# Algonquin Debt Strategies Fund



The Algonquin Debt Strategies Fund is based on a simple, age-old idea: 'robbing banks'. In that, we have taken the strategies we executed for decades in the banks to create a product for Canadian investors.

The fund is designed for people that want more from their fixed income without having to sacrifice quality or transparency. Our focus is investment grade bonds, where we hedge the interest rate risk and isolate the credit component.

We believe that the credit spreads of strong, large-cap companies offer attractive yields and return potential with the security of high-quality, liquid, and understandable exposures.

For corporate accounts, the combination of our unique structure and strategies also generates tax-efficient business income.

## Our fund.

1. Yield through high-quality credit.

Isolate and leverage the credit exposure in corporate bonds. Thus, earning attractive yields with minimal interest rate risk.

2. Active credit selection and tactical trading.

Target performance and relative value in specific issuers and sectors. Seek excess returns by capitalizing on inefficiencies within bond markets.

### 3. Business income.

The limited partnership's returns are categorized as 'active business income', offering a unique tax benefit to corporate accounts.\*

## Our objectives.

- Target absolute returns of 6 9%.
- Emphasis on capital preservation.
- Diversification from traditional investments.

## Management Team



**Brian D'Costa** CFA MBA Founding Partner. President



**Raj Tandon** MA Founding Partner. Business Development.



Alexander Schwiersch CFA Partner.

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Founding Partner. Chief Investment Officer.

Partner. Portfolio Manager.



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Fund AUM \$423 million

Firm AUM \$965 million

Fundserv (Trust) CAD: AGQ200

Fundserv (LP) CAD: AGQ100

Performance fee 15% (high watermark)

Management fee 1.5%

RSP eligible Yes

Prime brokers

USD: AGQ200U

USD: AGQ100U

Liquidity Monthly (25 days notice)

TD, CIBC, BMO

**Fund** Details

#### Algonquin Debt Strategies Fund All data as at June 30, 2025

## Returns

|             | 1 mo  | 3 mo       | YTD   | 1 yr       | 3 yr   | 5 yr        | 10 yr | S.I.      |
|-------------|-------|------------|-------|------------|--------|-------------|-------|-----------|
| X Class     | 0.53% | 1.42%      | 1.69% | 7.79%      | 9.44%  | 7.23%       | 7.65% | 8.23%     |
| F Class     | 0.46% | 1.21%      | 1.35% | 6.77%      | 8.45%  | 6.35%       | nla   | nla       |
| 2015        |       | 2016       |       | 2017       |        | 2018        |       | 2019      |
| 15.86%      |       | 23.15%     |       | 8.46%      |        | -0.13%      |       | 9.99%     |
| 2020        |       | 2021       |       | 2022       |        | 2023        |       | 2024      |
| 4.44%       |       | 2.99%      |       | -1.86%     |        | 10.97%      |       | 12.54%    |
| Positive Mo | onths | Volatility | М     | lax Drawdo | own Sh | narpe Ratio | Sort  | ino Ratio |
| 80.0%       | )     | 6.6%       |       | -16.3%     |        | 1.0         |       | 1.6       |

## **Portfolio** Metrics

Ratings

AAA

AA

А

BBB

NonIG

NR

0%

| CR01     | Average           | Interest Rate | Net Credit            | Total Long |
|----------|-------------------|---------------|-----------------------|------------|
|          | Weighted Maturity | Duration      | Leverage <i>(5yr)</i> | Exposure   |
| 5.33 bps | 2.68 yrs          | 0.77 yrs      | 1.07x                 | 2.27x      |

Net

Long

Short

80%

40%

Term

<1

1~5

5~10

10 +

Prefs

0%

Has there been a significant change in connection with the Fund in June 2025?<sup>†</sup> No.

Cleared derivatives Goldman Sachs, RBC

Inception date Feb 2, 2015

Sector Communications Consumer, non-cyc. Energy Banks REITs Div. fin. Services Net Long Utilities ■ Short Other 15% 30% 0%

\*This does not constitute tax advice; investors should consult their tax advisor as to the particulars of their situation and how an active business income characterization may affect them. †For the purposes of this notice, a Significant Change is any change in the business, operations, or affairs of the Fund that is likely to affect a reasonable investor's decision to purchase or continue to hold units of the Fund. Monthly returns are shown in Canadian dollars, net of all fees and expenses. Class X is closed to new investors. Past performance is not indicative of future results. There can be no assurance that the results achieved for past investments will be achieved by the fund in the future. The Sharpe and Sortino ratios are calculated using the Bank of Canada Target Overnight Rate and 0% respectively. Please note the Fund does not have performance benchmarks and statistics are for correlations and comparative purposes only. All indices are total return and S&P data is reported in United States dollars. CR01 represents the estimated impact on the Net Asset Value expressed in basis points for a one basis point change in credit spreads across all credit positions. Total Exposure/Leverage is calculated as the total market value of all positions that are not hedges divided by the Net Asset Value. Net Credit Leverage is calculated by converting the credit exposure into a 5y duration equivalent notional which is then divided by the Net Asset Value. For a more detailed explanation, visit https://www.algonquincap.com/wp-content/uploads/2025/03/Fund-metrics.pdf

25%

Net

Long

Short

75%

50%