### BARRON'S

#### #1 Taxable Bond Fund Family

Guggenheim Investments ranked 1 out of 49 fund families based on 1-year relative performance as of 12.31.2023.

## Taxable Fixed-Income Funds at a Glance (as of 3.31.2024)

	Ultra SI	hort Duration	Limite	ed Duration	Co	ore Bond	Total	Return Bond	Macro	Opportunities		ating Rate trategies	Hi	gh Yield	
Investment Objective	Seeks a high level of income consistent with the preservation of capital.		Seeks to provide a high level of income consistent with preservation of capital.		Seeks to provide current income.		Seeks to provide total return, comprised of current income and capital appreciation.		Seeks to provide total return, comprised of current income and capital appreciation.		Seeks to provide a high level of current income while maximizing total return.		Seeks to deliver high current income as well as capital appreciation.		
Benchmark		Bloomberg 1-3 Month U.S. Treasury Bill Index		Bloomberg U.S. Aggregate Bond 1–3 Year Index		Bloomberg U.S. Aggregate Bond Index		Bloomberg U.S. Aggregate Bond Index		ICE BofA 3-Month U.S. Treasury Bill Index		. Credit Suisse Leveraged Loan Index		Bloomberg U.S. Corporate High Yield	
	. ****		****		Out of 426 Intermediate Core Bond funds  Top 1st Percentile 3 out of 261 Intermediate Core Bond funds		Out of 557 Intermediate Core-Plus Bond funds  Top 2nd Percentile 6 out of 330 Intermediate Core-Plus Bond funds		Nontraditional Bond funds  Top 2nd Percentile 2 out of 98		Out of 214 Bank Loan funds  Top 4th Percentile 5 out of 129 Bank Loan funds		Out of 606 High Yield funds  Top 6th Percentile 17 out of 269 High Yield funds		
Overall Morningstar Rating <sup>2</sup> (based on risk-adjusted return)	Out of 203 Ultrashort Bond funds		Out of 534 Short Term Bond funds												
Morningstar Since Inception Ranking <sup>3</sup> (based on total return)	Top 22nd Percentile 22 out of 98 Ultrashort Bond funds		<b>Top 4th Percentile</b> 13 out of 340 Short Term Bond funds												
Average Annual Total Returns (%)	GIYIX	Benchmark	GILHX	Benchmark	GIUSX	Benchmark	GIBIX	Benchmark	GIOIX	Benchmark	GIFIX	Benchmark	SHYIX	Benchmark	
1-Year	7.72	5.37	6.12	3.56	2.82	1.70	3.31	1.70	8.32	5.24	11.45	12.40	10.85	11.15	
3-Year	3.07	2.65	1.54	0.26	-2.46	-2.46	-2.04	-2.46	1.46	2.58	5.75	5.82	2.94	2.19	
5-Year	2.54	2.02	2.50	1.31	1.18	0.36	1.50	0.36	3.48	2.02	4.90	5.30	4.21	4.21	
10-Year	1.99	1.36	2.58	1.27	2.62	1.54	2.83	1.54	3.55	1.38	4.12	4.56	4.28	4.44	
Since Fund Inception	1.98	1.35	2.56	1.26	2.90	1.43	3.83	1.66	4.64	1.13	4.94	5.10	6.67	6.95	
Portfolio Characteristics															
SEC 30 Day Yield (%) (Subsidized / Unsubsidized) <sup>4</sup>	5.01 / 5.00		5.13 / 4.99		4.88 / 4.88		5.21 / 5.08		6.15 / 6.07		8.71 / 8.66		7.18 / 7.10		
Effective Duration (yrs) <sup>5</sup>	0.9		1.8		6.5		6.3		2.0		0.2		1.9		
WAL to Worst (yrs)6	1.5		2.2		7.3		7.2		4.4		2.0		4.2		
Average Price (\$) <sup>7</sup>	96.9		95.7		94.4		92.5		88.9		95.7		91.9		
Fund Facts															
Inception Date	3.11.2014		12.16.2013		01.29.2013		11.30.2011		11.30.2011		11.30.2011		07.11.2008		
Gross / Net* / Adjusted** Expense Ratio (%)	0.39 /	0.39 / 0.34 / 0.33		0.59 / 0.50 / 0.47		0.65 / 0.55 / 0.47		0.71 / 0.62 / 0.46		1.21 / 1.06 / 0.94		0.90 / 0.80 / 0.78		0.95 / 0.69 / 0.66	

Performance displayed represents past performance, which is no guarantee of future results, and includes reinvestment of dividends and capital gains. Investment return and principal value will fluctuate so that when shares are redeemed, they may be worth more or less than original cost. Current performance may be lower or higher than the performance data quoted. Refer to GuggenheimInvestments.com for current month-end performance.

\*The Net Expense Ratio reflects a contractual fee waiver by the Adviser through February 1, 2025, to limit the ordinary operating expenses of the Fund. \*\* The Adjusted Expense Ratio ("Adjusted") is based on the Net Expense Ratio, but excludes certain investment expenses, such as interest expense from borrowings and repurchase agreements and dividend expense from investments on short sales.

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	Ultra Short Duration	Limited Duration	Core Bond	Total Return Bond	Macro Opportunities	Floating Rate Strategies	High Yield
ector Allocation (%)							
Structured Credit	54.4	41.9	28.0	31.3	25.9	0.9	0.5
Asset-Backed Securities	13.1	13.8	11.5	11.2	11.3	0.0	0.2
Collateralized Loan Obligations	20.3	14.5	10.0	10.2	7.3	0.0	0.3
Non-Agency Residential Mortgage-Backed Securities	15.9	11.3	4.4	8.3	6.1	0.9	0.0
Non-Agency Commercial Mortgage-Backed Securities	5.1	2.3	2.1	1.5	1.2	0.0	0.0
Investment Grade Corporate	20.1	21.5	19.3	19.2	33.9	0.0	3.3
Investment Grade Corporate Bonds	20.1	21.0	17.7	16.4	14.0	0.0	3.3
Preferred Securities	0.0	0.5	1.7	2.8	20.0	0.0	0.0
Below Investment Grade Corporates	1.7	6.1	3.2	8.8	12.5	97.8	95.4
Bank Loans	0.4	2.5	1.4	2.8	7.9	93.5	11.4
High Yield Corporate Bonds	1.3	3.6	1.9	5.9	4.7	4.4	84.0
Government	0.0	21.7	38.8	34.0	10.9	0.0	0.0
U.S. Treasuries & Agencies	0.0	16.0	28.0	22.2	5.8	0.0	0.0
Agency Mortgage Backed Securities	0.0	5.6	10.8	11.7	5.1	0.0	0.0
Other <sup>8</sup>	0.4	0.5	3.6	3.4	5.6	0.6	0.1
Net Short-term Investments <sup>9</sup>	23.5	8.4	7.1	3.3	11.1	0.7	0.8
Credit Quality (%) <sup>10</sup>							
AAA/Govt/Cash	49.5	44.0	55.6	46.3	21.3	0.7	1.6
AA	10.2	7.9	6.7	7.5	1.5	0.0	0.0
A	13.8	17.1	18.2	14.3	11.6	0.0	0.3
BBB	13.9	14.9	16.9	17.2	19.6	7.0	5.1
BB	1.3	4.6	1.2	5.3	15.2	28.4	46.8
В	0.1	0.9	0.2	2.3	15.5	56.7	36.6
CCC and Below	0.0	0.8	0.2	2.1	5.1	2.6	7.3
Not Rated <sup>11</sup>	10.8	7.8	0.6	4.3	4.8	4.2	2.3
Other <sup>12</sup>	0.4	2.1	0.4	0.7	5.4	0.4	0.1

Investing involves risk, including the possible loss of principal. In general, the value of a fixed-income security falls when interest rates rise and rises when interest rates fall. Longer term bonds are more sensitive to interest rate changes and subject to greater volatility than those with shorter maturities. High yield and unrated debt securities are at a greater risk of default than investment grade bonds and may be less liquid, which may increase volatility.

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- 1. For Barron's Top Fund Families all mutual and exchange-traded funds are required to report their returns after fees are deducted, but Barron's calculates returns before any 12b-1 fees are deducted, in order to measure manager skill (independent of expenses beyond annual management fees). Similarly, sales charges aren't included in the calculation. Each fund's performance is measured against all of the other funds in its LSEG Lipper category, with a percentile ranking of 100 being the highest and 1 the lowest. This result is then weighted by asset size, relative to the fund family's other assets in its general classification. If a family's biggest funds do well, it boosts its overall ranking; poor performance in its biggest funds hurts its ranking. To be included, a firm must have at least 3 funds in the general equity category, 1 world equity, 1 mixed equity (such as a balanced or target-date fund), 2 taxable bond funds, and 1 national tax-exempt bond fund. Single-sector and country equity funds are factored into the rankings as general equity. All passive index funds are excluded, including pure index, enhanced index, and index-based, but actively managed ETFs and smart-beta ETFs (passively managed but created from active strategies) are included. Finally, the score is multiplied by the weighting of its general classification, as determined by the entire Lipper universe of funds. The category weightings for the 1-year results in 2023 were general equity, 37.7%; mixed asset, 22%; world equity, 16.1%; taxable bond, 20.1%; and tax-exempt bond, 4%. Then the numbers are then added for each category and overall. The shop with the highest total score wins. Copyright ©2024 Dow Jones & Company, All Rights Reserved.
- 2. **The Morningstar Rating** for funds, or "star rating," is calculated for managed products with at least a three-year history and does not include the effect of sales charges. Exchange-traded funds and open-end mutual funds are considered a single population for comparative purposes. It is calculated based on a Morningstar Risk-Adjusted Return measure that accounts for variation in a managed product's monthly excess performance, placing more emphasis on downward variations and rewarding consistent performance. The top 10% of products in each product category receive 5 stars, the next 22.5% receive 3 stars, the next 22.5% receive 2 stars, and the bottom 10% receive 1 star. The Overall Morningstar Rating is derived from a weighted average of the performance figures associated with its three-, five-, and 10-year (if applicable) Morningstar Rating metrics. The Institutional class for each fund was rated 5 stars for overall, 3 stars for 3 years, 5 stars for 5 years, and 5 stars for 10 years among 426, 426, 385, and 275 **Intermediate Core Bond funds (GIUSX)**, 4 stars for 3 years, 4 stars for 5 years, and 4 stars for 10 years among 214, 214, 206, and 169 **Bank Loan funds (GIFIX)**, 4 stars for overall, 4 stars for 3 years, 4 stars for 5 years, and 4 stars for 10 years, and 5 stars for 10 years, and 5 stars for 10 years, 4 stars for 5 years, and 5 stars for 10 years, 4 stars for 5 years, and 5 stars for 10 years, 4 stars for 5 years, and 5 stars for 10 years among 278, 278, 250, and 161 **Nontraditional Bond funds (GIOIX)**, 4 stars for 10 years among 203, 203, 183, and 110 Ultrashort Bond funds (GIYIX).
- 3. Morningstar absolute and percentile ranks are based on average annual total return relative to all funds in the same Morningstar category, which includes both mutual funds and ETFs, and do not include the effect of sales charges. Absolute ranks are assigned in descending order for each fund in the category, with 1 being the top performing fund. Funds with the same performance figure are assigned the same absolute rank. Percentile ranks range from 1 (top 1%) to 100 (least favorable), with no minimum number of funds per category. For example, for a category containing three funds, the ranks would be 1, 50, and 100. The Institutional Class for the 1-year period was ranked 69 out of 470 (21st percentile) Intermediate Core Bond funds (GIUSX), 111 out of 227 (52nd percentile) Bank Loan funds (GIFIX), 213 out of 666 (35th percentile) High Yield funds (SHYIX), 80 out of 567 (14th percentile) Short-Term Bond funds (GILHX), 70 out of 305 (25th percentile) Intermediate Core-Plus Bond funds (GIBIX), and 17 out of 238 (10th percentile) Ultrashort Bond funds (GIUSX), 125 out of 214 (12th percentile) Bank Loan funds (GIFIX), 138 out of 606 (25th percentile) High Yield funds (GIYIX). The Institutional Class for the 3-year period was ranked 26 (41st percentile) Nontraditional Bond funds (GIOIX), 169 out of 557 (37th percentile) Intermediate Core-Plus Bond funds (GIBIX), and 17 out of 230 (12th percentile) Ultrashort Bond funds (GIYIX). The Institutional Class for the 5-year period was ranked 24 out of 385 (7th percentile) Intermediate Core-Plus Bond funds (GIBIX), 30 out of 506 (17th percentile) Bank Loan funds (GIBIX), 136 out of 575 (28th percentile) High Yield funds (GIVIX). The Institutional Class for the 10-year period was ranked 24 out of 385 (7th percentile) Ultrashort Bond funds (GIVIX). The Institutional Class for the 10-year period was ranked 24 out of 385 (7th percentile) Ultrashort Bond funds (GIVIX). The Institutional Class for the 10-year period was ranked 30 out of 250 (21st percentile) Ultrashort Bond funds (
- 4. SEC 30-day yield is a standard yield calculation that allows for fairer comparisons of bond funds. It reflects dividends and interest (income) earned during the most recent 30-day period after the deduction of the fund's expenses and is calculated by dividing the income per share by the maximum offering share price on the last day of the period. Unsubsidized SEC 30-day yield is that the yield would have been had no fee waivers and/or expense reimbursement been in place. 5 Weighted average effective duration of the securities comprising the fund portfolio or the index. 5. Effective duration takes into account any embedded options (i.e., a put or a call) and reflects the expected change in future cash flows caused by the options in response to changing interest rates. 6. Weighted average life (WAL) to worst represents the weighted average number of years for which each dollar of unpaid principal on a fixed-income security remains outstanding. This calculation is made by making the worst-case scenario assumptions on the issue, assuming any prepayment, call, or sinking fund options are used by the issuer. 7. Average Price excludes zero coupon, interest only and principal only bonds, preferred securities not priced at 100 par, and other alternative sector buckets when applicable. 8. Other may include municipals, private placements, military housing bonds, foreign government and agencies, fixed income funds, derivatives, equities and/or other miscellaneous fixed income securities. 9. Net Short term Investments includes uninvested cash, net unsettled trades, money market funds, commercial paper, repos, and other liquid short duration. 10. Credit Quality: Fund credit quality ratings are measured from AAA (highest) to D (lowest). All securities except those labeled "Not Rated" or "Other Fixed Income" are rated by a Nationally Recognized Statistical Rating Organization (NRSRO). When ratings are available from more than one NRSRO, the highest rating is used. The benchmark uses the Bloomberg index methodology, which use

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