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## GIANT HAWAIIAN READY TO GO WITH FOOTBALL GRIZZLIES IN SPRING

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Tuufuli Uperesa (to-foo-lee oo-pu-ree suh), a 6-5, 255-pound native Hawaiian, has been attending the University of Montana through winter quarter and will join Jack Swarthout's Grizzly football team for spring drills starting in April.

Uperesa, a former All-State and All-America high school football player at Aiea High School in Honolulu, transferred to the University at the start of winter quarter from Wenatchee Valley Junior College in Washington.

Grizzly assistant Wally Brown, in making the announcement, said, "We are extremely pleased and fortunate to have Tuufuli with us this year, because he was one of the most highly sought-after gridders in Washington junior college circles.

"His excellent speed and agility coupled with his blocking ability will make him a top offensive tackle prospect for us this year," Brown said.

Uperesa was an All-Washington junior college selection last year at Wenatchee.

Brown added that around 10 more junior college transfers are anticipated for spring football at the University, but said, "It is our policy not to announce any players until they are actually on campus. The other transfers will be announced starting March 25."

Brown went on to say that the transfers are being brought in only to fill immediate needs caused by graduation losses or to bolster depth in certain positions.

"We are still continuing our efforts to build a strong frosh program," he said.