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Walter P. Saukin is an Associate Professor in the Civil & Environmental Engineering Department at Manhattan College in New York City. He has expertise in the groundwater contamination arena and is active in engineering outreach to high school students on a regional and national level. Dr. Saukin holds a B.E./C.E. from the City College of New York and M.E./C.E. and Ph.D. degrees from The City University of New York. Dr. Saukin has been recognized with numerous awards, such as: the Outstanding Service Award and Arthur Sidney Bedell Award from the New York Water Environmental Association in 1987 and 1992, respectively; the LaSallian Educator of the Year Award from Manhattan College in 1999; and the New York City ACE Mentorship Program Faculty Member of the Year Award in 2006.

Dr. Saukin has been a faculty member at Manhattan College for thirty years and has served as Chair of the Civil Engineering Department for eight years. Prior to this, he was on the faculty at Lafayette College for six years. During this thirty-six year period, Dr. Saukin was involved in groundwater related research and consulting at Princeton University for seventeen years, where he also was a Visiting Professor. This work continued with a sabbatical at the University of Vermont. Dr. Saukin was also involved in many groundwater litigation cases over this twenty-year period.

Dr. Saukin has been very active in the professional societies. He began by acting as Director of the American Society of Civil Engineers (ASCE), Environmental Engineering Division National Conference in 1982, and has, for the last eleven years, hosted ASCE National Summer Programs for Minority and Women High School Students Interested in Engineering. Dr. Saukin has also served as the Executive Secretary of the New York Water Environment Association (NYWEA) for eight years. He was responsible for management of all aspects of Association business and activities. Upon leaving this position, Dr. Saukin was a primary contributor to the creation of NYWEA Student Chapters at colleges and universities across New York State. Dr. Saukin has continued to play a leadership role in introducing college students to the water environment profession for the last twenty years.

For the past twenty-five years, Dr. Saukin has been active in high school outreach to encourage students to enter the engineering profession. He began working to generate grants and hosting summer programs and year-round activities in 1982 and has continued to do so to the present. Dr. Saukin serves as an Engineering/Technology Advisor to the Yonkers School System Board of Education and has hosted summer programs for their students for the last four summers. During the summer of 2007, he directed three summer programs for three different sponsors. Dr. Saukin has integrated his high school outreach activities with the engineering profession locally by serving as a member on the New York City ACE Mentorship Program Board of Directors for the past twelve years.