

Special Programs and Services

Academic Computing

SDSU provides access to a large number of software packages including programming languages, the Microsoft Office Suite (word processing, spreadsheets, presentations), relational databases, statistical software, and large research-oriented databases. E-mail accounts are provided to students and server accounts are available for those who want to create websites.

The university has more than 2,000 desktop computers located in 80 departmental/college computer laboratories. The largest laboratories, which are open to all students, are the Student Computer Center located in Love Library, Room 200 (PCs, Macintoshes, and printing) and the College of Arts and Letters Laboratory, located in Professional Studies and Fine Arts, Room 136 (PCs and printing). Outside of the laboratories, students may connect to the wireless network which covers the entire campus. Many SDSU instructors use the Blackboard learning management system to communicate with students, post grades, distribute materials, and facilitate learning activities beyond the classroom. Student accounts in Blackboard are automatically created upon enrollment and use the same login credentials as the SDSU WebPortal. Access to courses in Blackboard occurs when instructors make their courses available to students. The Blackboard website is <http://blackboard.sdsu.edu>.

Alumni Association

The SDSU Alumni Association is dedicated to connecting SDSU alumni to the university and each other. Membership in the San Diego State University Alumni Association is open to those individuals who have an abiding interest in and commitment to the growth and future of SDSU and the community it serves.

The Alumni Association is a dynamic, exciting organization whose purpose is to serve and support the university and its graduates. It offers a number of programs and services designed to meet the variety of needs and interests of its alumni, including library privileges, reduced admission to many cultural activities and sporting events, discounts on purchases at the Aztec Store, access to SDSU's Career Services for a nominal fee, and a subscription to SDSU Magazine, a monthly electronic newsletter, and Aztec update: publications for alumni and friends of the university.

In addition, the Alumni Association sponsors The Montys (annual awards event honoring alumni of the university), provides scholarships for students, organizes Homecoming, provides input regarding university programs and policies, and provides excellent networking opportunities through a myriad of events.

For further information call the Alumni Office at 619-594-2586 or visit <http://www.sdsualumni.org>.

Associated Students of San Diego State University

Associated Students (A.S.) is an independent student-directed corporation that is one of the largest student governance organizations in the CSU system. As an affiliate of San Diego State University, the programs and facilities A.S. manages are enjoyed by students, faculty, staff, and the SDSU community. Associated Students can be reached by calling 619-594-6555 or visiting <http://www.as.sdsu.edu>.

Student Government. There are a multitude of leadership opportunities through the Associated Students. Government Affairs is the representative voice for all SDSU students. Student government leaders work hard every day to ensure that the interests of SDSU students are heard, served, and met. The A.S. student leaders also have a dual role as the board of directors for the A.S., a non-profit student-directed corporation. A.S. operates eight fully functional facilities on and off campus in addition to a multitude of programs and services that benefit students and the campus community. Students who want to get

involved are encouraged to visit the A.S. office in person or online to learn about available opportunities. For more information call 619-594-6555 or visit <http://www.as.sdsu.edu/govt>. The A.S. office is located on the third floor of the Conrad Prebys Aztec Student Union.

Conrad Prebys Aztec Student Union. Designed to be platinum-certified for Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design (LEED) by the U.S. Green Building Council, the new Conrad Prebys Aztec Student Union features numerous sustainable "green" building elements and includes new dining options, bowling and games center, fitness center, increased meeting spaces, a multi-purpose theatre and plenty of indoor/outdoor seating areas. To learn more about all that the Conrad Prebys Aztec Student Union has to offer, visit <http://aztecstudentunion.com>. To inquire about meeting space, call Union Programs and Services at 619-594-5278 or e-mail asmgtgsvs@mail.sdsu.edu. For general information, call 619-594-6551.

SDSU Children's Center. The SDSU Children's Center, a quality service of Associated Students, provides an educational childcare program for children between six months and pre-kindergarten to five years of age. Priority for enrollment starts with SDSU students, followed by children and grandchildren of faculty and staff, and then children of SDSU alumni and the larger community as space is available. The center serves as the laboratory school for the Department of Child and Family Development in the College of Education. In addition, the center collaborates with campus departments to support academic research, observational learning and opportunities to link academic coursework with hands-on learning by working directly with children and families at the center. The Children's Center is located in the lower E-Lot, north of Parking Structure 6. For more information call 619-594-7941, e-mail ccc_info@mail.sdsu.edu, or visit <http://www.childcare.sdsu.edu>.

Cal Coast Credit Union Open Air Theatre and Entertainment. Located amidst the original landscaping of San Diego State University, this historic venue is ideal for watching your favorite musical group while sitting under the stars. Built in 1934, this 4,800-seat amphitheatre has played host to sold out concerts, lectures, symphonic performances, and university events. Generations of guests have enjoyed this theatre's natural acoustics which complement the sound of all music genres. The venue features full-service concession stands and a two-level hospitality suite, equipped with open balconies and dressing rooms. For event information, call 619-594-0234 or visit <http://calcoastopenairtheatre.com>.

Viejas Arena. Home to Aztec men's and women's basketball, Viejas Arena is San Diego's premier venue for everything from concerts to sporting events, family shows, conventions, conferences, and corporate and university events. This state-of-the-art, 12,000-seat facility is complete with award-winning acoustics, VIP lounges, and star dressing rooms, as well as a distinctive outdoor concourse area. Viejas Arena features a full-service ticket office and TicketMaster location for events throughout California. Viejas Arena is adjacent to the Aztec Recreation Center in the heart of the SDSU campus with nearby parking. Call 619-594-0234 or visit <http://www.viejasarena.com> for more information.

Aztec Recreation. Aztec Recreation provides high quality programs, services, and facilities that inspire active, healthy living, and enhance the SDSU experience. A program of Associated Students, Aztec Recreation manages six on-campus facilities: Aztec Recreation Center (ARC), ARC Express, Aztec Aquaplex, Aztec Lanes, tennis, racquetball, and the Mission Bay Aquatic Center (MBAC), an off campus water sports facility. An Aztec Recreation membership enables access to many of the programs including group fitness, intramural sports, sport clubs, bowling, indoor climbing and includes access to the ARC, ARC Express, Aztec Aquaplex, tennis, and racquetball courts. Call 619-594-PLAY or visit <http://arc.sdsu.edu> for more information.

Aztec Adventures. Aztec Adventures has provided SDSU with leadership, education, and culture since 1977. The Aztec Adventures' philosophy is that traveling in the outdoors by simple means is a healthy alternative to our normally technology-dependent lifestyles. In addition to outdoor trips, the Aztec Adventures team offers numerous Department of Exercise and Nutritional Sciences credit classes, operates the climbing wall located inside the ARC, and offers a team-building program ideal for student clubs and organizations. For more information call 619-594-6958 or visit <http://aztecadventures.sdsu.edu>.

Aztec Aquaplex. The Aztec Aquaplex is an outdoor swimming and recreation facility with members having access to the Aquaplex for drop-in lounging, water sports, and fitness. The facility is also used by men's and women's water polo sport club teams as well as the SDSU Aztec Athletics women's swimming, diving, and water polo teams. Call 619-594-SWIM or visit <http://www.arc.sdsu.edu> for more information.

ARC Express. The ARC Express is an exciting new fitness destination for members of Aztec Recreation. Located on the third floor of the Conrad Prebys Aztec Student Union, the facility offers 6,000 square feet of state-of-the-art fitness equipment with spectacular views of the surrounding area. Call 619-594-PLAY or visit <http://arc.sdsu.edu> for more information.

Aztec Lanes. Aztec Lanes is the new bowling and games center located on the first floor of the Conrad Prebys Aztec Student Union. Featuring 12 bowling lanes, with scoring and seating areas outfitted by Brunswick, the facility also offers participants a games lounge with five billiards tables, table tennis tables, and eight big-screen televisions. While bowling is open to all at Aztec Lanes, members bowl at no charge and only pay for shoe rental. Call 619-594-2695 or visit <http://arc.sdsu.edu> for more information.

Aztec Recreation Center (ARC). The Aztec Recreation Center (ARC) is an 80,000 square foot fitness and recreation facility. Access to the ARC is included with an Aztec Recreation membership. The ARC has four multi-purpose gymnasiums available for members to play basketball, soccer, and volleyball, two weight training rooms, a cardio room, a climbing wall, and two group fitness studios. Call 619-594-PLAY or visit <http://www.arc.sdsu.edu> for more information.

Aztec Tennis Courts. The Aztec Tennis Courts feature 12 lighted outdoor courts available for drop-in play for members. The courts are accessible through the Aztec Aquaplex at 5375 Remington Road, adjacent to Tony Gwynn Stadium. Call 619-594-SWIM or visit <http://arc.sdsu.edu> for more information.

Credit Classes. Aztec Recreation is proud to partner with the Department of Exercise and Nutritional Sciences to provide one-unit courses that promote lifelong fitness, wellness, and recreational pursuits. Classes are available in dance, fitness, martial arts, outdoor skills, and water sports. Call 619-594-PLAY or visit <http://arc.sdsu.edu> for more information.

Mission Bay Aquatic Center (MBAC). The world-renowned Mission Bay Aquatic Center is Aztec Recreation's beachside instructional facility offering water sports classes, rentals, and special events. Every semester, hundreds of students earn university credit while learning to kayak, row, sail, stand up paddle, surf, wakeboard, or windsurf. Located off-campus in Mission Beach, MBAC is just a short ride by car or is easily accessible by the San Diego Trolley and the San Diego Metropolitan Transit System (MTS). For more information, call 858-488-1000 or visit <http://mbaquaticcenter.com>.

Intramural Sports. Aztec Recreation members have the opportunity to participate in intramural tournaments and leagues on a competitive or recreational level. A variety of indoor and outdoor sports are offered throughout the year and participants form teams with friends or sign-up independently in sports including basketball, bowling, dodgeball, flag football, soccer, tennis, volleyball, and water volleyball. Call 619-594-PLAY or visit <http://arc.sdsu.edu> for more information.

Recreational Sports Racquetball Courts. Racquetball courts are accessible to Aztec Recreation members. The facility includes eight indoor courts and equipment check-out is available. Sport club offices are also housed in this facility located at Peterson Gymnasium, Room 196. Call 619-594-PLAY or visit <http://arc.sdsu.edu> for more information.

Sport Clubs. The SDSU sport clubs program consists of 19 competitive collegiate teams. Each team is developed, organized, and managed by students with guidance from the professional staff. Sport clubs compete in intercollegiate competitions at local, state, regional, and national levels and both new and experienced student-athletes are actively recruited. Sport clubs are an excellent setting for the development of athletic skills, student leadership skills, and social opportunities. Call 619-594-PLAY or visit <http://arc.sdsu.edu> for more information.

Athletics

San Diego State University sponsors a broad array of varsity intercollegiate athletics for women and men. SDSU's commitment to gender equity in athletics includes 13 sports for women (basketball, crew, cross country, golf, lacrosse, soccer, softball, swimming, tennis, indoor/outdoor track and field, volleyball, and water polo) and six for men (baseball, basketball, football, golf, soccer, and tennis). As a National Collegiate Athletic Association (NCAA) Division I program, Aztec athletic teams compete at the highest level of intercollegiate competition. All of the teams except crew, lacrosse, men's soccer, and water polo compete in the 9-member Mountain West Conference. Crew is a member of the Western Intercollegiate Rowing Association (WIRA); men's soccer is a member of the Pac10 Conference; lacrosse, and water polo are members of the Mountain Pacific Sports Federation (MPSF).

Athletics serves a number of important roles on campus and within the larger San Diego community. In addition to encouraging student athletes to expand their competitive capabilities to the fullest, San Diego State teams provide a catalyst which helps generate pride and a shared esprit de corps among students, faculty, staff, and alumni. This also helps link these groups from generation to generation. Similarly, with nearly a 100,000 alumni and former students and tens of thousands of supporters in the county with no other direct connection to the university, Aztec teams frequently carry the aspirations of San Diego in the forum of NCAA Division I Athletics. On-campus athletic events attract both students and members of the community to campus and this reinforces many mutually beneficial town-gown relationships. For more information please call 619-594-3019 or visit <http://www.goaztecs.com>.

Student Athlete Support Services

Aztec Athletics Center, Room 3029, 619-594-3395

Involvement with intercollegiate athletics on campus presents many challenges for students. This office provides guidance and assistance for these student-athletes in the areas of admission, registration, new student orientation, counseling, study hall, mentoring, tutoring, and academic advising. The office also serves as a liaison between faculty and the Athletic Department. This individualized program is designed to create an academic support network to ensure all student-athletes comply with university requirements while working toward completion of a degree.

Audiology Clinic and Speech-Language Clinic

Administered by the School of Speech, Language, and Hearing Sciences, the clinics provide assessment and remediation services for SDSU students, staff, faculty, and the community. In addition, the clinics offer opportunities for research, consultation, supervised field internships, continuing education, and other service activities.

In the Speech-Language clinic, comprehensive diagnostic and treatment programs are available for children and adults in the areas of aphasia, cerebral palsy, cleft palate, delayed speech/language development, fluency or articulation disorders, hearing loss, loss of communication function, and voice. Services are also provided for bilingual/multicultural clients and speakers of English as a second language.

The *Assistive Device Assessment Program* provides language, cognitive, and technical assessments related to augmentative/assistive devices and systems for individuals who have communication disabilities.

In the Audiology Clinic, Audiologic services include hearing assessment, hearing aid evaluation and selection, assistive listening device evaluations, earmolds, ear protectors, hearing conservation and aural rehabilitation therapy.

The clinics are located at 5245 Campanile Drive, San Diego, CA 92182-1518 and can be reached at 619-594-7747.

Aztec Shops, Ltd.

(Campus Stores, Dining)
<http://www.aztecshops.com>

Aztec Shops, Ltd., founded in 1931, is a not-for-profit corporation that functions primarily as an auxiliary of San Diego State University. The corporation provides a diverse portfolio of commercial services including operation of the bookstore and dining on campus. Aztec Shops also operates selected other enterprises at San Diego State and at other colleges and universities. The corporation employs close to 200 full-time professionals and up to 800 part-time employees – mainly students – during the busiest times.

SDSU Bookstore. The flagship of Aztec Shops' retail operations, the SDSU Bookstore is one of the largest campus bookstores in the country as measured by sales. The 25,000-square-foot facility – located in the heart of campus – carries every text (required and optional) for every class taught at SDSU. Textbooks are available in print for rent or purchase and many titles are available in digital format. The bookstore's Azteconology department offers academic discounts on Apple and PC products as well as software from Microsoft, Adobe, and others. Additional Azteconology services include Verizon Wireless, device repair, hardware trade-in, and printer cartridge refill. The SDSU Bookstore features the most extensive selection of SDSU-licensed clothing and gifts available. The facility's "Bookstore within a Bookstore" offers an impressive selection of general-interest titles including volumes for children. The store's well-staffed special order desk is available to secure even the most hard-to-find titles. A specialty boutique and a broad selection of school supplies, cards, gifts, and graduation regalia round out the store's offerings. For more information, call 619-594-7525 or visit <http://www.shopaztecs.com>.

SDSU Dining. SDSU Dining has been providing quality food service for the SDSU campus since 1959. Dining proudly operates over 30 restaurants and food service outlets on campus, including Culinary Theater, The Dining Room at Cuicacalli Suites, the Farmers' Market, University Towers Kitchen (UTK), and six Aztec Market convenience stores campuswide. For more information on SDSU Dining call 619-594-7640 or visit <http://www.eatatsdsu.com>.

Other operations. Other Aztec Shops operations include:

The Campus Store – Aztec Shops operates The Campus Store, the bookstore at the SDSU branch campus in Calexico, CA.

Concessions – Aztec Shops operates the concession stands at the Cal Coast Credit Union Open Air Theatre, Tony Gwynn Stadium, and Viejas Arena.

Montezuma Publishing – As part of its commitment to providing course materials for every class, Aztec Shops operates Montezuma Publishing which prints customized course materials and readers, securing copyright permissions when necessary.

Road Scholar – Aztec Shops runs a successful Road Scholar program that brings retirement-age adults from around the country to San Diego for specialized educational enrichment programs.

SDSU Catering – SDSU Catering is the recognized caterer for all events on the SDSU campus.

University Towers – In November 2000, Aztec Shops purchased the well-known El Conquistador residence hall near the SDSU campus. Renamed University Towers, the facility is home to more than 500 students during the academic year.

California State University Program for Education and Research in Biotechnology (CSUPERB)

Susan Baxter, Executive Director

Created in 1987 as a systemwide program, the California State University Program for Education and Research in Biotechnology (CSUPERB) supports collaborative CSU student and faculty research, funds innovative curriculum development, and develops programs relevant to the life science industry. The CSUPERB program office is hosted at San Diego State University. CSUPERB promotes biotechnology workforce development by supporting evidence-based instructional practices, real-world research experiences, and programs for faculty and students at all 23 CSU campuses. The program involves

students and faculty from life sciences, physical sciences, clinical sciences, engineering, agriculture, mathematics, business and computer science departments. CSUPERB organizes the annual CSU Biotechnology Symposium and serves as the official biotechnology liaison for the CSU with government, educational, philanthropic, and industry partners.

CSUPERB recognizes that modern biotechnology preparation requires the integration of coursework, hands-on practice and participation in multi-disciplinary, team-based research projects. CSUPERB's competitive grants and awards programs support these activities systemwide. Programs include: the NSF-funded CSU I-Corps program, the Howell-CSUPERB Research Scholars Awards, the Presidents' Commission Scholar Awards, the Crellin Pauling Student Teaching Award, the Glenn Nagel Undergraduate Research Award, the Don Eden Graduate Student Research Award, Travel Grant programs for students and faculty, New Investigator Grants, Research Development Grants, Entrepreneurial Joint Venture Grants, and Biotechnology Programmatic Development Grants. These programs award more than \$800,000 to CSU faculty and students annually.

CSUPERB programs are administered by an Executive Director, a strategic planning council and a faculty consensus group, involving faculty representatives from each CSU campus. The Presidents' Commission includes presidents from San Diego State University, CSU Channel Islands, CSU Northridge, CSU San Marcos, Humboldt State University, San Francisco State University, San Jose State University, and a CSU Executive Vice Chancellor. Visit the program websites at <http://www.calstate.edu/csuperb> and <http://www.csuperb.org/csuiacorps> for more information.

Instructional Technology Services

Instructional Technology Services (ITS) provides support and leadership to the university in the effective uses of technologies for enhancing learning, facilitating research, and supporting strategic initiatives. ITS fulfills its mission by fostering collaboration and innovation with faculty and university stakeholders in the design, development, and effective use of learning environments and educational media.

ITS, located on the first floor of the Adams Humanities building, offers a variety of faculty-focused support services, including:

- Consultation, workshops, and collaboration via the SDSU Course Design Institute on the design and facilitation of effective learning experiences and environments, whether face-to-face or online;
- A Faculty Instructional Technology (FIT) Center located in Adams Humanities, Room 1109 that provides an informal environment for faculty consultations, collaboration, and development of instructional, professional, and research materials;
- Training and support for instructional software including:
 - Blackboard (web-based learning management system that allows faculty to facilitate learning online);
 - Lecture capture tools enabling faculty to record lectures from their classroom or office for students to view at their convenience;
 - Respondus (assessment building software enhancing the question pool and quiz/test functions of Blackboard), and a custom browser that locks down the testing environment within Blackboard;
 - Response system (or clickers) enabling greater interactivity in classrooms;
 - Turnitin (writing support and plagiarism prevention software available through Blackboard);
 - Collaborate (web-based conference system that enables voice interactivity and webinar capabilities through Blackboard or independently);
- Graphic, video, and multimedia consultation, design, and production;
- Assistance with design and development of instructional materials to be accessible and useful to diverse learners;
- Video conference systems for distance learning, allowing faculty to teach at SDSU and the Imperial Valley Campus (or other distant sites) simultaneously. This live, real-time, two-way audio/video communication system can also be used for research and professional development purposes;

- ITS-managed learning spaces, including a Learning Research Studio (for faculty interested in teaching in a technology-rich space and taking an inquiry-oriented approach to teaching and learning with technology.) Demand for the Learning Research Studio (LRS) is so great that plans are underway to build a second LRS by spring 2012;
- Instructional equipment loans (including laptop computers and video/data projectors, portable public address systems, digital cameras, camcorders, digital audio recorders, and much more);

For more information, call 619-594-5910 or go to <http://its.sdsu.edu>.

Instructional Services on the Callexico campus can be accessed by calling 760-768-5545 or going to East Faculty, Room 124C. On the Brawley campus, faculty members need to check with the coordinator who can be reached by calling 760-768-5787.

Smart Classrooms

For instruction using multimedia and computer technologies, smart classrooms provide user-friendly, technology-rich presentation systems. Each classroom system contains the following within a fixed instructor podium:

- Mac and Windows computers;
- Connectivity for a laptop computer;
- DVD or Blu-ray disc player;
- Visual presenter/document camera for projection of print, transparency, and three-dimensional materials.

Projection is achieved via LCD video/data projector and in larger lecture halls, a public address system with wireless microphone unit and assistive listening device are included.

As of fall 2014, 98% of the teaching spaces on campus are considered smart classrooms. Requests for smart classrooms should be made through your department or school administrative coordinator.

Office of International Programs

The Office of International Programs has responsibility for coordinating and facilitating the development of the diverse international programs and activities of the university. The Office of International Programs is the primary contact for international programs and represents the university on international matters to external agencies and institutions. The office coordinates all international faculty and student programs and serves as an information clearinghouse regarding international projects, funding opportunities, and academic programs and services that have an international component.

International Faculty Exchanges

In order to enhance the international character of instruction and research and to support efforts to become a global university, SDSU has a continuing program of faculty exchanges with partner universities worldwide. Over 150 international scholars visit the San Diego State University campus each year to pursue scholarly research, participate in academic or professional programs, and share their international perspectives with the university community.

Parking and Transportation

When possible, carpooling or use of alternate modes of transportation is recommended for the commute to campus.

Metropolitan Transit System's Green Line trolley and seven bus routes (11, 14, 15, 115, 856, 936, 955) conveniently connect the San Diego metropolitan area with service to the San Diego State University Trolley Station and Transit Center. Monthly trolley and bus passes can be purchased at the Viejas Arena Ticket Office.

Further information concerning Metropolitan Transit trolley and bus routes, fares, services, and carpool registration is available at 1-800-COMMUTE or <http://www.sdmts.com> and <http://www.ridelink.org>.

On-campus parking is by permit only and overnight parking requires an additional permit. Purchase or possession of a parking permit does not guarantee a parking space and parking is limited and available on a first come, first serve basis. Parking structures and surface lots are located on the perimeter of the campus, with the remote parking lots serviced by free shuttle vans weekday evenings (Monday through Thursday) during the academic year. Major events at Viejas Arena may require parking location adjustment.

Visitors are directed to the Parking Information Booth at the College Avenue entrance to the campus for directions to several available pay parking lots. For further information on parking at the San Diego campus, contact Parking Services, 619-594-6671. For visitor parking at the Imperial Valley Campus, call 760-768-5500.

San Diego State University Research Foundation

San Diego State University Research Foundation, incorporated in 1943, is an auxiliary organization authorized by the Education Code of the State of California. It is a nonprofit corporation chartered to augment the educational, research, and community services objectives of the university. SDSU Research Foundation serves the university in the following major areas:

- Assisting faculty and staff in developing and administering federal, state, and privately funded projects.
- Seeking funding sources, offering grant-related workshops, assisting with proposal development and submission, and interpreting agency guidelines and policies.
- Developing project budgets, obtaining university approvals, and negotiating sponsored grant and contract awards.
- Assisting with staff recruitment, and purchasing support for funded projects.
- Providing technology transfer services, protecting intellectual property, commercializing technology developed at the university, and assisting spin-out companies based on SDSU inventions.
- Identifying, acquiring, and managing real property in support of sponsored programs not housed in university facilities.
- Accounting and financial reporting support for research and project funds, scholarships, institutes, and The Campanile Foundation.

SDSU Research Foundation, as a nonprofit corporation, is governed by a board of directors in accordance with its articles of incorporation and bylaws. The principal function of the board is to establish policies and guide the corporation in achieving its objectives.

SDSU Research Foundation is located in the Gateway Center at 5250 Campanile Drive. More information is available at <http://www.foundation.sdsu.edu> or by calling 619-594-1900.

San Diego State University Press

As the scholarly press for San Diego State University, San Diego State University Press publishes works of original research, as well as other meritorious academic and creative works that will further the intellectual mission of the university. Founded in the late 1950s, San Diego State University Press is the oldest university press in the California State University system. Today, SDSU Press is guided by an editorial board made up of six scholars within SDSU's College of Arts and Letters and eight scholars from other universities. San Diego State University Press's various publication programs and imprints include: Baja California Literature in Translation, Binational Press/Editorial binacional, Code[x] Books, Hyperbole Books, The Institute for Regional Studies of the Californias, SurText, and research lectures. The current focus of the press is in these areas: Latin America and the United States-Mexico border; regional studies of the Pacific Southwest; and post-modernism. In addition to books, the press also publishes under its imprint the journals *pacificREVIEW: A West Coast Arts Review Annual* and *Poetry International*.

San Diego State University Press is controlled by an editorial committee of scholars, appointed by the SDSU senate. Financial accounting and coordination are provided by the San Diego State University Research Foundation.

Joan and Art Barron Veterans Center

The Joan and Art Barron Veterans Center, the first veterans resource center in the California State University system, operates as the primary and initial resource for most military affiliated services at San Diego State University. Keeping to our motto of “serving those who served,” the primary mission of the staff is to assist veteran, active duty, reserve, guard, and military dependent students with the following applicable federal and/or state educational benefits:

- Chapter 30 (Montgomery GI Bill – Active Duty);
- Chapter 31 (Vocational Rehabilitation and Employment);
- Chapter 33 (Post-9/11 GI Bill);
- Chapter 35 (Dependents Educational Assistance);
- Chapter 1606 (Montgomery GI Bill – Selected Reserve);
- Chapter 1607 (Reserve Educational Assistance Program);
- California Department of Veterans Affairs College Fee Waiver for Veterans’ Dependents (Cal-Vet Fee Waiver).

In order to receive GI Bill benefits while attending SDSU, the student must be regularly matriculated (or be a guest student from another institution), ensure all certified classes are required for the educational objective selected, and request to be certified every semester.

Students utilizing Chapter 33 must provide the Joan and Art Barron Veterans Center with a copy of their Certificate of Eligibility in order to have their tuition deferred pending payment from the Department of Veterans Affairs (VA). Subject to pending or new legislation, out-of-state students will have an additional fee per unit which is not covered by the GI Bill.

Students using the Cal-Vet Fee Waiver must provide a copy of the approval letter to the Joan and Art Barron Veterans Center every academic year (the letter will cover the fall, spring, and summer terms). This letter waives the basic tuition and state fees, but the student is still responsible for the campus mandatory fees.

In addition to assistance with educational benefits, several other programs and resources are available for eligible students. These include, but are not limited to:

- Access to SDSU VetSuccess on campus counselor who provides full-time assistance in all VA related aspects;
- Participation in VA work-study program allowing eligible students to work part-time while going to school;
- Assistance with VA tutorial assistance program;
- Management of first on-campus student veterans house in the country affording military affiliated students a place to study, relax, and interact with other students from a military background;
- Priority access to designated veterans living spaces on campus;
- Partnership with SDSU Student Veterans Organization which represents the cultural niche of the military student body.

For information on GI Bill eligibility, application, and usage, visit www.gibill.va.gov or call 888-442-4551.

For information about remaining entitlement, payments, and other VA-related programs, visit <http://www.ebenefits.va.gov>.

For information on the CalVet Fee Waiver, visit www.cdva.ca.gov.

For additional information about veteran services, contact the Joan and Art Barron Veterans Center at 619-594-5813, or visit <http://www.sdsu.edu/veterans>.