

2009 ALUMNI FELLOW

William H. Joyce

William H. Joyce '57 Eng is chairman and chief executive officer of Advanced Fusion Systems. He is retired chairman and CEO of Nalco Company, the world's largest water treatment company and a worldwide manufacturer of highly specialized service programs for industry. Joyce is also former chairman and CEO of Hercules Incorporated, which manufactures and globally markets chemical specialties, and former vice chairman of Dow Chemical.

Following graduation from Penn State, Joyce joined Union Carbide Corporation where he worked for the next 40 years. During his tenure with Union Carbide, Joyce managed several of the corporation's chemicals and plastics businesses located around the world and ultimately led the corporation as chairman, president and CEO. Joyce is a current director of CVS Caremark Corporation and a member of the National Academy of Engineering.

Joyce's achievements have been widely lauded. President Bill Clinton awarded him the National Medal of Technology in 1993. He has received the Outstanding Achievement Award and Lifetime Award from the Society of Plastics Engineers. Last year, the American Institute of Chemical Engineers named him one of the Top 100 Chemical Engineers of the Modern Era.

In addition to his Penn State degree, Joyce holds an MBA with Distinction and a doctoral degree in business, both from New York University.

Penn State has honored him with the Outstanding Engineering Alumni Award and the Distinguished Alumni Award. He and his wife, Kathleen, are members of the Mount Nittany Society and life members of the Penn State Alumni Association. They have three grown children and live in Newton, Conn.

