



SOUTH DAKOTA STATE UNIVERSITY

JACKRABBIT BASEBALL

SOUTH DAKOTA STATE UNIVERSITY ATHLETICS

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PROBABLE POSITION STARTERS

2019 Overall Record: 2-1

2018 Summit Record: 14-13 (4th)

HEAD COACH

ROB BISHOP

Third Season at SDSU (46-57)

20th Season Overall (595-379-1)

CENTER FIELD

LANDON BADGER

Jr., Pierre, S.D. • L/L

.333 avg. | 1 2B | 2 RBI | 3 BB



LEFT FIELD

NICK SMITH

Sr., Chamassan, Minn. • L/R
.385 avg. | 3 RBI | 1-1 SB

SHORTSTOP

GUS STEIGER

So., Minnetonka, Minn. • R/R
.313 avg. | 1 HR | 3 RBI

SECOND BASE

BRAEDEN BROWN

Jr., Burlington, Iowa • R/R
.167 avg. | 1 HR | 2 RBI

RIGHT FIELD

LOGAN HOLTZ

Sr., Urbana, Iowa • R/R
.250 avg. | 1 HR | 1 RBI

THIRD BASE

LUKE IRA

Fr., Iowa City, Iowa • R/R
.462 avg. | 2 2B | 1 3B | 1 RBI

FIRST BASE

JOSH FALK

Jr., Minnetonka, Minn. • R/R
.333 avg. | 1 HR | 4 RBI

DESIGNATED HITTER

DREW BEAZLEY

Fr., Johnston, Iowa • R/R
.273 avg. | 1 RBI | 3 R

CATCHER

DEREK HACKMAN

So., Johnston, Iowa • L/R
.222 avg. | 1 HR | 2 RBI

PROBABLE STARTING PITCHERS

GAME 1

VS. FLORIDA INTERNATIONAL
FRIDAY, FEB. 22 • 2 P.M. ET



**BRADY
STOVER**

6-1 | 190 | Jr.
LHP
Huxley, Iowa
• 1-0 record
• 0.00 ERA
• 9 K's in 5 IP

GAME 2

VS. FLORIDA INTERNATIONAL
SATURDAY, FEB. 23 • NOON ET

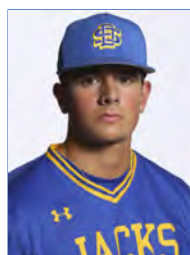


**RYAN
FROOM**

6-1 | 210 | Sr.
RHP
Crystal, Minn.
• 0-0 record
• 3.60 ERA
• 5 K's in 5 IP

GAME 3

VS. NORTHEASTERN
SATURDAY, FEB. 23 • 3:30 P.M. ET



**NIC
McCAY**

6-1 | 190 | Fr.
RHP
Carlisle, Iowa
• 1-0
• 0.00 ERA
• 8 K's in 5 IP

GAME 4

VS. NORTHEASTERN
SATURDAY, FEB. 23 • 10 A.M. ET



**TYLER
OLMSTEAD**

6-2 | 220 | Jr.
RHP
Sioux Falls, S.D.
• 0-1
• 3.00 ERA
• 5 K's in 3 IP

2019 SCHEDULE

FEBRUARY

15	vs. UT Martin [at Russellville, Ark.]	W, 15-3
16	vs. UT Martin [at Russellville, Ark.]	L, 4-5
17	vs. UT Martin [at Russellville, Ark.]	W, 7-1
22-24	at Snowbird Invitational; Port Charlotte, Fla.	
22	vs. Florida International	2 p.m. ET
23	vs. Florida International	noon ET
	vs. Northeastern	3:30 p.m. ET
24	vs. Northeastern	10 a.m. ET

MARCH

1	at Central Arkansas	3 p.m.
2	vs. Missouri [at Conway, Ark.]	3 p.m.
	at Central Arkansas	6:30 p.m.
3	at Central Arkansas	1 p.m.
8	at UA Little Rock	3 p.m.
9	at UA Little Rock (DH)	1/4 p.m.
10	at UA Little Rock	1 p.m.
15	*at Western Illinois	3 p.m.
16	*at Western Illinois	1 p.m.
17	*at Western Illinois	1 p.m.
20	at Creighton	6:30 p.m.
22	*at Oral Roberts	6 p.m.
23	*at Oral Roberts	2 p.m.
24	*at Oral Roberts	1 p.m.
29	*at Purdue Fort Wayne	3 p.m. ET
30	*at Purdue Fort Wayne	2 p.m. ET
31	*at Purdue Fort Wayne	1 p.m. ET

APRIL

3	DAKOTA STATE	3 p.m.
5	*OMAHA	3 p.m.
6	*OMAHA	1 p.m.
7	*OMAHA	1 p.m.
9	DAKOTA WESLEYAN	3 p.m.
12	*NORTH DAKOTA STATE	3 p.m.
13	*NORTH DAKOTA STATE	1 p.m.
14	*NORTH DAKOTA STATE	1 p.m.
16	at Minnesota [at Siebert Field]	6 p.m.
19	*WESTERN ILLINOIS	3 p.m.
20	*WESTERN ILLINOIS	1 p.m.
21	*WESTERN ILLINOIS	1 p.m.
23	SIOUX FALLS	3 p.m.
26	*at Omaha	4 p.m.
27	*at Omaha	2 p.m.
28	*at Omaha	noon

MAY

3	*PURDUE FORT WAYNE	3 p.m.
4	*PURDUE FORT WAYNE	1 p.m.
5	*PURDUE FORT WAYNE	1 p.m.
7	at Minnesota	6 p.m.
10	*ORAL ROBERTS	3 p.m.
11	*ORAL ROBERTS	1 p.m.
12	*ORAL ROBERTS	1 p.m.
16	*at North Dakota State	6:30 p.m.
17	*at North Dakota State	6:30 p.m.
18	*at North Dakota State	1 p.m.
22-25	at Summit League Baseball Championship (Tulsa, Okla. — if qualified)	

*Summit League game

Home games in CAPS

DH denotes doubleheader

All start times Central Time unless noted otherwise

JACKRABBITS TO PLAY FOUR IN FLORIDA

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February 20, 2019

BROOKINGS, S.D. — Following a successful opening weekend in Arkansas, the South Dakota State University baseball team will travel farther south for four games this weekend in Florida.

The Jackrabbits, 2-1 overall, are slated to play two games each against Florida International and Northeastern in Port Charlotte, Florida, as part of the Snowbird Invitational.

The weekend schedule is as follows:

Friday, Feb. 22

- SDSU vs. Florida International, 2 p.m. Eastern (1 p.m. Central)

Saturday, Feb. 23

- SDSU vs. Florida International, noon ET (11 a.m. CT)
- SDSU vs. Northeastern, 3:30 p.m. ET (2:30 p.m. CT)

Sunday, Feb. 24

- SDSU vs. Northeastern, 10 a.m. ET (9 a.m. CT)

All games will be played at North Charlotte Regional Park – Field 10.

Florida International entered the week with a 2-2 overall record. The Panthers dropped the first two games of a home weekend series to Stony Brook by scores of 13-7 and 7-6 before salvaging the finale, 13-2. FIU also defeated Bethune-Cookman, 9-2, on Tuesday.

Northeastern, an NCAA regional qualifier a year ago with a 36-21 overall record, started the 2019 season with a 1-2 mark by dropping two of three games at Houston Baptist Feb. 15-17. The Huskies are scheduled to face Missouri Thursday night in Fort Myers, Florida, followed by an exhibition game against the hometown Boston Red Sox on Friday before heading up the Gulf Coast to meet the Jackrabbits.

THE SERIES: The Jackrabbits will be playing first-time opponents during their trip to Florida. SDSU last played a Conference USA opponent on the opening weekend of 2016, when the Jacks dropped a pair of games against Florida Atlantic in Starkville, Mississippi.

SDSU also last met a Colonial Athletic Association opponent on the diamond in 2016, falling 15-5 at UNC-Wilmington.

LAST WEEK: The Jackrabbits won a pair of games in its season-opening three-game set against UT Martin. The series was moved to Russellville, Arkansas, due to expected inclement weather in Tennessee.

Game 1: SDSU 15, UT Martin 3

South Dakota State received offensive production up and down its lineup and four Jackrabbit pitchers combined to strike out 14 UT Martin hitters in a 15-3 season-opening Feb. 15.

Starting pitcher Brady Stover fanned nine batters in five shutout innings to pace SDSU on the mound. Rapid City native Cody Carlson added four strikeouts in three innings out of the bullpen in his Jackrabbit debut as SDSU took a shutout into the ninth.

Meanwhile, the Jackrabbit offense got on track early, scoring runs in bunches. After being retired in order in the top of the first, SDSU scored three times in both the second and third innings. Landon Badger plated the first run of the game with a double that scored Braeden Brown, who walked. Two batters later, Derek Hackman hit home run to left field for a 3-0 lead.

SDSU strung together four consecutive singles to open the third inning, including run-scoring hits by Gus Steiger and Josh Falk. The third run of the frame scored on an error.

The Jackrabbits tacked on five more runs in the fourth. The SDSU onslaught was highlighted by a run-scoring double by freshman Drew Beazley, Falk's second run-scoring hit of the game and a two-run homer by Brown, a junior college transfer.

Freshman third baseman Luke Ira, who was a home run away from the cycle in his first collegiate game, singled in a run as part of a two-run sixth inning and Falk capped the Jackrabbit scoring with a two-run homer to left in the seventh. Both Ira and Falk were 3-for-5 to lead SDSU's 16-hit attack.

2019 TEAM GAME HIGHS

TEAM – BATTING

AT-BATS: 44, vs. UT Martin, 2-15-2019
RUNS SCORED: 15, vs. UT Martin, 2-15-2019
HITS: 16, vs. UT Martin, 2-15-2019
RUNS BATTED IN: 12, vs. UT Martin, 2-15-2019
DOUBLES: 3, vs. UT Martin, 2-15-2019
TRIPLES: 1, vs. UT Martin, 2-15-2019
HOME RUNS: 3, vs. UT Martin, 2-15-2019
TOTAL BASES: 30, vs. UT Martin, 2-15-2019
BASES ON BALLS: 7, vs. UT Martin, 2-15-2019, and vs. UT Martin, 2-17-2019
STRIKEOUTS: 16, vs. UT Martin, 2-15-2019
STOLEN BASES: 2, vs. UT Martin, 2-15-2019
HIT BY PITCH: 2, vs. UT Martin, 2-15-2019, and vs. UT Martin, 2-16-2019
RUNNERS LEFT ON BASE: 11, vs. UT Martin, 2-15-2019
HIT INTO DOUBLE PLAY: 4, vs. UT Martin, 2-17-2019

TEAM – FIELDING

PUTOUTS: 27, vs. UT Martin, 2-15-2019, and vs. UT Martin, 2-17-2019
ASSISTS: 13, vs. UT Martin, 2-17-2019
ERRORS: 3, vs. UT Martin, 2-16-2019
DOUBLE PLAYS: 1, three times (last: vs. UT Martin, 2-17-2019)

TEAM – PITCHING

INNINGS PITCHED: 9.0 vs. UT Martin, 2-15-2019, and vs. UT Martin, 2-17-2019
MOST RUNS ALLOWED: 5, vs. UT Martin, 2-16-2019
FEWEST RUNS ALLOWED: 1, vs. UT Martin, 2-17-2019
MOST EARNED RUNS ALLOWED: 3, vs. UT Martin, 2-15-2019, and vs. UT Martin, 2-16-2019
MOST WALKS ALLOWED: 5, vs. UT Martin, 2-15-2019
FEWEST WALKS ALLOWED: 4, vs. UT Martin, 2-16-2019, and vs. UT Martin, 2-17-2019
STRIKEOUTS: 14, vs. UT Martin, 2-15-2019
MOST HITS ALLOWED: 10, vs. UT Martin, 2-16-2019
FEWEST HITS ALLOWED: 5, vs. UT Martin, 2-15-2019
DOUBLES ALLOWED: 1, vs. UT Martin, 2-16-2019, and vs. UT Martin, 2-17-2019
TRIPLES ALLOWED: N/A
HOME RUNS ALLOWED: N/A
WILD PITCHES: 2, vs. UT Martin, 2-15-2019
HIT BATTERS: 1, vs. UT Martin, 2-15-2019

The shutout bid ended in the ninth as UT Martin scored three times. The first Skyhawk run came across on a wild pitch, while Blake Daniels added a two-run single.

SOUTH DAKOTA STATE 15, UT MARTIN 3

SDSU	033	502	200	15-16-0
UTM	000	000	003	3-5-3

SDSU: Brady Stover, Cody Carlson (6), Mitchell Oehme (9), Riley McSherry (9) and Derek Hackman, Ian Cote. UTM: Winston Cannon, Jeffery O'Doherty (4), Marcus Eusebio (6), Austin Buzick (7), Seth Petry (9) and Blake Davis.

W-Stover (1-0). L-Cannon (0-1). Save-none.

HR: SDSU-Derek Hackman (1), Braeden Brown (1), Josh Falk (1).

Game 2: UT Martin 5, SDSU 4

UT Martin scored a pair of runs in the bottom of the sixth inning and held off South Dakota State in the late innings to defeat the Jackrabbits by a 5-4 score and even their season-opening baseball series at a game apiece Feb. 16.

The two squads traded unearned runs in the early going, with the Skyhawks drawing first blood in the second inning on a sacrifice fly and SDSU countering with an RBI groundout by Nick Smith in the third inning that plated Ryan McDonald.

An RBI double by UTM's Jordan Stoner gave the Skyhawks a momentary 2-1 lead in the bottom of the fourth.

The Jackrabbits grabbed what would be their only lead of the game on back-to-back home runs by Logan Holtz and McDonald to open the top of the fifth.

The Skyhawks manufactured the tying run in the home half of the fifth as Sean Dixson led off the frame with a single. He later stole both second and third before scoring on a ground-out off the bat of Ethan Whitley.

Jackrabbit starter Ryan Froom exited after five innings as he made his first pitching appearance in nearly two years after suffering an arm injury in March 2017. The sixth-year senior from Crystal, Minnesota, struck out five, walked four and surrendered three hits.

Blake Davis and Bill Edwards started what proved to be the game-winning rally for UT Martin with back-to-back singles to open the sixth. Both runners moved up a base on a wild pitch before Stoner delivered a sacrifice fly and Casey Harford followed with a single that was misplayed in the outfield that allowed Edwards to score from second.

SDSU stranded two runners in the seventh and left the bases loaded in the eighth before putting together a final rally in the ninth. Jamie Berg walked and Drew Beazley singled to open the inning. Beazley was retired on a fielders choice that put runners at the corners before Berg scored on a throwing error. An infield single by Gus Steiger and intentional walk to Josh Falk loaded the bases, but Skyhawk reliever Nick Wohlbold got out of the jam with a game-ending double play.

Tyler Olmstead was the hard-luck loser for the Jackrabbits after giving up the two runs in the sixth. A returning all-Summit League performer, Olmstead struck out five and did not walk a batter in three innings of relief.

The Skyhawks held a 10-9 advantage in hits. McDonald was the lone SDSU player with more than one hit as eight of nine starters cracked the hit column.

UT MARTIN 5, SOUTH DAKOTA STATE 4

SDSU	001	020	001	4-9-3
UTM	010	112	000	5-10-2

SDSU: Ryan Froom, Tyler Olmstead (6) and Ryan McDonald. UTM: Sam Folks, Zach Denney (6), Nick Wohlbold (9) and Blake Davis.

W-Denney (1-0). L-Olmstead (0-1). Save-Wohlbold (1).

HR: SDSU-Logan Holtz (1), Ryan McDonald (1).

Game 3: SDSU 7, UT Martin 1

Freshman Nic McCay struck out eight over five shutout frames and the SDSU offense got in gear in the middle innings en route to a 7-1, series-clinching win over UT Martin Feb. 17.

After being held without a hit the first time through the order, SDSU broke through with a pair of runs in the top of the fourth inning. Nick Smith singled through the right side before Gus Steiger hit an opposite-field two-run home run to right off Skyhawk starter Austen Bullington.

Smith upped the Jackrabbit lead to 4-0 an inning later, greeting reliever Dom Bazzani by lining a single to left-center that scored both Luke Ira and Derek Hackman.

That would prove to be more than enough offense for McCay, who struck out eight, walked two and allowed only four hits in his collegiate debut. The right-hander from Carlisle,

MISCELLANEOUS STATS

MULTI-HIT GAMES

Gus Steiger	2
Luke Ira	2
Landon Badger	1
Drew Beazley	1
Josh Falk	1
Ryan McDonald	1
Nick Smith	1

LONGEST HIT STREAK

Nick Smith	*7
Luke Ira	3
Gus Steiger	3
Derek Hackman	2

LONGEST REACHED BASE STREAK

Josh Falk	*12
Landon Badger	*11
Derek Hackman	*11
Nick Smith	*8
Drew Beazley	3
Braeden Brown	3
Logan Holtz	3
Luke Ira	3
Gus Steiger	3

MULTI-RBI GAMES

Braeden Brown	1
Josh Falk	1
Derek Hackman	1
Nick Smith	1
Gus Steiger	1

* streak dates back to 2018 season

2018 AWARDS

ALL-SUMMIT LEAGUE FIRST TEAM

Tony Kjolsing	Sr.	Shortstop
Anthony Schneider	Sr.	Designated Hitter
Nick Smith	Jr.	Utility

ALL-SUMMIT LEAGUE SECOND TEAM

Newt Johnson	Sr.	Third Baseman
Tyler Olmstead	So.	Starting Pitcher
Gus Steiger	Fr.	Second Baseman

SUMMIT LEAGUE PLAYERS OF THE WEEK

Phil Velez	OF	April 9
Josh Falk	1B	April 16
Tony Kjolsing	SS	May 7
Anthony Schneider	DH	May 14

Iowa, worked out of a big jam in the bottom of the fourth by striking out the next two hitters and inducing a groundout back to the mound after UT Martin put runners on second and third with no outs to begin the inning.

McCay struck out at least one batter in all five innings of work.

SDSU tacked on two more runs in the sixth without the benefit of a hit. Braeden Brown and Josh Falk drew back-to-back walks before Logan Holtz was hit by a pitch. Landon Badger walked with the bases loaded to force in Brown and Falk later scored on a wild pitch.

UT Martin ended the shutout bid against the SDSU bullpen with a run in the eighth.

Smith led SDSU's 10-hit attack by going 3-for-5. Freshman Luke Ira tallied two hits, including a double, with Steiger contributing a pair of hits.

SOUTH DAKOTA STATE 7, UT MARTIN 1

SDSU	000	222	001	7-8-0
UTM	000	00	010	1-7-1

SDSU: Nic McCay, Bret Barnett (6), Quinn Reimers (8), Alex Marro (9) and Derek Hackman. UTM: Austen Bullington, Dom Bazzani (5), David Hussey (6), Marcus Eusebio (9) and Blake Davis.

W-McCay (1-0). L-Bullington (0-1). Save-none.

HR: SDSU-Gus Steiger (1).

STOVER HONORED: South Dakota State University left-hander Brady Stover was honored Feb. 18 as the first Summit League Pitcher of the Week for the 2019 season.

A junior from Huxley, Iowa, Stover pitched five shutout innings en route to the win in the Jackrabbits' 15-3 season-opening victory over UT Martin on Feb. 15. He racked up nine strikeouts — fanning at least one batter in every inning — while walking two and surrendering only two hits.

A CALL TO ARMS: South Dakota State pitchers combined to strike out 34 UT Martin batters in 26 innings and post a 2.42 team earned run average during their season-opening three-game series.

Brady Stover led the way with nine strikeouts over five innings in the Feb. 15 season opener, while freshman Nic McCay posted eight strikeouts in five innings during his collegiate debut Feb. 17.

Out of the bullpen, Tyler Olmstead tallied five strikeouts in three innings of work in the Feb. 16 matchup, while Cody Carlson fanned four batters in three shutout frames in the opener.

All three Jackrabbit starters — Stover, McCay and Ryan Froom — completed five innings in their initial appearance of the season.

FROOM MAKES COMEBACK: Ryan Froom completed the long road back from injury by making his first appearance in nearly two years in the Feb. 16 game against UT Martin.

A sixth-year senior, Froom struck out five, walked four and surrendered three hits over five innings in finishing with a no-decision. Froom's last appearance was March 25, 2017, at Oral Roberts, when he suffered an arm injury. He missed the remainder of the 2017 season and was granted an injury hardship. Froom also sat out the entire 2018 campaign before rejoining the team this past fall.

The Crystal, Minnesota, native was a mainstay in the Jackrabbit rotation starting with his sophomore season in 2015. He currently ranks sixth in program history with 35 games started and also ranks ninth on the SDSU career charts with 198 2/3 innings pitched.

POWER SURGE: The Jackrabbits ended the opening weekend of action tied for fourth among NCAA Division I programs for home runs with an average of two per game. SDSU hit a total of six home runs, highlighted by a three-home run performance in the Feb. 15 opener against UT Martin.

Six different players accounted for the Jackrabbit home runs, including Derek Hackman and Braeden Brown, who each hit their first round-trippers in an SDSU uniform, in the opener. Josh Falk added a two-run shot in the opener for his seventh career home run, which stands as the most by a current Jackrabbit player.

Logan Holtz and Ryan McDonald connected on back-to-back homers in the fifth inning of the Feb. 16 game. It was the first career home run for each and marked the second time in five games dating back to last season that the Jackrabbits hit consecutive home runs. Anthony Schneider and Tony Kjolsing led off a May 24 Summit League Baseball Championship game against Western Illinois with back-to-back homers.

Gus Steiger closed out the power display with a two-run opposite-field home run in the Feb. 17 series finale to begin the Jackrabbit scoring in a 7-1 SDSU victory.

QUICK FACTS

NAME OF SCHOOL: South Dakota State University
CITY/ZIP: Brookings, SD 57007
FOUNDED: February 21, 1881
ENROLLMENT: 12,107 (fall 2018)
COLORS: Yellow and Blue
HOME STADIUM: Erv Huether Field (600 capacity)
PRESIDENT: Dr. Barry H. Dunn
ATHLETIC DIRECTOR: Justin Sell
2018 OVERALL RECORD: 18-32
2018 SUMMIT LEAGUE RECORD: 14-13 (fourth place in regular season; second place at Summit League Baseball Championship)
HOME RECORD: 4-2
AWAY/NEUTRAL RECORD: 6-22/8-8
LETTERWINNERS RETURNING/LOST: 20/9
POSITION STARTERS RETURNING/LOST: 5/4
ALL-TIME RECORD: 1,318-1,160-5
FIRST YEAR OF BASEBALL: 1947
NCAA DIVISION I POSTSEASON APPEARANCES: One/2013
NCAA DIVISION II POSTSEASON APPEARANCES: Nine (last in 1995)

THE SUMMIT LEAGUE

2019 PRESEASON POLL

1. Oral Roberts (5)	26
2. South Dakota State (1)	21
3. North Dakota State	17
4. Western Illinois	12
5. Omaha	9
6. Fort Wayne	6

Notes: First-place votes in parentheses

2019 STANDINGS

SCHOOL	OVERALL	CONF.
Fort Wayne	4-0	0-0
Oral Roberts	3-0	0-0
South Dakota State	2-1	0-0
North Dakota State	1-2	0-0
Omaha	1-2	0-0
Western Illinois	0-3	0-0



YOUTH MOVEMENT: Four first-year players filled spots in the starting lineup in the Jackrabbits' Feb. 16 game against UT Martin. Drew Beazley batted out of the leadoff spot as the designated hitter, while Luke Ira (third base), Ryan McDonald (catcher) and Jamie Berg (center field) also were on the lineup card. McDonald led SDSU at the plate by going 2-for-4 with a home run.

Ira was the team's top hitter during the opening weekend, compiling a .462 average (6-for-13) and .769 slugging percentage in three starts. Three of his hits went for extra bases — two doubles and a triple.

PRESEASON POLL: South Dakota State has been picked to finish second in the upcoming Summit League baseball race, according to a poll conducted among conference coaches that was announced Feb. 7 by league officials.

The Jackrabbits received one first-place vote, finishing with 21 points. Defending league champion Oral Roberts again paced the six-team race with five first-place votes and 25 points. North Dakota State completed the upper half of the poll with 17 points.

Rounding out the poll were: Western Illinois, 12 points; Omaha, 9 points, and Purdue Fort Wayne, 6 points.

In addition, the Jackrabbits' Nick Smith and Brady Stover were recognized among the Summit League's top players to watch.

A two-time all-Summit League honoree, Smith has posted a batting average of better than .300 each of the past two seasons. Smith, a senior from Chanhassen, Minnesota, hit at a .303 clip with 18 runs batted in en route to first-team honors as a utility player during the 2018 campaign.

Stover, a junior from Huxley, Iowa, posted a 3-2 record in 2018 with a 4.57 earned run average in 10 appearances, including nine starts. The left-hander struck out 63 batters in only 43.1 innings, setting an SDSU single-season record with an average of 13.09 strikeouts per nine innings. He also limited the opposition to a .203 batting average.

Summit League play is slated to begin March 15, when SDSU opens a three-game series at Western Illinois.

The top four teams during the regular season will advance to the 2019 Summit League Baseball Championship, which is scheduled for May 22-25 in Tulsa, Oklahoma.

COACH BISHOP: Rob Bishop, who has guided college baseball teams to nearly 600 victories, was named head baseball coach at South Dakota State University on Aug. 1, 2016. Bishop is the ninth head coach in program history and the fourth in the Division I era of Jackrabbit baseball.

Now in his third season with the Jackrabbits, Bishop holds a 46-57 record at SDSU. In his first season, Bishop's 2017 squad returned to the winning side of the ledger with a 26-24 overall mark, including an 18-12 record for a third-place finish in The Summit League standings. SDSU won its opening-round game in the Summit League Baseball Championship, 6-5, over second-seeded North Dakota State.

In 2018, SDSU overcame a slow start to post a winning record in Summit League play at 14-13 and went on to reach the title game of the Summit League Baseball Championship. The Jackrabbits finished with an 18-32 overall record during a campaign in which they played only six home games.

Overall, Bishop holds a 595-379-1 record (.611 winning percentage) as a collegiate head coach.

Individually, Jackrabbit players have been honored as all-Summit League performers 10 times during his brief tenure, including six all-league selections in 2018. Utility player Nick Smith and third baseman Newt Johnson received all-Summit League recognition in both 2017 and 2018.

Prior to becoming head coach at SDSU, Bishop spent six years at NCAA Division II member Montana State University-Billings, where he led the Yellowjackets to back-to-back Great Northwest Athletic Conference regular season titles in 2015 and 2016, attaining the program's first-ever 30-win season with a 30-20 record in 2016. His squads also were honored as the top academic team in the GNAC each of his last three seasons.

Previously, Bishop spent 10 years at Miles City Community College in Montana, where his teams won MonDak conference championships every year. His squads also claimed five consecutive junior college region titles and a Northwest District championship in 2007 to advance to the NJCAA Division II College World Series. Bishop's teams won at least 30 games

COACH BISHOP

AT HURON UNIVERSITY

- 38-18 record in one season (2000)

AT MILES CITY COMMUNITY COLLEGE

- 377-151 in 10 seasons (2001-10)

AT MONTANA STATE-BILLINGS

- 134-153-1 in six seasons (2011-16)

AT SOUTH DAKOTA STATE

- 46-57 in two seasons (2017-18)

* 26-24 in 2017

* 18-32 in 2018

* 2-1 in 2019

CAREER TOTALS

- 595-379-1 in 20 seasons (2000-present)

PRONUNCIATION GUIDE

Beazley	BEES-lee
Cote	CO-tee
Froom	FRAHM
Grunzke	GRUNZ-key
Kortan	core-TAHN
Kuhlmann	COOL-man
Kutzke	CUTS-key
Marro	MAHR-oh
Mogen	MOE-gun
Moxham	MOCKS-ham
Oehme	OH-me
Olmstead	OHLM-sted
Reimers	RYE-mers
Roby	ROE-bee
Steiger	STY-gurr
Suhr	SOOR

each of his 10 seasons, including four 40-win seasons. He ended his tenure at Miles City with a 377-151 overall record. He also served as athletic director his last five years at Miles City.

Bishop served as a graduate assistant at SDSU under head coach Mark Ekeland during the 1998 and 1999 seasons. In his first season as a head coach, Bishop led Huron University to the South Dakota Intercollegiate Conference title in 2000 with a 38-18 record.

A 1994 graduate of Jamestown College, Bishop earned NAIA All-America honors during the 1992 and 1994 seasons as an infielder.

THE ROSTER: The 2019 SDSU baseball roster features 33 players from seven different states and one Canadian province. Of the 33 players, 11 are from Iowa, nine are from South Dakota and eight hail from Minnesota. Arizona, Nebraska, Washington and Wisconsin are represented by one player each, as is Manitoba.

By class, 10 are seniors, nine are juniors, five are sophomores, two are redshirt freshmen and seven are incoming freshmen.

No.	PLAYER	Pos.	B-T	Ht.	Wt.	Yr.	HOMETOWN (PREVIOUS SCHOOL)
1	Luke Ira	IF	R/R	6-0	180	Fr.	Iowa City, Iowa (Solon H.S.)
2	Nick Smith***	OF/IF	L/R	5-11	185	Sr.	Chanhasen, Minn./Chanhasen H.S.
3	Gus Steiger*	IF	R/R	5-11	180	So.	Minnetonka, Minn./Minnetonka H.S.
4	Ian Cote***	C	R/R	5-8	190	Sr.	Minnetonka, Minn./Minnetonka H.S.
5	Bryce Johnson*	P	L/L	6-0	160	Sr.	Glendale, Ariz./Phoenix College (Ariz.)
6	Logan Holtz*	OF	R/R	5-11	185	Sr.	Urbana, Iowa/Marshalltown CC (Iowa)
7	Bret Barnett*	P	L/L	6-2	185	So.	Indianola, Iowa/Martensdale-St. Mary's H.S.
8	Ryan McDonald	C	R/R	5-11	195	Fr.	Prior Lake, Minn./Prior Lake H.S.
9	Derek Hackman*	C	L/R	6-0	210	So.	Johnston, Iowa/Johnston H.S.
11	Landon Badger**	OF	L/L	6-0	190	Jr.	Pierre, S.D./T.F. Riggs H.S.
14	Colton Cox	OF	R/R	6-1	190	R-Fr.	Aberdeen, S.D./Roncalli H.S.
13	Brady Moxham*	P	R/R	6-3	200	Jr.	Oakville, Manitoba/Midland College (Texas)
14	Drew Beazley	IF/P	R/R	6-1	175	Fr.	Johnston, Iowa/Johnston H.S.
15	Otis Roby*	P	R/R	6-1	210	Sr.	Knoxville, Iowa/Southeastern CC (Iowa)
17	Brett Mogen**	P	R/R	6-2	210	Jr.	Dell Rapids, S.D./Dell Rapids H.S.
18	Alex Marro*	P	R/R	6-1	205	Sr.	Janesville, Wis./McHenry County College (Ill.)
19	Josh Falk*	IF	R/R	6-2	235	Jr.	Minnetonka, Minn./Gulf Coast State (Fla.)
20	Brady Stover**	P	L/L	6-2	190	Jr.	Huxley, Iowa/Collins-Maxwell-Baxter H.S.
21	Mitchell Oehme*	P	R/R	6-5	205	So.	Minnetonka, Minn./Minnetonka H.S.
22	Korey Kuhlmann*	P	L/L	6-1	220	Sr.	Ute, Iowa/Iowa Western CC
23	Matthew Krambeck	IF/C	R/R	6-2	215	Jr.	Omaha, Neb./Des Moines Area CC (Iowa)
24	Jamie Berg	OF	L/L	5-10	150	Fr.	Mahtomedi, Minn./Mahtomedi H.S.
25	Josh Kutzke*	IF	R/R	5-10	235	Sr.	Kennewick, Wash./Walla Walla CC (Wash.)
27	Austin Suhr*	P	R/R	6-0	215	Sr.	Bettendorf, Iowa/Iowa Central CC
28	Tyler Olmstead**	P	R/R	6-2	220	Jr.	Sioux Falls, S.D./Washington H.S.
29	Cody Carlson	P	L/L	5-10	205	So.	Rapid City, S.D./Northeastern JC (Colo.)
31	Quinn Reimers**	P	R/R	6-4	235	Jr.	Pierre, S.D./T.F. Riggs H.S.
32	Braeden Brown	IF	R/R	5-9	180	Jr.	Burlington, Iowa/Southeastern CC (Iowa)
34	Nic McCay	P	R/R	6-0	190	Fr.	Carlisle, Iowa/Carlisle H.S.
35	Ryan Froom***	P	R/R	6-1	210	Sr.	Crystal, Minn./St. Louis Park H.S.
37	Chase Kortan	OF	R/R	5-11	180	R-Fr.	Tabor, S.D./Bon Homme H.S.
39	Riley McSherry	P	R/R	5-10	160	Fr.	Rapid City, S.D./Rapid City Central H.S.
	Alex Bertram	P	R/R	6-1	175	Fr.	Sioux Falls, S.D./Washington H.S.

* indicates number of varsity letters earned

COACHING STAFF

Rob Bishop	Head Coach
Brian Grunzke	Assistant Coach
Mitch Mormann	Pitching Coach
Danny Higginbotham	Volunteer Assistant
Bryce Hanson	Student Manager

A LOOK AHEAD: The Jackrabbits will make a return trip to the state of Arkansas to open the month of March, again playing four games over a three-day period. All games will be played in Conway, Arkansas, with SDSU playing three games against host Central Arkansas along with a single game versus Missouri.

Friday, March 1

- SDSU at Central Arkansas, 3 p.m.

Saturday, March 2

- SDSU vs. Missouri, 3 p.m.
- SDSU at Central Arkansas, 6:30 p.m.

Sunday, March 3

- SDSU at Central Arkansas, 1 p.m.

The Automated ScoreBook
Overall Statistics for South Dakota State (as of Feb 17, 2019)
(All games Sorted by Batting avg)

Record: 2-1 Home: 0-0 Away: 0-0 Neutral: 2-1 Conference: 0-0

Player	avg	gp-gs	ab	r	h	2b	3b	hr	rbi	tb	slg%	bb	hp	so	gdp	ob%	sf	sh	sb-att	po	a	e	fld%
Luke Ira	.462	3-3	13	2	6	2	1	0	1	10	.769	0	0	2	0	.462	0	0	0-0	0	1	1	.500
Ryan McDonald	.400	2-1	5	2	2	0	0	1	1	5	1.000	0	0	2	0	.400	0	0	0-0	8	2	0	1.000
Nick Smith	.385	3-3	13	3	5	0	0	0	3	5	.385	1	0	0	0	.429	0	0	1-1	3	1	0	1.000
Josh Falk	.333	3-3	12	3	4	0	0	1	4	7	.583	4	0	3	0	.500	0	0	0-0	22	1	0	1.000
Landon Badger	.333	2-2	6	2	2	1	0	0	2	3	.500	3	0	3	0	.556	0	0	0-0	2	0	0	1.000
Gus Steiger	.313	3-3	16	3	5	0	0	1	3	8	.500	0	0	4	2	.313	0	0	0-0	6	11	0	1.000
Drew Beazley	.273	3-3	11	3	3	1	0	0	1	4	.364	2	1	5	0	.429	0	0	0-0	0	2	0	1.000
Logan Holtz	.250	3-3	8	1	2	0	0	1	1	5	.625	3	3	0	1	.571	0	0	0-0	7	0	0	1.000
Derek Hackman	.222	2-2	9	2	2	0	0	1	2	5	.556	0	0	5	0	.222	0	0	0-0	23	0	0	1.000
Braeden Brown	.167	3-3	12	4	2	0	0	1	2	5	.417	3	1	1	2	.375	0	0	1-1	3	8	0	1.000
Jamie Berg	.000	2-1	5	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	.000	1	0	2	0	.167	0	0	0-0	0	0	2	.000
Josh Kutzke	.000	1-0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	.000	0	0	1	0	.000	0	0	0-0	0	0	0	.000
Colton Cox	.000	2-0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	.000	0	0	0	0	.000	0	0	0-0	1	0	0	1.000
Ian Cote	.000	1-0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	.000	0	0	0	0	.000	0	0	0-0	1	0	0	1.000
Totals	.295	3	112	26	33	4	1	6	20	57	.509	17	5	28	5	.410	0	0	2-2	77	30	3	.973
Opponents	.232	3	95	9	22	2	0	0	8	24	.253	13	1	34	2	.324	2	0	6-6	81	36	6	.951

LOB - Team (27), Opp (24). DPs turned - Team (3), Opp (6). IBB - Team (1), Falk 1.

(All games Sorted by Earned run avg)

Player	era	w-l	app	gs	cg	sho	sv	ip	h	r	er	bb	so	2b	3b	hr	b/avg	wp	hp	bk	sfa	sha
Brady Stover	0.00	1-0	1	1	0	0/0	0	5.0	2	0	0	2	9	0	0	0	.125	0	1	0	0	0
Nic McCay	0.00	1-0	1	1	0	0/0	0	5.0	4	0	0	2	8	1	0	0	.211	0	0	0	0	0
Cody Carlson	0.00	0-0	1	0	0	0/0	0	3.0	1	0	0	0	4	0	0	0	.100	0	0	0	0	0
Bret Barnett	0.00	0-0	1	0	0	0/0	0	2.0	0	0	0	1	2	0	0	0	.000	0	0	0	0	0
Riley McSherry	0.00	0-0	1	0	0	0/0	0	1.0	2	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	.400	1	0	0	0	0
Alex Marro	0.00	0-0	1	0	0	0/0	0	1.0	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	.333	0	0	0	0	0
Tyler Olmstead	3.00	0-1	1	0	0	0/0	0	3.0	4	2	1	0	5	0	0	0	.333	1	0	0	1	0
Ryan Froom	3.60	0-0	1	1	0	0/0	0	5.0	6	3	2	4	5	1	0	0	.316	0	0	0	1	0
Quinn Reimers	9.00	0-0	1	0	0	0/0	0	1.0	2	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	.400	1	0	0	0	0
Mitchell Oehme	99.00	0-0	1	0	0	0/0	0	0.0	0	3	3	3	0	0	0	0		1	0	0	0	0
Totals	2.42	2-1	3	3	0	0/0	0	26.0	22	9	7	13	34	2	0	0	.232	4	1	0	2	0
Opponents	6.33	1-2	3	3	0	0/0	1	27.0	33	26	19	17	28	4	1	6	.295	6	5	0	0	0

PB - Team (0), Opp (1). Pickoffs - Team (1), Froom 1. SBA/ATT - Froom (3-3), McDonald (3-3), Cote (2-2), Oehme (2-2), Reimers (1-1), Hackman (1-1).

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(All games Sorted by Fielding pct)

Player	c	po	a	e	fld%	dp	sba	csb	sba%	pb	ci
Josh Falk	23	22	1	0	1.000	3	0	0	---	0	0
Derek Hackman	23	23	0	0	1.000	0	1	0	1.000	0	0
Gus Steiger	17	6	11	0	1.000	3	0	0	---	0	0
Braeden Brown	11	3	8	0	1.000	3	0	0	---	0	0
Ryan McDonald	10	8	2	0	1.000	0	3	0	1.000	0	0
Logan Holtz	7	7	0	0	1.000	0	0	0	---	0	0
Nick Smith	4	3	1	0	1.000	0	0	0	---	0	0
Nic McCay	3	1	2	0	1.000	0	0	0	---	0	0
Ryan Froom	2	0	2	0	1.000	0	3	0	1.000	0	0
Drew Beazley	2	0	2	0	1.000	0	0	0	---	0	0
Landon Badger	2	2	0	0	1.000	0	0	0	---	0	0
Colton Cox	1	1	0	0	1.000	0	0	0	---	0	0
Ian Cote	1	1	0	0	1.000	0	2	0	1.000	0	0
Luke Ira	2	0	1	1	.500	0	0	0	---	0	0
Jamie Berg	2	0	0	2	.000	0	0	0	---	0	0
Josh Kutzke	0	0	0	0	.000	0	0	0	---	0	0
Bret Barnett	0	0	0	0	.000	0	0	0	---	0	0
Cody Carlson	0	0	0	0	.000	0	0	0	---	0	0
Brady Stover	0	0	0	0	.000	0	0	0	---	0	0
Tyler Olmstead	0	0	0	0	.000	0	0	0	---	0	0
Alex Marro	0	0	0	0	.000	0	0	0	---	0	0
Quinn Reimers	0	0	0	0	.000	0	1	0	1.000	0	0
Mitchell Oehme	0	0	0	0	.000	0	2	0	1.000	0	0
Riley McSherry	0	0	0	0	.000	0	0	0	---	0	0
Totals	110	77	30	3	.973	3	6	0	1.000	0	0
Opponents	123	81	36	6	.951	6	2	0	1.000	1	0