

## ABOUT ME

I'm full of passion and energy. I push myself to be the best. I'm not afraid of complexity – I think clearly and pragmatically. I'm best at getting projects off the ground and working under pressure, and I'm not shy about acting on initiative. I'm good with technology and appreciate excellent design so I fit in well with designers and developers alike. I love the process of creation and I've always got a project on the go. I'm eager to learn and happy to teach. I'm starting by contributing to Open Source ([github.com/garethrees](https://github.com/garethrees)) and founding a Ruby community ([cardiffrb.com](http://cardiffrb.com)).

## EXPERIENCE

### E-Communications Coordinator

CARDIFF UNIVERSITY STUDENTS UNION

2009 – Present

Worked on 9 applications from concept to deployment. Maintained and improved 5 existing applications. Advised on technology recommendations to CEO and senior management.

Redesigned [cardiffstudents.com](http://cardiffstudents.com) and wrote strategy to focus on regularly updated content  
Built advert management system to replace over-complicated open source solution  
Currently building OAuth2 provider for central user management  
Implemented credits referral system on [shop.cardiffstudents.com](http://shop.cardiffstudents.com)  
Maintained [shop.cardiffstudents.com](http://shop.cardiffstudents.com) with a £400,000 turnover  
Built online staff contact directory – [staff.cardiffstudents.com](http://staff.cardiffstudents.com)  
Integrated [welshvarsity.com](http://welshvarsity.com) with custom shopping cart API  
Designed an admin interface to be used as a house style  
Built simple AJAX powered CMS

### Events Technical Supervisor

CARDIFF UNIVERSITY STUDENTS UNION

2006 – 2009

Required quick thinking to solve technical problems during live events  
Undertook physical work alongside crew to lead by example  
Involved crew with supervisor duties to encourage learning  
Worked under pressure to ensure events ran to time  
Summer Ball Stage Manager

### Station Manager

XPRESS RADIO

2008 – 2009

Coordinated and motivated a volunteer executive team of 16  
Responsible for over 150 society members  
Coordinated four-week FM broadcast

**Editor** CARDIFF UNION TV

07/2008

**Tech Op** XFM

02/2008 – 05/2008

**Head of Technical** XPRESS RADIO

2006 – 2008

Most Dedicated Member 2008

### Work Experience

STAGE LIGHTING SERVICES

07/2006

CRANC AUDIO POST PRODUCTION

07/2005

MWNCI

07/2004

## EDUCATION

### BSc Hons Computer Science 2.1

CARDIFF UNIVERSITY

2006 – 2010

## SKILLS

HTML / CSS 7 years  
Ruby on Rails 2 years  
Git 2 years  
MySQL 2 years  
Sinatra 1 year  
jQuery 6 months  
Photoshop 7 years

Some tools I use regularly:  
Mac OS X, HTML5, CSS3, Sphinx, Devise, Omniauth, Carrierwave, Google Analytics, OAuth, Phusion Passenger, UML, Heroku, Omnigraffle, Red Hat Linux, Apache, Wireframes  
Some tools I'm keen to learn:  
CoffeeScript, RSpec, Node.js, MongoDB