

Jason H. Valente, MS, CFRE

Jason Valente serves as the President of the Jackson College Foundation, Vice President for Advancement at Jackson College, is the Senior Executive Officer of the W.J. Maher Campus (North Campus) of Jackson College and provides executive leadership to the Jackson College Heritage Center.

Jason joined JC in April 2008. Before coming to the College, he spent five years as director of development at Schoolcraft College in Livonia, and before that worked for five years at his alma mater, Concordia University in Ann Arbor, serving as the director of institutional advancement. Originally from Novi, Michigan, Valente has lived in Jackson since 1999. He holds a bachelor's degree in business administration with majors in Management and Sociology, and a Master of Science degree in Administration; both are from Concordia University in Ann Arbor. He has held the Certified Fund Raising Executive (CFRE) certification designation since 2003.

Valente is very active in the community and serves on numerous boards and advisory committees. Valente serves on the Advisory Council of the C.S. Mott Children's Hospital and Von Voigtlander Women's Hospital at the University of Michigan Health System. Jason represents Jackson College on the Board of the Dahlem Environmental Center. In 2020, Valente was elected by the shareholders of CrossBraining Inc., to their Board of Directors. He also serves as a member of The Hurst Foundation Advisory Board, and as Trustee of the Ollhoff Educational Fund. Valente serves on the Innovation Advisory Board of the Higher Education Research and Development Institute (HERDI). Valente also serves as Vice-Chairman of the Board of Directors of Audrey's Army, a Michigan nonprofit corporation that provides for families with medically fragile children. Previously, Jason also served as Vice Chair of the Board of Directors of the Jackson School of the Arts. Valente served on the Board of Trustees of the disAbility Connections Foundation for more than 10 years. Valente served four terms on the Jackson County Hospital Finance Authority Board of Directors, including as Chairman. Additionally, Valente served as Chairman of the Board of Directors of the Council for the Prevention of Child Abuse and Neglect, was as a Commissioner of the Jackson County Parks Board of Commissioners, a member of the Board of Directors of the United Way of Jackson County, and the Board of Directors of the American Red Cross.