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## EDUCATION

Tulane University  
Ph.D. Sociology, 2001  
M.A. Sociology, 1998

Columbia University  
Masters Degree in Public Health, 1994

University of Connecticut  
B.S. Allied Health, 1986

## EMPLOYMENT

Epidemiologist (2006 – Present)  
Alaska Native Tribal Health Consortium Epidemiology Center  
Anchorage, Alaska

Research and Evaluation Consultant (2004- Present)  
Turnagain Research and Program Evaluation  
Anchorage, Alaska

Adjunct Professor of Sociology/ Public Health (2002-2003)  
Department of Sociology – Mat-Su College  
MPH Program, University of Alaska, Anchorage

Visiting Assistant Professor (1999-2001)  
Department of Sociology, University of Alaska, Anchorage

Teaching Assistant (1998-1999)  
Department of Sociology, Tulane University

Country Evaluation Coordinator (1996-1998)  
Tulane University School of Public Health and Tropical Medicine  
MEASURE Evaluation Project, Guatemala

Development Director (1994-1995)  
Rape Crisis Center of Coastal Horizons Center, Inc. Wilmington, NC

Center for Women in Policy Fellow, SUNY Albany (1993-1994)

New York State Office of Alcoholism and Substance Abuse Services Internship

Education Director (1992-1994)

Columbia University Head Start Program, New York, NY

International Public Health Intern (1993)

Columbia University, Center for Population and Family Health

Port of Spain, Trinidad

Pediatric Physical Therapist (1986-1993)

SUNY Health Science Center, Brooklyn, NY

Pediatric Physical Therapist (1989-1991)

Neonatal Intensive Care Unit, Boston City Hospital, Boston

## **PUBLICATIONS**

Toffolon-Weiss, Melissa and J. Timmons Roberts. 2005. "Who Wins, Who Loses. Understanding Outcomes of Environmental Injustice Struggles" In *Power, Justice, and the Environment: A Critical Appraisal of the Environmental Justice Movement (Urban and Industrial Environments)*. Edited by David Pellow and Robert Brulle. Boston: MIT Press.

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## **PROFESSIONAL ORGANIZATIONS**

Alaska Public Health Association

American Public Health Association

American Sociology Association

Environment and Technology Section, ASA