

# TD Ameritrade Brokerage Account

A guide for plan participants **Mutual funds option** 







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### TD Ameritrade Brokerage Account overview

# What is the TD Ameritrade Brokerage Account?

The TD Ameritrade Brokerage Account is available to you as an additional investment option available through your employer-sponsored retirement Plan (Plan), referred to as the "core account" administered by Voya Retirement Insurance and Annuity Company. This option gives you the freedom to invest a portion of your plan assets in a brokerage account that provides access to a wide array of open-end mutual funds.

### How is the TD Ameritrade Brokerage Account different from a typical brokerage account?

Since the TD Ameritrade Brokerage Account is an investment option under your Plan it is regulated by the Internal Revenue Code Section that governs your plan, other laws and the Plan document. Therefore, the same rules and restrictions that govern your core account apply to the dollars transferred to your TD Ameritrade Brokerage Account.

The TD Ameritrade Brokerage Account can only be funded through transfers from one or more of the Plan's core investment options. Only open-end mutual funds are available through the TD Ameritrade Brokerage Account.

# How are the investment choices in the TD Ameritrade Brokerage Account different from those available through my employer's retirement Plan?

There is a significant difference between the investment choices available through your employer's retirement plan and the investments available through the TD Ameritrade Brokerage Account.

Investment options offered through your Plan are selected by a thorough due-diligence process which helps ensure that you are offered a diverse and balanced array of appropriate long-term investments.

The investment choices available through TD Ameritrade, however, are not approved, selected, monitored or reviewed by Voya Financial, Inc. ("Voya"). or by Smith College, the Plan Sponsor for the Smith College Defined Contribution Retirement Plan.

When you elect to open a TD Ameritrade Brokerage Account, you assume the sole responsibility for researching, selecting, monitoring and managing the investments in your TD Ameritrade Brokerage Account. As an investor, you need to be aware of the additional risk that may be present in the mutual funds available through this option.

# Is a Brokerage Account right for me?

A TD Ameritrade Brokerage Account is designed for the experienced investor who wants to independently and actively manage an even greater choice of mutual funds and is willing to pay additional fees and accept full responsibility for researching, selecting, monitoring and managing their investments. Additionally, Voya and its affiliated companies, its officers, agents or employees cannot advise concerning the suitability of a security or investment strategy, nor can they provide financial, legal or tax advice.

If you are confident with an independent approach to actively managing the retirement assets you've invested in the Plan, the TD Ameritrade Brokerage Account may be right for you. Keep in mind, however, that if you choose to open a TD Ameritrade Brokerage Account, you also assume the added responsibility for actively managing the mutual funds in your account. If you are not comfortable actively choosing your own investment portfolio, it's likely the core investments in the Plan will help meet your needs.

# What should I consider before opening a TD Ameritrade Brokerage Account?

The TD Ameritrade Brokerage Account is designed for the experienced investor. Before using this option as part of your retirement savings portfolio, you should consider whether a TD Ameritrade Brokerage Account is appropriate for your long-term investment needs. If all of the following describes you as an investor, the brokerage account may be right for you:

- I have access to the Internet.
- I am knowledgeable about investment matters.
- I am comfortable with, and understand risk, and I am capable of making my own personal investment decisions.
- I have experience using the Internet to research and manage my investments.
- I have the time and investment expertise to research, evaluate and select investments consistent with my investment strategy and personal risk profile.
- I have the time to monitor and manage my retirement plan portfolio.
- I am willing to pay additional fees and charges to invest in investment choices not available within my core account.

### Am I Eligible?

To open a TD Ameritrade Brokerage Account, you must have a balance of at least \$3,500 in your core investment options. The minimum transfer amount is typically \$2,500 and you must maintain a minimum core account balance of \$1,000. This minimum core account balance will be monitored each time you request a transfer.¹ Please contact Customer Service at **(800) 584-6001** for more details.

Your investments in the TD Ameritrade Brokerage Account are made through transfers from your core account. Your payroll contributions cannot be directed to TD Ameritrade – they must continue to be directed to one or more of the Plan's core investment options.

Remember, your TD Ameritrade Brokerage Account is an investment choice under the Plan administered by Voya, so only assets held in your Plan may be transferred to the TD Ameritrade Brokerage Account.

# Broader choice of investment options

#### What investments are available?

Through your TD Ameritrade account you can select from a broad range of mutual funds, including No Transaction Fee (NTF) mutual funds.<sup>2</sup> Using TD Ameritrade's online screening tools, you will be able to research and access in-depth, independent information about the investments that you are considering.

As a plan participant in a tax-deferred retirement plan, you should be aware that certain funds, such as tax-exempt municipal bond funds and retail versions of the Plan's core options, may not be appropriate investments because of their fund and/or fee structure.

You should consider the investment objectives, risks, charges and expenses of the investment company carefully before investing. To obtain a prospectus containing this and other important information, please call a TD Ameritrade representative at 866-766-4015. Please read the prospectus carefully before investing.

- 1 If total plan assets invested in the TD Ameritrade Brokerage Account exceeds 10%, Voya reserves the right to restrict participant transfers to the TD Ameritade Brokerage Account as follows: Participants must have a total account balance of \$5,000. Generally, 50% of the participant's core account balance may be transferred to the TD Ameritrade brokerage account. A minimum transfer amount of \$2,500 is required for all transfers.
- 2 No-Transaction-Fee (NTF) mutual funds are no-load mutual funds for which TD Ameritrade does not charge a transaction fee. NTFs, as well as other funds, have other continuing fees and expenses described in the fund's prospectus. TD Ameritrade receives remuneration from fund companies for record-keeping, shareholder and other administrative services. The amount of remuneration is based in part on the amount of investments in such funds by TD Ameritrade clients. Almost all funds held 90 days or less will be subject to a short-term redemption fee of \$49.99. This fee is in addition to any applicable transaction fees or fees described in the fund's prospectus.

## What are No Transaction Fee mutual funds?

The No Transaction Fee (NTF) program allows you to place orders with certain mutual funds without paying a transaction fee. Shares of mutual funds in the NTF program must be held for 90 days from the date of purchase. Funds redeemed or exchanged within 90 days of the purchase date may incur a transaction fee. The NTF eligibility applies only to the initial transaction fee associated with the purchase of the fund. It does not apply to the management fee or other expenses associated with the fund including any redemption fees. For full details on expenses/fees, please refer to the mutual fund prospectus. Read it carefully before investing. Commission schedules and fees are subject to change without notice. Go to www.tdameritraderetirement.com for more complete details on commissions and fees.

### Getting started

# How do I open a TD Ameritrade Brokerage Account?

To open a Brokerage Account, please follow the steps.

- 1. Logon to your core product account at smithcollege.prepare4myfuture.com and select Forms to access the TD Ameritrade material (Commission Schedule and Participant Guide). If you have ROTH contributions, you will need to open an additional ROTH Brokerage Account so your ROTH investments can be kept segregated from your other investments. Please contact TD Ameritrade Participant Services at 866-766-4015 to request an application to open a TD Ameritrade SDBA.
- 2. Complete and return the application(s) to TD Ameritrade. TD Ameritrade will open your Account(s) within 2 (two) business days. Once the account is opened, TD Ameritrade will send you a Welcome Kit that includes your brokerage account number and explains their brokerage account services, procedures, commissions and fees. Additionally, you will receive a Personal Identification Number (PIN) under separate cover. This will arrive separately for security purposes. Please note that you will need both your account number and PIN to access your account through TD Ameritrade at www.tdameritraderetirement.com. Furthermore, you will receive two Welcome Kits if you open a ROTH Brokerage Account in addition to a regular Brokerage Account.
- 3. Logon using your TD Ameritrade account number and PIN. You will then be prompted to create a unique User ID and password. At this point you will be required to read and accept various agreements. A TD Ameritrade Brokerage Account can only be funded through transfers from investment options in your core account. You cannot make direct deferrals/contributions into the TD Ameritrade Brokerage Account or request a withdrawal directly from the account.

# What are the fees and charges associated with the TD Ameritrade Brokerage Account?

If you choose to open a TD Ameritrade Brokerage Account, you will be charged a \$50 fee, annually on November 1st or the next business day the New York Stock Exchange (NYSE) is open, irrespective of when the account was opened. This fee will be deducted from the core investment options in your account under the Plan with Voya. Additionally, you will pay the brokerage account commission and fees as described in the Commission Schedule. Please refer to the mutual fund prospectus for additional fees and charges that may apply to mutual fund trades.

# How do I transfer assets to my TD Ameritrade Brokerage Account?

To transfer assets to your TD Ameritrade Brokerage Account, you must logon to your core account at smithcollege. prepare4myfuture.com and select Manage Investments/Fund Transfer.

# Are there any restrictions on transferring money to a TD Ameritrade Brokerage Account?

The minimum transfer amount is \$2,500. You must maintain a minimum core account balance of \$1,000. Please contact Customer Service at **(800) 584-6001** for more details.

- Direct transfers from the fixed account may be subject to restrictions and limitations. See the core Plan disclosure booklet for the Smith College Defined Contribution Retirement Plan for more information.
- Direct transfers to or from some core investment options such as Competing Investment Options may prohibit or invoke equity wash provisions as applicable. See the core Plan disclosure booklet for more information on equity wash rules.
- A confirmation of the transfer from your core account will be mailed immediately following the transfer.

Transferring assets from the core account to the TD Ameritrade
Brokerage Account will be processed as follows:

- Transfer instructions received by us in good order before the close of the New York Stock Exchange (NYSE), typically 4:00 p.m. Eastern Time, will be valued at the next determined close of the NYSE (generally, same day).
- Transfer instructions received on a day the NYSE is closed, or after the NYSE is closed, will be valued at the next determined close of the NYSE (generally, the next business day).
- Once the funds have been transferred into your TD Ameritrade Brokerage Account, you may begin trading.
- Your assets will be transferred to a cash account and moved to a money market fund the next business day. This may result in your funds being out of the market for one business day. (An investment in a money market fund is not insured or guaranteed by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation or any other government agency. Although the fund seeks to preserve the value of your investment at \$1 per share, it is possible to lose money by investing in the fund.)

Carefully consider the investment objectives, risks, charges and expenses of any money market fund before investing. To obtain a prospectus containing this and other important information, please call a TD Ameritrade representative at (866) 766-4015. Please read the prospectus carefully before investing.

### Accessing your TD Ameritrade Brokerage Account and placing trades

# What should I know before I place a trade in my TD Ameritrade Brokerage Account?

Your TD Ameritrade Brokerage
Account is a cash account, which
means you must have sufficient cash or
available funds to cover your trade(s)
and any applicable commissions and
fees. Additionally, mutual funds traded
within the TD Ameritrade Brokerage
Account may be subject to initial and
subsequent investment minimums. (For
example, many mutual funds require
an investment minimum of \$1,000.)

# How do I place trades in my TD Ameritrade Brokerage Account?

After you have opened and transferred money to your TD Ameritrade Brokerage Account, you can access your account and place trade orders (buy, sell, redeem or exchange) 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, to be submitted during market hours.

You may place trade orders by:

- Accessing your account on TD Ameritrade's Web site at www.tdameritraderetirement.com – 24 hours a day, 7 days a week.
- Using TD Ameritrade's Interactive Voice Response (IVR) by calling toll free (866) 766-4015 – 24 hours a day, 7 days a week.
- Calling TD Ameritrade Partner Services toll free at (866) 766-4015, 8:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. Eastern Time (excluding market holidays).
- Mobile Device-specific trading applications for the most popular mobile products. Helps you stay on top of the markets from anywhere. TD Ameritrade offers you a choice: two free mobile apps that both deliver access to your watch lists, real-time charts, quotes, and comprehensive news and research. Choose the one that matches your trading style TD Ameritrade Mobile or TD Ameritrade Mobile Trader. Logon to your brokerage account for details at www.tdameritraderetirement.com

### **Account Statements**

# What information will I receive about my TD Ameritrade Brokerage Account?

You will continue to receive your Plan's regular quarterly statement that shows the total account value of your core account investment options in addition to the aggregate value of your TD Ameritrade account. You will also receive a separate statement from TD Ameritrade for your Brokerage Account detailing individual holdings and transactions. You will receive this statement monthly when there is trade activity in your TD Ameritrade account, and quarterly when there is no activity.

You can designate how you would like to receive statements and trade confirmations by logging on to your brokerage account at www.tdameritraderetirement.com. Electronic statements and trade confirmations are available.

You will also receive fund prospectuses, semi-annual and annual reports for the investments in your TD Ameritrade Brokerage Account.

# How do I transfer back to my core account?

To transfer assets back to your core account, you may first need to redeem/sell the securities held in your TD Ameritrade Brokerage Account. Once the trades have settled (generally one to three business days, you can request a transfer to your core account at smithcollege. prepare4myfuture.com. Select Manage Investments/Fund Transfer.

### Loans and distributions from my TD Ameritrade Brokerage Account

### Are distributions available from the TD Ameritrade Brokerage Account?

Loans and all distributions can only be made from the core account investment options; your TD Ameritrade Brokerage Account cannot be directly accessed for any type of distribution. All distributions from the Plan, including amounts in the TD Ameritrade Brokerage Account, are subject to the requirements of the Internal Revenue Code Section that govern your Plan, other laws, and the Plan document.

#### Withdrawals

If you request a withdrawal from the Plan for any reason, only the assets in your core account can be used for the withdrawal amount. If the amount of the withdrawal is greater than the amount available in your core investment options, you will need to transfer assets from your TD Ameritrade Brokerage Account to your core account, prior to your withdrawal request being processed.

#### Loans

Loan disbursements can only be withdrawn from assets in your core investment options. Assets held in your SDBA will be included in the calculation of the maximum loan amount available to you. However, only assets in your core investment options will be used to disperse the loan amount. If you require a loan amount greater than the assets available in your core investment options, you may need to liquidate securities in your TD Ameritrade Brokerage Account and transfer the assets to your core account, to satisfy the loan amount.

#### Systematic distribution options

If you elect a Systematic Distribution Option from your core account, you will be required to liquidate the securities in your TD Ameritrade Brokerage Account and transfer the assets to your core account. Voya will not process your systematic distribution request until the assets have been transferred to your core account. Systematic distributions will be taxed as ordinary income in the year the money is distributed to you. Account values fluctuate with market conditions, and the principal value may be worth more or less than its original amount invested.

#### Profile Changes to my TD Ameritrade Brokerage Account

Please contact Voya at **800-584-6001** to make profile changes to your TD Ameritrade Brokerage Account such as name or address.

### Who do I contact?

Account activity	TD Ameritrade 1-866-766-4015 tdameritraderetirement.com	Voya Financial, Inc. 1-800-584-6001 smithcollege.prepare4myfuture.com
Request transfers between investment options within the core account		X
Request transfers from the core account to the TD Ameritrade Brokerage Account		X
Request transfers from the TD Ameritrade Brokerage Account to the core account		X
Place trade orders within the TD Ameritrade Brokerage Account	X	
Obtain TD Ameritrade Brokerage Account balance	X	
Obtain total core account and TD Ameritrade Brokerage Account balance		X
Obtain investment information about the choices within the TD Ameritrade Brokerage Account	X	
Obtain investment information about the choices in the core account		X
Ask plan questions		X
Request a withdrawal from the Plan		X

#### For more information please contact:

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