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# **ABBREVIATIONS**

- 1 First Person
- 2 Second Person
- 3 Third Person
- ACC Accusative
- AM Autosegmental Metrical

ANOVA Analysis of Variance

- AP Accentual Phrase
- C Conjunct
- CL Classifier
- DEF Definitive
- EH Extra High tone
- ERG Ergative
- FEM Feminine
- FUT Future
- GEN Genitive
- H High Tone
- HAB Habitual
- HON Honorific
- IMP Imperative
- INF Infinitival
- INTR Interrogative Morpheme
- Ip intermediate phrase
- IP Intonational Phrase
- L Low Tone

- LOC Locative
- M Mid Tone
- NOM Nominative
- PL Plural
- POSS Possessive
- PRF Perfective
- PROG Progressive
- PRT Participle
- PrWd Prosodic Word
- Q Question Word
- QP Question Particle
- R Rising Tone
- ToBI Tone and Break Indices