

# MONTANA GRIZZLIES

**Missoula, Montana**  
**Enrollment: 14,207**

**Robin Pflugrad (Career 7-4)**  
2nd Year at Montana  
Pflugrad's record at Montana 7-4



## POSITION OUTLOOK FOR 2011

**QB's** - In '09 UM had to replace its #4 all-time passer (#3 tll off) Cole Bergquist. They ret'd Andrew Selle (314, 52%, 4-2) and in May they added Oregon tran PS#91 Justin Roper (4st, 952, 53%, 9-6 in 2Y there). Selle and Roper rotated the 1st 3 gm until Roper was banged up vs PSU. Selle started the rest of the ssn throwing for 3,043 (63%) with a 28-6 ratio (#4 pass eff FCS). Roper threw for 951 (58%, 8-3). LY Selle started the 1st 4 until he was inj'd (OFY) finishing with 599 (53.2%, 5-5). Roper threw for 1,885 (61.5%, 19-11, 120 rush). Both depart TY. They ret PS#177 Jordan Johnson (15-20-44) and Gerald Kemp (0 att, 244 rush) and they add Notre Dame transfer Nate Montana (PS#245. Joe's son) but this unit is down a few notches.

**RB's** - UM had to replace 2 of its top 3 rushers in '09 but ret'd 2nd mt BSC Chase Reynolds, who finished '08 with the 2nd most rush yds ever in ssn here (1583, 5.6, 22 td). Reynolds led in '09 with 1,502 (4.7, 22 td) and added 358 (9.4) rec. Reynolds led again in '10 but with just 982 (5.1) and now departs falling 3 yds short of becoming UM's all time leading rusher. Their top ret RB's are Dan Moore (42, 3.2) and Peter Nguyen (37, 2.2) and Reynolds will be difficult to replace.

**Reps** - UM lost its #2 rec in '09 but ret'd 1st tm BSC Marc Mariani (1308, 19.0,15 td) and #4 rec TE Steve Plahler (284, 11.8). Mariani led with 1,479 (18.5, 13 td, #7DC) earning AA honors. Jabin Sambrano was #2 with 512 (16.5) while Tyler Palmer was #3 (465, 12.6) and Plahler was #4 (384, 12.8). Sambrano was the only 1 of the top 4 to ret LY. UCLA trans Antwon Moutra led with 600 (16.7) while Sambrano was #2 with 584 (15.0). TY they ret 8 of their top 9 and add VST (PS#3) TE Kavaro Middleton who tran from Washington last summer.

**O-Line**- In '09 UM lost 3 s'trs but ret'd 3 OL who all started the L/7 gms, led by 2nd tm BSC LT Levi Horn. The ypg dropped to 160 (4.1), but they cut their sks allowed from a BSC worst 55 to 19 (3.8%). LY they lost three 15 gm s'trs, incl 1st tm BSC LT Horn and 1st tm BSC RG Terran Hillesland. They ret'd C Alec Verlanic (15st), LT Jon Opperud (14st) and LG Charles Burton (1st) while adding JC Stephen Sabin. They dropped again to 140 ypg rush (4.1) while the sk ttl rose to 20 (5.2%). TY they lose two 2nd tm BSC OL in C Verlanic and RG Russell Piette. They ret RT Burton (11st), LG Sabin (10st), LT Opperud (10st) and also add UNLV trans Kielby Oiland.

**D-Line**—The DL lost 3 str's in '09 but ret'd their sk leader DE Jace Palmer (8.5). While they improved rush ypg to 109 (3.4),

the sk ttl fell to 23. LY they lost two 2nd tm BSC st'rs but ret'd two 15 gm st'rs in DT Tyler Hobbs (39 tkl, 6 tfl) and DE Severin Campbell (#6 tkl'r, 10.5 tfl) along with DE Bobby Alt (19 tkl, 5 tfl) and added Wash trns Tyrone Duncan (PS#101) after spg. The rush ypg rose to 150 (3.4) but they totaled 30 sks despite losing 2nd tm BSC DE Campbell (4.5 sk) after 7 st (inj, OFY). TY they lose Campbell and DT Hobbs (8 tfl). They ret 2nd tm BSC DT Bryan Waldhauser (#7 tkl'r, 5 sk), DE Ryan Fetherston (9 tfl), DE Alt (5.5 tfl) and DT Duncan (22 tkl).



**LB Caleb McSurdy**



**LB's** - In '09 the LB unit ret'd 2 st's (#4 & #5 tk'l's) but lost their #3 tk'l'r and the ppg all'd rose from 17.8 to 19.0 LY they lost 1st tm BSC Lebscock (#1 tk'l'r) and 2nd tm BSC Brandon Fisher (#5). They ret'd OLB Alex Shaw (#4 tk'l'r) and the ppg rose again to 22.1. TY they ret'd all 3 st's in 22 tm BSC Caleb McCurdy (#1 tk'l'r), Jordan Tripp (#2) and Shaw (#4) and I expect the ppg to shrink this year.

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**SPECIAL TEAMS** - In '09 RS Mariani earned 1st Tm BSC (15.8 PR, 1 td) but departed LV. McKnight hit 15-25 (L/54), while P Sean Wren avg 41.2 (37.5 net) and both ret'd LV along with their top KR and 1st tm BSC ST Cole Lockwood. Wren was inj and RS so McKnight took over at P (38.5) while also handling FG (14-18, L/53) earning 2nd tm BSC there. Nguyen was named 1st tm BSC RS after totaling 977 ret yds. TY everyone ret incl Wren and McKnight who was a 1st DB in the CFL.

## 2011 SCHEDULE

9/3	at Tennessee
9/10	Cal Poly
9/17	Eastern Washington
9/24	at Sacramento St (HC)
10/1	Northern Colorado
10/8	at Idaho St
10/15	Portland St
10/22	at Northern Arizona
10/29	Weber St
11/5	Western Oregon
11/12	
11/19	at Montana St

**2010 RECORD:**  
**(7-4)**

**RETURNING STARTERS:**  
**OFFENSE: 7**  
**DEFENSE: 7**

**LETTERMEN:**  
Returning: 42 (16,24,2)  
Lost: 16 (9,7,0)

**2010 AVG ATTENDANCE:**  
25,448 (#2)  
**BIG SKY**

**COACHES** - Former HC Bobby Hauck left to take the UNLV head coaching job last year after going 80-17 incl 47-6 in conf play in 7 ssns. Robin Pluford took over after 1 yr here as the WR cch. He formerly was the WR cch at Oregon ('06-'08), the asst HC/OC at Wash St ('01-'05) and an asst cch here ('86-'94). OC Jonathan Smith was Idaho's QB cch ('04-'09). DC Mike Breske was the DC here ('00-'02), at Wyoming ('03-'08) and NDSU ('09). Both ret for their 2nd season.

**FORECAST** - Montana had new systems on both sides of the ball. The off ret'd 5 str's incl QB Selle and RB Reynolds but lost 5 of the 2nd rec incl AA Mariani (#7DC). They fell from #1 BSC to #3 in scoring and from #3 to #6 in ttl off. TY they ret 7 str's but lose both QB's and RB Reynolds. LY the D ret'd 5 str's and lost 6 of the 10 ttl tk's and 5 All-BSC players incl a #6DC. They went from #1 to #2 in scoring but from #2 to #1 in ttl D. TY the D ret's 7 str's and 8 of their top 11 tk's. Into '10 UM had 24 straight winning seasons, had won or shared 12 straight BSC Titles (2nd longest in FCS history) and had made the playoffs a record 17 straight yrs. While they now have 25 str winning ssn their other streaks ended. A 7-4 record is usually good for a 1st yr head man, but it was a disappointing season here. Their winning streak should continue, but how their new QB shapes up and how they close the reg ssn at rival MSU could determine if they start a new playoff streak or are at home in the postseason for a second straight season.

**STADIUM: WASHINGTON-GRIZZLY STADIUM (25,217) (#14)**  
**PLAYING SURFACE: ARTIFICIAL (SprinTurf)**

	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	9Yr Total
Straight Up	11-3	9-4	12-3	8-4	12-2	11-1	14-2	14-1	7-4	98-24
Home	7-1	6-2	10-1	5-2	8-1	7-1	9-0	9-0	5-1	66-9
Away	4-2	3-2	2-2	3-2	4-1	4-0	5-2	5-1	2-3	32-15
Playoffs	1-1	0-1	3-1	0-1	2-1	0-1	3-1	3-1	—	12-8
Conf	5-2	5-2	6-1	5-2	8-0	8-0	7-1	8-0	5-3	57-11
Non-Conf	6-1	4-2	6-2	3-2	4-2	3-1	7-1	6-1	2-1	41-13

## 2010 STATISTICAL LEADERS

RUSHING	ATT	GAIN	LOST	NET	TD	AVG	PLAYER	TKL	SKS	TFL	PBU	INT
Chase Reynolds	191	1058	76	982	8	5.1	Caleb McCurdy	112	0.5	7	2	0
Gerald Kemp	45	247	23	224	0	5.0	Jordan Tripp	99	3.5	5.5	3	1
Justin Roper	58	225	105	120	2	2.1	Erik Stoll	82	0	3	5	5
CJ Atkins	3	64	0	64	1	21.3	Alex Shaw	62	2	4.5	0	0
Jabin Sambrano	6	46	2	44	1	7.3	Brandon Dodson	53	0	3	5	1
Dan Moore	13	43	1	42	0	3.2	Jimmy Wilson	50	2	3.5	2	0
Peter Nguyen	17	42	5	37	0	2.2	Bryan Waldhauser	49	5	3	1	0
Antwon Moutra	3	26	0	26	0	8.7	Mike McCord	45	0	0.5	1	0
Bryce Carver	1	14	0	14	0	14.0	Trumaine Johnson	44	0.5	3	7	4
PASSING	ATT	COMP	PCT	YDS	TD	INT	Ryan Fetherston	40	4	5	4	0
Justin Roper	77	171	61.5	1885	19	11	Bobby Alt	40	1	4.5	3	0
Andrew Selle	27	41	53.2	599	5	5	Tyler Hobbs	33	2.5	5.5	1	0
RECEIVING	REC	YDS	AVG	TD	LONG		Severin Campbell	23	4.5	1.5	3	0
Antwon Moutra	36	600	16.7	6	58		Tyrene Duncan	22	3.5	2.5	0	0
Jabin Sambrano	39	584	15.0	3	72		Sean Murray	19	0	0	1	1
Chase Reynolds	40	333	8.3	4	42		John Kanongata'a	16	0	0.5	2	0
Sam Gratten	28	327	11.7	4	37		Braydon Schilling	14	0	1	0	0
Bryce Carver	31	261	8.4	5	29		Bo Tully	9	0	0	0	0
Greg Hardy	17	176	10.4	1	28		Donny Lisowski	8	0	0	0	0
Gerald Kemp	10	86	8.6	1	26		Andrew Badger	8	0	0	0	0
CJ Atkins	10	81	8.1	0	23		PUNT RETURNS	8	YDS	AVG	TD	
PUNTING	NO	YDS	AVG	FC	NET	BLK	Peter Nguyen	24	307	12.8	0	0
Brody McKnight	53	2043	38.5	15	31.5	10	KICK RETURNS	20	YDS	AVG	TD	
KICKING	XP	1-29	30-39	40-49	50+	TOTAL	Peter Nguyen	27	670	24.8	0	0
Brody McKnight	41-42	5-5	5-6	3-4	1-3	14-18	53	178	22.2	0	0	0

## OFFENSE - LAST 7 YEARS - DEFENSE

RET	PTS	TOTAL	DEF	OFF	YFC	PASS	PASS	YFP	SKS	TOTAL	RET	PTS	TOTAL	DEF	OFF	YFC	PASS	PASS	YFP	SKS	TOTAL
STS	FTS	OFF	DEF	RUSH	PASS	%			VS	TURN	STS	FTS	DEF	DEF	RUSH	PASS	%		VS	TURN	
5*	31.7	373	140	4.1	234	60.3	11.8	20	-7	2010	5	22.1	290	150	3.4	140	50.7	13.1	30		
6	35.8	427	160	4.1	267	61.3	11.9	19	+18	2009	6	19.0	356	109	3.4	248	59.5	18.8	23		
7*	31.8	393	175	4.3	218	59.9	12.4	55	+16	2008	3	17.8	331	136	4.2	195	54.5	18.6	32		
9	31.4	415	179	4.1	236	60.0	13.2	29	+10	2007	7	14.8	344	125	3.5	219	54.9	23.2	30		
6	27.5	367	139	3.7	227	55.2	13.3	49	+7	2006	7	16.1	266	107	3.2	160	52.8	16.6	35		
5	25.5	316	162	4.0	154	54.2	12.4	29	+13	2005	7	18.2	343	135	3.4	208	53.6	18.9	25		
7	35.7	428	150	4.0	278	67.8	12.0	34	+22	2004	5	22.6	413	125	3.6	288	59.8	18.3	41		

OFFENSE 2010 STATS BY GAME DEFENSE

UM 2010 ATT	OPPONENT	FD	Rush-YDS	AVG	CO-ATT	YDS	SKS VS	FD	Rush-YDS	AVG	CO-ATT	YDS	SKS VS	TURN
25,663	Western St	15	27-103	3.8	14-24	262	0	6	34-39	1.1	11-25	55	4	+4
8,027	at Cal Poly	19	26-49	1.9	31-49	416	3	19	55-162	2.9	9-15	178	1	-2
11,702	at E Washington	19	40-186	4.7	19-36	204	2	24	43-269	6.3	17-41	234	3	-3
25,965	Sacramento St	15	35-40	1.1	21-28	274	3	11	40-139	3.5	11-23	107	3	-2
8,105	at N Colorado	23	39-214	5.5	22-32	157	1	18	39-53	1.4	17-32	232	6	+1
25,568	Idaho St	25	39-131	3.4	36-52	345	0	12	27-51	1.9	14-35	151	4	+1
6,425	Portland St	16	34-123	3.6	17-38	172	4	18	51-277	5.4	13-20	65	1	+2
25,323	N Arizona	14	28-133	4.8	21-36	132	2	16	40-106	2.7	23-35	195	5	-1
6,782	at Weber St	18	24-111	4.6	22-39	261	1	21	68-259	3.8	13-18	129	0	-3
24,151	North Dakota	15	45-190	4.2	14-23	231	4	13	45-153	3.4	9-30	56	3	0
26,019	Montana St	19	40-259	6.5	14-26	115	0	18	44-140	3.2	11-18	138	0	-4
TOTALS		198	377-1539	4.1	231-383	2569	20	176	486-1648	3.4	148-292	1540	30	-7
AVERAGES		18.0	34-140	4.1	21-35	234	1.8	16.0	44-150	3.4	13-27	140	2.7	-0.6

2005 RESULTS		2006 RESULTS		2007 RESULTS		2008 RESULTS		2009 RESULTS		PRE#2	2010 RESULTS	POST#21
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13

	OPPONENT	RESULTS	SCORE	OPPONENT	RESULTS	SCORE	OPPONENT	RESULTS	SCORE	OPPONENT	RESULTS	SCORE	RK	OPPONENT	RESULTS	SCORE
at	Fort Lewis	55-0		at Iowa	7-41		Southern Utah	37-17		at Cal Poly	30-28			Western St	38-0	
	Oregon	14-47			South Dakota St	36-7		Fort Lewis	49-0		at Southern Utah	46-10		at UC Davis	17-10	
at	South Dakota St	7-0			Sacramento St	59-14		Albany	35-14		Portland St	29-24		#1	at Cal Poly	33-35
at	Weber St	24-19		at Portland St	26-20		Weber St	18-10		Central Washington	38-35			at Northern Arizona (OT)	41-34	#6
	Idaho St	32-10		at Eastern Washington	33-17		Eastern Washington	24-23		at Weber St	28-45			Cal Poly	35-23	
at	Eastern Washington	20-34		Northern Arizona	24-21		Sacramento St	43-7		at Eastern Washington	19-3		#14	Sacramento St	28-25	
at	Cal Poly	36-27		at Weber St	33-30	at	Sacramento St	17-3		Northern Colorado	41-20			at Sacramento St	45-30	
at	Portland St	37-16		Idaho St	23-10		Northern Colorado	52-7		Northern Arizona	45-10			Idaho St	31-10	#12
	Northern Arizona	23-0		at Northern Colorado	53-21	at	Northern Arizona	21-16		at Portland St	29-12			Northern Colorado	38-10	#11
	Sacramento St	31-14		Montana St	13-7		Portland St	34-31		Idaho St	29-10			at Montana St	33-19	#7
	Montana St	6-16		McNeese St	31-6	at	Idaho St	27-14		Montana St	35-3			South Dakota St	61-48	#7
at	Cal Poly	21-35		Southern Illinois	20-3	at	Montana St	41-20		Texas St	31-13			Stephen F Austin	51-0	
	Massachusetts	17-19		Wofford	22-23					Weber St	24-13			Appalachian St	24-17	#17
										at James Madison	35-27			+ Villanova	21-23	#14
										at Richmond	7-24			Montana St - #8	16-21	