

# INTERNATIONAL EQUITY STRATEGY

**DECEMBER 31, 2020** 

### **ORGANIZATION**

- Founded in 1995
- Dallas-based
- \$2.2 billion in managed assets
- 100% Employee-owned
- A firm wide commitment to culture and diversity
- 11 investment professionals averaging 12 years tenure and 21 years investment industry experience

### **KEYS TO SUCCESS**

- Over 25 years focused on the theory and practice of capturing unexpected earnings growth
- A portfolio construction process integrating the best of both disciplines:
  - Quantitative research to identify opportunities and risks swiftly
  - Fundamental analysis to verify sources of unexpected growth
- Delivering realized growth that is better than expected

### **Investment Process**

The investment team uses quantitative and qualitative analysis to implement a repetitive, multi-step engineering approach to portfolio management designed to identify high quality, reasonably valued companies that Smith Group believes are poised to deliver an earnings growth rate in excess of investor expectations.

### **BUY DISCIPLINE:**

Companies are closely monitored and factors considered in analysis include:

- High likelihood of growing earnings at a rate in excess of investor expectations
- Attractive and improving earnings quality
- Reasonable valuation

### **SELL DISCIPLINE:**

The sell discipline is essential to controlling portfolio risk and includes:

- Decreased likelihood of earnings growth exceeding investor expectations
- Earnings quality deteriorates
- Extended valuation

### Investment Performance (%)

	4Q 2020	1 YEAR	3 YEARS	5 YEARS	7 YEARS	9 YEARS	SINCE INCEPT
International Equity	19.2	9.0	1.6	8.5	7.2	10.8	11.6
MSCI ACWI ex-US	17.0	10.7	4.9	8.9	4.8	7.2	7.4
Excess Return	+2.2	-1.7	-3.3	-0.4	+2.4	+3.6	+4.2
Net of Fees	18.9	7.9	0.6	7.5	6.2	6.2	10.6

Inception Date: Oct. 1, 2011; periods greater than 1 year have been annualized; Peer rank v. eVestment Alliance ACWI-ex US Large Cap Equity Universe

### Strategy Facts

Inception Date	Oct. 1, 2011
Total Assets	\$92 million
# of Holdings	30-50
Inv. Vehicles	Sep. Account Mutual Fund U.S. Ltd. Partnership
Asset Allocation	99% Equity 1% Cash Equivalents
Benchmark	MSCI ACWI ex-US

# Style Objective

	Value	Blend	Growth
Large			
ΒiΑ			
Small			

# Risk/Return Statistics

	v. MSCI ACWI ex-US	Peer % Rank
Alpha	4.3	17
Beta	0.97	
Info. Ratio	0.79	31
Tracking Error	5.29	
Batting Avg.	68	23
Up/Down Mkt. Capture	123/93	21/38
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Timeframe: Oct. 1, 2011 - Dec. 31, 2020, Gross of fees.

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# Risk/Return Scatter Chart 9 1/4 Years Ended Dec. 31, 2020 Smith: Just Lg Cap MSCI: ACWI ex-US

# Strategy Characteristics

Source: eVestment

	Smith	MSCI ACWI ex-US
P/E - Fiscal Yr. 1	4.7x	22.1x
EPS Growth - Fiscal Yr. 1	-1.3%	-1.6%
Dividend Yield	2.6%	2.7%
Wtd. Avg. Mkt. Cap. (\$B)	\$46.4	\$98.9
Holdings	50	2,360

# Top Ten Holdings

Lenovo Group	Carlsberg
Dialog Semiconductor	Jd.com
Anglo American	Kia Motors
Husqvarna	Sony
Macquarie Group	Otsuka Shokai

# Sector Allocation (%)

	Smith	MSCI ACWI ex-US
Communication Svcs	4.4	6.7
Consumer Discretionary	16.1	13.4
Consumer Staples	8.8	9.5
Energy	1.7	4.2
Financials	22.2	18.2
Health Care	13.9	9.7
Industrials	8.4	11.7
Information Technology	12.4	12.8
Materials	11.4	8.1
Utilities	0.7	3.3

# Region Allocation (%)

Smith	MSCI ACWI ex-US
64.4	65.2
2.3	5.9
25.6	21.9
36.5	37.4
35.6	34.8
1.9	2.3
30.3	28.9
3.4	3.6
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