IMPACT AWARD, COLLEGE OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY  
ALBERT B. BROWN, BA ’64

After graduating from Temple University in 1964, Albert B. Brown began work as a chemist in the newly formed Emulsion Synthesis Department at Rohm and Haas (now Dow Chemical). In 1971, he moved to the Coatings area to work on new metal protection paints and coatings, and was named a senior chemist two years later. Mr. Brown then turned his attention to better adhesion and flow innovations for house paints as section manager in the Architectural Binders area in 1979. He was named a director of synthesis for coatings in 1992 and director of synthesis for the corporation in 1997. In 2001, Mr. Brown’s significant work in the field of polymers earned him the designation of corporate research fellow in honor of his years of extraordinary service as one of the few scientists who have consistently delivered strategic innovations, technical leadership and sustained success to the company.

Mr. Brown’s work has led him to become a worldwide expert in emulsion polymerization, contributing to a number of new product technologies. As a highly respected figure in the technology community, Mr. Brown was called upon by many research departments and businesses for consultation. He has also been asked to lecture on the realities of industrial research at his alma mater. In 2008, Mr. Brown was honored by the Temple University Alumni Association by being inducted into the Gallery of Success for the College of Science and Technology. In 2010, Mr. Brown established the Albert B. Brown Chemistry Scholarship to provide scholarships for undergraduate chemistry majors who demonstrate high academic achievement and financial need; currently gifts and pledges to the fund total more than $500,000.