

Vertebrate Palaeontology Excursion “Triassic of Southwestern Germany”



Image: T.Scheyer, Stuttgart Museum, Germany

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When? Spring Semester 2026; **Saturday 02.- Sunday, 03. May 2026**

Where? Vertebrate Palaeontology Collections and Museums and quarries in southwestern Germany (area around Stuttgart & Karlsruhe)

Who? The excursion is primarily aimed at advanced undergrads or Masters students. The number of participants is limited to 14.

Credit points? One ECTS credit point upon acceptance of the excursion report

Registration? Please register with Heike Götzmann, managing director of the Department of Paleontology (office room KO2 E65) by Friday, 17th April 2026, at the latest, providing the following information:

- Name
- Matriculation number
- Phone number
- Email address

!! Earth Sciences students from ETH Zurich need to also register separately to be eligible for credit point transfer !!

Important note: Please schedule an appointment with Ms. Götzmann beforehand via email or telephone at:

<https://www.pim.uzh.ch/apps/cms/pageframes/staff.php?show=77>

An excursion fee of **CHF 100** must be paid when registering. The contribution covers the costs for transport to and from Stuttgart/Karlsruhe, museum admissions, excursion handout and accommodation.

For the excursion:

We will explore the Triassic around the area of Stuttgart and Karlsruhe including visits to the two State Museums of Natural History in these two cities and visit a quarry. The Stuttgart Museum also hosts currently a special “Triassic” exhibit, whereas the Karlsruhe Museum hosts aquariums and a “Form and Function” exhibit.

What should you bring?

- Sturdy shoes/boots for the field, a pair of normal shoes for visiting the museums
- Notebook and pen
- Rain/sun protection
- Backpack and lunch rations for both days
- Camera, hand lens, and hammer (if you have one)
- necessary medication (EpiPen, etc.) – please inform us if you have a medical condition, we should be aware of

All participants must also take care of private travel and/or accident insurance.

During the two days, the meals are not included in the excursion fee and you have to bring your own lunches - since it's the weekend, we won't go shopping. On Saturday evening, we plan on staying at an accommodation/hotel and have dinner in a restaurant.

Departure: Saturday, 2nd May, 2026 at 8.30 am from the entrance area of the Natural History Museum, Karl Schmid-Strasse 4 (UZH Main Building KO2). Please be there a little earlier so that we can leave on time. Return to Zurich will be on Sunday in late afternoon or early evening, depending on the traffic.