Benedict Jones

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Technical Skills

Design Tools Solid Works, AutoCAD, Fusion 360, Blender, Adobe Creative Suite (Photoshop, Illustrator, InDesign, Premiere Pro, After Effects)

Prototyping 3D printing (FDM & SLA), Laser cutting, Electronics prototyping, Hand modelling

Programming Python, MATLAB, HTML/CSS/JS

Soft Skills Interdisciplinary collaboration, Rapid ideation, Design communication, User research, Public speaking

Projects

2025 Novel Nutritional Fabrication Machine

Designed, built, developed and tested a rapid additive gelatine-based machine and system for desktop use.

- Employed knowledge in electrics, electronics, mechanics, and rheology (of food), to construct a novel appliance.
- O Built and incorporated a web-based app to personalise and define gummy snacks.
- The complete system was displayed at the RCA 2025 Expo in Battersea over 3 days and is listed for the James Dyson Award 2025.

2025 Explored and Delivered an Innovative Solution to Fresh Food Packaging waste

Worked in a team combining 5 different disciplines within the design and artisanal field over 6 months, delivering a keynote presentation at the end of the timeline.

- Researched and experimented with biomaterials to build packaging materials using powdered orange peel.
- Worked with branding design and built a narrative to contextualise the innovation.

2025 Designed and Built a Bamboo Stool

Using no adhesive, or Joineries other than Bamboo Combs.

- Designed and built a stool using bamboo combs and bamboo strips.
- Exhibited it along with 120 other stools in an exhibition.

2024 Micro-3D Printing Thesis

Developed a novel approach for micro-structured 3D prints using TPU on conventional printers.

- Engineered complex lattice structures without specialist machinery.
- Integrated parametric design with automated G-code generation.
- Achieved a first-class result; praised for technical creativity and repeatability.

2024 Civil Engineering Structural Design

Designed and calculated structural elements for a retaining wall project.

- Created full construction documentation and CAD detail drawings.
- Received a first-class grade for technical accuracy.

2023 Open-Source Rube Goldberg Machine

Led a team of 5 to design a fully printable chain reaction device.

- Delivered within a full academic cycle.
- Managed file repositories, user documentation, and presentation.

Formal Experience

- Summer 2023 Research Collaborator in HCI, Swansea University, Swansea, Wales
 - O Co-developed a self-powered sensor array for environmental sensing.
 - Led user feedback sessions and visualised deployment data.
 - O Coauthored a paper published at NordiCHI 2024; also created an accompanying video.
 - 2022-2023 **Solidity Developer**, Remote
 - Engaged in the ERC-20 space and developed numerous smart-contracts for various third-party projects. Notably, developed the first mainstream smart-contract with integrated depreciating fees
 - Deployed and managed smart-contracts for active cryptocurrency projects during their initial launches.
- Summer 2020 Computer Science Intern, Swansea University & Council, Swansea, Wales
 - O Piloted a drone for surveying the Arena Abertawe infrastructure site.
 - Used photos/videos to generate accurate 3D models of future construction.

Education

- 2024-2025 Masters of Arts Product Design, Royal College of Art, London, UK
- 2020-2024 Bachelors of Engineering General & Civil (2:1), Durham University, Durham, UK
- 2013–2020 A-levels: Mathematics (A*), Further Mathematics (A), Physics (A), Art & Design (A), Welsh Baccalaureate (A*)
 - GCSEs: 10 A*s, 2As, Olchfa Comprehensive School, UK

Certifications

- Active CAA Operator License
- 2014-2021 Duke of Edinburgh Bronze, Silver & Gold
 - 2014 Grade 4 ABRSM (Piano)

Volunteering

- 2022 Intern youth leader, Jubilee Community Church (Cape Town)
- 2017–2019 Young leader, Beavers (Scouts UK division)

Languages

- English Native proficiency
- Welsh Intermediate (spoken and written)

Interests

- Creative Novel product design, DIY electronics, physical computing
- Personal Tennis, photography, travel, content creation

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