

COMMAND	DESCRIPTION				
git init	Create a local repository				
git status	show modified files in working directory, staged for your next commit				
git add [file]	add a file as it looks now to your next commit (stage)				
git commit -m "[descriptive message]"	commit your staged content as a new commit snapshot				
git config --global user.name "[firstname lastname]"	set a name that is identifiable for credit when review version history				
git config --global user.email "[valid-email]"	set an email address that will be associated with each history marker				
git branch	list your branches. a * will appear next to the currently active branch				
git checkout	switch to another branch and check it out into your working directory				
git merge [branch]	merge the specified branch's history into the current one				
git clone [url]	retrieve an entire repository from a hosted location via URL				
git push [alias] [branch]	Transmit local branch commits to the remote repository branch				
git pull	fetch and merge any commits from the tracking remote branch				
nano [file]	Opens the Terminal editor				
cd [folder]	Change directory, e.g. cd Documents				
pwd	Show your working directory				
ls	Display the name of files and subdirectories in the directory				
ls -a	List all entries including those with .(period) and ..(double period)				
mkdir <dir>	Create new folder named <dir>				
rmdir <dir>	Delete a folder (only works on empty folders)				
rm -R <dir>	Delete a folder and its contents				
rm <file>	Delete a file (This deletes the file permanently; use with caution.)				
mv <file> <newfilename>	Move/rename				