

Student Managed Investment Fund (SMIF)

What SMIF is about?

The UQ Business School Student Managed Investment Fund (SMIF) was endowed with \$200,000 of real money in 2018. This has grown to around **\$320,305 as of January 2024**. The Fund is currently managed by *Team Sunshine Capital* comprising five UQ Business School students. *Team Sunshine Capital* was appointed as Portfolio Managers (PM) to the Fund in May 2023. **We are now looking for the successors of Team Sunshine Capital** to carry on their great work and that of their predecessors.



Who is eligible for the challenge?

The challenge will be open to all UQ students. However, each team of 4 or 5 students will need to have **at least two students who are currently enrolled in a UQ Business School program** (e.g., Bachelor of Commerce, Bachelor of Advanced Finance and Economics, Master of Commerce - but not limited to these). Further, each team must have at least 4 students who will still be enrolled in their current UQ program in June 2025.

If you are interested, please join the SMIF Blackboard via the following link:

https://learn.uq.edu.au/webapps/login/?new_loc=/webapps/blackboard/execute/enrollCourse?course_id=143084_1%26context=COURSE

Further information regarding the challenge will be posted on the SMIF blackboard. If you have any issues and questions, please send an email to smif@business.uq.edu.au

You must be registered in a team of at least 4 students by **Friday 22nd March, 5 pm**. Send an email to smif@business.uq.edu.au with subject line "2024 SMIF Challenge Team Registration". You should include names, contact information, and enrolled program for all team members.

What is the benefit of participation?

- **Experiential learning** – putting into practice concepts and theory from areas such as valuation, portfolio management, risk management, and corporate finance.
- **Enhancing employability and employment opportunities** – this activity will provide students with direct access to potential employers. Past students have reported that involvement in SMIF has significantly assisted them with obtaining employment, in the investment management industry, before or after graduation.
- **Experience managing real money** – members of the top 2 teams will be appointed as SMIF equity research analysts for approximately one year before handing over to the next team of portfolio managers in around May 2025.