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LPPD Lt. Doug Ditrich completes Master's **Degree from Sam Houston State University**



The La Porte Police Department is proud to announce the recent graduation of Lieutenant Doug Ditrich who on August 4th, 2018 received a Master's Degree in Organizational Leadership in Criminal Justice from Sam Houston StateUniversity. Sam Houston State has a well-renowned criminal justice leadership program which is very demanding. It draws from historical practices and up-and-coming trends to produce the most visionary leaders throughout Texas and her neighboring states.

Engaging in any continuing education effort is never easy for a working adult. However, Ditrich was able to accomplish the task while balancing his roles as a husband, father and police officer. This accomplishment, he points out, was made possible through the support of many others. Ditrich was especially appreciative of the support he received from his superiors at the La Porte Police Department as well as the 100 Club of Houston who provided him with a scholarship to attend. Additionally, and most importantly, he thanks his wife Sherri, Chief of Police for Morgan's Point Police Department, for her love, support, and perseverance. You see it was not only Doug in the Ditrich household continuing his education, but Sherri also completed the program.

Lt. Ditrich intends to continue seeking educational opportunities and experiences to help him grow and develop as a person and a leader. He is currently assigned as the Night Shift Patrol Watch Commander for LPPD, while also serving as the department's Field Training Coordinator and SWAT Supervisor.