

A Worthy Namesake

Emmy Noether (1882–1935) was a renowned 20th century mathematician. Even though mathematical physics is partly founded on the theorem named after her and she was one of the first female German mathematicians to qualify as a professor, she never received a full professorship in Germany. Today, the DFG's Emmy Noether Programme provides outstanding academics and researchers in early career phases with a fast track to professorship.



- 1907 Doctorate
- 1919 Habilitation – with distinction
- 1922 Appointment as Professor without Chair – without remuneration
- 1928/29 Visiting professor in Moscow
- 1932 Ackermann-Teubner Memorial Award in arithmetic and algebra
- 1933 Emigration to the USA due to her Jewish heritage; taught at Bryn Mawr women's college and at Princeton

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For additional information on the programme, the proposal submission process and contact details, see the DFG website at: www.dfg.de/emmy_noether/en



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Do you have an innovative research idea and an outstanding academic track record? Would you like to conduct independent research and lead your own working group? Are you interested in pursuing a career in academic research?

The Emmy Noether Programme offers excellent researchers the opportunity to qualify for a professorship by leading an independent Emmy Noether group.



Requirement: Outstanding Qualifications at an Early Stage



In order to receive funding under the Emmy Noether Programme, applicants have to meet rigorous requirements. As a promising candidate, you will have already demonstrated that you are capable of significant accomplishments and have the potential to take on leadership tasks early on in your academic career. At the time of your proposal submission, you must be an internationally recognised upandcoming expert in your field, based either in Germany or abroad.

As a rule, you can apply up to four years after obtaining your doctorate; for licensed applicants in the fields of medicine and psychology, the maximum period is six years. Parental leave will be taken into account. Academic excellence is a further stepping stone to success, as evidenced by your doctoral degree, quality publications and any other relevant achievements. You will also be expected to have gained substantial experience of research in an international setting.

Proposal Submission Process and Funding

In your proposal, which you can submit at any time, you must describe the research project that you would like to pursue with your independent Emmy Noether Group. High standards apply here: the excellence of the project must be demonstrated in accordance with the criteria applicable in your field.

The grant period is six years. Funding includes the position for you as the leader of your independent Emmy Noether Group as well as the cost of personnel, material and other resources required to implement the project. You can also apply for an earmarked family allowance to help with childcare or care for family members when you need to attend conferences or travel for other research purposes.

Instead of applying for a position as an independent junior research group leader, researchers working in clinical practice can apply for a temporary substitute position so as to enable them to devote some of their working hours to research.

