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## Major Derek Sanders

*United States Marine Corps*

Commander

Louisville Military Entrance Processing Station

Major Derek Sanders is the commander of the Louisville Military Entrance Processing Station.

He enlisted in the Marine Corps at Louisville MEPS in 2003, and earned his commission at Officer Candidate School, Marine Corps Base Quantico, Virginia, in 2008.

Major Sanders served as a military police officer, Marine Police Company Alpha, 4th Force Service Support Group, Lexington, Kentucky, and deployed to Fallujah, Iraq; recruiters' assistant, Marine Recruiting Station, Louisville, Kentucky; terrestrial platoon commander, single channel radio platoon commander, and squadron operations officer, Marine Wing Communications Squadron 18, Marine Air Control Group 18, Okinawa, Japan; communications platoon commander, Marine Air Control Squadron 4, Marine Air Control Group 18, Okinawa; Marine Corps enterprise network battle captain, operations center officer in charge, current operations officer, and network operations officer, Marine Corps Network Operations and Security Center, Quantico; and future operations officer, deputy assistant chief of staff, and operations officer, 3rd Marine Logistics Group, Okinawa.



His professional military education includes Command and Staff Distance Education Program, Maritime Prepositioning Force Staff Planners Course, Advanced Communications Officer Course, Expeditionary Warfare School Distance Education Program, Weapons and Tactics Instructor Course, Basic Communication Officers Course, and The Basic School. He also earned a Bachelor of Science in Criminal Justice from the University of Louisville and a Master of Business Administration from American Military University.

Major Sanders' awards and decorations include the Navy and Marine Corps Commendation Medal, Navy and Marine Corps Achievement Medal, and various unit and service medals.