

Aztec Coaches and Staff Profiles



FIVE STRAIGHT BOWL GAME APPEARANCES ► 19 CONFERENCE CHAMPIONSHIPS



Rocky Long has led San Diego State to four postseason bowl appearances in his first four years as head coach.

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Record as Head Coach at SDSU

94

League record coaching victories in the Mountain West Conference (35 more than any other coach in history)

18

Times led the Aztecs to a come-from-behind victory in his four seasons as head coach

13

Rank of his defensive unit nationally in points allowed per game last season

12

Players selected in the NFL Draft since he became coach in 2011

8

Consecutive regular-season home victories (SDSU's longest home win streak in 28 years)

7

Times guided the Aztecs to a fourth-quarter comeback victory

5

School record consecutive bowl appearances (4 as head coach)



Postseason

Below is a look at the most postseason appearances for football teams - college or pro - from the state of California since 2010.

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Rocky Long

— HEAD COACH

→ **Two-Time Mountain West Conference Coach of the Year**

→ **In his first four seasons as head coach, guided SDSU to its most victories (32) in a four-year span in 38 seasons**

In the 16-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 fifth 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 six seasons (two as defensive coordinator and four as head coach and defensive coordinator), Long helped institute a hard-nosed, blue-collar, physical-style of football on Montezuma Mesa that revitalized a football program that had been struggling to find an identity for decades.

Now firmly established, that identity has taken the San Diego State football program to heights that would have been unthinkable just a decade ago. The Aztecs have been to a school-record five consecutive bowl games and has enjoyed its best four-year run in nearly four decades.

This SDSU run has placed Aztec Football among the best in the state and in the nation.

Since 2010, San Diego State's 41-24 record (63.1 percent), trails only Stanford and USC among the seven FBS schools in California in winning percentage, placing the Aztecs ahead of among others - UCLA and Fresno State.

With five consecutive bowl appearances, San Diego State is one of just 29 FBS schools to advance to postseason play every season since 2010 and just one of three - Boise State and Northern Illinois

- to make a bowl appearance each of the last five seasons from a Group of 5 conference.

Long's fifth Aztec team is a veteran group that many have picked to be the favorite to win the West Division of the Mountain West.

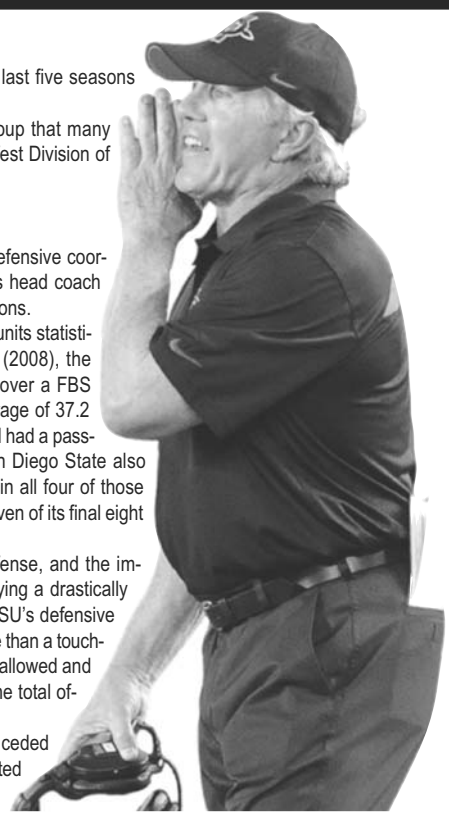
→ The Foundation

In December 2008, Long was named defensive coordinator at San Diego State after serving as head coach at his alma mater, New Mexico, for 11 seasons.

He inherited one of the worst defensive units statistically in the country. The previous season (2008), 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,



Rocky Long - Head Coach



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claimed nine victories for the first time since 1977, and captured a bowl victory for the first time since 1969.

→ Building On Success

Following the departure of the previous head coach, Long took over the program entering the 2011 campaign, while continuing to serve as the defensive coordinator.

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 Coach-of-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.

In 2013, 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 from 1980-2013 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.

Last season, San Diego State advanced to its fifth straight bowl game and finishing in a tie for first in the Western Division of the Mountain West. The Aztecs finished in the top 20 nationally in nearly every defensive category, including scoring defense (13th) and total defense (16th). In addition, SDSU posted a perfect 6-0 record at home during the regular season.

→ The Background

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 60-151 with only three six-plus win seasons in the 17 campaigns without Long at the helm.

At New Mexico, Long compiled a school-record 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

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 two-sport 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 13 straight meetings. 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, 2013 and 2014.

→ 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 have coaching ties. Hannah, guided Division III Southwestern University to a 26-9 record last season and has been named the Southern Collegiate Athletic Conference coach of the year four times. Collegiately, she was a two-sports athlete at Portland State, Roxanne, who played collegiately at Oklahoma, was a successful basketball coach at Rogers State University, before stepping down to pursue her Ph.D.

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.

→ 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



Long File

■ Year at San Diego State:

Fifth Year as Head Coach/
Seventh 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:

2009-15San Diego State
Head Coach (2011-15)
Defensive Coordinator (2009-15)

1998-2008New Mexico
Head Coach

1996-97UCLA
Defensive Coordinator

1991-95Oregon State
Defensive Coordinator

1988-90TCU
Secondary

1986-87British Columbia Lions (CFL)
Linebackers

1981-85Wyoming
Defensive Coordinator

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

1972-73New Mexico
Graduate Assistant

Rocky Long - Head Coach



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On Top

Rocky Long is the winningest coach in Mountain West history and owns a wide gap over all of his contemporaries. Below is a list of active coaches in the league with the number of victories they have obtained while coaching in the conference.

ROCKY LONG, SDSU

94

TROY CALHOUN, AIR FORCE

59

TIM DERUYTER, FRESNO ST.

26

MATT WELLS, UTAH ST.

19

BRYAN HARSIN, BOISE ST.

12

BOB DAVIE, NEW MEXICO

11

BRIAN POLIAN, NEVADA

11

lead the team to a bowl game in his debut campaign.

■ Long has amassed the most victories of any Mountain West head coach since the league's inception in 1999.

■ 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.

■ Since his arrival on The Mesa, a total of 12 Aztecs have been chosen in the NFL Draft, including offensive lineman Terry Poole (fourth round) in May 2015.

■ San Diego State has had at least one player selected in each of the last five NFL Drafts.

■ Came to San Diego State to be the team's defensive coordinator in December 2008.

■ 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.

■ 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.

■ Also served as an assistant coach at TCU, with the CFL's British Columbia Lions and started his career at New Mexico as a graduate assistant coach in 1972.

Four-For-Four

Below is a list of the 18 current coaches which have guided their current school to a bowl game in each of their first four seasons as the head coach.

Head Coach	School
Troy Calhoun	Air Force
Mark Dantonio	Michigan State
Jimbo Fisher	Florida State
Mark Hudspeth	Louisiana-Lafayette
Paul Johnson	Georgia Tech
Brian Kelly	Notre Dame
Rocky Long	San Diego State
Bronco Mendenhall	Brigham Young
Les Miles	LSU
Ken Niumatalolo	Navy
Gary Patterson	TCU
Bobby Petrino	Louisville
Mark Richt	Georgia
Nick Saban	Alabama
David Shaw	Stanford
Bob Stoops	Oklahoma
Dabo Swinney	Clemson
Kyle Whittingham	Utah

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 have head coaching experience 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). She stepped down at the end of last season to pursue other interests.

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.

→ Playing Experience

■ Originally a defensive back, Long became a three-year starter at quarterback for the Lobos from 1969-71. He earned the team's most-valuable-player honors three times and was the Western Athletic 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

Long Factor

Below is a look at the six seasons prior to Rocky Long joining the SDSU staff and the last six seasons in which he has been on The Mesa. The number to the right of the figure is the rank among all FBS teams.

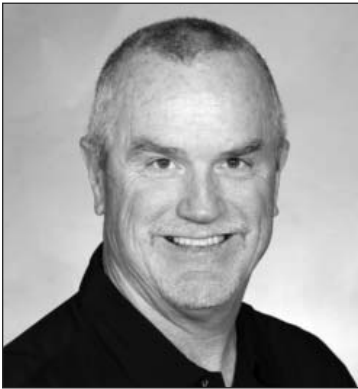
Category	2003-08	2009-14
Record	24-47 (100)	45-32 (45)
Conference Record	16-30 (94)	29-18 (36)
Opp. PPG	28.1 (81)	25.5 (49)
Opp. Total Off./Gm.	396.1 (87)	368.9 (35)
Opp. Rush. Yds./Gm.	188.0 (109)	150.2 (49)
Time of Possession	28:36 (116)	30:09 (52)
Rushing Offense	115.9 (110)	172.5 (43)

■ Rocky Long Career Head Coaching Record

Year	School	Record	Conf.	Finish	Conference	Home	Away	Neutral	Bowl Game	Points Per Game		Total Off.	
										Allowed Rk.	Allowed Rk.	Allowed Rk.	Allowed Rk.
1998	New Mexico	3-9	1-7	7th	WAC	2-4	1-5			100	77		
1999	New Mexico	4-7	3-4	T-5th	Mountain West	3-3	1-4			73	58		
2000	New Mexico	5-7	3-4	T-5th	Mountain West	3-3	2-4			36	17		
2001	New Mexico	6-5	4-3	T-3rd	Mountain West	4-2	2-3			36	18		
2002	New Mexico	7-7	5-2	2nd	Mountain West	5-1	2-5	0-1	Las Vegas Bowl	56	30		
2003	New Mexico	8-5	5-2	2nd	Mountain West	5-2	3-2	0-1	Las Vegas Bowl	39	28		
2004	New Mexico	7-5	5-2	2nd	Mountain West	3-2	4-2	0-1	Emerald Bowl	20	25		
2005	New Mexico	6-5	4-4	T-4th	Mountain West	2-3	4-2			T-85	69		
2006	New Mexico	6-7	4-4	5th	Mountain West	3-5	3-2		New Mexico Bowl	68	80		
2007	New Mexico	9-4	5-3	T-3rd	Mountain West	6-1	3-3		New Mexico Bowl	T-14	14		
2008	New Mexico	4-8	2-6	T-6th	Mountain West	3-3	1-5			46	45		
NEW MEXICO TOTALS (11 Seasons)		65-69	41-41			39-29	26-37	0-3	5 Bowl Appearances	41	30		
2011	San Diego State	8-5	4-3	4th	Mountain West	4-3	4-1	0-1	New Orleans Bowl	57	68		
2012	San Diego State	9-4	7-1	T-1st	Mountain West	6-2	3-2		Poinsettia Bowl	42	39		
2013	San Diego State	8-5	6-2	2nd	Mountain West / West Div.	3-3	4-2	1-0	Famous Idaho Potato Bowl	92	54		
2014	San Diego State	7-6	5-3	T-1st	Mountain West / West Div.	6-1	1-5		Poinsettia Bowl	13	16		
SAN DIEGO STATE TOTALS (4 Seasons)		32-20	22-9			19-9	12-10	1-1	4 Bowl Appearances	40	31		
HEAD COACHING TOTALS (15 Seasons)		97-89	63-50			58-38	38-47	1-4	9 Bowl Appearances				

Jeff Horton - Assoc. Head Coach/OC/RBs

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Horton File

■ **Year at San Diego State:**
Fifth Year

■ **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:**
2011-15San Diego State
Assoc. Head Coach/Off. Coord./RBs (2015)
Asst. Head Coach/RBs (2011-14)

2010Minnesota
Interim Head Coach
Offensive Coordinator/QBs

2009Detroit Lions
Quarterbacks

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

1999-2005Wisconsin
Quarterbacks

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

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

1984Minnesota
Graduate Assistant



→ At San Diego State

■ With 28 years of collegiate coaching experience, including seven as a head coach, Jeff Horton begins his fifth season at San Diego State.

■ This past offseason, Horton was promoted to associate head coach and offensive coordinator, he is entering his fifth season overseeing the running backs.

■ In his previous four seasons on The Mesa, he served as assistant head coach and running backs coach.

■ Since 2011, when Horton was named SDSU's running backs coach, San Diego State ranks 20th nationally in average yards per carry (4.9), 21st in rushing yards per game (197.0) and tied for 24th in rushing touchdowns (114).

■ Under his guidance, SDSU ran for 2,000 yards as a team and produced a 1,000-yard rusher for the fifth year in a row in 2014.

■ In his four years with San Diego State, Horton has coached each of his starting running backs to all-Mountain West honors, including current Denver Bronco Ronnie Hillman in 2011, Adam Muema in 2012 and 2013, and Donnel Pumphrey this past season.

■ In 2014, San Diego State set a school record for yards per carry, averaging 5.4 yards per rush. That figure ranked 13th nationally.

■ Helped Ronnie Hillman receive All-America recognition from the Associated Press in 2011 after 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.

→ Previous Experience

■ 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 Wisconsin from 1999-2005. The Badgers tallied four post-season 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 San Francisco in 1993.

→ Personal

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

Notable Players Coached

→ 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 (12)

→ San Diego State

2014 Poinsettia Bowl, 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

Zach Arnett - Linebackers



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→ **At San Diego State**

- Zach Arnett was promoted to linebackers coach in the spring of 2014 after spending three years as a defensive graduate assistant.
- Two San Diego State linebackers earned all-conference accolades in his first season as a full-time member of the coaching staff, as Josh Gavert and Calvin Munson earned honorable mention all-conference accolades in 2014.
- Helped linebacker Nick Tenhaeff earn all-Mountain West honorable mention recognition in 2013. Tenhaeff led the Aztecs with 15.0 tackles for loss and 5.0 sacks and was third on the squad with 64 tackles combined, including 43 solo stops.
- Coached two Aztecs - Jake Fely and Derek Largent - to all-league 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.

→ **Playing Experience**

- Prior to his arrival on Montezuma Mesa, Arnett played collegiately for four seasons at New Mexico under current San Diego State head coach Rocky Long.
- Was a standout linebacker for the Lobos from 2005-08, lettering four times and serving as team captain during his senior campaign.
- Saw action in 47 games at New Mexico, recording 200 tackles (84 solo, 116 assisted), with four sacks, six forced fumbles and a fumble recovery.
- Tied for the FBS lead in 2008 with six forced fumbles. Of the five players that had six forced fumbles that season, Arnett played the fewest number of games (12).
- 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.
- 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 linebacker 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

- **Josh Gavert, LB (SDSU)**
2014 Honorable Mention All-MW
- **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 (4)

- **San Diego State**
2014 Poinsettia Bowl, 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:**
Fifth Year

■ **Hometown:**
Albuquerque, N.M.

■ **Alma Mater:**
New Mexico, 2009

■ **Collegiate Playing Experience:**
New Mexico - 2005-08

■ **Coaching Experience:**
2014-15San Diego State
Linebackers

2011-13San Diego State
Graduate Assistant - Defense

Hunkie Cooper - Wide Receivers



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HUNKIE COOPER ◀ COACHES



Cooper File

■ **Year at San Diego State:**
First Year

■ **Hometown:**
Palestine, Texas

■ **Alma Mater:**
UNLV, 1991

■ **Collegiate Playing Experience:**
UNLV - 1990-91
Navarro College - 1989

■ **Coaching Experience:**
2015San Diego State
Wide Receivers

2009-14..Canyon Springs High (Las Vegas)
Head Coach

2006-08Utah Blaze
Defensive Backs (2008)
Defensive Coordinator (2007)
Wide Receivers, Linebackers (2006)

→ **At San Diego State**

- Hunkie Cooper enters his first season at San Diego State. He will oversee the wide receiver position.
- In coming to San Diego State, Cooper will reunite with his college coach Jeff Horton. Horton, SDSU's associate head coach/offensive coordinator/running backs coach, was Cooper's head coach at UNLV.
- In high school, Cooper coached current San Diego State running back Donnel Pumphrey, a two-time all-Mountain West honoree who earned first-team honors in 2014.

→ **Previous Experience**

- Prior to coming to The Mesa, Cooper served for six seasons as the head coach at Canyon Springs High in Las Vegas.
- Under Cooper's direction, CSHS made the Sunrise Region playoffs all six years, earning Northeast Sunrise Divisional Coach-of-the-Year honors on three occasions.
- This past season, Cooper's Canyon Springs team was the first Sunrise Region team in more than 40 games to beat perennial power Liberty.
- One of his top players was current SDSU running back and school single-season rushing record holder Donnel Pumphrey, who amassed 4,152 yards and 49 touchdowns on 494 attempts (8.4 avg.) over his career at CSHS. In 2012, Pumphrey rushed for 1,491 yards on 160 carries (9.3 avg.) and 19 touchdowns en route to being named the Gatorade Nevada Player of the Year.

→ **Playing Experience**

- Cooper had one of the greatest careers in Arena Football League history, coming in as the fifth-greatest player in AFL history by the league's Silver Anniversary Committee.
- Named to the Arena Hall of Fame in 2011.
- He led the Arizona Rattlers to a pair of AFL championships (1994 and 1997) and was picked as the MVP of the 1997 AFL Championship game.
- He still owns AFL career regular-season records in combined kick return yards (11,499) and field-goal return touchdowns (5), and postseason records in kick returns (107), kick-return yards (2,061), combined kick returns (121), combined kick-return yards (2,250), two-point conversions (4, tied) and interception return touchdowns (1, tied).
- Cooper ranks among the top five in AFL history in numerous categories, including second with 20,587 all-purpose yards. He was named the Iron Man of the Year in both 1999 and 2000, and had his No. 14 jersey retired by the Rattlers in 2005.
- In 2001, Cooper was selected a first-team all-15th Anniversary as both a receiver and linebacker. He finished his career with nearly 9,000 receiving yards to go along with 196 tackles and 15 interceptions, including seven for a touchdown.
- He earned Ironman of the Game honors in ArenaBowl XI, returning a kick for a touchdown and intercepting a Kurt Warner pass for another score, as the Rattlers defeated the Iowa Barnstormers, 55-33.
- Cooper was named the AFL MVP as a rookie in 1993 after totaling 91 receptions for 1,214 yards and 19 touchdowns, and ended up becoming a 12-time all-pro selection.
- Originally signed as a fourth-string wide receiver, Cooper immediately shot up the depth chart.
- At UNLV, he twice earned All-America honors and all-Big West Conference accolades as a punt returner and kick returner (1989-90).
- Cooper, who played six different positions with the Rebels, scored four touchdowns as an all-purpose player in his first career Division I game.
- He wore No. 14 while playing for the Rebels.
- Was the quarterback for national champion iNavarro College in 1989.

Notable Players Coached

- **Donnel Pumphrey, RB (SDSU)**
2014 First Team All-MW
- **DeMarco Murray, RB (Oklahoma)**
2014 AP NFL Offensive Player of the Year
- **Juron Criner, WR (Arizona)**
Fifth-Round NFL Draft pick in 2012; 209 receptions in college
- **Lynn McGrunder, DT (Oklahoma)**
Started 11 games for the Sooners in 2004
- **Quinton Carter, FS (Oklahoma)**
Fourth-round NFL Draft pick in 2011

→ **Education**

- A 1991 graduate of UNLV.



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Danny Gonzales - Safeties



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→ At San Diego State

- Danny Gonzales enters his fifth season with San Diego State and coaches the team's safeties. He has worked as part of Rocky Long's defensive staff since Long joined the Aztecs in 2011.
- 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.
- San Diego State produced one of the best defensive efforts in school history in 2014, finishing in the top 20 nationally in nearly every defensive category, including scoring defense (13th) and total defense (16th).
- 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).

→ Previous Experience

- He previously was a member of Aztec head coach Rocky Long's staff at New Mexico.
- 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 squad ranked 13th nationally in total defense, 14th in scoring de-



Gonzales File

■ **Year at San Diego State:**
Fifth Year

■ **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:**
2011-15San Diego State
Safeties

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

fense 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 (17), Jake (15), Chloe (3) and Abby (1).

Notable Players Coached

- **Nat Berhe, DB (SDSU), New York Giants**
Three-time All-MW selection, Fifth-round NFL Draft pick in 2014
- **Eric Pinkins, 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
- **Kenny Byrd, PK (New Mexico)**
2006 First-Team All-MW selection
- **Clint McPeck, DB (New Mexico)**
Played for the UFL's Hartford Colonials
- **Glover Quin, 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 (7)

- **San Diego State**
2014 Poinsettia Bowl, 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

Bobby Hauck - Special Teams Coord.



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Hauck File

(pronounced HOWK)

■ **Year at San Diego State:**
First Year

■ **Hometown:**
Big Timber, Mont.

■ **Family:**
Wife, Stacy, and children, Sydney, Alexandra, Robby and Elise

■ **Alma Mater:**
Montana, 1988, and UCLA, 1991

■ **Coaching Experience:**
2015San Diego State
Special Teams Coordinator

2010-14UNLV
Head Coach / Special Teams Coord.

2003-09Montana
Head Coach / Special Teams Coord.

1999-2002.....Washington
Defensive Backs (2002)
Safeties / Special Teams Coord.(1999-2001)

1995-98.....Colorado
Safeties / Special Tms. / Recruiting Coord. (1998)
OLBs / Special Teams Coord.(1995-97)

1993-94Northern Arizona
OLBs / Special Teams / Recruiting Coord.

1990-92UCLA
Assistant Recruiting Coordinator (1992)
Graduate Assistant (1990-91)

1988-89Montana
Defensive Line / Secondary (1989)
Secondary (1988)

1987Sweet Grass High School (Mont.)
Assistant Coach

→ At San Diego State

- Enters his first season at San Diego State.
- This marks the 22nd time in the last 23 seasons that he has overseen the special teams in his coaching responsibilities.
- Last season, his special teams units at UNLV were ranked 30th in the nation in ESPN's end of season Power Football Index.
- He is one of four members of the San Diego State staff which have been a collegiate head coach at another school (Hauck, Rocky Long, Jeff Horton and Kevin McGarry).

→ Previous Experience

- Served as a head coach each of the previous 12 seasons, with stops at his alma mater Montana (2003-09) and UNLV (2010-14).
- In 2013, he guided UNLV to its first winning season and first bowl game since 2000. That year, the Rebels advanced to the Heart of Dallas Bowl.
- In the last 30 seasons, only three head coaches have guided UNLV to a bowl game - Jeff Horton (twice), John Robinson and Hauck - and two of those coaches are currently on the Aztec staff (Hauck and Horton).
- While serving as head coach at UNLV, Hauck also served as special teams coordinator. In his five seasons at UNLV, the Rebels ranked 34th nationally in kickoff return average (22.3) and 40th nationally in kick-return average allowed (20.7).
- Served as the head coach at Montana from 2003-09, compiling an 80-17 record and advancing to the FCS playoffs in all seven of his seasons.
- The 80-17 record during that span made Hauck's Montana squad the highest winning percentage (82.5 percent) amongst the 134 schools that played a game at the FCS level during those seven seasons.
- Hauck claimed at least a share of the Big Sky Conference title in all seven of his seasons as the Montana head coach and led the Grizzlies to the national championship game on three occasions (2004, 2008 and 2009).
- In his 97 games as head coach at Montana, the Grizzlies outscored its opponents, 3,079-1,795, an average of 31.7-18.5.
- Has coached in the Mountain West, Pac-12 (three different schools) in addition to his extensive experience in the FCS.



Notable Players Coached

- **Devvonte Boyd, WR (UNLV)**
2014 MW Freshmen of the Year, Second Team All-MW
- **Brett Boyko, OL (UNLV)**
2014 Second Team All-MW
- **Devante Davis, WR (UNLV)**
2013 Second Team All-MW
- **Tim Cornett, RB (UNLV)**
2013 Second Team All-MW
- **Brett Boyko, OL (UNLV)**
2013 Second Team All-MW
- **Nolan Kohorst, PK (UNLV)**
2012 First Team All-MW
- **Deante' Purvis KR (UNLV)**
2012 Second Team All-MW

BOWL GAMES AS A COACH (8)

- **UNLV**
2013 Heart of Dallas Bowl
- **Washington**
2002 Sun Bowl, 2001 Holiday Bowl, 2000 Rose Bowl
- **Colorado**
1998 Aloha Bowl, 1996 Holiday Bowl, 1996 Cotton Bowl
- **UCLA**
1991 Sun Bowl

→ Education

- Earned his bachelor's degree in business and physical education from Montana in 1987.
- Received his master's degree in education administration from UCLA in 1991.

→ Personal

- Hauck and his wife, Stacy, have four children, Sydney, Alexandra, Elise and Robby.

Osia Lewis - Defensive Line



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→ At San Diego State

- Osia Lewis enters his fifth season as San Diego State's defensive line coach and his 10th season working with Rocky Long.
- 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 10 bowl games.
- Under his guidance, San Diego State has placed a defensive lineman on the all-conference team three times in the last four seasons - Jerome Long (second team), Sam Meredith (honorable mention) and Alex Barrett (honorable mention).
- San Diego State produced one of the best defensive efforts in school history in 2014, finishing in the top 20 nationally in nearly every defensive category, including scoring defense (13th) and total defense (16th).
- 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.
- 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.

→ Previous Experience

- 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 a one-year stint in the United Football League with the Hartford



Notable Players Coached

- **Sam Meredith, DT (SDSU)**
2012 Honorable Mention All-MW
- **Jerome Long, 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
- **DeAndre Wright, 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 (10)

- **San Diego State**
2014 Poinsettia Bowl, 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

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

(pronounced oh-SAY)

- **Year at San Diego State:**
Fifth Year
- **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:**
2011-15San Diego State
Defensive Line
2010Hartford Colonials (UFL)
Defensive Coordinator
2008-09UTEP
Defensive Coordinator
2003-07New Mexico
Defensive Coordinator
Defensive Line (2003-05)
Linebackers (2006-07)
1997-02Illinois
Linebackers (2001-02)
Defensive Line (1997-00)
1991-96Oregon State
Linebackers & Special Teams
1989-90Western Oregon
Assistant Coach

COACHES ► OSIA LEWIS

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Blane Morgan - Quarterbacks



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BLANE MORGAN ◀ COACHES



Morgan File

■ **Year at San Diego State:**
First Year

■ **Hometown:**
Dallas, Texas

■ **Family:**
Wife, Mandy, and children, Brodie and Camille

■ **Alma Mater:**
Air Force, 1999

■ **Collegiate Playing Experience:**
Air Force - 1997-99

■ **Coaching Experience:**
2015San Diego State
Quarterbacks Coach

2003-14Air Force
Offensive Coordinator/QB (2007-14)
Wide Receivers (2005-06)
Varsity/JV Assistant (2003-04)

→ **At San Diego State**

■ After coaching for 12 seasons at Air Force, the last eight as offensive coordinator and quarterbacks coach, Blane Morgan enters his first season at San Diego State as the quarterbacks coach.

→ **Previous Experience**

■ Blane Morgan coached the previous 12 seasons at Air Force in three different capacities. The last eight seasons of his tenure with the Falcons, he served as offensive coordinator and quarterbacks coach.

■ From 2007-14, when Morgan was the offensive coordinator and quarterbacks coach at Air Force, the Falcons ranked 24th nationally in passing efficiency rating (139.1). During that time, the Falcons ranked third nationally in yards per completion (14.82).

■ As a team, the Falcons enjoyed great success while Morgan served as the offensive coordinator. The Falcons posted a 59-44 record (57.3 percent) and advanced to seven bowl games in that eight-year span.

→ **Playing Experience**

■ A two-year starter at quarterback for Air Force, he posted a 20-3 record as a starter at the position. He owns the highest career winning percentage by any signal caller in Falcons history.

■ As a senior, Morgan led Air Force to a 12-1 record and earned Western Athletic Conference offensive player-of-the-year accolades. He led Air Force to a victory over Washington in the Oahu Bowl.

■ His junior season, Morgan posted a 10-3 record with the Academy.

■ Morgan posted a 3-0 record as a starting quarterback against other service academies.

■ He is the only QB in school history to guide the Falcons to an outright conference title.

Notable Players Coached

→ **Shaun Carney, QB (Air Force)**

Four-year starter; 5,391 yards passing, 2,561 yards rushing

→ **Tim Jefferson, QB (Air Force)**

Four-year starter; 4,599 yards passing, 1,988 yards rushing

→ **Jordan Eason, OL (Air Force)**

2011 First Team All-MW

→ **A.J. Wallerstein, OL (Air Force)**

2011 First Team All-MW

→ **Asher Clark, OL (Air Force)**

2010 First Team All-MW

→ **Nick Charles, OL (Air Force)**

2009 First Team All-MW, 2008 & 2007 Second Team All-MW

→ **Peter Lusk, OL (Air Force)**

2009 First Team All-MW

→ **Jared Tew, FB (Air Force)**

2009 First Team All-MW

→ **Chad Hall, WR/RB (Air Force)**

2007 First Team All-MW

BOWL GAMES AS A COACH (7)

→ **Air Force**

2014 Famous Idaho Potato Bowl, 2012 Bell Helicopter Armed Forces Bowl, 2011 Milltray Bowl, 2010 AdvoCare V100 Independence Bowl, 2009 Bell Helicopter Armed Force Bowl, 2008 Bell Helicopter Armed Force Bowl, 2007 Bell Helicopter Armed Force Bowl

BOWL GAMES AS A PLAYER (2)

→ **Air Force**

1998 Jeep Oahu Bowl, 1997 Las Vegas Bowl



■ Was named team most valuable player (1998) as a junior and was the Academy male athlete of the year (1999) as a senior.

■ Earned three letters playing football for the Falcons.

■ Ended his three-year career having thrown for 3,324 yards and 22 touchdowns and rushed for 2,567 yards and 39 touchdowns.

■ He recorded multiple interceptions just one time in 28 career games.

→ **Education**

■ Earned his bachelor's degree from Air Force in 1999.

→ **Personal**

■ Morgan and his wife, Mandy, have two children - a son, Brodie, and a daughter, Camille.

■ Morgan played for his father, Barry, at Trinity Christian Academy in Addison, Texas.

■ Blaine's older brother, Beau, was a starting quarterback at Air Force.

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Mike Schmidt - Offensive Line



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→ At San Diego State

- Mike Schmidt enters his fourth season as San Diego State's offensive line coach and his seventh as a member of the Aztec football staff.
- Schmidt has been affiliated with the Aztec program since arriving on campus as a student-athlete in 2005.
- Has been influential in San Diego State establishing itself as one of the top rushing programs in the country. Since joining the staff as a full-time assistant coach in 2012, the Aztecs rank 23rd nationally in rushing yardage per game (201.1), 23rd in rushing yard per carry (4.9) and 29th in rushing touchdowns (86).
- Under his guidance, SDSU ran for 2,000 yards as a team and produced a 1,000-yard rusher for the fifth year in a row in 2013.
- In 2014, San Diego State set a school record for yards per carry, averaging 5.4 yards per rush. That figure ranked 13th nationally.
- 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.
- 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.
- In 2014, Terry Poole (first team) and Darrell Greene (honorable mention) both earned all-conference accolades on the offensive line. It marked the third consecutive season that at least two Aztec o-lineman were honored by the league.
- Coached multiple all-Mountain West selections for the second year in a row in 2013 after tackle Bryce Quigley earned second-team distinction and guard Terry Poole received honorable mention.
- In 2012, 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 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.



Schmidt File

■ **Year at San Diego State:**
Fourth Year

■ **Hometown:**
San Diego, Calif.

■ **Alma Mater:**
San Diego State, 2009

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

■ **Coaching Experience:**
2009-15 San Diego State
Offensive Line (2012-15)
Graduate Assistant - Offense (2010-11)
Student Assistant (2009)



Notable Players Coached

- **Bryce Quigley, OL (SDSU)**
Two-time All-Mountain West selection
- **Terry Poole, OL (SDSU)**
2013 Honorable Mention All-MW, 2014 First Team All-MW, 2015 NFL Draft Pick
- **Nik Embernate, OL (SDSU)**
2012 First-Team All-MW
- **Alec Johnson, OL (SDSU)**
2011-12 Second-Team All-MW selection, Rimington Trophy Watch List

BOWL GAMES AS A COACH (5)

- **San Diego State**
2014 Poinsettia Bowl, 2013 Famous Idaho Potato Bowl, 2012 Poinsettia Bowl, 2011 New Orleans Bowl, 2010 Poinsettia Bowl

Tony White - Cornerbacks/Recruiting



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TONY WHITE ◀ COACHES
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White File

■ **Year at San Diego State:**
Seventh Year

■ **Hometown:**
El Paso, Texas

■ **Alma Mater:**
UCLA, 2002

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

■ **Collegiate Playing Experience:**
UCLA - 1997-2000

■ **Coaching Experience:**
2009-15San Diego State
Cornerbacks (2009-15)
Recruiting Coordinator (2011-15)

2008New Mexico
Linebackers

2007UCLA
Graduate Asst. - Football Operations

2006St. Genevieve High School
Head Coach

→ At San Diego State

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

■ Under White's direction, San Diego State placed three defensive backs on the Mountain West all-conference team in 2014. Damonte Kazee (second team), J.J. Whittaker (second team) and Malik Smith (honorable mention). All three players return in 2015.

■ San Diego State intercepted 14 passes in 2014 which tied for 29th nationally.

■ In addition, the Aztecs ranked third last season in pass efficiency defense (112.1) and allowed just 10 touchdowns through the air (second among Mountain West schools).

■ Helped J.J. Whittaker receive all-Mountain West honorable mention accolades in his first year of collegiate play in 2013. 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 garner 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 *SI.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 MW in 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.

→ Previous Experience

■ 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.



Notable Players Coached

→ J.J. Whittaker, DB (SDSU)

2014 Second Team All-MW; 2013 Honorable Mention All-MW

→ Damonte Kazee, DB (SDSU)

2014 Second Team 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 Mention All-MW

→ Zach Arnett, LB (New Mexico)

2008 First-Team Academic All-American, 2008 MW Honorable Mention, Tied for national lead in fumbles caused in 2008

→ Herbert Felder, LB (New Mexico)

2008 Honorable Mention All-MW

BOWL GAMES AS A COACH (5)

→ San Diego State

2014 Poinsettia Bowl, 2013 Famous Idaho Potato Bowl, 2012 Poinsettia Bowl, 2011 New Orleans Bowl, 2010 Poinsettia Bowl

BOWL GAMES AS A PLAYER (3)

→ UCLA

2000 Sun Bowl, 1999 Rose Bowl, 1998 Cotton Bowl

■ At UNM, coached two honorable mention all-conference linebackers in (current SDSU assistant coach) 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 in football operations at UCLA in 2007. White assisted with the day-to-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.

Kevin McGarry - Player Personnel



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→ **At San Diego State**

- Kevin McGarry enters his fifth season as a full-time member of the San Diego State football staff.
- He is one of four members of the San Diego State staff which

have been a collegiate head coach at another school (Rocky Long, Bobby Hauck, Jeff Horton and McGarry).

- 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 current role, McGarry handles the day-to-day administrative duties of the Aztecs' recruiting efforts and will contribute to the team's overall talent evaluation.
- 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 of 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.

→ **Previous Experience**

- 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 (28), Mike (28), Timbo (25) and Matt (19).



McGarry File

■ **Year at San Diego State:**
Fifth Year

■ **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:**
2014-15 San Diego State
Director of Player Personnel

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

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

Notable Players Coached

→ **Bryce Quigley, OL (SDSU)**

Two-time All-Mountain West selection

→ **Miles Burris, LB (SDSU), Oakland Raiders**

First-Team All-MW honoree, 2012 NFL Draft pick

→ **Dylan Ching, WR (USD)**

Finished career as school's all-time leading receiver, Drafted by CFL's Saskatchewan Roughriders

→ **Jeb Dougherty, DB (USD)**

Two-time Academic All-American, NCAA Division I-AA All-American, AP Third-Team I-AA All-American

→ **Dan Herbert, DB (USD)**

Kodak College Div. II All-American, Academic All-American

→ **Dylan Mora, 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

BOWL GAMES AS AN ADMINISTRATOR (1)

→ **San Diego State**

2014 Poinsettia Bowl

Jashon Sykes - Director of Operations



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JASHON SYKES ◀ COACHES



Sykes File

■ **Year at San Diego State:**
Third Year

■ **Hometown:**
Los Angeles, Calif.

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

■ **Alma Mater:**
Colorado, 2002

■ **Collegiate Playing Experience:**
Colorado - 1998-2002

■ **Professional Experience:**
2013-15San Diego State
Director of Football Operations

2006-12Colorado
Director of Football Operations (2011-12)
Asst. Operations Dir. and Coord. of Football Relations (2009-10)
Dir. of On-Campus Recruiting (2007-08)
Adm. Asst. - Recruiting and Operations (2006)

2007-08Denver Broncos
Training Camp Assistant Coach

→ At San Diego State

■ Jashon Sykes begins his third season at San Diego State as the team's Director of Football Operations, overseeing the day-to-day operations of the football program including scheduling, budgeting, and team travel.

■ Sykes works closely with members of the campus community including the faculty, housing & dining, and academic advising. Other duties include game day management, community outreach, the coordination and planning of team events related to the football program, the annual team awards banquet and special projects.

■ Sykes also serves as the football team's NFL liaison, managing and coordinating pro day, and assisting the potential NFL Aztecs with transitioning from college to the NFL.

→ Previous Experience

■ 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 administrative assistant in recruiting and operations for one season before taking on the role of on-campus recruiting director in 2007-08.

■ Spent two summers with the Denver Broncos as a training camp assistant coach. 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 Colorado 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 Colorado in 2002.

→ Personal

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



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Graduate Assistants - Offense



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Jake Laudenslayer

Graduate Assistant - Offense
Second Year at San Diego State
Cal Lutheran '11



→ At San Diego State

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

→ Previous Experience

■ 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 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.



Laudenslayer File

■ **Year at San Diego State:**
Second Year

■ **Hometown:**
Modesto, Calif.

■ **High School:**
Grace Davis

■ **Alma Mater:**
Cal Lutheran, 2011

■ **Collegiate Playing Experience:**
2010-11
Cal Lutheran

2009
Marshall

2007-08
Mendocino College

■ **Coaching Experience:**

2014-15
San Diego State
Graduate Asst. - Offense

2012
Cal Lutheran
Wide Receivers

Zach Shultis

Graduate Assistant - Offense
First Year at San Diego State
Cal Lutheran '13



→ At San Diego State

■ Zach Shultis begins his first season at SDSU as a graduate assistant, focusing on the offensive side of the ball.
■ Like fellow offensive graduate assistant Jake Laudenslayer, Shultis played collegiately at Cal Lutheran and started his coaching career with the Kingsmen.

→ Previous Experience

■ Served as the wide receivers and kickers coach during the 2013 campaign at Cal Lutheran.
■ The Kingsmen scored at least 41 points in three of their final five games of the season and averaged 38.2 points per game.
■ In nine games, Cal Lutheran recorded 24 touchdowns through the air. The Kingsmen averaged 297.7 yards through the air during the season, with Cal Lutheran quarterbacks completing 60.2 percent of their passes.

→ Playing Experience

■ Shultis was both an all-conference punter and a starting quarterback during his playing time at Cal Lutheran.
■ He was a second team all-SCIAC as a punter in 2011.
■ Made the move to quarterback in 2012 and led the Kingsmen to their fourth-straight SCIAC Championship.
■ Shultis holds the school record for passing touchdowns in a season with 24 and finished second in the country in Division III for passer efficiency.
■ He was a perfect 48-for-48 in PATs.

→ Education

■ Shultis graduated from CLU in 2013 with a degree in political science.

Shultis File

■ **Year at San Diego State:**
First Year

■ **Hometown:**
Thousand Oaks, Calif.

■ **High School:**
Thousand Oaks

■ **Alma Mater:**
Cal Lutheran, 2013

■ **Collegiate Playing Experience:**
2011-12
Cal Lutheran

2009-10
Moorpark College

■ **Coaching Experience:**

2015
San Diego State
Graduate Asst. - Offense

2014
Cal Lutheran
Wide Receivers and Kickers

Graduate Assistants - Defense



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Lucky Radley

Graduate Assistant - Defense
First Year at San Diego State
Utah '12, '15



Radley File

■ **Year at San Diego State:**
First Year

■ **Hometown:**
Inglewood, Calif.

■ **High School:**
Taft High

■ **Alma Mater:**
Utah, 2012, 2015

■ **Collegiate Playing Experience:**
2014
San Diego State

2010-13
Utah

■ **Coaching Experience:**
2015
San Diego State
Graduate Asst. - Defense

→ At San Diego State

■ Lucky Radley begins his first season as a graduate assistant coach on the defensive side of the ball after completing his eligibility last season with the Aztecs as a running back and a member of special teams.

→ Playing Experience

- Saw action in all 13 games for San Diego State during the 2014 bowl season. Saw time at running back and played extensively on special teams.
- Named San Diego State's team recipient of the San Diego County Credit Union Poinsettia Bowl Most Inspirational Player in 2014.
- One of six Aztec Football players selected to represent the team at the Make-A-Wish night at the Omni Hotel as part of the 2014 SDCCU Poinsettia Bowl week festivities.
- Transferred to SDSU during the summer of 2014 from Utah, after graduating with a sociology degree.
- Played in 24 games over his career at Utah.
- In his career with Utah, he rushed for 334 yards on 74 attempts (4.5 avg.) and three touchdowns to go along with 80 receiving yards and a touchdown on 11 catches.
- Played one game in 2011 on special teams.
- Played in all 12 games in 2012, mainly on special teams.
- Was an honorable mention Academic All-Pac-12 selection as a junior in 2013.

→ Education

- Earned his bachelor's degree in sociology from Utah in 2012, while still having two years of playing eligibility remaining.
- Received his master's degree from the Department of Exercise and Sports Science, with an emphasis in special education in physical education from Utah in 2015.
- Currently working on his PhD in the exercise and sports science program.

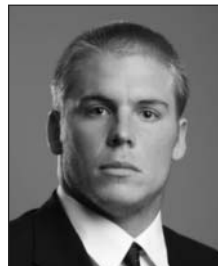
→ Personal

- Born Feb. 22, 1992.
- Mother ran track at Long Beach State.
- Relatives Curtis Conway and Jason Mitchell played in the National Football League.



Zach Shapiro

Graduate Assistant - Defense
First Year at San Diego State
San Diego State '10



Shapiro File

■ **Year at San Diego State:**
First Year

■ **Hometown:**
Claremont, Calif.

■ **High School:**
Claremont High

■ **Alma Mater:**
San Diego State, 2010

■ **Collegiate Playing Experience:**
2008-09
San Diego State

2007
Mt. San Antonio College

2005-06
Nevada

■ **Coaching Experience:**
2015
San Diego State
Graduate Asst. - Defense

→ At San Diego State

■ Zach Shapiro is in his first season as a graduate assistant coach at San Diego State. His focus will be on the defensive side of the ball.

→ Playing Experience

- Played defensive line for San Diego State and ended his career in 2009. Once his football eligibility had expired, he played on the SDSU rugby club team.
- Played in all 12 games for the Aztecs during his senior season, recording 18 tackles (eight solos), three tackles for loss and a quarterback sack.
- Saw action in seven games for the Aztecs during the 2008 campaign.
- Originally a walkon at San Diego State, he earned a scholarship his senior season.
- Played football at Claremont High School, where he was a first-team all-league selection on both offense and defense.
- Played defensive line and fullback.
- Team won the Baseline League title three consecutive years.
- Served as team captain, notching 96 tackles, 10 sacks and five forced fumbles in 2004.
- Squad's player of the game with 12 tackles, a sack and a forced fumble against Damien High School.

→ Coaching Experience

- Served as an linebackers coach and special teams coordinator at Hoover High from 2012-14.
- The team claimed the league title in 2014 and advanced to the CIF championship game for the first time in school history.
- He also coached the rugby team and served as the track and field strength and conditioning coach while at Hoover.

→ Education

- Shapiro graduated from San Diego State in 2010 with a degree in social science and an emphasis in anthropology.
- He is currently enrolled in homeland security graduate program.

→ Personal

- Born Nov. 5, 1987, in Claremont, Calif.
- Son of Arthur and Mary Jane Shapiro.



LUCKY RADLEY -- ZACH SHAPIRO ◀ COACHES

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Adam Hall

Assistant Athletic Director - Strength and Conditioning
Sixth Year at San Diego State
San Diego State '04



Hall File

■ **Year at San Diego State:**
Sixth Year

■ **Hometown:**
Austin, Texas

■ **High School:**
Westlake

■ **Alma Mater:**
San Diego State, 2004

■ **Collegiate Playing Experience:**
2000-03
San Diego State

1999
Texas

■ **Coaching Experience:**
2012-15
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

→ At San Diego State

■ Former Aztec quarterback Adam Hall is in his sixth season in the strength and conditioning program at San Diego State and will begin his fourth season overseeing the football program.

■ He was promoted to assistant athletic director for strength and conditioning in March 2015 after serving as interim director of strength and conditioning during the 2014 football campaign.

■ 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.

→ Previous Experience

■ Prior to returning to Montezuma Mesa, 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.

→ 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.

■ CSCCA & USAW certified.

Chris Jurek

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



Jurek File

■ **Year at San Diego State:**
Fifth Year

■ **Hometown:**
Southfield, Mich.

■ **High School:**
Southfield-Lathrup

■ **Alma Mater:**
Cincinnati, 2009

■ **Collegiate Playing Experience:**
2005-09
Cincinnati

■ **Coaching Experience:**
2011-15
San Diego State
Asst. Strength & Conditioning Coach

→ At San Diego State

■ Chris Jurek, who is in his fifth 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.

■ Earned his certification from both the Collegiate Strength and Conditioning Association and USAW.



Doug Deakin

Assistant for Football Operations
Fourth Year at San Diego State
San Diego State '10



Doug Deakin begins his fourth season at San Diego State and the first as the assistant for football operations. In his current position, Deakin assists the director of football operations Jason Sykes in all aspects of the program.

Previously, Deakin served as a graduate assistant coach on defense, working primarily with the safeties.

Deakin was a fan favorite as a walk-on football player with the Aztecs. A defensive back out of high school, Deakin transitioned into a wide receiver while at SDSU.

He played a combined 24 games during the 2009 and 2010 campaigns, serving as the team's holder on field goals and

extra-point attempts.

Deakin 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 and saw in action in SDSU's win over Navy in the Poinsettia Bowl.

He was awarded the 2008 SDSU President's Award for Highest Standards of Academic and Athletic Excellence.

He garnered SDSU scholar-athlete honors and received academic all-Mountain West distinction in 2009. Deakin was also nominated for the College Football Rudy Awards, which recognizes student-athletes who demonstrate excellent character, contribution and commitment as members of their college football teams.

A native of Oak Park, Calif., Deakin received his undergraduate degree in business management from San Diego State in 2010.

Deakin is engaged to Emily Diggins.

Brian Murphy

Video Coordinator
13th 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 day-to-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 Association Conference Video Coordinator of the Year for 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.

Asst. Video Coordinator
Gregg Nassen

Angie Garza

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



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 assistants and 12 student managers in the daily operations for 18 varsity sports.

The Los Angeles, Calif., native has a bachelor of science degree from San Diego State in child development with an emphasis in family development. As an undergraduate, she worked as a student equipment manager for the football team from 2001-04.

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

Assistant Director
Sonny Sanfilippo

Equipment Attendant
Dennis Brown

Patsy Armstrong

Football Office Coordinator
Fourth Year at San Diego State
UC Santa Barbara '03; San Diego State '08



Now in her ninth year at San Diego State, Patsy Armstrong serves as the football office coordinator.

In her role, Armstrong coordinates schedules for Rocky Long and his staff. She is an integral part of the day-to-day football operations, and serves as the team liaison for student-athletes, human resources, compliance, marketing and NFL personnel.

Prior to returning to the athletics department, Armstrong worked on campus in the student life and leadership office in the Division of Student Affairs.

She is a 2003 graduate of UC Santa Barbara and received her master's degree from San Diego State in 2008.

Emily Daniels

Administrative Assistant for Recruiting
Fourth Year at San Diego State
San Diego State '12



Emily Daniels begins her fourth season in the San Diego State football office, serving as administrative assistant for recruiting.

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

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 attends Thomas Jefferson School of Law in San Diego.



Jessica Amerosa

Academic Advisor

10th Year at San Diego State

Mississippi State '00; Kansas State '06



Jessica Amerosa is in her 10th 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 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

16th Year at San Diego State

Utah State '94, '97; San Diego State '07, '11



Dr. Bre White is in her 20th year as a student-athlete support services professional and enters her 16th 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

Fifth Year at San Diego State

Fresno State '06, '08



Cheng Ko, who has a passion to help student-athletes succeed, enters his fifth 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 team.

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 Iota 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

16th Year at San Diego State

Ohio State '98



Scott Horvath enters his 16th season at San Diego State and his eighth in Aztec athletics.

Horvath serves as the department's information technology coordinator and is in his 12th 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.

Support Staff - Medical Staff

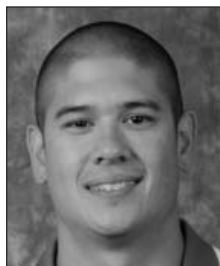


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Patrick Spieldenner

Head Football Athletic Trainer
Second Year at San Diego State
San Diego State '04; New Mexico '06



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

Spieldenner arrived at 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 position at Nebraska, Spieldenner served as the head men's soccer athletic trainer and assistant football athletic trainer at New Mexico. 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).



Jeff Kahn

Assistant Athletic Trainer



Nik Turner

Assistant Athletic Trainer



Jacob Callahan

Assistant Athletic Trainer

Dr. Christopher Behr

Team Physician/Head Orthopedic Surgeon
17th Year at San Diego State



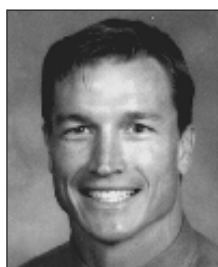
Dr. Christopher T. Behr currently serves as head team orthopedic surgeon and has been with San Diego State Athletics since 1999. He is a graduate of Cornell and Cornell University Medical College.

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
18th Year at San Diego State



Dr. Allen Richburg enters his 18th 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
30th Year at San Diego State



Dr. Peter B. Wile begins his 30th 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. Alexandra Myers
- Dr. Rebecca Rodriguez
- Dr. Stephan Rohrer

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