



SAN DIEGO STATE AZTECS

2026 Men's Soccer Weekly Notes

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2026 Schedule/Results

Overall: 2-2-3 | Pac-12: 0-0-0
Home: 2-1-2 | Away: 0-1-1

Date	Opponent	Time/Result
Aug. 15	Point Loma (Friendly)	W, 1-0
Aug. 20	Liberty	L, 1-2
Aug. 23	Navy	T, 2-2
Aug. 27	Life Pacific	W, 7-1
Aug. 30	at Cal Poly	T, 1-1
Sept. 5	Cal State Bakersfield	T, 2-2
Sept. 11	Sacramento State	W, 2-0
Sept. 13	at #9 San Diego	L, 1-2
Sept. 17	at #25 UC Santa Barbara	7 p.m.
Sept. 20	at Santa Clara	7:30 p.m.
Sept. 26	Cal State Fullerton	7 p.m.
Sept. 30	at Oregon State*	7 p.m.
Oct. 3	at CSUN	7 p.m.
Oct. 7	Cal Poly*	7 p.m.
Oct. 10	Gonzaga*	7 p.m.
Oct. 14	at UC Irvine	6 p.m.
Oct. 17	at California Baptist*	7 p.m.
Oct. 21	Utah Valley	6:30 p.m.
Oct. 24	at UC Riverside*	7 p.m.
Oct. 31	UC San Diego*	7 p.m.
Nov. 7	Pac-12 Tournament Semifinals	TBD
TBA	Pac-12 Tournament Final	TBD

* Pac-12 match
 All times listed Pacific

Team Information

Head Coach.....	Ryan Hopkins (7th Season)
Assistant Coach.....	Carlos Aguilar (6th Season)
Assistant Coach.....	David Diaz (4th Season)
Director of Operations.....	Ryan Dooley (5th Season)
Home Facility	SDSU Sports Deck (1,250)
2025 Overall Record.....	7-9-2
2025 WAC Record/Finish	3-2-2/5th
2025 Home Record.....	3-6-1
2025 Road Record.....	4-2-1
First Year of Competition.....	1968
All-Time Record (Entering 2025)	521-405-131 (.555)
NCAA Appearances 9 ('69, '81, '82, '87, '88, '89, '05, '06, '16)	
Letterwinners Returning/Lost.....	5/11
Starters Returning/Lost.....	4/7
Newcomers.....	20 (8 freshmen/12 transfers)

Up Next

San Diego State (2-2-3) at No. 25 UC Santa Barbara (3-1-2)
 Sept. 17 | 7 p.m. PT | Harder Stadium | Santa Barbara, Calif. | ESPN+

The San Diego State men's soccer team plays at No. 25 UC Santa Barbara Thursday at 7 p.m. The match will kick off at 7 p.m. and will be streamed on ESPN+.

Aztec Tidbits

- This is the second of three straight road matches for the Aztecs after having five of their first six matches at home.
- SDSU went 1-1-0 last weekend, earning a win over Sacramento State Friday before falling 2-1 at No. 9 San Diego on Sunday.
- The Aztecs are top 25 in the nation in five offensive statistical categories, including being in the top 20 in points, assists and goals.
- SDSU is 8-3-3 in their last 14 road matches.
- Sunday match at No. 9 San Diego was the first time SDSU trailed at the half. Since the beginning of the 2024 season, SDSU is 17-2-5 (.813) when scoring first and 18-4-7 (.741) when tied or leading at the half.
- The Aztecs have only trailed for 134:27 out of 630:00 minutes (21.3%).
- SDSU has scored a goal in the 85th minute or later in three of their last four matches.
- The Aztecs are 22nd in the nation with a shot accuracy of 51.1% and their top four shot takers all are above 50%.
- Eight different Aztecs have scored and four players have at least two goals.
- The Aztecs are 29-18-8 at home since the beginning of the 2021 season.
- SDSU lost just 12 non-conference matches over their last 40 chances (20-12-8) and are 21-7-5 (.712) in non-conference home matches under Ryan Hopkins (7th season), which includes a 21-6-2 (.759) mark on the SDSU Sports Deck.
- SDSU has had a winning record in non-conference play in 10 of the past 12 seasons.
- The Aztecs have a program record 20 newcomers in 2026 (12 transfers and eight freshmen).
- 17 different Aztecs have started and 13 of them were making their first ever start for SDSU.
- Due to graduation, transfers and injuries, the Aztecs return just 17.8% of their minutes played from last season's team. This is the fifth fewest in the nation based on a poll conducted amongst DI men's soccer sports information directors.
- SDSU's 2026 roster has zero players who scored a goal for SDSU last season and just two players who recorded an assist (Carson Ballagh and Dylan Presto).
- SDSU announced the hiring of Carlos Aguilar, who served as the Aztecs' assistant from 2020-24 before spending last season at LMU.
- SDSU returns to the Pac-12 in 2026, the league they played in from 2005-2023, after spending the last two years in the WAC as an affiliate member.
- The Pac-12 and The Big West jointly announced a collaborative men's soccer partnership designed to strengthen and sustain Division I men's soccer opportunities across the western United States. As part of this strategic partnership, California Baptist, Cal Poly, UC Riverside, and UC San Diego will compete as affiliate members in Pac-12 men's soccer beginning with the 2026 season.

SDSU's Record When...

Category	Record	Streak
Overall	2-2-3	L1
Pac-12	0-0-0	---
Non-Conference	2-2-3	L1
Last Five	1-1-3	L1
Home	2-1-2	W1
Away	0-1-1	L1
Day	0-0-1	T1
Night (5 p.m. or later)	2-2-2	L2
Following a Victory	0-1-1	L1
Following a Loss	0-0-1	T1
Following a Tie	2-0-1	W1
Scoring First	2-0-3	W1
Opponent Scores First	0-2-0	L2
Leading at Halftime	2-0-2	W1
Trailing at Halftime	0-1-0	L1
Tied at Halftime	0-1-1	T1
When Leading in Game	2-0-3	W1
When Trailing in Game	0-2-1	L1
SDSU Outshoots Opponent	2-0-1	W2
Opponent Outshoots SDSU	0-2-2	L1
SDSU-Opponent Tie in Shots	0-0-0	---
SDSU Has More Shots on Goal	2-0-1	W2
Opponent Has More Shots on Goal	0-2-2	L1
SDSU-Opponent Tie in Shots on Goal	0-0-0	---
SDSU Has More Corners	2-1-0	W2
Opponent Has More Corners	0-1-2	L1
SDSU-Opponent Tie in Corners	0-0-1	T1
SDSU Has More Fouls	1-2-1	L1
Opponent Has More Fouls	1-0-2	T1
SDSU-Opponent Tie in Fouls	0-0-0	---
In One-Goal Games	0-2-0	L2
SDSU Scores One Goal	0-1-1	L1
Opponent Scores One Goal	1-0-1	T1
SDSU Scores Two Goals	1-0-2	W1
Opponent Scores 2 Goals	0-2-2	L1
SDSU Scores 3 or More Goals	1-0-0	W1
Opponent Scores 3 or More Goals	0-0-0	---

SDSU's in the National Rankings
Top 50 (As of Sept. 15)

Stat	Team Rank	Value
Points	T-13th	49
Assists	T-15th	17
Goals	T-18th	16
Shot Accuracy	22nd	51.1%
Assists/Game	23rd	2.43
Points/Game	T-26th	7.0
Goals/Game	31st	2.29
Shots on Goal/Game	34th	6.57
Goal Differential	T-41st	+6

Player	Individual Stat	Rank	Value
Nik Orth	Points	T-18th	11
Nik Orth	Goals	T-19th	4
Jaxson Hutcheon	Shot Accuracy	25th	64.3%
Nic Diana	GK Minutes	T-31st	540:00
Nic Diana	Saves	T-32nd	23
Nik Orth	Goals/Game	T-32nd	0.71
Kian McCusker	Assists	T-37th	3
Gio Aguirre	Assists	T-37th	3
Nik Orth	Points/Game	T-47th	1.57

- The Aztecs were picked to finish third in the Pac-12 Preseason Coaches Poll.
- SDSU lost just two regular season matches in the WAC in their two years (10-2-3) and won the 2024 regular season championship.

Player Notes

- Nik Orth (Cologne, Germany) has scored five goals in the last five matches.
- Orth leads the Pac-12 in goals (5) and points (11).
- Jaxson Hutcheon (Laguna Beach, Calif.) is second in the Pac-12 in shot accuracy (64%).
- Goalkeeper Nic Diana (Grayslake, Ill.) is first in the Pac-12 in saves per game (3.83).
- Freshmen Kian McCusker (Birmingham, England) and Gio Aguirre (San Marcos, Calif.) each have three assists on the year, tied for the most in the Pac-12.
- Aguirre scored both of SDSU's goals vs. Navy Aug. 23 to become the first Aztec freshman to score two goals in a match since 2022 (CJ Fodrey).
- Five Aztec field players are averaging at least 75 minutes per match: Mattia Boldrini, Luke Fischer, Avery Huggins, Carson Ballagh and Jonah Kawamura.
- Ballagh, Kawamura and Oscar Emilio Trujillo Lizárraga were named to the Pac-12 Preseason Impact List. That trio are the team captains this year.
- Ballagh (Lake Orion, Mich.) tied for the team lead with four assists last year. He had five the previous season while at Oakland University.
- Kawamura (Honolulu, Hawai'i) came to The Mesa last year but missed the entire season with an injury. He was a three-year starter and captain at UC San Diego and led the Tritons in minutes twice.
- Trujillo Lizárraga is a San Diego native who played at West Virginia last year and at UC Riverside in 2024. He helped the Mountaineers make the second round of the NCAA Tournament last season and was named to the Big West All-Freshman Team the year prior. He was named a "Player to Watch" in the Pac-12 by Top Drawer Soccer.
- Mattia Boldrini (Florence, Italy) was named to the NEC Conference Top 11 Rookie of the Year Team as a freshman at Le Moyne College last season. He scored the game-winner in SDSU's preseason friendly vs. Point Loma last Saturday.
- Cedric Ngounou (Mississauga, Ontario) was named a Canadian "Player to Watch" by Canada's Rising Ballers. He won League 1 Defender of the Year while playing for Borough FC in the Ontario Premier League last season.
- Yahir Ocampo Navarro was named a United Soccer Coaches DII First Team All-American and the GNAC Player of the Year while at Western Oregon last year. He tallied 53 points (18 goals and 17 assists) in three years at WOU.
- Trevor Wilson (Kirkland Wash.) and Dylan Presto (Los Angeles) are the only Aztecs who have been in the program three or more years.

Opponent Notebook (UC Santa Barbara)

The Gauchos are 3-1-2 on the year and are 1-0-2 at home... They are ranked No. 25 in the latest United Soccer Coaches Poll... They have played three ranked teams this year, going 0-1-2... They are allowing just 0.83 goals per match... Steinar Bjornsson leads the team with eight points... Goalkeeper Owen Beninga has three shutouts... Head coach Tim Vom Steeg (27th season) has over 300 career wins and led UCSB to two national title games and won it all in 2006... The Aztecs are 19-13-3 all-time vs. UCSB. This will be their first meeting since 2017, a 3-1 Aztec win...

Coach Hopkins' Take

"We are excited for another big opportunity against another top 25 program on the road in a great environment. The lessons we've learned from our previous games will help us be focused and disciplined for the full 90 minutes."

2026 Roster

No.	Player	Pos.	Ht.	Wt.	Yr.	Club	Hometown (Last School)
00	Trevor Wilson	GK	6-3	190	So.*	Seattle Sounders Academy	Kirkland, Wash. (Federal Way Internet Academy)
0	Andrew Klott	GK	6-5	205	Jr.*	Lou Fusz Phillips Academy	St. Charles, Mo. (Southern Indiana)
1	Nic Diana	GK	6-1	190	5th*	FC 1974 Libertyville	Grayslake, Ill. (Milwaukee)
2	Avery Huggins	D	6-5	200	5th*	RSL Arizona	Chandler, Ariz. (Cal State Fullerton)
3	Mattia Boldrini	D	6-3	182	So.	AS Roma Academy	Florence, Italy (Le Moyne College)
4	Luke Fischer	D	6-2	190	So.*	Real Colorado	Highlands Ranch, Colo. (California Baptist)
5	Cedric Ngounou	D	6-5	198	Sr.	The Borough FC	Mississauga, Ontario, Canada (University of Toronto)
7	Jaxson Hutcheon	F	6-2	170	So.	Strikers FC	Laguna Beach, Calif. (Loyola Marymount)
8	Carson Ballagh	MF	5-11	180	Sr.	Vardar Academy	Lake Orion, Mich. (Oakland)
9	Juan Zepeda	F	6-4	195	Jr.*	Atlas FC	Guadalajara, Mexico (Temple)
10	Yahir Ocampo Navarro	MF	5-5	140	Sr.	Portland Timbers Academy	Aloha, Ore. (Western Oregon)
11	Kian McCusker	F	5-10	172	Fr.	Birmingham City FC	Birmingham, England (Colmers School)
12	Oscar Emilio Trujillo Lizárraga	D	6-0	165	Jr.	Orange County SC	San Diego, Calif. (West Virginia)
13	Adam Okorodudu	F	5-10	175	Fr.	West Bromwich Albion	London, England (Alexandra Park School)
14	Sami Tsipena	MF	5-10	175	5th*	LA Surf SC	Encino, Calif. (San Diego)
15	Dylan Presto	D	5-8	160	5th*	LAFC Academy	Los Angeles, Calif. (Methods HS)
17	Nik Orth	MF	6-0	180	So.	SC Fortuna Köln	Cologne, Germany (Sportgymnasium Dresden)
19	Jonah Kawamura	MF	5-10	170	5th*	Honolulu Bulls	Honolulu, Hawai'i (UC San Diego)
20	Max Mair	MF	6-1	170	Jr.*	Strikers FC	Dana Point, Calif. (San Francisco)
21	Greyson Moreno	MF	5-10	160	So.	Strikers FC	San Clemente, Calif. (Loyola Marymount)
22	Griffin Brandon	D	6-1	170	Fr.	Strikers FC	Tustin, Calif. (Mater Dei HS)
23	Gio Aguirre	MF	6-0	155	Fr.	City SC	San Marcos, Calif. (San Marcos HS)
25	Brecken Bowers	MF	5-10	150	So*	XF Crossfire	Woodinville, Wash. (Washington)
26	Owen Faris	D	6-2	170	Fr.	Solar SC	Dallas, Texas (Lake Highlands HS)
27	Dylan Mair	F	6-0	170	Fr.	Strikers FC	Dana Point, Calif. (Tesla Academy)
28	Luke Strassburg	MF	5-9	150	Fr.	Sacramento Republic Academy	Elk Grove, Calif. (Elk Grove HS)
29	Daniel Prentice	MF	6-4	200	Fr.	Strikers FC	Temecula, Calif. (Connections Academy)
30	Lucas Caffo	MF	5-9	160	So.*	Albion SC San Diego	San Diego, Calif. (Point Loma HS)

* Redshirt season utilized

Head Coach: Ryan Hopkins (Seventh Season)
Assistant Coach: Carlos Aguilar (Sixth Season)
Assistant Coach: David Diaz (Fourth Season)
Director of Operations: Ryan Dooley (Fifth Season)

Pronunciations:

#3 Mattia Boldrini – mah-TEE-ya bold-REE-nee

#5 Cedric Ngounou – N-goo-noo

#8 Carson Ballagh – BAHLL-uh

#10 Yahir Ocampo Navarro – yah-YEAR oh-COMP-oh nuh-VAR-oh

#11 Kian McCusker – KEY-an

#12 Oscar Emilio Trujillo Lizárraga – tru-HEE-yo LEE-sa-RAH-gah

#13 Adam Okorodudu – uh-CORE-uh-doo-doo

#14 Sami Tsipena – SUE (like tsunami)-pen-ah

#19 Jonah Kawamura – COW-uh-MUR-uh

#20 Max Mair – MAYOR

#23 Gio Aguirre – ah-GHEE-ray

#27 Dylan Mair – MAYOR

#28 Luke Strassburg – STRAWSS-burg

#30 Lucas Caffo – CAFF-oh



2026-27 San Diego St. Men's Soccer
Combined Statistics
All games

Date	Opponent	Score	Att.
08/20/2026	Liberty	L 1-2	278
08/23/2026	Navy	T 2-2	186
08/27/2026	LIFE Pacific	W 7-1	172
08/30/2026	at Cal Poly	T 1-1	948
09/05/2026	CSU Bakersfield	T 2-2	254
09/11/2026	Sacramento St.	W 2-0	378
09/13/2026	at San Diego	L 1-2	2242

Team statistics

	SDSU	OPP
SHOT STATISTICS		
Goals-Shot attempts	16-90	10-85
Goals scored per game	2.29	1.43
Shot pct.	.178	.118
Shots on goal-Attempts	46-90	35-85
SOG pct.	.511	.412
Shots/Game	12.9	12.1
Assists	17	14
GOAL BREAKDOWN		
Total Goals	16	10
Penalty	3	0
Unassisted	-	-
Overtime	0	0
Goals scored average	2.29	1.43
CORNER KICKS	33	34
PENALTY KICKS	3-3	0-0
OFFSIDES	19	8
PENALTIES		
Fouls	97	88
Yellow cards	16	22
Red cards	0	1
ATTENDANCE		
Total	1268	3190
Dates/Avg Per Date	5/254	2/1595
Neutral Site #/Avg	0/0	-

Record	Overall	Home	Away	Neutral
All Games	2-2-3	2-1-2	0-1-1	0-0-0
Conference	0-0-0	0-0-0	0-0-0	0-0-0
Non-Conference	2-2-3	2-1-2	0-1-1	0-0-0

#	Player	GP	G	A	PTS	SH	SH%	SOG	SOG%	GWG	PK-ATT
17	Orth, Nik	7	5	1	11	15	.333	8	.533	1	2-2
23	Aguirre, Gio	7	2	3	7	11	.182	6	.545	0	0-0
7	Hutcheon, Jaxson	7	2	2	6	14	.143	9	.643	0	0-0
30	Caffo, Lucas	6	2	0	4	5	.400	5	1.000	1	0-0
21	Moreno, Greyson	7	1	2	4	8	.125	4	.500	0	0-0
15	Presto, Dylan	7	1	1	3	5	.200	2	.400	0	0-0
19	Kawamura, Jonah	7	1	1	3	3	.333	1	.333	0	1-1
11	McCusker, Kian	4	0	3	3	1	.000	1	1.000	0	0-0
13	Okorodudu, Adam	7	1	0	2	2	.500	2	1.000	0	0-0
10	Ocampo-Navarro, Yahir	4	0	2	2	0	.000	0	.000	0	0-0
25	Bowers, Brecken	5	0	1	1	5	.000	0	.000	0	0-0
20	Mair, Max	4	0	1	1	4	.000	1	.250	0	0-0
4	Fischer, Luke	7	0	0	0	5	.000	4	.800	0	0-0
14	Tsipena, Sami	6	0	0	0	4	.000	0	.000	0	0-0
3	Boldrini, Mattia	7	0	0	0	3	.000	1	.333	0	0-0
8	Ballagh, Carson	7	0	0	0	2	.000	2	1.000	0	0-0
27	Mair, Dylan	2	0	0	0	2	.000	0	.000	0	0-0
2	Huggins, Avery	5	0	0	0	1	.000	0	.000	0	0-0
5	Ngounou, Cedric	1	0	0	0	0	.000	0	.000	0	0-0
29	Prentice, Daniel	1	0	0	0	0	.000	0	.000	0	0-0
26	Faris, Owen	2	0	0	0	0	.000	0	.000	0	0-0
22	Brandon, Griffin	1	0	0	0	0	.000	0	.000	0	0-0
00	Wilson, Trevor	1	0	0	0	0	.000	0	.000	0	0-0
0	Klott, Andrew	1	0	0	0	0	.000	0	.000	0	0-0
28	Strassburg, Luke	3	0	0	0	0	.000	0	.000	0	0-0
1	Diana, Nic	6	0	0	0	0	.000	0	.000	0	0-0
Total		7	16	17	49	90	.178	46	.511	-	3-3
Opponents		7	10	14	34	85	.118	35	.412	-	0-0

#	Goalie	GP	MIN.	GA	GA AVG	SAVES	PCT	W-L-T	SHO/CBO
00	Wilson, Trevor	1	76:43	1	1.17	2	.667	1-0-0	0/0
0	Klott, Andrew	1	13:17	0	0.00	0	.000	0-0-0	0/0
1	Diana, Nic	6	540:00	9	1.50	23	.719	1-2-3	1/0
TM	TEAM	-	00:00	0	0.00	0	.000	0-0-0	0/0
Total		7	630:00	10	1.43	25	.714	2-2-3	1
Opponents		7	630:00	16	2.29	31	.660	2-2-3	0

Goals by Periods

Team	1st	2nd	OT1	OT2	TOTAL
SDSU	5	11	0	0	16
Opponents	2	8	0	0	10

Shots by Periods

Team	1st	2nd	OT1	OT2	TOTAL
SDSU	33	57	0	0	90
Opponents	32	53	0	0	85

Saves by Periods

Team	1st	2nd	OT1	OT2	TOTAL
SDSU	8	17	0	0	25
Opponents	12	19	0	0	31

Corners by Periods

Team	1st	2nd	OT1	OT2	TOTAL
SDSU	16	17	0	0	33
Opponents	13	21	0	0	34

Fouls by Periods

Team	1st	2nd	OT1	OT2	TOTAL
SDSU	47	50	0	0	97
Opponents	38	50	0	0	88