

FSS MarketWatch Challenge



You have \$1,000,000. How will you choose to invest it?

We will be kicking off the FSS MarketWatch Challenge today. Every student in the class will participate in this game by investing \$1,000,000 of imaginary money in a variety of REAL investments. The goal of the FSS MarketWatch Challenge will be to earn as much money as you can on your portfolio by the **market close on April 2, 2020**. You will be competing against each other, against the market, and against me! Prizes will be awarded before Spring Break for:

- Best Overall Performance \$100 cash** (1 winner)
- Outperforming the DJIA..... \$5 cash** (multiple winners ... maybe)
- Outperforming Mr. Clark's Portfolio ... \$10 cash** (multiple winners ... as if)

You must follow the rules and complete all 14 required weekly assignments to be eligible for prizes ...

INSTRUCTIONS

- 1 First, go to www.marketwatch.com and select "Log In" from the menu bar.



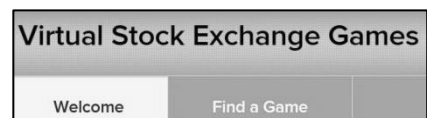
- 2 When the "Log In" box pops up, select "Register" to set up an account.

- 3 When the "Register" box pops up, enter your info (name, email, password) and then use the dropdown boxes for a title, industry, and profession (pick anything you want). Then click "Register Now"

- 4 You will now have to go to your email inbox and find the email from Dow Jones. Open the email and click "verify email address".

Your browser will open a window asking for your email and password. Enter the email address and password you just submitted to MarketWatch in step 3 above.

- 5 Click on games from the menu bar and select "Find Games".



Our game is called: **FSS2020**

Enter the password for the game **317317** and select "join"

And now, FINALLY, you are ready to start!!!

GAME RULES

Dates:	Start: <u>12/6/2019</u> End: <u>04/2/2020</u>
Starting Cash Balance:	\$1,000,000
Commission Level:	\$10 per trade
Credit Interest Rate:	3.00% (interest rate you earn on the cash balance in your account)
Debt Interest Rate for Leverage:	6.00% (interest rate you pay to borrow money)
Minimum Stock Price:	\$5 (you cannot buy stocks trading below \$5 per share)
Maximum Stock Price:	\$100,000 (you cannot buy stocks trading above \$100,000 per share)
Trade Volume Limitation:	5.00% (you cannot buy >5% of the average shares traded)
Advanced Options:	Short Selling, Margin Orders, Limit Orders, Stop Loss Orders

MY RULES

1. Make your initial investment choices (at least 10 different investments) by the end of class **TODAY**.
2. You must hold at least **10 INVESTMENTS** in your portfolio at all times ... diversify!
3. Your investment choices must include at least **5 INDIVIDUAL STOCKS** ... no risk, no reward!
4. You must be at least **90% INVESTED** (cash balance under \$100,000) ... have some skin in the game!
5. Complete all **14 REQUIRED ASSIGNMENTS** (explained below) ... do your research!

REQUIRED ASSIGNMENTS

There are 15 graded assignments that you must complete and turn in for credit (regular 25% per day late policy) in order to remain eligible for prizes:

- Invest: This is due today... start the game and invest in at least 10 securities.
- Research Project: This is due during Week 21 (more info to come).
- Weekly Assignments: You will be keeping track of your portfolio the same way that many investors do – using Excel. Every Friday (on weeks shown in the table to right), you will turn in an Excel spreadsheet with info about your portfolio. I want you to set up a spreadsheet like the one shown below. You will be responsible for updating your Excel spreadsheet and emailing it as an attachment to me every Friday between now and week 31. You must use formulas for totals in the spreadsheet! I will work with you individually next week to help you set this up. Follow the layout shown ... your cells should have the same info in them (with different stocks, numbers, etc.).

Week	Assignment
17	Invest!
18	Weekly
19	--
20	Weekly
21	Research & Weekly
22	Weekly
23	Weekly
24	Weekly
25	Weekly
26	Weekly
27	Weekly
28	Weekly
29	Weekly
30	Weekly
31	Weekly
32	Portfolio Project

	A	B	C	D	E	F	G
1	YOUR PORTFOLIO NAME HERE						
2	Your Name Here						
3							
4	WEEK 18: TOP 10 INVESTMENTS						
5	Investment	Symbol	Last Trade (Price per Share)	Overall Change (Price Per Share)	Market Value (Total Value)	Gain/Loss (Total Value)	Recent News Headline
6	AB Corporation	ABC	\$ 75.67	\$ 0.67	\$ 45,402.00	\$ 45,402.00	ABC releases new product that will revolutionize the market.
7	DE Fund	DEF	\$128.64	\$ 1.14	\$ 77,183.40	\$ 77,183.40	DE Fund is the next big thing.
8	GH Inc.	GHI	\$ 48.43	\$ (0.43)	\$ 29,057.28	\$ (29,057.28)	GH Inc. is being sued by a competitor.
9	JKL Worldwide	JKL	\$120.92	\$ 1.07	\$ 72,552.40	\$ 72,552.40	JKL Worldwide expands again.
10	MN Enterprises	MN	\$ 45.52	\$ (0.40)	\$ 27,313.84	\$ (27,313.84)	MN Enterprises faces decreasing demand for its products.
11	OP Mutual Fund	OP	\$113.67	\$ 1.01	\$ 68,199.25	\$ 68,199.25	OP Mutual Fund ranked #3 best mutual fund in US.
12	QRS iShares	QRS	\$162.54	\$ 1.44	\$ 97,524.93	\$ 97,524.93	QRS iShares is most successful new investment of 2014.
13	TUV ETF	TUV	\$424.51	\$ 3.76	\$ 254,705.22	\$ 254,705.22	TUV is an ETF to have in your portfolio, says Peter Lynch.
14	WXY Fund	WXY	\$ 87.17	\$ (0.77)	\$ 52,303.10	\$ (52,303.10)	WXY Fund has been having a rough year.
15	Z Corp.	Z	\$338.58	\$ 3.00	\$ 203,146.71	\$ 203,146.71	Z Corp. is "Z" place to put your money in 2014!
16	TOTALS				\$ 927,388.13	\$ 710,039.68	