

Git Cheatsheet

These are common terminal commands for interacting with git and GitHub.

Note: // are comments in this document - do not include them in the commands

Git

Initialize a repo (you should be in your projects folder for all of these):

git init

Do some stuff - then to record your changes:

git add -A . //add everything in the current directory and subdirectories

git commit -m "<message>" // save commit with message

Do some more stuff. If you accidentally did something wrong in the last commit and want to fix it without doing a whole new commit, you can amend your commit. You can also do this to change the message.

git commit --amend

If you are working on some experimental thing and don't want your changes to mix in with your main changes, you might want to make a new branch. Branches are just like different save points you can jump between. You can also merge branches. They are generally used when adding new features on big projects.

git checkout -b XYZ //Creates branch XYZ and switches to it

Want to see which branches you have?

git branch -a

Want to checkout your XYZA branch?

git checkout XYZA

Want to see past commits?

git log

Are you sick of that old branch and you just want to obliterate it?

git branch -D XYZ

Want to see what files you have changed since your last commit?

git status

Want to see what the differences are between your current stuff and your last commit?

git diff

GitHub

Create Hello-World on GitHub

From your project folder:

git remote add origin <https://github.com/XXX/Hello-World.git> //replace XXX with your user name

git pull --rebase origin master //this will pull commits from the repo on git and put them under yours. If you have conflicting code, you will have to fix it before committing...

When you want to push your changes:

`git push origin <local branch>:<remote branch>` //Remote branch is master generally. Your local branch can be found with **git status**. Always pull (above command) before pushing.