What is the Student Dragon Investment Fund (DIF)?

The Dragon Investment Fund (DIF) is a student-managed investment fund. It is designed to provide practical investment management experience to students in a team-oriented setting.

What Will the Dragon Investment Fund Do for MSUM Students?

The DIF will allow students to gain practical investment management experience while generating competitive returns. The DIF is expected to accomplish the following:

> Enhance students’ understanding of investment analysis and portfolio management.

> Provide students with the opportunity to manage money with real time consequences.

> Provide students with an additional social setting where they can interact with fellow students and engage in a team-oriented process making meaningful decisions.

> Provide an additional source of funding for merit-based scholarships to School of Business students.

The DIF will give a select group of students an opportunity to practice what they learn while in a School of Business program. Students’ involvement in the DIF is expected to contribute positively to their professional, networking, and team management skills.

Organizational Structure

The DIF will be part of the MSUM Alumni Foundation. It will be advised by an Advisory Board overseeing all investment actions taken by its managers based on discussions with securities analysts working for the DIF. The Advisory Board will include industry practitioners whose service in that capacity will be critical to enhance the learning experience of students involved with DIF.

Program Structure

Students will be invited to apply and will be committed for one academic year. A faculty member will facilitate meetings and coordinate the Advisory Board and student participation in the DIF. There will be:

> 3-5 managers will be selected among applicants that are in the Master of Science in Accounting and Finance program.

> 10-15 analysts will be selected among applicants that are undergraduate students enrolled in a School of Business program.

How You Can Help

To create this opportunity for our students, our goal is to establish a $50,000 endowment. The DIF will follow the MSUM Alumni Foundation’s endowment payout policies. Your tax-deductible gift to this project will make a lifelong impact.