

**UNIVERSITY OF SOUTH DAKOTA
COYOTES**

SCHEDULE

Date	Opponent	USD	Opp	Date	Opponent	USD	Opp
Sept. 1	at Montana	24	35	Oct. 20	vs. North Dakota St. (SF)	0	54
Sept. 8	vs. Colgate	31	21	Oct. 27	at Indiana State	14	45
Sept. 22	at Northwestern	7	38	Nov. 3	at Youngstown State	10	13
Sept. 29	vs. Illinois State	31	34	Nov. 10	vs. Northern Iowa	21	24
Oct. 6	vs. Western Illinois	17	24	Nov. 17	at South Dakota State (2 p.m.)		
Oct. 13	at Missouri State	24	27				

STAT LEADERS

RUSHING

	Att	Yds	Avg	Long	TD
Marcus Sims	113	584	5.2	53	4
Josh Vander Maten	127	485	3.8	53	6
Jasper Sanders	78	255	3.3	22	3
COYOTES	326	1,298	4.0	53	13
Opponents	467	1,997	4.3	47	23

PASSING

	Com	Att	Yds	Int	TD
Josh Vander Maten	130	232	1,443	7	7
Kevin Earl	11	16	101	0	1
COYOTES	142	249	1,568	7	8
Opponents	143	236	1,828	6	16

RECEIVING

	No	Yds	Avg	Long	TD
Terrance Terry	47	520	11.1	80	3
Will Powell	47	507	10.8	50	2
Jasper Sanders	11	67	6.1	19	0
Marcus Sims	9	109	11.3	41	1
Quintin McMartin	9	67	7.4	23	0
A. Williams	7	111	15.9	41	2
COYOTES	142	1,568	11.0	80	8
Opponents	143	1,828	12.8	79	16

PLACE KICKING

	EPm	EPa	FGm	FGA	Long
Kevin Robb	21	21	8	12	44
20-29:	1-1	30-39:	5-6	40-49:	2-5

PUNTING

	No	Av.	Long	In20	TB
Cole Zwiefelhofer	57	40.7	67	13	1

DEFENSIVE LEADERS

	Tack	TFL	Sack	INT	FR
Tim Marlette	80	7.5	1.0	—	—
Aaron Swift	71	3.0	1.0	—	—
Devin Taverna	70	0.5	—	3	—
Tyler Starr	69	7.0	4.0	—	—
Darius Hogans	66	4.0	0.5	—	—
Kyle Guziac	47	1.5	—	—	1
Ryan Hillier	38	—	—	—	—
Ricky Reeves	35	1.0	—	—	—
Emilius Davis	33	3.5	2.5	—	—
D.J. Wakes	32	1.0	—	1	—
Jordan Eaton	32	3.5	2.0	—	—
Drew Iddings	31	4.5	0.5	—	—
COYOTES	861	54	15	6	5
Opponents	642	69	20	7	6

STANDINGS

Series: SDSU 50-47-7; Last Meeting: SDSU 22, USD 11 (2003)	Conf	All
North Dakota State	5-1	8-1
South Dakota State	7-2	5-1
Illinois State	8-2	5-2
Indiana State	5-2	7-3
Southern Illinois	5-5	4-3
Missouri State	3-4	3-7
Youngstown State	2-4	5-4
Northern Iowa	2-4	3-6
Western Illinois	1-5	3-6
South Dakota	0-6	1-8

CONDITIONS

Indoors. AstroTurf. Sunny and temps in the 50s all morning, with winds steadily increasing throughout the morning.

ONLINE

The *Press & Dakotar's* Jeremy Hoeck does a live chat during every Coyote home game. Find it online at www.yankton.net/coy-otegameday. Complete coverage will be available in Monday's *Press & Dakotan*.

MATCHUPS

COYOTES OFFENSE VS. JACKRABBITS DEFENSE

USD will rely heavily on the arm and legs of QB Josh Vander Maten, who is nearing the end of an up & down season. The sophomore had his best overall game of the year last week with 340 total yards and two touchdowns — including his first passing score in five games. Senior WR Will Powell followed up a 6-catch game with nine catches last Saturday for a season-high 127 yards. Look for him to again be a top target for Vander Maten, especially in sideline and deep routes.

The Jackrabbits have been stout against the run this season, ranking 18th nationally in that category, allowing an average of 3.5 yards per carry and 122.7 yards. SDSU has also allowed only seven touchdowns through the air, which will obviously give the Coyotes problems if Vander Maten can't do much on the ground.

JACKRABBITS OFFENSE VS. COYOTES DEFENSE

One key area to watch for is how the USD defense approaches the SDSU run game. Over the last four weeks, the Coyotes have allowed opponents to rush for 171, 181, 228 and 199 yards — stats that do not bold well against Zach Zenner and the Jackrabbits. USD did, however, record two takeaways last week against Northern Iowa.

SDSU quarterback Austin Sumner is back healthy after a dislocated thumb before the opener. He threw four of his 13 interceptions at Kansas, but has just two picks in his last four games. Injuries to the offensive line has led to inconsistent play there, leading to 11 sacks of Sumner over the past two weeks.

SPECIAL TEAMS

The Jackrabbits average 24.1 yards per kick return, which is seven more than the Coyotes allow. USD's Jasper Sanders averages 23.6 yards per kick return, but just 7.1 yards on punt returns — frequently backing USD up in its own territory. If the Jacks can force the Coyotes into long fields, the home team should find success.

In judging kickers, SDSU has the edge with Justin Syrovatka. He is 13-17 on field goals and 21-22 on extra points. USD's Kevin Robb is 8-12 on field goals (he missed two last week) and 21-21 on extra points. Having kicks and punts blocked has been a problem for the Coyotes, so look for SDSU to take advantage there.

INTANGIBLES

Penalties. If one area more than anything else has been the achilles heel for the Coyotes this season it's been costly penalties. Personal foul flags were especially costly for USD last week against Northern Iowa. The Coyotes have committed 71 penalties this season for an average of 62.7 yards per game.

SDSU hasn't been much better, with 62 penalties for an average of 54.2 yards. Inexperience on the offensive lines could be part of the issue: USD returned just one starter from last year (center Tim Ross), while SDSU has suffered injuries to its line.

PREDICTION

Although we don't believe the game will be as one-sided as many people assume, we still think South Dakota State will come away on top. The Jackrabbits will be focused more on an FCS playoff berth rather than simply facing their old rivals; there's simply too much at stake for a big let-down. The Coyotes, on the other hand, can treat this game as their "Super Bowl" and put everything into it. Ultimately, however, the experienced and proven Jacks will get the job done.

JACKRABBITS 38, COYOTES 24

AREA SPOTLIGHT: TREVOR GREGER



South Dakota State offensive lineman Trevor Greger, 66, blocks during the Jackrabbits' win over Western Illinois. Greger, a sophomore from Wagner, has started every game for the Jackrabbits this season, helping block for an offense that averages 169.3 yards rushing per game.

Runner

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ties want to show their support for the Jacks or the Coyotes that they come out to those places that we will be running through," Schultz said. "I don't know if we will get too many people out at 2

in the morning, but it would be a good thing. We want to make this an annual event and something that will help both ROTC programs." Cadets will bring many of their own snacks and each program will provide various other food and drink items. A 4-H group in Vermillion will serve lunch Friday at the DakotaDome. Pizzas will be provided from Pizza

Ranch in Hartford and breakfast will be served at the Brookings VFW on Saturday morning. The two football programs have met 104 times since 1889, but Saturday is the first meeting since 2003. "Hopefully everybody will get a big thrill seeing that football run out onto the field in Brookings," Nelson said, "and then watching USD beat SDSU."

Showdown

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"We've had a long and storied tradition; a great history and rivalry. This is an opportunity to recognize that," SDSU athletic director Justin Sell said in a state-

ment. "We'll be respecting that tradition and hopefully some new ones." While some sports still faced each other after SDSU made the jump to Division I in 2004, high-profile sports like football and basketball saw a long delay in the rivalry. Women's basketball renewed their series in February 2010, men's basketball didn't

meet again until last year's Summit League encounters. "There was all this talk that the rivalry was dead, but all along we've all known it's not dead," Huber said. "We're excited about we're at right now and be able to do this with them."

You can follow Jeremy Hoeck on Twitter at twitter.com/jhoeck

We Back the Jacks and Yell for the 'Yotes!



Back Left: Samantha Schnabel, DPT; Connie Casanova, DPT; Marge O'Hara, Aide; Kari Kaiser, Aide. Front Left: Lisa Huber, PT; Erica Stanley, DPT; Amanda Adamson, DPT.

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