

Schedule of Major RGC Grants
(in chronological order of internal deadline for proposal)
(for reference only)

Scheme	Internal Deadline	External Deadline
<u>Strategic Topics Grant (STG)</u>	<u>Preliminary Proposal (for internal selection):</u> Mid-August <u>Full Proposal:</u> Late December / Early January	<u>Preliminary Proposal:</u> Early September <u>Full Proposal:</u> Early-February <u>Selection Interview:</u> June
<u>Theme-based Research Scheme (TRS) and Areas of Excellence (AoE) Scheme</u>	<u>Preliminary Proposal:</u> Early September <u>Full Proposal:</u> Late January	<u>Preliminary Proposal:</u> Late September <u>Full Proposal:</u> Mid-February <u>Selection Interview:</u> Early June
<u>General Research Fund (GRF) / Early Career Scheme (ECS)</u>	Late September – Mid-October (as set by respective Panels)	Around early November
<u>Research Fellow Scheme / Senior Research Fellow Scheme</u>	<u>Preliminary Proposal (for internal selection):</u> Mid-October <u>Full Proposal:</u> Mid-November	<u>Preliminary Proposal:</u> N/A <u>Full Proposal:</u> Late November <u>Selection Interview:</u> Late May – Early June

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National Natural Science Foundation of China/RGC Joint Research Scheme <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Research Grant - Conference Grant 	<u>Preliminary Proposal (Research Grant):</u> Regular Track: Late December Fast Track: Early January <u>Full proposal (Conference Grant):</u> Regular Track: Late December Fast Track: Early January <u>Full Proposal (Research Grant):</u> April / May	<u>Preliminary Proposal (Research Grant):</u> <u>Mid- January</u> <u>Full proposal (Conference Grant):</u> Mid-January <u>Full Proposal (Research Grant):</u> June / July
National Natural Science Foundation of China/RGC Collaborative Research Scheme	<u>Preliminary Proposal (for internal selection):</u> Late December <u>Full Proposal:</u> Mid-February	<u>Full Proposal:</u> Early-March
Collaborative Research Fund (CRF) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Project Grant (PG) - Equipment Grant (EG) - Young Collaborative Research Grant (YCRG) 	<u>Preliminary Proposal:</u> Mid-February <u>Full Proposal:</u> Early July	<u>Preliminary Proposal:</u> Late February <u>Full Proposal:</u> Late July <u>Selection Interview:</u> All: Early December
Research Impact Fund (RIF)	<u>Preliminary Proposal:</u> Mid-February <u>Full Proposal:</u> Early August	<u>Preliminary Proposal:</u> Late February <u>Full Proposal:</u> Late August <u>Selection Interview:</u> Early December