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The Archway Investment Fund - Fixed Income Portfolio

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Monthly Report
Data as of 7/31/2021

Fund Objective

The primary objective of the Archway Investment Fixed Income Fund (the Fund) is to provide students in Bryant University's Fixed Income Portfolio Management course with a hands-on learning experience. The Fund launched on October 27, 2017 with \$500,000.

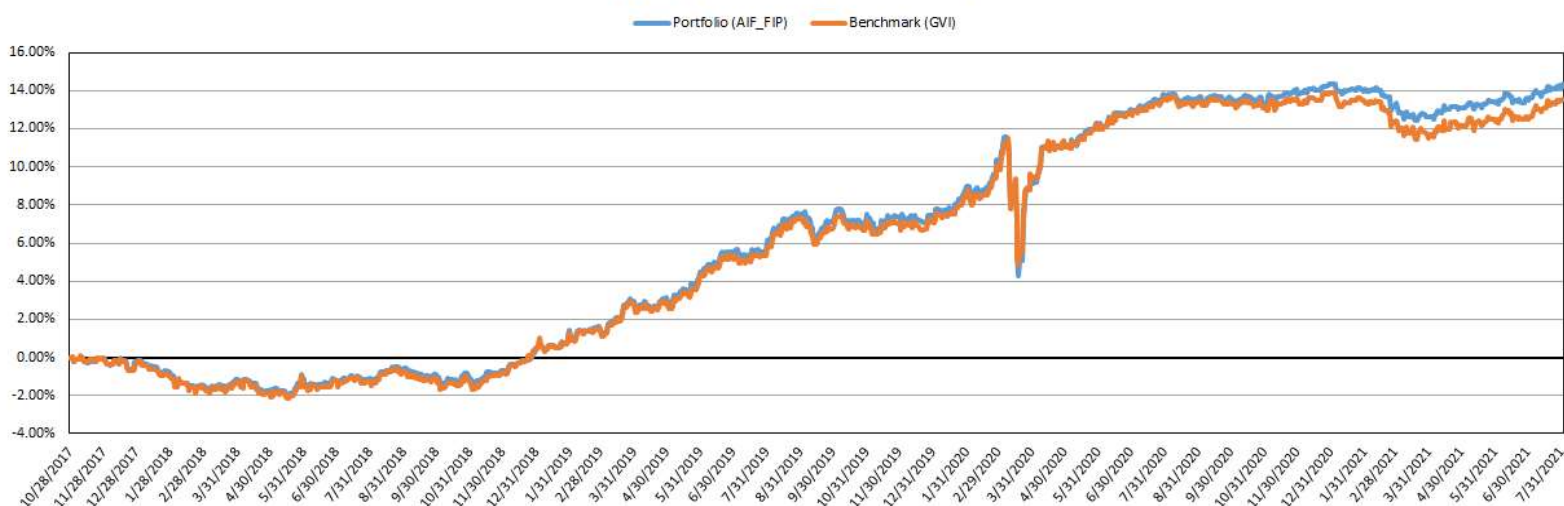
Investment Strategy

The Fund seeks returns, including both income and price appreciation, in excess of its Benchmark, while maintaining a volatility less than 120% of that of its Benchmark. The Benchmark is the Fixed Income ETF GVI, which tracks the Bloomberg Barclays Intermediate Government Credit Index. That index consists of fixed rate debt securities issued by the United States Treasury, U.S. Government Agencies, plus corporate bonds and other taxable bonds that are rated investment grade, denominated in USD, and traded in the US capital market. The index includes debt securities with maturities between 1 and 10 years. This index was chosen due to its relatively modest volatility, its wide diversification, and its common usage as a benchmark for both active and passive intermediate term fixed income portfolios. It is expected that the tracking error of the portfolio versus this benchmark, defined as the annualized standard deviation of excess returns, will be kept below 2%.

Performance Commentary

The Archway Fixed Income Portfolio returned 0.48% during July, while the benchmark returned 0.74%. The US economy continued to recover in August, but the pace of gains decelerated. Employment grew at a solid pace, but fell short of market expectations. Initial claims have stopped declining and ticked higher in July. Concerns about the spread of the delta variant of COVID-19 across the globe, coupled with economic and regulatory concerns emanating from China, had many fixed income investors seeking to risk in July. This induced a rally in the US Treasury market. The fact that the Treasuries continued to stage a flattening rally despite high reported inflation figures clearly indicates that a large number of investors want the safety and liquidity of Treasuries despite their negative real rates. The Federal Reserve is reinforcing this by keeping monetary policy extremely loose. After their July meeting, Fed Chairman Powell reiterated that policy rates will remain at the 0% to 0.25% range for an extended period of time, and that conditions necessary for beginning to reduce the size of asset purchases have not been met. However, that latter point is not shared by all members of the FOMC and a few members have publicly stated that curtailing the size of asset purchases should begin now. This is something to watch closely in the coming months. The portfolio entered the month with a duration 0.3 year shorter than the benchmark, and when the 10 year yield dipped below 1.25% a trigger set by the student PMs prior to the summer break, the duration underweight was extended to 0.5 years. The underweight is concentrated in the 5 to 10 year portion of the curve. Those duration and curve exposures contributed -0.04% and -0.03% in alpha for the month. The portfolio remains slightly overweight in investment grade corporate bonds, overweight in MBS, overweight in agency bonds, and overweight in high yield loans. These allocation decisions collectively contributed -0.01% to alpha during the month. Finally, income and security selection contributed -0.18% in alpha to the portfolio during the month. For the year thus far, the portfolio has returned -0.16%, while the benchmark returned -0.37%. Since its inception in October 2017, the portfolio has an annualized return of 3.58% and outperformed the benchmark by 0.16%.

Cumulative Return Since Inception



Investment Performance				Portfolio and Benchmark Characteristics		
Historical Returns through 7/31/2021	Portfolio	Benchmark	Excess		Portfolio	Benchmark
Since Inception Return (Cumulative since October 27, 2017)	14.16%	13.48%	0.68%	Option Adjusted Duration	3.54	4.13
Since Inception Return (Annualized)	3.58%	3.42%	0.16%	Current Yield	1.70%	1.43%
Month to Date Return	0.48%	0.74%	-0.26%	Yield to Worst	0.91%	1.01%
Academic Term to Date Return	0.67%	0.86%	-0.19%	Number of Individual Bonds Held	10	3318
Year to Date Return	-0.16%	-0.37%	0.22%	Number of ETFs Held	7	0
1 Year Trailing Return	0.36%	-0.09%	0.46%	Weight in Bonds	37.55%	99.29%
3 Year Trailing Return (Annualized)	4.90%	4.73%	0.17%	Weight in ETFs	58.84%	0.00%
5 Year Trailing Return (Annualized)	NA	NA	NA	Weight in Cash	3.61%	0.71%
				Portfolio Market Value	\$ 694,258	



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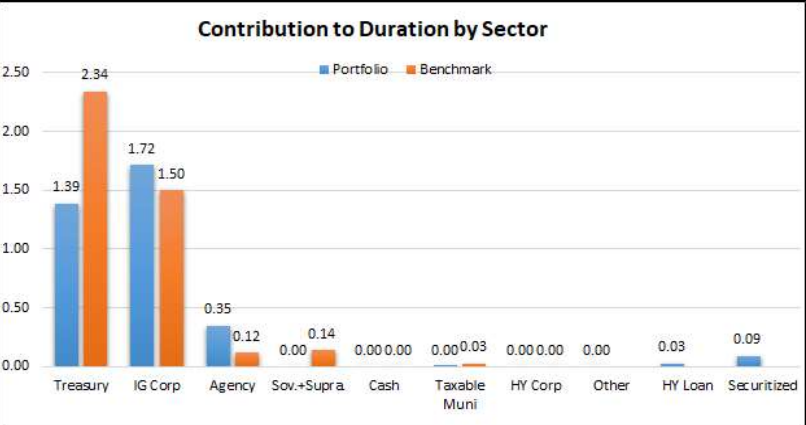
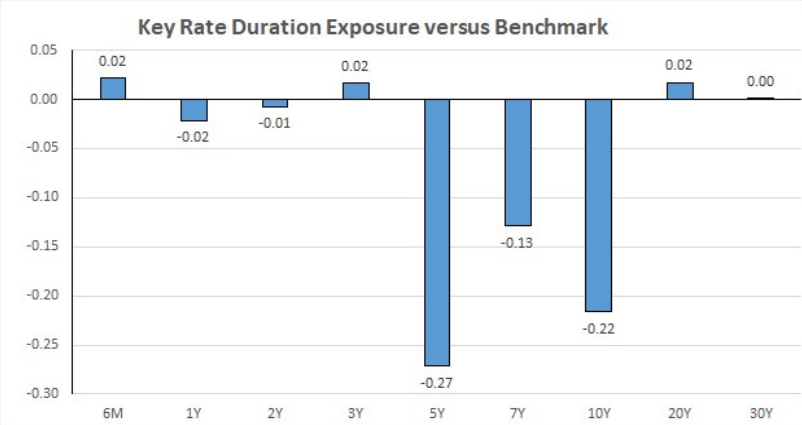
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Performance Analytics				
Historical Risk Statistics	Annualized Portfolio Volatility	Annualized Benchmark Volatility	Annualized Tracking Error	Correlation to Index
Since Inception	2.87%	3.36%	1.58%	0.88
Month to Date	1.75%	2.11%	0.80%	0.93
Academic Term to Date	1.74%	2.16%	0.79%	0.94
Year to Date	1.85%	2.61%	1.34%	0.87
1 Year Trailing	1.64%	2.24%	1.25%	0.84
3 Year Trailing	3.08%	3.60%	1.71%	0.88
5 Year Trailing	NA	NA	NA	NA
Monthly Performance Attribution Results		Portfolio	Benchmark	Excess
Total		0.48%	0.74%	-0.26%
Contribution from Duration		0.54%	0.58%	-0.04%
Contribution from Curve Exposure		0.16%	0.19%	-0.03%
Contribution from Sector Spread Duration		-0.09%	-0.08%	-0.01%
Contribution from Income and Security Specific Returns		-0.12%	0.05%	-0.18%

Portfolio Holdings				
Exchange Traded Funds	Ticker	Shares	Share Price	
iShares Intermediate (5 to 10 year) Corporate ETF	IGIB	1688.163	\$ 61.10	
iShares 3-7 Year Treasury ETF	IEI	702.175	\$ 131.74	
SPDR Bloomberg Barclays Intermediate Corporate ETF	SPIB	2244.543	\$ 36.92	
SPDR Bloomberg Barclays Short Term Corporate Bond ETF	SPSB	2624.716	\$ 31.31	
PowerShares Senior Loan Index ETF	BKLN	785.719	\$ 22.03	
SPDR Bloomberg Barclays Mortgage Backed Bond ETF	SPMB	664	\$ 25.94	
iShares 1-3 Year Treasury ETF	SHY	154	\$ 86.29	
Bonds	CUSIP	Face Value	Bond Price	
US Treasury 2.75% 02/28/2025	9128283Z1	49000	108.16	
US Treasury 2.375% 01/31/2023	9128283U2	43000	103.36	
US Treasury 2.25% 12/31/2023	912828V23	40000	104.82	
US Treasury 2.625% 3/31/2025	9128284F4	33000	107.84	
US Treasury 1.75% 11/30/2021	912828U65	25000	100.55	
FFCB 3.43% 12/06/2028	3133EJ2D0	20000	115.78	
FFCB 2.37% 2/5/2024	3133EH5S8	10000	104.71	
Federal Home LN MTG CORP Note 1.5% 2/12/2025	3137EAEP0	10000	103.51	
US Treasury 1.75% 01/31/2023	912828P38	10000	102.42	
US Treasury 1.75% 05/31/2022	912828XR6	5000	101.38	

Fidelity Government Money Market	\$	25,062.97	3.61%	0.00%	0.00%
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