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# 2014-15 AZTEC BASKETBALL MEDIA GUIDE

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### **GENERAL INFORMATION**

Location: San Diego, Calif., 92182

Founded: 1897 Enrollment: 30,146

Nickname/Mascot: Aztecs/The Aztec Warrior

School Colors: Scarlet and Black Affiliation: NCAA Division I Conference: Mountain West Home Arena (Capacity):

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### AZTEC BASKETBALL FACTS

First Year of Basketball: 1976-77 All-Time Record: 605-513 (.540) 2013-14 Overall Record: 13-17 2013-14 MW Record/Finish: 9-9/T-6th 2014 MW Tournament Record: 1-1 2013-14 Final RPI: 217 Letterwinners Returning/Lost: 8/4 Starters Returning/Lost: 3/2

Newcomers: 7

Postseason Appearances: 12 NCAA Appearances: 9 Last NCAA Appearance: 2012 Lost to LSU (64-56) in First Round

Last Postseason Appearance: 2013
Lost to BYU (69-58) in WNIT Second Round

The 2014-15 SDSU basketball media guide has been prepared to assist media members in their coverage of the Aztecs. Additional information, including media releases and photographs, may be obtained by contacting assistant media relations director Jim Solien at 619-594-2576.

#### **CREDENTIALS**

All requests for working credentials (press, radio, television, scouting) should be directed to Jim Solien at least 24 hours prior to tip-off. Faxed inquiries may be sent to 619-582-6541. Credentials will not be mailed. They may be picked up at the media entrance at Viejas Arena (lower level) 90 minutes prior to the start of all home games.

#### **CAMPUS PARKING**

Media desiring to cover Aztec practices on campus can park in the Viejas Arena Lot L and obtain a special parking pass at the Viejas Arena office. Media parking (via permit) will be provided for all home games in Parking Structure 4, adjacent to Viejas Arena

### **DIRECTIONS TO VIEJAS ARENA**

Take I-8 East to the College Avenue exit. Take College Avenue south towards SDSU. Turn right on Montezuma Road. Turn right on 55th Street. Viejas Arena is on the right-hand side.

### **PRACTICE AND INTERVIEWS**

Media wishing to attend practice should contact the Aztec media relations department at least one day in advance.

Head coach Stacie Terry and the players are generally available to meet with the media following each workout, as requested. Coaches and players are also available to conduct television and radio interviews, which must be set up through the media relations office at 619-594-2576.

Please request all interviews with a minimum of 24 hours notice. San Diego State players and coaches will not be available for interviews on game days until postgame.

### **GAMEDAY SERVICES**

The Aztec media relations office furnishes game programs, pregame notes and media guides prior to each game in the media room at Viejas Arena. Play-by-play accounts, halftime and final statistics and shot charts are also provided.

### **TELEPHONES**

Several phones are available in the media room and on press row, but are available on a first-come, first-serve basis. For more information on phone-line installation, contact Viejas Arena at (610) 564-3533

Phone lines for visiting radio broadcasts (one ISDN, one business) will be provided on a reciprocal basis.

### **MEDIA SEATING**

Media will be assigned seats along press row tables located behind the visitor's bench. Please check the media seating chart in the media workroom.

### **PHOTOGRAPHERS**

Photographers are restricted to either designated areas along the baseline and are not permitted near team benches during the game.

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Weekly Aztec basketball releases in pdf format (Acrobat) are available for download from the women's basketball page at

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# **AZTEC WEBCASTS**

Aztec basketball fans will have an opportunity to listen to live play-by-play of regular-season games, both home and away, over the internet at www.goaztecs.com. In addition, all Aztec home contests during the 2014-15 regular season will feature a live video stream via the Mountain West Network to supplement the audio call from Viejas Arena.

For the eighth year in a row, SDSU alumnus Chris Ello will be the voice of Aztec basketball both at home and on the road.

### ON THE INTERNET

Information on Aztec basketball is available on the Internet at www.goaztecs.com. Press releases and recaps, along with ingame and season statistics, are updated on a weekly basis. In addition, the basketball media guide is also located on the site and includes player profiles, school records and team history.

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# **AZTEC MEDIA**



#### AZTEC BASKETBALL ON THE INTERNET

For the 14th consecutive year, Aztec women's basketball fans will have an opportunity to listen to live play-by-play of regular-season games over the internet at www.goaztecs.com.

SDSU alumnus Chris Ello begins his eighth season of calling the action and is a familiar voice in the San Diego area. In addition to his responsibilities with the Aztec women's basketball squad, Ello joined the football broadcast team this past fall as a sideline reporter for the school's flagship station, The Mighty 1090 AM.

Ello started his career in sports talk radio in San Diego on XTRA Sports 690 in the summer of 1994. He has accumulated a wealth of experience doing play-by-play for a variety of sports at every level, including stints with the SDSU football (1985), baseball (1998-99) and men's basketball (2006-07) squads.

From 1996-2006, Ello was the voice of the San Diego Gulls hockey team and has called the action for the San Diego Sockers (indoor soccer), San Diego Spirit (outdoor soccer), San Diego Wildcards (CBA) and San Diego Riptide (arena football). He also has experience broadcasting high school CIF football and basketball games since 2000.

Ello graduated in 1985 with a bachelor's degree in journalism from San Diego State, where he spent two seasons with the baseball team from 1980-81 as a left-handed pitcher. A former sports editor at the Daily Aztec, he resides in Rancho San Diego with his wife, Lori.

For the second straight year, all regular-season Aztec home contests in 2014-15 will feature a live video stream via the Mountain West Network to supplement the audio call from Viejas Arena.

### MOUNTAIN WEST NETWORK

The Mountain West, in collaboration with Campus Insiders and Volar Video, will greatly expand the video content and reach of its digital network starting in the fall of 2013. Under this unique alliance, the Mountain West will live stream hundreds of its men's and women's sporting events, add branded studio programming, develop sponsorship opportunities and grow distribution on multiple platforms and devices.

Since its launch in October of 2012, the Mountain West Network has provided fans over 500 on-demand videos, while also live-streaming its 2013 women's basketball, baseball and swimming and diving championships. The enhanced network, powered by Campus Insiders and utilizing Volar Video's revolutionary production solution, will continue to provide on-demand video content, as well as live-stream an unprecedented number of events from the league's 18 sports.

Volar Video's proprietary platform features production software that allows for seamless multi-camera switching, full-custom graphics and a high-definition embeddable video stream into custom or existing websites. Mountain West Network content will be free to users and supported by sponsorship and advertising that enables geotargeted commercials through the deployment of mid-roll insertions. The network offers marketers a unique opportunity to reach a targeted audience both regionally and across the country.

All Mountain West programming will be available through CampusInsiders.com, the online destination and leading digital content syndication source for college sports. Campus Insiders, a partnership between Silver Chalice Ventures and IMG College, goes beyond

the traditional sports media experience, giving dedicated fans an insider's perspective thatincludes behind-the-scenes content, original video programming (including hosts Bonnie Bernstein and Seth Davis), and live streaming events.

Mountain West institutions will produce over 175 women's basketball games during the 2014-15 season on the Mountain West Network. Games will be live-streamed for free on the network. Every stream will be available on the MWN (TheMW.com) and on instutional sites.





# **ABOUT CBS SPORTS NETWORK**

CBS Sports Network televises more than 300 live games and over 2,000 hours of original programming every year. The network telecasts Professional Bull Riding (PBR), live football, basketball and more from the Mountain West, Conference USA, Atlantic 10, as well as Army, Navy and the Patriot League.

CBS Sports Network also delivers exclusive coverage of SEC football, live NCAA® Tournament studio analysis, award-winning original productions and much more. CBS Sports Network is the home of both the National Lacrosse League (NLL) and Major League Lacrosse (MLL).

Throughout the year, the network also telecasts a full slate of original programming such as behind-the-scenes series, documentaries and studio coverage featuring expert analysis, predictions, in-depth interviews and more.

CBS Sports will air the finals of the 2015 Mountain West Women's Basketball Championships. CBSSN is widely available on cable systems across the country and via satellite on DirecTV (Channel 613) and Dish Network (Channel 152).



# **SEASON PREVIEW NOTES**

### PRESEASON PROGNOSTICATIONS

Aztec point guard McKynzie Fort (Fontana, Calif.) was tabbed as the Mountain West Preseason Freshman of the Year in a combined vote of the league's 11 head coaches and select media members.

Fort is the ffith consecutive SDSU player to garner top MW preseason freshman accolades, following in the respective paths of Chloe Johnson, Deajanae Scurry and Desi Culberson, as well as Melissa Sweat, who received such distinction prior to the 2010-11 campaign.

Fort, who led the powerful Etiwanda High School program to the Southern Regional finals of the CIF playoffs as a senior last season, was a first-team all-state selection and Baseline League most valuable player honoree before earning all-area recognition by the *Los Angeles Times*.

As a team, the Aztecs were predicted to finish seventh in the preseason poll released by the conference office. SDSU earned 134 points from the panel, trailing UNLV (143 pts.) by just nine points for sixth place.

Defending regular-season champion Colorado State was picked to repeat after receiving 21 of 28 first-place votes and 276 points, comfortably ahead of Boise State, which received four first-place votes and 241 points, while Wyoming was slotted for the third position with three first-place votes and 235 points.

The fourth and fifth spots belonged to Fresno State (181 pts.) and Nevada (155 pts.), respectively, followed by UNLV and the Aztecs, while Utah State (123 pts.) New Mexico (122 pts.), San José State (81 pts.) and Air Force (27 pts.) rounded out the poll.

This year marks the first time since the beginning of the 2007-08 campaign that SDSU has not been selected to finish among the top three places in the MW preseason rankings.

# 2013-14 REWIND

After winning a program-record 27 games and capturing its second straight Mountain West regular-season championship, San Diego State faced a year of transition during the 2013-14 campaign. Not only did the Aztecs have to adjust to a brand new coaching staff, but they were also forced to overcome the loss of four senior starters who accounted for 64 percent of the team's scoring from the previous year. With five newcomers on board, growing pains were certainly inevitable. However, SDSU flashed its resiliency throughout the season, finishing with a 13-17 overall recond and tying for sixth in the MW standings with a 9-9 mark. Below are some additional obstacles the Aztecs endured last year:

- SDSU had to replace two starters, Erimma Amarikwa and Ahjalee Harvey, who were were lost for the year after suffering injuries during the non-conference schedule. As a result, the Aztecs employed 10 different starting lineups last season compared to just three in 2012-13.
- In addition, SDSU was faced with a difficult schedule featuring nine games against teams that advanced to postseason competition, including four squads that finished among the AP Top 25: South Carolina, Texas A&M, North Carolina State and USC.
- SDSU dropped four very close games during the non-conference slate by an average of three points in losses to Sacramento State, USC, San Diego and UCLA.

Despite these tribulations, the gritty Aztecs found success on the court during the 2013-14 campaign. Below are a few of the accomplishments of last year's squad:

• SDSU led the Mountain West as team in rebounding margin (+7.6) and rebounding defense (33.1/game).



- The Aztecs also ranked second in the conference in field-goal percentage (.419) and offensive rebounds (15.3/ game)
- SDSU averaged over 40 rebounds per contest (40.6) for the third straight season, representing its longest stretch since a six-year span from 1984-89.
- The Aztecs handed two-time defending MW tournament champion Fresno State its only home loss in conference play with a 70-69 upset on a late basket by Danesha Long. Coupled with a win at Fresno in 2013, SDSU is the only MW team to defeat the Bulldogs twice on the road in the past two years.
- The Aztecs topped the 80-point barrier in back-to-back conference games for the first time since joining the Mountain West after scoring 88 points in consecutive home victories over San José State and Utah State.
- SDSU posted an 8-7 ledger at Viejas Arena, marking the seventh time in the last eight years that the Aztecs finished with a winning record at home.

# INDIVIDUAL ACCOLADES

The Aztecs also continued their tradition of individual excellence in 2013-14, as three student-athletes garnered postseason all-conference accolades.

- Center Cierra Warren, who completed her eligibility last year, collected first-team all-MW honors, becoming the eighth SDSU player in the past six seasons to receive such distinction. In addition, Warren was selected MW Player of the Week on two occasions.
- Point guard Ariell Bostick became the first Aztec to earn a spot on the MW all-freshman team despite missing the final five games of the regular season due to injury.
- · Freshman guard Chloe Johnson was named to the MW

all-academic team following the spring semester.

• Elsewhere, Stacie Terry tied for the second-highest victory total (13) ever by a first-year SDSU head coach in program history.

# **INTERESTING FACTS ABOUT 2014-15**

With excitement brewing for head coach Stacie Terry's second season on Montezuma Mesa, below are a few trends to watch in 2014-15:

- SDSU enters the season having claimed 35 of its last 45 home games and has gone 67-22 on the Viejas Arena floor since the start of the 2008-09 campaign.
- The Aztecs have recorded 65 Mountain West victories in the last six seasons after posting 31 wins in the league's first nine years.
- SDSU is 62-1 over the last three seasons when leading with five minutes to go in the game, including an 11-0 mark in 2013-14. The Aztecs' lone blemish during that stretch was a heartbreaking 59-58 defeat at Washington in Decemher 2012
- SDSU is 33-13 in December games dating back to the 2006-07 campaign, with seven of those losses coming against teams either ranked or receiving votes in the national polls.
- The Aztecs have advanced to finals of the MW Championship in five of the last seven years after not winning a single game in the tournament's first eight years of existence.
- For the second straight season, SDSU will play 18 conference games. The Aztecs will complete a home-and-away slate with eight squads, while facing San José State (home) and Utah State (away) just once.

### **THE 2014-15 AZTECS**

Back Again: San Diego State returns three starters from last year's team, including senior Khristina Hunter and sophomores Chloe Johnson and Ariell Bostick. The Aztecs also welcome back senior Desi Culberson and junior Deidra Smith, while three players are set to rejoin the lineup after missing significant time due to injuries: juniors Erimma Amarikwa and Ahjalee Harvey, along with sophomore Aleiah Brandon.

Noting the Newcomers: In addition to McKynzie Fort, the Aztecs' highly touted freshman class includes two other former prep stars in Cheyenne Greenhouse (Riverside, Calif.) and Lexy Thorderson (Castle Rock, Colo.), both of whom could play significant roles in SDSU's fortunes this season.

Greenhouse was a first-team all-CIF selection after leading Canyon Springs High to the Division I state championship as a senior in 2013-14. She also collected the Inland Empire League's most valuable player award and received first-team all-conference recognition for the fourth straight year.

Thorderson, meanwhile, garnered numerous postseason accolades at Rock Canyon High, where she finished her prep career as the school's all-time leading scorer. A nominee for the McDonald's All-America team, Thorderson led the state of Colorado in 3-point field goals made as a senior, earning second-team class 5A all-state distinction.

SDSU also solidified its depth for the 2015-16 season after junior Kym Ellison (Georgia Tech) and sophomore Geena Gomez (St. Joseph's) transferred to The Mesa in the summer of 2014. The two players will not be eligible to compete this season due to NCAA rules, but will serve as valuable assets to the team in practice.



# **ROSTERS**

### ▶2014-15 AZTEC NUMERICAL ROSTER

No.	Name	Pos.	Ht.	Yr.	Exp.	Hometown (Previous School/High School)
0	Deidra Smith	F	6-2	Jr.	1L	Aurora, Colo. (Denver East HS/Boston College)
2	Khristina Hunter	F	6-1	Sr.	3L	Fairfield, Calif. (Berkeley HS)
3	Ariell Bostick	G	5-4	So.	1L	Oakland, Calif. (Bishop O'Dowd HS)
4	Kym Ellison*	G	5-7	Jr.	TR	Columbus, Ga. (Hardaway HS/Georgia Tech)
5	Desi Culberson	F	6-0	Sr.	3L	Oakland, Calif. (Berkeley HS)
11	Ahjalee Harvey	G	5-6	Jr.	2L	Mountain View, Calif. (Eastside College Prep HS)
12	A.J. Hawley	F	5-10	Fr.	HS	Wake Forest, N.C. (Wake Forest HS)
13	Alli Brown	G	5-7	Fr.	HS	Anaheim Hills, Calif. (Mater Dei HS)
15	McKynzie Fort	G	5-9	Fr.	HS	Fontana, Calif. (Etiwanda HS)
20	Geena Gomez*	G	5-8	So.	TR	Huntington Beach, Calif. (Edison HS/St. Joseph's (Pa.))
21	Chloe Johnson	G	5-7	So.	1L	Phoenix, Ariz. (St. Mary's Catholic HS)
22	Lexy Thorderson	G/F	6-0	Fr.	HS	Castle Rock, Colo. (Rock Canyon HS)
25	Erimma Amarikwa	F	6-1	Jr.	2L	Vacaville, Calif. (Vanden HS)
30	Cheyenne Greenhouse	G	5-11	Fr.	HS	Riverside, Calif. (Canyon Springs HS)
44	Aleiah Brandon	F	6-1	So.	1L	Corona, Calif. (Centennial HS)

# ▶2014-15 AZTEC ALPHABETICAL ROSTER

No.	Name	Pos.	Ht.	Yr.	Exp.	Hometown (Previous School/High School)
25	Erimma Amarikwa	F	6-1	Jr.	2L	Vacaville, Calif. (Vanden HS)
3	Ariell Bostick	G	5-4	So.	1L	Oakland, Calif. (Bishop O'Dowd HS)
44	Aleiah Brandon	F	6-1	So.	1L	Corona, Calif. (Centennial HS)
13	Alli Brown	G	5-7	Fr.	HS	Anaheim Hills, Calif. (Mater Dei HS)
5	Desi Culberson	F	6-0	Sr.	3L	Oakland, Calif. (Berkeley HS)
4	Kym Ellison*	G	5-7	Jr.	TR	Columbus, Ga. (Hardaway HS/Georgia Tech)
15	McKynzie Fort	G	5-9	Fr.	HS	Etiwanda, Calif. (Etiwanda HS)
20	Geena Gomez*	G	5-8	So.	TR	Huntington Beach, Calif. (Edison HS/St. Joseph's (Pa.))
30	Cheyenne Greenhouse	G	5-11	Fr.	HS	Riverside, Calif. (Canyon Springs HS)
11	Ahjalee Harvey	G	5-6	Jr.	2L	Mountain View, Calif. (Eastside College Prep HS)
12	A.J. Hawley	F	5-10	Fr.	HS	Wake Forest, N.C. (Wake Forest HS)
2	Khristina Hunter	F	6-1	Sr.	3L	Fairfield, Calif. (Berkeley HS)
21	Chloe Johnson	G	5-7	So.	1L	Phoenix, Ariz. (St. Mary's Catholic HS)
0	Deidra Smith	F	6-2	Jr.	1L	Aurora, Colo. (Denver East HS/Boston College)
22	Lexy Thorderson	G/F	6-0	Fr.	HS	Castle Rock, Colo. (Rock Canyon HS)

<sup>\* -</sup> will sit out 2014-15 campaign per NCAA transfer rules

Head Coach: Stacie Terry (UT Arlington, 1998), Second season at SDSU/Second overall

Assistant Coach: Jesse Clark (Pacific Union, 2003), Second season at SDSU

Assistant Coach: Ciara Carl (Point Loma Nazarene, 2005), Second season at SDSU

Assistant Coach: Nick Grant (Baylor, 2010), First season at SDSU

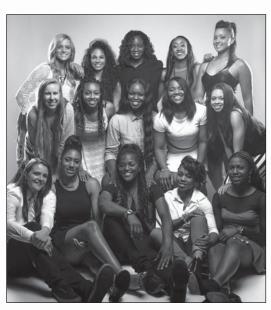
Director of Operations: Fatema Arefi (San Diego State, 2005), Second season/Ninth overall at SDSU

Director of Player Development: Mike Bynum (San Diego State, 2009), Fifth season at SDSU

Athletic Trainer: Queenie Soriano (San Diego State, 2004), Fourth season at SDSU

# ▶2014-15 PRONUNCIATION GUIDE

Erimma Amarikwa	uh-RIM-uh uh-mare-a-qua
Ariell Bostick	arr-EE-ell
Aleiah Brandon	uh-LAY-uh
Desi Culberson	DEZ-zee
Ahjalee Harvey	AH-zhul-lay (zh = 's' sound in measure)
Deidra Smith	DEE-druh
Ciara Carl	see-ARR-uh
Fatema Arefi	fa-TEE-ma uh-REE-fee



# ROSTER BREAKDOWN

# ►PERSONNEL SUMMARY







Returning Starters (3)

Ariell Bostick, So., G, 9.4 ppg, 3.1 rpg, 2.2 apg Khristina Hunter, Sr., 9.2 ppg, 6.9 rpg, 1.7 apg, 1.2 steals/g Chloe Johnson, So., G, 2.0 ppg, 1.5 rpg, 1.7 apg

Starters Lost (2)

Danesha Long, G, 10.7 ppg, 5.0 rpg, 1.8 apg Cierra Warren, C, 15.4 ppg, 6.4 rpg, 1.4 blocks/g











Other Letterwinners Returning (5)

Erimma Amarikwa, Jr., F, 9.6 ppg, 6.3 rpg, 50.4 FG pct\*
Aleiah Brandon, So., F, 1.5 ppg, 0.8 rpg, 61.9 FG pct^
Desi Culberson, Sr., F, 5.2 ppg, 4.3 rpg, 1.4 apg, 0.5 steals/g
Ahjalee Harvey, Jr., G, 3.6 ppg, 1.0 rpg, 1.7 apg\*
Deidra Smith, Jr., F, 6.2 ppg, 3.8 rpg, 0.5 steals/g
\*- Earned two letters from 2011-13. Stats from 2012-13.
^- Lettered in 2012-13. Stats from 2012-13

### Other Letterwinners Lost (2)

Alyssa Lawrence, F, 1.0 ppg, 1.1 rpg Deajanae Scurry, F, 5.6 ppg, 5.6 rpg, 1.9 apg





## Incoming Transfers (2)~

Kym Ellison, 5-7, Jr., G, Columbus, Ga. (Hardaway HS/Georgia Tech)
Geena Gomez, 5-8, So., G, Huntington Beach, Calif. (Edison HS/St. Joseph's (Pa.))
~ - Will sit out the 2014-15 campaign per NCAA transfer rules











## Incoming Freshmen (5)

Alli Brown, 5-7, G, Anaheim Hills, Calif. (Mater Dei HS) McKynzie Fort, 5-9, G, Fontana, Calif. (Etiwanda HS) Cheyenne Greenhouse, 5-11, G, Riverside, Calif. (Canyon Springs HS) A.J. Hawley, 5-10, F, Wake Forest, N.C. (Wake Forest HS) Lexy Thorderson, 6-0, G/F, Castle Rock, Colo. (Rock Canyon HS)

# ► ROSTER BREAKDOWN

### By Class

Seniors (2): Culberson, Hunter; Juniors (4): Amarikwa, Ellison, Harvey, Smith; Sophomores (4): Bostick, Brandon, Gomez, Johnson; Freshmen (5): Brown, Fort, Greenhouse, Hawley, Thorderson

### By State

California (10): Amarikwa, Bostick, Brandon, Brown, Culberson, Fort, Gomez, Greenhouse, Harvey, Hunter; Colorado (2): Smith, Thorderson; Arizona (1): Johnson; Georgia (1): Ellison; North Carolina (1): Hawley

### By Position

Forwards (6): Amarikwa, Brandon, Culberson, Hunter, Smith, Thorderson; Guards (10): Bostick, Brown, Ellison, Fort, Gomez, Greenhouse, Harvey, Hawley, Johnson, Thorderson

# By Height

6-2 (1): Smith; 6-1 (3): Amarikwa, Brandon, Hunter; 6-0 (2): Culberson, Thorderson; 5-11 (1): Greenhouse; 5-10 (1): Hawley; 5-9 (1): Fort; 5-8 (1): Gomez; 5-7 (3): Brown, Ellison, Johnson; 5-6 (1): Harvey; 5-4 (1): Bostick

# ▶ RETURNING CATEGORY LEADERS FROM 2013-14

Khristina Hunter......0.5

	Minutes Per Game Khristina Hunter27.9	Steals Per Game Ariell Bostick1.4
	Points Per Game Ariell Bostick9.4	Field-Goal Percentage Khristina Hunter47.6
	Rebounds Per Game Khristina Hunter6.9	Free-Throw Percentage Khristina Hunter
	Assists Per Game Ariell Bostick2.8	Three-Point Percentage Ariell Bostick32.8
I	Blocks Per Game	

Opponent

# SCHEDULE/NCAA TOURNEY

### ▶2014-15 AZTEC BASKETBALL SCHEDULE

Date

Day

Day	Date	Opponent	<u>I Ime</u>
Sat.	Nov. 8	Point Loma (Exhibition)	Noon PT
Fri.	Nov. 14	Sacramento State	2 p.m. PT
Sun.	Nov. 16	Long Beach State	2 p.m. PT
Fri.	Nov. 21	at Furman	7 p.m. ET
Sun.	Nov. 23	at South Carolina	2 p.m. ET
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Thurs.	Nov. 27	vs. Idaho State	3 p.m. AT
Sat.	Nov. 29	vs. Michigan	1 p.m. AT
Sun.	Dec. 7	UC Santa Barbara	2 p.m. PT
Tues.	Dec. 9	at San Diego	6 p.m. PT
Thurs.	Dec. 18	Washington	6 p.m. PT
Sat.	Dec. 20	CSUN	2 p.m. PT
Tues.	Dec. 23	at UC Riverside	2 p.m. PT
Wed.	Dec. 31	*at Air Force	Noon MT
Sat.	Jan. 3	*Fresno State	2 p.m. PT
Wed.	Jan. 7	*at New Mexico	7 p.m. MT
Wed.	Jan. 14	*Wyoming	6 p.m. PT
Sat.	Jan. 17	*at UNLV	2 p.m. PT
Wed.	Jan. 21	*Air Force	6 p.m. PT
Sat.	Jan. 24	*Colorado State	2 p.m. PT
Wed.	Jan. 28	*at Fresno State	7 p.m. PT
Sat.	Jan. 31	*at Utah State	2 p.m. MT
Wed.	Feb. 4	*Nevada	6 p.m. PT
Sat.	Feb. 7	*Boise State	2 p.m. PT
Wed.	Feb. 11	*at Wyoming	7 p.m. MT
Sat.	Feb. 14	*at Colorado State	2 p.m. MT
Wed.	Feb. 18	*New Mexico	6 p.m. PT
Sat.	Feb. 21	*San José State	2 p.m. PT
Sat.	Feb. 28	*at Boise State	2 p.m. MT
Tues.	March 3	*UNLV	6 p.m. PT
Fri.	March 6	*at Nevada	6:30 p.m. PT
		(Las Vegas, Nev.)	
Mon.	March 9	MW First Round	TBA
Tues.	March 10	MW Quarterfinals	TBA
Wed.	March 11	MW Semifinals	TBA
Fri.	March 13	MW Championship Game	TBA
NCAA Tourna	ament		
SatTues.	March 20-23	NCAA First and Second Round (Location TBD)	TBA
SatTues.	March 27-30	NCAA Regionals	TBA
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Times and dates subject to change Home games in **bold** played at Viejas Arena \* - Mountain West game

Sun. & Tues. April 5 & 7

# ▶2014-15 AZTEC BASKETBALL HOME GAME PROMOTIONS

(Location TBD)

NCAA Final Four (Tampa, Fla.)

**Sunday, Dec. 7 - vs. UC Santa Barbara**Dads and Daughters Game

Thursday, Dec. 18 - vs. Washington T-Shirt Giveaway to first 500 fans

Saturday, Dec. 20 - vs. CSUN Social Media Night

## Saturday, Jan. 3 - vs. Fresno State

Aztec Spirit Sleeve Giveaway to first 500 fans High School Cheer Clinic

Wednesday, Jan. 14 - vs. Wyoming

Bingo Night

Time

Wednesday, Jan. 21 - vs. Air Force

Back to School/Nike ID Night Faculty/Staff Appreciation Night

# Saturday Jan. 24 - vs. Colorado State

Women's Basketball Alumni Appreciation Game SDSU Alumni Association Appreciation Day Girl Scouts Day

### Wednesday, Feb. 4 - vs. Nevada

Aztec Spirit Sleeve Giveaway to first 500 fans

### Saturday, Feb. 7 - vs. Boise State

San Diego County Office of Education Girls and Women in Sports Day

Wednesday, Feb. 18 - vs. New Mexico

Greek Trivia Night

## Saturday, Feb. 21 - vs. San José State

WBCA Play4Kay Game for Breast Cancer Awareness

Tuesday, March 3 - vs. UNLV

Senior Night

## ▶2015 NCAA TOURNAMENT INFORMATION

# **NCAA First and Second Rounds**

March 20-23

16 Campus Sites

### **NCAA Regionals**

March 27 and 30

**Albany Regional** 

Times Union Center (Albany, N.Y.) Host: Metro Atlantic Athletic Conference

## March 27-30

# **Greensboro Regional**

Greensboro Coliseum (Greensboro, N.C.) Host: Atlantic Coast Conference

### March 27-30

TBA

### Oklahoma City Regional

Chesapeake Energy Arena (Oklahoma City, Okla.)

Host: University of Oklahoma and Oklahoma City All Sports Association

# March 27-30

## **Spokane Regional**

Spokane Veterans Coliseum (Spokane, Wash.) Host: Washington State University

# **NCAA Final Four**

April 5 and 7

Amalie Arena (Tampa, Fla.) Host: University of South Florida

