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Head Coach Megan McGee

Megan (pronounced MEE-gan) McGee leads the Jackrabbit varsity equestrian program into its inaugural season during the 2005-06 school year with a wealth of horsemanship and collegiate coaching experience.

McGee, who was named the first equestrian coach at South Dakota State University on Aug. 31, 2004, will work with a roster of about 30 riders in hopes of qualifying individually or as a team for the season-ending Varsity Equestrian National Championships.

Previously, McGee developed Fresno State (Calif.) into one of the most successful collegiate equestrian programs, guiding the Bulldogs for seven seasons as head coach. She resigned from Fresno State in August of 2003 and most recently served as a consultant for two different management firms: Ram Tap, Inc., and Montana Equestrian Events, where she organized and managed events around the country.

Certified by international and national equestrian federations, McGee has served as an official or member of the management team for several high-profile competitions, including the 1984 and 1996 Olympic Games.

At Fresno State, McGee led the equestrian team to seven straight Intercollegiate Horse Show Association (IHSA) appearances and numerous regional and zone champions each year. In 2001, the Bulldogs finished fifth overall.

From 1998-2000, McGee had riders compete individually in the national finals. In 1997, the team placed eighth in its first year as a varsity sport at Fresno State.

She guided both the Stock Seat and Hunt Seat teams to the 2001 IHSA National Finals in Conyers, Ga., after winning the IHSA Regional Finals. The team produced two Reserve national champions and four other top-10 finishers. The Hunt Seat team won the Zone 8 Finals and the Western Horsemanship team was Reserve champion at the Zone 8 show.

A year later, in 2002, she coached the winner of the Varsity Reining Championships held in Oklahoma City, at the National Reining Horse Association Derby.

At the 2000 Division I Equestrian Invitational in South Carolina, the team was the overall Reserve Champion. The Western team also placed first, with both English and Western riders winning overall champion rider.

In 2000, McGee had two riders compete in the Olympic Selection Trials in Atlanta, Ga. McGee was instrumental in gaining a spot for the team in the 1998 and 2001 Tournament of Roses Parade. Also in 1998, MeGee coached the winner of the American Quarter Horse Association (AQHA) Trophy at the IHSA Nationals, who was awarded the National Champion High Point title.

Prior to her hiring at Fresno State, McGee gained early coaching experience as a teaching assistant at both Morehead State (Ky.) and her alma mater, Cal Poly, as well as instructing the equestrian team at Portland State (Ore.). She has also taught at private facilities in California, Oregon and her home state of Kentucky.

Assistant Coach Joe Humphrey

Joe Humphrey brings national championship experience to the Jackrabbit equestrian program as it begins its inaugural season of competition during the 2005-06 school year.

Humphrey served as assistant coach in charge of the Western discipline at South Carolina for the past three seasons. The Gamecocks finished fifth in the Western standings at the 2005 Varsity Equestrian National Championships in Santa Fe, N.M., while riding a first-place effort in the English standings to the overall national championship.

Prior to coaching at South Carolina, Humphrey served as assistant coach of the Western Kentucky University equestrian club team in Bowling Green, Ky. He earned a bachelor’s degree in animal science at WKU in 2000 and a master’s degree in agriculture in 2002.

As a member of the Western Kentucky equestrian team, Humphrey earned individual Reserve national championships in open reining in 1997 and open Western horesmanship in 1996 at the Intercollegiate Horse Show Association level.

He also won the American Quarter Horse Association Trophy Open Reining class at the 1999 IHSA Nationals in Cazenovia, N.Y., and was a member of the winning judging team in the junior division of the All-American Quarter Horse Congress Judging contest in 1995, placing ninth individually.

A native of Kevil, Ky., Humphrey served as manager of the West Kentucky Exposition Center in Murray, Ky., for one year. He is member of numerous equine-related organizations and also judges and announces horse shows of all levels.
Administration

PEGGY GORDON MILLER
President

Dr. Peggy Gordon Miller became South Dakota State University’s 18th president on January 1, 1998, following the retirement of Robert T. Wagner.

Before becoming president of SDSU, Miller was a senior fellow and acting vice president for Academic and International Programs at the American Association of State Colleges and Universities in Washington, D.C.

She has extensive collegiate education leadership experience at The University of Akron, where she served as president from 1992 to 1996, and Indiana University Northwest, where she served as chancellor from 1983 to 1992.

Miller earned her doctorate in secondary education from Indiana University, her master’s degree in English and secondary education from Northwestern University, and her bachelor’s degree from Transylvania University. She taught high school in Gary, Indiana, and moved into various teaching and administrative positions in the Indiana University system.

She amassed a broad range of national experience and made extensive contacts in the Washington community. Miller currently serves on the corporate boards of Lubrizol Corporation and A. Shulman Incorporated.

FRED OIEN
Athletic Director

Dr. Fred Oien became the 11th director of athletics at South Dakota State University on July 1, 1990.

Oien earned his bachelor’s degree at SDSU in 1972 and has been on the SDSU staff since 1979, serving as athletic business/ticket manager from 1981 until his appointment as director of athletics. Oien is a 1968 graduate of Baltic (S.D.) High School. He added a master’s degree at SDSU in 1975, then completed his doctorate (Ed.D) at the University of Massachusetts-Amherst in 1979.

Oien taught physical education and health at the Brookings Middle School from 1973-76, during which time he was varsity golf coach for both boys and girls, and middle school basketball and football coach. His golf teams won state championships for both boys and girls. Oien also was women’s golf coach at SDSU, guiding the Jackrabbits to one North Central Conference championship. The SDSU women’s golf team of 1982 was voted South Dakota Women’s College Team of the Year.

NANCY NEIBER
Sr. Woman Administrator

Nancy Neiber became South Dakota State University’s first senior woman administrator for athletics when she stepped down as head women’s basketball coach in June 2000.

Her duties include sport supervision, fund-raising, public relations, overseeing student-athlete programs and instruction in HPER academic programs.

The winningest basketball coach in SDSU history with a 301-140 record, Neiber coached the Jackrabbits for 16 seasons (1984-2000) and led SDSU to 14 consecutive winning seasons, two second-place finishes in the North Central Conference and six NCAA postseason appearances. Six times Neiber-coached teams won 20 games in a season, including two 25-win seasons. She was named NCC Coach of the Year in the 1988 and 1995. In 2003, she was inducted into the South Dakota Sports Hall of Fame.

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A native of Pierre, Neiber earned a bachelor’s degree in agricultural engineering from North Dakota State University in 1964, added a master’s degree in agricultural engineering from NDSU in 1966, then earned a Ph.D. in engineering at West Virginia University in 1969.

Dr. Hellickson recently returned to the classroom as a professor in agricultural engineering after serving several years as director of agriculture Extension at SDSU. He has been on the SDSU staff since 1969, serving as a professor in agricultural engineering until he was appointed as head of that department during the summer of 1982.

Dr. Hellickson’s specialty has been in the area of livestock structures and environment with recent emphasis on solar energy use in agriculture.

A native of Belfield, N.D., he earned a bachelor’s degree in agricultural engineering from South Dakota State University in 1964, added a master’s degree in agricultural engineering from NDSU in 1966, then earned a Ph.D. in engineering at West Virginia University in 1969.

Hellickson was presented the North Central Conference Meritorious Service Award at the November 1990 meeting.
Outstanding facilities for both training and competition are already in place within the Brookings community, with additional on-campus facilities in the planning stages.

**PEGASUS EQUINE CENTER**
South Dakota State University and Christiansen Investments have reached a letter of intent facility-use agreement to lease the Pegasus Equine Center, which will serve as the stables and a training facility during the inaugural 2005-06 season. Located about a mile northeast of the SDSU campus and just west of Interstate 29 at Exit 133, the partnership between Pegasus and SDSU provides visitors an additional gateway to the University.

Pegasus, which houses a full-service breeding lab, currently contains 20 indoor stalls, an office and conference space and indoor riding arena on its 23-acre facility.

**SWIFTEL CENTER**
The municipally operated Swiftel Center will serve as the main home competition venue. A multi-purpose facility, Swiftel Center features a 30,000 square-foot arena floor, seating for about 2,000 spectators and other amenities for an equestrian event.

Adjacent to the Swiftel Center is a holding barn which will serve as an auxiliary competition and training facility.

Swiftel Center was the site of a regional Arabian Horse Show in 2005 and will again host the competition in 2006 and 2007.

**JACKRABBIT EQUESTRIAN CENTER**
Expanded University-owned training facilities which will be located directly north of campus, are in the planning stages and are expected to be completed in time for the 2007-08 academic year. The first phase of construction for the multi-million-dollar equestrian center received approval by the South Dakota Legislature in February 2006. Phase 1 will include an indoor training arena, stalls, tack rooms, wash areas, locker rooms and a feed area.
Jackrabbits Compete in Inaugural Season

South Dakota State University sports fans will be introduced to a whole new breed of competition during the 2005-06 school year, when the Jackrabbit women’s equestrian program makes its debut.

Considered an emerging sport by the NCAA, equestrian is the 21st varsity sport — the 11th for women — offered at SDSU. Once 40 schools in divisions I and II elevate equestrian to varsity status the NCAA will begin to sponsor a national championship. Until that happens, SDSU will be part of a federation of 21 schools that compete under the Varsity Equestrian banner, joining other first-year programs Baylor, Stephen F. Austin (Texas) and Tennessee-Martin.

“As we build our program, I’m very confident South Dakota State, whether it be individually or as a team, will be represented at the national championships,” said head coach Megan McGee.

Since being named head coach in August 2004, McGee has faced the challenges of assembling a roster, converting the Pegasus Equine Center from a breeding facility into a competition training facility, training horses and handling numerous small details associated with a start-up program.

With all that has gone into building a program from the ground up, McGee said recruiting has been the easiest part.

“(Recruits) literally have been knocking down our doors,” said McGee, who previously served as head coach at Fresno State (Calif.) for seven years. “There’s really been no problem of filling our roster with qualified student-athletes.”

McGee expects the inaugural team will consist of 30 riders. The roster is expected to grow to 60 riders with a full allotment of 15 scholarships by the 2009-10 season.

Although most riders tend to specialize in either the English or Western discipline, a handful of Jackrabbit riders may compete in both disciplines this season, including incoming freshman Molly Seidel. The Sioux Falls native has won numerous Grand and Reserve Champion titles at the state 4-H level and has a top-10 finish in the Morgan World Finals among her list of accomplishments.

Early on, McGee expects Allison Carie, Kaylee DeVries and Katie Morris to be among the team leaders in the English events, while South Dakota riders Kate Gunderson (Canton), Katie Hendrickson (Lennox) and Kelsey Likness (Watertown) will be counted on to pace SDSU in the Western competitions.

Although scheduling has been a challenge during the inaugural season, the Jackrabbits have received commitments from top-tier programs Georgia and Auburn, as well as a home-and-home series with defending Varsity Equestrian national champion South Carolina.

The Jackrabbits will host home events at the Swiftel Center in Brookings, as well as a competition against Nebraska in Sioux Falls on March 25.

SDSU will compete on a split schedule with a few events in the fall before resuming the spring season in February and concluding in early April.

The Jackrabbits already have national championship experience in their program with the addition of Joe Humphrey as assistant coach. Humphrey spent the past four seasons at the South Carolina, where he helped lead the Gamecocks to the Varsity Equestrian national title.

“The experience he bring and the depth of knowledge he brings in the Western disciplines is really going to be an asset for our squad to be at a competitive level right from the start,” said McGee, noting that the inaugural team will consist of approximately two-thirds Western riders and one-third English riders.

English riders will compete in two events: equitation over fences and equitation on the flat. Equitation over fences is a jumping event in which the rider guides the horse through a course of eight to 10 jumps. The rider is not timed, but her score is based on skill, precision, timing and balance on horses.

Equitation on the flat is a non-jumping event in which the rider completes a series of compulsory maneuvers and may be asked to perform additional patterns or maneuvers by a judge.

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**Varsity Equestrian Programs**

**Division I**

- Auburn (Ala.)
- Baylor (Texas)
- Brown (R.I.)
- College of Charleston (S.C.)
- Cornell (N.Y.)
- Delaware State
- Fresno State (Calif.)
- Georgia
- Kansas State
- New Mexico State
- Oklahoma State
- Sacred Heart (Conn.)
- South Carolina
- South Dakota State
- Southern Methodist (Texas)
- Stephen F. Austin (Texas)
- Tennessee-Martin
- Texas A&M
- Texas Christian

**Division II**

- Minnesota–Crookston
- Pace (N.Y.)
- Stonehill (Mass.)
- West Texas A&M

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Meet The Jackrabbits

**LISA ASSID**
Fr., Valley Springs, S.D.
English/Western
Lisa brings three Youth National top-10 finishes with Arabian horses to the Jackrabbits’ inaugural equestrian season ... earned four Canadian National top-10 finishes with Arabians ... earned honorable mention all-state journalist honors for her work on high school newspaper ... majoring in human development and family studies

**ALLISON CARIE**
Fr., Fairbanks, Alaska
English
Allison will compete in the English riding events this year at South Dakota State ... was the Interior Horseman’s Association performance champion in 2002, 2003 and 2004 ... competed in the 2004 U.S. Pony Club National Championships ... received fifth place at the Northwest Pony Club eventing rally ... member of the National Honor Society ... undeclared major

**JORDANNE BLAIR**
Fr., Lake City, Iowa
Western
Jordanne participated in the Iowa High School Rodeo for four years before coming to South Dakota State ... was Iowa High School Rodeo Queen ... placed ninth in the nation in rodeo events ... named to the Who’s Who Among high school students ... member of the National Honor Society ... FFA President ... also competed in speech, basketball, volleyball, track and dance team in high school ... majoring in apparel merchandising and mass communication

**ANDREA CARSTENSEN**
So., Pipestone, Minn.
Western
Andrea will compete in the Western events for South Dakota State this season ... received FFA Livestock and Horse Judging state honors ... earned the 2003 Minnesota State FFA Convention Gold honor in Livestock Judging ... received the Bronze Award at the National FFA Convention Parliamentary Procedure Contest ... finished in the top 10 at the Minnesota State 4-H horse show in 2004 ... was the Champion FFA high point horse rider in Pipestone County for several years ... lettered in varsity golf and cheerleading at Pipestone Area High School ... member of the National Honor Society ... majoring in animal science and ag business

**JANET CRAM**
Fr., Isanti, Minn.
Western
Janet was a late addition to the Jackrabbit roster ... active in several activities at Cambridge-Isanti High School, including speech, band and Math League ... academic letter winner and captain of Math League ... pursuing majors in animal science, music education and mathematics
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**SARA CURRAN**  
Fr., Sisseton, S.D.  
English/Western  
Sara was a member of a student-run High School Rodeo team in Sisseton ... member of the National Honor Society ... majoring in pre-veterinary medicine and animal science

**KAYLEE DEVRIES**  
So., Cedar Falls, Iowa  
English/Western  
Kaylee is a transfer from Ellsworth Community College (Iowa), where she competed at the IHSA level during the 2004-05 school year ... was a high-point Western rider at the Regional show in Ellsworth ... member of the Timber Ridge Pony Club ... was the 2004 Fall Schooling Show Pony Club high-point pony clubber ... received first place beginner novice award ... attended the 2004-05 United States Pony Club events ... member of the U.S. Pony Club since 2001 ... received second place in division at U.S. Pony Club Rally ... majoring in early childhood education

**BRIANNA GROHS**  
Fr., Hurley, S.D.  
English/Western  
Brianna earned first place in equine proficiency at the state level ... was her local FFA chapter President in 2004-05 ... was a member of the 2005 National FFA Convention marketing team ... received second place in horsemanship at the Sioux Empire Fair ... took home first place in English equitation at Yankton Southeast show ... received first place in horsemanship at the Brookings Southeast show ... majoring in animal science

**KATE GUNDERSON**  
Fr., Canton, S.D.  
Western  
Kate will compete in the Western events for South Dakota State this season ... was a member of the Academic Decathalon team at Canton High School ... participated in volleyball and one-act play competitions in high school ... great-uncle was former Vice President and U.S. Sen. Hubert Humphrey ... pre-optometry major
EMILY HANSEN
Fr., Marshall, Minn.
English/Western
Emily will compete in both the English and Western events for SDSU ... was a member of the top-10 Horse Judging team at the Minnesota State show ... also was a member of the top-10 Minnesota State 4-H Horse Hippology team ... graduated from Marshall High School with highest honors ... majoring in ag business

LINDSAY HARR
RSFr., Zell, S.D.
English
Lindsay was named to the all-state teams in basketball and volleyball at Redfield High School ... competed in 4-H and open horse shows throughout high school ... member of the National Honor Society ... member of Alpha Lambda Delta and Alpha Zeta honor fraternities ... majoring in pre-veterinary medicine and animal science

KATIE HENDRICKSON
So., Lennox, S.D.
Western
Katie joins the Jackrabbit squad after transferring from Gustavus Adolphus College (Minn.) ... played one season of volleyball at Gustavus, while also competing two seasons on the school’s equestrian club team ... was an IHSA regional qualifier in advanced horsemanship in 2005 ... at state 4-H level, was state champion in hunt seat equitation in 1996 and 1997 ... also was state champion in stock seat equitation in 1998 and Reserve champion in both hunt seat and stock seat in 1999 ... earned high-point honors in the junior category and novice all-around youth title from the South Dakota Quarter Horse Association in 1996 ... 2003 graduate of Lennox High School, where she earned all-conference and second-team all-region honors ... academic all-state honoree in both volleyball and basketball ... member of the National Honor Society ... emphasis in mass communication major is in advertising

LAURA HOFF
Fr., Monticello, Minn.
English
Laura was active in several high school activities, including cross country, track and marching band ... was North Suburban academic all-conference in track in 2005 ... placed third in her division at the Junior Young Rider Region Four Team Championships ... participated in the Central States Dressage and Eventing Association Championships ... was a working student with FEI dressage trainer and rider Marija Trieschman ... participated in several Arabian horse shows, including Sahara Sands, Great Arabian Get Together, Double the Fun, and Northern Lights Dressage show ... member of the National Honor Society ... majoring in pre-veterinary medicine and animal science
Meet The Jackrabbits

NIKKI JENSEN
Jr., Sioux Falls, S.D.
Western
Nikki will participate in the Western equestrian competitions for the Jackrabbits this season ... received an academic letter at Roosevelt High School ... earned fourth place at the state cheer competition ... majoring in early childhood/elementary education

KELSEY LIKNESS
So., Watertown, S.D.
Western
Kelsey was the 4-H county Grand and Reserve Grand Champion for two years ... was the state Reserve Champion in stock seat equitation ... earned South Dakota POA Club High Point Rider honors from 2000-2002 ... was a five-time World Champion in the Western and English classes ... claimed title of 2003 English Equitation Champion at the Fort Worth Stock Show ... 2003 World Champion in English riding ... was the city mayor and state cabinet member at South Dakota Girls’ State ... member of the National Honor Society ... previously attended Augustana College before transferring to SDSU ... majoring in nutrition and food science with emphasis in dietetics

ABBY KNOBBE
Fr., West Point, Neb.
Western
Abby was president of her FFA Chapter at West Point-Beemer High School in Nebraska ... earned various public speaking awards in FFA and 4-H ... horsemanship finalist at state 4-H Horse Show ... also qualified several times for Aksarben Livestock Exposition horse shows ... was a member of the 2005 Nebraska State Champion 4-H Horse Judging team ... also competed in track ... member of the National Honor Society ... majoring in general studies

Kelsey Likness
Katie Hendrickson
Kelsey Likness

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**JESS MANN**
Jr., Luverne, Minn.
English/Western
Jess was a four-time academic letter winner at Luverne High School ... competed four times at the Minnesota State 4-H Horse Show ... completed level 6 training at Minnesota State 4-H Horse show ... also lettered four years in gymnastics ... majoring in microbiology and animal science

**MOLLY SEIDEL**
Fr., Sioux Falls, S.D.
English/Western
Molly was a five-time state Grand and Reserve Champion in horsemanship events at the 4-H level in South Dakota ... also earned Lincoln County 4-H Grand Champion honors ... brings the Jackrabbits extensive competition experience in both the English and Western disciplines, including a top-10 finish in the Morgan World Finals ... named to Who’s Who in Academics list at Lincoln High School in Sioux Falls ... nursing major

**KATIE MORRIS**
Fr., Sioux Falls, S.D.
English
Katie rode to championships in beginner-novice, novice and open division at the Sioux Empire Fair in the summer of 2005 ... was Junior Team Champion at the regional competition in Huron, S.D., ... member of the National Honor Society at Washington High School in Sioux Falls ... majoring in pre-veterinary medicine

**HILLARY SIEBELS**
Fr., Britton, S.D.
Western
Hillary earned the 2004 South Dakota Point Horse Club All-Around championship ... competed at World Wide Point Horse Congress in 2004 ... also competed in volleyball at prep level ... class valedictorian at Britton-Hecla High School ... majoring in animal science
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**Karley Stoltenburg**  
Jr., Huron, S.D.  
Western  
Karley placed at the South Dakota state 4-H show for four years ... received grand champion awards in stock seat, showmanship and trail competitions at county horse shows ... received all-around cowgirl award ... also competed in cheerleading in high school, where she received the South Dakota All-Star Cheerleader award ... was grand champion at the state cheer competition for Huron High School ... athletic training major

**Anna Taylor**  
So., Mandan, N.D.  
Western  
Anna joins the SDSU equestrian team after previously competing in track and field for the Jackrabbits ... participated in track and basketball in high school ... was a member of the 2003 state basketball championship team and 2002 state track championship team at Mandan High School ... was the 2003 state champion in the 300 hurdles, 800 relay and 1600 relay ... in equestrian, was the 2000 Mandan Horse and Saddle Club all-around champion ... earned the 1998 year-end Reserve All-Around title ... member of the National Honor Society ... animal science major

**Carolyn Wehde**  
Fr., Sioux Falls, S.D.  
Western  
Carolyn joins the Jackrabbit equestrian team after competing at the 4-H level for five years ... 2005 graduate of Sioux Falls Christian High School, where she competed in soccer for three seasons ... member of the National Honor Society ... pursuing double major in journalism and Spanish

**Kelly Wubben**  
RSFr., Salem, S.D.  
Western  
Kelly is a late addition to the Jackrabbit squad ... member of first-place equine science and entrepreneurship FFA teams at McCook Central High School in Salem ... teams also received gold placings at nationals ... FFA officer who earned fifth- and 12th-place honors in horse judging ... all-conference performer in volleyball at prep level ... majoring in journalism and mass communication with emphasis in advertising

**English Riders**  
Allison Carie, Lisa Assid, Lindsay Harr
With a record enrollment of 11,021 students in the fall of 2005, South Dakota State University is the state’s largest institution of higher education.

EARLY HISTORY

Located in Brookings, SDSU was authorized in 1881 by the Territorial Legislative Assembly and serves as the state’s land-grant institution. Territorial Council member John O’Brien Scobey, failing to obtain the penitentiary for Brookings, managed to secure Dakota Agricultural College for his city.

Although allocations fell short of the actual cost, the school was able to open in the fall of 1884 because the president, George Lilley, was willing to advance $500 — one-third of his salary — to finish three rooms in the new Central Building. "Old Central" was soon joined by South (1885) and North (1887), forming the nucleus of campus for a decade and a half.

During the first year of operation, only preparatory classes were held. College classes started in 1885 with five teachers, 17 freshman and 61 preparatory students. Growth was slow and erratic for many years, but by the turn of the 20th century there were 242 students. By 1990, SDSU had an enrollment of more than 9,000 students.

Nearly 50,000 degrees have been granted since the college was chartered in 1881.

SOUTH DAKOTA STATE UNIVERSITY features a 16-to-1 student-to-faculty ratio. Over the past five years, the average placement rate at SDSU has been 95 percent, with placement in selected majors like pharmacy and engineering approaching 100 percent.

COLLEGES ESTABLISHED

The structure of the college became more complex as enrollments increased. The first nine chairs of instruction established in 1884 included agriculture, science, mathematics, English, modern languages, military tactics, veterinary science, practical business, political and domestic economy, and music.

By 1907, the year the name of the institution was changed to South Dakota State College of Agriculture and Mechanic Arts, there were 22 departments on campus.

Reorganization into the five divisions which formed the basis for the designation of colleges was completed under President Charles W. Pugsley in 1923.

In 1964, when "State College" was renamed South Dakota State University, there were six colleges; today degrees are offered through these eight colleges:

- Agriculture and Biological Sciences
- Arts and Science
- Education and Counseling
- Engineering
- Family and Consumer Sciences

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• General Studies and Outreach Programs
• Nursing
• Pharmacy
• Graduate School

SDSU also offers degree programs through the Sioux Falls Center for Public Higher Education (USDSU). Evening, RDTN, Internet and off-campus courses are coordinated through the Office of Academic Affairs and Outreach.

SDSU BY THE NUMBERS

In its 125-year history, South Dakota State has grown from a campus of 80 acres in 1881 to a 271-acre campus with facilities worth more than $220 million.

The university owns or leases another 15,000 acres for research throughout the state.

A University Student Union expansion and renovation project was completed in the summer of 2005, as was Caldwell Hall, a suite-style residence hall.

Other recent building projects have included:

• Anson and Ada May Yeager Hall (formerly the Printing and Journalism Building), which underwent a $2.1 million expansion and renovation project;
• Crothers Engineering Hall — $7 million expansion;
• Solberg Hall — multi-million dollar renovation;
• Performing Arts Center — $9 million project completed in fall of 2002.

MEMORIAL PARK, located between DuPuy Military Hall and Briggs Library in the center of campus, honors South Dakota State students who have served in the armed forces, including Congressional Medal of Honor recipients Capt. Willibald Bianchi and Col. Leo Thorsness. The park was dedicated in the fall of 2000.

In addition, the Enterprise Institute building, which also houses the SDSU Foundation, was completed in the fall of 2004. The Enterprise Institute is designed to facilitate SDSU and industry resources to encourage and assist the establishment of entrepreneurial growth enterprises in the region.

More than 200 majors, minors and options (see listing on pages 79-80) are available at SDSU with more than 2,500 different course offerings.

Master’s degrees are offered in more than 30 areas and doctorates are available in eight fields.

COOLIDGE-SYLVAN THEATRE, located on the southwest corner of campus is an outdoor amphitheater that has been the site of concerts, graduations and inaugurations of university presidents since its dedication by President Calvin Coolidge in September 1927.

SDSU is accredited by the North Central Association of Colleges and Secondary Schools and numerous departments on campus have earned accreditation from various agencies.

AGRICULTURAL RESEARCH

The university reaches all corners of the state through the Cooperative Extension Service and the Agricultural Experiment Station, offering service seeking to improve the quality of rural life. Also at SDSU are the Center for Innovation, Technology and Entrepreneurship; Engineering Experiment Station, Office of Remote Sensing; Water Resources Institute; Engineering and Environmental Research Center; Animal Disease Research and Diagnostic Laboratory; and Northern Grain Insect Research Laboratory.

These units help strengthen the university’s growing commitment to research and support of state and local economic development efforts.

The Northern Great Plains Biostress Laboratory, which was dedicated in 1993, houses scientists who focus on research aimed at developing new technologies to protect crops and livestock.

SDSU also has been selected as one of five universities to serve as a regional center for the Sun Grant Initiative. The Sun Grant Initiative is a concept to solve America’s...
energy needs and revitalize rural communities with Land-Grant university research, education and Extension programs on renewable energy and bio-based non-food industries.

Supplementing classroom instruction are the Harding Distinguished Lecture Series, the F.O. Butler Lectures, the Lusk Lecture and the Amdahl, Schultz-Werth and Griffiths endowments.

Students also have the opportunity to choose from more than 200 clubs and organizations active on campus.

**MUSEUMS AND ATTRACTIONS**

The educational opportunities don’t end in the classroom or laboratory as South Dakota State University is home to several facilities, including museums and gardens, which highlight South Dakota history and heritage.

The South Dakota Art Museum, which recently completed an expansion, was first envisioned by the South Dakota Federation of Women’s Clubs in 1949, and dedicated in 1970. The museum’s collections include early Sioux Indian tribal art, the famed Harvey Dunn paintings of pioneer life and the exclusive Vera Way Marghab linens.

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The 70-acre McCrory Gardens and South Dakota Arboretum, located south and east of campus, provide a beautiful setting for area residents and tourists to enjoy a stroll through the radiant colors and fragrances of one of the top 10 small ornamental gardens in the nation. It is also recognized as an All-American Display Garden, one of only 13 in the nation.

In 1993 McCrory Gardens was designated an All-American Judging Garden to conduct research on annual flowers.

Since 1985, private contributions have made many new gardens possible including the Rose, Rock, Centennial Prairie, Iris, True Lily, Mum, Native Prairie Collection, Oak Tree Memorial Garden, All-Red Specialty Garden, Peony Garden, Shrub Rose Collection, and Children’s Maze.

In August 1994, dedication ceremonies were held for the Mickelson Grove Memorial in honor of former governor and Brookings resident George Mickelson.

In 1982, the area north of the formal garden was dedicated to the planting and testing of ornamental trees and shrubs. The 45-acre site was designated the South Dakota State Arboretum in 1988.

The arboretum’s purpose is to test woody plants needed to protect agricultural fields and livestock from the region’s harsh environment, to provide hardy trees to shade our towns and cities, and to test ornamental shrubs for both durability and beauty.

The arboretum and gardens are managed by the SDSU Horticulture, Forestry, Landscape and Parks Department. More gardens and tree and shrub collections are being developed.

Perhaps South Dakota State’s most recognizable landmark is the 165-foot Coughlin Campanile, the state’s largest chimes tower. A climb of 179 steps leads to a panoramic view of the city.

The statuesque structure on the west end of campus was a $65,000 gift from 1909 engineering graduate Charles Coughlin, who later went on to become head of the Briggs & Stratton Corporation.

Coughlin laid the campanile’s cornerstone on June 10, 1929. Since then, its chimes have called students to classes with the famous Westminster peals.

An alumni-sponsored project to restore the campanile was completed in 2001.

Adjacent to the campanile, Coolidge-Sylvan Theatre has provided a restful, green haven for students since its dedication by President Calvin Coolidge in September 1927.

**JACKRABBIT ATHLETICS**

South Dakota State University currently offers 21 varsity sports with Jackrabbit teams competing at the NCAA Division I level. Football competes in the Great West Football Conference and the men’s and women’s swimming and diving teams were recently accepted as associate members of the Mid-Continent Conference. SDSU officials continue to work toward securing conference affiliation for all sports.

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**EVOLUTION OF A NICKNAME**

There are two theories as to how and why the Jackrabbit nickname evolved. The most common belief is that the name “Jackrabbits” came from a story and cartoon sketch that appeared in a Minneapolis newspaper following a 1905 football game between the University of Minnesota and South Dakota State College, as the university was then known. A reporter for the newspaper, knowing of the preponderance of jackrabbits in the Brookings area, was believed to have written that the SDSU team was as quick as jackrabbits. Many people believe that the school adopted the Jackrabbits as its official nickname from that beginning.

The other theory about the origin of the nickname is given in The Jackrabbit, SDSU’s yearbook. There is a poem in the 1907 yearbook that puts forth the idea that the yearbook is called The Jackrabbit, SDSU’s yearbook.

The problem with this theory is that the yearbook is titled The Jackrabbit because a group of juniors wished to immortalize themselves by changing the name of the yearbook. Athletic teams followed suit, adopting the nickname.

Prior to the adoption of the Jackrabbit nickname, school athletic teams were known as the Barn Yard Cadets as SDSU was known as South Dakota State College of Agriculture and Mechanic Arts in 1907.

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Over the years the outdoor amphitheater has been the site of concerts, graduations and inaugurations for university presidents.

Woodbine Cottage, the home of the university president, is a charming example of Queen Anne architecture. Built in 1887 by South Dakota Agricultural College’s second president, Dr. Lewis McLouth, the home is crowned by multiple roof lines.

The house also has served as a women’s dormitory, music hall and infirmary.

STATE’S LARGEST LIBRARY

The Hilton M. Briggs Library, the state’s largest, was opened in 1977 and joined South Dakota’s statewide automated library network in 1988. Through the library, users have access to holdings from all 10 of the state’s libraries, including official documents and more than 1 million other holdings at Briggs.

THE BROOKINGS COMMUNITY

Today, Brookings is a growing community of about 18,500 people. Located 20 miles west of the Minnesota border and 50 miles north of Sioux Falls in east-central South Dakota, Brookings is situated at the intersection of U.S. Highway 14 and Interstate 29.

The community also is home to several recognizable companies including Rainbow Play Systems, Minnesota Mining and Manufacturing (3M), Larson Manufacturing, and Daktronics, a leading manufacturer of scoreboards and display systems.

THE COUGHLIN CAMPANILE is SDSU’s most recognizable landmark.

ACADEMICS AT SOUTH DAKOTA STATE UNIVERSITY

Academic Overview
Following is a listing of the more than 200 majors, minors and options available in the classroom at South Dakota State University:

College of General Studies and Outreach Programs
General Registration — the most popular freshman option
Liberal Studies (B.S.)
General Studies (A.A.)
Applied Technical Science (B.A.T.S.)
Applied Agriculture
General Supervision
General Technology

College of Agriculture and Biological Sciences
Ag Business (B.S., Minor)
Ag & Resources Economics (B.S.)

Environmental Economics
Ag Education (B.S.)
Ag Journalism (B.S.)
Ag Marketing (Minor)
Ag Systems Technology (B.S., Minor)
Business
Environmental Systems
Processing
Production
Agronomy (B.S., M.S., Ph.D., Minor)
Business
Production
Science
Animal Sciences (B.S., M.S., Ph.D., Minor)
Business and Production
Science
Atmospheric, Environmental and Water Resources (Ph.D.)

Biology (B.S., Minor)
Ecology
Molecular/Cellular
Organismal
Pre-Professional Biological Sciences (M.S., Ph.D.)
Botany (Minor)
Business Area Studies
Dairy Manufacturing (B.S.)
Dairy Production (B.S.)
Business
Science
Dairy Science (M.S.)
Entomology
Environmental Management (B.S.)
General Agriculture (A.S., B.S.)

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University Web Site: www.sdstate.edu

Athletics Web Site: www.gojacks.com
Equestrian Terms

**CROP** — A short whip used in horseback riding used only as an aid to re-enforce the rider’s leg.

**DIAGONALS** — The correct posting, up/down motion, of the rider in sequence with diagonal movement of the horse’s legs at the trot.

**EQUITATION** — In riding competitions, this indicates that riders are being judged on their ability to control the horse while maintaining the correct riding position. Riders have the added challenge of riding an unfamiliar horse that they draw in a lottery system just prior to their class.

**EQUITATION/HORSEMANSHIP** — In competitions, this indicates that the riders are being judged on their ability to control and show the horse while maintaining the correct riding position.

**EQUITATION OVER FENCES** — An individual performance where each rider shows a horse over 8-10 jumps of varying heights. Riders are judged on their ability to position the horse correctly at the jumps and avoid interfering with the horse’s balance, while maintaining the correct riding position and producing a smooth polished performance.

**FIGURE EIGHT** — Two circles connected by a change of direction, most often seen in reining patterns.

**GAIT** — Three ways, canter/lope, trot/jog, or walk, by which a horse can move by lifting the feet in different order or rhythm.

**HALT** — The command for stop.

**HORSEMANSHIP** — Refers to a class of Western riding in which the rider is judged on maintaining correct position and controlling the horse in a pattern.

**HUNT SEAT** — The category in which English riders compete in either over a series of jumps or in a general equitation class.

**IRONS** — The英式马镫 used in riding.

**LEADS** — They are determined at the canter/lope by which front foot is leading. Correct leads have the inside foreleg reaching furthest.

**LEAD CHANGE** — Done at the canter/lope to change which front foot is leading.

**NATURAL AIDS** — Subtle or imperceptible body signals from the seat, legs, hands, and voice are allowed to communicate commands to the horse and in addition exaggerated shifting of the rider’s weight is not desirable. The resulting performance shown by the horse is not to be considered more important than the methods used by the rider in obtaining them.

**ON THE RAIL** — Both riding disciplines compete in this manner, in which the riders enter the show arena and show collectively at all required gaits on command form the judge.

**REINING** — In these classes, the most advanced Western riders perform an individual, pre-assigned pattern from memory, demonstrating a variety of stops, turns and figures at various speeds. The emphasis is on precision and technical application of the rider’s ability to handle unfamiliar horses.

**ROLL BACK** — A turn performed in equitation over fence class to show control of the horse and rider’s ability to maintain a position throughout a turn. A tight turn performed between two fences. In Western reining, a rollback is a 180-degree pivot with speed after a halt.

**SCHOOLING** — Practice time before the classes, is not allowed for intercollegiate competitors.

**SLIDING STOP** — A smooth stop from the lope, in which the horse is supposed to balance on its back feet while the front feet continue to move.

**STOCK SEAT** — The common Western division, where the goal of the rider is to maneuver the horse through a herd of livestock to rope, move or control.

**STRIDING** — A single coordinated movement of the four legs of a horse or other animal completed when the legs return to their initial relative position. In the hunt seat fence classes, proper striding between two jumps in a line is required. Ex: If you need to have six strides down the diagonal line and five strides on the outside line.

**TACK** — The equipment worn by the horse (saddle, bridle, etc.).

**TWO-POINT POSITION** — Performed in practice to learn the proper leg position, balance and strength. The position is done on the flat and requires the body to be positioned forward just out of the saddle. This is the forward position used over fences.

**WALK, JOG,lope** — In Western, these are the gaits that the horse travels in.

**WALK, TROT, CANTER** — In English, these are the gaits that the horse travels in.

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**JUDGING**

**GENERAL RULES**

1. In equitation/horsemanship classes, only the rider is being judged therefore no penalty should be assessed because of the horse’s conformation, color or movement.

2. Falling off a horse results in elimination.

3. Three refusals over jumps by a horse result in elimination.

4. Any rider not having her mount under sufficient control shall be removed from the ring by the show stewards and shall be disqualified or remounted at their discretion.

5. Riders must remain on the same mount throughout all phases of an equitation or horsemanship class until the judge requests a change.

6. Riders are allowed minimal preparation time with their assigned horse.

**ENGLISH RULES**

General — The rider should have a workmanlike appearance, seat and hands light and supple, conveying the impression of complete control.

**WESTERN RULES**

General — The rider will be judged on seat, hands, and the ability to control and show the horse. Results as shown by the performance of the horse are not to be considered more important than the method used by the rider in obtaining them.
2005-06 Jackrabbit Schedule

SEPTEMBER
24  INTRASQUAD SCRIMMAGE

OCTOBER
1   at Kansas State
7-8  at Big Eight English Tournament (Athens, Ga.)
23  NORTH DAKOTA STATE (exhib.)

NOVEMBER
18  at Baylor (Texas)
20  at Stephen F. Austin (Texas)

FEBRUARY
4   at South Carolina
11-12  at Minnesota-Crookston Invitational
25  at Nebraska

MARCH
4-5  at UW-River Falls Invitational
18
25  NEBRASKA (at Sioux Falls)

APRIL
1   SOUTH CAROLINA
20-22 at Varsity Equestrian Championships (Albuquerque, N.M.)