

Curriculum Vitae

Richard Wiegandt, high school teacher specializing in mathematics and physics

I was born in Budapest, 1932.

Between 1943-1946 I studied at the Verbőczy István High School in Budapest, and between 1946-1951 at the Szilády Áron High School in Kiskunhalas. After graduating from high school in 1951, I continued my studies at the University Szeged, and in 1955 I received a secondary school teacher's certificate in mathematics and physics.

From 1955 to 1961 I was a teacher at the Orosházi Táncsics Mihály High School. In 1959 my application for Ph.D. studies at Szeged with 3 refereed English publications, was rejected by the TMB (Scientific Qualification Committee) because “the TMB sets political requirements that you do not meet.”

Stopping connection with the Authority of University Szeged, my scientific carrier started.

In 1961 I was admitted for Ph.D. studies at the University ELTE in Budapest. In my Ph.D. thesis I examined linearly compact rings, i.e. Kurosh-

Amitsur radicals of rings. With this, Galois relation and category theory, my further results were achieved.

In 1975 I obtained the degree Doctor of Mathematical Sciences issued by the Hungarian Academy of Sciences.

From 1964 to 2007 I was an employee at the Mathematical Institute of the Hungarian Academy of Sciences.

From 1966, I presented group representation theory to physics students at ELTE, which Eugen Wigner used in the production of the atomic bomb. Pakistan requested an algebra expert for the construction of a nuclear reactor, and UNESCO sent me to Islamabad.

My financial worries have ended.

As a visiting professor, I have taught and researched on all the five continents.

Australia, University of Tasmania, Hobart, (1980, 1987),

Austria, TU Wien (1973), Johannes Kepler Universität Linz (1997-98),

USA, University of Florida

Gainesville (1986), University of Southwestern Louisiana, Lafayette (1986),

South-Africa, University of Pretoria (1983),
University of Bloemfontein (1990),
Egypt, Alexandria University (1976-77),
Cairo University (1982),
Canada, University of British Columbia,
Vancouver
(1979, 1982), Dalhousie University Halifax (1983),
West Germany, TU Clausthal (1978-79),
Pakistan, UN Laissez-Passer diplomatic passport,
UNESCO Expert in Algebra at the post graduate
Islamabad University, (1970-72),
Taiwan, Cheng-Kung University, Tainan (1992-
93).

For political reasons I was unable to accept the
Humboldt Scholarship in 1968, but I was able to
work for a month each in Clausthal (1987, 1993,
2000), Düsseldorf (1987) and Tübingen (1987),
thanks to the Sonderforschungstipendium.

Awards:

1967 Memorial fee Géza Grünwald nominates by
Andor Kertész,

1998, Farkas Bólyai (sic!) Special
Curatorship.nominated by László Márki.

I am the only person in the world with the title
professor emeritus and listed as *Retired*.

Also in 1955, *Ilona Pusztai* (nicknamed as *Piri*) received her history teacher's diploma in Szeged, We have two sons, Péter (1960-), Tamás (1966-), and five grandchildren, Júlia (1989-), Eszter (1993), Márton (2002-), Márk (2003-), Ádám (2008-).

In 2023, after 68 years of love and happiness she left me - I am “*emotionaliter*” devastated.