**Welcome**

My name is \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ . I am the Staff Advisor and (President) of the SALUTE National Honor Society (\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ CHAPTER). On behalf of SALUTE, I welcome you to our induction ceremony into this Honor Society. We are here to recognize and honor the academic achievement of these student veterans.  They represent the best of what veterans bring to academics.

**Introduction**

Each year we ask a member of the  \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ community and veteran supporter to address our students at our induction ceremony. Today I would like to introduce \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (Read Biography).

**Speaker Remarks**

(\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ thanks Speaker)

Sir/Miss, our chapter of SALUTE has chosen to recognize you for all the work you have done and continue to do in support of the college’s military and veteran students. Your efforts have been instrumental in making this a truly military friendly college and provides an excellent example for all of us to follow.

**History**(Read by \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_)

**SALUTE: Service, Academics, Leadership, Unity, Tribute, Excellence**

SALUTE was formed in 2009 by the Colorado State University Veterans Office thanks to a grant by the American Council of Education and WAL-MART Foundation.  We are one of over 300 chapters of the society. Each chapter symbolizes not only the achievement of veterans bettering themselves through the pursuit of knowledge, but also our commitment as a group to honor those among us that are the tip of the spear.

[\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Chapter History]

Today we are continuing our chapter’s history and the success of these student leaders before you.  Each one of these scholars will forever be members of our chapter and role models for the student veterans that follow them.  They also have a role going forward for making this chapter their own, something that promotes achievement by all student veterans now and in the future. Without veterans succeeding in the classroom, SALUTE would cease to exist. It is an honor now to say SALUTE has over 300 chapters encompassing over 16,000 members and growing. (clapping)

I am proud today to announce that our chapter will be inducting \_\_\_\_\_ new members into our ranks from our student body this year. This tremendous growth of our chapter shows the dedication of our military and veteran population when it comes to academics and many of these students will be recognized at ceremonies like this one at our Colleges and Universities across the nation.

**Values**

Before the inductees are given the opportunity to take the pledge of membership, it is fitting that we discuss the qualities, aims, and ideals expected of them as members of our society.

A value-based model of student veterans has now been put in place. This model being centered around the skills and leadership student veterans bring to college campuses across the country. National Veteran Education Success Tracker estimates 72 percent of veterans receive a degree spanning across multiple disciplines. Student veterans help mentor and lead their peers and students in the classroom. We are the next best generation. As members of SALUTE, we will continue to embody our core values and continue to be the leaders on campus our community and our country.

**INTRO:** At this time, I would like to recognize SALUTE’s faculty advisor \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ who will call off the names of our new inductees.

**(Staff Advisor)**

“Candidates as your names are called please come up to accept your certificate and remain for the oath.”

(Certificates, and coins will be presented by Speaker and Chapter President)

**Oath**(Administered by Faculty Advisor)

“Candidates please repeat after me”

***“I promise to uphold the ideals --- and further the aims of SALUTE, --- and this chapter--- by believing that doing so shall support ---my continued achievement and success--- as well as promote--- the same for other student veterans”***

**Closing** (Faulty Advisor)

“As the Faculty Advisor I welcome you as the newest members of the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Chapter of the SALUTE National Honor Society”.

“This concludes the induction ceremony. Inductees please remain for a few moments for a photo”.

**Regalia**

[See host institution’s graduation regalia department if giving an honor cord to wear at graduation]