



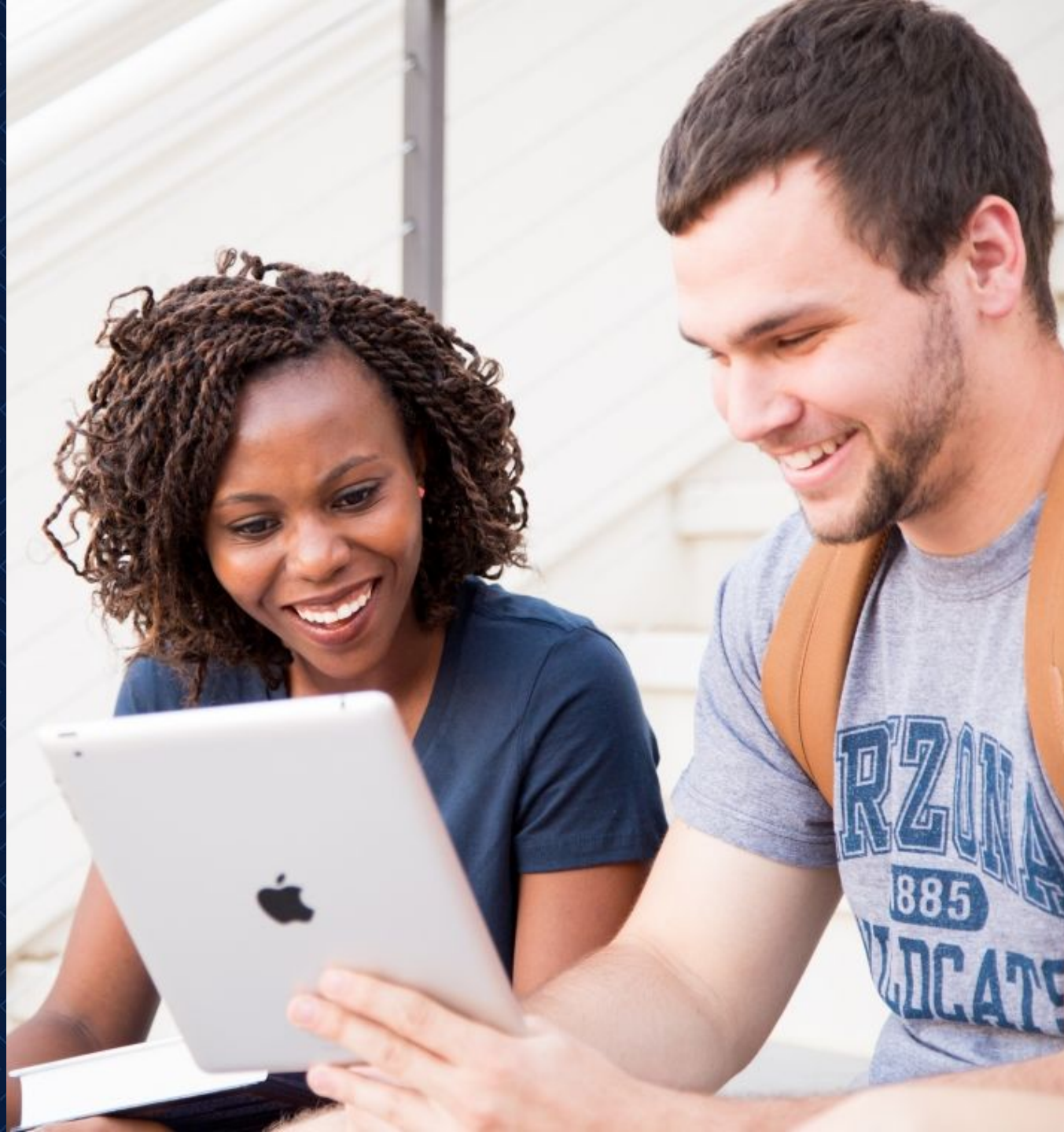
Mentorship in Action:

How Institutions Build Stronger Communities Through Peer Mentorship



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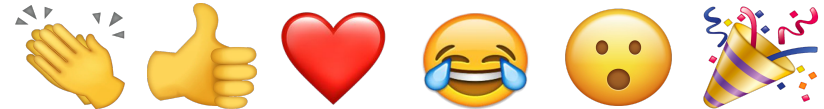
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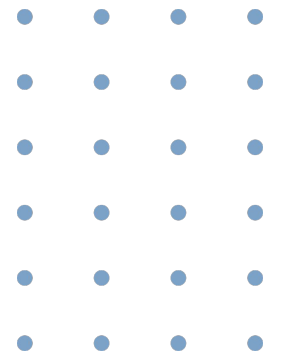
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Agenda

1. Introductions
2. Peer Mentorship Overview
3. Panel Discussion



What We Know About Retention & Belonging

1. Peer mentor outreach over the summer **decreases melt**, especially for historically marginalized students and particularly when mentor pairings take demographic data into consideration.
2. Multiple studies **show a positive relationship between peer mentorship and persistence**, especially for cohorts such as first-generation students.
3. Most research about the impact of mentorship on retention focuses on **term-to-term persistence**.

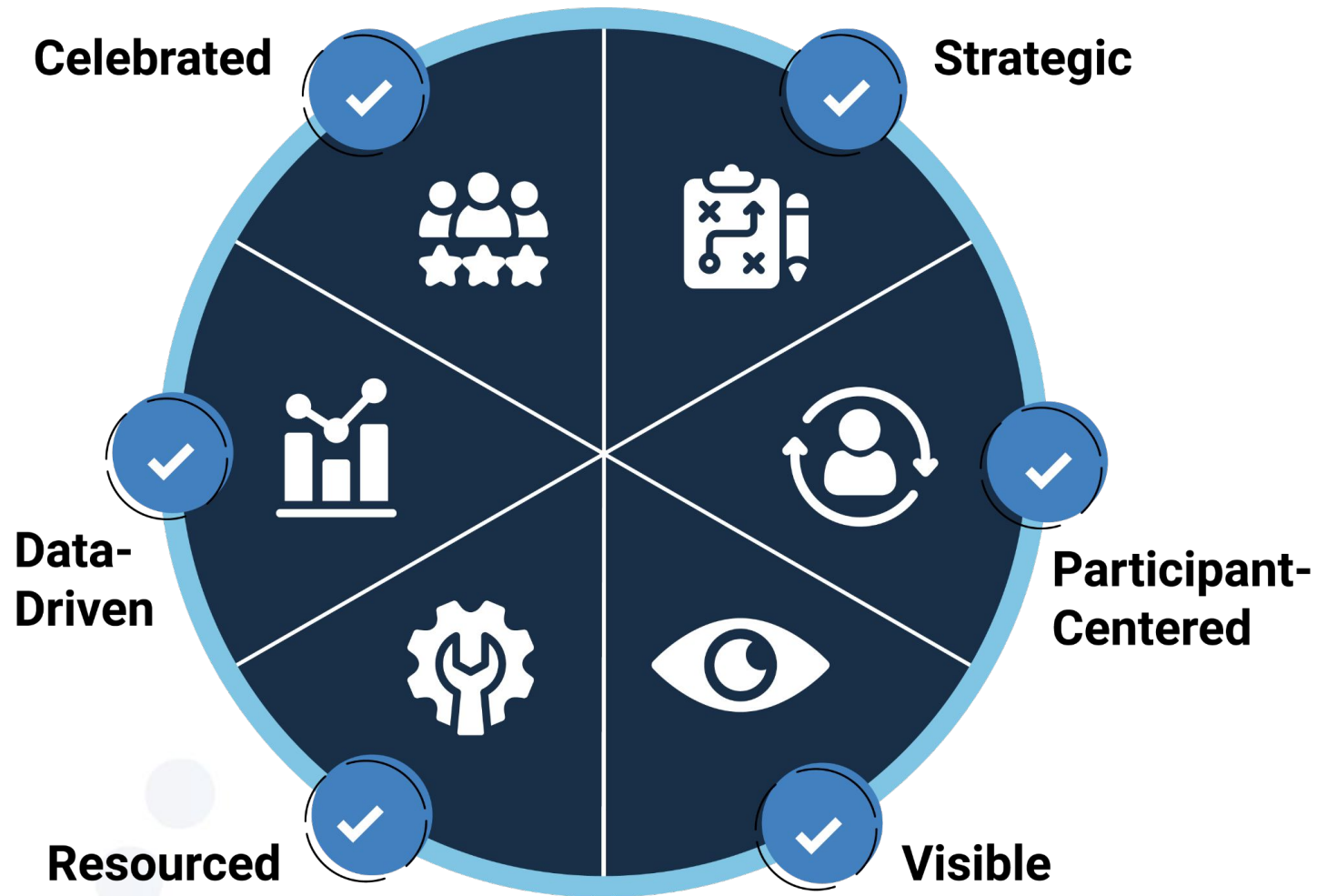


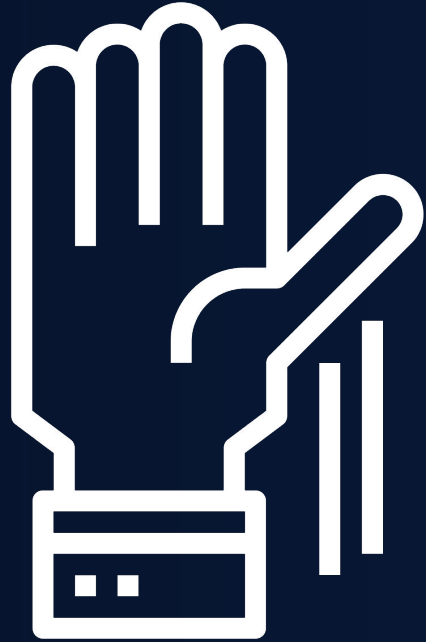
What We Know About Retention & Belonging

1. Students with peer mentors report **higher levels of belonging.**
2. Sense of belonging is also connected to **increased academic progress and reduced symptoms of distress** for underrepresented and first-generation college students.



What We Know About Retention & Belonging





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