

Deep Shenoy: Hello and welcome to Open Education Rising, a podcast about practical approaches to grow and improve open education. I'm your host Deep Shenoy. This is episode one, and it's a short teaser for the coming episodes. I wanted to say a little bit about why I'm creating this podcast. I'm an open education advocate and I'm not alone. Open education has been rising because there's a passionate and growing community of people who practice it and advocate for it. It's a large diverse community and there's a lot of experimentation and innovation going on all the time. I was recently at the Open Education Conference in Niagara Falls and it was amazing how many good and different things people are doing. I was only able to listen to a fraction of the talks I was interested in. There's so much knowledge out there; it's hard to keep track of it all. With this podcast, I hope to disseminate practical insights from experts and experimenters in the open education community, so they'll be much more accessible.

Deep Shenoy: I hope to try to be as objective as I can as a podcast host. However, like anyone, my approach is informed by my own experiences, and the first several episodes will reflect my own knowledge and networks. I'm a management consultant so I tend to be most interested in topics like change agents and strategies for change. I'm based in the United States and most of my contacts are here. I work primarily with higher education systems and I'm most focused on the specific part of open education known as 'Open Educational Resources' or OER. So you'll notice that those themes come through with my first several guests.

Deep Shenoy: Over time, I intent to branch out to other open education topics beyond OER. To geographies outside the US, and to primary and secondary education. Now I'd like your help with that. In the show notes, you'll find the website for this podcast. Please drop me a note there with suggestions for topics and guests. I hope to start releasing the first few episodes of this podcast in early December 2018. If you subscribe to this podcast, your podcast player will let you know when the episodes start to drop. Thanks so much for listening, I really appreciate it. I hope you tune into my future episodes. Take care.