

# **Dynamic Hedged International Equity**

A CANSLIM® Strategy

**International Tactical Growth Strategy** 

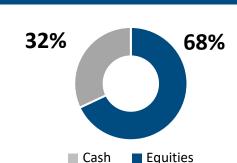
## **Strategy Overview**

Dynamic Hedged International Equity is a tactical, long-term strategy focused on capital appreciation with a secondary objective of downside protection. Invests in leading international growth equities during favorable equity environments and scales to cash to preserve gains when bear market risk is high. Positions managed through a combination of CAN SLIM® guidelines and a proprietary scoring system designed to build a comprehensive growth portfolio.

Primary Objective

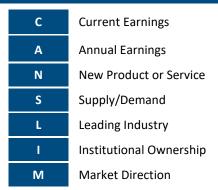
Long-Term Growth

Secondary Objective Downside Risk Protection



As of 3/31/25

## What is C-A-N-S-L-I-M?



CAN SLIM® is a system of stock analysis introduced by William O'Neil, founder of Investor's Business Daily® newspaper, and author of the best-selling book: "How to Make Money in Stocks." O'Neil carefully analyzed the top-performing stocks dating back to 1953 and identified 7 characteristics they all shared.

The 7 characteristics provide the foundation for the stock selection methodology in the CAN SLIM® Investment Program and are complemented by enhanced signals and metrics utilized by NorthCoast to deliver a long-term growth solution. NorthCoast has been IBD's exclusive partner since 2005.

## **Investment Process**

Strategy seeks long-term growth with downside risk protection through the implementation of a systematic 3-step process

Determine Equity Exposure

Goal to reduce volatility and mitigate significant losses by shifting to cash during market declines

Select Stocks

Participate in market growth by investing in top-scoring risk-adjusted growth stocks

Manage Risk

Monitor daily risk controls such as volatility, industry exposures and sell stops

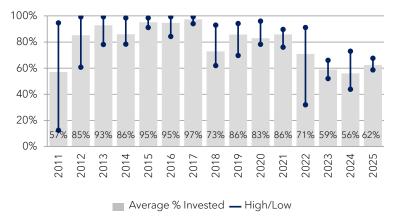
#### **Strategy Benefits**

Complementary	Low correlation to standard equity benchmarks
Defensive	Able to shift between 100% equity and 100% cash
Disciplined	Quantitatively researched and rules- based management
Transparent	Separately managed account (SMA) structure provides real-time account access

#### Management

Firm	NorthCoast Asset Management
Home Office	Greenwich, Connecticut
Account Types	All brokerage, retirement, and trust accounts welcome
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#### Historical Equity Exposure (Avg 79%)



#### Sample Holdings

Ticker	Name	Sector
Cash & Equivalents	32%	
IMBBY	Imperial Brands PLC	Communication Services
ALIZY	Allianz SE	Financial Services
ASML	ASML Holding N.V.	Technology
ADRNY	Koninklijke Ahold Delhaize N.V.	Consumer Defensive
TSM	Taiwan Semiconductor Manufacturing Company Limited	Technology

Sample holdings by weight. The list above is shown for informational purposes only. It can change and is not a recommendation to buy or sell any of these securities or to allocate a portfolio in this manner.

#### Year-Over-Year Return (Net %)

	2011*	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	YTD 2025	Total Return	Growth \$1,000,000
Dynamic Hedged International Equity	-14.7	16.1	27.8	-0.7	-9.1	0.8	23.2	-10.8	14.6	-4.4	5.2	-4.7	10.8	5.7	4.8	70.6	\$1,705,605
ACWI ex-U.S.	-18.1	16.8	15.3	-3.9	-5.7	4.5	27.2	-14.2	21.5	10.7	7.8	-16.0	15.6	5.5	5.2	78.4	\$1,784,463
70/30 International Blend	-12.7	11.9	10.6	-2.6	-3.8	3.4	18.7	-9.5	15.6	8.3	5.5	-10.7	12.7	5.6	4.0	63.9	\$1,639,203

<sup>\*2011</sup> performance results from 6/1/2011-12/31/2011.

#### Total Annualized Return (Net %)

	1-Yr	3-Yr	5-Yr	10-Yr	Inception 6/1/2011
Dynamic Hedged International Equity	8.5	5.9	9.5	2.9	3.9
ACWI ex-U.S.	6.1	4.5	10.9	5.0	4.2
70/30 International Blend	5.9	4.7	8.6	4.3	3.6

#### Risk Metrics (Since 6/1/2011 vs. ACWI ex-U.S.)

Beta	$R^2$	Standard Deviation	Correlation	Maximum Drawdown
0.89	71.0%	11.1%	0.84	-28.2%
1.00	100.0%	15.0%	1.00	-27.9%
0.70	100.0%	10.5%	1.00	-20.0%

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Benchmarks - The ACWI ex-U.S. index is a market-capitalization-weighted index maintained by Morgan Stanley Capital International (MSCI) and designed to provide a broad measure of stock performance throughout the world, with the exception of U.S.-based companies. The MSCI All Country World Index Ex-U.S. includes both developed and emerging markets. 70/30 International Blend = The blended benchmark of 70%ACWI ex-U.S. / 30% cash equivalents.

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