## Orange Edge: The Study of Law

## First Day Assignment

Read Chapters 1 -3 in your textbook, *Expert Learning for Law Students* (3d ed.), and then prepare a personal reflection essay that answers the following questions:

- 1. Recall a learning experience that did not go as well as you would have liked. Was there a point before you received the grade when you knew things were not going well?
  - a. If "yes," how did you know? Why were you unable to address the issue(s) productively?
  - b. If "no," why do you think that you were unaware that you were having a learning difficulty?
- 2. What aspects of the Self-Regulated Learning Cycle make sense to you? Why? (What have you observed in your life as a student that makes you believe that these aspects will work for your law school studies?)
- 3. What aspects of the Self-Regulated Learning Cycle do make sense to you? Why? (What have you observed in your life as a student that makes you believe that these aspects will not work for your law school studies?)
- 4. Is there anything you can do differently to improve your ability to learn and succeed in law school? How do you plan to implement these changes?
- 5. What have you learned about your learning preferences? How might your learning preferences influence how you go about studying law?

\*Bring your completed self-evaluation to class with you on August 2nd.