

# 2007 University of San Francisco Men's Soccer Preview

2004, 2005 West Coast Conference Champions



2006 WCC Player of the Year &  
National Player of the Year  
Candidate  
Rob Valentino

# University Of San Francisco

## 2007 Men's Soccer Quick Facts

### GENERAL

Name of School .....University of San Francisco  
 Address..... 2130 Fulton Street, San Francisco, CA 94117-1080  
 Founded..... 1855  
 Enrollment .....8,000  
 Nickname..... Dons  
 School Colors ..... Green (3435) and Gold (123)  
 Home Field/Capacity .....Negoesco Stadium (3,500)  
 Surface.....FieldTurf  
 Affiliation .....NCAA Division I  
 Conference .....West Coast  
 President..... Rev. Stephen Privett, S.J.  
 Director of Athletics .....Debra Gore-Mann  
 Assoc. Athletics Director/External Relations ..... Peter Simon  
 Athletic Department Phone Number (415) 422-6891  
 Ticket Office Phone .....(415) 422-2873

### HISTORY

National Championships ..... 1966, 1975, 1976, 1980

### SPORTS INFORMATION

Assoc. A.D./External Relations ..... Peter Simon  
 Office Phone .....(415) 422-6161  
 Web Site..... www.usfdons.com  
 Sports Information Director ..... Ryan McCrary  
 Sports Information Phone Number .....415/422-6162  
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 SID Mailing Address ..... 2130 Fulton Street  
 San Francisco, CA 94117-1080

### COACHING STAFF

Head Coach .....Erik Visser  
 Alma Mater/Year..... San Francisco/1982  
 Record at School/Years ..... (63-46-8) 7th season  
 Soccer Office Phone.....(415) 422-2909  
 Best time/day to reach coach .....A.M. weekdays  
 Associate Head Coach: ..... Josh McKay  
 Assistant Coach: ..... Tyler Gottschalk  
 Goalkeeper Coach..... Eric Reed  
 Director of Soccer Operations .....Hannah Crutcher  
 Men's Soccer Trainer ..... Ron Shinault

### TEAM INFORMATION

Overall record last year (total/home/away/neutral)  
 12-7-1/6-2-0/6-5-0/0-0-1  
 Conference record/finish.....7-5-0 (2nd)  
 Highest/last ranking last year ..... 9/--  
 Letterwinners returning/lost..... 12/8

### MEDIA INFORMATION

Web Site ..... [www.USFDons.com](http://www.USFDons.com)  
 Sports Hotline .....(415) 422-2USF (2873)

### 2007 USF DONS SCHEDULE

DATE	OPPONENT	TIME
AUG. 31	VERMONT	7:00 PM
SEP. 2	ALABAMA A&M	2:00 PM
SEP. 9	SAN JOSE STATE	7:00 PM
SEPT. 14	<u>WCC-PAC 10 CLASSIC</u>	
	CALIFORNIA AT USF	7:00 PM
SEPT. 16	<u>WCC-PAC 10 CLASSIC</u>	
	USF AT STANFORD	7:00 PM
SEPT. 20	UCLA	7:00 PM
SEPT. 22	NEW MEXICO	7:00 PM
OCT. 5	*PORTLAND	7:00 PM
OCT. 7	*GONZAGA	2:00 PM
Oct. 12	*at Santa Clara (Fox Soccer Channel)	5:00 PM
Oct. 19	*at Loyola Marymount	4:00 PM
Oct. 21	*at San Diego	2:00 PM
OCT. 26	*ST. MARY'S	7:00 PM
Oct. 28	*at St. Mary's	2:00 PM
Nov. 2	*at Gonzaga	2:00 PM
Nov. 4	*at Portland	2:00 PM
NOV. 9	*SANTA CLARA	7:00 PM
NOV. 16	*LOYOLA MARYMOUNT	7:00 PM
NOV. 18	*SAN DIEGO	2:00 PM

\* WEST COAST CONFERENCE MATCH

ALL TIMES PACIFIC  
 ALL TIMES SUBJECT TO CHANGE  
 HOME GAMES PLAYED AT NEGOESCO STADIUM



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## PLAYER INFORMATION

### Field Starters (more than 50% of games) Returning (R) and Lost (L).

	Pos	Ht	Wt.	Cl	GP/GS	G-A-TP
(L) Aaron Chandler	F	6-0	150	Sr.	20-20	6-4-16
<b>(R) Ardalan Attar</b>	<b>F</b>	<b>5-11</b>	<b>160</b>	<b>Sr.</b>	<b>19-10</b>	<b>5-2-12</b>
<b>(R) Conor Chinn</b>	<b>F</b>	<b>7-11</b>	<b>170</b>	<b>So.</b>	<b>17-12</b>	<b>4-3-11</b>
<b>(R) Rob Valentino</b>	<b>D</b>	<b>6-3</b>	<b>170</b>	<b>Sr.</b>	<b>20-20</b>	<b>1-6-8</b>
(L) Matt Languis	M	5-9	160	Sr.	20-19	2-2-6
(L) Neil Stuart	M	6-2	180	Sr.	16-15	2-0-4
(L) Kevin Long	D	6-2	180	Sr.	20-20	1-2-4
<b>(R) Brandon McDonald</b>	<b>M/F</b>	<b>6-1</b>	<b>170</b>	<b>Sr.</b>	<b>13-13</b>	<b>1-1-3</b>
<b>(R) Chris Rodd</b>	<b>D</b>	<b>6-3</b>	<b>190</b>	<b>Sr.</b>	<b>20-20</b>	<b>1-0-2</b>
<b>(R) Jesse Henderson</b>	<b>M</b>	<b>5-11</b>	<b>165</b>	<b>So.</b>	<b>18-14</b>	<b>0-2-2</b>
<b>(R) Kyle Schlumpf</b>	<b>D</b>	<b>6-2</b>	<b>180</b>	<b>Jr.</b>	<b>14-11</b>	<b>0-1-1</b>
(L) Tyler Ruthven	D	6-2	180	Fr.	19-10	0-1-1

### Non-starters Returning (R) and Lost (L) - four games played minimum (includes redshirts)

	Pos	Ht	Wt.	Cl	GP/GS	G-A-TP
(L) Adam Bergman	M	5-7	160	Sr.	20-3	1-1-3
<b>(R) Jordan Keyes</b>	<b>M</b>	<b>6-2</b>	<b>200</b>	<b>Sr.</b>	<b>18-4</b>	<b>0-2-2</b>
<b>(R) Daniel DeGeer</b>	<b>M</b>	<b>5-9</b>	<b>155</b>	<b>Sr.</b>	<b>12-4</b>	<b>0-1-1</b>
<b>(R) Jeff Russell</b>	<b>M</b>	<b>6-1</b>	<b>185</b>	<b>Jr.</b>	<b>8-0</b>	<b>0-0-0</b>
<b>(R) Ben Dessard</b>	<b>M</b>	<b>5-9</b>	<b>157</b>	<b>Jr.</b>	<b>1-0</b>	<b>0-0-0</b>
(L) Chris Martinez	M	5-9	160	Sr.	1-0	0-0-0

### Keepers Returning (R) and Lost (L).

	Ht	Cl	Min	Shots Fcd	SV	GA-GAA	SO
(L) Jeremy Uhl	6-3	Sr.	1744	203	70	16-0.83	7.0
(R) Eric Conner	6-0	Jr.	101	17	6	2-1.78	0

**Hermann Award Candidate:** Rob Valentino (2006 WCC Player of the Year)

**All-Star Candidates (names only)** Rob Valentino, Ardalan Attar, Conor Chinn, Chris Rodd

**NOTE:** Players returning (R) listed by class as of fall, 2007; players lost (L) listed by class as of fall, 2006.

**2007 UNIVERSITY OF SAN FRANCISCO "DONS" NUMERICAL ROSTER**

<b>No.</b>	<b>Player</b>	<b>Pos.</b>	<b>Ht.</b>	<b>Wt.</b>	<b>Yr.</b>	<b>Exp.</b>	<b>Hometown/Previous School</b>
1	Eric Conner	G	6-0	170	Jr.	2V	Trabuco Canyon, CA/Mission Viejo HS/UCLA
2	Justin Kendro	D	5-9	155	So.	TR	Irvine, TX/Nimitz HS/U. of Maryland
3	Chris Rodd (c)	D	6-3	180	Sr.	1V	Danville, CA/William & Mary
4	Rob Valentino (c)	D	6-2	170	Sr.	3V	Cave Creek, AZ/Pinnacle HS
5	Kyle Schlumpf	D	6-2	180	Jr.	2V	Pleasanton, CA/Amador Valley HS
6	Victor Cortez	D/M	5-8	145	Fr.	HS	El Sobrante, CA/Miramonte HS
7	Brandon McDonald	F	6-1	170	Sr.	3V	Glendale, AZ/Cactus HS
8	Brian Burke	F	6-2	175	Fr.	HS	Corona del Mar, CA/Corona del Mar, HS
9	Jesse Henderson	M	5-11	165	So.	1V	West Bloomfield, MI/Lahser HS
10	Ardalan Attar	F	5-11	160	Sr.	1V	Houston, TX/San Jacinto JC
11	Conor Chinn	F	5-11	170	So.	1V	San Diego, CA/Seattle U.
12	Justin Warren	D	6-3	175	Fr.	HS	Seagoville, TX/Townview HS
14	Jordan Keyes	F	6-2	200	Sr.	3V	Vallejo, CA/Marin Academy
15	Jonathan McMullen	F	5-9	140	Fr.	HS	Lewisville, TX/Marcus HS
16	Daniel O'Donnell	F	6-4	170	Fr.	RS	Cupertino, CA/Cupertino HS
17	Daniel DeGeer	M	5-9	155	Sr.	3V	Portland, OR/Tigard HS
18	Andrew Cota	M	5-6	135	Fr.	HS	Santa Clara, CA/Bellarmino Prep
19	Rafai Eddy	F	5-11	155	Fr.	HS	Tokyo, Japan/American School in Japan
20	Jeff Penna	F	6-2	175	Fr.	HS	Danville, CA/Monte Vista HS
21	Derrick Mazariego	D	5-11	160	Fr.	HS	Walnut Creek, CA/Las Lomas HS
22	Andres Cabrera	F	5-11	145	Fr.	HS	Union City, CA/James Logan HS
23	Nick Burriel	M	5-7	155	Fr.	HS	Clovis, CA/Clovis East HS
24	Cody Mansfield	D	5-11	160	Fr.	HS	Irvine, CA/Irvine HS
25	Bryan Vancura	D	5-8	155	So.	1V	Dripping Springs, TX/Dripping Springs HS
26	Nour Ahmadein	M	5-11	160	Fr.	HS	Cairo, Egypt/Cairo American College
27	Bill Van Vleet	D	6-2	175	Fr.	HS	Anaheim, CA/ Servite HS
28	Hunter Jarrett	D	5-9	150	Fr.	RS	Battle Ground, WA/Sunset HS
29	Joseph Mallia	M	5-10	165	Fr.	RS	Northpoint, NY/Chaminade HS
30	Jeremy Coupe	G	6-4	200	Sr.	TR	Livermore, CA/Granada HS/Cal Poly
31	Bryce Boyd	G	6-2	185	Fr.	HS	Thiensville, WI/Marquette University HS
32	Jeff Leles	G	5-9	165	Jr.	2V	Sacramento, CA/Dominican University
33	Jeff Russell	F	6-1	185	Jr.	2V	Novato, CA/San Marin HS

Head Coach: **Erik Visser (7th season)**

Assistant Coach: **Tyler Gottschalk**

Dir. Of Soccer Operations: **Hannah Crutcher**

Associate Head Coach: **Josh McKay**

Goalkeeper Coach: **Eric Reed**



2006 USF MEN'S SOCCER - FINAL

U. of San Francisco Game Results (as of Jun 05, 2007)

All games

Date	Opponent	Score	Overall	Conf	Attend	Goals scored [Goalie]
Aug 25, 2006	at #11 California	W 1-0	1- 0- 0	0- 0- 0	357	TEAM (unassisted) [#1]
@ Aug 27, 2006	STANFORD	W 2-0	2- 0- 0	0- 0- 0	1012	ATTAR, Ardalan (LANGUIS, Matt;BERGMAN, Adam) [#1] BERGMAN, Adam (CHANDLER, Aaron)
Sep 03, 2006	at San Jose State	W 2-0	3- 0- 0	0- 0- 0	407	TEAM (unassisted) [#1] CHINN, Conor (KEYES, Jordan;CHANDLER, Aaron)
Sep 08, 2006	at Penn State	W 2-0	4- 0- 0	0- 0- 0	2517	LONG, Kevin (VALENTINO, Rob) [#1] LANGUIS, Matt (McDONALD, Brandon)
Sep 10, 2006	vs Ohio State	1-1 TO2	4- 0- 1	0- 0- 0		CHANDLER, Aaron (LONG, Kevin;KEYES, Jordan) [#1]
Sep 15, 2006	at Northridge	W 2-1	5- 0- 1	0- 0- 0	672	ATTAR, Ardalan (unassisted) [#1] CHANDLER, Aaron (CHINN, Conor;DeGEER, Daniel)
Sep 17, 2006	at #16 UCLA	0-2 L	5- 1- 1	0- 0- 0	746	- [#1]
* Sep 21, 2006	at Saint Mary's (CA)	0-1 L	5- 2- 1	0- 1- 0	426	- [#1]
* Sep 24, 2006	#15 SANTA CLARA	1-2 L	5- 3- 1	0- 2- 0	1323	LANGUIS, Matt (unassisted) [#1]
* Sep 29, 2006	GONZAGA	W 2-1	6- 3- 1	1- 2- 0	1211	VALENTINO, Rob (penalty kick) [#1] CHANDLER, Aaron (ATTAR, Ardalan;HENDERSON, Jesse)
* Oct 01, 2006	PORTLAND	W 3-2 OT	7- 3- 1	2- 2- 0	1005	STUART, Neil (SCHLUMPF, Kyle) [#1] CHANDLER, Aaron (CHINN, Conor;UHL, Jeremy) CHINN, Conor (unassisted)
* Oct 06, 2006	at Loyola Marymount	W 1-0	8- 3- 1	3- 2- 0	402	RODD, Chris (LANGUIS, Matt;VALENTINO, Rob) [#1]
* Oct 08, 2006	at Univ. of San Diego	W 2-1	9- 3- 1	4- 2- 0	372	ATTAR, Ardalan (unassisted) [#1] McDONALD, Brandon (VALENTINO, Rob)
* Oct 20, 2006	at #14 Santa Clara	0-1 L	9- 4- 1	4- 3- 0	1386	- [#1]
* Oct 22, 2006	SAINT MARY'S (CA)	W 1-0	10- 4- 1	5- 3- 0	1058	STUART, Neil (HENDERSON, Jesse;ATTAR, Ardalan) [#1]
* Oct 27, 2006	at Portland	1-2 L	10- 5- 1	5- 4- 0	2483	CHINN, Conor (CHANDLER, Aaron) [#1]
* Oct 29, 2006	at Gonzaga	1-2 L O2	10- 6- 1	5- 5- 0	400	ATTAR, Ardalan (CHANDLER, Aaron) [#30]
* Nov 03, 2006	UNIV. OF SAN DIEGO	W 2-0	11- 6- 1	6- 5- 0	877	CHANDLER, Aaron (VALENTINO, Rob;LONG, Kevin) [#1] CHANDLER, Aaron (CHINN, Conor)
* Nov 05, 2006	LOYOLA MARYMOUNT	W 2-1 O2	12- 6- 1	7- 5- 0	1143	CHINN, Conor (VALENTINO, Rob) [#1] ATTAR, Ardalan (RUTHVEN, Tyler;VALENTINO, Rob)
# Nov 10, 2006	#12 U. OF NEW MEXICO	0-1 L	12- 7- 1	7- 5- 0	1115	- [#1]

TEAM RECORD	W-L-T	ATTEND	Dates	Total	Average
Overall:	12- 7- 1	Total:	20	18912	946
Conference:	7- 5- 0	Home:	8	8744	1093
Home:	6- 2- 0	Away:	11	10168	924
Away:	6- 5- 0	Neutral:	1	0	0
Neutral:	0- 0- 1				
Overtime:	2- 1- 1				

## **DONS SEASON PREVIEW**

### **USF Adds Youth to Experienced Squad**

Three years ago, the University of San Francisco surprised everyone in NCAA soccer by winning the always tough West Coast Conference and once again emerging as a national soccer power.

The Dons proved it was no fluke when they captured the league title in 2005 and last season again jumped into the top-10 for the first time in more than a decade en route to their third straight NCAA berth.

As the 2007 season approaches, USF head coach Erik Visser knows the team is up to another challenge.

“The proof of success in almost anything is to maintain it,” Visser said. “This year we need to start passing the torch to a new group of players, with our upperclassmen showing the way. We have had the kind of recruiting season that will allow it to happen.

“We are blessed with a great group of seniors, starting with Rob Valentino, whom I consider to be the best player in the nation. Rob combines a high level of talent with determination and versatility. I think that he could be an All-American playing defense, midfield or up front. It is rare to have a player with that type of talent.”

The Dons will be challenged with another difficult schedule, with pre-conference games against powers UCLA, California, New Mexico, Vermont, Alabama A&M, San Jose State and Stanford. This will prepare them for an always competitive West Coast Conference slate, where they will face additional ranked teams featuring All-American players.

“There are no gimmies on this schedule, but it should prepare us for the type of competition that we will face in postseason play,” added Visser. “It will also be a treat for our fans as we play twelve great home matches.”

### **Goalkeepers**

After spending much of 2006 as an understudy for second team all-WCC goalkeeper Jeremy Uhl last season, it is time for junior Eric Conner to earn the starting goalkeeper slot. Conner transferred to USF from UCLA last season and watched Uhl play 19 of the 20 contests, playing just once himself. “Eric is an excellent ‘keeper,” said Visser, “and now he will have a chance to prove himself.”

He will be challenged by 6-5 Cal Poly senior transfer Jeremy Coupe, and standout freshman Bryce Boyd. Coupe started two games for the Mustangs last season. Redshirt Jeff Leles will provide additional depth.

### **Defenders**

USF’s defense, a strongpoint of the team in recent years, should be stronger than ever despite losing star Kevin Long and others. Last season USF led the WCC in goals against average for the second straight time.

“The combination of Valentino and fellow senior Chris Rodd, a first team all-WCC selection, in the middle is as good a pairing as you will find in collegiate soccer,” says Visser proudly.

Kyle Schlumpf also returns for his junior year after gaining significant experience last season.

Coach Visser recruited four players who have the ability to see action right away.

Helping to solidify the defense is University of Maryland transfer Justin Kendro, who has the ability to start at either central or outside back.

Two freshman that are expected to challenge for starting berths are Justin Warren from Texas, Victor Cortez from local Miramonte High School.

Young defenders who are projected to challenge for playing time are freshmen Derrick Mazariego

and Bill Van Vleet.

### **Midfielders**

USF's midfield is the unit with the most playing experience on the team.

The Dons return three seniors including All-American candidate Brandon McDonald, returning leading scorer Ardalan Attar, and the versatile Daniel DeGeer. The Dons also have a future star in sophomore Jesse Henderson.

Brandon is an intimidating force in the midfield, both attacking and defending. He possesses a shot capable of scoring from anywhere on the pitch. Attar, a junior college All-American scored five goals, including two game-winners in his first season in Green and Gold. DeGeer has improved each year at USF and before his injury last season was one of USF's hottest players.

Also expected to see action are junior Jeff Russell and redshirt Daniel O'Donnell.

### **Forwards**

Returning up front are senior Jordan Keyes and sophomore Conor Chinn, who have shown their abilities at USF. Keyes, who is a speedy attacker is coming off a great spring season, while Chinn showed his stuff as a newcomer last year when he scored four goals and was named to the All-West Coast Conference freshman team.

"We are very pleased with the recruiting class that we have brought in this season to boost the frontline," said Visser.

The Dons hope to fill the void left by departed senior Aaron Chandler with two talented freshmen in Bryan Burke and Jonathan McMullen. Burke is a hard-working player with a great instinct for scoring while McMullen's speed will stretch the defense.

Three young, talented prospects, Jeff Penna from Danville, Felipe Cabrera and Rafai Eddy may also see action.