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Experience

Nicole is an articling student with Bereskin & Parr LLP. Her practice focuses on general IP matters, management and strategic counselling and patent prosecution in the fields of biotechnology, chemical and pharmaceutical sciences.

Nicole completed her Juris Doctor at the University of Windsor and holds a Bachelor of Sciences in Chemistry and a Master of Science in Organic Chemistry from the University of British Columbia. Nicole's thesis focused on developing new catalytic reactions for access to chemical building blocks found in various pharmaceuticals and agrochemicals.

During her academic career, Nicole completed a research internship at the Leibniz-Institut for Catalysis (LIKAT) in Rostock, Germany, where she worked on various synthetic methodology projects involving palladium and rhodium catalysis. She also worked as a research associate at the California Institute of Technology (Caltech) in Pasadena, California. Her work involved synthesizing peptides and small molecules for cancer immunotherapy projects as well as optimizing protein expression and purification protocols.

Nicole's industry experience includes her role as a research associate for Indi Molecular Inc., a biotechnology start-up company in Culver City, California, focused on commercializing protein-catalyzed capture (PCC) agent technology.

Nicole has co-authored several publications on organic chemistry and peptide science.

Prior to being an articling student, Nicole was a summer student with the firm.

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Education

J.D., University of Windsor, 2022
Masters of Science, Chemistry, University of British Columbia, 2015
Bachelor of Science, Chemistry, University of British Columbia, 2012



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