

## 2014 GCC FOOTBALL: A SEASON TO REMEMBER

The Glendale College football team did not win a championship or a bowl game in 2014 but it may have achieved a greater victory than one or both of those accomplishments could have provided.

By going 9-1 during the 2014 regular season before falling to a strong Palomar team 30-22 in the Patriotic Bowl Nov. 22, the Vaqueros completed a two-year stretch where they finished 15-6 in 2013-14. They not only gained the respect of their opponents but themselves as a program on the rise as their statistics and post season honors would show.

Simply put, the 2014 Vaqueros were a force on both sides of the ball and their No. 4 ranking in the Pacific Conference of the American Division shows that. Defensively, Glendale ranked as the No. 1 defense in the state where 69 schools play football and No. 1 in several categories throughout Southern California including points allowed, yards allowed, interceptions as well as fumble recoveries, sacks and touchdowns scored on defense.



Defensive back Dante Shipman earned All-American honors with eight interceptions for the Vaqs and sent a new school record with 14 over his two years at Glendale and defensive lineman David Smith was named Pacific League American Division Defensive Player of the year

as well as Region IV Defensive Player of the Year.

Offensively, the Vaqs were closely balanced between the run and the pass but led the conference in several rushing categories including rushing attempts, touchdowns, rushing first downs and also ranked first in fourth down conversions in which they converted 50 percent of their attempts.

Sophomore running back Marquise McGuire finished his career with 1,734 yards rushing and also earned All-Western State Conference First Team and All-Region IV honors for the second consecutive season.



All told, the 2014 football season goes down as one of the best ever in school history and will be something to build on for the Vaqueros for years to come.

## TRANSFERS 80% transfer rate over the past 4 years

**2014**  
Expecting 25 sophomores and five freshmen to transfer to four-year schools.

**2013**  
Nate Weston University of Alabama Birmingham  
Ricardo Macias Central Methodist University  
Noche Nwofer Faulkner University  
D'Angelo Blake Faulkner University  
Brandon Foley Dickinson State University  
Deondre Mitchell Dickinson State University  
Michael Hernandez Dickinson State University  
Andrew Cabrera Central Methodist University  
Justin Slaughter Point University  
Marcus Tappan University of Cincinnati  
Marrel Key Temple University  
Brock Kap Carthage University  
Seth Morey Grand Canyon University  
Skylar Martin Trinity Bible College

**2012**  
Collin Keoshian Illinois State University  
Matt Voland California State University, Northridge  
Richard Townsell University of La Verne  
Darren Morrow University of La Verne  
Steven Escobaza Morgan State University  
Scott Plescia North Carolina Pembroke  
Jess Reed Adams State College

**2011**  
Sam Campbell Illinois State University  
Ronnie Marquez New Mexico Highlands University  
Osa Aikhionbare Central Washington University  
Ivan Abarenov Southeast Louisiana University  
Joe Wiggan Southern Oregon University  
Timothy Broughton Tennessee State University  
Zane Archer Chapman University  
Omar Sanchez-Barrera Chapman University  
Kevin Hunter Chapman University  
Nick Leon Chapman University  
Chris Schmidt University of La Verne

**2010**  
Eddie Smith University of Texas at Kingsville  
Patrick Donahue University of Southern Oregon  
Richard Avitia Lindenwood University  
Steve Batista Western New Mexico University  
Jacob Meza Willamett University  
Matt Buckley Lindenwood University  
Cornell McTier University of Mary  
Joshua Nakamoto University of Sioux Falls  
Zach Pitkin Lockhaven University  
Reinaldo Reyes Langston University  
Jean Khajarian California State University, Northridge



# GLENDALE COLLEGE VAQUEROS



**FOOTBALL**



## GCC FACTS

**Superintendent/President**  
Dr. David Viar

**Accreditation**  
Fully accredited by the Western Association of Schools and Colleges.

**Academic Offerings**  
Associate in Arts and Associate in Science degrees and Certificates of Completion. Day, evening and weekend courses offered in college credit and noncredit education. Transfer agreements assist students enroll in courses that transfer. We encourage all transfer students to meet with a counselor to review transfer requirements.



### **Student Profile Enrollment**

Credit Students: 20,711, Noncredit Students: 8,116  
Male: 45%, Female: 55%

### **Degrees Awarded**

AA degrees: 220, AS degrees: 198, Certificates: 303

### **Transfer Numbers**

Students transferring to CSU campuses: 738,  
to UC campuses: 299  
*Above statistics taken from the 2012-2013 school year.*

### **Tuition and costs**

\$46 per unit enrollment fee  
*Fees set by state legislature. Subject to change.*  
\$181 per unit nonresident tuition  
\$18 health services fee  
\$12.50 student services fee  
\$10 student photo I.D. fee

### **Scholarships**

GCC has the largest community college scholarship program in the state. More than 500 scholarships and grants are available totaling more than \$300,000.

### **Student Activities**

More than 30 clubs and organizations give students an opportunity to explore specialized interests and serve the campus community.

### **Associated Students**

The Associated Students of Glendale Community College (ASGCC) is the official student government organization on campus, providing financial support to more than 100 campus programs and activities.



## ABOUT VAQUERO FOOTBALL

To look at Sartoris Field and watch a game under the lights and see the sun set in a perfect setting for football, it is hard to believe that the program at Glendale Community College got started way back in 1928 and has grown to what it is today over 80 years later. The Vaqueros resplendent in cardinal and gold and one of the preeminent programs in the state based not only on longevity but also for the players who made up the team's and the men who coached them.

"Once a Vaq, always a Vaq" is not just a cliché statement but more of a reminder that when you play football for the Vaqueros, you are part of a family at Glendale College that will always be there for you years after player have moved on with their lives. Since 1972 when Jim Sartoris took over as head coach, only three men have assumed that title counting John Cicuto from 1989-2007 and John Rome from 2008 to the present. That also means that on almost any day, a former Vaq could walk in the football office and he his team picture on a wall and see a coach still part of the staff and recall the good old days.

While the program at Glendale values wins and losses and championships as much as any other team in the state, the true value of playing for the Vaqueros or any

of the 16 teams that make up athletics at the college is that academics come first and the term student-athlete is taken very seriously. To wear a Glendale College football uniform is not just about being a football player with different skill sets but to be able to handle the academic rigors of taking transferable classes five days a week in the mornings, being accountable to attend meetings and practice in the afternoons and then possibly work a job in the evenings.

Since 1928, literally thousands of young men have strapped on their helmets to represent Glendale College on the gridiron but certainly a handful have reached the goal of not only transferring and earning a degree and playing for a four-year school but making it to the National Football League as a player or coach. Currently Andy Reid, who played for the Vaqs in 1976 and 1977, took over as the head coach of the Kansas City Chiefs in 2013 and lead them to the playoffs after 14 years in Philadelphia. He counts his Glendale experience as one of the most important of his life.

So if you are reading this and feel like attending Glendale Community College is the place for you to start your college career as a student-athlete, please contact Head Football Coach John Rome at **818-240-1000 x3030** or email him at **jrome@glendale.edu** to take make one of the most important decisions in your life the right decision.