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# DFA Canadian Core Equity Fund

## Management Report of Fund Performance

*For the year ended December 31, 2016*

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### Investment Objective and Strategies

The DFA Canadian Core Equity Fund pursues long-term capital appreciation by investing primarily in securities of Canadian companies.

The Fund will generally purchase a broad and diverse group of readily marketable securities of Canadian companies traded on an exchange or on the over-the-counter market, with increased exposure to securities of small companies and to securities that Dimensional Fund Advisors LP (“Dimensional U.S.”), the Fund’s sub-advisor, considers to be “value” stocks.

Generally, size is determined based upon market capitalization and value is assessed based on the stock’s market price relative to one or more fundamental characteristics. For example, Dimensional U.S. may consider a stock to be a value stock if the company has a high book value, earnings or cash flow relative to the market price of the company’s stock.

### Risk

There were no material changes to the Fund over the course of the year affecting the overall risk exposure. The Fund will continue to be fully exposed to market risk, as well as the risks associated with investments in small company stocks and value stocks, which may behave differently from conventional market benchmarks such as the S&P/TSX Composite® Index (“Index”).

The Fund engaged in securities lending transactions and, as a result, is exposed to securities lending risk. Securities lending risk includes the risk that the value of collateral held by the Fund may be insufficient to fully replace loaned securities and the risk of defaults on the obligations to return the securities to the Fund. These risks may make an investment in the Fund riskier than if the Fund did not lend securities. Investors are encouraged to read the description of securities lending risk contained in the simplified prospectus. The Fund will also continue to be exposed to the other risks described in the Fund’s simplified prospectus.

### Results of Operations

The Fund held approximately 450 securities as at December 31, 2016. In general, cash exposure throughout the period was less than 1% of the Fund’s Net Asset Value. As a result of the Fund’s diversified investment approach, performance was determined principally by broad trends in the Canadian equity market rather than the behavior of a limited number of stocks.

For the year ended December 31, 2016, total returns were 27.48% for the Class F units, 26.08% for the Class A units, 27.91% for the Class I units, and 21.08% for the Index.

Each class of the Fund’s units outperformed the Index due to the Fund’s greater emphasis on value stocks and small cap stocks, which generally outperformed the overall Index, and lower exposure to growth stocks and large cap stocks, which generally underperformed the overall Index.

Returns for the Index are not diminished by management and administrative expenses associated with managing a portfolio of securities.

Net returns of Class A units were diminished by a trailer fee payable to securities dealers. Dealers generally pay a portion of these fees to investment professionals for services they provide to their clients.

### Recent Developments

Dimensional will continue to pursue a disciplined quantitative approach to identify securities for purchase or sale. In contrast to many investment firms, Dimensional does not seek to predict the future course of business conditions, market trends, or interest rates. Dimensional believes that securities markets are highly competitive and prices reflect available information quickly enough that efforts to outperform the market ordinarily promise little or no payoff after taking account of research and transaction costs. Instead, Dimensional seeks to capture a market rate of return associated with various broad risk factors while reducing company or industry risk through diversification.

### Related-Party Transactions

Dimensional is the manager, trustee, and principal portfolio advisor of the Fund. As manager, Dimensional is responsible for the overall management and administration of the Fund. As trustee, Dimensional holds legal title to the Fund’s investments in trust for the Fund’s unitholders. For its services, Dimensional receives management fees that are calculated as a percentage of the average Net Asset Value of the Fund. These fees are calculated daily and payable monthly.

As principal portfolio advisor, Dimensional is responsible for managing the investment portfolio of the Fund directly or through sub-advisors. Dimensional has retained its ultimate parent company, Dimensional U.S., to act as the Fund’s sub-advisor. Dimensional U.S. is responsible for investment analysis and decision making, implementing securities transactions, selecting broker-dealers, acquiring research information, voting proxies, and monitoring the Fund’s investment guidelines. The fees of the sub-advisor are paid by Dimensional.

Dimensional has adopted written policies and procedures with respect to the supervision and monitoring of the services provided by Dimensional and Dimensional U.S. and received standing instructions from the Fund’s Independent Review Committee (“IRC”) to act in accordance with these policies and procedures. These standing instructions require Dimensional to report to the IRC any material exceptions to compliance with these policies and procedures.

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#### Financial Highlights

The following tables show selected key financial information about the Fund and are intended to help you understand the Fund's financial performance for the past five years, as applicable. Per unit data is derived from the Fund's financial statements.

Ratios and supplemental data are derived from the Fund's Net Asset Value.

#### The Fund's Net Assets per Unit (\$) <sup>(1)</sup>

CLASS A	2016	2015	2014	2013	2012
<b>Net Assets, beginning of year</b>	<b>\$ 15.01</b>	<b>\$ 17.27</b>	<b>\$ 17.07</b>	<b>\$ 15.65</b>	<b>\$ 14.90</b>
<b>Increase (decrease) from operations:</b>					
Total revenue	0.47	0.50	0.51	0.48	0.43
Total expenses	(0.25)	(0.25)	(0.28)	(0.24)	(0.24)
Realized gains (losses) for the year	0.31	(0.05)	0.50	0.11	0.34
Unrealized gains (losses) for the year	3.37	(2.27)	-	1.19	0.29
<b>Total increase (decrease) from operations<sup>(2)</sup></b>	<b>\$ 3.90</b>	<b>\$ (2.07)</b>	<b>\$ 0.73</b>	<b>\$ 1.54</b>	<b>\$ 0.82</b>
<b>Distributions:</b>					
From income (excluding dividends)	-	-	-	-	-
From dividends	(0.22)	(0.18)	(0.20)	(0.18)	(0.11)
From capital gains	(0.04)	(0.01)	(0.17)	-	-
Return of capital	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Total Annual Distributions<sup>(3)</sup></b>	<b>(0.26)</b>	<b>(0.19)</b>	<b>(0.37)</b>	<b>(0.18)</b>	<b>(0.11)</b>
<b>Net Assets, end of year</b>	<b>\$ 18.64</b>	<b>\$ 15.01</b>	<b>\$ 17.27</b>	<b>\$ 17.07</b>	<b>\$ 15.62</b>
<b>CLASS F</b>	<b>2016</b>	<b>2015</b>	<b>2014</b>	<b>2013</b>	<b>2012</b>
<b>Net Assets, beginning of year</b>	<b>\$ 15.25</b>	<b>\$ 17.58</b>	<b>\$ 17.36</b>	<b>\$ 15.93</b>	<b>\$ 15.19</b>
<b>Increase (decrease) from operations:</b>					
Total revenue	0.48	0.51	0.53	0.49	0.44
Total expenses	(0.06)	(0.06)	(0.07)	(0.06)	(0.07)
Realized gains (losses) for the year	0.34	(0.05)	0.51	0.11	0.35
Unrealized gains (losses) for the year	3.38	(2.36)	(0.16)	1.31	0.29
<b>Total increase (decrease) from operations<sup>(2)</sup></b>	<b>\$ 4.14</b>	<b>\$ (1.96)</b>	<b>\$ 0.81</b>	<b>\$ 1.85</b>	<b>\$ 1.01</b>
<b>Distributions:</b>					
From income (excluding dividends)	-	-	-	-	-
From dividends	(0.42)	(0.40)	(0.41)	(0.38)	(0.31)
From capital gains	(0.04)	(0.01)	(0.17)	-	-
Return of capital	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Total Annual Distributions<sup>(3)</sup></b>	<b>(0.46)</b>	<b>(0.41)</b>	<b>(0.58)</b>	<b>(0.38)</b>	<b>(0.31)</b>
<b>Net Assets, end of year</b>	<b>\$ 18.94</b>	<b>\$ 15.25</b>	<b>\$ 17.58</b>	<b>\$ 17.36</b>	<b>\$ 15.90</b>
<b>CLASS I</b>	<b>2016</b>	<b>2015</b>	<b>2014</b>	<b>2013</b>	<b>2012</b>
<b>Net Assets, beginning of year</b>	<b>\$ 15.43</b>	<b>\$ 17.80</b>	<b>\$ 17.58</b>	<b>\$ 16.13</b>	<b>\$ 15.38</b>
<b>Increase (decrease) from operations:</b>					
Total revenue	0.49	0.52	0.54	0.50	0.45
Total expenses	(0.01)	(0.01)	(0.01)	(0.01)	(0.01)
Realized gains (losses) for the year	0.36	(0.05)	0.53	0.12	0.37
Unrealized gains (losses) for the year	3.45	(2.47)	(0.43)	1.48	0.29
<b>Total increase (decrease) from operations<sup>(2)</sup></b>	<b>\$ 4.29</b>	<b>\$ (2.01)</b>	<b>\$ 0.63</b>	<b>\$ 2.09</b>	<b>\$ 1.10</b>
<b>Distributions:</b>					
From income (excluding dividends)	-	-	-	-	-
From dividends	(0.48)	(0.46)	(0.47)	(0.43)	(0.36)
From capital gains	(0.04)	(0.01)	(0.18)	-	-
Return of capital	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Total Annual Distributions<sup>(3)</sup></b>	<b>(0.52)</b>	<b>(0.47)</b>	<b>(0.65)</b>	<b>(0.43)</b>	<b>(0.36)</b>
<b>Net Assets, end of year</b>	<b>\$ 19.17</b>	<b>\$ 15.43</b>	<b>\$ 17.80</b>	<b>\$ 17.58</b>	<b>\$ 16.09</b>

<sup>(1)</sup> This information is derived from the Fund's audited annual financial statements. For the financial years beginning on or after January 1, 2014, the financial highlights were derived from the Fund's financial statements prepared in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards ("IFRS"). For the financial year ended December 31, 2013, the financial highlights were restated to comply with IFRS reporting. For financial years beginning before January 1, 2013, the financial highlights were derived from the Fund's financial statements prepared in accordance with Canadian GAAP. For financial years beginning on or after January 1, 2013, all references to "Net Assets" or "Net Assets per Unit" in the financial highlights are references to net assets attributable to holders of redeemable units determined in accordance with IFRS as presented in the financial statements of the Fund.

<sup>(2)</sup> Net Assets and distributions are based on the actual number of units outstanding at the relevant time. The increase/decrease from operations is based on the weighted average number of units outstanding over the financial year.

<sup>(3)</sup> Distributions were paid in cash/reinvested in additional units of the Fund, or both.

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**Ratios and Supplemental Data**

	<b>Dec 31, 2016</b>	<b>Dec 31, 2015</b>	<b>Dec 31, 2014</b>	<b>Dec 31, 2013</b>	<b>Dec 31, 2012</b>
<b>CLASS A</b>					
Total net asset value (\$) (000's) <sup>(1)</sup>	117,079	96,883	116,036	133,281	142,777
Number of units outstanding (000's) <sup>(1)</sup>	6,282	6,454	6,717	7,810	9,122
Management expense ratio <sup>(2)</sup>	1.45%	1.45%	1.48%	1.49%	1.54%
Management expense ratio before waivers or absorption <sup>(2)</sup>	1.45%	1.45%	1.48%	1.49%	1.54%
Trading expense ratio <sup>(3)</sup>	0.01%	0.02%	0.02%	0.02%	0.02%
Portfolio turnover rate <sup>(4)</sup>	11.63%	6.62%	12.96%	4.78%	10.41%
Net asset value per unit (\$)	18.64	15.01	17.27	17.07	15.65
<b>CLASS F</b>					
Total net asset value (\$) (000's) <sup>(1)</sup>	649,045	491,266	500,442	478,907	408,027
Number of units outstanding (000's) <sup>(1)</sup>	34,275	32,217	28,468	27,584	25,610
Management expense ratio <sup>(2)</sup>	0.34%	0.35%	0.38%	0.38%	0.40%
Management expense ratio before waivers or absorption <sup>(2)</sup>	0.34%	0.35%	0.38%	0.38%	0.40%
Trading expense ratio <sup>(3)</sup>	0.01%	0.02%	0.02%	0.02%	0.02%
Portfolio turnover rate <sup>(4)</sup>	11.63%	6.62%	12.96%	4.78%	10.41%
Net asset value per unit (\$)	18.94	15.25	17.58	17.36	15.93
<b>CLASS I</b>					
Total net asset value (\$) (000's) <sup>(1)</sup>	553,406	399,948	328,629	229,108	127,069
Number of units outstanding (000's) <sup>(1)</sup>	28,871	25,914	18,464	13,034	7,878
Management expense ratio <sup>(2)</sup>	0.02%	0.02%	0.05%	0.04%	0.06%
Management expense ratio before waivers or absorption <sup>(2)</sup>	0.02%	0.02%	0.05%	0.04%	0.06%
Trading expense ratio <sup>(3)</sup>	0.01%	0.02%	0.02%	0.02%	0.02%
Portfolio turnover rate <sup>(4)</sup>	11.63%	6.62%	12.96%	4.78%	10.41%
Net asset value per unit (\$)	19.17	15.43	17.80	17.58	16.13

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<sup>(2)</sup> Management expense ratio is based on total expenses (excluding broker commissions and other portfolio transaction costs) for the stated year and is expressed as an annualized percentage of daily average Net Asset Value during the year.

<sup>(3)</sup> The trading expense ratio represents total commissions and other portfolio transaction costs expressed as an annualized percentage of daily average Net Asset Value during the year.

<sup>(4)</sup> The Fund's portfolio turnover rate indicates how actively the Fund's portfolio advisor manages its portfolio investments. A portfolio turnover rate of 100% is equivalent to the Fund buying and selling all of the securities in its portfolio once in the course of the year. The higher a Fund's portfolio turnover in a year, the greater the trading costs payable by the Fund in the year, and the greater the chance of an investor receiving taxable capital gains in the year. There is not necessarily a relationship between a high turnover rate and the performance of the Fund.

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### Management Fees

Dimensional receives management fees for its service as manager of the Fund. These fees are calculated as a percentage of the Net Asset Value of the Fund and are calculated daily and payable monthly. The table below shows the annual management fee rates for each class of units of the Fund.

Annual Rate	Class A	Class F	Class I
Management Fees	1.25%	0.25%	0%

Dimensional pays a trailer fee to dealers out of the management fee received for Class A units of the Fund. This trailer fee is generally calculated as a percentage of the average daily Net Asset Value of Class A units of the Fund held by the dealer's clients or by the dealer on behalf of the clients. The maximum annual trailer fee for the Class A units of the Fund is 1.00%. The balance of the management fees are for the general management and administrative services provided to the Fund. The table below shows a breakdown of the services received by the Fund as a percentage of management fees.

	Class A	Class F	Class I
Management and Administrative Services	20%	100%	0%
Trailer Fees	80%	0%	0%
	100%	100%	0%

No management fees are charged to the Fund with respect to Class I units. Instead, each Class I investor pays a separate fee directly to the manager of the Fund.

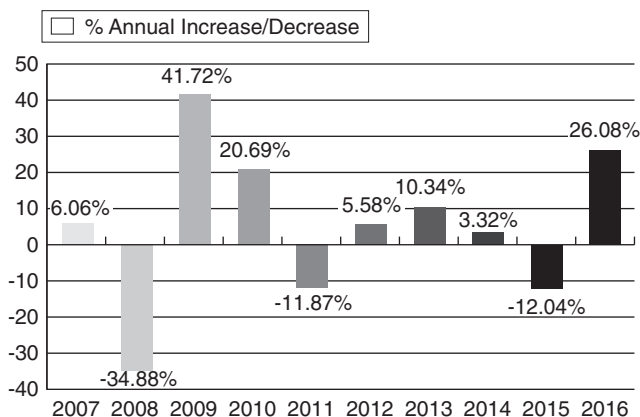
### Past Performance

The performance information shown assumes that all distributions made by the Fund during the periods shown were reinvested in additional units of the Fund. The performance information does not take into account any sales, redemption, distribution, or other optional charges that would have reduced returns or performance. How the Fund has performed in the past does not necessarily indicate how it will perform in the future.

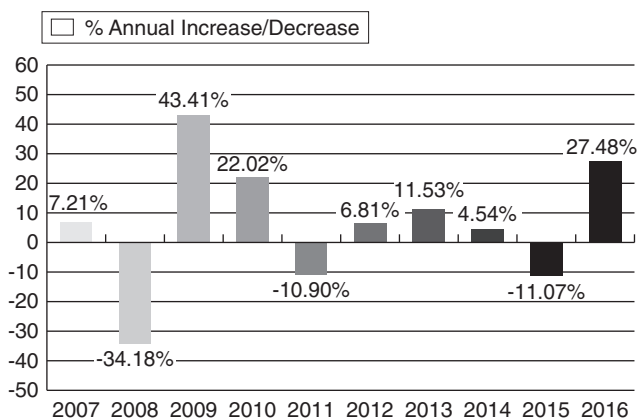
### Year-by-Year Returns

The bar charts show the Fund's annual performance for each of the financial years shown, and how the Fund's performance has changed from year to year. The charts show, in percentage terms, how much an investment made on the first day of each financial year would have increased or decreased by the last day of that financial year.

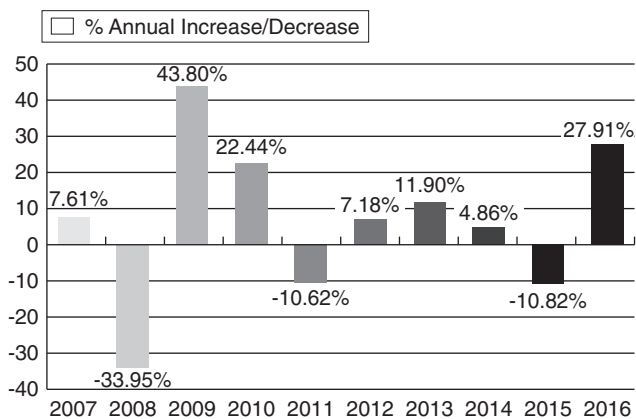
### DFA Canadian Core Equity Fund – Class A



### DFA Canadian Core Equity Fund – Class F



### DFA Canadian Core Equity Fund – Class I



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#### Annual Compound Returns

The following table compares the Fund's historical annual compound returns for the periods shown ending on December 31, 2016. The historical annual compound total returns are also compared to the Index and benchmark.

Index returns are calculated in Canadian Dollars on a total return basis; that is, all distributions are reinvested. The Index is a broad-market index of the Canadian securities market. Results for the Index and benchmark are not diminished by management fees, administrative expenses or taxes associated with managing a portfolio of securities.

#### Percentage Return:

	1-Year	3-Year	5-Year	10-Year
DFA Canadian Core Equity Fund – Class A	26.08%	4.65%	5.95%	3.35%
S&P/TSX Composite Index	21.08%	7.06%	8.25%	4.72%

#### Percentage Return:

	1-Year	3-Year	5-Year	10-Year
DFA Canadian Core Equity Fund – Class F	27.48%	5.82%	7.14%	4.50%
S&P/TSX Composite Index	21.08%	7.06%	8.25%	4.72%

#### Percentage Return:

	1-Year	3-Year	5-Year	10-Year
DFA Canadian Core Equity Fund – Class I	27.91%	6.15%	7.49%	4.84%
S&P/TSX Composite Index	21.08%	7.06%	8.25%	4.72%

#### Summary of Investment Portfolio

as at December 31, 2016

Sector Mix	% of Fund's Net Asset Value
Consumer Discretionary	6.00
Consumer Staples	3.08
Energy	22.92
Financials	33.32
Health Care	0.91
Industrials	7.74
Information Technology	2.20
Materials	14.54
Real Estate	3.39
Telecommunication Services	2.50
Utilities	2.85
Cash and Cash Equivalents	0.43
Net Other Assets	0.12
	<u>100.00</u>

#### Top 25 Issuers

#### % of Fund's Net Asset Value

01 Bank of Montreal	5.61
02 Bank of Nova Scotia	4.53
03 Toronto-Dominion Bank	4.51
04 Royal Bank of Canada	4.24
05 Suncor Energy Inc.	4.22
06 Canadian Imperial Bank of Commerce	2.50
07 Manulife Financial Corp.	2.31
08 Canadian Natural Resources Ltd.	2.19
09 Magna International Inc., Class A	1.63
10 TransCanada Corp.	1.59
11 National Bank of Canada	1.55
12 Sun Life Financial Inc.	1.47
13 Canadian National Railway Co.	1.43
14 Enbridge Inc.	1.17
15 Cenovus Energy Inc.	1.14
16 BCE Inc.	1.10
17 Brookfield Asset Management Inc., Class A	0.88
18 Potash Corp. of Saskatchewan	0.84
19 Agnico-Eagle Mines Ltd.	0.82
20 Fortis Inc.	0.82
21 EnCana Corp.	0.80
22 Fairfax Financial Holdings Ltd., Sub-Voting Shares	0.78
23 Agrium Inc.	0.78
24 SNC-Lavalin Group Inc.	0.73
25 Waste Connections Inc.	0.68
	<u>48.32</u>

Total Net Asset Value: \$1,319,529,543

All holdings in the Fund are long positions.

The Fund's investment portfolio may change due to the Fund's ongoing portfolio transactions. Quarterly updates are available within 60 days of each quarter end where an annual or interim report is not published by visiting [www.ca.dimensionalfund.com](http://www.ca.dimensionalfund.com) or by calling Dimensional collect at 604-685-1633 or by writing to Dimensional at 745 Thurlow Street, Suite 2110, Vancouver, BC, Canada, V6E 0C5.

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