

Hohe Tauern National Park Research Scholarship

Attention students: Research in the National Park – Apply now!

Application start: November 15, 2025

Application deadline: January 31, 2026

+ Special scholarships for the
thematic areas 'Sonnblick
Observatory' and 'Endemics'

Conditions for Participation:

- Diploma, Master's, and PhD theses from universities and universities of applied sciences/technical colleges are accepted.
- The topic of the work must have a connection to the Hohe Tauern National Park or to the Sonnblick Observatory.
- The research project must be carried out in collaboration with the Hohe Tauern National Park (cross-border or optionally within the regions of Carinthia, Salzburg, or Tyrol) or the Sonnblick Observatory.
- The topic must have been accepted by the respective university or university of applied sciences/technical college (confirmation of topic acceptance required).
- The project may have already started, but it is not a requirement. Completed projects will not be accepted.
- Submissions are only possible if the scientific work or parts of it have not already been supported by another funding provider.
- The research results and data must be made available for the purposes of the protected area management (the scientific publication will, of course, belong to the author(s)).
- The research project must be made publicly accessible once completed (e.g., through a library, the parcs.at data center, the university's website, etc.).

The following documents must be submitted by email to forschung@hohetauern.at as part of the application:

- Curriculum Vitae
- Assignment: Research Scholarship, Special Scholarship 'Sonnblick Observatory', Special Scholarship 'Endemics'
- Concept & title of the submitted work (including confirmation of the topic)
- University, institute/department, and supervisor (confirmation of supervision as a PDF)
- Preferred area in the National Park (cross-border research in the Hohe Tauern National Park or in the national park areas of Carinthia, Salzburg, or Tyrol)

Selection and Awarding of the Fellowships:

- Relevance of the work for management and research in the Hohe Tauern National Park or at the Sonnblick Observatory
- Applicability of the results for the National Park administrations or the Sonnblick Observatory

The selection of the fellows will be made by the end of February 2026, and the participants will be notified by the Hohe Tauern National Park.

The payment of all **six scholarships, each amounting to €1,500**, will be made following a written agreement.