

STEWARD LARGE CAP CORE FUND

Profile

Fund Objective:	
Seeks to provide long-term capital appreciation	
Ticker:	
Institutional	SJCIX
Class A	SJCAX
Fund Snapshot:	
Product Inception	11/15/2021
Category	Large Blend
Performance Benchmark	Russell 1000

The Steward Large Cap Core Fund's principal investment strategy is to invest in a portfolio of large-cap equity securities, subject to the limitations of the Fund's values-based screening policies. The portfolio management team will select securities using an investment process that combines quantitative techniques, fundamental analysis and risk management. Securities generally are added to the portfolio based both on security rankings provided by multi-factor quantitative models and on fundamental analysis of the securities. The risk management process involves set parameters around issuers, sectors, industries, and risk factors as compared to a widely recognized large- and mega-cap equity index. The number of holdings in this fund averages 80-100.

Key Highlights



multiple factors monitored in relation to the benchmark and around standard deviation targets to ensure alignment with the philosophy of the strategy

Investment Process

The Fund employs a five-step process seeking long-term capital appreciation with a values-based investment approach.

1. Investable Universe	The creation of the investable universe begins with approximately 1,000 constituents of a widely recognized mid-, large-, and mega-cap equity index which is then screened based on Crossmark's values-based methodology. The focus is on the following sectors:
2. Quantitative Model	 Our multi-factor model is then used to further define the universe of investable stocks - emphasizing those with positive and improving fundamental characteristics including: Earnings quality Profitability Growth dynamics Valuation Capital deployment In addition, a values-based score is generated for each company focusing on those that support their stakeholders across multiple environmental, social, and governance categories. Inclusionary screening factors such as the promotion of social justice, family values, and the thoughtful treatment of employees, communities, and the environment are also analyzed.
3. Ranking	Third party data feeds are utilized to populate the model and can be updated daily to continually ensure we have the most accurate and current information. A combination of the fundamental and the values-based characteristics generates a composite score for each member of the investable universe. Companies are ranked based on these composites and separated into four quartiles for further analysis.
4. Fundamental Research	 Fundamental analysis assists in further narrowing the universe of investable stocks. In addition to reviewing current factors such as economic cycle positioning, yield curve steepness, and fiscal/monetary policies, we also examine companies for: Business strengths and competitive advantage Company management skill and strategy execution Financial statement analysis and projections Presence of a catalyst for change Differentiation from consensus
5. Portfolio Construction	 As part of the investment management process, constraints around the following factors are established and maintained to enhance the overall risk management of the strategy: Issuers Sectors Industries Capitalization Style (Large Cap Core) These constraints are established basis point parameters versus the benchmark. Risk factors are monitored with specific guidelines for our model portfolio around standard deviation targets. Capitalization and style constraints are established to maintain the integrity of the strategy.

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The Fund's values-based screening policies exclude certain securities issuers from the universe of otherwise available investments. As a result, the Fund may not achieve the same level of performance as it otherwise would have in the absence of the screening process. If the Fund has invested in a company that is later discovered to be in violation of one or more screening criteria and liquidation of an investment in that company is required, selling the securities at issue could result in a loss to the Fund. Further, the Fund's values-based screening policies may prevent the Fund from participating in an otherwise suitable investment opportunity.

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