

A Worthy Namesake

Emmy Noether (1882–1935) was a renowned mathematician from the 20th century. Although the theorem named after her is part of the basis for mathematical physics 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 scientists and early career researchers with an alternative path to professorship.



- 1907** Doctorate
- 1919** Habilitation – with exception
- 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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Emmy Noether Programme

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Do you have innovative research ideas and an outstanding scientific track record? Do you want to research independently and lead your own working group? Are you interested in a career in academic research?

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



Requirement: Early Outstanding Qualification



The requirements to receive funding are high in the Emmy Noether Programme. As a promising candidate, you have demonstrated early on in your scientific career that you are in a position to accomplish significant achievements and to undertake leadership tasks. At the time of your application, you are already an internationally recognised up-and-coming expert in your field based either in Germany or abroad.

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

Proposal Process and Funding

In your proposal, which you can submit at any time, you describe the research project that you would like to implement together with your independent junior research group. High standards are placed on your research project – its excellence must be demonstrated in accordance with the criteria applicable to your field.

The grant period is six years. Funding includes the position for you as the head of your independent junior research group and the funds for personnel, material and other resources for implementing the project. You can also apply for an earmarked family allowance to help with childcare or caring for family members when you need to attend conferences or travel for other research purposes.

Researchers working in clinical practice can apply for a temporary substitute position instead of a position as independent junior research group leader to enable them to devote part of their working hours to research.

