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Short Biography:

Leonard Berry joined Clark University in Massachusetts as Professor of geography in 1970 after several years of academic appointments and research activities in Hong Kong, The University of Khartoum and the newly established University at Dar es Salaam, Tanzania. He had an established record of expertise in tropical geoscience and developing country environmental issues. At Clark he was successively Head of Department, Dean and Academic Vice President. During this time and later at FAU he joined a number of National and International committees, including the National Academy of Science, the Congressional Office of Technology Assessment, the World Bank and others. He was consultant to USAID, UNESCO, UNCCD, GEF, UNDP and other agencies. He joined FAU as Academic Vice President in 1987 and continued the international work but expanding the links to OAS, the Caribbean and Southern America. In 1993 he left the central administration and in 1994 became the first director of the Florida Center for Environmental Studies, then a State-wide center housed at FAU's Jupiter Campus. The center focused initially on Everglades and Kissimmee River restoration issues and promoted water information exchange for the hemisphere. Since 2005 the center has also addressed the pressing issues of the impacts of climate change in Florida, regionally and globally. He has continued these interests as Emeritus Professor of Geosciences since his retirement in 2014. In addition, he serves as Vice-President of Government Programs for Coastal Risk Consulting, LLC.