

WILBUR S. SMITH DISTINGUISHED TRANSPORTATION EDUCATOR AWARD

Anthony A. Saka, Ph.D., P.E., PTOE, PTP, FASCE (LM)



ITE—A Community of Transportation Professionals is pleased to announce that **Anthony A. Saka, Ph.D., P.E., PTOE, PTP, FASCE (LM), (F)**, has been selected to receive one of ITE’s top honors, the [Wilbur S. Smith Distinguished Transportation Educator Award](#). The purpose of this award is to recognize an educator who has made an outstanding contribution to the transportation profession by relating academic studies to the actual practice of transportation. ITE is pleased to honor the illustrious legacy of ITE’s 11th President, [Wilbur S. Smith](#) by celebrating transportation educators who help their students advance their professional development, enhance their opportunities to network with practicing transportation professionals, and become active participants in the profession.

Dr. Saka is a Professor of Transportation and Urban Infrastructure Studies in the Clarence M. Mitchell, Jr. School of Engineering at Morgan State University, a member of the historically black colleges and universities (HBCUs) in Baltimore, Maryland. With a tenure spanning several decades, he has dedicated his career to educating and mentoring the next generation of transportation professionals. Dr. Saka has profoundly influenced the curriculum and pedagogy in transportation engineering, ensuring that students are well-equipped with the knowledge and skills required to address contemporary transportation challenges.

Throughout his distinguished career, Dr. Saka has been instrumental in developing and leading numerous research projects that have significantly impacted transportation policy and practice. His work includes groundbreaking studies on traffic safety, transportation planning, and sustainable urban infrastructure. Notably, Dr. Saka's research has led to practical solutions for real-world transportation issues, such as improving traffic flow efficiency and enhancing pedestrian safety in urban areas.

Dr. Saka's innovative teaching methods have transformed the learning experience for his students. He has integrated advanced technologies and interactive learning techniques into his courses, fostering a dynamic and engaging educational environment. His commitment to student success is reflected in the many accolades he has received and the respect he commands among his peers. Under his guidance, many of his students have gone on to become leaders in the industry, further extending his legacy of excellence in transportation education.

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