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Monthly Report Data as of 2/28/2023

Fund Objective

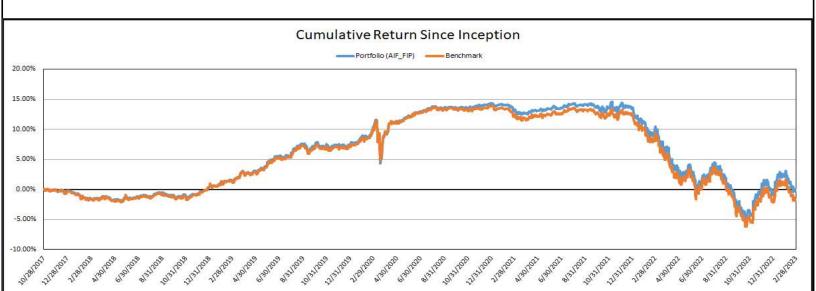
The primary objective of the Archway Investment Fixed Income Fund (the Fund) is to provide students in Bryant University's Fixed Income Portfolio Management course with a hands-on learning experience. The Fund launched on October 27, 2017 with \$500,000. After including subsequent capital inflows and outflows, the net capital contribution is \$815,000.

Investment Strategy

The Fund seeks returns from income and price appreciation, in excess of its Benchmark, while maintaining a volatility less than 120% of that of its Benchmark. The Benchmark was changed from the Fixed Income ETF GVI to the Fixed Income ETF AGG, which broadly tracks the Bloomberg Barclays Aggregate Index, on September 30, 2021. That index includes fixed rate debt securities priced in USD and traded in the US market, that are issued by the U.S. Treasury, U.S. government agencies, U.S. corporations, and taxable debt issued by sovereign, supranational and local government entities rated investment grade. It also includes highly rated MBS, CMBS and ABS securitized credit tranches. The benchmark was chosen for its diversification, and its use as a benchmark for both active and passive core fixed income portfolios. The tracking error of the portfolio versus its benchmark, defined as the annualized standard deviation of excess returns, is kept below 2%. Historical benchmark return and risk metrics use a chained return series reflecting the benchmark in use at the time.

Performance Commentary

The Archway Fixed Income Portfolio returned -2.53% during February, while the benchmark returned -2.66%, giving an excess return of 0.13%. Economic data releases during February signaled that there may be some time before interest rates peak as inflation has not fallen to the target goal of 2%. The CPI report showed that inflation rose 0.5% in January and CPI was up 6.4% from last year, which were both higher than expected. These reports have caused concerns that the fight against inflation could push the US economy into a recession later this year. There are concerns that the Federal Reserve may have to keep rates higher for longer. Markets priced in the view that the Federal Funds target rate will peak between 5.25% and 5.50%. The yield curve continued to invert throughout the month of February. The result was a bearish flattening of the Treasury yield curve with the 2-year yield up by 60 bps, the 5-year up by 56 bps, the 10-year up by 41 bps, and the 30-year up by 28 bps. The difference between the 2-year and the 10-year curve reached record levels at -89 bps. The Archway portfolio was positioned with a shorter duration than its benchmark throughout February. It was shorter in duration at most key rate points, except it is overweight duration at the 20 year point. The duration and curve exposures together contributed 0.13% in alpha for the month. The portfolio is also overweight in investment grade credit, high yield bank loans, agency debt, and MBS. It is underweight in Treasuries and the other smaller sectors within its benchmark where we cannot invest. Sector allocation contributed 0.02% to alpha during the month, while income and security selection contributed 0.01% in alpha in February. For the year thus far, the portfolio has returned 0.90%, while the benchmark returned 0.58%. Since its inception in October 2017, the portfolio has an annualized return of -0.01% and outperformed the benchmark by 0.29%. It is also worth noting that there has been a significant increase in daily return volatility in the f

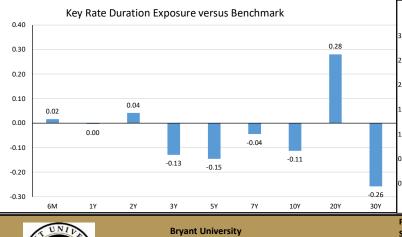


Investment Performanc	Portfolio and Benchmark Characteristics					
Historical Returns through 2/28/2023	Portfolio	Benchmark	Excess		Portfolio	Benchmark
Since Inception Return (Cumulative since October 27, 2017)	-0.06%	-1.60%	1.54%	Option Adjusted Duration	5.89	6.25
Since Inception Return (Annualized)	-0.01%	-0.30%	0.29%	Current Yield	3.46%	2.91%
Month to Date Return	-2.53%	-2.66%	0.13%	Yield to Worst	5.15%	4.90%
Academic Term to Date Return	0.90%	0.58%	0.32%	Number of Individual Bonds Held	11	10813
Year to Date Return	0.90%	0.58%	0.32%	Number of ETFs Held	13	0
1 Year Trailing Return	-9.20%	-9.69%	0.49%	Weight in Bonds	19.59%	99.42%
3 Year Trailing Return (Annualized)	-3.25%	-3.65%	0.40%	Weight in ETFs	77.02%	0.00%
5 Year Trailing Return (Annualized)	0.29%	-0.32%	0.61%	Weight in Cash	3.39%	0.58%
				Portfolio Market Value	\$ 768,780.22	

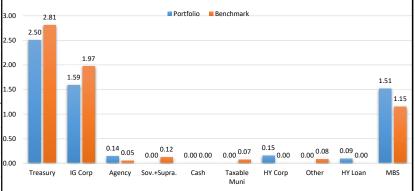


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Performance Analytics										
Historical Risk Statistics	Annualized Portfolio Volatility	Annualized Benchmark Volatility	Annualized Tracking Error	Correlation to Index	Portfolio Sector Allocation					
Since Inception	4.44%	4.73%	1.42%	0.95		and the second s	Treasur	Y		
Month to Date	6.82%	6.99%	0.86%	0.99		MBS 25.21%	28,759			
Academic Term to Date	7.25%	7.31%	0.65%	1.00						
Year to Date	7.25%	7.31%	0.65%	1.00	HY Loan					
1 Year Trailing	8.02%	8.20%	1.00%	0.99	2.33% Other					
3 Year Trailing	5.60%	5.95%	1.70%	0.96	HY Corp ^{0.00%}					
5 Year Trailing	4.56%	4.85%	1.44%	0.96	4.00%					
Monthly Performance Attribution Results		Portfolio	Benchmark	Excess	Taxable Muni					
Total		-2.53%	-2.66%	0.13%	0.00% Cash					
Contribution from Duration		-2.70%	-2.80%	0.10%	5.21%		IG Corp 30.01%			
Contribution from Curve Exposure		0.19%	0.16%	0.03%	Sov.+Supra./ 0.00%	and the second second	30.0176			
Contribution from Sector Spread Duration		-0.16%	-0.14%	-0.02%	Agence 4.499					
Contribution from Income and Security Specific Returns		0.14%	0.13%	0.01%	2-402-72	96.21				
			Portfoli	o Holdings						
Exchange Traded Funds		Ticker	Shares	Share Price	Market Value	Weight	Current Yield	Yield to Worst	Option Adj. Duration	
iShares MBS ETF		МВВ	1445.777	\$ 93.01	\$ 134,471.72	17.50%	3.23%	4.68%	5.85	
SPDR Bloomberg Barclays Short Term Corporate Bond ETF		SPSB	2473.837	\$ 29.41	\$ 72,755.55	9.47%	3.37%	5.51%	1.83	
SPDR Bloomberg Barclays Mortgage Backed Bond ETF		SPMB	3187.711	\$ 21.78	\$ 69,428.35	9.03%	3.18%	4.75%	5.41	
SPDR Bloomberg Barclays Intermediate Corporate ETF		SPIB	1925.741	\$ 31.94	\$ 61,508.17	8.00%	3.62%	5.53%	4.11	
iShares 20+ Year Treasury ETF		TLT	536.044	\$ 101.71	\$ 54,521.04	7.09%	2.95%	4.00%	17.50	
iShares ESG Aware USD Corporate Bond ETF		SUSC	1703.543	\$ 22.42	\$ 38,188.32	4.97%	3.71%	5.54%	7.10	
SPDR Barclays Capital High Yield Bond ETF		JNK	340	\$ 91.39	\$ 31,072.60	4.04%	6.70%	8.75%	3.82	
iShares Long Term (10+ year) Corporate ETF		IGLB	606.33	\$ 50.35	\$ 30,528.72	3.97%	4.55%	5.63%	12.81	
iShares Intermediate (5 to 10 year) Corporate ETF		IGIB	608.075	\$ 49.87	\$ 30,324.70	3.95%	3.71%	5.56%	6.09	
iShares 7-10 Year Treasury ETF		IEF	258.655	\$ 95.76	\$ 24,768.80	3.22%	2.46%	3.93%	7.56	
PowerShares Senior Loan Index ETF		BKLN	1053.013	\$ 20.95	\$ 22,060.62	2.87%	7.51%	8.83%	0.11	
iShares 3-7 Year Treasury ETF		IEI	117.253	\$ 114.50	\$ 13,425.47	1.75%	2.01%	4.23%	4.35	
iShares 10-20 Year Treasury ETF		TLH	88.044	\$ 109.23	\$ 9,617.05	1.25%	3.26%	4.11%	13.92	
Bonds		CUSIP	Face Value	Bond Price	Market Value	Weight	Current Yield	Yield to Worst	Option Adj. Duration	
US Treasury 2.75% 02/28/2025		9128283Z1	24000	96.05	\$ 23,054.92	3.00%	2.86%	4.82%	2.38	
US Treasury 2.25% 11/15/2027		9128283F5	25000	91.51	\$ 23,041.66	3.00%	2.46%	4.24%	4.33	
US Treasury 2.75% 11/15/2042		912810QY7	25000	81.09	\$ 20,474.75	2.66%	3.39%	4.15%	14.51	
US Treasury TIPS 0.5% 04/15/2024		9128286N5	15000	115.62	\$ 17,376.60	2.26%	0.51%	1.97%	1.09	
US Treasury 1.25% 12/31/2026		91282CDQ1	15000	89.07	\$ 13,391.62	1.74%	1.40%	4.37%	3.64	
FFCB 3.43% 12/06/2028		3133EJ2D0	12000	93.92	\$ 11,366.98	1.48%	3.65%	4.58%	5.06	
Federal Home LN MTG CORP Note 1.5% 2/12/2025		3137EAEP0	12000	93.78	\$ 11,263.46	1.47%	1.60%	4.84%	1.88	
FFCB 2.37% 2/5/2024		3133EH5S8	10000	97.31	\$ 9,748.22	1.27%	2.43%	5.31%	0.90	
US Treasury 3.125% 8/31/2029		91282CFJ5	10000	94.28	\$ 9,428.97	1.23%	3.31%	4.13%	5.74	
US Treasury 4% 12/15/2025		91282CGA3	6000	98.58	\$ 5,964.80	0.78%	4.06%	4.54%	2.58	
US Treasury 2.625% 04/15/2025		91282CEH0	5000	95.63	\$ 4,830.65	0.63%	2.74%	4.79%	2.00	
Fidelity Government Money Market					\$ 25,845.25	3.36%	3.74%	3.74%		



Contribution to Spread Duration by Sector



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