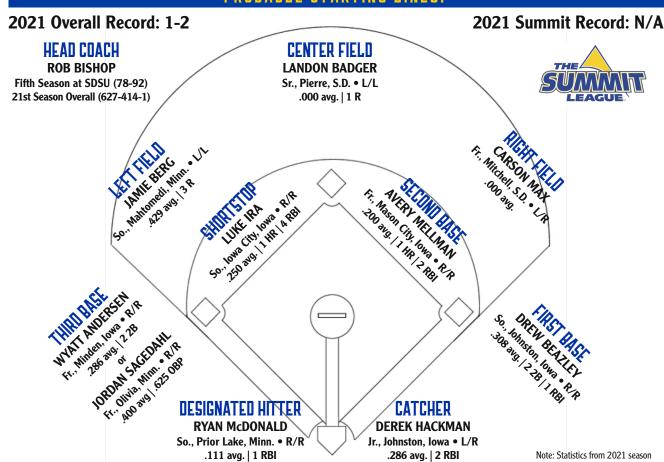


## JACKRABBIT BASEBALL

## SOUTH DAKOTA STATE UNIVERSITY ATHLETICS

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### **GAME 1** FRIDAY, FEB. 26 • 2 P.M. MT



**ADAM MAZUR** 6-2 | 170 | Fr. RHP Woodbury. Minn.

• 0-0 record • 6.75 ERA

• 4 K's in 4 IP

CODY **CARLSON** 5-9 | 200 | Sr. LHP

**GAME 2** 

SATURDAY, FEB. 27 • NOON MT

Rapid City, S.D. • 1-0 record • 5.06 ERA • 6 K's in 5.1 IP

## **GAME 3**

SATURDAY, FEB. 27 • 3 P.M. MT



**RYAN BOURASSA** 6-0 | 230 | So. RHP West Fargo. N.D.

• 0-1 record • 12.00 ERA • 3 K's in 3 IP

### GAME 4

SUNDAY, FEB. 28 . NOON MT



**OWFN BISHOP** 6-2 | 190 | Fr. RHP Arlington. Wash. • 0-0 record

• 13.50 ERA

• 2 K's in 2 IP

#### 2021 SCHEDULE

	EUET SCHEDO	<u>u                                    </u>
FEBRU	IARY	
19	vs. Kansas (at Minneapolis)	L, 3-7
20	vs. Kansas (at Minneapolis)	W, 8-5
21	vs. Kansas (at Minneapolis)	L, 1-13
26	at Northern Colorado	2 p.m. MT
27	at Northern Colorado (DH)	noon/3 p.m. MT
28	at Northern Colorado	noon MT
MARC		
5	at SIU-Edwardsville	3 p.m.
6	at SIU-Edwardsville	1 p.m.
7	at SIU-Edwardsville	1 p.m.
9	at Kansas State	6 p.m.
10	at Kansas State	6 p.m.
12	at Creighton	6:30 p.m.
13	at Creighton	1 p.m.
14	at Creighton	noon
19	*at Omaha (DH)	2/5 p.m.
20	*at Omaha	3 p.m.
21	*at Omaha	1 p.m.
26	*at Western Illinois (DH)	noon/3 p.m.
27	*at Western Illinois	TBA
28	*at Western Illinois	TBA
APRIL		
2	at Evansville	6 p.m.
3	at Evansville (DH)	2/5 p.m.
4	at Evansville	1 p.m.
9	*OMAHA (DH)	noon/3 p.m.
10	*OMAHA	1 p.m.
11	*OMAHA	1 p.m.
16	*WESTERN ILLINOIS (DH)	noon/3 p.m.
17	*WESTERN ILLINOIS	1 p.m.
18	*WESTERN ILLINOIS	1 p.m.
23	*NORTH DAKOTA STATE (DH)	noon/3 p.m.
24	*NORTH DAKOTA STATE	1 p.m.
25	*NORTH DAKOTA STATE	1 p.m.
30	*at Oral Roberts (DH)	3/6 p.m.
MAY		
1	*at Oral Roberts	2 p.m.
2	*at Oral Roberts	1 p.m.
14	*at North Dakota State (DH)	3/6:30 p.m.
15	*at North Dakota State	2 p.m.
16	*at North Dakota state	1 p.m.
20	*ORAL ROBERTS (DH)	noon/3 p.m.
21	*ORAL ROBERTS	1 p.m.
22	*ORAL ROBERTS	1 p.m.
26-29	at Summit League Baseball Cha	ampionship
	(Omaha, Neb. — if qualified)	

\*Summit League game Home games in CAPS DH denotes doubleheader

All start times Central Time unless noted otherwise

# JACKRABBITS MOVE ON TO UNC FOR FOUR

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February 24, 2021

BROOKINGS, S.D. —The South Dakota State University baseball team is scheduled to play its lone regular season series outside the Central Time Zone this year, traveling to once and future conference rival Northern Colorado for a four-game weekend set.

The series opener is slated for a 2 p.m. MountainTime (3 p.m. Central) first pitch Friday afternoon at Jackson Field on the UNC campus in Greeley, Colorado. A doubleheader is set for a noon MT (1 p.m. CT) start Saturday, with the series finale scheduled for noon MT (1 p.m. CT) Sunday. All four games can be viewed online through WACDigitalNetwork.com.

SDSU enters the second weekend of the 2021 season with a 1-2 record. The Jackrabbits traveled to Minneapolis last weekend for a three-game set against Kansas at U.S. Bank Stadium and came away with an 8-5 victory in the middle game of the series. Kansas took the series by winning the opener, 7-3, and the finale, 13-1.

Northern Colorado, meanwhile, opened the season by winning two of three games against Colorado Christian in games played in Lakewood, Colorado Feb. 20-21. After dropping a 9-8, 15-inning decision in the opener, the Bears came back to claim the series with 5-1 and 17-10 victories.

**THE SERIES:** Friday's game between SDSU and Northern Colorado will mark the 56th meeting in a series that dates back to 1973. The Jackrabbits lead the all-time series, 31-24.

Since both teams moved from NCAA Division II and the North Central Conference to Division I in the mid-2000s, SDSU has held the upper hand in the series by a 21-13 count, although Northern Colorado has won the last five matchups.

The two programs last met March 9-11, 2018, in Greeley, with the Bears sweeping a four-game series. UNC claimed the first two games of the series with one-run victories — 3-2 in 11 innings and 5-4 — before notching wins of 8-2 and 11-7 to close out the series.

Each of the last 24 games between the two programs have been played on the Bears' home field. The last time SDSU and UNC met on South Dakota soil was in 2007, when the two squads played a three-game series in Rapid City. The Bears' last visit to Brookings for baseball was in 2001, in what were the final games played at the original Erv Huether Field.

That will likely change next year, when UNC is scheduled to join The Summit League as an affiliate member. With the addition of the University of St. Thomas (Minn.), the league roster of baseball teams will grow to seven.

**SHORT HOPS:** Following are a few quick notes about the Jackrabbits from their season-opening series against Kansas:

- SDSU scored nine of its 12 runs in the series in the fifth inning, tallying at least one run in that frame in each of the three games;
- The Jackrabbits turned three double plays in their 8-5 victory over Kansas on Feb. 20 their most in a game since turning four at Omaha on March 17, 2017;
- Freshman second baseman Avery Mellman's first career hit was a two-run home run in the fifth inning of the season opener:
- Luke Ira drove in a career-high four runs in the Jackrabbit victory on Feb. 20, marking the most RBIs in a game by an SDSU player since Josh Falk knocked in four runs in the first game of a doubleheader against Western Illinois on April 20, 2019:
  - Cody Carlson picked up his first victory in a Jackrabbit uniform in Game 2 of the series;
- Carlson started a game for the first time as a Jackrabbit after making a combined 11 relief appearances in 2019 and 2020;
  - Carlson's 5 1/3 innings and six strikeouts were both career highs;
  - Jackrabbit pitchers combined for 10 strikeouts in each of the first two games of the series;
- Freshman infielder Jordan Sagedahl reached base four times (single, walk and two hit by pitches) in his collegiate debut on Feb. 20;
  - Freshman outfielder Jess Bellows led the team with two hits in his first collegiate game on Feb. 21;
  - Wyatt Andersen doubled in each of the two games in which he played.
  - Jamie Berg was the team's leading hitter in the series with a .429 average (3-for-7).

#### 2020 RESULTS

FEBR	UARY	
14	at Dallas Baptist	L, 1-4
15	at Dallas Baptist	(11 inn.) L, 7-8
16	at Dallas Baptist	[7 inn.] L, 2-13
21	at Pacific (Calif.)	W, 2-1
22	at Pacific (Calif.)	L, 12-13
23	at Pacific (Calif.)	[11 inn.] L, 5-6
26	at Minnesota (at U.S. Bank Stadium)	L, 2-4
28	atTexas Rio GrandeValley	W, 3-1
29	atTexas Rio Grande Valley (DH)	L, 7-9/L, 4-7
MAR	СН	
1	atTexas Rio GrandeValley	L, 7-8
4	at Minnesota (at U.S. Bank Stadium)	W, 10-8
6	at Air Force	L, 8-15
7	at Air Force	W, 9-7
8	at Air Force	L, 5-6
10	at Kansas State	W, 4-0
11	at Kansas State	L, 0-10
Ren	nainder of season canceled due to COVI	D-19 pandemic

#### 2021 MISC. STATS

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MULTI-HIT GAMES	ACTIVE REACHED BASE									
Drew Beazley	1	STREAK								
Jess Bellows	1	Luke Ira	3							
Jamie Berg	1	Wyatt Andersen	2							
Luke Ira	1	Drew Beazley	2							
MULTI-RBI GAMES		Jamie Berg	2							
	1	Colton Cox	2							
Luke Ira	1	Derek Hackman	2							
Avery Mellman	1	Ryan McDonald	2							
<b>ACTIVE HIT STREAK</b>		Avery Mellman	2							
Wyatt Andersen	2	Jordan Sagedahl	2							
Drew Beazley	2									
Jamie Berg	2									
Derek Hackman	2									
Jordan Sagedahl	2									

**PRESEASON POLL:** South Dakota State has been picked to finish fourth in the 2021 Summit League baseball race, according to a preseason poll conducted among the league's five coaches.

Defending champion Omaha grabbed the top spot in the poll with three first-place votes and 15 points, edging Oral Roberts with two first-place votes and 14 points. North Dakota State was third with 10 points, followed by the Jackrabbits with seven. Western Illinois rounded out the poll with four points.

The top four teams will advance to the Summit League Baseball Championship May 26-29 in Omaha, Nebraska. SDSU has qualified for the league tournament in 10 of 11 seasons it has been eliqible for postseason play.

The Jackrabbits finished the COVID-shortened 2020 season with a 5-12 overall record. The season was canceled just before the start of Summit League play.

In addition, Drew Beazley was named as a Summit League Player to Watch and right-hander Adam Mazur was tabbed as a Summit League Pitcher to Watch.

A sophomore from Johnston, Iowa, Beazley hit .239, drove in nine runs and shared the team lead with two home runs during an abbreviated 2020 season. He earned Freshman All-America recognition from Collegiate Baseball in 2019 and was a second-team all-Summit League selection after batting .275 with four home runs and 21 runs batted in.

Besides playing first base, Beazley is expected to see an expanded role on the Jackrabbit pitching staff in 2021.

Mazur rose to the top of the SDSU starting rotation as a true freshman in 2020. The Woodbury, Minnesota, native made four starts, compiling a 1-2 record. He struck out 18 batters in 20 1/3 innings.

**LAST WEEK:** The Jackrabbits opened the 2021 season by winning one of three games in a series against Kansas that was relocated to U.S. Bank Stadium in Minneapolis.

#### Game 1: Kansas 5, SDSU 3

Kansas scored a pair of unearned runs in the bottom of the sixth inning and tacked on single runs each of the next two innings to pull away for a 7-3 victory over South Dakota State on Feb. 19.

The Jayhawks' rally came after SDSU tied the game at 3-all with a three-run top of the fifth. Wyatt Andersen started the Jackrabbit outburst with a double to right-center and scored on a base hit by Derek Hackman. Freshman second baseman Avery Mellman then stepped to the plate and launched a game-tying two-run home run to center field.

SDSU reliever Brett Mogen, who struck out the side in order in the bottom of the fifth for his first inning of work, appeared to work around a leadoff double by Anthony Tulimero in the sixth by retiring the next two hitters before an error extended the inning. After a walk, Casey Burnham singled home both Tulimero and Conner VanCleave for the go-ahead runs.

Tulimero pushed the Kansas lead to 6-3 with a solo homer in the seventh and Skyler Messinger scampered home on a wild pitch in the eighth after leading off the frame with a single to center. Tulimero was 3-for-3, adding a pair of doubles and scoring three times in leading the Jayhawks' nine-hit attack.

Kansas scored the first run of the game on an RBI groundout in the home half of the third and upped its lead to 3-0 in the fourth on a James Cosentino two-run home run in the fourth off Jackrabbit starter Adam Mazur.

Mazur struck out four over four innings in a no-decision, while Mogen took the loss despite fanning six in three innings of work.

Ryan Cyr worked the first seven innings for Kansas to earn the victory. He struck out 11 and did not walk a batter while allowing six hits.

Jamie Berg was the lone Jackrabbit with more than one hit, going 2-for-3 at the plate. KANSAS 7. SDSU 3

SDSU 000 030 000 3-6-1

KU 001 202 11X 7-9-0 SDSU: Adam Mazur, Brett Mogen (5), Logan Smith (8), Clay Odenbach (8) and Derek Hackman. KU: Ryan

Cyr, Nathan Barry (8), Jonah Ulane (9) and Anthony Tulimero. W-Cyr (1-0). L-Mogen (0-1). Save-none.

HR: SDSU-Avery Mellman (1); KU-Anthony Tulimero (1), James Cosentino (1).

#### Game 2: SDSU 8. Kansas 5

Cody Carlson pitched into the sixth inning and Luke Ira homered and drove in a careerhigh four runs to lead SDSU to an 8-5 victory in action Feb. 20 at U.S. Bank Stadium.

#### 2021 TEAM GAME HIGHS

#### TEAM - BATTING

AT-BATS: 33, vs. Kansas, 2-20-2021, and vs. Kansas, 2-21-2021

**Runs Scored:** 8, vs. Kansas, 2-20-2021 HITS: 8, vs. Kansas, 2-20-2021

**Runs Batted In:** 7, vs. Kansas, 2-20-2021 DOUBLES: 2, vs. Kansas, 2-20-2021, and vs. Kansas, 2-21-2021

**HOME RUNS:** 1, vs. Kansas, 2-19-2021, and vs. Kansas, 2-20-2021

Total Bases: 13, vs. Kansas, 2-20-2021 Bases on Balls: 5, vs. Kansas, 2-20-2021 **STRIKEOUTS:** 16. vs. Kansas. 2-21-2021 SACRIFICE FLIES: 2, vs. Kansas, 2-20-2021 **HIT By PITCH:** 5, vs. Kansas, 2-20-2021

RUNNERS LEFT ON BASE: 10, vs. Kansas, 2-20-2021 HIT INTO DOUBLE PLAY: 1, vs. Kansas, 2-20-2021, and

vs. Kansas, 2-21-2021

#### **TEAM – FIELDING**

**Putouts:** 27, vs. Kansas, 2-20-2021 **Assists:** 11, vs. Kansas, 2-21-2021

Errors: 1, vs. Kansas, 2-19-2021, and vs. Kansas,

2-20-2021

**DOUBLE PLAYS:** 3, vs. Kansas, 2-20-2021

#### **TEAM - PITCHING**

**INNINGS PITCHED:** 9.0, vs. Kansas, 2-20-2021 Most Runs Allowed: 13, vs. Kansas, 2-21-2021 FEWEST RUNS ALLOWED: 5, vs. Kansas, 2-20-2021 MOST EARNED RUNS ALLOWED: 13, vs. Kansas,

2-21-2021

Most Walks Allowed: 7, vs. Kansas, 2-21-2021 FEWEST WALKS ALLOWED: 4, vs. Kansas, 2-19-2021 STRIKEOUTS: 10, vs. Kansas, 2-19-2021, and vs. Kansas, 2-20-2021

Most Hits Allowed: 13, vs. Kansas, 2-21-2021 FEWEST HITS ALLOWED: 5, vs. Kansas, 2-20-2021 **Doubles Allowed:** 4, vs. Kansas, 2-21-2021 **TRIPLES ALLOWED:** 1, vs. Kansas, 2-21-2021 HOME RUNS ALLOWED: 2, vs. Kansas, 2-19-2021 WILD PITCHES: 1, three times (last: vs. Kansas, 2-21-2021)

HIT BATTERS: 2, vs. Kansas, 2-20-2021

All of SDSU's runs came in only two innings. Trailing 1-0, the Jackrabbits hung a 5-spot on the board in the top of the fifth inning, sending eight men to the plate. Freshman Jordan Sagedahl was hit by a pitch to lead off the frame and advanced to second on a bunt single by Jamie Berg. After Landon Badger reached on an error to load the bases, Ira gave the Jackrabbits the lead with a two-run single to center field. Drew Beazley made it 3-1 with a run-scoring double, while the last two runs of the inning scored on sacrifice flies by Ryan McDonald and Derek Hackman.

Kansas drew back within a run with a three-run bottom of the sixth. A double by Brett Vosik plated the first run and knocked Carlson out of the game, but not before the senior left-hander from Rapid City racked up six strikeouts en route to his first victory at SDSU.

The Jayhawks' Nolan Metcalf then greeted SDSU reliever Jack Sullivan with a two-run homer to left-center to make it a 5-4 game.

SDSU pushed the lead back to four runs with a three-run top of the eighth. Colton Cox was hit by a pitch to lead off the inning and scored on a Jayhawk error before Ira provided the final cushion with a two-run homer to center field.

Kansas trimmed the lead to 8-5 with an unearned run of its own in the bottom of the eighth, but Bret Barnett came on to record the final four outs for the save. SDSU turned its third double play of the game for the first two outs of the final inning.

Four Jackrabbit pitchers combined to tally 10 strikeouts in the game. Besides Carlson's six K's, Eli Sundquist notched three strikeouts in 1 2/3 innings and Barnett's lone strikeout ended the game.

SDSU finished with an 8-5 advantage in hits. Beazley was 3-for-5, with Ira going 2-for-5. SDSU 8, KANSAS 5

SDSU 000 8-8-1 KU 100 003 010 5-5-2

SDSU: Cody Carlson, Jack Sullivan (6), Eli Sundquist (7), Bret Barnett (8) and Derek Hackman. KU: Everhett Hazelwood, Daniel Hegarty (5), Jake Adams (7), Matt Taylor (8), Washilewski (8), Ryab Vanderhei (9) and Anthony Tulimero.

W-Carlson (1-0). L-Hazelwood (0-1). Barnett (1). HR: SDSU-Luke Ira (1); KU-Nolan Metcalf (1).

#### Game 3: Kansas 13, SDSU 1

Kansas scored runs in bunches to defeat South Dakota State, 13-1, and claim the decisive game of the series Feb. 21 at U.S. Bank Stadium.

The Jayhawks, 2-1 overall, took advantage of a leadoff walk to score in the bottom of the first, then pulled out to a 4-0 lead with a three-run third inning. Nolan Metcalf drove in the initial run of the third inning with a single up the middle and later scored with Anthony Tulimero on a two-run double by Skyler Messinger.

SDSU loaded the bases with nobody out in the top of the fifth, but could only plate one run against Kansas starter Eli Davis. Jordan Sagedahl led off with an infield single and scored on a single to right field by Jess Bellows. However, the next two Jackrabbit hitters were retired on a foul out and a double-play grounder to end the threat and the inning.

Bellows tallied two of SDSU's seven hits in his collegiate debut.

Kansas put the game out of reach on a three-run homer by Metcalf, his second roundtripper of the series, in the bottom of the fifth. The Jayhawks tacked on two more runs in the sixth thanks to back-to-back doubles by Maui Ahuna and Casey Burnham, then put four runs on the board in the seventh on a Messinger single for his third RBI of the game and a pinch-hit run-scoring triple by Blaine Ray.

Metcalf was 4-for-4 with four RBIs to lead the Jayhawks' 13-hit attack.

Jackrabbit starter Ryan Bourassa took the loss after allowing four runs in three innings. He struck out three and walked four. Six different SDSU pitchers took to the mound in the game.

Davis and Jayhawk reliever Cole Larsen combined for 16 strikeouts in the contest. Davis earned the win after striking out seven and walking three in five innings. Larsen pitched four shutout innings and struck out nine Jackrabbits in being credited with a save.

#### KANSAS 13, SDSU 1

SDSU	000	010	000	1-7-0
KU	103	032	40X	13-13-0

SDSU: Rvan Bourassa. Owen Bishop (4), Rilev McSherry (6), Clay Odenbach (7), Jon Baker (7), Drew Beazley (8) and Ryan McDonald. KU: Eli Davis, Cole Larsen (6) and Anthony Tulimero, Jake English (8). W-Davis (1-0). L-Bourassa (0-1). Save-Larsen (1).

HR: KU-Nolan Metcalf (2).

#### THE SUMMIT LEAGUE

#### 2021 PRESEASON POLL

1. Omaha (3)	15
2. Oral Roberts (2)	14
3. North Dakota State	10
4. South Dakota State	7
5. Western Illinois	4
Notes: First-place votes in parentheses	

#### **2021 STANDINGS**

SCHOOL	<b>O</b> VERALL	Conf.
North Dakota State	2-1	0-0
Oral Roberts	1-1	0-0
South Dakota State	1-2	0-0
Omaha	0-0	0-0
Western Illinois	0-0	0-0
Note: Standings thru game	s played Feb 23 202	1



**BARNETT MOVES UP SAVES CHART:** Junior relief pitcher Bret Barnett recorded the 10th save of his career in the Jackrabbits' win over Kansas on Feb. 20. Barnett notched the final four outs, including the first two of the ninth inning on a double play, to close out the win.

With his save, Barnett moved into a tie with Chad Coley (10 saves from 1990-93) for sixth place in program history. The Indianola, lowa, native earned seven saves en route to first-team all-Summit League honors in 2019, and tallied two saves during the pandemic-shortened 2020 season.

**MOGEN NEARS TOP 10:** When he next heads to the mound, senior right-hander Brett Mogen will move into the SDSU career top 10 for appearances. The Dell Rapids native made his 63rd career appearance in the Feb. 19 season opener against Kansas, working three innings.

Mogen put together his best season in a Jackrabbit uniform in 2019 with a 1-1 record and 1.67 ERA in 20 appearances. His ERA ranked as the sixth lowest in a season by an SDSU pitcher with more than 30 innings pitched.

When Mogen makes his next appearance, he will move into a tie with current Minnesota Twins pitcher Caleb Thielbar (64 appearances from 2006-09) and Mike Robinson (64 appearances from 2007-10) for the 10th spot.

**SUNDQUIST RACKS UP THE K'S:** Returning freshman right-hander Eli Sundquist picked up where he left off from an abbreviated 2020 season in his first appearance this year.

The Chisholm, Minnesota, product struck out three batters among the five outs he recorded in a Feb. 20 relief appearance against Kansas. In 2020, Sundquist fanned a team-high 19 batters in only 13 2/3 innings, giving him 22 career strikeouts in 15 1/3 innings over nine appearances. That equates to a ratio of 12.92 strikeouts per nine innings pitched.

**COACH BISHOP:** Rob Bishop, who has guided college baseball teams to more than 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.

Through four seasons with the Jackrabbits, Bishop holds a 78-92 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.

SDSU bounced back in 2019, posting a 28-22 overall record that included a second-place mark of 19-10 in Summit League play. The Jackrabbits won or split nine of the 10 league series in regular season play en route to making an appearance in the four-team Summit League Baseball Championship for the 10th time in 11 years.

The 2020 season was canceled just before the start of Summit League play, with SDSU posting a 5-12 record in the first month of the season. The Jackrabbits recorded wins at Minnesota, Air Force and Kansas State the final week of the pandemic-shortened campaign.

Overall, Bishop holds a 627-414-1 record (.602 winning percentage) as a collegiate head coach. He earned his 600th career victory in the Jackrabbits' 8-6 victory at UA Little Rock on March 10, 2019.

Individually, Jackrabbit players have been honored as all-Summit League performers 18 times during his brief tenure, including eight all-league selections in 2019. Utility player Nick Smith was honored for the third consecutive season, while shortstop Gus Steiger and starting pitcher Tyler Olmstead were repeat selections in 2019.

In addition, Bishop has mentored a handful of Jackrabbit players who have pursued professional careers. Catcher Luke Ringhofer was selected in the 22nd round of the 2017 Major League Baseball Draft by the Baltimore Orioles and relief pitcher Chris Halbur was offered a free agent contract by the Los Angeles Dodgers after Bishop's first season in Brookings. Shortstop Gus Steiger signed with the Cincinnati Reds following an abbreviated 2020 MLB Draft. In 2019, left-handed pitcher Brady Stover was a 31st-round pick of the Washington Nationals, but opted to return to the Jackrabbits for his senior season.

#### COACH RISHOP

#### 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

- 78-92 in four seasons (2017-present)
- \* 26-24 in 2017
- \* 18-32 in 2018
- \* 28-22 in 2019
- \* 5-12 in 2020
- \* 1-2 in 2021

#### **CAREER TOTALS**

• 626-412-1 in 21 seasons (2000-present)

#### PRONUNCIATION GUIDE

BEES-lee
boo-RASS-ah
GRUNZ-key
MAY-zer
MOE-gun
OH-den-bock
OHLM-sted
REESE
SAG-ah-doll

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 the past 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 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 the last five years of his tenure 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.

**CLARK JOINS STAFF:** Kirk Clark joined the Jackrabbit baseball program in January 2021 and will fill the role of pitching coach.

Clark previously spent six years as an assistant coach at Wayne State College (Neb.), where he served as the Wildcats' pitching coach and recruiting coordinator. During his time at WSC, the Wildcats posted four winning seasons, including a breakthrough 32-18 campaign in 2019.

Clark's pitching staffs consistently ranked in the upper half of the Northern Sun Intercollegiate Conference for earned run average and saves, including posting a 4.17 ERA in 2019 to rank fourth. In his first season, 2015, WSC led the league in strikeouts per game (8.14) and ranked third in ERA (4.58).

Wayne State relievers combined to lead the NSIC with 14 saves in 2017 and ranked second with 12 saves in 2015.

Clark arrived at Wayne State after a professional playing career. He was signed as a free agent following the 2009 Major League Baseball Draft and went on to set a single-season record with 29 saves for Class A Lexington in his first full professional season in 2010, earning South Atlantic League All-Star recognition. During three-plus seasons in the Astros organization, which included two seasons with Lancaster of the Class A California League, he compiled a 14-11 record with 56 saves in 150 appearances.

He also played in various independent leagues, including pitching for the Sioux Falls Canaries (two seasons) and the Schaumburg Bombers in the American Association, as well as 2014 stint with the Quebec City Capitals.

A native of Moline, Illinois, Clark began his collegiate playing career at lowa Western Community College in Council Bluffs before moving across the Missouri River to pitch for Creighton. He set the lowa Western career record for wins with 17, helping lead the Reivers to the Junior College World Series in 2007. He was a first-team all-region selection after going 8-3 with a 3.66 ERA in 2007.

**THE ROSTER:** The 2021 SDSU baseball roster features 36 players from seven different states. Of the 36 players, 13 are from lowa, 10 are from South Dakota and seven hail from Minnesota. Two players are from Nebraska and North Dakota, while Montana and Washington are represented by one player each.

By class, four are seniors, two are juniors, nine are sophomores and 21 are freshmen (11 returning, 10 incoming).

No.	PLAYER	Pos.	B-T	Нт.	WT.	YR.	HOMETOWN (PREVIOUS SCHOOL)
1	Jess Bellows	OF	R/R	5-10	165	Fr.	Miles City, Mont./Custer County District H.S.
2	Carson Max	OF	L/R	5-11	195	Fr.	Mitchell, S.D./Mitchell H.S.
3	Avery Mellman	IF	R/R	6-0	195	Fr.	Mason City, Iowa / Mason City H.S.
4	Rick Atkins	Р	L/L	6-1	185	Fr.	Marion, Iowa/Marion H.S.
5	Riley McSherry*	Р	R/R	5-10	160	So.	Rapid City, S.D./Rapid City Central H.S.
6	Wyatt Andersen	IF	R/R	5-11	180	Fr.	Minden, Iowa/Tri-Center H.S.
7	Bret Barnett**	Р	L/L	6-4	200	Jr.	Indianola, Iowa/Martensdale-St. Mary's H.S.
8	Ryan McDonald*	C/OF	R/R	5-11	210	So.	Prior Lake, Minn./Prior Lake H.S.
9	Derek Hackman**	C	L/R	6-0	215	Jr.	Johnston, Iowa/Johnston H.S.
11	Landon Badger***	OF	L/L	6-0	195	Sr.	Pierre, S.D./T.F. Riggs H.S.

#### QUICK FACTS

NAME OF SCHOOL: South Dakota State University

CITY/ZIP: Brookings, SD 57007 FOUNDED: February 21, 1881 ENROLLMENT: 11,405 (fall 2020) COLORS: Yellow and Blue

HOME STADIUM: Erv Huether Field (600 capacity)

**PRESIDENT:** Dr. Barry H. Dunn **ATHLETIC DIRECTOR:** Justin Sell **2020 OVERALL RECORD:** 5-12

**2020 SUMMIT LEAGUE RECORD:** N/A (league schedule canceled before start of Summit League play)

Home Record: 0-0

AWAY/NEUTRAL RECORD: 5-12/0-0 LETTERWINNERS RETURNING/LOST: 12/5 POSITION STARTERS RETURNING/LOST: 5/3 ALL-TIME RECORD: 1,349-1,193-5

FIRST YEAR OF BASEBALL: 1947

NCAA DIVISION I POSTSEASON APPEARANCES: One/2013 NCAA DIVISION II POSTSEASON APPEARANCES: Nine (last

in 1995)

12	Colton Cox*	OF	R/R	6-1	185	So.	Aberdeen, S.D./Roncalli H.S.
13	Nate Steenblock	C/IF	L/R	5-9	185	Fr.	Woodbury, Minn./Woodbury H.S.
14	Drew Beazley*	IF/P	R/R	6-1	190	So.	Johnston, Iowa/Johnston H.S.
15	Jordan Sagedahl	IF/C	R/R	6-2	190	Fr.	Olivia, Minn./BOLD H.S.
17	Brett Mogen***	Р	R/R	6-2	210	Sr.	Dell Rapids, S.D./Dell Rapids H.S.
18	Reece Anderson	OF	R/R	6-1	185	Fr.	Johnston, Iowa/Johnston H.S.
19	Owen Bishop	P/IF	R/R	6-2	190	Fr.	Arlington, Wash./Arlington H.S.
20	Adam Mazur	Р	R/R	6-2	170	Fr.	Woodbury, Minn./Woodbury H.S.
21	Nate Holliday	Р	R/R	6-1	210	So.	Muscatine, Iowa/Des Moines Area CC (Iowa)
22	Luke Ira*	IF	R/R	6-0	190	So.	Iowa City, Iowa/Solon H.S.
23	Garrett Ries	C/IF	L/R	6-0	190	Fr.	Robins, Iowa/Cedar Rapids Xavier H.S.
24	Jamie Berg*	OF	L/L	5-10	160	So.	Mahtomedi, Minn./Mahtomedi H.S.
25	Jack Sullivan	Р	R/R	6-1	175	Fr.	Bellevue, Neb./Bellevue West H.S.
27	Jon Baker	Р	R/R	5-11	195	Fr.	Cloquet, Minn./Cloquet H.S.
28	Tyler Olmstead***	Р	R/R	6-2	225	Sr.	Sioux Falls, S.D./Washington H.S.
29	Cody Carlson	Р	L/L	5-9	200	Sr.	Rapid City, S.D./Northeastern JC (Colo.)
30	Ryan Bourassa	Р	R/R	6-0	230	So.	West Fargo, N.D./Bismarck State College
31	Garrett Stout	IF	L/R	6-1	180	Fr.	Pierre, S.D./T.F. Riggs H.S.
32	Eli Sundquist	Р	R/R	6-1	185	Fr.	Chisholm, Minn./Chisholm H.S.
33	Drake Frazier	OF	R/L	5-11	180	Fr.	Cedar Rapids, Iowa/Jefferson H.S.
34	Nic McCay*	Р	R/R	6-0	200	So.	Carlisle, Iowa/Carlisle H.S.
35	Logan Smith	Р	R/R	5-10	185	Fr.	Grimes, Iowa/Dallas-Center Grimes H.S.
37	Brady Hawkins	Р	R/R	6-3	225	Fr.	Mitchell, S.D./Ethan H.S.
38	Clay Odenbach	Р	L/L	6-7	200	Fr.	Thompson, N.D./Thompson H.S.
39	Luke Ballard	Р	L/L	5-10	175	Fr.	Omaha, Neb./Millard West H.S.
40	Dagen Schramm	C	L/R	6-0	170	Fr.	Sioux Falls, S.D./Washington H.S.

<sup>\*</sup> indicates number of varsity letters earned

#### **COACHING STAFF**

Rob Bishop Head Coach Brian Grunzke Assistant Coach Kirk Clark Pitching Coach

**A LOOK AHEAD:** The Jackrabbits are scheduled to continue their road swing across six states to open the season by playing a three-game series at Southern Illinois-Edwardsville. The March 5 series opener is set for a 3 p.m. first pitch at Simmons Complex on the SIUE campus, while the other two games of the series are slated for 1 p.m. starts.

## 2021 JACKRABBIT BASEBALL RESULTS

DATE	OPPONENT	Score	SITE	SDSU	<b>O</b> PPONENT	W-L	PITCHER OF RECORD
Feb. 19	Kansas	L, 3-7	Minneapolis, Minn.	3-6-1	7-9-0	0-1	Brett Mogen (0-1)
Feb. 20	Kansas	W, 8-5	Minneapolis, Minn.	8-8-1	5-5-2	1-1	Cody Carlson (1-0)
Feb. 21	Kansas	L, 1-13	Minneapolis, Minn.	1-7-0	13-13-0	1-2	Ryan Bourassa (0-1)

#### 2021 INNING-BY-INNING SCORING SUMMARY

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	EX	TOTAL
South Dakota State	0	0	0	0	9	0	0	3	0	_	12
Opponents	2	0	4	2	3	7	5	2	0	_	25

## The Automated ScoreBook Overall Statistics for South Dakota State (as of Feb 21, 2021) (All games Sorted by Batting avg)

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

Player	avg	gp-gs	ab	r	h	2b :	3b	hr	rbi	tb	slg%	bb	hp	so g	dp	ob%	sf	sh	sb-att	ро	а	e fld%
Jamie Berg	.429	2-2	7	2	3	0	0	0	0	3	.429	0	0	1	1	.429	0	0	0-0	2	0	0 1.000
Jess Bellows	.400	1-1	5	0	2	0	0	0	1	2	.400	0	0	1	0	.400	0	0	0-0	0	2	0 1.000
Jordan Sagedahl	.400	2-2	5	2	2	0	0	0	0	2	.400	1	2	3	0	.625	0	0	0-0	1	3	0 1.000
Drew Beazley	.308	3-3	13	1	4	2	0	0	1	6	.462	0	0	5	1	.308	0	0	0-0	22	2	1 .960
Wyatt Andersen	.286	2-2	7	1	2	2	0	0	0	4	.571	0	0	2	0	.286	0	0	0-0	0	2	0 1.000
Derek Hackman	.286	2-2	7	1	2	0	0	0	2	2	.286	0	0	1	0	.250	1	0	0-0	19	0	1 .950
Luke Ira	.250	3-3	12	2	3	0	0	1	4	6	.500	1	0	6	0	.308	0	0	0-0	5	8	0 1.000
Reece Anderson	.250	2-1	4	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	.250	0	1	1	0	.400	0	0	0-0	6	0	0 1.000
Avery Mellman	.200	2-2	5	1	1	0	0	1	2	4	.800	3	0	4	0	.500	0	0	0-0	2	4	0 1.000
Ryan McDonald	.111	3-3	9	0	1	1	0	0	1	2	.222	2	1	2	0	.308	1	0	0-0	6	2	0 1.000
Landon Badger	.000	3-3	13	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	.000	0	0	6	0	.000	0	0	0-0	6	2	0 1.000
Carson Max	.000	2-2	6	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	.000	0	1	3	0	.143	0	0	0-0	2	0	0 1.000
Colton Cox	.000	2-1	4	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	.000	1	1	4	0	.333	0	0	0-0	3	0	0 1.000
Garrett Stout	.000	1-0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	.000	0	0	0	0	.000	0	0	0-0	0	1	0 1.000
Jon Baker	.000	1-0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	.000	0	0	0	0	.000	0	0	0-0	0	0	0 .000
Totals	.214	3	98	12	21	5	0	2	11	32	.327	8	6	39	2	.307	2	0	0-0	75	26	2 .981
Opponents	.290	3	93	25	27	7	1	4	22	48	.516	17	3	27	3	.405	3	2	4-5	81	24	2 .981

LOB - Team (21), Opp (18). DPs turned - Team (3), Opp (2). Picked off - Berg 1.

#### (All games Sorted by Earned run avg)

Player	era	w-I	app g	c c	sho	sv	ip	h	r	er	bb	so	2b	3b	hr	b/avg	wp	hp	bk s	sfa s	sha_
Eli Sundquist	0.00	0-0	1 (	) (	0/0	0	1.2	1	1	0	1	3	0	0	0	.143	1	1	0	0	0
Bret Barnett	0.00	0-0	1 (	) (	0/0	1	1.1	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	.000	0	1	0	0	0
Drew Beazley	0.00	0-0	1 (	) (	0/0	0	1.0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	.000	0	0	0	0	0
Jon Baker	0.00	0-0	1 (	) (	0/0	0	0.1	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	.000	0	0	0	0	0
Brett Mogen	3.00	0-1	1 (	) (	0/0	0	3.0	3	3	1	1	6	1	0	1	.231	0	0	0	0	0
Cody Carlson	5.06	1-0	1 1	. (	0/0	0	5.1	3	3	3	4	6	1	0	0	.188	0	0	1	0	1
Adam Mazur	6.75	0-0	1 1	. (	0/0	0	4.0	4	3	3	3	4	1	0	1	.267	0	0	0	0	1
Clay Odenbach	9.00	0-0	2 (	) (	0/0	0	1.0	2	1	1	0	0	0	1	0	.667	1	1	1	2	0
Ryan Bourassa	12.00	0-1	1 1	. (	0/0	0	3.0	4	4	4	4	3	1	0	0	.333	1	0	1	0	0
Owen Bishop	13.50	0-0	1 (	) (	0/0	0	2.0	2	3	3	2	2	1	0	1	.286	0	0	0	0	0
Logan Smith	13.50	0-0	1 (	) (	0/0	0	0.2	2	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	.667	0	0	0	0	0
Jack Sullivan	13.50	0-0	1 (	) (	0/0	0	0.2	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	1	.333	0	0	0	0	0
Riley McSherry	45.00	0-0	1 (	) (	0/0	0	1.0	5	5	5	0	1	2	0	0	.714	0	0	0	1_	0
Totals	7.92	1-2	3 3	3 (	0/0	1	25.0	27	25	22	17	27	7	1	4	.290	3	3	3	3	2
Opponents	3.67	2-1	3	3 (	0/0	1	27.0	21	12	11	8	39	5	0	2	.214	3	6	0	2	0

PB - Team (2), Hackman 2. Pickoffs - Team (0), Opp (1). SBA/ATT - McDonald (2-3), Hackman (2-2), Sundquist (2-2), Bishop (0-1), McSherry (1-1), Bourassa (1-1).

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Player	c c	ро	а	е	fld%	dp	sba	csb	sba%	pb	ci
Luke Ira	13	5	8	0	1.000	3	0	0		0	0
Ryan McDonald	8	6	2	0	1.000	0	2	1	.667	0	0
Landon Badger	8	6	2	0	1.000	0	0	0		0	0
Avery Mellman	6	2	4	0	1.000	2	0	0		0	0
Reece Anderson	6	6	0	0	1.000	0	0	0		0	0
Jordan Sagedahl	4	1	3	0	1.000	0	0	0		0	0
Colton Cox	3	3	0	0	1.000	0	0	0		0	0
Jamie Berg	2	2	0	0	1.000	0	0	0		0	0
Jess Bellows	2	0	2	0	1.000	0	0	0		0	0
Wyatt Andersen	2	0	2	0	1.000	0	0	0		0	0
Carson Max	2	2	0	0	1.000	0	0	0		0	0
Bret Barnett	1	1	0	0	1.000	0	0	0		0	0
Garrett Stout	1	0	1	0	1.000	0	0	0		0	0
Drew Beazley	25	22	2	1	.960	3	0	0		0	0
Derek Hackman	20	19	0	1	.950	0	2	0	1.000	2	0
Riley McSherry	0	0	0	0	.000	0	1	0	1.000	0	0
Logan Smith	0	0	0	0	.000	0	0	0		0	0
Jack Sullivan	0	0	0	0	.000	0	0	0		0	0
Owen Bishop	0	0	0	0	.000	0	0	1	.000	0	0
Jon Baker	0	0	0	0	.000	0	0	0		0	0
Eli Sundquist	0	0	0	0	.000	0	2	0	1.000	0	0
Brett Mogen	0	0	0	0	.000	0	0	0		0	0
Clay Odenbach	0	0	0	0	.000	0	0	0		0	0
Ryan Bourassa	0	0	0	0	.000	0	1	0	1.000	0	0
Cody Carlson	0	0	0	0	.000	0	0	0		0	0
Adam Mazur	0	0	0	0	.000	0	0	0		0	0
Totals	103	75	26	2	.981	3	4	1	.800	2	0
Opponents	107	81	24	2	.981	2	0	0		0	0