# **Nuveen Equity Long/Short Fund**

Marketing communication | As of 30 Sep 2022

### Average annualized total returns (%)

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A TIAA Company

-	Inception date	1 year	3 years	5 years	10 years	Since inception
Class I	30 Dec 08	-10.52	3.63	3.41	6.99	8.09
Class A without sales charge	30 Dec 08	-10.74	3.37	3.16	6.73	7.82
Class A with max. 5.75% charge	30 Dec 08	-15.87	1.35	1.94	6.09	7.36
Class C	30 Dec 08	-11.41	2.59	2.38	6.09	7.35
Equity Long/Short Blended Benchmark		-11.76	6.38	7.10	8.56	9.50
Russell 1000 Index		-17.22	7.94	8.99	11.60	12.98
Morningstar Long-Short Equity Cat. Avg		-7.97	3.39	3.07	3.61	3.43

Performance data shown represents past performance and does not predict or guarantee future results. Performance prior to 01 Mar 2013 reflects investment strategies under a different sub-advisor that differed slightly from those currently in place. Investment returns and principal value will fluctuate so that shares redeemed may be worth more or less than their original cost. Current performance may be higher or lower than the performance shown. Total returns for a period of less than one year are cumulative. Returns without sales charges would be lower if the sales charges were included. Returns assume reinvestment of dividends and capital gains. For performance current to the most recent month-end visit nuveen.com. Performance shown for benchmark since inception is as of the Fund's oldest share class.

Class I shares have no sales charge and may be purchased by specified classes of investors. Class C shares have a 1% CDSC for redemptions within less than one year, which is not reflected in the one-year total return. Effective Jul 2018, Class C shares automatically convert to Class A shares during the month in which the 10-year anniversary (effective Mar 2021, this will change to 8-year anniversary) of the share purchase occurred. Since Inception returns for Class C shares for periods longer than 10 years reflect the performance of Class A shares after the deemed 10-year conversion to Class A shares within such periods.

### Calendar year returns (%)

	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2022 2021 YTD
Class I	31.73	8.95	0.29	4.76	19.30	-2.34	6.35	-0.79	32.87 -18.65
Class A without sales charge	31.37	8.69	0.06	4.49	19.00	-2.57	6.07	-1.03	32.55 -18.82
Equity Long/Short Blended Benchmark	24.78	9.19	0.83	8.53	15.07	-2.60	22.17	15.34	18.06 -17.39
Russell 1000 Index	33.11	13.24	0.92	12.05	21.69	-4.78	31.43	20.96	26.45 -24.59
Morningstar Long-Short Equity Cat. Avg	14.62	2.92	-2.02	2.34	11.18	-6.29	11.90	7.89	18.05 -12.29

Expense ratios (%)	Class I	Class A	Class C
Total annual fund operating expenses	2.40	2.63	3.39
Total net annual fund operating expenses after fee waivers and/or expense reimbursement	2.30	2.53	3.29
Net expenses excluding dividends on securities			

sold short expense and prime brokerage

expense

Expense ratios are based on the Fund's most recent fiscal year end. Other expenses include Dividends on Securities Sold Short and Prime Broker, which are incurred in connection with the Fund's short sales of securities. The net expense ratio reflects a contractual commitment by the Fund's investment adviser to waive fees and/or reimburse expenses through 31 Jul 2023. Absent the waiver and/or reimbursement, expenses would be higher and total returns would be less. Please see the prospectus for details.

### Overall Morningstar Ratings™

Category: 178 Long-Short Equity funds

CLASS I

Morningstar ratings may vary among share classes and are based on historical risk-adjusted total returns, which are not indicative of future results.

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### **Portfolio exposures**

	Assets (\$ mil.)	% of net assets	Number of positions
Gross Long	98.6	98.1	99
Gross Short	29.1	28.9	102
Total Gross (long + short)	127.7	127.0	201
Total Net (long - short)	69.5	69.2	_

## Top long positions (%)<sup>1</sup>

	Fund net assets
Microsoft Corp	4.1
Apple Inc	4.1
Alphabet Inc-Cl A	2.9
Tesla Inc	2.0
Amazon.Com Inc	1.8

## Top short positions (%)<sup>1</sup>

	Fund net assets
Paycor Hcm Inc	-0.4
Agilon Health Inc	-0.4
Axon Enterprise Inc	-0.4
Bwx Technologies Inc	-0.4
Aptargroup Inc	-0.3

	Long	Short	Net
Information			
Technology	22.3	-6.2	16.0
Health Care	14.9	-3.6	11.3
Industrials	10.8	-3.4	7.4
Financials	9.0	-1.6	7.4
Communication			
Services	7.1	-0.3	6.8
Consumer			
Discretionary	10.9	-4.9	6.0
Consumer Staples	6.6	-2.2	4.4
Utilities	5.1	-1.7	3.5
Energy	3.1	-0.3	2.9
Materials	5.4	-2.8	2.6
Real Estate	2.9	-2.0	0.9

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1 Positions are subject to change.

Class C NELCX 67065W175

Class A

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# Nuveen Equity Long/Short Fund As of 30 Sep 2022

### **Fund description**

The strategy invests primarily in U.S. large-cap and mid-cap companies identified through rigorous fundamental research, complemented by quantitative analysis. Long and short stock positions are made in companies with tangible opportunities identified through our research process.

### **Portfolio management**

Scott M. Tonneson, CFA | 28 years industry experience

Claire L. Ross | 19 years industry experience

David A. Chalupnik, CFA | 38 years industry experience

### Morningstar rankings and percentiles

Morningstar Long-Short Equity Category

	1 year		3 years		5 years		10 years	
	Rank	%	Rank	%	Rank	%	Rank	%
Class I	120/194	60	84/178	50	63/158	44	4/59	4
Class A	122/194	61	88/178	52	69/158	47	6/59	7
Class C	134/194	67	105/178	63	89/158	59	13/59	21

Morningstar ranking/number of funds in category displays the Fund's actual rank within its Morningstar Category based on average annual total return and number of funds in that Category. The returns assume reinvestment of dividends and do not reflect any applicable sales charge. Absent expense limitation, total return would be less. Morningstar percentile rankings are the Fund's total return rank relative to all the funds in the same Morningstar Category, where 1 is the highest percentile rank and 100 is the lowest percentile rank.

### **Portfolio statistics**

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Total net assets – all classes (\$mil.)	\$100.5
Number of positions	201

Fund

This data relates to the portfolio and the underlying securities held in the portfolio. It should not be construed as a measure of performance for the Fund itself.

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Effective 31 Dec 2021, the Fund added the blended benchmark comprised of a 70% weighting in Russell 1000 Index and a 30% weighting in ICE BofA US 3-month Treasury Bill Index. Benchmark performance is linked. Performance prior to 2/28/2013 was 100% weighting in Russell 1000 Index. The Fund added the blended benchmark effective December 31, 2021 to reflect its targeted net long exposure to the stock market (long market value minus short market value) under normal market conditions.

### Important information on risk

Mutual fund investing involves risk; principal loss is possible. There is no guarantee the Fund's investment objectives will be achieved. Prices of **equity securities** may change significantly over short or extended periods of time. The Fund sells securities that it has borrowed but does not own ("short sales"), which is a speculative technique. The Fund will suffer a loss when the price of a security that it holds long decreases or the price of a security that it has sold short increases. Losses on short sales arise from increases in the value of the security sold short, and therefore are theoretically unlimited. Because the Fund invests in both long and short equity positions, the Fund has overall exposure to changes in value of equity securities that is far greater than its net asset value. This may magnify gains and losses and increase the volatility of the Fund's returns. In addition, the use of short sales information on other risks to which the Fund is subject, such as frequent trading, futures contract, and large cap stock risks, are included in the Fund's prospectus.

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For the period ended 30 Sep 2022, Morningstar rated this Fund's I shares, for the overall, three-, five-, and 10-year periods (if applicable). The Class I shares received 4, 3, 3, and 5 stars among 178, 178, 158, and 59 Long-Short Equity Funds, respectively. These ratings are for Class I shares only; other classes may have different performance characteristics. Investment performance reflects applicable fee waivers. Without such waivers, total returns would be reduced and ratings could be lower. For the most current ratings, please visit nuveen.com.

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#### Glossary

Gross exposure provides an indication of the total gross value of the Fund's market investment exposure reflecting a summation of the absolute value of all long and short positions in the portfolio across asset class investment categories. This is an indication of the scale of the Fund's total investment positions regardless of direction. Long is the buying of a security with the expectation that the asset will rise in value. Net exposure provides an indication of the Fund's directional exposure to the market at period end and reflects the value of the portfolio's long positions minus the short positions across asset class investment categories. This is an indication of the Fund's directional exposure to the market at period end and reflects the value of the portfolio's long positions minus the short positions across asset class investment categories. This is an indication of the Fund's sensitivity to market movements. Short is a security position created by selling borrowed securities in anticipation of a market decline.

Equity Long/Short Blended Benchmark is comprised of a 70% weighting in Russell 1000 Index and a 30% weighting in ICE BofA US 3-month Treasury Bill Index. Benchmark performance is linked. Performance prior to 2/28/2013 was 100% weighting in Russell 1000 Index. Russell 1000 Index measures the performance of the large cap segment of the U.S. equity universe which includes approximately 1000 of the largest securities based on a contribution of their market cap and current index measurement. It is not possible to invest directly in an index.

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