**Craig Beyrouty**

Craig Beyrouty is a soil scientist who has been involved in teaching, research and extension for over 40 years. He currently serves as Dean the University of the College of Agriculture and Natural Resources at the University of Maryland in College Park, Maryland in which he oversees on-campus college-wide academics, the Maryland Agricultural Experiment Station and the state-wide University of Maryland Extension programs. Prior to his current position he served as Dean of the College of Agricultural Sciences at Colorado State University in Fort Collins, Colorado, head of Agronomy at Purdue University in West Lafayette, Indiana and was a professor at the University of Arkansas in Fayetteville, Arkansas where he taught several courses in soil science and conducted soil chemistry and plant nutrition research. Craig also mapped soils in Oregon for the Soil Conservation Service as a student trainee for two years and worked as a research scientist for Castle and Cooke Foods in Valmeyer, Illinois. Dr. Beyrouty has travelled considerably globally throughout his career, working in many countries in collaboration with numerous organizations, to address food insecurity issues in some of the poorest areas of the world.