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Mathematics in Brazil during the first half of the 20th century: institutionalization and professionalization.

This talk will discuss the creation in Brazil of the first engineering (polytechnic) school at the end of the 19th century and the foundation of the Brazilian Academy of Sciences in the early 20th century as well as the creation of the country's first university. From these beginnings, it will examine the issue of the professionalization of mathematics in Brazil. (Received September 21, 2006)