletes, is a liaison to the school's student disability services department and hires, trains and supervises all of the academic coaches, assistant learning specialists and tutors. He provides guidance to every Aztec athletic program while also serving as the direct academic advisor for the men's basketball and women's swimming and diving teams.

Ko came to SDSU after three years at Fresno State where

he most recently was an academic advisor for the Bulldogs' men's basketball and women's tennis, volleyball and equestrian squads. He also was the athletic department's enrichment program coordinator and spent part of 2008 as an assistant management specialist for the Fresno State Services for Students with Disabilities.

Ko has both a master's degree in rehabilitation counseling (2008) and a bachelor's degree in psychology (2006) from Fresno State, where he was a part of the Chi Sigma lota and Golden Key International honor societies. Ko is a member of the National Association of Academic Advisors for Athletics and lives in San Diego.

### **SCOTT HORVATH**

IT Coordinator & Coaches Communications 15th Year at San Diego State Ohio State '98



Scott Horvath enters his 15th season at San Diego State and his seventh in Aztec athletics.

Horvath serves as the department's information technology coordinator and is in his 11th year working with the football coaches' communications on game days.

The Newark, Ohio, native previously was an IT consultant for business services and internet commerce across campus at SDSU. He earned his bachelor's degree in 1998 from Ohio State in management information systems, before a two-year stint as IT manager for the city of Columbus, Ohio.

Horvath and his wife, Polly Kanavel, who volunteers in the SDSU athletic department, reside in La Mesa with their pets.



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### PATRICK SPIELDENNER

#### Assistant Athletic Trainer First Year at San Diego State San Diego State '04; New Mexico '06



Patrick Spieldenner enters his first year as an assistant athletic trainer at San Diego State.

Spieldenner comes to SDSU after spending two years as the head athletic trainer for the Indiana football team. With the Hoosiers, Spieldenner was the medical coordinator on all aspects for the football team, working directly and closely with the head coach, coaching staff, strength & conditioning staff and nutritionists.

Prior to his appointment at IU, Spieldenner spent six years as an assistant athletic trainer at Nebraska. With the Cornhuskers, Spieldenner assisted with all aspects of the athletic

medicine efforts for the football team, including year-round preventive care, immediate care for injured athletes at practice and games and the reconditioning of injured athletes.

Before accepting the NU position, Spieldenner served as the head men's soccer athletic trainer and assistant football athletic trainer at New Nexcio. He earned his master's degree in physical education at UNM with an emphasis in sports administration in December 2006.

Spieldenner received his bachelor's degree in kinesiology with an emphasis in athletic training from SDSU in 2004, where he spent more than three years as a student athletic trainer.

Spieldenner also had season-long appointments with the NBA-D League's Albuquerque Thunderbirds and the NFL Europe's Rhein Fire, as well as season and summer internships with the NFL's San Diego Chargers.

Spieldenner is married to the former Lianna Shupe and they have one son, Maddox (1).

### **DR. ALLISON MINER**

Assistant Athletic Trainer/Physical Therapist 10th Year at San Diego State San Diego State '01; Pugent Sound '04



Dr. Allison Miner begins her 10th season as an assistant athletic trainer and physical therapist at San Diego State. She works primarily with the Aztec football team and also is a physical therapist for SDSU's Student Health Services department. Before returning to her alma mater, Miner spent one year at Scripps Hospital in Encinitas, Calif., as a physical therapist in

the acute rehab unit. In 2004, she earned her doctorate of physical therapy at the University of Puget Sound in Tacoma, Wash. While in the Pacific Northwest, Miner served as a graduate assistant athletic trainer, working mostly with the Loggers' men's and women's

soccer, softball and baseball teams.

Miner graduated from San Diego State in 2001 with her bachelor's degree in kinesiology, with a focus in athletic training. As an undergraduate, she worked with the football team, as well as the Aztec women's soccer, women's tennis and water polo squads.

A native of Vista, Calif., Miner enjoys outrigger canoeing in her spare time.

## **DR. CHRISTOPHER BEHR**

Team Physician/Head Orthopedic Surgeon 16th Year at San Diego State



Dr. Christopher T. Behr currently serves as head team orthopedic surgeon and has been with San Diego State Athletics since 1999. He is a graduate of Cornell and Cornell University Medical College.

Dr. Behr completed his orthopedic residency and sports medicine fellowship at the renowned hospital for special surgery in New York City, where he worked closely with the New York Giants.

Dr. Behr is board certified in orthopedic surgery and is a partner in the San Diego Orthopedic Associates Medical Group.

### DR. ALLEN RICHBURG

Director of Athletic Medicine 17th Year at San Diego State



Dr. Allen Richburg enters his 17th year as a member of the SDSU athletic medicine staff.

An All-America wrestler at Fresno State, Richburg is a graduate of the Loma Linda University School of Medicine. He trained in family practice at the UCLA Santa Monica Family Practice Residency and completed his training in the San Diego Sports Medicine Fellowship Program.

He is a family physician at the San Diego Sports Medicine and Family Health Center, the head physician at Patrick Henry High and Grossmont College, and a U.S. Olympic team physician at the Arco Training Center.

### DR. PETER WILE

Team Physician/Orthopedic Surgeon 29th Year at San Diego State



Dr. Peter B. Wile begins his 29th season at SDSU and has previously served as the team's head orthopedic surgeon.

Dr. Wile received his undergraduate degree from USC in 1972 and his M.D. from Michigan in 1976. He completed an orthopedic surgery residency at Yale and a Fellowship in hip and knee surgery in Rummelsburg, West Germany, in 1981.

Dr. Wile is a partner in the San Diego Orthopedics Associates Medical group, which is located in Hillcrest. The practice has an emphasis and subspecialization in sports medicine and arthroscopic surgery.

Other Team Physicians Dr. Doug Dengerink

- Dr. Scott Evans
- Dr. Richard Parker
- Dr. Rebecca Rodriguez
- Dr. Stephan Rohrer
- Dr. Vishal Thakral

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