# **Nuveen Core Equity Alpha Fund (JCE)**

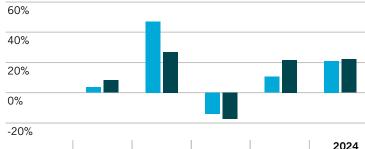
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## **Fund description**

The Fund's investment objective is to provide an attractive level of total return, primarily through long term capital appreciation and secondarily through income and gains.

The Fund invests in large capitalization U.S. common stocks, using a proprietary quantitative process designed to provide the potential for long-term outperformance. The Fund also sells call options with a notional value of up to 50% of the Fund's equity portfolio in seeking to enhance risk-adjusted performance relative to an all equity portfolio.

#### Calendar Year Returns (%)

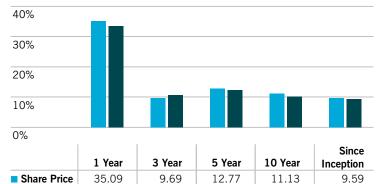


| 2070        | 2020 | 2021  | 2022   | 2023  | 2024<br>(YTD) |
|-------------|------|-------|--------|-------|---------------|
| Share Price | 3.62 | 47.15 | -13.94 | 10.60 | 21.01         |
| ■ NAV       | 8.42 | 26.91 | -17.30 | 21.68 | 22.14         |

## **Average Annualized Total Returns (%)**

33.53

NAV



Performance data shown represents past performance and does not predict or guarantee future results. Current performance may be higher or lower than the data shown. NAV returns are net of fund expenses, and assume reinvestment of distributions.

12.23

10.18

9.30

10.63

## Capital Structure<sup>1</sup>

| Total Managed Assets      | \$252,592,007 |
|---------------------------|---------------|
| Total Investment Exposure | \$252,592,007 |

#### **Common Shares**

| Shares Outstanding               | 16,603,148 |
|----------------------------------|------------|
| Average Daily Volume (in shares) | 58,495     |

#### Fund Characteristics<sup>2</sup>

| Number of Holdings      | 120                  |
|-------------------------|----------------------|
| % Large, Mid, Small Cap | 99.10%, 0.90%, 0.00% |

## **Annual Expense Ratios (%)**

|                 | Common Shares | Total Fund |
|-----------------|---------------|------------|
| Management Fees | 0.91%         | 0.91%      |
| Other Expenses  | 0.10%         | 0.10%      |
| Total           | 1.01%         | 1.01%      |

See the Fund's Annual Report for full information on expenses.

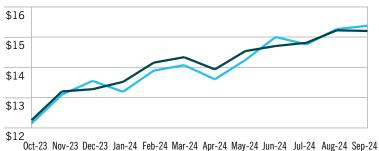
- 1 Total Investment Exposure is the total of the Fund's managed assets plus any additional economic exposure the Fund has due to its investments in certain securities.
- 2 Market Cap weight is relative to the percentage of the portfolio invested in equity securities.

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## **Share Price and NAV History (\$)**

Data reflects performance over the previous 12 months



Oct-23 Nov-23 Dec-23 Jan-24 Feb-24 Mar-24 Apr-24 May-24 Jun-24 Jun-24 Aug-24 Sep-24

Share Price NAV

Past performance is no guarantee of future results.

#### **Portfolio Management**

Nuveen Asset Management, LLC is a subadviser to the Fund and an affiliate of Nuveen, LLC.

### **Option Overlay Information**

| Average Call Option % Coverage      | 28.00%  |
|-------------------------------------|---------|
| Average Call Strike vs. Spot Price  | 101.00% |
| Weighted Average Days to Expiration | 25.24   |

## Key Information Regarding Distributions<sup>1</sup>

| Current Distribution (Quarterly)  | \$0.3200 |
|-----------------------------------|----------|
| Monthly Equivalent Distribution   | \$0.1067 |
| Distribution Rate on NAV          | 8.42%    |
| Distribution Rate on Market Price | 8.33%    |

#### **Total Distributions Paid Per Share**

| YTD (Declared)               | \$0.9600  |
|------------------------------|-----------|
| Inception to Date (Declared) | \$26.9570 |

Distribution sources may include net investment income, realized gains and return of capital. If a distribution includes anything other than net investment income, the Fund provides a notice of the best estimate of its distribution sources at that time which may be viewed at **nuveen.com/CEFdistributions**. These estimates may not match the final tax characterization (for the full year's distributions) contained in shareholders' 1099-DIV forms after the end of the year. You should not draw any conclusions about a fund's pastor future investment performance from its current distribution rate. The funds regular monthly distributions may be subject to federal and/or state and local taxes and may be re-characterized as ordinary income. Any re-characterization will be reported in shareholders' 1099-DIV forms after the end of the year. Income exempt from federal income tax may be subject to state and local taxes and the alternative minimum tax. Capital gains, if any, will be subject to capital gains tax.

## **Top 5 Holdings**

|                    | % of Portfolio |
|--------------------|----------------|
| Apple Inc          | 7.7%           |
| Microsoft Corp     | 7.2%           |
| Nvidia Corp        | 6.7%           |
| Amazon.Com Inc     | 4.2%           |
| Meta Platforms Inc | 3.0%           |

Holdings may vary and are subject to change without notice.

## **Top 5 Industries**

| % of Portfolio |
|----------------|
| 11.2%          |
| 9.8%           |
| 7.8%           |
| 7.7%           |
| 7.3%           |
|                |

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#### Additional Distribution Information (as of 31 Aug 2024)

The following table provides estimates of the Fund's distribution sources, reflecting year-to-date cumulative experience through the latest month-end. The Fund attributes these estimates equally to each regular distribution throughout the year. Consequently, the estimated information shown below is for the current distribution, and also represents an updated estimate for all prior months in the year. If any non-zero number is shown under "Return of Capital" in the table below, that means that the Fund estimates that it has distributed more than its net income and net realized capital gains, and that therefore a portion of your distribution may be a return of capital. A return of capital may occur, for example, when some or all of the money that you invested in the Fund is paid back to you. A return of capital distribution does not necessarily reflect the Fund's investment performance and should not be confused with "income." The amounts and sources of distributions reported below are only estimates and are not being provided for tax reporting purposes. The actual amounts and sources of the amounts for tax reporting purposes. The actual amounts and sources of its fiscal year and may be subject to changes based on tax regulations. The Fund will send you a Form 1099-DIV for the calendar year that will tell you how to report these distributions for federal income tax purposes.

| Data as of 31 Aug 2024 |                           | Es       | Estimated-Per-Share Sources of the Distribution* |                     |                      |      | Estimated Percentage of the Distribution |                     |                      |  |
|------------------------|---------------------------|----------|--|---------------------|----------------------|------|--|---------------------|----------------------|--|
| JCE (FYE 12/31)        | Per Share<br>Distribution | NII      | Long-Term<br>Gains                               | Short-Term<br>Gains | Return of<br>Capital | NII  | Long-Term<br>Gains                       | Short-Term<br>Gains | Return of<br>Capital |  |
| Current                | \$0.3200                  | \$0.0119 | \$0.0846   | \$0.2235            | \$0.0000             | 3.7% | 26.5%                                    | 69.8%               | 0.0%                 |  |
| Fiscal YTD             | \$0.9600                  | \$0.0357 | \$0.2539   | \$0.6704            | \$0.0000             | 3.7% | 26.5%                                    | 69.8%               | 0.0%                 |  |

<sup>\*</sup>Net investment income (NII) is a projection through the end of the current calendar quarter using actual data through the stated month-end date above. Capital gain amounts are as of the stated date above. The NII estimates above are based on prior year attributions which can be expected to differ from the actual final attributions for the current year.

The following table provides information regarding JCE's distributions and total return performance over various time periods. This information is intended to help you better understand whether returns for the specified time periods were sufficient to meet distributions.

| Data as of 31 Aug 2024         |              |                             |                    | Annualized              | Cumulative                              |                             |   |
|--------------------------------|--------------|-----------------------------|--------------------|-------------------------|---|-----------------------------|---|
| JCE (FYE 12/31) Inception Date | Distribution | Fiscal YTD<br>Distributions | Net Asset<br>Value | 5-Year Return<br>on NAV | Fiscal YTD Distribution<br>Rate on NAV* | Fiscal YTD Return<br>on NAV | Fiscal YTD Distribution<br>Rate on NAV* |
| Mar 07                         | \$0.3200     | \$0.9600                    | \$15.23            | 12.03%                  | 8.40%                                   | 19.78%                      | 6.30%                                   |

<sup>\*</sup>As a percentage of 31 Aug 2024 NAV

#### Important information on risk

Investing in closed-end funds involves risk; principal loss is possible. There is no guarantee the Fund's investment objectives will be achieved. Closed-end fund shares may frequently trade at a discount or premium to their net asset value. **Common stock** returns often have experienced significant volatility. The Fund may not participate in any appreciation of its equity portfolio as fully as it would if the Fund did not sell **call options**. In addition, the Fund will continue to bear the risk of declines in the value of the equity portfolio. Because **index options** are settled in cash, sellers of index call options, such as the Fund, cannot provide in advance for their potential settlement obligations by acquiring and holding the underlying securities. For these and other risks, including

tax risk, please see the Fund's web page at www.nuveen.com/JCE.

## Glossary

Average Call Option % Coverage is the percentage of the Fund's underlying equities overwritten by call options; equals sum of notional values of call options divided by the market value of equities in the portfolio. Average Call Strike vs. Spot Price is the average ratio of call option strike prices vs. spot prices, weighted by the notional value of the calls. Weighted Average Days to Expiration is the average days to expiration for all call options in the Fund's portfolio, weighted by notional values.

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