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Spe ims



Keynote

Executive Director of

the Springfield-Sangamon

County Regional

Planning Commission

Norm Sims has served in the Cabinet of Illinois Governor Jim Edgar as Director of the Illinois Department of Commerce and Community Affairs; held a senior executive position with a national public policy research organization, the Council of State Governments; served two mayors as Director of Planning and Economic Development for the City of Springfield, Illinois; and served as Executive Director of a state-wide municipal economic development organization. He currently serves as Executive

Evaluators: Amy Spies & Dr.
David Bertaina

2:00-2:10

Educational Policy
Summer Jones, Angelica Ikejiaku

2:15-2:30

How We Play: Video Games Today
**Keagan Lidwell, Troy Mayer,
Mason Kling**

2:35-2:55

*Women From the Private to Public Sphere
of the Middle East*
**Taryn Pittmann, Regina Bolin,
Kaylan Mills, Sarah Baker**

3:00-3:15

Knowledge from Technology
**Andrew Maibenco, John Cook,
Christian Kohler**

9:00-10:00

Welcome

RegistrationUHB
2nd Floor Lounge

*Note: A light breakfast will be provided during
registration and available all morning in the
lounge.*

10:00 - 11:15

Morning

Discussion Sessions

UHB 2031 UHB 2033
UHB 2034 UHB 2008

11:15 - 1:15

Luncheon

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UHB 2034
Nick Kneer, Ryley Flynn, Trevor Smith

Morning S

Evaluators: Jaclyn Peterson
& Dr. Elise Lobue

10:00-10:15

*Media and Marketing Effects on Women,
Men, and Abroad*
**Alessandro Vazquez, Taylor Vazquez,
Tia Davis**

10:20-10:35

*Physically Obese, Metally Malnourished:
The Effect of Advertisement on Children*
Nick Kneer, Ryley Flynn, Trevor Smith

10:40-10:55

*Popular Cultural Tastes: How it Can Create
Different Communities*
**Joele Sydes, Beatrice Bonner, Gena
Ringhausen**

11:00-11:15

*Sensitivity Toward Gender Divisions in
Muslim Populated Countries*
**Benita Ekwonwa, Rachell Derucki,
Jessica Sheffield**

*Media and Marketing Effects on Women,
Men, and Abroad*
Alessandro Vazquez, Taylor Vazquez,

Late Afternoon

Evaluators: Jaclyn Peterson & Dr.
Ashley Kirzinger

2:00-2:05

The Benefits Sports Have on Children
Alexis Hall

2:10-2:20

Educational Curriculum
Emily Matsen, Elani Godar

2:25-2:35

*Trouble Coming: What Do We Know About
Individual & Social Causes of Violence?*
Hailey Michael, Dominic Marchiori

2:40-2:55

*Get Back in the Kitchen: Why Educated
Women in Lebanon & Iran Are Not
Prevalent in the Formal Sector*
Dani Gibbs, Eli Hahn, Emily Kroculik

3:00-3:15

*Clash of Civilization: The West's
Interactions with African & the Middle East*
**Shivani Patel, Munashe Nyamunduru,
Paul Artis**

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ate Afternoon Session 1

Evaluators: Cliff White & Dr.
Elise LoBue

2:00-2:15

Refugees: The Plight Continues
**Jeremy Lewis, Shelby Steinmeyer,
Abigail Ivancicts**

2:20-2:35

*Legislative Change and Its Effect on Female
Sexuality in the Middle East*
**Rebecca Stein, Lizzie Karras,
Paul Brobst**

2:40-2:55

*The Professional Advancements from New
Knowledge*
**Jacob Hughes, Will Teichman,
Samantha Missey**

3:00-3:15

Technology and the Economy
Ryan Rizner, Will Bates, Erik Thulien

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Morning Session 2

Evaluators: Amy Spies & Dr.
Kristi Barnwell

10:00-10:15

*Seeking Perfection: The Negative Effects of
Advertising*
**Nathan Bell, Robert Pedroza, Alyssa
Stanford**

10:20-10:35

*The Façade of Females: Women in Society
Then and Now*
**Danielle Carthell, Colleen McMahon,
Rachel Ward**

10:40-10:55

*Ignorance: The Media's Active
Participation in Ethical Fraud*
**Simon Andrews, Diego Almazan,
Davonte Sanders**

11:00-11:15

*Mass Media and its ability to Alter
Behavior: American and World Wide*
**Paul Spencer, Chaqueatta Neal, Wesley
Skym**

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Morning Session 3

Evaluators: Nikki Overcash &
Dr. Aimee Barbeau

10:00-10:15

Mass Media and Social Movements
Christopher Romero,
Madison Shane, Cystal Terrazas

10:20-10:35

A Word From Our Sponsors
Justin Brown, Amber Rowald,
Jake Seidel

10:40-10:55

*Marketing Exposed: What Powerful
Corporations Fail to Disclose*
Skyler Cox, Nick Nitti, Tiffany Chin

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Early Afternoon Session 2

Evaluators: Nikki Overcash &
Dr. David Bertaina

12:00-12:10

*Where to Draw the Line with Children's
Advertisements*
Ben Shuty, Austin Koziol

12:15-12:25

*Seeing Through the Fog:
Smoking and Disney*
Kehinde Pedro, Isabel Ly Payia

12:30-12:45

The Ignorant West
Christian Maravilla,
Neena Prabhu, Jeffrey Wittah

12:50-1:05

Empowerment is a Battle Field
Hailey Hawkins, Sam Morin,
Chelsey Witkowiak

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10:20-10:35

Early Afternoon Session 1

Evaluators: Vicki Perkins &
Dr. Aimee Barbeau

12:00-12:05

*Male and Female Homosexuality in Islam
Between 1900 and 2015*
Dani Sakach

12:10-12:25

Legal Reform for Middle Eastern Women
**Khalid Dhalla, Emma Ragland,
Claire Schaible**

12:30-12:45

*Minorities' Report: Is What you See What
You Get?*
**Jor-El Arenas, Josh Alaniz,
Oluchukwu Umesegha**

12:50-1:05

*The Ups and Downs of Women's Rights in
Islam: An Analysis of Women in Conflict*
**Tommy Geile, Alex Voight,
Jordan Neyens**

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Morning Session 4

Evaluators: Cliff White & Dr. Amie
Kincaid

10:00-10:10

News, Stereotypes, and Crime, Oh My!
Jesus Chavez, Ashely Osuma

10:15-10:25

The Media: Molding Children's Futures
Luke Smith, Kelsie Roberts

10:30-10:45

What the Media Doesn't Show
**Madisyn Coudriet, Andrew Koontz,
Bethany McGinness**

10:50-11:10

*How Mass Media Can Accurately Explain
Complex Issues, Topics, and Subjects*
**Andrew Gurican, Kevin Montano,
Mike Powell, Kaleb Pollum**

UHB 2008

