

## Curriculum Vitae

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**Education:**

New Technology Institute 10 Innovation Village Coventry University Technology Park Cheetah Road Coventry, CV1 2TL.	Dates: 07/06/04 - 05/11/04
Barr's Hill School & Community College, Radford CV1 4BU.	Dates: 24/02/04 - 29/06/04
Coventry University Priory Street Coventry, UK, CV1 5FB.	Dates: 2000/03
Coundon Court School And Community College Northbrook Road Coventry, CV6 2AJ.	Dates: 1993/00

### Qualifications Gained:

New Technology Institute (2004):

Pass achieved on course 'Teach the I.T Trainer'. The course had been designed to give trainers of Adult learners a comprehensive understanding of the learning process specialising in I.T. Along with knowledge and expertise of different training techniques and how best to use them.

Barr's Hill (2004):

Pass achieved on the City & Guilds 7302 'Introduction to teaching adults' course. This was a general introduction to teaching Adult learners (16+) looking at the roles, responsibilities and differing styles of teaching.

Coventry University (2000/03):

**Third Year** Coventry University BA 2:1 Honours Degree. Modules included; Human computer interaction, Computer project management, Interactive multimedia, Electronic document theory, Document management, Digital society and Multimedia project (a double module with honours).

**Second Year** Coventry University BA Honours Degree, Multimedia & Computing: PASSED  
Modules included; Hypertext, Multimedia design, User interface design, Enterprise and information technology, Multimedia systems, Computers and networks (Cisco CCNA qualification), Systems development tools and techniques.

**First Year** Coventry University BA Honours Degree, Multimedia & Computing: PASSED  
Modules included; Document creation and design, Introduction to typography, Genre and the writing process, Computing and design, Business information technology, Business and enterprise skills, Introduction to the Internet, Computer programming and Information systems fundamentals.

Coundon Court (1993/03):	A Level	Media Studies	A
	A Level	Geography	C
	A Level	Information Technology	D
	A Level	General Studies	C

GCSE: D&T Graphic Design (A), English Literature (C), English (C), Geography (B), Music (C), Science (C), Mathematics (D), Spanish (E). GNVQ: Business (C, C).

Depot Studios: 1998 Audio Introduction NOCN Level 3

### Work Experience/ Employment:

**January 2007/Present:** Coventry University, School of Lifelong Learning; Employed as a part time lecturer (on a 15 week contract basis) teaching module '121SLL-Multimedia Web Scripting' using only the application notepad to create HTML, CSS and JavaScript documents by hand without the use of a WYSIWYG editor such as Dreamweaver.

**November 2006/Present:** Coventry City Council, Arts & Heritage, Herbert media team; Employed as an I.T. tutor at the Herbert Art Gallery running day session events using an application called 'Crazy-Talk'. This application is used to create and control a virtual cast of live talking characters ready to deliver an animated vocal performance for video, web, mobile and messaging projects using powerful facial morphing animation technology.

**September 2006/Present:** English Heritage, Kenilworth Youth and Community Centre; Employed as a freelance web designer on a one day a week - 10 week contract to visit Kenilworth Youth Centre to work with disaffected children aged between 10-18. My task was to develop a fully functional website of the youths design to promote Kenilworth Youth Centre and the young people who attend. After fore filling my 10 week contract I was approached by English Heritage to stay involved with the project and I now maintain and offer advice to the overall site <http://www.kennieyouthie.co.uk/>.

**April 2006/Present:** <http://www.reg16.co.uk/> ; My own website originally created to promote my own sites which has now become an online CV complete with examples of websites I have created for others such as <http://www.towardserecruitment.co.uk/> - <http://www.vitamin-d-rive.co.uk/> - <http://www.redmountainadventurecentre.com/>.

**January 2005/2006:** Coventry University, Centre for Lifelong Learning; Employed as a part time lecturer (on an 8 week contract basis) teaching on both an introduction and intermediate level of Dreamweaver MX. Skills for both courses range from guiding students to adding text into their first html document to uploading their assignments via Dreamweavers built in FTP. I was also involved with the introduction to Adobe Photoshop module in a more hands on role as a support member of staff rather than the main lecturer.

**August 2004/Present:** AdsFab; Recruitment agency owned by Warwick University specialising in the education sector. My role is the mac operator where I put together clients advertisements using QuarkXpress and Photoshop to then be published in papers such as The Guardian and Coventry's Evening Telegraph.

**May 2004:** Coventry City Council, Arts & Heritage, Herbert media team; Freelance work to design and arrange a student reference and handout booklet for an introduction course into sound engineering. QuarkXpress was used to structure the booklet with Adobe Illustrator to design illustrations. Adobe Acrobat was used on the final booklet version to create an online .pdf document.

**2003/2004:** Coventry University; Employed as a part time lecturer, I participated in a number of modules and lab sessions, teaching first and second year students. This gave me hands on experience to teach both at a one to one level and to a larger group of students.

**2000/2004:** DP Design; Coventry based graphic and web design company. I have gained valuable hands on experience with both mac and pc platforms working with applications such as Director 8.5 when creating an interactive CD-ROM for Leftbank homes. Working with QuarkXpress and Photoshop when designing the Nearby directory for the Kenilworth area. Using Dreamweaver, Flash and Fireworks when designing <http://www.directdisplays.com/> a website to promote a new area of work for DP Design and Illustrator to design logos for companies such as Distributed Control Solutions Ltd. I also managed file storage and archiving on the Macintosh computers.

**2000/2007:** Leave it B; Playing bass guitar in a midlands based acoustic covers duo <http://www.reg16.co.uk/leaveitb.htm>. Playing on average 3 gigs a month for 7 years originally as a way to support me financially through University but ultimately as a source of enjoyment.

**2000/2004:** Hilton National, Coventry; roles included general house-keeping at a high Hilton standard, working each and every weekend as my main source of income to support me through my degree at Coventry University.

**1998/99:** White Lion public house; working as a kitchen operative, duties included general kitchen hygiene, food preparation and stock control.

**(Voluntary):**

**2004:** Involved with the Centre for Lifelong Learning volunteering my skills on an 'Introduction to JavaScript' evening course.

**2003/Present:** Acoustic guitar lessons where I spend an hour per session with a student using an informal style of teaching.

**2001/2003:** Involved with the Lanchester arts gallery at Coventry University where my work has been exhibited.

**2002:** Created a number of flash animations for <http://www.mrben.com> this included file management and uploading completed files to the server.

**2000:** Assisted in the Depot Studios BBC Music Live Event.

**1999:** Sessional live engineering for SGB & Depot Studios.

**1999:** Assisted in several recording sessions, running solo sessions at the Depot Studios. Also gave support to the Depot Studios with the Birmingham Arts Festival.

**1997:** Two weeks work experience placement at Christ the King School; duties included student support, general office work e.g. photo copying, facing, stationary distribution, I.T work and classroom housekeeping.

**1997:** One day a week for 10 weeks at Keresley Grange School, duties as above.

**Hobbies and Interests:**

My hobbies include sport, particularly badminton. I have a keen interest and am actively involved in all aspects of music technology, playing for pleasure the bass guitar in a local duo. During University I have developed an interest for film making, as well as computer animation.

I like to keep up to date with the ever-changing face of the I.T industry for both hardware and software on the Windows and Mac Operating Systems by being a subscriber of Jigsaw, Macworld and MacWarehouse magazines. I also regularly read Creative magazine to keep informed about changes in the design world.

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