

**OUTLINING FOR EXAM SUCCESS**

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*How the heck am I supposed to put all of this information together?*

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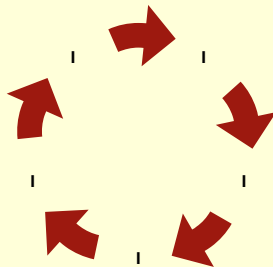
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*Can't see the forest . . . because they chopped down all the \*\$!!&\$#!+!!\* trees, turned them into paper, printed a gazillion casebooks, and are making me read them all!!!!!!*

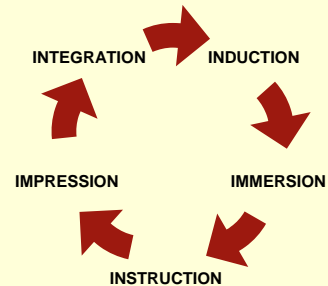
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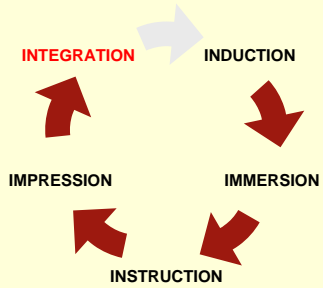
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  - Where can I get a good outline?

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- First question should be . . .
  - *Why* should I make an outline?

. . . and everything should follow from there.

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*So, why **should** you make an outline?*

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  - To acquire this level of knowledge, you must **integrate** the information you gathered throughout the semester.



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So, “How do I outline?”

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becomes . . .

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“How do I create an integrated study tool that will help me develop the intimate knowledge I need in order to do well on my exams?”

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  - Remember: Making the outline **is** studying.

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- Creating part of an outline and using part of someone else's (group outline method)
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- Relying on another student's outline.
- Not making an integrated study tool.

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**IF YOU HAVE NOT  
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