



**2007 OVERALL RECORD: 1-11**  
**2007 BIG TEN RECORD: 0-8**

**QUICK FACTS**

Location: Minneapolis, Minn.  
 Population: 386,000  
 Founded: 1851  
 Joined Big Ten: 1896 (charter member)  
 First Year of Big Ten Football: 1896  
 Enrollment: 50,402  
 Nickname: Golden Gophers  
 Colors: Maroon and Gold  
 Marching Band: University of Minnesota Marching Band  
 President: Robert Bruininks  
 Director of Athletics: Joel Maturi  
 Senior Woman Administrator: Regina Sullivan  
 Faculty Representative: Richard Weinberg  
 Director of Athletic Communications: Garry Bowman  
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**COACHING STAFF**

**Head Coach:**  
 Tim Brewster (Illinois, 1983), 2nd year  
 Record at Minnesota, Years: 1-11, 1 year  
 Career Record, Years: Same

**Assistant Coaches (Position):**  
 Mike Dunbar (Assistant Head Coach/Offensive Coordinator)  
 Ted Roof (Defensive Coordinator)  
 Daniel Berezowitz (Recruiting Coordinator)  
 John Butler (Linebackers/Special Teams)  
 Tim Cross (Defensive Line)  
 Thomas Hammock (Running Backs/Assistant Recruiting Coordinator)  
 Mark Hill (Head Strength and Conditioning Coach)  
 Ronnie Lee (Secondary)  
 Derek Lewis (Tight Ends/Asst. Special Teams)  
 George McDonald (Wide Receivers)  
 Phil Meyer (Offensive Line)  
 Will Peoples (Asst. Strength & Conditioning)  
 Dan O'Brien (Director of Football Operations)

**TEAM FACTS**

Offensive Formation: Spread  
 Defensive Formation: 4-3

**2008 ROSTER BREAKDOWN**

Total No. of Letterwinners Returning: 43  
 Offense: 20  
 Defense: 20  
 Special Teams: 3

Total No. of Letterwinners Lost: 17  
 Offense: 6  
 Defense: 10  
 Special Teams: 1

Offensive Starters Returning (8)  
 RB Duane Bennett  
 RG D.J. Burris  
 WR Eric Decker  
 WR Tray Herndon\*  
 TE Jack Simmons  
 WR Ralph Spry\*  
 LG Ned Tavale  
 QB Adam Weber

Offensive Starters Lost (4)  
 LT Steve Shidell  
 C Tony Brinkhaus  
 RT Matt DeGeest  
 WR Ernie Wheelwright

Defensive Starters Returning (7)  
 DE Lee Campbell  
 CB Ryan Collado  
 LB Steve Davis\*  
 LB Deon Hightower\*  
 DT Eric Small  
 SS Kyle Theret  
 DE Willie VanDeSteege

Defensive Starters Lost (5)  
 DB Dom Barber  
 CB Jamal Harris  
 DT Todd Meisel  
 LB Mike Sherels\*  
 LB John Shevlin\*

Starting Kickers Lost (0)  
 None

\*Split time as starter

Starting Kickers Returning (2)  
 PK Joel Monroe  
 P Justin Kucek

**2007 STATISTICAL LEADERS**

PASSING	GP	Eff.	Att-Comp-Int	Pct	Yds	TD				
ADAM WEBER	12	120.80	449-258-19	57.5	2895	24				
TONY MORTENSEN	1	146.40	4-3-0	75.0	34	0				
RUSHING	GP	Att	Yds	Avg	TD	INTERCEPTIONS				
ADAM WEBER	12	146	617	4.2	5	KYLE THERET	3	72	24.0	0
Amir Pinnix	10	106	563	5.3	5	Desi Steib	2	11	5.5	0
DUANE BENNETT	10	107	460	4.1	3	Jamal Harris	2	0	0.0	0
RECEIVING	GP	Rec.	Yds	Avg	TD	DEFENSE				
ERIC DECKER	12	67	909	13.6	9	Dominique Barber	12	100	1.0-3	
Ernie Wheelwright	12	66	775	11.7	9	DEON HIGHTOWER	12	70	0.0-0	
RALPH SPRY	12	23	226	9.8	3	John Shevlin	12	63	0.0-0	
						Mike Sherels	10	55	2.5-22	
						STEVE DAVIS	11	54	0.5-3	
FIELD GOALS	FGM-FGA	Pct	Lg	Returnees in ALL CAPS						
JOEL MONROE	7-9	77.8	54							
PUNTING	No.	Yds	Avg	Long						
JUSTIN KUCEK	62	2645	42.7	61						

**2007 RESULTS**  
**1-11, 0-8 in Big Ten/11th**

Date	Score	Opponent	Attendance
Sept. 1	L, 31-32	Bowling Green (OT)	49,253
Sept. 8	W, 41-35	Miami (Ohio) (3OT)	45,383
Sept. 15	L, 39-42	vs. Florida Atlantic [1]	10,759
Sept. 22	L, 31-45	Purdue	47,483
Sept. 29	L, 7-30	No. 8/8/7 Ohio State	51,611
Oct. 6	L, 20-40	at Indiana	32,009
Oct. 13	L, 48-49	at Northwestern (2OT)	23,314
Oct. 20	L, 21-27	North Dakota State	63,088
Oct. 27	L, 10-34	at No. 19/21/21 Michigan	109,432
Nov. 3	L, 17-44	Illinois	46,604
Nov. 10	L, 16-21	at Iowa	70,585
Nov. 17	L, 34-41	No. 24/24/23 Wisconsin	59,116

[1] at Miami, Fla.

**2008 SCHEDULE**  
**7 home, 5 away**

Date	Opponent
Aug. 30	Northern Illinois
Sept. 6	at Bowling Green
Sept. 13	Montana State
Sept. 20	Florida Atlantic
Sept. 27	at Ohio State
Oct. 4	Indiana
Oct. 11	at Illinois
Oct. 25	at Purdue
Nov. 1	Northwestern
Nov. 8	Michigan
Nov. 15	at Wisconsin
Nov. 22	Iowa