

“Research in Action” Podcast Instructor Guide

Use the following episode description, learning objectives, guiding questions and activity suggestions to more easily include “Research in Action” podcast episodes as a supplemental resource for your course.

Dr. Reem Hajjar on Researching Forestry [00:00-34:51]

Research in Action - Episode 126

Podcast and Episode Information

“Research in Action” is a weekly podcast about topics and issues related to research in higher education featuring experts across a range of disciplines.

On this episode of the podcast, the guest is Dr. Reem Hajjar, an Assistant Professor of Integrated Human and Ecological Systems in the Department of Forest Ecosystems and Society at Oregon State University. She is an interdisciplinary social scientist, and studies the relationship between forests and livelihoods, and how various governance mechanisms and institutions (policies, norms, and markets) shape that relationship. Most of her work to-date has taken place in tropical and sub-tropical forests, with a recent extension into the Pacific Northwest of North America. Most recently, she's been working on projects related to community-based forest management in Mexico, global reviews on community forestry and small-scale forest enterprises, gendered impacts of land grabs in Ethiopia, impacts of forest policy changes in Ghana, and cattle sector certification in Brazil.

Segment One [00:00-17:03] - In this segment, Reem describes the discipline of forestry.

Segment Two [17:04-34:51] - In this segment, Reem shares about her international research and when she decides to expand to a new research site.

Bonus Clip #1 [00:00-04:38]: Learning Multiple Languages

Bonus Clip #2: [00:00-05:41]: Extractive vs. Relational Research

Show notes and a transcript for this episode can be found at:

<http://ecampus.oregonstate.edu/research/podcast/e126/>

Learning Outcomes

By listening to this episode, students will be able to:

- Describe the discipline of forestry
- Discuss examples of areas in which can be studies within the realm of forestry
- Review recommendations for pursuing research in forestry

Guiding Questions for Listening

- How does Dr. Hajjar describe the discipline of forestry?
- What does Dr. Hajjar explain are some research areas that fall within the discipline of forestry?
- How does Dr. Hajjar describe the areas of livelihood and prosperity as they relate to forestry?
- What does Dr. Hajjar share are some of the reasons for seeking to research forestry on an international level?
- What does Dr. Hajjar explain are some of the logistics involved in researching forestry internationally?
- According to Dr. Hajjar, what appear to be some of the challenges in researching forestry?
- What are some of Dr. Hajjar's recommendations for those seeking to pursue research in forestry?
- How did Dr. Hajjar pursue learning five languages? (See also, Bonus Clip #1)
- How does Dr. Hajjar explain the difference between extractive and relational research? (See also, Bonus Clip #2)

Possible Activities

- Ask students to visit the show notes for this episode (<http://ecampus.oregonstate.edu/research/podcast/e126/>) and look at an additional resource that is linked in connection with this episode. Students can write a short review of that resource to share with their peers.
- Ask students to visit the show notes for this episode (<http://ecampus.oregonstate.edu/research/podcast/e126/>) and post an additional resource connected to the content of the episode in the comments section.
- Have students share questions that are raised for them based on the content of this episode. What would they ask Dr. Reem Hajjar if they could?

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Notes

About the Research in Action Podcast

“Research in Action” (RIA) is a podcast about topics and issues related to research in higher education featuring experts across a range of disciplines. Episodes are posted weekly and include guest interviews and occasional solo episodes. Guests are from a range of higher education institutions and share their expertise on qualitative, quantitative and mixed methods as well as their personal experiences as researchers, research and writing practices, organizational and productivity strategies, and much more. Some weeks, bonus content will also be posted.

“Research in Action” is hosted by [Dr. Katie Linder](#), research director for Oregon State University Ecampus.

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