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Before coming to ConnectED, Jason was a Senior Program Officer for the Education and Economic Mobility Program at the Joyce Foundation. At Joyce, led the Foundation's national college- and career-readiness grant-making portfolio. He also managed the Great Lakes College and Career Pathways Partnership – a multi-state initiative to give high school students a head start on college and career.

Before Joyce, Jason worked at Jobs for the Future (JFF) and led a national policy initiative to expand Early College High Schools and dual enrollment programs – especially for students of color and youth from low-income households.

Prior to JFF, Jason was the Director of State Policy and Research for the New England Board of Higher Education and directed College Ready New England. The initiative promoted policies to improve college readiness and increase educational attainment for young people in New England.

Jason earned a bachelor's degree in history and philosophy at Boston College, a master's degree in education policy and management from the Harvard Graduate School of Education, and an MBA from the University of Chicago Booth School of Business where he was awarded a Neubauer Civic Scholarship. He also serves on the board of directors for New Moms and 3Arts