

# **RP DEBT OPPORTUNITIES**

Fund Category	Long/Short Credit
Status	Closed
Target Return (Net of Fees)	6 - 8 %
Inception Date	October 2009
AUM	\$2,068 Million
Distribution Frequency	Annual (Reinvested)
Liquidity	Monthly (45 Days Notice)
Registered Accounts	Yes

## **CURRENT POSITIONING**

Modified Duration	0.7
CS01	8.08 bps
Volatility	3.22%
Months Positive	81%
Sharpe Ratio	2.5
Max Drawdown	-2.25%

## **INVESTMENT TERMS**

Minimum Investment Subsequent Investment	\$250,000 \$25,000
Management Fee	1.50%
Performance Fee	15%
Highwater Mark	Perpetual
SERVICE PROVIDERS	

Administrator	Apex Fund Services
Auditor	Deloitte LLP

## **RETURN ATTRIBUTION BY STRATEGY**

	Month	YTD	5 Years
Short Dated Income	0.49%	4.93%	3.05%
Fundamental Value	0.47%	1.07%	0.96%
Active Trading	0.22%	1.06%	2.08%

#### **FIRM OVERVIEW**

RPIA is a global fixed income asset management firm specializing in corporate bonds and active interest rate management. Founded in 2009 by a group of senior executives from RBC, the firm has grown to over \$5 billion in assets under management and 65 employees. The cornerstone of RPIA's investment philosophy is the view that credit is an inefficient asset class and we seek to add value through credit research, active trading and interest rate management. Our investment process is designed to generate best in class risk-adjusted returns regardless of overall market direction. RPIA partners and employees are significant investors in our funds to ensure alignment with our clients.

## **STRATEGY OVERVIEW**

RP Debt Opportunities ("DOF") is a long/short global investment-grade focused credit strategy that seeks to generate strong risk-adjusted returns without benchmark constraints. The strategy utilizes outright and relative value, alongside active trading, to seek absolute returns in all interest rate and credit spread environments. The strategy aims to produce a return profile with low volatility and preserve capital in down markets.

## **PERFORMANCE** (Net of Fees) \*



	1 Mo	3 Mo	6 Mo	YTD	1 Yr	3 Yr	5 Yr	10 Yr	Since Inception
RPDOF	1.17%	1.54%	3.48%	7.06%	4.65%	5.46%	6.09%	8.97%	8.97%

## **PORTFOLIO BREAKDOWN**

**GEOGRAPHIC ALLOCATION** 

SECTOR BREAKDOWN

#### **RATING ALLOCATION**



#### **PORTFOLIO MANAGEMENT**



Diversified : -9% Bank : 35% AAA : 0% • Other : 2% Non-Bank Financial : 9% AA : 6% Auto : 1% Europe : 25% Energy : 20%Health Care : 11% ■ A : 18% PETER METCALFE, CFA ■ USA : 49% Consumer : 4% BBB : 73% Portfolio Manager & Principal Communication : 12% - Canada : 24% Basic Material : 0% 20 Years Experience Sub IG and Unrated : 3% Industrial : 6% Real Estate : 9%



MICHAEL QUINN Chief Investment Officer & Principal 24 Years Experience



## MONTHLY RETURNS OF RP DEBT OPPORTUNITIES FUND TRUST (Net of Fees)

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	YTE
2019	1.82	0.80	0.63	1.22	-0.62	1.18	1.15	-0.83	1.09				6.58%
2018	0.72	-0.34	-0.29	0.58	-0.35	-0.14	0.72	0.31	0.62	-0.44	-0.99	-0.81	-0.42%
2017	1.35	1.13	0.21	0.73	0.54	0.43	0.67	-0.08	0.71	0.75	0.22	0.23	7.08%
2016	-1.33	-0.16	2.86	1.48	1.22	0.44	1.63	1.42	0.52	1.08	0.35	0.76	10.71%
2015	0.47	1.25	0.43	0.77	0.53	-0.36	0.26	-0.38	-0.27	1.21	0.67	0.26	4.92%
2014	1.00	1.13	0.40	0.51	0.81	0.55	0.32	-0.11	-0.24	-0.27	0.43	-0.08	4.54%
2013	1.49	0.94	0.81	0.96	0.66	-0.79	0.81	0.33	0.99	1.56	0.87	0.60	9.58%
2012	2.32	1.73	0.97	0.13	0.00	0.71	0.88	1.26	2.13	1.43	0.60	0.97	13.93%
2011				0.30	0.17	0.29	0.40	-1.89	-0.15	1.01	-0.64	0.47	-0.07%

#### **COMMENTARY - SEPTEMBER 2019**

•Markets were surprisingly resilient despite slowing macroeconomic data and trade uncertainties.

•The Federal Reserve lowered interest rates to help boost risk assets and the European Central Bank (ECB) announced a new stimulus package in response to a weaker economic outlook.

•Credit spreads tightened marginally through the month, even against the headwinds of a high new issuance calendar and interest rate retracement.

•Positive contributors to performance in the month were found mostly in the North American markets amongst Financials, Pipelines and TMT (Technology, Media, and Telecom) sectors.

•The Strategy's fundamental value sub-strategy continues to focus on BBB issuers who are actively de-levering and BB issuers who have near term catalysts for upgrade into investment grade territory.

• Given macroeconomic and political unknowns will persist into Q4 the strategy remains defensively positioned with lower leverage (1 68x on a 5-year equivalent basis)

#### **AWARDS**



#### **IMPORTANT INFORMATION**

\*The performance comparisons presented are intended to illustrate the historical performance of the strategy compared a specified market index since strategy inception. The comparison is for illustrative purposes only and does not imply future performance. There are various differences between an index and the investment strategy that could affect the performance and risk characteristics of each. Market indices are not directly investable and index performance does not account for fees, expense and taxes that might be applicable to an investment strategy.

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Portfolio characteristics are presented in CAD market value as a percentage of NAV. "Modified Duration" measures the approximate percentage change in value in response to a 1% change in interest rates. "CS01" is defined as the change in present value for a one basis point parallel shift in the underlying credit spread curve. "Volatility" is represented by the annualized standard deviation of returns since inception. "Months Positive" refers to the percentage of positive performing months since strategy inception. "Sharpe Ratio" is calculated using the CAD risk free rate represented by the SCM CDN Money Market Indices 91-day T-Bill (Source: FTSE Russell) and the USD risk free rate represented by Merrill Lynch 3-month T-bill (Source: Bloomberg). "Drawdown" represents the percentage loss suffered by the strategy from peak to trough. "Geographic Allocation", "Sector Breakdown" and "Rating Allocation" excludes Cash, Cash Equivalents and Federal Government Bonds. Federal Government Bonds. Federal Government of Canada, the governments of the United States of America, the United Kingdom, and Germany. "Geographic Allocation" is calculated using "Country of Risk" as defined by Bloomberg LP.

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