

# Long Credit

March 31, 2021

## Inception Date

November 1, 2008

## Total Strategy Assets<sup>1</sup>

\$22,937.9 million

## Lead Portfolio Manager

Stephen Mullin, CFA

## Strategy Vehicles

- Separately Managed Account
- Collective Investment Trust (CIT)

## Benchmark<sup>2</sup>

Bloomberg Barclays U.S. Long Credit Index

## Typical Targets<sup>3</sup>

Alpha (bps)	75 – 125
Tracking Error (bps)	100 – 125
Government (%)	0 – 20
Corporates (%)	80 – 100
Structured Product (%)	0 – 5
Plus/Non-Index Sectors (%)	0 – 15

## OUR STRENGTHS

We believe our key competitive strengths are:

- **Investment Style** — Portfolio Managers, research analysts and traders work together; focused primarily on security selection within a duration neutral portfolio.
- **Size** — Our size helps ensure sufficient diversification at the portfolio level, while being able to source new issue allocations, participate in smaller deals, and remain sufficiently nimble to reposition the portfolio as market opportunities arise.
- **Experience** — Our deep credit experience helps enable us to navigate various market cycles, looking for any market dislocations and exercising an appropriate sell discipline.

## PHILOSOPHY AND PROCESS

We believe fixed income markets are efficient with respect to interest rate risk, but regularly misprice securities that are exposed to credit, downgrade and liquidity risks.

We seek to exploit inefficiencies in the market and provide clients with excess returns to the benchmark without incurring undue risk through:

- Conducting proprietary, in-depth fundamental research
- Targeting duration-neutral portfolios
- Constructing portfolios with attractive risk / reward characteristics

## ALPHA DRIVERS

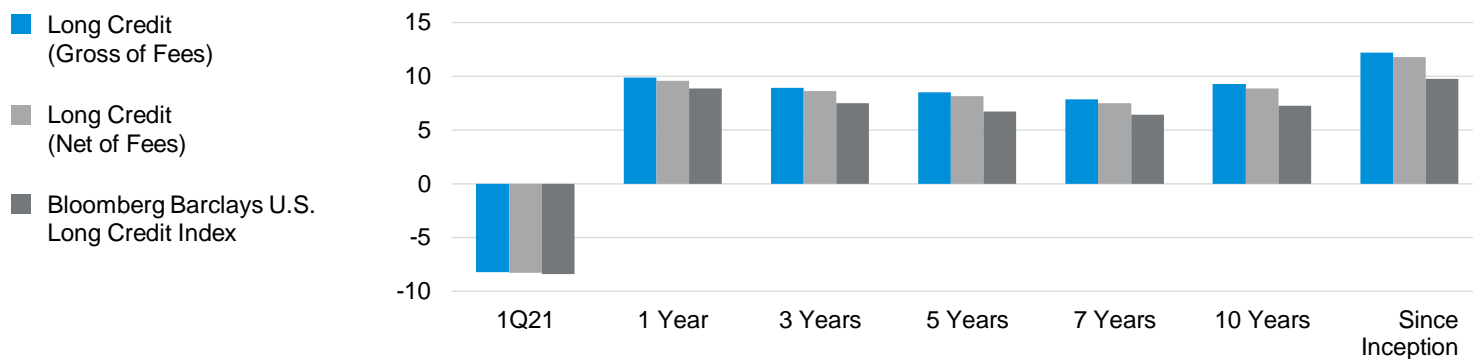
- Focus on idiosyncratic security selection to drive alpha
- We do not put a large emphasis on macro bets, such as duration and term structure
- Willing to invest in off-the-run bonds and allow our credit research team to take a deeper dive to identify value
- Emphasize specific characteristics of an issuer, industry consolidation, downgrades and upgrades, improving fundamentals, and identifiable potential catalysts
- Believe in the ability to turn the portfolio over to source new ideas at attractive levels and exit positions with rich valuations

1. Stated at estimated fair value (unaudited). Long Credit is a strategy of public fixed income assets. Total Strategy Assets for Long Credit include all assets managed by MIM in the Long Credit strategy and may include certain assets that are not included in Composite Assets (as presented in GIPS® Composite Statistics and Performance table on the following page) for Long Credit.

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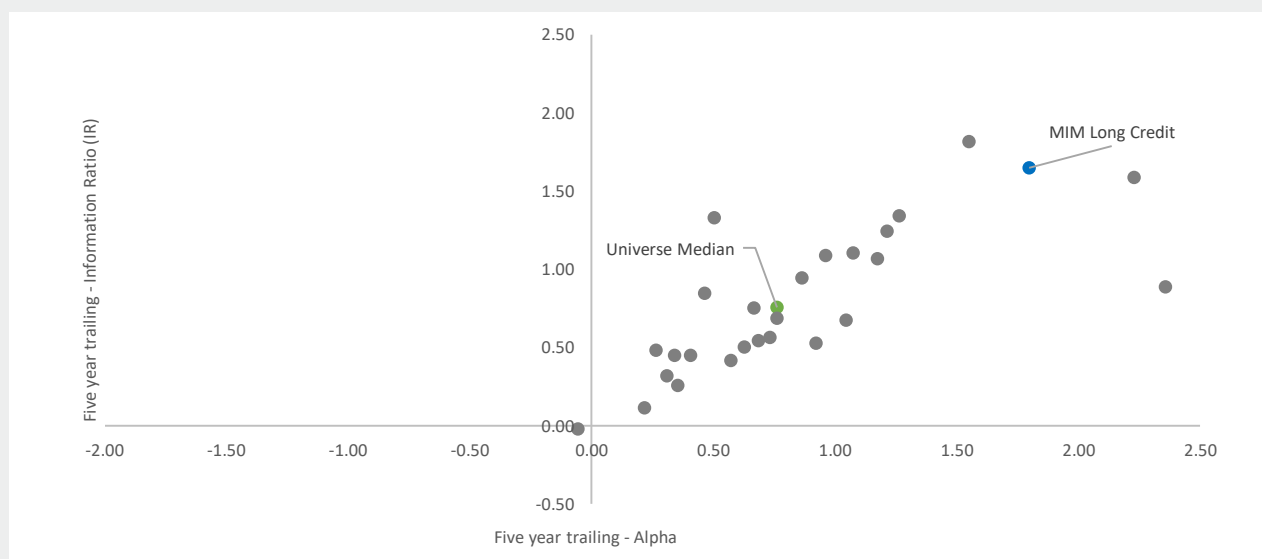
3. Any portfolio targets and/or limits are used to illustrate the Investment Manager's current intentions and may be subject to change without notice. Target Alpha is an investment objective and not a promise of future results or performance. This target is considered gross of fees and over a 3 to 5 year time horizon under normal market conditions. There can be no assurance that a portfolio will achieve its target alpha.

## COMPOSITE PERFORMANCE (%)<sup>1</sup>



	1Q21	1 Year	3 Years	5 Years	7 Years	10 Years	Since Inception
Long Credit (Gross of fees)	-8.20	9.87	8.93	8.49	7.85	9.24	12.16
Long Credit (Net of fees)	-8.27	9.54	8.60	8.14	7.50	8.88	11.78
Bloomberg Barclays U.S. Long Credit Index	-8.39	8.87	7.48	6.69	6.39	7.23	9.75
Tracking Error		0.87	1.27	1.09	1.02	1.00	1.11
Information Ratio		1.14	1.14	1.65	1.43	2.01	2.18

## 5 YEAR TRAILING ALPHA & INFORMATION RATIO<sup>2</sup>



- Past performance is not indicative of future results. Net of fee returns reflect the deduction of investment advisory fees and are calculated in the same manner as gross of fee returns. Net of fee returns are calculated using the highest fee rate disclosed in the Form ADV. Fees for separate accounts may be negotiable depending upon asset size and type of account. For additional benchmark disclosure, please see the GIPS® disclosures at the end of this presentation. Tracking error is calculated by subtracting the return of a specified benchmark from the manager's return for each period and then calculating the standard deviation of those differences. Information ratio is the return of the portfolio minus the return of the benchmark divided by tracking error.
- The eVestment Universe ranking is calculated by eVestment using investment performance returns gross of fees and strategy descriptions self-reported by participating investment managers and are not verified or guaranteed by eVestment. eVestment defines each Universe and selects the participating managers for the Universe it determines have similar investment strategies. The Universe ranking uses gross performance as manager fees may vary so that returns will be reduced when advisory fees are deducted. Performance returns for periods greater than one year are annualized. Additional information regarding net performance rankings is available upon request. The reports of the Universe percentile ranks were sourced on April 22, 2021 and represent 91% of the reported eVestment Long Duration Credit Fixed Income Universe as of that date. MIM has not verified and cannot verify the information from outside sources. eVestment calculates Alpha by subtracting the return of a specified benchmark from the manager's return and Information Ratio by subtracting the return of the benchmark from the return of the portfolio divided by tracking error.

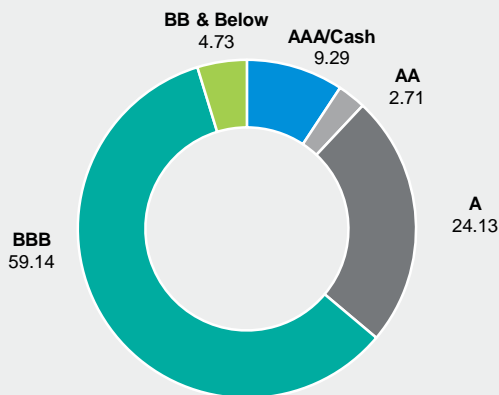
## STRATEGY CHARACTERISTICS<sup>1</sup>

	Yield To Maturity (%)	Effective Duration (years)	Average Credit Quality
<b>Long Credit Fixed Income</b>	<b>3.82</b>	<b>14.52</b>	<b>A3 / BBB+</b>
Bloomberg Barclays U.S. Long Credit Index	3.45	14.43	A3 / A-

## SECTOR POSITIONING<sup>1</sup>

	Market Value (%)		Contribution to Duration (years)	
	Long Credit Fixed Income	Bloomberg Barclays U.S. Long Credit Index	Long Credit Fixed Income	Bloomberg Barclays U.S. Long Credit Index
<b>Investment Grade Corporates</b>	<b>83.3</b>	88.3	<b>10.88</b>	12.89
Financials	17.9	14.9	2.12	2.07
Industrials	56.8	62.8	7.47	9.27
Utilities	8.6	10.6	1.29	1.55
<b>Government Related</b>	<b>3.0</b>	11.7	<b>0.48</b>	1.55
Sovereign/Quasi	2.2	6.3	0.38	0.89
Taxable Municipal	0.8	5.4	0.11	0.66
<b>U.S. Treasuries / Cash</b>	<b>8.9</b>	0.0	<b>0.00</b>	0.00
<b>High Yield</b>	<b>4.7</b>	0.0	<b>0.00</b>	0.00

## CREDIT QUALITY DISTRIBUTION (%)<sup>1</sup>



	Long Credit Fixed Income	Bloomberg Barclays U.S. Long Credit Index
AAA / Cash	9.29	2.80
AA	2.71	10.02
A	24.13	35.66
BBB	59.14	51.52
BB & Below	4.73	0.00

1. The characteristics displayed are for a representative account for this investment strategy. Actual account characteristics may differ. The benchmark data is that of the Bloomberg Barclays U.S. Long Credit Index. All data above is provided for illustrative purposes only. This data is supplemental to the information required in a GIPS® compliant document. Credit ratings reflect the index provider's credit quality methodology. Average quality excludes cash and securities that are not rated.

## COMPOSITE STATISTICS AND PERFORMANCE

Year	Gross-of-fee Return	Net-of-fee RETURN	Benchmark Return <sup>1</sup>	Number Of Portfolios	Dispersion Stdv <sup>2</sup>	Composite 3 Yr Stdv <sup>3</sup>	Benchmark 3 Yr Stdv <sup>3</sup>	Composite Assets	% Total Firm Assets <sup>4</sup>
2010	14.76%	14.36%	10.69%	≤ 5	N/A	N/A	N/A	\$428,925,179	-
2011	20.03%	19.62%	17.13%	≤ 5	N/A	8.59%	8.53%	\$543,293,327	-
2012	17.34%	16.94%	12.73%	≤ 5	N/A	7.08%	7.07%	\$1,151,894,747	-
2013	-3.96%	-4.30%	-6.62%	≤ 5	N/A	8.28%	8.40%	\$1,735,155,457	-
2014	17.75%	17.34%	16.39%	≤ 5	N/A	7.62%	7.71%	\$2,441,339,941	-
2015	-4.73%	-5.06%	-4.56%	8	0.24%	7.86%	8.02%	\$2,391,601,874	-
2016	13.46%	13.07%	10.22%	10	0.21%	7.99%	7.86%	\$2,618,197,151	-
2017	13.59%	13.20%	12.21%	13	0.26%	7.43%	7.28%	\$3,384,652,187	-
2018	-6.20%	-6.50%	-6.76%	13	0.24%	6.95%	6.88%	\$3,345,583,526	-
2019	24.27%	23.90%	23.36%	20	0.36%	6.51%	6.65%	\$6,839,567,887	1.14%
2020	17.08%	16.73%	13.32%	19	0.30%	10.32%	10.99%	\$8,749,335,158	-
1Q2021	-8.20%	-8.27%	-8.39%	20	0.11%	10.67%	11.27%	\$9,210,992,066	-

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1. The performance benchmark for the Long Credit Fixed Income ("Long Credit") composite is the Bloomberg Barclays U.S. Long Credit Index which measures the performance of a large group of high quality corporate bonds, U.S. Treasuries and government-related issues with maturities greater than 10 years. The Bloomberg Barclays U.S. Long Credit Index is comprised of investment grade rated credit issuers. To be index eligible, each security must be a minimum of \$250 million in size, have a maturity of 10 years or longer, be U.S. Dollar denominated, publicly issued, and carry a fixed coupon. All index returns presented are provided to represent the investment environment existing during the time periods shown and will not be covered by the future report of independent verifiers. For comparison purposes, the indices are fully invested, include the reinvestment of income, and are unmanaged and unavailable for direct investments. The returns for the indices do not include any transaction costs, management fees or other costs.
2. The dispersion of annual returns is measured by the standard deviation among asset-weighted portfolio returns represented in the composite for the full year. "N/A" is an indication that the information is not statistically meaningful due to an insufficient number of portfolios (five or fewer) in the composite for the entire year. Standard deviation is only presented for accounts managed for a full calendar year.
3. The three-year annualized standard deviation measures the variability of the composite and the benchmark returns over the preceding 36 month period. The standard deviation is not presented for 2008 through 2010 because it is not required for periods prior to 2011. It is also not presented for quarter-ends.
4. Prior to July 1, 2019, the investment team was part of a prior firm. Therefore, "% Total Firm Assets" is left blank for year ends before the team joined MetLife Investment Management.

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The Firm claims compliance with the Global Investment Performance Standards ("GIPS®") and has prepared and presented this report in compliance with the GIPS® standards. MIM has been independently verified for the periods January 1, 2011 to June 30, 2019. Verification assesses whether (1) the firm has complied with all the composite construction requirements of the GIPS® standards on a firm-wide basis and (2) The firm's policies and procedures are designed to calculate and present performance in compliance with the GIPS® standards. Verification does not ensure the accuracy of any specific composite presentation.

The creation date of the Long Credit Fixed Income ("Long Credit") composite is November 1, 2008 and the inception date is November 1, 2008. Prior to July 1, 2019, the performance of the composite represents the performance that occurred while members of the management team were affiliated with prior firms. The composite has been examined for the periods November 1, 2007 to June 30, 2019 while at another firm. The prior firm, LCP, was verified for the periods November 1, 2007 to June 30, 2019. The verification and performance examination reports are available upon request.

The Long Credit strategy seeks to outperform the long maturity U.S. bond market by investing in fixed income securities across the corporate and structured markets. Derivatives may make up a part of the Long Credit strategy, as the Firm utilizes futures, forwards and interest rate swaps to manage risk rather than for speculative purposes. Effective December 1, 2014 the Long Credit composite contains fully discretionary, fee-paying fixed income accounts with assets exceeding \$20 million, managed in accordance with the applicable composite strategy except as otherwise excluded herein. Prior to December 1, 2014 there was no minimum account size for the Long Credit Fixed Income composite. The Firm maintains a complete list and description of composites which are available upon request. Policies for valuing portfolios, calculating performance and preparing compliant presentations are available upon request.

Effective April 1, 2017 the Firm removes accounts that have a significant monthly external aggregate cash flow greater than 10%. Prior to April 1, 2017, there was no Significant Cash Flow Policy.

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Returns are based on fully discretionary accounts under management and may include terminated accounts. The dispersion of annual returns is measured by the standard deviation among asset-weighted portfolio returns represented within the composite for the full year. Dispersion is not calculated for composites with five or fewer accounts for the whole period.

Performance returns are presented gross and net of fees, include the reinvestment of all income and are calculated in U.S. dollars. Dividend income has been recorded net of all applicable foreign withholding taxes. Returns calculated gross of fees do not reflect the deduction of our investment management fees. Individual client returns will be reduced by investment management fees and other expenses that the account may incur. The investment management fee schedule for the Long Credit strategy is 0.30% on the first \$100 million, 0.25% on amounts from \$100 million to \$250 million and 0.20% on amounts over \$250 million. Net returns have been calculated by reducing the monthly gross returns by the highest stated ADV fee for the strategy. From inception date to November 2009, the highest stated ADV fee used to calculate monthly net returns was 0.40%. From December 2009 thru March 2018 the highest stated ADV fee is 0.35%. From April 2018 to the present the highest stated ADV fee is 0.30%. Investment management fees are described in Part 2A of the Firm's Form ADV. Individual client returns will be reduced by investment management fees and other expenses that the account may incur. Fees have a compounding effect on cumulative results. Actual investment management fees incurred by clients may vary.

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