



Emmy Noether

(1882–1935)

Noether was born in Erlangen, Germany. She taught for a quarter century there and in Göttingen, often without pay or credit. Noether was the first female plenary speaker at the International Congress of Mathematicians (1932). Like many Jews, she left Germany following the Nazis' rise to power. She moved to Bryn Mawr College (1933), but died within three years. Her considerable legacy includes Noetherian rings in abstract algebra and the Noether Theorem in theoretical

physics. Noether supervised 16 doctoral students, two of whom were women. The Emmy Noether Lectures were established by the AWM to honor women who have made significant contributions to mathematics.

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