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

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Effective 30 May 2025, Nazar Suschko joined Maxim Kozlov, Pei Chen and David Friar as a portfolio manager of the Fund. This update did not impact the overall investment strategy.

#### **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.

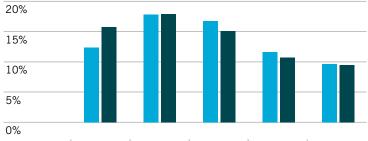
The Fund invests in large capitalization U.S. common stocks, using a proprietary quantitative process designed to provide the potential for long-term outperformance. The Fund also sells call options with a notional value of up to 50% of the Fund's equity portfolio in seeking to enhance risk-adjusted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

#### Calendar Year Returns (%)



2070	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025 (YTD)	
Share Price	47.15	-13.94	10.60	27.77	1.70	
■ NAV	26.91	-17.30	21.68	26.90	5.50	

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



	1 Year	3 Year	5 Year	10 Year	Since Inception
■ Share Price	12.32	17.76	16.78	11.66	9.61
■ NAV	15.72	17.92	15.05	10.71	9.46

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.

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

Total Managed Assets	\$266,238,403
Total Investment Exposure	\$266,238,403

#### **Common Shares**

Shares Outstanding	17,002,678
Average Daily Volume (in shares)	31,145

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

Number of Holdings	133
% Large, Mid, Small Cap	99.08%, 0.23%, 0.69%

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

	Common Shares	Total Fund
Management Fees	0.91%	0.91%
Other Expenses	0.09%	0.09%
Total	1.00%	1.00%

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



Jul-24 Aug-24 Sep-24 Oct-24 Nov-24 Dec-24 Jan-25 Feb-25 Mar-25 Apr-25 May-25 Jun-25

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	39.00%
Average Call Strike vs. Spot Price	103.00%
Weighted Average Days to Expiration	19.97

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

Current Distribution (Quarterly)	\$0.3200
Monthly Equivalent Distribution	\$0.1067
Distribution Rate on NAV	8.17%
Distribution Rate on Market Price	8.26%

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

YTD (Declared)	\$0.6400
Inception to Date (Declared)	\$27.9170

Distributions are currently estimated to include the following amounts from sources other than net investment income: 83% capital gains and 16% return of capital. If a distribution is estimated to include anything other than net investment income, the Fund provides a Section 19(a) notice of the best estimate of its distribution sources at that time which may be viewed at **nuveen.com/CEFdistributions** or within the Fund's literature section under 19(a) notices. 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. The distribution rate should not be confused with yield or performance.

#### **Top 5 Holdings**

	% of Portfolio
Nvidia Corp	8.0%
Microsoft Corp	7.7%
Apple Inc	6.4%
Amazon.Com Inc	4.6%
Meta Platforms Inc	3.3%

Holdings may vary and are subject to change without notice.

#### **Top 5 Industries**

	% of Portfolio
Semiconductors & Semiconductor Equipment	12.9%
Software	12.6%
Interactive Media & Services	7.5%
Technology Hardware, Storage & Peripherals	6.7%
Financial Services	5.4%

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#### Additional Distribution Information (as of 31 May 2025)

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 considered in the Fund is paid back to you stimates and are not being provided for tax reporting purposes. The actual 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 fund's investment experience during the remainder 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 May 2025		Es	Estimated-Per-Share Sources of the Distribution*				Estimated Percentage of the Distribution			
JCE (FYE 12/31)	Per Share Distribution	NII	Long-Term Gains	Short-Term Gains	Return of Capital	NII	Long-Term Gains	Short-Term Gains	Return of Capital	
Current	\$0.3200	\$0.0028	\$0.0729	\$0.1925	\$0.0518	0.9%	22.8%	60.2%	16.2%	
Fiscal YTD	\$0.6400	\$0.0056	\$0.1459	\$0.3850	\$0.1035	0.9%	22.8%	60.2%	16.2%	

<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 May 2025				Annualized		Cumulative	
JCE (FYE 12/31) Inception Date	Distribution	Fiscal YTD Distributions	Net Asset Value	5-Year Return on NAV	Fiscal YTD Distribution Rate on NAV*	Fiscal YTD Return on NAV	Fiscal YTD Distribution Rate on NAV*
Mar 07	\$0.3200	\$0.6400	\$15.22	14.04%	8.41%	0.48%	4.20%

<sup>\*</sup>As a percentage of 31 May 2025 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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