Biographical Sketch

John A. Czepiel

John A. Czepiel is Professor of Marketing and Stern Teaching Excellence Fellow at the Leonard N. Stern School of Business at New York University. John’s *Competitive Marketing Strategy* course has been the most popular advanced marketing elective in the MBA program for over a dozen years earning him the school's Excellence in Teaching Award. He has twice been named the Best Professor in Stern's top-ranked Executive MBA Program. His prowess at teaching strategy led to his being cited in *Business Week’s Guide to the Best Business Schools* as one of Stern’s Outstanding Faculty. Professor Czepiel received his MS and Ph.D. degrees from Northwestern University’s Kellogg School in 1972 and his BS degree from the Illinois Institute of Technology in 1964 where he describes himself as having been a fugitive from the engineering curriculum.


Professor Czepiel has extensive experience as a consultant and educator in industry. He has designed, directed, and lectured in programs for Aegon NV, ARCO Chemicals, AT&T Bell Labs, Bankers Trust, Bell Communications Research (Bellcore), Deutsche Morgan Grenfell, EQUATE Petrochemicals (Kuwait), GE Credit Corporation, GTE, HAITAI Group (Korea), Johnson & Johnson Health Care Systems, Lucent Technologies, the National Productivity Board (Singapore), New York Telephone, Praxair, Prudential Portfolio Managers (UK), SBC Warburg, Signet Bank, the Society of the Plastics Industry (SPI), Union Carbide Corporation, and others domestically and overseas. He has provided expert
witness testimony in antitrust and trade secrets cases and has extensive hands-on consulting experience in the analysis and formulation of competitive strategy. He is a skilled, content-knowledgeable facilitator of working meetings on strategic issues. Professor Czepiel is especially adept at penetrating complex issues, the framing of the decisions such issues require, and in designing processes for their resolution. On strategic issues he is known for his trademark motto: *Fight Fair But Avoid Fair Fights.*