



# Intermediate Core Bond Strategy

### **Investment Overview**

Our team-based approach integrates our relative value philosophy, risk budgeting framework and fundamental security analysis.

- Target excess return: 50-100 basis points
- Target tracking error range: 75-150 bps
- Leverages broader fixed income platform resources for fundamental research, quantitative analysis, risk management and trading
- We seek to gain from the credit-risk premium while emphasising loss avoidance.
- Our process combines top-down macro assessment with bottom-up fundamental analysis, targeting active risks to sector allocations, security selection and interest rate management.
- The strategy has historically generated competitive relative risk-adjusted performance as well as low excess return correlation with most other core managers.\*

\*Source: eVestment Alliance.

#### Portfolio Construction

Constantly aware of potential upside/downside capture positioning relative to the benchmark

- Diversified portfolio of 100 to 140 issues
- Credit quality of BBB or better, with average AA+ rating
- Duration target: +/-20 % vs. index
- Maturities of up to 10 years
- Historical tracking error range of 75-150 basis points of active risk

## **Investment Team**



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### Benchmark

Benchmark: Bloomberg U.S. Intermediate Government/Credit Bond Index









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